TWO SECTION

Traffic logjam worsens

By David Learn **Managing Editor**

Think you've got a good detour around the Raritan Road bridge construction? Think again.

As soon as unrelated road work on Acorn Drive finishes, the township and Union County, which is running the project, plan to close the intersection of Featherbed Lane and Raritan Road. Featherbed Lane has served as an alternate route to Raritan Road ever since the bridge closed for construction work earlier this summer.

Township Engineer Richard O'Connor did not return a phone call seeking comment on the schedule for the Acom Drive work.

Officials decided to close the intersection after encountering unexpected traffic problems with vehicles turning right from Featherbed Lane onto Raritan Road. As vehicles with wide turning radii have made the right turn toward Lake Avenue, they have ended up blocking both lanes of Raritan Road, bringing traffic to a standstill.

"We examined this every which way you could possibly examine it, and we as an administration have agreed this is probably the best way to do this to expedite the project," Mayor Sal Bonaccorso said Monday

Sgt. Ray Palmer of the Police Department's traffic bureau could not be reached for comment.

Police will step up traffic patrols of Tudor and Acorn drives in an effort to control speeding on those two roads, which serve as the main arteries for motorists taking side streets to circumvent the construction at the

"If you have excessive traffic on your streets, we will address it," Bonaccorso said.

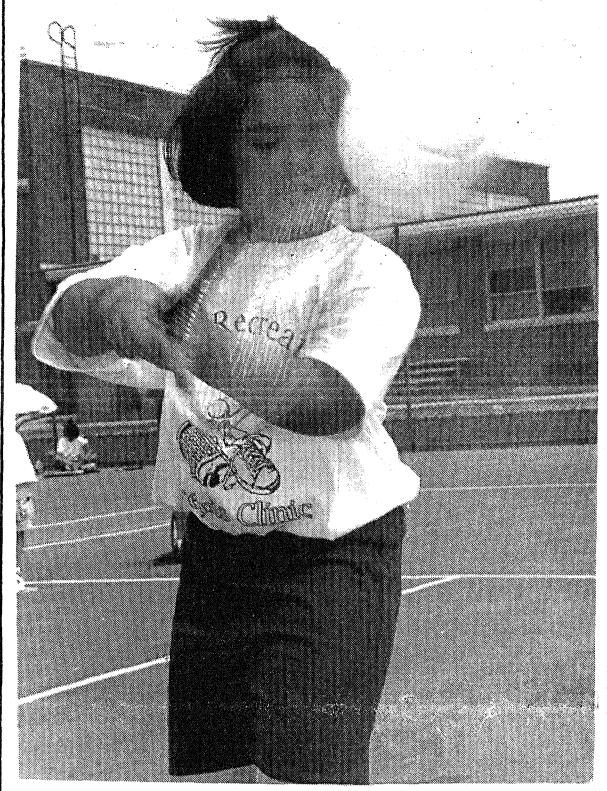
With the intersection now closed, motorists seeking an alternate route to avoid the delays at the bridge will have to take Featherbed Lane to Acorn or Tudor drives. Acorn Drive eventually feeds into Shadow Lane, which empties onto Raritan Road by Frank K. Hehnly Elementary School. Tudor Drive becomes Meadow Road, which eventually terminates at Lake Avenue, not far from where it intersects with Oak Ridge Road.

The county is paying for the work through the Bridge Bond Act 1999, approved in a statewide referendum to repair the state's infrastructure.

Officials have said the repairs are necessary because of deteriorating steel supports and concrete. The bridge was built in 1927.

Updates on the bridge work will be made online at www.ourclark.com and through the Web site's e-mail list.

The birth of a tennis champion



With a mighty swing, 6-year-old Rianna Ronquillo smacks the tennis ball forward during the tennis clinic hosted by the Clark Recreation Department. The tennis clinic has been held at the Arthur L. Johnson High School tennis courts for the past two weeks, and will

Town eyes w 1 to aid gymnasts

By David Learn Managing Editor

The former high school gymnastics team might be moving across the street — if, among other things, there's enough time to squeeze the

The Arthur L. Johnson High School gymnastics team was eliminated as part of an overall \$100,000 reduction in the Clark School District athletics program. Team advocates are trying to raise about \$9,400 in hopes the Board of Education will reinstate the program.

But because the team was eliminated also owing to space concerns, the team will need a place to practice.

Councilman at large Alvin Barr is hoping he can give them that place in the gym at the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, but he's not making any promises.

"We're waiting to speak to the coach to see what exactly is needed in terms of time and equipment," said Barr. "I just cannot make any promises, but we will try our best."

Outcry over the team's elimination continued unabated Tuesday night,

with about a dozen teens and their parents attending the meeting.

Supporters particularly were distressed that neither the school board nor Superintendent of Schools Paul Ortenzio would commit to reinstituting the program if the money were raised and team members promised to handle equipment setup - especially after board member Karen Amalfe protested that the board had authorized a \$5,278 increase in allocations to the assistant coaching football

Ortenzio, visibly irritated by the barrage of criticism, characterized his own reluctance as a desire to minimize the district's liability and also as a desire not to reverse decisions once made just because of a public outcry.

"It's about money. It's about space, and it's about decisions," he said. "If the Board of Education makes a decision and then backs off a decision, it's no skin off my teeth.

"It's annoying," he said, but added, "If the Board of Education says they've raised the money and we want to reinstitute the proghram, I will do it."

Architects hired for library project

By David Learn **Managing Editor**

The Township Council on Monday night approved hiring an architectural firm for work on the Clark Public Library expansion project.

The council voted to hire Arcari and Iovino Architects of Little Ferry to perform the work for up to \$89,900. Council members approved the expense without discussion.

Township Engineer Richard O'Connor did not return a phone call seeking comment about the nature of the work the firm will perform.

The council unanimously approved the \$1.75 million project

Plans call for increasing the library's interior about 75 percent, erecting a new front wall closer to Westfield Avenue and adding about 8,900 square feet to the 12,000 square feet already in the library.

Other plans include expanding the second floor, providing more computer stations and reconfiguring the library's basement to create more community meeting rooms.

The annual tax impact could range from \$10 to \$30 a year for the owner of the average Clark house, assessed at \$118,000, depending on the availability of grants and donations to off-

Mayor seeks account of commission's activities

By David Learn

Managing Editor

A commission charged with reporting to the Township Council on the environment now will have to start reporting more on itself, as well.

The new levels of supervision were required Monday night as Mayor Sal Bonaccorso roundly remonstrated Environmental Commission Chairman William Fidurski of Hillcrest Avenue for holding meetings without a proper quorum, and using those meetings to make official statements on the commission's position.

"I now need typed minutes of all your meetings, and I would like to see any and all resolu-

tions," said Mayor Sal Bonaccorso. "You're Drive. Fidurski has said that he has great diffiholding meetings without an official quorum, passing resolutions without an official quorum. You just can't pass a resolution without a proper quorum and say, 'We voted on it.'"

The Environmental Commission is a sevenmember body with two alternates, charged with giving the municipality input on matters of environmental concern. At the moment, no one has been appointed to either alternate position, and two of the main seats also are vacant.

In addition to Fidurski, sitting members include Andrew and Fred Schieferstein, Kevin Koch and Joseph Seebode of Sandalwood culty getting even three of the members together for a meeting, let alone the four required under Roberts Rules of Order for a quorum.

The problem of erratic attendance is one that predates the current administration, Fidurski

"We legally voted to suspend any rules regarding the need to have a quorum of four, and we adopted a quorum of three," he said after Monday night's meeting, "That's what we did. and I believe Roberts allows you to suspend

Not according to the township attorney, who insisted the Environmental Commission officially cannot meet unless it has at least four members present. And with no meeting, none of the positions the commission has adopted has been adopted.

That includes two resolutions three commission members voted to approve July 17. The first of these was a resolution expressed the members' opposition to any development of the former Esposito farm on Madison Hill Road and sought to have it turned into an arboretum.

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Weather woes don't deter local growers from peddling produce

Despite rainy June, farmer presses on

By Nicholas Loffredo Managing Editor

After several cloudy, overcast days the sun was shining, humidity was low and the temperature held firmly at 80 degrees on July 17.

The break in the weather came just in time for Clark resident Fred Schieferstein, as it coincided with the return of the Jersey Fresh Farmer's Market in downtown Rahway. It was a welcome change for Schieferstein and other vendors, who have dealt with poor growing conditions throughout this year. Schieferstein, who owns Schieferstein's Farm Market

on Madison Hill Road with his brother Andrew Schieferstein, was blunt, saying that the weather had been "very bad," this year for farmers.

"You need three things to grow," he explained. "Number one is water, number two is sunlight and three is the temperature. This year, there was too much water, too little sun and it was too cold."

Although Schieferstein dealt with "the rainiest June," he had ever seen, he said that there were not any crops that had been completely compromised. He said that green produce held up well under the poor conditions, and that "hopefully things will be OK," for the rest of the season.

Lisa Bassista, who was representing New Egypt's DeWolf's "U-Pick" Farm, said that crops had been "coming along slowly," due to a bad spring.

She lamented the late arrival of the farm's corn plants, but made sure to praise the "gorgeous," tomato plants that DeWolf was able to cultivate.

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— Fred Schieferstein

It did not appear that the farmer's struggles extended to the customers, who were pleased with the extensive selection of apples, peaches, strawberries, watermelons and the

Janice, who did not wish to offer her last name, said that she had "never been disappointed," and that she eniovs such markets, as she likes being outside. An elderly lady exclaimed that she has been frequenting Schieferstein's family business for 56 years, and that they "have

Schieferstein, Bassista and vendor Melissa VanNatten all described the day's business as being healthy, although the market had been operating only for several hours.

Although it was the middle of a weekday, the vendors rarely had a moment to spare, with consistent foot travel by residents and passersby.

The market offers a fresh alternative to the packaged

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Photo By Barbara Kokkalis Cindy Hopkins buys string beans from Fred Schieferstein of Clark at the Jersey Fresh Farmer's Market in Rahway on July 17. The market, located at the Train Station Plaza. is operating every Thursday until Oct. 23.

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Accounting of commission sought

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about 13 acres large, last year. The site has been steeped in controversy since the start of the year, when Freeholder Chairwoman Deborah Scanlon named it as a site under consideration for an educational center desired by the Children's Museum of Central New Jersey, a nonprofit organization based in Westfield.

The proposal, which came without warning or previous discussion, has been the subject of frequent criticism by Fidurski and 4th Ward Councilman

Brian Toal. Bonaccorso has said that space, but also repeatedly has said a children's museum may be better than what the county may put there if it decides not to build the museum.

The second resolution the three members of the Environmental Commission approved deals with the Clark Wildlife Preserve and Habitat, which Bonaccorso has had informal chats with County Manager George Devanney about transferring to county ownership.

At a previous council meeting,

Fidurski had raised concerns that such The county acquired the farm, he supports keeping the farm as open a transfer, if it took place, could allow the county to raise and lower the water levels in the former Middlesex County Water Co. reservoir at the heart of the preserve.

The conservation easement that established the wildlife preserve allows the water company and its successors to withdraw up to 124 million gallons of water a month from the reservoir. The resolution calls on the council to limit changes to the water level to those that are necessary for maintaining the reservoir.

Market is a boon to Clark family

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and shipped food that we purchase from the ubiquitous supermarkets of suburbia. Bassista said that her offerings were picked that morning, from the 200-acre, family-run business.

Schieferstein also offered fresh fare, although not all originated from his lands. With only five acres to cultivate, he said that he doesn't have the "space and time," to grow everything that they would like to sell. Instead, he "relies on other farmers to grow," and essentially "acts as their

"I try to promote Jersey-grown produce," he said. The work is a labor of love for the Clark farmer, who

said that it is his "nature to be outside." He bemoaned the "lifestyle changes," that he finds evident in today's society, where people are almost more likely to frequent a restaurant or buy ready-made food than they are willing to purchase and cook fresh items.

Janice, who was perusing Schieferstein's wares, also enjoyed the nature of such farmer's markets. Indeed, the vendors could be heard explaining the origins of the produce, as well as offering advice on what turned out well.

Residents can sample the merchandise at the Train Station Plaza on Milton Avenue and Irving Street in Rahway, every Thursday until Oct. 23. The event has been coordinated by the Rahway Center Partnership.

SENIOR NEWS

Library, AARP team up to offer safe driving class

Clark Public Library and the AARP will be holding a safe driving course at the library from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Aug. 18 and 19.

Students attending the course learn defensive driving techniques, new traffic laws, and rules of the road. Through interacting with one another, they find out how to safely adjust their driving to compensate for age-related changes in vision, hearing, and reaction time.

The course, while sponsored by the AARP, is open to drivers of all ages who wish to improve their driv-

Upon completion of the eighthour course students will be entitled to a 5 percent discount on the major portion of their automobile insurance premium for three years. Also, two points will be deducted from the major portion of their Division of Motor Vehicles record, if applicable.

The cost of the course is \$10, payable at time of registration. Preregistration is at the library, and is limited to 30 people.

For more information, call the library at 732-38-5999.

No seniors meeting

Monthly general meetings of lark Seniors are held the third Thursday of the month.

There are no meetings scheduled for August.

For more information, call Lillian B. Krov at 732-381-3823.

AARP members sought

The chapter invites area residents

with membership in the National AARP to join the local group and enjoy the social gatherings, trips and volunteer programs and to keep abreast of matters of interest to retirees and those anticipating retire-

Ongoing AARP activities include volunteer programs at Runnells Hospital under the leadership of Marian

There is a need for socks, jogging pants and any other usable and suitable clothing for patients. Dan Flynn will collect teddy bears for children in homeless shelters, starting in Sep-

AARP still has openings for the following trips:

• Sept. 15-19: Wildwood Crest-Pier 6600, on the beach. Room costs are for a double, \$312; a single, \$372; and a triple, \$287.

· Oct 15: Platzl Brauhaus, Pomona, N.Y., for Oktoberfest. Cost is \$59.

• Nov. 5-6: Foxwoods Casino with bonus. Mohegan Sun Casino with buffet. Rooms cost \$112 for a double; for a single, \$142; and for a triple,

• Dec. 3: Trip to Hunterdon Hills to see "Playhouse Christmas." With luncheon choices. Cost is \$67.

The public is invited on all trips where space is available.

For more information, call Ann Miskovic, AARP trip coordinator, at 732-388-4033.

Senior bus service

For free senior bus service, call the Municipal Building at 732-388-3600 from 9 to 11 a.m. one day in advance to reserve a seat on the bus, Mondays through Fridays, except

Call the same number if it becomes necessary to cancel your reservation. The schedule is subject to change.

Mondays: morning, ShopRite; afternoon, Clark shops, library, Municipal Building.

Tuesdays: morning, Union Plaza, Pathmark/National Wholesale Liquidators; afternoon, Watchung/Blue

Wednesdays: first Wednesday, Woodbridge Mall; second Wednesday, Menlo Park Mall; third Wednesday, Woodbridge Mall; fourth Wednesday, Middlesex Mall; if a fifth Wednesday, Woodbridge Mall.

Thursdays: morning, ShopRite; afternoon, Clark shops, library and Municipal Building.

Fridays: morning, A&P, Kmart and Wal-Mart; afternoon, Aviation Plaza, Linden; last Friday of month: A&P and Route 1 East Brunswick Flea Market, weather permitting.

OBITUARIES

Marleen Reider

Marleen Reider, 51, of Roselle, formerly of Clark, died July 14 in Union Hospital.

Born in Rahway, Mrs. Reider lived in Clark before moving to Roselle 20 years ago.

She was an assembler for Arc of Plainfield for two years. Mrs. Reider was a member of the Pinewood Hall Senior Citizens, Roselle.

Surviving are two sisters, MaryAnn Wilmarth and JoAnn

Pauline Kennedy

Pauline B. Kennedy, 80, of Clark, formerly of Roselle Park, died July 17 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Liv-

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a daughter, Karen Perks; a sister, Mae Born in Newark, Mrs. Kennedy lived in Roselle Park before moving to Clark 28 years ago.

She was a family court clerk at the Union County Courthouse, Elizabeth, for 22 years and retired in 1997. Mrs. Kennedy was a past president

of the Ladies Auxiliary of the Hillside Elks and worked on the Clark Election Board.

Surviving are a son, William G. III;

Duffy, and five grandchildren.

John H. Clausen

John H. Clausen, 89, of Clark, formerly of Kenilworth, former owner of a Kenilworth auto shop, died July 16

in the JFK Medical Center, Edison. Born in Babylon, N.Y., Mr. Clausen lived in Kenilworth before moving to Clark 40 years ago.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Today

• The Blood Center of New Jersey will sponsor a blood drive from 3 to 7 p.m. at Gran Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road, Clark.

For more information, call the Blood Center at 1-800-652-5663, ext.

• The Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor a blood drive from 3 to 8:30 p.m. at Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad, 875 Raritan Road, Clark.

For more information, call the Red Cross at 908-353-2500. Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will show "Air Bud Spikes

Back" at 4 p.m. as part of a children's summer movie program made possible by Friends of the Clark Public Library. There is no charge.

Friday

· The township will conclude its branch and wood pickup. Lumber, chairs and tables may be left for pickup, provided plastic, metal and nails have been removed the wood items before they are left at the curb. For more information, call 732-388-3600.

· Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will show "That Thing You Do" at 7 p.m. as part of a teen movie nights program made possible by Friends of the Clark Public Library. There is no charge.

Monday

· Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will hold a toddler storytime at 10 a.m. for children up to age 21/2 years old. Nursery rhymes, songs, stories and movement activities. Drop-in; no registration required.

The library at 3 p.m. will host a pet show with awards. The deadline for signup has passed. Children and pets must be accompanied by an adult. Rain date is Tuesday.

• The Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet at 8 p.m. in the municipal courtroom in the Public Safety Building, 315 Westfield Ave.

Wednesday · Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will continue its series of

construction videos rollers, for children 3 to 8 years old, at 10:30 a.m. · David Cedeno and his 13-piece orchestra will close out the library's free summer concert series at 7 p.m. on the lawn of Arthur L. Johnson High School, 365 Westfield Ave.

The band plays a variety of music, including Latin salsa, jazz, meringue, ballads, and music from the '50s in a Latin Salsa beat with

For more information, contact Director Maureen Baker Wilkinson at 732-388-5999.

Upcoming July 31

· Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will show "Beethoven" at 4 p.m. as part of a children's summer movie program made possible by Friends of the Clark Public Library. There is no charge. Aug. 18

The AARP will hold a safe driving course at Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Completing the eight-hour course entitles enrollees to a 5 percent discount on the major portion of their automobile insurance premium for

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For more information, call the library at 732-38-5999.

Aug. 21

• The Clark seniors will hold their regular monthly meeting at 1 p.m. today in the cafeteria of the Senior Center, 430 Westfield Ave. For more information, call Lillian B. Krov at 732-381-3823.

Aug. 27 • The Board of Trustees of Clark Public Library will meet at 7:30 p.m. in Ayers Community Room in Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave. Ongoing

• Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., invites children to register for Read and Grow at the Library, the 2003 summer reading program. Youngsters will keep track of the time they read or are read to, during the summer. Each week that they report their reading time, they will be

rewarded with a new book, and they will be entered in a drawing for more prizes.

For more information, call the library at 732-388-5999. • The Arthur L. Johnson High School Booster Club meets at 7:30 p.m. the first Thursday of the month in the high school library, 365

Westfield Ave. The Skulski Art Gallery, 177 Broadway, is open to the public 5 to 9 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays, and 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Saturdays. For more information, call Aleksandra K. Nowak at 732-382-



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Branch pickup ends Friday

By David Learn **Managing Editor**

Residents with loose branches can leave them out until Friday to be picked up.

Workers for the Department of Public Works will gather the branches until then, as part of the township's regular brush cleanup events.

"Please, ladies and gentlemen, do not put branches out after the 25th." Mayor Sal Bonaccorso asked the public at Monday night's council meeting. "Please help us make our town pretty and neat."

Collection has been slowed so far by the absence of a number of DPW workers on vacation or ill. On Friday, no fewer than nine of the workers were off work, including three who are out on an extended basis for health reasons.

Traffic at senior center, Web site on the increase

At Large Councilman Alvin Barr has two chief projects this year he was proud to unveil: a senior fitness center, and a new municipal Web site.

He's so proud of them he's been giving regular reminders about their presence during televised council meeting and encouraging residents to take advantage of them. His promotions are paying off.

The Web site, located at www.ourclark.com, continues interactive features, including some forums and an electronic mailing list about Clark events. It has been receiving about 180 to 200 recorded hits a day, Barr said.

The senior fitness center is located off the gym at the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building. Open to Clark residents 55 and older, it now has about 180 registered members.

For more information about joining the fitness center, call the Municipal Building at 732-388-3600.

Clark reaches settlement with defeated litigant

A long and sometimes bitter battle reached its final resolution Monday night when the Township Council opted to accept a fraction of the legal fees it was due.

As part of a settlement, Thomas Kiernan of Clauss Road, formerly a litigant against the township, will have to pay Clark about \$1,400 of the taxpayer money it spent defending the Police Department in his lawsuits.

Calling Kiernan's lawsuits "frivolous litigation," Mayor Sal Bonaccorso trumpeted the settlement as exonerating the Police Department.

"When we're right, the Police Department, any employee, the administration, we're going to go to the end to defend our honor," he said.

Kiernan had filed a number of lawsuits against the township, all of which ultimately were dismissed. In December 2001, the township countersued, seeking repayment of a portion of the roughly \$60,000 it spent defending itself and the Police Department in suits Kiernan had brought against it.

"We stood behind the Police Department and told Mr. Kiernan he would have his day in court," Bonaccorso said. "That day came, and he





Photos By Reena Rose Sibayan

DER - Michael Lacko, 4, screams when an unexpected thunderclap Tuesday afternoon intrudes on the fun times at Featherbed Lane Day Camp. Lacko and other children had spent most of the day enjoying the summer and taking a dip in the pool. At left, Kylie Meltzer, 5, and Isabella Bowen, 3, bundle up in towels to ward off the coming raindrops.

