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TWO SECTION

Light on the canvas

Artist captures feel of fleeting moments

By David Learn **Managing Editor**

It always begins with the light. As it strikes an old barn, a boulder,

trees or the landscape, the light will throw everything into sharp contrast. For a fleeting moment, edges are edgier than edges, points are pointier than points and everything stands out in sharp relief to everything else.

It is during that brief window of time that Burton Longenbach must do his work. His mission: to capture the landscape on his canvas with his oil paints and brushes.

"Sunlight creates new patterns. They are fleeting. They are not there 10 minutes later," said Longenbach. "You have just that 10- or 15-minute period to lock in the colors and patterns that the sunlight creates. You have the subject in front of you, but you have to lock it in."

A seven-year resident of Winters Court, Longenbach has been "locking in" the patterns created by sunlight ever since he retired from education in Cranford in 1988.

A professional but not commercial artist, he has won more than 100 awards for his art, mainly watercolors, in competitions throughout New Jersey and in neighboring states.

Although some watercolorists prefer to work from photographs, Longenbach's style is to create his initial image on site with a set of oil paints. The oil painting may take two or three hours to create.

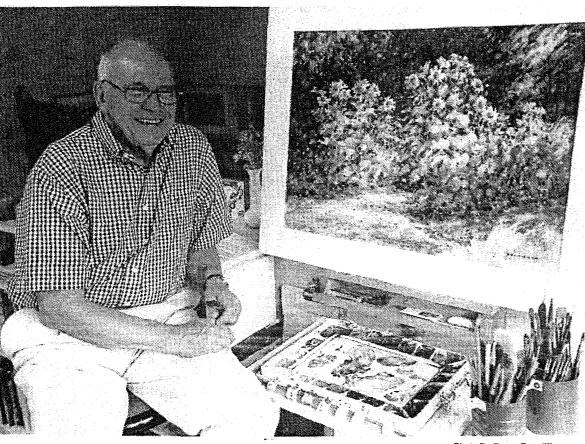
"You block it in, or lay it in very rapidly," Longenbach said of getting the light and shadows marked out during the oil painting process."You work with a speed that establishes those elements right at the beginning. If you dawdle, if you take an hour to establish the first phase of the painting, you're going to miss it."

After he finishes the oil painting, Longenbach takes it home, where it later will serve as the model for a much larger watercolor painting.

The initial rough of the watercolor might take about an hour-and-a-half, but that is only the beginning. There remain details to adjust, light touchups to make and subtle alterations to impress upon the image.

The entire process might take two to three days, although if the time spent in between tinkerings is stripped away, the actual time spent painting can compress to a two- or

three-hour period, he said. Even so, it's impossible not to find



Burton Longenbach sits in his home studio with one of his recent watercolor paint-

new fault with the work as time goes

ings, 'Deep Cut Gardens.'

"Looking at it six months later, you might want to change it, but you're wiser than to change it," he said. "You're wanting to take that knowledge and produce two or three

Longenbach's current involvement in the professional painting scene was a long time in coming. For 19 years as a teacher and another 20 as the supervisor of a combined art and industrial arts department, he kept his painting largely limited to instructional and recreational purposes.

That changed when he retired in 1988. With his creative energies no longer channeled into what his students needed, he began joining associations of painters and pouring himself into the competition.

Longenbach and his wife, Alda, have lived in their Winters Court townhouse for seven years. Before they moved there, they had lived in Westfield near Mountainside.

"I'm a member of these for opportunities to exhibit in local and regional and state exhibitions," he said. "I go into about 30 exhibitions a year."

In an average year, Longenbach produces between 40 and 50 paintings, although he has had years when he has produced more than 60, he said. He has produced 30 so far in

What drives him to paint these and other scenes, as always, comes down to light and shadows.

"It's the darks that make lights



Hanging in the living room of Longenbach's Winters Court home is his watercolor painting 'Massachusetts Pike Rocks,' based on an oil painting he made at the scene.

light," he said. "Lights are not light unless there are darks against them to embrace them."

Another part of Longenbach's art is knowing what elements of a scene to retain and which to omit.

One miniature oil painting he has in his personal studio is of a rural road as it rounds a stony hill. The road is empty, the green fields in the background are sprawling and two utility poles stand jarringly erect in the middle of what is otherwise a pastoral

"Sometimes you ask yourself, 'Why didn't I move that?" he asked,

If he ever turns that particular image into a watercolor, he said there will be no utility poles in the final product.

During the past several years, Longenbach has painted a number of scenes familiar to Clark residents, quite often within a walking distance of his home. Local settings such as the Esposito farm, the Schwarz farm, the Hungarian Club and the Clark Wildlife Preserve and Habitat all are sites he has returned to a number of times for inspiration.

"There's so much right here, it's been a natural," Longenbach said.

Sports programmeyed for return

Board to decide on Tuesday

By David Learn **Managing Editor**

They have the money. Now they just need a place to practice.

An association of parents and students has raised the roughly \$10,000 the Board of Education said it would require to reinstate a gymnastics program that was cut from the year's athletic programs because of budget constraints. The association now must convince the board to let it use the Arthur L. Johnson High School gym, or it must find some place else to prac-

When the issue first surfaced, district officials attributed the decision to cut the gymnastics program to budget cuts and to the amount of space the gymnastics equipment takes in the school gym.

"What I don't understand is gymnasts have been there all those years," said Elsa Palumbo of Mae Belle Drive, one of the principals of the reinstatement effort. "Now all of a sudden, they don't have

To get access to the high school gym, the Clark Gymnastics Parents Association would need to persuade a majority of the seven Board of Education members.

"I probably would not support it," board President James Rooney said in a recent telephone interview. "According to our director of athletes, this would put an awful strain on our gym."

Rooney is quick to add that his vote is only one of seven, and that the association could get what it wants without him.

In fact, other board members are sympathetic to the situation of the team. Karen Amalfe took the same view of space on the gym floor that Palumbo has.

"It was always an issue regarding money," said Amalfe, who was on the board's Finance Committee last year when it made the decision to cut the gymnastics team. "The space issue was a secondary one."

And since the team members have gone out and raised the money they need to pay for their program, Amalfe is more than willing to give them the space they need in the

"Anything to give these programs back to these kids," she said. William Takacs, the business

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— Karen Amalfe

administrator for Clark School District, said the district is waiting for the association to drop off the check for the \$10,000 it would take to reinstate the program. After that, it's in the hands of the board, which he believes is likely to give the team the necessary gym space.

"That's been my feeling all day, that that was how the board was leaning," Takacs said Tuesday.

If the Board of Education does' vote to give practice space to the team, that's especially good news. The association is having a hard time finding anywhere else to go, with the number of other groups that already use the private facilities in the area.

Councilman at Large Alvin Barr had looked into the possibility of the township providing space for the team to meet, but by early last week he was forced to admit that was unlikely.

The township has a gym at the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, a former school, but use of that gym has become so heavy because of the Recreation Department programming that it looked unlikely the township could squeeze it in.

Although the fund-raising proved more difficult than Palumbo and other parents originally had envisioned, they were able to raise the amount the money in a little more than a month and a half.

Local businesses and private residents donated money and in one case, support came from a Queens, N.Y., businessman who was moved to send \$3,000 after reading news reports about the team's situation.

Other teams eliminated from the gymnastics program were bowling, boys' freshman soccer and Carl H. Kumpf Middle School boys' and girls' tennis programs. Unlike the gymnastics program there has been no significant and public effort to get those reinstated.

Nuisance stop to be moved

and Zac Goldstein It's Sunday morning, and James Huff can be seen cleaning up cans, bottles and other assorted litter from a bus stop.

He's not doing it because he's being paid to, nor because of a court order. He is cleaning up the bus stop because it's in front of his house on Raritan Road, and no one else will.

"It's been worse since they put the signs up," Huff said of NJ Transit. "More and more people have been coming these past two years."

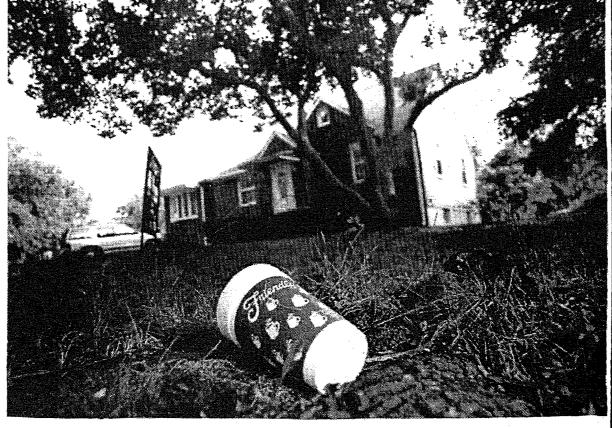
Relief may be on the way, possibly by September, when the township administration will ask NJ Transit to move the site from its current location at Raritan Road and Sunset Drive - right by the Huff household - to a commercial strip between New York Avenue and Poplar

Janet Hines, a spokeswoman for NJ Transit, said the agency would have no problem moving the stop once it receives a formal request. That is supposed to happen by

"Basically, the municipality, if they wanted to change where the bus stop is, they just have to send us notification," said Hines

The township became involved in the situation about a month ago, when Huff brought the problem to the attention of Mayor Sal Bonaccorso. Bonaccorso on July 8 urged the Township Council to ask NJ Transit to move the stop.

"People sit on the lawn," Bonaccorso said of the situation the Huffs face. "They leave cigarette wrappers, they leave coffee cups. They haven't had any problems. People have been fine, but I guess you can see where it's



A discarded drink cup from a nearby restaurant lies on the front lawn of the Huffs' house on Raritan Road. The Huffs say the litter is a frequent problem, owing to the presence of an NJ Transit bus stop in front of their house.

That also is a concern for the Huffs, who have one becomes crowded. young child and another on the way. At times, when the Huffs have come home, they have found people sitting on their lawn. Especially in warmer months, the bus stop

"There are a lot of people out there almost all the time," said Huff.

Clearer reasons sought in ruling

By David Learn **Managing Editor**

The Schwarz Farm ball is back in the court of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Developer Sterling Acquisitions Group LLC had applied to build an apartment building on the farm. The Zoning Board, as one of its final actions of 2002, voted to deny the application. Not long after, Sterling sued in state Superior Court to have that decision thrown out.

As the suit works its way toward a hearing, presiding Judge Edward Beglin has ordered the Zoning Board to revisit not its decision but how it wrote that decision up, said an attorney involved in the case.

"The resolution didn't really specify the reasons for the denial," said Stephen Hehl, an attorney from Hehl and Hehl, the law firm representing Sterling. "They have better articulate their reasons - factual and legal - for their denial."

Zoning Board attorney Howard Spialter, who is representing the board in the lawsuit in addition to his regular advisory duties, did not return several phone calls seeking comment.

Sterling had applied to build a four-and-a-half-story building with 72 rental apartments without age restriction. It reduced that proposal to a much smaller one at its final appearance before the board, but the board voted 7-0 to deny the application on Dec. 18. The facility would be located on the former Frank

Schwarz Farm on Old Raritan Road, in an area designated for industrial use only. A proposed overlay would allow residential development at the site.

The Schwarz farm covers 4.06 acres, including portions that extend into Westfield. The proposed apartment building would have been built entirely in Clark, and would have involved improvements to Old Raritan Road.

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HEALTH

Health Department to begin tobacco checks

The Clark Health Department soon will perform its annual tobacco checks of merchants to determine if they are selling tobacco products to minors.

In order for a store to be in compliance, appropriate signs must be posted at the point of sale - cash register - and on the tobacco display stand. In addition, merchants must ask the age of the purchaser and request a form of identification with the purchaser's date of birth and pic-

For more information or signs, call health officer Nancy Raymond at 732-388-3600, ext. 3045.

Clarkites invited to gauge risk of suffering a stroke

Residents living in and around Clark can be screened to reduce their risk of having a stroke.

Life Line Screening will be at Zion Lutheran Church, 599 Raritan Road, on Aug. 22. Appointments will begin at 9 a.m.

A stroke, also known as a "brain attack," is ranked as the third leading killer in the world, and the second among women. Through preventive screenings, the risk of having a stroke can be greatly reduced.

Screenings are fast and painless. They involve the use of ultrasound technology, and scan for potential health problems related to blocked arteries, which can lead to a stroke; aortic aneurysms, which can lead to a

ruptured aorta; and hardening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart disease.

Also offered is a bone density screening to assess risk for osteo-

Screenings cost \$45, and require 10 minutes or fewer. A complete vascular screening package costs \$99, and includes the carotid/stroke artery screening, abdominal aortic aneurysm and ankle brachial index screenings.

Sign-up for a complete wellness package, including an osteoporosis screening, costs \$125.

For more information regarding the screenings or to schedule an appointment, call 1-800-403-7395.

Pre-registration is required.

Official warns residents to be wary of rabies risk

Many types of wildlife are indigenous to Clark due to its natural waterways, deciduous woodland and suburban geographic boundaries.

Types of wildlife include raccoons, opossums, skunks, groundhog, moles, squirrels and rabbits. Clark also supports a large rodent popula-

Rabies is a viral disease transmitted through virus-laden saliva of a rabid animal, and is introduced by a bite or a scratch. All warm-blooded animals can be infected by the rabies virus. Since wildlife does not always appear sick or exhibit the symptoms of rabies, it is advisable to avoid contact with wildlife.

Some primarily nocturnal animals, such as skunks and raccoons, may be seen during the daytime. This does not necessarily mean that they are rabid. Their homes may have been disturbed, it may be breeding season or they may be foraging for food for their young.

Some simple precautions that can be taken to discourage wildlife and rodent harborage and protect your family and pets include:

· Vaccinate your dogs and cats against rabies.

· Make sure that all garbage, especially garbage containing food waste, is placed in metal or heavy duty plastic garbage cans with lids.

· Never leave pet food or water outside your home. Do not scatter bird feed on the ground.

· Cut grass, trim bushes and cut back tree branches frequently to prevent harborage and access to your

· Remove den sites such as wood piling. Keep storage sheds free of debris and accumulation.

· Have chimneys professionally capped. Screen off decks and porches.

 Perform a home self-inspection. Check for broken windows, torn screens, cracks and holes in building foundations and gaps under door-

 Drain pool covers of water and eliminate areas of stagnant and/or standing water on the property.

· Educate and supervise children to stay away from wildlife. Think safety first.

· Never attempt to corner or trap wildlife. Seek professional assistance from a certified wildlife removal company or licensed exterminator.

SENIOR NEWS

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AARP members sought

The chapter invites area residents

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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-

volunteer programs at Runnells Hos-

pital under the leadership of Marian

pants and any other usable and suit-

able clothing for patients. Dan Flynn

will collect teddy bears for children

in homeless shelters, starting in Sep-

AARP still has openings for the

· Sept. 15-19: Wildwood Crest-

Pier 6600, on the beach. Room costs

are for a double, \$312; a single,

na, N.Y., for Oktoberfest. Cost is \$59.

bonus. Mohegan Sun Casino with

buffet. Rooms cost \$112 for a double;

for a single, \$142; and for a triple,

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luncheon choices. Cost is \$67.

where space is available.

732-388-4033.

• Dec. 3: Trip to Hunterdon Hills

The public is invited on all trips

For more information, call Ann

Miskovic, AARP trip coordinator, at

· Oct 15: Platzl Brauhaus, Pomo-

· Nov. 5-6: Foxwoods Casino with

\$372; and a triple, \$287.

tember.

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following trips:

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Ongoing AARP activities include

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library at 732-38-5999.

registration is at the library, and is

The cost of the course is \$10,

For more information, call the

No seniors meeting

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

There are no meetings scheduled for August. Meetings are held in the Senior Center, 400 Westfield Ave. For more information, call Lillian

Library, AARP team up to offer safe driving class

B. Krov at 732-381-3823.

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

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 sponso the AARP, is open to drivers of all ages who wish to improve their driving skills.

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

Correction

The Aug. 7 story "Official allegedly assaulted teen" wrongly listed the time the alleged assault involving Board of Education member Michael Timoni and a Garwood teen.

The assault allegedly occurred at 11:57 a.m. July 3.

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct any significant errors brought to the editor's attention. If you believe such an error has been made, contact Tom Canavan, editor in chief, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083, or call 908-686-7700, ext. 329.

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· Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will show "Stuart Little" 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.

Monday.

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

• The Township Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the municipal courtroom, 315 Westfield Ave.

Tuesday

• The AARP will finish its safe driving course at Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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Upcoming

Aug. 21

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Aug. 22

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ening of the arteries in the legs, which is a strong predictor of heart dis-

Aug. 23

• The Deutscher Club of Clark, Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will hold a Hawaiian Night Picnic starting at 4:30 p.m.

The event will feature music by Norbert Ludewig Orchestra. Traditional German and American food and beverages will be available.

Admission costs \$5, with children younger than 12 admitted free.

Aug. 24 • The Clark Historical Society holds open house programs from 2 to 4 p.m. the first and third Sundays of each month through December in the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave., Clark History Room, Room 30.

• The Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet at 8 p.m. in the municipal courtroom, 315 Westfield Ave. Aug. 26

• The Planning Board will meet at 8 p.m. in council chambers, 315

Westfield Ave. • 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.

Sept. 2 • The Township Council will meet at 8 p.m. in Room 16 of the charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave.

Sept. 4

• 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.

Sept. 7

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Sept. 15 • The Township Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the municipal court-

room, 315 Westfield Ave. Sept. 16 • Y-Squares Square Dance Club will hold a free open house from 7:30

Dancing will be under the instruction of caller Dan Koft at Frank K. Hehnly School, 590 Raritan Road.

to 9:30 p.m. to begin its fall and winter season.

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Taking part in the Schering-Plough Research Institute this summer are, from left, seated, Darren Chestang, Claudia Thuring, Michelle Graziano and Saudia Hubbard; and standing, Richard Reinhart, instructors Bob Patton and Christine Boris, George Porper and Susan Agresta.

Teachers go to 'summer school'

Schering-Plough Research Institute has launched this year's Summer Institute for Teachers, an innovative program that gives sixth- through eighth-grade teachers hands-on experience with the technologies used in the fields of pharmaceutical and basic science.

The focus is to help provide middle school teachers in Union County with tools to increase interest and enthusiasm in learning science.

Teachers work side by side with research scientists, learning about the latest pharmaceutical research in allergy and inflammatory diseases, oncology, genetics, microbiology, DNA sequencing and more.

This year, Hillside resident Saudia Hubbard from Hillside Middle School, Nutley resident George Porper from Calvin Coolidge Middle School in Hillside, Martinsville resident Richard Reinhart from Burnet Middle School in Union, Bernardsville resident Claudia Thuring from Carl

H. Kumpf Middle School in Clark, Linden resident Michele Graziano from Terence C. Reilly Middle School in Elizabeth and Roselle resident Zeleta Green of Leonard Moore Middle School in Roselle are participating in the program, conducted at the SPRI facilities in Kenilworth. Since 1995, 45 teachers have participated.

"Teachers who have the opportunity to work in an industrial science situation gain a better perspective and understanding of science that can invaluable in a classroom setting," said Robert Patton, a senior scientist at SPRI, who initiated the institute's development.

