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TWO SECTIONS

Have you seen us?

Two locals appear on Cheerios boxes

A. E. Gualtieri
Staff Writer

Some local faces will be smiling out at you in the cereal aisle this week. Clark residents Phyllis Cunningham and Tracy Roszkowski will be featured on limited edition Cheerios boxes that went on sale Sunday.

Cunningham and Roszkowski, associates at ShopRite on Central Avenue, are two of 51 associates on the box, which will also feature NASCAR driver Jeff Green.

The unveiling ceremony for the boxes was held Monday afternoon when Roszkowski and Cunningham were both presented with commemorative boxes in a special case and engraved with their names.

"People are calling up already asking about the boxes," said Roszkowski, who added that her friends and family were excited.

For Cunningham, this is the second time she's appeared on a Cheerios box. "I was on the first one," she said. "I've been a Community Captain for the last six years."

Cunningham and Roszkowski participated in a weeklong competition designed by ShopRite and General Mills, the maker of Cheerios, leading up to National Hunger Awareness Day.

The competition, which was a part



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Tracy Roszkowski and Phyllis Cunningham look over the new Cheerios boxes that they will be appearing on, thanks to a joint effort between ShopRite and General Mills.

of the ShopRite Partners in Caring program, challenged store associates to design displays that promoted hunger awareness, and to solicit donations for the ShopRite Partners in Caring fund, which donates more than \$2 million annually to organizations that fight hunger.

ShopRite in Clark raised more than \$98,000 for the Partners in Caring pro-

gram, earning enough points to have their associates appear on the box. ShopRite's Clark location is one of 25 stores declared a winner, and the money raised will go to benefit over 1,400 local charities that are dedicated to hunger relief.

One, the Linden Interfaith Network for Community Services, has been receiving funds for over a decade.

"ShopRite has been giving money to the foodbank so we can purchase and distribute food to about 100 needy families in Linden," said Steve Bacque, who runs the charity.

"It's nice that we can recognize our associates in this way. Usually, athletes or celebrities are the ones that

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Senior citizen rally for facility

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"This is our last stand, and we hope you will be our army," said Bill Caruso to a crowd of more than 100 senior citizens as they huddled inside a tent on the former Tyco Submarine property.

Caruso, of Clark Senior Housing Inc., with Mayor Sal Bonaccorso, Township Council members Al Barr, Sheila Whiting and Angel Albanese, and Tony DiGiovanni of Garden Homes, met with senior citizens to dispel rumors about the planned housing.

Originally scheduled as a protest against L'Oreal and Villa Construction, the inclement weather forced the crowd indoors.

"We are all here today for a good thing," Bonaccorso said. "We want our seniors to stay in this town with their families, with their grandchildren."

The project has run into opposition from Villa Contracting and L'Oreal, both of which have filed grievances with the state Council on Affordable Housing. In addition, Villa has filed a lawsuit against the township to halt changes in zoning that would allow the residence to be built. L'Oreal and Villa have both claimed that building the facility in the industrial district is inappropriate.

When asked about the lawsuit and grievances, Mr. Caruso said, "If we didn't have all this nonsense, we'd be building already."

DiGiovanni called the lawsuit frivolous, saying it "will do nothing but delay the project."

Caruso also claimed that the project is an opportunity to build lasting ratables for the township. "This project will be here for hundreds of years. We don't know how long these industrial plants will be here," he said, pointing to the closing of L'Oreal's facility in North Brunswick earlier this year.

Roger Dolden, chief administrative officer for L'Oreal USA, affirmed that L'Oreal has no plans to close its Clark facility.

The North Brunswick facility, Dolden said, had 125 employees and was a minor facility. L'Oreal's Clark facility, however, employs more than 1,200 people and L'Oreal has invested \$13 million in their research and development department in Clark this year.

"We're expanding our operations in New Jersey," he said.

Another concern brought up by residents at the meeting is what the residence will offer. Renderings and possible floor plans were distributed, and much time was devoted to the

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'Sound of Music' can be heard at Mother Seton

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Mother Seton Regional High School will be alive with "The Sound of Music" this weekend as students and area teenagers step into the shoes of Maria, Captain Von Trapp, and the Von Trapp family children in their production starting tonight.

"The Sound of Music," originally produced at the Lunt-Fontanne theater in 1959, tells the story of Maria, who leaves her convent to become a governess to the widowed Captain Von Trapp's seven children.

With songs such as "Edelweiss," "Climb Ev'ry Mountain," and "Sixteen Going on Seventeen," the family musical about a musical family is produced once every few years.

"We found that our plays had become so popular that they had developed a following. We rotate them every four or five years, and this year it was 'The Sound of Music's' turn," Assistant Principal Joan Barron said.

One of the biggest challenges of putting on the play had to be casting the male roles, as Mother Seton is an all-girls' school.

"Kassie and I brought in two of our friends, and four others came in as well," said Amanda Yu, who plays Brigitta in the production.

"The guys have been great, because they volunteer their own time," said Erica Pimenta, who plays Maria. "They really want to do it."

Pimenta confessed that she had never

seen the play prior to auditioning for the show, but that she loves it now. "Putting on a costume helps to get into character," she said of her role.

Christine Danielson, who plays the Mother Abbess, said that her castmates help her get into her role. "Working with other people helps," she said, "playing off them really helps me with my character."

The best part, the cast agreed, is working with each other. "I liked getting to know girls in other grades," said Kassie Laguna, who plays Liesl.

"The kids got so close, just because we spend so much time together," said Yu, "I feel like a big sister," especially to 5-year-old Tessa Ferentinos, who portrays Gretl.

Even with their difficult schedule — the longest rehearsal ran from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. — the cast members manage to keep up with their schoolwork and other activities.

"All of our girls are involved in our honors program, take AP classes, and are part of other organizations, such as forensics," said Barron.

"It's so much time, but it's so worth it," the cast agreed.

The stage managers, Emily Migliore and Megan Ripka, said their jobs are better than actually being in the cast.



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Playing parts in Mother Seton's production of 'The Sound of Music' this weekend are, from left, Erica Pimenta as Maria, Christine Danielson, Ashley Pimenta and Kelly Powell.

"We get to see everything come together, where the actors don't," said Migliore, though she said their jobs are just as demanding. "We're there to make sure everything goes smoothly, that the actors are in the right costume with the right prop at the right time."

"It's a lot of organization," said Ripka. All that effort will start paying off

tonight, as the curtain rises at 7:30 p.m. tonight, Friday, and Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday at Mother Seton on Valley Road.

For tickets, call the school at 732-382-1952 between 9 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. or at the door. Tickets for senior citizens and children younger than 12 years old on Thursday and Friday cost \$5, and all other tickets cost \$10.

Gamers go nuts for 'Halo 2'

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Staff Writer

Move further underground, Tony Hawk. "Grand Theft Auto," move to the right lane please. "Doom 3" is now just doomed, because the magic words this holiday season are "Master Chief."

In fact, they just might be the magic words now, if area sales of the video game "Halo 2" for Xbox, released on last week, are any indication.

"Halo 2," the sequel to "Halo: Combat Evolved," is expected to outsell its current record-holding predecessor. With 1.5 million preorders nationwide, "Halo 2" is poised to dominate the video game market this holiday season, despite its "Mature" rating.

Gamestop in Edison opened at midnight Nov. 9 to accommodate gamers. Manager Brett Roche said about a quarter of the 200 games preordered were picked up at that time.

"Obviously, 'Halo 2' is the biggest video game release ever," Roche said. He also said most people purchasing the game were males ages 16 to 25, but that younger kids have come in. Since the game is rated "Mature," he said, parents and guardians do need to accompany their kids under 17 to pick up the game.

"Halo 2" follows hero Master Chief back to Earth, where the single-player mode has him fighting the evil alien alliance the Covenant to save Earth. The Covenant seeks revenge for the destruction of their holy relic Halo by Master Chief in the last game a protective ring that spanned their planet.

The Halo games are unique among first-person shooters such as "Doom" and "James Bond" for their plot. While it may seem to be straight shooting to those who do not play, true gamers appreciate Bungie's plot and characters. The single-player option mixes difficult battle sequences with sweeping cinematics, or movie sequences, that not only allows the player to rest but also draws him or her into the storyline. "Halo 2" is popular both for its story and its gameplay.

One associate spoken to last Wednesday morning reported having copies available, but guessed that would not last. "We sold a whole bunch last night after school ended, so I can't guarantee we'll have copies tonight or tomorrow."

If the \$49.99 price tag for the regular edition — \$54.99 for the special edition, which none of the stores called reported having — seems a bit steep, you could try renting it. Director's Cut in Clark reports that they have ordered a copy for rental, but that as of last Wednesday they have yet to receive it.

Microsoft, the parent company of Halo developer Bungie, has a Halo game coming out next week.

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Newspapers publish early next week

This newspaper will be published on Wednesday, Nov. 24. The offices of this newspaper will be closed Thursday and Friday in observance of Thanksgiving. We will reopen Monday.

The deadlines for the Nov. 24 edition are as follows:

- Lifestyle, including church and club news, etc. — Friday, noon.

- Legal advertising — Friday, noon.

- Letters to the editor — Friday, 9 a.m.

- What's Going On — Friday, 4 p.m.

- Display ads — Friday, 5 p.m. for Section A and noon for Section B.

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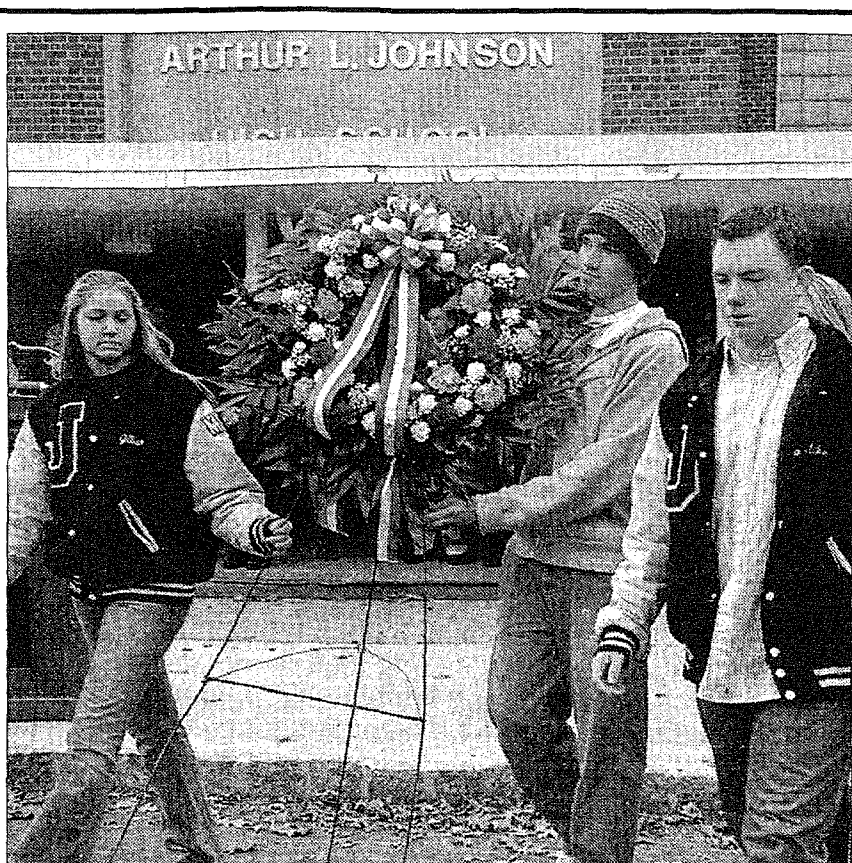
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- Classified advertising — Monday, 3 p.m.

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IN HONOR OF VETERANS — World War II veteran Joseph J. Luckasz, 81, sets up the American and VFW flags in preparation for Veterans Day ceremonies on the front lawn of Arthur L. Johnson High School last week. Students from Arthur L. Johnson High School carry a wreath to lay at the war memorial.



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Pumpkins and poems



'Pumpkins and Poems' arrived at Valley Road School when students were encouraged to decorate original pumpkins and/or write Halloween themed poems. More than 200 students participated in the Halloween contest sponsored by the Valley Road School PTA. Winners for each grade level are, from left, back row, pumpkin winners, Paul Crepaldi, Daniella Parisi, Kevin Fahy, Morgan Bothe, Kaitlyn Acosta, Richard Needham, Jaclyn Stankwich, Aleksandra Wee and Samantha Tropeano, and front row, poem winners, Billy Eltringham, Danielle Carnovale, Emily Curran, Amanda Chornik, Alex Hampp, Jimmy Dietze and Alexis Ciccone.

Seniors come out in support

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amenities of the project, which is expected to feature an enclosed courtyard, a pool, concierge service and "amenities no other facility in Union County has," according to DiGiovanni.

The facility will offer an entire building, 40 percent of its total units, earmarked for residents over the age of 62. Half of these units will be designated as affordable, according to DiGiovanni, and will fulfill Clark's Mount Laurel obligation.

While the floor plans are still tentative, so is the price. When asked, DiGiovanni said that the units would rent for whatever market rate in Clark was at the time they become available. Currently, he said, one-bedroom units in Clark are \$900 a month and two-bedroom units are \$1,100. Audience members called out that current market rate is higher than that, but there were no firm rates available from Garden Homes for the proposed project. DiGiovanni said that rates have not been determined at this time.