AT THE LIBRARY

Children encouraged to bank on reading

Sixty Clark youngsters who are participating in Clark Public Library's 2003 summer reading club will be eligible to earn a new Commerce Bank savings account after reading 10 books.

The accounts will be opened with a complimentary balance of \$10 in recognition of the children's summer reading. Books read this summer, through the end of August, may be counted.

For more information, call the library at 732-388-5999.

A mix of love songs, Salsa wrap up series

David Cedeno and his 13-piece orchestra play a large variety of music, including Latin salsa, jazz, meringue, ballads, and music from the '50s in a Latin Salsa beat with English words.

This final concert in the free summer concert on the lawn series hosted by Clark Public Library will take place at 7 p.m. Wednesday on the lawn of Arthur L. Johnson High School, 365 Westfield Ave.

They were the last band to perform at the Twin Towers World Trade Center summer concert and have shared the bill with stars like Marc Anthony. Cedeno has just returned from a sixmonth tour of Japan and released his 11th album.

For more information, contact Director Maureen Baker Wilkinson at 732-388-5999.

Library reading program under way for summer

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prizes. Reading certificates signed by Gov. James McGreevey will be presented in the fall at the local public and parochial schools.

The summer reading program will run through the end of August. The library is located at 303 West-

field Ave. For more information, call the library at 732-388-5999.

Saturday hours offered

Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will be open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday in addition to its regular weekday schedule.

There will be no Saturday hours during August, but they will resume Sept. 6.

Construction videos

Come Wednesday mornings and watch construction videos made for children.

Whether the library renovation has broken ground yet, or not, get your fill of trucks and diggers, haulers and

The videos are aimed at children 3 to 8 years old, and will be shown at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday, and Aug. 6, 13, 20 and 27.

Toddler storytime

For babies and toddlers up to age 2½ years old.

Nursery rnymes, songs, stones and movement activities. Drop-in; no reg-

Storytime is held at 10 a.m. Monday and Aug. 4.

Family storytimes

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In case of rainy weather, this event will be postponed to 3 p.m. Tuesday. Clark Public Library is located at 303 Westfield Road.

For more information, call 732-388-5999.

Summer film schedule

The Friends of the Clark Public Library has funded a movie license a series of five venues. for the library.

The library will show movies at 4 p.m., including a showing today of 'Spirit: Stallion of the Cimarron." Also on the schedule are:

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Aug. 14 — "Stuart Little." Aug. 21 — "Stuart Little 2."

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The Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School Class of 1978, will hold its 25-year reunion Oct. 17 to 19, with

The three-day weekend will begin Oct. 17 morning with a golf outing at Ash Brook Golf Course in Scotch Plains. The cost will be \$65 per per-

Spouses of alumni, friends and family members will be welcome to play. The cost will include golf carts and food that will be served at the beginning, after nine holes, and at the end of the outing.

Later on Friday evening, there will be a pre-reunion get-together at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 36 Valley Road. The official class reunion will take place from 7 p.m. to midnight Oct. 18

in the Colonade Room of the Gran Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road. The cost of \$75 per person will include a buffet dinner, open bar, DJ, Memory Book, awards, giveaways, door prizes and more. The Johnson Touchdown Club will sell clothing,

reunion yearbook available for purchase senarately. At 9 a.m. Oct. 19, there will be a

post-reunion breakfast at the Crowne

and pictures of groups, couples, and

individuals will be taken to compile a

son. Later that afternoon, reunion attendees will go to see a play in New York City, and go out for dinner after-Classmates should send details

about their whereabouts and other

classmates to Norm Marcocci, reunion chairman, 3000 Ford Road, Apt. L-10, Bristol, PA 19007. Marcocci also can be contacted at

215-788-3504, or via e-mail at ALJ-ClassOf1978@yahoo.com.

Classmates can find out the latest news about the reunion and other class matters by visiting the Web site www.geocities.com/ALJClassOf1978.

STUDENT UPDATE

Rutgers U. graduates

The following Clark residents graduated from Rutgers University during spring 2003 commencement exercises:

Arnold Brian, Graduate School-New Brunswick, Master of Science, Microbio/Molecular Genetics: Ellen Axelson, University College - New Brunswick, Bachelor of Arts, Psychology; Michele Charney-Hulse, Graduate School of Education, Master of Education, Special Education; Karyn Danatzko, Newark College of Arts & Sciences, Bachelor of Arts, Psychology; Joseph Dill, Graduate School - Newark, Master of Public Admin, Public Administration;

Michael Doran, Livingston College, Bachelor of Arts, English; Joel Gebet, Rutgers College, Bachelor of Arts, Cell Biology & Neuroscience; Shrenik Patel, Graduate School-New Brunswick, Master of Science, Electrical & Computer Engineering; Valerie Pitchford, Douglass College, Bachelor of Arts, Women Studies; and Aimee Virtucio, Livingston College, Bachelor of Arts, Chemistry.

Locals on RPI dean's list

Several Clark residents were among the students at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute who made the dean's list for the spring semester:

Lori A. Bilella, junior, mechanical engineering, science, tech and society; Jeffrey E. Drozdowski, senior, management: Stephanie P. Kozachek sophomore, undeclared science; and Nicholas A. White, senior, biomedical engineering.

The dean's list recognizes fulltime students who maintain gradepoint averages of a minimum of 3.0 out of a possible 4.0 and have no grades below C.

UCC president's list

Union County College has named 166 students to the president's list during the spring 2003 semester in recognition of their academic excellence, including Clark residents Kathryn Kenny, Kathleen Riccio, Peter P. Nevargic and Diana L. Broc-



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COMMUNITY FORUM

EDITORIALS

Provide equality

A community pool might seem like an odd place to strike a blow for equal rights and fighting discrimination, but it's as good a place as any, and it's an area where bad policy recently has come to light.

We're talking about the case of Patti Jaworski and her partner, a same-sex couple told they don't qualify for family membership at Clark's pool because — despite being together for eight years, and despite having held a private commitment ceremony together four years ago — they're not considered a family under the state's definition. With the state definition providing the underpinnings for the pool policies, it's that simple: If you're not a legally married heterosexual couple, then you're not a family.

That's a defensible argument, legally speaking, but it leaves a bad taste. Is the intent here to serve the community. or to find legal justification to avoid taking a potentially risky stand? It seems like the latter. The hot potato of whether a same-sex couple should qualify for family rates has been passed up the chain of command from the word go. Assistant Pool Manager Rose Tomchak told Jaworski to ask the Pool Advisory Board, which passed the responsibility on to the Township Council, which let the township attorney dismiss the request with an embarrassing swiftness.

That's not just irresponsible, it's cowardly. At any point, somebody could have stepped forward and displayed some much-needed leadership on this issue, but no one did. As a consequence, an essentially discriminatory practice has gone unchallenged, and that's a shame. Does anyone seriously believe that the pool membership policy is intended to favor one living arrangement or sexual orientation over another? That's absurd. Such policies exist out of a recognition that families are an essential building block of any community, and that communities possess an obligation to accommodate those families. That accommodation should exist for nontraditional households as well as traditional

To that end, the pool utility should alter its membership structure to include one for households. A wider catch-all than "family," which is more narrowly defined, household memberships could be available to domestic partnerships such as Jaworksi's, but also could encompass other arrangements such as unmarried boyfriends and girlfriends, with or without children; adult siblings living together; and so on. Such a setup recognizes the township's civil obligation to treat different lifestyles and situations equally, but does not tamper with the traditional definition of family used elsewhere in the township and in the state.

Given the glacial speed at which municipal government moves, there clearly is no chance the Township Council fully can rectify its error before the end of the pool season. What it can do is offer Jaworski and her partner a formal apology for its decision, and take steps to remedy the situation for next year.

A potential solution

Union County has blood on its hands. First, it was the deer hunt in Watchung Reservation that started five years ago. Now, they're out to extinct Canada geese that populate so many of our parks. At least that's the way animal rights advocates would have you think.

But both deer and geese have ruined the park system and endangered their own lives by their overpopulation. Before the county's hunt, deer had multiplied to such numbers that the reservation could not sustain the population.

Canada geese were once migratory, but like so many of us, have grown to like New Jersey so much that they have remained. Now they're everywhere and multiplying to such a degree that the county park system is suffering. Union County has hired a company that killed and removed 700 geese already and its federal permit allows for a total of 2,700 to be removed. Quite frankly, the removal of geese has gotten much more attention than anyone could have expected.

Much like the deer hunt in Union County's Watchung Reservation, a "geese hunt" should be a short-term solution. The deer hunt, after more than five years, can be classified as a success at the least. While deer still can be found in residential yards and throughout the reservation, they are not the problem they once were. It may not be the perfect solution, but it has helped a situation that only would have gotten worse had it not been for a hunt. Deer contraception still has not come as far as we'd hoped in terms of technology and its not a practical solution yet.

Killing geese also should only be a last resort and many other techniques have been attempted in Union County. Border collies help scare geese away from the county park. But the geese merely move on to another park, be it county, municipal or state — they're not picky — and it becomes someone else's problem. Moving the problem is not a solution.

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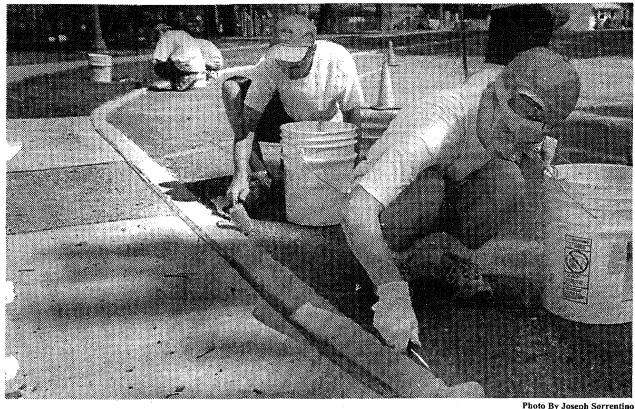
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SUMMER JOB — Alan

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Work on rail lines could invite trash trains to area

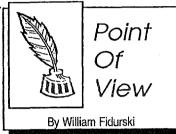
As it becomes more difficult to tell the pawns from the players, the New Jersey Department of Transportation has announced plans for \$50 million of rail improvements beyond Union County's plans to have the Morristown and Erie Railway reactivate the Staten Island Railway and the Rahway Valley Line through Linden, Roselle, Cranford, Roselle Park, Kenilworth, Union, Springfield and Sum-

The specific rail additions announced by the DOT would include the installation of a second mainline track on the Lehigh Valley Line between Clark and Bound Brook, the addition of a second track on the Chemical Coast Line leading into the Port Newark/Elizabeth complex, and the placement of an additional track near Conrail's Oak Island Yard, which is located south of Newark Liberty International Airport.

Coincidentally, the Lehigh Valley Line connects the Staten Island Railway to the Rahway Valley Line between Cranford, Roselle and Roselle Park.

Alarming about the combined plans is the similarity of their key elements to proposals reported by The Star-Ledger in August 2002 for the rail movement of New York City's trash through New Jersey on the way to Pennsylvania, Virginia or other

Also noted at the time were proposals to load trash into container trucks in each of New York City's five boroughs and ship the containers through the Port Newark/Elizabeth marine terminal complex and the Howland Hook Marine Truck Terminal on Staten Island.



In an unlikely coincidence, Howland Hook lies on the Staten Island

At a June 26 meeting in Edison Township, DOT officials noted that the direct movement of trash on the Staten Island Railway to its connection to the Lehigh Valley Line would be impeded by the dilapidated condition of the Staten Island Railway trestle over the New Jersey Turnpike.

Noting that replacement of the trestle would cost "tens of millions of dollars," the DOT personnel did not comment on their ability to add tens of millions of dollars to the cost of a project already designated for the expenditure of \$50 million.

In addition, although the completion of the second mainline track on the Lehigh Valley would create the ability to have trains moving in both directions at the same time between Clark and Bound Brook, the DOT representatives would not make any prediction about potential increases in traffic beyond the current average of 36 trains per day reported on the Lehigh Valley as it moves through Newark, Hillside, Union, Roselle Park, Roselle, Cranford, Clark, Westfield, Scotch Plains, Edison, South Plainfield, Piscataway, Middlesex and Bound Brook.

In addition, the Lehigh Valley has a Perth Amboy Branch that connects

in South Plainfield and runs through Edison, Metuchen, Woodbridge and Perth Amboy.

Admitting that containers from Howland Hook were expected to use the Staten Island Railway to come into New Jersey, DOT representatives suggested that rail traffic from Staten Island could cross into Linden by the Staten Island Railway and then take the Chemical Coast Line in a northerly direction up the Hudson.

Under questioning, the DOT personnel admitted, however, that it was also possible to go from Howland Hook on the Staten Island Railway, use the Chemical Coast Line to go into Oak Island Yard, and then connect to the Lehigh Valley Line.

Without any doubt, the aggregate proposed increases in infrastructure and rail capacity would provide an available route through New Jersey for the movement of New York City trash and marine cargo in and out of Howland Hook.

Certainly, any increase in rail traffic could be used to justify replacement of the Staten Island Railway trestle over the New Jersey Turnpike, because a new trestle would allow a direct run from Howland Hook to the Lehigh Valley Line in Cranford.

At the same time, any existing agreements to limit movement on any of the lines could be challenged in court because of interference with interstate commerce.

Rahway Valley Line likely would depend upon grade considerations and the ability of the Erie Lackawanna to transfer freight.

The proposed increases in rail capacity are of obvious financial

advantage to the participating rail companies and would provide New York City with the ability to resolve its garbage problems and develop Howland Hook to its ultimate freight capacity.

For New Jersey's share of the bargain, the optimistic will suggest that we may see less truck traffic, but the residential areas that are inundated by commuter traffic along the affected routes will experience increases in pollution, noise, vibration, garbage odors, hazardous freight and gridlock on local streets from new train traffic at higher speeds, through residential areas and across grade crossings that were never intended to handle both trains and existing levels of motorvehicle traffic.

If you are tired of trying to determine who the players and the pawns are in the New Jersey Rail Improvement Plan, it may be time to contact your state representatives to suggest the removal of all funds for the proposed rail expansions at Oak Island yard and on the Chemical Coast Line and the Lehigh Valley Line from the DOT budget.

Without the increased rail capacity and connecting infrastructure, we are less likely to be a target for cargo and trash from Howland Hook, and Union County and the Morristown and Erie might just be convinced that the reactivation of the Staten Island Railway and the Rahway Valley Line may not Any eventual movement along the have the financial incentives that may have been anticipated when planning

> William T. Fidurski is chairman of the Clark Environmental Commission.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Kill the bill to ban school-sited voting

In my 30 years of voting experience, I cannot recall even one instance of where a child or anyone has been put in a position of danger due to voting taking place at a public school. I am always amazed at our elected officials who can brainstorm some new idea, which we have to pay for, that is proposed and passed only to enhance their re-election prospects. This bill just plays on people's fears, and exploits the current state of affairs in our country. I will vote against any politician who supports this legislation.

I thoroughly disagree that allowing the public into the school system endangers our children. If security is an issue, would it not be simpler and less expensive to redeploy several members of our ample police force to protect the polling places during school hours?

Finding a nonschool polling place undoubtedly would mean that some other public space will need to be rented, and guess who has to pay for it? This is a bill that should be allow to die a natural death.

Michael Panico

Master plan progress is slow, costly

I am writing to address some of the comments made by Stephen Sulek in his recent letter to The Clark Eagle.

First, I would like to thank Mr. Sulek for his support and good wishes for my tenure as municipal Democratic Party chairwoman. I would, however, like to clarify some of the issues he has raised in his letter.

First, Mr. Sulek states that there was no "protest by the general public" to the master plan draft recently introduced by the Bonaccorso administration. While it is true that there was no outpouring of dissent to this draft, it is also true that the public was largely unaware that a meeting on the draft was being held or the information it contained. This can be traced to the fact that the mayor admittedly withheld distribution of the draft both to the general public and township officials alike. In fact, this lack of openness was criticized in a

recent editorial in The Eagle.

Anyone who compares the latest and past master plan drafts will notice that the proposals they contain are remarkably similar. Both recommend zoning changes at two intersections along Raritan Road, at Central and Westfield avenues. Both suggest developing a downtown business district along Westfield Avenue and recommend zoning alternatives to the Evening Realty property on Valley Road.

Both include contingencies for multifamily housing along major roads to meet affordable housing requirements.

In this latest draft, specific recommendations on the future development of certain properties still need to be made. Until they are, the plan is still incomplete and cannot be implemented fully.

Clark taxpayers may ask the valid question as to why thousands of additional dollars were spent to fund a new draft — which is still incomplete after nearly three years — that came to essentially the same conclusions as the previous draft. Revisions to that draft could have been made for far less money and in much less time. By now, we likely would have a draft that we could use.

Moreover, we would have been able to use a \$25,000 Smart Growth grant awarded to Clark to investigate the revitalization of the Evening Realty property. Instead, this money was returned to the county, with no additional

Planning Board members who served under both the previous and present administrations — as well as citizens' master plan committee convened by the current mayor — concluded that our zoning ordinances need to be changed. Until they are, we will continue to face development we don't want, instead of options that we choose. Our neighborhoods will continue to confront traffic from businesses that blocks roads and driveways. Residents will confront the prospect of bars and hotels being built in their neighborhoods, as well as superstores appearing in their back yards. We are no more protected now from these than we were three years ago.

I agree that we should be working for the betterment of all of the people of Clark. I simply hope to offer citizens another choice as to how this can be accomplished.

> Nancy Sheridan Clark





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Making the journey from prejudice to understanding

I have a friend this week who came out of a closet she's lived in for the past few years.

Jane — that's not her real name. which I won't use for obvious reasons — is 18 years old. She's come to realize over the course of her high school career that she's a Little Bit Different from her friends. She's gay.

Unfortunately for Jane, her parents found out before she was ready to tell them. Her mother spent most of the next few days crying, the entire family went to see a psychiatrist, and everyone in the family forgot how to laugh. All told, it sounds like a fairly miserable experience.

I've never actually met Jane in person. I know her through an online humor forum created and maintained by a mutual friend, but when I learned what was happening, my reaction was the same as if she attended my church or lived down the street from me.

All day Monday and Tuesday, she was on my mind as I alternately prayed for her and her family, and tried to dig up resources that they could use, such as contact information for chapters of Parents and Friends of Lesbians And Gays in her

That's actually a fairly major departure from how I would have reacted a few years ago. Although my moral views on homosexuality have remained largely unchanged in the past 10-odd years, my attitude toward gays and lesbians themselves has undergone a steady migration from homophobia to tolerance.

Homophobia is a funny word to use. It's certainly not a term I would have used to apply to myself back in college. After all, as a devout see why many otherwise decent peo-

Speaking Myself

By David Learn Managing Editor

Christian since a conversion experience when I was almost 18, I recognized a need to "hate the sin and love the sinner," a popular cliche in evangelical circles often used to provide a safe cover for not loving people regarded as sinners.

It's a common thing in evangelical circles to view homosexuality with hostility. You hear all sorts of comments about "the homosexual agenda," along with arguments that the growing acceptance of homosexuality as an alternative lifestyle will lead to the deterioration of the family as an institution and to the destruction of society as a whole.

The basis for all this invective is found in about six or seven places in the Bible, including one verse in Leviticus that actually prescribes the death penalty for gay sex, a penalty also prescribed for adultery.

Elsewhere, in the New Testament book of 1 Corinthians, the Apostle Paul mentions homosexuality in a fairly comprehensive list that also includes sins like gluttony, rage, drunkenness, greediness, malicious speech and other offenses.

Mix these Scriptures with a pervading sense of fear that the bad guys are winning and society slowly is being subverted, and it's easy to

ple latch onto the growing acceptance of the gay lifestyle as one of the root causes for all that's wrong with the world today.

I'm sorry to say that I bought into it. While I professed to care about all people, including gays and lesbians, the truth probably is that I came across as more concerned that people know how I felt about what they were doing than about how I felt at them — which means, of course, that they really didn't mean that much to me at all, however much I protested otherwise.

Things started to change my junior year when a friend of mine lent me Tony Campolo's book "20 Hot Potatoes Christians are Afraid to Touch." A fairly well-respected voice in the evangelical community, at least among college students, Campolo made the radical claim that gays and lesbians have the same inherent worth as their heterosexual relatives.

What's more, he gave practical examples of people who behaved in a way in keeping with the uncompromising love Christians claim to uphold as their model: a minister who officiated at the funeral of a gay man who had died from AIDS complications and staved afterward for two hours, comforting the companions of the deceased; and a church that gave several thousand dollars to help AIDS victims.

My senior year the AIDS quilt came to Lafayette College. Other members of the campus Christian fellowship stayed away, concerned they might send the wrong message, that they approved of homosexuality.

I not only went and looked at all

the quilts, I volunteered to help read the names of those who had died.

That might not seem like much, but it was a beginning. During the next five years as my faith deepened, I had to ask myself hard questions about what it means when Christ calls his followers to love friends, enemies and strangers alike; and about what St. James means when he writes that faith expressed only as words is no faith at all.

I also had to look into the darkness of my own soul and consider honestly whether my own sins were any more acceptable to God than somebody else's.

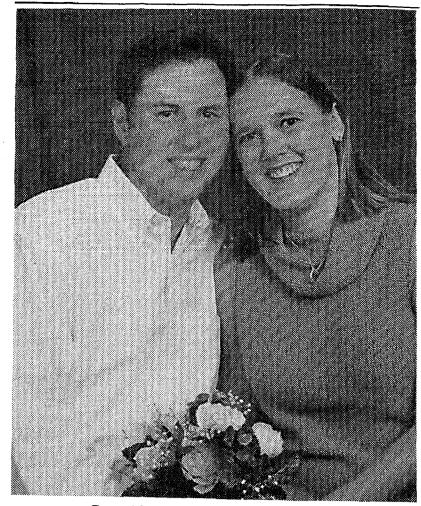
In November 1997, I took a position as a reporter for The Princeton Packet just after one of my co-workers there had told her parents that she was a lesbian. Heather was a hardworking, professional, no-nonsense type of reporter. She reported things as they happened, called them as she saw them, and wasn't afraid to ask public officials tough questions, or to stand up to them.

