

THE CLARK EAGLE

CLARK, N.J., VOL. 15 NO. 1

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2004

www.localsource.com

TWO SEC

Projections forecast bubbles in student enrollment

By David Learn
Managing Editor

The biggest challenge ahead in Clark's schools isn't an increase in student enrollment — it's how the enrollment is distributed.

In a presentation to the Board of Education Tuesday night, Superintendent of Schools Glenn Tillou projected school enrollment for the next five years. Such projections are necessary for budget planning and for allocating the school district's resources.

"You wouldn't go on an automobile trip unless you had some idea what direction you're going in," said Tillou. "That's what the enrollment projection does."

The projections Tillou shared with the

board were calculated by taking the average enrollment of a particular grade over the past three years, and multiplying it by the actual percentage of students from that grade to move into the next grade up a year later.

In the case of kindergartners, the district considers data on the number of children born in Clark in a given year and then the number of those children actually to enter kindergarten five years later.

The technique, which is considered highly accurate over a five-year period, is used throughout the state by school districts, and is the technique employed by the state Department of Education for its student-based calculations.

The resulting projection is one where the student population dips and rises a little from one year to the next, but stays the same overall. Total elementary school enrollment this school year is 899. In 2007-08, Tillou projected it would hit 918, but would be back to 909 the next year.

"It's pretty consistent over the next five years," said Tillou. "What we do see is differences over the grade level."

There are 146 first-graders at Valley Road and Frank K. Hehnl schools this year. Next school year, Tillou expects that number to drop to 127, before rising to 148 in 2006-07, peaking at 170 in 2007-08 and dropping back down to 151 in 2008-09.

Similar bubbles and irregularities surface in projections at each level in one year or another.

While the overall number of elementary students does not vary year to year, that sort of bubble can require changes in how the district assigns its teachers, the number of textbooks it orders and where it allocates other resources.

Projections can be rocked by other variables, such as the turnover of real estate from senior citizens and childless couples to young families with small children, or a major upset to one of the private schools in the Clark area.

"If for example our nonpublic schools were to close, it would create a huge problem for us," Tillou said, since the district could face an

influx of students who had been educated there. He was quick to stress that such a scenario is unlikely. "There is no indication that any of our nonpublic schools are in any trouble."

Board members and members of the public alike let Tillou's presentation pass without comment or question. At its conclusion, Tillou quipped that his audience had fallen asleep from the stream of numbers and statistics.

Still, the presentation received a favorable response from those attending, who applauded when Tillou had finished.

"It's been a long time since we've seen something like that," said board President James Rooney.

Ulrich named to post

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

Councilman At-large Jim Ulrich has replaced former Mayor Robert Ellenport on the Hyatt Hills Commission. Ellenport's five-year term ended this week.

Mayor Sal Bonaccorso announced the appointment during a Township Council meeting last week.

Ellenport expressed disappointment over the mayor's appointment. "I thought he'd replace me with someone actively involved in golf," he said, adding that Ulrich had said he would not seek re-election because of time constraints.

"I guess it's political payback," Ellenport, a Democrat, said.

Bonaccorso said Ulrich's job constraints were more a problem for campaigning for re-election rather than actually serving on the Township Council. His desire to stay involved in the community, coupled with his business experience, made Ulrich an excellent choice for the commission, the mayor said.

"With his business savvy, he brings a lot to the table," Bonaccorso said.

The 2-year-old golf course now has all aspects of its facility up and running, from the nine holes of golf, to a miniature golf course and restaurant. "What I want to do know is make a difference in improving any issues we have," Ulrich said.

Admittedly, Ulrich said he doesn't play much golf, but said being on the commission is not so much about being active in the sport as it is about managing a business. "It's like any other business, managing revenue forecasting and keeping the clientele happy," he said.

Ulrich has been director of Fixed Income Research at Deutsche Bank in New York City since 1996. He did not seek re-election this year to a second, three-year term on the Township Council.

Being on the Township Council, Ulrich said, would not be a problem if it were just the two scheduled meetings per month. The golf commission, meanwhile, meetings once per month.

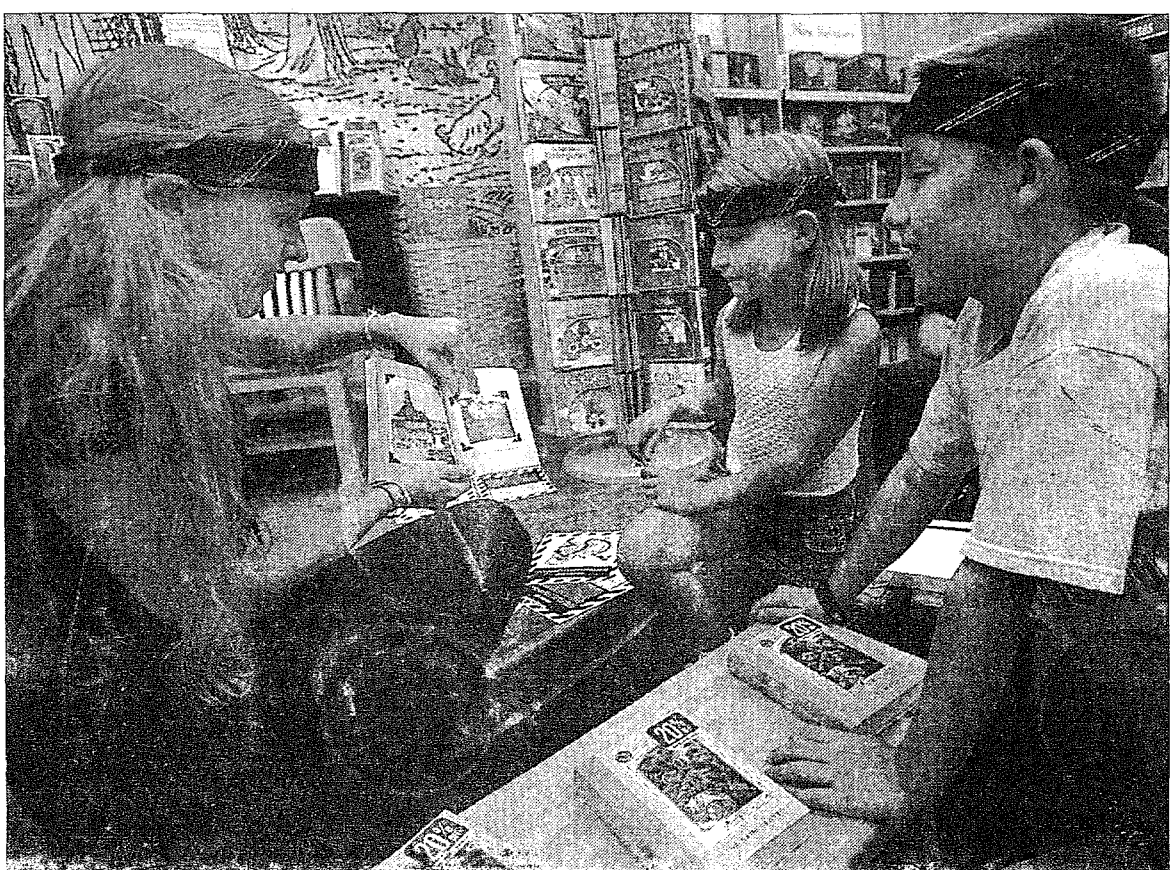
"It's not the meetings that kills you, it's the legwork behind the meetings that kills you; especially during the budget season," he said of serving on the governing body. In addition to passing an ordinance, council members must follow up and ensure that it's working properly and constituents are pleased.

Ulrich first won office in 2000 when the Republican ticket swept the three at-large seats and the mayor's office to gain a majority on the Township Council.

Ulrich was replaced on the GOP council ticket this year by former Board of Education member Sheila Whiting, who joins incumbents Angel Albanese and Al Barr, along with Bonaccorso for mayor. They are opposed by Leslie Romano, Nancy Sheridan and James Spaziani. Sheree Bosze is challenging Bonaccorso for the mayor's seat.

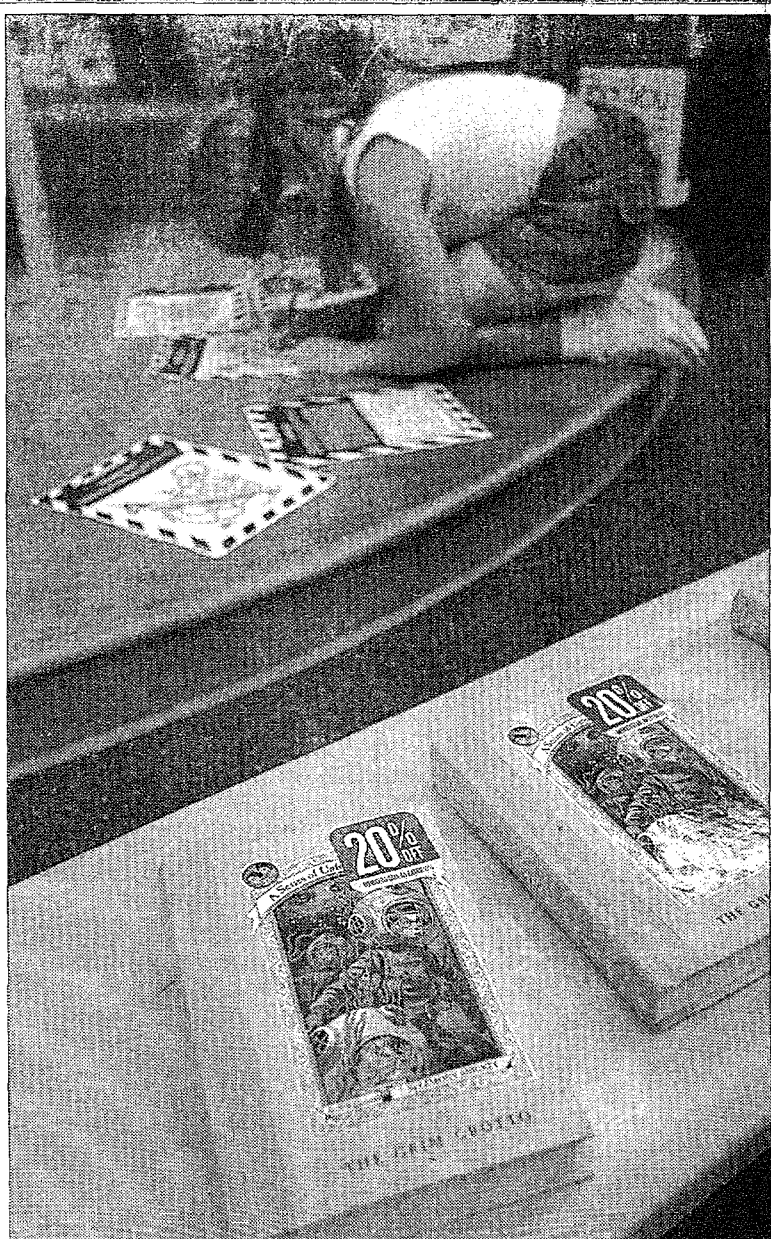
The Hyatt Hills Commission has seven members, four from Clark and three from Cranford, each appointed by the mayors of each municipality.

Situated on the former Hyatt Hills roller bearing plant on Raritan Road, the golf complex was built by General Motors. Once the auto company recoups its expenses in building the facility, revenues will be split between Clark and Cranford.



HITTING THE BOOKS — Although it lacked the fanfare surrounding last year's 'Harry Potter and the Order of the Phoenix,' the latest volume in the popular Lemony Snicket Series of Events' arrived at bookstores last week. Above, Karen Gilmour, left, the community relations manager for Barnes & Noble Booksellers in Clark, shows the book and its fallacious author's picture to the children who attended the release party. At right, Nicole Buckley, 8, works on some of the puzzles available during the party. Below, her brother Peter, 11, browses through 'The Grim Grotto.' Peter, who recently was introduced to the series by a friend, plans to start reading the books.

Photos By
Reena Rose Sibayan



Unsettled talks kill school event

By David Learn
Managing Editor

A series of Back to School nights have been canceled as contract discussions continue between the Board of Education and the Clark teachers union.

The district canceled the Back to School nights, an annual event that acquaints parents with their children's teachers and schools, after the Clark Education Association told district officials its members would not hold them until

a contract settlement had been reached. Members of the union — which includes secretaries, nurses, maintenance workers and teachers, about 240 people in all — have been working with an expired contract since July 1.

In a prepared statement delivered to the Board of Education during its meeting Tuesday night, Sheryl Johnson, president of the union, asked the board to reschedule the event. "Our members welcome the opportunity to share with parents all the exciting learning opportunities we have planned for the students this year," Johnson read. "We simply would like to pursue that opportunity without the cloud of a contract impasse looming over us."

The board's position, as explained by attorney Michael Gross, is that the proposed sixth period would not equal an entire new instruction period since six periods would be five minutes shorter under the new schedule than they are now.

Negotiations will continue Oct. 13, when representatives of the union and the Board of Education meet with a state-appointed mediator.

'We're still not there yet. We've made a little bit of progress. ... But we've had good discussion, and we're keeping a positive attitude.'

— Sheryl Johnson

Bus routes shuffled to transport students

By David Learn
Managing Editor

A dozen students are taking the long way to school and back, thanks to an increase in the number who need bus transportation to get to and from Carl H. Kumpf Middle School.

About 110 students at Kumpf rely on school buses in the mornings and afternoons. Unfortunately, the district has a contract for only two buses, each capable of carrying only 54 students.

As a result, administrators had to choose between finding a third bus — a costly proposition — or finding a new way to use the extant bus service.

The solution finally settled on, which took effect Monday, is for the affected students to catch a bus headed toward Arthur L. Johnson High School in the morning. In the afternoon, they get on a bus that heads toward Frank K. Hehnl School.

"It saves money," school Business Administrator William Takacs said simply after the Board of Education meeting Tuesday night.

In each case, the difference between starting and dismissal times makes the routes feasible.

"It works logistically very well," said Superintendent of Schools Glenn Tillou. "It's planned on being permanent for the rest of this year."

Clark angles for county grant to improve playgrounds

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

Clark officials hope to defray a third of the cost to upgrade playground equipment at Bartell Park, Curry Field and Veterans Memorial Park with a county recreation grant.

Mayor Sal Bonaccorso made a presentation to the county's Open Space Advisory Committee

last week for the township's \$50,000 application to the Union County Kids Recreation Trust Fund.

The township will put up the other \$100,000 for the upgrades. Clark had been planning to have the playground improvements done by now but once officials heard of the possibility of a county grant, they decided to wait and apply for

some funding.

Bonaccorso said he was not sure if the township could be reimbursed by the county grant if the township already had completed the upgrades on its own.

Residents in the neighborhood surrounding the Broadway firehouse also have raised the possibility of installing a toddler playground behind

the firehouse, on Haliday Street, he said.

Bonaccorso expects to have the county's decision on the grant within four to six weeks. Once he gets the OK, the mayor said the township will be ready to go, only needing to order the equipment and erect it. He expects installation of the equipment could take another four to six weeks.

See PLAYGROUNDS, Page 2

Board to let teachers share sick days with colleague

By David Learn
Managing Editor

School employees will be able to donate their sick time to colleagues who need it under a policy adopted Tuesday night by the Board of Education.

The policy was prompted by the plight of one school district employee, whom district officials would not identify.

"We have one staff member who has some issues and could utilize something like that

because they will go through their own sick days very quickly," said Superintendent of Schools Glenn Tillou. "It's a serious illness."

With the new policy in place, Clark has become the 27th school district in New Jersey to offer such a program, said Mike Yaple of the New Jersey School Boards Association.

Under the policy, employees who wish to donate their time to another employee will need the approval of the Board of Education.

The receiving teacher also would need the

approval of the school board to be eligible to receive donated sick time.

"It's not easy to get into," said Tillou. "It would have to be some sort of catastrophic illness or accident that would take them out of the workplace for 20 days longer than their accumulated sick leave."

Additional state regulations on sick time for school employees also can affect workers' ability to donate sick time, Yaple said.

Although Clark grants teachers with less

than 10 years in the district 12 sick days a year, state law requires that teachers have a minimum of 10, so that teachers cannot dip below that reservoir.

Additionally, state law stipulates that when sick leave is extended, the wages paid for the substitute teacher must be deducted from the salary of the employee on extended sick leave.

"More and more districts are beginning to do this," said Tillou.

"It's really a humanitarian gesture."

Welcome to THE EAGLE

How to reach us:

The Eagle is published every Thursday by Worrall Community Newspapers, an independent, family owned newspaper company. Our offices are located at 1291 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, N.J. 07083. We are open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. every weekday. Call us at one of the telephone numbers listed below:

Voice Mail:

Our main phone number, 908-686-7700 is equipped with a voice mail system to better serve our customers. During regular business hours, a receptionist will answer your call. During the evening or when the office is closed, your call will be answered by an automated receptionist.

To subscribe:

The Eagle is mailed to the homes of subscribers for delivery every Thursday. One-year subscriptions in Union County are available for \$26.00, two year subscriptions for \$47.00. College and out-of-state subscriptions are available. You may subscribe by phone by calling 908-686-7700 and asking for the circulation department. Allow at least two weeks for processing your order. You may use Mastercard, Visa, American Express or Discover.

Missing newspaper:

If your Eagle did not get delivered please call 908-686-7700 and ask for circulation.

Back issues:

To purchase back issues of The Eagle please call 908-686-7700 and ask for circulation. Additional charges may apply.

News items:

News releases of general interest must be in our office by Friday at noon to be considered for publication the following week. Pictures should be black and white glossy prints. For further information or to report a breaking news story, call 908-686-7700 and ask for Editorial.

Story reprints:

For permission to reprint any item printed in the newspaper you must call Tom Canavan at 908-686-7700. All material is copyrighted.

Letters to the Editor:

The Eagle provides an open forum for opinions and welcome letters to the editor. Letters should be typed, double spaced, must be signed, and should be accompanied by an address and daytime phone number for verification. Letters and columns must be in our office by 9 a.m. Monday to be considered for publication that week. They are subject to editing for length and clarity.

e-mail:

The Eagle accepts news releases and opinion pieces by e-mail. Our e-mail address is Editorial@thelocalsource.com e-mail must be received by 9 a.m. Monday to be considered for publication that week. Advertising is also accepted by email under certain guidelines at ads@thelocalsource.com

To place a display ad:

Display advertising for placement in the general news section of The Eagle must be in our office by Monday at 5 p.m. for publication that week. Advertising for placement in the B section must be in our office by Monday at noon. An advertising representative will gladly assist you in preparing your message. Call 908-686-7700 for an appointment. Ask for the display advertising department.

To place a classified ad:

The Eagle has a large, well read classified advertising section. Advertisements must be in our office by Tuesday at 3 p.m. for publication that week. All classified ads are payable in advance. We accept Mastercard, Visa, American Express or Discover. A classified representative will gladly assist you in preparing your message. Please stop by our office during regular business hours or call 800-564-8911, Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

To place a public notice:

Public Notices are notices which are required by state law to be printed in local weekly or daily newspapers. The Eagle meets all New Jersey state statutes regarding public notice advertising. Public notices must be in our office by Monday at noon for publication that week. For more information, call 908-686-7700 and ask for the public notice advertising department.

Facsimile transmission:

The Eagle is equipped to accept your ads, releases, etc. by fax. Our fax lines are open 24 hours a day. For classified please dial 973-763-2557. For all other transmissions please dial 908-686-4169.

Website:

Visit our Web Site on the internet at http://www.localsource.com. Find all the latest news, classified, community information, real estate, and hometown chat.

Postmaster Please Note:

THE EAGLE (USPS 005-988) is published weekly by Worrall Community Newspapers, Inc., 1291 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, N.J. 07083. Mail subscriptions \$21.00 per year in Union County, 75 cents per copy non-refundable. Periodicals postage paid at Union, N.J. POSTMASTER: Send address changes to THE EAGLE P.O. Box 3109, Union, N.J., 07083.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by The Clark Eagle to inform residents of various community activities and governmental meetings. To publicize your community events, mail your schedule to: The Clark Eagle, Attn: managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union 07083.

Today

• Lifeline Screening LLC will offer vascular screenings for carotid stroke, abdominal aneurysm and peripheral arterial disease in the cafeteria of the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave., from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Osteoporosis screenings also will be available.

Screenings, which are not covered under Medicare, are open to all Union County residents. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-897-9177.

For more information or to obtain a copy of the list of screenings and procedures being used, contact Clark Health Officer Nancy Raymond, at 732-388-3600, ext. 3045.

Friday

• Cub Scout Pack 30 will sponsor a tricky tray gift auction starting at 6:30 p.m. in the auditorium of St. John the Apostle Church on Valley Road.

The grand prize is a new computer system. Drawings will begin at 8 p.m. Admission costs \$6. Adults older than 18 will be admitted.

Saturday

• Clark American Legion Post 328 will hold its annual West Point football trip.

Admission costs \$60 for adults and \$50 for children younger than 17. Food and beverages will be available all day, with breakfast at 8 a.m.

For more information, call Ed Smela at 732-499-0555.

• The Girl Scouts of Washington Rock Council will hold a hole in one contest at the Hyatt Hills Golf Complex, 1300 Raritan Road, from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Participants can stop by the Hyatt Hills Complex anytime between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. to compete. The contest is played from the driving range.

Hole-in-One balls cost \$1 each and 12 for \$10.

For more information visit Web site www.westfieldnj.com/girlscouts.

Sunday

• Clark Historical Society will resume its fall/winter programs on Sunday at the Clark Municipal Building 430 Westfield Ave.

Children's Arts & Crafts programs are held from 2 to 4 p.m. the first Sunday of each month at the Municipal Building. Photos include vast farmlands occupied by cows and chickens, a one-room schoolhouse, a local airport and the Black Diamond Train station. Buildings and homes formerly occupying the township, now replaced by developments and elementary school buildings.

For more information, call 732-388-3600, ext. 3025.

• The Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee's third annual golf fund-raiser will be from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Hyatt Hills Golf Course on Raritan Road. The event will raise funds for St. Patrick's Day Parade expenses. Admission costs \$175 per person; dinner only costs \$75 per person.

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 10 a.m. for children younger than 6.

• The Township Council will meet at 8 p.m. in Room 16 of the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, 450 Westfield Ave.

Monday

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 7 p.m. for children 3 and older.

Upcoming

Oct. 7

• The Department of Public Works will have a free waste pickup in the 4th Ward. Materials should be curbside by 6 a.m.

DPW workers will collect furniture, toys, storm windows, car tires, rugs, storm doors, doors, clothing, windows, wood fences, tree stumps, lawn furniture and carpeting.

For more information, call the DPW at 732-388-5305.

Oct. 9

• The Deutscher Club of Clark Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will hold an Oktoberfest starting at 7:30 p.m.

Music will be provided by Bernie's Orchestra. Traditional German and American food and beverages will be available. Admission costs \$5. This will be an open evening.

For more information, call 732-574-8600.

Oct. 11

• The Department of Public Works will collect newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, notebooks, office paper and telephone books bundled together in a paper bag or tied with string. Corrugated cardboard must be flattened.

Food and beverage containers made of glass, aluminum and steel will be collected, as will plastic pop, water, milk, juice and detergent bottles. All these items can be mixed together in a sturdy metal or plastic reusable container no larger than 32 gallons. Rinse all containers thoroughly.

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 10 a.m. for children younger than 6.

Oct. 12

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 7 p.m. for children 3 and older.

Oct. 13

• Clark Historical Society will resume its fall/winter programs will present a program "Ghost Hunting 101" at 7:30 p.m. in the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building 430 Westfield Ave. Laura Hladik, co-founder of the New Jersey Ghost Hunters Society, will discuss methods of ghost hunting and examples of photographs will be displayed. All are welcomed to this free lecture.

For more information, call 732-388-3600, ext. 3025.

• The Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet from 8 to 11 p.m. in Room 16 of the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building, 450 Westfield Ave.

Oct. 14

• The township Department of Public Works will have a free waste pickup in the 3rd Ward. Materials should be curbside by 6 a.m.

DPW workers will collect furniture, toys, storm windows, car tires, rugs, storm doors, doors, clothing, windows, wood fences, tree stumps, lawn furniture and carpeting.

For more information, call the DPW at 732-388-5305.

Oct. 15

• Clark Emergency Squad Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor a bus trip to the Showboat casino in Atlantic City, with a bus leaving the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad parking area on Raritan Road at 10 a.m. and returning at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20; you will get \$15 back at the casino.

For reservations, call Rosemary at 732-388-1556.

Oct. 16

• The Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School Class of 1979 will have its 25th-year reunion at The Gran Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road.

For more information, send e-mail to aljclassof1979@comcast.net or call Jean Harrison McAllister at 908-317-0252.

• Clark Boy and Girl Scouts will participate in a cleanup of the Clark Reservoir from 9 a.m. to noon. Rain date will be Oct. 17.

Oct. 17

• The Polish Cultural Foundation, will celebrate the 125th anniversary of the birth of Polish conductor and composer Grzegorz Fitelberg, at 3 p.m. in the Skulski Art Gallery, 177 Broadway.

Walter Legawiec, violinist-composer, Fitelberg's only student, will perform music by Fitelberg, Mazowsze and early works by Legawiec, accompanied by pianists Carolle Ann Mochernuk and Paul Kueter. Admission costs \$10.

Oct. 18

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 10 a.m. for children younger than 6.

• The Township Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the municipal court room, behind the Police Department, 315 Westfield Ave.

Oct. 19

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 7 p.m. for children 3 and older.

Oct. 21

• The Department of Public Works will have a free waste

pickup in the 2nd Ward. Materials should be curbside by 6 a.m.

DPW workers will collect furniture, toys, storm windows, car tires, rugs, storm doors, doors, clothing, windows, wood fences, tree stumps, lawn furniture and carpeting. For more information, call the DPW at 732-388-5305.

• The Clark Department of Senior Citizens will hold its monthly general meeting on the third Thursday of each month at 1 p.m. in the cafeteria of the Brewer Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave.

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

Oct. 22

• The Arthur L. Johnson High School Key Club will present a talent show in the high school auditorium at 7 p.m. The show will display the talents of ALJ students.

For more information, call the high school at 732-382-0910.

Oct. 23

• St. Agnes Parish fall craft fair will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the St. Agnes Parish Church auditorium, 332 Madison Hill Road. Dealers will set up at 8 a.m. and doors will open to public at 10 a.m.

For more information, call St. Agnes rectory at 732-388-7852.

• The Arthur L. Johnson High School Key Club will hold a car wash in the high school parking lot from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be guides at each entrance of the lot to direct cars to the washing station on the side of the building.

For more information, call the high school at 732-382-0910.

Oct. 24

• The Arthur L. Johnson High School Key Club of Clark will host A Walk for Diabetes from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Refreshments will be available and music will be played for the entire duration of the walk.

Walkers must collect a minimum \$5 to participate. Prizes will be given out to those with the most donations. Envelopes for collecting donations may be found in the Arthur L. Johnson main office.

For more information, call the high school at 732-382-0910.

Oct. 25

• The Department of Public Works will collect newspaper, magazines, junk mail, catalogs, notebooks, office paper and telephone books bundled together in a paper bag or tied with string. Corrugated cardboard must be flattened.

Food and beverage containers made of glass, aluminum and steel will be collected, as will plastic pop, water, milk, juice and detergent bottles. All these items can be mixed together in a sturdy metal or plastic reusable container no larger than 32 gallons. Rinse all containers thoroughly.

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 10 a.m. for children younger than 6.

Oct. 26

• Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1180 Raritan Road, will have a storytime at 7 p.m. for children 3 and older.

• The Planning Board will meet at 8 p.m. in council chambers, behind the Police Department, 315 Westfield Ave.

Oct. 27

• 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 Wilkinson, director, at 732-388-5999.

Oct. 28

• The township Department of Public Works will have a free waste pickup in the 1st Ward. Materials should be curbside by 6 a.m.

DPW workers will collect furniture, toys, storm windows, car tires, rugs, storm doors, doors, clothing, windows, wood fences, tree stumps, lawn furniture and carpeting. For more information, call the DPW at 732-388-5305.

Oct. 31

• The Clark Lions Club will host the 44th annual Halloween parade, which will assemble on Denman Avenue off Westfield Avenue at 1 p.m. The parade will begin at 2 p.m. and proceed along Westfield Avenue to the Brewer School Municipal Building.

SENIOR NEWS

Senior bus service

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

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

• Mondays: morning, ShopRite; afternoon, Rahway library, until Clark is open. No food shopping.

• Tuesdays: first Tuesday, morning, Pathmark/National Wholesale Liquidators in Linden; afternoon, Watchung/Blue Star; second Tuesday, Garwood Pathmark and Garwood mini-mall; third Tuesday, Garwood Pathmark/mini-mall/Home Depot. fourth and fifth Tuesdays, Pathmark/National Wholesale Liquidators in Linden; fifth Tuesday, Pathmark/National Wholesale Liquidators in Linden, and afternoon, Blue Star Shopping Center, Watchung.

• Wednesdays, morning and afternoon: first Wednesday, Woodbridge Mall; second Wednesday, Menlo Park Mall; third Wednesday, Woodbridge Mall; fourth Wednesday, Woodbridge Mall; if a fifth Wednesday, Menlo Park Mall.

• Thursdays: morning, ShopRite; afternoon, Aviation Plaza.

• Fridays: morning, A&P, Linden Plaza; afternoon, Target, Clark stores, no food shopping.

Local AARP chapter plans Christmas party

Clark AARP Chapter 3733 will hold a Christmas party at The Westwood, 438 North Ave., Garwood, on Dec. 10.

Reservations are being accepted at a cost of \$20 for members and guests. Tickets are limited to the first 75 people to sign up. The following trips have been scheduled:

• Oct. 11 — Oktoberfest at the Brownstone, \$58.

• Nov. 3 — Pocmont Luncheon Theatre, "Broadway Revue" \$61.

• Dec. 7 — Three Little Bakers "2004 Christmas" \$72.

• June 14-18 — Cape Cod, Mass. \$369 double, triple, quad occupancy; \$453 single occupancy.

For more information on trips contact Ann Miskovich, AARP trip coordinator, at 732-388-4033.

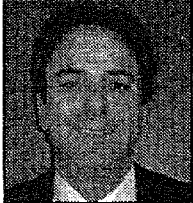
Ongoing projects include knitting lap robes and shrugs, collection of pennies for expenses; magazines, jigsaw puzzles, etc. for the Veteran Hospital; VNA Layette items for needy infants and collection of small gifts for bingo prizes at the Runnels Hospital.

The chapter invites area residents with membership in the National AARP to join the local group and enjoy the social gatherings, trips and volunteer programs and to keep abreast of matters of interest to retirees and those anticipating retirement.

PRINCE & PORTNOI, P.C.

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

For The Seriously Injured



Andrew S. Prince



Mitchell H. Portnoi

- Free Phone Consultation
- Will Travel to See Client

Specializing In:

- Personal Injury
- Workers' Compensation
- Criminal Law
- Municipal Court Matters

NO FEE - IF NO RECOVERY

~ Weekend & Evening Appointments ~

136 CENTRAL AVENUE, CLARK

PHONE: 732-396-8900 - FAX: 732-396-0156

Playgrounds will get boost

(Continued from Page 1)

six weeks. "I'm a little disappointed it takes us into late fall," he said, but the county grant will help save the township from paying for the entire project out of its municipal budget.

Clark sends about \$8 million to county government, the mayor said, and deserves to get at least some of that back. "The county's always been very fair with Clark," he said.

The grant is being funded through a \$500,000 allocation from the Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preser-

vation Trust Fund. The county also plans to generate more than \$100,000 annually for the Kids Recreation Trust Fund through a \$1 increase in fees at county golf courses enacted earlier this year.

The Open Space, Recreation and Historic Trust Fund was adopted by voters in a 2000 referendum.

The ballot measure approved an additional tax of 1.5 cents per \$100 of assessed value dedicated to open space, recreation and historic preservation. The trust fund generates about \$7 million each year.

NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION



ROUTE 22 CORRIDOR PEDESTRIAN SAFETY PROJECTS

NJDOT SEEKS YOUR INPUT ON SAFETY PROJECTS IN THE ROUTE 22 CORRIDOR

PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETING:

Tuesday, October 5, 2004
Springfield Municipal Building
100 Mountain Avenue, Court Room
Springfield
4 - 8 p.m.
Presentations: 4:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m.

The NJDOT Study Team invites you to attend the public information meeting to learn more about the project and the suggested improvements for various locations along the Route 22 Corridor. Come share your concerns and suggestions.



JAMES E. MCGREEVEY
Governor

JOHN F. LETTIERE
Commissioner

Burning odor leads to electric fixture

The Fire Department was dispatched to a Spruce Street residence at 7:34 p.m. Sunday for a 9-1-1 report of a burning odor in the residence.

Investigation determined that the odor was electrical in nature and the most likely source was localized to an electrical fixture.

The electrical fixture, which had burn marks, was disconnected and the homeowner was advised to have an electrician make any necessary repairs.

The Fire Department responded to the area of Valley Road and Liberty Street at 4 p.m. Saturday, for a report of an unknown strange odor in the area.

Investigation determined that a neighbor was using a chemical spray on his landscape plants.

The Fire Department responded to a Central Avenue business for a fire alarm at 5 p.m. Friday and at 6:48 a.m. Saturday.

Investigation determined that smoke detectors were activated most likely due to an insect exterminating fog spray that had been activated after the business had closed.

The fire alarm system could not be reset without the business owner and it had apparently again activated for the same reason the following morning.

The Fire Department was dispatched to a Central Avenue business for a fire alarm at 6:49 p.m. Sept. 23.

Investigation determined that the fire alarm system was activated by cleaning activities in the area.

The Fire Department was dispatched to Arthur L. Johnson High School on Westfield Avenue at 2:28 p.m. and 5:08 p.m. Sept. 21 for a fire alarm.

A contractor working on a door had cut some wires which included the fire alarm system wires, causing the activation. The contractor was to attempt repairs and to notify the fire alarm system company accordingly.

The Fire Department was dispatched to a Westfield Avenue resi-

FIRE BLOTTER

dence at 1:57 a.m. Sept. 20 for a fire alarm.

The residents were not aware of any alarm, and noted that there were problems with the system. The residents were told to have the fire alarm system company make any necessary repairs.

The Fire Department was dispatched to a Limoli Lane residence at 5:13 p.m. Sept. 20 for a fire alarm.

Investigation determined that the smoke detector was activated due to unattended cooking. The fire alarm system was reset.

The Fire Department was dispatched to a Raritan Road restaurant for a fire alarm at 9:15 p.m. Sept. 19.

Investigation determined that a smoke detector on the second floor had been activated due to unattended cooking.

The Fire Department responded to a Skylark Place residence for a 9-1-1 report of excessive black smoke coming from the chimney, at 2:19 p.m. Sept. 18.

Investigation determined that a malfunctioning oil burner was the most likely source of the smoke. The furnace was turned off.

In addition, elevated carbon monoxide levels were found in the kitchen and the Elizabethtown Gas Co. was asked to determine whether any repairs would be necessary.

The Fire Department was dispatched at 10:22 p.m. Sept. 17 to the parking lot of a Westfield Avenue ice cream shop for a report of smoke coming from a car.

The car was overheated.

The Fire Department was dispatched to the Clark Rescue Squad on Raritan Road at 7:51 p.m. Sept. 17,

for a report of an odor of natural gas.

Investigation did not detect any measurable gas concentrations and the Elizabethtown Gas Co. was asked to determine whether any repairs were necessary.

The Fire Department was dispatched to the area of Valley Road and Ridgeview Terrace at 7:37 a.m. and 10:06 a.m. Sept. 16, for a report of smoke coming from the top of a utility pole.

The Fire Department remained on scene until Public Service Electric and Gas Co. arrived to make the necessary repairs.

Several hours later, the Fire Department was dispatched again for the same problem.

The Fire Department responded to a Terminal Avenue business for a fire alarm, at 9:05 a.m. Sept. 16.

The fire alarm system was reset.

The Fire Department responded to a Hillcrest Drive residence for a fire alarm, at 8:06 a.m. Sept. 15.

A smoke detector in the basement had been activated for no apparent reason.

The fire alarm system was reset.

The Fire Department responded to New York and Blake avenues at 3:20 p.m. Sept. 14 for reports of an odor of natural gas in the area.

There was no odor present when the Fire Department was on scene.

The Fire Department was dispatched to a Francis Drive residence at 6:25 p.m. Sept. 12 for a report of a barbecue grill fire.

The grease trap on the grill had caught fire. The fire was extinguished prior to the Fire Department's arrival.

The Fire Department was dispatched to the Garden State Parkway at 1:29 p.m. Sept. 12 for a report of a motor vehicle accident with a car fire and injuries.

The car fire was extinguished by a passerby before the Fire Department arrived, and the injured were treated by the rescue squad.

The Fire Department was dispatched to Lake Avenue residence at 11:39 p.m. Sept. 11, for a report of a smell of natural gas near the dryer.

The gas supply to the dryer was shut off and Elizabethtown Gas Co. was asked to make any necessary repairs.

The Fire Department was dispatched to a New York Avenue residence at 11:53 p.m. Sept. 10 for a report of an odor of natural gas in the residence.

Investigation determined that the odor was most likely due to sewer gas.

Elizabethtown Gas Co. was asked to confirm the source and determine whether any repairs were necessary.

