

Enabling Garden

Why a healthy new garden, built by a Boy Scout, will soon be blooming at Raritan Valley Community College. **1B**

Courier News

PART OF THE USA TODAY NETWORK

Girls lacrosse player of the year. **IN SPORTS**

Personal battle leads to team



PHOTOS COURTESY OF AMERICAN DIABETES ASSOCIATION

As the captain of Team Dia-Bad-Ass, Cavallo is responsible for leading the group.

Hillsborough lacrosse player fused her passion for sports and leadership after diabetes diagnosis

MIA ROSSI COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTOR

When Erika Cavallo was finishing up her freshman year at Towson University, she was looking forward to summer. However, on April 3, 2015, toward the end of her second semester, she received some surprising news: she had type 1 diabetes.

The Division One lacrosse player for the Towson Tigers said she "didn't really have a chance to process" that she had the disease.

"I've always been really athletic, and I wasn't playing lacrosse at all after I was diagnosed," the Hillsborough resident said. While Cavallo's life has certainly been different since her diagnosis, she has used her position as a type 1 diabetic and combined it with her passion for sports and leadership to do her part in raising awareness and funds for the American Diabetes Association. One way in which she is doing this is through participating in events like the American Diabetes Association's "Tour de Cure + Step Out Walk to Stop Diabetes."

On June 14, 2015, just two months after her diagnosis, Cavallo participated in her first Step Out Walk.

See **DIABETES**, Page 5A



Cavallo's team represents the support she has received since being diagnosed with type 1 diabetes.

Sisters raise the bar for outdoor events with Cocktail Caravan



JENNA INTERSIMONE
LIFE ABOARD THE TRAVELING CIRCUS

The last time you saw a '60s-style trailer, you were probably getting ready to be packed in with your gaggle of loud siblings, on your way to yet another campsite with your parents for a weekend of mosquito bites and overcooked hot dogs.

Today, if you happen to see one of these trailers driving on the Parkway, you may have just spotted the Cocktail Caravan, a mobile, fully staffed bar that brings everything hosts need, with alcohol provided by hosts, to keep guests' thirst quenched at an outdoor event or party.

Modeled after a 1960s travel trailer, Cocktail Caravan's design features a sleek, round outer shape with a traditional wooden bar ledge, pop-out windows, two keg taps, ice sinks for beverage storage and service, a seated bench and rustic décor. The bar travels with additional features to complete a rustic-chic look including wine



JENNA INTERSIMONE/STAFF PHOTO

Amanda, Holli and Ashley Willis (left to right) in front of the Cocktail Caravan.

See **SISTERS**, Page 3A



COURTESY OF BRIDGEWATER PLANNING BOARD

An architectural rendering of one of the 31 buildings in the proposed Patriot Greens apartment complex.

Developer wants 220 Bridgewater apartments

Patriot Greens would include 31 buildings

MIKE DEAK @MIKEDAKMYCJ

BRIDGEWATER - Developers' appetite for building more apartments in central Somerset County is still growing, as the township planning board will start hearing next week a proposal to build 220 apartments in the Finnerne section.

Eden Wood Realty of Whippany wants to build the rental units in the proposed Patriot Greens community on the 18-acre site of the former Weyerhaeuser office and warehouse facility between East Main Street and NJ Transit's Raritan Valley Line.

The 220 units would be built in 31 buildings in the L-shaped lot. According to the application filed with the township, 176 of the units will be market price while the remaining 44 will be affordable units. The affordable units will be interspersed with the market-rate units.

Plans call for the property to have 109 feet of frontage on East Main Street. The site is bordered on the east and west by single-family houses.

The project calls for 96 one-bedroom units, 115 two-bedroom units and nine three-bedroom units. The 31 three-story buildings will have either five units or 10 units. The buildings will have garages and most of the

See **PATRIOT**, Page 3A

Gun-control bills advance in N.J., stall in D.C.

ANDREW J. GOUDSWARD @AGOUTDSWARD
AND MIKE DAVIS @BYMIKEDAVIS

TRENTON - While partisan gun measures stalled anew in Washington, state lawmakers in Trenton pushed back against Gov. Chris Christie on gun control, advancing a measure advocates say would bar the governor from loosening New Jersey firearms laws.

In Trenton, the Senate Law and Public Safety Committee, by a vote of 3-2, approved a bill that would block new Christie-backed guidelines for obtaining a handgun-carrying permit from taking effect. Hours later, the U.S. Senate, responding to last week's shooting massacre in Orlando, Florida, blocked two Republican and two Democratic gun bills — the best Washington could muster in the wake of the worst mass shooting in U.S. history.

In Trenton, however, the legislative gun fight remained alive.

Under state law, gun-carry applicants are only permitted to carry a handgun if they can prove evidence of actual specific threats or specific attacks against them. A state police panel convened by Christie last year recommended the rationale be updated to include "serious threats" as a reason for carrying a handgun, seen by gun-control advocates as an easier

See **GUN**, Page 5A

ADVICE	5B
CLASSIFIED	5C
COMICS	4B
OBITUARIES	8A
OPINION	6A
SPORTS	1C
TV	5B

