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1. Networking Opportunities

Lakewood Chamber of Commerce Young Professionals Committee:

Networking & S'more with the Girl Scouts of the Jersey Shore. Camp Sacajawea.
More details to follow.

BNI – Coastal Connections Chapter – Every Wednesday 7 am. The Atlantic Club Manasquan. Call for more details.

Business & Professional Women of Southern Ocean County - Every second Tuesday of the month.
Charlie Brown's Steakhouse Route 9, Forked River Call for more details.

FISHNET: Every fourth Saturday of the month. Special Meeting May 28. First Energy Park. Lakewood Blueclaws baseball game, picnic and networking. 5:30 pm
\$ 20.00. Call for more details.

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2. IMPORTANT DATES - MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

May 15 – April Payroll Withholdings due.

May 20 – New Jersey Sales Tax Due

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3. THIS MONTH'S PODCAST: WHAT TO DO WITH YOUR TAX REFUND

You've finally settled up with Uncle Sam and got a refund. So what should you do with the extra cash? A member of the New Jersey Society of CPAs has some suggestions in this month's podcast.

<http://www.moneymattersnj.com/story.cfm?sid=13907>

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4. PROTECTING YOUR RETIREMENT SAVINGS

Problems in the stock market have affected virtually every sector of the economy, but the impact on retirement accounts has been the most worrisome for many people. Here are some steps you can take now to protect your remaining savings.

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5. BORROWING FROM YOUR COMPANY RETIREMENT PLAN

Tapping into your retirement plan during a financial emergency can be an acceptable step in the absence of other borrowing options. Here's how to make the most of this borrowing option and avoid common mistakes.

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6. NEW JERSEY TAX AMNESTY PROGRAM: MAY 4 - JUNE 15

The New Jersey Division of Taxation has initiated a limited-time Tax Amnesty program for individuals and businesses that, due to tough economic times, owe taxes and are confronted with accumulating interest payments and penalties. From Monday, May 4, until June 15, 2009, the Division will waive all penalties and forgive half of the interest owed.

<http://www.moneymattersnj.com/story.cfm?SID=13894>

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7. HOW TO LOWER YOUR PRESCRIPTION DRUG COSTS

Many people struggle to meet the steep price of medications for their families, particularly in a tough economy. Here are some tips to make this necessary expense more affordable.

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8. ADDITIONAL HEADLINES

* Smart Steps for Funeral Planning -

<http://www.moneymattersnj.com/story.cfm?sid=13853>

* Beware of the 2009 "Dirty Dozen" Tax Scams -

<http://www.moneymattersnj.com/story.cfm?sid=13842>

* Nest Egg 2009: Five Ways to Stretch Your Savings -

<http://www.smartmoney.com/Personal-Finance/Retirement/Nest-Egg-2009-5-Ways-to-Stretch-Your-Savings/>

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