The Fire Department responded to a Raritan Road residence for a 9-1-1 report of an activated carbon monoxide detector, at 3:11 a.m. Sept. 10.

The Fire Department did not detect any measurable levels of carbon monoxide.

Elizabethtown Gas Co. was asked to determine whether any repairs were necessary.

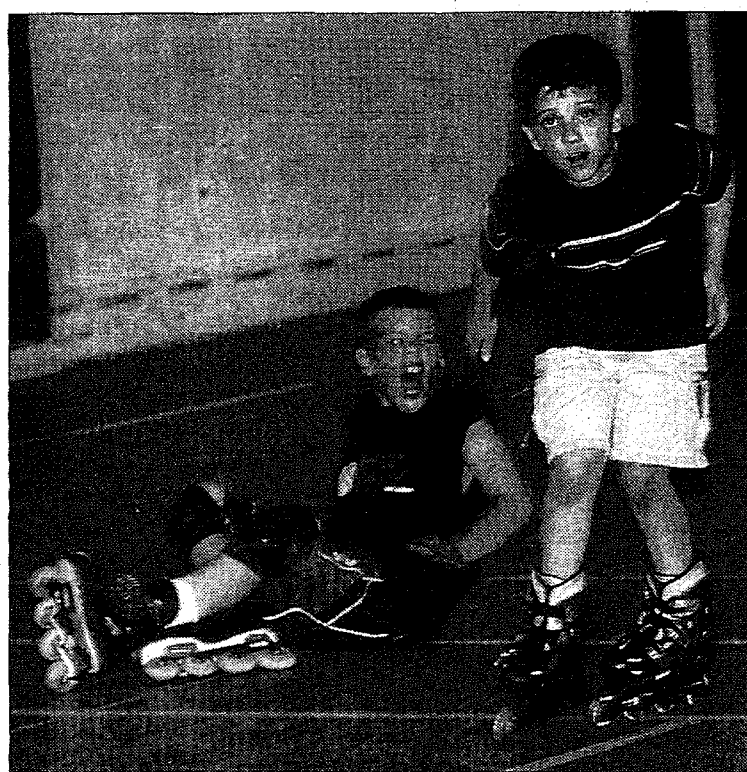
The Fire Department responded to a Westfield Avenue bank for a fire alarm at 7:22 a.m. Sept. 9.

Investigation did not identify any problems nor a reason for the alarm activation.

An employee was unable to reset the fire alarm and the fire alarm company was requested by the bank employee to make the necessary repairs.

The Fire Department was dispatched to the Garden State Parkway at 9:01 a.m. Sept. 8 for a report of a car fire. The car had overheated.

Yee-ouch!



Bobby Weisensee, 8, right, skates right past Vincent Banck, also 8, at the open roller skate night at the Charles H. Brewer Municipal Building on Friday. The skating will be a regular feature Friday nights at the Municipal Building. For more information, call the Recreation Department at 732-388-3600.

Noah's Ark seeking new volunteers

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

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

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

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

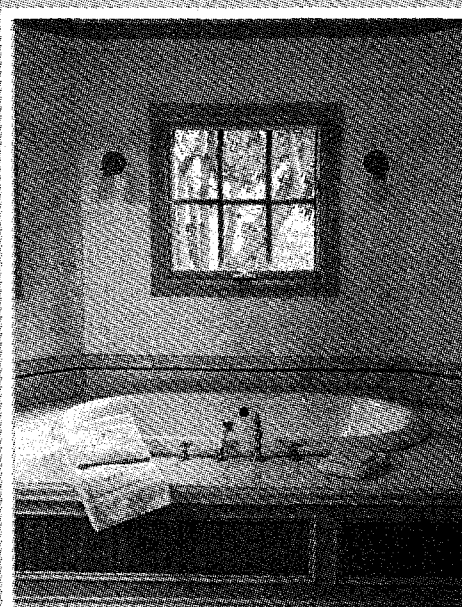
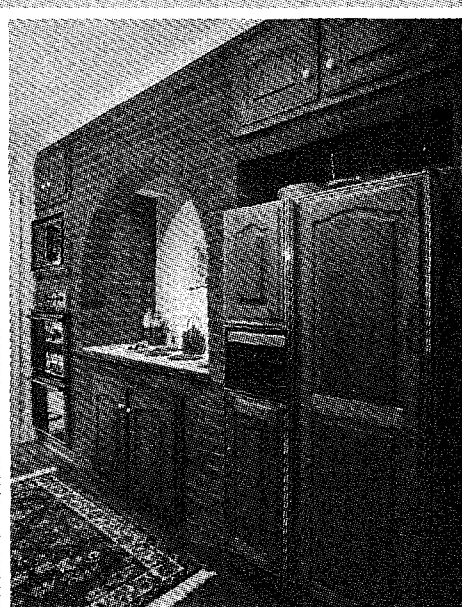
The greatest need at this time is foster homes for cats, dogs, kittens and puppies, as all animals are kept in volunteers' homes until they are adopted.

Northern New Jersey Fall

Home & Garden Expo

NEXT WEEKEND ONLY!

NEXT WEEKEND ONLY!



Kitchens • Bathrooms • Windows • Doors • Roofing • Siding • Indoor & Outdoor Furnishings & Accessories • Pools • Sunrooms • Spas • Interior Designers • General Contractors • Closet & Garage Systems • Marble • Mattresses • Flooring • Security & Home Theater Systems • Pool Tables • Basement Systems • Waterproofing • Window Treatments • Gutters • And More!

OCTOBER 8, 9, 10
Meadowlands Exposition Center

355 Plaza Drive, Secaucus, NJ
2 miles east of Sports Complex at Harmon Meadow

SHOP • SAVE • COMPARE • IDEAS • ADVICE • EXPERTS

Visit Home Depot's booth!

Visit Fortunoff's booth!

Win a \$1,000 gift card from each!

Free Kids Workshops

by Home Depot!

Sat 11am, 1pm, 4pm • Sun 11am

\$2 OFF ONE REGULAR ADMISSION

Hours:

Fri 11am-10pm
Sat 11am-10pm
Sun 10am-6pm

HOME & GARDEN EXPO

Admission:

\$9 Adults
Under 16 FREE
Free Parking

www.njhomeshow.com • 888-433-EXPO (3976)



©2004 American Consumer Shows. All rights reserved. All trademarks and logos are the property of their respective owners. WC1
DIRECTIONS: From North (Rts. 80/95 & GW Bridge): Take NJ Tpk. So. When it divides use eastern spur toward LINCOLN TUNNEL, get off at exit 17 follow signs toward SECAUCUS, pay toll and follow signs to Exposition Center. From south (Newark Airport): take NJ Tpk. North. When it divides take the eastern spur toward LINCOLN TUNNEL. Take to exit 16E, KEEP LEFT toward SECAUCUS follow signs to the Exposition Center. From West (RT 3 East): Take Secaucus exit on right (service road) and exit at HARMON MEADOW BLVD. & PLAZA AT THE MEADOWS, follow signs to the Meadowlands Exposition Center.

NEWS CLIPS

Final branch pickup of season this month

The Department of Public Works will hold its final branch collection this month.

Residents should begin leaving branches out for pickup during the third week of the month, for DPW workers to collect during the fourth week of the month.

Only branches will be picked up during this pickup schedule. Wood and furniture will not be picked up.

Send information for ALJ reunion

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

Classmates should send current contact information to aljclas-sof1979@comcast.net or call Jean Harrison McAllister at 908-317-0252.

Y-Squares members share dance bug

Y-Squares Square Dance class of Clark meets from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Frank K. Hehnlly School on Raritan Road.

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

Language courses

The Polish Cultural Foundation, 177 Broadway, has begun registration for language classes starting Wednesday.

Classes in beginner's and advanced Polish, and in beginner's English are offered from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursdays.

Please Help Support WTC Area Firms

NEW YORK CORPORATION
\$164.95 COMPLETE
INCLUDES: State Filing Fees, Corporate Seal & Book, Certificate of Articles of Incorporation, Corporate Minutes, By Laws, Stock Certificate, Preliminary Name Search, Attorney's Fee
New York & New Jersey Corporations also available for immediate delivery.
www.amerilawyer.com
(212) 962-1000 (973) 473-2000
2 Blocks East of Clinton, NJ

NEW JERSEY CORPORATION
\$154.95 COMPLETE
INCLUDES: State Filing Fees, Corporate Seal & Book, Certificate of Articles of Incorporation, Corporate Minutes, By Laws, Stock Certificate, Preliminary Name Search, Attorney's Fee
New York & New Jersey Corporations also available for immediate delivery.
www.amerilawyer.com
(212) 962-1000 (973) 473-2000
2 Blocks East of Clinton, NJ

CALL FOR FREE INFORMATION PACKET

Clark
On-line
FIND IT
Quick & Easy

www.localsource.com

COMMUNITY FORUM

EDITORIALS

A good start

The property tax crisis in New Jersey probably affects senior citizens more than any other group. Seniors collecting Social Security and pensions are spending inordinate amounts of their incomes on property taxes. Of course they're not the only ones, but they are on fixed incomes. Instead of looking for a job to make ends meet, retirees should have the security of enjoying their twilight years after decades of "putting in their time."

New Jersey's property taxes have reached a point in some cases where some seniors likely have to decide whether to move out of the town where they've placed their roots and head south where the cost of living is not as expensive.

For the first time last week, we got a peek at a plan that might provide an answer to those seniors looking to remain in the Township of Clark. After years of mediation between Clark Senior Housing Corp., the township and the Council on Affordable Housing, a proposal is now on the table. Clark Developers LLC hopes to come before the Planning Board before the end of this year. Initial plans revealed last week provide a glimpse of what they're looking for: 300 units of age-restricted housing at the former TyCom site on Terminal Avenue. A portion of the units also would meet Clark's affordable housing obligation.

Situated in a predominantly industrial area of the township, the site appears a solid choice for senior housing. There will be no residential areas directly impacted by any new construction. The area also is in proximity to shopping and other necessities. In addition, with the improvements proposed for the site, the amount of property tax generated will nearly triple what it is now.

Sketches always look nice but the true test will come through hearings before the Planning Board. In addition to county and state approval, the proposal must pass muster with the Planning Board. It is here where the township's planners, as well as residents, will be able to have their input on the project.

What is your opinion about this subject?

Send us an e-mail and let us know.

Responses will be published next week.

Send e-mails to:

Editorial@thelocalsource.com



Local contributors

Municipal clerks often are the unsung heroes in their townships. For many citizens, the municipal clerk's office is their first stop with regard to any township business. In addition, municipal clerks serve as the wards of numerous township documents and records of all kinds.

Edward R. Padusniak served as the municipal clerk in Clark for more than 25 years, from 1961 to 1986. He died Sept. 10 at the age of 81. He lived in Clark almost his entire life, until moving to Toms River several years ago, with his wife, Jean.

Often, a street, plaza or even a building is renamed in memory of someone who made a significant contribution to the town. Public buildings are one way to remember the work and effort of dedicated citizens.

Locally, there are streets that have honorary names in memory of local veterans. The Clark Police Department's firing range behind the Public Safety Building is named after Bill Waterson, a police officer who died in the line of duty. The Brewer Municipal Building on Westfield Avenue is named for Charles H. Brewer, one of the Clark school district's first superintendents.

While we didn't know Edward R. Padusniak, people we've spoken to have made it clear that he was certainly a longtime public servant, dedicated to the Township of Clark and its residents. Anyone who serves one job for a quarter-century certainly must be. And he was an integral part in the township's transition to the form of government it has today. Clearly, Mr. Padusniak was one of the most influential and important figures in Clark during the 20th century.

The Township Council passed a resolution last week acknowledging the death of Mr. Padusniak and his efforts within the township. But it would be fitting for the mayor and Township Council to consider remembering Mr. Padusniak by naming something within the township in his honor. Local residents such as Mr. Padusniak have helped Clark become what it is today. These local residents should be given recognition for future generations.

"The dissenter is every human being at those moments of his life when he resigns momentarily from the herd and thinks for himself."

— Archibald MacLeish

Poet
1956



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

SPLIT — Cheerleaders at Arthur L. Johnson High School perform during the half-time show at the high school football field during Sunday's football game.

Kerry deals in feel-good statements, not details

Point of View

By Steven Lemenille

Now that both political conventions have concluded, a clear comparison between President Bush and John Kerry can now be made. There is no comparison — just a clear contrast.

During his midnight rally following the conclusion of the Republican convention, Kerry stated that he detailed his plan in his acceptance speech. He stated that under his education plan, teachers, schools and parents would be held accountable.

How does he intend to hold parents accountable? However, no accountability mentioned for the students themselves. He hints at raising standards, but didn't the No Child Left Behind Act raise standards? Didn't he flip on the No Child Left Behind legislation?

He talks of cutting taxes on the middle class. But who are the middle class? He complained in the past that the wealthy benefited from the Bush tax cuts, but he did not check off on his Massachusetts state income tax form the option to pay the larger amount rather than receive the tax break. I wonder if he returned the tax refund.

He raised the issue of energy, say-

ing his plan will make us less dependent on foreign oil. How? It is his own party that has blocked the retrieval of oil from our own land.

A telling element in Kerry's speech is the following. "You don't value families if you force them to take up a collection to buy body armor for a son or daughter in the service, if you deny veterans health care, or if you tell middle class families to wait for a tax cut so that the wealthiest among us can get even more."

According to this thinking, while our service men and women are serving us in battle, he rather argue those other issues and deny protection for our troops. This statement alone says so much about Kerry as commander in chief.

At his midnight rally, Kerry vilified Bush and Cheney, Bush for his

National Guard service and Cheney for his deferments. Did Kerry fail to remember that he sought a deferment but was denied, and therefore enlisted so as not to be drafted? If Kerry got the deferment would he have enlisted anyway? Did Kerry ever complain of Clinton serving as President after getting a deferment? Kerry is entitled to his own opinion, not his own facts.

Kerry remarked he would "immediately reform the intelligence system." For someone failing to attend 76 percent of the Intelligence Committee's hearings, what reforms might he think would be worthy?

Mr. Kerry said, "I ask you to judge me by my record." Let's view Kerry's record — all of it.

As a U.S. senator, how many pieces of legislation did he author? Were any adopted by Congress? Were any enacted into law? In 20 years, he must have had some ideas for laws, or are we to believe he suddenly obtained the wisdom of Solomon to propose ideas for the good of America?

Kerry complained the Bush administration failed to keep its promises from the last campaign. Has Kerry forgotten the immediate and long-

range effects upon this nation, its direction and programs as a result of 9/11? What did he offer in terms of legislation or direction as a U.S. senator?

The Democrats, learning the Republicans had chosen New York City as their convention site, implied the Republicans would try to exploit 9/11. The Democrats argued the Republicans should not reference 9/11 for it would politicize the tragedy.

How ridiculous a charge! Sept. 11, 2001, occurred during the watch of President Bush. It happened in Washington, in Pennsylvania and in New York. America keeps saying we will never forget. If we are never to forget, then we should think about that day at every opportunity we have so as we never will forget. It seems perhaps at the Democrat Convention they didn't remember as much.

The American public needs to judge these two candidates not only by the actions of what they have accomplished, but also by what they say.

It is clear by their words just whose words are truer to the person that needs to be president.

Steven Lemenille is a resident of Clark.

Chechnya, Russia locked in ancient cycle of hate

Point of View

By Alexander J. Balaban

In Fyodor Dostoevsky's novel "The Brothers Karamazov," Ivan Karamazov challenges his pious brother Alyosha with a chilling proposition: Imagine you have the power to create a fabric of human destiny that will make mankind happy, but first a single child must be tortured to death. Would you agree to be the architect of such a contract, he asks?

Alyosha rejects such a diabolical bargain. Yet that, and more, is what the Chechen terrorists agreed to when they seized 1,200 hostages in the North Ossetian town of Beslan, withholding food and water from their captives for days before triggering the catastrophe that killed more than 350 people, half of them children.

There can be no response to that operation but utter disgust, revulsion and condemnation.

Yet even a tragedy as horrific as that has a context: historical, political and indeed, a personal context — perhaps personal, above all. A teacher released by the terrorists a day before the massacre said that one of them justified his action because "Russian soldiers are killing our children in Chechnya, so we are here to kill yours."

Can anything be more wrenching than the death of a child at the hands of an abductor? Little wonder that the Russian parents who lost their children to the Chechen terrorists at Beslan are vowing revenge. And President Putin is tapping into those sentiments so he can stay the course on a centuries-old policy that spawned the atrocity in Beslan. Consider the terrorist's message: You killed our children, so we're going to kill yours. How loathsome.

Chechnya is a tiny nation of about a million people. Like Ukrainians and Lithuanians, Chechens declared inde-

pendence when the Soviet Union dissolved in 1991, but unlike Ukraine and Lithuania, Chechnya was not a Soviet republic.

Chechnya was part of the Russian Federation, just like Ingushetia, another troubled region, and so no other country offered to recognize its independence, least of all Russia itself. In 1994 President Boris Yeltsin launched a way to rein in the renegade province.

It turned out to be another Afghanistan for the Russian military. After two years, Russia pulled out its troops, leaving behind a demolished Chechnya governed by warlords and gangsters.

In October 1999 President Putin renewed the conflict. And that's how it's been ever since. Russian troops attacking the Chechens with bombs, rockets, landmines, helicopter gunships, automatic weapons, knives and clubs. With 100,000 killed, many of them children, the population has literally been decimated. As the Chechen terrorist said, it's personal and he was going to make the Russian people take it just as personally: yours for ours.

Responsible people have long since come to the conclusion that the situation in Chechnya is intolerable. In 2000, the U.N. Commission on Human Rights adopted a resolution, co-sponsored by 16 countries from the European Union, strongly condemning Russia's use of disproportionate force and its human rights violations

in Chechnya, including forced disappearances, torture and summary executions.

President Putin, however, contemptuously dismisses criticism of his savage policy. His approach to the problem is to ban media coverage of the conflict, oust any outside observers and continue to apply the harshest of military measures.

Now, with the wrenching hostage dramas, downing of passenger airliners, suicide bombings and gunbattles, Russia is reaping what it sowed: an endless cycle of terror and response. Some 11,000 Russian soldiers are said to have died. At least that many families are grieving. For them, as well, the conflict is personal.

The Chechen people were brought into the Russian Empire by force nearly 200 years ago. Their experience as citizens of Russia has been singularly unhappy, both under the czars and commissars. Besides imprisonments and official murders that were routine for long periods of time, the entire nation was expelled from its ancestral land in World War II and shipped in boxcars to Central Asia. Tens of thousands died in that "operation," including many children.

Like other peoples who declared their independence when the Soviet Union collapsed, the Chechens desire to be left alone to determine their own destiny. Only President Putin won't let them. Not wanting to go down in history as another Mikhail Gorbachev, President Putin, no less than the Chechen terrorists, is willing to accept the death of children as the price for

the future as he would like it to be.

And so the madness continues. Russian military measures taken beyond the ken of outsiders, followed by some Chechen outrage deliberately designed to attract the very attention that President Putin seeks to avoid, each child's death reinforcing the resolve of their fathers and mothers to wreak bloody revenge. Who can blame them?

Pondering the horror of Beslan, one can only conclude that the Chechen rebels who perpetrated it have fundamentally discredited their cause. There is no justification for seizing children, their parents or their teachers in pursuit of Chechen happiness, however that's defined. Yet looking at it from the perspective of their history, who can argue that the Russians did not bring this calamity on themselves?

The situation in Chechnya cries for a fundamentally different approach than the one that's been taken for the past 10 years. If that means going back a couple of centuries to the time when Russia first invaded that remote region and setting right the things that went wrong back then, then that's the place to go. It won't bring all the murdered children back to life, but just maybe it will prevent further outrages in the future. As it is, neither the sanguinary status quo that Russia pursues nor the murky vision of Chechen terrorists is worth the life of a single tortured child.

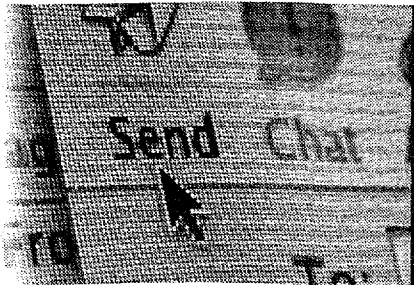
Alexander J. Balaban is a resident of Union County.

Our policy on letters and columns

The Clark Eagle welcomes submissions from its readers. Letters to the editor or opinion pieces on any subject will be considered for publication on the opinion pages.

Respond to letters and columns that appear on our Community Forum pages and take part in discussion of local issues each week.

Send e-mail to editorial@thelocalsource.com



The Eagle
Your Best Source for Community Information
Published Weekly Since 1999

Published By
Worrall Community Newspapers, Inc.
1291 Stuyvesant Avenue
Union, N.J. 07083
908-686-7700

©Worrall Community Newspapers, Inc.
2004 All Rights Reserved

Articles, pictures and advertisements herein are the exclusive property of Worrall Community Newspapers, Inc. and any republication or broadcast without written permission is prohibited.

David Worrall
Publisher

Tom Canavan
Editor In Chief

Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

David Learn
Managing Editor

George S. Gannon
Marketing Director

Robert Pisaeno
Sales Director

John D'Achino
Circulation Director

LOCALSOURCE.COM
Your Best Source

provides:
local news • advertising
weather updates • sports news

Visit www.localsource.com, the best
source for community information.

Screen yourself for risk of stroke, other ailments

Cub Scout pack holds 'tricky tray' auction

Refreshments will be available. Proceeds from the event support

Girl Scouts sponsor hole-in-one contest

Miniature golf will be available all day on the new 18 hole, beautifully landscaped course, featuring waterfalls, wandering streams, and stepping ponds.

American Legion plans West Point tailgate party

Clark Historical Society

Deutscher's Club holds annual Oktoberfest

Admission costs \$5. The club will

Rescue squad runs Atlantic City bus trip

For reservations, call Rosemary at
732-388-1556

Key Club aids fight for diabetes cure

The talent show will display the talents of ALJ students and will be hosted by Key Club President Stephen

For more information, call the high school at 732-382-0910.

Foundation celebrates life of Polish composer

Walter Legawiec, violinist-composer, Fitelberg's only student, will perform music by Fitelberg, Mazowsze and early works by Legawiec, accompanied by pianists Carolee Ann Moehrnuk and Paul Kuczer.

Sister V. Constandi

She returned to teaching at Our Lady of Victories, Harrington, before joining the staff at Sacred Heart.

Cecilia Lewy

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Levy lived in Clark and Miami, Fla., before moving to Manchester Township three years ago. She was a saleswoman in

Irene Tybursev

René Tysse

Mrs. Tybursey received a bachelor's degree in education from Newark State Teachers College, now Kean University Union, in 1957.

She was an active member of the Bound Brook Garden Club. Skycrest

Surviving are her husband, Joseph J.; a daughter, Gail V. McKinney, and two grandchildren.

Edward Landen

Mr. Landen served as an agent and district manager. He was a member of Equitable's Hall of Fame and was a member of the Million Dollar Round

Surviving are his wife, Gail; a son,

Edward; two daughters, Nancy Landen-Russo and Phyllis Mouakad; a stepbrother, Scott Stanley, and two brothers, Harry and Robert.

Paul Eastman

Mr. Eastman was a member of the North Jersey Traffic Club and the Jersey Coast Traffic Club. He was past

president of the Raritan Traffic Club. Mr. Eastman also was a member of the Deutscher Club. Clark

Surviving are his wife of 50 years, Georgene; a son, Timothy; a daughter, Patricia Madajewski, and three grandchildren.

Frank Maloney

Frank H. Maloney, 76, of Clark died Sept. 24 at home.

Born in Jersey City, Mr. Maloney lived in Linden before moving to Clark 40 years ago.

He worked for Public Service Electric & Gas Co., Secaucus, for 35 years and retired in 1988 as a supervisor. Mr. Malone served in the Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife of 58 years, Sue; two sons, Frank G. and Dennis J.; two daughters, Sue Salkins and Judy Mortensen; a sister, Mae Jost; a brother, Daniel; 13 grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

[illegible]

OBITUARIES

William B. Hawks

William B. Hawks, 63, of Cranford, formerly of Elizabeth, died Sept. 18 in the Cranford Health and Extended Care Center.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Hawks moved to Cranford many years ago. He owned and operated Carl Recovery Service in Union County.

Before that, Mr. Hawks was a meter reader at Public Service Electric and Gas Co., Elizabeth, and also worked for Exxon Corp., Linden.

He served in the Army during peacetime.

Surviving are a son, Rasheed; a daughter, Rasheedah; a stepdaughter, Rachel Graves; a brother, Allan; five sisters, Dolores Tisdale, Madeline Hawks, Charlotte Mack, Julia Presley and Sandra Slaughter, and his companion, Vertina Graves.

Ferna Petrozelli

Ferna Petrozelli, 89, of Whitehouse, formerly of Cranford, died Sept. 22 in the Hunterdon Care Center, Raritan Township.

Born in Garwood, Mrs. Petrozelli lived in Cranford and North Branch before moving to Whitehouse Station in 1994.

She was a member of the Senior Citizens Club in Branchburg.

Surviving are two sons, Joseph and John; a daughter, Joanne Duguid; two brothers, John and Louis Saparito; two sisters, Carmela

Moytko and Rose Baresi; 14 grandchildren and 21 great-grandchildren.

Erling Arnesen

Erling "Jack" Arnesen, 84, of Manahawkin, formerly of Cranford, died Aug. 10 in the home of his son, Jack Arnesen, in Coral Springs, Fla.

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Arnesen lived in Cranford, Scotch Plains and Pompano Beach, Fla., before moving to Manahawkin three years ago.

He owned Arnesen Auto Parts, Fort Lauderdale, Fla., before retiring.

Mr. Arnesen served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Also surviving are his companion, Marie Antoinette Braud; another son, Ken, and four grandchildren.

Steve Billicki

Steve P. Billicki, 88, of Woodbridge Township, formerly of Cranford, died Sept. 22 in John F. Kennedy Medical Center, Edison.

Born in Bayonne, Mr. Billicki lived in Cranford for 48 years before moving to Menlo Park Terrace section of Woodbridge Township seven years ago.

He was a radiator repairman at General Motors, Linden, for 30 years and retired in 1971.

Mr. Billicki was an Army veteran of World War II and served in the North African and European theaters.

Surviving are a daughter, Denise Nevins; a son, Stephen; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Martha Finnen

Martha Damon Finnen, 60, of Cranford died Sept. 22 at home.

Born in Summit, Mrs. Finnen was a lifelong resident of Cranford.

She graduated from Cranford High School in 1962 and from the University of Virginia, where she received a bachelor's degree in nursing in 1966.

Mrs. Finnen had a longtime career at Overlook Hospital, Summit, where she was a charge nurse in the Intensive Care Unit, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory, and more recently, in an administration capacity with The Atlantic Health Group.

In 2000, she went to work for The Summit Medical Group in Summit as a project coordinator, where she was still active before her death.

Mrs. Finnen was a former member of the Echo Lake Country Club, Westfield, and the Cranford Swim Club.

Surviving are her husband of 38 years, Michael P.; two sons, Michael and Kent; a sis-

ter, Nancy Van Why, and two grandchildren.

Sheldon A. Weiss

Sheldon A. "Don" Weiss, 72, of Mountainside, formerly of Cranford, died Sept. 22 at home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Weiss lived in Cranford before moving to Mountainside 32 years ago.

He was a single practitioner in corporate, appellate and trial law in Mountainside for the last 10 years.

Previously, Mr. Weiss had practiced in Millburn for 10 years and with Isadore Glauberman in Jersey City for many years.

He was a graduate of Rutgers University, Newark, and Rutgers Law School in Newark in 1957, where he was first in his class.

Surviving are his wife, Cynthia; three sons, Daniel, Erik and Michael; a brother, Justin, and six grandchildren.

Edward Landen

Edward Landen, 72, of Port St. Lucie, Fla., formerly of Cranford, died Sept. 23 in St. Lucie Medical Center, Port St. Lucie.

Born in Boston, Mr. Landen lived in Cranford before moving to Port St. Lucie seven years ago.

He was a registered representative with AXA/Equitable Financial Co., Clark, for 35

years and served as an agent and district manager.

Mr. Landen was a member of Equitable's Hall of Fame and was a member of the Million Dollar Roundtable.

He also was a member of the National Association of Life Underwriting.

Surviving are his wife, Gail; a son, Edward; two daughters, Nancy Landen-Russo and Phyllis Mouakad; a stepson, Scott Stanley, and two brothers, Harry and Robert.

Peter Rinaldi

Peter Rinaldi, 88, of Cranford died Sept. 24 in Union Hospital.

Born in New York City, Mr. Rinaldi lived in Linden before moving to Cranford 57 years ago.

He was a fabric cutter for Simmons Manufacturing Co., Elizabeth, for 43 years and retired 26 years ago. Mr. Rinaldi was an Army veteran of World War II.

He was a recipient of the Victory Medal, the American Defense Ribbon, the American Theater Ribbon, the Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon, the Philippines Liberation Ribbon and the Good Conduct Medal.

Surviving are four sons, Peter J., James J., Thomas and Robert; two sisters, Lila DeSalvo and Katherine Adamson, and six grandchildren.

Honoring the fallen

Sixth-graders from St. Michael School escort second-graders to the Cranford Sept. 11 memorial for a prayer service to honor the memory of the victims of the terror attacks.

WORSHIP CALENDAR**PENTECOSTAL**

TRINITY PENTECOSTAL HOLINESS FELLOWSHIP
Wednesdays, 7:30 pm Midweek Service, Sun. 10am Nursing Home Ministry, Sun. 11 am Sunday School, Sun. 6:30pm Worship, Sat. 7:30pm Pentecostal Prayer. (Call for location information)

Pastor Frank Sforza
(908) 272-6788
THF1@uno.com

Age-Integrated
A "Whole Family" Approach to ministry.
"God sets the solitary in families!"

PRESBYTERIAN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ROSSELLE
Chestnut and W 5th Ave., Roselle 908-241-9596
www.rosellechurch.org

Alternative Worship Service: Sunday - 9 a.m.
Traditional Worship Service: Sunday - 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School: 10:30 a.m.
Youth Group: Sunday - 6-8 p.m.

NOTE: All copy changes must be made in writing and received by Worrall Community Newspapers no later than 12:00 Noon, Fridays prior to the following week's publication. Please address changes to: U/S

This newspaper is a reliable means of researching the community market. To boost your business in the community, call our ad department at 908-686-7700 today.

**Calderone School of Music**

Established 1975 Certified Teachers

Piano • Keyboard • Organ • Accordion
Strings • Woodwinds • Brass • Voice • Guitar • Drums

Kindermusik Classes for ages 0 to 7

River Walk Plaza
34 Ridgedale Ave.
East Hanover, NJ 07936
(973) 428-0405

256 Morris Avenue
Springfield, NJ 07081
(973) 467-4688

CLUBS IN THE NEWS**Historical society sells book about Elizabeth**

A book about historic Elizabeth, written by a journalist who covered the city, will be for sale Sunday at a meeting of the Union County Historical Society.

The society will meet at the Dr. Carl Hanson House, 38 Springfield Ave., at 2:30 p.m. Sunday. The book, "Old Time Elizabeth," will be available for \$20. It also may be purchased by contacting Jean-Rae Turner at 973-923-7156. An additional \$4.25 is charged for mailing the book.

The book is a collection of historic articles by Valentine A. Fallon, former editor of *The Elizabeth Daily Journal*.

Michael R. Yesenko, a past president of the Union County Historical Society, and retired chairman of social studies in the Union school district, will speak at 2:30 p.m. on the military campaigns of General George Washington during 1778.

Yesenko is working on his fourth book on the Revolutionary War in Union in 1779 and 1780, including the Battles of Connecticut Farms and Springfield.

His earlier books are "Maxwell and the New Jersey Brigade during the Revolutionary War," "General George Washington's Campaigns of 1775, 1776 and 1777" and "Washington's Campaign of 1778."

The 225th anniversary of the battles will be observed by Springfield and Union in June.

Wed. Morning Club resumes fall activities

The Wednesday Morning Club will meet at 10 a.m. Wednesday at the Cranford Community Center, 224 Walnut Ave.

Frank D'Antonio, director of the Recreation and Parks Department for Cranford, and John Malar, director of Cranford Public Library will present, "What's New in Cranford."

Forthcoming department meetings:

• On Oct. 12, the Public Affairs Department will meet at the home of Dot Woglum. She will inform her group of programs available to seniors.

• The Music/Drama Department will meet at 9:30 a.m. Oct. 13, at the home of Eileen Williams. Bea Samowski will give a talk on Fred Astaire.

• Dot Woglum will discuss the book "The Secret Life of Bees," with members of the Literature Department. The group will meet at her home at 1 p.m. Oct. 14.

New members are welcome. Call Marie Mastorakis at 908-272-6243 for more information.

Astronomy lecture highlights supernovas

Amateur Astronomers Inc. will conduct its monthly membership meeting in the Lecture Hall of the Nomahegan Building at Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford, at 8 p.m. Oct. 15.

Immediately following the business meeting at 9 p.m. the club will present a lecture free to the public on "Chandra's X-ray view of supernovae remnants," given by John Hughes.

Hughes is a professor of physics and astronomy at Rutgers University. He will discuss Chandra's X-ray Observatory that is designed to observe X-rays from high-energy regions of the universe and will present its scientific findings and results after examining over one million stars.

Following the lecture, members and guests will be invited to the William Miller Sperry Observatory that is located nearby on campus and will have the opportunity to speak with club members and tour the facility. Refreshments will be served.

If weather permits, a celestial viewing focusing on the Andromeda Galaxy and the double star Albireo in the constellation Cygnus will be conducted using the club's two large telescopes.

Free parking is provided by Union County College. In addition to the monthly meetings on the third Friday of each month from September through May, more informal meetings that are held on the remaining Friday.

A program for younger audiences is held at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 15 with topics that include the solar system and constellations. Arrangements can be made for groups of young people to attend at 7:30 p.m. by contacting bigjody1@netzero.com.

BUSINESS & SERVICE DIRECTORY

| BATH TUB/TILE | CLEANING SERVICE | SPACE AVAILABLE | SPACE AVAILABLE | SPACE AVAILABLE | DEMOLITION |
|--|--|---|--|--|---|
| TUBS & TILES REGLAZED Save up to 90% of the cost of replacement. Change colors in a day! MR. UGLY TUB & TILE www.mr.uglytub.com 1-888-888-UGLY | • OFFICES • HOUSES • APARTMENTS Call Jaci & Anna Home 908-355-4897 Cell 908-917-8461 Low Prices • Free Estimates Good References | Make Your Business GROW!! GROW!! CALL SHERRY 1-800-564-8911 Ext. 315 | HELP PEOPLE LOCATE YOUR BUSINESS... ADVERTISE!! CALL SHERRY AT 1-800-564-8911 Extension 315 | ADVERTISE HERE! CALL SHERRY 1-800-564-8911 Extension 315 | GREEN HORNET 10 YD., 20 YD, 30 YD. - COMPACTION BOXES MINI CONTAINERS MANNY LUONGO Vice President 104-112 Lister Avenue Newark 1-800-707-0747 Tel: 973-522-0070 Fax: 973-522-0303 Cell: 973-634-5589 |
| ELECTRICAL | FLOORS | HOME IMPROVEMENT | PAINTING | ROOFING | SPACE AVAILABLE |
| Richard T. Swisstack & Sons ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING • Residential • Commercial • Industrial 732-382-4410 • 40 yrs. exp. • Lic. No. 4161 • Fully Ins. & Bonded • Sr. Citizen Discount | KEAN FLOORING "Best Deals" Specializing in Hardwood Floors Sanding • Repair • Staining • Installations • Sanding • Refinishing DUST FREE SANDING! For Estimate 201-955-1073 www.keanflooring.com | P L A Z A HOME IMPROVEMENTS • Siding • Windows • Roofing • Kitchen • Bathrooms • Basements • Extensions • Concrete and Masonry Fully Insured FREE ESTIMATES • REFERENCES AVAILABLE 1-800-735-6134 100% FINANCE - NO DOWN PAYMENT NJ LIC #122866 | Residential • Commercial INSIDE OUT "The Painting Professionals" Interior/Exterior Painting & Stain Deck Sealing & Staining Complete Powerwashing Services Free Estimates • Fully Insured 732-382-3922 1-800-525-6481 | ALL JERSEY ROOFING CO. OWNER IS ON EVERY JOB ABSOLUTELY NO SUB CONTRACTORS SPECIALIZING IN • SLATE ROOFS • CUTTERS & LEADERS • TEAR OFF • RE-SHINGLE • TIMBERLINE • TILE • 1 PLY RUBBER ROOF SYSTEMS • ALL REPAIRS FREE ESTIMATES • GAF CERTIFIED! FULLY INSURED WE ONLY USE TOP QUALITY MATERIAL • NO LOWER PRICE GUARANTEED YOU OWE IT TO YOUR HOME TO GO WITH A COMPANY THAT CARES 973-535-1213 | Advertise Here! Call Sherry 1-800-564-8911 Extension 315 |
| ROOFING | ROOFING | TILE | TREE SERVICES | TREE EXPERT | SPACE AVAILABLE |
| WE STOP LEAKS! CLARK BUILDERS, INC. • Complete Roof Stripping Specialists & Repairs • Siding • Windows • Flat Roofing & Slate • Gutters, Leaders Serving Union & Middlesex Counties For 32 Years Fully Insured • Free Estimates Credit Cards Accepted 732-381-9090 1-800-794-LEAK (5325) | CARLSON BROTHERS ROOFING CAPE COD \$2500 BI-LEVEL \$2700 SPLIT LEVEL \$2900 \$100 OFF WITH AD 908-272-1266 Price Includes: • Removal of old shingles • Dumpster • Cleanup complete • Install ice shield • Felt paper • 25 yr. GAF shingles | MIKE MUSSO CERAMIC TILE INSTALLATION REPAIRS & REGROUTING Over 20 Years Experience No Job Too Small 908-352-1936 After 5 PM | FRIENDLY TREE SERVICE, INC. A FAMILY BUSINESS • PRUNING & REMOVALS • CRANE & BUCKET SERVICES • STUMP GRINDING • FULLY INSURED • FREE WOODCHIPS www.friendlytree.com 908-686-8074 | WOODSTACK TREE SERVICE Local Tree Company All Types Tree Work • Free Estimates • Senior Citizen Discounts • Insured Low, Low Rates 908-276-5752 | GET YOUR SHARE OF BUSINESS!! Advertise Here • Call Sherry 1-800-564-8911 Extension 315 |

Editor: JR Parachini
Can be reached in
Maplewood at 973-763-0700

SPORTS

Sports Numbers
Phone: 973-763-0700
Fax: 973-763-2557

THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

After three weekends, there are only three undefeated teams remaining in Union County.

