

Conference to feature cutting-edge workshop sessions

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If you're seeking a remedy to financial problems in the current economy, plan on attending some of the breakout sessions at the Road To Personal Wealth Financial Conference to obtain invaluable tips about making the most of your money.

"As it has for the last seven years, the Road to Personal Wealth Financial Conference is going to bring the best and most up-to-date financial information available to attendees," said Ruth Coules of Coul Productions, which is co-producer of the event being sponsored by The Star-Ledger and TD Bank. "We've got favorites like Fernando Garip (senior vice-president, regional director of Private Investment Council TD Wealth Management), giving his forecast for the next year, and Nick Miceli (market president of TD Bank) with a workshop business owners won't want to miss. He gives the inside scoop on forming a relationship with your banker so you can get the funding you need."

Other breakout sessions at

the conference, which will be held Saturday, Oct. 31 from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Rutgers University in New Brunswick, will include forums where several financial experts will help attendees make the most of their money. For example, Christopher Cordaro, chief investment officer and architect of RegentAtlantic's investment discipline and its analytical planning structure, will offer advice to intermediate investors about how to "Preserve and Grow Your Wealth." Lee Miller, career coach and co-founder of YourCareerDoctors.com, will help attendees "Improve Your Marketability: Get More Money On Your Next Job (Or In Your Current One)... In Any Economy," while Len Crosson, region vice-president for LifeLock identity theft protection, will speak about "New Credit Card Rules: Learn What It Means To You."

Steve Adubato, award-winning author and columnist, will speak about how to "Improve Your Communication: Build Your Personal Wealth," and Sheila Jacobs, a certified financial planner, chief executive officer of Life

& Money Consulting (formerly known as Commonwealth Academy of Personal Finance) and author of "Life & Money: A Reference for Financial Success," will address "Household Budget Strategies."

In addition, Jason R. Newcomb, president of Newroads Financial Group, and Ronald J. Garutti Jr., a certified financial planner with Newroads Financial Group, will speak about "Restructuring Your Nest Egg: Rollovers, Roths & Other Annuities."

"Our comprehensive approach helps clients answer the question, 'Do you know exactly how much money it's going to take for you to retire comfortably and remain comfortably retired?'" Garutti said. "Having a plan in place allows our clients to control the things they can actually control."

There also will be a session for those considering franchise business opportunities titled, "Franchise Frenzy: How to Choose One That's Best for You," featuring expert Robert Cox. ♦