"Our goals also are to promote a better understanding of the role that a modern pharmaceutical company plays relative to health issues; to enable teachers to participate as active members of a research team; and to provide greater familiarity with the various stages of the drug discovery process," added Patton.

Fire alarm goes off at club

The Fire Department was dispatched to the Deutscher Club on Featherbed Lane at 5:33 p.m. Sunday for a fire alarm activation.

The smoke alarm activation was caused due to smoking in the men's room. Even though the smoke dissipated, the fire alarm system could not be reset, requiring the fire alarm company to make a service call to repair and reset the system.

· The Fire Department was dispatched to a fire alarm activation at the Hyatt Hills Golf Complex on Raritan Road, at 5:38 a.m. Sunday.

The fire alarm activation was caused by an activated smoke detector in a maintenance shed.

There was no apparent cause for the activation and the fire alarm system was reset.

· The Fire Department responded to the area of Oak Ridge Road for a report of a smell of natural gas and a

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possible gas meter fire at 9:40 p.m. Friday.

Neither was found, but there was an odor in the air and area residents reported that fireworks had been set off in the area prior to the Fire Department arrival.

· The Fire Department responded to the area of the Hungarian Club on Old Raritan Road for a report of an odor of natural gas, at 5:45 p.m. Aug.

Upon arrival, a slight odor was present which dissipated. No problem was found.

· The Fire Department was dispatched for a fire alarm activation at a Raritan Road residence, at 10:38 a.m.

Upon arrival, it was determined that the activation was caused by nor-

mal cooking. The fire alarm system

· The Fire Department was dispatched for a fire alarm activation at a Limoli Lane residence, at 6:01 p.m.

Upon arrival, it was determined that the activation was caused by normal cooking. The fire alarm system was reset.

· The Fire Department was requested to respond to Raritan Road for a car that was emitting smoke after a motor vehicle accident, at 5:50 p.m. Aug. 5.

There was no fire. The battery was disconnected as a precaution.

· The Fire Department was dispatched to a Raritan Road bank for an activated fire alarm pull-box alarm, at 8:42 p.m. Aug. 4.

The building was checked with no problems found and the alarm was

Pittari to manage bridge offices

Paul Pittari, a longtime employee of the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey with an extensive engineering background, has been named physical plant manager of the Staten Island bridges

A resident of Clark, Pittari began his career at the Port Authority as a structural engineer in 1990, performing engineering design and analysis for projects including the AirTrain Newark and roadway reconfiguration at John F. Kennedy International Air-

In his new position, Pittari is responsible for the overall maintenance of the three Staten Island bridges: the Goethals and Bayonne bridges and the Outerbridge Crossing.

He oversees the management and implementation of all aspects of the bridges' maintenance and structural integrity, as well as the facilities' environmental programs.

Additionally, he manages a 40person staff consisting of maintenance, support and administrative personnel.

"I look forward to working handson at the three bridges that connect New York and New Jersey," Pittari said. "I anticipate many challenges in my new role and particularly interested in exploring ways to further advance the high level of customer service that we currently provide at the Staten Island bridges.

Between 2000 and 2003, Pittari served in the Construction Management Division at Newark Liberty International Airport, where he managed projects for the roadway reconfiguration in the Central Terminal Area and North Area of the airport, major drainage improvements, Terminal C renovations and airfield proj-

Pittari also has worked in the Tun-

nels, Bridges and Terminals Department as a project manager handling the management and implementation of capital and major works projects for the George Washington Bridge and Bus Station

Pittari also served as a construction manager with Torcon Inc., from 1996 to 2000. While in the private sector, he managed projects throughout New York and New Jersey.

His work included projects with clients such as Schering-Plough, Wyeth Pharmaceutical and Bristol-Myers Squibb.

Pittari holds bachelor's and master's degrees in civil engineering from Manhattan College. He is a licensed professional engineer in both New York and New Jersey.

Pittari is a former resident of Middle Village, N.Y. He and his wife, Jennifer, have two children.

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 open 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.

Summer reading program

The Clark Public Library 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. 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.

Library closed Saturdays

Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., will be closed Saturdays during August.

Saturday hours resume Sept. 6.

Construction videos

Come Wednesday mornings and watch construction videos made for

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. 27.

Summer film schedule

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

The library will show movies at 4 p.m., including a showing today of "Stuart Little."

Also on the schedule is "Stuart Little 2" on Aug. 21.

The library also has been hosting teen movie nights at 7 p.m. Fridays. The last remaining film on the schedule is "A Walk to Remember," which will be shown Aug. 22.

Videos, DVDs available for rental at low cost

Videocassettes and DVDs are available for adults and young adults 16 and older with a valid library card. Children younger than 16 may not use a parent's card to borrow.

Library patrons may borrow a total of four videos or DVDs for up to three days. A nonrefundable \$1 service charge applies to each feature film

Library patrons with a discount card, sold by the Friends of the Clark Library and available at the library for \$10, can borrow one free video or DVD from the library each Tuesday.

There are no renewals for videos or DVDs, but library users can reserve material online at www.clark-

The library will hold reserved videos or DVDs for one day before giving them to the next person on the waiting list or returning them to the

AT THE LIBRARY

Fines for overdue videos and DVDs are 50 cents a day. There is a \$5 fine if videos are placed in the outside bookdrop, and a 50 cent fine for videos that are not rewound. Damaged videos or DVDs are assessed a \$25 replacement cost, plus a \$3 service fee.

Videos and DVDs must be returned to the circulation desk in the library because the outside drop box damages the material.

The anticipated library expansion will incorporate a specially designed drop box for audio visual material.

Head cleaners are loaned free of charge but must be checked out at the For more information, call library

Director Maureen Baker Wilkinson at

No charge for those wanting library cards

732-388-5999.

Clark residents, employers and employees of Clark businesses are

invited to come to Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., to get a free library card. The only thing you need to get a library card is valid identification and proof that you live, work or attend school in Clark.

A library card entitles the cardholder to all available library services, including borrowing any of the books, videos, audio books, music compact discs and more.

Clark Public Library offers all people equal access and accessibility to its services, programs and activities. Anyone requiring special arrangements should contact the library in advance.

For more information, call 732-388-5999.

Reserve must-read books with your home computer

Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., offers a remote service that allows library cardholders to place reserve holds on books from their own home computer.

After searching the catalog of materials owned by the library, a

patron may click a reserve button on the screen and enter personal data. The information is displayed immediately in the library, allowing the books to be pulled and held for check-

To use this service, each individual must hold a Clark Public Library card and register a unique PIN, which can be registered at the circulation desk.

Friends of Library seek new members

Friends of the Clark Public Library is holding a membership drive. Residents can join the group by picking up an application form at the library.

There are several levels of involvement available to residents whether you want to donate time and energy or just lend support as a silent member.

Free screenings offered for blood pressure

Blood pressure screenings are offered at Clark Public Library, 303 Westfield Ave., from 9:30 to 11:15 a.m. the second Wednesday of each month.

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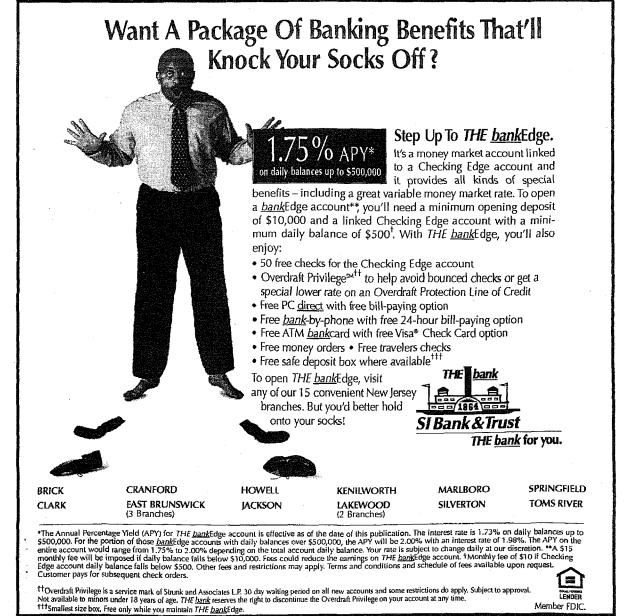
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A need or a want?

We're constantly hearing about budget woes in this dreary economy. The state is hiking every tax but the income tax to cover shortfalls while municipalities, school districts and counties have raised property taxes to obscene levels this

So how is it that Union County — with a \$335 million budget and almost \$18 million tax increase - can afford to give away \$1 million this year? Simple. Residents allowed them to do it.

In 2000, Union County voters approved an Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund, dedicating \$0.15 per \$100 of assessed value to those efforts over the next 20 years. Since there's not much open space left in the county, freeholders must find some way to spend your money, so now they're giving it to a fledgling nonprofit organization to build a children's museum.

What can we expect the money to be spent on 10 years from now, when there likely will be even less open space left? The county already collects some \$6 million annually in open space funds and that figure will only rise in the future as valuations increase. This is a perfect example of why it was not necessary to enact the 20-year trust fund from the start.

When the trust fund was enacted, county officials said it was to be used to implement recommendations from the Recreation Master Plan. The plan, unveiled in 1999, recommends \$50 million worth of improvements in the park system during the next 10 years. But it also makes recommendations such as upkeep of existing facilities, such as sorely needed lake dredging.

Is a Children's Museum of Central New Jersey sorely needed? We remain unconvinced. Within a short driving distance there seem to be plenty of activities for children, such as Liberty Science Center in Jersey City and New Jersey Children's Museum in Paramus. For those willing to drive a bit farther, there's Garden State Discovery Museum in Cherry Hill, or the Staten Island Children's Museum just across the Arthur Kill. And of course who could forget that quaint little town across the Hudson, New York City, only the cultural mecca of the world. In our own backyard, freeholders are in the midst of planning a multimillion-dollar expansion at Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside.

But the freeholders cannot go a year without trying to show that they're "connected to you." That's why this was an easy decision for them. The \$1 million already will be collected through the trust fund, regardless of what they do to the county budget.

The county has made three significant purchases of undeveloped land since the trust fund was enacted: 64 acres in Summit, 13 acres in Clark and five acres in Union. That's approximately 82 acres at a cost of about \$17 million. The public perception is that freeholders have all but decided to use at least part of the 13-acre Esposito Farm in Clark to have the museum built, even though they stress that they're considering all options. If they want a museum that badly, surely there must be a place in the county where new construction would not be necessary. Most importantly, land bought to be preserved as open space should remain that

Parking access

As students find themselves pushed out of the parking lot at Clark Public Library, those concerned should continue to make every effort to spare nearby residents the crush of parking overflow that is sure to come once school starts.

The township already has pursued several lines of action to alleviate the crowded parking conditions behind the library, including expanding the parking lots at Arthur L. Johnson High School and the library. Officials also have debated remedies to the anticipated problems on Dawn Drive, such as permit parking and creating spaces along Westfield Avenue.

Those are good solutions, and while the township continues to investigate its options, others should do what they can as well. The heart of the problem, after all, doesn't lie in how much parking is available as much as it lies in our driving culture and our readiness to hand our children the keys to a car as a matter of convenience.

Additionally, the school district itself can investigate ways to increase the efficiency of student parking at the high school. At the moment, the school district awards student parking spaces on a lottery system. There's nothing particularly meritorious about lotteries, except they have the appearance of being fair. By having a teacher or other staff member on surveillance duty, the district can make sure that any student-driven car coming to the parking lot contains four students or a special permit exempting the driver from the requirement for the day. Such a move allows students and parents the freedom they now enjoy, while alleviating the burden on neighboring sites and teaching the students good habits for the future.

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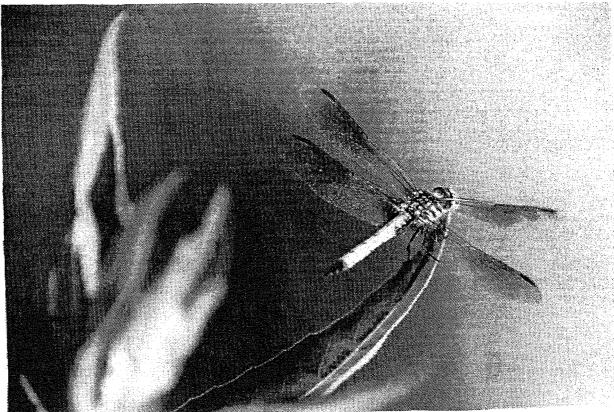


Photo By Reena Rose Sibayan

REST — A dragonfly takes a rest Friday afternoon after buzzing around Rahway River Park. The largest known insect, dragonflies survive by eating other insects, including mosquitoes, flies and moths. Although their larvae live for about four years, an adult dragonfly usually lives about two weeks before it is caught and eaten by a predator.

THE DRAGONFLY AT

Yes, downloading copyrighted music is stealing

I confess: I'm an addict, and I've even stolen to support my habit. My addiction is not heroin or cocaine, it's

Like millions of other Americans. I have downloaded MP3s using peer to peer file sharing software, in my case, a program called Limewire. I probably have 300 or 400 songs on my hard drive, a paltry collection compared to some, but nonetheless, hundreds of dollars worth of music. And I have paid not a single cent for any of it.

I had my justifications. For one thing, the music industry treats artists like they're disposable. Besides, I'll probably buy the music eventually if I like it, and a lot of the stuff I downloaded I wouldn't have bought anyway. And the bigger artists have so much money that it will never matter if I download their songs. And it's just so easy.

But these are all rationalizations. Illegally downloading MP3s - yes, most of what people are doing with their iPods is illegal — is stealing from both the artists and the industry, and stealing MP3s is not far removed from shoplifting a CD from your local Sam Goody.

Sure, you might not have bought that Jennifer Lopez CD. You also

Reporter's Notebook

By Josh Saltzman Staff Writer

might not have bought a watch that you end up lifting from your local

It's not easy for me to take a side on the MP3 issue. After all, I'm both a music lover and a musician in a band. I dislike the big record labels as much as anyone: They rip off artists, giving them only \$1 to \$2 per CD, and forcing them to pay back their costs if their CDs don't sell well enough. About 95 percent of bands on major labels end up in this situa-

The labels also rip off customers, jacking up CD prices to between \$18 and \$20 when market forces should be driving them down.

I don't much like what they put out either. I'm sick of clone after clone of Britney Spears. I'm tired of record labels giving bands one shot and dropping them if they don't make it, rather than giving artists a chance to develop, as was done in the old

At the same time, I hope one day to make a living playing music.

Contrary to what many believe, musicians have to put in plenty of hours of work to succeed: practicing, writing, traveling, performing, and promoting themselves.

This often takes as much time as a part-time or even a full-time job. In order to do that, they need to be able to pay their expenses, and even quit their day jobs if they have to tour.

Furthermore, musicians, like any inventors or creators, deserve to be rewarded for what they produce.

Actually, as much as I dislike it, the music industry deserves to be rewarded as well.

Sure, the artists may make the music, but how do you think that music gets recorded onto a CD? How does it end up in your neighborhood record store? Who makes sure artists get videos on MTV so you know about them? Who gets the songs played on radio stations?

Most of the cost of any CD is promotion, which, unless you're an especially savvy music listener who puts a lot of research in, is the only way you're even going to hear about

the music you like in the first place. Whether it's Metallica, Madonna, or Kenny G that floats your boat, the

industry needs to stay afloat in order to keep the music coming to you.

Is the boat in danger of sinking? A guy who works for Warner Records recently told me that the record industry's revenues are shrinking 10 percent every year.

If this keeps up, he said, the industry as we know it could dry up in five years. This may be a hyperbolic Doomsday prophecy, but illegal file transfer really is hurting the industry as well as the artists.

MP3s as an excellent promotion tool. We put our music online through MP3.com, and it's gotten us gigs and offers from small record labels.

On the other hand, my band uses

There's nothing wrong with this. In fact, we encourage people to download our music. But that's our choice.

At this point, it benefits us more than it hurts us to have people downloading our music. If we ever got to the point where selling CDs became a significant source of income, I would hope that people who liked our music enough to listen would be willing to pay for it.

I may make music because I love it, but music listening is not a godgiven right. It's a privilege, and it's greedy and selfish to assume that privilege should be free.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

County project a poor use of farmland

Editor's note: The following is a letter sent to the Open Space Recreation and Trust Fund on Feb. 22.

Thank you for reaching out to us to include our thoughts and opinions regarding the Esposito Farm property. I have lived in the community for almost 40 years, just a few blocks from the Esposito Farm on Terhune Road.

When we moved here in 1964 we were looking for an uncongested area. Madison Hill Road was only two lanes then. It was very rural and we were coming from a rural spot on Long Island. Our most important reason was we could send our children to St. Agnes School without having them cross a busy street. The second reason was the farmland nearby. We met Pete the weekend we moved in, and down through the years we always had a pleasant and good relationship with the family.

*I would love to see maximum use of the land and, of course, good use of our money for whatever projects will take place. Here are some of the good things I would like to see for all our citizens to enjoy: a beautiful park with a bandshell and amphitheater, perhaps a gazebo; a walking path, a bicycle trail; playgrounds, separated for very young children and another area for older kids; gym equipment, age appropriate, of course; picnic groves and, of course, free space.

Please reconsider any expenditure for a children's museum in terms of using the valuable space as well as the money for such an endeavor. We have a beautiful science center in Mountainside, known as Trailside Museum. They do a wonderful job and have many activities during school days as well as independent tours and guides to take you through their programs.

Union County College has several programs, as well as Kean University, that offers activities throughout the year. We have Newark Museum, which is close enough, and they offer wonderful programs.

As a mother of seven and a grandmother of 16, I know firsthand what the Clark children would think of a museum in their own back yard. They would welcome it a few times and be happy to visit, but after that they all would want to spread their wings and go out of town for a trip to the Space Science Center in Bayonne and then to the bigger and better museums.

Peggy Phelan

Why desecrate land for a museum?

An article in the Westfield Leader on July 31 about the Union County purchase of five acres of open land on Green Lane in Union had the following quote from Deborah Scanlon, chairwoman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders: "This is an important tract of open space in one of the most densely populated communities in the county. We're proud to be protecting it from develop-

An article in the Clark Eagle Aug. 7 about the possible use of the Esposito Farm for a children's museum had the following: "As for where such a museum could be built, officials stress that they're keeping all their options open. The 13acre Esposito farm on Madison Hill Road in Clark was purchased by the county for \$5.45 million and a 5-acre property on Green Lane in Union was purchased for \$3.4 million from the YM-YWHA of Union County. Both are considered options, Mirabella said.'

So here we have it. Scanlon is protecting open land from development and Mirabella is saying that building on open land is an option. In addition, a milliondollar grant from the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund is being given to the Children's Museum of Central New Jersey. This is money we voters said should be used for preserving open space. It should not be used to help fund a museum and destroy part of our environment.

As for the museum itself, certainly the idea is worthwhile but I do have some trouble with exactly who is going to use it. From September to June, school-age children will not to be able to use it until after the school day and week have ended. I doubt if preschoolers would visit the museum on a regular basis, particularly if both parents work and the children are in day care.

