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## Classes jump in feet first

Gym curriculum includes dance

By David Learn  
Managing Editor

It's one o'clock on a Thursday afternoon, and James Lisbona's students are in top form.

They jump. They spin. They clap their hands and stomp their feet, and slide around the gym in steady cadence while the music plays. This isn't just a run-of-the-mill gym class at Frank K. Hehnlly School. Under Lisbona's direction, students get a hefty aerobic workout as they learn new dances.

Footwork in the choreography ranges from the fairly simple grapevine — a sideways walk that involves putting leg behind the other — to the more complicated shuffle, which involves taking a step with one foot, moving the second foot in close, and repeating the process.

"It's not as easy as it looks," said Beltramba.

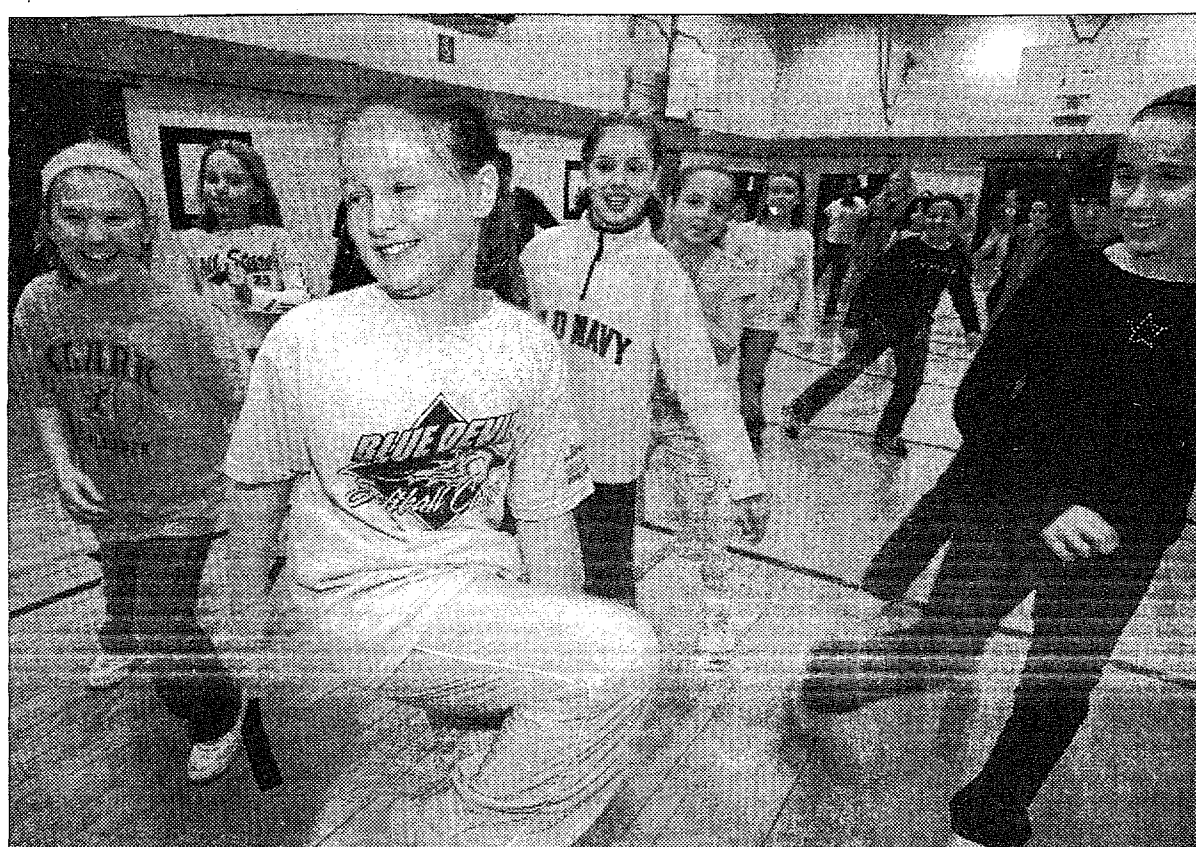
It's not. Despite the straightforward-seeming moves, it's enough to separate coordinated children from clumsy adults. Within only a few minutes, the entire gym class had taken to the dance and students were keeping pace as the song blared out of a CD player in the gym.

All told, students in Lisbona's class will learn 16 dances by the end of the dance unit, including favorites such as "The Alley Cat," "The Electric Slide" and "The Hustle" for older students. Younger students focus on simpler dances, like "The Bunny Hop." Most of the dances are well established, but there is one — "The Train" — where the steps are a Hehnlly School exclusive.

"Last year, my fifth-graders like the song 'The Train,' but we didn't have any steps to it," said Lisbona. "These girls who take ballet on their own, they helped me choreograph it."

Dancing in gym class is nothing new. Many parents of Lisbona's students probably remember square dancing themselves when they were in elementary school.

The difference is in the level of enthusiasm. Students often resist square dancing, since it involves taking the arms and hands of the opposite sex, a definite taboo at this age. When they dance to Billy Ray Cyrus' "Achy Breaky Heart," though, none of the 45 children in



Photos By Joseph Sorrentino

Sarah Panetta sets the example for other girls during a gym dance class at Frank K. Hehnlly School.

the class has to come any closer to each other than they want to.

"He instills a feeling of appreciation for dance," said Principal Joe Beltramba of Hehnlly School. "You can just see from the kids' faces and body movements that they're excited about it."

That excitement for and appreciation of dance extends far beyond his classes. Some students have taken up dancing during free time at the start of the school day and on days when it has been too cold or wet to go outside during lunch.

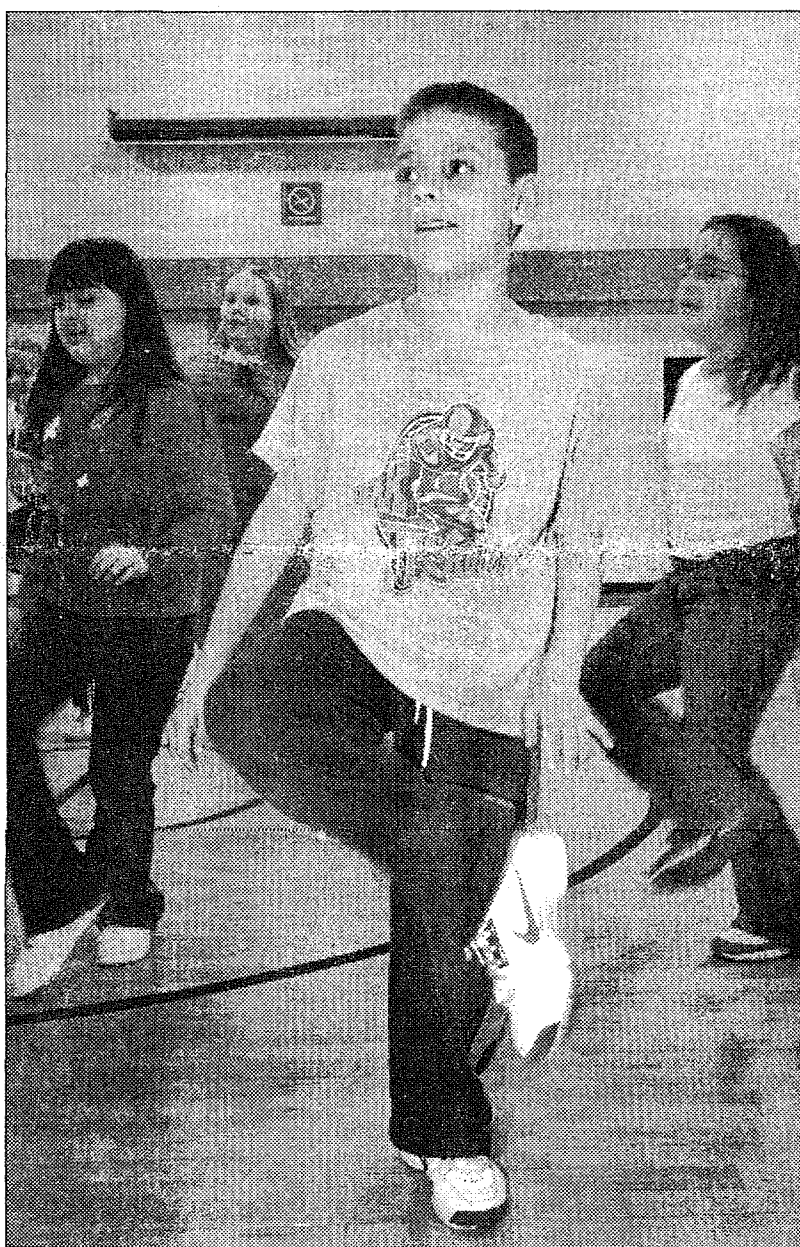
And sometimes they've blown their parents away at a bar mitzvah or wedding, when the deejay will play a song the students know from Lisbona's gym class and will take to the dance floor with gusto.

"Everybody's surprised that I can dance so much," said Tim Riddlerstoffer, 10, a fourth-grader in Lisbona's gym class. "At my cousin's wedding, they had dancing and I danced most of the dances. Heck, my mom doesn't even dance."

The benefits of dance are obvious. It builds students' coordination and muscle tone, requires concentration and strengthens the part of the brain that focuses on patterns and movements, and also meets the New Jersey core curriculum requirements for building an appreciation of visual and performing arts.

There's another advantage: Dancing levels the playing field and gives children a chance to shine who might not otherwise.

"The little girls can't shoot a basketball or run with a football," said Lisbona. "But they can do this."



Although getting boys to square dance can be a struggle, such resistance melts away fairly quickly in Lisbona's gym class, he said.

## Waver may k GOP, Toal br

Dems had asked him to run for mayor

By David Learn  
Managing Editor

Brian Toal is not running for mayor this year.

Ordinarily, that in itself would not be newsworthy. But in the past few weeks, Toal — a Republican who holds the 4th Ward seat on the Township Council — agreed to switch to the Democratic Party and run against Mayor Sal Bonaccorso, a Republican, in the November election. Late last week he reversed his decision and backed out.

For his part, Toal had little to say on the subject when reached by phone Monday. He downplayed the significance of recent events, allowing only that he had been "flattered" when the Democratic Party asked him to run on that ticket, and saying that he had "seriously considered" changing parties.

"I'm a Republican now. I always have been, and always will be," said Toal, who has worked with high-level Republican politicians, including former U.S. Sen. Bob Franks. "This is not a story now. It'll be a story next week. Why don't you hold it till next week?"

Although the paperwork to change Toal's party affiliation was filed only recently, negotiations between him and the Democrats began some time ago, at his behest, said Nancy Sheridan, Clark Democratic chairwoman.

"He actually put out a trial balloon months ago," Sheridan said Monday. "That was a very unofficial type of thing. Someone who was working with us called him back in February to see if he was interested, and he said yes."

Once there was an agreement, Toal completed a voter registration card to change parties, which Sheridan later submitted on his behalf. That drew the attention of someone at the Board of Elections, who notified John DeSimone, the Clark GOP chairman and a member of the elections board. DeSimone in turn contacted Toal about the change, and Toal filed another voter registration card to stay in the GOP.

"I guess the pressure just got to be too much for him, which is unfortunate," Sheridan said of Toal. "That was the fear all along."

DeSimone was out of town and not available for comment. Bonaccorso denies that there was any pressure put on Toal to stay within the GOP.

For his own part, Bonaccorso claims the defection left him dumbfounded.

"Brian's on our team. Brian's a friend," he said late Monday afternoon. "This has really become something out of left field. We're friends. We work together, he has praised me at numerous council meetings."

If Toal has praised Bonaccorso's performance as mayor, the two also have had some moments of friction. At the start of Toal's term, the mayor and

other council members nicknamed him "Leaky" because of his openness with the news media, and at times disagreement about the tone of Toal's interaction with the county has led to public remonstrations.

"He indicated he wasn't happy with where he was," said Sheridan. "You can take that for what you want."

But to Bonaccorso, it's ludicrous to claim there has been any more animosity between him and Toal than exists between him and other, sitting council members.

"I've argued with Pete Nevargic. I've argued with Al Barr," Bonaccorso said Monday, naming two other Republican councilmen.

What is uncertain at this point is the political fallout for Toal, who previously has said he hopes to run for mayor in a later year. Bonaccorso on Monday called the switch between parties a mistake, and said he hopes Toal will complete his term as 4th Ward councilman.

"Am I mad at Brian Toal? No," said Bonaccorso. "Am I disappointed? I don't think he did the right thing, but I didn't run him out of Town Hall."

Other members of the Republican Party might not be so forgiving.

Bob Kobryn, husband of Councilwoman At Large Angel Albanese and himself an officer in the Clark GOP, predicted Toal was through, politically speaking. He described Toal as someone who had been embraced by the party mainstay despite his eccentricities and who not only turned on his fellow Republicans, but lacked the strength to stand by his decision.

"Once you make your flip, stay there," said Kobryn.

Losing Toal as a mayoral candidate theoretically could put the squeeze on the Democrats. With a lineup due to the county Board of Elections by Monday, the party has only four days to present a complete slate, or it must stage a write-in campaign for the June primary to have a complete ticket for the November election.

Although Bonaccorso and other Republicans characterized the Clark Democratic Party as in a state of desperation, as evidenced by the attempt to convert Toal, Sheridan said that couldn't be further from the truth.

"We have other people who want to run," she said, although she declined to name them. "I'm not surprised they're going to spin it the way they're spinning it. ... Maybe they should look at what they're doing that made him do this, instead of me and our party. There's a reason why he did this. Someone who is happy with their party wouldn't do this."



Toal

## Local Democrats honor retired chairman

By David Learn  
Managing Editor

It's been more than two decades since Carmine Giordano became the Democratic municipal chairman in Clark.

A lot has changed during that time, including the chairmanship. About 40 people turned out Saturday evening for a retirement dinner at The Gran Centurions to honor

Giordano, who retired last year from his accustomed spot as top officer of the local party.

Honoring Giordano Saturday night were several prominent Democrats, including representatives of Democratic county Chairwoman Charlotte DeFilippo, state Sen. Nick Scutari and officers in the municipal party.

"Carmine, I never knew what it was like," said Nancy Sheridan, who was elected municipal chairwoman last year. "I never understood the dedication, the commitment, the detail it took for you to do this job."

"I've never appreciated it before like these past few months, and I haven't even been through an election yet."

Insisting he has only semiretired — "I don't think I could ever retire all the way from the Democratic Party," he said — Giordano took the opportunity to run down some of the accomplishments of the Democratic administration of Robert Ellenport, who served as Clark's mayor for two terms, from 1991 to 1999.

During those years, when Giordano also was the director of the Pub-

lic Works Department, the administration embarked on a campaign to improve the township's park facilities, he said, beginning by launching the Funtime Junction park outside the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, and making major renovations to Veterans Memorial Field, including adding an improved drainage system, new backstops and a set of stairs.

The Ellenport administration also amended the Senior Bus practice to pick up seniors at their doors, rather than waiting for them at the corner, he said.

"We've done an awful lot for the good of Clark, whether this administration wants to believe it or not," Giordano said.

Giordano also took a moment to share the spotlight with Ellenport, lauding him for his role in bringing the Hyatt Hills Golf Complex to Clark at the site of what had been a General Motors industrial brown-field.

"It was him who went out there and got that thing off the ground," Giordano said. "It's there now, and it looks a hell of a lot better than grass growing over there."

Giordano also urged audience members to build the Democratic momentum and bring the party to the forefront in the November elections.

"Tell them the truth. Don't lie to

them, and they'll come to the truth," he said. "They'll see the light."

That push to advance was something echoed in Sheridan's introductory remarks at the dinner, as she recalled times Giordano demanded major effort from other party officials and volunteers.

"We're not going to quit. We're going to move forward," she said. "We're going to keep going forward for you."

Other comments during the dinner were mostly laudatory. Marie Soyka, a former councilwoman at large and the 2000 Democratic mayoral candidate, talked about how Giordano encouraged her to enter politics, and Ellenport called Giordano a man who had done a lot to unite the local Democratic Party.

"When I walked into this room, the one thing I noticed was the warmth and gratitude that people have for you," he said. "You really have brought us all together, and I'm proud to say that everyone here cares about you and cares about the team."

Although the chairman's post was not always an easy row to hoe, particularly in 2000, when he doubled as a 1st Ward candidate, Giordano said it was something he looked back on with pride.

"Being the chairman has been a great highlight that I've really enjoyed," he said. "I can't tell you how happy this makes me feel."



Giordano

## Men at work



Photo By Joseph Sorrentino

A construction worker watches as a backhoe digs the way for the extended foundation of Clark Public Library. Work on the library, which began with a ceremonial groundbreak two weeks ago, is expected to last until the fall, with a much bigger library supposed to open in November. Clark residents in the meanwhile have been extended untrammelled access to Rahway Free Public Library.

### Offices closed

The offices of *The Clark Eagle* will be closed Friday in observance of Good Friday. We will reopen Monday.

The deadlines for the April 15 edition are as follows:

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# Jacobi attends conference in D.C. for young leaders

Matthew Jacobi of Clark recently attended the National Young Leaders Conference from Feb. 17 to 22 in Washington, D.C.

The program invites high school students based on scholastic merit, community involvement and leadership contributions to interact with today's leaders.

Conference attendees work through issues facing the nation today in a series of simulations and meet face-to-face with members of the U.S. Congress or their staff as well as other influential personalities.

"By participating in the National Young Leaders Conference, students like Matthew Jacobi will become better equipped to address the challenges facing communities around the world," said Mike Lasday, executive director of the Congressional Youth Leadership Council, the organization that sponsors the conference.

After former U.S. Representative Bill Sarpalus of Texas welcomed the students to the floor of the House of Representatives, students filled the chamber where the State of the Union Address takes place.

"We have an extraordinary opportunity in this country to make dreams come true," Sarpalus told the students. "When you consider the goals you've set for your lives and careers, always remember the sacrifices people have made in order for you to fulfill your dreams."

Jacobi also had the opportunity to interact with a panel of renowned journalists from Washington's press corps, including Jonathan Kart of ABC News, Clarence Page of the Chicago Tribune and Karen Tumulty of "Time" magazine.

The youth council is a nonprofit, nonpartisan leadership education organization founded in 1985.

## AT THE LIBRARY

### Library invites parents to make time for kids

Clark children are invited to register for programs at Rahway Free Public Library, Milton Avenue and Main Street, Rahway, while construction continues at Clark Public Library.

The spring session will begin April 28 and will end May 26. The program schedule will match the Rahway public school calendar.

Time for Twos and Threes is for children 2 and 3 years old. A parent or caregiver must attend this 30-minute program with the child.

Time for Twos and Threes will be held at 9:30 a.m. April 28 and May 3, 10, 17, and 24.

Time for Fours and Fives is for

children 4 and 5 years old. A parent or caregiver must attend this 30-minute program with the child. Fours and Fives will be held at 9:30 a.m. April 29 and May 4, 11, 18, and 25.

Big Kids Club is for children enrolled in kindergarten through third grade. Big Kids Club will be held on from 3:30 to 4:15 p.m. April 30 and May 5, 12, 19, and 26.

For more information about these programs, call 732-340-1551.

### Return library materials at Municipal Building

Residents can return library materials borrowed from the Rahway Free Public Library to the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building.

## OBITUARIES

**Dorothy Caldwell**  
Dorothy E. Caldwell, 88, of Clark, formerly of Cranford, died April 5 in JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Caldwell lived in Cranford for 17 years before moving to Clark 20 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, William R.; five sons, Dr. James Caldwell, Peter, John, Paul and Charles; four sisters, Margaret Zwigard, Rose Lowe, Helen McCann and Eileen Stahl; three brothers, Albert, Robert and Edwin Zwigard, and seven grandchildren.

**Emily DeGrazia**  
Emily DeGrazia, 84, of Clark died March 29 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Garwood, Mrs. Petroziello DeGrazia lived there before moving to Clark in 1999.

She was a member of the Senior Citizens Club and the AARP, both of Clark.

Surviving are a son, Peter; a daughter, Mary Ann Bingel; a brother, Michael Petrozziello, and two sisters, Phyllis Cirigliano and Mary Santoro.

**Michael Elko**  
Michael Elko, 86, of Clark, formerly of Elizabeth, died April 1 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Elko moved to Clark 50 years ago.

He was an electrical technician at Singer Manufacturing Co., Elizabeth, for 44 years before retiring.

Mr. Elko was a Navy veteran and served during World War II as an electrician's mate first class.

He was a member of American Legion Post 328, the Holy Name Society of St. Agnes Church and the Nocturnal Adoration Society at St.

John the Apostle Church, all of Clark.

Surviving are his wife of 62 years, Michaline; a son, Robert; two sisters, Ann Runk and Rose Tobaygo, and two grandchildren.

**Edward Merkel**  
Edward J. Merkel, 85, of Clark, formerly of Elizabeth and Roselle Park, died April 2 in the Father Hudson House, Elizabeth.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Merkel lived in Roselle Park before moving to Clark 53 years ago.

He was a machinist at Singer Manufacturing Co., Elizabeth, for 40 years and retired in 1981.

Mr. Merkel served as a Seabee in the Navy during World War II.

He was past president of the Ashbrook Men's Golf Association, a former member of the Knights of Columbus Council in Elizabeth and a member of the Holy Name Society of St. John the Apostle Church, Clark, the New Jersey Senior Golf League and the Seniors in Clark.

Surviving are two daughters, Dvarda Vachino and Lynn A. Sulpizio; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

**George Dorison**  
George Dorison, 83, of Clark, formerly of Elizabeth, died April 2 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick.

Born in Jersey City, Mr. Dorison lived in Elizabeth before moving to Clark 17 years ago.

He was a liquor salesman for many years and retired eight years ago.

Mr. Dorison served in the Army during World War II.

He was a state grand chancellor for the Knights of Pythias.

Surviving are a sister, Judith Levine, and a brother, Milton.

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**Monday**

- The Department of Public Works will collect residential recyclables. Newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, notebooks, office paper, telephone books can now be put together in a paper bag or tied with string.
- Commingled glass, aluminum, steel and plastic containers can be mixed together in a sturdy reusable container no larger than 32 gallons.

**Wednesday**

- The Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet from 8 to 11 p.m. in Room 16 of the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave.

**Upcoming April 15**

- The Clark Health Department and Westfield Spine Center will offer free height, weight, posture and cervical spine screenings to Clark residents from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Brewer cafeteria, 430 Westfield Ave.
- For more information, call Nancy Raymond, health officer, at 732-388-3600, ext. 3045.

**April 16**

- The Polish Cultural Foundation, 177 Broadway, will hold a book and craft sale from 6 to 9 p.m. Prices will range from 25 cents a copy for used books to higher prices for new books. The sale is open to the public.
- A variety of Polish crafts from sculpture, paintings, straw art, dolls and costumes also will be featured. Proceeds of the sale will support the foundation's Marjanczyk library.

**April 17**

- The Polish Cultural Foundation, 177 Broadway, will hold a book and craft sale from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Prices will range from 25 cents a copy for used books to higher prices for new books. The sale is open to the public.
- A variety of Polish crafts from sculpture, paintings, straw art, dolls and costumes also will be featured. Proceeds of the sale will support the foundation's Marjanczyk library.

**April 19**

- The Township Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the

municipal courtroom, 315 Westfield Ave.

**April 20**

- Polling booths will be open from 2 to 9 p.m. for voters to cast their ballots on the Board of Education race and the proposed schools budget.

**April 22**

- Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad, 875 Raritan Road, will hold a blood drive from 3 to 8:30 p.m.

**April 23**

- The Skulski Art Gallery of the Polish Cultural Foundation will present the photographic works by Claire Warlikowski of Jersey City with an opportunity to meet the artist from 8 to 10:30 p.m. April 23. Admission is free and refreshments will be served.
- The Polish Cultural Foundation, a nonprofit organization, is located at 177 Broadway. For more information, call 732-382-7197.

**April 26**

- The Department of Public Works will collect residential recyclables. Newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, notebooks, office paper, telephone books can now be put together in a paper bag or tied with string.
- Co-mingled glass, aluminum, steel and plastic containers can be mixed together in a sturdy reusable container no larger than 32 gallons.
- The Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet from 8 to 11 p.m. in the municipal courtroom, 315 Westfield Ave.

**April 27**

- The Planning Board will meet at 8 p.m. in the municipal courtroom, 315 Westfield Ave.

**April 28**

- The Board of the Clark Public Library will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the local history room of Rahway Free Public Library, 275 E. Milton Ave., Rahway.
- For more information, call Maureen Baker Wilkison, director, at 732-388-5999.

**Ongoing**

- The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program sponsored by Community Access Unlimited will again offer free tax assistance for Union County citizens who earn less than \$34,000 per year, are disabled or elderly.
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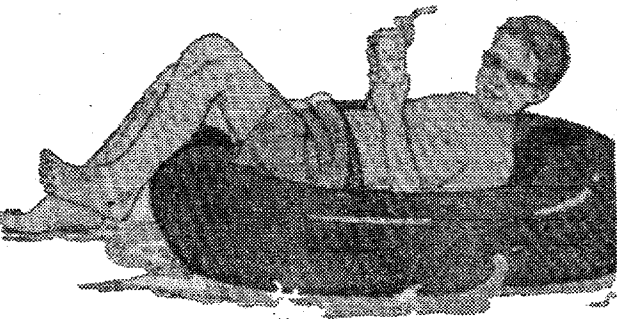


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# COMMUNITY FORUM

## EDITORIALS

### Hits and misses

With the school board election and budget referendum bearing down on us with only 12 days to go, it may be forgivable to think that there is little else happening of importance or worth commentary. It might be forgivable, but it would not be accurate. Here follows our take on some of the other recent events and developments in Clark that have made headlines recently.

**HIT:** Ryan Casey and Jean Paul Baptista, seniors at Arthur L. Johnson High School, noted in their letter to the Board of Education that seniors had considered organizing a walkout to protest the erosion of spring break from an entire week to two days. We're not sure how a walk-out is meant to impress Mother Nature into not dropping snow on school days, or how it would persuade Father Time to insert extra days into the year, but we feel we must salute whoever talked the students out of such an action. Thirty years ago, walkouts were a sign of meaningful student activism, such as protesting the Vietnam War or marching for civil rights. Getting a week of spring break is hardly a laudable ambition as those, and it's good to see the students express their frustration appropriately and constructively, by taking their concerns to the board and making their request respectfully.

**MISS:** Speaking of respect, it would be nice to see more of it from the people responsible for the dumping two weeks ago at the woods on Wendell Place. The road, which terminates in the woods by the reservoir, is an out-of-the-way, scenic area that unfortunately also serves as a magnet for people who want their activities to go unnoticed. Having a quiet place to hang out is one thing; dumping garbage is another. It shows a profound disregard for the people who live nearby and have to deal with the litter.

**HIT:** Far more easily cleaned than the litter was the soapy mess left after the Science Olympics in the Carl H. Kumpf School gym. Students left a few streaks and puddles of soapy water on the floor, but teachers who organized the event left something a lot more indelible on the students' minds. In addition to the obvious fun of blowing bubbles that passed the one-meter mark in length, a few students also learned the virtues of patient practice and experimentation, two key elements to any understanding of the sciences.

**MISS:** It's hard not to feel a little disappointed by the administration's decision to cancel school March 19 because of snow. The snow, which did come hard and heavy the night before, within hours of sunrise proved to be full of flurries, signifying nothing. By noon much of it had disappeared and there was little enough left on the roads to mark its passing. Exercising due caution is important, but it honestly seems as though this was one snow day that could have been handled better with a late start.

**HIT:** The last stage of learning is to teach, and teaching is exactly what Jack Giannattasio has been attempting to do. Giannattasio, who teaches science at Arthur L. Johnson High School, has submitted an article on his teaching methodology to "The Science Teacher," a publication for high school science teachers. Editors say the article is being considered. Given the importance of science education, and the dearth of teachers who know how to engage their students at chemistry and physics, any help Giannattasio can give to the nation's teachers is good.

### Faith, hope and love

Passover began Monday at sundown and this Sunday is Easter. While the Jewish and Christian family get-togethers and large meals that often accompany these two interwoven holidays are important, one should take the time to put aside the crass commercialism we have been inundated with and remember the true meaning of these days.

The Holy Week of Easter begins with Palm Sunday. The Last Supper on Thursday was in fact a meal by Jesus and his apostles in celebration of the Jewish holiday of Passover, so named because death "passed over" the first born of any house painted with lamb's blood by Moses when he sought freedom for the Jewish slaves in Egypt. After the Last Supper, Christ is betrayed and abandoned by his followers in Gethsemane, followed by his arrest, torture and crucifixion on Good Friday.

Since Adam and Eve were expelled from the Garden of Eden, the Bible tells us we carried the stain of original sin. Passover reminds us that, only by having faith in God can we find redemption from our suffering. When Jesus died, he took that sin upon himself, thus cleansing humanity and offering redemption. His resurrection on Sunday was the next step in a glorious cycle, for he displayed literally that those who have faith in the Lord can live forever.