All three are involved in, perhaps, the two biggest games of the upcoming weekend.

The unbeaten are Elizabeth at 3-0 and Linden and New Providence at 2-0.

New Providence will play at Roselle Park tomorrow night at 7:30 at Herm Shaw Field in a key Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division clash. The Panthers are 2-1 and winners of two straight.

Linden will host Elizabeth Saturday at 1 p.m. at Cooper Field, a battle of Watchung Conference squads seeking to get back to the state playoffs in North 2, Group 4. Both did not make the field last year after qualifying in 2002.

Linden had last weekend off after opening with home wins over Plainfield and Cranford. Elizabeth has defeated Shabazz, Irvington and Plainfield at home.

Another big game this weekend is Cranford at Scotch Plains Saturday at 1 p.m. - a Watchung Conference-National Division confrontation.

Cranford won at Scotch Plains 13-6 two years ago, while Scotch Plains won at Cranford 33-22 last year, coming back from a 14-13 halftime deficit.

Cranford's win over Scotch Plains two years ago was the beginning of a nine-game regular-season winning streak that was snapped by the Raiders last year.

FIRST WINS ARE SWEET - Chris Satterfield at Roselle and Gary Mobley at Rahway won their first games as head coaches last weekend - both on the road.

Satterfield's Rams evened their record at 1-1 after winning at Newark Central 32-18 Friday night at Shabazz Stadium.

Mobley's Indians also evened their record at 1-1 after winning at Hillside 7-6 Saturday afternoon.

Governor Livingston first-year head coach Terry Hanratty has his Highlanders at 2-1, while Johnson first-year mentor Gus Kalikas is still seeking his first victory, his Crusaders off to a rare 0-3 start.

WEEK THREE GAMES

Friday, Oct. 1 (3)
Westfield at Shabazz, 7 p.m.
Wallkill Valley at Brearley, 7
New Prov. R. Park, 7:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct. 2 (7)
Elizabeth at Linden, 1 p.m.
Irvington at Plainfield, 1
Cranford at Scotch Plains, 1
Hillside at Gov. Livingston, 1
Millburn at Rahway, 1
Johnson at Roselle, 1
Dover at Summit, 1:30 p.m.
Off: Union.

WEEK TWO SCORES

Thursday, Sept. 23 (1)
Gov. Liv. 48, Del. Valley 19
Friday, Sept. 24 (7)
West Essex 41, Summit 7
Union 58, Newark East Side 0
Cranford 48, Shabazz 6
Irvington 23, Scotch Plains 0
Elizabeth 30, Plainfield 14
Roselle 32, Newark Central 18
Roselle Park 35, Manville 0
Saturday, Sept. 25 (1)
Rahway 7, Hillside 6
Sunday, Sept. 26 (2)
North Plainfield 34, Johnson 12
New Providence 22, Brearley 14
Off: Linden, Westfield.

WEEK THREE PICKS (10)

Shabazz over Westfield
Brearley over Wallkill Valley
New Providence over R. Park
Elizabeth over Linden
Irvington over Plainfield
Cranford over Scotch Plains
Gov. Livingston over Hillside
Rahway over Millburn
Roselle over Johnson
Summit over Dover
Last week: 6-5
This year: 18-15 (.545)

UNION COUNTY

1. Elizabeth (3-0)
2. Linden (2-0)
3. Cranford (2-1)
4. Scotch Plains (2-1)
5. Union (1-2)
6. Plainfield (1-2)
7. New Providence (2-0)
8. Brearley (2-1)
9. Gov. Livingston (2-1)
10. Roselle Park (2-1)
Roselle (1-1)
Rahway (1-1)
Hillside (0-2)
Westfield (0-2)
Johnson (0-3)
Summit (0-3)



Photo by Barbara Kokkalis

A host of Johnson defensive players attempt to bring down a North Plainfield ball-carrier during Sunday's Mountain Valley Conference-Mountain Division clash at Nolan Field in Clark. Johnson is still seeking its first win and will try again Saturday against Roselle. Kickoff at Roselle's Arminio Field is set for 1 p.m.

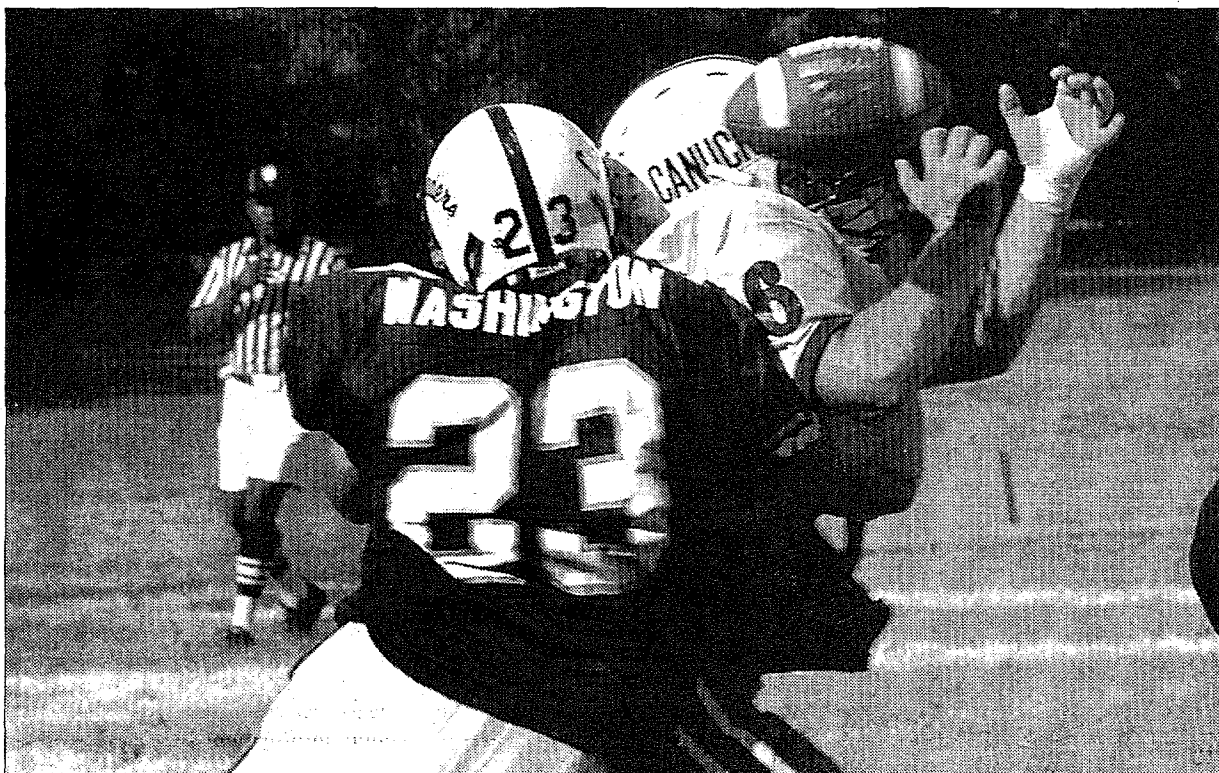


Photo by Barbara Kokkalis

Johnson senior Mark Washington (No. 23) prevents a North Plainfield receiver from making a catch in Sunday's home-opener at Nolan Field. Washington scored both of Johnson's touchdowns in a 34-12 setback.

Johnson field hockey team is off to fine start with 5-1 mark Crusaders stick two foes by 8-0 scores

By Jeff Wolfrum
Staff Writer

A strong start.

That's what the Johnson High School field hockey team is off to, compiling a 5-1 record as of Monday's 8-0 victory over visiting Mount St. Mary's.

In that win, senior forward Jessica Megill registered the "hat trick", while senior forward Rielle Collucci added a pair of goals and an assist.

Also scoring a goal apiece were Janna Koch, Jaclyn Grysko and Lynne Kovolisky.

The Crusaders also won by an 8-0 score last Friday over visiting Union to push their record to 4-1.

Megill again notched three goals, while Kovolisky added one goal and one assist.

Grysko, Collucci, Koch and Amanda Heger added one goal each.

The day before, Johnson defeated visiting Roselle

Park by a score of 5-0. Collucci paced the attack with two goals, while Kovolisky added two assists.

The Crusaders took a 3-0 halftime advantage on goals by Megill, Grysko and Allison Severage.

Johnson suffered its first loss of the season on Sept. 20 with a 3-1 setback to Oak Knoll in Chatham. Severage had the lone Crusader goal when she scored with 2:31 left in the first half.

The Crusaders opened their season on Sept. 10 with a win by a score of 4-1 over visiting Morristown.

Collucci sparked the offense with two goals and an assist, while Koch added two goals. Goalie Jenna Feminnello made four saves.

Four days later, Johnson improved its record to 2-0 when it blanked Governor Livingston 4-0 in Berkeley Heights. Collucci contributed two goals and an assist, while Kovolisky and Severage chipped in with a goal each. Feminnello stopped one shot to earn the shutout.

Battle for possession



Photo by Reena Rose Sibayan

The Johnson High School girls' soccer team, sparked by the play of Michelle Closs, who is wearing No. 1 at left and battling Brearley's Nicole Crincoli, began the week 3-0.

ALJ will try again at Roselle this Saturday

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

CLARK - Johnson is now preparing for a Roselle team that is coming off a 32-18 win over Newark Central last Friday night at Shabazz Stadium.

Johnson is scheduled to play Roselle Saturday at 1 p.m. at Arminio Field in Roselle. The Rams are coming off a 1-9 season.

Roselle is guided by first-year coach Chris Satterfield, who took over the reigns from Lou Grasso, who was at the helm since 1979. Satterfield, a 1982 Roselle graduate, played for and coached under Grasso.

"They have a new coaching staff and are coming off a good win over Central," Johnson first-year head coach Gus Kalikas said.

Johnson is off to a rare 0-3 start. The Crusaders fell to North Plainfield 34-12 Sunday at Nolan Field, their home-opener.

"We have to clean our house," Kalikas said moments after the North Plainfield game. "We need to do much better in the red zone. We can't leave points on the field like we've been doing."

Johnson senior running back Mark Washington rushed 20 times for 89 yards against North Plainfield, two of his carries going for touchdowns.

GAME THREE

North Plainfield 34, Johnson 12

FIRST DOWNS: North Plainfield 9, Johnson 5
RUSHES-YARDS: North Plainfield 34-139, Johnson 33-176
PASSES: North Plainfield 5-8-0, Johnson 0-10-1
PASSING YARDS: North Plainfield 65, Johnson 0
FUMBLES-LOST: North Plainfield 4-1, Johnson 1-0
PUNTS-AVG: North Plainfield 5-34, Johnson 2-33
PENALTIES: North Plainfield 3-30, Johnson 5-45

North Plainfield (3-0) 7 7 6 14 - 34
Johnson (0-3) 0 0 6 6 - 12

NORTH PLAINFIELD - Fisher 20 pass from DiPaolo, DellaFortuna kick (NP 7-0)

(First quarter: 7 plays, 63 yards, 3:22 used)

NORTH PLAINFIELD - Blount 20 interception return (NP 14-0)

(Second quarter)

JOHNSON - Washington six run, kick failed (NP 14-6)

(Third quarter: 5 plays, 64 yards, 2:43 used)

NORTH PLAINFIELD - Grant 17 run, kick failed (NP 20-6)

(Third quarter: 3 plays, 31 yards, 1:19 used)

NORTH PLAINFIELD - Blount 17 run, DellaF. kick (NP 27-6)

(Fourth quarter: 6 plays, 48 yards, 3:07 used)

NORTH PLAINFIELD - Washington 7 run, DellaF. kick (NP 34-6)

(Fourth quarter: 6 plays, 43 yards, 3:36 used)

JOHNSON - Washington 1 run, kick failed (NP 34-12)

(Fourth quarter: 6 plays, 43 yards, 2:59 used)

RUSHING: North Plainfield - Jarret Grant 9-40, one touchdown. Jimmy DiPaolo 10-39. Jerome Washington 6-35, one touchdown. Brandon Blount 1-17, one touchdown. Others 2-(-2). Totals: 34-139, three touchdowns. **JOHNSON** - Mark Washington 20-89, two touchdowns. Mike Siessel 10-74. Vincent Reis 1-7. Anthony Del Conte 2-6. Totals: 33-176, two touchdowns.

PASSING: North Plainfield - Jimmy DiPaolo 5-9-0, 65 yards, one touchdown. **JOHNSON** - Mike Siessel 0-10-1.

RECEIVING: North Plainfield - Five for 65 yards, one touchdown. **JOHNSON** - None.

INTERCEPTIONS: North Plainfield - Jimmy DiPaolo. **JOHNSON** - None.

FUMBLE RECOVERIES: North Plainfield - Jimmy DiPaolo, Brandon Blount, Jarret Grant. **JOHNSON** - Mike Siessel, Christopher Mullery.

Clark Soccer Club teams open strong

The following are opening fall season Clark Soccer Club results of games played as of last Friday:

DIVISION 2

Arena Sports 3, Stockton Associates 0: It was a very well played match by both teams. Nick Pieros and Gianna Cuccolo played a strong defensive game for Stockton Associates. Patti Bailey and Michael Boulanger were very aggressive on offense. Amanda Arancio and Nicole Brougham were also very aggressive at midfield. Bryant Silva started in goal and Vincent Banek played the second half in goal. Gabriella Porcelli and Nicholas Witting played well on offense and defense.

Joseph David Roofing 5, Village Insurance 1: A strong effort on offense and defense for JDR. A quick goal by Brandon Collins followed by goals from Cristina DeCristofaro and Michael D'Elia set the tone for the first half. An end-to-end score by Collins in the second half was followed by a fine individual effort and score by Thomas Hartnett. A solid performance was turned in by goalkeeper Brendan Lloyd.

It was a tough season-opener for VI. The team started out well and put pressure on JDR. VI scored first when Brandon Juchnik fed a nice pass to Nick Becker, who drove it into the net. Despite solid defensive play by Tara DelVecchio and Aaron Henry and quality goalkeeping by Stephen Cimbalic and Dylan Ritter, the opponent was able to score five goals after that. VI had several more scoring chances, with nice shots by Juchnik and Daniel Moore, but was not able to get any more goals. Despite the final score, it was a good effort that the team will build on for future matches.

Pinho's Bakery 4, Dairy Queen 2: Thomas Mercurio and Justin Barbosa netted two goals for PB, aided by strong midfield play by Andre Dias and quality defense from Kaitlyn Barone, Vincent Campanella and goalie Mark Roesch.

Standings: Arena Sports (1-0-0, 2 points), Joseph David Roofing (1-0-0, 2), Pinho's Bakery (1-0-0, 2), Body Work by Fischer (0-0-0, 0), Stockton Associates (0-1-0, 0), Dairy Queen (0-1-0, 0), Village Insurance (0-1-0, 0). AS had three goals and none against, JDR five goals and one against, PB four goals and two against, SA no goals and three against, DQ two goals and four against and VI one goal and five against.

DIVISION 3

J&E Auto 5, Little Jimmy's 0: The fall season started with a bang for J&E. Michael DeMarco had a hat trick and Mitchell Becker and Andrew Calo one goal. Amanda Banek, Zachary Sandler and Kyle Myers played well on defense in front of goalkeepers Thomas Messina and Ryan Gibb, who both made several key saves to keep the ball out of the goal. James Walsh and Dominique Smith assisted on two of DeMarco's goals, while Thomas Colicchio and Mia Campanella assisted on Becker's goal. Riya Juneja played well on both sides of the field.

Other scores included: Red Legs 4, Personal Threads 2 and Jersey One Insurance 2, Bonaccorso Landscaping 1.

Standings: J&E Auto (1-0-0, 2), Red Legs (1-0-0, 2), Jersey One Insurance (1-0-0, 2), Merchants of Venice (0-0-0, 0), Starmatic (0-0-0, 0), Printmark (0-0-0, 0), Bonaccorso Landscaping (0-1-0, 0), Personal Threads (0-1-0, 0), Little Jimmy's (0-1-0, 0).

DIVISION 4

Clark PBA vs. Rems Optical: Vincent Campbell came up big in goal with save after save to keep the game close in the first half. Campbell also scored a goal in the second half as did teammate Nicholas Gallina. Courtney O'Conner almost cut the lead in half with a shot that went just wide.

Clark's Tropicchio excels in goal for Hamilton

Anthony Tropicchio of Clark, a junior member of the men's soccer team at Hamilton College in Clinton, New York, made five saves for a shutout in helping his team defeat SUNY Institute of Technology 3-0 at home on Sept. 8.

In a 1-0 setback at Rochester Institute of Technology on Sept. 11, Tropicchio made four saves. RIT improved to 4-0 with the victory.

RELIGION

Presbyterian church holds Oak Ridge outing

First Presbyterian Church of Cranford is sponsoring its third Annual Golf Outing on Friday at Oak Ridge Golf Course.

The cost is \$75 per person which includes entry fee, golf cart and lunch. The Calloway handicap system will be used to determine the winner. Tee off time is 1 p.m., with lunch being served at 11:45 a.m.

There will be a Rolex watch, complements of Martin Jewelers of Cranford, awarded for the first hole in one on the 13th hole. Local merchants and businesses have donated numerous gifts for a raffle which will be held

during the day. Individuals interested in participating should call Skip Winter at 908-276-1575 or by e-mail at AHWinterJr@aol.com.

Children invited to find God-given purpose

Cranford Alliance Church, 7 Cherry St., will offer a new six-week children's program at 3:45 p.m. at Orange Avenue Middle School through Nov. 7.

The program, titled "What's Bugging You?", is aimed at children 2 years old through sixth grade. It will be offered at 10:30 a.m. Sundays at Cranford Alliance Church.

Children can enjoy themselves as

they learn about what God designed them for. And while the children learn through games, singing and crafts, the adults can learn the same thing in a grownup version, called 40 Days of Purpose.

"The kids won't want to miss one week. My kids are really looking forward to this," said Sunday School teacher Debbie Santee.

For information, call 908-276-1617 or visit www.CranfordAlliance.org.

Program leads way to healing amid grief

First Presbyterian Church of Cranford will have its 10th biannual semi-

nar, "The Journey to Wholeness," beginning Sunday and lasting six consecutive weeks. The seminar has helped hundreds of people who have come over the years.

Meetings will be in Mettam Lounge from 7 to 9 p.m. Sundays, with an ongoing support group from 7 to 9 p.m. Sundays after the series ends.

Call 908-709-1341 to register. Sessions are free and all denominations are welcome.

Walk the Labyrinth and uphold tradition

First Presbyterian Church of Cranford, 11 Springfield Ave., is sponsoring an ongoing series of open labyrinth walks.

The next labyrinth walk is scheduled for Sunday. Participants are invited to come and walk the Labyrinth any time between 1 and 4 p.m., but walks should begin by 3:30 p.m. so they can finish by 4 p.m. Walks are held the first Sunday of every month in Bates Hall.

The community and surrounding towns are invited to participate.

PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE INVITATION TO BID

The School Business Administrator/Board Secretary of the Board of Education of the Township of Cranford in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, by authority of said Board, solicits sealed bids for pupil transportation. Bids to be received at the Business Office of the Board of Education, 132 Thomas Street, Cranford, NJ 07016 up to 10:00 A.M. prevailing time on October 11, 2004.

PUPIL TRANSPORTATION 05-OAS-SE

Specifications and full information may be obtained upon application at the Business Office of the Board of Education, 132 Thomas Street, Cranford, NJ. Bids must be in strict compliance with specification. Bids must be submitted on the bid forms provided. Bids not submitted on such forms may be rejected. Bids must be endorsed on the outside of the sealed envelope with the name of the bidder, the bidder's address and the name of the supplies, equipment or service for which the bid is submitted. (Pupil Transportation 05-OAS-SE). It is understood and agreed that bids may be delivered before or at the time and place specified for the opening. The Board of Education assumes no responsibility for bids mailed or misdirected in delivery.

The Board of Education of the Township of Cranford, in Union County, New Jersey reserves the right to accept or reject any and/or all bids for the whole or any part and waive any informalities in the interest of the Board of Education. No bid may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof. Bidding shall be in conformance with the applicable requirement of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-1 et. seq., pertaining to the "Public Schools Contracts Law". Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c.127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27) Affirmative Action.

By order of the Board of Education of the Township of Cranford, Union County, New Jersey.

Robert J. Carfagna
School Business Administrator
Board Secretary
DATE: September 27, 2004
U88937 CCE Sept. 30, 2004 (\$22.50)

RECREATION

Cooking, arts classes to begin new session

The Cranford Recreation & Parks Department is taking registrations for a second Kinder Arts & Crafts and Kinder Cooking class. The classes will be held from 12:30 to 1:15 p.m. Mondays for Kinder Arts & Crafts and 1:30 to 2:15 p.m. Mondays for Kinder Cooking.

Classes will start Monday and end on Dec. 13. There is a \$50 fee for the combo package of both courses. Arts and Crafts costs \$25; Kinder Cooking costs \$30.

For more information, call the Recreation Department at 908-709-7283, or register in person. Space is limited.

Yoga tops fall offerings

The Cranford Recreation & Parks Department will offer the following adult fall programs for Cranford residents.

- Yoga — Classes meet 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Wednesdays. Registration is ongoing.
- Morning Total Conditioning — Classes run 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. Registration begins at noon Saturday.

- Evening Total Conditioning — Classes run from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays. Registration begins at noon Saturday.
- Billiards — Classes run from 7:30 to 8:30 p.m. Thursdays. Registration begins at 10 a.m. Sept. 18.

- Basketball night, 18 and Older — Classes run from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Tuesdays at Orange Avenue School. Registration begins at 10 a.m. Sept. 18.
- Over 35 Basketball — Sessions run from 7 to 9:30 pm Mondays. Registration begins Sept. 18th at 10:00 am.

Call the Recreation and Parks Department at 709-7283 for more information.

Register by Saturday for rec basketball

The Cranford Recreation and Parks Department is still taking registration for boys and girls basketball, third through eighth grades, and also the high school basketball league.

The last day of registrations is Saturday. To enroll, visit the Community Center, 220 Walnut Ave.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD PLANNING BOARD

TAKE NOTICE that on the 22nd day of September, 2004, the Planning Board of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union took the following action:

1. Application #P02-04: Granted preliminary site plan approval to Louis and Beth Lambe to permit construction within a flood zone without site plan data; not building above base flood elevation; and a fence in the front yard which will exceed the maximum allowable height and maximum permitted openness on Block 218, Lot 9 as designated on the Township Tax Map, also known as 19 Franklin Avenue in a R-3 zoning district.

Edward M. Schmidt
Board Secretary
U88739 CCE Sept. 30, 2004 (\$8.63)

PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

TAKE NOTICE that on the 20th day of September, 2004, the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union took the following actions:

1. Application #Z18-04: Granted a variance with conditions to Jonathan and Carrie Jaffe, Applicants, to permit construction of an addition with less than the required rear yard setback on Block 162, Lot 54 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 35 Tulip Street in a R-1 Zone.

2. Application #Z21-04: Granted a variance with conditions to Charles and Claire Lafferty, Applicants, to permit construction of a front porch with less than the required minimum front yard setback on Block 542, Lot 13 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 7 Behnert Place in a R-4 Zone.

3. Application #Z27-04: Continued the hearing of Anthony Buontempo, Applicant, 630 Lincoln Park East, Block 505, Lot 5, R-2 Zone, to permit construction of an in-ground pool with less than the required side and rear yard setbacks (136-34.8(2)) to the next regularly scheduled meeting of October 18, 2004.

4. Application #16-03: Adopted resolution memorializing the approval of a variance

to Charles Fowler and Doreen Yanik to permit construction of a front porch over the front steps with less than the required front yard setback on Block 437, Lot 12 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 19 Roger Avenue in the R-4 zone.

5. Application #19-04: Adopted resolution memorializing the approval of variances and waivers to Valley National Bank to permit the construction of a new bank with waiver from driveway design standards; less than the minimum setback for parking areas; no off-street loading or unloading space provided; to permit a free standing sign in the B-3 zone; and to permit drive-in use including banks and financial institutions in the B-2 and B-3 zones on Block 402, Lots 19 and 20 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 113-117 South Avenue West in a B-3 zone.

6. Application #22-04: Adopted resolution memorializing the approval of variance to Kim Rennie, Applicant, to permit construction of a deck with less than the required minimum distance between the principal structure and pool on Block 483, Lot 15, as designated on the Township Tax Map, also known as 101 High Street in the R-4 Zone.

7. Application #24-04: Adopted resolution memorializing the approval of a variance to Bernard Chow to permit the construction of an addition with less than the required rear yard setback on Block 160, Lot 25 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 500 Orchard Street in a R-4 zone.

8. Application #25-04: Adopted a resolution memorializing the approval of a variance to Scott and Erica Moon to permit construction of two new covered front porches with less than the required front yard setback on Block 504, Lot 3 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 631 Lincoln Park East in a R-2 zone.

9. Application #26-04: Adopted a resolution memorializing the approval of a variance to Kurt and Lynn Petschow to allow alteration of a non-conforming use on Block 554, Lot 84 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 361 Centennial Avenue in a B-3 zone.

Barbara Ginsberg
Board Secretary
U88667 CCE Sept. 30, 2004 (\$35.25)



Concert Band Coming to Cranford. Members of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts prepare for a concert at Cranford United Methodist Church. Shown are Director Howard Toplansky, and musicians Ryan Salmong, Debbie Toplansky, Greg Salmon and Mark Fredrick.

Concert band comes to Methodist church

The New Jersey Workshop for the Arts Concert Band will present a concert for young and old alike featuring an exciting variety of music in early October.

The concert will be held at Cranford United Methodist Church, at Lincoln Avenue and Walnut Street, at 2 p.m. Oct. 10. The concert will be held in Randolph Hall adjacent to the church. Admission costs \$8 for adults, and \$5 for seniors and children younger than 12. Toddlers 2 and younger will be admitted free, and

child care will be provided.

With more than 75 musicians in the group, the band, led by Howard Toplansky, has been heard in many locations.

"Not only do we give regular concerts, we also try to offer benefit concerts to help worthy organizations in their fund-raising efforts," explained Toplansky.

Two members of the band, bassoonist Russell Jackson and trumpeter Don Young, have a particular interest in this concert, as they are also mem-

bers of Cranford United Methodist Church.

The concert band is now entering its ninth year and is devoted to offering high-quality music of many types.

Composed of professional adults, and high school and elementary students, the band members come from Union, Westfield, Scotch Plains, Roselle, Edison, Mountainside, Basking Ridge, Springfield, Dunellen, Warren, Garwood as well as Cranford.

For more information, call 908-276-6172 or 908-486-2069.

Discuss role of faith in the aging process

The Counseling Centers for Human Development will offer a one-night workshop on faith and spirituality Tuesday evening.

The workshop, which will run from 7 to 8:30 p.m., will be held at the center, 201 Lincoln Ave. E.

In this program, seniors share their feeling about spiritual and religious beliefs within the context of family background, education and community.

Participants will learn about the differences between religion and spirituality, how and why the need for faith increases with age and the unique way this aspect of life can add to emotional well-being.

Seniors also will learn about the positive effect faith can have on health and longevity. They will discover the ways in which prayer and religious services can reduce depression, and increase feelings of inclusion.

For more details about the events and programs, call 908-276-0590.

NICHOLAS A. GIUDITTA III ATTORNEY AT LAW

GENERAL PRACTICE INCLUDING:
• ESTATE PLANNING • PERSONAL INJURY
• ELDER LAW • ZONING
• WILLS AND TRUSTS • MUNICIPAL COURT
• REAL ESTATE • COMMERCIAL LITIGATION

908.709.1999
476 SOUTH AVENUE
E. CRANFORD

CDs with great growth potential

Lock in a great CD rate today...get a higher rate later with Valley's Step-Up CD.

2.50%
APY

Opening rate for 36-month Step-Up CD

2.00%
APY

Opening rate for 18-month Step-Up CD

Now there is no reason to put off waiting for a better rate. Valley's Step-Up CD gives you a great rate today and a one-time opportunity to "step-up" to a higher rate, should rates increase.

Valley National Bank

1-800-522-4100 www.valleynationalbank.com

See a Valley Branch for details. The Annual Percentage Yield (APY) is effective as of September 24, 2004. A penalty may be imposed for early withdrawal and penalty could reduce earnings on your account.

© 2004 Valley National Bank, Member FDIC, VCS-377

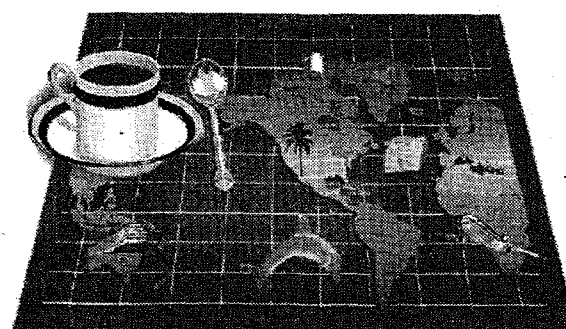
Professional Directory

Chiropractor

Hecht Family Chiropractic Care

IF YOU OR A FAMILY MEMBER HAVE BEEN IN AN AUTO ACCIDENT, YOU SHOULD HAVE YOUR SPINE CHECKED. MANY LONG TERM INJURIES CAN BE PREVENTED WITH IMMEDIATE CARE AFTER AN ACCIDENT. CALL US NOW!
235 Mountain Avenue, Springfield
(Next To The Springfield Post Office)
973-564-5885
Visit us @ WWW.HECHTCHIROPRATIC.COM

Space Available

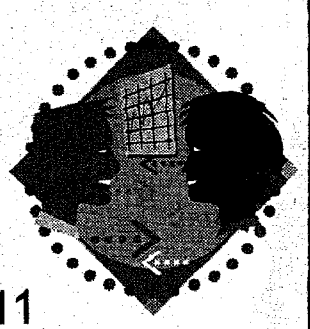


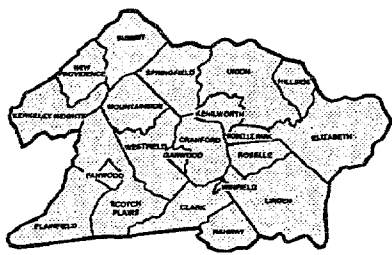
Space Available

When They're Looking for a Professional Help Them Find You!
Make Your Business More Visible
PLACE AN AD
IN THIS DIRECTORY
800-564-8911

Space Available

Fill This Space To Help Your Business
Call
800-564-8911





Union County

- News
- Arts
- Entertainment
- Classified
- Real Estate
- Automotive

WORRALL COMMUNITY NEWSPAPERS

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2004 - SECTION B

http://www.localsource.com

Second-hand victims

Karen Blumenfeld, an attorney for Summit-based New Jersey GASP calls it a time for political leadership. She has the title of director of Tobacco Control Policy and Legal Resource Center. What she does with her colleagues is champion the "smoke-free advocacy movement."

Facing entrenched opposition of the smoking lobby and those just hooked on tobacco is a tough task. This week Blumenfeld and allies will begin anew the call for smoke-free restaurants in the state.

Left Out

By Frank Capece

Armed with new statistics which show the devastating impact of second-hand smoke, there will be new bills in the Legislature to enact the ban.

We can look to New York City, and later the state of New York, which enacted the ban. The restaurant business didn't wither as predicted. Blumenfeld says the "political leadership" of the mayor and governor in New York guided the ban to enactment.

Sitting Monday morning at a small eatery in Cranford, a local postman came in, sat down and causally lit up. My options were to give him a dirty look, grin and bear it, or get up and leave.

That's why I feel so good about the effort by GASP to legitimize my rights to be free of second-hand smoke. It's more dangerous than the truck air pollution passing on South Avenue.

It's the reason GASP, which stands for Group Against Smoking Pollution, has been fighting since 1974 to make the point that non-smokers are victims. They publish lists of smoke-free restaurants in the county and state.

GASP has been helping municipalities enact tobacco control ordinances and make hospitals smoke-free. Now they are taking on the rough fight of smoke-free restaurants.

Down the ridge from Summit on Route 22, Plainfield Mayor Al McWilliams was taking on the cause of another victim, his own city. In a roundtable seminar with U.S. Sen. Frank Lautenberg, McWilliams said, "Half or more of the drug- and prostitution-related arrests in Plainfield involve non-residents. Yet the brunt of the cost of dealing with this activity falls entirely on our taxpayers." His city has become a crime importer.

McWilliams' point is that the traditional approach of containment of illegal activities is fine if you are outside the contained zone. "When you are inside the zone it is devastating."

McWilliams said his city suffers in the battle "to protect our borders from the infiltration of drugs and prostitution. Consequently, these problems have affected a few of our neighborhoods, taking up a disproportionate share of police funding."

There is an obvious parallel to the efforts of McWilliams and Blumenfeld. It's fighting for the rights of the innocent guy not to be the second-hand victim of the someone else's activity. Whether it's the postman lighting up or the guy driving his BMW into Plainfield to engage in illegal activity, it turns out there are second-hand victims.

It was announced last week that Channel 11 had come to their senses and is bringing back the re-runs of "The Odd Couple" each night at 9 p.m.

I hope to see Dr. Melnitz again on the show who lectured Felix and Oscar about his sole goal over the last 50 years is to be just left alone. As such, not just another second-hand victim.

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

Legislators push for stronger reform

Gov's order limits state contributions

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

How Gov. James McGreevey's recent executive order might affect local political committees depends on whom you talk. But legislators seem to agree on one thing: campaign finance reform must go further than legislation that was adopted earlier this year.

The governor's executive order, signed last week, bans donors who contribute to county and state committees from receiving any state contract, bid or non-bid, worth more than \$17,500. The executive order does not include campaign committees run by the leaders of both houses, municipal-level campaign committees, or individual candidates for state, county or local offices.

The governor's measure would go into effect on Oct. 15 while the legislation would take effect Jan. 1, 2006. The executive order would be superseded by the legislation.

The executive order "puts Democrats in a very awkward situation," state Sen. Thomas Kean Jr., R-Union, said. "Three months ago, Democrats touted their reform as the furthest they could possibly go. Now it's proven to be wrong."

The executive order "may actually do something," as opposed to the loophole-ridden legislation, Kean said. The order includes the "interconnectivity we've been advancing for a long time."

One of McGreevey's closest advisors, state Sen. Raymond Lesniak, D-Union, called the order "a very important step to reducing fundraising done for elections, and the amount spent by either party."

"I think there'll have to be...new legislation. You're limited by what you can do by executive order," he said, adding that he would like to restrict municipal committees as well.

"I think this reopens a door where previously it had been closed," Kean said of the governor's move. He also is pushing for an outright ban on wheeling — the unlimited transfer of funds between campaign committees, — and required reporting by 527 groups, organizations that can raise and spend money for issues but not explicitly for a candidate.