Neither location is on a public transportation route. How will children whose families don't have cars get there? The local soccer moms will have no trouble transporting their children, but will these children give up their current afterschool activities? I assume the museum will charge admission, which would be a burden to disadvantaged families - whose children might be the ones who would benefit the most from attending the museum. Add admission charges plus transportation costs and you've got what may be a problem for some families.

I have no doubt that the motives of museum advocates are pure but I really fail to see the need to desecrate open space to achieve their goals. I also would like to know how the Board of Chosen Freeholders can justify the granting of open space funds to the Children's Museum of Central New Jersey.

Charlotte Kornhauser

Museum inconsistent with open space

The Star Ledger stated in its Aug. 3 edition that even with the 1998 bond issue to preserve open space in New Jersey, "no farmland and very few park acres were preserved in Essex, Union and Hudson counties."

Why then would anyone consider building a museum on the Esposito Farm in Clark? That property should be left as open space, especially since the county is already spending a lot of money to upgrade Trailside Museum.

Brian Toal is doing an excellent job as councilman representing the 4th Ward

Janet Sims Clark

HERE'S A CHANCE for all readers to share their answer to questions presented in this column. We will publish responses a week later. Send comments or suggest another question to WHAT and WHY, P.O. Box 3109, Union, N.J. 07083 or e-mail to editorial@thelocalsource.com. Please include your town name.

WHY DO WE HAVE MORE THAN ONE **ELECTION DAY, WHICH COSTS** TAXPAYERS THOUSANDS OF **DOLLARS?**

GOP senators display prejudice of religion

It was just a small item in the news. It got a couple of paragraphs in the papers, and a few seconds mention on the television news. But it deserves our attention.

The Senate Judiciary Committee recently was debating the nomination of William Pryor, currently the attorney general of Alabama, for a federal judgeship. The qualifications — or lack thereof — of Mr. Pryor for a judicial post is not at issue here. What is at issue is a very disturbing matter that arose during the course of the deliberations.

Those Democratic senators who opposed Mr. Pryor's nomination were accused of doing so because Pryor is Catholic. Since four of those senators are themselves Catholic, such an allegation might be dismissed as simply ludicrous. But it is far more serious than that.

The matter began when a group supporting Mr. Pryor ran television spots raising the religious issue. The ad pictured a closed courthouse door and a sign "Catholics need not apply" affixed to it.

The ads were not sponsored by the Republican Party, or by any group officially linked to it. But, very significantly, none of the Republican senators on the committee distanced himself from it. In fact, they rather aggressively pursued it.

In our innocence, we thought we had left this sort of thing behind many years ago. To try to paint someone as this newspaper.

Problem Solver

By Robert P. Lapidus

a bigot simply because they oppose a member of a particular religion is, of course, bigotry itself. Bigotry of the

The logical extension of this kind of thinking would be to say that anyone who opposes President Bush must be doing so because they are anti-Methodist. Or someone who takes issue with Senator Lautenberg is by definition, an anti-Semite. It is simply an underhanded way to try and brand political opposition as a form of

It is reasonable to assume that an individual's religious beliefs may influence their views on public issues. It is completely unreasonable to charge someone who opposes those views with being biased.

Perhaps that day will yet come when people will not vote against or for — candidates on the basis of their religion, their race, or their ethnicity. Unfortunately, a handful of senators have set that day back.

Robert Lapidus is a resident of Clark and a frequent contributor to

'Vacation Dreams" continues to swing metaphorically in the summer breeze at Diversity Art Gallery, 4 Valley Road.

Art gallery features local

in summertime show

Featuring leisure-centered oils, watercolors, photography and mixed media by Burton Longenbach of Clark and other artists from the region, the exhibit is open 1 to 3 p.m. Sundays through Sept. 7.

It will be followed by the gallery's one-year anniversary exhibit opening, "Dimensional Art," from 1 to 4 p.m. Sept. 14.

Public Works dept. offers pickup of old appliances

The Clark Department of Public Works has resumed pickup of discarded appliances and metal.

Pickup is by appointment only. To make an appointment, call the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building at 732-388-3600.

Noah's Ark shelter in need of volunteers

Noah's Ark Animal Rescue and Placement is looking for volunteers to help with a variety of tasks.

The Clark-based group is an allvolunteer, nonprofit humane rescue organization. Noah's Ark has been in existence about 10 years and is looking for people who can help for a few hours each week. No experience is

Especially needed are volunteers to socialize, clean and feed the many cats and dogs during the daytime hours and on weekends. Volunteers also are needed several afternoons and evenings during the week.

In addition, Noah's Ark takes animals into nursing homes Sundays and would love to have people join them.

The greatest need at this time is foster homes for cats, dogs, kittens and puppies, as all animals are kept in volunteers' homes until they are adopted.

For more information, call 732-815-1633.

Clark Township sites available on Internet

Residents of Clark and alumni of Arthur L. Johnson High School have their choice of Web sites to keep in touch with one another. The Web site www.geocities.com/ALJClassOf1978 is a one-stop source of information about the Class of 1978, including reunion information.

Plans are under way for the 25th year reunion, to be held in the fall of 2003. Members of the Class of 1978 can visit the Web site for the latest information.

Another Web site, for the Johnson Touchdown Club, is open to to anyone who has been involved with ALJ football, including players, coaches and supporters.

That www.geocites.com/JohnsonTouchdownClub.

Mobile Meals now accepting new clients

Mobile Meals, a private, not-forprofit organization that delivers meals to housebound people of all ages or income in the Clark area, is accepting new clients.

Volunteers deliver nutritious dinners and lunches to homes Monday to Friday at a cost of \$30 per week or dinner-only for \$20 per week. Meals are prepared at First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield. They are packed and delivered by volunteers in reheatable aluminum trays

Mobile Meals is looking for drivers, 10:30 to 11:30 a.m., for routes in Westfield, Clark and Cranford, and packers to work one day per week or one day every other week from 8:30

Volunteer scheduling is very flexible. For more information, call Jean at 732-233-6146 or send e-mail to mobilemeals@westfieldnj.com.

NEWS CLIPS

Volunteers being sought in domestic violence team

The police chiefs of Union County, Clark, Fanwood, Scotch Plains and Westfield, along with the Union County prosecutor's Office and Project Protect of the YWCA of Eastern Union County, are making a joint effort to increase the safety and decrease the isolation of domestic violence victims who live and work in central Union County.

The agencies are recruiting volunteers from their communities to work on the Central Union County Domestic Violence Response Team.

Team members will work in conjunction with the police to provide support, information and referral at the time of a domestic violence crisis. Project Protect, a initiative of the

YWCA of Eastern Union County, provides family violence prevention, education and training and emergency intervention services.

As the lead agency serving victims of domestic violence, the YWCA has offered shelter from harm and provided advocacy and counseling services to women and children and responded

to hot line calls from those in need of information or assistance.

Police departments deal with domestic violence within the boundaries of the criminal justice and family court systems.

The service provided to the victim is focused on immediate relief from the dangerous situations and the arrest and prosecution of the abuser.

Through this joint effort, victims encountered by police will have the opportunity to speak with a trained volunteer and get information and

The role of community volunteers is significant to the success of this program, scheduled to debut in mid-

Applications are being accepted at the Police Department for vacancies on local domestic violence response teams. Residents can stop by the Police Department desk to pick up an application.

Applicants must be 18 or older, have access to transportation, possess a valid driver's license, be willing to serve a minimum four 12-hour shifts per month, and submit to a background investigation, including fingerprinting.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Rescue workers give quick response

The Gran Centurion membership would like to thank the members of the Clark Police Department, the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad and the Rahway Hospital Paramedics Team for their instantaneous response to a recent

medical emergency at our club. The officers and paramedical staffs worked tirelessly and valiantly over our stricken members. Although their efforts were ultimately in vain, these dedicated people are to be commended for their professionalism and genuine con-

It is heartwarming and reassuring to know that there are caring people out there that we can still turn to in emergencies.

They deserve our full support.

Andy Giacobbe, general manager The Gran Centurions

If no one's employed, who can buy?

To improve the economy, hire more people and give everyone a raise. Get more cash in the pockets of the people and the economy will correct itself.

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When hundreds of workers are laid off the market is reduced and there is a chain reaction downward. If no one is employed who can buy?

John Kostopoulos Roselle Park

OBITUARIES

Catherine Vail

Catherine Vail, 90, of Kenilworth, formerly of Clark, died Aug. 5 in the Brother Bonaventure Extended Care Center, Elizabeth,

Born in Perth Amboy, Mrs. Vail lived in Garwood and Clark for 20 years before moving to Kenilworth several years ago.

She was a bookkeeper for Pan American Cleaners, Westfield, and Labelle Cleaners, Garwood, before retiring.

Hannah Barnett

Hannah Barnett of Clark, a Holocaust survivor, died Aug. 7 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Lithuania, Mrs. Barnett lived in Irvington for 30 years before moving to Clark 21 years ago.

She was a life member of Hadassah and a member of the Sisterhood of Temple Ahavath Achim B'nai Israel

in irvington. Mrs. Barnett was a charter mem-

ber and a founder of the Senior Adult Program at the Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey, Scotch Plains.

She was a Holocaust survivor and was interned in the Stutthof Camp in

Surviving are a daughter, Vivian Toporek, and two grandchildren.

Doris Brodka

Doris Brodka, 83, of Holiday City at Berkeley, formerly of Clark, died Aug. 6 at the Community Medical Center, Toms River.

Born in Baltimore, Mrs. Brodka lived in Clark before moving to Berkeley Township in 1981.

She was a member of the Deborah Heart and Lung Hospital.

Surviving are her husband of 63 years, Alfred J.; two sons, Alfred G. and Richard C.; two daughters, Anita Rossi and Linda Masters; a sister, Juanita Brady, and eight grandchil-

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Square dance club to hold open house

Y-Squares Square Dance Club will hold a free open house from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Sept. 16 to begin its fall and winter season.

Dancing will be under the instruction of caller Dan Koft at Frank K. Hehnly School, 590 Raritan Road.

Classes cost \$4 and begin at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 23 at Hehnly School.

For more information, call Don at 908-241-9492, or Janice at 732-381-2535.

Area yard sale to benefit animal rescue group

Noah's Ark, a nonprofit group for animal placement and rescue, is having a yard sale fund-raiser.

The event is scheduled for Aug. 22-23. Items can be dropped off at 1017 Lake Ave. No books.

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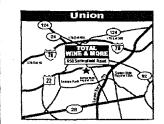
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Vacation Bible School dwells on heroes of faith

Cranford Alliance Church is holding a summer vacation Bible School called "SCUBA: a Super Cool Undersea Bible Adventure."

Each day children will sing songs, play teamwork-building games, get treats from Dive-in Diner, experience Bible adventures, and create Bible Point Crafts to take home and play with all summer long.

The curriculum will focus on Bible people who went deeper in their faith, including Elijah and Jonah, and will feature stories about Jesus and his followers. The program will conclude each day with a Sea Star Finale that gets everyone involved in celebrating what they've learned.

SCUBA will run through Friday at Cranford Alliance Church, 7 Cherry St. from 6:45 to 8:35 p.m. For more information, call 908-276-1617.

Public invited to walk the labyrinth Sunday

First Presbyterian Church of Cranford is sponsoring an ongoing series of open labyrinth walks.

Walks will be held in Bates Hall in First Presbyterian Church, 11 Springfield Ave. The community and surrounding towns are invited to participate.

The next labyrinth walk is scheduled for Sunday. Participants are invited to come and walk the

Labyrinth any time between 1 and 4 p.m., but walks should begin by 3:30 p.m. so they can finish by 4. Walks are held the first Sunday of every

Walking the labyrinth is an ancient spiritual practice of prayer and meditation. The 11-ringed pattern, painted on canvas, is modeled on the 13th-century labyrinth at Chartres Cathedral.

For more information the labyrinth walks, call the church at 908-276-8440.

Enrollment is ongoing at temple religion school

The Religion School of Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim, 338 Walnut Ave., is accepting registration for the

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2003-2004 school year.

RELIGION

Students in kindergarten through second grade meet from 9 to 11 a.m. Sundays; fourth- to seventh-graders meet 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays and 9 to 11 a.m. Sundays.

The school is a place where students and their families can learn about Judaism. The school offers family education throughout the curriculum, plus Sunday family education workshops that empower parents to learn with their children.

A parents social room is held in the library every Sunday morning. Parents are invited to relax and to socialize with other parents. Every Sunday morning a community learning period is held where students and their parents engage in a "learner's minyan" to learn together about prayer.

This year, the religious school was recognized as a United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. 'Framework for Excellence" school.

Temple Beth-El Mekor Chayim is affiliated with the United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism. Religious School families come from Cranford, Clark, Linden, Westfield, Scotch Plains, and other surrounding communities.

For more information about the school, call Cantor Frank Lanzkron-Tamarazo at 908-276-7351 or 908-931-9332.

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Sessions covering the Old Testament will continue at 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays for one year, until the New Testament study has been com-

Sessions meet in an informal setting in Cranford with the Rev. Frank Sforza of Trinity Pentecostal Holiness Fellowship.

For more information or to enroll, call 908-276-6244.

UCC president's list

Of the approximately 10,000 fulltime and part-time students who attended Union County College during the spring 2003 semester, 166 students have been named to the president's list in recognition of their academic excellence, including the following Cranford residents:

Andrew Kindler, Diana M. Scianalepore, Elizabeth A. Kopf, Ron G. Develde, Charles J. Olsen, Jessica Novy, Robert J. Opacity, Lori S. Grohs and Danielle Schipper.

Consideration for the president's list is based upon quality points earned as a result of the student's grades and number of credits carried. Only matriculated students are eligible for president's list recognition.

To qualify, a student carrying at least 15 credits for a semester must achieve a minimum 3.5 grade-point average out of a possible 4.0, with every grade being a B or higher. A

matriculated student carrying 12 credits during one semester is eligible for the president's list if he/she achieves a GPA of 3.75 or better, with no grade lower than a B.

A part-time matriculated student will be considered if he/she has earned at least 12 credits and attained a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0.

Dean's list at RPI

is otherwise complete.

Two Cranford residents were among the students at Rensselaer

The volumes will be added to the

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library's yearbook collection, which

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Polytechnic Institute who made the dean's list for the spring semester. Eric J. Strom, junior, computer sci-

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ence, electronic media, arts and communication. Alan F. Trzuskoski, senior, com-

puter science, electronic media, arts and communication, and psychology. The dean's list recognizes fulltime students who maintain grade-

point averages of a minimum of 3.0 out of a possible 4.0 and have no grades below C.

Swan named winner of history scholarship

The Cranford Historical Society has selected Steven Swan as recipient of its annual scholarship to a Cranford High School senior who excels in his-

A member of the Cranford High School graduating class of 2003, he was honored for his aptitude and interest in history.

Swan was a volunteer at the Cran-

ford Historical Society's Hanson House headquarters. He helped organize and distribute luminaries for Cranford residents to honor those who died during the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks.

Additionally, as a Boy Scout, he gained recognition by attaining Eagle Scout rank.

Swan entered the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, N.Y., in July as a member of the Corps of Cadets.

Library soliciting

used inkiet cartridges Cranford Public Library has begun participating in a program that offers cash for empty inkjet printer car-

tridges. Dropping used ink cartridges off at the library, rather than throwing them in the trash, will raise money to supplement the library's book budget.

Additionally, donated cartridges will be reused rather than ending up in

Cartridges must be in boxes, so library officials recommend putting the used cartridge into the box for the

new cartridge. Cartridges can be dropped off at the main desk of the library, 224 Wal-

The program does not include laser printer cartridges.

Yearbooks wanted

Cranford Public Library is seeking 1933 and any years prior to 1933,

Cranford High School yearbooks for 1935 through 1937, 1939 through 1948, 1958 through 1956, 1958 and

Donate a book to mark birthday of a loved one

A program at Cranford Public Library allows people to buy a children's book in honor of someone and donate it to the library.

Under the program, called Birthday Books, anyone can donate a new book to honor someone's birthday or to celebrate any occasion. The honoree's name is written on a decorative paper plaque affixed to the

inside front cover of the book. Looking for a present for a sci-

AT THE LIBRARY

ence teacher? Donate a book on planets so youngsters could learn to appreciate science. What about your mom who makes great quiches and artichoke pies? You could donate a vegetarian cookbook to help children learn alternative cooking.

A list of birthday book suggestions is available at the children's library desk.

Delivery, pick-up service offered for homebound

Cranford Public Library, 224 Walnut Ave., is continuing delivery and pickup service for residents who are homebound. The service is compiling a group of volunteer drivers.

Any Cranford library cardholder who is homebound, either permanently or temporarily, may call the library to request help.

If you are interested in the service and do not have a Cranford library card, you can participate either by coming to the library to get a card, or by requesting a library representative or volunteer to come to you.

For more information or to sign on as a volunteer, leave a message at the reference desk at Cranford Public Library at 908-709-7272.

Card catalog on Internet

The Cranford Public Library catalog is available on the World Wide

To access the library's catalog

online, go to the Web site www.cran ford.com/library and click on "Search the library catalog." In order to access account information, place reserves, and create bibliographies, patrons must have a Cranford library card and a personal identification number, available at the library main desk.

Users can search the library's collection by author, title, subject and keyword, and can perform advanced searches by combining search terms.

Patrons with Cranford library cards also can reserve books online and maintain online bibliographies. They also can check to see what items they have on loan and their due dates.

The library is located at 224 Walnut Ave. Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Monday to Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Friday and Saturday.

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Historical society honors members at annual dinner

The Cranford Historical Society held its annual awards dinner at the Hanson House.

Susan Piccuto of Century 21 Piccuto Realty received the society's Historic House Preservation Commendation for the restoration of the Piccuto property on Miln Street. Helen Louise Lawrence also was

recognized for her efforts to pack furnishings and prepare the Crane-Phillips House for the work being done during its current phase of

Joseph Colangelo, Thomas Glazer and Steven Swan were honored for

their many volunteer hours spent inventorying and cataloging the library of the historical society.

Maribeth Lisnock a Cranford Historical Society Trustee, was chairwoman of the event.

Historical society returns Hoffner to president post

Lori Hoffner has been re-elected to a two-year term as president of the Cranford Historical Society.

Members of the board of trustees are William Curtis, Hugh Delano, John Dreyer, Toni-Rae Fiorello, Robert Fridlington, Margaree Gerlach, Chuck Goodfellow, Lori Hoffner, Maribeth Lisnock, Julie Murphy, Jean Pascarella, Patricia Pavlak, Carl

Peterson, Nancy Price and Mary Wade.

Founded in 1927, the Cranford Historical Society is among the oldest nonprofit volunteer organization in the township.

VIA plans garage sale to aid Canine Companions

The General Federation of Women's Club Cranford Village Improvement Association will hold a garage sale Sept. 13 at the home of GFWC Cranford VIA President

Marge Bowman. For more information about the Cranford VIA's evening meetings held the fourth Tuesday of every month, or the upcoming Tuesday

meeting, call 908-272-1022.