So enjoy those Easter egg hunts with your children. Just remember that the true meaning of Easter is one of sacrifice for the sake of others, a message of peace and forgiveness for all humanity. Easter and Passover are times of faith, hope and love.

We wish everyone a happy Easter and solemn Passover.



**FUTURE SCIENTISTS** — Carol Berls' Kindergarten class at St. John the Apostle School in Clark, brainstorm and create their own land rovers for Mars exploration. The happy students are pictured here with their land rovers.

## CANDIDATES

### Carmen Brocato

The decision to run for the Board of Education was an easy one for me. My experience from attending the Hillside public school system has compelled me to want to give my children a better education than the one that was offered to me.

I decided to move my family to Clark, which I consider to be one of the finest communities in the county. I want my children to continue to have the best education possible. Therefore, I would like to be involved in the decision-making process of our school system.

Although all of the decisions that come before the board are important, I would like to touch upon a few issues about which I have concerns.

Over the years, our schools' infrastructures have shown a significant

extent of deterioration.

I would like to oversee the rehabilitation of the schools' infrastructure, and once completed, I would like to be proactive in overseeing the maintenance of the buildings so that the deterioration that has occurred in the past will not occur in the future.

As part of my job as a police officer, I have unfortunately seen the consequences drugs and/or alcohol can have on the children of today's society. We are fortunate that Clark's school system presently has a great DARE program in effect. The education Clark has to offer our children would be wasted to a child addicted to



drugs and/or alcohol. I would like to see additional education for the children and the parents on the effect that drugs and alcohol can have on them.

Education for our children is number one; however, sports play an important role in our children's lives. Sports teach children discipline, team work, overcoming adversity and the ability to win or lose gracefully. The positive effect sports have on children cannot be measured and will be remembered throughout his or her lives.

Over the past several years, the need to cut school sports programs has occurred due to the school budget. Although the possibility of cutting school sports programs may ultimately have to occur in the future, I would like to explore and implement other means of supporting school sports programs within the state guidelines

and the law. Subsidizing through fund-raising and/or parent contributions could be possible alternatives to consider.

Lastly, I am not a politician. I have no political ties to anyone nor do I have an agenda.

I am a parent and a homeowner who if given the opportunity, would like to make a positive difference in our community.

I would like to be elected to the Board of Education so that I can make the right decisions for our children and this great community. With the arrival of a new superintendent, the possibility of three new board members and the finest teaching staff in the county I feel our school system is headed in the right direction. Our children deserve the best education possible, and with this education, our children will some day be the leaders of tomorrow.

### Bruce Best

My name is Bruce Best, and I am seeking re-election to a second term on the Clark Board of Education. Married for 27 years to my wife Eileen, we have lived in Clark for 24 years. We have four children: Lauren, 25; Danielle, 23; and twin sons, Jason and Ryan, who are 21 years old. All our children have attended the Clark school system.

My interest in the education of the children of Clark included memberships in the PTAs of Valley Road Elementary School, Carl H. Kumpf Middle School and Arthur L. Johnson High School. I was chairman of the 1997 eighth grade dance at Kumpf and was chairman of Project Graduation for the ALJ class of 2001.

I was instrumental in recommend-

ing and receiving the donation of a life-saving device called an automatic external defibrillator to the high school. I have also coached for the Clark Girls Softball League for eight years and six years in the Clark Soccer Club, both in town and traveling teams.

I have always had a keen interest in the inner workings of the Clark Board of Education, attending board meetings for years, thereby gaining insight of how the school district operated. My desire to seek election to the Board of Education therefore was not an impulsive decision.

In my three years on the board I have participated on the finance, curriculum, building and grounds, safety, policy and negotiation committees. In the 2002-03 school year the finance committee on which I served

as chairman produced a school budget representing a 2 percent increase, the lowest presented to the taxpayers of Clark in the last 10 years.

I have always sought to maintain a sound fiscal policy, concurrent with moving the district forward educationally. During my service on the board I participated in the development of an early retirement program for veteran teachers, which significantly reduced the average salary cost of teachers in the school district from approximately \$80,000 to \$60,000.

The cost of providing a quality education for an individual student decreased from nearly \$12,000 per student to under \$11,000 per student. All this was accomplished while maintaining quality educational programs, and developing new ones.

I have attended many workshops

on the process of negotiations in preparation for this year's teachers contract extension. I believe my training and experience will serve me well in assisting the board and the teachers union to reach a fair and equitable contract settlement for teachers and the taxpayers of Clark.

I am presently on the superintendent search committee, which will soon present to the public a new chief school administrator for Clark.

In closing, the past three years of service on the Clark Board of Education have been rewarding and instructive for me. I believe my enthusiasm and experience toward the betterment of educational opportunities for the children of Clark respectfully deserve your consideration and your vote. Press Lever 4 for Bruce Best on April 20.

### Jessica Kinsella

I am a candidate for the Clark Board of Education and I would like to thank you for the opportunity to explain why I believe you should elect me to serve on the Board of Education.

Since I was a freshman in Arthur L. Johnson High School in 1995, I have always been active and voiced my opinion. There were numerous times in which I stood before the board to defend a program or class I felt was important to my and fellow students' education.

With a bachelor's degree in psychology from Fairfield University in Connecticut and presently the owner of my own company, I feel as if I can now make a difference as a part of the board. I still recall what it feels like to be a student fearing their favorite program or class may not be a part of the curriculum next year, but I realize that there are other factors to consider.

Right now, I see discontent in our school district. I see people who do not have faith in their own elected officials and do not see the progress of our students. We are in the midst of great financial issues and face a large, but necessary, tax increase.

Will I make promises to you now to elicit your vote but not carry through on later? Absolutely not.

I am a candidate who is looking for

the opportunity to

make a difference. I will never stop trying to work as a member of the board to improve the Clark School System.

I see positive changes happening in the schools at this time and these must be the beginning of an upward trend. I will search for every possible manner in which to chip away at our deficit.

I can factually state that there are resources in town in which we are not taking advantage of. I will tell you that choices need to be made on the board and these need to be educated, unbiased and with conviction.

I am also a person who will not accept the word "can't." I believe that although I do not have children in the schools, my qualifications and abilities may only be enhanced as my only motivation is truly the betterment of the entire school system.

Our town needs someone to represent first the students, but also all members of the community, without personal motives or agendas. My past experience working at Children's Specialized Hospital in Fanwood, Columbus Elementary School and Head Start in Bridgeport, Conn., and



as a correctional counselor in a maximum security facility, Garner Correctional Institution in Newtown, Conn., has afforded me many experiences to draw upon. These positions have also taught me the value of logical and creative thinking.

As a member of this community who is passionate, tireless and dedicated to this position and those it serves, I promise to serve this town where I have received my education, preschool to high school, with respect, teamwork and commitment.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Arts center can spur redevelopment

To the Editor:

Your April 1 editorial criticizing the support by Union County for the Union County Arts Center in Rahway does not paint an accurate picture of the arts center and what it means to Rahway and the county.

Other similar arts centers across New Jersey, including the John Harms Center in Englewood, the State Theatre in New Brunswick and the Count Basie Theatre in Red Bank, all receive significant public funds that would make continued operations extremely difficult, if not impossible. This investment has long received bipartisan support and has been lauded as a worthy and noble goal of all levels of government.

The county's support for the Union County Arts Center is welcome and needed if the facility is to thrive in the future. It will be instrumental in expanding the productions offered at the arts center and make it a year-round destination rather than one open only from October through May. Hundreds of county governments nationwide have used the arts to spur economic development and more importantly, improve the quality of life for their residents.

Mayor James J. Kennedy  
Rahway

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## CANDIDATES

## Sheri Sandler

My name is Sheri Sandler and I am running for the Board of Education in Clark. As a resident of Clark, I went through the Clark school system and graduated from Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in 1976.

After receiving my bachelor's degree in elementary education from Fairleigh Dickinson University, I obtained a master's degree in instruction and curriculum from Kean College of New Jersey.

Upon completion of my master's degree, I completed 30 graduate credits beyond my master's degree in technology and guidance and continue to attend conferences to keep current on educational and technology issues.

For the past 16 years, I have been a computer teacher with the Millburn School District. With 23 years experience in education, I have presented workshops at various conferences — New Jersey Education Computing Cooperative, New Jersey Association of Educational Technology, Teaching of English Speakers of Other Languages, and Coalition of Essential Schools — on innovative ways teachers can integrate technology into their curriculum.

As a veteran educator in Millburn, I have developed technology curriculum, prepared budgets, and have been a member of various site-based management and principal advisory committees.

Presently, I am serving on a committee to interview candidates for a position as principal in our district. I have written several grants and was awarded a TE@CH grant from Best Buy in January for \$2,500 from the South Mountain School in Millburn to produce an "e-pal" video conferencing

program and a morning news show.

My husband, Neil, and I have been residents of Clark for the last seven years. We moved to Clark to raise our two children in a progressive and innovative school system.

We wanted our children, Jessica, 8, and Zachary, 6, to benefit from that same education.

Unfortunately, times are difficult now and the Clark school system is in a downward slide. I am very much concerned about this situation. The school budget has been defeated for many years and I feel our community has lost trust and faith in the Clark school system. We need to change this paradigm!

I have the determination, desire, fortitude, and experience to guarantee that the children of the Clark receive the education they deserve.

Communication with honesty, integrity and consistency between the Board of Education and the public would be a significant objective of mine. Developing a relationship of trust, respect and decency with the office of the superintendent would be crucial.

One of my primary goals on the Board of Education would be to ensure that the parents of the Clark students would always be able to communicate and express their views in a community of harmony. I seek each and everyone's support in a common desire to elevate the Clark school system to a level of excellence our children deserve.



## Tom Lewis

As a board member, my goals will be the following:

- To ensure open lines of communication among the board, its schools and residents.

Keeping people informed in a prompt manner so that people can make good decisions concerning the education of our students.

- The passing of the school budget on an annual basis is a top priority. I will work to present a budget that is fiscally responsible and affords our children the best opportunity to succeed. By passing the budget regular-

ly, we will ensure that the areas of elementary enrichment and Advanced Placement classes will continue to thrive.

- To get the most out of every dollar for the students of Clark. I will be creative in terms of spending and cash allowance. We will take advantage of grants and other opportunities that will benefit our school district.

My ultimate goal is to make Clark a blue-ribbon school district.



## NEWS CLIPS

## Send contact information for ALJ 25th year reunion

The Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School Class of 1979 will hold its 25th-year reunion Oct. 16 at The Grand Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road.

Classmates should send current contact information to aljclassof1979@comcast.net or call Jean Harrison McAllister at 908-317-0252.

## Cart rentals at half price at Hyatt Hills golf course

The Hyatt Hills Golf Complex is offering a 50 percent discount off cart rentals through April 15.

Rates for the entire year are \$1,400 for Cranford and Clark residents, \$1,600 for New Jersey residents, and \$2,800 for out-of-state residents.

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different angles to make the course playable as an 18-hole course with a slope rating of 130.

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The Hyatt Hills Golf Complex is located at 1300 Raritan Road.

For more information, call 732-669-9100 or visit www.hyathills.com.

## RSVP tax assistance

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program sponsored by Community Access Unlimited is offering free tax assistance for Union County residents who earn less than \$34,000 per year, are disabled or elderly.

The free tax assistance will be offered from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Mondays through April 15 at Clark Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 1213 Westfield Ave.

Call 732-396-7100 for an appointment.

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## Give me an education that really teaches me

Malcolm Forbes once said, "Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one." This statement may seem true enough as one absently scans the newspaper searching for something interesting to read, but the intent reader picks up something the casual observer does not: a sense of personal growth rather than forced progress.

In today's world, or at least the world that I live in, it is commonplace that students are supposed to learn "stuff," take an examination, and then move on with their merry lives under the delusion that they have reached a higher state of intellectual capability.

I find this type of supposed education to be completely and totally without any sort of long-term effect. High

Point  
Of  
View

By Ashley Gallagher

school, as well as any other place of learning, sets a goal for itself: to turn out respectable, responsible, well-rounded citizens. If this is true, then how, may I ask, does cramming to take test after insipid test help?

It is not the subject material that I am criticizing here. I understand that just because I may not see an immediate use for determining the range of a projectile in physics class does not

mean that it will not help me somewhere down the line in life. Even if I do not use the formula, the theory, or the concept, I will have "broadened my horizons," so to speak, just by thinking about the possibilities of its use.

My true target here is the education system. If life were a composite of a series of lectures followed by a series of tests, then I think today's education system would be spectacular. I would completely withdraw all my suggestions and criticisms and go about my studying. However, I remain discontent, for though life may be a series of tests, they certainly are not the type for which you can study.

So, my proposal is this: I want to learn, but I do not want to learn

through a bunch of worthless written examinations. Give me something to do! Send me out into the world equipped with more than a freshly sharpened No. 2 pencil and a mindset that if I ace a test that life will be grand.

Take away the security you have wrapped me in and show me what the world will be like and how I can prepare for it. Show me how to be a good citizen; do not just tell me that I will be one someday.

Do this for me, and my mind will be the farthest thing from empty that I can think of: full to capacity with open-mindedness.

Ashley Gallagher is a student at Arthur L. Johnson High School.

## Ditching this American idol is an automatic win-win

Last November, my wife and I broke a taboo so morally reprehensible, they've never even discussed it on the "Jerry Springer Show." We canceled our cable TV.

Believe it or not, it was really an easy decision that didn't require the usual anguish and hand-wringing associated with other major family decisions such as whether or not a trip to visit relatives should really count as a vacation.

There were two specific incidents that triggered this sweeping reform of our family lifestyle. The first involved my 11-year-old son. One evening, I walked into the room where he sat cross-legged in front of "SpongeBob SquarePants" and asked him to wash his hands before dinner. No response.

I leaned over and playfully poked him in the ribs and in a sing-song voice said, "Time for dinner." He stared up at me curiously for just an instant as if I were a cloud passing over the sun and then turned back to the television.

No longer singing or playful I crouched down in front of him, blocking his view of the television and said, "Did you hear me? I said time for dinner. Go and wash your hands." I had his attention then but that didn't prevent him from craning his neck to look at the TV over my shoulder.

"Now!" I screamed. My son, finally shocked into a state of true consciousness, said OK and stood up. He took a couple of steps, and as I watched in amazement, he stopped in his tracks and re-glued his eyes to the TV screen again as if it had desperately cried out to him, "Jack. Where are you going? I thought we were friends."

We had a quiet meal that evening. Heavy on the sounds of silverware and scraping plates, light on conver-

Now  
What?

By John Hartnett

sation outside of the unusually polite requests to pass the butter, that sort of thing.

While unpleasant for the innocent victims, I find that the occasional dinner overloaded with quiet seething and melodrama functions as a sort of chiropractic adjustment to restore the normal family balance. The kids really sense from the tension that they better shape up, and you don't have to worry about losing your voice from screaming. Win-win as they say.

The second incident, which occurred a short time later, did involve screaming, my 2-year-old daughter and "Caillou," a two-dimensional wolf in sheep's clothing from PBS.

I work out of the house and am responsible for getting the kids up and to school and day care each morning. Often my youngest daughter is the first ready and she will ask to watch "Caillou" while the other kids get dressed and I prepare breakfast.

I have no problem with her request; the show is pleasant enough although I find Caillou's bald and disproportionately large head to be a bit disconcerting as I am convinced that anyone with a head that big would be unable to stand up for more than a moment before toppling over.

You have to wonder, if the animators are that sloppy, how crisp can the writing be? Nonetheless, once everyone is seated, the rule is that "Caillou" is to be turned off.

So, on this particular morning, breakfast is ready and as I go over to turn off "Caillou," my formerly even-

keeled daughter unleashes a temper tantrum so shocking it makes Courtney Love look like Audrey Hepburn.

Torn between calling an exorcist and enlisting in the Merchant Marines, I opted for losing my cool. I scream to the heavens above that we will no longer have television in this house. A moment later, the phone rings and the guy from across the street says, "What about the Final Four?"

I unhooked the cable, seized the 27-inch TV in a bear hug and staggered to the basement, re-emerging moments later covered in sweat and with my heart thumping so fast, you could see it through my shirt.

"That's that," I announce, grinning maniacally about the room. "The only box you'll be staring at from now on is the one that houses that overfed rabbit at the library."

A week later the television was back in place.

But we didn't cave in all the way, I swear. First, we only use the television now for DVDs, mainly Friday night, which has become family movie night. The kids have to ask for permission on any other occasion.

Second, and this came as a complete shock to my wife and me, our kids have not complained. We play more games together, they read prodigiously, a word my daughter

Annabelle taught me, and they haven't even asked us to have the cable reinstalled.

My wife, who grew up without TV, is in heaven. As for me, yes, there are times when I am miserable. It's baseball season and I used to like watching the occasional game whenever one was on and regardless of who was playing. But the benefits outweigh the negatives.

I do not miss the news at all and no longer get headaches deciding whether to watch and listen to the correspondent on CNN; or to read the news ticker and just listen to the correspondent; or to read the stock prices, occasionally glance at the correspondent and ignore the news ticker completely since it has become so overused it now carries the same sense of urgency as a Captain Morgan Rum banner flown over a beach crowd in August.

But do you want to know what the real upside is? Once again, I can actually recognize my children just as easily from the front of their heads as the back.

Win-win, as they say.

A frequent contributor to this newspaper, John Hartnett can be reached at johnhartnett@earlybird-publishing.com.

## Book, craft sale supports Polish foundation library

Bibliophiles will get their pick of books from romance to history at a Polish Cultural Foundation book and craft sale in mid-April.

Prices will range from 25 cents a copy for used books to higher prices for new books. The sale will run from 6 to 9 p.m. April 16, and from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. April 17 at 177 Broadway. Coffee and cake will be available for purchase on both days.

The sale is open to the public.

A variety of Polish crafts from sculpture, paintings, straw art, dolls and costumes also will be featured.

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# Ditching this particular American idol an automatic win-win

Last November, my wife and I broke a taboo so morally reprehensible, they've never even discussed it on the "Jerry Springer Show." We cancelled our cable TV.

Believe it or not, it was really an easy decision that didn't require the usual anguish and hand-wringing associated with other major family decisions such as whether or not a trip to visit relatives should really count as a vacation.

There were two specific incidents that triggered this sweeping reform of our family lifestyle. The first involved my 11-year-old son. One evening, I walked into the room where he sat cross-legged in front of "SpongeBob SquarePants" and asked him to wash his hands before dinner. No response.

I leaned over and playfully poked him in the ribs and in a sing-song voice said, "Time for dinner." He stared up at me curiously for just an instant as if I were a cloud passing over the sun and then turned back to

## Now what?

By John Hartnett

the television.

No longer singing or playful I crouched down in front of him, blocking his view of the television and said, "Did you hear me? I said time for dinner. Go and wash your hands." I had his attention then but that didn't prevent him from craning his neck to look at the TV over my shoulder.

"Now!" I screamed. My son, finally shocked into a state of true consciousness, said OK and stood up. He took a couple of steps, and as I watched in amazement, he stopped in his tracks and re-glued his eyes to the TV screen again as if it had desperately cried out to him, "Jack. Where are you going? I thought we were

friends."

We had a quiet meal that evening. Heavy on the sounds of silverware and scraping plates, light on conversation outside of the unusually polite requests to pass the butter, that sort of thing. While unpleasant for the innocent victims, I find that the occasional dinner overloaded with quiet seething and melodrama functions as a sort of chiropractic adjustment to restore the normal family balance. The kids really sense from the tension that they better shape up, and you don't have to worry about losing your voice from screaming. Win-win as they say.

The second incident, which occurred a short time later, did involve screaming, my 2-year-old daughter and "Caillou," a two-dimensional wolf in sheep's clothing from PBS.

I work out of the house and am responsible for getting the kids up and to school and day care each morning. Often my youngest daughter is the first ready and she will ask to watch "Caillou" while the other kids get dressed and I prepare breakfast.

I have no problem with her request; the show is pleasant enough although I find Caillou's bald and disproportionately large head to be a bit disconcerting as I am convinced that anyone with a head that big would be unable to stand up for more than a moment before toppling over. You have to wonder, if the animators are that sloppy, how crisp can the writing be? Nonetheless, once everyone is seated, the rule is that "Caillou" is to be turned off.

So, on this particular morning, breakfast is ready and as I go over to turn off "Caillou," my formerly even-keeled daughter unleashes a temper tantrum so shocking it makes Courtney Love look like Audrey Hepburn.

Torn between calling an exorcist and enlisting in the Merchant Marines, I opted for losing my cool. I scream to the heavens above that we will no longer have television in this house. A moment later, the phone rings and the guy from across the street says, "What about the Final Four?" I unhooked the cable, seized the 27-inch TV in a bear

hug and staggered to the basement, re-emerging moments later covered in sweat and with my heart thumping so fast, you could see it through my shirt.

"That's that," I announce, grinning maniacally about the room. "The only box you'll be staring at from now on is the one that houses that overfed rabbit at the library."

A week later the television was back in place.

But we didn't cave in all the way, I swear. First, we only use the television now for DVDs, mainly Friday night, which has become family movie night. The kids have to ask for permission on any other occasion.

Second, and this came as a complete shock to my wife and me, our kids have not complained. We play more games together, they read prodigiously, a word my daughter Annabelle taught me, and they haven't even asked us to have the cable re-installed.

My wife, who grew up without TV, is in heaven. As for me, yes, there are times when I am miserable. It's base-

ball season and I used to like watching the occasional game whenever one was on and regardless of who was playing. But the benefits outweigh the negatives.

I do not miss the news at all and no longer get headaches deciding whether to watch and listen to the correspondent on CNN; or to read the news ticker and just listen to the correspondent; or to read the stock prices, occasionally glance at the correspondent and ignore the news ticker completely since it has become so over-used it now carries the same sense of urgency as a Captain Morgan Rum banner flown over a beach crowd in August.

But do you want to know what the real upside is? Once again, I can actually recognize my children just as easily from the front of their heads as the back.

Win-win, as they say.

A resident of Cranford, John Hartnett can be reached at johnhartnett@earlybirdpublishing.com.

## Readers hit the books together in forum

The Reader's Forum, the book discussion group of Cranford Public Library, is in its 11th year of reading and discussing literature.

Remaining titles and dates for the 2003-04 reading year are:

- "The Magician's Assistant" by Ann Patchett, Monday.
- "The Family Orchard" by Naomi

Eve, May 10.

The forum has been led since its inception by librarian Muriel Baumwoll and still boasts a number of original members. New members are welcome at any time.

Sessions start at 7 p.m. and are held in the library's Robert J. Fridlington Room.

## Past mayor to speak on risk management in workplace

The Cranford Chamber of Commerce will have its first Networking luncheon at noon May 5 at Aliperti's Restaurant, 1189 Raritan Road, Clark.

Guest speaker will be former Mayor Phillip Morin.

The subject will be "Managing Workplace Risks

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10:00 A.M. Worship Service

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**Easter Services - 2004**

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7:30 PM - Organ recital by Wayne Bradford  
8 PM - Candlelight Service with Communion

**Easter Sunday, April 11th**  
9:30 AM - Worship Service with Gathered Communion, Sunday School with Special Easter Assembly  
11 AM - Worship Service with Gathered Communion

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**Easter Sunrise SERVICES**  
April 11, 2004  
7:00 am  
(Across the Street at the Gazebo)  
Followed by a Continental Breakfast at CUMC (in Reeves Hall)

**GOOD FRIDAY - TENEBRAE SERVICE**  
April 9, 2004 8:00 pm  
Roselle Methodist Church  
(Joint Service with CUMC Choirs)

**Easter Egg Hunt**  
9:30 am  
(At the Parsonage)

**HOLY SATURDAY/ HEALING SERVICE**  
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1:00 pm

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Sunday - April 11, 2004 - 11:00 AM

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Holy Thursday - Mass of the Lord's Supper  
April 8th, Church - 7:00 pm  
(Morning Prayer - 8:30 am)

**Good Friday** - The Passion and Death of the Lord  
April 9th, Church - 3:30 pm

**Living Stations of the Cross** - Church - 7:30 pm  
(Morning Prayer - 8:30 am)

**Holy Saturday - Easter Vigil**  
April 10th, Church - 8:00 pm  
(Morning Prayer - 8:30 am)

**EASTER SUNDAY**  
Church (Lower Church)  
7:30 am, 9:00 am, (9:05 am) 10:30 am  
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## CLUBS IN THE NEWS

## Book author to discuss America's first ladies

Feather Schwartz Foster, author of "Ladies: A Conjecture of Personalities," will present a program about her new book, and about first ladies in general, to the College Women's Club of Cranford at 8 p.m. Monday.

The meeting will be held at the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford on Springfield Avenue.

"Ladies: A Conjecture..." is a book of voices. In it, first ladies between Martha Washington and Mamie Eisenhower tell their own stories - or, to be more exact, whatever they want

- in their own word and in their own styles.

The book crosses boundaries among fact, conjecture and, most importantly, centuries.

Through dialogue boxes, the ladies talk to each other across eternity, where anything is possible.

The modern first ladies, from Jackie Kennedy through Hillary Clinton participate in commentary.

"The old gals talk to the reader and they talk amongst themselves. They talk about their husbands, and their children, and the White House, and the times they lived in," said Foster. "It's not just the stories of their lives,

it's an opening into what they were like as people. They were definitely not the nonentities that history usually calls them."

For more information about the club, call Louisa Grossi at 908-276-3738.

## Club's slide chair shows 'Along the Great Divide'

The Cranford/Miller Camera Club will meet at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Cranford Community Center, Walnut Avenue. Slide Chairman Terry Boyer, will present "Along the Great Divide" to club members.

There will be a competition at 7:30 p.m. April 26, at Millburn Taylor Park, located between Main Street and Whittingham Terrace in Millburn. Three prints and three slides can be submitted on any subject and three slides can be entered for the assigned subject of abstracts or patterns.

The judge for the competition is Doris Friedman, a member of the New Jersey Federation of Camera Clubs.

## Democrats to hear how county benefits Cranford

Union County Freeholder Chairman Angel G. Estrada will address the

Cranford Democratic Club at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday as part of the club's ongoing lecture series.

Estrada will discuss how county programs are enhancing the quality of life in Cranford. The meeting is open to the public. Refreshments will be served.

The Cranford Democratic Club meets the second Wednesday of every month though June. Guest speakers are invited on a regular basis to discuss issues and programs affecting Cranford.

For more information about the club, contact Jonathan Jaffe at 908-276-6500.

## Amateur Astronomers monthly meeting April 16

Amateur Astronomers Inc. will conduct its monthly membership meeting at 8 p.m. April 16 in the lecture hall of the Nomahegan Building at Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave.

Immediately following the business meeting about 9 p.m. the club will have a free lecture on "X-raying the Heart of Supernova Remnants: The Search for Young Pulsars," given by Jeremy Carlo, a doctoral student.

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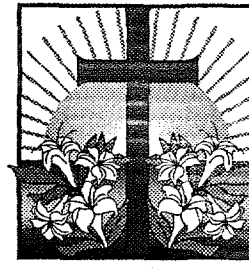
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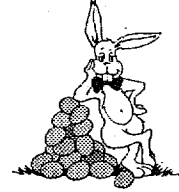
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April 9, 7:30 p.m.  
Service of Tenebrae

Easter Sunday  
April 11,  
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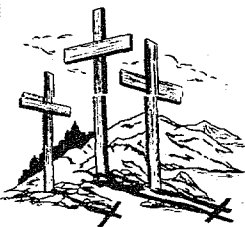
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MAUNDY THURSDAY WORSHIP, April 8  
Communion Service at 7:30 p.m.

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Sunrise service will start at 6:30 a.m. Then our regular service will start at 11:00 a.m. in which we will continue to celebrate Easter Sunday. Our music ministry will render selections at both services that will be an inspiration to you as they are to us every Sunday morning.

Again we welcome you to worship with us regardless of who you are. God bless you.

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## HOLY WEEK SERVICES

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK  
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TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK  
Masses: 6:30, 8 a.m., 12:10 (noon), 7 p.m.

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK  
Masses: 6:30, 8 a.m., 12:10 (noon), 7 p.m.

HOLY THURSDAY  
Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament - 8:30 to 10:30 p.m.

GOOD FRIDAY  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion - 3 p.m. (English), 5 p.m. (Spanish)

Stations of the Cross (Spanish) 6 p.m.

Stations of the Cross - 7:45 p.m.

SATURDAY OF HOLY WEEK  
Easter Vigil Liturgy - 7 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY  
Masses - 7:30, 9, 10:30 a.m., 12 noon, 1:30 p.m. (Spanish)

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## EASTER WEEKEND

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Easter Sunday

Breakfast - 10:00 a.m.

Celebration Service - 11:00 a.m.

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April 8

## Holy Thursday:

Mass of the Lord's Supper-7:30pm (followed by Adoration)

Night Prayer - 10pm

April 9

## Good Friday:

Seven Last Words Service - Noon to 3pm

MAIN PASSION LITURGY - 7:30pm

April 10

## Easter Saturday:

Blessing of Food - 11am

EASTER VIGIL MASS - 8pm

April 11

## Easter Sunday

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## GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

April 9, 7:30 pm Service

"The Significance of Christ's Death"

Guest Speaker - Don Dunkerton

## EASTER SUNDAY

April 11, 11:00 am Service

"The Significance of Christ's Resurrection"

Guest Speaker - Dr. David Reid

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## Liturgies of Holy Week 2004

## Holy Thursday-April 8

Mass of the Lord's Supper - 7:30 p.m.