Both Villa and L'Oreal have cited the lack of sidewalks and crosswalks, HVAC installations, truck traffic, and manufacturing as potential problems for residents.

"There's no doubt that this is an industrial area," Dold-

en said, and not a place for residences. However, he said, "Whatever the town decides is in the best interests of the citizens, we'll accept their decision."

A spokesperson for Villa also cited quality-of-life concerns, calling the Terminal Avenue site, "is not in the township's or the senior's best interest for this age-restricted residential development."

The statement from Villa's spokesperson went on to call for more open communication between the town and the corporations.

"Villa Contracting's repeated attempts to communicate our viewpoints to the town council were consistently rebuffed," she said. "Given the fact that the current plan for the Terminal Avenue site was presented as a fait accompli, we are extremely concerned that the lack of open dialogue will result in seniors getting a raw deal."

While Villa is opposed to the current site, she said, the company is open to discussing alternatives in order to find a "win-win solution."

However, council sentiment supported the current site as the best solution. "This is a win-win situation for Clark," council member Albanese told the seniors.

Video game grosses more than film

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Bungie Games, has reported \$125 million worth of sales for the game in its first 24 hours on the shelf, larger than the amount taken in last weekend for the opening of Disney's "The Incredibles," which led box-office sales.

EB Games in Garwood and Target in Clark both had copies available as of last Wednesday morning, but both stores had seen many more copies sold.

And then, there is the phenomenon of the LAN party, one of which was attended by three gentlemen who work in Clark this past weekend. A LAN party, for the uninitiated, is a gathering of gamers to play a specific game, usually by hooking up multiple consoles to form a Local Area Network.

At this particular party, there were

three consoles connected for the 10 players involved, all of whom were between the ages of 22 and 27. The gamers played from 8 p.m. until after 3 a.m. with only a 15-minute pizza break for sustenance. While no one involved wished to give their names — several had taken personal days Tuesday to play the game and didn't want to reveal to their companies why — they were free with "Halo 2" chatter.

"Halo 2 is a party game," one said. "You can't play 'Grand Theft Auto' like this, you have to trade off while the others watch. This way, everyone is playing."

"We were numbers 45 through 50 in line at EB Games in Garwood at midnight," another revealed. "And there were at least another 50 behind us."

ShopRite employees make it to the big time

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appear on cereal boxes," said Alberto Canal, who represents Wakefern Foods, the parent company of ShopRite.

"Each of you, each day, have done outstanding work," he told the assembled associates at the unveiling on Monday.

"Thank you so much. This is some-

thing much more than just being on a cereal box."

Cunningham and Roszkowski have both been employed by ShopRite for more than 20 years.

"It's 23 years today," Roszkowski said Monday, while Cunningham says she celebrates her anniversary in two weeks.

The cereal box appearance by these

two Clark residents not only marks their commitment to their community, but rewards their service to their customers as well.

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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

• Clark public schools will celebrate American Education Week with open house visitation at Carl H. Kumpf Middle School from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

• 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.

Guest speaker will be Ed Etayo, Aetna agent, who will hold an "Aetna's Medicare Choices" seminar and explain their Medicare Advantage Plan. Jill R. Johnson, in her album "Oxyisel" will show seniors how to use Oxyisel, the power of oxygen, to lose weight and gain health. Refreshments will be served.

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

• The Arthur L. Johnson High School Theatre Department will present "The Glass Menagerie" at 7:30 p.m. in the high school auditorium. Doors will open by 7:15.

Tickets cost \$6 and may either be purchased at the door or reserved in advance by calling 732-382-0910.

• Mother Seton Regional High School on Valley Road will present its annual school play "The Sound of Music," at 7:30 p.m. Tickets cost \$5 for senior citizens and children younger than 12 on Thursdays and Fridays. All other tickets cost \$10.

Tickets may be obtained by calling the school at 732-382-1952 weekdays from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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Saturday

• Sun Spot Tanning Studio, located in Clark Village Shopping Center on Raritan Road, will celebrate its 20th anniversary with a Tanfest from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., giving away free tans, lotions and gifts. Refreshments will also be served.

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Sunday

• The Ladies Division of the Deutscher Club Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will sponsor its annual Christkindl Markt, or Christmas boutique, from noon to 6 p.m. Imported German linens and gift items; German Christmas cards, candies, handcrafted items, jewelry and Gluhwein — Spiced Hot Wine and more will be offered. Complete dinners are available inside.

• Mother Seton Regional High School on Valley Road will present its annual school play "The Sound of Music," at 2 p.m. Tickets cost \$5 for senior citizens and children younger than 12 on Thursdays and Fridays. All other tickets cost \$10.

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Monday

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

• 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.

• The Zoning Board of Adjustment will meet from 8 to 11 p.m. in council chamber, behind the Police Department, 315 Westfield Ave.

Tuesday

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

• Marc D. Snyder, managing attorney, of Community Health Law Project in Union County will speak on services available through CHLP — a non-profit advocacy and legal services organization dedicated to serving the needs of low-income persons with disabilities and the elderly in New Jersey — at the monthly meeting of the National Alliance for the Mental-

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Cranwood Electric.....	Adam Koomer	

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Holy pumpkins...



Fourth-graders from St. John the Apostle School in Clark decorated pumpkins as their favorite saints. They prepared reports and had a pumpkin parade to share the information they learned with other grades.

Clark resident aims for 2006 Olympics

When an athlete has a dream to go to the Olympics, sometimes things just fall into place to make it happen.

Clark resident Mariana Banic's vision to go to the 2006 winter Olympics in Torino, Italy, as part of the bobsled team just became a little clearer thanks to a donation of \$4,777.50 from two sources stemming from an idea of the Hyatt Hills Golf Course in Clark.

When they partnered with the Clark Kiwanis Club to run a helicopter "Ball Drop" at their all-community anniversary celebration in September, half of the money raised by the Kiwanis' portion would go to the winning golf ball owner and the club's half was to go to the Olympic athlete.

At the Hyatt Hills anniversary event, Scotch Plains resident Sandy Haas purchased a ticket for the ball drop at the urging of her 8-year-old son Tyler.

Her name was on the winning ball, so she was entitled to half of the \$6,370 that was raised.

But when Haas realized that Banic was a trainer at Personal Best, a gym on South Avenue in Garwood where

she attends, she just felt it was right to give half of her money to Mariana.

"We just thought it would be nice to give it to help her go to the Olympics," she said.

"My son was the reason we bought the ticket in the first place," said Haas, "so I agreed with him that maybe we should donate to her dream."

Len Glassman, part owner of Personal Best, was thrilled at the generosity of the Haas mom and son.

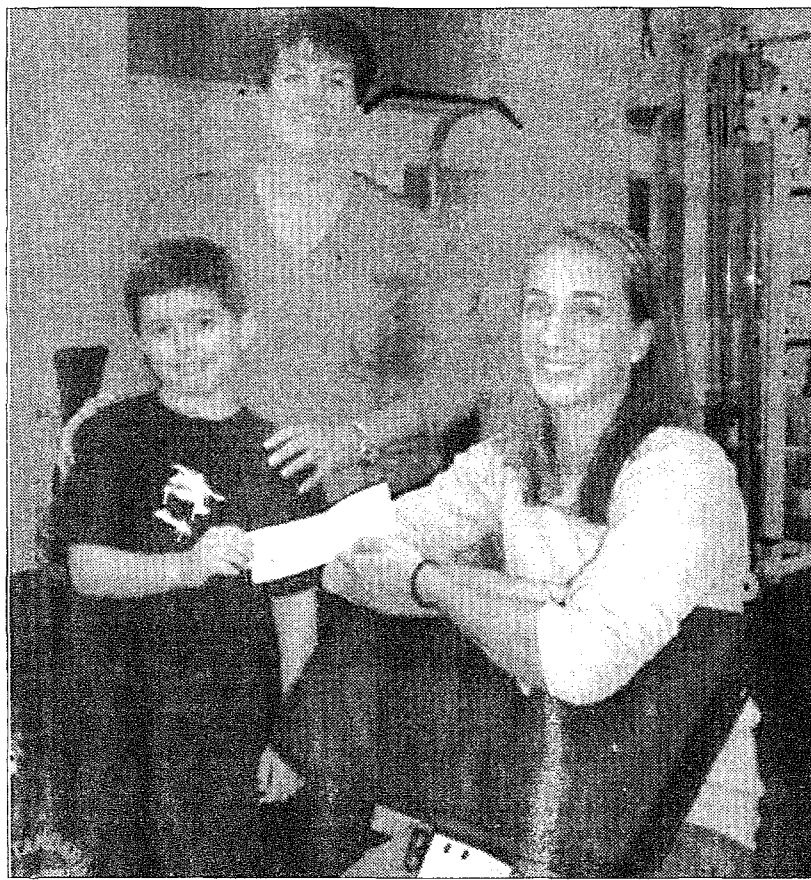
Mariana "is part of the family here. We want her to succeed like a daughter. We will support her all the way to the finish line," he said of her goal. He and the gym have been trying to raise money for their star athlete.

This summer Banic and other hopefuls trained in Calgary, Canada.

"We did well on ice," Banic said. Team trials took place in Lake Placid, N.Y., at the end of October.

"It's a challenge to see what your body can do. Also, it's a fear factor," she said of the sport.

Because Banic is one of the 12 girls vying for the spot to be on the American team who have to fund themselves, she said she was apprecia-



Tyler Haas, with mom, Sandy, donates to Mariana Banic's fund for the 2006 Olympics as a bobsled brakeman.

tive of the generosity of Clark Kiwanis and Haas.

It's seemingly easy for people to

ALJ students take on Tennessee Williams play, 'The Glass Menagerie'

A. E. Gualtieri
Staff Writer

A gentleman caller will grace the stage of Arthur L. Johnson High School starting tonight and upend the Wingfield family's life as the Tennessee Williams drama "The Glass Menagerie" is performed by ALJ students.

"The Glass Menagerie," Williams' first successful play, premiered on Dec. 26, 1944 in Chicago and went on to win the prestigious New York Drama Critics' Circle Award the following year.

Arthur L. Johnson's production has not been without its snags, says director John Woodworth. With only four weeks between auditions and showtime, pulling the play together hasn't been an easy task, especially with the early loss of one of the leads.

The original student cast as Amanda Wingfield pulled out of the production, and the understudy, Catie Whiting, accepting the challenging role.

"She stepped right in and picked it up quickly," said Woodworth, who is proud of his star.

Despite the replacement, Whiting says she is happy

playing Amanda. "I've become better friends with these people that I would have otherwise," though she admits that the length of some of the monologues is daunting.

"Because it's such a small cast — four people — we each have more lines and there's more focus on each of us," said sophomore John Fahy, who plays Amanda's son, Tom Wingfield, the narrator of the drama.

To prepare for their roles, the students spent time analyzing the challenging play. They kept a notebook of their observations about their characters, the plot, and the themes of "The Glass Menagerie," as well as employing the basics of the Stanislavsky method to create their characters.

Woodworth said that one of the challenges of "The Glass Menagerie" is making it relevant to audiences today. "We try to bridge the gap by breaking down the fourth wall" to address the audience directly, he said. "It's really about telling people to wake up, and in that sense, there's no difference between this audience and the audience Williams was speaking to in 1945."

Doors open at 7:15 p.m. tonight, Friday, and Saturday for the 7:30 curtain time.

Colonial Drive burglary leads to two arrests

POLICE BLOTTER

A reported burglary at 2340 Colonial Drive led to the arrests of Sandra Kopacz, 23, and Milan Stojka, 31, both of Brooklyn, on Nov. 11 at 3:39 p.m.

Stojka and Kopacz were both charged with burglary, and bail has been set at \$15,000.

Stojka was also detained on a warrant from Bergen County and also charged with various motor vehicle offenses.

William Giarnieri, 21, of Linden, was arrested Monday at 10:43 a.m. following a motor vehicle stop in the vicinity of Madison Hill Road and Mildred Terrace.

Police Detective Walter Merfert arrested Giarnieri on outstanding warrants from Union and Woodbridge totalling \$1,250 for contempt of court for motor vehicle violations.

After being issued several summonses for motor vehicle violations, Giarnieri was turned over to the Woodbridge Police Department.

Police officer Vincent Concina arrested Robert D. Rybeck, 20, of Garwood, on Sunday at 10:09 p.m.

The arrest followed a report of criminal mischief at a Blake Drive residence.

Rybeck, a student, was charged with criminal mischief, and was released on his own recognizance pending a court date.

Criminal mischief at an Emerson Lane home was reported to police on Saturday at 5:09 a.m.

Officer Marty Venezia responded, and the incident is still under investigation.

Officer John Ehling and the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad responded to a report of an injury on Saturday at 8:43 a.m.

The male patient had a head laceration, and was transported to Rahway hospital by the Emergency Squad.

Officer Pete Matos responded to a

report of criminal mischief to a residence on Briarwood Path on Nov. 10 at 6:48 p.m. The incident is still under investigation.

Mohammed Alsamir, 32, of Newark was arrested on Nov. 9 at 5:28 p.m. following a routine motor vehicle stop along Terminal Avenue.

