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1. NETWORKING OPPORTUNITIES

Lakewood Chamber Young Professionals Committee:

Jan 30th. Charlie Brown's Steak House Tinton Falls Speaker: Don Herbert
"How to Build and Articulate a Value Proposition" \$ 20.00

Feb. 5th. Mardi Gras to benefit the Ladacin Network CareOne at Jackson
11 History Lane Jackson NJ 07527

BNI – Coastal Connections Chapter – Every Wednesday 7 am Sea Breeze Deli
111 Rt. 71 Spring Lake Heights

Business and Professional Women – Southern Ocean County – Charlie Browns Steakhouse
Rt. 9 Lacey Every second Tuesday of the month.

FISHNET – Every fourth Saturday of the month. Close Encounters, Chambersbridge Rd. Brick.

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2. IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR

January 31st – 1099's and W-2s due to recipients.
February 28th – Forms 1099, 1096, W-2 and W-3 due to IRS

CALL FOR INCOME TAX APPOINTMENTS EARLY!

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3. KEEP YOUR FINANCIAL RESOLUTIONS THIS YEAR

Paying off debt and saving money are among the most popular New Year's resolutions. Here are some helpful tips for those who want to meet to meet their financial objectives in the coming months.

<http://moneymattersnj.com/story.cfm?SID=13023>

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4. SURE-FIRE STEPS TO ACHIEVE YOUR FINANCIAL GOALS

What are your financial aspirations for the coming year?
Would you like to pay off some high-interest debt? Step up your retirement savings? Set aside enough for an exciting

vacation? Here are several steps you can take to turn your financial dreams into realistic goals.

<http://moneymattersnj.com/story.cfm?SID=13024>

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5. TAX-DEDUCTIBLE DONATIONS: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW

Americans donated an estimated \$295 billion to different charities in 2006, a new record, according to "Giving USA 2007," a report from the Giving USA Foundation. Our generosity allows us to make a difference for a wide range of worthy causes. There's a reward for this generosity, too, because it also qualifies you to take tax deductions for your donations. However, recent changes in the tax law have made a difference on which deductions you are allowed to claim. <http://moneymattersnj.com/story.cfm?SID=13025>

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6. TAX-SMART RETIREMENT PLANNING

In the past, companies supplied retirement funds for their employees through defined-benefit pension plans that paid a set amount to retirees. Today, those plans are rare, and employers are increasingly shifting the responsibility for retirement savings to the employee. That means that workers must take an active role in planning - and saving - for their retirement. The good news is that there are many tax-advantaged options that can enhance the growth and earnings power of your retirement nest egg.

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