About six or seven months later, another co-worker told me that he was bisexual Like Heather, Bill is about as non-threatening as people come, and his high-octane personality and sense of humor make him a lot of fun to work with.

Neither of them is an evil or malicious person, nor is any other homosexual I've had the good fortune to know in the years since, either professionally or privately. The whole of the "agenda" I ever heard any of them pursue was nothing more sinister than getting the same respect, opportunities and treatment as their straight colleagues and co-workers.

That doesn't sound very awful to me. To be honest, I'm really not sure why I ever thought it did.

LIFESTYLE



Peter McDevitt and Faith Dzurovcik

Dzurovcik, McDevitt to wed

The Rev. Andrew and Susan Dzurovcik of Clark have announced the engagement of their oldest daughter, Faith Dzurovcik, to Peter McDevitt of Franklin Park, son of Brian and Dorothy McDevitt of Westfield.

The bride-to-be is pursuing a master's degree in social work at Rutgers University. A graduate of Arthur L. Johnson High School, she earned a bachelor's degree in urban studies and sociology from University of Pennsylvania.

Her fiance is the manager of New Jersey Golf Headquarters in Marlboro. He graduated from Westfield High School, and Seton Hall University with a bachelor's degree in history.

The wedding is planned for July 4, 2004, at Zion Lutheran Church in Clark, with a reception to follow at the Hilton of Woodbridge.

Schools should foster environment of inclusion

"They're scary."

That's what the grabline read for a photo about a recent article from The Star-Ledger.

A student uttered the phrase to describe Matthew Lovett and the other two teenagers arrested July 6 for plotting a massacre at Collingswood High School that was intended to rival the Columbine school shootings more than four years ago.

My question to this student and every other student who came into contact with "the scary trio," is, Why? Why are they so scary?

Is it because they dress all in black? Listen to different music? Don't join in all the school's clubs and activities with the popular kids?

My question to parents, teachers, faculty and administration is, do you think of these kids as being scary? Because if you do, there's a problem.

For being different, these kids were teased, beat up and continuously picked on in that pool of young manand woman-eaters that high school can sometimes be.

They were loners, shunned from cliques, so they formed their own. They bottled up their anger and rage, finding release in violent video games and identities in characters from the dark science fiction film "The Matrix."

And over time, they kept bottling up their rage, holding it back until it couldn't be held in anymore. They needed a different kind of release.

Think About It

By Brian Pedersen Managing Editor

Unfortunately, they were planning on finding it in the destruction and slaughter of those who mocked them and those who did nothing to help.

These kids are fostered in high schools across America. Columbine was one of those places where high school massacres just didn't happen. But one dreadful day, it did.

There's something wrong with our attitudes if we allow this kind of thing to continue. We can't control other people's behavior, but to prevent another Columbine, we have to examine our own attitudes toward those who are different and how they are treated.

People who work with students on a daily basis - teachers, faculty and administrators — need to be aware of the prejudices that exist among students and work at trying to eliminate

Those who work on the other side of the classroom need to ask themselves if they are allowing stereotypes to continue by not taking a stand against acts of hazing, teasing or exclusion among students. Are educators really doing all they can to bring students together who normally

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wouldn't socialize based on dress, class or race?

Implementing group projects is a great way for educators to bring different students together.

The job also falls upon students. They need to think beyond their immediate circle of friends and reach out to people outside their cliques. Sit with someone who normally is alone during the lunch period. Give someone a compliment. A tiny act can go a long way toward making someone feel they belong, that they are recognized as a peer.

It can be as small as smiling and saying hello to someone who's been ignored. I hate to use the word tolerance, since it carries such a negative association. Perhaps acceptance would be a better word. Why is accepting others who are different so difficult? If adults can't do it, how do we expect teenagers to do it?

Parents also shoulder the blame. These are often the parents who have guns in their home and then wonder how their kids got a hold of them. Whether locked away and hidden or left out in the open, guns and young, angry, disenfranchised youths should never mix.

Of course, parents hold a large part of the blame, but schools are their sons' and daughters' home away from home, for a significant part of the day. Everyone who works in a school setting needs to work toward making that environment as accepting and

nurturing as they possibly can.

Every student who attends school needs to remember that hating others can breed hatred in others. If someone is continuously treated with cruelty, that's the way they are going to act out. High school has always been a dangerous breeding ground for this type of behavior.

This is not to defend or excuse the perpetrators in any way, shape or form. They are guilty, pure and simple, and they need to be punished for their crime. Violence is never the answer to any problem.

Understanding is. Because once we understand why something is happening, we can take steps to prevent it. Real steps. Actions that truly make a difference.

Summit High School is attempting to do this by providing ambassador programs that give students leadership skills as well as assemblies that seek to educate staff, faculty and students on potential threats to be aware of. More work can always be done. Violent movies, music and video

games are not the source of the violent acts, people are. People who need to start changing their attitudes.

We need to do something now about this vicious cycle of ridiculing those who are different. We don't need officials at any of

our local high schools to ever think, "It could never happen here."

Because the truth is, it could. And that's truly scary.

RECREATION

Recreation programs are ongoing in summer

The Clark Recreation Department is preparing to run its 2003 summer recreation program.

The program will run 9 a.m. to noon weekdays from Monday to Aug. 14. For more information about the program, call Recreation Director Keith Dolan at 732-388-3009.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK NOTICE OF INTENTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a Regular Council Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey on Monday, July 21, 2003 and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration and final passage at a Regular Meeting at 315 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey on Monday, August 18, 2003 at \$100 p.m. on Monday, August 18, 2003 at 8:00 p.m. prevailing time, at which time and place all persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUP-PLEMENT ORDINANCE 03-22 CHAPTER 2 SECTION 2-65.3h OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Township of Clark that Chap-ter 2 Section 65.3h of the Revised Gen-eral Ordinance of the Township of Clark is hereby amended and supplemented as

SECTION 1. Schedule of Fees.

A. All Traffic Work not paid by the Township of Clark will be: \$45.00 per hour with rate increasing to \$67.50 after (8) hours Minimum of (4) hours, plus 15% Administrative Fee and \$10.00 per day

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B. All Traffic Work paid by the Township of Clark will be: \$35.00 per hour with rate increasing to \$52.50 after (8) hours Minimum shall be based on (4) hours, 8% Administrative Fee.

C. All steady monthly details and those paid by the Board of Education or school affiliated organizations (PTA, Clubs, and Dances) will remain at \$25,00 and Minimum shall be based on (4) hours, 8% Administrative Fee

D. All other outdoor jobs not requiring traffic work or indoor details during holidays, or those not done every month will be \$30.00 per hour Minimum of (4) hours, 844 Administrative Fee

Minimum of (2) two hours for Funeral Home details. Traffic Work will include but not be limited to construction work, utility work; or any job on roadway or off roadway, which requires the directing of traffic.

SECTION 2. Inconsistent Ordinances. Any Ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 3. Effective Date This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and upon publication according to law.

Kathleen Leonard U7784 CCE July 24, 2003

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TREE SERVICE

High school lists honor roll students

The following students made the Cranford High School high honor for the final marking period for 2002-03. Grade 9

Kevin Brown, Nicole C. Cabrera, Melissa Cancillieri, Amrina Choema, Benjamin Chewy, Justin Grand, Joshua Hanke, Alexandria Moreira, Papandrea, Jonathan Michael Schwartz.

Grade 10

Glenn Brown, Emily Clader, Art Ernst, Kyle Lynch, Katherine O'Neill, Puja Patel, Cordelia R. Siporin, Sharon Vosseller, Laura Wagenblast.

Grade 11

Lindsay Baer, Joanna Becker, Brian Brown, Paul Buonaguro, Joseph Cancillieri, Cheryl Cecchini, Michael Eisert, Megan Francis, Bryan Giannecchini, Mallory Harlin, Lindsay Henoch,

Andrea Krenek, Corinne Marotta, Lisa Papandrea, Michael Ressegue, D'Arcy Sarnelle, Gloriarose Schmitt, Bryan Tansky.

Grade 12

Kimberly Argen, Caroline Bausch, michael Bell, Kristen Callaghan, Robbin Danyus, Erin Duffy, Meghan Fitzpatrick, Joseph Gallucci, Nereida Heller,

Peter M. Kingston, Julie A. Kulinski, Matthew Laveglio, Khristelle M. Manuyag, Alexandra Orme, Matthew

Stephanie Schimkowitz, Bella Sorkin, Megan Starace, Carol Sweeney, Cheryl Weiss, jillian Widdows, Nicholas Amijewski, Brian Zuravnsky.

The following students made the Cranford High School honor roll for the 2002-03 fourth marking period. Grade 9

Patrick Ahern, Joanna Arcieri, katherine Behrens, John E. Bender, Melissa Benimeo, Leah M. Blanes, Rebecca Booth, Emily Brewster, Mary Brown, Allison Carollo, Brian Ceci, Monika Chopra, Crista Colaneri, Tracy Coleman,

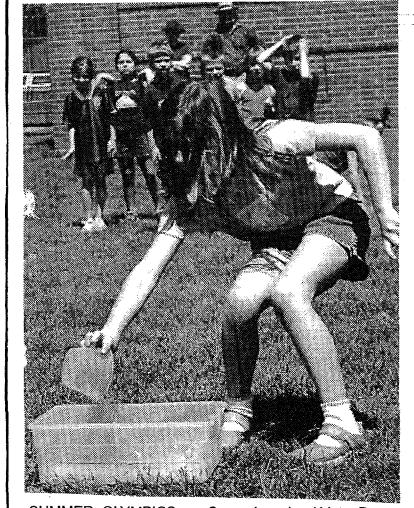
Scott Danyus, Angela C. Daurio, Carmen Delle Donne, Christina DiPasquale, George H. DiMayuga, Nicholas Fanelli, Catherine Felegi, Arthur Filipek, Kristen Ford, Colin Fraser, Alexandra Garcia, Courtney Garges, Thomas R. Gessner, Ashley Glowczynski, Erica Grysko,

Kimberly Hart, Brian Hearon, Caitlin Helmsletter, Andrew Hogan, Max Kaplan, Charles N. Kawczynski, Daniel Kessler, Matthew Kessler, Courtney Koellner, Jessica Kowalski, Megan Kuhn, James Kulinski, Katrina Lawrence,

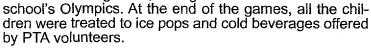
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Matthew J. Petrozziello, Erin Polito, Kathryn Ramey, Katelyn M. Rasmus, Anthony Riggi, Johanna Riggi, Steven Savva, Rowell See, Rachel Sigmund, Nicole E. Stapinski, Mary K. Starkey, Peter Steinpniewicz, Jennie Stolte, William Struthers,

Stanislav A. Tokarev, Kelly Valladares, Patrick Virgili, Leslie Whitty, Sara Winters, Mark Zamorski, Patryk



SUMMER OLYMPICS — Second-grader Krista Dombrowski pours water into a pail during the Bloomingdale Avenue School Olympics at the end of June. The school's three teams had to race to fill the pails using leaky buckets.



Murphy,

A kindergartner rides the hoppity hop for his team in Mrs.

Benoit's morning class, during the obstacle course at the

Alexandra Nowak, Jordan O'Donnell, Christopher Ozolnieks, Blair Palmisano, Lauren Paskovich, Kristina Pavone. Alexandra Perrotta, Lia G. Petrozziello, Lauren Phillips, Robert Piatkowski, Julia Pitassy, Katie Piwowarczyk,

Regina Reda, Timothy K. Rial, Jean Marie Ridente, Amanda Schlenker, Max Schnur, Julia Skwarski, Nicole Spanpianto, Mark Stewart, Marie Sweeney, Katherine Vaupel, Christopher Venditti,

Todd Wilson, Michael Winters, Sandra Woods, Noelle Zielenbach.

Grade 12

Stephen Allen, Lauren Alnutt, Salar Badruddin, Rachel Baker, Jessica N. Barr, Janine Bird, Tara Brennan, Michelle Buontempo, Samantha Burns, Kristen Carlson, Jessica M. Carroll, Victoria Cetera, Zachary Cohane, Marc A. Colaco, Joelle M. Correia, Andrew Cossa, Kristen Costello, Jacqueline Cuozzo,

Samantha Dango, Ashley Daubert, Kelly Donnelly, Christi Downey, David Drechsel, Jennifer S. Eisenberg, Ryan Fanelli, Andrea Fazio, Thomas Flanagan,

Joseph Ganser, Ryan A. Gardner-Cook, Danielle Getting, Eric Grand, Jonathan Grau, Ryan Grau, Maria Guzman, Eric Hansen, Meredith Herbert, Brianne Hickey, Victoria Kochowski, Brianne Kosch, Kristen Lombardo, Nicole Lordan,

Sara Mados, Rachel Mambach, Christopher Masterson, Kelly McGovern, Alan McPhaul, Emily Michaels, Erin Morgan, Amanda Murray, Jennifer Nist, Christopher Nowak, Lauren O'Donnell,

Patrick O'Sullivan, Kate C. Olsen, Christine Pemoulie, Stephen Ricken, Jenna Rozman, Sergio Sciancalepore, Kathryn Silvestry, Sara A. Simon, Jenna Siragusa, Ryan Smith, April Sobocinski, Laura L. Sofia, Jessica Styler, Steven Swan, Adam Swider,

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Ann Kugel, 81, of Cranford died July 17 in Sacramento, Calif.

Born in Pennsylvania, Mrs.Kugel lived in Cranford for 35 years.

Surviving are a son, Mark; a daughter, Rahni Weed, and a grandchild.

Margaret Smith

Margaret A. Smith of Cranford died July 18 in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Jersey City, Mrs. Smith moved to Cranford 33 years ago. She was a member of the Rosary

Society at St. Michael's Church, Cranford, the American Association of Retired Persons and the Tuesday Seniors Club, Cranford.

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Judith Sukovich,

Surviving are a daughter, Carol A. Hayeck; a son, John W.; four grandchildren and seven greatgrandchildren.

Christine Billias

Christine Billias, 83, of Westfield, formerly of Cranford, owner of a Cranford catering business, died July 19 in the Care-One at the Highlands in Edison.

Born in Manhattan, N.Y., Mrs. Billias lived in Cranford for eight years and Fanwood for 51 years before moving to Westfield a year and a half ago. She co-owned the Cranford

Caterers from 1963 until 1984 with her husband, Nicholas. During that time, Mrs. Billias

also was the assistant food concession manager at Union County College, Cranford campus.

She had been a president of the Daughters of Penelope.

In addition to her husband of 60 vears, Mrs. Billias is survived by two daughters. Pat Trampler and Stephanie Nicholaro; a son, John; a

brother, George Theophall, and three grandchildren.

Michael H. Nehrbauer Sr. Michael H. Nehrbauer Sr., 64, of Whiting, died July 16th in Commu-

nity Medical Center, Toms River. Mr. Nehrbauer was a letter carrier with the U.S. Post Office in Cranford for 33 years before retiring four years ago.

He was active in Union County bowling leagues.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Nehrbauer lived in Linden and Roselle Park before moving to Whiting four years

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Union County All-Stars even Snapple Bowl with shutout

MVP Vicci leads team to 5th win in series

By Jeff Wolfrum Staff Writer

EAST BRUNSWICK - The Union County All-Stars used a punishing defense and competent offense to win 13-0 over the Middlesex County All-Stars in the News Tribune Snapple Bowl X last Thursday night before 3,200 at Jay Doyle Field.

With the win, Union evened the series at 5-5, while posting the first shutout.

"We played tremendous defense," Roselle Park head coach and Union top coordinator John Wagner said. "Typical in an All-Star game, it was tough getting any rhythm going on offense. However, Mike Vicci made a few plays on the option and the long pass."

Vicci, who guided Johnson to the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 title last fall, didn't have great numbers, but made two big plays.

One of four Johnson players who will continue on scholarship at Bryant College in Rhode Island, Vicci rushed for 12 yards and was 1-for-5 for 80 yards passing and a touchdown. For his effort, he was named the game's

"I'm speechless, because I felt I didn't deserve winning the MVP honor that much," Vicci said. "The defense won the game for us. It kept us in it the whole way."

Gaining only one first down in its first five possessions, Union went on an eight-play, 49-yard drive that resulted in the game's first score with 31 seconds remaining before

After picking up a first down, Union was facing a thirdand-20 from the Middlesex 44. Brearley quarterback Steve Washuta then completed a pass for a 39-yard gain and a first down to the Middlesex 5.

After consecutive carries gained one yard, Vicci, an option quarterback, did what he does best as he raced right and just before being crushed on a hit, pitched the ball to Elizabeth tailback Malcolm Jackson, who raced to the end zone for the touchdown.

"I was upset that we weren't scoring, so on the option, I said give me the ball and I'll get in," Jackson said. "I stumbled a little when I first got the ball, but I used my speed to get to the corner."

Brearley's Dan Zika kicked the extra point to give Union a 7-0 lead at the half.

Union looked to add to its lead early in the third quarter when it drove from the Middlesex 37 to the 17, but a

Union County

lead next year

ionship last year.

Brunswick.

will seek to take

Mike Vicci knows how to come

through in the clutch in big games.

The option quarterback sparked John-

son to the North 2, Group 2 champ-

Last week, he guided the Union

County All-Stars to a 13-0 win over

Middlesex County in the News Tri-

bune Snappple Bowl X at East

The shutout victory, which was the

Union will seek to take the lead

Vicci, who will continue at Bryant

College in Rhode Island, had a hand

in both scores, handing off to Mal-

colm Jackson of Elizabeth who ran in

from four yards out in the second

quarter and connecting with Plainfield

tight end Dane Reves on an 80-vard

Here's a look at the scores and

MVPs of the first 10 Snapple Bowls:

2003: Union 13, Middlesex 0

2002: Middlesex 28, Union 20

MVP: Zack Earvin, South River, RB

2001: Union 17, Middlesex 16

MVP: Brandon Bracey, Linden, DB

2000: Union 27, Middlesex 21 MVP: Billy Gilbert, Elizabeth, RB 1999: Middlesex 28, Union 7

MVP: Jeff LeSeur, Perth Amboy, WR

1998: Middlesex 33, Union 7

MVP: Luke Cianello, Dunellen, QB 1997: Union 28, Middlesex 7

MVP: Louis Campbell, Rahway, QB

1996: Middlesex 21, Union 6

MVP: Kenny Rogers, South B. RB

1995: Union 17, Middlesex 15

1994: Middlesex 35, Union 14

MVP: Khamisi Jackson, Monroe, RB

Series lead: even 5-5

Most points: Middlesex 204

Least points: Union 156

Shutouts: 1-Union County

Home team: 2-8

Road team: 8-2

MVP: Jamie Allen, Summit, WR

MVP: Mike Vicci, Johnson, QB

first in the series, evened the Snapple

Bowl at 5-5. Union County has won

three of the last four.

with a win next year.

strike in the fourth.

The road team is 8-2.

being stopped for no gain.

Two plays later, Union got the ball back when Johnson's Raffael De Luca intercepted a Mitch White pass at the Middlesex 19.

However, Union was pushed back and forced to punt from the Middlesex 42, resulting in a touchback.

The stop seemed to spark Middlesex as it drove from its own 20 to the Union 18 before turning the ball over on

On the first play of the fourth quarter, Middlesex looked like it was poised to even the game when North Brunswick's Will Jones stepped in front of a Washuta pass and returned it 20 yards for a touchdown.

However, a holding penalty negated the score, but did give Middlesex the ball on the Union 11.

Three plays later, Union's Mike Fullowan came up with the first of his two interceptions when he grabbed a Dan Huff pass in the end zone.

"They had a sniff of the end zone, but we got one to get us out of the end zone," Cranford linebacker Dennis Rasmussen said of the interception. "We had some great guys picking off passes. Everybody on the team knew we had to step it up and get it done."

After Rahway's Nassan Caldwell was stopped for no gain on first down, Vicci went back to pass on second and found Plainfield tight end Dane Reves wide open down the left sideline for an 80-yard touchdown reception.

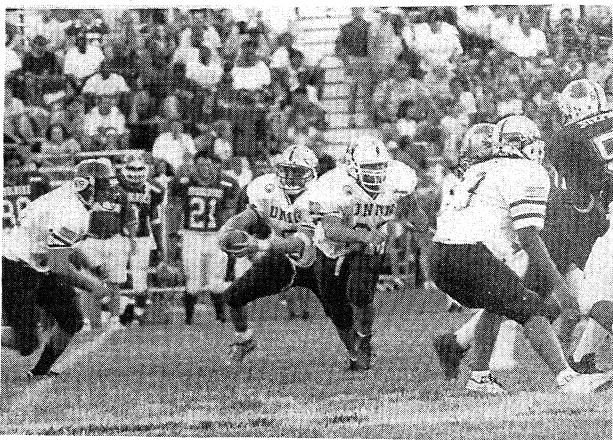
A Union penalty on a successful point after kicked by Zika forced the All-Stars to go for a two-point conversion. Middlesex stopped the pass attempt and the score remained 13-0.

"They were cheating their corners up and we were just trying to get our tight end up there and change the pattern," Wagner said of the touchdown pass. "He got behind them and we got the big play."