Alsamir had an outstanding warrant for \$1,155 and was also issued summonses for driving with a suspended license and operating an unregistered vehicle. He was transported to Union County Jail.

A theft was reported at the Target on Central Avenue on Nov. 9 at 4:08 p.m. Officer Alex Yanes responded, and the incident is still under investigation.

A motor vehicle parked along Valley Road was reported burglarized on Nov. 9 at 11:18 a.m. Officer Eric Richter responded, and the incident is still under investigation.

A motor vehicle was reported stolen from a residence on Lupine Way at 9:43 a.m. on Nov. 9. Officer Eric Richter responded, and the incident is still under investigation.

A fire was reported along the 1100 block of Lake Avenue on Nov. 8 at 11:40 a.m. Police and Fire Department personnel responded to the call, and the leaf fire was extinguished.

Bulky material pickup offered by appointment

The Department of Public Works will collect used appliances by appointment only on Mondays.

Appliances that will be collected include refrigerators, cast iron radiators, hot water heaters, air conditioners, dryers, dishwashers, washing machines, stoves and other metal items. Call the DPW at 732-388-5305 or at 732-388-3600, ext. 3096.

Auto club opens its doors



The ribbon is officially cut during a ceremony Saturday marking the grand opening of AAA Travel Club's new office in Clark.

Churches, social clubs encouraged to send news

This newspaper encourages congregations, temples, social and civic organizations to inform the editors about scheduled events and activities.

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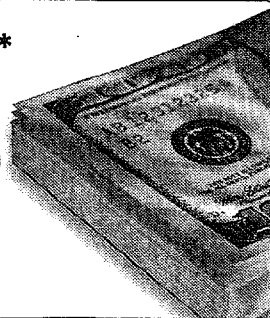
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COMMUNITY FORUM

EDITORIALS

Welcome to Clark

It's customary in most municipalities to greet visitors traveling into the community with a "Welcome to..." sign.

While these are prevalent in Clark, Parkway motorists entering the township at Brant Avenue also are greeted with a vacant, dilapidated building, formerly known as Jack's Tavern.

Although there's some history to the site that's been home to the blue-collar bar since the 1940s, fun-loving bar stories are now clouded by the current vision of the establishment, complete with the chipping, faded paint and cracks in the pavement.

The site is privately owned, and therefore, the township is not responsible for maintaining the property. But the township has taken minor measures, such as filling potholes in the parking lot, to maintain the functionality and aesthetics of the shared parking lot area.

The building, which is at the start of the township's downtown area, as proposed in the master plan, is under contract to be sold. But no one knows how long demolition and rebuilding on the site could take, or even when the process will start.

Township officials should be more persistent in getting the property owner, a company called Addis, to keep the property to area standards. The township also should review its master plan and be sure to keep redevelopment to those measures.

If Westfield Avenue is ever going to become the downtown of Clark, Jack's Tavern has got to go.

In the meantime, township officials should create stricter property maintenance codes to include the removal of signs if a building is no longer occupied and regular landscaping. Building owners should be fined for not keeping with these standards.

With the sale of the site, hopefully visitors to Clark will be welcomed in style. The township needs to ensure that any development will be the pride of Clark for years to come. It can do that by implementing property maintenance rules and regulations.

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



Advocates for a worthy cause

Advocates for a Better Clark is an organization set to do just what its name says, make Clark better. The group, founded just about a year ago, is an education funding organization.

They raise money and plan soon to give grants to teachers in the school district as long as teachers' proposed projects are not something that can be provided or funded by the school board.

The Advocates held their first public meeting of the school year last week in which they discussed and questioned a \$23.5 million bond referendum earmarked for school repairs.

Every one of Clark's four schools are in need of repairs to their mechanical structures. Projects, such as the upgrade to the Arthur L. Johnson heating system, are expected to be completed within the next three years with money from the bond. Typically, bond referendum questions are addressed during school board meetings, where the agenda is full and conversations are short.

We commend Advocates for a Better Clark for hosting this panel discussion in an attempt to address the issue and clear misconceptions. We encourage the group to hold more panel forums, when time does not allow for discussion to take place in board of education meetings. And as we commend Advocates for a Better Clark for raising funds for grants for teachers, we encourage the organization to raise money for necessary school repairs.

As the Advocates allow teachers to teach outside of the box, they can also help make sure that students' learning isn't compromised by less than adequate surroundings.

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— Paul K. McMasters
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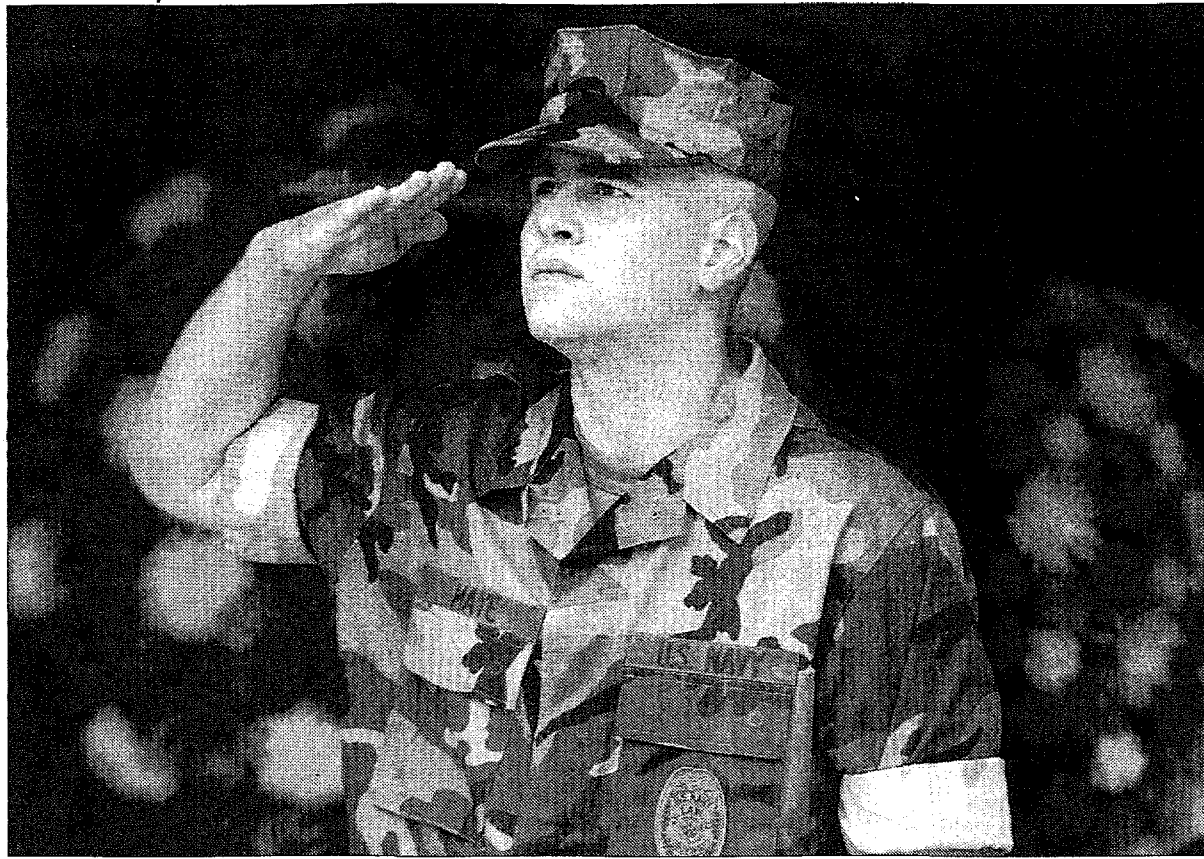


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A CRISP SALUTE — Thomas Maye of the U.S. Navy salutes the flag during Veterans Day ceremonies last week in front of Arthur L. Johnson High School on Westfield Avenue. A 2002 graduate of ALJ, Maye has been in the military since July and will be stationed in Diego Garcia, an island off of Iraq, on Dec. 2.

More effort needed in lung cancer awareness

For The Record

By Tom Canavan
Editor in Chief

I've been waiting patiently since the beginning of the month, but what I've been looking for has not crossed my desk. In fact, after inquiries, I discovered that it hasn't crossed any of the desks in all three offices that house our busy newsrooms.

A press release. The announcement of a news event or a free screening offered at one of the many area hospitals in these two counties. Nothing. It's as if the disease doesn't exist.

I wonder how many people know that November is National Lung Cancer Awareness Month, or that lung cancer is still America's top cancer killer. My guess is not many, because Lung Cancer Awareness Month has never been promoted.

It does not have the support of advocates promoting breast cancer in October, and because it has remained at the top of the cancer killers list with not much downward movement, it is not getting the recognition that brain and prostate cancers, which are experiencing major growth spurts, are receiving.

During October, there are hundreds of avenues for the pink ribbons promoting breast cancer awareness to circulate. The ribbons promoting lung cancer awareness are clear, symbolic of the disease's nickname as the invisible cancer. Perhaps because the stigma attached to lung cancer — the smoking aspect and the fact that many people think lung cancer patients deserve the illness — the month isn't getting the recognition it deserves.

The fact is, though, more and more people diagnosed with lung cancer are

people who have never lifted a cigarette to their lips. Second-hand smoke and the environment are the second and third biggest contributors to lung cancer after smoking. Worst of all, these people have a disease that each year kills more people than breast, prostate, colon and pancreas cancers combined. In the 10 years from 1991 to 2000, according to the American Cancer Society's Cancer Statistics 2003 Report, lung cancer claimed the lives of more than 1.5 million people.

When I was diagnosed with lung cancer in April 2002 at the age of 41 years old, I was ready to accept the penalty. I smoked, I got cancer, and statistics revealed that at least 85 percent of those diagnosed with lung cancer die. But while all that sounded grim, I had no idea of the medical advancements that had been made in the fight against lung cancer. I quickly learned, though, that a diagnosis was not a death sentence, and that there were many treatments available to me to lengthen my life and live comfortably while enduring the treatments. It all depended on the doctors and how aggressively they would be willing to treat me.

I got the best. I got my brother as my oncologist, and he took my hand and led me through the worst period of my life. Through interacting with him during this period, I learned more about the illness and was directed to various organizations that could help and support me if I needed it.

Longevity also depended on attitude, and if there was one thing I never let die was the positive attitude I carried no matter what part of the illness I was battling.

For those who have never read any previous columns I've written about my fight with cancer, I was diagnosed with lung cancer primary in April 2002 as I was told I also had a malignant tumor on my brain. Within three months, I had brain and lung surgery, a mediastinoscopy to check lymph nodes on the chest and numerous radiation and chemotherapy treatments. By the 13th month, I had also endured surgery to remove an adrenal gland where a tumor had developed, and Gamma Knife Surgery to remove another tumor that formed on the left frontal lobe of my brain. In addition to the five surgeries, I totaled approximately 60 radiation treatments and 20 chemotherapy treatments, some of which forced me to the floor with fatigue and other side effects.

It was not a pretty picture, but at least I'm here today. And today, there are at least a few more organizations in addition to the American Cancer Society that have blossomed to make more people aware of lung cancer.

ALCASE, the Alliance for Lung Cancer Advocacy, Support and Educa-

tion, offers many resources for lung cancer patients, their loved ones and those at risk for the disease. That was the first organization I sought information from, and because I like the direction the organization is taking, I decided I am going to donate to it a portion of the proceeds I earn from the book I've written about my experiences with cancer. If anyone would like information about the book, they can send me an e-mail at Cancerfighter60@aol.com, and I'll happily respond.

"I Don't Have Time for This: My Battle with Cancer" is my personal journey through a nightmare of a time, but written in a very inspiring way. You can also get information about the book at Authorhouse.com. Click on bookstore and type my last name in the author box, and you'll be taken right to the page.

The American Cancer Society, of course, has a wealth of information about lung cancer, and, during and after my illness, I have referred many times to the book, "100 Questions and Answers About Lung Cancer," an educational resource provided by ALCASE and Aventis Pharmaceuticals of Bridgewater.

If more people are made aware of the origins of lung cancer as well as treatments available today, fewer people will view their diagnosis as a death sentence, and instead they can find themselves looking forward to being in remission, as I am.

Tom Canavan can be reached at editorial@thelocalsource.com.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Thanks to all for your support

To the Editor:

I wish to convey my sincerest appreciation to all the residents of Clark Township who supported me this past election. The large number of votes I received indicates the residents were pleased with the progress that was accomplished these past four years and by re-electing me expect it to continue.

Those who know me personally know that I do not make idle promises and I can say unequivocally the progress you have seen will continue in the future. I feel I have worked diligently these past four years continually trying to improve the lifestyle of our residents and I will continue to do that during this next term as councilman at-large.

Once again, I wish to thank all those who supported me with signs on their lawns, those who helped with my campaign and of course those who voted for me.

Councilman At-large Al Barr
Clark

Halloween parade a roaring success

To the Editor:

The Clark Lions Club Halloween parade was a huge success and was enjoyed by all who participated. This year our marchers doubled in size and we saw many grown-ups dressing up for the festivities.

Following the parade, the members of the Clark Lions Club gave out over 250 prizes, hot dogs and juice boxes were given out to the participants and their families.