Green Thumb plans trip to Long Island gardens Green Thumb Garden of Cranford

is offering a bus trip to Old Westbury Gardens on Long Island on Sept. 27. The bus will leave from the

Orange Avenue Pool Complex parking lot at 7:45 a.m., with return around 6 p.m.

The club has planned a day of visiting gardens and a tour of the Phipps Mansion. A gourmet lunch will be served at noon at the Cafe in the

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Doral 20-2 mark good for the top

In Clark Men's Softball League play, Doral/Butch Kowals captured the regular season standings with an

impressive 20-2 record. They will be gunning for their second World Series trophy.

Doral won the league championship last season.

The top eight teams qualified for the postseason. The first round and the semifinals will be best 2-of-3

The World Series will be a best 3 out of 5 series.

In the first round, Doral/Butch Kowals was to play the No. 8 seed, Team Cingular, which is the former Baumann Electric. BE won four World Series trophies.

The No. 4 seed, Georges Catch 27, missed the playoffs last year. They were to take on Sutton Trucking, which finished fifth.

Wrays Diggers, who had their best finish since being in the league, earned the No. 2 seed and were to take on seventh-seeded Ironbound Heating.

FINAL STANDINGS

- 1. Doral/Butch Kowals (20-2)
- 2. Wrays Diggers (16-6)
- 3. Arena Sports Connexion (14-8) 4. Georges Catch 27 (14-8)
- 5. Sutton Trucking (13-9)
- 6. Clark Circle Liquors (13-9)
- 7. Ironbound Heating (11-11)
- 8. Team Cingular (11-11) 9. Premier Quality Electric (6-16)
- 10. Advanced Home Wiring (6-16)
- 11. Oakes Deli & Grille (5-17)
- 12. Breeze Eastern (3-19)

Practice makes perfect

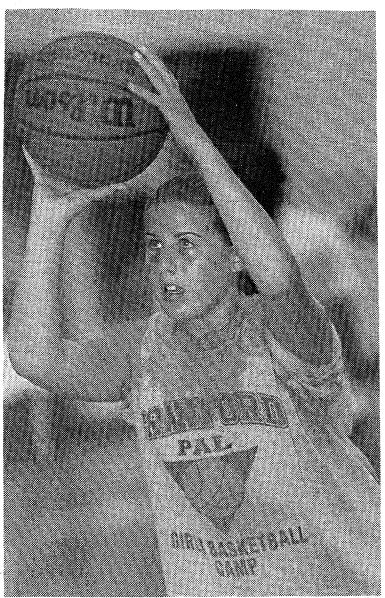


Photo by Reena Rose Sibayan

Julie Gunning, 11, lines up a foul shot during last month's inaugural Cranford PAL Cougar Girls Basketball Camp at Cranford High School.

Clark Little League All-Stars enjoy standout 25-3 summer

Do well to reach Final Four of state tourney

By Jeff Wolfrum Staff Writer

Commitment and understanding. It's what can be said about the Clark Little League and especially the 10-year-old traveling All-Star team.

That special group of players recently reached the Final

Four of the state tournament in Hamilton. Despite dropping a 7-2 decision to Hopatcong and a 7-0 decision to Stoney Point in the double-elimination round robin tournament, Clark finished with an very impressive

25-3 record. "Our only other loss came in the Colonia Tournament," Clark manager Mike Murray said. "I feel the kids really came together and played well as a unit."

With most of the kids being together for the past three years, Murray has seen great progress over that span.

"As eight-year olds, they finished in third place, while last year, they were even better by coming in second," Murray said. "This season they showed even greater improvement by winning the Clark Tournament, the district and the section."

Made up of teams from Union and parts of Essex County, Clark defeated Millburn in the District 5 final.

Clark then went on to defeat Rutherford 14-13 in the final of the Northeast Section 2 playoffs.

"The winners of the four sections go on to the state final," Murray said. "Unlike the 12-year-olds, the season

caps off at the state level.' The 12-year-olds would go on to play in region play before finally winding up in Williamsport, Pa., for the Lit-

tle League World Series. The Clark 12-year-old team also had a very successful season by capturing the District 5 title.

"The success of both teams says a lot about the support given by the community," Murray said. "I think it's the first time two Little League teams from Clark have won the district in the same season."

The Clark 10-year-old team consists of 11 players. They include Mark Wilson, Brandon Santos, Robbie Haddad. Michael Shurtz, Dominic Feminello, Michael Nicholson, Corey Ryan, Michael Pozyc, Robert Weber, Andrew Murray and Bill Gray. Assistant coaches include Michael Pozyc, Ed Nicholson and Michael Shurtz.

"I have a hectic work schedule, so we had to get prac-

tice in at some weird times," Murray said. "My assistants helped run the practices and always gave their input, especially about the lineup.'

The batting order was one place that Murray felt was a huge strength.

"We were strong up and down our lineup," Murray said. "I believe the difference between a great team and a good one is to have good hitters throughout the lineup instead of a few great ones."

Murray also feels that his team didn't miss a beat defensively despite rotating six to seven players every

"Even though a player might play a dominant position on his regular Little League team, he might be asked to play a different position at this level," Murray said. "It's more demanding here, so a major contribution is needed to be given by all.'

Buoyed by its great pitching, Clark could also use its bats if needed.

"We won games by scores of 4-3 and 2-1, so we got great pitching," Murray said. "We won the section final by a 14-13 score, so we can hit with people when we need to

During the season, Clark had five players bat over .500 and had a team batting average of .450.

In addition to the desire given by the players, Murray pointed out the great commitment given by the parents.

"I had 11 families not go on vacation this summer," Murray said. "I'm especially grateful to Lori Santos, who ran the kitchen despite the terrible weather during the sea-

Murray also felt the support of community played a huge role.

"We had over 350 people show up for the state final," Murray said.

"I was shocked by the number of people there. I'm also happy how the county supported us by renovating our field and putting lights in."

Murray feels his team ended the season realizing what it takes to get over the hump to become New Jersey state

"I can't wait to see how much better the team will be when they're 12-year-olds," Murray said. "They will still

Cranford Gators excel in tough final season meet

All-America Johnson lacrosse

players include Megill, Nolan

July 30 at the conference championships at Frog Hollow Swim and Tennis Club.

The swimmers had to qualify during the season to compete in this meet and it included all the teams in the NJSDC League. "The swimmers take this meet seriously because you

here is more impressive than a win in a dual meet.," Sean The conference championships were held over two days. On the first day, the 8-and-under, 9-10 and 11-12 age

are swimming against everyone in the league and a win

groups competed. The second day consisted of the 13-14 and 15-18 age groups. The top six finishers in each event came back on the second night for the finals.

"This is a tough meet," Jessica Patalano said. "You want to swim fast enough to qualify for the finals, but not so fast that you have no energy left for the finals. Placing is very important."

There was no team scoring. The swimmers swam for themselves.

Several Gators finished in the top six.

First-place finishers included Sean French in the 200meter freestyle, Elissa Patalano in the 200-meter freestyle, the boys 200 meter medley relay team, Meghan Salvati in the 100-meter freestyle, Samantha Baker in the 100-meter freestyle, David Ford in the 100-meter breaststroke and 200-meter individual medley, Jessica Patalano in the 100meter breaststroke, Eric Walano in the 50-meter freestyle and 50-meter backstroke, Kevin Kolesa in the 25-meter backstroke, Joe Cooney in the 100-meter backstroke,

Area high school lacrosse players Ray Megill, Kevin

Nolan, Fred Krom and Rob Schroeder earned All-America

recognition as selected by the High School Committee of

the US Lacrosse Men's Division Coaches Council

Megill, Nolan and Schroeder among the 20 selected from

As many as 240 boys were named this year, with Krom,

Megill and Nolan are from Clark and Krom and

Megill, a defenseman, was a First Team All-State selection for the Johnson Crusaders and will take his talents to

Nolan, another Johnson standout, set the state record

Krom, an attackman, helped guide Delbarton to anoth-

for most career assists and will continue at Washington

er state championship this past spring season. The 2003

The Cranford Gators swim season came to a conclusion Katie Salvati in the 100-meter butterfly and the girls 200meter freestyle relay.

Second-place finishers included Katie Salvati in the 200-meter freestyle and 100-meter backstroke, Sean French in the 100-meter backstroke, Eric Walano in the 50-meter butterfly, Alexa Salcito in the 100-meter butterfly and 200-meter IM, Jim Sheerin in the 100-meter butterfly, Meghan Salvati in the 100-meter IM and Jessica Patalano in the 200-meter IM.

Third-place finishers included Jim Sheerin in the 200meter freestyle, Meghan Salvati in the 50-meter backstroke, Michael Plate in the 50-meter backstroke. Alexa Salcito in the 100-meter backstroke, Kevin Kolesa in the 25-meter butterfly and David Ford in the 100-meter but-

Fourth-place finishers included Elissa Patalano in the 100-meter freestyle, Katie Comer in the 25-meter backstroke and Mickey Singh in the 100-meter butterfly.

Fifth-place finishers included Vanessa Rosa in the 100meter freestyle and 100-meter backstroke, Erin McAuliffe in the 25-meter backstroke and Elissa Patalano in the 100meter butterfly and the 200-meter girls freestyle relay.

Sixth-place finishers included Kevin Kolesa in the 25meter freestyle, Katie Comer in the 25-meter freestyle, Erin McAuliffe in the 25-meter breaststroke, Laurel Klappholz in the 100-meter butterfly and Joe Cooney in the

The Gators finished in third place in the "A" League. They also finished third at the championships held July 25.

"It was a good season," Laurel Klappholz said. "Third place in the top division of the top league is quite an

Schroeder was one of the best goalies in the state this

US Lacrosse-member high school coaches from some

The MDCC High School Committee governs the

regional structure of play in the United States. Each area is

designated a specific number of players on the All-Ameri-

ca team based on the number of lacrosse-playing teams in

Area chairmen report All-Americas to the national

The 240 All-America selections appear on the accom-

More information may be obtained by visiting the web-

panying.spreadsheet (PDFfile) and also online at

http://www.uslacrosse.org/pdf/03boyshsaa.pdf.

year and is now getting ready to lead the Summit Hilltop-

pers football team one more season from his quarterback

70 areas across the country name the All-Americas.

and linebacker positions.

site, www.uslacrosse.org.

Cranford Diamonds shine bright in summer league

Finish 9-2 and reach championship game

never gave up.'

By Jeff Wolfrum Staff Writer

Shine bright.

That's what the Cranford Diamonds 10-and-under girls softball team did this summer.

The Diamonds finished first in league play with a 9-2 record and came up just short in the Summer Parkway Invitational championship.

In the final against visiting Roselle Park at Adams Avenue softball complex on July 29, the Diamonds dropped a 4-1 decision.

"Their pitcher was very good that day," Diamonds manager Chris Bagniewski said. "We had only three hits and didn't really put the bat on the ball." Even though the Diamonds defeated Roselle Park 7-2

in the regular season, Bagniewski felt the difference in the championship game was the approach her girls used. "We faced the same pitcher earlier in the season and did a good job of hitting her," Bagniewski said. "I felt we were

gles, we were looking to hit home runs." Despite the setback, Bagniewski was proud of the team's success.

a little over anxious this time. Instead of trying to hit sin-

"We went further than any other team in town," Bagniewski said. "Even though you never want your season to end on a loss, we had a wonderful season. The girls are all

A six-year veteran of managing teams in town, this was Bagniewski's first season at the helm of the Diamonds.

"This is a traveling team and it took some time for some of the girls to adjust," Bagniewski said. "There are girls on the team playing between the ages of 9-11, so that's a huge gap."

Bagniewski felt success was achieved because of a team effort.

"Early in the season the older girls produced," Bagniewski said. "However, at the end of the season, the younger girls were picking up the slack."

Two of those younger players included nine-year olds Melissa Moreno and Stephanie Bagniewski and 10-year old Kristen Rupp.

"All three played a big part in our 6-5 victory over South Plainfield in the 10th game of the season," Bagniewski said. "They went up 2-0 and then we tied it. It was a neck-and-neck contest all game, but they all played a huge role at starting rallies for us from batting at the bottom of the order.'

In the teams' first encounter, the Diamonds took a 24-0 decision. It was one of four double-digit victories. The Diamonds defeated North Edison 15-0 and North

Plainfield 18-1 and 17-2. "We won a few games by the 15-run rule," Bagniewski

said. "We had some exceptional hitting this year. I attribute that to all the hard work the girls put in."

That point was more than true in the Diamonds victory over Roselle Park in the regular season when Colleen McGovern blasted a grand slam.

"It was a big hit for her and a big hit for the team," Bagniewski said. "It gave us momentum." Other Diamond wins included a 7-5 triumph over Colo-

nia, a 14-6 victory against Clark and a 4-2 win over Westfield. The only other loss came in a 6-5 setback to Colonia. "We fell behind 4-0 and came back to take a 5-4 lead before Colonia scored a pair in the top of the sixth to win the game," Bagniewski said. "It was a tough loss, but we

The Diamonds roster also included Michelle Gargiulo, Beth Ramey, Nicole Klieman, Nicole Ravetier, Anne McGee, Jamie Webb, Kelly Hardman and Megan Schmelling. Assistant coaches were Dan Ravetier and Dave Klieman. Sharon Hardman was the team's official

"This group has been a pleasure to manage because each girl had a good personality," Bagniewski said. "However, we'll have only Moreno, Bagniewski, Klieman and Ravetier back next season."

Bagniewski just wanted the girls to have fun and enjoy playing the game.

"There's no sense of being out there if you don't enjoy playing," Bagniewski said. "The idea is to learn and have

High school soccer referees are sought

So, you want to be a soccer ref?

Applications are now being accepted for candidates wishing to become high school soccer referees in the School and College Officials Association for the 2003 sea-

Candidates must be physically fit and a minimum of 18 years of age to referee.

Successful candidates will be eligible to take the NJSI-AA exam, which will then qualify them to referee high school varsity soccer matches.

Interested candidates may obtain information by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to David R. Klein. His address is: 37 Bryant Ave., Bloomfield, N.J. 07003-5401.

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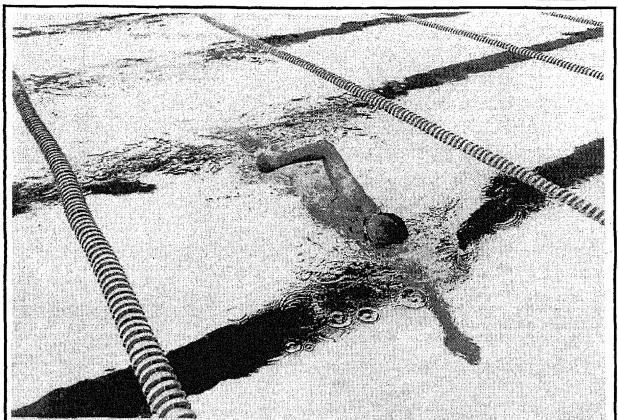
New Jersey.

Maryland.

Schroeder are from Summit.

College. Nolan excelled on attack.

grad will continue at Duke



Photos By Reena Rose Sibayan



SUMMERTIME WHEN THE WEATHER IS HOT - John Petrosky of Roselle Park takes a break from the heat during a recent trip Centennial the Avenue Pool Complex. At left, Sarah Folger, a counselor at Kidz Klub Camp, falls victim to a five-way tackle as her young charges attack. Swimming weather will remain in effect through the weekend, with temperatures ranging from the mid-60s at night to the low 80s during the day, with a slight chance of thundershowers on Saturday, according to the The Weather Channel Web site.

NEWS CLIPS

Biographies, pictures of servicemen sought

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department is asking families to submit photographs of loved ones serving overseas in the armed forces. Include a short write-up about the

individual, including personal and professional accomplishments.

The department will compile these photographs and write-ups and display them in the atrium of the Cranford Community Center, where they will be placed in a display area.

For more information, call the Recreation and Parks Department at 908-709-7283. Photographs and write-ups can be forwarded to: Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave., Cranford, NJ 07016.

Police seek volunteers to aid violence victims

The Police Departments is recruiting volunteers for a regional domestic violence victim response team in connection with Project Protect.

Team members will work with police to provide support, information, and referral at the time of a domestic violence crisis. Projected start-up date for team operation is September.

Project Protect and the Police Department are committed to a multiracial, multi-ethnic team to serve the community in the best manner possible. Applicants must be at least 18, have access to transportation, possess a valid driver's license, be willing to serve a minimum of four 12-hour shifts a month, and submit to background investigations, including fingerprinting.

A 40-hour mandatory intensive training course held over eight weeks on evenings and weekends, is required and will be provided to successful applicants. An understanding of domestic violence issues is a plus,

as is bilingual capability. For more information, contact Sgt. Bill Peters at 908-272-2222.

Conservation Center offers summer hours

The Cranford Conservation Center will be open from 12:30 p.m. to 6:20 p.m. Wednesdays, 9:30 a.m. to 3:20 p.m. Fridays and 9:30 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. weekends in August.

The center is closed Thursdays.

Old telephone directories being replaced with new ones can be set at the curb with other recyclable materials or taken to the Cranford Conservation Center on Birchwood Avenue.

Printed telephones book - yellow or white pages — may be set out with mixed paper, bundled or in a brown paper bag. Mixed paper includes items such as catalogs, magazines, junk mail and cereal boxes.

board are not included.

for dropping off branches, grass and yard trimmings.

A permit is not required to drop off other acceptable recyclable materials: newspapers, corrugated cardboard, mixed paper - no books glass bottles, plastic type 1, 2 and 3 bottles, aluminum cans and steel

Car maintenance helps keep donations well-oiled

Need an oil change? South Avenue Sunoco is donating \$5 to the Cerebral Palsy League by for every oil change done at the station through December.

Lincoln avenues.

The Cerebral Palsy League provides services to improve the lives of children and adults with multiple disabilities and specific medical needs.

Programs include: Kaleidoscope Early intervention program for children younger than 3; the Come Play and Learn Early Childhood Educational Center, a childcare program for children 6 months to 6 years old; Jardine Academy, private schools serving children 3 to 21 years old with multiple disabilities, and the Vincent Coletta Vocational Center, providing a supported work environment for adults with disabilities.

For more information about the Cerebral Palsy League, call Melissa Travera at 908-709-1800, ext. 115.

Newspaper and corrugated cardard are not included.

Legislators available
In addition to regular business Yard waste permits are required hours on weekdays and one Saturday per month, the legislative office at 203 Elm St., Westfield, is open from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Thursdays.

The 21st Legislative District includes Cranford. For more information, call 908-232-3673.

Your abilities can earn extra in-For more information about Cran- come. Advertise them with a classiford's recycling program, call 908- fied ad by calling 1-800-564-8911.

Wednesday club

Cranford Seniors Wednesday Club meets Wednesdays at Community Center 220 Walnut Ave., 1 p.m.

The following programs have been scheduled:

Wednesday — Social Aug. 27 — Bingo

Sept. 3 - Business meeting. Birthdays and anniversaries noted. Sept. 10 — Bingo

For more information, call Elaine Barbuto at 908-276-5535 The following trips have been

· Atlantic City trips to Showboat casino - Sept. 8 and Oct. 13. Cost is \$16. Bus leaves at 11 a.m. from Meeker Avenue. For information call

Arlene Borden 908-272-5441. · The club is planning a five-day, four-night trip to Wildwood Crest from Sept. 1-5.