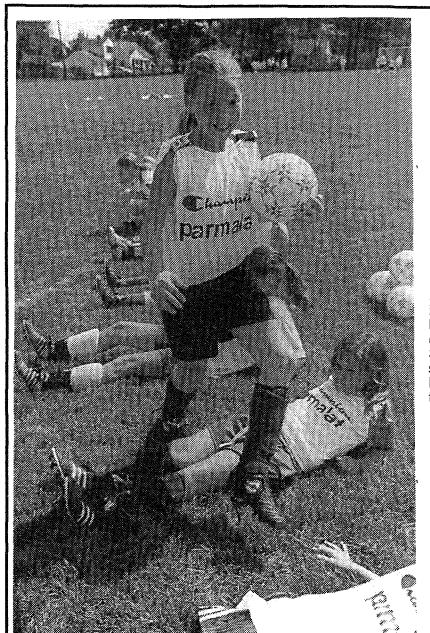
Middlesex had another scoring opportunity spoiled when it raced from the Union 26 to the 5 before being stopped on fourth down.

"We knew if the offense could get one or two scores, that we could hold them on defense, Hillside defensive end Quran Hall said. "With our speed and athleticism, I knew we could get things done."

NOTES: Game Director Marcus Borden, the head coach at East Brunswick, said that last Thursday night's Snapple Bowl raised more than \$100,000 for the Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside and the Lakebotched snapped on a field goal attempt resulted in Zika view School for Cerebral Palsy in Edison.



Quarterback Mike Vicci (No. 8 with ball) was named MVP of the News Tribune Snapple Bowl X after leading Union County to a 13-0 win over Middlesex County last Thursday night at East Brunswick High School.



PRACTICE MAKES PER-FECT — At left, Lauren Manna, 10, does a running drill at last week's Summer Soccer Camp held at Johnson High School in Clark. Below, Daniel Mortensen takes a shot on goal.

Union County All-Stars at NT Snapple Bowl X

The following is a look at area players, cheerleaders and coaches who were on the Union County roster for the News Tribune Snapple Bowl X, contested last Thursday night at East Brunswick High School:

THE PLAYERS Elizabeth: Malcolm Jackson, Durell Dukes, Greg Tanner Brearley: Steve Washuta, Dan Zika, Bob Loforte, Rich Forfa

Hillside: Quaran Hall, Leopoldo Allen, Dave Oshiokpekhai Johnson: Mike Vicci, Jon Melli, Raffael De Luca, Chris Winter, Alessio

Rahway: Dorian Petersen, Nassan Caldwell Roselle Park: Adriel Vargas

Gov. Livingston: Mike Fullowan, Colin Price, Shawn Coughlin, Rob

Cranford: Brendan Small, Dennis Rasmussen

Union: Dannell Phillips, Sean Dowling, Dan Grant

Roselle: Sharly Azard Summit: Brett Miller

Linden: Shaun Johnson, Tony Wilson THE CHEERLEADERS

Hillside: Jillian Aiello, Rachel Foster

Cranford: Natalie Castanzo, Patti Simpson Johnson: Joanna D'Addona, Alexis Lerner, Stacey Michalczyk Dayton: Kristin Griffin, Jamie Neville, Jennifer Rego Roselle Park: Renee Kleiman, Jackie MacDonald, Jenna Rubino

THE COACHES

Brearley: Erika Loessel, Terri Sues, Gigi Pallitto Gov. Livingston: Kelly McGrath, Kailey Wheaton

Roselle Park: John Wagner Cranford: Chris Hull, Don Zsak Hillside: John Zappulla Rahway: Mark Ciccotelli Gov. Livingston: Joe Hubert

High school football. kicks off Sept. 12-13

The high school football season in New Jersey will officially kick off the second weekend in September, which is Sept. 12-13.

The first two rounds of the NJSIAA playoffs are scheduled for the weekends of Saturday, Nov. 15 and Nov. 22.

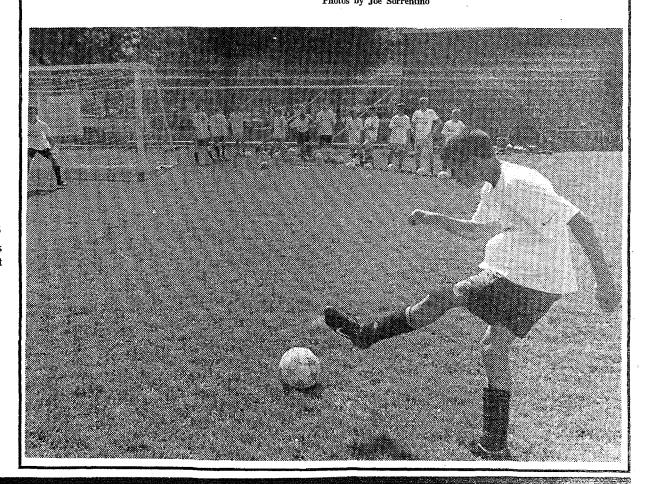
Thanksgiving Day games will be played on Thursday, Nov. 27, with the state championship games set to be played on the weekend of Dec. 6-8.

Teams that do not qualify for the state playoffs, will play a section consolation game the weekend of Nov.

Kowals leads Clark Men's Softball League standings

The following are Clark Men's Softball League standings as of last

- 1. Doral/Butch Kowals (19-2)
- 2. Wrays Diggers (15-6) 3. Arena Sports Connexion (11-6)
- 4. Sutton Trucking (11-7)
- 5. Georges Catch 27 (12-8) 6. Clark Circle Liquors (11-9)
- 7. Ironbound Heating (8-8)
- 8. Team Cingular (8-9)
- 9. Premier Quality Electric (6-14) 10. Advanced Home Wiring (6-14)
- 11. Oakes Deli & Grille (5-15)
- 12. Breeze Eastern (3-16)



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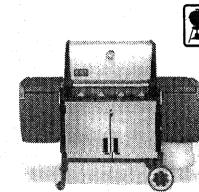
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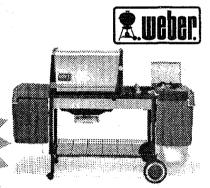


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Making something

If you missed it, last week we came out of the recession. Don't be hung up on a 6.4 percent unemployment rate, a \$455 billion deficit or the \$5.5 trillion national debt. According to the National Bureau of Economic Research, the so-called "recognized arbiter of when recessions begin and end," we are now at the end.

I should have known things were better when I saw the "Help Wanted" signs at the A&P in Kenilworth and the Romanzza Café in Cranford. When budget watchdog Leo McMahon of Cranford cries out to an impassive community about the nature of their growing debt, we can look to the Bureau of Economic Research or the new waiter at Romanzza for

Left

By Frank Capece

Before we get to the good, the rest of the bad news is a stunning estimate that seven out of 10 workers in the region are now in the service industry.

We don't make much anymore. Despite pockets of manufacturing strength in the county and region, the reality is that the growth has been in the lower-paying service

Couple this with a report last weekend out of Bloomberg News which quotes a national, multistate tax commission that our state gets ripped off annually to the tune of \$540 million by cheesy tax shelters of big corporations. The gamesmanship includes setting up Bermuda corporations or shifting taxable pricing of goods in transactions between jointly owned companies.

Just about the time I was ready to call for a nationalization of goods and services, I saw an old friend, Clark resident Rozmary Rotondo, pitching her goods on a national shopping network. It turns out her company, Identity Designs, is manufacturing and selling a product called personalized identity belts. Made from genuine leather and steel, the belts are catching on.

To speak with Rotondo means bracing for a rapid fire discussion on quality, meeting customer needs and actually getting a product to consumers. As she was flying to Florida to do a shopping television gig, her goods were appearing in the August edition of Red Book. They will also be focused next month in Elle magazine, another high-style publication.

Rotondo's goods are sold in Joyce Leslie and Mandees. Rotondo giggles a little when confessing that "walking into a store and seeing the products you have developed, manufactured and sold is pretty special."

What's more special is to have a discussion with a businessperson who has found a niche and actually makes something. It started with her love of dogs. Her custom col-See TIME, Page B2

Route 22 named a safety corridor

Violations will bring double the fines

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

By February, motorists traveling along portions of Route 22 will see signs reading, "You're now entering a safe corridor," where fines for traffic violations will be doubled.

The new statewide program imposes doubled fines for motorists caught speeding or driving aggressively on sections of highways that have been shown to have excessively high accident and fatality rates.

In Union County, the safe corridors on Route 22 will be between mile posts 50 and 60, which wind through Hillside, Union, Springfield and Mountainside.

"While speeding sometimes isn't an issue necessarily on Route 22 in Union, it is as you move more westbound and sometimes more eastbound," said Assemblyman Joseph Cryan, D-Union. "Anything we can do to control speeding and save some lives is common sense."

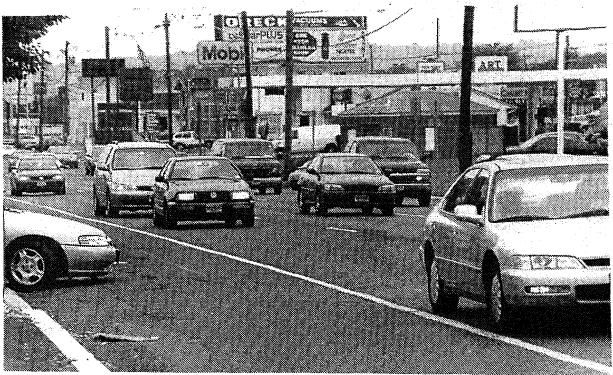
In order for a section of roadway to be designated as a safe corridor, more than 1,000 crashes had to occur

there within a year and the section had to also be 50 percent higher than the, statewide crash average for that particular style of roadway: four lanes, two lanes, with or without shoulders and medians

There were 3,081 crashes last year on Route 22 between mileposts 50 and 60, leading to a crash rate of 3.79, 69 percent higher than the state rate of 2.24 for roads similar to that stretch of Route 22's layout.

"This is a designation because these particular corridors were seen as true hot spots at this time," said Mike Horan, a Department of Transportation spokesman.

The new law, bill A-3527, also increases the minimum fines for violating regulations concerning certain commercial motor vehicle equipment; requires the completion of a commercial driver's improvement program to restore a suspended commercial driver's license; increases fines for outof-state overweight trucks, and dedicates 50 percent of all safe corridor fines to a new Highway Safety Fund that will be used exclusively for high-



The Department of Transportation has named several 'safety corridors' throughout New Jersey, including Route 22 from Branchburg to Newark, which doubles fines for viola-

way safety projects and programs.

Funds will also be made available to State Police and municipal police departments for education, enforcement, capital undertakings and other related measures that foster highway

Of the municipalities which run along Route 22, Cryan represents

Union. He said the township may see some revenue increase because of the doubled fines once it is designated a safe corridor. However, he said he's hopeful that the newly designated safe corridor increases safety rather pay for increased police support along than just revenue.

"I'm hopeful that people follow

the law," he said. "This is one time where we hope it doesn't increase the dollar amount."

Cryan said Route 22 causes Union homeowners additional tax money to the roadway.

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Storming the field



The Union County All-Stars take the field at Jay Doyle Field in East Brunswick High School for Snapple Bowl X last week. Union County recorded the first shutout in the series against Middlesex County, posting a 13-0 victory. For more coverage, see the Sports page.

Additional \$1 million set aside for Trailside

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is expected during its regular meeting tonight to allocate \$1 million from the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund for a \$4.6-million expansion of the Trailside Nature and Science Museum in Mountainside.

The expansion is expected to include a 17,000-square-foot addition to the current 7,700-square-foot nature center, adding classrooms, exhibit space and storage areas.

"It's such a popular location that we didn't want — as we have in the past — to unfortunately turn people away from some of our programming because of lack of building size," said Freeholder Alexander Mirabella. "This will allow us to have more folks take advantage of the programs up there.'

Trailside is located in the Watchung Reservation, a 2,000-acre preserve containing forests, three ponds, swamps, streams, springs, fields and more than 13 miles of color-coded hiking trails. The nature center opened in 1974 and offers a variety of programs for chil-

dren and adults.

"It's so well utilized by the community," said Mirabella. "Some of the programs that we have there, when the tickets go on sale there are lines forming early in the morning. It's such a popular destination site in the county."

Mirabella said the county is hoping to keep parts of the complex open during construction, which should be ongoing for approximately two years.

In addition to the \$1 million that will come from the trust fund, the county has already paid DMR Architects of Maywood, the architectural firm hired to design the expansion, nearly \$395,000 for their services; money which came exclusively from the trust fund. The county has already approved \$3.6 million in capital funds for the expansion project.

See TRAILSIDE, Page B2

Prosecutor's detectives arbitrate new settlement

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

Ending years of arbitration, the Union County Prosecutor's Detectives will receive a salary increase in exchange for higher co-payments on health coverage after a new contract settlement between the PBA and the county.

Under the new contract, which is retroactive to Jan. 1, 2001, Police Benevolent Association Local 250 members will receive a 1.5 percent salary increase; effective June 23 2001, PBA members will receive a 1.5 percent salary increase; effective Jan. 1, 2002, members get a 3.5 percent salary increase in guide with 4

percent at maximum; effective Jan. 1, 2003, members will receive a 3.5 percent salary increase in guide with 4 percent at maximum; and Jan. 1. 2004, union members will receive a 3.5 percent salary increase in guide with 4 percent at maximum.

The new contract is effective Jan. 1, 2001 and expires on Dec. 31, 2004. The contract settlement could not

be reached solely through negotiations between the county and the PBA. Rather, the state's Public Employment Relations Commission had to step in and arbitrate a settle-

"We're pleased that the arbitrator followed what we felt was a pretty

strong pattern of settlement that we have had with our other labor uions," Director of Labor Management Relations Joseph Salemme said. "The wages are essentially the same as with our other unions as well as the health benefit concessions."

The settlement was awarded on Jan. 23, with a clarification issued on April 9.

PBA Local 250 had filed for arbitration on Feb. 2, 2001.

A pre-interest arbitration was conducted by PERC on May 23, 2001, where the county and the PBA could not reach a settlement, resulting in a formal arbitration hearing on Dec. 5,

Under the new contract, co-payment for PBA members using the county's prescription program will be adjusted from mail order, \$0; generic, \$3; single-source, \$5; multi-source, \$10; to, mail order, \$3; generic, \$5; single-source, \$15; and multi-source, \$20. This is consistent with the healthcare package other county unions have received.

the county's chief law enforcement officer and is appointed by the governor. The Prosecutor's Office has 222 budgeted positions, including 58 prosecutors, assistant detectives/investigators, 55 clerical personnel and 42 support personnel.

The Union County prosecutor is

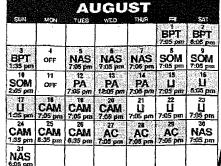
There are 44 detectives in the negotiating unit represented by PBA Local 250.

Under the new contract, PBA members using Horizon PPO shall contribute toward doctor's office visits \$5 per visit in 2002, \$10 per visit in 2003 and 2004.

Out-of-network cost share will be changed from an 80/20 county/employee split to a 70/30 split.

Union employees earning less than \$65,000 a year will pay \$10 per month for health benefits; less than \$75,000 a year will pay \$25 per month for health benefits; more than \$75,000 will pay \$35 per month in See DETECTIVES, Page B2

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Community blood drives

The Blood Center of New Jersey and the Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross will sponsor the following blood drives:

• Today, 3 to 8:30 p.m., Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad, 875 Raritan Road, Clark; 3 to 7 p.m., Gran Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road, Clark.

• Friday, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union.

· Saturday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave., Cranford; 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Foundation of Salvation Church, 50-52 Atlantic St., Elizabeth.

Donors must be 17 years of age. There is no upper age limit to donors provided they meet health requirements. Donors should know their Social Security number and bring a signed or picture form of identifica-

For more information, call the Blood Center at 1-800-652-5663, ext. 140, or the Red Cross at 908-353-

Senior Farmers' Market

The Union County Division of Aging in the Department of Human Services has announced the locations of the Senior Farmers' Market Nutrition Program for the month of July.

The Senior Farmers' Market features locally grown fruits and vegetables available to eligible participants age 60 and older. Vouchers are limited and will be distributed on a firstcome first served basis.

Bilingual staff from the Division of Aging will be available to assist seniors in filling out the information for the vouchers.

Vouchers will be distributed at the following locations July:

· Fridays, First Baptist Church of Elizabeth, 402 Union Ave., Elizabeth. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The market will be open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

 Mondays, Shiloh Baptist Church, 95 Murray St., Elizabeth. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The market will be open 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

· Today, Union Township Senior Center, 2343 Morris Ave., Union. Registration begins at 9 a..m The market will be open from 10 a.m. to 3

The USDA recommends that at least five servings of fruits and vegetables be eaten every day. Americans frequently eat fewer than the recommended number of servings. Studies indicate that consuming five servings of fruits and vegetables a day can decrease the risk of heart disease and

For more information about the Farmer's Market Program, call the Union County Senior Nutrition Program at 908-527-4866.

Applications available on county clerk's Web site

Applications for a Notary Public Commission and a Business Trade Name Certificate are now available on the Internet through the Web site of the Union County Clerk's Office.

Adult Union County residents interested in being commissioned as a Notary Public can find complete applications information online, including a printable application ready for download.

All new businesses established in Union County must file a trade name with the county clerk. Complete filing information, including a printable application ready for download are now available online.

The Web site is accessible through the Union County home page at http://www.ucnj.org by clicking on "Constitutional Offices" and clicking on "County Clerk."

Donations sought for Sept. 11 memorial

Union County is seeking donations from the public for a permanent memorial being built at Echo Lake Park to honor the memory of those killed during the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

The committee is seeking contributions to fund construction of the memorial. This provides the public an opportunity to play a part in creating memorial. Approximately \$100,000 is needed in donations to cover costs for building the memorial.

The memorial will be located at Echo Lake Park near the flagpole on the hill where the summer concerts in the park are held. There will be trees framing the memorial, which will include a seven-and-a-half-foot tall eternal flame, a granite block with a stainless steal plaque with the names of the 58 county residents who died at the trade center and on Flight 93 that crashed in Pennsylvania. In addition, there will be two steel girders recovered from the World Trade Center incorporated into the design.

The county is hoping to have the memorial completed for a dedication ceremony in the fall.

All donations are tax deductible and can be made payable to the Union County Sept. 11 Memorial Fund and sent to UC Sept. 11 Memorial Fund, c/o The Office of the County Manager, Administration Building, 6th Floor, Elizabethtown Plaza, Elizabeth, 07207.

Local Green Party meets

The Union County local of the Green Party of New Jersey meets at 7 p.m. on the second Tuesday of the month, at Panera Bread on East Broad Street in Westfield. A spectrum of local and state political matters are discussed. All are welcome.

For more information, call George DeCarlo at 908-322-4319 or by email at alexdn@nix.netcom.com.

Election dates brochure

A pamphlet outlining important 2003 election dates, candidate petition filing due dates, absentee ballot deadlines, and campaign finance report deadlines is now available at public libraries, the Union County Clerk's office, and municipal clerk offices throughout the county. The pamphlet also includes a detachable absentee ballot application.

With the absentee ballot application, registered voters who are unable to make it to the polls on any Election Day can receive election ballots at their homes.

The pamphlet is available at the

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The County Clerk's office can be reached at 908-527-4966.

Surrogate's office hours

Union County Surrogate James LaCorte has updated his schedule of evening office hours.

As the county surrogate, he is responsible for probating wills and appointing executors, administrators, guardians and trustees of decedents estates, among other constitutionally mandated duties. LaCorte is available - by appointment - to meet during the evening with residents who have matters pending before the Surrogate's Court. Appointments must be made at least 48 hours in advance.

The updated schedule of evening office hours is as follows:

· Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave., first Monday of the month.

· Rahway Recreation Center, 275 Milton Ave., second Tuesday.

· Union Township Municipal Building, 1976 Morris Ave., third Wednesday.

· Summit City Hall, 512 Springfield Ave., fourth Thursday.

The Surrogate's Court can be reached at 908-527-4280.

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Rotondo says, after college she

Detectives get new deal

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2002, \$40 per month in 2003 and 2004.

Effective Jan. 1, 2004, new employees will receive PHS of Blue Choice health coverage only. In addition, new employees can expect to contribute \$15 per month for single coverage and \$25 per month for family coverage. The contribution will increase by the proportionate annual increase in the plan cost.

The settlement also increased union members' clothing allowance by \$25 in each of the first three years of the agreement. The last contract allotted members an annual clothing allowance of \$700.

PBA members will earn one vacation day for each month of service during the calendar year following the date of employment, according to the new settlement.

The PBA members' sick leave buyout is also consistent with the rest of county's contract settlements. When an employee retires, they may have a number of sick days accumulated but not used. If the employee has more than 100 days, they get paid for that number of sick days at 50 percent of their day's wages, with a maximum of \$10,000. The buyout percentage goes to 80 percent of an employee's daily wages, with a maximum of \$18,000, if an employee has accumulated over 400 sick days.

Trailside work moves forward

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"The lion's share of the open space trust fund money should be used for open space acquisition," said Wally Shackell, a former freeholder candidate now following government operations for the Union County Republican Committee. "Unfortunately some of this money is going to be used for blacktopping, additional parking spaces. I really believe this is not what the vast majority of Union County taxpayers and voters really thought this was going

Voter approved the trust fund by a 60-to-40 percent margin in a November 2000 referendum that established a tax of \$0.15 per \$100 of assessed value dedicated to open space, recreation and historic preservation purposes.

Clark Environmental Commission Chairman William Fidurski said it appears a lot of the allocated money is going toward additional classroom space

"Rather than place classrooms on site, it seems that there must be — especially on weekends — classrooms that would be available else where in the county, rather than building new ones," said Fidurski, explaining that the museum could use larger public display cases. "I've been up there on different occasions when they've had shows and they kind of cram everyone into the lobby. I can understand there might be a need for a larger public space."

Fines will be doubled

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Nationwide studies indicate that by doubling fines in high-risk corridors, the number of crashes and fatalities decreases. In California, where a safe corridor program has already been implemented, crashes declined between 11 and 37 percent, and crashes with fatalities or injuries declined between 13 and 47 percent on the designated roadways.