The Arthur L. Johnson High School Kiwanis/Key Club provided games and entertainment for the children. We would also like to thank all our local sponsors who helped make the event the success that it was. I would especially like to thank Synergy bank with there extra effort in acquiring silver dollars as prizes.

Next year we are looking for an even larger turnout. If interested in making a float, have an antique car or have a band, we would love for you to participate. Please call me at 732-381-1900.

Bob Gittleman
Clark

Thanks for helping achieve my goal

To the Editor:

I would like to thank my wife and children, all the voters in the 2nd Ward as well as all the members of the Republican Party who helped me achieve my goal of being elected as the 2nd Ward councilman.

I look forward to working with everyone to give our children even more opportunities than I had as a child growing up in this town as well as making sure our seniors receive the respect they deserve with more programs designed with them in mind.

I am excited to continue the progress the mayor and council have put in place over the past few years and look forward to improving an already great town. I can't think of any other town I would want to live in.

Again, I want to thank all of my supporters and I look forward to serving the 2nd Ward as well as the community.

2nd Ward Councilman Patrick O'Connor
Clark

Lingering campaign signs are offensive

To the Editor:

Bravo to your editorial "Get them down," in the Nov. 4 edition.

I am in total agreement with removing campaign signs immediately after the election. Why can't a time limit to do so be imposed by local government officials? If the party fails to do so, a fine imposed. The names of the candidates are on the signs, as are their respective parties. Obviously, we would know where the party headquarters are located and hence, a summons be issued to the party.

I find it offensive that two months after an election the signs are on public property and still lingering. Obviously, after the election is over, no one feels a sense of responsibility to clean up what they had placed there. A fine might make them feel some sense of responsibility. The possibility of a second fine for littering, might also add to the incentive to clean up the mess they created. There may even be other ordinances which they may be violating, of which I am not familiar, but city, county and state officials may be more familiar.

These signs, which I see every day, are truly an eyesore and I believe become offensive after the election is over. Let's clean them up! Bravo, Mr. Editor.

Mike Genovese
Roselle Park

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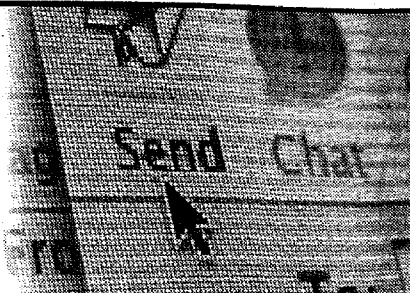
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EVENTS

American Education Week celebrated

Clark public schools will celebrate American Education Week with open house visitation on the following days at the following schools:

- Carl H. Kumpf Middle School, today, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- Valley Road School, Friday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tanning salon marks 20th anniversary

Sun Spot Tanning Studio celebrates its 20th anniversary with a Tanfest on Saturday from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m., giving away free tans, lotions and gifts. Refreshments will also be served.

The Tanning Only Indoor Tanning Studio, located in Clark Village Shopping Center on Raritan Road across from Windsor Diner, was created in 1984, the first in Clark.

Owner Chris Halpin said that over the past 20 years, tanning technology has changed dramatically. Sun Spot has kept pace with these changes by constantly featuring state-of-the-art equipment.

Christmas Boutique at Deutscher Club

The Ladies Division of the Deutscher Club Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will sponsor its annual Christkindl Markt, or Christmas boutique, Sunday from noon to 6 p.m.

Imported German linens and gift items; German Christmas cards, candies, handcrafted items, jewelry and Gluhwein — Spiced Hot Wine and more will be offered.

Complete dinners are available inside.

ABC, Key Club join town for holiday festival

The Advocates for a Better Clark, in conjunction with the ALJ Key Club, the mayor and the Township Council, will sponsor a holiday winter festival and tree/menorah lighting on Nov. 28 at the Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave.

Festivities will kick off with the mayor's annual breakfast with Santa Claus at the Gran Centurions from 9 a.m. to noon. Activities will begin in

the afternoon at the Municipal Building with fun for all ages. The day will conclude with a tree and menorah lighting ceremony at 5:30 p.m.

Craft fair planned Dec. 4 at Mother Seton

The Parents' Guild of Mother Seton Regional High School on Valley Road, near Exit 135 of the Garden State Parkway, Clark, will sponsor a craft fair Dec. 4 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Admission is free.

Open house Dec. 7

Mother Seton Regional High School, Valley Road, Clark, will hold an informal open house on Dec. 7 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. for all sixth-, seventh- and eighth-grade girls and their parents. The program will be informational and enjoyable for girls who are planning to enter high school in near future.

The evening is designed primarily for parents and for students who are interested in attending Mother Seton Regional High School or in exploring some of the high school options available to them. Parents and students will have an opportunity to tour the school, examine the curricular and co-curricular programs, investigate transportation and meet with administration, guidance and faculty members. Parents or students are invited to come alone if the evening is not convenient for both.

An informal social will follow at which parents and daughters may mingle with faculty and students of Mother Seton Regional High School, near Exit 135 of the Garden State Parkway.

Try the town's tastes at booster club festival

The Arthur L. Johnson High School Booster Club will hold a Santaguida Taste of the Town Festival on Dec. 13.

Proceeds will support the booster club scholarships, including the Thomas Santaguida Scholarships and Saint of the Year Award.

The festival will run from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Gran Centurions, 440 Madison Hill Road.

For more information, call Principal Robert Taylor at 732-382-0910.

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Lubas wins contest



In a Christopher Columbus essay contest sponsored by Unico, Meredith Lubas of St. John the Apostle School in Clark won first place. She read her essay at the Columbus Day ceremonies sponsored by Unico and received a \$50 bond.

OBITUARIES

Crescenza Toto

Crescenza Toto, 92, of Clark died Nov. 7 in the home of her son, Vito M., in Cranford.

Born in New York City, Mrs. Toto moved to Clark 45 years ago.

Also surviving are another son, Michael V.; two sisters, Rosa Bizzoco and Lena Lore; two brothers, Vito Fanelli and Rocco Faniello; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Ahn

Elizabeth Ahn, 90, of Clark died Nov. 7 at home.

Born in Kearny, Mrs. Ahn lived in Montclair before moving to Clark 55 years ago.

Surviving are her husband of 68 years, Harry; three sons, Christopher, Paul and Phillip; five grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

John R. Farrell

John R. Farrell, 87, of Clark died Nov. 15 in JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Mr. Farrell worked for the New Jersey Central Railroad and Conrail in Newark for 47 years before retiring in 1980 as supervisor of signals.

Born in Elizabeth, he moved to Clark in 1955.

Surviving are his wife, Madeline; sons, John R. Jr. and Ronald; six grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Anthony Pacinas

Anthony J. Pacinas, 87, of Clark, formerly of Elizabeth, died Nov. 10 in the Haven Hospice at JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Pacinas moved to Clark in 1958. He was an assembler with Pitney-Bowes, Plainfield, for many years before retiring in 1982.

Mr. Pacinas was a military policeman in the Army during World War II. Surviving are a brother, Alphonse, and a sister, Ann.

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CALIFORNIA / WASHINGTON BV Coastal Cab, Chard, Merlot 7.07 BV Napa Cabernet 11.37 BV Rutherford Cabernet 16.57 Babich Sauvignon Blanc 8.07 Benziger Chardonnay Carneros 8.57 Beringer Chardonnay Napa 10.67 Beringer Chardonnay Merlot 4.37 Beringer Knights Valley Cab 18.67 Beringer Pr Ries Chard 01-WSSO 22.07 Bogle Cabernet 8.67 Bogle Petite Sirah 7.37 Bogle Zinfandel Old Vine 8.07 Bonterra Chardonnay 10.07 Csi del Sole Big House Red, Wt 7.17 Cambria Chard, Merlot & Vyd 12.07 Ch Souverain Chardonnay 14.07 Ch Souverain Merlot 13.37 Ch St Jean Cabernet Sonoma 18.67 Ch St Jean Chardonnay 9.37 Ch Ste Michelle Chardonnay 7.67 Ch Ste Michelle Cabernet, Mer 11.37 Charles Krug Cabernet 14.97 Cline Zinfandel California 7.17 Clos du Bois Cabernet 12.07 Clos du Bois Chardonnay 9.37 Clos du Bois Merlot 13.07 Columbia Crest Chard, Mer-Cab 5.37 Coppola Diamond Chardonnay 11.17 Coppola Diamond Chard, Mer 12.17 Dynamite Cabernet, Merlot 13.37 Edna Valley Chardonnay 10.07 Estancia Chardonnay 8.07					
ESTANCIA RED MERLOTAGE Estancia Cabernet, Merlot 11.07 Fetzer-Sundial Chard, Mer, Cab, Gewurz 6.47 Forest Glen Cab, Chard, Merlot 6.07 Franciscan Cabernet 18.07 Franciscan Chardonnay 12.07 Franciscan Magnificent Meritage 38.07 Franciscan Merlot 15.07 Frei Brothers Chardonnay 11.37 Gallo Sonoma Cab, Chard, Mer 8.17 Geyser Peak Sauvignon Blanc 8.07 Glen Ellen Cab, Chard, Merlot 4.07 Hahn Cabernet 8.07 Hess Select Cabernet 13.37 Hess Select Chardonnay 8.27 Hogue Chardonnay 6.57 J. Lohr Cabernet Seven Oaks 11.07 Kendall Jackson Pinot Noir 9.07 Kendall Jackson Sauv Blanc 7.37 Kendall Jackson Cab, Merlot 12.17 La Crema Chard Sonoma Coast 12.37 La Crema Pinot Noir Sonoma Coast 14.07 Liberty School Cabernet 14.97 Marietta Old Vine Red 8.27 Markham Chardonnay 11.37 Markham Merlot 14.07 Merryvale Chard Starmont 13.67 Mondavi Napa Cab 16.37 Mondavi, CK Cabernet 5.57 Murphy Goode Cabernet 14.07 Napa Ridge Cab Chard 6.07 Peppercorn Pinot Noir 7.07 Rabbit Ridge Cuvee Cab, Merlot 6.37					
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ITALY Antinori Santa Cristina Sangiovese 8.07 Banfi Chianti Classico Riserva 12.17 Bella Sera Pinot Grigio 5.77 Cavit Pinot Grigio 6.47 Ecco Domani Merlot, PGigio 7.17 Falessco Vitiano 10.67 Lagedero Pinot Grigio 10.07 Luna Chianti Classico 10.37 Luina di Luna Chard-PG, Mer-Cab 7.37 Monte Antico Rosso 10.07 Ruffino Chianti Ris Ducale Gold 6.17 Tefelbrunner Pinot Grigio 9.37					
FRANCE Fat Bastard Chard, Shiraz 7.47 Jadot Parallel 45 7.57 Jadot Beaugolais 7.57 Jadot Beaugolais Villages 7.07 Jadot Pouilly Fuisse 15.77 Mouton Cadet Red, White 6.07					
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SPECIAL Jack Daniels Bourbon 34.99 1.75L	SPECIAL Tanqueray Gin 29.49 1.75L	SPECIAL Bailey's Irish Cream 17.09 750ml	SPECIAL Glenlivet 12 year 28.09 750ml	SPECIAL Grey Goose •Orange •Citron •Le Vanil 24.99 750ml	SPECIAL Seagram's 7 14.09 1.75L
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PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY
RESOLUTION NO. 2004-320

WHEREAS, the Director of Finance and Chief Financial Officer have certified to the availability of funds which is on file in the office of the Township Clerk; and
WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, at a meeting held June 15, 2004, adopted Resolution No. 2004-208, authorizing a Professional Services Agreement with Barretto/Dowd for landscape architecture planning and design services for Centennial Avenue Business District Improvements; and
WHEREAS, revisions to the original scope of services in connection with said project are required; and
WHEREAS, said revisions have resulted in changes to the original proposed fee; and
WHEREAS, this proposed fee, summed with the original authorized expenditure, exceeds the Township of Cranford's authorized \$25,000.00 bid threshold, thereby requiring a resolution of the governing body; and
WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1et. seq.) requires that notice with respect to contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be published in the newspaper;
NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, New Jersey as follows:

1. Barretto/Dowd, Landscape, Architecture Site Planning, 100 Old Tavern Road, Howell, New Jersey 07731, is hereby retained to provide the additional services necessary in connection with said project.
2. Barretto/Dowd shall receive fees not to exceed \$37,100.00;
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the professional services contemplated are of such a nature that they do not lend itself to competitive bidding; and
4. A copy of this resolution shall be published as required by law within twenty (20) days of its adoption.