## Good Friday - April 9

Stations of the Cross Bike Tour - 9:30

Outdoor Stations - 2:00 p.m.

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion - 3:00 p.m.

Living Stations - 7:30 p.m.

## Holy Saturday - April 10

The Great Easter Vigil - 7:30 p.m.

## Easter Sunday - April 11, 2004

7:30 a.m., 8:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.,

11:00 a.m., 12:30 p.m.



# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Board member Veca backs Sudiak

To the Editor:

As I am getting ready to leave my position as a member of the Cranford Board of Education, I would like to state my support for the re-election of Mary Catherine Sudiak. Mrs. Sudiak has served on the Cranford Board of Education for the past six years and has served with distinction. She has the courage and conviction to express her opinion, even when it is not the popular view. Mrs. Sudiak possesses the dedication and commitment to best represent the children, parents and taxpayers of our town. She has demonstrated her ability to engage in an open dialogue where critical ideas are discussed. This is the type of commitment that I believe is essential in order for a Board of Education to function effectively.

After serving on our board for the last 10 years, I have come to learn that a Board of Education member has no authority individually. A Board of Education only has authority when it acts collectively as a governing body of nine individuals. This type of structure prohibits individual agendas, but even more importantly, promotes and facilitates an open dialogue where ideas are discussed from nine different viewpoints. This format then results in a rise of the majority opinion.

I believe that having an open and honest dialogue is essential in order for the board's final decision to be the best and wealthiest for a district. The only way to ensure that this dialogue is conducted is by voting for individuals who will be able to be forthright. Mrs. Sudiak is an individual who speaks from inner conviction and advocates for our town's families and taxpayers.

Our Board of Education is an state of transition. This year two members have chosen not to run for re-election. In addition one other current member will be moving out of state and will mostly likely be replaced by appointment. This will result in three new members of four, unless Mary Sudiak is re-elected.

Since the Board of Education debate was not televised, voters should be aware that Mrs. Sudiak has served tirelessly on various committees. She has served as vice president of the New Jersey Garden State Coalition of Schools

for three years besides serving as our board liaison for several years prior. The coalition represents more than 100 New Jersey school districts in matters particularly relating to school funding. She has served on the New Jersey School Boards's special education funding committee, as well as serving as Cranford's representative.

At this time I would like to thank all of the voters who have supported me throughout my tenure on the Cranford Board of Education. I would like to encourage you to come out and vote on April 20 for Mary Catherine Sudiak.

Rita Veca  
Cranford

## Arts center can spur redevelopment

To the Editor:

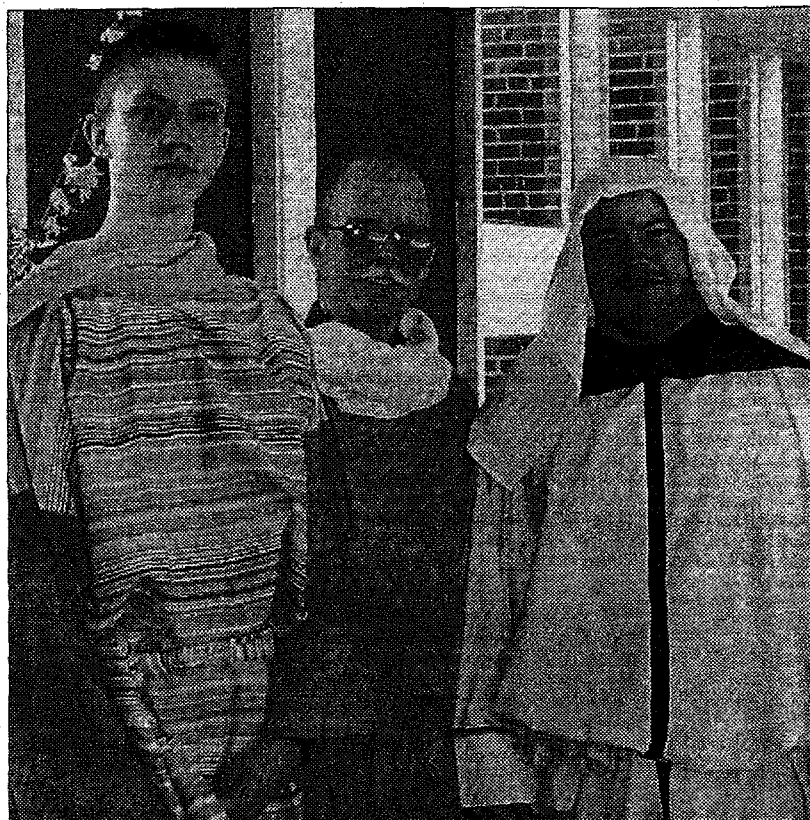
Your April 1 editorial criticizing the support by the County of Union for the Union County Arts Center in Rahway does not paint an accurate picture of the arts center and what it means to the City of Rahway and the county.

Other similar arts centers across New Jersey, including the John Harms Center in Englewood, the State Theatre in New Brunswick and the Count Basie Theatre in Red Bank, all receive significant public funds that would make continued operations extremely difficult, if not impossible. This investment has long received bipartisan support and has been lauded as a worthy and noble goal of all levels of government.

The county's support for the Union County Arts Center is welcome and needed if the facility is to thrive in the future. It will be instrumental in expanding the productions offered at the arts center and make it a year-round destination rather than one open only from October through May. Hundreds of county governments nationwide have used the arts to spur economic development and more importantly, improve the quality of life for their residents.

I applaud the freeholders for their vision on how the arts in Union could make our city and county a better place to live and work.

Mayor James J. Kennedy  
Rahway



Robert Marsden, Vinnie Van Gorden and Vinnie Crisafi will perform in "The Drama of the Last Supper" at the Cranford United Methodist Church Maundy Thursday service tonight.

## Methodist church presents dramatization of Last Supper

Cranford United Methodist Church, 201 Lincoln Ave., will present "The Drama of the Last Supper" at 7:30 p.m. April 8.

This presentation relates to Jesus celebrating the Passover. In describing what happened that evening, the gospel writers assumed that their readers would understand Jesus' words and actions in the context of the familiar Passover festival.

Today, many Christians are unfamiliar with the various elements of this celebration, and accept the gospel accounts of what they call "The Last Supper" at face value, and miss out on much of its significance.

This re-enactment attempts to discover how the things Jesus said and did during that Last Supper arose from the Passover celebration.

The church will hold a Good Friday at 7:30 p.m. Friday, with the

theme of "Time for Remembering."

There will be three Easter services on Sunday, starting with a sunrise service at 6 a.m. in the church's memorial garden, with bagpipes played before and after the service. In case of very inclement weather, the service will be held indoors. The theme will be "Time for Renewing."

The other two worship services are at 8:30 and 10 a.m. in the sanctuary, resplendent with the "Hallelujah Chorus." The theme for both these services is "Time for Resurrection."

Continuing the Easter celebration the following week on April 18, the chancel choir will present an Easter cantata "You are the Christ" at the 10 a.m. worship service. This will explore St. Peter's reflection on the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

The church office can be reached at 908-276-0936.

## Friday club

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

The following activities have been scheduled:

Friday — No meeting  
April 16 — Social/Bingo  
April 23 — Social/Bingo  
April 30 — Social/Bingo  
April birthdays are: Vincen Cerciello, April 23; Edward Connolly, April 29.

The following events have been planned for March:

April 14 — Atlantic City bus trip. Cost is \$17, with a noon departure from Centennial Avenue Pool Complex. Other trips are scheduled for May 12, June 9 and July 14.

June 15 — Longwood Gardens, Kennet Square, Pa. Festival of Fountains. Trip runs from 8 a.m. to 7 p.m., with dining in the Terrace Restaurant, which is handicapped accessible. Cost is \$53.

July 19-23 — Cape Cod, Mass., trip. Five days and four nights. Cost is \$395/double, including four breakfasts and four dinners. Visit Martha's Vineyard, Chatham, Provincetown, Hyannis, JFK museum, and much more. Sign up now for this year's price on the next year's trip.

Dec. 14 — Lily Langtry-Christmas Show, 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Show and meal included, for a total \$63 cost.

For reservations and more information on trips, call Helen at 908-276-2849.

## Wednesday club

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

There will be a trip to Showboat casino in Atlantic City Friday. Bus will leave at 11 a.m. from Meeker Avenue.

Other upcoming trips include:

- Wildwood Crest, Sept. 6 to 10. Round trip motorcoach transportation, with four nights' deluxe room accommodations at the Regal Plaza. Dinners will be at area restaurants, including \$10 for food at the casino. Activities include four nights of entertainment including Cape May Performing Arts Center Variety Show; a dinner-comedy show at The Grand Hotel, Cape May; a gala night with prizes, music, and dancing Rates are \$280 per person for double occupancy; \$350 for single occupancy. A deposit of \$80 per person is required, with final payment by July 15

For more information, call Arleen Borden at 908-272-5441.

## Thursday club

Cranford Seniors Thursday Club meets at Cranford Community Center 222 Walnut Ave., 1 p.m. Thursdays.

Today — John Ritsko, "Decorating Easter Eggs."

April 15 — U U Auction.

April 22 — Anniversary party, Westwood, at noon.

April 29: Bingo. Bring donations for Cranford Family Care.

Call 908-272-5375 for more information.

The following trips have been planned:

April 27 — Atlantic City, Caesars. Call 272-6828.

April 25 to May 1 — Myrtle Beach. \$885 per person, double occupancy.

Aug. 13 to 26 — Yellowstone National Park, Mount Rushmore, Grand Tetons. Twenty-seven meals. \$1,892 a person, double occupancy.

Aug. 21 to Sept. 7 — Canadian Rockies. Banff Glacier National Park. Icefields Parkway. \$2,380 per person, double occupancy. Thirty-four meals.

Oct. 21 to 26 — Bar Harbor, Maine: Lodge Bar Harbor Inn, directly on Frenchman Bay. Ten great meals, at \$727 per person, double occupancy.

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

Happy birthday to Pam Canzano, Louise England, Eleanor O'Brien, Frank Mastriano, Bob Herbster, Anne Kelly, Stanley Olszewski, Mary Wheeler, Rose Cicariello and Georgia Galarowski.

Happy anniversary to Mary and Bob Herbster, 57 years; Audrey and Bill Jones, Rose and Celso Rodriguez, all 47 years; Cathy and John Vuco-brandavitch, 51 years; and Pam and Fred Canzano, 42 years.

## April moves continue with Nicholson comedy

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department will show senior movies during April at the Cranford Community Center in the second-floor audio visual room.

Movies will start at 11:10 a.m. and run until about 12:40 p.m. The following movies will be shown:

April 12 — "Something's Gotta

Give" (123 minutes). This romantic comedy stars Diane Keaton and Jack Nicholson. The two are thrown together through circumstances and at first are repulsed by each other but end up falling in love.

April 19 — "Pieces of April" (80 minutes): An offbeat comedy of a young woman trying to impress her family by cooking a Thanksgiving feast. The turkey is ready to be cooked when she discovers her oven does not work. A frantic search begins to find an oven she can use in her apartment complex.

April 26 — "Intolerable Cruelty" (100 minutes): George Clooney and Catherine Zeta-Jones star in the comedy of divorce and revenge.

There will be no movies shown during May. Movies will resume in June.

## Free tax assistance available by appointment

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department and the AARP will take appointments for free tax assistance. Cranford taxpayers 60 and older can call the Recreation and Parks Department at 908-709-7283 to reserve a time slot with a tax practitioner.

Appointments are being made at noon, 1 p.m. 2 p.m. and 3 p.m. Mondays and Fridays through Monday. No appointments will be made Friday, when the Community Center will be closed.

Appointments will be held at the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave. in Room 205.

Taxpayers should bring copies of last year's state and federal returns; this year's state and federal tax return booklets and all information pertinent to this year's return, such as W-2 forms, 1099 interest forms, dividends, pension statements, Social Security forms and property tax bills.

Cranford shut-ins or those physically unable to come to the Community Center can call with their name, telephone number and address, and a tax consultant will call for an appointment at the home.

## Fill Thursday afternoons with mah-jongg club

Cranford seniors are invited to play mah-jongg from 2 to 3:30 p.m. Thursdays at the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave.

The object of mah-jongg is to remove matched pairs of tiles from the

board until none are left.

Participants must register prior to the class by filling out a senior registration form.

For more information, call the Recreation and Parks Department at 709-76283.

## Professional instructor leads social dance classes

Cranford seniors 60 and older can participate in a social dance class at the Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave., from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. Wednesdays.

A professional dance instructor is available at every class.

The instructor will lead the class through various dance steps with a follow-up practice period, including the rumba, tango, foxtrot, cha-cha, waltz and meringue.

Men and women, beginners and experienced dancers are welcome to attend. A partner is not needed to participate.

Social dancing reduces stress, increases energy, and improves strength, muscle tone and coordination. Class is free, but registration is required.

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

## AARP Chapter 4269

Cranford AARP Chapter 4269 meetings are held at Lincoln Avenue School on Centennial Avenue, at 9:30 a.m., and are open to the public.

Call Ethyl McEntyre at 908-245-9018 for more information.

## Trips to Linden Lanes wrapping up in May

Cranford seniors are welcome to enjoy bowling at Linden Lanes at 10 a.m. Mondays through May.

Teams consist of five members. Three games are played each week.

To sign up for the program or for more information, call Linden Lanes at 908-925-3550.

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

## Bridge on Thursdays

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department offers Cranford seniors a Bridge Club that meets Thursdays at the Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave. For more information, call 908-709-7283.

## PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD  
CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY

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## NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Sealed bids for Garbage Removal Service for Municipal Buildings & Grounds will be received by the Cranford Township Clerk at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time on June 8, 2004 in Room 108 of the Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey 07019-2199.

Bid Specifications and Bid Forms will be available in the Health Department of the Municipal Building between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 4:30 P.M. any business day. Bidders will be provided with a copy of the Bid Specifications and Bid Forms by request.

Proposals must be made on the Bid Forms in 2004 and designated in the contract documents, and all bids, shall be submitted in a sealed envelope clearly marked GARBAGE REMOVAL SERVICE FOR MUNICIPAL BUILDINGS & GROUNDS with Bidder's name, address and telephone number.

Bidders are required to comply with the Affirmative Action requirements of P.L. 1975, C. 127; the Statement of Corporate Disclosure requirements of P.L. 1977, C. 33.

The Township Committee reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to award the contract to the bidder who will best serve the interest of the Township.

Rosalie Hellenbrecht  
Township Clerk

U70347 CCE April 8, 2004 (\$17.63)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

The Clark Planning Board will hold a special public meeting to discuss the A&P on April 21, 2004 at 7:30 pm in Room 16 at 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey.

Lisa McCabe  
Clark Planning Board Secretary

U70345 CCE April 8, 2004 (\$3.38)

## LEGAL NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD  
PLANNING BOARD

The Planning Board, Township of Cranford, County of Union, New Jersey will hold a public meeting on Wednesday, April 21, 2004 at 7:30 p.m. in Room 107 of the Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey to hear the following case:

1. Application #P03-04, Sofia Perez, Applicant, 32 North Avenue West, Block 189, Lot 7, B-1 Zone, to

## PUBLIC NOTICE

permit conditional use retail services on the first floor in the B-1 Zone (136-32 B(1)).

All maps and papers relative to said application are on file in the office of the Municipal Clerk and are available for inspection in the Municipal Zoning Office.

Any interested party may appear at said hearing and participate therein in accordance with the rules of the Planning Board.

Edward M. Schmidt  
Secretary

U69648 CCE April 8, 2004 (\$10.88)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, the following action was adopted at the Public Meeting of the Clark Board of Adjustment, held on February 23, 2004, Cal # 6-R-04: The application of Patrick Grady and Melissa Grady was granted for variances from the provisions of the Zoning Ordinance, Chapter 34, Section 34-4, Section 8.3(b) (lot coverage) Section 8.3(c-3) (Minimum side yard) and Section 8.3(c-3(b)) (total both side yards) for the property located at 124 Dorset Drive, Clark, New Jersey.

The file papers for the above decision are available at the Clark Township Building Department, Clark Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, for public review during 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FINK ROSNER ERSHOW-LEVENBERG  
Stanley Fink  
Attorneys for Applicant

U69656 CCE April 8, 2004 (\$10.13)

## PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Clark Board of Adjustment will hold a Public Meeting on Monday, April 26, 2004 at 8:00 P.M., at the Municipal Court Room, 315 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, at which time the following application will be heard: CAL #12-04: Application of Frances Bracuto and Andrew Bracuto for construction of detached 2-car garage & convert attached garage into living space at the premises located at 128 Willow Way, Clark, N.J., in Lot: 11, Block: 17, in a R-150 District, Violation of Chapter 34, Section 8.3, Sub-section C.2-a and C3-a.

The file papers for the above application are available for inspection at the Clark Township Building Department, Clark Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, Monday through Friday, 9 AM to 4 PM.

Frances Bracuto  
Applicant

U70152 CCE April 8, 2004 (\$10.13)

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# SPORTS

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The Cranford 8th grade girls' P.A.L. basketball team did well to reach the title game of the Tri-County League playoffs and finish with an overall winning record of 15-12. Kneeling, from left, are Lindsey Deluca, Stephanie Couto, Kristen Scotti, Nicole Schomp and Jenny Drechsel. Standing, from left, are Alexa Fedorchak, coach Charlie Wischusen, Kelsey Fisher, Veronica Pryzgocki, Katie Goode, coach Bill Mitchell, Becky Quinn and Kristin Hardman.

## Cranford 8th graders have season filled with victories

The Cranford 8th grade girls' P.A.L. basketball team did quite well to reach the championship game of the Tri-County League playoffs and finish its 2003-2004 campaign with an overall winning record of 15-12.

The Cougars also participated in three tournaments and finished 12-4 in Tri-County League regular season competition.

To get to the championship game against Warren, Cranford defeated a Scotch Plains team it was defeated by twice during the season. Cranford won 35-31 for its final victory of the season.

Trailing by four points with less than four minutes to play, Jenny Drechsel and Kristen Scotti both hit three-pointers for Cranford. The Raiders responded by hitting a three-point and then a foul shot to take a two-point lead with two minutes to go.

Scotti then hit two foul shots to tie the game and Alexa Fedorchak hit two more to give Cranford a lead it would not relinquish.

Cranford's defense was superb as Stephanie Couto, Kelsey Fisher, Lindsey Deluca, Veronica Pryzgocki, Fedorchak, Drechsel and Scotti were relentless.

## Johnson boys' lacrosse is a senior-dominated squad

### Crusaders bounce back to best St. Joseph's

By Jeff Wolfrum  
Staff Writer

Plenty of seniors.

That's what Johnson High School boys' lacrosse coach Anthony Calandra has this season.

"We're a senior-dominated team," Calandra said. "I have nine all together, so that's the most I've had in a long time."

In his fifth year at the helm of the Crusaders, Calandra has his team off to a 1-1 start as of yesterday's scheduled game against visiting Fair Lawn.

Johnson opened its season last Saturday night with a setback at Ramapo by a 10-7 score.

However, the Crusaders bounced back Monday afternoon with a 12-1 triumph over host St. Joseph's of Metuchen.

Johnson was paced by senior attackman Bryan Klimchak, who netted five goals and added one assist. Sophomore attackman Kevin Swierc added two goals and two assists, while senior attackman Nick Manginelli netted a pair.

"Most of our seniors played as sophomores, so I expect them to pave the way," Calandra said. "We have experience, size and great athletic ability."

Last year, Johnson posted an 11-6 mark and was led by since-graduated Ray Megill, who now plays at the University of Maryland.

In the second round of the state playoffs, Johnson lost a 14-6 decision to Christian Brothers Academy in Lincroft.

"We're definitely going to be a different type of team than we have been in the past," Calandra said. "This season, we don't have that big Division 1 player on the team. That might work in our favor because we can have somebody new step up in each game instead of relying on that one player."

Calandra points to the win against St. Joseph's as a prime example of that point.

"We had five different guys score in that game," Calandra said. "It's nice to know that our opponent just can't focus on one player. They'll have to concentrate on defending the whole team."

Matt Poskay, a 2002 graduate and three-sport standout, is the other Division 1 player in college, starring at the University of Virginia, the defending national champions.

The rest of the Johnson roster includes seniors Jean Baptiste, Eric Turon, Ed Hamilton, Peter Russo, Gary Sisto, Scott Kozachek and goaltender Tom Sousa; juniors Chris Cammarta, Mike Siessel and Scott Diaz; sophomore Zack Naspinski and freshman Matt Glackin.

"We need to move the ball around better and get a bet-

ter handle on ground balls," Calandra said. "We're looking to improve after each game."

That goes a long way towards Calandra's coaching philosophy of working together as a team.

"I want the guys to work together and have confidence in one another," Calandra said.

"We want them to be the best that they can be, so we try to simulate game situations in practice by speeding the tempo up."

Johnson's goals include winning the Waterman Conference, the Union County Tournament and having a good showing in the state playoffs.

In the first-ever boys' lacrosse UCT last season, Johnson lost to eventual champion Summit 14-3 in the semifinals at Kean University.

Johnson is scheduled to host Morristown-Beard Saturday and then play at Westfield Tuesday.

The Crusaders are then scheduled to play at Hanover Park the next day.

"We have a decent schedule slated for the upcoming week," Calandra said. "Hopefully, it will get us ready for the state playoffs."

All in all, Calandra feels good about where his team stands at the moment.

"There's room for improvement, but I'm confident about how we played so far," Calandra said.

"We have good balance."

**NOTES:** After starting last season 3-3, Johnson won three in a row, besting Pingry 12-9 on the road, Millburn 13-2 at home and Kinnelon 12-11 in overtime at home.

Nolan became the state's all-time assist leader in the Millburn victory. He had three goals and five assists and that gave him 233 assists at that point, more than anyone else in state history.

In an 11-10 win at Bergen Catholic, Klimchak connected off a pass from Nolan for the winning goal.

In an 18-3 win against visiting Oratory Prep in the first round of the UCT, Swierc scored four times and Klimchak and Manginelli each netted three goals.

In the opening round of the state playoffs, Johnson defeated visiting New Providence 15-8. Klimchak netted five goals and dished out two assists.

Manginelli had a goal and three assists in last year's season-opening 14-7 setback to visiting Westfield.

Johnson bounced back to win at Montclair-Kimberley Academy by a 9-8 count, Manginelli scoring his fourth goal off a fast break from Hamilton with four minutes remaining. Klimchak had three goals in the victory.

In a 4-3 setback to visiting Chatham, Kozachek netted on goal and Sousa made 12 saves.

## Peanut Program for young soccer stars

The Cranford Soccer Club proudly presents its Peanut Program.

The Peanut Program is an introductory soccer program designed for children ages 3-5 who live in Cranford or the surrounding area.

Training services will be provided by Victory Soccer Academy, the same professionals who run Monday night recreation clinics and who will be training kindergartners beginning this season.

This is a six-week program that will begin April 23. It will be held Fridays from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at Sherman Field in Cranford.

## Girls' soccer tryouts to take place at Walnut Avenue Field

CWS United will be holding tryouts for its new premier 15/16-and-under girls' team. Tryouts are scheduled to take place May 5 and 12 at Walnut Avenue Field in Cranford from 5:30 p.m. to 8.

Girls born between Aug. 1, 1988 and July 31, 1999 are

eligible.

The team will be playing in fall 2004 College Showcase tournaments, have a full winter schedule, compete in the 2005 State Cup and participate in other tournaments and league play.

## Top track athletes impress at local relay competitions

### Cranford boys' have three first-place finishes

By Jeff Wolfrum  
Staff Writer

Local athletes excelled at two meets last Saturday, including the 30th annual Kearny Relays and the Greater Middlesex County Coaches Relay Invitational at South Plainfield's Jost Field.

The Kearny Relays, held in Morristown for the second straight year due to the sub-par conditions of the track at Kearny, was highlighted by the performance of Governor Livingston senior Mike Carmody.

The Dartmouth-bound Carmody, who won the 800-meter title at the Nike Indoor Championships last month, crossed the finish line in a 1:56.5 split to help lead the Highlanders to victory with a final time of 3:36.80.

Carmody, who earlier split 1:59.3 on the third-place 3,200-meter relay team, was honored for his efforts by garnering the Boys' Division 1 MVP award.

GL finished second in the Division 1 team standings with 53 points. St. Benedict's Prep of Newark took top honors with 84 points.

The Highlanders also had fine outings in the pole vault and long jump as they took first place in both events.

The duo of Anthony Abitante and Matt Sharkey posted a 21-6 in the pole vault, while the pair of Travis Deleon and Pedro Neto posted a score of 35-11.50 in the long jump.

Cranford, which finished fourth in the team standings with 38 points, took three first-place finishes at the meet.

The 3,200-meter relay team of Ryan McMahon, Brian Brown, Kevin Brown and Nate Thompson won the event in 8:27.9, while the distance medley team of McMahon, Paul Buonargo, Brian Brown and Joe McKenney took the title in 11:04.9. The high jump duo of Tom Planer and David Styler hit a top mark of 11-0. GL was fourth in the event with a mark of 10-3.

The Highlanders also took fourth in the 1,600-meter relay with a time of 3:36.7, while Cranford was right behind in fifth with a mark of 3:45.7.

Oratory Prep of Summit, which tied for seventh place with Dover with 28 points, took second in the intermediate hurdles with a time of 3:23.1. GL was fifth with a 3:33.0.

The Rams also had fifth-place showings in the discus with a 191-11 and the distance medley relay in 12:15.2.

St. Patrick's of Elizabeth, which finished tied for 14th place with Mendham with two points apiece, finished fifth in the 400-meter relay with a time of 47.8. GL was fourth in the event in 46.9.

In the Boys' Division 2 events, Elizabeth tied for 12th place with East Orange with 12 points each.

The Minutemen won the long jump event as the duo of Keith Taylor and Joseph Gonzalez combined to post a mark of 40-0.

Elizabeth took second in the high jump with an 11-3 and also placed fourth in the 800-meter relay with a time of 1:34.5.

Linden, which finished in 15th place with nine points, took second in the discus with a 90-10.75 score.

The Tigers also had a fine showing in the 400-meter relay as they placed sixth in 46.9.

In the Girls' Division 2, Elizabeth finished seventh with 25 points.

The Minutemen duo of Michelle Cintron and Yewande Salako captured first-place honors in the discus with a combined throw of 188-7, while the shot put team finished fourth with a 63-3.

## Clark's Giampino is key player for Montclair State women's lacrosse

### Junior midfielder among statistical leaders

The Montclair State University women's lacrosse team is sparked by the play of junior midfielder Angela Giampino of Clark.

The Johnson High School graduate, who sports No. 1, appeared in 14 games last year and missed one due to injury during MSU's 7-8 season.

Giampino, who stands 5-1, finished second on the team in ground balls with 25 and draw controls with 22. She had a goal, two ground balls and a caused turnover in the season-opener vs. Western New England at Disney Wide World of Sports last March.

Giampino scored two goals and had four ground balls against Wilkes University in a 16-6 victory. She had a goal and three ground balls in an 18-11 setback to Manhattanville.

"Angela has tremendous speed and desire," MSU head coach Beth Gottung said. "We often call upon her to mark

The Elizabeth long jump team finished seventh with a 26-6.50.

Elizabeth also had fine performances in the 400-meter relay and 800-meter relay. The Minutemen finished fourth in the 400 with a time of 52.8, while the 800-meter relay squad posted a 1:51.7 to capture fifth place.

The shuttle hurdles event was won by the GL team of Teresa Cavallaro, Laura Ronner, Veena Venkatchalam and Chrissy McCurdy in 1:09.9. Cranford was sixth in the event in 1:17.5, while Linden was eighth in 1:19.0.

GL finished 19th in the team standings with 10.6 points, while Cranford tied Newark Science for 27th place with three points. Linden finished in 32nd place with one point.

In the GMC Coaches Invitational Relays, Rahway was outstanding in the Boys' and Girls' Division 1 events.

The Rahway boys' team was sparked by senior Lamar Johnson, who achieved personal-bests in three events.

Johnson had a split of 10.7 as the Indians took the 400-meter relay in 44.0. He then turned in a 21.3 in anchoring the 800-meter relay team, which was clocked in 1:33.5, and had a 21.7 in the sprint medley relay as Rahway clocked in at 3:55.8, second to Matawan in 3:48.3.

The foursome of Johnny Jackson, Darrell Harris, Adquill Lee and Johnson, the brother of Seton Hall University sprinter Danny Johnson, teamed in all three races.

Rahway also captured top honors in the long jump as the pair of Ogi Igbinosun and Don Moleinis posted a 37-6.25. Johnson was third in the event with a 33-2.50.

The Johnson Crusaders finished second in the 3,200-meter relay in 8:55.4 and sixth in the javelin with a 210-4.

