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## Project Spotlights

### The Bernards Inn



*The Bernards Inn (Leading Boutique Hotel and Dining Venue)  
Flooring facelift!*

### Kent Place School



*Kent Place (Prominent Private K-12 Girls Preparatory School)  
Dining hall branding with school spirit.*

## Karen's Corner

## Passion

**pas·sion/ 'paSHən/ NOUN**

Passion is when you put more energy into something than is required to do it. It is more than just enthusiasm or excitement; **passion** is **ambition** that is materialized into action to put as much heart, mind, body and soul into something as possible.



As we embark on 2019, I'd like to reflect on the past year and take a pulse on where we are going. Personally, I found 2018 to be a year full of challenges; but in handling those challenges, a story unfolded. TeamPAR offers more than just commercial finishes to our clients. Our **PASSION** to affect positive change and make a lasting impact is both invaluable and contagious. **PARflooring & PARsolutions** accepts challenges and contracts with the intent to:

- Improve the performance of a space.
- Decrease ongoing maintenance costs.
- Add value to the occupants through biophilic design & wellness in the workplace.
- Provide workstation and seating solutions that improve productivity - especially for the millennial generation.
- Increase team building through the creation of useful collaborative spaces.
- Listen and ensure that the project remains within budget by implementing our extensive product knowledge and teambuilding skills.

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## Featured Blog

### What is Lean Construction?

Finding and implementing efficiencies has been the key to success in most manufacturing practices and industries. Over 50% of construction projects are still over budget and delivered late. So, in steps **Lean Construction Institute (LCI)** founded in 1997.

Lean Construction improves the overall design-construction process of creating new projects while also controlling construction costs. **Personally, I think the key to their success is getting professionals out of their silos and getting them to share their knowledge.** How does Lean Construction work?

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# Tips & Tricks



## Tips and Tricks

### #7: Quick Fix Cleaning for Forgotten Items

Life is fast and furious. After your family's needs are met, the refrigerator is filled, the clothing is all washed, and there is very little time for much else (before you get up, go to work and do it all again!). I want to touch upon a few forgotten items that are easy to clean helping your family remain germ free!

- **Coffee Pot:** Whether it is a traditional coffee maker or a K-Cup machine, white distilled vinegar is your friend! Add 1/2 part vinegar and 1/2 part water into the reservoir and run through the machine 1-3 times. Then run fresh water through the machine 1-3 more times and you are all set! This will descale your machine and ensure your coffee remains flavorful.
- **Washing Machine:** Of course, you can purchase a washing machine cleaner and follow their directions, but I am seeing a trend. You can use white distilled vinegar to clean your washing machine as well. First, run baking soda through the machine followed by a white distilled vinegar wash. Use the hottest cycle and run the machine empty both times. This will eliminate mold and odors.
- **Musty Basements:** Unfortunately, a musty smell in a basement is not just a cosmetic problem, but typically means that mold and mildew are present and can cause damage to the structure and quality of air. First, remove all textiles (carpeting, pillows, fabric covered furnishings) from the space, if possible, or sanitize them. Clean all walls, ceiling and surfaces with borax, bleach or vinegar diluted in water. Finally, add a dehumidifier to the space to control excess moisture and keep smells at bay.



Don't forget to run sponges and baby bath toys through the dishwasher too! These are just a few inexpensive, natural remedies that can improve your quality of life.



In under an hour, you can check these items off your list. Now go make it happen!

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In the Community

## TeamPAR's 18th Annual Toy Drive Another Huge Success!

Now in its 18th year, the **TeamPAR Annual Toy Drive** was a huge success once again, bringing in thousands of toys, plus \$1,565.25 worth of gift cards and cash donations – all to benefit the Jersey Battered Women's Service.


This donation supported 457 children and 218 families this year through the JBWS holiday boutique. Mothers and grandmothers who are current and former clients of JBWS "shopped" at no cost, selecting three to six items for each child, including gift cards and wrapping paper.















Thank you to our **24 Selfless Elves** and dozens of other individuals who shopped from our Amazon Wish List. You brought joy to deserving families this holiday season!



### 2018 TEAMPAR

TOY DRIVE DONATIONS TO JBWS



	24	SELFLESS ELVES
	1	PLAY KITCHEN
	6	RAZOR SCOOTERS
	8	BICYCLES
	2	SKATEBOARDS
	24	SPORTS BALLS & OVER
	50	ACTION HERO AND PRINCESS DOLLS WERE LOADED ONTO THE TRUCK
\$1565.25		 WORTH OF GIFT CARDS WERE HANDED TO THE CHILD ADVOCATE AT JBWS
	24	NEW COATS
	2	BOXES OF DIAPERS AND WIPES
	15	FANTASTIC MATCHBOX/HOT WHEELS SETS
	24	AND OVER 24 BABY DOLLS
OVER 30 HUGE HEFTY BAGS AND 10 SANTA SIZE BOXES WERE PUT ON THE TRUCK!		
	THOUSANDS	OF TOYS THAT FILLED UP A 24' BOX TRUCK TO MAKE CHILDREN'S HOLIDAY WISHES COME TRUE...
PRICELESS		



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*The only thing we do better than installing floors is build relationships.*