



NEW JERSEY STATE SOCIETY

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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

We are coming to the end of another busy year and I want to thank our members for contributing to all of our tremendous success. NJSS individual, family, corporate/organizational memberships, and most importantly, excitement and participation, is at the highest point in years. A special thanks also to the NJSS Board of Directors who continue to volunteer their time and expertise for the betterment of this very special organization.

Looking back, it's hard to believe the year is almost over. Of all the events NJSS sponsored this year, I am most proud of Team-NJSS for participating in the Sep-

tember Dash for Dad 10K Prostate Cancer Awareness Race and raising more money for prostate cancer research than any other team! Please take a look inside the Newsletter for more details about this and other events NJSS recently hosted.

We are in full swing preparing for NJSS' signature event: the Garden State Inaugural Gala on the evening of Tuesday, January 20, 2009 at the Washington Court Hotel on New Jersey Avenue, NW in Washington, DC. Please note that special sponsorship packages are available only through December 16, 2008.

But before we celebrate the inauguration, all NJSS members are invited to relax and spend time together at the annual NJSS Holiday Reception on Sunday, December 7 at Laporta's Restaurant in Alexandria. Look inside for details.

And lastly, I hope you will take a few moments to visit our new website at www.njss.org. The NJSS website is being constantly updated with new information about events and other important notices. We hope you enjoy it and continue to be a part of the NJSS community.

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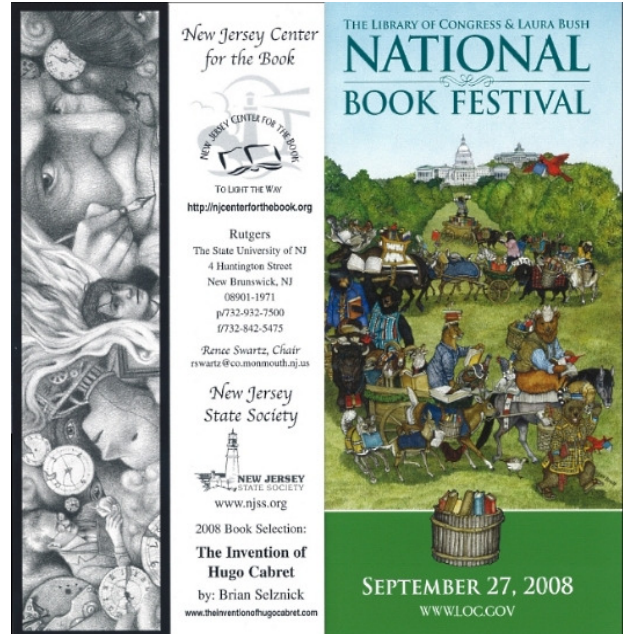
NJSS SPONSORS THE NEW JERSEY EXHIBIT AT THE 8TH ANNUAL NATIONAL BOOK FESTIVAL

September 27, 2008 — NJSS was pleased to again partner with the New Jersey Center for the Book in sponsoring the New Jersey Exhibit Table at the 2008 National Book Festival. 125,000 visitors came to the National Mall to visit the tents full of literature and activities.

The New Jersey Exhibit was proud to honor New Jersey native Brian Selznick and his 2008 Caldecott Award Winning Book, *The Invention of Hugo Cabaret*.

"It was a pleasure to work with the NJ State Society. Your volunteers were so professional and so devoted in spending their allotted time schedules fully committed to presenting the New Jersey exhibit with great style. Thank you for your participation, for your financial contribution, and for the splendid support the State Society has always given to the NJ Center for the Book. We look forward to working with you in the future."

Renee B. Swartz
Chair, New Jersey Center for the Book
Past Presidential Appointee, National Board, Institute of
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The 2008 NJ Exhibit Bookmark and Festival Program Art

NJSS TOP FUNDRAISING TEAM AT DASH FOR DAD RACE PROSTATE CANCER AWARENESS RACE

September 28, 2008 — NJSS was proud and honored to organize a team of runners and gather donations for the Dash for Dad / Depend 10K Prostate Cancer Awareness Race that supports ZERO, the project to end prostate cancer. Team NJSS was the top fundraising team with \$1,145 in donations generated for prostate cancer early detection research and free screenings for those at risk. In the state of New Jersey, Prostate cancer is the most commonly diagnosed form of cancer for men

and exceeds the national average rate.

Special thanks to our dedicated runners and to all who generously donated!



Alexandria, VA — Commencement of the Race

SAVE THE DATE

2009 Garden State Inaugural Gala

SOLD OUT

Date: Tuesday, January 20th, 2009

Location: The Washington Court Hotel
525 New Jersey Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20001

Time: 7:30 p.m.- 11:30 p.m.