Over the last 10 years, 8,000 New Jersey residents have died on the state's roadways, with more than 700 residents killed in crashes last year.

Throughout the state, there will be 13 safe corridors including Route 22,

from milepost 30 to milepost 40 and milepost 50 to milepost 60, in the Green Brook/Bridgewater area.

"This is a work in progress," said Horan. "That's the way we see it. These are initial proposed corridors and other corridors can be added."

If traffic data show that the designated corridors' crash statistics decrease to a safe level, then they will be removed from the safety corridor

"It's sort of like a give-and-take," said Horan. "It can go on and off as we go. It's not a permanent designa-

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Kole's debut shows promise of stardom

The cabaret world witnessed the birth of what will surely be one of its brightest rising stars last Thursday at The Manor in West Orange.

Making her cabaret-act debut was Bloomfield's Hilary Kole, whose credits include co-authorship of and a lengthy run with the off-Broadway hit, "Our Sinatra."

Kole filled Le Dome with warmth, intimacy and a heaping dose of talent when she presented "A Good Man is Hard to Find," which chronicled one woman's adventures in romance from adolescence through adulthood.

Combining her natural charm and rapport with an audience with her phenomenal talent, Kole's hour-long set was dazzling in its diversity of material and styles, all of which sat beautifully on her voice.

Kole kicked things off with a hot rendition of Cole Porter's "You'd Be So Nice to Come Home To," which showcased not only her smoky jazz vocals to bass-only accompaniment by Steve Laspina but a dynamic improvisation by Kole, as well.

From there, Kole took us on a iourney of love and life, with pearls of wisdom she received from her grandmother scattered throughout: "Love is disappointing - get used to it!" "Date - whether you like it or not!" "Stop worrying about finding a man you can love, and start living a life you can love."

In "A Good Man is Hard to Find" by Eddie Green, Kole demonstrated an immediacy in her connection to the lyrics and music, adding emotional resonance to the number. The natural lightness of her head voice was put to excellent use on Kurt Weill's "My Ship," giving further delicacy to Ira Gershwin's lyrics.

On "Lush Life" by Billy Strayhorn, Kole treated the audience to the stylization of Barbra

Life is a Cabaret

By Bill VanSant Associate Editor

Streisand combined with the vocal finesse of Judy Garland in her prime, adding a beautiful "ping" to the tre-

Kole showcased the work of singer-songwriter Johnny Rodgers, a personal friend of hers, on "Take Another Chance on Love," incorporating impeccable lyrical and musical phrasing into her performance of the number. The edginess of her tone, her judicious use of blue notes and a hot scat section drove this number over the top. Laspina's bass solo was rife with musical tension, and the piano improvisation by Alan Farnham strayed just enough from the center of the road, but didn't deviate so far as to become unrecognizable.

Kole once again created a complete illusion on "Midnight Sun" by Lionel Hampton and Johnny Mercer, using her vocal quality to capture the "time stands still" essence of the

Equally comfortable with contemporary composers as she is with the old masters. Kole delivered solid performances of Tom Waits' "Old Boyfriends" and Billy Joel's "And So It Goes," weaving quite a spell and demonstrating excellent focus on the

Originally a composer of classical music, Kole proved that her voice was born for jazz with many of the nuances and techniques she precisely incorporated into her performance, such as the vocal runs she flawlessly executed on her finale, "One-Note Samba," which also featured a wild



Hilary Kole

counterpoint scat by Kole and her drummer, Richard DeRosa, her husband and arranger.

DeRosa's expressive arrangement of Leonard Bernstein's "Some Other Time" beautifully showcased Kole's performance, as did Ned Rorem's "Early in the Morning." The evocative stridence in her voice was, as El Gallo says in "The Fantasticks," like "the stinging taste of mint."

Kole's star is most surely on the ascendant, if her cabaret debut is any indication. This is one vocalist whose career is to be watched - closely! This star will truly shine!

The dinner in the Terrace Lounge prior to Kole's performance was up to Executive Chef Jochen Voss' usual standards of excellence, always featuring culinary surprises, such as last Thursday's intriguing basil sorbet in the appetizer course and the honeylavender ice cream with dessert.

Whether it's the food or the talent, July 17 further proved one thing about The Manor: expect the unexpected — and expect it to be great!

Appearing next in the Cabaret Soiree series is Julius LaRosa on Aug. 14. For information, call at 973-731-2360 or visit www.themanorrestaurant.com.

'Scapin' not cheap with laughs

Caught in "a touchy situation that needs a little manipulation"? Just dial 777-SCAM for "your man," the mischievous servant Scapin, who is the main character of Moliere's rollicking farce of the same name, now being performed outdoors at the College of St. Elizabeth's Greek Theater by the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey through Aug. 3.

In classic comedic style, "That Scoundrel Scapin" involves mistaken identities, long-lost children and cheeky servants. Hopelessly in love with ladies of whom their fathers would not approve, a pair of starryeyed suitors, Leander and Octavio, enlist the help of Scapin to smooth the way of true love. Although he has "retired" from meddling in other folks' business, Scapin seizes the opportunity to exact his own revenge on their fathers, the miserly merchants Geronte and Argante.

In his 13th season with the theater, James Michael Reilly once again proves himself a consummate comic actor. Entering on a bicycle, he has the audience laughing even before opening his mouth! In harlequin pants and a little pork-pie hat, this jester mugs, executes pratfalls and even plays an Italian, a German, an entire mob — all at once — to trick

On the Boards

By Ruth Ross Theater Correspondent

Geronte, "one of the stingiest men who ever lived," into giving him money so Leander can ransom his gypsy girlfriend and marry her.

His terrific performance is matched by Bruce Winant as Argante, Octavio's cheapskate father, and Robert LuPone as the tightwad Geronte. Both actors arrogantly bluster and strut around the stage, setting up their characters for a comic "fall" at the hands of Scapin,

Clark Carmichael as Leander and Christian Conn as Octavio are appropriately hapless and goofy suitors, willing to entrust their romances to this rascal. Erica Piccininni is hilarious as the dopey Hyacinthia while Molly McCann's gypsy Zerbinetta is a more worldly, hard-bitten, no-nonsense dame.

In the tradition of commedia dell'arte, director Joe Discher's adaptation combines physical hijinks with contemporary references for a fresh take on this classic play. Cell phones

ring, commercials are mocked and when a plane flew over - the theater is in the flight paths of both Morristown and Newark-Liberty Airports the cast did a dance. One line even referenced the classic comic film "Airplane"! The scenic design by Cameron Anderson and the brightlycolored costumes by Mattie Ullrich emphasize the play's cartoonish, farcical qualities.

"That Scoundrel Scapin" has tickled funnybones for more than three centuries. As they did with "The Grouch" last summer, the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey introduces 21st-century theatergoers to the forerunners of today's comic plays and films. Everyone in the audience, kids to senior citizens, laughed loud

Best of all, the message of the play is as relevant today as it was in 1671: tackling things that have an element of risk about them, as Scapin does, makes life interesting.

"That Scoundrel Scapin" runs through Aug. 3 at the College of St. Elizabeth's Greek Theater in Morristown at Convent Station. For information, see the "Theater" listing in the Stepping Out calendar on Page B6.



James Michael Reilly, left, as Scapin and Robert LuPone as Geronte trade quips and quibbles in 'That Scoundrel Scapin,' on stage at the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey's Outdoor Stage through Aug. 3.

UCAC announces stars, offers

Union County Arts Center in Rahway has announced its 75th anniversary fall/winter season.

In celebration of the 75th anniversary of the Union County Arts Center, there are some new features added to the season's programming.

Diamond Circle seating will be available for the first time. These premium, limited tickets include a post-show gathering with the artist in the theater lobby. Also offered this year is a "Pick 3" subscription plan; patrons may choose three Union County Arts Center selected events and receive a discount of as much as \$4. The Classic Film Series will begin this season. There will be 14 movies shown at the theater throughout the year including classic silent films and RKO tribute films. Silent films will be accompanied by live theater-organ music on the Wurlizter with Bernard Anderson of Rahway at the keyboard.

Beginning this month, patrons will have the option of purchasing tickets online 24 hours a day, seven days a week at the new Virtual Box Office. By visiting the Web site at www.ucac.org, patrons may choose their own seats and place their orders from the convenience of their homes.

The Union County Arts Center is the hub of a diverse arts district in downtown Rahway, two blocks from the NJ Transit train station. Recent renovations have transformed the RKO movie house into a performing arts center complete with burgundy velvet curtains and gold leaf. Local restaurants are within walking distance of the theater and represent various cultures that are part of the district.

The Union County Arts Center is a not-for-profit organization that is dedicated to presenting quality performances. The theater is handicapped-accessible and group discounts are available. Tickets may be purchased by phone with a Visa, MasterCard, Discover or American Express, or in person at Ticket Central, 1601 Irving St. in

Major support for the arts center and its programs comes from the city of Rahway, Merck and Co., the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholderes, the Rahway Savings Institution, and Liberty Bank. Other funding has been made possible by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State.

Union County Arts Center 2003-04 Fall/Winter Season **UCAC Celebrates 75th Anniversary**

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Nov. 7: Lily Tomlin, 8 p.m. Nov. 16: Kenny Rogers, 5 and 8 p.m.

Nov. 22: The Kingston Trio, 8 p.m.

Nov. 23: Paul Anka, 8 p.m.

Dec. 6: Herman's Hermits starring Peter Noone, 8 p.m.

the Rahway Savings Institution

Dec. 7: "The Snow Queen," children's show, 3 p.m. Dec. 13: The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea, 8 p.m.; a benefit for the Union County Arts Center, presented by

In addition, the Classic Film Series of 14 films will be presented throughout the season. Call the box office for

For information, call 732-499-8226 or visit www.ucac.org.

County continues to offer HEART Grants

The Union County Board of ment to the artists and nonprofit dents of our county and increase Chosen Freeholders invites local nonprofit organizations, individual artists and scholars to apply for funding from the 2003 Union County HEART - History, Education, Arts Reaching Thousands - Grant program.

Recognizing the importance of culture and the arts to the economy and quality of life, the freeholders established the HEART Grants in 1998. This innovative program supports projects related to history, the arts and humanities, and demonstrates a commit-

organizations of Union County.

"The response to the HEART Grant program in the past few years has been exciting," said Freeholder Chairwoman Deborah P. Scanlon. "The recipients are a wonderful mix of creative individuals — poets and writers, painters, photographers, musicians and dancers - plus arts, history and other cultural organizations and civic groups."

"The services provided by these artists, scholars and organizations directly benefit the resi-

appreciation for the arts, our history, and the humanities," said Freeholder Chester Holmes, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board.

To request a HEART Grant application and guidelines, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs at 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, 07202. For telephone inquiries, call 908-558-2550, Relay users dial 711. E-mail may be sent to sooen@ucnj.org.

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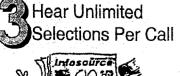
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'Scapin' will benefit host college

The Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey has chosen once more the open-air Greek Theater at the College of St. Elizabeth, 2 Convent Road, Morristown, as the venue for its "Other Stage" production of Moliere's, "That Scoundrel Scapin," running through Aug. 3, with special CSE benefit performance July 25 at 8:15 p.m.

Proceeds from the benefit performance will go directly to the College of St. Elizabeth. Tickets are \$27 for adults and teens and \$15 for children age 12 and younger. To purchase benefit tickets, call 973-290-4450. In case of rain July 25, tickets will be honored at any 8:15 p.m. performance on July 26, 27, 30 and 31, Aug. 1, 2 and 3.

Patrons are invited to stroll through the Shakespeare Garden at the college, which will be open one hour prior to curtain time, and to bring a picnic supper to enjoy before or during the performance.

Artistic director Bonnie J. Monte of the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey could not have asked for a more majestic spot than the Greek Theater at the College campus. "It is exhilarating to present a play in this rare setting, a place of tranquility and great beauty, with an atmosphere resonant of things both ancient and magical," she said.

The open-air Greek amphitheater was inspired by the Theater of Dionysus in Athens. It is one of only a few theaters of its kind in the United States and debuted as the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey's newest performance space when Menander's play, "The Grouch," was presented there last season.

July 28-Aug. 3

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sense of humor. Tell a few jokes

and leave them wanting more

feelings without hesitation.

both ancient and magical.'

- Bonnie J. Monte, artistic director

Jeanine Hirsch, vice president for Institutional Advancement at CSE, expresses her enthusiasm and support for this year's benefit performance. "It is a great way to bring the arts to the campus community," she said. "Proceeds received will go directly to support educational programs at the college."

This season's play, "That Scoundrel Scapin," is a zany comedy about a pair of starry-eyed suitors who enlist the assistance of a mischievous servant named Scapin in order to win the hearts of the ladies they love. For all other dates and times through Aug. 3, call the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey directly at 973-408-5600 or visit the Web site at www.njshakespeare.org.

The College of St. Elizabeth enrolls approximately 1,800 full- and part-time students in 27 undergraduate and seven graduate degree programs. For information, visit the College of St. Elizabeth Web site at www.cse.edu.

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Bill Van Sant, **Editor**

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Westfield troupe will present 'Music Man'

Professor Harold Hill and the townsfolk of River City, Iowa will soon be marching into Edison Intermediate School as the Westfield Summer Workshop prepares for its presentation of "The Music Man."

Juan and Valerie Pineda of the Little Opera Company direct the cast of 35 students in grades six through nine. They just mounted a production of "The Magic Flute" at Westfield High School. Valerie Pineda's past credits include international singing engagements with various opera companies. Juan Pineda had one of the leading roles in "The Karaoke Show" off-Broadway this past spring and was previously in the Broadway company of "Miss Saigon."

The Pinedas' goal is not just to put on a show, but to offer a more holistic arts experience by educating their students about the various crafts involved in a theatrical presentation. The young people in the cast have already honed their auditioning skills by learning the "dos and don'ts" as they vied for the various roles during the first week of July.

Currently, the auditorium is bustling with activity. Groups of students are working on staging, others are singing or practicing dance steps, still others are reviewing scenes that were previously staged. Some are sitting in pairs and helping each other to memorize their lines. Other groups are decorating their own turn-of-the-century hats to wear during one of the scenes while still others are painting publicity signs and scenery pieces.

The Pinedas are committed to giving the kids ownership of this production by involving them in all aspects, not just the performing parts. And the young people are certainly responding to the infectious energy of the duo, according to a representative. "This production is going to be awesome. The kids are so talented and they're really committed to learning and doing a good job," states

Connor Davis from Westfield plays Harold Hill, Kristen Dilzell and Natalie Narotzky, also from Westfield, are double-cast as Marian the Librarian. Other cast members are from Scotch Plains, Edison, Mountainside, Summit and

"The Music Man" runs Tuesday and Wednesday at 1 and 7:30 p.m. at the Edison Intermediate School Auditorium, 800 Rahway Ave., Westfield. Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$5 for students and senior citizens. For information, call

Wailin' the blues



973-744-2600 or visit www.trumpetsjazz.com.

Former Linden resident Rob Paparozzi, front man for the renowned Hudson River Rats, will bring his signature blues harmonica work to Montclair when the Rats appear at Trumpets on July 31. For information, call

Local children are sought for Paper Mill's 'Sound of Music'

New Jersey will conduct auditions for young boys and girls for the fall production of "The Sound of Music."

Auditions will take place at the theater Aug. 6. Auditions begin at 10 a.m.; sign-ups are from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. only. No one will be signed up after 12:30 p.m. Auditioners should use the lobby entrance to the theater.

Being sought are children ages 6 to 16 who sing and move well to play the roles of the von Trapp children of the beloved family favorite. Directed and choreographed by James Brennan, with musical direction by Tom Helm, "The Sound of Music" runs for seven weeks from Oct. 29 through Dec. 14.

"Climb Every Mountain," "Do-Re-Mi," "Sixteen Going on Seventeen," "Edelweiss" and "My Favorite Things." These beloved songs are just a few of theatergoers' favorite things about Rodgers and Hammer-. stein's final collaboration, which garnered a host of Tony Awards and Oscars, and continues to be one of the bestselling movie soundtracks of all time. Set against the breathtaking Austrian hillside, this endearing tale of the von Trapp family is sure to strike deep chords in the young and young at heart.

Available roles are Leisl, female, 16; Friedrich, male, 14; Louisa, female, 13; Kurt, male, 11; Brigitta, female, 9; Marta, female, 7; and Gretl, female, 5. Both Equity and non-Equity children can attend this audition. The children must be excellent singers, dancers and actors. They are all featured roles. There is a plus three understudies, one boy and www.papermill.org.

Paper Mill: The State Theater of two girls, for a total of 10 children needed. All children must be excellent singers and dancers, and fit certain height requirements. The male children need to still sing in their

"soprano" register. Height: All children will be measured at the auditions. Leisl must be the tallest and the heights must each be lower for each younger child

providing a stair-step effect. Age: The actual ages of the children do not have to necessarily correspond with the ages listed above; the child should just look the age above.

Preparation: It is preferable that the children be familiar with the song "The Sound of Music." They will be asked to sing that song at the audi-

What to wear: Children should wear comfortable clothes. No one should feel the need to dress up for this audition. If time permits, there may be a dance combination taught. Children should bring comfortable shoes, such as sneakers or dance shoes; no sandals or flip flops.

Commitment: "The Sound of Music" begins rehearsal Oct. 6. Rehearsals are in New York City and school will need to be missed. An on-location tutor will be provided. The production opens Oct. 29 and closes Dec. 14. The performance schedule is eight shows a week: Wednesday to Sunday evenings, and Thursday, Saturday and Sunday matinees. Everyone who wants to be involved with the production must be available for the entire run of the show including rehearsals. There will be no exceptions.

No phone calls should be directed total of seven children in the show to the theater. For directions, visit

NJ Ballet appoints four to board

New Jersey Ballet, the state's leading ballet company, has elected four new members to its board of direc-

· Jill Lalli DeFabio from Millington. A former dancer and choreographer, DeFabio graduated from Goucher College with honors in dance performance and choreography, dance education, and dance history and criticism. She is also an experienced fund-raiser, especially for educational institutions.

· James N. Ellowitch from Livingston. Ellowitch graduated cum laude from the Wharton School of the University of Pennsylvania, and became a Chartered Life Underwriter in 1971 and a Chartered Financial Consultant in 1983. He currently serves as a first vice president of the Northern New Jersey Estate Planning Council, and is a principal in the firm of Barry, Ellowitch and Petruzellis LLC in Wayne.

· Gale DiFabio Raffield from Cranford. Raffield is the administrator at Robinson and Livelli, a prominent litigation law firm in Newark. A former chairperson of the Newark Fresh Air Fund, she continues to be involved in organizing the annual

Chorale seeks director

Summit Chorale, mid-sized and auditioned, is looking for a music director/conductor beginning in September 2004 to provide artistic vision and lead all aspects of preparation for three performances per year between September and May, some with orchestra.

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Battle of the Barristers, which this year raised \$100,000 to send innercity youngsters to summer camp.

· Stephen G. Waldis from Tewksbury. Waldis is founder, president and CEO of Synchronoss Technologies Inc. of Bethlehem, Pa., a company that provides telecom carriers with technology to connect enterprises to the global network. Waldis was the recipient of the prestigious Ernst and Young 2000 New Jersey Telecommunications Entrepreneur of the Year award. He earned B.S. and M.S. degrees from Seton Hall University.

New Jersey Ballet, which will mark its 45th anniversary in December, reaches more than 150,000 New Jerseyans, live and through media, every year and maintains a repertory of exceptional breadth and quality. The company performs at venues statewide, and offers regular subscrip-

tion series at the Community Theater in Morristown and the Wilkins Theater at Kean University in Union. Its production of "The Nutcracker" draws thousands annually to Paper Mill: The State Theater of New Jersey in Millburn.

New Jersey Ballet's extensive performance schedule is made possible in part by support from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a Partner Agency of the National Endowment for the Arts, and by generous corporate, foundation, and individual contributions. The company has been designated a major arts institution by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts for "artistic excellence, substantial programming, and broad public service." For more information and a complete performance schedule, visit New Jersey Ballet's Web site at www.njballet.org or call 973-497-9600.

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Trailside gets magical with 'Read & Grow' show

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Department of Parks and Recreation will present "The Read and Grow Magic Show" featuring children's entertainer Bob Conrad at Trailside Nature Science Center on Wednesday at 1:30 p.m.

"Bob Conrad pulls out all the stops and lets his imagination run wild as he explores the fun, adventure, mystery and magic of books," said Freeholder Chairwoman Deborah Scanlon.

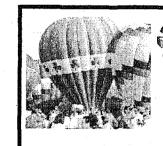
Conrad has been appearing at schools, shopping malls, libraries, museums and camps for more than 25 years. He is an expert in children's entertainment and a regular columnist in humor magazines.

'Bob Conrad pulls out all the stops.'

Freeholder Deborah Scanlon

"The Read and Grow Magic Show" is for families with children ages 4 and older only. No infants or strollers are allowed in the auditorium. Tickets are \$4 and go on sale 15 minutes before the show.

Trailside is located at 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside. For information about this and other programs, call 908-789-3670.



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Boating safety course

The Union County College Division of Economic Development and Continuing Education is once again offering the New Jersey Boating Safety Certification on its Cranford campus, 1033 Springfield Ave.

The course is required for those who are 16 years old and older who wish to operate personal watercraft and for those 13 years or older to operate power boats.

The course will cover the following topics: boat handling, rules of the road, safety regulations, necessary equipment, and legal responsibilities. Upon successful completion a state approved for issuing for a New Jersey Boating Safety Certificate will be issued. The certification is NASBLA

The certification program will be held throughout the summer, with sessions beginning on Monday and Aug. 13.

For more information on this certification or any other program offered by the Division of Economic Development and Continuing Education. call 908-709-7600.

Vo-Tech school offers culinary arts program

The award-winning culinary arts program at Union County Vocational-Technical Schools can improve your skills in the kitchen on prepare you for a new career as a chef.