Rahway, which placed third in the javelin with a 252-11, also did well in the discus as it took second with a 216-9.

Roselle also had a great showing at the meet as it captured first in three events.

The high jump squad posted an 11-6, while the 1,600-meter relay team of Nazzeek Hurling, Ronny Threadgill, Richard Whitfield and Paul Ticombe clocked in at 3:41.0.

The Rams' squad of Whitfield, Randolph Dorcent, Anthony Bracey and Jean Gentil also took top honors in the shuttle hurdles in 1:05.6. Rahway was second in the event in 1:09.0.

Roselle also finished fourth in the intermediate hurdles with a time of 3:08.2.

In the Girls' Division 1 meet, Rahway took three events.

Rahway's LaShonda Carter, Krystle White, Jasmine Rose and Samira Winston won the 400-meter relay in 53.0 as White posted a 12.1 leg.

In the shuttle hurdles, Sayuri Jinadasa, Rose and Latissa Fortes clocked a 1:17.3, while the 1,600-meter relay team of Carter, White, Jinadasa and Winston won in 4:29.5.

Johnson was also impressive as it captured four events.

The Crusaders won the high jump with a 9-2, the shot put with a 62-0, the discus at 162-3 and the javelin with a 150-7.

Summit finished third in the high jump with an 8-8, while Rahway was fifth with an 8-6. In the long jump, Summit was second with a 26-8, while Rahway was third with a 25-3.

The Hilltoppers also finished second in the javelin with a 144-7 and third in the discus with a 148-0.

Summit took top honors in the 3,200-meter relay as the squad of Latoya Simpson, Clare Needham, Alisa Stern and Caroline Mannaerts clocked in at 10:19.9. The group also posted a 13:14.2 in the distance medley relay for first place.

the opposing team's top offensive threats."

Giampino collected a goal, two assists, three ground balls and two caused turnovers in a 14-7 triumph over Methodist College.

MSU opened its season March 6 at home against Alvernia.

The Red Hawks are scheduled to play at Stevens Tech Wednesday night at 7.

## Johnson and Cranford spring schedules needed

Johnson and Cranford high school spring sports schedules are needed.

Schedules should be faxed to JR Parachini at this number: 973-763-2557.

Names of varsity coaches would also be a great help.

## Football clinic set for May 17 has a number of elite college coaches

The 2004 LaBarca/Rotella Memorial Football Clinic on May 17 at Mayfair Farms in West Orange, sponsored by the National Football Foundation Hall of Fame, will feature Penn State head coach Joe Paterno.

Wisconsin head coach Barry Alvarez, another longtime supporter of New Jersey high school football, will join coach Paterno.

Louisville head coach Bob Petrino joins the staff, along with Greg Crowsaw, head coach of junior college powerhouse Dixie State of Utah.

Rutgers head coach Greg Schiano will also participate in the clinic, which begins with registration at 3:30 p.m.

To be honored at the awards dinner of the clinic starting at 6:30 will be Rettino Humanitarian Award winner Fran

Ganter, longtime Penn State recruiter and coach. The Community Service Award honoree is William Campbell of Bayonne, while Honorary Coaches Awards will be given to John Bauer Sr., posthumously, of Randolph High School, Jerry Tardive of Dover and Ed Caporale of Mahwah. A Special Coaches Award will be given to Alan ChooChoo Fields of Newark East Side.

This year's Lloyd Glickson Award will be presented to Brian DeNovellis, Kurt Siegelin and George Falkowski for their outstanding coverage of high school football with their Channel 12 show, Friday Night Football.

More information about the event may be obtained by calling Walkkill Valley athletic director Ron Anello at this number: 973-827-4100, ext. 234.

## Cranford softball wins opener

The Cranford High School softball team captured its season-opener Monday, downing Westfield 7-0 in Watchung Conference-National Division play in Westfield.

During a 21-4 season last year, the Cougars opened with a 6-0 home win over Westfield and then beat the Blue Devils 4-3 in Westfield.

Elena Morge tossed a two-hitter in her varsity debut, striking out seven and walking five. Taking over the pitching reigns from since-graduated Christine Pemoulie, Morge also went 3-for-5 at the plate and drove in two of Cranford's seven runs.

Freshman Lisa Levonas singled twice and drove in two runs for the Cougars, who last year reached the Union County Tournament and North 2, Group 3 championship games.

Cranford was 8-0 last year before falling to Roselle Park 2-0 in a non-conference game in Roselle Park. The Panthers then edged the defending champion Cougars 1-0 in 11 innings in the UCT final at Linden.

**Van Horn hits:** Cranford's baseball team was defeated at home by Westfield 8-2 on Monday.

Sophomore Greg Van Horn batted out three singles.



EDUCATION

3rd-graders pledge to stay away from illegal drugs

The third grade students of Hillside Avenue School have signed a contract promising to live a healthy life and stay away from drugs.

The students are participating in the Partnership for a Drug-Free New Jersey "Third Grade Contract for a Healthy Life" initiative, sponsored by Panera Bread.

This program was developed by the partnership in 1998 to educate the state's youth about the dangers of drugs and alcohol. Since that time, over 115,000 third-grade students throughout New Jersey have participated.

Students who sign the Contract for a Healthy Life, "promise to stay alcohol, tobacco and drug-free." They also agree to ask the adults in their lives to help them stay healthy and teach them how to say no to drugs.

For more information, call the partnership at 800-675-1127, or visit [www.drugfreeenj.org](http://www.drugfreeenj.org).

Students unlock the past by learning school history

Hillside Avenue School's eighth grade class is celebrating the school's 40th anniversary with an academic unit on the 1963-64 school year.

The interdisciplinary unit will focus on life before, during and after the opening year of the school with

emphasis on how Cranford was affected.

In language arts, students will study the song lyrics of The Beatles, early folk singers, the "beatnik" era, the poetry of Robert Frost and various Broadway shows. English teachers will study timeless books such as "The Outsiders" and "Animal Farm," with connections from the early 1960s and today.

In mathematics, students will compare the need for mathematics skills from 1964 to today. In science, methods of teaching and the role of scientists will be compared. Social Studies will study the effects of the Cold War, Civil Rights and the Kennedy assassination on the world.

The unit will conclude on May 27, with a student-built museum of the era, the dedication of a Hall of Fame and a school assembly that will include alumni and student participation.

Eighth-grade teachers are looking for 1963-64 alumni help and/or memorabilia to help with this unit.

For more information, call Paul Maloney at Hillside Avenue School, at 908-272-9100, ext. 4169, or send e-mail to [maloney@cranfordschools.org](mailto:maloney@cranfordschools.org).

LAX players seek help funding team's startup

The Cranford High School Girls

lacrosse team is trying to raise the \$12,000 it needs to start its spring season. So far, girls have had to pay \$510 each to cover start-up costs. There is no funding for the sport from the Board of Education.

The team also will hold a fashion show on April 23 at clothing store Jude, 11 N. Union Ave.

The girls also will babysit for \$8 an hour to help earn their share of the \$15,000. The girls are in ninth to 12th grade. All money received will go directly to that girls lacrosse account.

If anyone is interested in helping the Cranford High School Girls Lacrosse Association and needs a babysitter, call 908-272-0755.

To donate to the lacrosse team, call Julie Fitzgerald at 272-1180.

Knights of Columbus offers scholarship

Cranford Knights of Columbus Council 6226 is accepting scholarship applications until April 30.

The scholarship is available to graduating seniors who have been accepted to at least one college and who have a grand-point average of at least 2.5.

Students also must be the son or grandson of either a current member in good standing or of a deceased member of Council 6226 who was a member in good standing when they died.

Detailed requirements and application forms for the Cranford Knights of Columbus Scholarship are available online at <http://home.infi.net/~sms/kc6226.htm>.

Applications and additional information also are available by calling scholarship committee Chairman Joe Stolte at 908-931-0648.

High school compiling list of guest speakers

The Cranford High School Social Studies Department is asking Cranford residents and business leaders to

join be classroom speakers.

This program will formalize a comprehensive directory of speakers who can provide their experience and expertise on historical events and main fields of study. Speakers will assist high school teachers and enrich the classroom education through their participation in the program.

To join the speakers' directory, contact Pete Clark at 908-709-5606.

Chamber of Commerce extends scholarships

The Cranford Chamber of Com-

merce for 2004 is offering five \$500 scholarships to Cranford High School seniors, consisting of four students attending a four-year college or university and one for a vocational/technical school.

Applications will be available at the high school academic affairs office. Applications and supporting documentation must be in the chamber office by May 16 to be eligible.

Scholarships are made available from the proceeds received from various chamber events throughout the year. For more information, call 908-272-6114.

OBITUARIES

Anita M. Young

Anita M. Young, 83, of Cranford died March 19 in St. Michael's Medical Center, Newark.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Young moved to Cranford in 1951.

She had been a receptionist for Barker Engineering, Kenilworth, many years ago.

Surviving are her husband of 62 years, George J.; two sons, George Jr. and Thomas, and two grandchildren.

Walter W. Boor

Walter W. Boor, 47, of Landing, formerly of Cranford, died March 29 in St. Clare's Hospital, Dover.

Born in Poland, Mr. Boor also lived in Cranford and Stillwater.

He was a maintenance mechanic and supervisor at Haydon Corp., Paterson.

Surviving are a daughter, Katherine; two sons, David and Bradley; his mother, Irene Boor; a sister, Brenda Boor, and his companion, JoAnn Straley.

Walter Radzikowski

Walter Radzikowski, 88, of Cranford died April 3 in Union Hospital.

Born in Newark, Mr. Radzikowski lived in Irvington before moving to Cranford 50 years ago.

He owned Irvington Center Liquor Store for many years before retiring.

Surviving are two daughters, Janice Vinella and Eileen Durand; two

sisters, Helen Resiniti and Virginia Trout; six grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Dorothy Caldwell

Dorothy E. Caldwell, 88, of Clark, formerly of Cranford, died April 5 in JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Caldwell lived in Cranford for 17 years before moving to Clark 20 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, William R.; five sons, Dr. James Caldwell, Peter, John, Paul and Charles; four sisters, Margaret Zwigard, Rose Lowe, Helen McCann and Eileen Stahl; three brothers, Albert, Robert and Edwin Zwigard, and seven grandchildren.

Scott Schaffer, DMD

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Dr. Schaffer and his team believe that health, like success, is a continuous journey. So begin that journey today. Make an appointment with Dr. Scott Schaffer, and put him on your family's healthcare team.

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In today's advanced field of medical technology, there are many diagnostic procedures that physicians and medical specialists routinely rely upon to attain a precise diagnosis. Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), truly state-of-the-art technology, has proven to be one of the most dependable diagnostic assets for today's physician.

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The doctors and staff at Cranford Diagnostic Imaging Center have the skill, experience and expertise required and are highly respected throughout the medical community. Their state-of-the-art equipment assures the highest quality diagnostic services. Cranford Diagnostic Imaging Center invites your inquiries. They are available to serve the community with the most advanced radiological services and convenient hours including nights and Saturday.

BUSINESS REVIEW

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Egan Financial Group Eric Kiamie, CLTC, LUTCF

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Tarantella's Ristorante "The Finest In Italian Cuisine"

If you haven't dined out lately, or if you've been looking for a place with a unique atmosphere to take someone special, then you owe it to yourself to visit Tarantella's Ristorante, located in Clark at 1199 Raritan Road, phone (732) 396-3700. This dining establishment prides itself on offering taste-tempting Italian cuisine, personalized service and a wide variety of beverages served at the peak of perfection.

From the moment you enter Tarantella's Ristorante and receive their friendly welcome, you will find yourself escaping into an afternoon or evening of delight. Choose from a menu that offers a variety including even the most particular of combinations. From the appetizers to the seafood, chicken, veal, beef and pasta combinations, you will find that every item is prepared in a diverse and unique way. End your meal with a scrumptious dessert, and see for yourself that their service will charm you from start to finish.

Think of Tarantella's Ristorante for an evening of sheer gourmet delight. Enjoying good friends and fine food in a pleasant, relaxed atmosphere is something people definitely enjoy, and you are offered all of this at Tarantella's Ristorante.

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Make those old shoes look like new. Take them to Jerry's Shoe Repair, located in Cranford at 17 Alden Street, phone (908) 276-4788. They feature all kinds of shoe repairing, orthopedic work, dyeing, cleaning, leather and zipper repair and more. You'll find that they have the best in equipment and are experienced workmen.

Take care of your old shoes by having them half-soled and the heel caps replaced often enough to keep them in good repair. When your shoes lose that "new look," have them dyed to a color that will go well with the latest color fashions. If a heel breaks on your favorite pair of shoes, don't throw them away. Jerry's Shoe Repair can repair that broken heel and save you the cost of purchasing a new pair of shoes.

Don't ruin your feet with shoes that don't have proper support in the arches. Let them correct this for you. You will be more than satisfied with their work and their reasonable prices. They give you the best in workmanship and fast service. Replacing worn or damaged shoes can be costly. Visit Jerry's Shoe Repair soon and patronize the shop so many people have come to know and trust.

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So the next time you're in the mood for fresh fruit or vegetables or need gardening supplies, visit Schieferstein's Farm. They are happy to serve you.

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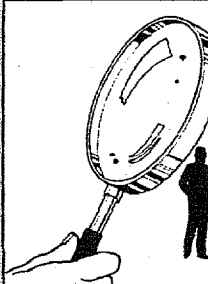
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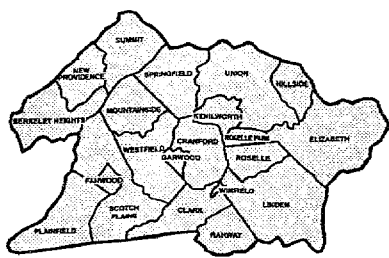


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## What we get

The word among some education advocates is they really fear a budget backlash this year. The usually low interest, low turnout, and watch the school budget pass routine may not be the case this April 20.

The turnaround has less to do with educating our kids and more to do with frustration with an institutional funding process some see as out of control.

## Left Out

By Frank Capece

The basics haven't changed. School funding can reach 60 percent of the entire property tax load. It's still the only budget voters can vote straight up or down.

Even the usual spin doctoring of the local superintendents has started. The Roselle Park superintendent lifts the figure that his borough has the third-lowest increase in the county. Cranford school Business Administrator Bob Carfagno says the 4-plus percent increase is as "tight as it has been" and all he is doing is "maintaining all current programs."

Advocates of the school system say our spending per capita is just where it should be. After all, they reason, we make more than they do in Mississippi or Vermont, so we should spend more. Our kids score higher on tests than their counterparts in the rest of the country as well.

The system has brought us an array of mandates on salaries, even mandatory membership in the state school boards association. These mandates are safely beyond the control of the voter. Even a no vote on a budget launches an appeal journey through the municipal government, to the county superintendent, the state Office of Administrative Law and ultimately, the Department of Education.

Still, villains can be hard to find. The state Supreme Court determined the thorough and efficient education and the creation of the 30 special needs districts, including Plainfield and Elizabeth, as necessary. This redistribution of wealth is justified as an investment in our future and breaking the chains of poverty and despair. Reports of waste in so-called Abbott districts are actually on the decline, and test scores are up, the advocates say.

The powerful New Jersey Education Association reasons that you should want the best and motivated that decent salaries bring. The most direct way to achieve the goal of quality is through the teachers.

Okay, faced with the state mandates, and a very expensive system, do people actually run for the school board to improve things?

Alexis Zack of Linden is a finance type who can read and understand a budget as well as I can a box score. She is running in Linden for some interesting reasons. She wants her child to have the best possible. She talks about emphasis on "efficient" as well as "thorough" in terms of education. She praises the lower school education in her city but worries about SAT scores. She questions the preparedness for the No Children Left Behind federal initiatives which she calls "short on funds and long on mandates." She sees her financial background as a "new perspective" for the board.

E. Scott Ruerop calls himself an "underdog" in the Kenilworth school race. He is concerned with the delivery of special education in his town. He believes his technology skills will add something to his board. After 10 years in the community serving on numerous boards, he is another example of wanting to serve despite the difficulties. He adds that with him, "what you see is what you get." What we see as opposed to what we get in our education system is just what the problem is all about.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

## Police HQ facility gets more dollars

By Joshua Zaitz  
Staff Writer

Additional work on the new Union County Police Headquarters will increase the construction cost by more than \$465,000, bringing the total cost for the facility to just over \$11.6 million, although the project is still less than the \$12 million originally budgeted for it.

"Ninety percent of the redesign is change orders," Union County Department of Operations and Facilities Director Richmond Lapolla said. "There were no design flaws with the facility."

Freeholders are expected to approve the additional \$465,753 in construction costs at their regular meeting tonight at 7 p.m.

"I said there was going to be cost overruns," said Wally Shackell, a former Republican freeholder candidate. "I said that the project wasn't needed. Our party agreed with me 100 percent that this is a waste of taxpayers' dollars."

The three-story building on North Avenue East in Westfield will be the new home of the Union County Police Department, the Union County Division of Emergency Management and the prosecutor's forensics laboratory. The 51,209-square-foot facility will include on-site parking for 169 cars and 22 emergency vehicles.

The current county police facility is approximately 16,260 square feet.

The police headquarters project calls for the demolition of the existing police building, as well as overall site improvements such as new lighting, landscaping, decorative fencing and paving.

"I've been around since the con-

ception of this whole idea and I've opposed it from the beginning," said Shackell. "The facility is just too big for the property."

Shackell said he would have rather seen the county refurbish the existing police headquarters.

"To refurbish that building and do some improvements would have been a heck of a lot cheaper than to build a whole new facility," he said.

The biggest additional cost to the facility is the \$130,000 that will be used to upgrade the prosecutor's evidence storage room. The upgrades will enable the storage room to meet Drug Enforcement Administration standards.

"It's specially designed and there's additional requirements in terms of security and lighting and venting," said Union County Executive Assistant Prosecutor Robert O'Leary.

The specially designed vault complies with the federal government's Occupational Safety and Health Administration requirements for temporary storage for items being tested, including narcotics, which is tested for proof of substance and purity, and items for the DNA lab.

Currently, prosecutors work out of a county laboratory in an undisclosed location in central Union County, where they test narcotics and blood for the county, county police and sheriff's department. The laboratory was constructed in 1972.

The new facility will more than double the current lab space and enable the Prosecutor's Office to implement DNA-testing procedures.

Lapolla said the DEA standards will allow the Prosecutor's Office to hold some of the state's evidence and

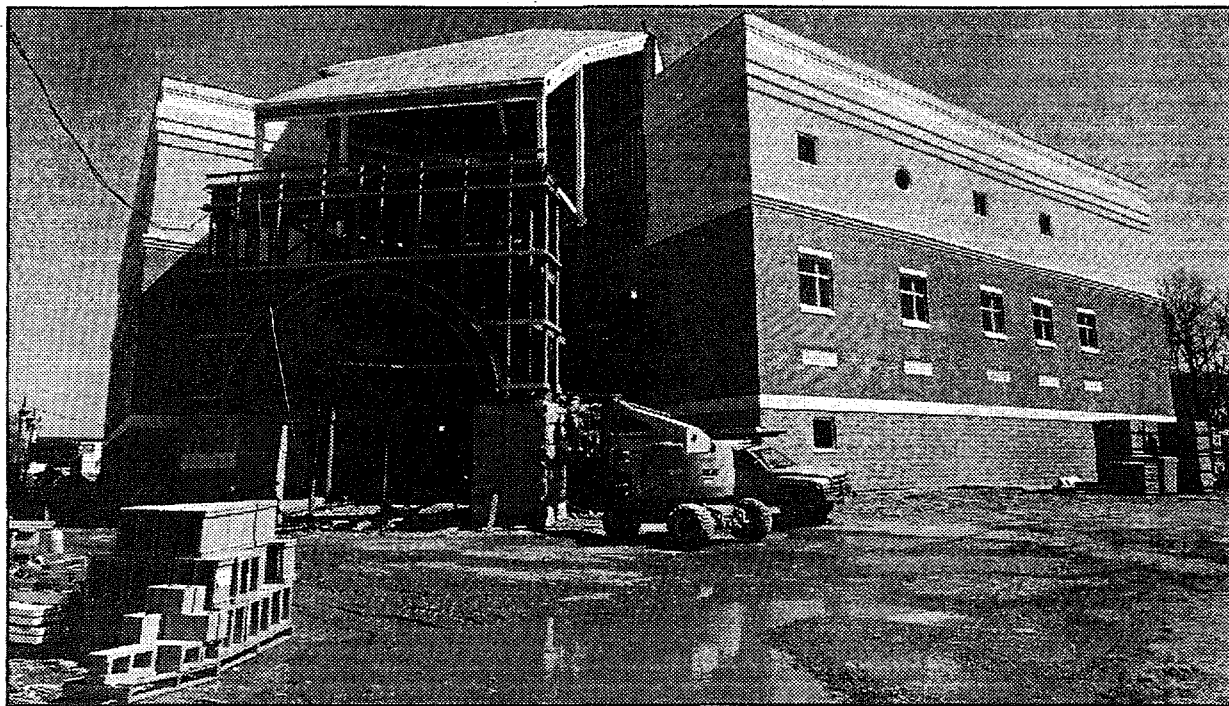


Photo By Joseph A. Sorrentino

Freeholders are expected to approve an additional half-million dollars for the new county police headquarters in Westfield. Though the cost of the project now reaches \$11.6 million, officials said it is still less than the original \$12-million budget.

"eventually generate some revenue."

"It could allow storage from other agencies," said O'Leary, although not until a much later date.

The new police headquarters will include a 5,000-square-foot communications center, for public safety, emergency and county use, and child inspection bays, and will be linked via computer to the main county building operations center at the Union County Courthouse.

In case of a fire, the county will install a \$68,456 fire suppression system in the police headquarters' two computer rooms. The rooms will be equipped with air-tight doors. If a fire breaks out the FM 200 fire suppression system will remove the oxygen from the room, extinguishing the fire.

Originally, the county had plans to install a sprinkler system to combat a potential fire. However, the county has

scrapped plans for the sprinklers because of the damage it would have caused to the computers.

Lapolla pointed out that people will not regularly occupy the computer rooms. If a fire does occur, people will have a window of three to four minutes to exit the computer rooms before the suppression system removes the oxygen.

Approximately \$58,000 will be added to the cost of construction for electrical modifications throughout the police headquarters, including an improved generator.

The first floor of the new building will be used for prisoner holding and processing. The state's Department of Corrections made several suggestions to the county to improve the facility's holding quarters for prisoners. More than \$18,000 will be used to install medal reinforced walls, floors and

ceilings in the holding quarters.

Part of the additional construction will be subsidized by a \$100,000 grant received through the county's Office of Emergency Management.

County police will share some of the second floor of the new headquarters with the OEM, which is currently situated in an adjacent building with the county clerk's satellite office and county superintendent, among others.

County officials said that with a project of the headquarters' magnitude, they cannot predict for certain whether or not any additional money will be needed to complete the facility. However, officials said they are hopeful that no additional money will be needed.

Law enforcement personnel will probably start occupying the new facility in September, Lapolla said.

## Grant to help study traffic, land use along Route 28

By Joshua Zaitz  
Staff Writer

To help study the land use and transportation issues linked to Route 28 and the Raritan Valley rail line, Union County has received a \$150,000 Smart Future Grant from the state Department of Community Affairs.

The money will also be used to help determine the needs of the seven municipalities along those transportation corridors: Plainfield, Westfield, Garwood, Roselle Park, Fanwood, Cranford and Union.

"The main thing would be curbing and paving along Route 28," said Plainfield Mayor Al McWilliams.

McWilliams said the two train stations Plainfield has along the Raritan Valley Rail Line both have been recently remodeled.

"They're in pretty good shape," he said.

In the past, McWilliams said, the rail lines have had a problem with an excess of litter.

"It's more of pedestrian crossing issues," Fanwood Councilman Jack Molenaar said of Route 28. "It's where the pedestrian crossings are that interact with the cars and trucks."

As for the rail line, Molenaar said Fanwood would like to see another tunnel constructed underneath the Hudson River so the Raritan Valley Rail Line can offer direct service to New York City.

"That's the issue on the Raritan Valley Line for everybody," he said.

Roselle Park Mayor Joseph Delorio agrees. He said many of his residents would welcome a direct line into New York City.



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

A pedestrian waits as traffic passes along Westfield Avenue in Roselle Park. State grants will fund a county study of traffic along the corridor as well as examine needs of local towns along the roadway.

However, Delorio said Roselle Park is not in favor of a third railway along the Raritan Valley Rail Line; something, he said, the federal government has been considering.

With the reactivation of the Rahway Valley rail line in the near future and a possible third railway along the Raritan Valley Rail Line, Delorio said, "Roselle Park will be inundated with

freight trains running through our community."

About 10 years ago, Delorio said, the state was considering widening Route 28, adding an additional lane.

"We opposed that because many of the businesses and apartments are so close to the sidewalk you would literally be walking out of your front door and stepping on a major thorough-

fair," he said, adding that he hopes that the county and the state do not have plans to widen the route.

"A lot of my concerns are quality of life and economic development along Route 28," said Delorio.

"When looking at transportation issues alone, you cannot ignore the environmental impact, the impact to quality of life, safety, as well as the

development of business."

The study, which will take between 12 and 18 months to complete, will begin in mid-May. No monies other than the grant dollars will be used.

"Traffic is a serious issue throughout the state, and with grants like this, we are working to create plans that solve the problem," said Department of Community Affairs Commissioner Susan Bass Levin, in a prepared statement.

DCA awards Smart Future Grants as part of Gov. James McGreevey's Smart Growth Initiative. The grants are funded through DCA's Office of Smart Growth, providing county and municipal planners access to state experts from DCA, the Department of Environmental Protection and the Department of Transportation, as well as funds to work with outside consultants with specialized expertise.

Once the study is completed, recommendations on how to improve vehicle and pedestrian traffic along Route 28 and focus on the needs of communities along the Raritan Valley rail line will be made.

Three of the seven towns bordering the transportation corridors also received their own Smart Future Planning Grants for additional projects.

Union received \$80,000 to create a plan focused on mass transit development.

"We're investigating areas of our town that may be redeveloped," said Union Township Administrator Frank Bradley.

Fanwood received \$50,000 to help fund a study that will seek public input in creating a redevelopment plan for the borough's downtown district.

## Legislators vary on proposed ethics reform package

By Joshua Zaitz  
Staff Writer

State legislators are discussing a 25-point ethics reform that among its goals would make New Jersey the first state to ban no-bid contracts, do away with dual office holding and ban the practice of pay-to-play.

Assembly Speaker Albio Sires, D-Hudson, and Assembly Majority Leader Joseph Roberts Jr., D-Camden, unveiled the outlines of the ethics reform package on March 16.

The package, entitled "Restoring the Public's Trust," proposes studying several topics including pay-to-play reform, ending no-bid contracts, regulating political phone calls, mandating training for campaign treasurers, restricting mass mailings from partisan offices, and expanding the proposed ban on nepotism.

"I'm happy with a lot of it," said Assemblyman Joseph Cryan, D-Union. "There are ideas in

there that make a lot of sense to me."

State Sen. Nicholas Scutari, D-Union, said he hopes the ethics reform will shift the way politics are done in New Jersey. "It will hopefully be a way to balance things."

State Sen. Thomas Kean, R-Union, said the problem with the initiatives is that they're "25 bullet points."

"There's no bill attached to any one of these bullet points at this juncture," he said. "There are provisions that are appropriate but if they're talking about incorporating them into 25 separate bills then I would say there are bills that have not only been introduced before but many times are my bills."

Among the ethics bills that Kean has proposed is S-119, which will eliminate the practice of pay-to-play, the idea of rewarding campaign contributors with state contracts.

Kean's proposal limits contributions by cer-

tain public contractors and limits contributions by county and municipal political party committees.

Any business that receives more than \$17,500 in public contracts would be prohibited from making contributions to a candidate or political committee during the contract period.

The Democratic initiative is very similar, though it only proposes studying the practice. Any business entering into a contract worth more than \$17,500 with the state would be prohibited from contributing to those who would vote to institute a proposed contract with that business.

"It's the exact same thing I tried to push through two years ago," said Kean.

Of the 50 states, only three — Ohio, West Virginia and South Carolina — have placed impediments on pay-to-play campaign contributions.

The Musial Group, a Mountainside-based architectural firm, regularly receives no-bid con-

tracts from the county and the firm's president, Noel Musial, is a frequent contributor to Union County Democrats.

"You're selected based on your qualifications and frankly I think our firm's qualifications are exemplary," he said.

Musial said pay-to-play reform would not affect the number of contracts his firm receives, even if the ban was instituted on the county level.

"The type of service that we provide our clients is very noticeable and appropriate," he said. "We like to give very personal service unlike a lot of firms."

Musial said he is in favor of the pay-to-play reform.

"I think it's about time somebody did this, not only the local and state level but on the national level as well," he said.

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# COUNTY NEWS

## Free trees for schools

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has a gift for schools this spring: free flowering trees. While supplies last, each Union County school that desires one will receive a 5- to 6-foot tall Redbud tree. Schools can use this purple flowering tree to beautify their grounds, add shade to their properties, and to celebrate Arbor Day.