Package includes round trip motor coach transportation; deluxe room accommodations at the Regal Plaza for four nights; full breakfast daily in the hotel; and dine-around dinners in area restaurants including \$10 of food

The trip also will feature four nights of entertainment including a Performing Arts Center show featuring The Quailes; a dinner-comedy show at The Grand Hotel, Cape May; a gala night with prizes, music and dancing; a trip to an Atlantic City casino with bonus package.

Among activities included in the trip are a stop at Smithville Village on the way home, with lunch extra; a paddle wheel cruise with entertainment; a visit to the Cape May County Zoo; a basket of cheer for cocktail party; a poolside pizza party; a round of miniature golf and ice cream on Boardwalk; unlimited rides on oldfashioned trolleys; free time to enjoy the pool and beaches.

· Paramount Hotel, Catskills five days, four nights. Oct. 3.

Call Harmon Finston at 908-276-2845, or Arleen Borden at 908-272-

Thursday club

Cranford Seniors Thursday Club meets at Community Center 220 Walnut Ave., 1 p.m. Thursdays:

The following programs have been scheduled:

Friday — Birthday and anniversary recognition, followed by tennis ball tournament.

Aug. 22 - Roseanne Toglia will speak on "Humor and Your Health."

Aug. 28 — Bunco. The following trips have been

• Aug. 26 — Atlantic City trip to Caesars casino. Cranford Departure. The public is welcome on all trips. Call 908-272-6828 for more informa-

· Sept 22-Oct. 10 — Las Vegas and national parks, including Grand Canyon and Branson. \$1,991 double occupancy. Call 908-272-5375 for more information.

The public is welcome on all trips. Cranford departure. Call 908-272-5375 for more information.

Happy birthday to Cathy Coleman, Vic Mason, Julia Ritsko, Ann Donnelly, Joe Donnelly, Cecelia Reitemeyer, Kitty Schultz, Carol Seney, Nicholas Diakon (Churck) and Harold Owen

Happy anniversary to: Fran and Bud Baker, 57 years; and to Marge and Henry Baczwicz, 52 years.

Senior ceramics works on display at center

The Cranford Senior Ceramic class has displayed original work by participants at the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave.

seniors' creativity in selecting a mold, painting it and having it fired by the instructor.

away to family and friends during the holidays and special occasions. It is always a unique and personal gift idea.

atrium area of the Community Center.

SENIOR NEWS

10 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays, Center, 220 Walnut Ave. 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. Fridays and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturdays.

Wednesdays at the Cranford Community Center.

Classes are free, although materials cost extra.

For more information, call the Cranford Recreation and Parks Department at 908-709-7283.

Friday club

The Cranford Seniors Friday Club meets at the Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave., at 1 p.m.

scheduled:

Friday — Social/Bingo

Aug. 22 — Social /Bingo Aug. 29 — Social/Bingo The following members, of the

Cranford Seniors Friday Club, have August birthdays: Eve Yannuzzi, Aug. The following trips are planned:

Wednesday - Country Hoe-Down, Mt. Haven Country Resort. Milford, Pa. Indoor and outdoor activities. Breakfast buffet and dinner. which will include sirloin of beef, Virginia ham, chicken or chili, etc. There will be a 4-hour open bar. The cost is \$55. 8:30 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Oct. 22 - Fall foliage tour. Narrated tour through the foothills of the Appalachian Mountains. Luncheon at the Inn at Hunt's Landing. The cost is \$45. Trip runs from 9 a.m. to 4:30

Dec. 2-3 — Night light tour, Bethlehem, Pa. \$150 per person, double occupancy; \$190, single occupancy, or \$145, triple occupancy. Stay at the Comfort Suites in Bethlehem, Pa. Trip includes transportation, deluxe continental breakfast, dinner at the Lantern Restaurant, a night tour as well as time for Christmas shopping.

For reservations and additional information, call Helen at 908-276-2849.

Tai chi classes being held

An ongoing beginner's tai chi class for Cranford seniors 60 and older meets 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Fri- 9018 for more information.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS (L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: REDBOOK FLORIST SERVICE; CARIK SERVICES, INC.:

REDBOOK FLORIST SERVICE;
CARIK SERVICES, INC.;

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED TO SERVE UPON ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, ESQS., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, suite 301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint and Amendment To Foreclosure Complaint filled in a civil action, in which Deutsche Bank National Trust Company as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2002-NC6, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-NC6 is plaintiff, and ESTHER EGGLESTON, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-12985-03 within thirty-five (35) days after August 14, 2003 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the ralief demanded in the Complaint and Amendment To Foreclosure Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex-CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, together with your check in the sum of \$135.00 representing the filling fee in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 08/09/2002 made by Esther Eggleston as mortgagors, to FGC Commercial Mortgage Finance, DBA Fremont Mortgage recorded on 08/09/2002 in Book 95270f Mortgages for Union County, Page 300 which Mortgage was assigned to the plaintiff, Deutsche Bank National Trust Company, as Trustee for Morgan Stanley ABS Capital I Inc. Trust 2002-NC6, Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates, Series 2002-NC6 by Assignment Of Mortgage which is unrecorded at this time; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 33 Wall Street, Cranford, NJ 07016.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 609-394-1101. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service

rticipants at the Cranford Commuty Center, 220 Walnut Ave.

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The display case is located in the critima area of the Community Center.

Building hours are from 9 a.m. to days at the Cranford Community

The class will end mid-September. Tai chi chuan participants will use The club meets 9 to 11 a.m. gentle movements to exercise every part of the body.

For more information, call the Recreation and Parks Department at 908-709-7283.

Summer aerobics offered

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department is provide an aerobics class for Cranford seniors 60 and older through mid-September.

Class are held 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. The following activities have been Tuesdays. Emphasis will be on movement, with senior chair dancing, sweating to the oldies and other popular classical/pop music.

Participants are encouraged to go through the routine at their own pace. Classes are free, but space is limited.

For more information call the Recreation and Parks Department at 908-709-7283.

AARP Chapter 4269

Cranford AARP Chapter 4269 is offering the following trips:

· Mohegan Sun Casino in Connecticut on Oct. 9, for \$26, with a \$10 food and \$10 play bonus. Bus leaves at 8:30 a.m. from the Centennial Avenue Pool Complex parking lot.

Sight and Sound in Lancaster, Pa., to see "The Miracle of Christmas" on Dec. 11. Trip includes a family-style dinner at the Good and Plenty restaurant. The cost is \$84. Departure is from the Centennial Avenue Pool Complex parking lot.

Call Michael Doncrank at 908-486-6679 for reservations and information.

AARP meetings are held at Lincoln Avenue School on Centennial Avenue at 9:30 a.m., and are open to the public.

Scheduled seminars being sponsored by AARP will tackle telemarketing, predatory lending, protection, prescription drugs, age discrimination and affordable utilities. Reservations are required.

Call Ethyl McEntrye at 908-245-

PUBLIC NOTICE

judgment debtor and for any lien, claim or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises. DONALD F. PHELAN, CLERK SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE U7982 CCE August 14, 2003 (\$35.11)

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD PLANNING BOARD HEARING

NOTICE

You are hereby notified, as provided by law, that on September 3, 2003 at 7:30 P.M., a public hearing will be held by the Planning Board of the Township of Cranford in Room 107 of the Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey, on the application of the undersigned to construct an addition to an existing residence comprising of 1 story family room, laundry and bathroom on land owned by Alfred & Kathleen Spinelli located at 309 Edgar Avenue, Block # 214 Lot # 3.

This application requests relief from the provisions of Section (s) 136-42C. & 136-43D. (2)(b) of the Cranford Land Development Ordinance.

Maps and documents for which approval is sought in this application are available for public inspection at the Office of the Construction Official, Room 101, Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey, weekdays between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Date: 8/11/03

Al Spinellii

Al Spinelli
309 Edgar Avenue
Cranford, NJ 07016
APPLICANT PLEASE NOTE: This
notice is to be sent no later than ten (10)
days prior to the scheduled meeting date.
U7994 CCE August 14, 2003 (\$17.21)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clark Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Meeting on Monday, August 25, 2003 at 8:00p.m., at the Municipal Court Room, 315 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jer-sey, at which time the following applica-tion will be heard:

Application of Hollander Hill Associates, LLC for Pretiminary Major Subdivision Approval, Preliminary Site Plan Approval and a use variance to permit the construction of 18 townhouses on property located at 639 Raritan Road, also known as Lots 3 and 4 in Block 28 on the Clark Township Tax Maps. The property is located in an R-150 Zoning District and a variance is required from Section 34-8.1 of the Clark Zoning Ordinance. The applicant also requests any other variances or waivers which may be required in connection with this application. The file papers for the above application are available for inspection at the Clark Township Building Department, Clark Township Building Department, Clark Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. HOLLANDER HILL ASSOCIATES, L.L.C. By: Rudolph E. Daunno, Member 1818100 CCF August 14, 2003 (\$14.88)

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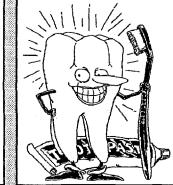
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Personal touch

Barbara Baldasarre reels off the simple math of feeding the residents of Runnells Hospital in Berkeley Heights: 369 residents, times three times a day, means 1,107 daily meals.

This doesn't count the food services for the rest of the operation like the doctors, nurses and other employees. She guips that she actually likes the left-handed complement that "the food isn't bad for an institution."

Left Out

By Frank Capece

With the federal government ready to upgrade the dietary guidelines as they do every five years, the impact can be substantial in terms of compliance and cost. Especially at a place like Runnells with a million-dollar budget for the service.

The food triangle and determination as to what actually is a healthy meal can be a moving target. They are requirements which must be vigorously adhered.

Sitting with Baldasarre I got the feeling that with a little coaching, she could do a respectable Aunt Polly in a summer stock of "Tom Sawyer." Looks can be deceiving. With her B.A. in nursing, an M.A. in hospital administration and an impressive resume, the Scotch Plains resident knows her stuff.

Prior to this job, she served as head of nursing at the facility. Rarely out of reach are the thick blue binders which track all costs and menus to ensure economy and diversity of meals. It's her job as director of professional and support services.

It isn't the cold numbers which win out. She tries to find food enhancers because of the sodium limits of the residents. She makes sure the good things like weekend barbecues, the candlelight dinner and the meetings with residents which brought about more pirogies and sausage on the menu all happen. Her goal of providing a "homelike atmosphere" is unobtainable. You have to love her because she still tries so hard to make it happen.

If you want to do a right thing, feel good about it, and not have to expend a lot of time, I have a deal. Runnells needs volunteers to help out at the monthly barbecues, taking the residents to church services, or out for ice cream in Scotch Plains. Just call 908-771-5848 to sign up.

• General supervisor – Visitors to the county courthouse last week were hit by a maze of detours. It turns out to install the new hightech computer services, the road behind the courthouse had to be

I'm not sure she was assigned the task, but county computer honcho Kathleen Villagio was on the job, in jeans and construction boots doing a pretty good imitation of General Patton making sure the trucks got through. It turns out See GOOD, Page B2

Work progressing

Memorial tentatively to be unveiled Sept. 13

By Joshua Zaitz Staff Writer

Fund-raising efforts continue for the Union County Sept. 11 memorial as the county has announced that the dedication date will not occur on the second anniversary of the terrorist attacks, rather it is tentatively scheduled for the following weekend.

"We're still on target for a dedication shortly after Sept. 11," said Freeholder Alexander Mirabella, chairman of Union County's Sept. 11 Memorial Committee. "Sometime shortly after that we hope to have the dedication of our memorial."

The county had hopes of raising \$100,000 to go toward the construction and maintenance of the memorial at Echo Lake Park in Mountainside.

So far, fund-raising efforts have resulted in slightly less than \$53,000 worth of monetary donations from the public and various corporations, including a recent \$5,000 donation from Kenilworth-based Schering-Plough Corp.

In addition to donating funds, labor unions and businesses have donated time, labor and materials.

Iron Workers Local 480, based in Springfield, is preparing the girders to be mounted and the Union of Operating Engineers Local 825, based in Edison, is excavating the site. Union County's local of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers is donating piping and lighting fixtures. Bricklayers Allied Craftsmen Local 4 New Jersey recently erected the memorial's retaining wall.

"They were here for days," said Director of Intergovernmental Relations Nicole Tedeschi. "It is absolutely beautiful."

Mirabella said if the in-kind donations are included with the monetary donations, the county has probably received about \$93,000 in contribu-

"If we didn't get the donations of not only materials - concrete, bricks and labor — we would have had to pay for that," said Mirabella.

The tentative dedication date for

the memorial is Sept. 13, according to Tedeschi

"Some of our families are doing whatever New York City is doing that day," said Tedeschi, explaining why the memorial won't be unveiled on Sept. 11. "We want to make the ceremony inclusive; make sure everybody is there. We want to do it on a weekend and make sure as many families as possible can come."

The county lost 60 men and women on Sept. 11, both at the World Trade Center and on Flight 93, which crashed in Pennsylvania after passengers struggled to overcome the hijackers.

The memorial will be built in the shape of the infinity symbol, a figureeight on its side, and will be 100 feet from end to end and 50 feet at its widest points.

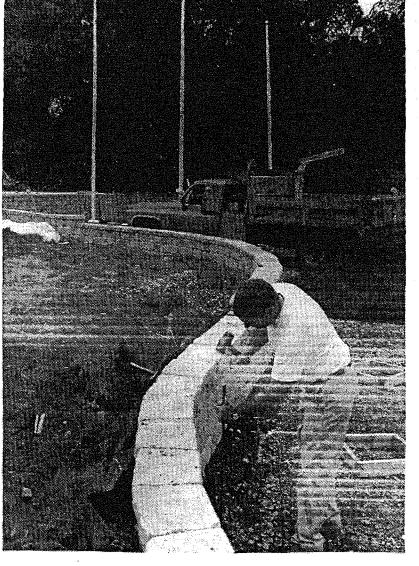
The designs for the monument incorporate two beams from the original World Trade Center, which the county acquired from New York City last September. The beams, measuring seven feet and weighing more than 1,000 pounds, will be featured prominently in the memorial, within a pentagon-shaped brick area, which will pay tribute to the attack on the Pentagon in Washington, D.C.

A stainless steel plaque inscribed with the names of all Union County victims, approximately 60, will be affixed to the granite pentagon.

There also will be an "eternal flame" that will be lit during public events at the park in honor of Flight

The memorial was designed by Walt Patrylo of the Union County Division of Engineering, with the concepts approved by the freeholder board and the Sept. 11 Memorial Public Advisory Committee, which included approximately a dozen citizens appointed by mayors of towns affected by the Sept. 11 attacks.

"The labor unions and the local business community continue to be supportive and generous by either donating materials or giving us mate-



Work on Union County's Sept. 11 memorial broke ground last month and is expected to be ready in time for the second anniversary of the terrorist attacks.

rials at wholesale cost," said Tedeschi.

Union County sponsors its annual free summer concert series at Echo Lake Park and thousands of citizens turned out for a candlelight vigil at the site to commemorate the one-year anniversary of the attacks.

"Every Wednesday night we have our concerts at Echo Lake Park," said Tedeschi. "We set up a donation box there and everybody has been so gen-

Mirabella said the county would

like to raise additional money because it wants to have funds available for ongoing maintenance of the memorial.

All donations are tax deductible and can be made payable to the Union County September 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, or call Tedeschi at 908-

Freeholders mull name change

By Mark Hrywna Regional Editor

The late Jeremiah O'Dwyer spent many a day in the Union County Administration Building. Now, that building might bear his name.

As county counsel, he was the top legal advisor to the Board of Chosen Freeholders and county administration. O'Dwyer died in June at the age of 71, less than a month after retiring as county counsel.

Freeholders are considering the idea of renaming the Union County Administration Building in honor of O'Dwyer, to serve as a lasting tribute to the longtime county counsel.

Freeholder Daniel Sullivan raised the suggestion to his colleagues during the board's agenda meeting last week. Board members were open to the idea, the only question being if the board needed to pass a resolution officially memorializing the name change.

The lobby of the Administration Building currently is undergoing a \$1.5-million renovation project which is expected to be completed by the end of the year. Sullivan said it might be appropriate once renovations are completed to have the building renamed in memory of O'Dwyer.

"I could think of no building more fitting than the building where he spent so much time working for the betterment of Union County," Sullivan said.

The Union County Administration Building, located on Elizabethtown Plaza behind the Union County Courthouse and adjacent to the jail and other county facilities, houses various departments of the county administration, as well as offices of the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

O'Dwyer was "someone we all loved, respected and admired. I can think of nothing better," Sullivan said, to keep his memory alive.

"It's really a fitting tribute," Free-See BUILDING, Page B2

Kids Kingdom



Alexa Uvino, 9, gets a close-up look of some baby chicks, with the help of Thea Jackson, at a petting zoo during Kids Kingdom at The Loop Playground in Watchung Reservation in Mountainside on Sunday.

Survey to collect data on animal services

Staff Writer

As Union County compiles information on a possible county-run animal shelter, health officers throughout the county's 21 municipalities received a survey earlier this week, asking for information about municipal animal services. "We'll get an idea about their level of support for this county-run facility,"

Freeholder Alexander Mirabella said of the survey. The survey serves as a way for the county to study the frequency of animal

calls to health officers as well as the costs associated with municipal animal "We wouldn't be asking the towns to contribute monetarily towards the

maintenance," said Mirabella of any regional animal center. "It wouldn't cost

them anymore than what they pay now. They'll just pay it to the county instead of a private firm." A handful of municipalities within the county contract their own private firm to handle animal pickup and care: Union, Elizabeth, Linden and Plainfield.

The majority of municipalities have a contract with the Associated Humane Societies in Newark for animal control duties. "I don't think they do a real good job servicing the county's animal needs," said Mirabella. "I think we could do better."

The three northwestern towns bordering Morris County — Berkeley Heights, New Providence and Summit - each have separate contracts with Madison-based St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center to conduct animal servic-

New Providence Mayor Allen Morgan said his borough would not have an interest in a Union County animal shelter.

"We have a very good relationship with St. Hubert's," he said.

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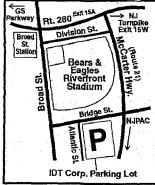
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Community blood drives

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Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Masonic Lafayette Lodge, 1550 Irving St., Rahway.

· Tuesday, 6 to 9 p.m., Masonic Atlas Pythagoras, 1011 Central Ave., Westfield.

· Aug. 22, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road. • Aug. 27, 3 to 7 p.m., Union Hos-

pital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road. Donors must be 17 years of age. There is no upper age limit to donors

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

Boxwood Hall seeks courthouse memorabilia

Boxwood Hall, an historic site in Elizabeth that hosted and housed George Washington and other major figures from the American Revolution, is collecting artifacts and memorabilia related to the 100th anniversary of the Union County Courthouse. The collection will be part of a temporary exhibit during the county's annual "Four Centuries in a Weekend" celebration Oct. 18-19.