Registration for the fall program is open now to all Union County residents for the culinary arts program scheduled to begin Sept. 3 at the school's campus in Scotch Plains.

The culinary arts class will meet five days a week, Monday through Friday, from 2 to 8 p.m. Union County residents age 18 and older can complete the course and receive a degree

The culinary arts program offers premiere food service education, food preparation techniques from cooking principles to gourmet foods. Students learn in a state-of-the-art commercial kitchen under the guidance of a professional chef and

The course includes instruction in the preparation of stocks, soups. sauces, salads, meats, fish, shellfish, poultry and vegetables. The curriculum also teaches portion control, food presentation, garnishing and dessert

Additionally, students learn proper safety and sanitation in th kitchen, proper use of tools and equipment, purchasing, inventory control, menu planning, diet and nutrition, serving, food service management and kitchen

Graduates of the program can pursue careers as chefs, sous chefs, banquet cooks, prep cooks, line cooks or first cooks. Many graduates continue their education, pursuing bachelors' degree in culinary arts at four-year college.

Financial aid is available to eligible students and job-placement services are offered to all graduates.

For more information or to register for the program, call the admissions office at 908-889-8288, ext. 301 or

Cosmetology course

Union County Vocational-Technical Schools will offer a full-time course in cosmetology in the fall for students interested in entering this dynamic and competitive field.

The course will run from September through June and will prepare students for the licensing examination administered by the New Jersey State Board of Cosmetology. Classes begin Sept. 3, and are Monday through Friday from 2 to 8 p.m. at the school campus on Raritan Road.

Cosmetology is an art and a science involving the study of skin, hair, training, which utilizes mannequins, demonstrations, and live models in clinical service.

EDUCATION

Students will learn how to conduct hair analysis, the physical and chemical effects of shampoos and rinses, the use of hair and scalp conditioning treatments, the art of finger-waving, setting and styling of hair with sculpture curls, and the use of thermal

The class also includes instruction on selecting hairstyles to suit physical features of patrons and how to adapt current styling trends for individual

Additionally, training will cover shaping hair with scissors and razors, quick-service styling with blow dryers and curling irons, application of temporary and permanent colors, and a variety of other beauty techniques that are critical to achieving success in this field.

Financial aid is available to qualified students and job placement services and apprenticeships are available to all graduates.

For more information on the cosmetology course, call the admissions office at 908-889-8288, ext. 341.

Vo-Tech registration

Residents of Union County interested in improving their skills, learning a new trade or starting a new career can register now for courses at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools that begin in September.

A variety of courses, ranging from computer-aided drafting and design to auto mechanics to carpentry, will be offered for adults on a full-time basis again this fall by the Union County residents and begin Sept. 3 at the UCVTS campus, 1776 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains.

Classes meet daily, Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to 2:50 p.m. The only exceptions are the culinary arts and cosmetology programs,

offered on a full-time basis. Students who enter the program in September will complete the program in June.

The adult education program includes occupational and technical training that prepare students for employment in their field of study. All of the courses combine hands-on training with state-of-the-art technol-

Courses available for students this spring include: A/C, heating and refrigeration technology; auto collision: carpentry/construction; cosmetology; culinary arts; electromechanical technology; maintenance mechanics and telecommunications.

The A/C, heating & refrigeration program continues to be one of the school's most popular offerings. The program trains students to work in an industry with technologies that control the climate and the environment in which we live and work.

The carpentry/construction program is available for students interested in the booming building trades industry. This program has one of the school's highest job placement rates.

The cosmetology program allows students to complete the required 1,000 hours needed to take the required state Board of Cosmetology licensing exam. The culinary program prepares students to enter the hospitality industry as an assistant chef, sous chef, banquet cook, garde manager or prep cook.

The maintenance mechanics program offers training in plumbing, basic electricity, carpentry, glazing and glass cutting, locksmithing, and general repairs.

Financial aid is available to students who qualify, and free job placement assistance is available to gradu-

For more information on these programs and application forms, call the admissions office at 908-889-8288, ext. 341.

Career Decision Clinic

The Career Decision Clinic spon-

sored by Counseling/Career Service at Union County College is making its service available to residents of Union County. This program is designed to provide career counseling and the resources necessary for participants to make effective career decisions. The clinic is located on the college's Cranford campus, 1033 Springfield Ave. There is a \$95 fee for the program.

The Career Decision Clinic will benefit individuals who are preparing to re-enter the job market, those currently employed but interested in exploring a job change, and high school students in their senior year who have not yet decided if they want to go to college or pursue a career.

Interests, skills, values and personal goals are explored during the counseling sessions. Each participant is given an individualized assessment program to further evaluate interests and personality characteristics as they relate to career choices.

At the conclusion of the counseling sessions, participants receive a personalized Plan of Action, which includes a summary of the sessions and serves as a guideline for determining career goals.

Registration for the Career Decision Clinic can be made through Counseling Services located in the Nomahegan Building on the college's Cranford campus. Clinic participants who also apply for admission to Union County College will receive a waiver of the college's application fee. During May, June, and July, appointments for the clinic can be scheduled.

For more information, or to schedule an appointment, call Counseling Services at 908-709-7525.

ServeSafe program

The Division of Economic Development and Continuing Education offers the Serve Safe Certification Program for those who work in the food industry.

The program meets on the college's Cranford campus, 1033 Springfield Ave. This certification will soon be mandated by the Board of Health for all those who work in the food

The ServeSafe Food Safety Program provides educational training for those in the restaurant and food service industry. The following topics will be covered in the course: basic food and safety concepts, protection against foodborne illness outbreaks, reduction in liability risks, and minimization of insurance costs.

The cost of the program is \$65. For more information or to register for this program, call the Division of Economic Development and Continuing Education at 908-709-7600.

Take courses online

Union County College's Division of Economic Development and Continuing Education has expanded its course offering to online courses. If you are interested in becoming a Microsoft Certified Systems Engineer and want to do the work in the comfort of your home or office, you can get started this spring by taking the courses online.

The classes are offered every Wednesday and Friday. UCC is offering the last certification course of the group of seven. The courses must be taken in order, so if you're interested in finishing your certification, the last course is available to you now.

The MCSE Certification 7 course is "Migrating from Microsoft Windows NT 4.0 to Microsoft Windows 2000." This course concentrates on the issues that you will need to conquer in a larger system. The course prepares you for the certification test

For more information or to register, call the Division of Economic Development and Continuing Education at 908-709-7600.







NJPAC continues to draw crowds to 'Sounds of the City' series

The sounds and rhythms of Afro-Brazilian beats, Latin jazz, hip Sounds of the City is co-hosted by the Newark Downtown District and hop, R&B, neo-soul, Haitian roots, Fado, jazz and other ethnic beats will fill the New Jersey Performing Arts Center's Theater Square this summer now that Absolut Sounds of the City 2003, NJPAC's acclaimed free outdoor music series, kicked off June 5.

Every Thursday evening through Aug. 21 from 5 to 9 p.m., top groups and indivduals will entertain the after-work crowd and local residents who made NJPAC "the place to be on Thursdays" when Sounds of the City was introduced four summers ago. There will be no peformance July 3. The presenting sponsor of Absolut Sounds of the City is Absolut. The series is co-sponsored by Michelob Light, the National Endowment of the Arts, City National Bank, the city of Newark, the New Jersey State Council on the Arts and NJB1Z. Absolut

is made possible in part by the Newark Arts Council.

Featured on WNBC-TV and WABC-TV, Absolut Sounds of the City brings together thousands of people from different ethnic groups and communities who live and work in Newark, as well as from beyond the city's limits. Created in October 1998, this free after-work music series was the brainchild of a group of Newark residents, access and involvement for local artists and audiences. "We wanted to extend the great success of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center beyond its front doors," said Elisabeth Ssenjovu, NJPAC's producer of Absolut Sounds of the City.

A great number of Absolut Sounds of the City 2003 artists are New Jersey-based performers. Towns represented include Newark, Teaneck,

West Orange, Upper Montclair, Kendall Park, Belleville, Cedar Grove, Jersey City, Hoboken and South Orange. Several are from New York and as far away as Los Angeles and Chicago.

For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit the NJPAC Web site at www.njpac.org.

Absolut Sounds of the City 2003

- · Today: The Ernie Edwards Group featuring Vida Key, Newark, jazz, and Susheela Raman, Indian/contemporary.
- · July 31: The Stein Brothers Quintet, Maplewood, jazz, bebop and hard bop; Candela Soul, Afro-Cuban rhythms with rock instrumentation, and George Gee and the Jump Jivers, swing, jazz and big band.
- · Aug. 7: Sill and The Truth, gospel/contemporary, and Emeline Michel, Haitian roots.

NEWS CLIPS

Visitors to Arboretum will see 'stars' Friday night

"This exciting evening will feature special appearances by famous stars," said Michelle Celia Wiessner.

The director of Children's Education at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit mentioned Polaris, Arcturis and Spika, among the stars that would appear at the Arboretum's Moonlight Madness festival on Friday night if the sky is clear.

At information stations around the Arboretum, families can learn about nocturnal reptiles and insects, glowing rocks, bats, woodland sounds and more about the night. Hands-on activities will invite children to experience life as a nocturnal animal.

Moonlight Madness begins at 6:30 p.m. Friday at Reeves-Reed Arboretum, 165 Hobart Ave. in Summit. Because the Arboretum is a historic estate listed on the National Register and the New Jersey Register of Historic Places, picnicking is not normally permitted. "For Moonlight Madness, picnicking is allowed from 6:30 to 7:30," said Wiessner. For those who don't feel like packing a picnic, a bake sale will offer treats as well.

"At 7:30, the presentations will begin and the activity stations will open up." At 9, the evening will wrap up with a storytelling session on the Arboretum's lawn.

Pre-registration is requested for Moonlight Madness. The fee for the program is \$20 per family. To register or for more information, call 908-273-8787 ext. 15.

Reeves-Reed Arboretum is a suburban conservancy dedicated to environmental and horticultural education for children and adults, and to the enjoyment of nature through the professional care and preservation of a historic country estate.

Film internships offered

The Educational Advisory Board of the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission is offering internship to students enrolled in film, television, and communications degree programs.

These internship are now available for the fall 2003 semester and are en to students presently enrolled in New Jersey colleges and universities. Interns are unpaid, and college credits must be arranged through a student's faculty advisor.

During the semester internship in the office of the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission, students become involved with the pre-production and production coordination of motion pictures, television programs and commercials. They assist in the scouting of film locations and the preparation of research material for presentation to production companies. Students are also afforded the opportunity to visit the sets of feature films and television shows being made in the state.

Interested students may request further information by calling the New Jersey Motion Picture and Television Commission at 973-648-6279.

'Scapin' benefits college

The Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey has chosen once more the open-air Greek Theater at the College of St. Elizabeth, 2 Convent Road, Morristown, as the venue for its "Other Stage" production of Moliere's, "That Scoundrel Scapin," running through Aug. 3, with special CSE benefit performance Friday at 8:15 p.m.

formance will go directly to the College of St. Elizabeth. Tickets are \$27 for adults and teens and \$15 for children age 12 and younger. To purchase benefit tickets, call 973-290-4450. In case of rain July 25, tickets will be honored at any 8:15 p.m. performance on July 26, 27, 30 and 31, Aug. 1, 2 and 3.

Patrons are invited to stroll through the Shakespeare Garden at the college, which will be open one hour prior to curtain time, and to bring a picnic supper to enjoy before

or during the performance. Artistic director Bonnie J. Monte of the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey could not have asked for a more majestic spot than the Greek Theater at the College campus. "It is exhilarating to present a play in this rare setting, a place of tranquility and great beauty, with an atmosphere resonant of things both ancient and magical," she said.

The open-air Greek amphitheater was inspired by the Theater of Dionysus in Athens. It is one of only a few theaters of its kind in the United States and debuted as the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey's newest performance space when Menander's play, "The Grouch," was presented there last season.

Jeanine Hirsch, vice president for Institutional Advancement at CSE, expresses her enthusiasm and support for this year's benefit performance. "It is a great way to bring the arts to the campus community," she said. "Proceeds received will go directly to support educational programs at the college."

This season's play, Scoundrel Scapin," is a zany comedy about a pair of starry-eyed suitors who enlist the assistance of a mischievous servant named Scapin in order to win the hearts of the ladies they love. For all other dates and times through Aug. 3, call the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey directly at 973-408-5600 or visit the Web site at www.njshakespeare.org.

Teachers are featured

The Art Educators of New Jersey's Artist-Teacher Network will return to the Skulski Art Gallery in Clark for an exhibit of works in various media during July.

The Skulski Art Gallery is located in the Polish Cultural Foundation, 177 Broadway, Clark. For information, call 732-382-7197.

Over the years of its existence. the quality, variety and distinctive who have shown at the Artist-Teacher Network makes it one of the most prestigious in the Save your newspaper for recycling. tri-state area. The exhibit in Clark

will take place through Friday.

The A-T Network comprises artists who also happen to be fullor part-time teachers of art for students in kindergarten through adults in schools throughout the state. Many have exhibited in other galleries in the four-state area; many have won awards, written articles or had articles written about them. They work in a variety of media from light, tight drawings to impasto paintings. In the group, the visitor to the gallery will find photographers, potters, painters and printmakers. Some have combined their passion with their research in other cultures and make use of them in unique ways, not unlike Native Americans or Africans.

Many travel around the world and share their experience with the gallery and its visitors through their art. Mixed-media techniques, digital computer graphics, whatever the composition based on imagination, research or any combination - the artwork reflects personal statement, that those who teach art also create

The show features Mark Ensslin. photography; Larry Grinch, painting; Frank Gubernat, painting; Mildred Kaye, printmaking; Maxine King, painting; Linda Vonderschmidt-LaStella, ceramics; Stephen Marotta, painting; Roberta Martin, painting; Marietta Hayes-Hicklin, mixed media; Patricia Mueller, mixed-media sculpture; Miriam Untoria, mixed media; and Barbara Weskot, painting.

The Skulski Gallery is open Tuesdays to Fridays, 5 to 9 p.m., and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Bill Van Sant, **Editor**

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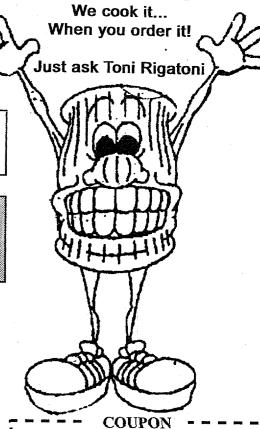
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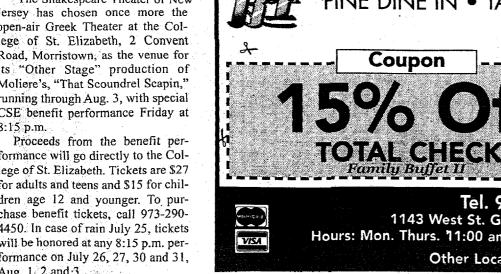
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Healthy Living

Practical advice is designed to keep swimmers safe during summer season

enjoying the warm weather by swimming.

Whether swimming in the ocean or at a pool, children require close supervision from parents because drowning and near-drowning are major causes of childhood death and injury.

It is vital that parents and caregivers be aware of the dangers associated with swimming," says Jeanne Weintraub R.N., M.S.N., manager for the Ambulatory Health Center in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston. "Attention to the available safety tips can avoid tragedy in most instances."

According to studies done by American Academy of Pediatrics' Committee on Injury and Poison Prevention, drowning is the third most common cause of unintentional death for children younger than 5 each year in the

Studies have found that children less than 1 year of age most frequently drown in bathtubs and buckets; children age 1 to 4 years most often drown in home or apartment swimming pools; and children and adolescents age 5 to 19 years most frequently drown in lakes, ponds, rivers, and pools.

A study conducted by the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission showed that most children less than 5 years of age drowned or nearly drowned by entering the pool from their home through the unprotected side of the pool, the side that directly faces the house, with no intervening fence.

With the summer in full swing, children will be spending their days Most children were last seen in the home, but were out of eye contact for shepherd's crook — at poolside. only a moment, and caregivers reported that they heard no screams or splashing. According to the USCPSC, installation of four-sided fencing that isolates the pool from the house and the yard has been shown to decrease the number of pool immersion injuries by more than 50 percent.

For greater safety when swimming, the Pediatric Ambulatory Health Center provides the following guidelines for parents:

For infants and children newborn through 4 years of age

· Parents should never leave children alone in bathtubs, spas, or wading pools; near irrigation ditches, post holes, or other open standing water. They should remove all water from containers, such as pails and 5-gallon buckets, immediately after use. To prevent drowning in toilets, young children should not be left alone in the bathroom.

•Swimming lessons for children less than 4 years of age will not provide "drown-proofing" and may lead to a false sense of security. Don't forget "swimmies" or water wings are not approved safety devices.

• Rigid, motorized pool covers are not a substitute for four-sided fencing, because nool covers are not likely to be used appropriately and consistently. •Parents should learn CPR; and they should keep a telephone and equipment approved by the U.S. Coast Guard — e.g., life preservers, life jackets,

For children 5 to 12 years of age

- · Children need to be taught to swim. In addition to rules for safe swimming in pools, children need to know the requirements for swimming in lakes, rivers and oceans. Increased drowning risk arises from changing environmental conditions - e.g., depth and currents - and hazards concealed in murky water.
- · Children need to be taught never to swim alone or without adult super-
- · Children should use an approved personal flotation device whenever riding on a boat or fishing, and preferably while playing near a river, lake or
- · Children need to understand why jumping or diving into water can result in injury. Parents should know the depth of water and the location of undewater hazards before permitting children to jump or dive.

For adolescents 13 to 19 years age

- · Teenagers need counseling about the dangers of alcohol and other drug consumption during swimming, diving, and boating activities.
- · Because boys are at much higher statistical risk of water-based injuries than girls, they warrant extra counseling.
- · Teens should learn CPR.

Permanent cosmetics offer variety of options to many patients

The little-known science of "cosmetic tattooing" is becoming a popular solution among both women and men who want to improve or correct their appearance.

Also known as "permanent cosmetics," this is a specialized technique in which a skilled technician adds color to enhance the appearance of the outer layer of the skin.

"Permanent makeup has many exciting cosmetic applications, but the lesser known uses of this art are the corrective applications," states MaryAnn Velardi, a certified dermatechnician. "For example," she states, "I can re-create the natural look of a breast after reconstructive surgery. Or, I can treat burn victims with cosmetic techniques which lessen the appearance of scarring."

Usually performed in a physician's office, the technique deposits colored pigment into the upper reticular dermis of the skin to restore natural color and/or stimulate conventional makeup. The results generally last for four to seven years or even a lifetime, depending on such variables as the patient's skin type, colors employed, and environmental

Cosmetic solutions

Permanent makeup is often chosen as a time-saver from the daily routine of applying temporary makeup. Individuals suffering from physapplying their own makeup and, in many cases, find permanent makeup a long-term solution and a positive lifestyle change.

Lashes may be made to look darker and fuller. Missing, damaged or poorly-shaped eyebrows can be given a more expressive appearance. And, lips which have thinned or have lost their blush color with advanced age may be re-colored to look fuller, vibrant and more youthful.

Corrective solutions

Permanent cosmetics can also be employed to camouflage scars from... accidents or surgery. Alopecia, or bald spots, may be treated with permanent cosmetics for problems such as thinning eyebrows. A hair simulation technique can re-create "the alopecia. Women can have areola pigmentation after breast reconstructive sufgery to simulate the natural color of an areola. Patients may have

previously had permanent makeup and may desire a touch-up, a change in color, or in shape. This correction may also be possible with these techniques.

Velardi is certified in advanced applications of permanent makeup, corrective permanent cosmetics, and is a Diplomate of The American Council of Dermagraphic Research. A talented artist, Velardi also has a background in biology and an interest in medicine. She often works in conjunction with plastic surgeons on both cosmetic and reconstructive cases. She practices in offices in

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HEALTH

Volunteers are needed for Cornell Hall program

Cornell Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, a 177-bed long-term care facility located in Union, is requesting volunteers for the Silver Spoons program.

Silver Spoons is a dining assistance program for residents who needs help during mealtimes.

Volunteers are needed from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. and 4:30 to 5 p.m., especially during weekends and holidays. All volunteers will be asked to participate in a brief education pro-

For information about the Silver Spoons program or to volunteer, contact the Recreation Department at 908-624-2317.

Cornell Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, located at 234 Chestnut St. in Union, is an affiliate of the St. Barnabas Health Care System.

nonprofit, multi-hospital system KidsPeace intends to assist with fostering

Now is your chance to make a difference in a child's life by calling KidsPeace New Jersey and opening your heart and your home to a child in need.

information, contact Thomas There is no better time to step forward. Unfortunately, there are hundreds of children in the area in need of loving, caring families.

"The need for foster parents is at an all-time high," according to

Dina Midiri, family resource specialist for KidsPeace New Jersey.

"It is so important that more parents come forward to make a difference in a child's life by providing the loving home environment that so many of our children desperately miss," Midiri continued.

In addition to free training, foster parents receive monthly financial assistance for the living and medical expenses of each foster child in their care.

Prospective parents can call the KidsPeace New Jersey hot line at 800-837-9102 to find out if they qualify to become foster parents. If qualified, KidsPeace New Jersey will schedule each person for an orientation.

Hospice seeks volunteers

Atlantic Hospice, serving terminally ill patients and their families in Essex, Union, Morris and Somerset counties, is recruiting volunteers.

Volunteers will be prepared to assist homebound, terminally ill patients and their families in nonmedical ways, such as providing companionship and emotional support, running errands, listening and offering respite to caregivers.

To become a hospice volunteer, of for information on the next training seesion, call 973-379-8444.

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Fund-raiser is big success for Columbus Hospital

The Columbus Hospital Founda- and fashion, and thanks to the gention Auxiliary announced that it raised nearly \$14,000 during its Spring Extravaganza Fashion Show recently. More than 300 people attended the event, which was held at the Crystal Plaza in Livingston.