Along with the free tree, representatives will receive training in tree care and planting. Using games such as "Tree Jeopardy" and the 4-H Tree Tenders board game, the training sessions will teach where to plant the tree so it is an asset and not a hazard; how to prepare the ground for planting; mulching; watering, and how to protect the tree from vandalism.

The one-day training session is open to students and adults and will be from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at Williams Nursery in Westfield. Fourth- and fifth-grade students will receive training on April 27. Sixth- through eighth-graders will be trained on April 28, and high school students will be trained on April 29. Redbud trees will be distributed after each training session, along with a protective cage for the tree.

See your school principal if you or your child is interested in representing your school at the training session. You may also contact Rutgers Cooperative Extension 4-H Agent and Chairman of the Union County Shade Tree Advisory Board, James Nischadowicz, at 908-654-9854, or via e-mail, nischadowicz@aesop.rutgers.edu, for more information.

The 4-H Youth Development Program is part of Rutgers Cooperative Extension. 4-H educational programs are offered to all youth, grades K-13, on an age appropriate basis, without regard to race, religion, color, national origin, gender, sexual orientation, or disability.

## Tree planting April 24

Area residents, businesses, scout troops, school and community groups are invited to plant native trees, 1 to 2 feet tall, in Lenape Park on April 24. The saplings have been donated by the New Jersey Tree Foundation.

The tree planting will begin at the Broad Street and Springfield Avenue entrance to Lenape Park in Westfield. The event will be held rain or shine from 9:30 a.m. until 2:30 p.m.

Participants should dress to get dirty and wet and bring gloves and

shovels if they have them. Trash bags, some tools and gloves will be provided. Children, ages 14 and younger, must be accompanied by an adult.

The day of planting trees is sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the Union County Department of Parks and Recreation, the state Department of Environmental Protection, the Americorps Watershed Program, the New Jersey Tree Foundation, the Friends of Lenape Park, and the Watchung Nature Club.

Volunteers should call 908-527-4032 to register.

## 'Freeholders Forum'

Key improvements to roads and bridges throughout Union County's are discussed in the latest "Freeholders Forum" television show sponsored by the Board of Chosen Freeholders. The program features Angel Estrada, chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and Freeholder Daniel Sullivan, who also serves as first vice chairperson of the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority.

Among the projects Estrada and Sullivan discussed were:  
• A \$20.5 million state-funded proj-

ect to build a new, wider bridge and make other significant improvements on Routes 1&9 in Rahway;

• A new bridge on Eastman Street in Cranford over the Rahway River;

• A study on how to alleviate congestion and provide safer routes at the Garden State Parkway's Exit 135 in Clark;

• A \$333,000 federal grant from the NJTPA to examine the fate of the Gordon Street Bridge between Roselle and Roselle Park.

"We've been aggressive in pushing the state government to get the grants and the dollars we need for these important projects," said Sullivan, who represents Union County on the NJTPA board and is seeking re-election this fall.

The NJTPA is the federally authorized Metropolitan Planning Organization for the 13-county northern New Jersey region. Proper planning and building strong relationships with officials at all levels of government have allowed Union County to strongly benefit from state and federal funding for important projects, the Freeholders said.

In each 30-minute program, Freeholders and guests discuss events and issues affecting the people of Union

County. Freeholders Forum is produced by the Board of Chosen Freeholders and is made possible through the facilities and technical direction of Union County College.

Entitled "Moving Union County Forward," the show will be aired through Monday according to the following schedule:

• Union County, except Elizabeth and Plainfield, Channel 26 Mondays, 6:30 p.m.

• Elizabeth, Channel 70 Thursdays, 6 p.m.

• Hillside, Channel 35, call 973-926-1054 for more information.

• Linden, Roselle, Roselle Park, Winfield, Channel 36, daily, 10 p.m.

• Plainfield, Channel 74, Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.

• Rahway, Channel 34, daily, 6:30 p.m.

• Scotch Plains, Channel 34, call 908-232-2400, ext. 243 for more information.

• Westfield, Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Mountainside, Channel 36, Fridays, 2 and 7 p.m.

Anyone wanting more information or to comment about "Freeholders Forum" can call the Office of Public Information at 908-436-2072 or e-mail forum@ucnj.org.

## Chairman to appear on Comcast 'Newsmakers'

Angel Estrada, chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, will appear on segments of Comcast "Newsmakers" throughout April. Estrada recorded two segments for the program, "Investing in the Arts" and "Greening Union County."

"Investing in the Arts" focuses on the County's proposal to purchase the Union County Arts Center and make long-needed renovations to turn it into a year-round facility.

"Greening Union County" is a new freeholder board initiative that could see 4,000 new trees planted throughout the county. It provides matching grants to the county's 21 municipalities for purchasing and maintaining new trees.

Comcast "Newsmakers" is a five-minute interview program that airs twice an hour on CNN Headline News and features community leaders and municipal, state and regional politicians who want to present their ideas in a forum that has a local focus but the reach and significance of a national news network. Statewide interviews are aired at 24 minutes past the hour and local interviews at 54 minutes past the hour.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## 'Baby' is a bundle of joy at Paper Mill

When it premiered on Broadway during the 1983-84 season, "Baby" was eclipsed by the spectacle of "La Cage aux Folles," the ultra-artistry of "Sunday in the Park With George" and the roller-skating razzle dazzle of "The Rink." What chance did a little musical with a huge heart have against such heavy-hitters?

Well, while that stiff competition is rarely seen on stages these days, "Baby" has been delivered by Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn with a new second act and even more heart to spare!

The current production, which has been revised by the original authors, is storytelling at its simplest, allowing the power of the show's poignancy to shine off the stage like a beacon.

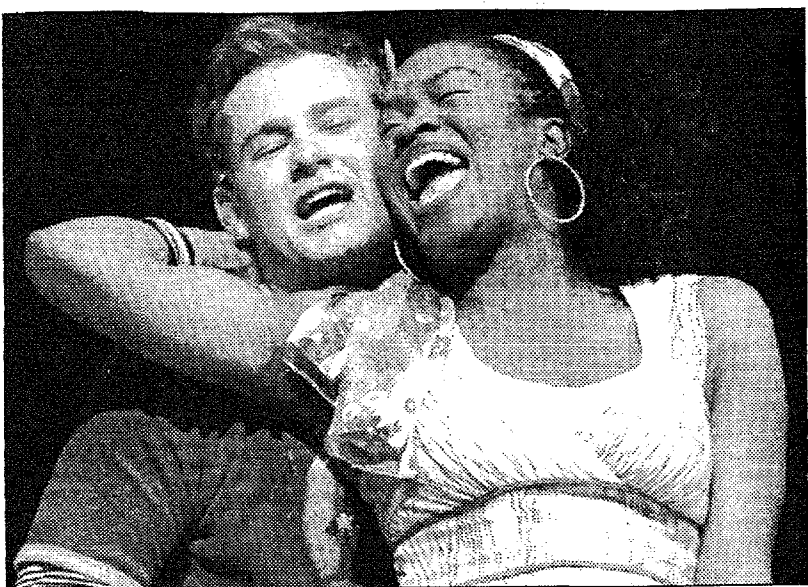
The story focuses on three couples in the same college community. Danny and Lizzie are students in their early 20s who just moved in together; 30something Nick and Pam are married athletic coaches; and administrator Alan and his wife, Arlene, in their 40s, have just seen the last of their three children off to college. All three couples find their lives turned upside down, in different ways, by the concept of pregnancy.

As the opening number says, "What a journey, what a ride" — and to synopsize more of the plot would be spoiling that journey. Librettist Sybille Pearson, composer David Shire, and lyricist Richard Maltby Jr. originally crafted a piece of theater with a range of emotion comparable to a real pregnancy. However, the three have revisited their original work and have given the show an added resonance that is at once joyous and heartbreaking.

The six principals in the Paper Mill production form a tight ensemble with a chemistry that is to be envied. Each is unique and defined; together, they meld beautifully.

While each has his or her own wonderful moments, Carolee Carmello is a radiant Arlene, layering both humor and pathos into the subtext of the role. And her handling of the new material given the character in Act II is shatteringly honest without being in being maudlin or self-indulgent. Carmello's performance of "Patterns," restored to the second act, is simply brilliant and beautifully shows this woman's blazing inner fire.

As Alan, Michael Rupert exudes warmth and good-naturedness while laying a subtle but effective foundation for the passionate outbursts that



As expectant college students Danny and Lizzie, Chad Kimball and Moeisha McGill anticipate the arrival of their first collaboration in 'Baby,' on stage at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn through May 9.

## On the Boards

By Bill VanSant  
Associate Editor

occasionally escape him, most notably with a condescending real estate agent. The humor he invests in the character raises it above a one-note "Ward Cleaver" impersonation, and breathes complexity into the seemingly uncomplicated man.

LaChanze and Norm Lewis display a palpable chemistry as Nick and Pam, and balance the angst of the couple's storyline with a humor that makes their pain all the more tangible. The groundwork they lay for their final scene is flawless, making that last moment one of the most effective in an already effective show.

In her debut in a principal performance, Moeisha McGill shines as Lizzie, the role that made Liz Callaway a star 20 years ago. Her pluck and resolve are counterpointed by uncertainty and trepidation, creating a fully realized internal conflict that drives the character. As Danny, Chad Kimball imbues his performance with an exuberance that is both infectious and endearing.

In a one-scene role as a fertility specialist, Lenny Wolpe delivers a priceless comic performance, often generating laughs while not even doing anything.

Musically, this production combines various styles effectively, and is brought to life with polished performances. From the rapturous "I Want It All" sung by the three women, to the joyous "Fatherhood Blues" performed

by the men; from the hysterical "Ladies Singing Their Song" wherein Lizzie is accosted by presumptuous strangers, to Nick and Pam's tender "With You," each number resonates not only with the singers' voices, but with the rich subtext they weave into Maltby's intelligent lyrics. And the new Act II number, "The End of Summer," is simply brilliant, both in composition and execution by the three women.

Director-choreographer Mark S. Hoebee's attention to detail is impeccable, such as the scene in which Alan and Arlene unconsciously fold down the bedspread as a team while having a minor disagreement. His pacing is precise, and the evolution each character experiences over the nine-month span of the action is fully realized and serves the script beautifully. He wisely pares the production down to its simplest in technical terms, allowing the real heart of this show to shine.

Michael Anania's neo-modern set, with its sliding panels and raked, circular platform stage, further accomplishes this concept of simplicity. Lighting by F. Mitchell Dana effectively establishes place and time in the absence of a traditional set and serves to underscore the intention of the action.

This "Baby" will be born eight times a week until May 9. Don't miss your chance to be there for a truly miraculous event! You don't have to have had a baby to want to hold this "Baby" in your arms!

**"Baby" runs through May 9 at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn. For information, see the "Theater" listing in the Stepping Out calendar on Page B6.**

## Playwright strives to keep art thriving

By Bea Smith  
Staff Writer

For the fifth time in the history of the Elizabeth Playhouse, novelist and playwright-in-residence Karon Sue Semones will produce her own full-length play, "Grave Concerns," which her actor-director husband, Marlowe Ferguson, will direct.

The play will be staged at the Elizabeth Playhouse, 1100 East Jersey St., Elizabeth, for five weeks. It will have its world premiere April 16 and then run through May 16, Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 2 p.m.

According to Semones, "Grave Concerns," which took a year to write, has a little bit of everything: mystery, music and dancing. It is set in the town of Shelly, Va., the background of some of her other plays.

"I wrote it," said Semones during a recent chat, "when I heard the arts funding will be cut and what it would mean to communities to have a theater shut down, what effect it would have for everyone. It is important that there should be community theaters. Where else will actors perfect their craft and go on to be professionals?"

Semones, with her husband of 13 years, Ferguson, owns the historic landmark, the 1851 Third Presbyterian Church, now the Elizabeth Playhouse. She oversees all aspects of productions, costumes, advertising, graphic art, is office manager at the playhouse and apartment manager of the building in addition to teaching and writing. Semones grew up in Roanoke, Va., and has written novels and plays. She received undergraduate and graduate degrees from universities around the country and even received a Hollins Fiction Prize in 1991.

Her latest play, featuring a funeral which becomes a celebration in dance



Karon Sue Semones

and song, poems and dramatic readings, tries to solve the problem of the "woebegone little theater" and asks the question, "Will the dream of art die?"

There even is a coffin in the play. "Bannworth Funeral (loaned) us a real casket for the show," said Semones. "They've been our good friends and neighbors for 10 years now. Our acting company, too, has been wonderful to try on new characters and make them come to life. It's joyous to see characters take form when they've been living in your head for a year. I've always said that playwriting is collective insanity as everyone can see your imaginary friends. It's the most fun in the world."

Semones explained that "I try to keep my novels separate from my plays. But I love them both. With plays, you see your characters. To me, a character face to face is amazing. It's like your imaginary friends have come

to life. With fiction, it takes a little longer."

She admitted that "I do try to write a full-length play every two years. I've been concentrating on comedy now for a few years," she said, "but the next play will be called 'The Secret Place of Thunder.' The title is from the Bible, and it's from the place that God speaks. It'll be about a young couple's encounter with a development company that sells them a building and then undercuts their efforts to the point of them losing everything."

Semones and Ferguson have been with the Elizabeth Playhouse for 10 years. "Marlowe and I turned the old Third Presbyterian Church into a theater, and we live in the building of apartments right here. It's a wonderful place to live. I really enjoy living here. People who work in New York City also live here. It's become a very nice neighborhood theater. So, we know the people who come to see our plays. We know them very well. And Marlowe directs all the plays and sometimes appears in them. He's been an Equity member for 35 years. And what he doesn't do, I do — you know, costumes, scenery, playwriting."

After the run of "Grave Concerns," Semones will go back to her books. "I have a novel that I'll be finishing at the end of the year, and I have an agent at the William Morris Agency that is interested in turning it into a movie. The book is called 'Cricket Call.' It should be interesting to see how it all comes about."

"But right now, I'm interested in bringing 'Grave Concerns' to our playgoing audiences. I'd like to preserve the interest of the people in attending theater."

And, she indicated, to help keep community theater alive and well. Forever.

## Musical Club sets Wednesday concert

Minor; Opus 2, No. 2 in D-flat Minor, and Opus 55, No. 1 in F Minor.

Nancy Deutsch and Nancy Nelson DiSisto will perform vocal duets: "In His Hands" by Felix Mendelssohn, "Sull'Aria" from Mozart's opera "The Marriage of Figaro," and "Sous le Dôme Épais" from Léo Delibes' opera "Lakmé." Accompanying them will be Beverly Thomson Shea.

The public is invited and refreshments will be served.

The Musical Club provides scholarships to assist college students who are majoring in music and indicate financial need. Anyone interested in becoming an active or associate mem-

ber of the club may contact the membership chairperson at 908-232-2173.

## Bill VanSant, Editor

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## Theatre Alliance honored by state council

The New Jersey Theatre Alliance, the consortium of professional, not-for-profit theaters in New Jersey, was privileged to be among the select group that was honored by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts on March 18 with its highest awards.

The "Citation of Excellence" was bestowed upon the New Jersey Theatre Alliance for receiving from its peers the highest quality assessment. In addition to this high honor, the Alliance was designated as a "Major Arts Service Organization" in recognition of its outstanding contributions to the cultural life of New Jersey.

Joining NJSCA Chairman Sharon Harrington and Executive Director David Miller in presenting the Citation of Excellence and Major Arts Institution designation were leading arts advocates Assemblyman Richard A. Merk, R-25th District, and Assemblyman Jon M. Brannick, R- 21st District. Accepting the awards on behalf of the New Jersey Theatre Alliance was John McEwen, executive director.

NJTA, a nationally recognized leading arts service organization, has received the Citation of Excellence for an unprecedented 15 consecutive years. Under the leadership of Executive Director John McEwen, NJTA has developed innovative programs that serve the arts community and the theater-going public. Flagship

programs include njArtsTix.org, the nation's first statewide discount ticketing Web site for the performing arts and AT&T Family Week at the Theatre, a statewide week-long festival of free and discounted tickets for young people and their families that takes place during the first week of March.

For seven years, AT&T Family Week at the Theatre has been an eagerly anticipated event that has brought theater to every county and corner of the state, and given families the opportunity to enjoy a live performance together. The more recent program, njArtsTix.org, launched in 2003, encourages people to attend a wide variety of performing arts events all year round, at a price that fits within their budget.

The New Jersey Theatre Alliance offers a variety of publications and resources to the public that are available through its Web site, www.njtheatrealliance.org, or by calling the NJTA office at 973-540-0515. A free theater season calendar, "Class Act;" "Learning Through the Arts," an educational resource handbook; and information on arts accessibility services are just a few of the guides that theater-goers can obtain through the Morristown-based organization.

Funding for the New Jersey Theatre Alliance, a not-for-profit organization, is provided in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of State, a Partner Agency of the National Endowment for the Arts.

## Westfield Workshop expands its summer offerings

Entering its 33rd season, the Westfield Summer Workshop is currently registering students for its 2004 summer program.

The five-week program gives children ranging from pre-school through ninth grade the opportunity to experiment in various artistic fields, including fine arts, music, and theater.

Students will have the opportunity to dabble in art classes such as Toon Town, where they will learn how to combine basic drawing skills with simple phrases to create cartoon characters. Carving is a favorite class for older kids, where young artists use plaster, clay and wood to create their own sculpture. A new program in fine arts is Scrapbooking, where children will learn to use their photographs to capture memories in creative ways.

Students will also have an opportunity to delve into communication courses such as Radio Broadcast and Video Animation. For the energetic young-

sters, Dance/Pom, Fencing, and Gymnastics are a perfect way to express their creativity. The workshop is also offering an array of other courses, including four levels of chess, Exploring Science and Cooking Magic.

For those interested in music, the Westfield Summer Workshop offers various courses in band, vocals and woodwinds. Beginning Guitar, a newcomer to the workshop program, gives children the opportunity to learn the basics of playing guitar while learning to read music along the way. The Workshop Band, an annual course in the program, is designed for those with some experience in music. The band will prepare to play music for the Summer Theater production of "Guys and Dolls."

The drama department offers courses for young and old, including Whose Line Is It?, a new class where students will learn to respond to improvisational situations. Students in grades six through 10

can participate in Theater Workshop, a five-period, five-day-per-week workshop in which students will learn about all aspects of musical production. At the conclusion of the workshop, students will perform the summer production of "Guys and Dolls," directed by Juan and Valerie Pineda of the Little Opera Company of New Jersey.

The YMCA is once again sponsoring Afternoon Adventures in conjunction with the Westfield Summer Workshop. Students will spend weekday afternoons participating in various traditional camp activities, including group games, sports and weekly field trips.

The workshop also offers programs for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten students, as well as the option for an early morning drop off at 7:30 a.m.

The WSW program runs 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. daily from June 28 to July 30 at Edison Intermediate School. For information, call 908-789-9696.

## Musical 'Dream'



The Dreamsicles — the duo of Caryl Cooper, left, and Tom Prasado-Rao — will appear in concert Saturday at the Second Saturdays Coffee House in Summit. For information, see the Stepping Out calendar, Page B6.

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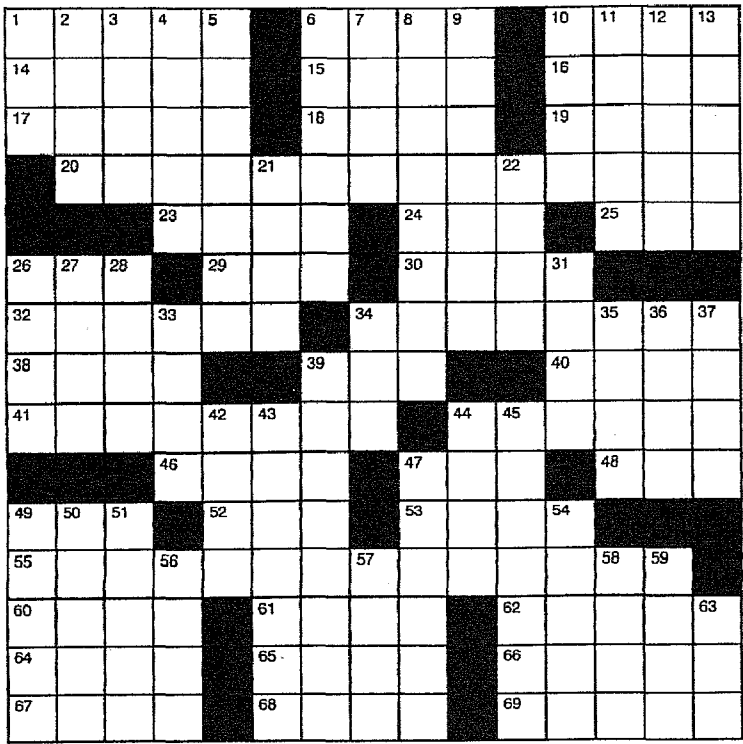
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REUNIONS

• The following schools will conduct reunions in the coming months:  
Scotch Plains High School Class of 1994, 10-year reunion, May 15.  
Union High School Class of 1979, 25-year reunion, July 24.  
Battin-Jefferson High School, Elizabeth, Class of 1974, 30-year reunion, July 31.  
Hillside High School Class of 1964, 40-year reunion, July 31.  
Governor Livingston Regional High School, Berkeley Heights, Class of 1974, 30-year reunion, Aug. 7.  
Union High School Class of 1974, 30-year reunion, Aug. 28.  
Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Springfield, Class of 1969, 35-year reunion, Oct. 8.  
Plainfield High School Class of

1954, 50-year reunion, Oct. 9.  
Westfield High School Class of 1974, 30-year reunion, Oct. 23.  
Hillside High School Class of 1954, 50-year reunion, Nov. 20.  
Governor Livingston Regional High School, Berkeley Heights, Class of 1979, 25-year reunion, Nov. 26.  
Union High School Class of 1969, 35-year reunion, Nov. 26.  
Union High School Class of 1994, 10-year reunion, Nov. 26.  
Union High School Class of 1984, 20-year reunion, Nov. 27.  
Westfield High School Class of 1984, 20-year reunion, Nov. 27.  
Scotch Plains High School Class of 1979, 25-year reunion, Dec. 31.  
Westfield High School Class of 1994, 10-year reunion, Dec. 31.

Scotch Plains High School Class of 1975, 30-year reunion, Dec. 31, 2005.  
Scotch Plains High School Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, Dec. 31, 2005.  
Union High School, Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, Dec. 31, 2005.  
Union High School, Class of 1995, 10-year reunion, Dec. 31, 2005.  
Westfield High School Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, Dec. 31, 2005.  
For information on any of the above reunions, write to Reunions Unlimited Inc., P.O. Box 150, Englishtown, 07726; or call 732-617-1000.  
• Union High School Class of 1954 will conduct its 50-year reunion June 4 to 6, 2004. For information, write to Class of '54 Reunion Committee, 250 Globe Ave., Union, 07083.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Overcome a tendency to blurt out how you are feeling or to speak before you think. Take time to consider how others might be affected.  
**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): Take steps to create an inspired and wonderful reality for you and your loved ones. Find a way to make all your dreams come true.  
**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21): You have a lot to offer in a social setting. Immerse yourself in a club or group, give from the heart and come out smelling like a rose.  
**CANCER** (June 22-July 22): Contact with an elder, teacher or mentor will benefit you greatly. Do not hesitate to ask questions or to document your lessons.  
**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22): Entertain or cultivate the kind of optimism that will take you a long way. Approach a problem with an open mind and the sky is the limit.  
**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Money

is accumulated and lost very quickly this week. Look for a financial backer or sponsor willing to step into the picture and save the day.  
**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): A close relationship is highlighted. Add excitement to your shared activities and be sure to play up the romance.  
**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): It may be difficult to stay focused or to concentrate on routine tasks. Go with the flow and apply yourself to the best of your ability.  
**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Make the most of a foreign or unique social opportunity. Join forces with someone from a different background to have a really good time.  
**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Share good news and great times with family. Get together and celebrate a family tradition or milestone.  
**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): In moments of doubt or confusion, be willing to heed the advice of someone you respect and trust. Keep an open mind.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20): Your financial future is taking shape. Work hard to perfect the outcome of a moneymaking project and never worry about money again.  
**If your birthday is this week**, personal pursuits during the coming year will demand your attention. Be sure to use your creative talents to help further your goals. Plan carefully for the launching of a new product or service that carries your personal stamp. Look for an opportunity to expand through shared resources. Stay abreast of the latest tax laws and keep all your financial documents current.  
**Also born this week:** David Letterman, Thomas Jefferson, Loretta Lynn, Pete Rose, Leonardo da Vinci, Elizabeth Montgomery, Charlie Chaplin, Kareem Abdul-Jabbar, Nikita Krushchev, Jennifer Garner, Hayley Mills, and Melissa Joan Hart.

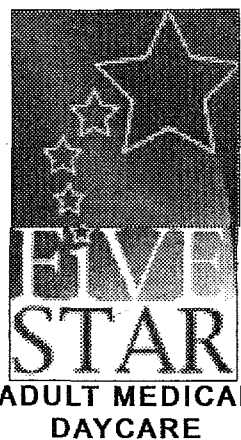
Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news: Church, club and social events — Friday at noon.  
Entertainment — Friday at noon.  
Sports news and game results — Monday at noon.  
Letter to the Editor — Monday 9 a.m.

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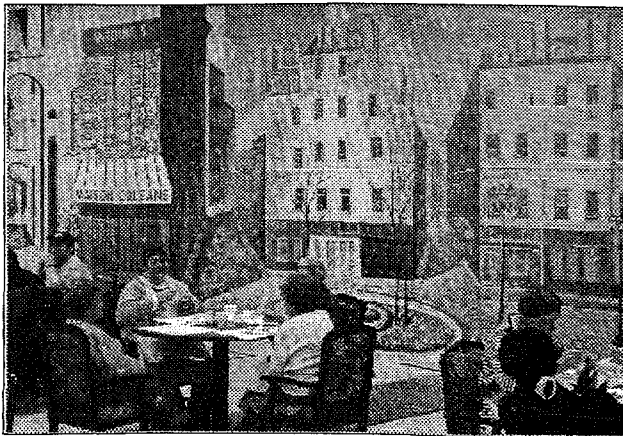
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# LIFESTYLE

## Holiday leftovers can get a new life as mid-week tasty dishes

Chances are you've put some time into planning your Easter menu; this year, set aside some time to think about what you'll do with the leftovers.

Clever cooks know that with a little foresight, one afternoon of cooking can mean several days of easy meals ready in minutes.

If a sandwich is what you savor, the American Dairy Association and Dairy Council Inc. suggests trying a twist on the traditional ham and cheese: make an open-faced sandwich of ham and American cheese on sour-dough bread, or melt provolone cheese over ham on crusty French bread. Stuff it in a pita with Swiss cheese and apple slices. Or roll small pieces of ham with mozzarella cheese and serve on wheat crackers. For more great cheese ideas, visit the Web site at [www.ilovecheese.com](http://www.ilovecheese.com).

But ham and cheese is such a great combination, there's no need to limit it to just sandwiches. Try it in these recipes, courtesy of the National Pork Board. For more information about Pork: The Other White Meat, visit [www.otherwhitemeat.com](http://www.otherwhitemeat.com).

### Mini Ham and Mushroom Souffles

Yield: 6 servings

6 tablespoons butter  
1 cup sliced fresh mushrooms  
6 tablespoons all-purpose flour  
1/4 teaspoon salt  
1/8 teaspoon pepper  
1 1/2 cups milk  
1 cup shredded Cheddar cheese (4 ounces)

1 cup diced fully cooked ham  
6 eggs, separated  
3/4 teaspoon cream of tartar

In a medium saucepan, melt butter. Add mushrooms and saute until tender. Remove mushrooms, reserving drippings in pan. Stir flour, salt, and pepper into drippings until smooth. Gradually stir in milk; cook over medium-high heat until thickened and bubbly, stirring constantly. Remove from heat; add cheese, stirring until melted. Stir in mushrooms and ham. Beat egg whites and cream of tartar at high speed of electric mixer until stiff peaks form. Using clean beaters, beat egg yolks until thickened and lemon-colored, about five minutes. Fold ham mixture into yolks. Pour the yolk mixture over beaten egg whites; fold gently. Spoon mixture into six ungreased 1/2 cup souffle dishes. Bake in a 300 F. oven for 45 to 50 minutes, or until a knife inserted near center comes out clean. Serve immediately.

To make one large souffle: Spoon mixture into an ungreased two-quart souffle dish. Bake in a 300 F. oven for 50 to 60 minutes.

This recipe appears courtesy of [www.otherwhitemeat.com](http://www.otherwhitemeat.com).

### Spiced Ham and Cheese Chowder

Yield: 4 servings

1 bulb fennel (about 1 pound)  
2 tablespoons butter  
1 large leek, sliced  
1 4/5-ounce can chicken broth  
1/3 cup all-purpose flour  
1 cup milk  
1 teaspoon grated lemon peel  
1/8 teaspoon ground cinnamon  
1/8 teaspoon ground black pepper  
2 cups shredded sharp Cheddar cheese (8 ounces)  
1 1/2 cups fully cooked ham, cut into 1/2-inch cubes

1 12-ounce can of beer  
Trim fennel bulb; discard root end and save some of the feathery top for garnish; finely chop and set aside. Quarter the bulb lengthwise; remove the core; chop. You should have about 1 1/2 cups.