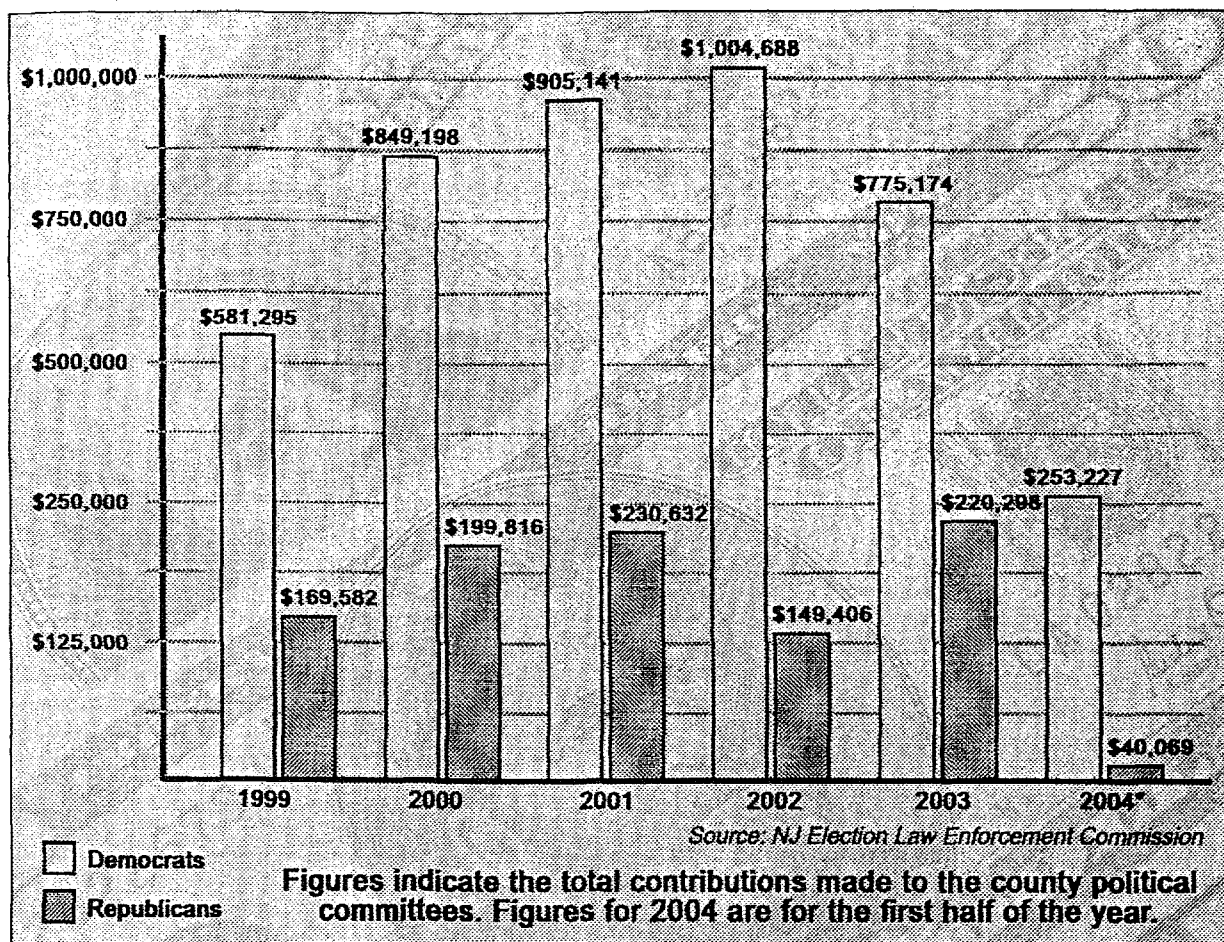
Assemblyman Joseph Cryan, D-Union, said he is pleased the governor enacted stronger reform, but the "timing is peculiar. It shouldn't interrupt this election cycle."

"The real solution is public financing of elections," Cryan added. "The problem in New Jersey is the need to spend money to get your message out."

"It's ironic — we all complain too much money is spent on campaigns," but politicians are virtually unknown to citizens.

Cryan's primary concern? "I hope you don't have to be a person of means to be governor."

Union County Republican Chairman Philip Morin said there's nothing



prohibiting the county's Board of Chosen Freeholders from enacting its own pay-to-play reform "that goes further with respect to county contracts."

"The levels of money being thrown around in campaigns has made the political structure pretty unseemly and gives the average voter a bad taste in their mouth."

An examination of campaign finance reports by this newspaper last year indicated that about a third of campaign contributions to the Union County Democratic Committee come

from firms that receive contracts from the county. The executive order would prohibit any firm that receives state contracts worth more than \$17,500 from contributing to county political committees.

For example, that would affect law firms such as DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole and Wisler, which handles contracts for the state as well as Union County, and is regularly one of the largest contributors to the county Democratic Committee.

One political insider said parties will get around that by simply having

contributors give money to certain committees before it's "wheeled" to other committees.

Democrats routinely have out-raised and outspent Republicans by considerable margins in countywide elections the last few years. Last year, Democrats spent about a half-million dollars on the freeholder campaign compared to the GOP's \$65,000. Only campaigns in Bergen and Mercer counties spent more on last year's countywide elections, according to documents filed with the state Election Commission. See DEMS, Page B2

Back where he belongs

Portrait returns to courthouse

By Anna Kreyman
Staff Writer

A native son, of sorts, returned to Union County on Monday after 50 years. A portrait of Bennett Van Syckel joined a collection of 60 other judges that hang on the walls of the Union County Courthouse in Elizabeth.

Van Syckel's portrait was commissioned in 1904 and hung in the Union County Courthouse until 1954, according to Chief Warrant Office Lester Sargent, president of the Union County Historical Society. At some point, he said, the painting ended up on loan to Hunterdon County, probably since 1954.

Sargent had written to the state numerous times trying to track down the portrait, but had no luck until sometime last year. He was surprised to hear from Margaret O'Reilly, curator of the New Jersey State Museum, that the portrait was in the state's custody for cleaning. A ceremony at the courthouse Monday morning officially welcomed the portrait back to Union County permanent loan.

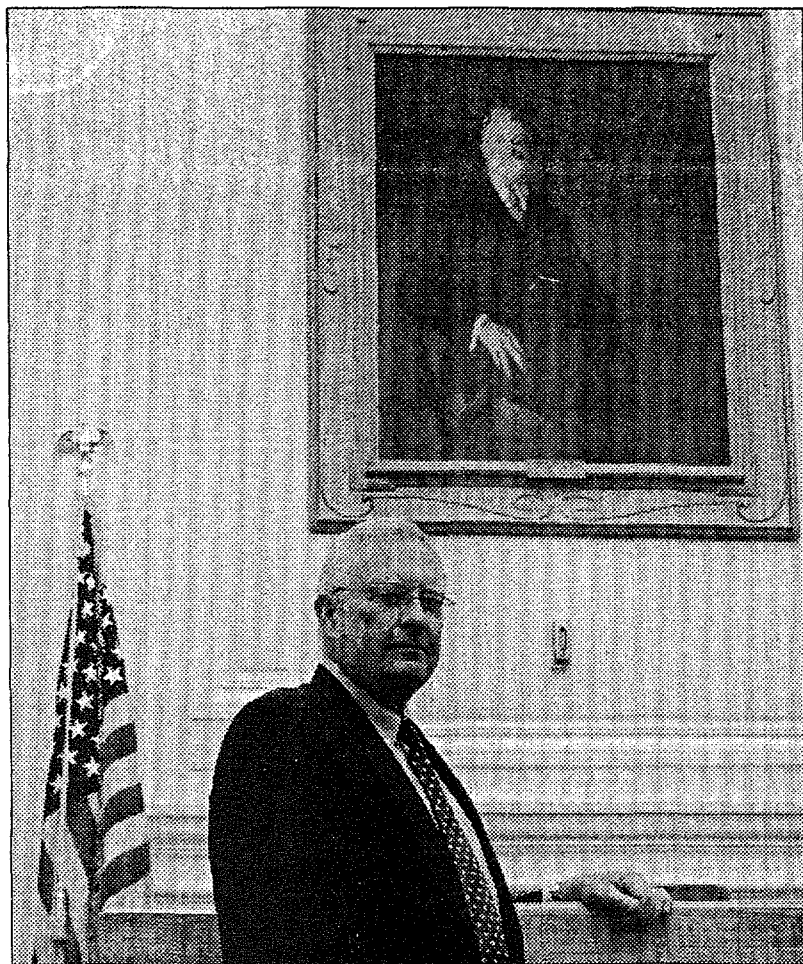
Van Syckel, born in Bethlehem, Pa., in 1830, was son to a Hunterdon County, land speculator and local businessman.

"The town of Van Syckelville in the state was named after one of our own," retired Judge John Boyle said.

Van Syckel who graduated from Princeton University in 1846, served Union County as associate justice of New Jersey Supreme Court, the precursor to the current Superior Court, from 1869 to 1904.

"He was an expert in constitutional law," Boyle said. "He was fair, but strict — from what I have heard."

According to county officials,



Union County Assignment Judge Walter Barisonok stands in front of a portrait of Bennett Van Syckel, which was hung in the Union County Courthouse at a ceremony Monday morning, 50 years after it was removed from the courthouse.

Syckel was one of many who drafted the Seven Sister Act, which restricted various financial activities in New Jersey in the 1900s.

The judge was married with five children and died in 1921 from bronchial pneumonia.

"No other county has honored judges to the extent that Union County has," New Jersey Bar Association President Edwin McCreedy said. "This really shows pride in the profession."

The Union County Bar Foundation, an arm of the Union County Bar Association, commissions portraits of dead or retired Superior Court judges.

McCreedy added that in the 34 years that he has come through the doors of the county courthouse, he has

always felt welcome by the people and the portraits in the building.

"You look at the portraits and you know that you are not alone in this profession and others have gone through the same types of cases," McCreedy said. "We honor ourselves by honoring the lawyers that have come before us."

Superior Court Assignment Judge Walter Barisonok said that looking at faces of people who have come before you or hand-in-hand with you, always gives you a sense of "nostalgia and self-worth."

"There's a lot of familiar faces that I have seen over the years," he added. "These portraits equal dignity for the profession."

Sheriff's race focuses on homeland security

By Anna Kreyman
Staff Writer

Republican Peter Lijoi says that although Union County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich has done a good job, he thinks he can do better. The two are competing for county sheriff in the Nov. 2 General Election.

Lijoi, an attorney for more than 20 years, said the public needs to gain more knowledge to combat disasters such as the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks.

"We need to have community forums that teach residents how to react in the event of danger," he added.

"This needs to be done in such a way that does not frighten but instead educates the people. We need to make people more confident in law enforcement."

Froehlich, who was born and raised in Elizabeth and is serving his eighth term as county sheriff, said people have confidence in him because of his success.

"I've had a great career because I am always looking for new and better things to do as sheriff," Froehlich, a resident of Union, said. "People see me as a law enforcement person that produces, not a man of politics."

Froehlich, the first sheriff to broadcast a monthly "Union County's Most Wanted" list, said he wants to institute a program that would teach students in grade six through 12 about the law.

"Children in elementary school are the only ones to learn about such things as DARE," he said, referring to the program that stands for Drug Awareness and Resistance Education. "But, what about middle and high school levels. Shame on us for not keeping up with the law with our teens."

A resident of Summit and father of two boys, Lijoi said Union County government needs a mix of representation.

All of the elected constitutional posts in Union County are currently held by Democrats and have been for

a long time. Democrats have an almost decade-long hold on the county's freeholder board. The party first gained the majority in 1996 before taking complete control in 1998.

If elected sheriff, "I would begin to look for ways to share local and regional services through out the county," Lijoi said. "We need to look at the purchasing of bulletproof vests and the providing of policing."

Froehlich's opponent ran unsuccessfully for county surrogate about 10 years ago but has never before run for county sheriff.

"We need to look more towards technology when it comes to improving the transportation of prisoners," said Lijoi, who earned his law degree from Pace University.

He added that spending less money within the county is also one of his major goals.

"We need to save money without putting anyone out of a job," Lijoi said.

A member of the Elizabeth Police Department for almost 20 years, Froehlich said his second priority as sheriff lies in animal control.

"I want the county to take over animal control," he added. "We could take care of the spaying, neutering and even animal learning. We have our own facility so why not take over the function?"

He said that grant funding is a possibility for an animal shelter and "we have a lot of volunteers that are willing to help."

The duties of county sheriff include overseeing courthouse security, transportation of inmates, executing criminal and domestic warrants as well as investigations involving drugs and missing people.

Other services such as fingerprinting and gun safety are also taken care of by sheriff.

County sheriff is one of three elected constitutional positions within the county, each with a three-year term and \$115,000 annual salary.

"Rest assured, Kerry will carry New Jersey," Assemblyman John Cryan, D-Union, said. "The polls serve as a wake up call, no doubt."

"As much as Democrats talk that down, it's evident from three or four polls in the last 10 days that it has implications throughout the state," Philip Morin, Union County Republican chairman, said of the Kerry-Bush margin.

As for the Democratic ticket spending more resources in the Garden State, Lesniak said: "We expected nothing, we're going to get nothing."

See POLLS, Page B2

State may be changing colors, but it's not the leaves

By Mark Hrywna
Regional Editor

This year's presidential election has always come down to two things: red versus blue. From the start, New Jersey has been considered a blue state, solidly in Democrat John Kerry's corner. While the Garden State might not be turning red just yet, which would indicate a Bush victory, there is some question as to just what color it might turn out to be in the end.

The New York Times is now considering New Jersey a swing state, like Pennsylvania and

Florida, as Kerry's lead in New Jersey polls has all but disappeared. The Rasmussen Report still has New Jersey labeled as a blue state, for Kerry.

The Massachusetts senator led Bush by 10 points before the Republican National Convention last month, but recent polls have each candidate with 48 percent of the New Jersey vote. The two will meet for their first debate tonight.

"New Jersey is not a swing state," state Sen. Raymond Lesniak, D-Union, said, vowing that Kerry will carry the Garden State by at least eight points. Anyone, Republican or Democrat,

'New Jersey is not a swing state.'

— State Sen. Ray Lesniak

who is considering New Jersey a swing state "is fooling themselves."

In the 2000 presidential election, Democrat Al Gore carried New Jersey 16 points. Locally, Gore won Union County by 24 points, about the same margin Bill Clinton enjoyed in the 1996 race against Bob Dole.

Dems hold significant financial edge on GOP

(Continued from Page B1)

tion Law Enforcement Commission.

Through June of this year, Union County Democrats enjoyed a better than 6-to-1 advantage over their counterparts in funds raised: approximately \$250,000 to \$40,000.

Morin said he'd like to see voters judge candidates on their merits, not on the number of TV buys or candidates' literature sent.

"I've been saying for a long time, the county spends too much on campaigns. We could be just as successful with less than half of what's spent," Lesniak said.

The current Union County freeholders have won "not because of money but because the public have embraced their policies," Cryan said.

Clearly, he said, there will be a transition of money toward individual account, rather than county or campaign committees. The Union County Democratic Committee has historically organized the freeholders' campaign, rather than a "Committee to elect" organization.

Lesniak doesn't see much effect on the upcoming election; "just less money spent on campaigns."

"The only people who are impacted are political consultants, cable TV and newspapers that run political advertisements."

"People will be getting less mail, they'll be grateful for that," said Lesniak, who still believes that the governor did not have to announce his resignation last month.

Polls: Jersey up for grabs

(Continued from Page B1)

"We'll run a strong campaign on our own."

Vice Presidential candidate John Edwards was in New Jersey on Tuesday, with stops at the Robert Treat Hotel in Newark and in Middlesex County. Said Lesniak of Edwards' campaign visits: "Presidents go to swing states, vice presidents cover the others."

Lesniak, who was involved in Al Gore's New Jersey campaign in 2000, said it would be good if Bush uses some resources in New Jersey, as it would take away from his effort in other states, but he doesn't see that happening. "They're not stupid. I know they're not stupid, they've taken a failed presidency and have a lead at this time. They're very smart."

One Democrat, speaking on the condition of anonymity, said the recent poll numbers won't affect local races in Union County thanks to Sheriff Ralph Froehlich leading the ballot.

Froehlich routinely wins by 40,000 to 50,000 votes and always is the party's top vote-getter. In addition, James LaCorte, the incumbent surrogate also "is very popular."

Froehlich and LaCorte are being challenged by Peter Lijoi and Michael Panagos, respectively.

"If they have a false sense of security of how the presidential race isn't going to impact freeholder races, it makes me more confident in November," Morin, the GOP chairman, said of Democrats. He's hoping for a repeat of 1988 — the last time a Republican presidential candidate carried Union County — when the GOP was able to pick up three freeholder seats.

The tightening polls in New Jersey do spell bad news for at least one candidate: Democrat Steve Brozak who is challenging Michael Ferguson in the 7th Congressional District. "This finishes Brozak," one Democrat said.

Democrats agreed that for Brozak to have a chance at knocking off the two-term Republican incumbent, Kerry needs to carry the Garden State by double-digits, at a minimum.

Kerry's dwindling lead "certainly doesn't help," Lesniak said, but a double-digit victory "can still happen."

The latest Quinnipiac University poll has Kerry and Bush tied at 48 percent among likely New Jersey voters, even though 53 percent of Garden State citizens polled disapprove of the job Bush is doing as president. The strong showing has been attributed to terrorism, as 55 percent believe he will do a better job in dealing with terrorism than Kerry.

Mothers & More open house on Wednesday

The Union County Chapter of Mothers & More will host an open house for prospective members Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Westfield YMCA, 220 Clark St., Westfield. All area women are invited without any obligation to join. The event will be held without children and door prizes will be awarded.

The open house will introduce women to the many services of Mothers & More. The Union County Chapter offers two meetings a month with topical discussions and/or guest speakers in addition to moms' nights out, playgroups, a book club, a craft club, skill-building volunteer opportunities and more.

Serving more than 7,000 members nationally, Mothers & More is a non-profit organization dedicated to improving the lives of mothers through support, education and advocacy. It addresses mothers' needs as individuals and members of society, and promotes the value of all the work mothers do, paid and unpaid, within and outside the home.

The Union County Chapter of Mothers & More holds meetings on the first and third Wednesday of each month at the Westfield YMCA.

For more information about becoming a part of Mothers & More, call K.C. Bree at 908-789-8626 or

Kim Grossman at 908-889-2286 or log onto www.mothersandmore.org.

Irish festival Sunday at Union Elks Lodge

The Joseph Nugent Sr. Association of Union County will hold its 18th annual Irish Festival and picnic to benefit a child with a life-threatening illness through the Make-A-Wish Foundation on Sunday, rain or shine, at the Elks Lodge, 281 Chestnut St., Five Points Union, from 1 to 6 p.m..

The Make-A-Wish Foundation raises funds to grant these special children their favorite wish.

Admission is \$20 per person or \$40 per family which includes food, beer, soda, Irish vendors and activities for the children. There will be continuous Irish-American entertainment featuring The Willie Lynch Trio, The Carrie Callahan Band and "DJ" Joe Colletti. There also will be Piper, Irish Ceili dancing and Irish vendors.

For information, call Bob or Linda White at 908-241-7341 or Kevin Dowling at 732-594-1763.

The Nugent Association was founded in 1933 and is the oldest independent Irish-American organization in the state. The Nugent Association is celebrating its 70th anniversary.

Donations may be sent to The Joseph Nugent Sr. Association, 161 Country Club Drive No. 2, Union, 07083.

Golf fund-raiser for St. Patrick's Day parade

The Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee's third annual golf fund-raiser will be Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. at Hyatt Hills Golf Course on Raritan Road in Clark.

The event will raise funds for St. Patrick's Day Parade expenses.

Admission costs \$175 per person; dinner only costs \$75 per person.

Temple hosts forum

On Oct. 13, a program called "A Change of Plans: How NJ is Moving Toward Self-Directed Planning" will take place at 7:30 p.m. at Temple Emanu-El, 756 E. Broad St., Westfield.

Presented by the Somerset, Union Regional Family Support Planning Council 3, the program will feature Bill Gaventa, associate professor and director of Community and Congregational Supports for the Elizabeth M. Boggs Center on Developmental Disabilities, UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

Gaventa will speak about how the planning process for people with developmental disabilities is changing in New Jersey, and illustrate how "system-centered" planning is being replaced by "person-centered" planning.

The focus of the presentations will be on Essential Lifestyle Planning, a

guided process for determining how someone wants to live and developing a plan to make that happen. An open forum to discuss concerns will follow the presentation.

The program is designed for individuals with developmental disabilities and their family members. In addition to discussion about the DDD changes, there will be time for council members to meet with families concerning their interactions with DDD and its service providers.

The Family Support Councils were created to gather information from families in order to advise DDD on the allocation of resources in their specific regions, and to monitor those services and supports.

For more information, to RSVP, or if you need a translator, call Judy Lescarret at 908-232-7874.

Halfway to St. Patrick's Day at Union KOC

The Union County St. Patrick's Day Parade Committee will sponsor its second annual Halfway to St. Patrick's Day fund-raiser at Knights of Columbus 4504, 1034 Jeanette Ave., Union, Oct. 17 from 2 to 8 p.m.

The event will help raise funds for St. Patrick's Day parade expenses. Admission costs a donation of \$10 per person.

For more information, call 908-686-4504.

The City of Rahway Arts District Presents

BILL TURNER & BLUE SMOKE

Country Western & Blue Grass Band in Concert

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2004
7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
(Doors open at 6:30 pm)

at the Rahway Senior Center
1306 Esterbrook Ave. Rahway

TICKETS: \$10.00 per person
(Under 18 must be accompanied by an adult)
Tickets available at the Rahway Senior Center or the Rahway Recreation Center.
Refreshments will be provided by Beana's Mexican Restaurant
For information call 732-827-2016

Got Heat?

WELTMAN Plumbing, Heating & Air
Your Neighbor Knows... We Care!

908-686-8485 or 1-888-WELTMAN

Daniel Weltman Plumbing License Number 6440 ©2004 A Weltman Plumbing & Heating

KENT PLACE SCHOOL

COED NURSERY & PRE-K • OPEN HOUSES

Coed Nursery & Pre-K Open House
Thursday, October 14, 2004, 9-11 a.m.

All School • Nursery - Grade 12
Sunday, November 14, 2004, 1-3 p.m.

Kent Place School is an all-girls K through 12 independent college-preparatory day school with a coeducational nursery and pre-kindergarten program.

| October 14 | Open House Program | November 14 |
|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------|
| 9:00 - 9:15 | Refreshments & Registration | 1:00 - 1:15 |
| 9:15 - 10:00 | Information Session | 1:15 - 2:00 |
| 10:00 - 11:00 | Tours | 2:00 - 3:00 |

Kent Place School • 42 Norwood Avenue • Summit, NJ 07902-0308 • 908.273.0900 • www.kentplace.org

DON'T REPLACE YOUR OLD BATHTUB... REGLAZE IT! \$249
WCoupon regularly \$325

We also do Sinks, Tile, Tub Surrounds & Color Travel Charge May Apply

SAVE \$76

Now serving Southern, NJ www.easternrefinishing.com

EASTERN REFINISHING CO. • 800-463-1879
COUPON EXPIRES 10/13/04

DON'T THROW YOUR TREASURES AWAY!

Let us Sell them for you on eBay!

Antiques • Collectibles • Jewelry • Anything Else

New Millennium Trading Services, Inc.
(908) 463-1809 • www.nmtrading.com

LOW FEES & WE RECEIVE NO COMMISSION IF YOUR ITEM DOESN'T SELL!

GET READY FOR WINTER

FUEL OIL SAVINGS

We Provide

- Automatic Delivery
- Budget Plan
- Complete Installations
- Service Contract
- Tank Protection
- Year Round Low Prices
- 24 Hour Service

SIMONE BROS. FUEL OIL CO.
Family Operated For Over 65 Years

908-862-2726
732-634-2624

The Longest Running Community Theater in New Jersey
Founded 1919

THE CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB presents

COMPANY
A Musical Comedy

FRIDAY
October 8, 15, 22
8:00 PM

SATURDAY
October 9, 16, 23
8:00 PM

Tickets \$20.00
Reserve Now
908-276-7611
Group sales of 25-74 tickets 10% off
Group sales of 75 or more tickets 15% off

www.cdctheatre.org

CDC THEATRE
THE CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB

Where Tradition Meets Tomorrow

Join Us! For Our Fall Open House

Tuesday, October 5 at 7:30 p.m.
or
Wednesday, November 3 at 7:30 p.m.

Visit unioncatholic.org to learn more!

UNION CATHOLIC

1600 Marine Avenue, Scotch Plains, NJ • 908-889-1600

Fine Art & Crafts at Nomahegan Park

Springfield Ave., Cranford

OCT. 2-3

- FREE •
- RAIN OR SHINE**
- 10AM-5PM**

Co-sponsored by Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders & Department of Parks & Recreation and Rose Squared Productions, Inc.

GARDEN ST. PKY TO EXIT 138, WEST 2 MILES; Rt22 to Rt577 SOUTH 1.3 MILES; FOLLOW SIGNS; PARK FREE AT UNION COUNTY COLLEGE

908-874-5247 OR WWW.ROSESQUARED.COM

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

What could be more challenging than the 2004 presidential beauty pageant?

By Helen Argers
Correspondent

Watching the Miss America show, suddenly I saw the possibility of another great reality show — Mr. America. Except we already have such a contest — called the presidential election. But it is taking too long. Better to reduce the election to one night on television, copying exactly the Miss America format.

Think of it. The president and senator-contender would not have to spend half their time campaigning around the country or fund raising. Both could devote themselves to the jobs they were originally elected to perform. Through no fault of the candidates, the media presentation of this election has reduced the competition to surface personal qualities, rather than issues. Nor would the candidates have to play up to the media's need for blood sport with personal negative attacks. How uplifting that would be for the country. All the divisive feelings spreading throughout our land would fade. Miss America has shown us the way.

Here's how we'll do it. We'll leave

The Art of Laughter

By Helen Argers

the primaries as is, nobody pays attention to them anyway, and we'll get final candidates for the show. The contestants, OOPS, candidates will be President Bush, Senator Kerry, Ralph Nader — a choice of three. But to balance it, we'll make it four by throwing in Pat Buchanan.

As moderator, the unanimous choice is America's most favorite television star, Oprah Winfrey. She'll add all-in-one representation of African-Americans and women. Unlike the presidential race, the Mr. America President show will truly reflect America. Another plus for choosing Oprah is her ability to make guests seem human — a very good thing for overly-programmed candidates. As for judges, who else but us? Every single voting-age American would have to vote — just as we have to pay taxes,

comply with a jury notice or respond to the Census. In this mythical world, at long last, no more hanging chads or new, unreliable computerized machines. Rather, every qualified voter will get a ballot number and vote either on-line or by snail-mail. Real elections!

But on with the show. Let's start with the most popular competition: The Bathing Suit Parade. The choice of briefs or regular suits would be up to the candidates. Whatever the choice, President Bush and Senator Kerry would clearly have the advantage here since President Bush jogs and bikes frequently and Senator Kerry is known as an all-around athlete.

Without question Pat Buchanan and Ralph Nader would choose the regular, Mr. Buchanan to hide his midriff spread and Mr. Nader his anorexic figure. As every lady knows, accessories make the difference for every outfit. As his accessory, Mr. Bush might well choose high-heeled cowboy boots to explain his well-worn strut. Mr. Kerry, because of his height, would stick to sneakers to give

him that extra bounce a contender needs against a sitting president. To reflect that he is a sitting president, Bush could appear sitting on an oval chair, pushed in by Vice President Dick Cheney, carrying an American flag. Not to be outdone, Senator Kerry could then enter playing touch football with his vice presidential candidate John Edwards and with his own patriotic display of a football stamped with a pulsing American flag.

Next competition: Evening Wear. Both top contenders and Mr. Buchanan have tuxedos, but Mr. Nader is disqualified for his one Salvation Army suit that he wears both for day and evening affairs. The competition, however, will be sparked by each man's escort, his wife whose gown may very well sway the election. Laura Bush will appear in a conservative red gown, Mrs. Kerry in blue and Babe Buchanan, Pat's sister, in a red, white and blue gown with stars and stripes. Since this is such a solemn occasion, none of the gowns will be strapless or show cleavage for fear of a wardrobe malfunction.

Next event: The Talent Competi-

tion. President Bush has been practicing all his life for his talent, clearing brush. He will do that dressed as a cowboy and carrying a machete. See him swing it right and right, to the tune of "The Stars and Stripes Forever!" Oh, oh! He has cut his hand. There will be a deduction for that, but Vice President Cheney runs in to take charge, bringing a bandage and disinfectant and finishing the job.

Mr. Nader's performance, since his only talent is speaking, is reciting the Bill of Rights, adding an extra one he makes up, the right of any American to run for president with or without party or people's support. To a patriotic medley, Mr. Buchanan tap-dances while balancing on his head the Constitution. But it falls off. Deductions for that. Senator Kerry plays his guitar while he rides across stage on his motorcycle and smashes right into Oprah. Double deductions for that.

Last event: The Quiz Section. Not to tax the mental capacity of the candidates, a multiple choice is offered. First question: Who was the first president of the United States? Answer: A) Mandela; B) Washington; C)

Ronald Reagan. President Bush chooses C, on the grounds that the first real American president in his opinion was Ronald Reagan. Pat Buchanan refuses to vote, claiming the choice is limited, he wants Mr. Nixon added since he worked for him. That disqualifies him from the election. Ralph Nader votes A) Mandela. He is given the points on the grounds that if not the right answer, it should have been. That leaves Senator Kerry, who picked B) Washington. He is disqualified for not being aware that you don't vote for what is true, but what the people polled think is true. Senator Kerry has not yet learned to play the game, so it looks like the master politicians President Bush and Mr. Nader are tied to win that part of the contest. But it is up to you to determine the overall score.

Who of the remaining three will wear the crown? Who will tearfully march down the runway with Oprah singing, "There he is, Mr. America President!" It's your choice. Vote.

Helen Argers is an award-winning novelist and playwright.

Former area resident's new book puts the capital 'T' in terror

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

When a novel, so frighteningly vivid, has the power to provoke a reader into a terrified state, looking over one's shoulder at each page turning, it can take its place with the best of horror books. And when it is a first novel called "Dark Woods," by an exceptionally talented and knowledgeable writer such as Jay C. Kumar, it has even more appeal.

Kumar, who was once employed by Worrall Newspapers, is an outdoors man who has fished and hunted in woods throughout the country and Alaska. He writes with haunting perception. He must be a fan of Stephen

On the Shelf

By Bea Smith

King, and King, the horror of all horror writers, should take a positive look at Kumar's "Dark Woods," which was published by Berkeley Books, New York, and perhaps he will learn something new.

From the very first pages, a reader becomes terrified and fascinated by the narrative of the existence of legendary giant-sized animals, who appear somewhat human, lurking in the woods in Skookum County, Washington. They are reputed to have been

sighted in the woods in northwestern United States and British Columbia and are called sasquatches, but few, if any, have actually had any contact with them — or have seen them up close. Well, according to Kumar, one shudders to report that Deputy Sheriff Frank Vaughn, who was on an average winter hunt with two other hunters, heard a rifle shot, an eerie, earsplitting cry, and was horrified to discover the ripped and torn body of one his hunters, and a dead deer, minus its heart and liver, lying alongside the hunter, in addition to another wounded hunter. Apparently, the mystifying animal, whose enormous footprints were visible in the mud, was shot and

wounded and hiding somewhere in the woods.

Being a true hunter, Vaughn could never leave a wounded animal in the dark woods, so he decides to return. He is coerced into taking along Chris Mackey, a representative from Carolina Pacific Timber Corp., a company that cuts trees and utilizes the wood from the forest; a scientist, Dr. Arthur Lansing, who always seems to be wandering off — exploring, or so he says; and Alison Lombard, a young woman from the Fish and Wildlife Service, who works in the endangered species department, much to the dismay of Vaughn and Mackey. And before Vaughn left for the dangerous

journey, he was confronted by his wife, Katie, who had become estranged from him because of his persistence in his kind of work. Even the government has taken an intense interest in the atrocious creatures.

The story begins on Tuesday, May 7, and ends on Monday, May 13, and it all takes place in the cold, damp, dark woods. There are more than one Sasquatch, or bipedal primate or big foot as they are also called. And they are stalking the hunters, eating the animals in the forest and even frightening the bears. And the hunters can tell when they are nearby because they have odors that reek and are unbearable to tolerate.

Kumar has based much of his book on factual information and has written a story that both thrills and terrifies a reader. His characters are so interesting and so real to the reader, that one can reach out and touch them physically or emotionally. Kumar is an absolutely wonderful writer. Stand aside, Stephen King books — this Jay Kumar book will have a shudderingly special place on the shelf of this reviewer's horror books. "Dark Woods" is a real bone chiller! The scariest yet.

Bea Smith is a staff writer who also reviews books for Worrall Newspapers.

Variety of activities adds new life to old dance club in Elizabeth

By Jeff Cummins
Associate Editor

The Bayway Polish Club in Elizabeth had held dances for generations, but things were starting to change. Many Polish residents left the area, leaving the future of the dances in doubt.

So, did the Bayway Club move out of the area, as many old patrons had? No. Instead, it began to move to the rhythms of Latin dancing — in addition to the traditional Polka

dancing and ballroom dancing it had hosted for years. Judging by the response of club spokesperson Joe Januskeski, the response to the addition of Latin dancing has been overwhelming.

"This is the third year we're offering Latin dancing," said Januskeski. "We get people from all over the state, they just love to show off their prowess on the dance floor."

This certainly wasn't the first foray the Bayway made outside of

Polka dancing. Years ago, it offered western dancing on Wednesdays, but it wasn't quite as successful as the addition of Latin dancing.

"The western dancing died out," said Januskeski.

No matter. With Latin dancing added to the club's traditional fare of Polka dancing and ballroom dancing, things are hopping at the Bayway, where dancing seems to be gaining steam.

"Before 1967, we were in another

building," said Januskeski. "They had bowling alleys in the old place." Of course, many Polish patrons still come to the club because they love to Polka.

"CBS did a story on us with Charles Osgood on 'Sunday Morning,'" said Januskeski.

"We've had some top acts come here, too. Jimmy Sturr is a 14-time Grammy winner, and he came here three times last year." Another reason Januskeski cited for the success

of dancing at the club was the concept of theme nights.

"We always have a theme, or a buffet," said Januskeski. "Then you'll get the crowds."

But it was the not-for-profit club's decision to add Latin dancing that put some life back into its activities.

"It was a matter of economic survival," Januskeski said of the decision to add Latin dancing. "Kids are into hip-hop and rock these days. It used to be that on Fridays, Saturdays and

Sundays you'd just open your doors and people would come in to dance. Now, the Latin community really appreciates our club. We've got a great wooden dance floor, and two parking lots. On Friday nights, people come over the Goethals Bridge from Staten Island.

"The bottom line is there aren't too many places where you can go dancing anymore," said Januskeski. "This is a place where you can dance and be safe."

Chatmon, Konopinski strive to develop a new genre of film

By Jeff Cummins
Associate Editor

Pete Chatmon wants more than the same old opportunities. That's why he's striving to carve out a new niche in cinema.

"We're part of a new wave of American cinema," Chatmon said, referring specifically to his film production company, Double 7 Film. "There's a perception that if you're black, you've got to make a 'black' film, or an 'urban' film. I try to work on things that are more universal, to create an emotional story you can relate to that just happens to have black characters."

Chatmon, though still young in his career, certainly has what football coach Bill Parcells would describe as "pelts on his horse," or notches in his belt. He studied film at New York University's Tisch School of the Arts, and his thesis film, "3D," was an official selection of the 2001 Sundance Film Festival that starred Dorian Missick, who also starred in "The Manchurian Candidate." He's written, acted and directed a short film, "Chameleon," about a young black man dealing with the expectations

and demands of a wide variety of people in his life. His latest film, "Confessions of Cool," is a six-minute film that will debut Saturday in its New Jersey premiere at the Burgdorff Cultural Center in Maplewood.

"This film is an entrance into the mind and world of Reginald Cool," said Chatmon. "You enter the world from his perspective. You see the way that people see him, you'll see a part of him where he's the ladies' man, but it also shows his confession of loneliness."

"It breaks down the stereotype. Sometimes the smaller you go, the more common it is to everyone. People can say, 'I can see that in my life.' When you watch the film, you can immediately relate it to something in your own life."

For "Confessions," Chatmon used a studio to shoot the film, contrasting with his approach to "Chameleon," where he shot in several locations, including a townhouse in Hillside, the Mountain train station and a law office in South Orange, the parking lot of Columbia High School in Maplewood, and Madison Square

Park in New York City.

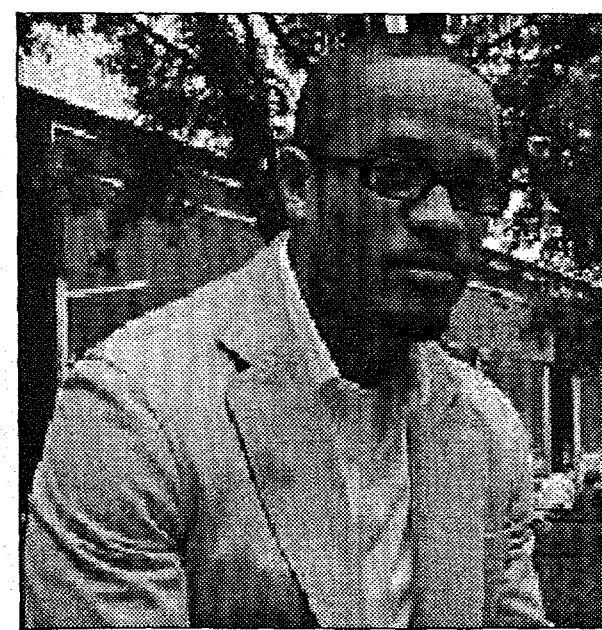
And "Confessions" certainly won't be the last time audiences see the character of Reginald Cool. Chatmon and his company are currently working on a longer film titled, "Premium," that also features Cool's character.

"My idea with 'Confessions' was to make a stand-alone film, but I did it because I wanted to make a short that would show you Cool's whole world in a quick synopsis," said Chatmon.