The evening featured a dinner followed by a fashion show highlighting the designs of Fantastic Finds of Montclair. At the conclusion of the show, a raffle was held and winners went home with the winnings from a 50/50 drawing, boutique gifts and grand-prize baskets, all donated by merchants and vendors.

"It was a wonderful night of fun

erosity of all involved we were able to raise funds that will be used to enrich and maintain the growth of Columbus Hospital," said Walter Ricciardi, chairman, Columbus Hospital Foundation. "The money raised will go directly to Columbus programs and services to continue the hospital's vital role in the community."

The Spring Extravaganza Fashion Show is just one of a number of fundraising events the Columbus Hospital Foundation holds during the year, including the annual Sports and Spa Classic, a car raffle, and November's Enchanted Evening Gala.

Columbus Hospital, an affiliate of the Cathedral Healthcare System, opened in 1934 and today is a 210bed, acute-care facility located in Newark's North Ward. As the 2002 recipient of the National Renowned Press Ganey Compass Award for outstanding performance improvement in patient satisfaction, Columbus offers the community a broad range of medical services and wellness programs including Outpatient Diagnostics, Pre-Admission Testing, Obstetrics Care, Pediatrics and Children's Care and Orthopedics.

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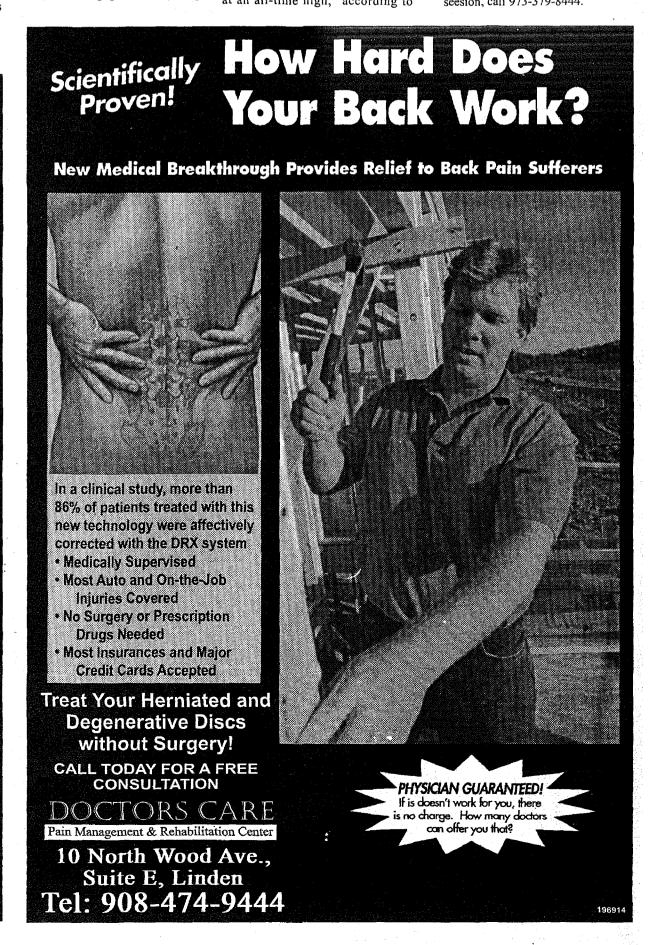
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Hospice of New Jersey believes death is a natural process of life which should be accompanied by dignity and meaning. To accomplish this purpose, the staff provides a supportive and understanding network of caring people to aid patients, regardless of age, and their families making that journey.

Hospice focuses on quality of life when length of life cannot be extended. The primary goal of Hospice of New Jersey is to provide the patient and family with supportive and loving care while allowing the patient to remain at home.

Registered nurses, medical social workers, clergy and volunteers are available. Bereavement

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services for adults and children are provided for as long as 12 months following the loss of a loved one.

Hospice of New Jersey accepts Medicare, Medicaid and private insurance. For those without insurance coverage, services may be provided through community

If you or someone you know is experiencing any terminal illness, write to Hospice of New Jersey at 400 Broadacres Drive, Bloomfield, 07003, or call 973-893-0818. You may also contact Hospice of New Jersey South, 77 Route 37 West, Toms River, 08753, or call 732-

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The Melanoma Awareness campaign kicked off May 22 with an event on the boardwalk in Ocean City to educate the public on why melanoma is one of the cancers experiencing growth in New Jersey, how melanoma can show up years after sun exposure, and that all skin, no matter what ethnicity or age, is at risk.

The summer-long "Choose Your Cover" campaign is designed to inform residents of the opportunities that exist to prevent malignant melanoma since there is an increasing incidence of melanoma statewide.

The campaign is sponsored by the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services and Hoboken Family Planning.

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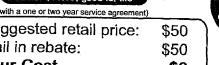
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ART SHOWS

THE ARTIST-TEACHER NETWORK of the Art Educators of New Jersey will have its work on exhibit at the Skulski Art Gallery in Clark through Friday.

Gallery hours are Tuesdays through Fridays from 5 to 9 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The Skulski Art Gallery is located in the Polish Cultural Foundation, 177 Broadway, Clark. For information, call 732-382-7197.

2003 UNION COUNTY TEEN ARTS EXHIBIT will be on display at the Roselle Municipal Building, 210 Chestnut St., Roselle, through July 31. For information, call 908-558-2550, Relay Service users dial 711.

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPI-TAL in Mountainside will exhibit the works of Miroslaw Chelchowski.Tim Weaver and Alice Major throughout the month of July. CHS is located at 150 New Providence Road, Mountainside.

NOTHING GOLD CAN STAY, multimedia works by Andrea Larmor, inspired by a poem by Robert Frost, will be on exhibit in the Wisner House at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit through Aug. 7.

Hours are Mondays to Fridays, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Reeves-Reed Arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-273-

SELECTED WORKS of the winners of the 2003 duCret Juried Fine Arts Show will be on exhibit through Aug. 8 at Swain Galleries in Plainfield

Gallery hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Swain Galleries is located 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call 908-756-1707.

SMALL FACES, photography by David J. Lipman, will be on exhibit at the Donald B. Palmer Museum in the Springfield Free Public Library through

Gallery hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Tuesdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4930.

TAYLOR MADE: NO ALTERNA-TIVES, works by Kathie Anne Taylor of Union, will be on exhibit in the Les Malamut Art Gallery in Union Public Library through Sept. 3.

Gallery hours Mondays to Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave., in Friberger Park, Union. For information, call 908-815-5450.

A NATURAL CONNECTION, landscape photography by Nancy Ori and Dwight Hiscano, will be on exhibit at Bouras Galleries in Summit through Sept. 8.

Gallery hours are by appointment only. Bouras Galleries is located in Bouras Properties L.L.C., 25 DeForest Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-277-6054.

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPI-TAL in Mountainside will exhibit the works of photographer Deborah Anne Nero, watercolorist Gigi Burboeck, and members of the New Jersey Watercolor Society throughout the months of August and September. CHS is located at 150 New Providence Road, Mountainside.

AUDITIONS

PAPER MILL: The State Theater of New Jersey will conduct auditions for girls between 6 and 16 years old ang boys between 9 and 15 years old for "The Sound of Music" on Aug. 6 at the theater, Brookside Drive in Millburn. Auditions begin at 10 a.m.; registration is begins at 9:30 a.m. Show dates are Oct. 29 to Dec. 14.

THE YOUTH ORCHESTRAS OF ESSEX COUNTY will conduct audtiions by appointment Sept. 2. Being sought are fourth- and fifth-grade students for string instruments, and fifththrough 12th-grade students for all other instruments. For information and an application, call 973-378-7879.

ROOKS

HARRY POTTER BOOK DISCUS-SION GROUP will meet every other Thursday at 3 p.m. at Barnes and Noble of Springfield.

Today: "Harry Potter and the Prisoner of Azkaban"

Aug. 7: "Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire'

Aug. 21: "Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix"

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UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY Book Discussion Groupwill meet the third Wednesday of each month, with no

meetings in August and December. Sept. 17: "Sotah" by Naomi Ragen Oct. 15: "Stolen Lives: Twenty Years ina Desert Jail" by Malika

Stepping Out

Nov. 19: "Atonement" by Ian McE-

All meetings begin at 7 p.m. Participants must have read the selection prior to the meeting. Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave., in Friberger Park, Union. For information, call 908-815-5450.

BOOKS BY WOMEN. ABOUT WOMEN meets the first Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

THE 'LORD OF THE RINGS' READ-ING GROUP meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes and Noble in Clark. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

EDISON ARTS SOCIETY WRITERS' CIRCLE, led by Cheryl Racanelli, meets the second and fourth Mondays of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Clark, Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

CLASSICS BOOK CLUB meets the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

CLOAK AND DAGGER READING GROUP will meet the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble of Clark. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

AFRICAN-AMERICAN INTERESTS meets the second Thursday of the month at 8 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-

MYSTERY READING GROUP meets the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Clark. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION BOOK GROUP, a monthly reading group featuring staff members' favorite books, meets the second Thursday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield, For information, call 973-376-8544.

JEWISH BOOK LOVERS meets the third Monday of the month at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

BOOKS WE LIKE, a reading group featuring staff recommendations, will meet the third Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble of Clark, Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

SHAKESPEARE OUT LOUD Reading Group meets the third Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Clark to read a Shakespeare play out loud. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

WOMEN'S READING GROUP meets the last Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Clark. The selection for Wednesday is "Fahrenheit 451" by Ray Bradbury. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, For information, call 732-574-1818.

CONCERTS

ABSOLUT SOUNDS OF THE CITY will be presented by the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark through Aug. 21.

Today: The Ernie Edwards Group featuring Vida Kay, Susheela Raman July 31: The Stein Brothers Quin-

tet, Candela Soul, George Gee and the Jump Jivers

Aug. 7: Sill and The Truth, Erneline

Aug. 14: Diana Silva, Blue Number Nine, the Edmar Sextet

Aug. 21: Burnt Sugar The Arkestra Chamber, Lab Addicts, the Oliver Lake Steel Pan Quartet

Admission is free. All concerts are from 5 to 9 p.m. Thursdays, except July 3, on the plaza in front of NJPAC, 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit the Web site at www.njpac.org.

HOT SUMMER NIGHTS outdoor concert series will be presented every Tuesday through Aug. 5. on the Village Green in Summit.

Tuesday: Sound Investment Aug. 5: The Gordon James Band All concerts are at 7:30 p.nn. and are free of charge. Audience me mbers are encouraged to bring a lawn chair

THE LINDEN SUMMER CONCERT SERIES will take place every Tuesday

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through Aug. 5. Tuesday: Carnaby Street at Wilson Park, Summit Terrace, Linden 7:15 to

Aug. 5: Jobonanno and the Godsons of Soul at Wilson Park, Summit Terrace, Linden 7:15 to 9:15 p.m.

All concerts are free of charge. For information, call the Gregorio Recreation Center at 908-474-8627.

RAHWAY'S ANNUAL MAYOR'S SUMMER CONCERT SERIES will be sponsored in Downtwon Flahway every Thursday in August at West

Main and Irving streets. Aug 7: The Cornell Gunthers Coaters

Aug. 14: The New York City Swing Aug. 21: Juke Box Heroes on Aug.

Aug. 28: The B-Street Band Admission is free; bring a lawn chair, snack and enjoy the music. The concerts will be from 7 to 9 p.m. In case of rain, the concerts will be held at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St. For weather information, call 732-827-2095 after 5 p.m.

THE CRANFORD DOWNTOWN MANAGEMENT CORPORATION will sponsor a series of outdoor concerts at the gazebo at North Union and Springfield avenues.

Sept. 2: The Mingos Sept. 9: Tom Klimchock Sept. 16: Carnaby Street

All concerts begin at 7 p.m. Audience members are asked to bring a lawn chair. For information, call 908-709-7283.

DANCE

SUMMIT FOLK DANCERS will sponsor evenings of international dance throughout the year at The Connection for Women and Families, 7'9 Maple St., Summit. Sessions are alternate Fridays from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Admission is \$2, or \$12 for half the season; workshops are \$5. For information, call 973-467-8278.

Y-SQUARES, a local square dance club, meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Frank K. Hehnly School, Raritan Road, Clark. Fee for each lesson is \$4. For information, call 908-298-1851, 732-381-2535 or 908-241-9492.

DISCUSSION

JOURNAL WRITING GROUP, led by professional life coach Jami Novak, meets the fourth Thursday of each month at Barnes and Noble in Clark. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

WRITERS' WORKSHOP vvill meet every other Monday at Bairnes and Noble in Springfield, 240 Route 22 West. For information, call 973-376-

FILM

FRIENDS OF THE CLARK PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor a series of films for young audiences every Thursday

at 4 p.m. through Aug. 21. Today: "Air Bud Spikes Back" July 31: "Beethoven" Aug. 7: "Beethoven 2"

Aug. 14: "Stuart Little" Aug. 21: "Stuart Little 2" The library also will host teen movie nights at 7 p.m. Fridays. July 25: "That Thing You Do"

Aug. 8: "The Outsiders" Aug. 22: "A Walk to Remember"

THE FRIENDS OF THE CRANFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY will present its series of films in the comings weeks. Monday: "The Nine Queens"

Aug. 4: "The Beijing Bicycle" Films begin at 7 p.m. in the audiovisual room of Cranford Public Library, Walnut Avenue, Cranford.

ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor a series of free film classics at the Main Branch. All films begin at 10 a.m. The Main Branch is of the Elizabeth Public Library located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call 908-354-6060.

SUMMIT FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY will present a weekly series of international films this summer every Monday through Aug. 11.

Monday: "The Same Old Song" Aug. 4: "The Nine Queens"

Aug. 11: "The Beijing Bicycle" All of the films have dialogue in the original languages, with English captions. There will be two showings of each film at 2 and 7 p.m. in the library's Ernest S. Hickok Meeting Room. Summit Library is located at 75 Maple St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-0350, ext. 3, or visit the library's Web site at www.summitlibrary.org.

UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor its International Summer Film Festival on Tuesdays through Aug. 12. Tuesday: "Same Old Song,"

French Aug. 5: "The Nine Queens," Span-

Aug. 12: "The Beijing Bicycle," Mandarin

All films are free and open to the public, have English subtitles, and begin at 2 and 7 p.m. Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave.. in Friberger Park, Union. For information, call 908-815-5450.

HOBBIES

THE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB INC. meets at 295 Jefferson Ave., Union, behind Home Depot on Route 22 East. The club is open to the public Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. For information, call 908-964-9724 or 908-964-8808, send e-mail to TMRCInc@aol.com or visit www.tmrci.com.

'JAZZ IN THE GARDEN,' sponsored by the Newark Museum, will be presented Thursdays from 12:15 to 1:45 p.m. in the Alice Ransom Dreyfuss Memorial Garden at the museum June 12 to Aug. 14, with no concert July 3.

Today: Joe Magnarelli, trumpet July 31: Lonnie Smith, keyboards Aug. 7: Donald Harrison, saxo-

Aug. 14: Carrie Smith, vocals

Suggested donation is \$2 for adults, \$1 for senior citizens; museum members and children are admitted free. The Newark Museum is located at 49 Washington St., Newark, For information, call 973-596-6550 or visit www.newarkmuseum.org.

LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM in Union will sponsor tours of the facility from a child's point of view for children every Saturday in July and August at 11 a.m. and 1 and 3 p.m. The tours are for 6through 12-year-olds. Admission for children is \$4. Liberty Hall is located at 1003 Morris Ave., Union, across from Kean University. For information, call 908-527-0400 or visit the Web site at www.libertyhallnj.org.

REEVES-REED ARBORETUM in Summit will sponsor several classes for children in the coming months in its Family Fun Series.

Aug. 8: "Nature's Palette," 5- to 7-

Aug. 11 and 15: "Nature's Palette," 3- to 5-year-olds and caregivers Each workshop is \$15 per child.

Reeves-Reed Arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit. For information, cail 908-273-8787, ext. 15. CRAFT TIME for children ages 5 to 10

years old will take place every Monday at 11 a.m. at Barnes and Noble in Springfield, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

BARNES AND NOBLE, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield, will sponsor Tales for Tots Preschool Storytime, Tuesdays and Thursdays at 11 a.m., and the Kids' Writing Workshop, Saturdays at 10 a.m. For information, call 973-376-8544.

POETRY

PCETRY OUT LOUD! will take place at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

OPEN MIKE POETRY NIGHT takes place the second Sunday of every month at 7 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

RADIO

TRI-COUNTY RADIO ASSOCIATION will meet at 8 p.m. the first and thirda Mondays of the month at the Willow Grove Presbyterian Church on Old Raritan Road in Scotch Plains. For information, call 908-241-5758.

SINGLES

DINNERMATES and Entrepreneurs Group invites business and professional singles to dinner at a local restaurant; wine and mingling is at 8 p.m., dinner is at 9 p.m. Two age groups are available. For information on dates and locations, call 732-822-9796 or visit www.dinnermates.com.

INTERFAITH SINGLES, for single adults older than 45 years old, will meet every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at the First Baptist Chruch, 170 Elm St., Westfield. Donation is \$2. For information, call 908-889-5265 or 908-889-4751.

HEATER

PAPER MILL: The State Theater of New Jersey will present "Grease" through Sunday. Shows are at 8 p.m. Wednesdays through Saturdays, 7:30 p.m. Sundays, with matinees Thursdays, Saturdays and Sundays.

Special performances are the Conversation Series, Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the mezzanine; audio-described performances, with a sensory seminar 90 minutes prior to curtain, and signinterpreted/open-captioned perform-

Paper Mill is located on Brookside Drive. For information, call 973-376-4343, 973-379-3636 ext. 2438 for groups, or visit www.papermill.org.

WESTFIELD SUMMER WORKSHOP will present "The Music Man" by Meredith Willson on Tuesday and Wednesday at 1 and 7:30 p.m. at Edison Intermediate School, 800 Rahway Ave., Westfield. Tickets are \$8 for adults, \$5 for students and senior citizens. For information, call 908-518-

MYSTIC VISION PLAYERS of Linden

phone. Jazz and blues are featured Sundays at 8 p.m. Cover charge is \$3 Theater Alliance offers calendar, discounts and deals for all Sunday concerts.

Sunday: Monkeyworks Tuesday: The Dave Pittinger Band, 8 p.m.; Shamra, 9 p.m. Aug. 3: Shusmo

Aug. 5: Kevin Brooks Aug. 10: John Playaz Aug. 12: Paul Brubaker and

Friends, 8 p.m. Aug. 17: Guitar Jazz Trio Aug. 19: Woody Garrett

Aug. 24: The Joe Taino Trio Aug. 26: Virginia Hush

Aug. 31: The Dave Hessel Quartet Sept. 2: Jeremy Manjorin

Sept. 7: Pam Purvis and Bob Ack-

Sept. 9: Sean Smith, 8 p.m.; Patrick Suler, 9 p.m. Sept. 14: Liquifyed

Sept. 16: Ginny Jonston

Sept. 21: The Pat Clare Trio For information, call 908-810-1844. THE WAITING ROOM, 1431 Irving St., Rahway, at the corner of Lewis Street, presents Open Mike Night

every Wednesday night. For informa-

tion, call 732-815-1042. THE WASHINGTON AVENUE PUB, 704 Washington Ave., Linden, will present karaoke and the 100-Proof Duo Band every Saturday night. In addition, Thursday is Ladies Night. For information, call 908-925-3707.

The New Jersey Theater Alliance, the statewide alliance of profession- ater of New Jersey in Madison, will move north for a September debut at PTNJ. The members of 12 Miles West Theater Company in Montclair bring their own off-beat brand of cabaret to the annual Theater Cafe. An evening of short, comedic sketches will celebrate the 10th anniversary of this young

the popular Theater Sampler Series, the low-cost, three-theater ticket package only available through the Alliance. Theatregoers who purchase their Theater Samplers now through Aug. 31 can take advantage of a special premium that is currently being offered along with the Theater Sample Series. The Theater Sampler is traiditionally sold as a package of three plays at three different theaters for \$70. NJTA is giving a special bonus ticket with the three-play Sampler when one of the three original selections comes from a select group of theaters. This

offer is unprecedented, and will give savvy theater patrons even more

value as they can receive as many as four tickets for \$70. Call NJTA at

al, not-for-profit theaters, offers the free 2003 Professional Theater Season

Calendar with descriptions and performance dates of the many productions

offered by the state's 22 professional theaters, as well as information on

973-593-0189 for details on this offer and for a list of participating theaters. An abundance of theater events across the state comprise a variety of goer. "Grease" at Paper Mill: The State Theater of New Jersey in Millburn of the site allows users to search for what's playing by theater, date, counplays and musicals that will satisfy even the most discriminating theaterevokes the fabulous '50s and chronicles the shenanigans of the fun-loving Rydell High class of '59, while the newly renamed Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey continues to offer re-imagined renderings of classics. "The Glass Menagerie," "That Scoundrel Scapin," "The Life and Death of King playing across the state during the week. John" and "Pygmalion" will grace the stage of the F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theater in Madison during the summer months.

New Jersey Repertory Company in Long Branch has earned high marks for its new-play development program. Adventurous theatergoers will not sity of quality programming that is unparalleled." want to miss "The Adjustment" by Mike Folie, "Spain" by Jim K nable and the downtown arts district. "Spain," a co-production with Playwrights The- atrealliance.org.

theater company.