Boxwood Hall will display photographs, papers, artifacts and other related memorabilia dating to the early 20th century. Persons with items to share or with suggestions can call Susan Coen, director of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, at 908-558-2550.

Specifically, exhibitors are hoping to find interior and exterior photographs, newspaper articles, event programs and more.

For more than 330 years, a government building has stood at Broad Street and Rahway Avenue in Elizabeth. The present courthouse was erected from 1903 to 1905 and has seen several expansions and renova-

The Boxwood Hall State Historic Site (Boudinot Mansion) was a residence and gathering place for prominent American statesmen of the late 18th and early 19th centuries. In 1772, it became the home of Elias Boudinot, who served as president of the Continental Congress. A young Alexander Hamilton lived at Boxwood Hall while attending school in Elizabethtown.

George Washington visited Boudinot and a committee of Congress in 1789 en route to his inauguJonathan Dayton, a signer of the Constitution, speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives and member of the U.S. Senate. In 1824, Dayton hosted the Marquis de Lafayette during his American tour.

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.

· Friday, Gill Apartments, 40 Meeker Ave., Cranford. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The market will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

· Tuesday, Garwood Seniors, Garwood Police Station, Center and South Avenue, Garwood. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The market will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

· Aug. 22, Ann Ferguson Towers, 1601 Dill Ave., Linden. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The market will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

· Aug. 29, Plainfield Senior Center, 305 E. Front St., Plainfield. Registration begins at 9 a.m. The market will be from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

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.

Arc golf classic Sept. 23

The Arc of Union County will sponsor its Arc Golf Classic on Sept. 25 at Shackamaxon Golf & Country Club in Scotch Plains.

Proceeds will benefit the programs and services of The Arc of Union County. Registration begins at 10 a.m., 11 a.m. brunch; followed by

12:30 p.m. modified shotgun start. A cocktail reception is scheduled to begin at 5:30 p.m. followed by 6:30 p.m. dinner and awards presentation.

Currently, The Arc provides a vast array of programs and services to individuals of all ages with developmental disabilities and their families throughout Union County. The Arc maintains 23 residential home programs; five vocational and employment centers; five special needs day programs, which include an Adult Medical Day Care; two childcare development centers; a summer camp program; an Early Intervention Program and a private school, The Arc Kohler School, Mountainside.

For more information regarding The Arc Golf Classic registration or sponsorship opportunities, or the spectrum of services offered by The Arc, you may call. The Arc of Union County's Resource Development and Community Outreach Office at 908-754-7422 or 908-754-7826.

If you prefer e-mail, contact: poneill@arcunion.org and for more information about this event and other countywide events, visit www.arcunion.org.

Volunteers wanted at Rape Crisis Center

Caring, supportive and committed individuals are asked to step forward to volunteer to assist rape survivors during day, evening and weekend shifts at the Union County Rape Crisis Center.

"There is especially a need for volunteers who not only speak English, but other languages as well," Freeholder Mary Ruotolo, liaison to the county's Commission on the Status of Women, said. "People familiar with other cultures are also helpful."

Training will prepare advocates to respond with information and support on the 24-hour hotline, provide emotional support and accompaniment at the hospital, police department, Prosecutor's Office and/or court.

The 40 hours of specialized training to become a rape crisis advocate, which is mandated by the state, will be scheduled twice a week from Sept. 30 to Nov. 20. Training addresses ways to assist survivors of the different types of sexual assault, the trauma experienced by sexual assault survivors, their family members and related issues,

In addition to serving as rape crisis advocates, volunteers may become involved in making educational presentations to schools or groups in the community on sexual assault topics.

The Union County Rape Crisis. Center is located at 300 North Avenue East in Westfield. The center is a program in the Department of Human

designed for comprehensive work with survivors of all areas of sexual assault. Some people may believe that only young women would need its services, but they are offered to adult males, females, teenagers, children and their families whether the sexual assault/abuse took place recently or in years past.

The center also offers crisis intervention, short-term counseling and therapy, which are provided free by qualified professionals. Referrals for long-term services are provided.

Dates for the volunteer training are as follows: Sept. 30; Oct. 2, 7, 9, 14, 16, 21, 23, 28, 30; Nov. 6, 13, 18, 20.

Training is from 6:30 to 10 pm. Attendance is required at all training sessions in order to be qualified to become a volunteer rape crisis advo-

Interviews for prospective volunteers will be held during July and August. Interested individuals should call as soon as possible.

For more information, call 908-233-RAPE(7273) between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Directory available online

The County of Union Volunteer Directory, an initiative of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, is now accessible online at Union County's Web site.

Union County's Office of Volunteer Services, collaborating with United Way of Greater Union County, provides this first edition of the volunteer directory at www.ucnj.org. Updates and group projects can also be found on United Way's Web site at www.ucnj.org.

"The County of Union and United Way have a strong tradition of working together to promote volunteerism by linking those who need help with those who can help," Chairwoman Deborah Scanlon said. "Now we have the Internet to help us continue bringing people together to help each other."

The directory features a comprehensive list of ongoing volunteer projects and contact information. It includes an alphabetical list of organizations and agencies, followed by a list of volunteer interests referred by category.

"Volunteers play a vital role in keeping Union County a great place to live and work. Whether it's reading to children at an after-school program, spending time with seniors at a local center or assisting in clean-up projects, local volunteers offer their time and energy to make good things happen," Scanlon said.

Directories are also available by mail by calling 908-659-7413.

Health officers surveyed

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New Providence pays \$19,000 annually to St. Hubert's, which has had a contract with the borough for more than 10 years.

"What we use St. Hubert's for is if an animal is hit or is stray we pick it up and take it there," said Summit Mayor Walter Long, explaining that he's not that familiar with the county's plans to construct an animal shelter.

Summit paid \$42,833 for St. Hubert's services this year, while Berkeley Heights pays \$19,564 annually for animal services.

"I'm not a fan of the services provided by the county in the first place," said Long. "I'm trying to eliminate county government."

Mirabella said the county-run facility would provide "better care for the animals and more opportunities to adopt.'

Sheriff Ralph Froehlich, who has been involved in the planning of a shelter, said that about five years ago a few county residents, members of the freeholder board and himself formed a group called Animal Care and Education to study the feasibility of caring for animals on a county wide level.

"We've been concerned and interested in this for years," said Froehlich. Froehlich's study asked the county's 21 municipalities if they'd be interested in having a countywide animal shelter instead of each municipality contracting out to a privately owned shelter. After the study's completion, the group released a report to the county.

"It falls right into the issue of shared services," said Froehlich.

The sheriff stressed that the Union County facility would emphasize animal

"That education certainly means spaying and neutering policies but it also means educating our parents on how to purchase a dog, how to train a dog, how to bring their children and the dog together and then how the child treats the dog," said Froehlich. "There's a definite correlation between animal cruelty and juvenile delinquency and adult crime."

Linden Mayor John Gregorio has proposed that the county construct any facility in Linden, on the city's property. In exchange for using the property, the county will waive Linden's service fees for the facility, Gregorio said.

"If I provide the land, I don't expect to have to pay anything," said Gregorio. "The other cities that would make use of it would share in the expenses."

Mirabella said that members of the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee will be participating in a trip to the Atlantic County Animal Shelter, which could very well be the model for the Union County facility.

"It's a new facility," said Mirabella. "It's part education, part adoption. It's a good model for us.'

Building may be renamed

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holder Mary Ruotolo said. The Andrew K. Ruotolo Justice Center on Rahway Avenue, across the street from the Administration Building, was opened in June 1999 and houses the Union County Prosecutor's Office.

The building is named after her husband, Andrew Ruotolo, who served as the Union County prosecutor before succumbing to cancer in September 1995.

"I know how important it was to the Administration Building.

my family, the recognition of service that my husband gave to the county," Ruotolo said. "It's very helpful, and really an honor to recognize what he did for the community."

"I think it would be great for the family," Ruotolo said, of renaming the Administration Building in honor of O'Dwyer. "I can think of no better place for it."

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Teen Arts spotlights county's young artists

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is sponsoring the 2003 Teen Arts Touring Exhibit, now on display at the Hillside Municipal Building, located at the corner of Hillside and Liberty avenues, through Aug. 25.

The exhibit consists of 50 pieces of student artwork selected from more than 600 visual creations shown at the 2003 Union County Teen Arts Festival held in March at Union County College. The annual event is sponsored by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs in the Department of Economic Development.

"We encourage everyone to visit the exhibit and enjoy the talents of our young Union County artists," said Freeholder Chester Holmes, liaison to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "Through participating in programs like Teen Arts, students gain valuable skills that they will use to contribute to the community."

The Teen Arts Program is coordinated by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, hosted by Union County College, and sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. The exhibit will travel to sites throughout the county until January 2004.

Sponsors and supporting agencies of the 2003 Teen Arts Program are the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation; Union County Prosecutor's Office; New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State; Elizabeth, Cranford and Roselle boards of education; Paper Mill: The State Theater of New Jersey; the Westfield Symphony Orchestra; and participating schools.

The event is open to the public. For assistive services or more information, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, 07202. Telephone inquiries may be directed to 908-558-2550; Relay Service users dial 711.

The exhibiting students at the Hillside Municipal Building are:

· Berkeley Heights: Cristina Gallaro and Melissa Luning, Governor Livingston High School; and Megan Nadkarni, Columbia Middle School.

· Clark: Katie Petrone and Dan Bonetti, Arthur L. Johnson High School; and Jennifer Vasquez and Kulwant Kaur, Mother Seton Regional High

· Cranford: Carolyn Pender and Greg Poszyler, Cranford High School; Vincent Byron, Hillside Avenue School; Kevin Wilson, Orange Avenue School; and Nicholas Paras, St. Michael's School. · Elizabeth: Leslie Martin, McAuliffe Middle School; Jessica Jordan,

Lafayette Middle School; Elizabeth DiMonde, T.C. Reilly Middle School; Anita Silva, Westminster; and Stefania Tkachakova, EHS-Jefferson. • Fanwood: Katherine Howell, Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School; and

Alisa Schink, Terrill Middle School.

• Hillside: Vilma Deodhari and Leopoldo Allen, Hillside High School. • Kenilworth: Marie Torrecampo, David Brearley High School.

· Linden: Manny Guillen, Linden High School; Jill Martinho, McManus Middle School; and Chinedu Jon-Emefieh, Soehl Middle School.

· Mountainside: Katherine Wagner, Deerfield School.

· New Providence: Frank Cresencia, Denise Gelormini and Kean Clifford, New Providence High School.

· Plainfield: Jarred Hutchins, Maxson Middle School; Hanif Boyd and Lyle Hickman, Plainfield High School; and Lyzette Jackson, Hubbard Middle School.

· Rahway: Valerie Cadestin, Rahway High School; and Kristen Gray, Rahway Middle School.

· Roselle: Desiree Mendez, Jennifer Hurley and Trong Tran, Abraham Clark High School.

· Scotch Plains: Eniola Solala, Hillcrest Academy.

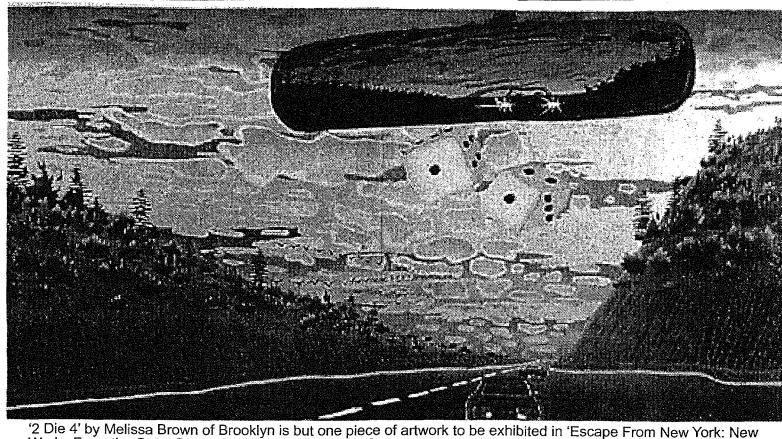
· Springfield: Jill Kuryzner and Shifra Sandler, Jonathan Dayton High School; and Alyssa Cariani, F.M. Gaudineer Middle School.

· Summit: Pat Daly, Oratory Preparatory School.

· Union: Rachel Tomko, Frances Cancio, Victoria D'Aloia and Melissa Billines, Union High School.

· Westfield: Elio Rodriguez, Beadleston High School; and Ron DeLeon, Centennial High School.

· Winfield Park: Jessica Arredondo, Winfield Elementary.



Works From the Outer Boroughs.' The exhibit opens Sept. 7 at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts and features works by 12 artists who live and work in the boroughs of Brooklyn, Queens, the Bronx, and Staten Island.

NJCVA exhibit takes a trip to the 'Outer Boroughs'

"Escape From New York: New Works From the Outer Boroughs" takes a broader look at what is going on outside "the city."

The exhibit, soon to open at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit, showcases the work of 12 up-and-coming artists from the outer boroughs of New York City and was conceived by curator Jason Murison. "Escape From New York: New Works From the Outer Boroughs," on view Sept. 7 through Nov. 2, explores the artists' psychological connection with the increasing disconnection of urban life once pushed to the outer boroughs. The featured artists draw inspiration from a city they are no longer within; their escape is not from social or cultural problems but from the arena that these problems

The opening reception, which is open to the public, will be held Sept. 7 from 2 to 5 p.m. A panel discussion with a select group of the artists is scheduled for Sept. 28.

It is now given that an artists' studios are in Brooklyn, Queens or the Bronx. In their artworks, it is evident that these artists are creating an escape from the urban. The escape manifests itself through the creation of fictional hemetic places. Often these places are the alternative to the ings of medical cadavers. Adam Putartist's social surroundings and run the gamut from rural pastures to outer space. The work is not to be seen as traditional landscape, but rather as a reflection of society's cultural lumber.

The 12 artists exhibited include George Rush, Brooklyn, who paints museum-like interiors of modern furniture narratives; Clara Williams, Bronx, designs installations that explore the homemade in response to its relation to the theatrics of art; and Mala Iqbal, Brooklyn, who airbrushes and paints large, Disneyesque rural scenes. Melissa Brown, Brooklyn, produces wood block and linotype prints that recall the 1930s, but are mixed with a computer-like verisimilltude. Ivan Witenstein, Brooklyn, treats the classic novel and the comic book on the same level and creates cast sculptures that are politically subversive yet wildly entertaining. Seth Kelly, Long Island City, Queens, assembles sculptures out of the combined histories of film, art, politics and cult/kitsch. Karsten-James Kreicarek, Brooklyn, explores biographical narratives carried through complex computer-driven sculptural installations. Colin McClain, Long Island City, Queens,

presents psychologically bent paint-

nam, Long Island City, Queens, makes videos, drawings, photographs and sculptures that camouflage the body to the surrounding landscape. Matthew Brannon, Brooklyn, utilizes graphic design to create posters, tapestries and videos. Roger White, Brooklyn, paints scenes of the suburban that rely on their generality for their success. Eric Hongisto, Queens, creates abstract wall paintings and created a site-specific installation at NJCVA on July 28 and 29.

The title for the exhibition is taken from the cult science-fiction film "Escape From New York." The film made in the early 1980s stars Kurt Russell as a free-wheeling convict with a mission. Set in the early 1990s, New York's crime rate has skyrocketed to such high levels that the only solution is to wall in the city, creating a maximum-security prison out of the island of Manhattan. The movie, however, never dealt with how these fictional characters felt. It is this question that spurred the exhibition. The prison walls raised in the film correlate closely to the economic walls, in the form of a real estate market, that have been raised in New York City. In turn, the majority of the creative force that nurtures New York City no longer

resides within it, but will forever continue to be influenced by it.

The Family Gallery Guide, a color catalog for use by school or community groups, is available to accompany the exhibition, "Escape From New York: New Works From the Outer Boroughs." The Gallery Guide has been created to provide children with the same exemplary access to art that NJCVA provides to adults. The guide is made possible through the support of the Herman Goldman Foundation.

About the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts

Founded in 1933 by a dedicated group of local artists, NJCVA has evolved into a major regional art center. It has a full-scale art school taught by an award-winning faculty. There are two interior galleries and an outdoor exhibition space/sculpture garden. Programs include Artists With Disabilities, Kaleidoscope, docent tours, lectures, demonstrations, art trips, workshops, a summer art camp, and ongoing activity. The nonprofit New Jersey Center for Visual Arts is wheelchair-accessible and is funded in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, 908-273-9121 or call www.njcva.org.

County Arts Center announces stars, offers for anniversary

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 the Ticket Central box office,

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

located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway.

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.

A listing of events at UCAC is as follows:

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

Oct. 4: Westfield Symphony Orchestra, 8 p.m. Oct. 18: 75th Anniversary opening night, "An Evening With Dionne Warwick," 8 p.m.

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. 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 the Rahway Savings Institution

In addition, the Classic Film Series of 14 films will be presented throughout the season. For information, call 732-499-8226 or visit www.ucac.org.

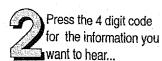
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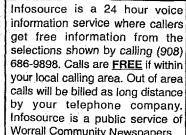
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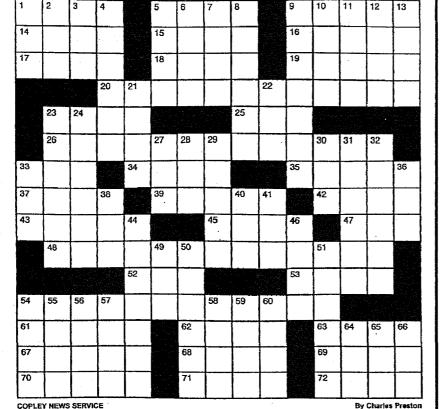
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August 16th, 2003 EVENT: Flea Market PLACE:Bethel AME Church, 241 Hilton Ave., Vauxhall, NJ 07088

TIME:9am-5pm PRICE: Tables Available. Vendors Welcome. For Information :908-688-4997 Fax 973-964-8183

ORGANIZATION: Bethel AME Church

DINNER

THURSDAY **AUGUST 14th, 2003**

EVENT:Pasta Dinner PLACE: Giorgio's Ristorante, 52 Vose Avenue, South Orange

TIME:7pm to 9pm PRICE:\$22.50 per person. Advance tickets on sale at: Robin Hutchins Gallery Maplewood Theatre. Or call Sue for reservations 973-762-6248

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SATURDAY SUNDAY

August 23rd,24th, 2003 **EVENT:** Saint Sebastian Feast PLACE: Kaveny Field, Walnut and Grove Streets, Montclair TIME:Saturday 4pm-10pm

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England and has been a resident of

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NEWS CLIPS

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, 07065.

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 ence Center in Mountainside on Sept. 28 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

or shine, at Trailside Nature and Sci-

"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, call the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation at 908-527-4900.