Certified to be a true copy of a resolution adopted by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford at a meeting held November 9, 2004.
Rosalie Hellenbrecht
Township Clerk
Dated: 10/10/04
U94334 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$25.50)

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

TAKE NOTICE that on the 8th day of November, 2004, the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union took the following actions:

1. Application #Z20-04: Granted a variance with conditions to Joseph and Palma Anton, Applicants, to permit construction of a porch with less than the required front yard setback on Block 149, Lot 14 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 1 Hillside Place in a R-4 Zone.
2. Application #Z30-04: Granted a variance with conditions to Philip and Elizabeth Kellett, Applicants, to permit construction of an addition with less than the required minimum rear yard setback and less than the required minimum combined side yard setback on Block 233, Lot 7 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 20 Craig Place in a R-4 Zone.
3. Application #Z35-04: Continued the hearing of VJV Properties, Inc., Applicant, 7 Washington Place Block 73, Lot 15, R-5 Zone, to permit construction of a two-family house with less than the minimum required interior lot width (136-30.8) and less than the minimum required lot area (136-30.2) to the next regularly scheduled meeting of November 22, 2004.
4. Application #Z27-04: Adopted resolution memorializing the approval of a variance to Anthony Buontempo to permit construction of an in-ground pool with less than the minimum required rear yard setbacks, and less than the minimum required distance from the principal structure to the pool on Block 505, Lot 5 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 630 Lincoln Park East in the R-2 Zone.
5. Application #Z28-04: Adopted resolution memorializing the approval of variances to Cellular Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Wireless to permit the construction of telecommunications antennae which will extend more than the maximum allowable above the highest point of the structure and exceed the maximum height allowable on Block 639, Lot 3 as shown on the Township Tax Map, also known as 11 Commerce Drive in a R-1 Zone.

Barbara Ginsberg
Board Secretary
U94262 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$24.00)

PUBLIC NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
PLANNING BOARD

TAKE NOTICE that on the 11th day of November, 2004, the Planning Board of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union took the following actions:

1. Application #1-02: Approved recommendations for a third amendment to the redevelopment plan for Roundbank Redevelopment Area, Page 6, Section 1 of "Standards-Conditional Use Standards-Retail Services" to include full service spa and salon with related products and services, shall be permitted on the first floor space measuring at least 6,800 square feet only.
2. Adopted a resolution memorializing the preliminary investigation results determining the property commonly known as 555 South Avenue East, Block 511, Lot 1 qualifies as an area in need of redevelopment and the criteria set forth in N.J.S.A. 40A:12-5, Local Redevelopment and Housing Law of the State of New Jersey.
3. Adopted a resolution memorializing the recommendations for approval of a third amendment to the redevelopment plan for Roundbank Redevelopment Area, Page 6, Section 1 of "Standards-Conditional Use Standards-Retail Services" to include full service spa and salon with related products and services, shall be permitted on the first floor space measuring at least 6,800 square feet only.
4. Application #SD09-04: Carried the hearing on the application of Kimm Construction Applicants, 112 Park Drive, Block 198, Lot 1, Zone R-1, to permit a minor subdivision within a flood zone that will require the following variances: less than the minimum lot width required for a corner lot (136-30.5); less than the minimum required rear yard setback (136-30.7) on one lot; less than the minimum required combined side yard setbacks (136-30.8) on one lot; less than the minimum required lot width (136-31.8(2)); and site plan data (136-42.C) to the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board to be held on December 15, 2004.

Edward M. Schmidt
Board Secretary
U94267 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$21.75)

CORPORATION NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the following Ordinance was duly adopted and approved on final reading at a Special Meeting of the Municipal Council, Township of Clark on November 8, 2004.

ORDINANCE 04-18

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AND SUPPLEMENT CHAPTER 11 OF THE REVISED ORDINANCES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK ENTITLED PARKS, RECREATION AREAS AND FACILITIES TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF THE USE OF ARTIFICIAL FIELDS WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK.

Kathleen Leonard
Township Clerk
U94757 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$7.88)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 et seq., application has been made to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Trenton, New Jersey, to receive title papers authorizing the sale for Dodge S03, 2004, Vehicle Identification Number: 3D7MA48D64G130417. Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Special Title Unit, P.O. Box 017, Trenton, New Jersey 08666-0017.

U94744 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$5.63)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 et seq., application has been made to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Trenton, New Jersey, to receive title papers authorizing the sale for 2000, Nissan Quest, Vehicle Identification Number: 4N2XN119YD815362. Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Special Title Unit, P.O. Box 017, Trenton, New Jersey 08666-0017.

U94746 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$5.63)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 et seq., application has been made to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Trenton, New Jersey, to receive title papers authorizing the sale for 1987 Mercury Contour, Vehicle Identification Number: 1MELM653XVK600591. Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Special Title Unit, P.O. Box 017, Trenton, New Jersey 08666-0017.

U94750 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$5.63)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The meeting of the Clark Planning Board for November 23, 2004 is cancelled.
Lisa McCabe
Clark Planning Board Secretary
U94737 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$2.63)

PUBLIC NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 et seq., application has been made to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Trenton, New Jersey, to receive title papers authorizing the sale for 1995 Chevy Blazer, Vehicle Identification Number: 1GNLT13W152149353. Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Special Title Unit, P.O. Box 017, Trenton, New Jersey 08666-0017.

U94751 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$5.63)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that in accordance with N.J.S.A. 39:10A-8 et seq., application has been made to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Trenton, New Jersey, to receive title papers authorizing the sale for 1997 Ford Escort, Vehicle Identification Number: 1FAEP35PW0T01938. Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to the New Jersey Motor Vehicle Commission, Special Title Unit, P.O. Box 017, Trenton, New Jersey 08666-0017.

U94756 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$5.63)

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK
NOTICE OF INTENTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a Regular Council Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey on Monday, November 15, 2004 and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration at the following variance: less than the minimum lot width required for a corner lot (136-30.5); less than the minimum required rear yard setback (136-30.7) on one lot; less than the minimum required combined side yard setbacks (136-30.8) on one lot; less than the minimum required lot width (136-31.8(2)); and site plan data (136-42.C) to the regularly scheduled meeting of the Board to be held on December 15, 2004.

Edward M. Schmidt
Board Secretary
U94267 CCE Nov. 18, 2004 (\$21.75)

AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ACQUISITION BY EMINENT DOMAIN OF TOWNSHIP PROPERTIES WITHIN THE TOWNSHIP OF CLARK.

WHEREAS, there exists within the Township of Clark a private street contained on Lot 2 in Block 31 presently known as Cellar Avenue which street is not presently part of the municipal roadway system but which has been in continuous use since 1961 providing access to adjoining residential and commercial properties;

WHEREAS, the aforesaid street intersects with Lake Avenue, a Union County road, and Cellar Avenue, Scotch Plains, a Township road, in the Township of Scotch Plains; and

WHEREAS, the property which is the subject of this ordinance though a private street has been accessible to and used by general public since its construction; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Clark in or about 1961 and acting at the request of the County of Union exercised its right of eminent domain to acquire a portion of Cellar Avenue, Clark, New Jersey in connection with the aforesaid street and the intersection of the aforesaid street with Lake Avenue intersection in Clark and Scotch Plains; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Clark has determined it to be in the interest of the Township that it acquire the private road known as Cellar Avenue, Clark, New Jersey being hereinafter described in order that the same shall become a public street within the Township of Clark to be owned, operated and maintained by the Township of Clark; and

WHEREAS, the aforesaid private street has no utilitarian function except as to act as a street and cannot be built upon; and

WHEREAS, the acquisition by eminent domain of the aforesaid street and the intersection of the aforesaid street with Lake Avenue intersection in Clark and Scotch Plains; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Clark has notified the present owner of the said parcel of its desire and intention to acquire the said street for the public purpose of it becoming a public thoroughfare and a part of the municipal roadway and in connection therewith has inquired of the owner as to whether or not it would be willing to execute a deed of said private roadway in favor of the Township of Clark; and

WHEREAS, the owner of the private roadway heretofore and hereinafter referred to has declined to respond to the affirmative respecting the request of the Township of Clark a dedication of the private roadway known as Cellar Avenue, Clark, New Jersey in favor of the Township of Clark; and

WHEREAS, the Township of Clark has undertaken a valuation of said taking by the Township Tax Assessor, a copy of which has been provided to the owners thereof; and

WHEREAS, the owners of the property to be condemned have not responded to the Township's request that it convey a deed of said property to the Township in lieu of the Township adopting this ordinance and undertake formal condemnation proceedings;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the Township of Clark in the County of Union and State of New Jersey as follows:

PUBLIC NOTICE

SECTION 1: The Township hereby declares it to be in the public interest of the Township of Clark to exercise its power of eminent domain in order to acquire the fee to a certain private road which has been used by citizens of the Township of Clark and without restriction since its construction since 1961 within the Township of Clark known as Cellar Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, said property being more specifically described and depicted on Exhibits A and B. The Township, in exercising its power of eminent domain as provided herein, shall assume the full maintenance responsibility for Cellar Avenue including the maintenance of the storm drainage system existing therein and upon abutting private property. The Township reserves the right, but not the obligation, to enter upon any such private property for the limited purpose of maintaining the storm drainage system in order to accommodate the storm water discharge from the public street to be created hereunder.

SECTION 2: The purpose of this Ordinance is to incorporate the aforesaid property, a de facto public roadway, as part of the municipal street system within the Township of Clark and to provide for its maintenance, repair and jurisdiction by the Township of Clark.

SECTION 3: The Township of Clark has concluded that it is within the legitimate governmental interest of the Township to acquire said property for public purposes and that the acquisition of this property is a proper exercise of its powers of eminent domain pursuant to the powers vested in the municipality conveyed by Chapter 56 of Title 40 of the New Jersey Statutes Annotated.

SECTION 4: Upon the adoption of this

PUBLIC NOTICE

Ordinance effecting a taking of the property referenced in Exhibits A and B, the map and description referenced herein as exhibits shall be filed with the office of the Clark Tax Assessor, the Township official charged by law with the duty of making assessments and that said assessor shall proceed after proper notice and upon the conduct of appropriate hearings as required by N.J.S.A. 40:66-25 and N.J.S.A. 40:56-26 who shall certify and report to the Governing Body the value of said taking in order that the Township shall proceed to make and award for the value of the real estate for the interest to be taken therein to the owner or owners thereof upon the conduct and upon notice of and the conduct of appropriate hearings.

SECTION 5: Upon the establishment of an award as provided hereunder to the property owner for the interest to be taken hereunder in the property, the Governing Body shall upon such confirmation tender such sum to the person or persons entitled thereto promptly and before the commencement and completion of the taking and upon the acceptance of any such award or payment thereof into the Superior Court title to the real estate or interest therein shall vest in the municipality pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:56-10.

SECTION 6: Inconsistent Ordinance. Any Ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 7: Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and upon publication according

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD

NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY
FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL CHARGES

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT T. THOMAS J. GRADY, COLLECTOR OF TAXES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC SALE ON THE 23rd DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2004, AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 8 SPRINGFIELD AVE, CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY AT 10:00 AM OR AT SUCH TIME AND PLACE TO WHICH SAID SALE MAY THEN BE ADJOURNED, EACH AND ALL OF THE SEVERAL LOTS AND PARCELS OF LAND ASSESSED TO THE RESPECTIVE PERSONS WHOSE NAMES ARE SET OPPOSITE EACH RESPECTIVE PARCEL AS THE OWNER THEREOF FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS CHARGEABLE AGAINST SAID LANDS RESPECTIVELY, AS COMPUTED UP TO THE 23rd DAY OF NOVEMBER ALL AS REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER 5, TITLE 54 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF NEW JERSEY ENTITLED "SALE OF REAL PROPERTY TO ENFORCE LIENS", SECTION 54:5-19 TO 54:5-111 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED LANDS AND EACH OF THE RESPECTIVE PARCELS THEREOF WILL BE SOLD TO MAKE THE AMOUNT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS SEVERALLY CHARGEABLE AGAINST THE SAME ON THE 31st DAY OF DECEMBER 2003 EXCLUSIVE HOWEVER OF THE LIENS OF THE YEAR AS COMPUTED IN SAID LIST AGAINST EACH PARCEL OF LAND SEVERALLY ASSESSED AS ONE PARCEL, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST ON EACH OF THE SEVERAL AMOUNTS RESPECTIVELY, ON THE DATE OF THE SALE AND THE COSTS OF THE SALE. THE PARCELS WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT INSTALLMENTS NOT YET DUE AND ANY OMITTED OR ADDED ASSESSMENTS OF IMPROVEMENTS AS PROVIDED IN N.J.S.A. 54:4-63.2 AND 63:4-6.31.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT SAID LANDS WILL BE SOLD AT 18% INTEREST OR LESS TO MAKE THE AMOUNT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS CHARGEABLE AGAINST REDEMPTION AT THE LOWEST RATE OF INTEREST. THE PAYMENTS FOR THE SALE SHALL BE BEFORE CONCLUSION OF THE SALE BY CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER, OR THE PROPERTY SHALL BE RESOLD. PROPERTIES FOR WHICH THERE ARE NOT OTHER PURCHASERS SHALL BE STRUCK OFF AND SOLD TO THE HIGHEST BIDDER. INTEREST ON SUBSEQUENT LIENS SHALL BE ALLOWED AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

AT ANY TIME BEFORE THE SALE, SAID COLLECTOR WILL RECEIVE PAYMENT OF THE AMOUNT DUE ON ANY PROPERTY WITH INTEREST AND COSTS INCURRED BY CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

THE LAND AND PREMISES TO BE SOLD ARE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: THE NAMES SHOWN ARE AS THEY APPEAR IN THE TAX DUPLICATE AND DO NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THE PARTIES ARE THE PRESENT OWNERS OF PROPERTY.