In a large saucepan, melt the butter; add fennel and leeks and saute, stirring frequently, for 20 minutes, or until fennel is very tender. Combine broth and flour; stir into onion mixture. Add milk, lemon peel, cinnamon and pepper. Cook over medium heat, stirring frequently, for five minutes, or until mixture thickens.

Gradually stir in cheese; reduce heat to low; stir until cheese melts. Stir in ham and beer; heat through. To serve, ladle chowder into soup bowls. Sprinkle with chopped fennel leaves.

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### Ham and Cheese Bread Pot Fondue

Yield: 10 servings

1 round, firm loaf of bread (about 8 to 10 inches in diameter, about 1 1/2 pounds)

2 cups shredded sharp Cheddar cheese

2 3-ounce packages of cream cheese, softened

1 1/2 cups sour cream

2 cups diced ham

1/2 cup chopped green onion

1 3-ounce can chopped green chilies, drained and chopped

1 teaspoon Worcestershire sauce

2 tablespoons vegetable oil

1 tablespoon butter, melted

Heat oven to 350 F. Slice off top of bread; reserve top. Hollow out inside with small paring knife, leaving 1/2-inch shell. Cut removed bread into 1-inch cubes (there will be 3 to 4 cups); reserve for toasting. Combine Cheddar, cream cheese, and sour cream in large bowl; stir in ham, green onion, chilies and Worcestershire. Spoon cheese filling into bread shell; replace top of bread. Tightly wrap loaf with several layers of heavy-duty aluminum foil; set on cookie sheet. Bake

for one hour and 10 minutes, until cheese filling is melting and heated through.

Meanwhile, in large bowl, toss together bread cubes, oil and melted butter. Arrange on cookie sheet; bake at 350 F., turning occasionally, for 10 to 15 minutes or until golden brown. Remove from oven and reserve to serve with fondue. Remove bread pot from oven; unwrap and transfer to platter. Remove top of bread. Stir filling before serving.

Serve with toasted bread cubes and assorted vegetables as dippers for fondue.

This recipe appears courtesy of [www.otherwhitemeat.com](http://www.otherwhitemeat.com).

### Cheesy Ham and Macaroni

Yield: 6 servings

1 cup frozen green peas  
1 1/8-ounce package white sauce mix

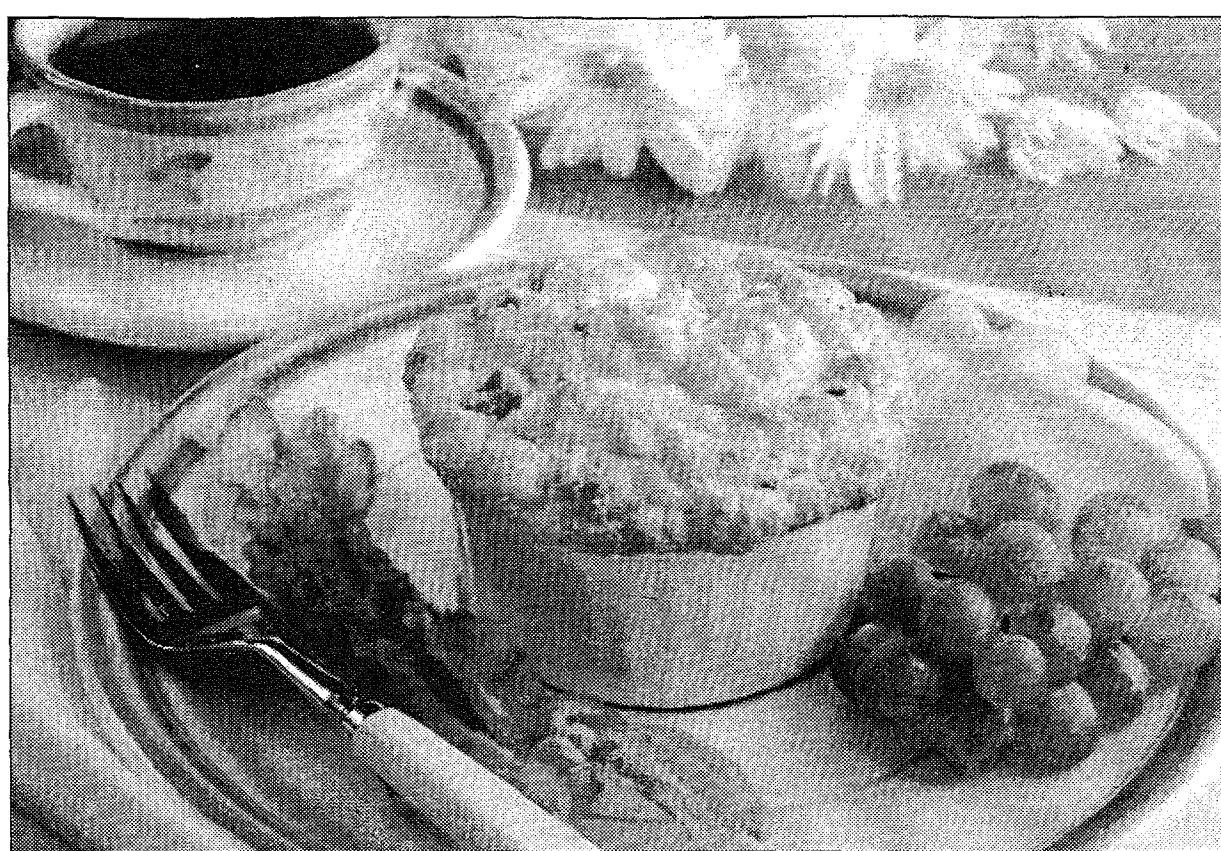
2 cups milk  
1/2 cup grated Parmesan cheese  
1/2 cup cubed American cheese

1/8 teaspoon ground pepper  
7 ounces macaroni, cooked according to directions, drained

1 1/2 cup fully-cooked ham

Thaw the frozen peas. In a large saucepan, stir together white sauce mix and milk. Following package directions, cook until thickened. Stir in cheese and pepper. Add macaroni, ham, and peas and cook, stirring until heated through. Serve hot.

Note: If you want to make a white sauce from scratch, melt 3 tablespoons butter in a saucepan. Stir in



Mini Ham and Mushroom souffles are a great way to use leftover Easter ham.

1/4 cup flour and cook until mixture bubbles. Stir in 2 cups milk and cook, stirring until thickened.

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### California Club Ham Sandwich

Yield: 2 servings

6 slices (6 ounces) ham, sliced thin

4 slices seven-grain bread

2 slices provolone cheese

4 lettuce leaves

2 tablespoons honey mustard

Toast seven-grain bread; spread one side of each slice with honey mustard. Layer ham on two slices of bread. Top with provolone cheese and

lettuce leaves. Add remaining bread; cut into quarters and serve.

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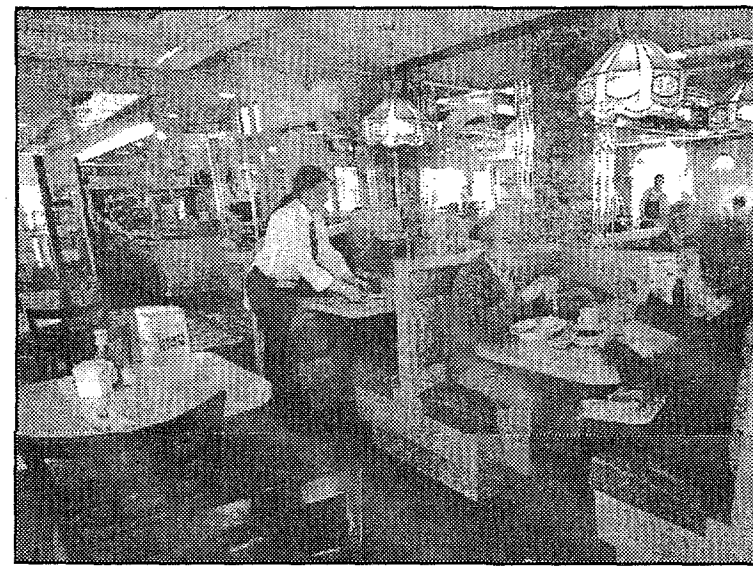
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### Sunrise

DINER

★ ★ ★ By Anne Santos

Diners have been in existence for over 100 years. Throughout their history diners have been neighborhood restaurants which attract a varied sector of America from factory workers to high society. The motto has always been to provide a good, inexpensive homestyle meal in a comfortable atmosphere.

Sunrise Diner is a role model living up to that principle. This diner has a very comfortable dining room - large teal booths, cream colored Tiffanys with iridescent glass panels, ceiling fans and multi-colored tulips, hyacinths, lilies announcing Spring, fills the room. The menu is vast. We started with appetizers. We chose Buffalo Wings, Mozzarella Sticks and Portabella Mushrooms. The wings were terrific with just the right amount of bite and the blue cheese dressing complimented it nicely. The mozzarella sticks were cooked to perfection and the marinara was bursting with flavor - a great dipping sauce. The mushrooms were beyond anything I have ever experienced. Portabellos stuffed with crabmeat, seasoned with fresh basil in a buerre blanc sauce. This appetizer is a meal in itself. Next we enjoyed the salad bar which offered the traditional but with just about any topping one could imagine.

For the main course I chose the Teriyaki Beef and my companion chose the Chicken Murphy. Both were exceptional. The beef was plentiful accompanied by broccoli on a bed of yellow rice. The Chicken Murphy was filled with chicken, mushrooms, red peppers, bermuda onions, sautéed potatoes in a light, tasty brown sauce.

Throughout this whole dining experience the service was exceptional. Pablo our server couldn't have been more accommodating. Before ordering dessert we spoke with Dimitrios complementing his food. Mr. Dimitrios Haronitis, chef & part owner of Sunrise thinks a diner should be a neighborhood gathering place where there is something for everyone at any time of the day or night. Their is something special about a diner from nostalgic tabletops to comfortable booths to the friendly people. Here we serve classic diner dinners, homemade meat loaf, fresh turkey with mashed potatoes, soups, sandwiches, burgers, blue plate specials and so much more. We offer contemporary selections such as blackened prime rib, Cajun chicken, pastas, low-cal, seafood and stir fry. All our portion's are generous and reasonably priced.

For dessert we had the carrot cake and cheesecake, both were delicious. The cheesecake was absolutely superb. Sugar free cheesecake is also available. Sunrise is the only diner in New Jersey which serves it.

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## ART SHOWS

**TAKE 5:** "Text and Textures" will be on exhibit at the Arts Guild of Rahway through April 16.

Gallery hours are Wednesdays to Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m., and Thursday evenings from 5 to 7 p.m. The Arts Guild of Rahway is located at 1670 Irving St., Rahway. For information, call 732-381-7511, send e-mail to arts-guild1670@earthlink.net, or visit [www.RahwayArtsGuild.org](http://www.RahwayArtsGuild.org).

**REFLECTIONS**, the works of Judith Stein, will be on exhibit at the Donald B. Palmer Museum at the Springfield Free Public Library through April 22.

Gallery hours are Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.; and Sundays, 1 to 3:30 p.m. The Springfield Free Public Library is located 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call 973-376-4930.

**MAINE TO MEXICO**, landscape oils by Frank Ferrante, will be on exhibit at Swain Galleries in Plainfield through April 30.

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

**PORTRAITS IN CLASSIC ROCK**, the concert photography of Kevin R. Papa, will be on exhibit through April 30 at the Cranford Public Library.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Fridays and Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Cranford Public Library is located at 224 Walnut Ave., Cranford. For information, call 908-709-7272, send e-mail to [library@cranfordnj.org](mailto:library@cranfordnj.org), or visit [www.cranford.com](http://www.cranford.com).

**PRINTMAKERS OF NJCVA** — an exhibit of etchings, monoprints, collagraphs, photo transfers and relief prints — will be on exhibit through April 30 at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

Gallery hours are Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121 or visit [www.njcva.org](http://www.njcva.org).

**CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL** in Mountainside will exhibit the works of the New Jersey Watercolor Society and oil painter Julio Ortiz throughout the month of April. CHS is located on New Providence Road in Mountainside.

**MOVING BY ART**, the works of Fran Winer, Joan Goldsmith, and Nancy J. Ori, will be on exhibit at the Women's Resource Center in Summit, 57 New England Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-273-7253, send e-mail to [wrc@verizon.net](mailto:wrc@verizon.net), or visit the Web site at [www.womensource.org](http://www.womensource.org).

**GRADUATE THESIS EXHIBITION**, featuring the works of five of Kean University's fine arts graduates, will be on exhibit through May 7 in the James Howe Gallery in Vaughn-Eames Hall on the Union campus.

Kean University is located at 1000 Morris Ave., Union. For information, including gallery hours, call 908-737-4400.

**UNVEILING THE IMAGE:** "Multicultural Women Artists" will be on exhibit at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit through May 26. A Gallery Lecture will take place May 2 at 2 p.m.

Gallery hours are Fridays, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Saturdays, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sundays, noon to 4 p.m. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call 908-273-9121 or visit [www.njcva.org](http://www.njcva.org).

## AUDITIONS

**MYSTIC VISION PLAYERS** in Linden will conduct auditions for "A Chorus Line" on April 21 and 22 at 7:30 p.m. at

the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St., Linden. Auditioners must be 16 years old or older, and be prepared to sing and dance. Show dates are July 23 to 31. For information, call 908-925-9068.

## BOOKS

**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" READING 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 in 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 973-376-8544.

**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 in Clark. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

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

**WOMEN'S READING GROUP** meets the last Wednesday of the month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble in Clark. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

## COMEDY

**"AN EVENING WITH JOY BEHAR"** will be presented April 24 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. Tickets are \$38 to \$54. For information, call 908-499-8226 or visit [www.ucac.org](http://www.ucac.org).

## CONCERTS

**COFFEE WITH CONSCIENCE CONCERT SERIES** in Westfield and Springfield will present a series of artists through June at two locations through June.

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April 17: Caroline Aiken, Westfield  
May 8: Songwriters in the Round, hosted by Ritt Henn, Springfield

May 15: Sonia/Disappear Fear, with opener Chris Glenn, Westfield

June 12: Songwriters in the Round, hosted by Jessica Owen, Springfield

June 19: Zoë Lewis, Westfield

Westfield concerts are presented at the First United Methodist Church, 1 E. Broad St., Westfield; Springfield concerts are presented at Emanuel United Methodist Church, 40 Church Mall, Springfield. Tickets are \$12 and include refreshments. For information, call 908-232-8723 or visit the Web site at [www.coffee-with-conscience.com](http://www.coffee-with-conscience.com).

**SANCTUARY CONCERTS** in Berkeley Heights will present musical acts in the coming weeks.

Saturday: Bluegrass Festival, featuring the Travis Wetzel Trio, String Fever, and Steppin' In It

April 24: Tracy Grammer  
May 8: "Festival of Funny Women"

Concerts are presented at Union Village Methodist Church, 1130 Mountain Ave., Berkeley Heights. For information, call 973-376-4946 or visit [www.sanctuaryconcerts.org](http://www.sanctuaryconcerts.org).

**THE MUSICAL CLUB OF WESTFIELD** will sponsor a concert Wednesday at 1 p.m. at the First Baptist Church, 170 E. Broad St., Westfield.

**NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** will appear in concert April 15 at 7:30 p.m. and April 18 at 3 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$21 to \$79.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call NJSO at 800-255-3476 or NJPAC at 888-466-5722, or visit their respective Web sites at [www.njsymphony.org](http://www.njsymphony.org) or [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**ROCKAPPELLA** will appear in concert April 16 at 7:30 p.m. in Wilkins Theatre at Kean University. Tickets are \$20 for general admission, \$15 for senior citizens and Kean alumni, \$12 for students and children. For information, call 908-737-7469.

**THE MUTTER-PREVIN-HARRELL TRIO** — violinist Anne-Sophie Mutter, pianist Andre Previn, and cellist Lynn Harrell — will appear in concert April 16 at 8 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$16 to \$69.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**SWEET HONEY IN THE ROCK** will appear in concert April 17 at 8 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$11 to \$49.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**WESTFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** will appear in concert April 17 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway. Tickets are \$25 to \$60, with discounts for students and senior citizens. For information, call 732-499-8226 or visit [www.ucac.org](http://www.ucac.org) or [www.westfieldsymphony.org](http://www.westfieldsymphony.org).

**NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA** will appear in concert April 23 at 8 p.m., April 25 at 3 p.m., and April 27 at 1:30 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$21 to \$79.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call NJSO at 800-255-3476 or NJPAC at 888-466-5722, or visit their respective Web sites at [www.njsymphony.org](http://www.njsymphony.org) or [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

## DANCE

**TAYLOR 2**, the touring branch of the Paul Taylor Dance Company, will appear April 17 at 2 p.m. in the Victoria Theater at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$19 for adults, \$10 for children younger than 14.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**NEW JERSEY BALLET COMPANY** will appear in "Esmerelda," based on "The Hunchback of Notre Dame" by Victor Hugo, on April 22 at 7 p.m. in Prudential Hall at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$35 to \$45.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call New Jersey Ballet at 973-597-9600 or NJPAC at 888-466-5722, or visit the Web site at [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**SUMMIT FOLK DANCERS** will sponsor an evening of international dance April 16 at 8 p.m. at the Unitarian Church of Summit, Waldron and Springfield avenues. Admission is \$2. For information, call 973-467-8278.

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

## DISCUSSION

**MILLER-CORY HOUSE MUSEUM** in Westfield will present Fran Gold, former editor and publisher of The Jewish Horizon, in a talk on the arrival of Jews in the colonies in 1654 on April 18 from 2 to 5 p.m. Museum admission is \$2 for adults and 50 cents for students; children younger than 6 are admitted free. Miller-Cory House Museum is located at 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield. For information, call 908-232-1776.

## Film

**FILMMAKERS SYMPOSIUM** will be sponsored Mondays through May 10 at the Loews Mountainside. The second sub-session of the 12-week symposium runs through May 10. Fee is \$131 for six weeks, plus a \$20 registration fee. For information, call 800-531-9416.

## KIDS

**KEAN UNIVERSITY** will present the Cleveland Signstage Theatre in "Matilda" on April 23 at 7 p.m. in Wilkins Theatre, 1000 Morris Ave., Union. Tickets are \$15 for general admission, \$11 for senior citizens and Kean alumni, \$9 for students and children. For information, call 908-737-7469.

**CRAFT TIME** for children ages 5 to 10 years old will take place every Monday at 11 a.m. at Barnes and Noble in Springfield, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

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

## POETRY

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

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

## SINGLES

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

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

**SOCIAL SINGLES DANCING**, for 45-year-olds and older, meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at the Yankee Buffet Grand Ballroom, 2660 Morris Ave., Union. Admission is \$7. For information, call 908-688-8816.

## THEATER

**PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE** in Millburn will present the musical "Baby" by Sybille Pearson, David Shire, and Richard Maltby Jr. through May 9. Shows are Wednesdays to Saturdays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 p.m.; matinees are Thursdays and Sundays at 2 p.m. and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m. Ticket are \$30 to \$67.

Special performances are the Conversation Series, Thursdays at 7 p.m. in the mezzanine, today to April 29; audio-described performances, with sensory seminar 90 minutes prior to curtain, April 29 at 2 p.m., May 1 at 2:30 p.m., and May 2 at 7:30 p.m.; and sign-interpreted performances May 2 at 7:30 p.m. and May 7 at 8 p.m.

Paper Mill is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call 973-376-4343 or visit the Web site at [www.papermill.org](http://www.papermill.org).

**THE ELIZABETH PLAYHOUSE** will present the world premiere of "Grave Concerns" by playwright-in-residence Karon Sue Semones from April 16 to May 16. Shows are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$6 for students and senior citizens. The Elizabeth Playhouse is located at 1100 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth. For information, call 908-355-0077 or visit the Web site at [www.ElizabethPlayhouse.com](http://www.ElizabethPlayhouse.com).

## VARIETY

**THWAK!** with the Umbilical Brothers will appear Friday at 7:30 p.m., Saturday at 2:30 and 7:30 p.m., and Sunday at 2:30 p.m. in the Victoria Theater at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Tickets are \$43.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**MOMIX**, a company of dancer-illusionists, will appear April 30 to May 2 in the Victoria Theater at the New Jersey Performing Arts Center in Newark. Shows are April 30 and May 1 at 7:30 p.m., May 2 at 2:30 p.m. Tickets are \$46.

NJPAC is located at 1 Center St., Newark. For information, call 888-466-5722 or visit [www.njpac.org](http://www.njpac.org).

**THE BACK PORCH** in Rahway will present Open Mic Night every Thursday night, a disc jockey every Friday night, and solo artists and bands on

Saturdays. Happy Hour is 4 to 7 p.m. Mondays to Fridays, with \$1 drafts and \$3 Long Island iced teas. Mondays are Mexican Mondays with \$2 shot specials, \$2 Coronas, \$2 margaritas and \$1 tacos. Wednesdays are Ladies Nights and karaoke.

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

**CROSSROADS**, 78 North Ave., Garwood, presents a series of jazz, blues and comedy concerts, as well as football-themed nights.

Every Sunday: Live comedy, funk and poetry; "Live at Instant Coffee," 8 p.m.

Every Monday: Open Mic Night, Happy Hour all night

Every Tuesday: Jazz Jam, all pints are \$2

Every Wednesday: Karaoke Night; Corona, Cuervo, Margaritas, \$2 all night

Every Thursday: Rolling Rock beer, \$2 all night

For information, call 908-232-5666 or visit [www.xxroads.com](http://www.xxroads.com).

**THE INTERNET LOUNGE** in Fanwood will present an Open Mic Night on Sunday at 7:30 p.m. The Internet Lounge is located at 256 South Ave., Fanwood. For information, call 908-490-1234 or visit the Web site at [www.TheInternetLounge.com](http://www.TheInternetLounge.com).

**MOLLY MAGUIRE'S IRISH PUB** in Clark will present entertainment in the coming weeks. Thursdays are Ladies Nights, and Sundays feature NFL games and \$2 drafts.

Molly Maguire's is located at 1085 Central Ave., Clark. For information, call 732-388-6511.

**SECOND SATURDAYS COFFEEHOUSE** will take place the second Saturday of each month at 8 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the Summit Unitarian Church, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit. Featured will be an "open mic" forum of music, poetry, comedy and performance art. Refreshments are served. Admission is \$4. Talent is sought for future dates.

For information, call 908-928-0127 or send e-mail to [info@secondsaturdays.org](mailto:info@secondsaturdays.org).

**VAN GOGH'S EAR**, 1017 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, will present a series of musical events. Tuesdays are "Acoustic Tuesday," some of which feature open mic from 8 to 9 p.m. for folk singers, poets and comedians, followed by a featured folk performer.

Open mic participants sign up at 7:30 p.m., and get 10 minutes at the microphone. Jazz and blues are featured Sundays at 8 p.m. Cover charge is \$3 for all Sunday concerts, unless otherwise noted.

Tuesday: Television Down, 9 to 10 p.m.

April 18: X Marks the Spot, 8 to 11 p.m.

April 20: Open mic, 8 to 9 p.m.; Shamra, 9 to 10 p.m.

For information, call 908-810-1844.

## WORKSHOPS

**REEVES-REED ARBORETUM** in Summit will sponsor series of workshops on gardening in the coming weeks.

Today and April 15: "Gardening One-on-One," 7 to 9 p.m., \$62

Reeves-Reed Arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit. For information, call 908-273-8787 or visit [www.Reeves-ReedArboretum.org](http://www.Reeves-ReedArboretum.org).

**GRANT WRITING** for nonprofit and arts groups will be the topic of a workshop to be sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders on Tuesday from 7 to 9 p.m. at the Union County Administration Building Annex, 300 North Ave. East, Westfield. For information, including fee, call 908-558-2550, Relay users dial 711, or send e-mail to [culturalinfo@ucnj.org](mailto:culturalinfo@ucnj.org).

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## ARTS CLIPS

## Rockapella to play Kean

The hippest and hottest a cappella group to hit the airwaves, Rockapella, will grace the Wilkins Theatre stage on April 16 at 7:30 p.m., Kean University, 1000 Morris Avenue, Union.

This five-man group based in New York City is credited with revolutionizing a cappella music and bringing it into the 21st century as an infectious pop-music form blending soul, rock, R&B and jazz. Rockapella first gained national attention in the early '90s for their five seasons of work on the award-winning PBS program, "Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego?" They created and sang the original music for the show's theme song and elements, as well as provided some witty on-camera comic relief. Since that time, Rockapella has released nine albums, appeared in numerous television shows and commercials and performed to sold-out audiences worldwide.

Tickets are \$20 for the public, \$15 for senior citizens and Kean alumni, and \$12 for students and children. For further information, to order tickets, or request a brochure, call the Wilkins Theatre box office at 908-737-7469.

## MVP's 'Line' to form

Mystic Vision Players of Linden will conduct auditions for the long-running spectacular musical, "A Chorus Line," on April 21 and 22 at 7:30 p.m. with callbacks on April 24 at 2 p.m.

Those auditioning should be 16

years of age or older and come prepared with sheet music and to sing 16 bars. Also, be prepared to execute a dance combination that will be taught. Auditions will be held at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St., Linden, directly behind Linden City Hall.

For more information or directions, call 908-925-9068. Show dates are July 23 to 31 in the Linden High School auditorium.

"A Chorus Line" is being directed by Jil Leonard.

## HEART Grants available

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders invites local nonprofit organizations, individual artists, and scholars to apply for funding from the 2004 Union County HEART—History, Education, Arts Reaching Thousands—Grant program.

Recognizing the importance of culture and the arts to the economy and quality of life, the freeholders established the HEART Grants in 1998. This innovative program supports projects related to history, the arts, and humanities, and demonstrates a commitment to the artists and nonprofit organizations of Union County.

"The response to the HEART Grant program in past years has been exciting," said Freeholder Chairman Angel G. Estrada. "The recipients are a wonderful mix of creative people—poets and writers, historians, painters, photographers, musicians and dancers—plus arts, history, and other cultural organizations and civic groups."

"The services provided by these artists, scholars, and organizations directly benefit the residents of our county," said Freeholder Mary P. Ruotolo, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "These cultural assets are a vital part of community life, economic development and cultural tourism in Union County."

To request HEART Grant information, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, 07202; call 908-558-2550, Relay users dial 711; or send inquiries via e-mail to culturalinfo@ucnj.org.

## UCC seeks new plays

There are still a few openings for the monthly playwright's workshop at The Theater Project, Union County College's professional theater company.

The workshop meets once a month, in addition to a monthly script-in-hand public performance/discussion of one of the plays in development. Organizers are particularly interested in writers who can contribute to the process of the other participating playwrights.

Playwrights interested in developing their work through readings and critiques by actors, directors and other writers should submit scripts, self-addressed stamped envelopes with a cover letter, including a brief summary of writing background to: Mark

Spina, The Theater Project, Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford, 07016.

## Chorale plans its season

The Summit Chorale has announced its 2003-04 season.

• Brahms' Requiem — Nair's gala farewell concert at 8 p.m. on May 1, at a 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](http://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.

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## Bill VanSant, Editor

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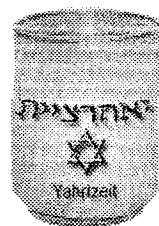
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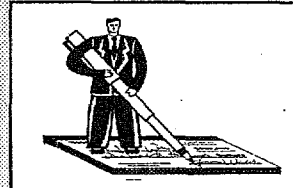
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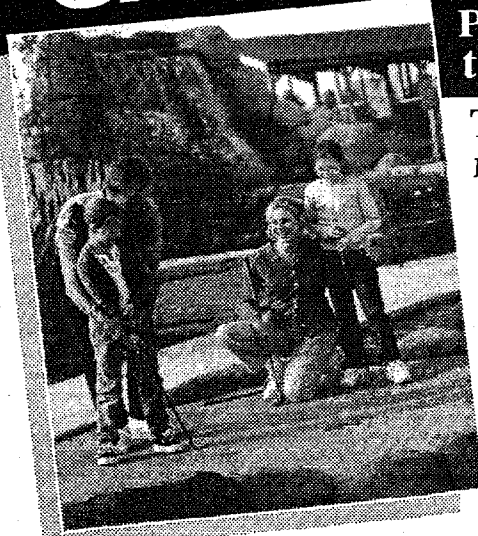
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# Recycling collection April 24

The County of Union will sponsor a recycling event for electronics and automobile tires on April 24 so that county residents can get rid of unwanted tires, computers and other electronic equipment in an environmentally proper manner. The collection will take place from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cranford campus of Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford, opposite Nomahegan Park.

All residents of Union County are eligible to participate at no cost.

Computer monitors and televisions are the source of a considerable amount of lead — about 5 pounds per screen. Up to 95 percent of most electronic appliances can be recycled.