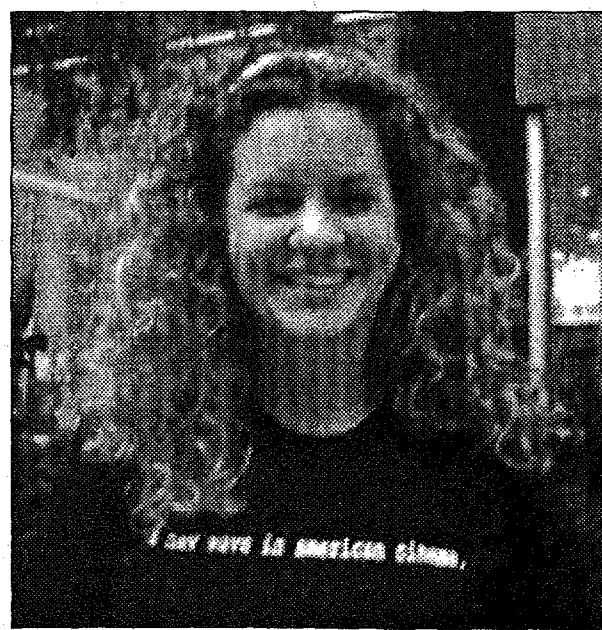
For the "Premium" project, Chatmon explores Cool in greater detail, showing that the character is a struggling actor who is fed up with the traditional acting roles available for black men; he doesn't want to play a murderer or a drug dealer.

To finance his dream of a acting career, he works at his mother's boyfriend's gas station. One day his ex-fiancee shows up — Chatmon enjoyed a chuckle when asked if any of the idea was autobiographical — and announces that she's getting married in two days. Suddenly, he's got the biggest acting job in his life to try to win her back.

"The main theme is that it's a love



'Confessions of Cool' is written, produced and directed by Pete Chatmon, above left. At right is Emily Konopinski, production manager.



story about the person you're with before the person you marry, who prepares you for marriage," said Chatmon. "They both grow and they both win."

Chatmon didn't say what other plans he's got in the works, or if he'll

continue to explore the character of Reginald Cool in future projects. For now, he's interested in seeing where Cool, and "Confessions," head in the immediate future. One thing that is fairly sure is that Double 7 will continue to make films that a variety of

people will take an interest in.

Emily Konopinski, production manager for "Confessions of Cool," summed the approach that Double 7 uses in its work. "We're striving to make films that can be appreciated by any audience."

Club presents rock band's founding singer and songwriter

On Friday, The Crossroads in Garwood will present an evening with Rusted Root founding singer/songwriter Michael Glabicki. Supporting Glabicki will be the Buster Cox Trio of Westfield, with Tom Vella, Lucas Richardson and Eric Amadeo performing their original acoustic rock. The event will feature more guests to be announced at a later date.

For more than eight years, The Crossroads has featured seven nights of live music, including playing host to Sundaze Invitational Jam, Monday Open-Mic Night, Tuesday Night Jazz Jam, Karaoke Wednesdays, and Groove Therapy Thursday sessions; in addition to featuring both national

and local acts Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays. Each week, musicians and fans alike travel from all over the tri-state area to be a part of what has become a hotbed of area music.

The Crossroads once again will showcase the remarkable talent of Glabicki. Making his second appearance at the Garwood nightclub, Glabicki returns in the midst of a national tour, carrying him across the United States. Glabicki founded the multi-platinum band Rusted Root upon returning from a post-high school trip to South America in 1988. After a false start with one group of musicians, he spoke with an old friend with whom he'd collaborated previously, and asked her to sing

with him. Through her came their drummer, with whom she'd taken an African drumming class, a prerequisite established by Glabicki. Then the band recruited another classmate to play guitar. A year later, multi-instrumentalist, visual artist and bicycle messenger John Buynak and vocalist Jenn Wertz, originally hired to photograph the group, signed on. Buynak's distinctive artwork would give Rusted Root a strong visual image.

Rusted Root would adopt a hard-touring way, their polyrhythmic multitecni rock and soul picking up devotees like a junkyard magnet as they swept across the nation. In 1990, they self-released a CD, "Cruel

Sun." The disc attracted Mercury Records, which signed the band and released "When I Woke" in 1994. Two more records, "Remember" in 1996 and the self-titled third in 1998, three EPs, "Evil Ways," "Live" and "Airplane"; a video, "Rusted Root Live"; a miscellaneous film and TV soundtrack credits followed, including "Twister," "Home for the Holidays," "Party of Five," "Homicide" and "Ice Age."

After several years and countless venues played with the band, Glabicki decided to get back to his roots and tour solo acoustically. His solo success has parlayed into several tours spanning the nation, playing to intimate crowds in every state. His

unique stage presence and distinctive music set him apart from the rest of his field and keep audiences coming back for more. This performance at The Crossroads will be his only stop in New Jersey on this tour.

Supporting Glabicki will be the Buster Cox Trio who burst onto the scene with their own fresh acoustic sound. With just two acoustic guitars, hand percussion and one voice, Vella, Richardson and Amadeo enthrall audiences without compromise. Vella's aggressive percussive acoustic guitar styling and strong, soulful voice are flawlessly meshed with Richardson's innovative and intricate accompaniments. On stage, Vella is nothing but raw energy.

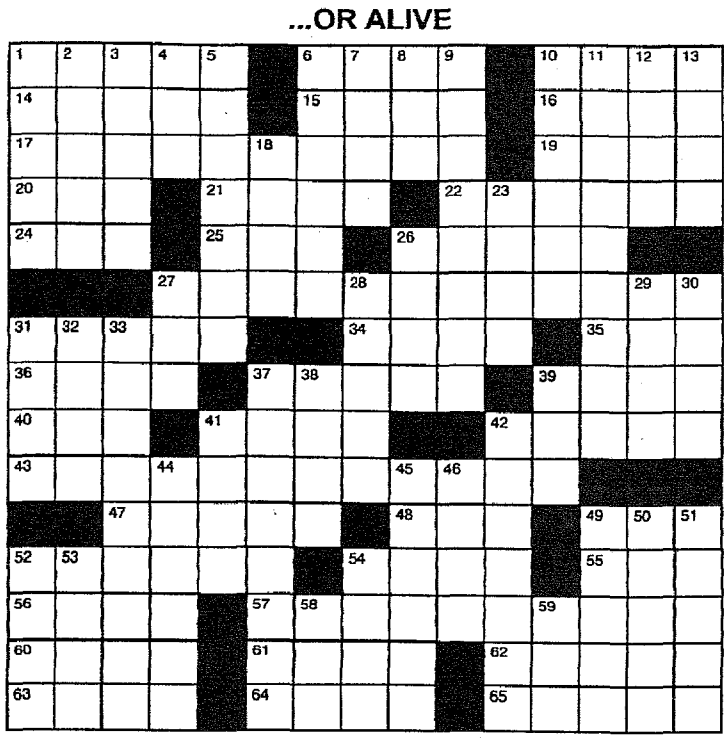
While dancing joyfully and banging his acoustic guitar, he sings with passion and intensity. Richardson, on the other hand, stands solidly still, dancing only with his fingers, swiftly up and down the fret board. Amadeo rests in the center, smoothly underscoring the melodies with tight rhythmic percussion.

Together they passionately perform a series of unique songs that Vella had originally written for no one else but himself, for a group of burgeoning fans who await the trio at every show.

Doors will open at 5 p.m., with the show beginning at 8 p.m. on Friday. For more information call 908-232-5666.

ACROSS

- 1 God, to some
6 You can take it or
leave it
10 "M for Murder"
14 "Forsyte Saga"
heroine
15 "____, Brutel!"
16 Resort in Sicily
17 Smack dab in the
middle?
19 Enthusiastic
20 Barbecue buttinsky
21 Rick's love, in
"Casablanca"
22 In a pleasing way
24 Stockholm flier
25 Blueberry or cherry
26 He finished with 755
27 A cold December
night?
31 Machu Picchu
location
34 Author of The
"Valachi Papers"
35 Pique
36 The bad brother
37 Like a haunted
house
39 Heat up
40 German spa
41 Avoid
42 Cheerful
43 Red-handed?
47 Hobgoblin
48 Capek's futuristic
play
49 Frame companion
52 Urban growth
54 Infatuated
55 Exodus hero
56 Snidely Whiplash
look
57 No chance to
advance?
60 Bit of gossip
61 Sandusky lake
62 Gaggie member
63 Western Colorado
feature
64 "Atlas Shrugged"
writer
65 Heron



COPY NEWS SERVICE

By Charles Preston

DOWN

- 1 Man with a golden
touch
2 Seattle's Key
3 Hyperion poet
4 Final word
5 Julia uses them
6 Felt
7 Jazz singer James
8 Dined
9 Deflect
10 Church leader
11 Computer, e.g.
12 Blue dye
13 Kind of bug
18 "On the Waterfront"
director Kazan
23 Fleur-de-lis
26 From a distance
27 Where Daniel met
the lions
28 Muscat resident
29 Land of Molly Bloom

- 30 Depend
31 Scored 100 on an
exam
32 "____ That Tune"
33 Doesn't go along
with
37 Place to cry?
38 Body builder rep
39 Commuter ride
41 Arrange aboard
42 1967 Doors hit
"People Are ____"
44 Teachings of Buddha
45 Left a mark?
46 Gigantic
49 Captain's superior
50 Got up
51 Home of the Dalai
Lama
52 Meager
53 Tennis star Sampras
54 No pain, no ____!
58 Paleozoic or
Mesozoic
59 Man's best friend?

ANSWERS APPEAR ON PAGE B9

REUNIONS

The following schools will conduct reunions in the coming months:

- Rahway High School, all classes, Oct. 1 to 3, Sheraton at Woodbridge Place, 515 Route 1 South, Iselin.
- 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.
- Union High School, Class of 1964, 30-year reunion, Oct. 30.
- Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, Clark, Class of 1974, 30-year reunion, Nov. 20.
- Hillside High School Class of 1954, 50-year reunion, Nov. 20.
- Roselle Park High School Classes of 1983, 1984 and 1985, 20-year reunion, Nov. 20, 7 p.m. to midnight, Galloping Hill Inn, Union.
- 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.
 - Westfield High School Class of 1994, 10-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.
 - Westfield High School Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, May 21.
 - Scotch Plains High School Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, June 11.
 - Scotch Plains High School Class of 1975, 30-year reunion.
 - Union High School, Class of 1985, 20-year reunion, 2005.
 - Union High School, Class of 1995, 10-year reunion, 2005.
 - Union Hill High School, Class of 1975, 30-year reunion, 2005.
 - Union High School, Class of 1976, 30-year reunion, 2006.
 - Union High School, Class of 1981, 25-year reunion, 2006.
 - Union High School, Class of 1986, 20-year reunion, 2006.
 - Westfield High School, Class of 1980, 25-year reunion, 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.

- Rahway High School, Class of 1939 will conduct its 65-year reunion on Sunday at the Crowne Plaza in Clark from 1 to 5 p.m.
- The reunion committee needs your help in locating six classmates. Contact Anne Shupper for more information at 732-388-0066.
- Abraham Clark High School in Roselle, Class of 1954, will have its 50th reunion on Oct. 16 to 17 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Clark.
- To join the festivities, classmates should contact Janice Peterson Freeman at 908-561-8565 or via e-mail at j.freeman1@worldnet.att.net.
- Or they can contact Marie Mastorakis at 908-272-6243.
- They can contact her via e-mail at M.Mastorakis@worldnet.att.net.
- Linden High School, Class of 1994, will hold its 10-year reunion on Nov. 26 from 7 to 11 p.m. at the Galloping Hill Inn in Union.
- Addresses of classmates are needed. For more information, call New England Reunions at 877-600-56694 or call visit www.newenglandreunions.com.

Photographic works displayed

"Twenty-three Miles Offshore" documents Denville photographer Bob Terlizzi's decades-long love Ocracoke Island in the Cape Hatteras National Seashore.

An exhibit of Terlizzi's photos of the island will hang inside Wisner

House at Reeve-Reed Arboretum in Summit until Oct. 28.

Terlizzi is self-taught. He grew interested in photography while attending graduate school and living on Narragansett Bay in Rhode Island in 1976.

What's Going On?

FLEA MARKET

SUNDAY

October 3rd, 2004

EVENT: Flea Market
PLACE: Belleville High School, 100 Passaic Avenue, Belleville, NJ (OFF JORALEMON ST)
TIME: 9AM-5PM, Outdoors (indoors if rain)
DETAILS: New merchandise, crafts, collectibles and a garage/tag sale section! For information call: 201-997-9535
ORGANIZATION: Sponsor by:BHS Home & School

SUNDAY

October 3rd, 2004

EVENT: Flea Market
PLACE: St. Mary's High School, 237 South Broad Street, Elizabeth
TIME: 8am-3pm
INFORMATION: Over 100 tables of bargains. Limited space. For more information call 908-352-4350
ORGANIZATION: St. Mary's High School.

SATURDAY

October 2nd, 2004

EVENT: Flea Market
PLACE: 140-144 Bloomfield Ave., Montclair, NJ
TIME: 8am-4pm
PRICE: VENDORS WANTED. For more information call 973-673-7975 or 973-746-5914 or 973-678-8339
ORGANIZATION: Bright Hope Baptist Church

SATURDAY

October 2nd, 2004

EVENT: Big Indoor Flea Market
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, 1 Raritan Road, Roselle
TIME: 9am-4pm
PRICE: Call for information 908-245-2350
ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School

SATURDAY

October 9th, 2004

EVENT: Flea Market
PLACE: Second Reformed Church, 132 Elmwood Avenue and Florence Avenue, Irvington, NJ 07111
TIME: 10am-2pm
PRICE: Free Admission.
We have everything: Clothes, jewelry, appliances, household items, linens and much more. For information call church at 973-373-4525
ORGANIZATION: Sponsored by the Women's Association, Second Reform Church

What's Going On is a paid directory of events for non profit organizations. It is prepaid and costs just \$20.00 (for 2 weeks) for Essex County or Union County and just \$30.00 for both Counties. Your notice must be in our Maplewood Office (463 Valley Street) by 4:00 P.M. on Monday for publication the following Thursday. Advertisement may also be placed at our other offices. 266 Liberty St., Bloomfield or 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union. For more information call
800-564-8911

RUMMAGE SALE

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

October 1st, 2nd, 2004

EVENT: Garage & Rummage Sale
PLACE: Community United Methodist Church, 301 Chestnut Street Roselle Park, NJ
TIME: Friday, 9am - 5pm; Saturday, 9am-2pm
PRICE: Admission Free
INFORMATION: Coffee & Baked Goods On Sale All Day Friday. Housewares, Dishes, Glasses & Stemware, Tools, Small Appliances, Furniture, Books, Records, CDs, Toys & Clothing. Thousands of Items. For information call 908-245-2237.
ORGANIZATION: Community United Methodist Church.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

October 8th, 9th, 2004

EVENT: Rummage Sale
PLACE: Battle Hill Community Church, 777 Liberty Avenue, Union
TIME: Friday - 9:30am-4:00pm Saturday - 9:30am-12noon
DETAILS: Come and find a treasure. Refreshments will be served. For more information call 908-686-LAMB
ORGANIZATION: The Moravian women of Battle Hill Community Moravian Church

THEATRE-PLAY

WEDNESDAY THURSDAY

FRIDAY SATURDAY

October 6,7,8,9, 2004

EVENT: Mystic Vision Players presents a NJ premiere of "After Midnight, Live" (late night TV from the other side of the camera)
PLACE: Linden HS Theatre Auditorium, 121 W. St. Georges Avenue Linden, NJ 07036
TIME: 8:00pm -October 9th at 4pm also
PRICE: \$15 -Price includes complimentary flavored coffees and desserts. Come be a part of the TV audience in this comedy. Call 908-925-8689 for info
ORGANIZATION: Mystic Vision Players

AUCTION

FRIDAY

October 1st, 2004

EVENT: Tricky Tray Gift Auction
PLACE: Auditorium of St. John the Apostle Church on Valley Road in Clark, near Stiles Street.
TIME: Doors open at 6:30pm and drawings begin at 8:00pm
PRICE: Donation is \$6 and refreshments will be available.
DETAILS: Grand Prize is a new computer system. Ticket info call 732-382-5595. Proceeds from this event support Scouting activities throughout the year and your support is greatly appreciated. Adults over 18 please
ORGANIZATION: Sponsored by Cub Scout Pack #30

Use Your Card...
AMERICAN EXPRESS
DISCOVER
VISA
MasterCard
Quick and Convenient!

HOROSCOPES

Oct. 4 to 10

ARIES, March 21 to April 19: Make compromise your key word this week. Take steps to meet a partner or friend half way and settle an ongoing disagreement or misunderstanding.

TAURUS, April 20 to May 20: Discipline is a valuable asset. Avoid scattering or wasting your physical resources or buying more than you can afford on your current budget.

GEMINI, May 21 to June 21: Friends are eager to expose you to a new social situation. Stay alert and learn the rules or regulations that will affect the success of your interactions.

CANCER, June 22 to July 22: A solid domestic or emotional foundation is important to your well-being. Take time to build strong and trusting relationships with family members.

LEO, July 23 to Aug. 22: A lot of important or pertinent information is within your reach. Pay close attention to what is available and take clear and concise notes.

VIRGO, Aug. 23 to Sept. 22: Money promised to you may not come through in time to fulfill a need. Avoid any additional expenditures until you see improvement in your cash flow.

LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23: You will find yourself at the center of attention this week. Get your ego out of the way and accept input or ideas from those around you.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 21: Details or secrets from the past are revealed now. Forgiveness is key. Own up to your mistakes and learn as much as you can from them.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 22 to Dec.

AUCTION

FRIDAY

October 15th, 2004

EVENT: Tricky Tray Fun Auction
PLACE: Community Center of Ss Constantine & Helen Church, 510 Linden Place, Orange, NJ
TIME: 7:30pm
PRICE: Admission \$7. Tickets may be purchased at the door
DETAILS: There will be many special prizes including gifts for the holiday and refreshments. Proceeds will benefit the many charities of the Daughters of Penelope. For information and to reserve tables of 8, call 973-731-8295.
ORGANIZATION: Daughters of Penelope.

THURSDAY

October 7th, 2004

EVENT: Decorate The Town. A Community Auction
PLACE: Maplewood Woman's Club, 60 Woodland Road, Maplewood
TIME: 7pm
PRICE: \$15, includes 50 tickets for Canned Auction, Refreshments, Canned, Silent and Live Auction. 200 prizes donated by local businesses to fund Holiday Decorations and Events. For info call 973-761-4333; 973-762-4556; 973-763-6011
ORGANIZATION: Maplewood Chamber of Commerce, Maplewood Village Alliance, Springfield Avenue Partnership

OTHER

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

October 1st, 2nd, 2004

EVENT: Edison's 3rd Annual Italian Food & Music Street Festival
PLACE: held along Amboy Avenue, Edison (1015 Amboy Avenue, off Rt.1)
TIME: Friday, 7PM-11PM; Saturday 2PM-11PM. (rain date 10/9)
DETAILS: Friday- Italian, Latin and American music & entertainment with band Desire & Richard Anzivino, kiddie rides, fabulous food & quality vendors and merchants.
Saturday- Mega Mix Entertainment with MC Freddie & DJ Rick, Dem Brooklyn Bums & Richard Anzivino, fabulous food, quality vendors and merchants, kiddie rides, pony rides, petting zoo, face painting, sand art, Mother Goose storytelling, Edison Light Cruisers, strolling musicians, Snooky the Clown and more! For info call: 201-997-9535
ORGANIZATION: Sponsored by the Italian American Club of Edison

SATURDAY

October 2nd, 2004

EVENT: Harvest Festival
PLACE: United Methodist Church in Orange, Corner of Park Ave & N. Day Street, Orange
TIME: 10am-6pm
PRICE: Free Admission.
Food, candles, books, clothes, etc. VENDORS WELCOME.
Call for information 973-675-6390
ORGANIZATION: United Methodist Church in Orange.

SATURDAY

October 2nd, 2004

EVENT: Art Scene At The Green
PLACE: Essex Green Shopping Center, Prospect Street, West Orange
TIME: 10am-5pm
PRICE: Free Admission.
Outdoor art, craft and musical festival Call for information 973-324-9100
ORGANIZATION: West Orange Arts Council

Westfield Art Association presents

ART IN WESTFIELD

Sidewalk Show and Sale
Original Fine Art
Paintings, Sculpture, Printmaking, Photography

10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Saturday, October 9, 2004

Raindate: Saturday, October 16

Downtown Westfield

GSP Exit 135 • NJ Transit Raritan Valley Line

co-sponsors

Downtown Westfield Corporation
(908) 789-9444

Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce
(908) 233-3021

THE WAIT IS OVER! PREVIEWS BEGIN SEPT. 28!

"ONE OF THE BIGGEST THEATRICAL HITS IN LOS ANGELES!"
-The New York Times

"MOVE OVER MEL BROOKS, there are two new Jews in town!"
-The Jewish News

"OUTRAGEOUSLY FUNNY! An equal-opportunity satire!"
-Los Angeles Times

JUST JEW IT.

Jewtopia

The story of a gentile who wants to marry a Jewish girl... so he'll never have to make another decision.

Music by Brian Fodder & Sam Wolfson
Lyrics by John Tillinger

Tickets: JewtopiaPlay.com or call Telecharge.com 212-239-6200
Group Sales: 609-731-7839 or GroupSales@JewtopiaPlay.com
WESTSIDE THEATRE 407 West 43rd Street

RECEIVE 25% OFF THESE CLASSIC OPERAS!



Call Ticketmaster at (212) 307-4100, order online at www.nycopera.com, or visit the New York State Theater Box Office at Lincoln Center. Mention code LSSP.

Offer ends 11/10/04. Regularly priced tickets \$27 - \$115. All casts and programs subject to change. Based on availability. Discount may not be combined with any other offers and does not apply to previously purchased tickets. Limit 2 tickets per order. Some restrictions apply. Program subject to change. All orders incur a \$5.00 per ticket service charge.

Museum exhibit offers rare glimpse into the possessions of royalty

By Jeff Cummins
Associate Editor

Go ahead, admit it. Everyone now and then, while you're working to pay the monthly bills, you wonder, maybe just for a moment, what it would be like to be royalty, to experience luxury as a matter of course.

Well, through Jan. 9, you'll have a chance to view royalty from a rare perspective. The Newark Museum, with considerable thanks to many other museums, is presenting an exhibit titled, "Nicholas and Alexandra: At Home with the Last Tsar and His Family." The exhibit features numerous

personal belongings of the Romanov family from their residence in the Alexander Palace in Tsarkoye Selo, just 15 miles from St. Petersburg.

Exhibit curator Marilyn Swezey noted that nearly everything in the exhibit was once in the possession of the last tsar and his family. Swezey, an art historian specializing in Russian decorative arts and cultural history, has studied the Romanovs, and has also lectured and written about them on numerous occasions. She cultivated her interest in Russian history and museum work while working as a docent at the Hillwood Museum in

Washington, D.C.

"I've been interested in Russian history and arts for years," said Swezey. "I was asked by the American-Russian Cultural Cooperation Foundation in Washington, D.C., to be a guest curator of this exhibition. I went to Russia several times to select objects held by several museums. Those museums lent us over 200 major objects from five Russian museums."

One object is a portrait of Nicholas that Swezey said is more than 7 feet high, titled, "Portrait of Nicholas II." Another object she noted was a large

Marie Antoinette Gobelin tapestry from the Alexander Palace that was presented by the president of France to Nicholas and Alexandra.

Another highlight that Swezey cited is the Faberge "Imperial Basket of Lilies of the Valley." "That was the empress' favorite piece, and it was lent to us by the New Orleans Museum of Art," said Swezey. "We also have family photograph albums with photos they took themselves. The tsar was a very enthusiastic amateur photographer who developed all his pictures himself in his own darkroom."

And, like any family, the tsar's

children cherished their toys, including some that have been lent to The Newark Museum for this exhibition.

"There's a very special selection of toys belonging to the children, including dolls and child-sized furniture, and a model of a famous monastery in Russia," said Swezey. Yet, more than the allure of the items, these objects convey a sense of how the tsar and his family lived, enabling visitors to the museum to imagine how a day with the tsar's family might have unfolded.

"To the layperson, this is a look behind the scenes at perhaps the most famous royal couple in the world and

how they lived as a typical, Victorian-era family."

Admittedly, for many people, the words "typical" and "royal family" would seem to contradict each other, but nonetheless, this exhibit offers visitors a glimpse of royal life they're unlikely to see anywhere else.

"Many of these objects were evacuated to safety during World War II and are being brought together for the first time in an exhibition since then," said Swezey.

The Newark Museum is located at 49 Washington Street in Newark. For more information, call 973-596-6550.

Wilkins Theatre sets concert series

On Monday at 8 p.m., Kean University's Wilkins Theatre will present Alma Latina, the first concert in a series of four presented by the affiliate artist program. For the opening of the 2004-05 season, the affiliate artist program has been able to engage Patrick Mason, one of the country's leading baritones, who teaches at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

Wilkins Theatre is located on the main campus at 1000 Morris Ave. in Union. Tickets are \$10 and are available through the box office by calling 908-737-7469. Students, alumni, faculty, staff and seniors receive discounts.

"I am thrilled that we are able to bring Patrick Mason to Kean," said Anthony Scelba, director of the affiliate artist program.

"He is one of the most sought-after baritones performing and recording today, and this will be his first performance of those great de Falla songs." Mason will perform the songs with Christopher Kenniff, affiliate artist in guitar. Several works on the program, which offers music from Spain, Argentina and Brazil, will feature Kenniff.

Other performers on the concert will be The Yardarm Trio; James Musto, percussionist; Sharon Ruffman, violinist; Katherine Harris, soprano; and Martha Marchena, professor of piano at Kean, who will make her first appearance in an affiliate artist concert.

All the performers, except for guests Mason and Marchena, are members of the affiliate artist program at Kean, which brings internationally celebrated musicians onto its faculty.

The music for this concert promises to be a lively mix of tuneful works that contain an ethnic flavor and reflect the concert's title, Latin Soul. The program opens with "A Taste of Brazil" performed by The Yardarm Trio, and includes a dazzling percussion solo, played by Musto, the haunting "Bachianas

Brasileiras," sung by Harris, and pyrotechnics from Ruffman's violin.

Patrick Mason, baritone, has appeared throughout the world in recitals and concerts of music from 10th century chant to contemporary scores written for him. Mason has been heard in London's Wigmore Hall with guitarist David Starobin and as baritone soloist with the Colorado Springs Symphony in Britten's "War Requiem."

He has received critical acclaim for his recording of Franz Schubert's "Winterreise" and a recital of French melodies, both for the Bridge recording label. Mason has been a soloist with the Boston Camerata and the Waverly Consort and has collaborated with composers Stephen Sondheim, Elliott Carter, and George Crumb and is featured on recordings on Columbia, Erato, L'OISEAUX LYRE, Vox, MHS, and Bridge.

Mason was awarded a Bachelor of Music degree from Peabody Conservatory and a Master of Music from the University of Nebraska at Lincoln. In addition, he has been a soloist with the Takacs String Quartet, the Waverly Consort, and the Boston Camerata, and has appeared as a recitalist in London's Wigmore Hall, the operas by Tod Machover, John Duffy, and Randall Shinn in Tokyo, New York, Los Angeles, Boston, Philadelphia and New Mexico. Mason has worked in recording and performance with composers Leonard Bernstein, Stephen Sondheim, Elliott Carter, George Crumb, John Musto, Ellen Zwillich and Barbara Kolb, and has sung with Speculum Musicae, the Rochester Philharmonic, the Syracuse Symphony, the Colorado classes at the Hochschule fur Musik in Berlin, the American University in Cairo and throughout the United States.

For more information on the affiliate artist program, call Scelba at 908-737-4325.

Event will explore healing power of music

Can music heal the mind? Come find out what leading researchers and practitioners have discovered at an interactive day-long conference for mental health and social service providers, educators, caregivers, and artists.

"Music and the Mind: An Arts and Well Being Initiative" will take place on Oct. 22, from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Wyndham Hotel, 1000 Spring St., Elizabeth. The event is sponsored by the Mental Health Association of Union County, the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Pre-registration is required. Students with I.D. is \$45 per person, which includes a continental breakfast, lunch, snacks and all materials. Registration is \$65. Registration on the day of the conference is \$75.

"Leaders from Artsgenesis, the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, Music for All Seasons, and the New Jersey Intergenerational Orchestra will demonstrate ways to use music as a wellness tool," said Freeholder Vice Chairman Rick Proctor. "When words fail, music communicates."

The morning keynote presenter is Kathleen Gaffney, co-founder of Artsgenesis, an arts-in-education organization that ignites creativity and accelerates learning. She is a nationally known speaker on the role of arts and healing, multiple intelligences, and

differentiated learning. The afternoon keynote presenter, Richard Kogan, M.D., is a graduate of both Julliard and Harvard Medical School, a psychiatrist and concert pianist, who has managed to excel at both demanding professions. His lecture/performance will explore how the relationship between medical and psychiatric issues of George Gershwin influenced his creative output.

The conference features six workshop sessions: "Music and Aging," "Music Healing Trauma," "Music in Hospitals," "Music Reaching Special Needs Children," "Music and Schools," and "Music Enhancing Counseling." CEUs are available for professional development credit.

There also will be a panel discussion, "Vision of the Future," with experts about programs in music and healing moderated by Robert Perry of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation. The panelists are Michael J. Bdzak, Ph.D., director of corporate contributions at Johnson & Johnson; Nancy-marie Bride, Ph.D., executive director of the Mental Health Association of Union County; Daniela Mendelsohn, executive director of Artworks, the Naomi Cohain Foundation; and Robert Morrison, founder and chairman of the Music for All Foundation.

Networking opportunities will allow participants to share information with peers in the statewide arts and healing community. Attendees are

encouraged to bring flyers and brochures to share at the resource table. To request a brochure or get more information, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth 07202. For more information, call 908-558-2550. New Jersey Relay users dial 711. The e-mail address is culturalinfo@ucnj.org. Assistive services are available on request.

The event is funded in part by grants from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment for the Arts; the Schering-Plough Corporation; and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Your abilities can earn extra income. Advertise them with a classified ad by call 1-800-564-8911.

Jeff Cummins, Editor

©Worrall Community Newspapers, Inc. 2004 All Rights Reserved

Organizations submitting releases to the entertainment section can mail copy to: 463 Valley Street, P.O. Box 158, Maplewood, NJ 07040

Mystic Vision Players

Presents

The New Jersey Comedy Premiere
of

AFTER MIDNIGHT

Late night TV from the other side of the camera

October 7, 8, 9—8:00 pm

October 9—4:00 pm

Linden HS Auditorium

121 W. St. Georges Ave., Linden, NJ

\$15 Reserved Seating

Call—908-925-8689

Come be a part of the TV Sound Studio Audience

Ticket price includes complimentary desserts and beverage bar

This arts program is made possible in part by a HEART GRANT
(History, Education, Arts—Reaching Thousands)
from the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders

216021

Rahway Arts District

First Annual

"JAZZ FESTIVAL 2004"

Friday, Saturday & Sunday October 8th through 10th

Featuring:

Patti Austin

Performing at the Union County Arts Center,

Saturday evening

October 9th at 8:00 p.m. Call 732-499-8226 for tickets.

FREE PARK & RIDE FOR ALL SHOWS FROM CITY HALL PARKING LOT

Friday, October 8th

Giacomo Gates - 8:00 pm at

The Arts Guild of Rahway -

Call 732-381-7511 for tickets.

Saturday, October 9th - 12 Noon - 5:30 pm

12 Noon - Pianist/Singer Ronny Whyte

2:00 pm - Marlene Ver Planck

4:00 pm - Bob DeVos

at the Rahway Senior Center -

Call 732-827-2016 for tickets.

\$6.00 each separate performance, \$12 for all three.

Sunday, October 10th

Union County Arts Center -

732-499-8226

Afternoon Set tickets \$12.50

12 Noon - Ken Peplowski • 1:15 pm - Jeanie Bryson

2:30pm - Slide Hampton • 3:45 pm - Dena DeRose

Evening Set tickets \$12.50

6:15 pm - Bucky Pizzarelli • 7:30 pm - Earl May

8:45 pm - Harry Allen/Warren Vache' Jr.

Sunday afternoon and evening set combination \$20.00

Call the Jazz Hotline 732-827-2098. group rates available.

**ALL SHOWS WALKING DISTANCE
FROM THE TRAIN STATION**

216022



Rio Cafe
RESTAURANT / BAR AND GRILL
Portuguese • Spanish & Brazilian Cuisine

Try our Famous
Pasta • Shrimp
in Garlic
plus much
much more!

Lunch
& Dinner
Specials
Daily

Reserve Now for all
your parties & Off-
Premise catering with
Special Packages...
Call for details!

♦ Catering for all occasions done on or off premises
♦ Major Credit Cards Welcome
♦ Daily Specials - Eat-in or Take-out
♦ Large selection of Beer, Wine and Sangria

EVERY DAY
Early Bird Special 3 to 6 pm
20% OFF Food Bill
Not to be combined with Any Other Offers Not Valid Holidays

Welcome Chef Antonio
A New Addition to our Family!

289 Monroe St., Rahway (corner E. Grand Ave. & Bond St., near Rte. 1 & 9)
Tel: 732-574-9392 or 574-93331 • 732-574-9302

THE THEATER PROJECT / UNION COUNTY COLLEGE
1033 SPRINGFIELD AVENUE, CRANFORD, NJ

THE MYSTERY OF IRMA VEP

By Charles Ludlam
Sept 30 — Oct 17

**THE THEATER
PROJECT**

Union County College

Tickets:
\$18 & \$10

Reservations Recommended:

908-659-5189

\$5 OFF any \$18 ticket with this ad

www.localsource.com

Internet Directory

| | |
|--|---|
| Agape Family Worship Center..... | http://www.agapecenter.org |
| American Savings Bank..... | http://www.americansavingsnj.com |
| Burgdorff ERA..... | http://www.burgdorff.com |
| Crossroads Christian Fellowship..... | http://www.ccfou.org |
| Eye Care Center of NJ..... | http://www.eyecarenj.com |
| First Night of Maplewood/So. Orange..... | http://community.nj.com/ccfirstnight-soma |
| Forest Hill Properties Apartments..... | http://www.springstreet.com/propid/389126 |
| Grand Sanitation..... | http://www.grandsanitation.com |
| Holy Cross Church..... | http://www.holycrossnj.org |
| Hospital Center at Orange..... | http://www.cathedralhealthcare.org |
| JRS Realty..... | http://www.century21jrs.com |
| LaSalle Travel Service..... | http://www.lasalletravel.com |
| Mountainside Hospital..... | http://www.AtlanticHealth.org |
| Nutley Pet Center..... | http://www.nutleypet.com |
| Pet Watchers..... | http://www.petwatchersnj.com |
| Reits Institute..... | http://www.reits-institute.com |
| SkinCare Products..... | www.marykay.com/chandrac |
| South Orange Chiropractic..... | http://www.sochiro.com |
| Summit Area Jaycees..... | http://www.angelfire.com/nj/summitjc |
| Suburban Essex Chamber of Commerce..... | http://www.suburbanessexchamber.com/sec |
| Summit Volunteer First Aid Squad..... | http://www.summitvems.org |
| Synergy Federal Savings Bank..... | http://www.synergyonthenet.com |
| Trinitas Hospital..... | http://www.trinitashospital.com |
| Turning Point..... | http://www.turningpointnj.org |
| Union Center National Bank..... | http://www.ucnb.com |
| Unitarian Universalist Church..... | http://www.firstuu.essex.nj.uua.org |
| United Way of Bloomfield..... | http://www.unitedwaybloomfield.org |

To be listed call
908-686-7700



**molly
maguire's**
IRISH PUB & RESTAURANT

JOIN US FOR SUNDAY BRUNCH
FROM 11am-2pm
FULL BUFFET INCLUDING OMELET STATION \$12.95
A La Carte Menu Also Available

JOIN US SUNDAY EVENINGS FOR PRIME RIB
All Inclusive Choice of Soup or Salad, Queen Cut Prime Rib \$16.95
or King Cut Prime Rib \$19.95
Potato and Vegetable, Coffee or Tea and Dessert

WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME YOU HAD A GREAT BURGER?
Monday and Tuesday Nights are Burger Nights at Molly's
Buy One Burger and Get the Second One at HALF PRICE.

MOLLY'S INTRODUCES OUR SUNSET SPECIALS
Monday through Friday from 5 PM to 6 PM
ALL INCLUSIVE:
Choice of Soup or Salad, Choice of Entrée, \$14.95
Coffee or Tea and Dessert

Private Party Room Available for All Occasions up to 100 People
Pub Menu Available until 1 am - Open Nightly 'til 2am
Serving Lunch & Dinner Daily!
Visit at our website @www.mollymaguires.com for additional info.
1085 Central Avenue, Clark • (732) 388-6511

Stepping Out is a weekly calendar designed to guide our readers to the many arts and entertainment events in the Union County area. The calendar is open to all groups and organizations in the Union County area. To place your free listing, send information to: Worrall Community Newspapers, 463 Valley St., P.O. Box 158, Maplewood, 07040. Faxes may be sent to 973-763-2557.