THOMAS J. GRADY
COLLECTOR OF TAXES

BLOCK & LOT	OWNER NAME	PROPERTY LOCATION	TOTAL
0317 017	HINKLE, WILLIAM	334 NORTH E AV	1,088.21
0403 079	WILSON, MARY ESTATE OF	14 JOHNSON AV	498.11
0473 010	MEIER, WILLIAM E	25 SOUTH W AV	8,448.18
0604 003	BOWERS, HATTIE	6 BUCHANAN ST	1,154.21

U94342 CCE November 18, 2004 (\$55.13)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS

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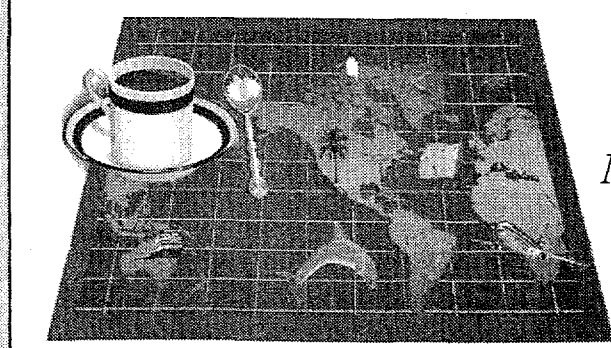
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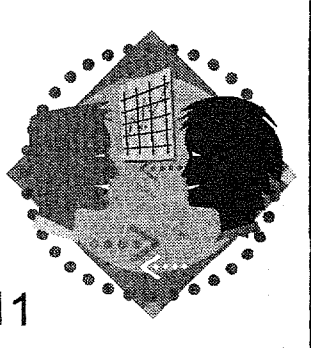


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THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

What a weekend for Union County! Seven of a possible eight teams advanced to NJSIAA semis.

UC teams went 7-2, with only Union and Cranford falling. Both won big games the week before, with Union beating Scotch Plains 27-20 at home to get in and Cranford besting Irvington 28-25 on the road to get the second seed in Central Jersey, Group 2.

All seven UC teams that advanced will be on the road this weekend. Of the eight games involving UC teams last weekend, the road team was 3-5.

Brearley won its first playoff game since 1991 and played its first playoff game at Ward Field in Kenilworth since 1988.

Governor Livingston won its first playoff game since 1989.

Linden beat Irvington on the road after losing to Irvington in the regular season. Linden's previous playoff win was also on the road vs. Union in 2000, after losing to the Farmers in the regular season.

Scotch Plains also shut out Warren Hills in the first round last year, winning 10-0 at home.

Former Union two-time state champion Gary Mobley (Class of 1986) has Rahway in its semifinals in his first year at the helm.

Former Elizabeth two-time state champion Terry Hanratty (Class of 1990) has Gov. Liv. in its semifinals in his first year at the helm.

Elizabeth is 9-0 for the first time since 1989.

UC has only five state championships since 1995: Elizabeth three times and Johnson twice.

In consolation games, Westfield snapped an 11-game losing streak and Johnson a nine-game streak.

WEEK TEN GAMES

NJSIAA Semifinals

Friday, Nov. 19, 7 p.m. (3)

North 2, Group 4

3-Elizabeth at 2-Phillipsburg

North 2, Group 3

7-S. Plains at 6-West Morris

Central Jersey, Group 2

7-Rahway at 3-Raritan

Saturday, Nov. 20, 1 p.m. (4)

North 2, Group 4

5-Linden at 1-Piscataway

North 2, Group 2

4-Gov. Liv. at 1-West Essex

Central Jersey, Group 1

3-Brearley at 2-Florence

4-New Prov. at 1-South River

WEEK NINE SCORES

NJSIAA QUARTERFINALS

Friday, Nov. 12 (1)

North 2, Group 4

Elizabeth 22, Bayonne 6

Saturday, Nov. 13 (7)

North 2, Group 4

Piscataway 41, Union 0

Linden 14, Irvington 6

North 2, Group 3

Scotch Plains 21, Warren Hills 0

North 2, Group 2

Gov. Liv. 28, Morris Hills 0

Central Jersey, Group 2

Rahway 20, Cranford 13

Central Jersey, Group 1

Brearley 45, Middlesex 26

New Prov. 30, Asbury Park 0

Consolations

Saturday, Nov. 13 (7)

Plainfield 27, Perth Amboy 0

Westfield 28, Edison 7

Summit 7, Cliffside Park 0

Hillside 21, Chatham 15

Roselle 20, Matawan 16

Johnson 39, Mater Dei 0

Roselle Park 13, Keyport 7

NJSIAA SEMIS PICKS (7)

Elizabeth over Phillipsburg

Piscataway over Linden

West Morris over Scotch Plains

Raritan over Rahway

West Essex over G. Livingston

Brearley over Florence

South River over New Prov.

Last week: 9-6

This year: 83-31 (.728)



The Clark Fire Department presents the Clark Fire Department Girls' Softball League's championship team with their championship jackets. From left, front row, are Noell Alessio and Kailey DeSimone. Second row are Melissa Fabijanczuk, Michelle Avena, Jessica Budrock, April Baton and Janene Senofonte. Third row are Dana Russo, Michele Bernardo, Meghan Howlett, Brittney Barat and Shanon Syciarz. Back row are Clark Fire Department Association president John DeAngelo, manager Ralph Bernardo, coach Lance Barat, coach Ed Syciarz and coach Lou Baton. Not pictured is team mom Sue Baton.

Clark softball team celebrates after impressive 12-1 season

Plenty of pizza, sub sandwiches and soda pop

On a recent fall evening, the festivities at the Clark Fire Department Broadway Fire Headquarters building were in recognition of the Clark girls' softball League champions. Amongst the aroma of the many pizzas, submarine sandwiches and flowing soda pop, there were many reminiscent memories of a successful softball season.

The Clark Fire Department-sponsored Clark girls' softball team finished the regular season game schedule in first place with a record of 12-1. Coach Lou Baton noted that the team finished with the best regular season and playoff record out of the 10 teams in the Major Division, which is made up of approximately 120 girls.

The Clark Girls' Softball League is made up of 350 girls, which includes approximately 12 players per team resulting in approximately 30 teams including Major League, Minor League, Pee Wee league, and Instructional League teams.

Manager Ralph Bernardo had very high compliments of his 12-player roster of girls ages 12-14. Bernardo was assisted by three coaches, Lance Barat, Baton and Ed Syciarz. Bernardo and Barat have been coaching together with the Clark Girls' Softball League for the last nine years and this was their first championship victory. This being their last year of coaching makes it even more special to go out as champions. Some of their best memories will be of the Clark Fire Department Team 2004 Championship achievement.

"This season was achieved through a great team effort by a dedicated group of girls and included a very strong offense, defense and awesome pitching," Bernardo said.

Barat noted that, "each girl contributed a substantial effort and had a tremendous amount of fun along the way. It was nice to see that the amount of time that was spent laughing substantially outweighed the amount of time that was spent being serious about the game."

Barat also said, "the secret to the team's success was the emphasis coaches put on having fun in a safe environment. The older girls mentored the younger girls and provided much encouragement. Most notably, the girls always presented themselves in a very polite, courteous, and profes-

Johnson girls' soccer nets first section title

By Jeff Wolfrum
Staff Writer

Not a bad season at all for the Johnson High School girls' soccer team.

In fact, the Crusaders made team history.

Johnson was able to capture its first sectional championship by winning Central Jersey, Group 2. The fourth-seeded Crusaders defeated sixth-seeded Rumson Fair-Haven 1-0 in last Thursday's championship game in Clark.

Erin Brennan converted Jillian Whiting's corner kick with a header in the 20th minute for the game's only goal. Goalkeeper Samantha Parin was outstanding, coming up with 18 saves for her third straight shutout and 12th of the season.

This was Johnson's fifth time in a sectional final. Rumson was the section's defending champion.

Johnson's season, which concluded at 15-6-1, came to an end Monday in the Group 2 semifinals. The Crusaders were defeated by South Jersey champion Cinnaminson 3-0 in a match played at Rancocas Valley High School in Mount Holly. NFL greats Franco Harris and Irving Fryar

sional manner, despite their winning record."

Syciarz said, "the players never sat out a single game. Each player played at least two innings in the infield and each girl was paired up with an older, experienced player."

Bernardo said, "the success of the Clark Girls' Softball League was very much due to the years of dedication and devotion of the late Keith Dolan. Each of the coaches on the Clark Fire Department team grew up in a manner similar to how the girls grew over their nine years of participation. However, it was Keith who raised the level of the league to the professional level that it is today."

Parental involvement also extends beyond coaching roles. An example of another significant support role is that of the "team mom," held by Sue Baton. She was responsible for making all the telephone calls, scheduling team practice sessions and coordinating fund-raising activities. Perhaps the most rewarding activity this year was the ordering of the championship jackets. The cost of the championship jackets was paid for in large part by a contribution from the Clark Fire Department Association.

The highlight of the event at Fire Headquarters was the awarding of the team jackets to each of the Clark Fire Department Girls' Softball League championship team members.

The Clark Fire Department's sponsorship of a Clark Girls' Softball League team is one of the longest continuing sponsors of the Clark Girls' Softball League.

John DeAngelo, president of the Clark Fire Department Association, congratulated the team on a great season. He thanked them for an excellent season in not only representing the Clark Fire Department, but the entire township as well, and expressed his best wishes that the team would have a repeatedly successful season in 2005.

DeAngelo noted that, "the Clark Fire Department routinely supports many community organizations and activities in the Township of Clark."

The Clark Fire Department sponsorship of youth sports occurs either as a team sponsor or a game sponsor. The Clark Fire Department supports significant community activities, including contributions to Project Graduation.

starred at the school.

"Cinnaminson was a very strong team that moved the ball around very well," Johnson head coach Sue Spencer said Tuesday night. "They had tremendous depth, which we didn't, especially losing Erin (Brennan) to injury."

Brennan suffered an injury in the sectional final, after scoring her goal, and was unavailable to participate against Cinnaminson.

"Not having Erin in the lineup had me shuffling players around and that hurt us offensively," Spencer said.

Johnson proved to be a tougher opponent than most thought this year.

"A lot of our opponents took us lightly," Spencer said. "They didn't realize we were as talented as we were. We used that as fuel for the fire."

After receiving a bye in the section, Johnson first knocked off 12th-seeded Delaware Valley 2-1 in the quarterfinals in Clark.

In the semifinals against eighth-seeded Shore Regional, Johnson came out with a 3-0 victory in Clark. The Crusaders outscored three section foes 6-1.

ALJ football squad gets shot in the arm

Crusaders capture first win

By Jeff Wolfrum
Staff Writer

A jolt in the arm.

That's what Johnson High School first-year head football coach Gus Kalikas felt his team's 39-0 blanking of Mater Dei in last Saturday's sectional consolation game was.

"The win was a big boost for the team," Kalikas said. "It's been a tough season, but the guys have really hung in there."

With the victory, Johnson improved to 1-8, while Mater Dei dropped to 0-9.

"We've been in a lot of close games this season, but have been turned away at the end," Kalikas said. "It was nice to put in a complete four quarters and come out with a win."

Leading the Johnson attack was senior running back Mark Washington, who scored four touchdowns - three rushing and one receiving. Senior Mike Siessel scored the other Johnson touchdown.

"We passed the ball well and played great on special teams," Kalikas said. "Our defense also played very good."

What Kalikas felt the biggest difference was is that his team didn't commit any turnovers.

"Turning the ball over at crucial times in the game has killed us all season," Kalikas said. "What we did in this game was capitalize on our opponents' turnovers and pick up the critical first down when we needed to."

Kalikas felt that Mater Dei and his team were in a similar situation this season.

"We're both very young teams that have coaching staffs that played for our respective teams in the past," Kalikas said. "I expect them to get that program going in the future."

As for the Crusaders, Kalikas knows that his defense is the reason why they have been in almost every game this season.

"Our defense has kept us in games this year, so we've had opportunities," Kalikas said. "In six of our eight games prior, we have lost by seven points or less."

What Kalikas feels his squad has going for it entering the final game of the season on Thanksgiving against visiting Rahway is confidence and relatively good health.

"I coached at Rahway last year, so I have much respect for the guys over there," Kalikas said. "I haven't lost many kids to injury this year, so that has been a big plus for us."

Kalikas hopes to catch Rahway off guard coming off tomorrow's Central Jersey, Group 2 semifinal game at Raritan.

"I think Rahway has an excellent team, but it may play us with caution," Kalikas said. "If we continue to play hard, the jolt of confidence we received from this win can carry us through. Our guys are entering our last game with a very good attitude."

NOTES: Johnson's win snapped a nine-game losing streak going back to last season. Johnson's previous victory was a 20-16 win at Freehold Boro in last year's consolation game.

Rahway is 7-2 and much improved after a 2-8 season last year. First-year head coach Gary Mobley has the team headed in the right direction and many of his key players will be returning next season.

Johnson field hockey has best season ever

By Jeff Wolfrum
Staff Writer

The best season in school history.

That's what the Johnson High School field hockey team achieved.

In addition to finishing with a very impressive 14-6-2 record, the Crusaders reached their first sectional and Union County Tournament finals this season.

Johnson's remarkable campaign came to a conclusion last Thursday afternoon in a 4-3 overtime loss at defending North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2 champion Madison.