Palmer Gallery focuses

on 'Small Faces' in art

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HOROSCOPE

Aug. 18-24 ARIES (March 21-April 19): Unleash your creativity in a big way this week. Children provide the greatest inspira-

tion. Surround yourself with youthful TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Letting go of old emotional baggage will work in your favor. Forgive a thoughtless transgression and heal

yourself from within. GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Thoughts are things that can easily become reality. Adjust your mental attitude with the goal in mind of creating positive results.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Get a new lease on life financially. Go out and open a new bank account and dedicate it to saving for something very special.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): This is an ideal time to consider making changes in your personal appearance. Discard old clothes that no longer fit your image.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Enjoy moments of peace, solitude and isolation this week. Do what has to be done to recharge your mental, physical and emotional batteries.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): Your greatest hopes, wishes and dreams are somehow realized. Celebrate in style with friends and loved ones by your

REUNIONS

· Battin High School, Edison Vocational and Technical High School, and Thomas Jefferson High School, Elizabeth, Classes of 1968 will conduct a joint 35-year reunion Oct. 4 at the Wyndham Newark Airport Hotel. Tickets are \$60 per person. For information, send name and address to P.O. Box 9390, Elizabeth, 07202; call 610-438-1371; or send email to Rhemyz@aol.com.

· Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Springfield, Class of 1953 will conduct its 50-year reunion Oct. 10 to 12 at the Marriott Hotel in Somerset. For information, call Joan (Robertson) Amberg at 908-233-0868 or Barbara (Harris) Greve at 908-272-

· David Brearley Regional High School, Kenilworth, Class of 1983 will conduct its 20-year reunion Nov. 29 at Cafe Repetti in Kenilworth. For information, send e-mail to Susy.Condo@verizon.net or call 908-347-3542.

· Union High School Class of 1954 will conduct its 50-year reunion June 4 to 6, 2004. For information, write to Class of '54 Ruenion Committee, 250 Globe Ave., Union, 07083.

· Linden High School Class of 1959 will conduct its 45-year reunion June 19, 2004 at the Sheraton Woodbridge. For information, call Jan Murawski at 732-381-1763.

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SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Your attention is drawn toward professional endeavors. Approach career matters with a sense of confidence and achieve the recognition you desire.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): It's time to open up and expand your world. Plan an educational trip or sign up for an interesting and diverse course of study.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Deal with hidden matters that may be undermining an important relationship. Look deep into your heart for the answers. AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Be

patient with a partner or loved one

who will soon come around to seeing

your side of a disagreement. The truth

shall prevail.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): It's time to adjust your routine. Set your priorities and make sure that you have enough time and energy to carry them

If your birthday is this week, let moderation be your key word for the coming year. Be very careful not to overestimate your resources and overextend yourself in monetary matters. Your romantic or social life is subject to unexpected changes or developments. Work on establishing solid and lasting relationships that you can count on for support and understanding.

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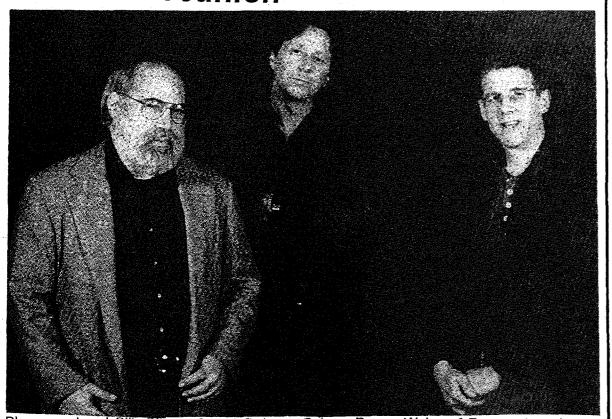
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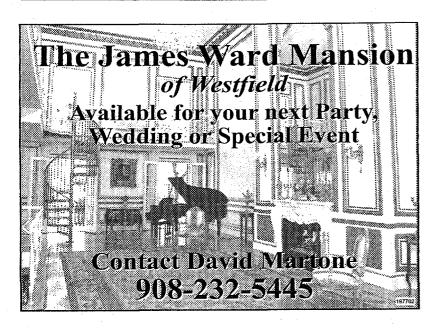
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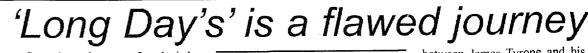
Bluegrass band Silk City — from left, Larry Cohen, Danny Weiss of Fanwood, and Barry Mitterhoff — will reunite with former Skyline band member Dede Wyland to kick off the new Sanctuary Concerts series at Union Village Methodist Church in Berkeley Heights on Sept. 14. For information, call 973-376-4946.

Bill Van Sant, Editor

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Sometimes the state of analysis by the popular critics is so inadequate. In the case of this summer's Tony

Award-winning revival of Eugene O'Neill's "Long Days Journey Into Night," the critical writing about the beknighted production has been particularly off the mark.

First, to set the record straight about my reception to America's greatest dramatists' play, "Long Days Journey Into Night." Based on my three past experiences with it - in college, at Arena Stage in Washington, D.C., and with the Jason Robards portrayal of James Tyrone in New York via the Guthrie Theater of Minneapolis — I would have to call this biographical play about the O'Neill family in collapse, magnificent. James Tyrone, is, after all, James O'Neill, Eugene's tyrannical and charming Irish-American actorfather; his mother, Mary, was drug addicted; and his younger brother did die of consumption, which was a searing event for O'Neill as the play and others he wrote recites.

Vanessa Redgrave has won a Tony for her characterization of Mary, and she is a great actress. But, in fact, she is too old and ghastly in her portraval

On the **Arts**

By Jon Plaut

for the role. As the play tells us, Mary was the young sweetheart James Tyrone 35 years earlier plucked in her innocence from the convent school of her girlhood. James and their sons have lasting affection for her, while they are increasingly suspicious and disheartened by her inability to beat her morphine addiction.

The trouble is that Ms. Redgrave looks like middle-aged James' mother and the son's grandmother, or maybe even their great grandmother! And all the fidgeting and mannerisms of an increasingly lost soul in Ms. Redgrave's portrayal underline the impossible age difference on the stage.

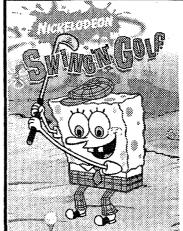
Even worse, Brian Dennehy, a strong physical actor who often uses his girth to ram home his point, as the father, James, has forgotten the man's Gaelic charm to portray him simply as a bully. The operative word is "simply," because there should be so much more going on, on the stage between James Tyrone and his wife and sons than the boozy, insensitive, physical boorishness which domi-

nates the performance. Mr. Dennehy has a hand motion he uses repeatedly which says, "To hell with it." I felt the same way. Frankly,

I longed for Jason Robards. Phillip Seymour Hoffman's brilliant work as the older son stymied in life and Robert Sean Leonard's sturdy craft as the younger, consumptive son are muffled by Mr. Dennehy's ominous physical presence, instead of being enhanced by the failed relationship with the insensitive but largerthan-life father the script continuously describes.

How much of the fault belongs to director Robert Falls? Couldn't he contend with these with these illustrious stars? One last thought to make my point, about recasting this production of this great play: Let's give a subdued Al Pacino a shot at James, and while we are at recasting we could substitute the younger and equally talented Cherry Jones for Ms. Redgrave.

Jon Plaut is a resident of Sum-



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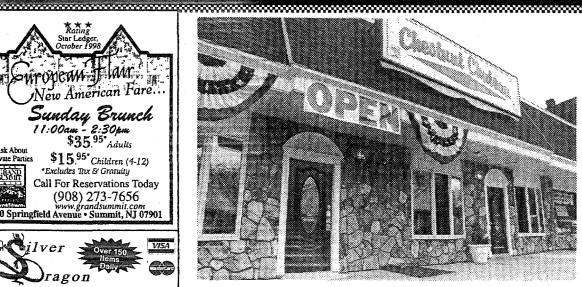
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Chestnut Chateau

By Anne Santos

Upon entering the Chestnut Chateau, formerly Chestnut Tavern 649 Chestnut St., Union, I could not believe how beautiful it was remodeled from its prior state. The new owner, host and chef Manny Niotis amazingly transformed this restaurant -- soft t recessed lighting, delicate pastel colored walls, fresh linen tablecloth and napkins, sand blasted glass hand-etched with scenery, very comfortable chairs, candlelight and gentle music.

Our waiter quickly came over to take our order. My companion and I started out with beef barley soup and lobster bisque. The beef barley soup was a light-colored broth filled with fresh vegetables, beef and barley served in fine china. The lobster bisque was delicately seasoned and creamy with pieces of lobster. Both soups were served hot and very tasty.

We chose stuffed mushrooms and stuffed clams as appetizers. The mushrooms were topped with a seasoned crabmeat stuffing and the clams were also filled with the same stuffing -- delicious! The salads that followed were very fresh -- one would think it was picked from a garden -- lettuce, cucumbers, onions, green peppers, tomatoes -- quite refreshing.

We could hardly wait for the main course, everything so far was wonderful. Service was also terrific, our waiter catered to our every wish. Our entrees arrived beautifully presented, I selected the veal marsala -- tender pieces of veal in marsala wine sauce accompanied by mixed vegetables -- fresh broccoli, cauliflower, carrots, string beans and brussel sprouts. It was fabulous. My companion picked the surf & turf. A health portion of black angus beef and succulent lobster, tails accompanied by the mixed vegetables -- cooked to

I can't say enough about this restaurant everything is so good. Dessert soon followed, the chocolate mousse, cheesecake and rice pudding are all homemade, very rich and a delight to the tastebud.

My companion and I decided after the dessert -- we would come back to this restaurant again. Manny has created something wonderful here, great atmosphere, heavenly food, congenial staff and reasonable prices. Reservations are suggested on Fridays, Saturdays, and Sundays. Banquet facilities are also available for parties up to 70 people.

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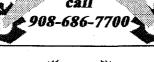
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leading the country's health-care system into the 21st century has been awarded to a local leader in the health-care industry.

Nancy Shendell-Falik R.N., M.A., of Basking Ridge, vice president of Patient Care Services at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, an affiliate of the St. Barnabas Health Care System, has been selected as a 2003 Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellow. Shendell-Falik is one of 20 nurses in executive leadership roles nationwide selected this year to participate in the three-year program.

The RWJ Executive Nurse Fellowship is designed to strategically position the voice of nursing across many sectors of the economy in a healthcare system undergoing unprecedented change and challenges. "The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation understands that nurses must play a pivotal role in leading the redesign and success of health care now and into the future," Ms. Shendell-Falik said. "The RWJ Executive Nurse Fellowship is an intensive opportunity to develop critical leadership skills, work with a nationally recognized team of coaches and instructors from within the health-care industry as well as from other sectors of the economy, and benefit from collaboration with nursing and health care leaders throughout the country."

As the vice president of Patient Care Services at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, Shendell-Falik is responsible for all administrative and clinical operations for the departments of Nursing, Pharmacy, Anesthesia, Renal and Transplant Services, and Infection Control, as well as clinical areas including Critical Care, Medical-Surgical, Perioperative, Emergency Department, Behavioral Health, Maternal and Infant Health, and Children's Hospital of New Jer-

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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 of N.J. offers care with compassion

Hospice of New Jersey, based in Bloomfield and Toms River, provides compassionate and specialized care for the terminally ill.

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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. 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 732-818-3460.

A national fellowship focused on dent of nursing at Newark Beth Israel in 1998, Shendell-Falik was assistant vice president of Nursing and Patient Services at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick. She began her nursing career at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center in 1980 as a staff nurse in pediatrics. She went on to serve as Newark Beth Israel's Head Nurse of Pediatrics, Head Nurse of its Young Adult Unit, Patient Care Coordinator of the Young Adult and Independent Care Units and Director of Maternal/Child Nursing.

Shendell-Falik was the recipient of the 2002 Governor's Nursing Merit Award. Held each year since 1987, the Governor's Nursing Merit Awards are sponsored by the Nursing Advisory Committee of the N.J. State Department of Health and Senior Services to recognize outstanding individuals in the field of nursing. Winners are selected based on their accomplishments and service in the areas of patient care, nurse education, nursing research and administration. Shendell-Falik, who received the Nurse Administrator Award, was among 10 nurses who were honored in 2002.

Shendell-Falik earned her B.S.N. from Rutgers College of Nursing in Newark, and her M.A. in the delivery of nursing services from New York University. She is a member of the Bloomfield College of Nursing and Essex County College advisory boards and is a clinical professor of nursing at Seton Hall University, serving as a preceptor for graduate students in administration. Shendell-Falik has published numerous articles and has served as a member of the editorial review board of The Journal

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Nancy Shendell-Falik

of Nursing Administration since 1996. She also served on the editorial board of Nursing Case Management from 1995-2002. She is an experienced lecturer both locally and nationally.

Shendell-Falik was recently elected as a member of the Board of Directors of the Organization of Nurse Executives of New Jersey for the 2003-05 term. She is a member of the American Nurses Association; the American Organization of Nurse ety for Nursing, Sigma Theta Tau; the New Jersey State Nurses Association; the Organization of Nurse Executives of New Jersey; the New York University Alumni Association; and the Rutgers Alumni Association. She is also a member of the Regional Industry Advisor Board for Advance for Nurs-

Shendell-Falik and her husband. Jay, have two children, Ian and Rachel. They reside in Basking

Tips help make camping safer

The cold, dreary days of winter are gone and the warm weather of summer is in full swing.

For many families, summer is a time to get back into nature, breathe the fresh air and take a camping trip. An outdoor excursion can be a time of exploration and adventure, as long as campers follow some simple safety pre-

"Although camping seems like a relatively low-risk outside activity, many families underestimate what can happen in the great outdoors," says Susan Margolin M.D., chief of general pediatrics, part of the Department of Pediatrics at St. Barnabas Medical Center. "The sun, insects, streams and campfires can all be potential hazards." Outdoor safety

To enhance a camping experience, the Department of Pediatrics at St. Barnabas and the National SAFE KIDS Campaign recommend the following guidelines: General safety:

· Keep first aid supplies and emergency telephone numbers accessible at all times.

 Know where the nearest ranger station is located and carry a cell phone.

· Dress children in several layers of clothing. Remember, a child's body temperature changes faster than an

· Check the weather forecast before you leave.

· Pack essentials, such as flashlights, extra food, water and rain gear.

 Make sure sleeping bags are clean, warm and dry. · Inform others where you are camping and when you

will return. Hiking safety:

· Never allow children to hike alone.

- · Map out your hiking trail ahead of time. Be sure any Executives; the National Honor Soci- trail you choose is well marked and do not stray from it. · Learn to use a compass.
 - · Make sure children are physically capable of the hike's distance and difficulty.
 - · Bring plenty of drinking water or sports drinks and high-energy drinks.
 - Bring extra layers of clothing and rain gear in case the weather changes suddenly.
 - · Wear proper hiking boots and clothing that covers as much exposed skin as possible to protect from scrapes, bites and poisonous plants.
 - · Keep first aid supplies accessible at all times, even on short hikes.

Water safety:

Never leave a child unsupervised in or around water.

· Make sure kids wear U.S. Coast Guard-approved personal floatation devices or life jackets when around oceans, rivers, and lakes or during water sports. Air-filled "swimming aids" are not considered safety devices.

· Children should not run, push others under water, jump on others, or dive or jump into shallow water.

· Never let a child go in the water before testing the temperature. If the water is too cold, it may affect the child's breathing or cause cramps.

· Be aware of the nature of the water. An open body of water that looks virtually motionless may have a strong

• Do not allow children to wade into water without protective footwear. Broken glass or other sharp objects may be present.

· Do not let your child dive into water unless an adult is present and knows the water is deeper than 9 feet.

· Adults and kids older than 13 should know infant and

· Never allow children to swim during lightning storms or in dangerous weather.

· Make sure children have warm and dry clothes to wear after swimming.

Cooking and heating: · Always supervise children near a campfire or portable

· Teach them to stay away from campfires and stoves,

even when not in use.

• Make sure your campfire pit is large enough to keep a fire from spreading.

· Always check the fire danger levels posted at the entrances of camping areas.

· Keep a bucket of water and shovel near the fire at all

· Keep matches and lighters out of children's reach.

· Never use matches or lighters inside tents. Never burn charcoal, or use portable camping heaters, lanterns or stoves inside tents, capers or vehicles. Bites and stings:

· Apply insect repellent to a child's clothing and exposed skin. Some repellents are too strong for small children, so consult medical personnel.

· Avoid using scented products, such as perfumes and shampoos that attract insects.

· Teach children not to disturb or provoke any animals they may encounter.

· Check clothing and skin for ticks and other insects after spending time outdoors.

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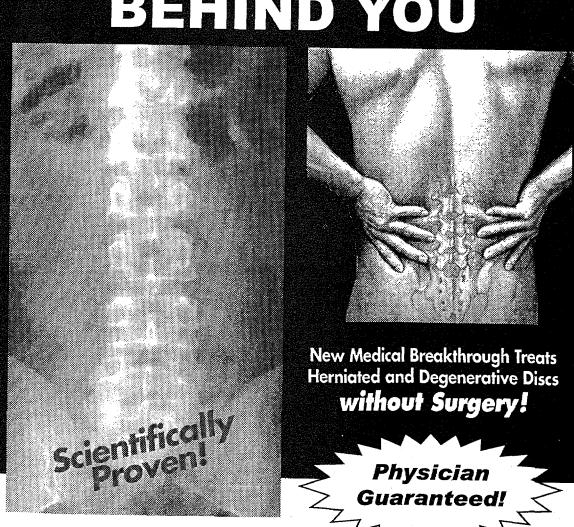
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Open mike participants sign up at 7:30

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Tuesday: Woody Garrett

Aug. 26: Virginia Hush

Sept. 2: Jeremy Manjorin

Aug. 24: The Joe Taino Trio

Aug. 31: The Dave Hessel Quartet

Sept. 7: Pam Purvis and Bob Ack-

Sept. 9: Sean Smith, 8 p.m.;

For information, call 908-810-1844.

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SMALL FACES, photography by David J. Lipman, will be on exhibit at the Donald B. Palmer Museum in the Springfield Free Public Library through Aug. 28.

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.

FIELD OF FLOWERS, the works of Mary Wickliffe, will be on exhibit in Wisner House at Reeves-Reed Arboretum through Oct. 9. A reception will take place Sept. 14 from 2 to 4

Exhibit hours are Mondays to Fridays from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Reeves-Reed Arboretum is located 165 Hobart Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-273-8787 or visit the Web site at www.reeves-reedarboretum.org.

ESCAPE FROM NEW YORK: "New Works From the Outer Boroughs" will be on exhibit from Sept. 7 through Nov. 2 at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit. An opening reception will take place Sept. 7 from 2 to 5 p.m. A panel discussion with the artists will take place Sept. 28.

NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, including gallery hours, call 908-273-9121 or visit www.njcva.org.

AUDITIONS

MYSTIC VISION PLAYERS of Linden will conduct auditions for Neil Simon's "Lost in Yonkers" on Aug. 25 and 26 from 7:30 to 10 p.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Roselle, 111 W. 5th St. on the corner of Roselle Street. Show dates are Oct. 31 to Nov. 8. For information, call 908-925-9068.

THE YOUTH ORCHESTRAS OF ESSEX COUNTY will conduct audti-

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ions 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.