ART SHOWS

SWAIN GALLERIES, 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield, hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Saturdays, 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, call 908-756-1707.

THE SKULSKI ART GALLERY of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark, together with the Nowodvorski Foundation, presents art works by Rafal Obiowski through Oct. 8. For more information, call 732-382-7197.

BOOKS

THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOOK GROUP will meet at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

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

PAGE TURNERS DISCUSSION GROUP will meet the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 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, 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, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, to read a Shakespeare play out loud. 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, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

WRITERS WORKSHOP meets every Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

KNIT KNACK KNITTING GROUP will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call 973-376-8544.

DON WEILL, author of "The Older I Get ... Light Verse from a Senior Perspective," will appear at The Town Book Store, 255 E. Broad St., Westfield, on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call 908-233-3535, or visit the Web site, www.townbookstore.com.

ANN NAPOLITANO, author of "Within Arms Reach," will appear at The Town Book Store, 255 E. Broad St., Westfield, on Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. For more information, call 908-233-3535, or visit the Web site, www.townbookstore.com.

CRAFTS

FINE ARTS AND CRAFTS will be shown at Nomahegan Park on Springfield Avenue in Cranford on Saturday and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Free parking will be available at Union County College. For more information, call 908-874-5247, or visit www.rosesquared.com.

COMEDY

THE WATCHUNG ARTS CENTER presents Comedy Night on the third Saturday of each month. The Comedy Night series at the Watchung Arts Center has managed to build a following in its suburban location by drawing from a mix of New York City comedy club stand-ups. Each show features new faces and fresh material.

Host Phil Hochman will present master of ceremonies John McInamin, a headliner and a feature performer. Ticket price includes light refreshments after the show. The show begins at 8 p.m. Oct. 16, and tickets are \$15.

The seating at the Watchung Arts Center is in an intimate art gallery, with limited capacity. Reservations may be made by e-mail at www.watchungarts.org or by phone, calling 908-753-0190 and leaving a message if necessary. Tickets will be held at the door.

The Watchung Arts Center is located "on the circle" in Watchung, reached from Route 22 or Interstate 78. There is free parking adjacent to the building or around the corner at Best Lake.

THE ARROGANT WORMS will

perform with special guest Les Barker as part of Sanctuary Concerts on Oct. 23 at 8 p.m. at Union Village Methodist Church, 1130 Mountain Ave., Berkeley Heights. For more information, call 973-376-4946, or visit the Web site, www.sanctuaryconcerts.org.

CONCERTS

SANCTUARY CONCERTS in Berkeley Heights will present musical acts in the coming weeks.

Concerts are presented at Union Village Methodist Church, 1130 Mountain Ave., Berkeley Heights. For information, call 973-376-4946 or visit www.sanctuaryconcerts.org.

THE WESTFIELD SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA performs Symphony No. 5 in C Minor at the Union County Arts Center on Tuesday. Tickets are \$60, \$40, \$35, \$30 and \$25. For more information, call the box office at 732-499-8226, or visit the Web site at www.ucac.org.

RENOUNED JAZZ VOCALIST PATTI AUSTIN celebrates the spirit of bebop in her one-of-a-kind musical tribute to Ella Fitzgerald at the Union County Arts Center on Oct. 9 at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$58, \$50 and \$45. For more information, call the box office at 732-499-8226, or visit the Web site at www.ucac.org.

THE COUNTRY BLUES DUO of Devin Sproule and Paul Cureri will perform at the Watchung Arts Center on Saturday at 8 p.m. For more information, call 908-753-0190 or visit the Web site, www.watchungarts.org.

DANCE

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

DISCUSSION

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

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

THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF 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.

FILM

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

HOBBIES

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

THE MODEL RAILROAD CLUB INC., was founded in 1949 in the basement of the late Paul Mallery, who was a pioneer in the hobby of model railroading. The club occupies a building on Union County parkland designed, built and maintained entirely by the members, under a unique arrangement with the Union County park system.

The club building is located off Route 22 east, behind The Home Depot in Union. Free parking is available on site and the building is wheelchair-accessible.

For more information, call 908-964-9724 Saturdays from noon until 4 p.m., or 908-964-8808 for a recorded message, or visit the club's Web site at www.tmrcl.com.

THE HARVEST QUILTERS OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY will meet the first Monday of each month at Cozy Corner Creations quilt shop, Park Avenue, Scotch Plains.

INTERNET

THE INTERNET LOUNGE, 256 South Ave., Fanwood, hosts an Open Mic/ Karaoke Night. Join the group for a cup of gourmet coffee and a wide variety of organic foods and participate in an original poetry reading, a stand-up comedy routine or a musical number. There's no cover charge. To ask about a schedule of events, call 908-490-1234 or visit its Web site: www.theinternetlounge.com.

KIDS

TALES FOR TOTS PRESCHOOL STORYTIME will be offered at Barnes and Noble, Route 22 West, Springfield, 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.

RADIO

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

SINGLES

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

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

JEWISH SINGLES Men and women 60 to 70-plus are invited to a Jewish singles gathering to meet, greet and make new acquaintances at B.G. Fields, 560 Springfield Ave., Westfield, on Oct. 24 at 1:30 p.m. Reservations are required as space is limited. Admission is \$15 with your R.S.V.P. by Saturday, which includes complete dinner menu. Positively no same day admission. Contact 60-70-plus at 908-687-0274 for details.

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

TRAGEDY INSPIRES "THE GUYS," a play examining the relationships in a firehouse following the 9/11 catastrophe. Production dates are Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$20. Discounted tickets for students and seniors are \$15. Tickets for all emergency services personnel and their family members are \$10. For more information, call the Liberty Theatre at 973-566-0066 or log on to www.alliancerep.org.

MEYER FAMILY MINISTRIES presents "The Miracle Worker" at Abundant Life Worship Center, located in Springfield and serving all of Union County. Performances will be on Oct. 15 and 16 at 7:30 p.m., and on Oct. 17 at 10 a.m. For more information, call 973-379-1600.

THE THEATER PROJECT presents "The Mystery of Irma Vep" by Charles Ludlum through Oct. 17 at Union County College, 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. Tickets are \$18 and \$10, and reservations are recommended. For more information, call 908-659-5189.

THE CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB presents "Company, A Musical Come-

dy" on Oct. 8, 9, 15, 16, 22 and 23. Tickets are \$20. For more information, call 908-276-7611 or visit www.cdctheatre.org.

THE NEW JERSEY SCHOOL OF DRAMATIC ARTS announces its partnership with 12 Miles West Theater Company at 562 Bloomfield Ave., Bloomfield. For more information, call 973-566-9700 or visit the Web site, www.njactors.org.

VARIETY

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, \$2. Every Wednesday: Karaoke Night; Miller Lite and MGD, \$2 all night. Every Thursday: Fiesta Night; Corona, Cuervo and margaritas, \$2 all night. For information, call 908-232-5666 or visit www.xroads.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 an e-mail to 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. The cover charge is \$3 for all Sunday concerts, unless otherwise noted.

For information, call 908-810-1844.

PRIDE IN KENILWORTH presents its seventh annual Octoberfest street fair, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Oct. 10 along Kenilworth Boulevard between 18th and 23rd streets. A rain date of Oct. 17 has been established. Each year, approximately 5,000 to 7,000 people attend the street fair, which features pony rides, a petting zoo, carnival games and rides, international foods, varied entertainment. Fun for the entire family. Take Garden State Parkway to exit 138, make a left at the end of the ramp, which leads to the fair. For more information, call 908-276-3371.

New Jersey Theater Alliance offers discounted tickets for area theater enthusiasts

New Jersey Theater Alliance, the consortium of the state's professional theaters, has launched a discount ticketing Web site dedicated solely to New Jersey's performing arts. With the nation's first Web site of its kind, bargain-hunting arts patrons can now go online for an overview of performances across the state and to purchase "hot tickets," deeply discounted tickets for same-day performances. Hot tickets are available 24 hours in advance of a performance and can only be purchased at www.njArtsTix.org.

Plays, dance performances, symphonies and classical concerts, jazz

and pop performances, family events and more will be sold through the site. In addition to the professional theaters, many of the state's presenting organizations and dance companies have joined with NJTA's membership to give customers access to as many types of performing events as possible.

Searching for events in theater, musical theater, dance, classical music, folk/pop/jazz, family events and free events is easy, and customers will have the ability to create their own accounts and receive e-mail alerts on a weekly basis. They will also find directions and information about park-

ing and nearby restaurants for each venue. Once a purchase is made, the customer will receive a confirmation by e-mail. This confirmation can then be printed out and the purchaser can take it to the theater box office to pick up their tickets. A 10-percent service charge will be added to the cost of the discounted ticket to help support the site.

"New Jersey is one of the richest performing arts states in the country, offering world-class theater, dance, music and legendary performers. The launch of njArts Tix.org is a win-win partnership between arts patrons and arts organizations. It provides a one-

stop shopping address for discounted tickets and a great vehicle for theaters to attract new audiences while selling any remaining seats on performance days," says Barbara Andrews, director of marketing at Princeton's McCarter Theater. "This is an important new initiative that will help the arts to continue to flourish in our great state."

Thanks to leadership grants from The Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation and Verizon, the New Jersey State Council on the Arts and many other funders, NJTA was able to develop the site which promises to break down economic barriers to the performing arts. After interviewing several candi-

dates, NJTA hired Plumb Design of New York City, an award-winning Web design firm, to develop the project.

"NjArtsTix.org is a great example of having technology work for us, instead of vice-versa. Everybody wins with this new service — the patrons, the individual theaters and other presenting organizations, the Theater Alliance, and New Jersey itself as a place to live," said David Grant, executive director of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation.

The alliance is also offering a \$40 VIP membership that will give customers access to discounted tickets 48

hours in advance of a performance. This service will provide customers with extra time to make plans, and to have first chance at obtaining tickets that may be limited. Further information about VIP membership can be obtained on the Web site. Customers are encouraged to check in often, as events will change daily. Customers can log on to www.njArtsTix.org and begin browsing for hot tickets as well as obtaining information about future performances across the Garden State. Customers can call 973-540-0515 with questions about the Web site, or send inquiries via e-mail to NJTA at info@njtheatrealliance.org.

HEALTH BENEFITS (full family coverage)

Hospitalization • Doctor Visits • Prescription Drugs
Dental • Vision • Hearing Aids • Chiropractic Services
No Minimums • No Maximums • Pre-Existing Conditions
Covered • No Claim Forms or Referrals Needed

Agents **\$50.00 PER MONTH** Agents
Welcome! **1-888-768-LIFE ext. 54** Welcome!

OR VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT:
WWW.LIFESAVERSEMERGENCY.COM

MEMBER: BBB of N.J., U.S. & N.J. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

COMPUTER & LCD PROJECTOR RENTALS

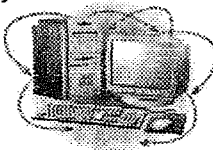
1-800-685-RENT (7368)

- Laptops Desktops
- LCD Projectors
- Large Screens
- Microphones
- Speakers
- Monitors
- Printers
- ...and more!

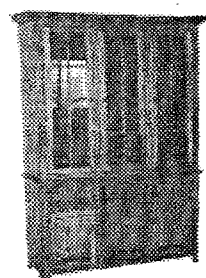
Daily • Weekly • Monthly

Same Day Delivery & Set-Up
Short Notice Specialists
Call 24 Hours/7 Days

ACCESS COMPUTER RENTALS
1-800-685-7368



Buy Direct Handcrafted Maple, Pine, Oak & Cherry Furniture



LANCASTER QUALITY FURNITURE
Since 1985

Ph: (717) 445-5767

Showroom Hours Mon-Fri 9-5 Sat 9-3

Call For Brochure Or Visit Our Website

www.lancasterqualityfurniture.com

126 Vine St. Terre Hill, Pa 17581 Between Shady Maple & Weavers Store Off Rt. 897

FREE 2004 Color Swingset Catalog & DVD

Factory 2nds Sale Now Going On exp. 10/30/04



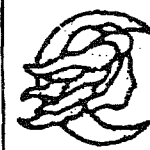
Sets Starting from \$899

100's of Chemical Free
Redwood-Red Cedar
Swingsets to Choose From

Free Factory Water Seal &
Free Lifetime Warranty

Locations in NJ • NY • CT • VT

Log onto rainbowdirect.com enter code NJPA for
COLOR CATALOG & DVD. No Internet? Call 800-842-5636



ASTROLOGY READINGS

CRYSTALS & MEDITATION

Palm Reading ★ Tarot Cards

Psychic Readings

- Learn to come in contact with your guides & Angels.
- Learn what is in your path to a happy & contented life.

All sessions are Private & Confidential

Available For Private Parties

Linda Cruz 908-464-7555

By Appointment 856 Springfield Ave., New Providence



Dr. Antonio Pugliese
Chiropractic Physician

- Individualized care for the whole family
- Back & Neck Pain • Sports & Soft Tissue Injuries
- Credentialed Active Release Technique Provider (ART)
- Certified Whiplash Specialist • Most Insurances Accepted

425 North Avenue, East • Westfield
Tel: 908-654-3040 • Fax: 908-654-9286 Office Hours by Appointment

Tom Chapin is slated to perform

Tom Chapin, Snow White, the Big Bad Wolf and Peter Rabbit will be among the artists and characters who will delight young audiences as The Community Theater presents a comprehensive schedule of events in 2004-2005 for children and their families.

From the popular Sunday Kids Club series aimed at younger children, to the Afternoons With The Arts Series targeted to families with older children, The Community Theater presents a line-up of music, theater, comedy, magic and much more.

"Our family programs are geared toward encouraging parents to introduce their children to live performance," said Allison Larena, executive director of The Community Theater.

"These events are designed to entertain children and inspire them to make the arts an important part of their lives."

Tickets for Sunday Kids Club events are priced at \$12. Afternoons With The Arts events are \$15.

Patrons who purchase the eight-show Sunday Kids Club subscription for \$70 save 25 percent off the price; those who purchase the five-event Afternoons With The Arts subscription save \$4 off each ticket.

Orders for Sunday Kids Club, Afternoons With The Arts and Create-Your-Own subscription are currently being accepted; single tickets go on sale Monday.

The box office hours are Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The box office phone number is 973-539-8008. The Community Theater is located at 100 South St., Morristown.

The Community Theater's 2004-05 Sunday Kids Club Series:

Select Sundays at 1:30 and 4 p.m. All seats are \$12.

The series is underwritten by *Daily Record*.

Peter And The Wolf

Oct. 24, ages 4 to 10.

A clever and courageous young boy sets out to outfox a wolf that has captured his animal friends in this delightful musical version of the Russian folk tale.

Featuring the music of Sergei Prokofiev.

Big Bad Wolf

Nov. 21, ages 4 to 10.

The Second City Children's Theater stars in this hilarious interactive romp in which the notorious Big Bad Wolf tries to prove his innocence in court. Featuring songs, audience participation and sly humor.

Tom Chapin and Friends Holiday Show

Dec. 19, ages 4 and older.

Enjoy an afternoon of holiday merriment with the life-affirming original

songs of Grammy winner Tom Chapin.

Snow White and The Seven Dwarfs

Jan. 23, ages 4 to 10.

Who is the fairest of them all? Find out in this special adaptation of the classic fairy tale, which features original music and colorful costumes.

The Wizard's Apprentice and The Magic Bookmark

Feb. 27, ages 4 to 10.

Move over Harry Potter and make way for Harriet Peabody. This magical adventure performed by the team of Tom and Robin Basler features large illustration, including Houdini's famous "Metamorphosis."

The Princess and The Pea

March 20, ages 4 to 10.

A musical adaptation of the beloved Hans Christian Anderson tale about a girl who must prove herself worthy of being a princess.

The Musical Tale of Peter Rabbit

April 17, ages 4 to 10.

A rascally rabbit finds a briar patch full of trouble while on a misguided, madcapped adventure in this humorous musical tale featuring giant 9-foot puppets.

The Gizmo Guys

May 15, ages 4 and older.

It's twice the jugglers and double the fun when the delightful duo of Allan Jacobs and Barrett Felker amuse and amaze with awesome feats of juggling, lighthearted comedy and lots of surprises.

The Community Theater's 2004-05 Afternoon with the Arts Series:

Select Sundays at 3 p.m. All seats are \$15.

A Midsummer Night's Dream

Nov. 14, ages 10 and older.

Shakespeare's romantic comedy of errors is performed by Shakespeare LIVE!, The Shakespeare Theater of New Jersey's educational touring company.

New Jersey's Tap Ensemble

Jan. 30, ages 10 and up. See the debut of this Bloomfield-based troupe's newest work, "First Stop on the A Train: A Celebration of Black Artists in Tap."

The Canterbury Tales

March 6, ages 14 and older.

The New Viv Theater of London brings Chaucer's classic story to life in a style described as Monty Python meets Benny Hill at Rocky Horror's castle. Featuring lots of audience participation.

Newark Boys Chorus

April 10, ages 10 and older.

Jazz vocalist Marlene VerPlanck pays loving care to standards as well as songs from today's finest composers. "We know our songs are safe in the hands of Marlene VerPlanck."

Songwriter Hugh Martin. A co-presentation with New Jersey Jazz Society.

Other family programming:

Frogz

Nov. 5 at 8 p.m., ages 6 and older, \$27 to 37.

Escaped penguins, finicky frogs and other "thingz" leap off the stage in an absurd and audacious display of acrobatics that's pure wonder, whimsy and wackiness.

Virsky Ukrainian National Dance Company

Nov. 13 at 8 p.m., ages 6 and older, \$30 to 42.

This energetic troupe presents a rich tapestry of lively, passionate and colorful regional folk dances drawing on the humor, history and beauty of Ukraine.

Debbie Friedman "Light These Lights"

Dec. 9 at 8 p.m., ages 6 and older, \$22 to 35.

America's leading Jewish vocalist weaves uplifting and traditional spirituality with modern sounds that draw inspiration from religious themes.

Mick Moloney Irish American Music and Dance Festival

Dec. 12 at 3 p.m., ages 10 and older, \$25 to 37.

Enjoy a festive evening of traditional, contemporary and holiday Irish music and stepdancing. Co-presented with the Irish American Cultural Institute.

The Pendragons in "Mysterium"

Jan. 28, at 8 p.m., ages 10 and older, \$25 to 40.

Be amazed and mystified by the "Masters of the Grand Illusion" in a breathtaking evening of magic that brings out the kid in all of us.

Broadway! The Big Band Years

Feb. 17, at 8 p.m., ages 12 and older, \$32 to 47.

Celebrate the songs that lit the bright lights of Broadway in the '30s, '40s and '50s in such hits as "Guys and Dolls," "Anything Goes" and "Gypsy."

The Fab Four "The Beatles Tribute"

March 11, at 8 p.m., ages 10 and older, \$27 to 37.

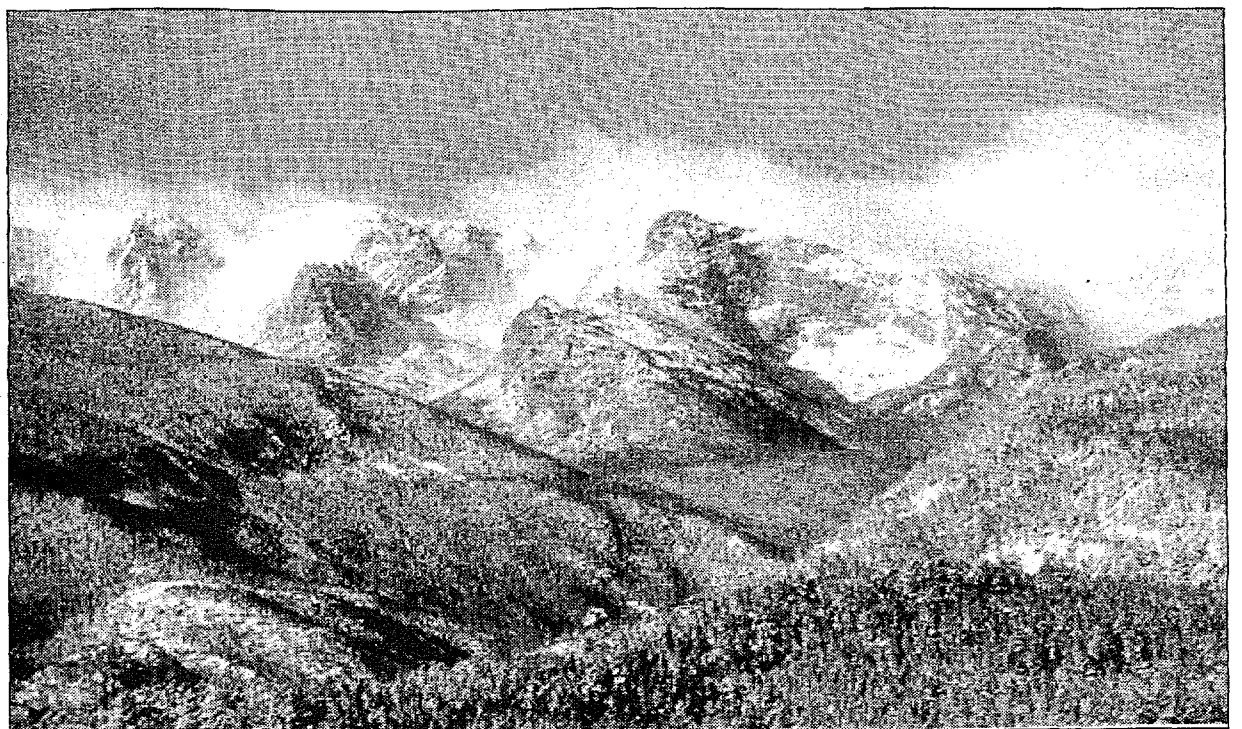
Catch Fab Four fever in their return Morristown engagement as they bring the sounds of The Beatles back to life. Underwritten by First Energy Foundation.

National Acrobats of Taiwan

March 24, at 8 p.m., ages 6 and older, \$27 to 37.

China's foremost acrobatic troupe amazes with fearless feats of energetic theatricality, awesome athletic skill, dazzling dexterity and sheer improbability.

Sell it with a classified ad, 1-800-564-8911



Shedrick Sloane of Harrisburg, Pa. took this landscape photograph. Sloane is one of 100 juried professional artists, photographers and craftspeople whose work will be on display at the 16th annual Fall Fine Arts and Crafts Show at Nomahegan Park in Cranford on Saturday and Sunday. For information call 908-874-5247 or visit www.rosesquared.com.

Arts, crafts in Nomahegan Park

The fall begins with art, crafts, music and food at Nomahegan Park.

The annual Fall Fine Art and Crafts at Nomahegan Park show will take place on Saturday and Sunday in Cranford across from Union County College.

The show will feature many new artists and crafters from throughout the northeast and beyond, displaying and selling their American-made, handcrafted work.

This free-to-the-public show will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., rain or shine.

Jewelry designers from Morris Plains, New Jersey, New York City and Falls Church, Va., are just some of the fine jewelers displaying and selling their unique creations at this year's event.

From New Jersey, Jeannette, Mullarkey-Karasick of Finestra Fine Jewelry Designs, explains that finestra means window in Italian and that in jewelry, it translates into dynamic design.

Prior to funding her own company, Mullarkey-Karasick worked for some of the top high-end designers in the industry.

"Finestra was born from a need to claim my work as my own. I work to develop bold, exciting pieces which

could express a varied interest in natural and human-made forms. Architecture and nature inspire me.

"I am fascinated by the means with which structure finds its form in either organic or invented process," explains Mullarkey-Karasick.

From New York City, the mother/daughter partners of L.E. Bethune have had an enthusiasm for costume and design since childhood.

The mother, Elizabeth Bethune, has had a lifelong interest in fashion. Designing and constructing clothes with her sister since her early teens, her daughter, Lara Bethune's, interest in design and fabrication was not a surprise.

Laura studies at The Fashion Institute of Technology and at New York University while Elizabeth studied the basics of jewelry fabrication at the Center for Visual Arts in Summit and at the Gemological Institute of America.

While each member of this mother/daughter team has her own studio, they meet frequently to work on their designs.

Each design is carefully handmade in sterling silver and embellished with freshwater pearls and cultured pearls as well as semi-precious stones.

Christine Bartoletta, the artist and

founder of Society Hill designs of Falls Church, Va., designs and creates sterling silver jewelry using a number of methods including forging, soldering, stamping and beading.

In addition to incorporating pearls and semiprecious stones, Bartoletta uses beach stones from Cape Cod.

Another favorite technique is the application of single or multiple layers of texture to silver using a mill and different kinds of fabric, leaves, and paper.

"My goal is to create jewelry that exudes a relaxed elegance, that nurtures the spirit and invites the wearer to express music and celebrate their own style," said Bartoletta.

The show is co-sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County College. Nomahegan Park is a lovely setting for the free event.

The park, located on Springfield Avenue in Cranford, can be reached by taking the Garden State Parkway to Exit 138, Kenilworth, and following signs toward Kenilworth.

Go approximately two miles to a left onto Springfield Avenue.

Parking is free across the street at the County College. For further information, call 908-874-5247 or the visit the Web site: www.rosesquared.com

Catholic High School Cooperative Admissions Examination for September 2005 Friday, November 5, 2004



On November 5, 2004 take the first step to ensure a faith-filled and successful future for your eighth grader. Written requests for an application and further information, as well as telephone inquiries, should be directed to:

Cooperative Admissions Examination Office
CTB/McGraw-Hill
20 Ryan Ranch Road • Monterey, California 93940
coop@ctb.com

1-800-569-COOP • 1-800-569-2667 between 8:30 a.m. and 8:30 p.m. Eastern Standard Time

The Catholic Schools of the Archdiocese of Newark

Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union counties • www.rcan.org/schools

"An education for the future, faith for a lifetime!"

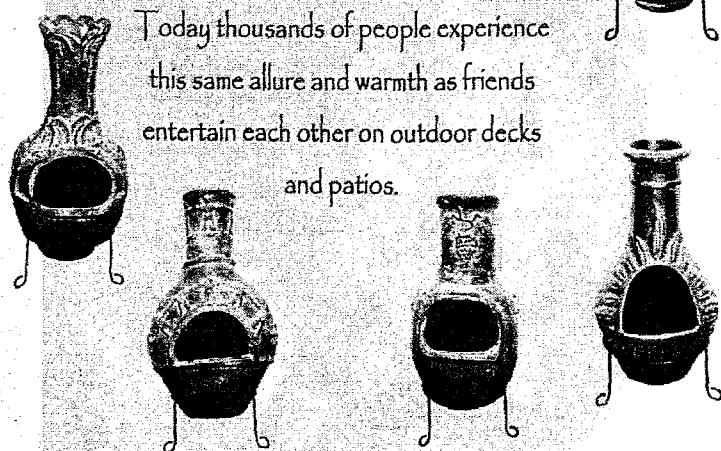
The schools of the Archdiocese of Newark welcome students from any race, color, national or ethnic origin.

SouthWest Treasures

Quality Chimeneas at wholesale prices

Centuries ago, mexican craftsmen combined the natural elements of earth and fire to create the Mexican "chimenea" (chih-meh-nay-ah). Originally used as functional bread ovens, these wood burning stoves enchanted all who gathered around them.

Today thousands of people experience this same allure and warmth as friends entertain each other on outdoor decks and patios.



400 to choose from
in inventory
20 different styles

From \$65 - \$85
Includes Top & Stand

1611 W. Elizabeth Avenue
Linden, NJ 07036

908-523-2062

Monday - Friday
9am - 5:30pm
Saturday 8am - 12pm

15 minutes from Newark Airport
Parallel to and easy access from US Route 1 & 9

Grand Opening \$20 MAX

Everything For \$20 or Less

55 Rt. 22 East, Springfield
973-258-1341

Hours:

Mon-Fri 10am - 9pm Sun 11am - 6pm

Tide® Powder



\$6.99

34 Loads or 26 Loads Reg. \$12.99

Black & Decker® Dust Buster



\$19.99

4.8 Volts

Reg. \$39.99

Proctor Silex® Toaster



\$7.99

White or Black Colors Reg. \$9.99

Marcal® Bathroom Tissue



\$7.99

20 Roll Bundle

Reg. \$12.99

Bed Comforter



\$19.99

Reg. \$39.99

TWIN • FULL • QUEEN • KING • ALL SIZES
Asst. Colors & Prints

Igia® Inflatable Air Bed



\$19.99

Twin Size With Pump Reg. \$49.99

- Appliances
- Bed & Bath
- Luggage
- Cookware
- Paper Products
- Electronics

Here's the season schedule of performances for New Jersey PAC

New Jersey Performing Arts Center has released a chronological listing of its 2004 season.

Note programs, dates and artists are subject to change. All ticket sales are non-refundable. For program notes and changes, visit www.njpac.org.

• "Celebrating the Blues" with Dr. John and His Band, Charlie Musselwhite and Shemekia Copeland. Wednesday at 7:30 p.m., Prudential Hall. "Celebrating the Blues" brings together three of today's most prominent blues artists in a single evening. Four-time Grammy Award-winner Dr. John, whose real name is Mac Rebennack, stands with Louis Armstrong and Fats Domino as one of New Orleans' all-time distinctive voices, the living embodiment of the Crescent City's rich musical heritage thanks to hits like "Iko Iko," "Such a Night" and the classic "Right Place, Wrong Time." For almost 40 years, the name Musselwhite and the art of the blues harmonica have been synonymous. His 1967 debut album, "Stand Back," helped to put "white blues" on the map. Copeland is not yet 30, but she has conquered the blues community since the 1997 release of her debut album, "Turn Up the Heat." Her powerful voice echoes the foot-stomping urgency of greats like Aretha Franklin, Etta James and Ruth Brown. Tickets: \$50, \$40, \$32, \$20 and \$12.

• "Guess How Much I Love You" and "I Love My Little Storybook," Mermaid Theater Company of Nova Scotia. Oct. 9 and 10, at 2 p.m. Victoria Theater. Ages 3 and up. The Magical Mermaid Theater of Nova Scotia returns, this time with a delightful stage adaptation of the popular children's book from author Sam McBratney and illustrator Anita Jeram. "Guess How Much I Love You" featuring narration by award-winning actor Beau Bridges, tells the heartwarming tale of Little Nutbrown Hare and Big Nutbrown Hare, a pair whose undying love tries to measure the immeasurable — the love between a parent and a child. "Excellent!" says *The Boston Globe*. "This story transforms two hares into remarkable characters." In "I Love My Little Storybook," an eager little bunny lies on the grass, opens his book, and within moments, the story he's reading comes to life in fascinating detail. Tickets, \$19 and \$10.

• Maurizio Pollini, piano, Oct. 10 at 3 p.m., Prudential Hall. Brendel, Kissin, Barenboim, Perahia, Watts — Italy's Maurizio Pollini is the last of the great piano virtuosos of our time to make his long-awaited NJPAC recital debut. Among today's keyboard artists, there is no one more revered by pianists and audiences alike, and his musical achievements are legendary. "A breathtaking pianist! The most phenomenal precision and acute expressive poise, every note precisely weighted, colored, above all, felt," says Gramophone. Tickets: \$65, \$56, \$48, \$38, \$24 and \$14.

• Saxophone Summit: Branford Marsalis Quartet, Joshua Redman Trio, Oct. 16, at 8 p.m., Prudential Hall. Saxophonist Branford Marsalis is equally at home on the stages of the world's greatest jazz clubs and concert halls. Over the course of 20 years, his 16 albums have earned three Grammys and his playing has reached "a new level of emotional intensity and instrumental brilliance," *Chicago Tribune*. Joshua Redman has been making waves in the jazz world for almost 15 years, continually winning accolades, awards and polls from every jazz publication extant. *The New York Times* said it best: "There's only a handful of naturally gifted musicians, and Joshua's one of them."

• Gewandhaus Orchestra of Leipzig. Herbert Blomstedt, conductor. Garrick Ohlsson, piano. Oct. 22 at 8 p.m. Prudential Hall. Program: Brahms: Piano Concerto No. 1. Brahms: Symphony No. 2. Tickets: \$71, \$59, \$48, \$40, \$26 and \$17.

• Les Ballets Jazz De Montreal, Oct. 23, at 2 p.m., Victoria Theater. Ages 13 and up. This dynamic Canadian dance company brings a wildly

eclectic repertoire that blends ballet, jazz and modern dance technique in works inspired by the spirit of jazz and other contemporary musical genres. Their irresistible stew of choreographic styles will be displayed in a program titled "Zap," a fast-moving, outrageously energetic performance designed to introduce young audiences to the energy and expressiveness of contemporary dance. "Unforgettable!" says Dance Magazine. "Awesome sizzle ... explosive precision and energy!" Tickets, \$19 and \$10.

• "An Evening With Danny Hoch," Oct. 23, at 8 p.m. The Chase Room. Critically acclaimed writer and performer Danny Hoch has long been one of the most prominent artists on the hip hop scene. In his influential solo work, "Jails, Hospitals and Hip Hop," he vividly portrays a variety of characters — and takes an unblinking, often humorous look at urban culture's staggering influence over the whole of modern America. "Hoch is a gifted performer who uses his mastery of rap rhythms to invest his characters with remarkable energy and definition," says *The New York Times*. Tickets: \$20.

• Manny Oauendo and Orchestra Libre. Latin Jazz All-Stars, Oct. 24, at 3 p.m., Victoria Theater. Ages 11 and up. Experience the energy and artistry of world-class Latin jazz with master timbalero and percussionist Manny Oquendo and his Orchestra Libre — while freely incorporating American jazz and Afro-Cuban influences. In association with NJN, Focus, Aspira and la Casa De Don Pedro. Tickets: \$23 and \$10.

• "Sing-Along Wizard of Oz," Oct. 24, at 3 p.m., Prudential Hall. Follow the yellow brick road — like never before! This interactive sensation combines audience participation with the timeless 1939 big-screen classic, digitally restored and remastered. Come dressed as your favorite character, compete for prizes a sing-along to subtitled versions of "Over the Rainbow," "If I Only had a Heart," and the rest of the unforgettable songs we've all grown up with. Transport the entire family to Oz — and to a colorful world of unimaginable fun. Part of the AT&T Premier Artist Series.

• "Tosca," Stanislavsky Opera, Oct. 29, at 8 p.m., Prudential Hall. The Stanislavsky Opera Comp, established in 1918 as the opera studio of the famed Bolshoi Opera. Eighty-three, they return to NJPAC with their powerful production of Puccini's immortal masterpiece, "Tosca." This moving morality tale of courage, revenge and ultimate tragedy, is fully staged with orchestra. Presented in Italian with English subtitles. Tickets, \$65, \$56, \$48, \$38, \$24 and \$14.

• Grupo Corpo, Oct. 29, and 30, at 7:30 p.m., and Oct. 31, at 2:30 p.m., Victoria Theater. Grupo Corpo, the most successful contemporary dance company in Brazil, presents a vibrant fusion of ballet, jazz, modern dance and popular Afro-Brazilian dance styles, all infused with dazzling technique, lightning fast footwork and sultry sensuality. Its high-energy programs are as rich and multi-faceted as Brazilian culture itself. Tickets, \$38.

• Bale Folclorico Da Bahia, Oct. 30, at 8 p.m., Prudential Hall. Experience the sights, sounds and unique energy of Carnivale with this show-stopping company — the epicenter of traditional Afro-Brazilian rhythm and movement — when they return to Prudential Hall with an all-new program. "With its choreographed carnival and slave dances, in the capoeira, and, above all, in the gaiety of the samba, this exuberant, uniquely Brazilian group should absolutely been seen," says *The New York Times*. Tickets: \$50, \$44, \$36, \$28, \$20 and \$12.

• Vladimir Spivakov with the Moscow Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra, Oct. 31, at 3 p.m., Prudential Hall. Spivakov, one of the most famous violinists and conductors of our time, arrives at NJPAC with his internationally renowned Moscow Virtuosi Chamber Orchestra, an expert ensemble

comprised of some of the top-ranking soloists from throughout Russia. Program: Strauss: Sextet for Strings from Capriccio, Op.85; Mozart, Violin Concerto No. 2 in D, K. 211; Bach, Concerto in C for Violin, Oboe and Strings; Shostakovich, "Preludium and Scherzo"; and Shoenberg, "Verk-larte Nacht." Tickets, \$56, \$50, \$42, \$34, \$22 and \$14.

• Michael Flatley's "Lord of the Dance," Nov. 2, at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 3, at 7:30 p.m., Nov. 4, at 1:30 and 7:30 p.m., Nov. 5, at 8 p.m., Nov. 6, at 2 and 8 p.m., and Nov. 7, at 3 p.m., Prudential Hall. The theatrical extravaganza that has helped catapult Irish dancing into the global spotlight returns to NJPAC. A mesmerizing blend of traditional and modern Celtic music and dance. Flatley's "Lord of the Dance" features more than 40 performers and is played out on a grand scale with precision dancing, dramatic music and vibrant costumes. *The New York Post* calls it "fascinating, rewarding and above all, entertaining." "A showpiece extravaganza," says the *Los Angeles Times*. Tickets, \$64, \$52, \$42, \$24 and \$14.

• Black 45's Lyrical Combat. MC battle. Curated and hosted by Black 45. Nov. 11, at 8 p.m., The Chase Room. As part of the Planet Hip Hop Festival, NJPAC hosts this electrifying MC battle. Participants will be chosen from Lyrical Combat's statewide competition, and a limited number of performance slots will be available on a first-come, first-served basis; cash prizes will be awarded to the top three contestants. Tickets: \$17.