A visit to Surflight Theater in Beach Haven has long been a Jersey shore tradition for many vacationers. This prolific theater will host productions of "Evita," "Crazy for You," "Footloose," "Fiddler on the Roof," and "Nunsense" as part of its summer season. Farther south in Cape May, the East Lynne Company brings classic American pieces to life. "The Awakening," "The New York Idea" and "Voice of the City" are re-discovered gems of American theater that will please Victorian seaside audiences. Cape May Stage in Cape May livens up the festivities with "Two for the Road! A Hel-Izapoppin' Vaudeville" and the award-winning "Dinner With Friends." Information about the theater season can also be found at the New Jer-

ty and accessible performances. Users can also sign up for the weekly theater e-news on the Web site. Sponsored by Verizon, the e-news gives an insider's track on special offers and discounts as well as listings of what's "We are so fortunate there is a wealth of things to see and do right here in New Jersey," says John McEwen, executive director of the New Jersey

sey Theater Alliance Web site, www.nitheatrealliance.org. A popular feature

Theater Alliance. "New Jersey's professional theaters are rich with a diver-

To receive a free schedule of events and for more information, call 973-"The Good Daughter" by D.W. Gregory at the renovated Lumia Theater in 593-0189, send e-mail to info@njtheatrealliance.org, or visit www.njthe-

HARK PUBLIC LIBRARY

Zen Tricksters to perform tonight at Crossroads

This evening, the Zen Tricksters will be appearing at Crossroads, 78 North Ave. in Garwood, at 9:30 p.m. in support of their recently released CD, "Shaking Off the Weirdness." For information, call 908-232-5666.

The new album features all originals including new titles such as "High Horse" and "Sleepwalking," plus staples of their live shows, "Light of Life" and "The One," and boasts a colorful roster of special guests including former Trickster and current member of The Dead and Phil Lesh & Friends, Rob Barraco; Buddy Cage of New Riders of the Purple Stage; and Jason Crosby, a former Zen Trickster, now with Susan Tedeschi and Oteil and the Peacemakers. The CD is available through the Zen Tricksters Web site, www.homegrownmusic.net, and at their shows. The Zen Tricksters are a Homegrown Music Net band.

The Zen Tricksters, currently on acoustic tour, blend two acoustic guitars, bass, and three vocals to produce a bigger sound than one would believe possible. Ranging from their tuneful and well-crafted original pieces to traditional bluegrass and hillbilly jazz classics, to Grateful Dead, Dylan, and inventive interpretations of any and all songs that catch their fancy, the trio has a huge working repertoire. ZTAT - Zen Tricksters Acoustic Tour — is also renowned for the trademark jamming ability these guys have displayed for more than two decades in their larger, electrified form.

RR Club offers savings

The Model Railroad Club Inc., an activity of the Union County Park System, announced recently its Family Summer Savings Program.

Every Saturday in July and August, all children 5 years old and younger will be admitted free of

"We get many repeat visitors throughout the year and a majority of them are families," said club President Ray Russell. "With the economy still a bit shaky and the summer vacation season in full swing, we want to offer families an incentive to visit an enjoyable attraction for the whole family close to home.'

The Model Railroad Club Inc. was founded in 1949 in the basement of Paul Mallery, a pioneer of the hobby of model railroading. The club occupies a building on Union County parkland designed, built and maintained entirely by the members, under a unique arrangement with the Union County Park System. The club building is located off Route 22 east, behind The Home Depot in Union. Free parking is available on site and the building is wheelchair-accessible.

For more information, contact the club at 908-964-9724 during show hours, or 908-964-8808 for a recorded message; or by visiting the club's Web site at www.tmrci.com.

Guild seeks artists for annual exhibition

The Arts Guild of Rahway is seeking artworks from artists who live or work in Union County for "Celebrating Excellence: The Merck 2003 Juried Union County Art Show,"

This marks the fifth consecutive year that this exhibit will be held

at the Arts Guild of Rahway. Artists may submit as many as three slides for consideration. All media will be considered, except sculpture due to the multiple use of the art gallery for The Arts Guild Music Series. Craftwork is also not accepted. The maximum size for submitted works is 36 by 36 inches framed. There is no fee required to submit slides. For an entry form and/or prospectus, contact Lawrence Cappielo at 732-381-7511. No entries will be accepted without an official entry form and compliance with conditions.

Jurors for the exhibit this year are Hugo Bastidas, artist, Fulbright Fellow, professor of art at New Jersey City University; Johann Jochnowitz, artist, professor of art at Kean University; Nancy J. Ori, photographer, New Jersey Media Center, and an instructor at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts and Somerset Art Center.

In-hand deadline for submission of slides is July 31. Judging will take place in early August and artists whose work is selected for the exhibit will be held notified by late August.

The exhibit will be held at the Arts Guild of Rahway from Oct. 19 through Nov. 14.

"Celebrating Excellence" is a partnership exhibit sponsored and organized by the Arts Guild of Rahway in collaboration with the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs and funded by Merck and Co. Inc.

The Arts Guild of Rahway is a nonprofit multidisciplinary center for the arts located at 1670 Irving St., Rahway. For information, visit www.rahwayartsguild.org, call 732-381-7511 or send e-mail to artsguild1670@earthlink.net.

History made fun for kids at Liberty Hall Museum

School is out and the children of New Jersey are ready to enjoy the carefree, unstructured days of sum-

At Liberty Hall Museum, where the mission is to provide a unique experience which is educational, entertaining and exciting, programs are being planned for children all summer long.

On Saturdays during July and August, young visitors will be given a tour of the historic house, which was built in 1772 and lived in continuously until 1995, from the point of view of a child. Children were Hall, their toys and belongings have been left behind and their presence is felt throughout the house.

Because learning is enhanced by hands-on activities, these unique children's tours will have objects for them to touch and explore and will end with activities and outdoor

In addition to the special tours geared for children, a temporary exhibit of children's toys and games is on display at the visitor's center throughout the summer.

Liberty Hall Museum with its 23 acres of manicured landscape to enjoy is open Wednesdays to Sundays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays from noon to 4 p.m. The last tour of the day begins at 3 p.m. The special children's tours are scheduled for every Saturday in both July and August at 11 a.m., and 1 and 3 p.m.

Liberty Hall is located at 1003 Morris Ave. in Union. For more information, call 908-527-0400 or visit www.libertyhallnj.org.

State's pro theaters to hold annual auditions

The New Jersey Theater Alliance, the consortium of the state's professional Actor's Equity theaters, will hold auditions Aug. 18 and 19 for Equity performers, and Aug. 20 for non-Equity performers.

Auditions will be from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. in New Brunswick, by appointment only. Preference will be given to New Jersey-based actors. More than 20 professional New Jersey theaters are expected to attend including representatives from McCarter Theater, Paper Mill, George Street Playhouse, the Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey and Two Rivers Theater Company, along with many others.

To enter the lottery:

A . Send one 8x10 headshot with attached resume. Send a copy of your Equity card if you are a member of the union.

B. Indicate whether or not you intend to sing as part of your audition.

C. Indicate if you are a New Jersey resident or have access to New Jersey housing.

D. Send self-addressed stamped .37 business-size envelope. Any entry without a selfaddressed stamped envelope will be disallowed.

E. Mail entries to the New Jersey Theater Alliance, 17 Cook Ave., Madison, 07932. The entry must be postmarked by June 27,

Failure to follow all of the above directions will cause an entry to be rejected from the lottery. Actors will be notified by mail of their audition appointment, so it is extremely important that the stamped self-addressed envelope have a current address. The audition site in New Jersey is bus. Directions will be sent if an actor is selected for an appoint-

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All of New Jersey's professional theaters are equal opportunity employers. Actors of color and actors with disabilities are encouraged to submit their pictures/resumes for this audition.

Palmer Gallery focuses on 'Small Faces' in art

"Small Faces," an exhibit of photography by David J. Lipman, will be displayed at the Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library through Aug. 28.

"Small Faces" is a unique ultraclose-up portrait of the very small. Reptiles, insects, crustaceans faces rarely seen up close - their personalities emerging from the large color images, providing a rare look at their individuality, a quality rarely connected with them.

Lipman was born in London, England and has been a resident of New Jersey for 30 years. He is a photographer and artist, which he has combined with new digital techniques to create commercial and artistic works. His photographic work has appeared in Life magazine, National Geographic, Vogue, Time, and Newsweek, as well as in newspapers and specialized magazines. His artwork hangs in private collections in the United States and Europe. He has numerous one-man and group shows in New York City, New Jersey, South Carolina and Europe.

The Donald B. Palmer Museum islocated in the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. The hours are Mondays. Wednesdays and Thursdays from 101 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., and Tuesdays and Fridays from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. For information, call 973-376-4930.

Theater explores history

The Union County Arts Center located in the downtown section of Rahway announced its plans to reach out into the local community for archival material related to the theater's rich history.

In preparation for its 75th anniversary season, the Union County Arts Center, formerly the Rahway Theater, will seek submission of archival material from local residents. Selected material will be on display for the 2003-04 season in the theater's inner lobby starting this fall.

All submissions will become property of the Union County Arts Center archives unless other arrangements are made in advance.

For more information, call 732-499-0441, ext. 602. To mail any items to the Arts Center, use the theater's address: 1601 Irving St., Rahway,

Crafters are being sought

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is looking for artisans, craftspeople and food vendors to demonstrate colonial or Native-American work/craft skills and to sell their wares at Union County's 22nd

annual Harvest Festival on Sept. 28. The event is a celebration of colonial and Native-American life featuring music, Native-American dancing, a Revolutionary War encampment, children's crafts, colonial food, games and much more. The 22nd annual Harvest Festival will take place, rain or shine, at Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside on Sept. 28 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

"The Harvest Festival is a popular autumn event that draws approximately 5,000 visitors," said Freeholder Chester Holmes, liaison to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. ·

"By participating, artists, vendors and demonstrators will receive excellent exposure and have a great opportunity to educate others about their art, craft or work skill and the colonial time period in general," Holmes added.

Examples of craft and work skills being sought are: blacksmithing, kick wheel pottery, broom making, shoe making, hat making, jewelry making and quilting, plus other colonial and Native-American crafts or skills.

For details about how to participate, call the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation at 908-527-4900.

Guild sponsors classes

This summer, the Arts Guild of Rahway is offering a new program for children ages 7 to 14: The Kids Summer Art Camp.

For four weeks while children are out of school, the Guild is making available a fun-filled opportunity for young children to receive high-level instruction about creating art from a staff of talented artists and teaching professionals.

During a typical one-week session

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of the camp, children will explore their creativity as they work on intensive projects in drawing, acrylic painting, printmaking, watercolor, collage, assemblage and other creative avenues.

If your child has been interested in drawing or painting, or making art of any kind, whether or not they have received art instruction in school, the Art Camp projects will introduce them to another level of artistry and the new possibilities for their budding

The Art Camp will be offered as one remaining week-long session, Monday through Aug. 1.

The Art Camp is available for children ages 7 to 14. Weekly camp hours are Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Rates are \$275 per week. This fee is for the 25 hours of camp per week and includes all art materials and supplies needed as well as drinks and snacks for a daily break. Students are responsible for bringing their own

Full payment is due at time of registration to ensure a place for the child in the program.

Weather permitting, children will have lunch outside on the lawn surrounding the Guild. The teacher and a supervisor will be present at all times during lunch, breaks and activities.

The Art Camp instructors are Joan Arbeiter, M.F.A.; Bonnie Maranz, M.A., fine arts, and Yvonne Fasciale-Alach, B.A., fine arts education.

To register children for the Summer Art Camp, call Tracy Pushko or Lawreince Cappiello at 732-381-7511, or send e-mail to artsguild1670@earthlink.net.

The Arts Guild of Rahway, a nonprofit center for the arts located at 1670 Irving St. in downtown Rahway, is dedicated to the presentation of art programs, exhibits, musical performances, classes and films.

Bill Van Sant, Editor

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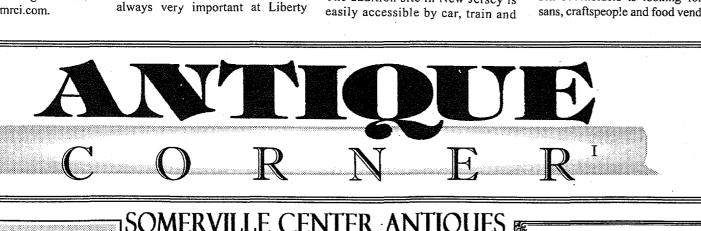
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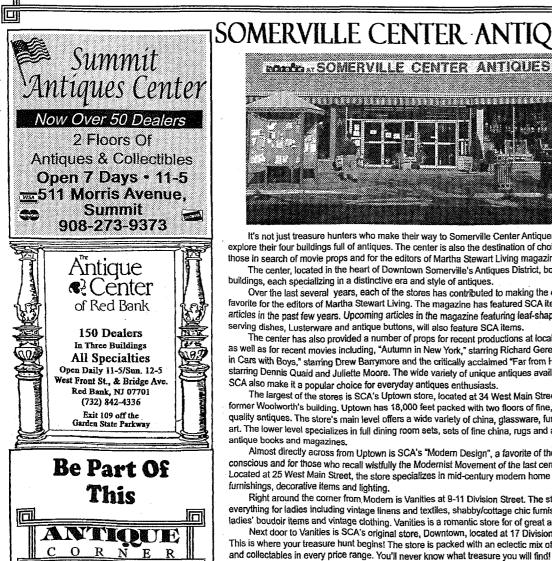
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It's not just treasure hunters who make their way to Somerville Center Antiques to explore their four buildings full of antiques. The center is also the destination of choice for ose in search of movie props and for the editors of Martha Stewart Living magazine. The center, located in the heart of Downtown Somerville's Antiques District, boasts four buildings, each specializing in a distinctive era and style of antiques

Over the last several years, each of the stores has contributed to making the center a favorite for the editors of Martha Stewart Living. The magazine has featured SCA items in six articles in the past few years. Upcoming articles in the magazine featuring leaf-shaped serving dishes, Lusterware and antique buttons, will also feature SCA items The center has also provided a number of props for recent productions at local theaters

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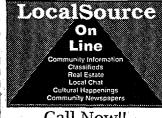
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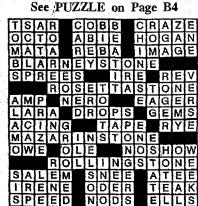
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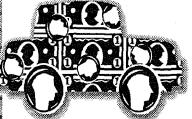
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Also contributing to the initial leasing surge is the community's location adjacent to Briant Park, a 30-acre recreational facility maintained by the Union County Park Commission, featuring a beautiful pond, walking and jogging paths and abundant natural vegetation, reports the Short Hillsbased homebuilder.

In addition, commuters are attracted to the easy access to I-287, the Garden State Parkway, and New Jersey Turnpike as well as an NJDOT Park and Ride Facility.

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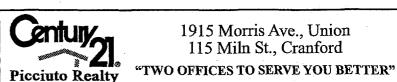
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Gershwin tapped to run Kurshner's Westminster Communities

has been appointed president of Westminster Communities, LLC, the construction division of Kushner Companies, one of the fastest growing, private real estate organizations in the Northeast

Westminster Communities is responsible for identifying and overseeing new development opportunities for the Florham Park-based Kushner Companies. The firm's current holdings include more than 25,000 apartment units and more than 7.5 million square feet of office, industrial and retail space.

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Sam M. Gershwin of Livingston in the State of New Jersey, Gershwin brings more than three decades of experience in land acquisition, approval processing and construction management to his new role at Kushner Companies. For the past 25 years, he has served as a corporate officer and managing member of single-asset real estate development companies.

At present, Westminster Communities has approximately 40 projects in various stages of approval and development. The division is currently completing construction of two residential communities: Horizons at Franklin Lakes, and adult lifestyle rental community in North Jersey, featuring 120 luxury apartments, and The Mews at Annandale, a rental community in historic Clinton Township. The company has scheduled a July 2003 construction commencement of Horizons at East Brunswick, a luxury condominium for residents age 55 and older and has obtained approvals to develop Horizons at Lawrenceville, a 210-unit active adult community in a Princeton suburb.

Westminster Communities recently completed construction of the 190room Westminster Hotel in Livingston, the first of a planned portfolio of boutique business hotels and/or conference centers. The company is involved in an extensive renovation of the former Holland Hotel.

Gershwin holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Lafayette College in Easton, Pa., and a master's degree in business administration from Seton Hall University in South Orange. Active in his community, Gershwin recently co-chaired the Livingston Township 9/11 Memorial Committee. He serves on the Board of Trustees of Temple Beth Shalom in Livingston and is a member of the Board of Governors for Crestmont Country Club. He and his wife, Laynie, have two children, Jason and Marisa.

Companies has "Kushner impressed me with its creative approach to development," said Gershwin. "I'm looking forward to the many opportunities where innovative approaches combine with the resources available, resulting in worthwhile and interesting projects."

Urban Development: A Primary Area of Focus

In his new role, Gershwin is working closely with Vice Chairman and Managing Partner Jeffrey Freireich to further Kushner Companies' aggressive expansion throughout the metropolitan New York area, the Northeast and the Southeast - a newer market for the company.

"With a scarcity of open land suitable for development in the Northeast, we are pursuing more challenging opportunities involving redevelopment in urban areas," noted Freireich. "Gershwin's extensive experience undertaking due diligence and obtaining governmental approvals will be essential to our future growth."

One of Westminster Communities' largest redevelopment efforts - the Landings at Harborside, a \$600 million waterfront project in Perth Amboy - is set to begin this summer. The eight-year project encompasses 49 acres and will feature 2,100 residential units and 150,000 square feet of retail space.

In addition, three new parks, a community center and a hotel are also planned. The initial part of Phase 1 calls for construction of 158 units of condominiums and duplexes in a unique design involving under-building parking, as well as unit orientation to capture water views and privately accessed landscaped courtyards.

The company's construction division, Westminster Communities, LLC, develops hundreds of homes annually, primarily in New Jersey and New York, with some 40 projects in various stages of approval and development. These range from large mixed-use redevelopment projects such as Perth Amboy and Asbury Park, to active adult communities, townhomes, apartment complexes, single-family luxury homes and hotels.

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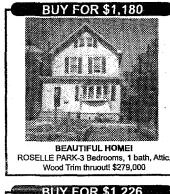
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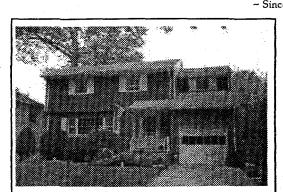
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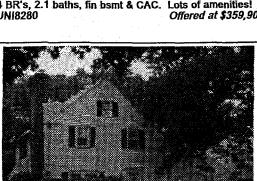
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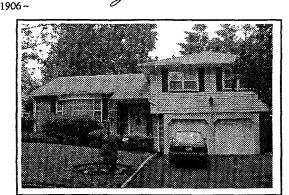
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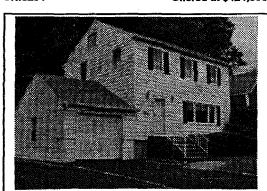
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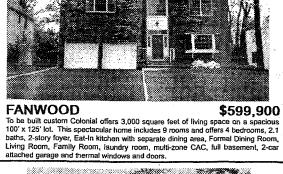


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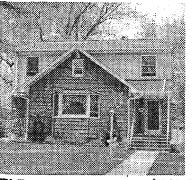




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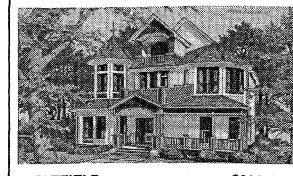
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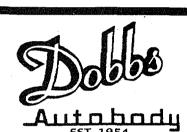
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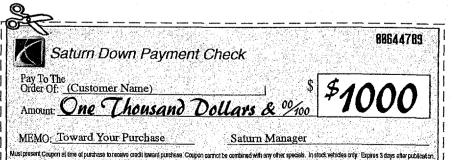
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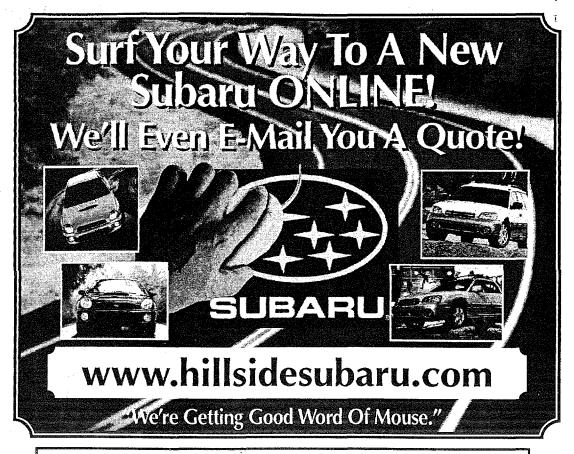
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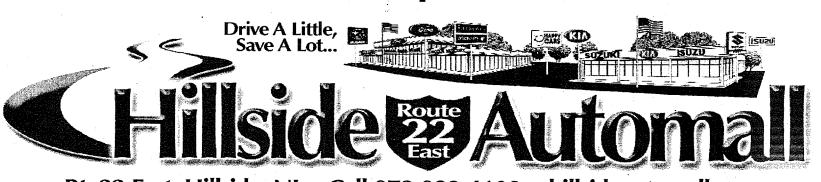
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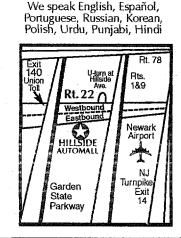






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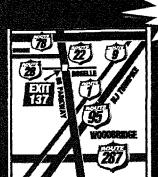
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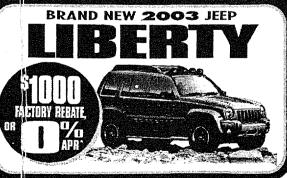
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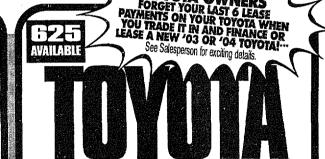


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6 cyl, pollo, p/str/ARS/winds /lis/mirns, oir, coss/cdy, fild, crusie, r/del, roof rk, airboase, cloth bels seers, alleys, security sys, MS lines, 22,035 mi. StkeF 601, VINEFIC415193.



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6 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds/lks/
mitrs/seds, air, coss/cd, fill, cruise,
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