SUMMIT CHORALE will conduct auditions for all voice parts - soprano, alto, tenor, bass — Sept. 9 and 16 on the campus of Drew University in Madison. For information, call 732-698-1433 or visit the Web site at www.summitchorale.org

BOOKS

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

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

Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544. UNION PUBLIC LIBRARY Book Dis-

cussion 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

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.

AUTHORS LYNN WENZEL AND CAROL J. BINKOWSKI will appear at Barnes and Noble of Clark on Aug. 25 at 7:30 p.m. to sign copies of their new book, "More Remarkable Than Petticoats: Remarkable New Jersey Women." Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

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. The selection for Wednesday is "Happiness" by Will Ferguson. 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 Aug. 27 is "Secret Life of Bees" by Susan Kidd. 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: 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

RAHWAY'S ANNUAL MAYOR'S SUMMER CONCERT SERIES will be sponsored in Downtwon Rahway every Thursday in August at West Main and Irving streets.

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

'AN EVENING WITH THE NEW JER-SEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA' will be presented today at 6 p.m. in the lobby of Building K-1 at Schering-Plough Corp., 2000 Galloping Hill Road, Kenilworth. Admission is free. For information, call 908-298-7240 or

inquiries via e-mail to meg.kong@spcorp.com.

DANCE

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 will meet every other Monday at Barnes and Noble in Springfield, 240 Route 22 West. For information, call 973-376-8544.

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: "Stuart Little" Aug. 21: "Stuart Little 2" The library also will host teen

movie nights at 7 p.m. Fridays. Aug. 8: "The Outsiders"

Aug. 22: "A Walk to Remember"

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.

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

'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 Drevfuss Memorial Garden at the museum through today.

Today: 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.

KIDS

LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM in Union will sponsor tours of the facility from a child's point of view for children every Saturday in August at 11 a.m. and 1 and 3 p.m. The tours are for 6- through 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.

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POETRY OUT LOUD! will take place at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call

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-

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THE SHAKESPEARE THEATER OF John" through Sunday. Shows are 8 p.m. Thuesdays to Saturdays, and 2 and 7 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$29 to \$43.

The Shakespeare Theater of New of Drew University, 36 Madison Ave., Madison. For information, call 973www.ShakespeareNJ.org.

THE SHAKESPEARE THEATER OF NEW JERSEY will present "Pygmalion" by George Bernard Shaw from Sept. 2 28. Shows are 8 p.m. Thuesdays to Saturdays, and 2 and 7 p.m. Sundays. Tickets are \$23 to \$43.

The Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey performs in the F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theater on the campus of Drew University, 36 Madison Ave., Madison, For information, call 973-408-5600 or visit the Web site at www.ShakespeareNJ.org.

bands on weekends.

The Back Porch is located at 1505 Main St., Rahway. For information, call 732-381-6544.

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Springfield. For information, call 973-

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

POETRY

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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.

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Jersey performs in the F.M. Kirby Shakespeare Theater on the campus 408-5600 or visit the Web site at

VARIETY

THE BACK PORCH in Rahway will present Open Mike Night every Thursday night, as well as solo artists and

wood, presents a series of jazz, blues and comedy concerts, as well as foot-

NEWS CLIPS

Exhibit at Reeves-Reed arranges 'Flowers'

Mary Wickliffe paints flowers at her home in Summit and her other home in Florida. The flowers differ, ranging from the lush tropical orchids and hibiscuses in Florida, to peonies and roses in

temperate New Jersey. Wickliffe took a 20-year hiatus from painting in the mid-1970s. When she returned to her easel in the late 1990s, she "took a contemporary approach to a traditional subject by painting oversize flowers," she said. "I am intrigued with the delicate shapes, the play of light and shadow, and the infinite variety of colors. Each new flower presents a challenge as to how to make it come alive on canvas."

Her paintings, "Field of Flowers," will hang in Wisner House at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit through Oct. 9. Wisner House is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3 Wickliffe will meet the public

at a reception Sept. 14 from 2 to 4 p.m. There is no charge for admission either to the reception or to the exhibit. For more information about "Field of Flowers," call 908-273-8787.

Reeves-Reed Arboretum, at 165 Hobart Ave. in Summit, is a 12.5acre suburban conservancy featuring formal gardens and native New Jersey hardwood forest. The arboretum open to the public free of charge from dawn to dusk every day of the year.

Chorale plans its season The Summit Chorale has

announced its 2003-04 season. · Auditions will be held Tuesday evenings - Sept. 9 and 16 - on the campus of Drew University on West Madison Avenue/Route 124 in Madison. For an audition appointment and information, call 732-698-1433 and visit the Web site at www.summitchorale.org. Rehearsals begin in September and are held on Tuesdays

between 7:45 and 10:15 p.m. at Drew. · "Alleluia, Rejoice, and Sing: A Holiday Retrospective!" - Musical director Garyth Nair will present holiday favorites recalling his 33 years conducting the Summit Chorale at 8 p.m. on Dec. 6 at the Presbyterian Church of Madison at 19 Green Ave., Madison, and at 4 p.m. on Dec. 7 at Our Lady of Peace Church, 111 South St., New Providence.

free, annual event. · Madrigals, art songs and the Durufle Requiem will be presented in concert at 8 p.m. on March 6, 2004, at

· Community "Messiah" Sing at 8

p.m. on Dec. 16 at Central Presbyter-

ian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit.

The public is invited to sing at this

Central Presbyterian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit. Brahm's Requiem — Nair's gala

farewell concert at 8 p.m. on May 1, 2004, at location to be determined. The chorale will be accompanied by a full symphony orchestra. Additional information and tickets

can be obtained from the Web site at www.summitchorale.org or from 973-762-8486. Under the leadership of music

director and conductor Garyth Nair. Summit Chorale is one of the state's most respected choral organizations, now in its 95th year. It is composed of non-professional singers, chosen by audition. The chorale maintains a reputation for adventurous programming of lesser-known masterpieces in addition to popular works. It is Chorus in Residence at Drew University.

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 Presi-

dent Ray Russell. "With the economy

still a bit shaky and the summer vaca-

hours, or 908-964-8808 for a recorded message; or by visiting the club's Web site at www.tmrci.com.

Tea served at Arboretum

Area residents can take a step back

in time for Tea on the Terrace at Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit. As they sip their iced tea on the expansive greensward of the 12.5acre Arboretum, they can survey the

gardens of the former private estate.

The gardens were designed at the end of the 19th century by Calvert Vaux, who was already famous for having worked with Frederick Law Olmsted to design Central Park in Manhattan. Vaux used some of the

most successful elements of Central Park when designing "The Clearing," as the Arboretum was then known. One element was the greensward, a 17th-century term for any area of turf such as a lawn. The greensward was what won Olmsted his contract to design Central Park. Two open meadows on the lower west side of Central Park were blasted and leveled. One meadow became a ball field; the other became the Sheep Meadow. Olmsted called both "The Greensward."

Pioneering landscape architects Carl F. Pilat and Ellen Biddle Shipman designed further refinements in the gardens in the 1920s. Arboretum staff and volunteers will give tours of the gardens at Tea on the Terrace. In addition, "The Clearing," a video about the estate and the people who lived there, will be shown.

There is no charge for Tea on the Terrace. Teas are scheduled from 1 to 3 p.m. today and Aug. 21. Pre-registration is requested by calling 908-

Reeves-Reed Arboretum, at 165 Hobart Ave. in Summit, is open daily from sunrise to sunset. There is no charge for admission,

History made fun for kids at Liberty Hall Museum

School is out and the children of New Jersey are ready to enjoy the visit www.libertyhallnj.org.

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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 always very important at Liberty 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

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

EDUCATION

EMT degree program

This fall, Union County College is introducing a new degree program for current or soon-to-be paramedics and Emergency Medical Technicians. It offers these emergency health practitioners the opportunity to expand the skills and knowledge they already have through general education courses that lead to an associate in science degree allowing seamless transition to a bachelor's degree program at a four-year college or univer-

There are several program tracks being offered suited to those who are already certified as a paramedic or EMT, as well as for those who have not yet been certified.

For those who are committed to saving lives for a living, this new program can change your life by offering you the opportunity to enhance your competence and credentials in the delivery of health care.

For more information, call Program Coordinator Jennifer McCarthy at 908-412-3551, mccarthy@ucc.edu or Peter Vida, director of recruitment, at 908-709-7518, vida@ucc.edu.

'Vo-Tykes' registration

The "Vo-Tykes" Child Development Program at Union County Vocational-Technical Schools has several openings still available for its morning pre-school program starting in October and ending in June.

The pre-school program meets three days a week - Monday, Wednesday and Friday — from 8:15 a.m. to 10 a.m. in the Vocational-Technical High School, 1776 Raritan Road, Scotch Plains.

The program follows an interactive curriculum appropriate for preschoolers. It is developed and supervised by a certified teacher and includes participation from high school students interested in pursuing careers in the field of child development and child care.

The fee for the pre-school program is \$45 a month, which is used to offset the cost of supplies for the chil-

Parents from throughout Union County who are interested in learning more about the program can obtain more information by calling program director Diana Scocchio at 908-889-8288, ext. 314.

New paralegal studies program will be available

According to the U.S. Department of Labor Bureau of Statistics, the paralegal profession is projected to grow faster than the average for all occupations through 2010.

In Union County, recent market research indicates that 60 percent of firms employ legal assistants/paralegals, of which 45 percent were able to fill their open positions due to a lack of qualified appli-

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cants. Even more promising for the jobseeker is that 90 percent of these firms said they will need to fill new paralegal positions over the next sev-

Within five years more than 100 openings for skilled assistants/paralegals will be available and 70 percent of the firms who responded said they would be likely to hire a graduate of UCC's Paralegal Studies Program.

This fall, Union County College introduces its new paralegal studies program which can be completed in only four semesters. Graduates earn an associate in applied science in paralegal studies that prepares them to play a vital role in the law offices of firms, corporations and government agencies and take the Certified Legal Assistant Exam.

As a qualified paralegal, you can change your life with intellectually challenging work and expanding job opportunities, or, if you prefer, you can transfer as a junior to a host of colleges or universities to complete your bachelor's degree.

For more information, contact Linda Spagnola, spagnola@ucc.edu or Peter Vida, director of recruitment, at 908-709-7518, vida@ucc.edu.

Women's studies to begin

Women have played, and will continue to pay important roles in numerous and diverse fields. A new program at UCC examines how women live, how they are perceived in the world, and how gender differences affect men and women in everyday life and in society. UCC's women's studies program is open to both men and women interested in pursuing an interdisciplinary liberal arts degree.

The program is interdisciplinary. It covers fields such as psychology, sociology, government, literature, mathematics and science from a gender prospective. Courses consider the contribution of notable women and emphasize the need to assure a better quality of life for women and minorities in an ever-changing society.

Designed to be completed in four semesters, program graduates can transfer into upper level women's studies programs at colleges and universities throughout the country, where they can pursue related majors and careers in such fields as government and social services, nonprofit organizations, communications and public relations, media, research and health and human services.

For those who have already declared a major or are undecided, courses within the new women's studies program can serve as electives or fill degree requirements in other

For more information, contact Program Coordinators Professor Cynthia at 908-497-4385, roemer@ucc.edu; Professor Toby 908-497-4213, Marx. at marx@ucc.edu, or Peter Vida, direc-

tor of recruitment, at 908-709-7518, vida@ucc.edu.

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 in one year.

The culinary arts program offers premiere food service education, introducing students to a variety of 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 instructor.

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 preparation.

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 eligiole students and job-placement servces 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 ext. 341.

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, scalp and nails. The vo-tech course includes state-of-the-art classroom training, which utilizes mannequins,

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demonstrations, and live models in clinical service.

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 customers.

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, both of which meet Monday through Friday from 2 to 8 p.m. and are 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 handson training with state-of-the-art technology.

Courses available for students this spring include: A/C, heating and refrigeration technology; auto collision; carpentry/construction; cosmetology; culinary arts; electromechani-

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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 sponsored 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.

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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

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 industry.

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.

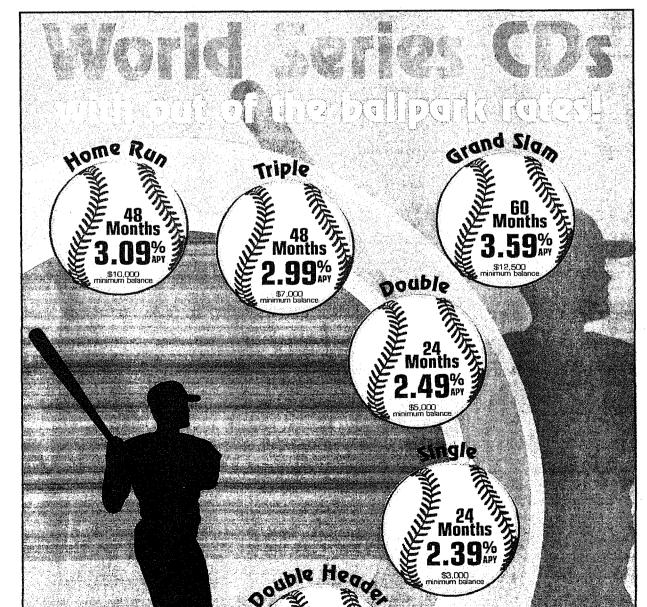
Boating safety course

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

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 approved.

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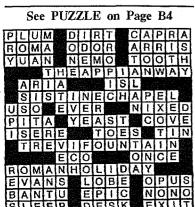
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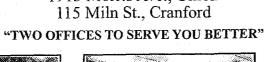
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Re/Max United renovates offices

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"Great training is fundamental in order for agents to provide sound advice and superior customer service to clients. The ERA Broker Council

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Established in 1980, the Sweath-

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Industrial real estate market in New Jersey remains strong in 2003

At mid-year 2003, the industrial real estate markets in northern and central New Jersey have continued to perform strongly, according to statistics by Cushman & Wakefield of New Jersey Inc.'s research services team.

With an estimated industrial inventory of just under 744 million square feet, New Jersey has fared well on a national scale through the difficult economic environment of the past two years. At the end of June, it registered an overall estimated vacancy rate of just 6.2 percent.

According to Frank Caccavo, an executive director and industrial specialist in Cushman & Wakefield's Iselin office, the market yielded no surprises during the first half of the year.

"User and investor demand for industrial properties has continued last year's solid trend," he said. "Leasing activity is picking up slowing, registering a continued diversity in New Jersey industrial tenant mix, with competitive prices driving most transactions."

Leasing in Central New Jersey maintained a brisk pace, registering 2.4 million square feet during the second quarter. Available space decreased more than 1 million square feet from year-end 2002, resting at 23.1 million square feet at mid-year. Direct weighted average triple net asking rental rates rose slightly to \$5.45 per square foot at mid-year from \$5.28 per square feet at the end of 2002.

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"Exit 8A, in particular, has seen quite a bit of activity, sparked by increased demand in the build-to-suit sector," Caccavo noted. "In fact, 101 million of the 1.3 million square feet of construction currently under way in the Central New Jersey market

involves build-to-suit facilities." According to Stan Danzig, a Cushman & Wakefield executive director and industrial specialist based in the firm's East Rutherford office, new speculative and second-generation product in Central New Jersey is still leasing as well, but at a slower pace.

"Tenants at second-generation space continue to flock to newer buildings, especially build-to-suits," he said. "As a result, while overall available industrial space has decreased and rental rates have held steady, second-generation space is struggling with rising vacancies and increasingly competitive rental rates."

Industrial sales activity during the second quarter was significantly lower than the first quarter at approximately 700,000 square feet, compared to 4.0 million square feet from January through March. However, the first quarter was an above-average quarter with portfolio sales skewing the numbers upward. Ultimately, sales activity is almost double the pace of mid-year 2002.

"Despite the oversupply of existing product, a large number of developers - both national and local - are still chasing what land is left at 8A," Danzig said. "In fact, major names

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like Trammel Crow, Matrix and Klatskin are talking about moving forward with plans to build on spec, in order to take advantage of today's low interest rates."

The Northern New Jersey industrial market, especially in the Meadowlands, also remains healthy. Leasing activity registered 1.8 million square feet for the second quarter.

Overall available space has decreased from 24.2 million square feet at year-end 2002 to 19.9 million square feet at mid-year. A lack of new supply entering the market during the first half of the year and this decrease in available space have driven weighted average direct triple net asking rental rates up 3 percent to \$8.08 per square foot.

"Demand for small blocks of space continues," Danzig said. "Yet, at the same time, a number of large blocks remain available. New speculative construction - including the ORIX/RREEFMeadowlands Distribution Center project in Carlstadt and Keystone's Greenville Yards property in Jersey City - will add more space to the market. This likely will drive vacancies up and require owners to become more aggressive with their pricing."

Through the first half of 2003, Northern New Jersey witnessed 3.4 million square feet of sales activity, which is outpacing the record year posted in 2002. "In particular, investors are becoming aggressive in pursuing brownfield sites," Danzig

noted. "This trend will ultimately create additional supply from Perth Amboy north, which will further impact the supply/demand ratio."

As indicators continue to point to an economic upturn during the second half of the year, New Jersey's industrial market is poised to thrive, according to Caccavo.

"The bottom line is that New Jersey has outstanding market fundamentals," he said. "Companies located here have the ability to reach 42 percent of the United States population within a one-day drive, while approximately 60 million people are within overnight delivery range.

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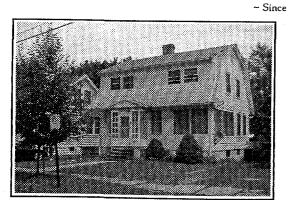
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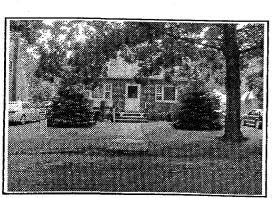
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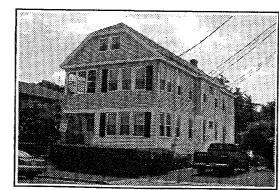




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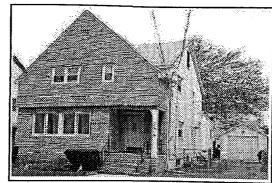


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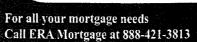
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"We're proud to join the ranks of the top Hyundai dealers across the country and want to thank our customers and community for helping us accomplish this goal," said Michael Ciasulli, dealer principal of Maxon Hyundai, located on Route 22 in Union. "Achieving president's level validates all the hard work our staff

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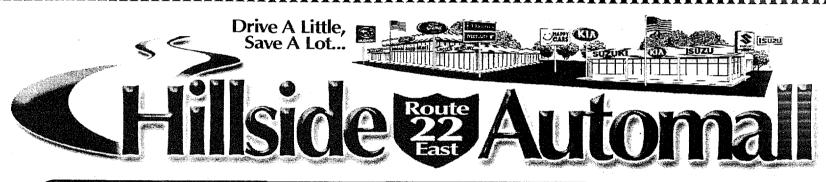
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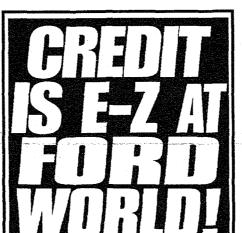
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