Attire: Black Tie Optional

The Event: The Garden State Gala is one of the premier events on inaugural night celebrating the presidential inauguration. Join us at this special celebration that will feature fine food and beverages, top- notch live musical entertainment by the 'B Street Band,' the number one Bruce Springsteen tribute band for over two decades, and a distinguished list of attendees, including Members of Congress, administration officials, education and corporate leaders, media, and other dignitaries.



THIS EVENT IS SOLD OUT.

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Katz Government Affairs, LLC

“Katz Government Affairs, LLC is a professional lobbying firm in New Jersey’s state capital that possesses a deep understanding of New Jersey’s government and a detailed knowledge of the state’s political environment. The firm was founded in 2003 by Carol Katz, who has a long history in successfully representing dozens of clients for eighteen years, serving as the lobbyist for large companies, as well as a myriad of trade and professional associations in the state of New Jersey.”



“Daiichi Sankyo, Inc. is an independent U.S. subsidiary of the second largest pharmaceutical company in Japan, Daiichi Sankyo Co., Ltd., with its headquarters located in Parsippany, NJ. The company develops and markets drugs in five therapeutic areas: cardiovascular, metabolic disease, oncology, immunology, and anti-infectives. Daiichi Sankyo, Inc. currently employs about 600 people in the state, including 300 at its Parsippany headquarters and 220 at the company’s Clinical Development offices in Edison. Nationally, the company employs more than 2,000 people, with about 30% of its work force based in New Jersey.”



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NJSS WELCOMES ITS NEWEST BOARD MEMBERS

Nancy Blades Fatemi

worked for many years on Capitol Hill and is now retired and volunteering as NJSS’s director of Corporate and Organizational Membership and for the Virginia Democratic Party. During her career, she served as legislative director and press secretary for former Rep. James J. Howard, D-N.J., who served as chairman of the House Public Works and Transportation Committee and as special assistant to Rep. Frank Pallone, Jr., D-N.J. In February of 2007, when Rep. Pallone became Chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Health Subcommittee, she became Rep. Pallone’s Health Care Legislative Assistant. Nancy grew up in Avon-by-the-Sea, N.J., graduated from Asbury Park High School and Douglass College, and earned a masters degree from Columbia Graduate School of Journalism.

Kevin Horahan

was born in Edison and raised in Brick. He spent several years in New Brunswick where he lived, went to college, and worked as a paramedic. Not long after graduating from Rutgers’ Bloustein School, he moved to Washington. In D.C., he did some policy and government relations work while continuing his education, getting a graduate degree from George Washington University and a law degree from Catholic University. Since 2002, he’s worked for the Department of Labor. His work in the Employee Benefits Security Administration focuses on group health plan regulatory and compliance assistance issues. He lives in Silver Spring, MD with his wife, Marianne.

Allyson Blandford

has worked for Medco Health Solutions since June 2008 as Manager, Government Affairs. She handles the Medco PAC and grassroots efforts, as well as coordinating New Jersey Group and Pennsylvania Group events. She arranges Medco fly-ins, and attends Congressional hearings and meetings. Prior to her work with Medco, she was the Director of Programs and Administration for the Parcel Shippers Association. From 2002 to 2007, she worked for Congressman Tom Davis as Office Manager on the House Government Reform Committee. During the first session of the 110th Congress, she served as Professional Staff Member, working as Committee floor staff on non-controversial legislation. Allyson graduated from Indiana University and is a native of Indiana

ANNOUNCING THE LAUNCH OF NJSS'S NEW AND IMPROVED WEBSITE

Come check it out
@
www.njss.org



Featuring:

- Purchase tickets online for upcoming events, including the must-attend 2009 Garden State Inaugural Gala
- Calendar of current and past events
- Access to Corporate and Organizational Members
- Individual, family, and Corporate and Organizational membership sign-up and renewal
- Quarterly newsletters
- New Jersey fun facts and links keeping you connected to the Garden State

Holiday Reception

Date: Sunday, December 7th
Location: Laporta's Restaurant
 1600 Duke Street
 Alexandria, VA 22314
 (2 blocks from King Street metro-yellow line)
Time: 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

PURCHASE TICKETS AT
WWW.NJSS.ORG
 TICKETS ONLY \$15 FOR
 NJSS MEMBERS



In the spirit of the holiday season, we encourage guests to bring an unwrapped toy to be donated to the patients of Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside, NJ.



P.O. Box 65086
Washington, DC 20035

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The Society fosters educational, cultural, charitable and social activities and provides a networking link between New Jerseyans and former New Jerseyans in government and the private sector.

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