Assembly OKs fine for text message advertisements

TRENTON — Companies sending advertisements to cell phones through text messaging could be slapped with up to a $10,000 fine, under legislation approved by the Assembly.

The measure would prohibit companies doing business in New Jersey from sending advertisements if the recipients would either be charged a fee or lose minutes allotted in their cell phone plans to view them.

"Just as telephone customers have been able to close their homes to unwanted telemarketing calls, cell customers should be able to be free of unwanted text ads," said Assemblyman Paul Moriarty, D-4, of Washington Township, one of the bill sponsors.

According the technology news source CNet, an estimated 500 million unsolicited text messages were received by cell users worldwide in 2007. That number is expected to reach one billion by the end of this year. Under the proposal, cell phone users would have to give a company permission to send text message advertisements.

If signed into law, a company would be allowed only one unsolicited ad before they are considered to have violated the regulations.

Violations would be punishable under the state's Consumer Fraud Act, with fines for a first offense up to $10,000 and for repeat offenses, up to $20,000.

Assemblyman David Mayer, D-4, of Gloucester, who is also sponsoring the bill, said the unwanted ads can no longer be ignored.

The measure (A-3231) passed the Assembly 77-2 this week, and was referred to the Senate Commerce Committee.

OBITUARIES

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Norman Emilio Cancglin

Norman Emilio Cancglin, age 77 died on Jan. 30, 2007 at St. Agnes Hospital, Philadelphia. He was a lifelong resident of Pitman. From 1947-1949 he served in the U.S Navy. Norman was a supervisor for Sony Music in Pitman and retired in 1991 after 32 years. He was a member of Our Lady Queen of Peace Church in Pitman, the Knights of Columbus and the Catholic Golden Age. He was an avid Philadelphia sports fan and loved woodworking.

He is survived by his wife Isabel (nee Grady), children Leon Kinkade of Ewan, Susan Cancglin of Pitman and James Cancglin of Riverside, brothers Enrico of Pitman, Raymond of Ga., sister Doreen Burger of Gibbsboro.

Predeceased by sister Cassandra Geroni.

Friends may call on Sunday 4-6 p.m. and Monday 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. at the KELLEY FUNERAL HOME, 125 Pitman Ave, Pitman, NJ.

Funeral mass will be Monday at 11 a.m. in Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, Pitman Ave, Pitman.

Interment Manahath Cemetery.

Contributions may be made to the American Parkinson Foundation, NJ Chapter, PO Box 214, Elizabeth, NJ 07207 or the American Diabetes Assoc., 150 Monument Rd., Suite 100, Bala Cynwyd, Pa. 19004.

Memorials may be shared at *www.kelleyfhpitman.com.*

Michael J. Cipollone Jr.

Michael J. Cipollone Jr., 58, of Collingswood formerly of Williamstown, on 2/1/07. For service info visit *www.farnellifuneralhome.com* or call the FARNELLI FUNERAL HOME, Williamstown **(856) 629-5291**.

Christopher J. Collins

Christopher J. Collins suddenly on Jan. 30, 2007, of Deptford, N.J. Age 27 years.

Beloved son of Margaret (Robert) Sullivan and Danny (Ginny) Collins Sr. Dear brother of Danny Collins Jr., Michael Collins, Andrew Galdi and Amy Collins. Also survived by his maternal grandfather Eugene (Amelia) Dyer and many aunts, uncles and cousins. Loving uncle of Danny III, Zachary and Jason.

Christopher lived life to the fullest. He was a former player and present coach of Deptford Midget football and a longtime, avid Dallas Cowboy fan. He was also a former wrestler and current coach of Deptford Midget wrestling.

Relatives and friends are invited to attend his funeral service on Monday 11 a.m. at the FOSTER-WARNE FUNERAL HOME, 250 White Horse Pike, Audubon, NJ.

Interment Holy Cross Cemetery, Yeadon, Pa.

Friends may call Monday 9-11 a.m.

Henry H. Eden Jr.