Electronic equipment that will be accepted on April 24 includes computer monitors, hard drives, modems, keyboards, CPUs, mice, printers, scanners, speakers, televi-

sions, VCRs, fax machines, telephones, and circuit boards.

All that residents need to do is drive to the site with their unwanted electronic equipment and as many as eight automobile tires, without rims. Workers at the site will unload the vehicles.

Pre-registration is not required for this collection. Refrigerators, washers and dryers, microwaves, and air conditioners will not be accepted.

A complete list of the materials that will be accepted on April 24 is available at the Union County Environmental Services Web site, [www.ucnj.org/oem](http://www.ucnj.org/oem).

The electronics collection and tire recycling will be held rain or shine, for Union County residents only and not for businesses. Proof of Union County residency is required.

For more information, call the Bureau of Environmental Services Hotline at 908-654-9889.

# Senior services travel county

The Union County Division on Aging in the Department of Human Services will bring its outreach services program for senior citizens to five locations during April.

The Outreach Services program offers senior citizens information and help with applications for a variety of important government assistance programs.

Staff will conduct private interviews on request.

The outreach services program will

visit the following locations in April:

- Elizabeth, Tuesday, from 10 a.m. to noon at Twin City Supermarket, 1016 Sherman Ave., 908-558-1166, Spanish/English.

- Elizabeth, Wednesday, from 10 a.m. to noon at Supremo Food Market, 25 Broad St., 908-351-3399, Spanish/English.

- Garwood, April 15, from 12:30 to 2 p.m. at Garwood Seniors Center Firehouse Building, 415 South Ave., 908-789-8877.

- Union Township, April 19, from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Nora Gardens, 1775 Burnet St., 908-686-9100.

Union County representatives will be available to help residents complete the necessary applications for a multitude of programs, including gas and electric support, pharmaceutical assistance, home energy assistance, Supplemental Security Income, and counseling on senior health insurance.

For more information, call 1-888-290-8226.

# Legislators tackle ethics reform

(Continued from Page B1)

The current discussion on pay-to-play, Kean said, would ban the practice at the state level but does not include leadership PACs.

"To simply have a pay-to-play ban at the state level is too weak because people will still find a way to contribute," said Kean, explaining the Democratic initiative does not ban the pay-to-play practice with county or municipal political organizations. "It would bypass the intended effect of that law."

Cryan said ethics reform must be a state law to also include county and municipal levels of government.

"Eliminating it only at the state level, I think, is ridiculous and silly," he said.

In a letter to Democratic legislative leaders, Gov. James McGreevey wrote that the "comprehensive reform should apply to every level of government."

"No-bid contracts should be eliminated across government at every level," wrote McGreevey. "It is insufficient to end no-bid contracts and pay-to-play for the Executive Branch of State government, only to allow these practices

to continue at other levels of government."

Kean said that a number of the Democrats' initiatives do not go far enough. For instance, the ban on dual office holding calls for a study commission to look into the practice.

"I would argue that we need to move quickly on the ban of dual office holding," he said.

Kean said the ban on dual office holding is a bipartisan issue for the political leaders in Union County.

"Neither the Union County Republican organization nor the Union County Democratic organization supports candidates who hold two elected offices," said Kean. "There are just no cases in point in Union County."

Earlier this year Scutari stepped down from his seat on the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, which was something Assemblywoman Linda Stender, D-Union, also did when she resigned from her post on the freeholder board in 2002 once she elected into the Assembly.

"It wasn't right for me," said Scutari of holding two elected positions, adding that dual office holders could be "beholden to too many people."

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### NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

**CHANTEL CRIBB**, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest;

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 filed in a civil action, in which U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee of CSFS ABS Trust Series 2001-HE17 is plaintiff, and JAMES MACK, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, bearing Docket F-2828-04 within thirty-five (35) days after April 8, 2004 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief 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 filing 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 01/23/2001 made by James Mack as mortgagors, to Fremont Mortgage recorded on 01/30/2001 in Book MB-8021 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0250 which Mortgage was assigned on 01/30/2001 to the plaintiff, U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee of CSFS ABS Trust Series 2001-HE17 by Assignment of Mortgage recorded on 09/25/2001 in Book 1264 of Assignments of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0189; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1030-32 West 3rd Street, Plainfield, NJ 07063.

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 of the County of venue by calling 908-353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340.

Chantel Cribb, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest is made a party defendant to this foreclosure action by reason of a certain judgment entered in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey bearing judgment number DJ-017519-2002 on 11/17/02, in the original sum of \$2,902.49, wherein you, Chantel Cribb, are the judgment creditor and James Mack is the judgment debtor and for any lien, claim or interest you may have in, to or against the premises.

DONALD F. PHELAN, CLERK  
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

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## COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE SCOPING OF THE GORDON STREET BRIDGE OVER "OUT OF SERVICE" CONRAIL IN THE BOROUGHS OF ROSELLE AND ROSELLE PARK

The County of Union in conjunction with the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) and the New Jersey Department of Transportation (NJDOT) intends to prequalify prospective consultants for Scoping Services for the rehabilitation or replacement of the:

Gordon Street Bridge over "Out of Service" Conrail.

Federal funds for project scoping will be provided through the NJTPA in partnership with the NJDOT. All pertinent Federal regulations shall apply. The NJTPA and NJDOT as well as the County of Union will be involved in the review and approval of various documents to be submitted by the Consultant.

Consultants are invited to submit a Qualification Statement for the project. The Scope of Work for this project are available at the office of the County of Union Division of Engineering. The Qualifications Statement shall be no more than three typed, single sided, 8-1/2"x11" sheets in length with 1" margins on all sides. The font used shall be Arial and the size no smaller than 11 point. Anything in excess of this page limitation or deviation from the font size and type specified will not be read or considered. The Qualifications Statement must contain the following information:

1. A statement that your firm is interest-

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ed in performing the work described in the attached scope.

2. The address of the office in which the work will be performed.

3. The title and ASCE grade of the individual who would be assigned to the project and as the project manager.

4. A list of work areas that will be subcontracted out to other firms along with the name of the firms and individuals from those firms that will be involved in the project.

5. A narrative demonstrating your understanding of the project work and detailing your firm's particular ability to perform this work. The narrative should also indicate the experience of your firm and the experience of any subconsultant with the type of work they will perform for this project.

6. A statement that the established goal of 11.5% participation by Emerging Small Business Enterprises (ESBE) will be met.

Additional information on ESBE may be found at [www.nitps.org](http://www.nitps.org) under the shortcut for RFP-RFQ.

Resumes of key personnel must be attached to the Qualification Statement. Each resume shall be a maximum of two single sided, 8-1/2"x11" sheets in length and should highlight education, professional credentials and work experience on projects similar to that description in the Request for Qualifications. You must include the resume of the project manager, as well as the resumes of the key technical staff (including key staff of any subconsultants).

Qualifications Statements will be reviewed and evaluated by a Consultant Selection Committee comprised of staff from the County, NJTPA and NJDOT. The Consultant Selection Committee will solicit technical proposals from a short list of consultants based on these evaluations. It is anticipated that approval of a short list for solicitation of technical proposals will occur during the month of May 2004.

Qualifications Statements must be received by the County of Union no later than close of business on April 29, 2004 to be considered. A \$135.00 filing fee, copies of the Qualifications Statement should be sent to:

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## NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANT

Superior Court of New Jersey  
Chancery Division  
Union County  
Docket No. F-4536-04

STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

Maurice J. Dowling, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Jewel Dowling, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon the Attorneys for Plaintiff, Powers Kirn, LLC, 737 Stokes Road, P.O. Box 1088, Medford, NJ 08055, an Answer to the Complaint (and Amendment to Complaint, if any) filed in a Civil Action in which U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee is plaintiff and Maurice J. Dowling and Jewel Dowling, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within thirty-five (35) days after April 8, 2004, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court at the Richard Hughes Justice Complex, CN 971, 6th Floor, North Wing, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure. A \$135.00 filing fee payable to the Clerk of the Superior Court and a completed Case Information Statement must accompany your answer or motion.

The action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage dated September 24, 2002, made by Maurice J. Dowling and Jewel Dowling, his wife to Conesco Finance Servicing Corp. and assigned to plaintiff, U.S. Bank National Association, as Trustee, and concerns real estate located at 320 Monroe Avenue, Plainfield, NJ.

Maurice J. Dowling, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Jewel Dowling her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any

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of their successors in right, title and interest is made a party defendant to this foreclosure action by reason of a certain judgment entered in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey bearing judgment number DJ-017519-2002 on 11/17/02, in the original sum of \$2,902.49, wherein you, Maurice J. Dowling, are the judgment creditor and James Mack is the judgment debtor and for any lien, claim or interest you may have in, to or against the premises.

An individual who is unable to obtain an attorney may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling toll free 800-792-8315 (within New Jersey) or 609-394-1101 (from out of state). You may also communicate with a Lawyer Referral Service, or if you cannot afford to pay an attorney you may call the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340. You may also communicate with a Lawyer Referral (908) 353-4715.

DONALD F. PHELAN, CLERK OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

U69663 WCN April 8, 2004 (\$73.50)

## NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

**J.C. REAVES; MELISSA ROBINSON**, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest;

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 filed in a civil action, in which CHASE MANHATTAN MORTGAGE CORPORATION is plaintiff, and J.C. REAVES, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-5743-04 within thirty-five (35) days after April 8, 2004 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief 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 filing 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 09/17/2001 made by J.C. Reaves as mortgagors, to First Mutual Corp. recorded on 10/01/2001 in Book 8562 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 343 which Mortgage was assigned on 09/25/2001 to the plaintiff, Chase Manhattan Mortgage Corporation by Assignment of Mortgage recorded on 04/23/2002 in Book 1264 of Assignments of Mortgages for Union County, Page 102; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 144 Willaver Street, Plainfield, NJ 07063.

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 of the County of venue by calling 908-353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340. You, the heirs, devisees, and personal representatives J.C. Reaves, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest, are hereby made a party defendant to this foreclosure action as a precaution that J.C. Reaves the record owner of the mortgaged premises being foreclosed herein may be deceased in which case you would have an ownership interest in the mortgaged premises and for any lien, claim or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises.

Melissa Robinson, her heirs, devisees and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest is made a party defendant to this foreclosure action by reason of a certain judgment entered in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey bearing judgment number J-257128-1991 on 9/1/92, wherein you, Melissa Robinson and Jay Reaves is the 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

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## 'Best of the Best' awards

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Union County has announced its "Best of the Best" 2004 awards will be given on May 6 at L'Affaire restaurant in Mountainside.

These annual honors will be given to those community organizations, foundations and corporations who have made a difference in the lives of the youth of Union County.

The "Best of the Best" awards are the opportunity to say "Thank You" to those who have made a significant impact on the lives of youth.

To make a nomination or for more information call Felicia Bober at 908-687-7976, ext. 104 or e-mail her at [fbober@bgcuc.org](mailto:fbober@bgcuc.org).

## Free tax assistance

RSVP and AARP both offer free tax assistance to senior citizens and other lower-income taxpayers at locations throughout Union County.

To request an appointment, taxpayers must call the site in their local community and bring with them their 2003 records of income, deductions, property tax bills, and their 2002 income tax file. Last year, volunteers aided more than 2,600 citizens with their tax returns.

Free tax assistance will be offered from early February until April 15 at the following locations:

- Berkeley Heights Free Public Library, 290 Plainfield Ave., 908-464-9333.

- Clark Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave., 732-388-3600.

- Cranford Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave., 908-709-7283.

- Elizabeth Free Public Library, 11 S. Broad St., no appointments necessary. Tax help on Thursdays from Feb. 5 to April 15, 9 a.m. to noon.

- Kenilworth Free Public Library, 548 Boulevard, 908-276-1451.

- Mountainside Free Public Library, Constitution Plaza, 908-233-0115.

- New Providence Senior Center, 4th Street, 908-665-0046.

- Plainfield Senior Center, 305 E. Front St., 908-753-3506.

- Plainfield Free Public Library, 8th and Park avenues, Plainfield, 908-753-3506.

- Senior Citizen Annex, 1036 Esterbrook Ave., Rahway, 732-827-2016.

- Casano Community Center, 314 Chestnut St., Roselle Park, 908-245-0666.

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- Scotch Plains Free Public Library, Bartle Avenue, 908-322-5007.

- Springfield Free Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., 908-376-4930.

- Union Senior Center, 968 Bonnel Court, 908-851-5290.

- Community Center, 558 W. Broad St., Westfield, 908-232-4759.

- St. Helen's Parish Center, 1600 Rahway Ave., Westfield, 908-232-1867.

For more information, call Sal Conforti, AARP Union County tax aide coordinator, at 908-351-9050 or Jim Walsh at 908-276-3152.

If you are interested in becoming an RSVP volunteer tax counselor, call Steve at 908-354-3040, Ext. 369.

## Free watershed program

Sixth-grade school teachers and local community groups are encouraged by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders to register for a free, 45-minute, in-house science presentation that relates watershed and environmental concepts in a fun and meaningful way.

"A watershed is a specific land area that drains into a river system or other body of water," Freeholder Daniel Sullivan said. "Since 1999, these interactive watershed presentations have been receiving positive reviews from students and teachers alike. The students love participating in a whole period of interesting hands-on material that includes the use of a three-dimensional land use model."

Teachers, students and community members will discover how human behavior can impact the land and water around them. Most importantly, the program offers easy, practical solutions that everyone can implement to reduce non-point source pollution and improve water quality.

The average person can help by eliminating or minimizing the use of pesticides on lawns, picking up pet waste, and not feeding geese.

The watershed presentations are offered by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders in conjunction with the State Department of Environmental Protection and the AmeriCorps Watershed Program.

To schedule a presentation of a school or meeting or for more information about your watershed, call 908-527-4032 and ask for the "Watershed Presentation."

## Election dates brochure

Deadlines are fast approaching for

potential voters who wish to receive absentee ballots for the April 20 Board of Education election or to register for the June 8 primary.

Upcoming election dates include:

- April 13: Last day to apply by mail for an absentee ballot for the Board of Education Election.

- April 20: annual Board of Education election.

- May 10: Last day to register to vote for the June primary.

- June 1: Last day to apply by mail for an absentee ballot for the June primary.

- June 5: Special opening of the County Clerk's office in Elizabeth, to apply for an absentee ballot for the June primary, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

- June 7: Last day to apply in person for an absentee ballot, before 3 p.m., Elizabeth office.

- June 8: Primary election, polls are open from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. Petition filing deadline at 4 p.m. for independent candidates for the Nov. 2 General Election.

A pamphlet outlining all of the important 2004 election dates, candidate petition filing deadlines, absentee ballot deadlines, and campaign-finance report deadlines is now available at public libraries, the Union County Clerk's offices in Elizabeth and Westfield, and municipal clerk offices throughout the county. The pamphlet also includes a detachable absentee ballot application.

This pamphlet lists the key election dates and other information essential for voters and prospective candidates for elective office. With the absentee ballot application, registered voters who are unable to make it to the polls on any Election Day can apply to receive absentee election ballots at their homes.

The County Clerk's office can be reached at 908-527-4360.

## Community blood drive

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

- Monday, 4 to 8 p.m., Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Park Avenue and Randolph Road.

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# Healthy Living

## Aide training available

The Union County Home Care Consortium, along with the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, has announced the next training dates for home health aides who provide in-home services to senior citizens.

The classes will be held beginning April 20 and they will run through May 21. Classes will meet Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Plainfield campus of Union County College.

"Certified home health aides are the backbone of the home care services," said Union County Freeholder Chairman Angel G. Estrada. "They provide the services needed to allow people to live independently."

The Union County Home Care Consortium was established in 1986 to attract, train and retain home health aides. The consortium comprises non-profit and public agencies that are committed to providing home health services to Union County residents who are elderly and/or disabled.

"With the training provided through these courses, we are able to address the ever-increasing need for home health aides," added Estrada.

There is a \$75 registration fee that includes the cost of the textbook and workbook. There also will be an application fee between \$60 and \$70 payable to the N.J. State Board of Nursing. A \$10 parking fee will also be charged for the use of the Union County College lot.

All applicants will be interviewed by one of the consortium's participating agencies before registration for the course. For additional information about this program, call Donna Farrell at 908-527-4858.

## Program focuses obesity

Each year in the United States, more than \$33 billion is spent on weight-loss products and services.

Despite this huge amount of money, overweight and obese adults have been rising at an epidemic rate during the past 20 years.

To address the obesity issue, Dr. Karen Ensle, department head of Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County, has developed a program called "Supersize America: Beating the Obesity Epidemic."

The program will help people understand why portion sizes, food choices, and fitness activities are important on a daily basis. Food comparison quizzes with exercise exam-

ples will help the learner to understand the reality of our everyday choices.

"This program will give residents of Union County the knowledge they need to change their eating habits and work toward improving their overall health," said Union County Freeholder Daniel P. Sullivan. "Better eating and proper exercise will help reverse the disturbing trend of overweight and obesity in our society."

Here are some of the risks facing overweight and obese adults:

- More than 300,000 deaths per year may be attributed to the obesity epidemic
- People who are overweight have a higher incidence of high blood pressure
- People who are overweight have increased "bad cholesterol" and reduced "good cholesterol" which increases the risk of heart attack and stroke
- People who are 11 to 18 pounds overweight are at risk of developing Type II Diabetes

For more information on offering this program for a "Lunch & Learn" group or for a community group in Union County, call Ensle at 908-654-9854.

## Exercise program offered

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has announced the availability of an exercise program for people who have had strokes and those who have other physical limitations.

The exercise classes address general fitness needs and they are instructed by a recreational activities therapist and a recreational activities aide.

"This non-stressful exercise program focuses on balance, posture, overall health and exercises that can be performed in the participants' homes," said Freeholder Mary Ruotolo, liaison to the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board. "Come and get a workout while having fun and making new friends."

Classes are held every Tuesday and Thursday, noon to 1 p.m., from April 6 through Nov. 19. The program is held at Rumlens Specialized Hospital, 40 Watchung Way, Berkeley Heights. There is a one-time enrollment fee of \$20 per person.

Pre-registration and a doctor's release are required. This activity is accessible to those in wheelchairs and contains activities that can be adapted to everyone. For further information,

contact the Department of Parks and Recreation at 908-527-4096.

## Diabetics have support

A free support group for diabetics, friends and family is offered by the Diabetes Management Center at Trinitas Hospital on the first Wednesday of each month at 2 p.m.

Sessions are conducted by registered nurses and certified diabetes educators, and cover such topics as diet, latest treatments, self monitoring, and more. The group meets in the Diabetes Management Center, located in suite 202 of the Trinitas Hospital Medical Office Building, 240 Williamson St., Elizabeth. Support group members may park for free in the campus parking garage.

## Smile with confidence

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

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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.

## Volunteers are needed for Cornell Hall program

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

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

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

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

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

## Hospice seeks volunteers

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

Volunteers will be prepared to assist homebound, terminally ill patients and their families in non-med-

ical ways, such as providing companionship and emotional support, running errands, listening and offering respite to caregivers. Volunteers should be available for two to three hours a week when they have patient assignments.

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

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## Stroke survival is key

Much will be written about stroke prevention, and the signs and symptoms of stroke, both of which are important, but the stroke survivor is forgotten.

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The New Jersey Stroke Activity Center is trying to make a difference. As a nonprofit organization, NJSAC offers services to stroke survivors and caregivers alike.

In too many cases, after the health professionals tell the stroke survivor that there is nothing more the can do and therapy has ended, the stroke survivor does not know where to turn.

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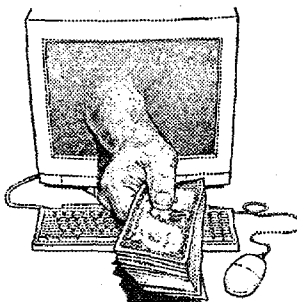
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## Head-office support helps sellers in field

Though real estate professionals — whether working for a one-office agency or a much larger organization — tend to function in a rather entrepreneurial fashion, parent company support can be a vital contributor to success. And with dramatic changes taking place both in the real estate market and in communication technology, many leading real estate firms are now offering broad support programs to their agents.

"Corporate-level support absolutely, positively matters when it comes to agents being prepared to satisfy the needs of buyers and sellers," says William O. Kelleher Jr., chairman and CEO of Prudential New Jersey Properties, which is based in Somerset. "Our company has made a tangible commitment to our sales associates' success by initiating a wide range of assistance offerings and programs."

The Garden State's second-largest independent real estate company, Prudential New Jersey Properties, a leading member of the nationwide Prudential Real Estate Affiliates Inc., makes available a vast array of collateral materials and a comprehensive training program in support of sales associates at each of the company's 26 offices.

On a national level, PREA regularly produces and makes available to its 45,000 agents a range of educational printed materials, all specifically intended to assist buyers, sellers and the agents themselves. Many of these materials can be personalized to include an individual agent's name,

providing the advantage of customized, professionally prepared marketing items at a modest cost.

Locally, Prudential New Jersey Properties also offers a variety of marketing and advertising pieces to its agents. These personalized materials are designed to enhance the image of both the company and the agent, and to assist in the cultivation of new business opportunities.

Further support to Prudential New Jersey Properties sales associates comes through an ongoing sales training program. A fully equipped training center at the company's Somerset headquarters facility provides a centralized location for a wide variety of skill development and educational classes.

"We offer our continuing education classes to keep agents updated on key issues that can impact their practice," explains Bruce Graham, training director for Prudential New Jersey Properties. "Along with new agent and advanced training held at our headquarters training center, I also travel to our many sales offices to deliver on-site training specific to the unique needs of individual offices."

Additional support to sales agents also comes from office managers, who engage in various forms of professional mentoring to refine and enhance skills learned during training sessions.

Based in Somerset, Prudential New Jersey Properties offers relocation, mortgage, fine homes and resort properties services.

## Cataldo joins Westfield Burgdorff

Burgdorff ERA has announced that Laurie Cataldo has joined the company as a sales associate in its Westfield office, located at 600 North Ave. West.

Cataldo is a licensed New Jersey and Georgia real estate sales associate specializing in residential properties.

After receiving a bachelor of science degree in communications from the University of Tennessee, she worked in provider relation for electronic data systems. She began her career in real estate in Atlanta, serving as a vice president for Post Properties, a premier real estate development and management corporation.

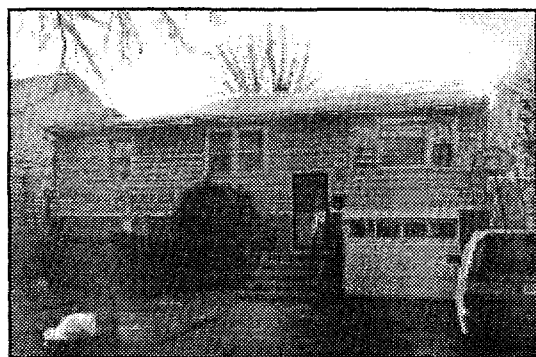
Cataldo has been a resident of Westfield for nine years. She has been active in parent-teacher organizations, and belongs to a women's investment club. Cataldo is a member and volunteer at New Providence Presbyterian Church and serves on the adult committee for Young Life in Westfield/Scotch Plains.

The Burgdorff ERA Westfield office is a full-service real estate office. For real estate assistance, or to inquire about a career in real estate, call the office at 908-233-0065.

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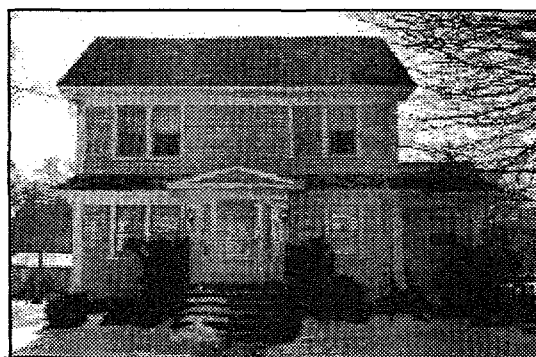
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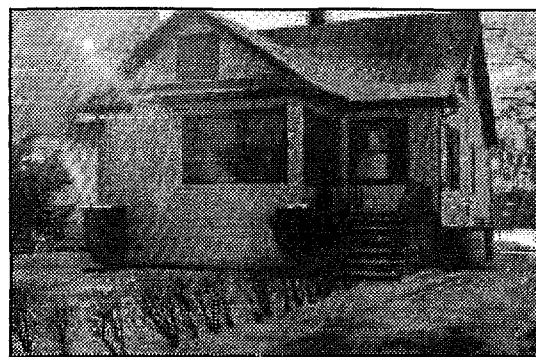
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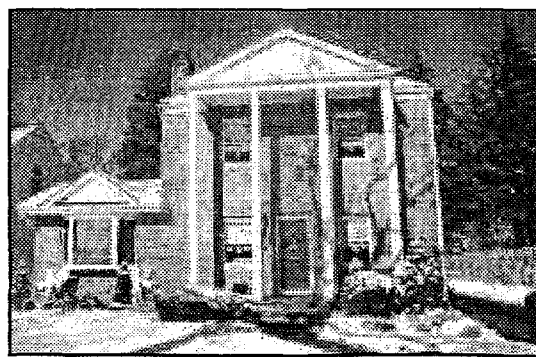
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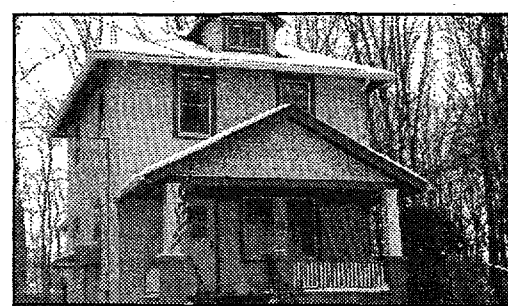
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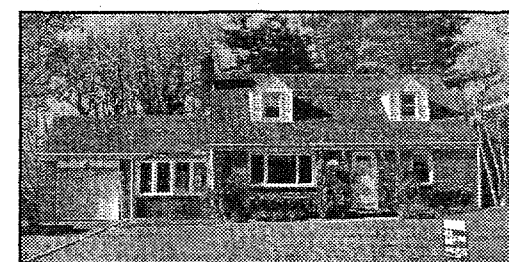
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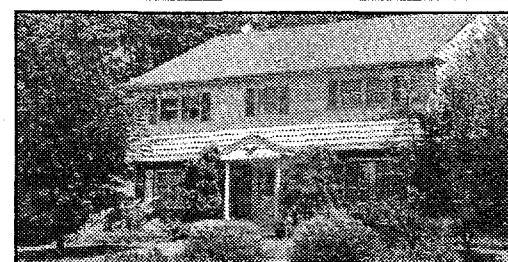
**CRANFORD \$419,900**  
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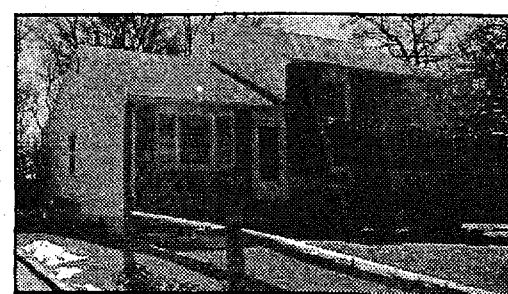
**MOUNTAINSIDE \$549,000**  
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## PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

## Keleher accepts post with advisory council

William O. Keleher Jr., chairman and CEO of Somerset-based Prudential New Jersey Properties, the state's second-largest independently owned residential real estate firm, has been selected to join the Network Advisory Council by The Prudential Real Estate Affiliates Inc., a Prudential Financial Inc. company. Keleher, who first served on the council from 1994 to 1996, will have a two-year term.

The council consists of 12 Prudential Real Estate Network brokers who are representative of the entire network, with members coming from each region and from various size offices. The council meets biannually to discuss future development of new real estate products and services, and to provide feedback and input on the strategic direction of the Prudential Real Estate Network.

Council members are also responsible for staying informed on current issues and market trends within the real estate industry, as well as other industries. Additionally, they will share feedback, concerns, and issues with other network members through outreach programs.

"It's an honor to have Bill join the council," said Earl Lee, president of The Prudential Real Estate Affiliates Inc. "We expect his unique skills and experiences will be a tremendous asset to the council, as it strives to make a real impact on the real estate industry by suggesting products and services to be developed and by positively impacting affiliate operations."

In addition to his previous years on the Network Advisory Council, Keleher was also a member of the Better Homes and Gardens Real Estate Advisory Board from 1984 to 1986. Keleher, who began his career as a sales associate in 1969, is a key player in the New Jersey real estate market, having led a variety of real estate firms throughout the state.

"I'm delighted to once again be part of this highly-influential group," Keleher said. "I look forward to the opportunity to provide input related to the Prudential Real Estate Network's future plans."

## Chasin offers top quality

Roni Chasin, sales associate in the Short Hills office of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, offers clients outstanding negotiating and marketing skills in today's highly competitive market.

A resident of Short Hills for 10 years, Chasin is extremely familiar with her service areas of Millburn and Short Hills, Maplewood, Summit and Livingston and prides herself on offering the highest quality of service to her clients. A previous advertising sales and marketing executive, Chasin credits her professional background for her success at Coldwell Banker.