• All-State Jazz Ensemble and Jazz Choir Concert. New Jersey Music Educators Association, International Association for Jazz Education, New Jersey Chapter. Mike Tomaro, jazz ensemble conductor; Nancy Stickle, choir conductor. Nov. 12, at 7 p.m., Victoria Theater, ages 8 and up. This special concert brings together some of the best young jazz musicians and vocalists from across the state for a dynamic group performance. The performance will feature jazz classics in the big band style under the musical direction of composer, arranger and musician Mike Tomaro, director of Jazz Studies at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, and vocalist Nancy Stickle, conductor of the Willingboro High School Jazz Choir. A For Kids, By Kids event, featuring young performers. Tickets: \$21 and \$9.

• Sacred Circle Cafe, curated and hosted by Marjorie Barnes and Jerry Gant. Nov. 12 at 8 p.m., The Chase Room. This evening of cutting-edge artistry welcomes some of the hottest, most innovative artists representing the latest trends in spoken word, poetry, hip hop theater and solo performance. Performers include Ella Turenne, Fauzi Ra Oof, Flo Brown, Jennifer C. Armas, Marcella Goheen, Marubi Selah, Pandora Scooter, Rasheed Adero, Steven Wong and Taalam Acey. Tickets \$17.

• Verse 4 Verse Open Mic, hosted by Ras Baraka and Juba Dowdell, Nov. 12 at 11 p.m., Flava, 24 East Park St., Newark, around the corner from NJPAC. Planet Hip Hop and long-standing poetry forum Verse 4 Verse invite both established and up-and-coming artists to exchange ideas and share their work at this lively open mic event. Come early and sign up as one of the evening's performers, or just sit back and listen to what's sure to be a diverse array of popular as well as undiscovered voices. Tickets: free.

• Poetry Speaks, an original program of Akila Worksongs. Panel discussion/workshop curated and hosted by April Silver, Nov. 13 from noon to 6 p.m., The Chase Room. Silver, founder of the Brooklyn-based Akila Worksongs, will produce a full day of panel discussions, poetry readings and

workshops with legendary poets, as well as renowned poets of the hip hop generation. Tickets are free.

• Paper Bag Players, Nov. 13 at 2 p.m., Victoria Theater, ages 3 and up. This acclaimed troupe of performers specializes in subject matter that reflects a child's every day experiences — with a healthy dash of the fantastic thrown in for fun. The Paper Bag Players return to NJPAC with their short plays, rousing songs, free-wheeling dances and audience participation, bringing imaginative new life to family objects. "Unquestionably, the leading United States theater company for kids," says People Magazine. "They exemplify excellence in children's theater," says *The New York Post*. Tickets, \$19 and \$10.

• Beat, Scratch, Tag, Nov. 13 at 8 p.m., Victoria Theater. Beat Box Entertainment and Scratch DJ Academy will come together to present some of the most awesome beatbox and turntable artists in the country, featuring beatbox phenomenon Kenny Muhammad and others. Newark's own Jerry Gant will create a living art piece as the backdrop at this evening's event. Tickets, \$17.

• Peter, Paul and Mary, Nov. 13, at 8 p.m., Prudential Hall. This Grammy Award-winning trio has built a peerless musical legacy thanks to timeless hits like "Blowin' in the Wind," "If I Had a Hammer," "Leaving On A Jet Plane" and "Puff, The Magic Dragon." After four decades of recordings and live performances, Peter, Paul and Mary continue to lend their rich sound and strong social conscience to America's great folk music heritage. Part of the AT&T Premier Artist Series. Tickets, \$56, \$44, \$36, \$24 and \$14.

• "Deliverance." Planet Hip Hop After Party, Nov. 13 at 11 p.m., Masonic Oriental Lodge, 37 Fulton St., downtown Newark, around the corner from NJPAC. NJPAC's Planet Hip Hop invites you to dance, mingle and rock the house at "Deliverance," Newark's monthly underground premier dance party. This high-energy celebration will feature music, courtesy of the resident disc jockey for "Deliverance," DJ Earon and special guest disc jockey, Hard Hittin' Harry, formerly of The Fugees. Tickets: free.

• D/BA ... Doing Business As Usual? Panel discussion, keynote speech, featuring Doug E. Fresh, Nov. 14 at noon to 5 p.m., The Chase Room. This day-long event will feature a panel discussion with noted leaders in the hip hop entrepreneurial community who will share their insights and strategies on hustling and doing business in the world of this vital, ever-expanding art form. Planet Hip Hop concludes with a keynote speech by trend-setting hip hop pioneer Doug E. Fresh. One of rap's first superstars, Fresh is known worldwide as "The Original Human Beatbox" and as the hit-maker behind classic cuts like "The Show," with then partner MC Ricky D., and influential albums, "Play" and "The World's Greatest Entertainer." Tickets \$12.

• All-state Orchestra and Chorus Concert. New Jersey Music Educators Association. William H. Sylvester, orchestra conductor; Anton Armstrong, choir conductor, Nov. 14 at 3 p.m., Prudential Hall, ages 8 and up. This annual musical event puts the spotlight on the state's most outstanding young musicians and vocalists. The concert features a 100-piece orchestra and a 350-voice chorus under the musical direction of a professional orchestra conductor. A For Kids, By Kids event featuring young performers. Tickets: \$21, \$13, \$11 and \$9.

• Solo Jazz Piano: Marian McPartland and Jason Moran, Nov. 20, at 7:30 p.m., Victoria Theater. Two generations of pianists come together for

an evening of the very best in solo jazz piano. Marian McPartland is the "First Lady of Piano Jazz" and the host of Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz series on NPR. For more than 65 years, she has been delighting audiences in clubs and concert halls around the world and has recorded more than 60 albums and CDs. Jason Moran has achieved an incredible feat: unanimous praise among jazz critics. As both pianist and composer, he is rapidly blazing a trail as the most innovative and important new voice in jazz to come along in years. Each artist will play a solo set and then collaborate on two pianos. Tickets: \$42.

• Karen Akers, Nov. 20, at 7:30 p.m., The Chase Room. One of America's most riveting concert and cabaret stars returns to NJPAC. From Carnegie Hall to Broadway — "Grand Hotel," "Nine" — to the famed Oak Room of New York's Algonquin Hotel, Akers has long delighted critics and audiences alike. "Akers is a great voice," says *The Los Angeles Herald-Examiner*, "an instrument with the power of Strindberg, the dark passion of Piaf's and the lean irony of Dietrich's ..." Tickets: \$47.

• Bobby McFerrin & Savion Glover, Nov. 26 and 27, at 8 p.m., Prudential Hall. This unique evening of song and dance brings together for the first time two of the most formidable talents of our time. McFerrin is a superb vocalist, composer, arranger, conductor and a 10-time Grammy Award-winner. His vocal range and

technique are almost superhuman and his solo a cappella concerts have achieved a near legendary status. Newark's own Glover has elevated the art of tap to new creative heights, both through his own shows, Glover's Stop, Slide and Swing: In Performance, and as the Tony Award-winning star of the smash Broadway hit, "Bring in 'Da Noise, Bring in 'Da Funk." In this historic collaboration, each artist will "do his own thing," as well as perform together. It is an event not to be missed. Tickets: \$56, \$44, \$36, \$24, \$14.

• Howard Shore's "Lord of the Rings Symphony," with the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra, John Mauceri, conductor, Sissel, vocalist, Montclair State University Chorale, Heather J. Buchanan, choral conductor, New Jersey Youth Chorus, Patricia Joyce, choral conductor. NJPAC and NJSO join forces to present the exclusive New York Metropolitan area premiere of "The Lord of the Rings Symphony," featuring music from the blockbuster big-screen trilogy whose soundtrack recordings have sold over four million copies.

To enhance the musical experience, storyboard sketches from the movie trilogy and original illustrations for the centenary edition of J.R.R. Tolkien's books will be projected above the orchestra. This spectacular event will incorporate more than 200 performers, including the full New Jersey Symphony Orchestra. Tickets: \$70, \$62, \$52, \$42.



Teacher Education Info Session

October 6

Felician College

7 p.m. • Rutherford Campus

223 Montross Avenue

Student Center • Multipurpose Room

■ Undergraduate degree programs in Elementary Ed, Special Ed, Teaching Math P-12, and Early Childhood Education.

■ Master of Arts: M.A. Programs in Elementary Ed, Special Ed, and Supervision ~ For Certified Teachers only.

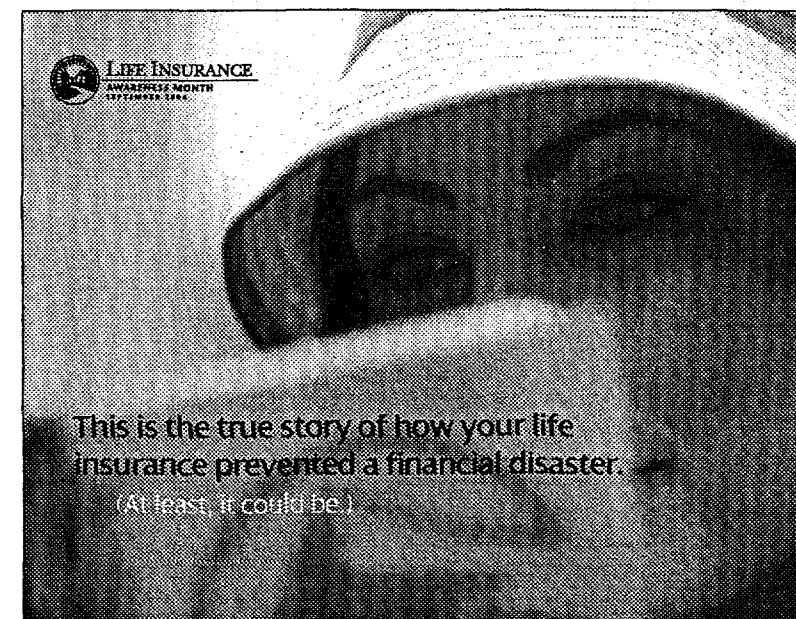
■ Master of Arts: Providing Initial Certification for Elementary Ed and Special Ed.

■ Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Education Certification Programs for Elementary Ed, Special Ed, Teaching Math P-12, and Early Childhood Education.

For more information about our programs, please call (201) 559-6055.

FELICIAN
COLLEGE

Lodi and Rutherford, NJ campuses • www.felician.edu • (201) 559-6055



This is the true story of how your life insurance prevented a financial disaster.

(At least, it could be.)

You're in the minority. You actually have enough life insurance. The fact is, many Americans are substantially underinsured. Some think the insurance they got through work is all they need. Others mistakenly think they can't afford the premiums. But not you. You understood the value of life insurance. And you took the time to sit down with Prudential and get it right.

It means your kids could still afford to go to the college of their choice. Your spouse wouldn't have to worry about defaulting on the mortgage or making early retirement plan withdrawals. Your family could continue to feel all the love you have for them. Who said life insurance was boring?

Call me today.

The Prudential Insurance Company of America
Thomas J. Brown
68 Westfield Avenue
Clark, NJ 07066
(732) 382-9203

Prudential Financial

Growing and Protecting Your Wealth®

IFA5095065 Ed. 8/2004

LIFE INSURANCE • ANNUITIES • ESTATE PRESERVATION • LONG TERM CARE INSURANCE

Open House at Camp Riverbend



Sunday, October 17, 2004
11:00 am to 3:00 pm
(Rain date Sunday, October 24)

Pumpkin Patch—Arts & Crafts—Hay Rides
BBQ Lunch—Moon Bounce—Sports
Miniature Golf—Gaga—Leaf Jumping—and more....

a day camp for boys and girls ages 4-14

116 Hillcrest Road, Warren, NJ

908-647-0664 or 1-888-THE-CAMP

rvrbnd1@aol.com www.campriverbend.bunk1.com

please RSVP by October 13th

FINK ROSNER ERSHOW-LEVENBERG, LLC

ATTORNEYS AT LAW

1093 Raritan Road
P.O. Box 858 • Clark, NJ 07066

SOCIAL SECURITY DISABILITY APPEALS

No Recovery - No Fee

We Make House Calls

Call for Appointment
732-382-6070

210043

Community Classified

**Call 1(800)
564-8911**

SALES HOURS

Monday through Friday
9:00 AM - 5 PM
E-Mail your ad to us anytime at
ads@thelocalsource.com

ADDRESS

Classified Advertising
Worrall Newspapers
P.O. Box 158
Maplewood, NJ 07040

Phone: 800-564-8911 Fax: 973-763-2557
Offices where ads can be placed in person:

UNION COUNTY
1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union

ESSEX COUNTY
463 Valley Street, Maplewood
266 Liberty Street, Bloomfield

NEWSPAPERS

UNION COUNTY
Union Leader • Echo Leader
The Eagle (Cranford/Clark) • The Leader
Spectator Leader • Gazette Leader
Railway Progress • Summit Observer

ESSEX COUNTY
News-Record of Maplewood & South Orange
West Orange Chronicle • East Orange Record
Orange Transcript • The Glen Ridge Paper
Nutley Journal • Belleville Post
Irvington Herald • Vailsburg Leader
The Independent Press of Bloomfield

RATES

CLASSIFIED RATES
20 words or less.....\$20.00 per insertion
Additional 10 words.....\$6.00 per insertion
Display Rates.....\$25.50 per column inch
Contract Rates Available
Blind Box Number.....\$20.00 per insertion

BEST BUY

CLASSIFIED COMBINATION RATES
Ad appears in all 18 newspapers
20 words or less.....\$30.00 per insertion
Additional 10 words.....\$10.00 per insertion
Display Rates.....\$47.50 per column inch
Contract Rates Available

DEADLINES

In-column 3 PM Tuesday
Display - Space reservation 5 PM Friday
Ad Copy 12 noon Monday
Business Directory 4 PM Thursday

ADJUSTMENTS

Adjustments: We make every effort to avoid mistakes in your classified advertisement. Please check your ad the first day it runs! We cannot be responsible beyond the first insertion. Should an error occur please notify the classified department. Worrall Community Newspapers, Inc., shall not be liable for errors or omissions in cost of actual space occupied by item in which error or omissions occurred. We can not be held liable for failure, for any cause, to insert an ad. Worrall Community Newspapers, Inc. reserves the right to reject, revise or reclassify any advertisement at any time.

CHARGE IT

All classified ads require prepayment.
Please have your card and expiration date.



SEARCH YOUR LOCAL CLASSIFIEDS ON THE INTERNET
www.localsource.com

E-Mail your ad to us at
ads@thelocalsource.com

OR Fax: your ad to us at
(973) 763-2557

CLASSIFIED SPECIALS

GARAGE SALES

30 words \$31.00 or \$45.00 combo
Garage Sale signs, price stickers, balloons,
helpful hints, inventory sheet and Rain
Insurance.

ECONOMY CLASS

20 words \$8.00 or \$12.00 combo items for
sale under \$200.00 One item per ad price
must appear.

AUTOS FOR SALE

20 words - 10 weeks \$39.00 or \$59.00
combo no copy changes

EMPLOYMENT

HELP WANTED

\$250 TO \$500 A WEEK.
Will train to work at home.
Helping the U.S. Government
file HUD/ FHA
mortgage refunds.
No experience necessary.
Call Toll Free 1-866-537-2907.

\$525 WEEKLY Income mailing sales letters
from home. No experience necessary. Full
or Part time. Genuine opportunity working
with our Wellness Company. Supplies Pro-
vided. Call 1-708-536-7040 (24 hours)
www.CardonaConsulting.com

\$990-\$2,320 WEEKLY POSSIBLE! Mailing
our letters from home. Easy. Free info. Gen-
uine opportunity. 100% Satisfaction Guar-
anteed. Call now! 1-800-679-6857, 24hrs.

ANNOUNCEMENT: NOW Hiring For 2004
Postal Jobs \$16.20-\$39.00/hour. Full Fed-
eral Benefits. Paid training. No experience
required. Green Card OK. Call 1-866-895-
3696 Extension 2400

AUTO MECHANIC: Experienced in general
repairs (on foreign cars). English speaking..
Good opportunity for a career position. 908-
272-8708.

BAKERY COUNTER Person. Part/ Full
Time. Flexible hours. No experience
required. Will train. Salary negotiable. Call
Patty/ Terri 908-272-0731

BRANDING DEPARTMENT in Bloomfield
seeks experienced person to mark elec-
tronic parts. Call Solid State, 973-429-8700.
Ask for Andrew.

COUPONS CLIPPERS NEEDED! Earn
extra \$\$\$ in your spare time. No experience
necessary. Free \$200 Grocery certificate.
Easy! Call S.C.E. 1-617-520-8073 (24
hours)

CARPENTER'S HELPER and laborers for
Construction Company. Experience a plus.
Pay according to experience. Call 973-429-
8918.

DENTAL RECEPTIONIST: Do you have
excellent communication skills over the
phone and in person? Are you enthusiastic,
caring and dependable? Do you have expe-
rience with appointment scheduling, insur-
ance and treatment planning? Send
Resume to: P.O. Box 364 Livingston, NJ
07039

DRIVER: \$900-\$1,100 Weekly. Loaded and
empty miles paid. Short hauls, flexible home
time, quarterly bonuses, comprehensive
benefit package. Dedicated to excellence.
Devoted to drivers. Requires class A CDL,
EOE. Call Smith Transport at 1-888-GO-
SMITH or visit our website at www.smith-transport.com.

DRIVERS- HEART of Heartland's "Green
Miles". They're worth an unprecedented
\$.50 per mile for company drivers. Weekly
hometime. EZ Pass/Toll Cards. Blue
Cross/Blue Shield. New Equipment. Every-
thing. Heartland Express. 1-866-282-5861
www.heartlandexpress.com.

DYNAMIC BUSINESS Opportunity. Good
Income. Hot market. Earn up to \$1,500-
\$7,500/month. Home Based business, per-
sonal training. free information
1-888-687-0638
www.countrysidenutritionandweightloss.co
m

DRIVERS: START at 35 CPM, 37 CPM in 4
months. Monthly bonus assigned equip-
ment. Owner-Operators average over \$1
per mile. \$0 down lease-purchase. Home 4
days every 2 weeks. Class A & 3 months
experience required. 1-877-452-5627.

DENTAL ASSISTANT/Ortho full time for
quality Orthodontic practice in Milburn.
Experience required, excellent pay/benefits.
Fax resume 973-376-6618, or call 973-376-
6611.

DENTAL ASSISTANT: Full Time. Are you
enthusiastic, experienced RDA with a caring
manner? Are you dependable, organized
and exceptional team person? If so please
call: 973-992-3990

DENTAL HYGIENIST: Part-Time/ Full-Time.
We focus on warmth, caring and expert
communication. If you enjoy a challenge in a
patient centered practice, please call 973-
992-3990

DRIVERS - CFI dedicated teams needed.
Northeast Regional/Dedicated Runs Com-
pany Drivers & O/O. No Canada. Also hiring
OTR. Company o/o Solos Teams. 1-800-CFI
Drive. www.cfidrive.com.

HELP WANTED

DATA ENTRY could earn \$15/ hour and up!
Medical Billing. Training provided. PC
required! Call 7 days 1-800-935-1311 exten-
sion 308

DENTAL ASSISTANT 4 days, experience
preferred. Non Smoker for South Orange
general practice. 973-763-1161, 908-464-
5160.

DRIVERS WANTED: Suburban Essex Cab
company seeking part/ full time help.
30-50 hours week. Good pay. Steady
work. 973-762-5700.

DANCE INSTRUCTOR ballet, tap and jazz.
Monday-Friday after school. Children's ages
6 thru 14. 973-926-2219.

Executive Assistant for South Orange non-
profit. Full-time or part-time but at least 20
hours/week. Manage administration of pre-
sident's office and oversee all functions. Pre-
fer candidates with at least BA and bilingual.
Must know MS Word, Excel, database pro-
grams, Outlook, PowerPoint, Internet navi-
gating

Fax cover letter and resume to: J. Bivens,
973-762-8267

EARN WHILE

YOUR CHILDREN LEARN

Part Time Position in Roselle Park
Middle School Lunch Program 10:30-
1:30pm. Interested call 908-241-5577
Aramark Corporation, EEOC.

EARN \$1,000-\$3,500 WEEKLY Answering
Surveys Online! \$25.00-\$75.00 Per Survey!
Free Registration! Guaranteed Paychecks!
Mystery Shoppers Needed! \$57.00/Hour!
Shopping! Free Government Grants!
\$12,000-\$500,001 Everyone Qualifies!
www.RealCashPrograms.com

EXPERIENCED TELEMARKETERS in
Home Improvement. Immediate openings in
Union Office. Monday- Thursday 5pm-9pm,
Saturday 10am-2pm. Excellent salary and
commission. Call Rafael 973-964-5129 or
908-964-8514

FILE CLERK. Busy cranford insurance
agency seeks full time file clerk. Position
requires filing, data entry, P.O. pick up. Call
Shari 908-272-6100.

GOVERNMENT JOBS! Wildlife/ Postal
\$16.51 to \$58.00 per hour. Full Benefits.
Paid Training. Call for Application and Exam
Information. No Experience necessary. Toll
Free 1-888-269-6090 extension 200.

GOOD WEEKLY Income! Guaranteed Earn-
ings! National Company needs reliable peo-
ple in this area to prepare/mail sales
brochures from home. Supplies provided!
Call Today! 1-800-357-1170

GOVERNMENT JOBS Earn \$12 to \$48.00/
hour. Full Medical/Dental Benefits, Paid
training. Clerical, Administrative, Law
Enforcement, Homeland Security, Wildlife
and More. 1-800-320-9353 Extension 2002

"GOVT POSTAL JOBS" To \$26.15 hour.
Free call. No Experience! Apply today 1-
800-842-1704 ext. 83.

HELP WANTED Earn up to \$409 a week
assembling CD cases at home. No expe-
rience necessary. Start immediately! Call 1-
800-267-3944 extension 119
www.easywork-greatpay.com

HIRING FOR 2004 Postal Positions \$1620-
\$58.00+ Hour! Full Federal Benefits. Entry-
Professional level. No Experience neces-
sary, Paid Training/ Vacations. Green Card
OK. 1-866-264-8511 extension 940.

HIRING FOR 2004 Postal Positions \$15.00-
\$45.00+ Hour. Federal Hire with Full Ben-
efits. No Experience necessary, Green Card
OK. Call 1-866-317-0558 extension 300.

HAIR STYLIST/ braider at a upscale salon
in Maplewood. Flexible hours and paid
vacation. Call 201-306-0151

INSURANCE -Springfield Agency has
career opening for licensed, experienced
personal lines customer service rep. indi-
vidual must be self-motivated, dependable
team player with good computer and tele-
phone skills. Fax resume to 973-671-0080
or call 973-467-8850

ADVERTISE

HELP WANTED

INSURANCE ADMINISTRATIVE Assistants
(2). Full and Part Time. Salary plus bonuses.
Insurance Agency experience preferred.
Fax resume to: 973-258-9737 or call 973-
379-1666 for interview.

LIBRARY ASSISTANT part time 2 evenings
per week + Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm.
Kenilworth Public Library, 548 Boulevard,
Kenilworth, NJ 07033.

"MYSTERY SHOPPERS Needed" \$25/
plus free meals and merchandise. No expe-
rience www.Search4Shoppers.com/ job
"Ordinary People Needed!!!" \$50-\$175/
Hour. Participate in online surveys/ focus
groups. No experience needed.
www.PaidNowSurveys.com/411

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST- Full Time Expe-
rienced for busy West Orange Chiropractor
Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 9:00am-
1:00pm and 3:00pm-7:30pm. Tuesday
3:00pm-7:30pm. Saturday 9:00am-1:00pm.
Fax resume 973-325-1922.

"MOVIE EXTRAS" earn up to \$200-
\$600/Day. All looks Needed. TV, Music
Videos, Commercials, Film and Print. Work
with the Best! "Extras on Call" 1-800-260-
3949. EXT 3002.

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST - Full time for
busy orthopedic office in South Orange.
Experience in front desk, follow-up, insur-
ance verification and posting charges a
plus. Fax resume to 973-761-6290

MEDICAL BILLER full time busy Orthopedic
office in South Orange. No fault and Medical
Manager experience a plus. Fax resume
973-761-6290.

MECHANIC: REFRIGERATED Laboratory
Equipment. Permanent position, excellent
wages and benefits. 908-359-7707.

MEDICAL RECEPTIONIST part time , must
be computer literate. Experience a plus. Call
973-992-4496.

NATIONAL MORTGAGE Company Seeking
Originator-Top splits paid, full support &
processing staff, office and online automation
available. Call Tim for information 800-994-
3262 ext. 104.

NOW HIRING 2004 Postal Positions. Feder-
al, State & Local. \$14.80/\$48+/Hour. No
experience necessary. Entry Levels. Full
Benefits. Paid Training Call 7 days 1-888-
826-2513 Ext 501

"NOW HIRING" For 2004 Postal Jobs
\$16.20-\$39.00/ hour. Paid Training. Full
Benefits. No Experience Necessary. Green
Card OK. Call 1-866-399-5718 extension
3500

NO BOSS! No Commute! Learn to Earn
\$2,000-\$4,000/Week. From home. Call for
Free Message 1-800-259-0519.

OFFICE MANAGER, Full Time for child psy-
chiatrist's office in Morristown. Must be per-
sonable, professional, and organized, with
computer skills. Pleasant atmosphere,
excellent compensation. Fax resume to:
973-898-9305.

PART TIME UTILITY PERSON/ DRIVER

Roselle Park School Lunch Program.
8:00am-1:30pm. Must have valid
license and ability to pick-up 50lbs.
Interested call 908-241-5577

ARAMARK CORP. EEOC

PART TIME Aide- Full time for busy ortho-
pedic office in South Orange. Part time
experience a plus. Fax resume: 973-761-
6290.

PART TIME Driver, 9:30am-2:30pm, 5 days,
possible full time. Clean driving record. Call
Bill: 973-313-2300 Maplewood area.

PART TIME Red Wing Shoes in Union hiring
for sales associate. Industrial leader in
footwear. Flexible hours. Apply in person at
Route 22 location. 908-688-3666.

HELP WANTED

PHOTOGRAPHER/ PORTRAIT Consultant.
full/ part time for Lifetouch Church Direc-
tories, benefits. Call 1-800-821-4365, exten-
sion. 606, fax resume: 973-248-9988.

PHYSICAL THERAPIST Part Time for busy
orthopedic office in South Orange. Tuesday
nite 4-7pm; Saturday 8:30-1:00pm. Fax
resume to 973-761-6290

PART TIME counter help, Monday thru Fri-
day, flexible hours. Busy deli in Union. Call
before 5pm, 908-688-8884

RECEPTIONIST NEEDED at Subway
Salon, 241 Millburn Avenue, Millburn. Apply
in person.

SPRINGFIELD PUBLIC SCHOOLS SPRINGFIELD, NEW JERSEY

Classroom and Lunch Aides
Time to be determined

Substitute Classroom and Lunch Aides
Time as needed

Full Time Bus Driver
6 1/2 hours/day
5 days/week

Please send letter of interest to:

Ellyn Atherton
Director of Human Resources
Springfield Public Schools
P.O. Box 210
Springfield, New Jersey 07081

**ADA COMPLIANCE/ AFFIRMATIVE ACTION
EQUAL OPPORTUNITY EMPLOYER**

SALES REPRESENTATIVES: We are SO
confident in our leads. We pay you to run
them even if you don't sell. Are you a self-
motivated positive person? Are you
presently earning \$1000-\$1500 per week?
Qualified guaranteed income during training
period. Qualified \$2000 sign-on-bonus. We
offer a solid training program with 2-3 Pre
Set qualified confirmed leads daily. With our
"new" credit process means. All leads are
pre-approved before you run the appoint-
ments. Management opportunities. Unlim-
ited income potential. Call 888-566-9144.

STUDENT

CASHIER/ CUSTOMER SERVICE
Opportunity to work in pleasant surround-
ings in a long established party store. Work
2 afternoons and Saturdays. \$7 per hour
plus \$100 hiring bonus! Please come in or
call

The Paper Pedlar
681 Morris Tpke
Springfield, NJ
973-376-3385

SALES: Part time position available for
mature person with retail sales experience.
Knowledge of fine craft and/or art jewelry
preferred. Must be willing to work weekend
and flexible hours. 973-313-2722.

SECRET SHOPPERS needed for store
evaluations. get paid to shop. Local stores,
restaurants and theaters. Training provided.
E-mail required. 1-800-585-9024 ext. 6252.

UP TO \$1,500 Weekly! National Company
needs Homeworkeers immediately! No expe-
rience necessary! Easy Work! Exciting
Bonuses! Parttime or Fulltime. Call 1-800-
505-7860 extension 411 (24 hrs).

To place a classified ad, 800-564-8911

Use
Your
Card...
Quick and Convenient!



HELP WANTED

VETERINARY ASSISTANT. Full/Part time.
Morning, afternoon and Saturday shifts
available. Some experience. Eagle Rock
Veterinary Hospital, West Orange. 973-736-
1555. www.EagleRockVetHosp.com

CHILD CARE

EUROPA DOMESTICS
Housekeepers, Nannies,
Elder Care From Around The World
Competent, Intelligent &
Thoroughly Screened
10 Overhill Road, Oakhurst, NJ
(732)493-0339

LILI DAY-CARE PLACEMENT CENTER:

We will help you find a
Babysitter or Housekeeper who is
•Patient & Educated •Honest & Reliable
•Chinese-English Bilingual •Excellent Driver
Guaranteed to provide the best services
Call 917-662-1041

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BUY NEW JERSEY for \$399! The New Jer-
sey Press Association can place your 25-
word classified ad in over 150 NJ news-
papers throughout the state - a combined
circulation of over 2 million households. Call
Diane Trent at NJPA at 609-406-0600
extension 24, or e-mail drent@njpa.org or
visit www.njpa.org for more information
(Nationwide placement available).

REACH OVER 1.5 million households! The
New Jersey Press Association can place your
2x2 Display Ad in over 130 NJ weekly
newspapers for ONLY \$1050. Call Diane
Trent at NJPA at 609-406-0600 extension 24
or e-mail drent@njpa.org for more infor-
mation. (Nationwide placement available).

TARGET 10 MILLION Homes With Your Ad
Advertise your product or service to approx-
imately 10 million households in North
America's best suburbs by placing your
classified ad in nearly 800 suburban news-
papers just like this one. Only \$995 (USD)
for a 25-word ad. One phone call, one
invoice, one payment. Ad copy is subject to
publisher approval. Call the Suburban
Classified Advertising Network at 888-
486-2466.

PERSONALS

ADOPTION: A childless married couple
seeks to adopt. Will be full-time mom and
devoted dad. All expenses paid. Call
Erin/Adam and mention Erica & Hank. 1-
800-841-0804.

PERSONALS

ADOPTION: A caring couple will share our
love, secure and happy home with a new-
born of any race. Legal/Medical 1-866-233-
9981. Pin 7899.

BUTTERFLIES R US Entertainment. We
are not an escorting company, we provide
adult entertainment. 908-659-0500 by
appointment

MISCELLANEOUS

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

ABSOLUTELY NO cost to you. new power
wheelchairs, Scooters, hospital beds, and
diabetic supplies.. Call 1-800-843-9199 to
see if you qualify. NJ location.

BERKLINE SOFA and loveseat, valour toast
color, coffee table and 2 end tables, brand
new. Asking \$1200. Must see. 908-351-
5370.

BEDROOM SET-7 piece. Queen Sleigh bed,
triple dresser/mirror, 2 night stands. New in
box. . sell \$925. 732-259-6690.

**SELL YOUR
STUFF!**
Advertise It All
On The Internet



**LocalSource
Online**

Community Information Local Chat
Classified Real Estate Cultural Happenings
Community Newspaper

Call Now!!!
1-800-564-8911
www.localsource.com

MISCELLANEOUS

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

BILLIARD/POOL Table, 8 feet, 1 inch slate. Solid maple, leather pockets, never used, still in crate. Cost \$4500, ask \$1495. 973-292-1118

BLACK LACQUER Dining room with 6 chairs with extension table. Best Offer. Call 908 354-5671. Leave message.

BED: King size mattress set w/warranty. New in plastic. Sell \$250. 732-259-6690.

DOES YOUR washing machine empty into a laundry tub? You will never again need to "Tie one on". Reusable "Laundry Drain Liner Trapper" removes lint, hair, and debris to prevent plugged drains. Available at The Home Depot, Plumbing Department

DINING ROOM - Cherry set, double pedestal table, 2 piece hutch, 6 chairs, new in boxes. List \$3000, sell \$1375. 732-259-6690.

DIRECTV FREE 3 ROOMS SYSTEM installed and delivered free. Say goodbye to cable forever. Access over 225 channels. Call 1-800-859-0440. www.dtv2day.com

DINING ROOM Set, 6 chairs, table and breakfast, 3 leaves, \$650 Please call Matie, 908-206-1041.

ESTATE SALE - Pecan Wood Bedroom Set by Thomasville. Excellent condition. Originally \$6500. Consists of 2 extra long Chromatic twin beds with headboards, 2 night stands, armoire, triple dresser with mirror and chair. Only asking \$1500. Also, have comforters, curtains, pictures (floral scenes) 908-686-6384.

FREE 4 ROOM DIRECTV System includes installation. 4 Month Free programming with NFL Sunday Ticket subscription. Over 205 channels! Limited time offer. S&H Restrictions Apply 1-800-963-2904

FREE 4-ROOM Directv System Including Installation. 125+ channels from \$29.99/mo., including locals. 3 months HBO & Starz 2 for 1. S&H. Restrictions apply. 1-800-208-3961.

HOT TUB/SPA. 7 person, 45 jets, 10hp, ozone, lights and waterfall. Never used, full warranty. Cost \$8,000 sell \$3,795 973-292-1118.

LEATHER SET: Sofa/Loveseat. New in plastic. Sell \$875. 732-259-6690

MATTRESS SET- Queen pillow top, new w/warranty. \$140. 732-259-6690.

MATTRESS SET-Full ortho plush, new in plastic. Sell \$120 732-259-6690.

NEED MEDICAL /Dental/Vision benefits for your entire family! No age restrictions, pre-existing conditions accepted. Unlimited usage. \$90/month includes \$10,000 accident/emergency coverage. Call now! 800-406-2073.

WEDDING GOWN (Size Medium-Large) Must see! Great Price!!! Call 908 354-5671. Leave message.

WORK BENCH 72" long x 36-1/2" deep x 35" tall with stool. Solid maple top. Best offer. 908-486-7761.

ESTATE/HOUSE SALE

MAPLEWOOD A+Sale by Pat: 16 Woodland Road/Valley Street to Jefferson-left on Woodland) Friday, Saturday 9:00am-3:00pm. Great antiques, walnut dining room set with 10 upholstered chairs, Victorian love seat, bronze "Gloria by Bateau", mahogany secretary, G. Vitall oil painting, many prints, iron baker's rack, mirrors, modern bedroom set, outdoor furniture, file cabinets, Royal Doulton, Lladros, shredder/chipper, gas blower vacuum, many books. Much more!

GARAGE/YARD SALES

HILLSIDE, 522 HARVARD Avenue (off Bloy) Saturday, Sunday, October 2nd, 3rd, 9:00am-4:00pm. Furniture, Appliances, Ping Pong Table, Merchandise like new. No junk. Rain October 9th, 10th.

HILLSIDE, 602 IRVINGTON Avenue (Off North Avenue) Saturday, 8:00am-3:00pm. Sunday 9:00am-2:00pm. No early birds. Something for everyone. Great Bargains!!

LINDEN 2412 SUMMIT Terrace October 1st & 2nd 9:00am-4:00pm. Records, books, clothes, bike, household items, exercise stepper, even a motorcycle. No early birds.

LIVINGSTON, 21 LONG ACRE Drive (Livingston Avenue to Ashwood to Long Acre) Friday 9:00am-5:00pm. Furniture, children's items, household.

MAPLEWOOD 8 PLYMOUTH Avenue Friday, Saturday, 9:00am-4:00pm. Huge selection. Clothing, games, furniture, plants, jewelry, dolls, books, collectible, gadgets. Tons more!!

SPRINGFIELD, 8 GARDEN Oval, Saturday, October 2nd, 9am-2pm. Bicycles, toys, books, boy's and girl's clothing and other miscellaneous items.

SPRINGFIELD, 97 EDGEWOOD Avenue (Off Mountain Avenue) Friday, October 1st, 10am-2pm, Saturday, October 2nd 9am-4pm. Furniture, books, toys, crafts, more..

UNION, 2130 LEONARD Terrace (Stanley Terrace to Ashwood to Halsey to Leonard) Big Multi Family, Saturday, October 2nd, 9am-3:00pm. Women's XL Clothing, Books, Bedding, Toys, . Rain Date October 9th.

UNION 367 DURHAM Court (off Colonial Avenue) Saturday October 2nd 9:00am-5:00pm. Sale of entire contents of home. Furniture, exercise equipment, Corning ware, bedding, jewelry.

UNION, 390 MARTIN Road, Saturday, October 2nd, 9am-5pm. Household goods, dishes, tupperware, blankets, bedding, luggage, bikes, clothes, refrigerator, freezer more!