Henry H. Eden Jr. on Jan. 31, 2007, formerly of the Glendora section of Gloucester Township. Age 83. Survived by his children: Julia A. Neal (Joseph), Sarah E. Groff (Robert) of Sweetwater, Ellen M. Wagenman (Robert) of Fairfield, Calif., Henry H. Eden III (Marguerite), Thomas E. Eden (Susan) and Mary Anderson, all of Erial, Jo Myers (Jerry) of Clayton and Debra Lockard (Jim) of Spring Mountain, Pa. Also survived by 25 grandchildren and 25 great-grandchildren. Predeceased by wives Anna F. (nee Rafferty) and Janice (nee Martinez), children Anna F. and John A. Eden and two grandsons. Mr. Eden served with the U.S. Navy during World War II.

He was a member of Stetser Lamartine American Legion Post #281, Chews Landing and VFW Post #8714, Glendora. Mr. Eden retired from NJ Transit after 37 years of service and resided in St. Petersburg, Fla., where he enjoyed many years of sunny weather.

Relatives and friends are invited to the viewing from 9 to 11 a.m. Saturday morning at GARDNER FUNERAL HOME, RUNNEMEDE, 126 S. Black Horse Pk., Runnemede. Service 11 a.m. at the funeral home. Interment New St. Mary's Cemetery, Bellmawr.

Family requests in lieu of flowers donations be made in Mr. Eden's memory to the Erial Volunteer Ambulance Squad, P.O. Box 401, Blackwood, NJ 08012.

Expressions of sympathy may be e-mailed to *Condolences@GardnerFuneralHome.com.*

Emma A. Gezzi

Emma A. Gezzi, 80, a life long resident of Gibbstown, passed away Jan. 31, 2007. She is the wife of the late Anthony A. Gezzi and mother of the late Anthony A. Gezzi, Jr.

Survived by her loving and dedicated sister Dorothy Biggs, Gibbstown, nephews Jeff & David, Aunt Corine Ciotti, cousins John Tranquillo (Jerlyn), and Julie DiGiambattista, also survived by several other nieces and nephews.

Emma loved the casino, was a member of the St. Michael's Ladies Auxiliary and the Senior Citizens of Gibbstown.

A viewing will be held Saturday, 9-10 a.m. at the St. Michael's Church, Memorial Ave., Gibbstown, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m.

Interment St. Joseph's Cemetery, Swedesboro.

In lieu of flowers donations may be made to the charity of your choice.

Arrangements by the LANDOLFI FUNERAL HOME of Paulsboro, 300 W. Broad St., Paulsboro, NJ.

Charles Edward Kato Sr.

Charles Edward Kato Sr. was born June 2, 1922 to the late Adam and Ethel Kato in Sylvester, Georgia. He was employed by Mobil Oil Corporation and retired after 37½ years of service. Mr. Kato departed this life on Monday, January 28, 2007.

Among those he leaves to cherish his memories are his children; Calvin Ferguson (Rochelle), Lonese Kato, Nadine Washington (John), Judith Gibson (Wayne), Charles Kato Jr. (Patricia), Elzie Kato (Deborah) and Sherry Montgomery (Clarence); sixteen grandchildren; two great-grandchildren and a host of nieces and nephews.

Service 11 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 3, 2007 at Bethlehem Baptist Church, 414 Mantua Avenue, Woodbury, New Jersey.

Viewing 9 a.m.-11 a.m.

Interment at Gates of Heaven Cemetery, Mt. Royal, New Jersey.

Arr. by BAGWELL FUNERAL HOME Penns Grove, N.J.

Nadine J. Newcomb

Nadine J. Newcomb, 93, she died peacefully at home in Blacksburg, Virginia on Jan. 27, 2007. Her husband was the late Robert E. Newcomb, lawyer. Their happy marriage of more than 54 years produced three children who survive: Nikki (Kylea) Taylor of Santa Cruz, Calif., John Newcomb of Blacksburg, Va., and Dr. Steven Newcomb of Blacksburg, Va.. Also surviving are her seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Nadine was born Dec. 31, 1913 in Glassboro, N.J. She graduated from Glassboro High School as Valedictorian, Ursinus College with Honors in English, the University of Pennsylvania Law School with a J.D. degree and Drexel University Library School with a B.S. in L.S. Her life was spent trying to improve communities in which she lived. In Glassboro, NJ, she was, at various times, Chair of the Planning Board, Chair of the Housing Authority (which built 100 units for families and 60 units for the elderly, and a 200-acre urban renewal project.) For ten years she was the Director of the Glassboro Public Library, started a program called "Good Start" for disadvantaged parents and their preschool children, and moved the library into larger quarters.