Trailing 2-0 in the second half, the Crusaders came storming back to score the next three goals to take a 3-2 lead.

Senior forward Rielle Colucci netted Johnson's first two goals before senior midfielder Jessica Megill scored off an assist from Jaclyn Grysko to give Johnson a one-goal lead with 6:16 remaining.

However, Madison, which improved to 22-0, scored with 2:41 left to even the game at 3-3.

The Dodgers then scored the game-winner with 2:07 remaining in overtime. Johnson reached its first UCT final on Oct. 30, but bowed to undefeated at the time Oak Knoll by a 5-2 score.

After a 1-1 tie at halftime, Johnson trailed 3-1 midway through the second half. However, the gritty Crusaders fought back and cut the deficit to 3-2 as Allison Severage scored off a feed from Lynne Kovolisky.

That's as close as Johnson would get, though, as Oak Knoll scored the game's final two goals.

The third-seeded Crusaders reached the UCT final when they defeated second-seeded Cranford 2-0 in the semifinals on Oct. 22. Severage scored off a feed from Kerri Polidore and Megill scored unassisted in the first half.

It was the third meeting between the two clubs during the season.

The final meeting occurred in the North 2, Group 2 semifinals on Nov. 8 when second-seeded Johnson was able to best the third-seeded Cougars by a score of 2-1 in Clark.

The Crusaders notched the first goal of the game with 1:09 left before halftime when Colucci scored off a feed from Gina DeLauro.

Colucci netted her second goal of the game with 24 minutes remaining off a cross from Kovolisky.

Cranford closed out the scoring just two minutes later.

In the prior two games, the teams played to a 0-0 tie in Clark on Oct. 4. Four days later in Cranford, the Cougars took a 3-0 decision.

Johnson set the tone for its successful season by getting out to a quick 5-1 beginning. The Crusaders opened their season on Sept. 10 with a 4-1 victory over visiting Morristown. Colucci sparked the offense with two goals and an assist, while Jenna Koch added two goals. Junior goalkeeper Jenna Feminello made four saves.

Four days later, Johnson improved to 2-0 with a 4-0 blanking of Governor Livingston in Berkeley Heights. Colucci contributed two goals and an assist, while Kovolisky and Severage added a goal each. Feminello stopped one shot to earn her first shutout.

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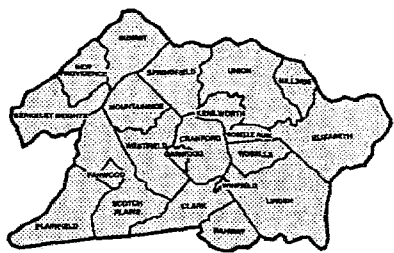
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Downgrade

In September 2003, they gathered at Merck and Co. in Rahway to celebrate the 100-year birthday of the facility, their 4,700 employees and a remarkable history of breakthroughs like cortisone, hypertension and glaucoma treatments. U.S. Sen. Jon Corzine showed up at a time when he had no intention of running for governor. Things can change quickly.

In an ironic turn, Merck President and Chief Executive Officer Raymond Gilmartin said at the time, "We all share the hope that 100 years from today, those who come after us, will celebrate their own breakthroughs and marvel at how far they came." There hasn't been much marveling at the plant on Route 1, just some very hard times.

Left Out

By Frank Capece

The disaster over the pulling of the company's hugely profitable painkiller, Vioxx, from the market has dominated the company. Last week in another blow, the credit agency Moody's downgraded the company borrowing rating two notches to Aa2 with lower ones expected.

Today Gilmartin will be on the very hot seat explaining Merck's actions to the U.S. Senate Finance Committee investigating actions on the drug along with the Justice Department. Last Sunday a stinging story *The New York Times* wrote Merck, "suffered a long string of failures and the company's new drug pipeline is really bare."

Analysts estimate the overall company value has dropped 20 percent in just four months. All this because of the loss of revenue and fear of monster lawsuits when the painkiller Vioxx was removed. It is estimated that product brought in sales of \$2.5 billion, about 11 percent of the company's profit. The pulling occurred because the drug brought serious cardiovascular risks. Already 182 suits involving the drug have been filed just in New Jersey.

Moody's said, "There are too many uncertainties related to the size of Merck's financial exposure." *The Wall Street Journal* estimates the liability could exceed \$10 billion by the time all the lawsuits are over.

So far, the impact to the county over the plight of one of their biggest employers is small. Freeholder Rick Proctor of Rahway noted the large number of locals employed and termed Merck "a good corporate citizen." The company foots the bill for the Fourth of July Fireworks, a Life Safety Expo and a Festival of Trees ceremony in the city.

Gilmartin has launched his own fireworks with a statement from the company, saying they were "vigilant in monitoring and disclosing the cardiovascular safety of Vioxx and the company absolutely disagrees with any implication to the contrary." His public relations counteroffensive even included full page defenses in *The New York Times* and *Wall Street Journal*.

The thing with a downgrade is all about timing. Just ask Joe Suliga of Linden. He can be excused for having a chuckle over the announcement by Acting Gov. Richard Codey that 5,000 video lottery terminals may be coming to racetracks. A few years ago when in the State Senate, Suliga opposed the borrowing and fiscal gimmicks to make up budget shortfalls.

A numbers guy, Suliga said that the slots would be in all neighboring states. The \$275 million in revenue would better serve New Jersey's needs. The public relations onslaught from the casino industry against Suliga was tough.

Last week Codey said that with the other states already at various stages of operation of VLTs, New Jersey could either bring them to the racetracks or cede the money. A downgrade in opposition Joe Suliga could understand.

An attorney, Frank Capece is a resident of Cranford.

State: 'Disregard of human rights' at youth jail

By Anna Kreyman
Staff Writer

Initiated by a 17-year-old Elizabeth boy's suicide at the county's juvenile detention center, the state's Office of Child Advocacy released the results of a year-long probe into the facility's shortcomings.

"The county's persistent violation of state laws and regulations, suggests a fundamental disregard of basic human rights, led directly to the conditions that allowed Edward Sinclair's suicide," the report stated.

Sinclair hanged himself with a bedsheet he attached to a broken sprinkler head in a room at the Gerald W. Herlich Juvenile Detention Center in Elizabeth, on May 10, 2003. He was arrested for failing to appear in court for stealing a bicycle.

A device often used in suicide attempts, a sprinkler head, was damaged for more than a year, and there were at least two youths residing in the room with the damage. The head was never repaired by the county, which filed charges against a youth for its damage, according to the report.

Additional findings indicated the county disregarded specific guidelines not to leave new detainees in isolation. Sinclair was left alone in his cell for over an hour, shortly after being examined for mental health disorders, for which the evaluation was negative.

"There have been years of dialogue between the county, the

Juvenile Justice Commission and the Attorney General's office," the Child Advocate's Director of Child Welfare Monitoring and Advocacy Lisa Eisenbud said. "But, still they fail to listen and implement specific changes."

The investigation concluded that separating juveniles into groups, "locking down" youth for extended periods, and isolating them in the first 24 hours of detention, was a direct violation of the state's Manual of Standards.

In a 10-page report by the Office of Child Advocate, "we are not saying that it's the cause of the suicide, but we're not saying that it helped the death not to occur," spokeswoman Kate Bernyk said, adding that a longer and more inclusive report will be issued in roughly one week. The complete analysis also will include recommendations to improve the situation.

"We are not governed by any agency, we offer our reports to the state from our ongoing monitoring," Bernyk said. "However, if our recommendations are not followed, we will go into litigation with the county."

Since 1998, the Office of Child Advocate has written letters to the county, and other officials, hoping to address problems they encountered while monitoring the 35-year-old facility, including:

- Temperature: Sleeping room temperatures of 45 degrees, "a temperature far below the minimum of required by the Manual Standards."

- Rodents: "Youth were permitted to eat in their cells, consequently, lived in filth and slept with cockroaches and other bugs,"
- Capacity: "The facility can hold 34 detainees at the most, but the number usually fluctuated between 60 and 80 residents."
- Suicide inspection: "The law says that there should be weekly inspections for suicide hazards, but it was done on a monthly basis."

"The county has made promises to keep the detention center safe, but instead has overlooked serious safety issues and allowed numerous suicide attempts to occur," Salaam Ismail, a community activist, said. "We have written a letter to the new governor, asking for the detention center to be taken over by the state."

"There's proof that the county is not doing their job," Yolanda Padilla, Sinclair's mother said. "I hope the state will force the county to give up their rights to the center."

A new facility is planned to be built in Linden by 2006.

Union County officials only issued a written statement that reiterated various improvements made at the old facility and acknowledging "the state's failure in assisting the county in...reducing the youth population."

"We are truly discouraged by the portion of the report...as it falls short of addressing the complex issue of children housed in a secure detention center. In addition, we question the selected release of this report and its timing."

Trap and skeet range in jeopardy

Environmental concerns may force closure

By Anna Kreyman
Staff Writer

Jack Lawson's father taught him how to shoot at Union County's trap and skeet range in Lenape Park. And his grandfather taught his father before him. But if Lossman wants to teach his son how to shoot, he probably will have to find someplace else to do it.

"It's such a longstanding tradition in my family," the Summit resident said. "It's a rare facility that my family has been using for 30 years."

But Union County probably will close the 76-year-old facility, located on Kenilworth Boulevard in Cranford, because of environmental concerns.

The federal Environmental Protection Agency wants it to close because the shot is lead based and the shooting is done over wetlands. "The county would like it to stay open, but we may have no choice in the matter," Freeholder Daniel Sullivan said.

Union County Counsel Robert Barry said the EPA proposed four alternatives to keep the range open but none are feasible.

The county could relocate the range to another location; redirect the shooting so shots do not fly over the wetlands; screen the land with a mesh green, or dig out the lead from the wetlands.

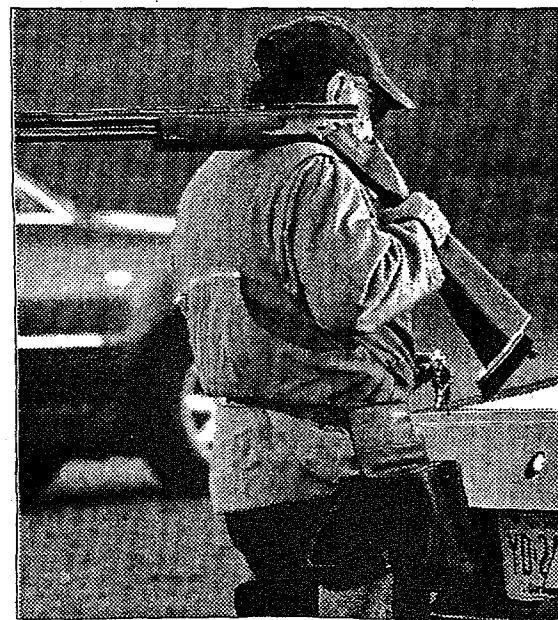
To relocate the range, he countered, "it's a very noisy sport and many residents do not want the facility next to their homes," Barry said. To redirect the shooting is impossible because there isn't enough room to shoot the other way. A mesh green "would be an operational nightmare because the land periodically floods. And to dig up the lead, and replace the land, would cost \$2 million, he added.

"Chances are it will close," Barry said. "It is unfortunate because people like to practice trap and skeet as a sport, especially since there are very few in the state and this is the last one in the county."

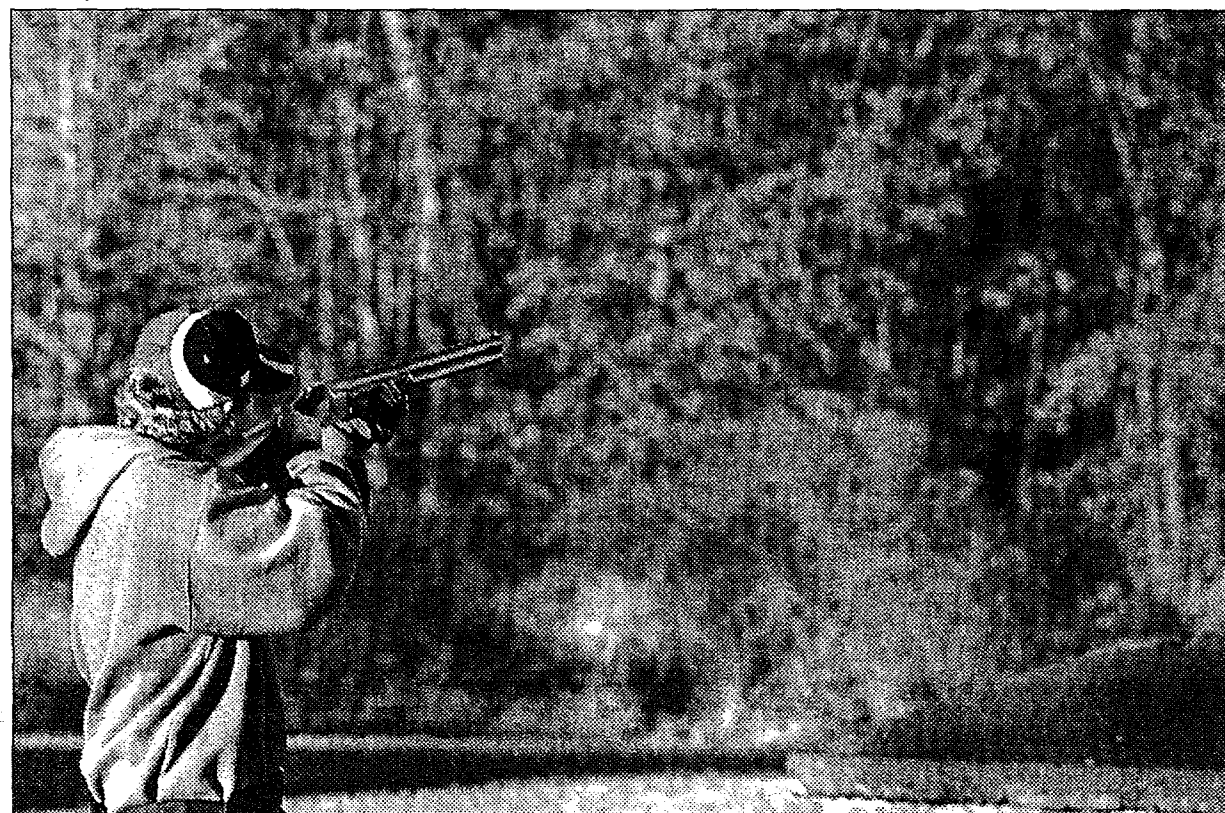
The final decision on the trap and skeet range will be made Dec. 1 when officials from the EPA and the county meet.