UNION, 108 SINCLAIR Avenue (off Tucker) Friday October 1st 9:00am-3:00pm. Glassware, clothing, books, framed art, kitchen items. Much more!!

UNION, 1295 BISCAYNE Boulevard.(off Vauxhall Road) Saturday October 2nd, 9:00am-5:00pm. Rain date October 9th. Coffee table, desk, lamps, vacuum cleaner,

GARAGE/YARD SALES

UNION 1317 OAKLAND Avenue. Saturday, October 2nd, 9am-5pm. Everything must go! Household items, furniture, clothing, toys, TV. Quality stuff!

UNION, 1353 AMHERST Avenue, corner of Union Avenue. October 2nd, 9am-4pm. Nautical Lamp, Boat Bumpers, some new/ some old items.

UNION 205 BURROUGHS Terrace (off Chestnut Street) October 2nd 9:00am-6:00pm. Huge yard sale. Something for everyone. Rain date October 9th.

UNION, 2218 BERWYN Street, Friday, October 1st, Saturday, 2nd, 8am-4pm. Lots of Good Stuff. Few Antiques, Furniture, Toys, Hopechest. Enjoy!!!

UNION, 2431 STEUBEN Street. October 2nd, 9am-3pm. Raindate October 9th. Toys, kids clothes, household items, costume jewelry, linens and more.

UNION, 381 CHESTNUT Street. Saturday, October 2nd, 9am-1pm. Huge Sale! Clothing, clothing, clothing! And many household items.

UNION, 393 FOREST Drive, Saturday, October 2nd, 9am-3pm. Treadmill, children's clothes, baby items, toys, household items. Something for everyone.

UNION 588 ANDRESS Terrace October 2nd, October 3rd 9:00am-2:00pm. Small appliances, many baby clothes and items, books, clothes. Much more!

WANTED TO BUY

ANTIQUE & OLDER FURNITURE, Dining Rooms • Bedrooms, Breakfronts • Secretaries, Etc. Call Bill 973-586-4804

AAAA LIONEL, American Flyer, Ives and other trains and old toys. Collector pays highest cash prices. 1-800-464-4671, 973-425-1538.

INVENTORS -PRODUCT Ideas Needed. Davison is looking for new or improved product ideas or inventions to prepare present to corporations for licensing. Free information package. 1-800-544-3327

PETS

PETS

ADOPT LOVE! Dogs, Cats, Kittens, Sunday, October 3rd, 11:30am-3:00pm. Valley Vet, 2172 Millburn Avenue, Maplewood. Adopt daily by appointment. JAC 973-763-7322. Visit www.jaconline.org.

SERVICES OFFERED

AIR CONDITIONING

QUALITY AIR Conditioning & Heating, Inc. Gas, steam, hot water and hot air heat. Humidifiers, circulators, zone valves, air cleaners. Call 973-467-0553, Springfield, NJ

ALARMS

SECURITY SYSTEMS INSTALLED - Fire & Burglar Systems "No Job Too Small" Monitoring Available. 908-272-7373. Free Estimates.

BATHTUB/TILE REGLAZING

Tub & Tiles Reglazed Save up to 90% of the cost of replacement. Change colors in a day!

MR. UGLY TUB & TILE www.mr.uglytub.com 1-888-888-ugly

BUSINESS SERVICES

ATTENTION: NJ Businesses and Artists. Promote your company using the Internet. Save \$100's to \$1,000's by creating, designing and managing your own website, visit www.bluedolphinportal.com.

CARPENTRY

FULLY INSURED FREE ESTIMATES Remodeling, Bathrooms Finish Basements Replacement Windows, Tiling STEVE ROZANSKI 908-686-6455

JOE DOMAN 908-686-3824 DECKS Alterations/Repairs, Kitchens, Attics, Bathrooms, Basements Remodeled No Job Too Small or Too Large.

CHIMNEY SERVICE

MEMBER NATIONAL CHIMNEY SWEEP GUILD ALL PRO CHIMNEY SERVICE FREE ESTIMATES 973-736-9811

24 Hour Emergency Service - 10% Off All Masonry Work. Chimney Relining Specialist - cleaned, repaired, rebuilt, tuck pointing, collars, chimney caps, dampers, crowns. Fully insured & Bonded. Residential, Commercial & Industrial

CLEANING SERVICE

CLEANING SERVICES: Houses- Offices- Apartments- Condos. Experienced, honest, reliable. Free estimates. Please call, Oneida 908-629-0325. Cell 908-265-1506

JANET'S CLEANING SERVICE - Steady or Seasonal. Clean • Houses • Apartments • Condos • Free Estimates. Satisfaction Guaranteed. 973-819-9553 / 973-374-2527

WE WILL CLEAN - Offices, Houses, Apartments. Call Jaci & Anna. Home 908-355-4897, Cell 908-917-8461. Low Prices. Free Estimate. Good References.

CLEANUP/RUBBISH REMOVAL

10-30 Yard Containers Commercial, Industrial, Residential Dumpster Rental Clean-Up Services Demolition Tel: 908-686-5229

COMPUTER

A New Computer -But No Cash? You're approved- Guaranteed! No Credit Check. Bad credit- Bankruptcy OK. 1-800-350-2976 10A-9P EST Monday-Friday. Checking Account Required. www.pcsforall.com

CLASSIFIED ADS ARE QUICK AND CONVENIENT

COMPUTER SERVICES

VIRUS & SPYWARE REMOVAL NETWORK INSTALLATIONS COMPUTER DEBUNKING GENERAL TROUBLESHOOTING For Mac and Windows (Steven) 973-275-9802 www.briarassociates.com your local information technology consultants.

CONTRACTOR

MELO CONTRACTORS, Inc. "There is no substitute for experience". Additions, Renovations, Dormers, Kitchens, Painting, Wine Cellars, Decks, Baths. Over 38 years top quality work at affordable prices. 908-245-5280. www.melocontractors.com

P. ARPINO GENERAL CONTRACTOR Mason Contractor Painting • Concrete Ceramic • Tile Sheet Rock. No Job Too Big or Small Fully Insured, Free Estimates 908-232-7691

DECKS

DECKS UNLIMITED SPECIAL SPRING DISCOUNT #1 Treated Lumber & Cedar Decks 10 Year Guarantee Fully Insured 908-276-8377

DEMOLITION

CONTAINER SERVICES AVAILABLE 10 YD., 20 YD., - COMPACTOR BOXES MINI CONTAINERS (800) 707-0747 MANNY LUONGO Vice-President 194-112 Lister Avenue Newark, NJ 07105 Tel: 973-522-0070 Fax: 973-522-0303 Cell: 973-634-5589

DRIVEWAYS

MJ HOAG PAVING 25 years experience. Residential/Commercial-driveways, parking lots, seal coating, retaining walls, patios, pavers, concrete sidewalks, landscaping. Free Estimate fully insured Call 908-241-0838 Fax estimate request, 908-241-1531.

PATERNO PAVING Driveways - Parking Lots Coat Sealing, Concrete Sidewalks, All Type Curbsides, Paving Blocks. Free Estimates - Fully Insured 908-245-6162 or 908-245-0459

ZAVOCKI PAVING CO., INC. Asphalt Driveways • Extensions Resurfacing • Parking Lots Retaining Walls • Versa-Lok Railroad Ties • Brick Paver Walks & Patios FREE ESTIMATES INSURED 973-218-1991

ELECTRICIANS

ABLE ELECTRIC "If it's Electric, We Do It!" Interior and Exterior, Lighting, Repairs, New Construction, Free Estimates Call 908-686-2089

DAVID ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR - For All Your Electrical Needs - RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL. New Work, Old Work! No Job too Big or Small! 732-207-2302. Insured & Bonded. Lic. #34E10151.

KREDER ELECTRIC, INC. Residential, Commercial, Industrial FREE ESTIMATES Call Tom 973-762-6203 Professional Service Owner Operator License #9124

RICHARD T. SWISSTACK & SONS - ELECTRICAL CONTRACTING • Residential • Commercial • Industrial. 732-382-4410. 40 years experience. Lic. No. 4161, Fully Insured & Bonded. Sr. Citizen Discount.

FENCING

GALARZA FENCE All Types of Fence Repairs & Installation Residential & Commercial 973-372-6638 Free Estimates

TOM'S FENCING ALL TYPES NEW AND REPAIR NO JOB TOO SMALL FREE ESTIMATES CALL: 908-272-5692

FINANCING

CASH FOR structured settlement/ annuity payments. It's your money. Get cash now when you need it most. Oldest/ best in the business. Settlement Purchasers. 1-877-Money-Me.

CASH GRANTS -2004! Private Government grants for personal bills, school, business, etc. \$47 billion dollars left unclaimed 2003. Never Repay. Live Operators 1-800-420-8331 X08, 7 days

\$\$\$CASH\$\$\$ CASH Now for structured settlements, annuities, and insurance payouts. 800-794-7310. J.G. Wentworth means cash now for structured settlements.

FREE CASH Grants! 2004! \$47 billion left unclaimed 2003. Private Government Grants for Personal Bills. Housing, School, Business, etc. Never Repay! Live Operators! Call 1-800-699-1610 ext. 350

\$\$\$FREE MONEY\$\$\$ for 2004! Private Government grants for Personal bills, School Business etc. Never Repay. Live Operators. \$47 billion dollars unclaimed 2003. 1-800-420-8344 ext 7

\$\$\$GETCASH Now.. We buy Structured Settlements and Insurance Annuities. Call Structured Asset Funding now. 877-966-8669 \$\$\$

TOO MUCH Debt?? Don't choose the wrong way out. Our services have helped millions. Stick to a plan, get out of debt and save thousands. Free consultation. 1-866-410-0565.Freedompoint

FINANCIAL SERVICES

LIBERTY TAX SERVICE: Tuition Free Tax School. This is a great opportunity to learn the basics of individual tax. Preparation and gain an understanding of the tax laws. Hurry and Register Today! Classes Begin in October. For more information call 908-403-2512 or email is at regr@aol.com.

FLOORS

AAA EDWARD JONES Floor Scraping, wood floor sanding specialist. Hardwood floors installed, floor staining, all types of finishes, same day service, we do painting. Quality craftsmanship. Free estimates, fully insured. Floor Sanders Wanted. 908-298-0849

FLOORS

KEAN FLOORING "Best Deals" Specializing in Hardwood Floors Scraping • Repair • Staining Installations • Sanding • Refinishing DUST FREE SANDING! For Estimate Call 201-955-1073 www.KEANFLOORING

GARAGE DOORS

DOOR-O-MATIC, INC. Garage Doors & Openers Sales, Service & Installation 973-562-0077 • Nutley Residential, Commercial, Fully Insured

GUTTERS/LEADERS

Owner Operator Fully Insured GutterWorld ALL GUTTER NEEDS EMERGENCY SERVICE Free Estimates BLOOMFIELD, NJ 07003 TEL. 1-800-847-0434 FAX 973-748-0770

GUTTER PROFESSIONALS. No need to ever clean your gutters again. Lifetime guaranteed protection system to end your gutter nightmares. www.gutterprofessionals.com. Call 118-975-3130

HEALTH & FITNESS

FAMILY HEALTH Care w/prescription Plan! \$69.95/month. Excellent coverage nationwide. So limitations. Includes dental, vision, Pre-existing condition.. OK Call 1-800-288-9214 Ext. 2344.

FAMILY HEALTH Care with prescription plan! \$69.95/month. Nationwide. No limitations, includes Dental, Vision, Pre-existing Conditions. OK! Call WCG 1-800-288-9214 ext 2353

SAUNA - DEMONSTRATOR Unit, personal infrared sauna.100% Oriental herbal wood. Rejuvenate your health. Reduce pain, stress, fatigue and purify your body. \$1995. Call 800-643-6955.

HOME IMPROVEMENTS

ALL GUTTERS - Cleaned & Repaired. And Installed, Housed Powerwashed, Handyman Work. No Job Too Small. 22 years experienced. Call Walter 908-245-5534.

Does Your House Need A Face-Lift? CALL

Frank's Painting & Handyman Service Small Job Specialist Interior - Exterior - Carpentry Replacement Windows, Storm Doors Fully Insured Free Estimates 908-241-3849

G&M STONE Design, Inc. GRANITE - MARBLE - TILES KITCHEN COUNTERTOPS - VANITIES - TABLES CUSTOM FABRICATION AND INSTALLATION 908-245-2112 FAX#908-245-2152

GENE BRADY

Interior Renovations, Historic Restorations Kitchen/ Bathrooms Excellent Local References

973-763-8530

HOME REPAIRS "Work Done Professionally for Less" • Painting • Dry Wall/Spackling/ Masonry • Wood Work • Interior/Exterior • Tile Repairs and More! Free Estimates Joe, 908-355-5709

MIKE D'ANDREA All Home Improvements. 30 Years Experience. Carpentry and Tile Work. Free Estimates. Call 908-241-3913 (Kenilworth)

PLAZA HOME IMPROVEMENTS Siding • Windows • Roofing Kitchens • Bathrooms • Basements Extensions • Concrete • Masonry Free Estimates • 100% Finance No Down Payment • Fully Insured Reference Available • NJ License #122866 1-800-735-6134

HOME REPAIRS

VILLAGE HOME REPAIR Carpentry - General Repairs Painting - Wallpaper - Sheetrock Drain Cleaning Over 15 Years Experience "No Job Too Small" Fully Insured (201) 306-1204

KITCHEN

FREE CORIAN - Counter Top With Every New or Refaced Kitchen. Fully Insured - Free Estimate. Call for Details 908-464-0475.

LANDSCAPING

D'ONOFRIO & SON Complete Landscape Service Spring/ Fall Clean-up Lawn Maintenance, Shrubbery Design/ Planting, Mulching, Chemical Applications, Tree Removal Fully insured/Licensed, Free Estimates 973-763-8911

EXTRA MILE LANDSCAPING Spring Clean-up, Hedge Trimming & Removal. Lawn Mowing. ODD JOBS 908-964-0633. Quality work, Reasonable Rates - Insured.

MASONRY

DIBELLO MASON CONTRACTORS ALL TYPES OF BLOCK AND CONCRETE WORK Steps, Walkways, Foundations, Patios, Floors, Retaining Walls. 1-800-334-1822 Specializing in Basements, Waterproofing All Types of Drainage All Work Guaranteed - Insured - Bonded

EUROPEAN MASON

Foundations, Blocks, Steps, Brick, Pavers, Sidewalks, Patios, Plaster, Water-Proofing. CALL MIKE 908-472-3411

MOVING/STORAGE

KANGAROO MEN All types of moving and hauling. Problem solving our specialty. Call now! 973-680-2376 24 hours. "We Hop To It!" 973-228-2653 License PM 00576

ADVERTISE

ODD JOBS

WE SPECIALIZE: IN ODD JOBS AND BIG JOBS FREE ESTIMATES CALL RON 973-652-8876 WILLIAMS CONSTRUCTION CO.

PAINTING

ABSOLUTE PAINTING Painting, Plastering 35 Years experience, Free Estimates CALL: LENNY TUFANO 973-467-3430

PAINT PROS •Professional •Reliable •Fully Insured • Free Estimates •Complete Powerwashing Services •Interior •Exterior •Painting • Stain •Deck Sealing - 15-20% off with this ad Call Toll Free 1-866-517-9769 Cell 201-679-9426

Residential • Commercial INSIDE OUT "The Painting Professionals" Interior / Exterior painting & Stain Deck Sealing & Staining Complete Powerwashing Services Free Estimates • Fully Insured (732) 382-3922 1-800-525-6481

PAINTING/ PAPER HANGING

MEL/S PAINTING WALLCOVERING & REMOVAL All Other Home Improvement Jobs • No Job Too Small • Neat • Reliable Free Estimates 973-243-8743 / 973-687-0433 Anytime

PLUMBING

BLEIWEIS PLUMBING & HEATING All types heating systems, installed and serviced. Gas hot water heater, Bathroom & Kitchen remodeling. REASONABLE RATES. Fully Insured & Bonded. Plumbing Lic. #7876. 908-686-7415

MAX SR. & PAUL SCHOENWALDER Established 1912 Installation & Service Lawn Faucets, Sump Pumps, Toilets, Water Heaters, Alterations, Gas Heat, Faucet Repairs, Electric Drain & Sewer Cleaning Serving the Homeowner Business & Industry 908-686-0749 464 Chestnut Street, Union, NJ Master Plumber's Lic.#1482, #9645, #11181 SENIOR CITIZEN DISCOUNT

RECYCLING

MAX WEINSTEIN SONS, INC. Honest Weights Best Prices Always Buying Scrap Metals - 2426 Morris Avenue Union, NJ - 8am-4:30pm Saturday 8am-1pm 908-686-8236/Since 1919

ROOFING

ALL JERSEY ROOFING CO. OWNER IS ON EVERY JOB ABSOLUTELY NO SUB CONTRACTORS A FAMILY BUSINESS SINCE 1960 Specializing in Slate Roofs 973-535-1213

BEST-DEAL CONTRACTING - Roofing Specialists. \$300 Off any job over \$2500. Siding, Windows, Gutters, Additions, Free Estimates, Fully Insured 908-964-4968.

CARLSON BROTHERS ROOFING CAPE COD \$2500 BI-LEVEL \$2700 SPLIT LEVEL \$2900 \$100 Off with ad 908-272-1266

Price includes: Removal of old shingles, Dumpster, Cleanup complete, Install ice shield, felt paper, 25 year GAF shingles.

WE STOP LEAKS! CLARK BUILDERS, INC. •Roof Stripping & Repairs •Flat Roofing & Slate •Gutters & Leaders Serving Union & Middlesex Counties For 30 Years Fully Insured - Free Estimates N.J. Lic. No. 010760 732-381-9090 1-800-794-LEAK (5325)

RUBBISH REMOVAL

1-973-731-1698 OR 1-973-943-0018 GREG'S RUBBISH REMOVAL Attics, Basements, Garages, yards, Spring clean-ups, tree removals, Painting. Senior Discounts.

SHARPENING

SHARPENING - Knives - Scissors - Tools. Lawn Mower Blades. Small Orders Done While You Wait or Drop Off - Pick Up Next Day. Dominic Guida (908) 688-4042. (Union)

TILE

MIKE MUSSO CERAMIC TILE INSTALLATION REPAIRS & REGROUTING OVER 20 YEARS EXPERIENCE NO JOB TOO SMALL 908-352-1936, after 5:00pm

PRETTY TILE, UGLY GROUT? (the stuff between tiles) No need to spend thousands of dollars On new tile when you can

•RegROUT •Steam Clean-Stain and seal Tub surrounds and shower stalls repaired, loose or broken tiles reset or replaced Call for a free estimates GROUT EXPERT 973-374-3002

TREE EXPERTS

BOYLE TREE SUR

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Kurzweil has joined
Miracle Home Program

Debra Kurzweil of RE/MAX Allied is a member of the national RE/MAX Children's Miracle Network Miracle Home Program. Under this program, she will donate a specified amount of money to the CMN per sales transaction, and will display the colorful "Miracle Home" rider on top of her RE/MAX yard signs.

"I believe that CMN is a wonderful charity, and I am honored to be able to take part in an effort to help local children in local hospitals," said Kurzweil.

Kurzweil can be contacted by calling RE/MAX Allied in Mountainside at 908-654-7776.

Children's Miracle Network is a national charity distinguished for improving health care for children by generating funds and awareness programs for 165 affiliated hospitals. One hundred percent of the local donations stay in the community in which they were made to benefit participating hospitals. The hospitals associated with CMN treat children with all types of afflictions — cancer, heart and muscular diseases, birth defects, AIDS and accident victims. They pride themselves on treating the whole child, rendering service based on need, not the ability to pay.

RE/MAX is the exclusive real estate sponsor for CMN, a national non-profit organization dedicated to raising funds for children's hospitals. This year RE/MAX associates from around the world made a record contribution to CMN of \$5 million. RE/MAX of New Jersey Inc. contributed \$304,000. Visit the RE/MAX of New Jersey Web site at www.remax-nj.com.

Kukoff joins Coldwell

Carol Muccerino, manager of the Short Hills office of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in New Jersey and Rockland County, New York, has announced that Jill Kukoff has joined her award-winning sales team. A licensed sales associate, Kukoff brings real estate experience and an extensive background in sales to her newest position.

Equipped with outstanding sales, communication and organizational skills, along with a genuine love of working with people and providing them with the highest level of customer service, Kukoff was frequently recognized among the top producers

in her former office.

As she anticipates continued success and growth with Coldwell Banker, Kukoff also appreciates the importance of good training, guidance and education. She consistently attends classes and workshops in order to stay on top of the latest trends in real estate, thus allowing her to assist clients more effectively.

"Joining Coldwell Banker was the clear choice for me, as I wanted to be associated with a highly-respected and well-known name in the real estate industry," said Kukoff. "My manager and fellow sales associates are extremely supportive and motivated, and that's an environment in which I can truly thrive. The growth potential here is unlimited."

Kukoff assists clients with all their residential real estate needs throughout Essex, Morris and Union counties, and has particular expertise in the communities of Short Hills, Maplewood, Millburn, South Orange, Summit and Springfield. A 16-year resident of Short Hills, Kukoff is familiar with the town and its surrounding communities, and happily provides clients with in-depth information regarding the area's schools, businesses and neighborhoods.

With her two children enrolled in the Short Hills/Millburn school system, Kukoff is an active member of the Millburn Middle School and Millburn High School PTAs. She is also an active participant with the UJA of MetroWest.

For more information about buying or selling a home in the Short Hills area and beyond, individuals may contact Kukoff by calling the Short Hills office of Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage at 973-467-3222 or her direct line at 973-467-4847. The office is located at 518 Millburn Ave. You can also view the company's listings on the Internet at www.ColdwellBankerMoves.com/jill.kukoff.

Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage in New Jersey/Rockland County, N.Y., is a member of the Coldwell Banker system, which has more than 3,600 offices and 113,000 sales associates worldwide. Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage is part of the NRT family of companies, which owns and operates companies in more than 30 of the nation's largest metropolitan markets. NRT Inc., a subsidiary of Cendant Corp., is the nation's largest residential real estate brokerage company. NRT has more

than 950 offices and 55,000 sales associates operating in more than 30 major metropolitan markets. In 2003, NRT posted a real estate industry record of \$167 billion in closed sales volume.

Lima of RE/MAX joins
Miracle Home Network

Eliomar Lima Jr. of RE/MAX Your

Choice Realtors is member of the national RE/MAX Children's Miracle Network Miracle Home Program. Under this program, he will donate a specified amount of money to the CMN per sales transaction, and will display the colorful "Miracle Home" rider on top of his RE/MAX yard signs.

Children's Miracle Network is a

national charity distinguished for improving health care for children by generating funds and awareness programs for 165 affiliated hospitals.

One hundred percent of the local donations stay in the community in which they were made to benefit participating hospitals.

The hospitals associated with CMN treat children with all types of

afflictions — cancer, heart and muscular diseases, birth defects, AIDS and accident victims.

They pride themselves on treating the whole child, rendering service based on need, not just the ability to pay.

To contact Lima, call RE/MAX Your Choice Realtors in Springfield at 973-544-0900.

Let's Ask Jill

by Jill Guzman

Look for the R and the MLS
Signs of Success!!

If you are a homeowner thinking of the possibility of selling your home, you want the best Ethics, professionalism, honesty, service, and consumer exposure are all the factors that will open the doors to a successful Real Estate transaction.

The "R" represents "Realtor". Knowing that a Real Estate professional proudly wears the "R" symbol next to the name, is as reassuring as MD, next to your physician title. The "R" signifies that your Real Estate Agent and Brokerage are members of the local, state, and National Boards of Realtors. It means they follow and subscribe to the highest rules of Ethics and are well educated professionals in their field.

The "MLS" signifies Multiple Listing Services and assures you as a home owner that your home will be offered to all Real Estate professionals in the MLS ensuring top activity and then many more offers which lead to a better price!

Caveat Emptor - let the consumer beware! Make certain when listing your home that the Brokerage will offer you the type of activity you deserve by placing your home on the MLS. Many discount brokers do not offer that opportunity for your home, they promise to save you money in the long run, cause you to sell your home under its value, there by costing you a substantial amount! We at Jill Guzman Realty, Inc. now proudly celebrating our 15th year of success, pride ourselves on the "R" that stands next to

our name and the Garden State MLS in which we place our homes as per owners request. We take pride in ourselves for having received the honor of being the #1 in Elizabeth in value brought to homeowners.

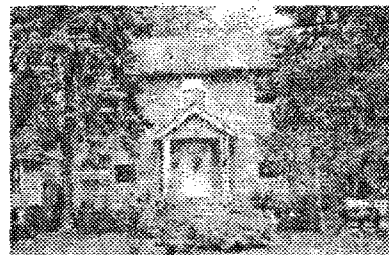
Thinking of selling? Look for the "R" and the MLS and make your decision the right one. We look forward to seeing you!!!

Jill Guzman has achieved the ultimate distinction of being among the TOP 1% of more than (approx.) 7,040 Active Real Estate Professionals by units of listings sold in the year 2000!

P.S. The professionals at Jill Guzman Realty are achieving honors and distinctions year after year. They offer personal service, true knowledge of market value, and a marketing program to enhance your home together with honesty and integrity. Their best reference is, and always will be, your neighbor.

JILL GUZMAN REALTY, INC.
OUR BEST REFERENCE IS YOUR NEIGHBOR™
76 ELMORA AVE., ELIZABETH
908-353-6611
FAX: 908-353-5080
www.JillGuzmanRealty.com

Thank you
Jill Guzman



Another one of "Our Success Stories"
Congratulations: Meet Mary Jane Ryan, Former Homer Owner of 212 East 3rd Avenue, Roselle, NJ
Thanking Jill Guzman Realty, Inc.

"Dear Jill:

I want to express my appreciation for the wonderful job you did selling my home. After forty years it was not an easy decision, but you and your group made it a positive experience for me.

I would definitely recommend your agency to anyone looking to sell their home. Than you again for all you help.
Sincerely, Mary Jane Ryan"

Jill Guzman Realty, Inc.R™

WE TAKE THE JITTERS OUT OF FIRST TIME BUYING AND SELLING!!!
"212 EAST 3RD AVENUE, WAS LISTED BY CECILE DO AMARAL & SOLD BY SONIA GUZMAN-RIVERA OF JILL GUZMAN REALTY, INC."
"OUR SUCCESS STORIES" ARE NEVER ENDING.

"LIST YOUR HOME WITH JILL GUZMAN REALTY, INC. AND BECOME A ONE OF "OUR SUCCESS STORIES"
"OUR BEST REFERENCE IS YOUR NEIGHBOR"

www.jillguzmanrealty.com

NOW PROUDLY CELEBRATING OUR 14TH ANNIVERSARY!!!

JILL GUZMAN REALTY, INC.
OUR BEST REFERENCE IS YOUR NEIGHBOR™
76 ELMORA AVENUE, ELIZABETH, NEW JERSEY 07202
908-353-6611

AUTOMOTIVE

AUTO FOR SALE

CAR DONATIONS-Choose your charity: United Way, MS, Epilepsy, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, Housing for Homeless, Children with Cancer, and more. * Free pick-up 1-888-395-3955

CADILLAC ALLANTE, 1989, 2-Door convertible, triple black, 111K miles, clean with extra parts, Best offer. Stan 908-686-2037 or 908-482-7782 Union.

CHRYSLER LEBARON convertible, 1995. White, power roof/ windows. AM/FM, detachable CD player. Good condition, \$1800/best offer. 908-351-5370, Must See

CHRYSLER, SEBRING Convertible, 2002. Excellent condition, 56K miles, extras. Call, make offer 908-925-9375.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

At request by the membership, a new meeting place for the Union County Transportation Advisory Board (TAB) has been located. For meeting dates of October 6, November 3 and December 1, 2004, the TAB will meet at 8:00 PM at the Facility Dining Room, Superior Court of Union County College, 1033 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, N.J. The meeting dates and the meeting starting time will remain unchanged. Directions and information to the College can be obtained at its website: www.ucc.edu/directions.htm or at daytime phone: (908) 709-7502 or through the Bureau of Transportation Planning: (908) 527-4086. U88941 WCN Sept. 30, 2004 (\$14.25)

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:

JOSE SARVIA, MARY A. THOMPSON, and each of their 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 appear up to JUDGE GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, ESQs., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 201, 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 CITIFINANCIAL MORTGAGE COMPANY, INC. is plaintiff, and ANTHONY GREENE, SR., et al. are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-15501-04 within thirty-five (35) days after September 30, 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 \$150.00 representing the filing fee in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

AUTO FOR SALE

NISSAN, MAXIMA, 1991, 6 cylinder, automatic, air, 4 door, sunroof, full power, 147K miles, great condition, new transmission, \$2,250. 908-616-8616.

NISSAN MAXIMA SE, 1994, 6 cylinder, 5-speed, air, 4 door, leather, sunroof, full power, 142K miles, great condition, 1 owner, \$2,300, best offer. 973-376-6258.

TAURUS WAGON 1991. Excellent Condition, Garage Kept, loaded, power brakes, power seats, 97,000 miles \$2100. 973-762-4185.

TRUCKS FOR SALE

FORD E450 BOX TRUCK, 2003, 8K miles, power-lift gate, 14 foot box. Excellent condition, remainder of factory warranty. \$19,900. 973-615-9502

PUBLIC NOTICE

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 03/19/2004 made by Zora Greene, single, Yvonne Greene, single, and Anthony Greene, single, as mortgagors, to Citifinancial Mortgage Company, Inc. recorded on 03/25/2004 in Book 10595 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 406; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 205-207 West 7th Street, Plainfield, NJ 07060.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 609-594-1101. 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.

Jose Sarvia, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest is made a party defendant to this foreclosure by reason of a certain judgment entered in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey bearing judgment number DJ-220265-1995 on 9/27/95, in the original sum of \$4,606.25, wherein you, Jose Sarvia are the judgment creditor and Anthony Greene, Jr. et al. is the judgment debtor and for any lien, claim or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises.

Mary A. Thompson, 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 by reason of a certain judgment entered in the Office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey bearing judgment number DJ-117803-1996 on 6/8/96, in the original sum of \$5,171.37, wherein you, Mary A. Thompson, are the judgment creditor and Anthony Greene, Jr. et al. 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 TO COLLECT A DEBT.
ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE.
FILE NO. X-234782
U88684 WCN Sept. 30, 2004 (\$75.00)

mortgage
market place

| Lender & phone | 30yr fixed rate+pts/apr | 15yr fixed rate+pts/apr | ARMs(pgm) rate+pts/apr | Additional programs/information |
|---------------------|-------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|--|
| AMERICAN FEDERAL | 5.125+2/5.39 | 4.625+1.5/4.711 | 4.5+0/4.52(5/1) | All Rates and Fees are Guaranteed in Writing! |
| MORTGAGE CORP | 5.75+0(jbo) | | 3.0+2(1yr) | www.amledmtg.com |
| 888-321-4687 | 5.625+0(FHA) | | | |
| COLUMBIA BANK | 5.125+3/5.421 | 4.25+3/4.746 | 4+0/4.595(1/1) | 20yr fix 5.5+0/5.532 to IMM / 10yr fix |
| 800-962-4989 | 5.375+2/5.581 | 4.5+2/4.844 | 4.25+0/4.75(3/1) | 4.875+0/4.931 Ask about our construction-perm |
| | 5.625+1/5.741 | 4.75+1/4.941 | 4.625+0/4.805(5/1) | 2nd & invest homes. Affordable housing discount |
| | 5.875+0/5.899 | 5+0/5.039 | 5.125+0/5.021(7/1) | 80/10/10 no PMI prg reduced doc & many more |
| FLEET MORTGAGE | 5.5+0/5.883 | 4.75+0/5.425 | 4.375+0/4.338(5yr) | Call 1-800-9FLEET-1 |
| 800-466-3070 | | | | |
| INVESTORS SAVINGS | 5.75+0/5.751 | 5.125+0/5.125 | 4.625+0/4.626(5/1) | Other loan programs available. |
| BANK | | | 5.08+0/4.809(7/1) | Loans to \$2.5 million. |
| 800-252-8119 | | | 5.25+0/5.129(10/1) | Jumbo rates the same as conforming rates. |
| | | | | Portfolio lender. |
| LOAN SEARCH | 5.75+0/5.82 | 4.88+0/4.94 | 5+0/4.67(10/1)b | N.J.'s lowest mortgage rates! Jumbo specialists. |
| 800-591-3279 | | | 5.75+0/5.84(5/1) b | www.loansearch.com |
| | | | 4.63+0/4.44(30yr)b | |
| LIGHTHOUSE MORTGAGE | Call | Call | Call | Call for great rates and service! |
| 800-784-1331 | | | | |
| PARTNERS | 5.125+0/5.17 | 4.5+0/4.54 | 4.25+0/4.12 | Zero pts., zero fee loans available. |
| MORTGAGE, INC. | | | | Free refinancing forever. |
| 888-RATE-SALE | | | | partnersm@aol.com |
| SYNERGY BANK | 6.125+0/6.17 | 5.25+0/5.32 | 4.375+0/4.69(2/1) | Call us about our latest rates! |
| 800-693-3638 | | | 4.875+0/4.83(5/1) | |

* Email questions to the lenders
* Hyperlinks to all lender Web sites

* Frequently, preapprove or apply online
* Daily online rate updates

* Sort, compare programs by rate, points, APR
* Check out our useful mortgage calculator

www.CNSFL.com/WCN

www.LOCALSource.COM

LENDERS: TO BE LISTED IN THIS SURVEY CALL 1-800-CNS-8525

Information is current as of September 27, 2004 and believed to be accurate but can not be guaranteed and can change without notice. Credit history, FICO Score and other factors may affect program terms. Rates based on \$165,000 single family loan. Jumbo rates (loans over \$333,700) based on a \$350,000 loan. Minimum downpayment requirements, and other restrictions, may apply. Closing costs may vary. Contact each company for details. R = refinance program only. Pts = points include origination and discount fees. Lock = rate lock period, 30 - 60 day lock unless specified. APR = Annual Percentage Rate and is calculated by each company - includes costs to obtain loan and private mortgage insurance (if required). ARM (pgm) = Adjustable Rate Mortgage program. Copyright 2004 Consumer News Systems, Inc.

Weekly Mortgage News

McLean, VA - Freddie Mac (NYSE:FRE) today released the results of its Primary Mortgage Market Survey in which the 30-year fixed-rate mortgage (FRM) averaged 5.70 percent, with an average 0.7 points, for the week ending September 23, 2004, down from last week when it averaged 5.75 percent. Last year at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 6.01 percent.

The average for the 15-year FRM this week is 5.10 percent, with an average 0.7 points, also down from last week when it averaged 5.13 percent. A year ago, the 15-year FRM averaged 5.30 percent.

One-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 4.00 percent this week, with an average 0.7 point, down from last week when it averaged 4.03 percent. At this time last year, the one-year ARM averaged 3.81 percent.

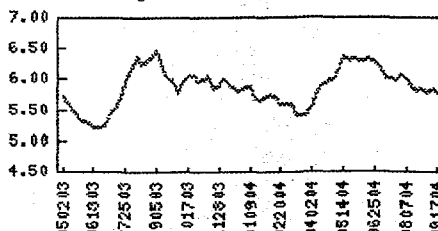
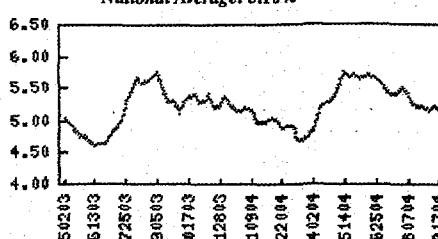
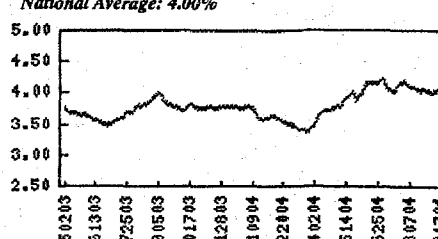
(Average commitment rates should be reported along with average fees and points to reflect the total cost of obtaining the mortgage.)

"This new millennium has proven to be very homeowner friendly. For instance, in the last four years we have set records in housing starts, housing sales, low mortgage rates, refinancing volumes and total mortgage originations," said Frank Nothaft, Freddie Mac vice president and chief economist. "As a matter of fact, low mortgage rates in August led to housing starts in that month that were the second highest in over two decades."

"Our Primary Mortgage Market Survey results this week show mortgage rates slipping again, which will all but guarantee that the housing industry will continue at its robust pace and set yet again, another record for both new construction and overall home sales."

Freddie Mac is a stockholder-owned corporation established by Congress in 1970 to create a continuous flow of funds to mortgage lenders in support of homeownership and rental housing. Freddie Mac purchases mortgages from lenders and packages them into securities that are sold to investors. Over the years, Freddie Mac has made home possible for one in six homebuyers in America.

National Averages

30-year mortgage
National Average: 5.70%15-year mortgage
National Average: 5.10%1-year ARM mortgage
National Average: 4.00%

Pawleys Island, South Carolina

Custom home in prestigious community

- 4200 sf, 4 br, 3 1/2 bath
- one mile to the beach
- \$499K

Premier Property Finder

Contact Tami Maro toll-free at

1-877-264-6114 or e-mail

premierproperty@sc.rr.com