Nadine was an Elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Glassboro, taught an adult class, was chair of the Building Committee which built a new church building, was Chair of the Committee of Religion and Race for West Jersey Presbytery, and made two trips to the South in the 1960's to help with voter registration of African-Americans. When she and her husband moved to Blacksburg in 1988, they joined Northside Presbyterian Church. She was awarded "Outstanding Older Active Adult" by the Presbytery of the Peaks, and later by the Synod of the Northeast.

In Blacksburg she was active in the League of Women Voters of Montgomery County, serving as President during 1994, and as Membership Chair for several years. She was an ardent gardener and played tennis enthusiastically until she was 85. She and her husband started a "Great Books" reading group that still continues.

Milton "Bud" Redfield

Milton "Bud" Redfield, 79 years, of Clayton, N.J. died on Thursday Feb. 1, 2007 in Kennedy Hospital, Washington Township, N.J.

Born in Camden, and formerly of Woodbury, he was a resident of Clayton for the past 47 years.

Bud enjoyed music and dancing. Husband of the late Teresa (nee) Harrold. He is survived by his loving children, Dawn T. (John) Smith of Wilmington, Del., Michael T. (Marie) Redfield of Newark, Del., and Ronald J. (Mary) Redfield of Mays Landing, N.J. Seven grandchildren. His dear Sisters, Margaret Wood of Ill., Evelyn Campbell of West Deptford, and Doris Clifford of Woodbury. His long time companion, Patricia Booth of Clayton.

Relatives and friends are invited to his viewing on Sunday evening from 7 to 9 PM, and Monday morning from 9 to 10 AM., at the BARCLAY FUNERAL HOME, Broad and Maple Sts. Clayton, NJ.

Mass of Christian Burial at 10:30 a.m., St. Catherine of Siena Church, Clayton.

Interment, Eglington Cem. Clarksboro.

For those who so desire, contributions may be made to the American Lung Assoc., of NJ, 1600 Rte. 22 East, Union, NJ 07083-3407.

Expressions of Sympathy can be e-mailed to the family, through our funeral home website, *www.barclayfuneralhome.net.*

Ralph J. Virden

Ralph J. Virden on Jan. 31, 2007. Age 84. Of Sewell. Formerly of Gloucester City and Paulsboro. Surrounded and cared for by his devoted family. Loving brother of Doris Homer of Gloucester City, Milton Virden of Paulsboro, Thomas Virden (wife Veronica) of Gloucester City and the late Grover "Skeets" Virden Jr., Catherine Glover, William Virden, Robert Virden, Francis Virden and Helen Cheeseman. Ralph is also survived by many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. He was a longtime resident of Paulsboro and Gloucester City. Ralph always enjoyed the company of his friends and family.

Relatives and friends are kindly invited to attend his viewing on Saturday morning from 8:30-10 a.m. from the McCANN-HEALEY FUNERAL HOME: 851 Monmouth Street (at Brown Street) Gloucester City. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated 10:30 a.m. at Saint Mary's R.C. Church: 426 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City.

Interment Eglington Cemetery, Clarksboro. There will be no evening viewing.

Family requests that memorial donations be made in Ralph's memory to Msgr. Lucitt's Needy Children's Fund: c/o Saint Mary's R.C. Church at the above address. Please write in the memo of the check Ralph J. Virden.

Expressions of sympathy can be e-mailed to the family *through our website www.mccannhealey.com* under online obituaries of Ralph J. Virden.

Funeral Arrangements and Inquires may be made through: McCANN-HEALEY FUNERAL HOME: 851 Monmouth Street, Gloucester City, NJ 08030. Phone: **856-456-1142**.

In Memoriam

In Loving Memory of
ROBERT A. "BOB" MATTSON
Who passed away Feb. 2, 2005
It does not take the bitter winds of February to remind us of our loss. May you rest in peace and may we have the courage to continue looking forward.
You are forever in our hearts.
Much Love, Betty
Claudia & Jared
Cyndy, Karl & Matt
Kim, Joe & Beth

In Loving Memory Of
LILLIAN VELYKIS
March 6, 1925 – Feb 2, 2006
It's been a year since you've been gone, but not a day goes by that we don't think of you. You are truly missed and loved a lot.
Love your husband Willie & family

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