"My previous sales experience has provided me with the tools I need to properly market and list my clients' homes," said Chasin. "I have very strong negotiating skills that enable me to obtain the best price for my buyers and sellers. I take pride in exceeding my clients' expectations with superior results."

Chasin is a residential listing and sales marketing specialist and a buyer's specialist who focuses her efforts on re-sale, new construction and rentals. Chasin is also a member of the Garden State Multiple Listing Service, the North Central Jersey Association of Realtors, the National Association of Realtors and the New Jersey Association of Realtors.

Extremely dedicated to her community, Chasin recently served as the treasurer of the Millburn High School PTO, and recently was co-chairperson and organizer of the third annual Millburn High School Senior Celebration Kitchen Tour this past October. The purpose of the six-house tour was to raise money for the senior class celebration.

For information on buying or selling a home in the Short Hills area, call Chasin at the Short Hills office of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage at 973-467-3222. The office is located at 518 Millburn Ave. in Short Hills.

You can also view listings on the Internet at [www.ColdwellBanker-Moves.com](http://www.ColdwellBanker-Moves.com).

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## Six win top honors at Burgdorff ERA Summit

A total of six associates from the Burgdorff ERA Summit office have earned the New Jersey Association of Realtors Circle of Excellence Sales Silver Award for production of over \$7.5 million and 20 units minimum in 2002.

The NJAR Silver Achievement Award recipients are Louise Biunno, Carolann Clynnes, Michael Del Duca, Macy Egerton, Christine Niedzielski, and Eileen Sergent.

Biunno also received the Circle of Excellence Sales Award Bronze from 1999-2002. Dedicated to client satisfaction, Biunno is a Burgdorff specialist, a relocation specialist, and a luxury and historic homes specialist. She specializes in new construction and is known in the real estate industry for her strong marketing and negotiating skills. She is a member of the Burgdorff ERA Leaders Circle and ranks in the top 10 percent in both closed units and dollar volume in the entire company. She also holds the prestigious Graduate, Realtor Institute designation. Biunno is a consummate professional, committed to providing exceptional service to her clients.

Among her many professional accomplishments, Clynnes has qualified for the Circle of Excellence Sales Award consistently over the last 20 years and is among a select group of sales associates named to its Distinguished Sales Club. A former branch office vice president and broker since 1978, she holds the prestigious Certified Real Estate Brokerage Manager designation and has been certified as an appraiser since 1987. In 2001 and 2002, Clynnes was a member of Burgdorff ERA's prestigious President's Council, a select award reserved for the top 17 agents in the company. Clynnes was confirmed in 2002 by the New Jersey State Senate to a position on the New Jersey Historic Trust, a post to which she was nominated by Gov. James E. McGreevey. Clynnes firmly believes in giving back to the community where she lives and works, and for years has served on the boards of many civic and charitable organizations.

Del Duca has received an NJAR Circle of Excellence Sales Award every year since 1984. Del Duca is a member of the exclusive NJAR Distinguished Sales Club, reserved for those who achieve that feat in at least 10 different years. He has been a member of Burgdorff ERA's President's Council eight times and is a current member of Burgdorff's President's Elite. Del Duca also holds the Graduate, Realtor Institute designation.

A sales associate for only two years, Egerton is already one of the top agents in the Summit office. In 2002, Egerton received the Rising Star Award, which is presented to the top new sales associates joining real estate who, in their first full year, have exceeded expected production standards at Burgdorff ERA. In 2003, credentials Egerton earned include the Accredited Buyer's Representative, the Seniors Real Estate Specialist, and the e-PRO Specialist. Egerton has also earned the distinguished Burgdorff ERA Specialist designation, and she is trained in historic real estate through the National Trust for Historic Preservation. Prior to joining Burgdorff ERA, Egerton enjoyed a 20-year career on Wall Street.

Niedzielski received the Circle of Excellence Sales Bronze Award in 1998, 1999, 2001 and 2002. Niedzielski is a senior real estate specialist and relocation specialist, and is certified with USAA-Movers Advantage Program. She also holds the certified residential specialist and senior real estate specialist designations. A member of the Burgdorff ERA President's Club, she is consistently one of Burgdorff's top producers. Her caring nature and attention to detail enable her clients to enjoy a positive real

estate experience.

Sergent received the NJAR Circle of Excellence Sales Award Gold Level in 2000 and 2001, and the Silver Level in 1992, 1993, from 1996-1999, and again in 2002. Sergent is among a select group of sales associates named to NJAR's Distinguished Sales Club

for earning the Circle of Excellence Award in 10 or more different years. She has been in the Burgdorff President's Elite since 1999, and she has been the Summit office's top producer in unit sales since 1996. Sergent is a member of the prestigious Burgdorff ERA President's Council. Recogniz-

ing only the top 17 of sales associates out of Burgdorff's 700-plus member sales force, membership to the Burgdorff ERA President's Council is the company highest and most distinguished honor. Sergent's ability to exceed clients' expectations is a testament to her extraordinary profession-

alism and conscientiousness.

"These Silver Award recipients are a daily reminder of what every realtor should be," said Joanne Tedesco-Kloud, vice president and manager of the Summit office. The award-winning sales professionals can be reached by phone at 908-522-1800.

## Let's Ask Jill

by Jill Guzman

## CHOOSING A BROKER

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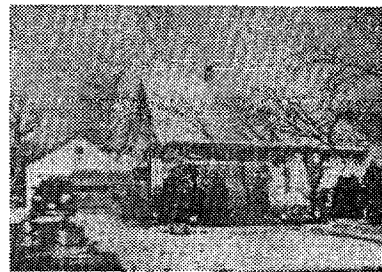
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## Weekly Mortgage News

McLean, VA - In Freddie Mac's Primary Mortgage Market Survey, the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage (FRM) averaged 5.52 percent, with an average 0.6 point, for the week ending April 1, 2004, up from last week when it averaged 5.40 percent. Last year at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 5.79 percent.

The average for the 15-year FRM this week is 4.84 percent, with an average 0.6 point, up as from last week when it averaged 4.70 percent. A year ago, the 15-year FRM averaged 5.06 percent.

One-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 3.46 percent this week, with an average 0.6 point, up from 3.36 percent last week. At this time last year, the one-year ARM averaged 3.82 percent. (Average commitment rates should be reported along with average fees and points to reflect the total cost of obtaining the mortgage.)

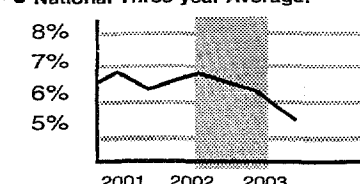
"In advance of what is hoped will be a strong jobs report tomorrow, bond yields rose this week and, predictably, so did mortgage rates," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac chief economist. "The economy has been conducive to job gains for several months, but we have yet to see any significant rise in employment."

"But even with rates slightly higher, the housing industry will continue to be an active, solid sector of the economy going into the spring buying season. We don't foresee any major slowdown in the housing market this year. Quite the contrary, we are confident 2004 will be another banner year for home sales."

## National Averages

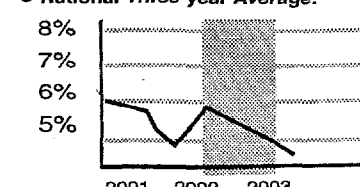
## 30-year mortgage

- National Average: 5.38%
- National Three-year Average:



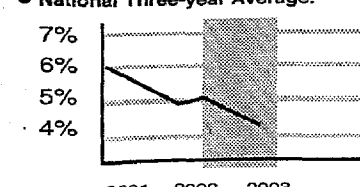
## 15-year mortgage

- National Average: 4.66%
- National Three-year Average:



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- National Three-year Average:



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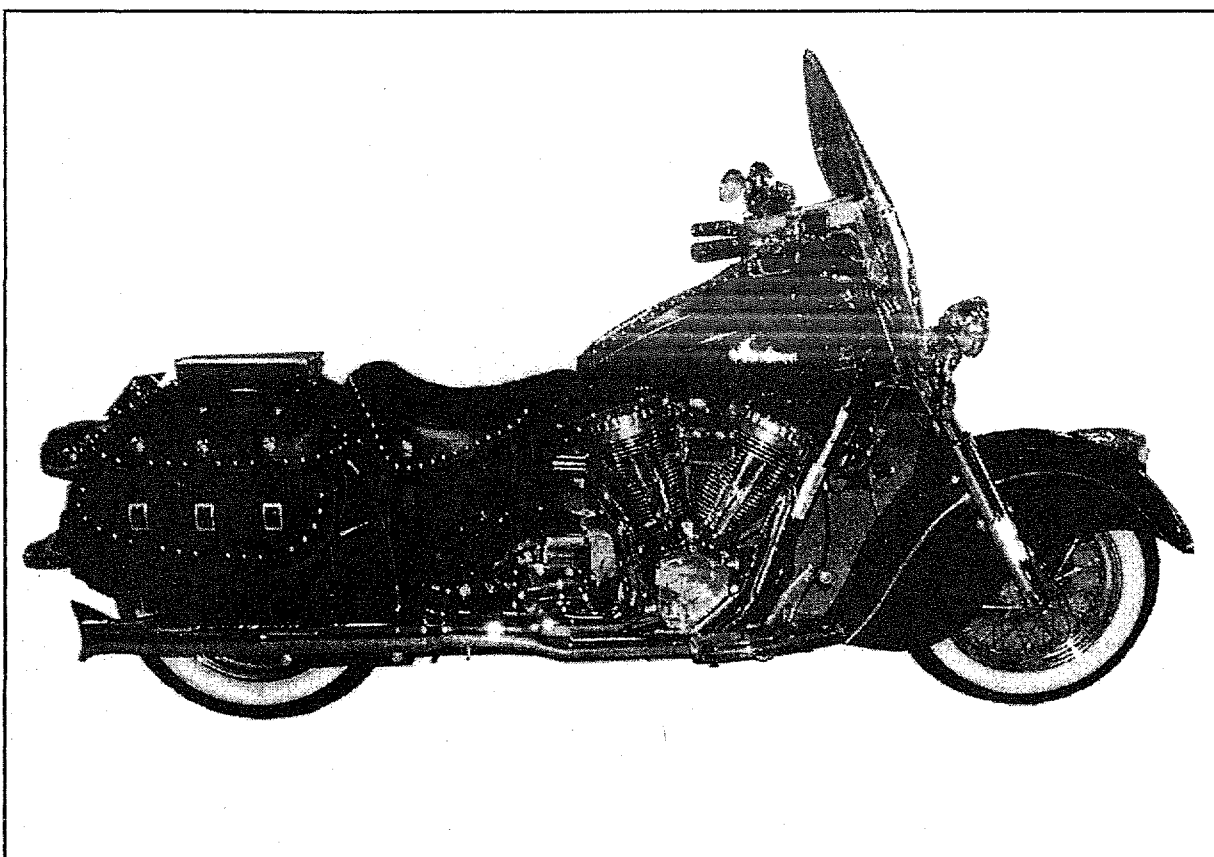
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While sales of Indian motorcycles have gone up steadily as models such as this 2003 Indian Vintage Chief have attracted buyers, it apparently wasn't enough to keep the Gilroy, Calif., manufacturer afloat.

## Investors pull the plug on Indian

Jerry Garrett  
Copley News Service

The good news for Indian Motorcycle Corp. is that it set another sales record in August and, through September, it was on pace for a record sales year. The bad news is, it apparently wasn't enough.

The company recently announced that it has stopped production and fired 380 workers. About 12 employees remain to preside over liquidation of about 1,200 motorcycles still in the factory's inventory.

The decision came after its main investor, Audax Group of Boston, said it would not put more money into the company. Audax had funded Indian to the tune of more than \$45 million the past two years.

All told, investors have pumped more than \$145 million into the resurrection of the famed motorcycle marque since it resumed manufacturing in 1999.

At one point this year, the company claimed to have sold some 60,000 bikes since its revival. But that figure was wildly inflated.

Sales, although rapidly improving, totaled just 3,800 in 2002. Among its main rivals, Harley-Davidson sold 123,000 bikes, Honda sold 27,500 and Yamaha moved 25,000 units.

Indian was on track to sell about 6,000 bikes this year.

Critics lambasted the company's first bikes in 1999 as little more than Harley clones, especially since they used aftermarket engines based on H-D V-twin technology.

Only 1,100 bikes were sold that first year as purists stayed away, awaiting fulfillment of promises to build a "true" Indian as soon as funds became available.

Finally, in 2002, the company started producing its own engines. Installed in new bikes, such as the Chief and Vintage Chief, the resulting cruiser was widely admired.

But sales never took off as the company hoped.

Part of the problem was a perceived lack of the "cachet" needed to battle Harley-Davidson on equal footing, and part was due to the \$24,000-and-up base prices.

In analyzing the 2003 sales growth, Senior Vice President Fran O'Hagan said in August, "Momentum is on our side." The company had added three vice presidents during the summer months. Introductions of 2004 models were planned this fall.

Chairman Frank O'Connell said board members were hopeful of raising more money, right up until Audax's pullout was announced.

The fates of the state-of-the-art, 150,000-square-foot factory, its workers, new models, Indian investors, its 200 dealers and thousands of owners

with active warranties were left uncertain.

"All we are being told is that they are working with different investment groups," says Rick Urban, general manager of Indian Motorcycle San Diego. "We, and the majority of the rest of the dealers nationwide, anticipate someone else to come in and invest."

The '04 product that was due to be released in September was a huge step up for the company, Urban says. "They were expecting much improved sales, and so were we."

Indian Motorcycle Corp. was formed in 1998 after a long and protracted court battle over who owned the Indian trademarks.

The first Indian motorcycle was produced in 1901. At one time, Indian had a 40 percent share of the motorcycle market, completely overshadowing Harley-Davidson sales.

But Indian built its last bike in 1953 after its owner, Ralph Rogers, said he couldn't compete against a flood of British bikes made ridiculously cheap by a devaluation of the English pound.

Fanatical Indian owners, who

loved the bikes' bodacious styling, were outraged. But numerous attempts to revive the brand failed. Loyalists, however, kept their prized bikes in pristine condition and on the road. Recent figures estimated that 50,000 pre-1953 Indian bikes are still registered.

**2003 Indian Chief Vintage**  
Engine: 1638cc 45-degree V-twin with two valves per cylinder  
Transmission: five-speed manual  
Drive: Primary, chain; final, belt  
Suspension: Front: 41mm, dual damping shocks; Rear: rising-rate monoshock with preload adjustment  
Brakes: 11.5-inch rotors with Brembo four-piston calipers  
Tires and wheels: 130/90 16-inch tires with chrome spoked wheels  
Seat height: 28.5 inches, 27-inch optional  
Dry weight: 733 pounds  
Fuel tank: 5.5 gallons, including 1.2 gallon reserve  
MSRP: \$24,995

Jerry Garrett is a San Diego-based motor-sports writer and contributing editor to Car and Driver magazine.

## Toyota's Highlander gets a sitting ovation

By Jerry Garrett  
Copley News Service

The Highlander is only three years old, but Toyota already is giving it a face-lift.

The big news? Highlander gets a third-row seat.

That might seem odd, because the new Lexus RX 330 does not offer a third row of seats.

When asked why, Lexus GM Denny Clements said: "If you want a third row of seats, buy a bigger vehicle."

The kicker is, the Highlander and the RX 330 essentially are the same vehicle.

Lexus says its customers don't want third-row seating, but Toyota says it found that 80 percent of Highlander customers do.

So, sandwiched into the former cargo area is an extra row of seating in the Highlander. It's a tight fit, with the seat backs relatively close to the rear hatch.

Toyota is upfront about the use for the seat: small passengers only. There's just 30 inches of legroom back there; shoulder room is similarly size-challenged.

A clear winner in the new Highlander is the availability of the optional 230-horsepower, 3.3-liter V-6 that debuted in the RX 330. The engine is also available in Camry and Sienna.

It's a lot more powerful and fuel-efficient than the three-liter engine it replaces. Even the standard inline-4 gets more punch, addressing one of the few complaints about this Camry-based SUV.

Pricing starts at \$25,140 for the Highlander V-6 4x2 with two rows of seats, a decrease of \$420 from last year. Add \$850 for the third row.

The Highlander four-cylinder 4x2 with two rows of seats is \$24,620; add \$1,400 for four-wheel drive.

And the Highlander Limited 4x2 is \$30,520 and the 4x4, \$31,920. Extras on the Limited include a power front passenger seat, electrochromic rearview mirror with compass, 17-inch alloy wheels, steering wheel audio switches and third-row seating. Compared with the more luxurious RX 330, Highlander is fairly basic

transportation. It doesn't get the RX 330's optional air suspension, bigger wheels and tires, or added safety features, such as triple-stage driver air bags and the unique knee air bag.

Highlander also loses an inch or two of head, leg and shoulder room, and a couple of feet of cargo volume, to make room for that third-row seat.

Outside of that, the only other noticeable features are sharper character lines on the exterior and a richer interior treatment.

Expect another minor make over of the Highlander in a year or so, you can do that when you're the world's richest carmaker, when a hybrid gas/electric version of the Highlander should show up.

The hybrid should boast some impressive performance numbers, as well as class-leading fuel economy.

Highlander has been a sleeper hit, and Toyota plans to keep it that way.

### 2004 Toyota Highlander

Body style: Five-passenger compact sport-utility vehicle; optional, seven-passenger seating

Drive system: Front-wheel drive, optional all-wheel drive

Engine size and type: 2.4-liter, 16-valve, DOHC inline 4

Optional engine: 3.3-liter, 24-valve DOHC V-6 with VVT-i

Horsepower: 160 at 5,700 rpm, V-6, 230 at 5,600 rpm

Torque: 165 foot-pounds at 4,000 rpm, V-6, 242 foot-pounds at 3,600 rpm

Transmission: four-speed automatic; optional, five-speed automatic

Acceleration: V-6, 7.8 seconds estimated

EPA fuel economy estimates: 22 mpg city, 27 highway; V-6, 20/26; AWD, 19/24, with V-6, 18/24

Fuel capacity: 19.0 gallons

### Dimensions

Cargo volume: 81.4 cubic feet

Front head/leg/shoulder room: 40.0/40.7/57.8 inches

Middle head/leg/shoulder room: 39.5/36.4/57 inches

Rear head/leg/shoulder room: 36.3/30.2/53.3 inches

Length: 184.6 inches

Wheelbase: 106.9 inches

Curb weight: 3,530-3,935 pounds

### Features

Standard features: Cruise control, alarm, intermittent wipers, AC and power windows, door locks and seats.

Safety features: Dual-stage front air bags, side air bags, side curtain air bags, ABS and three-point belts with pretensioners, force limiters, height adjusters and retractors.

### Chassis

Brakes: Four-wheel disc brakes with ABS, EBD and Brake Assist

Steering: Power-assisted rack and pinion

Suspension: Front: MacPherson strut, stabilizer bar. Rear: Dual-link MacPherson struts

Tires and wheels: 225/70 R16-inch, optional, 225/65 R17-inch

### Pricing

Highlander Four-cylinder 4x2 with two rows of seats, \$24,620; add \$850 for the third row

Highlander Four-cylinder 4x4 with two rows of seats, \$26,020

Highlander V6 4x2 with two rows of seats, \$25,680

Highlander Limited 4x2, \$30,520; Limited 4x4, \$31,870

Prices include \$540 destination and handling fee

The competition: Honda CR-V, Mitsubishi Outlander, Ford Escape

Where assembled: Canada

Pluses: More power, more refinement, more economical, same basic price.

Minuses: V-6 needs premium fuel, fully loaded it becomes pricey and heavy; traction and stability controls can be intrusive and can't be switched off.

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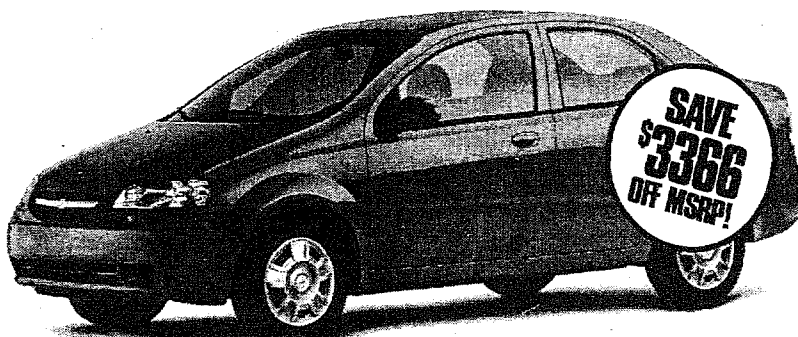
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#C2055, 4 DR, V6, auto  
w/OD, a/c,  
r/wiper/wash,  
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#C2929, 4 cyl.,  
auto, keyless entry,  
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spkrs, full power  
equip.

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Rebate .....\$3000  
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VIN #42347015, Stk  
#C2982, 2WD, Vortec  
16, auto w/OD, 5550 lb  
GVW, lugg rk, keyless  
entry, theft deter sys.,  
full power equip.

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Rebate .....\$3500  
Bonus Cash .....\$1000  
Olds Loyalty Rebate .....\$1000  
Military Rebate .....\$750

VIN #4G101835, Stk  
#C2086, 2WD, V8, auto,  
6,000 lb GVW, in-dash  
6 disc cd player  
w/Bose spkrs, full  
power equip.

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Multi Discount .....\$3355  
Rebate .....\$3000  
Bonus Cash .....\$1000  
Olds Loyalty Rebate .....\$1000  
Military Rebate .....\$750

VIN #4J241438, Stk  
#C2914, V8, auto,  
3rd row seat,  
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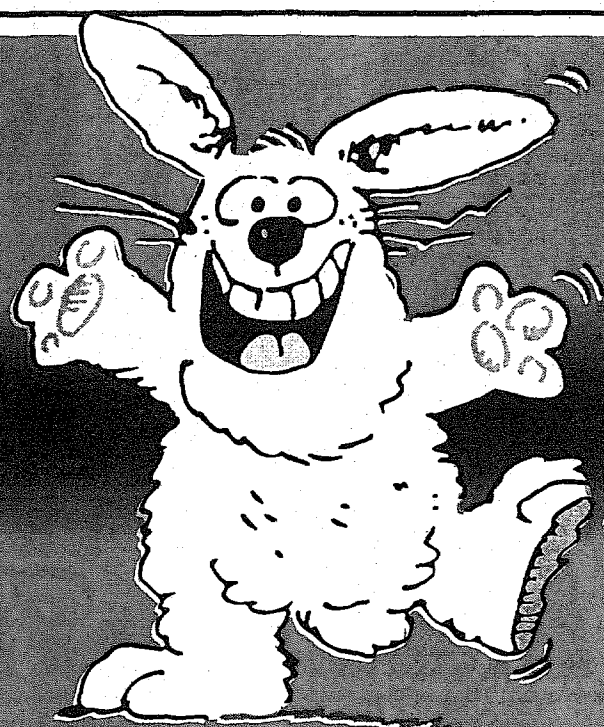
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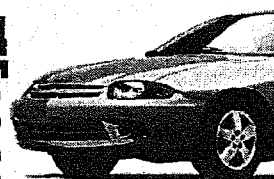
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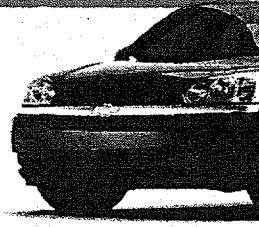
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Includes \$1000 Factory & \$500 Value  
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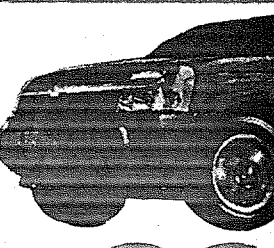
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### NEW 2004 CHEVROLET IMPALA 4 DR

6 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds/seats, air,  
cass/cd. Stk#40601. VIN#49304506.  
MSRP \$24,040. Price Includes \$3000  
Factory & \$500 Value Coupon Rebates.



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cd. Stk#40704. VIN#42315947. MSRP  
\$30,760. Price Includes \$3000 Factory  
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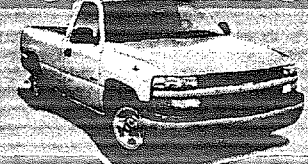
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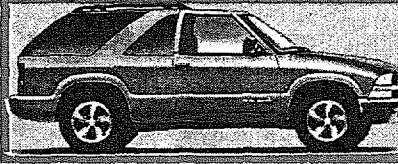


8 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs, air, am/fm stereo, 69,359 mi.  
Stk#4364. VIN#1G170591.

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### 2001 CHEVROLET BLAZER 4X4 2 DR

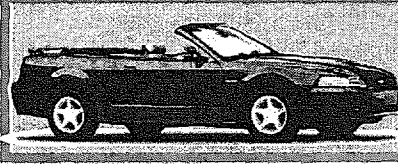


6 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds/lks, air, cd, 28,297  
mi. Stk#6483. VIN#1K202778.

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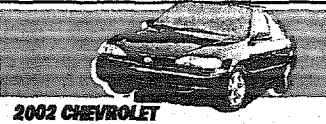
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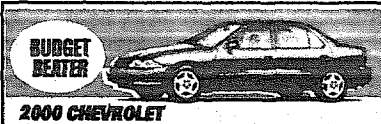
8 cyl, 5 spd man, p/str/ABS/winds/seats, air,  
cass/cd, leather, traction ctrl, security sys, 16,188  
mi. Stk#405098. VIN#1F182269.

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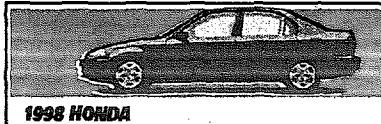
2002 CHEVROLET  
PRIZM  
4 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs, air, cd,  
34,959 mi. Stk#9470.  
VIN#22149410.

**\$7511**



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BETTER  
2000 CHEVROLET  
CAVALIER 4 DR  
4 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs, air, cd,  
31,847 mi. Stk#40704.  
VIN#11349772.

**\$7911**



1998 HONDA  
CIVIC LX 4 DR  
4 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs/winds, air,  
stereo, 49,046 mi. Stk#9432.  
VIN#1H1130207.

**\$8111**



2001 SATURN  
I200 4 DR  
4 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs, air, cd,  
29,611 mi. Stk#40604.  
VIN#1Y58664.

**\$8611**



2001 CHEVROLET  
MALIBU 4 DR  
4 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs/winds, air,  
cd, security sys, 31,729 mi.  
Stk#4072. VIN#1B154897.

**\$9711**



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2000 HONDA  
CIVIC EX 2 DR  
4 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs/winds,  
air, cass, sunrt, 35,805 mi.  
Stk#6404. VIN#1F104580.

**\$10,711**



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2001 CHEVROLET  
TRACKER LT 4X4 4 DR  
6 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs/winds, air,  
cd, security sys, 31,783 mi.  
Stk#4051. VIN#1G1B912109.

**\$11,911**



2001 VOLKSWAGEN  
BEETLE GLS 2 DR  
4 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds, air,  
cass/cd changer, leather, security  
sys, 10,838 mi. Stk#9035.  
VIN#1M437306.

**\$13,911**



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EXPRESS 12 PASS VAN 4 DR  
8 cyl, auto, p/str/bkrs, air, stereo,  
36,715 mi. Stk#9343.  
VIN#11130207.

**\$14,511**



2001 CHEVROLET  
BLAZER LT 4 DR  
6 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds/seats,  
air, cass/cd, leather, security sys,  
32,805 mi. Stk#4082. VIN#1K2106187.

**\$17,911**



2002 NISSAN  
XTERRA SE 4X4 4 DR  
6 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds, air,  
disc cd, sunrt, security sys, 19,144  
mi. Stk#4024. VIN#1N2524546.

**\$18,811**



2003 DODGE  
DAKOTA SLT QUAD CAB 4X4 4 DR  
8 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds, air,  
cd, 33,293 mi. Stk#4061.  
VIN#3D738388.

**\$20,911**

### 2003 LAND ROVER FREELANDER SE-3 AWD 2 DR



6 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds, air, cd, sunrt, 12,795  
mi. Stk#40701A. VIN#3A260016.

**\$19,911**



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2002 CHEVROLET  
TRAILBLAZER LT 4X4 4 DR  
6 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS  
/winds/seats, air, cd, 31,403 mi.  
Stk#4048. VIN#2111246.

**\$22,511**



2002 CHEVROLET  
AVALANCHE 4X4 Z71 4 DR  
8 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds/seats,  
air, cd, security sys, 32,382 mi.  
Stk#4063. VIN#26354007.

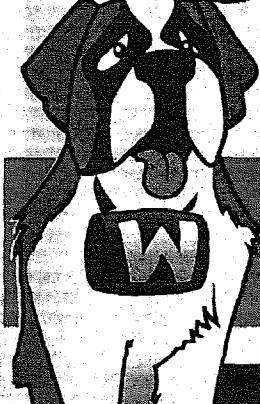
**\$26,911**



2001 CHEVROLET  
SUBURBAN 4X4 4 DR  
8 cyl, auto, p/str/ABS/winds/lks/seats, air, cass/cd,  
33,618 mi. Stk#454. VIN#1G213308.


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