Lenape Park rests on almost 390 acres of wetlands, ponds, rivers, meadows and forest, which border Springfield, Westfield and Cranford.

Trap and skeet are both similar sports, the only difference being the trap range has one house. The skeet range consists of a high house and a low house with traps inside that throw clay targets. The targets



A resident puts away his shotgun after visiting the Trap and Skeet Range, possibly for the last time.



Photos By Barbara Kokkalis

Christopher Morina takes aim at the Union County Trap and Skeet Range on Kenilworth Boulevard in Cranford.

fly at 40 mph on a fixed trajectory. The field has seven concrete stations arranged in a half-circle and an eighth station positioned directly between the two houses.

"All we are asking the county is to do a study and see how much it will cost to recycle the lead," said Ralph Lossman, who made a presentation to freeholder earlier this month. "The county is looking at the worst possibilities instead of hard numbers. Maybe, this will cost money, but the county spends a fortune on stables, golf courses and parks — is it wrong to have the taxpayers spend money on recreation that they actually use?"

Lossman argues that the Lenape Park's trap and skeet range that serves about 1,000 shooters, is a part of the county's history and should be preserved at any cost.

Most patrons agree to do whatever it takes to keep the range from closing, even switching to a more expensive shot like copper or steel — both metals that are large in pellet form.

"We are willing to switch to any shot that the county deems," Lossman said. "Although, it is hard to understand how a small lead pellet in the mud is hurting anybody."

He added that shooters often find wild turkeys, deer and other wildlife running and flying around the range.

"Lead in pellet form is not hazardous," said Alberto Centura, a senior plumbing inspector for Newark Engineering, who patronizes the range twice a week with his family, also to picnic. "Eighty percent of the water service in Essex County is moving through lead pipes. It has been that way since the 1900s and the only time we rip it out is if there are problems. It's not critical and problems occur rarely."

Union County Director of Parks and Recreation Charles Sigmund said the facility's operation "breaks even" when it comes to financially sustaining itself. The 10-acre range, which charges \$4.50 per round, is in a floodway, he said.

"Wetland is only on a small part of the range, the shot's fall zone," Lossman said. The range preceded the wetlands.

He added that in 1998 Anderson Consultants studied the area and noted that "the lead is not hazardous to anyone — not the shooters nor the wildlife."

Dozens of trap and skeet patrons are campaigning to save the range.

"We are calling the freeholders on a daily basis and asking them to find an alternative, we are faxing them with letters and offering our help to study the area," said Peter O'Halloran, 70, of Linden, who was among a number of patrons at the range who would like to see it continue. "The range is only open two days a week, I am retired and it is a source of recreation and relaxation for me."

"I'd hate to see it close because it is my place of fun."

Thunder Mountain Skeet Center in Ridgewood and Fox Ridge Range in Sussex both use lead-based shots.

Historic drug bust leads to almost two dozen arrests

By Anna Kreyman
Staff Writer

In one swoop, Union County law enforcers arrested organized crime figures, gang members and college students for allegedly trafficking a drug similar to heroin — Oxycontin.

Operation Doctor Feel Good resulted in 18 arrests on the morning of Veterans Day. Among those arrested were four associates of the Lucchese crime family in Newark, Louis Sr. and Jr., Nicholas and Michael Gallicchio; one from the Bonanno crime family, Jeffrey Froio; two Newark pharmacists, Steve Mensah-Narh and Jacob Boado; three alleged drug dealers, Clara Lightsey, Walter Pollard and Thomas Deltano; two members of the Bloods gang, Eric Love and Leroy Simpkins, and three students at Massachusetts colleges who allegedly purchased the drug, Joey Baker, Ryan Daly and James Fitzgerald.

Oxycontin is used to treat serious pain for people in advanced stages of cancer or with chronic back pain and degenerative disc problems.

"It is a prescription legend painkiller with a simulated heroin high that is killing young people across the country, because it's a

powerful addict," Union County Prosecutor Theodore Romankow said. "It can be crushed, eaten, snorted or injected, so that the illegal user experiences euphoric rush similar to heroine high."

According to the Prosecutor's Office, this was "the biggest drug bust ever." Union County was assisted by the Drug Enforcement Agency, Deputy State Attorney General Robert Codey as well as Arizona and Massachusetts state police.

"Organized crime families, gang members and college students certainly do make strange bedfellows, but not when drugs and the enormous monetary profits they generate are in the mix in such an unusual case like this one," Romankow said. "Don't think that organized crime is dead in New Jersey, it is very much alive. We spent a lot of evenings on surveillance for these guys, but we finally got them and it was a success."

Union County began this investigation almost two years ago when they learned that Louis Gallicchio, a Lucchese crime family associate, was moving to Kenilworth. Information was developed by Sgt. Michael Burns and Detective Christopher Gublin,

while patrolling streets as part of the Save a Neighborhood Task Force and the Organized Crime Unit.

"We got him before he was able to sell his house in Newark and move to our county," Romankow said of Gallicchio.

According to county officials, the criminals were raking in roughly \$150,000 per week for the illegal trade, pocketing almost \$8 million per year in profits.

Louis Gallicchio Sr., 64, of Smith Street, Newark, is suspected by police to be the leader of the operation that had suppliers throughout New Jersey, Massachusetts and Arizona.

"He recruited street gang members from the Vailsburg section of Newark and trained them to be runners, delivering huge shipments of 80 milligram Oxycontin pills bought illegally at pharmacies in Newark," Capt. Edward Fitzgerald of the Narcotics Strike Force said.

"Our investigation showed they drove packages of the drug by car, took the drug by train to Newark Penn Station to South Street Station in Boston and even flew to Arizona from Boston taking drugs and the money that was the proceeds of their trade."

Lightsey, 46, of East Orange, was the primary supplier. "She bought the Oxycontin from pharmacists and patients with prescriptions and then resold them for three times the price," Union County Chief of Detectives Robert Buccino said.

The drug, a little larger than a corn kernel, but the same color, is sold in pharmacies for roughly \$15, but drug dealers sell it on the street illegally for about \$100.

"This drug is a lot more expensive than heroin — that's what makes it so dangerous," Romankow said. "After a while, because they have been paying so much for the pills, the users then turn to much cheaper heroin for their addiction."

Union County Sheriff's officers and Strike Force detectives also seized three guns and more than \$75,000 from the drug bust.

"In Lightsey's house we found more than 20,000 Oxycontin pills, a loaded shotgun in her bedroom and a .25 caliber tucked in her underwear," Romankow said. "She was considered a high-powered agent and a professional drug dealer."

Lightsey dealt with Colonial Health Pharmacy, 125 Avon Ave.,

Newark, from which Mensah-Narh, 42, of North Brunswick, was arrested and charged with second-degree conspiracy. She also purchased the drug from Jacob's Pharmacy, 370 South Orange Ave., Newark, where Boado, 45, was also arrested.

"We know that Lightsey dealt with a number of other pharmacies and we are continuing that part of the investigation," Romankow said.

Bail ranging from \$100,000 to \$1 million for the suspects was set by Superior Court Judge Theodore Bozonelis in Morristown.

"This was an amazing investigation," Romankow said. "Our officers extended their time and energies very far and should be commended for a smooth and well-done job."

Additional arrests included Gabriella Amarilla, 27, Nicky Gallicchio's girlfriend for allegedly distributing the drug to college students in Massachusetts, as well as Christine Zitzow, 37, of Winfield for allegedly selling the drug from her home on Riverview Terrace.

The narcotics investigation continues, Union County officials said, adding that there are many more responsible for the illegal drug trade.

The Great American Smokeout Day today

Join with others on the third Thursday of this month, today, in the Great American Smokeout Day. The day challenges those who smoke to smoke less or to quit for the day. Become a local volunteer and support those trying to quit, press for laws that control tobacco, use and discourage teenagers from starting. Research shows that smokers are most successful in kicking the habit when they have some means of support, such as nicotine replacement products, counseling, and most of all encouragement from friends and family members.

Today, an estimated 46 million US adults smoke — a decline from a few years ago.

"In 1966, 62 percent of New Jerseyans were smoking; today only 20 percent continue to smoke," according to Lorraine Kowalski of Prevention Links, a Union County nonprofit agency that educates the public on the dangers of substance abuse. "We can contribute this decline to prevention education information which is introduced at an early age."

However, nearly 13,000 New Jersey residents still die each year of tobacco related diseases. If smoking were listed as a cause of death in New Jersey, it would be the third-leading killer after heart disease and cancer. Environmental smoke kills 53,000 non-smokers in the United States each year. Approximately 45,900 young people — younger than 18 — try cigarettes for the first time each year.

The New Jersey Communities Against Tobacco is a network of local coalition in each New Jersey county.

Tree sought for county courthouse's rotunda

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Union County Division of Building Services are searching for an evergreen tree to decorate the Courthouse Rotunda for this year's holiday season. To donate a suitable tree, call the Union County Division of Building Services at 908-327-4240.

These coalitions are joined together with the common mission to change community norms, attitudes, and behaviors surrounding tobacco use. Members of the Union County CAT recently attended the Union County Freeholders Board meeting to ask them to consider a proposal to ban smoking in county parks.

Bill Votapek, coordinator of the group, showed the freeholders a large jar filled with cigarette butts collected recently in just a half-hour in Warran Park. Members of REBEL, a high school anti-tobacco program that is youth led and youth driven, said that the many toxins in tobacco harm everyone, not just the smokers, and therefore, the parks should become smoke-free.

If you are interested in reducing the number of youth who begin to smoke, reducing the public's exposure to second-hand smoke, supporting programs that help adults and youth quit smoking, or providing tobacco prevention and control programs, you're invited to get involved. All concerned citizens, including youth group leaders, clergy, volunteer groups, addiction treatment providers, business, and Municipal Alliance members are invited to network with others who are contributing to healthy lifestyle choices in Union County.

Adults should call UC Communities Against Tobacco Coalition and teenagers can contact REBEL for more information at 732-381-4100, TTY: 732-381-4192 or check out the Web site at www.preventionlinks.org.

Gun surrender program

A unique gun surrender program that will allow Union County residents to turn in handguns and rifles in exchange for certificates good for up to \$50 for food or sports equipment has been launched in an effort to remove dangerous weapons from homes and neighborhoods.

Seven handguns and three rifles were brought in off the streets on the first week and six more handguns turned in along with ammunition during the second pickup.

"We are using money our office received as part of a \$23,000 grant to combat gun violence, to ask citizens to help us remove these guns from homes and neighborhood streets," Union County Prosecutor Theodore Romankow said.

The program began in Plainfield, where officers from the Union County Police Department will hand out \$50 grocery store certificates or merchandise coupons for each handgun turned in or \$25 coupons for any rifle.

Romankow said New York City officials tried a similar program several years ago and received more than 10,000 guns. More than 10 years ago, a countywide effort to acquire weapons also yielded several hundred guns.

Often guns are inherited from family members, while others are purchased. Many of these guns are taken out of the home by family members and friends and used in the commission of crimes. These are all good reasons why handguns and other firearms should be surrendered, with the person turning in the weapon receiving the added benefit of a certificate for groceries or merchandise, Romankow said.

Romankow said the grant monies could be used for leaflets or billboard advertising to promote strict gun law enforcement, but he decided to take a

more aggressive stance by actually offering a surrender program.

The monies used in the program are part of a Safe Neighborhoods Media Outreach Grant.

The surrender site will be open in Plainfield at the Save A Life Today on Dec. 18.

If citizens cannot bring the weapon, wrapped in a paper bag and tied with string, the local police department is willing to offer pickup of the gun and delivery service of a gift certificate if residents call the Plainfield Police Division at 908-753-3112 to make arrangements.

In Elizabeth, the guns can be turned in at the Union County Prosecutor's Office, 32 Rahway Ave., today from 1 to 4 p.m.

For more information, call Executive Assistant Prosecutor Robert P. O'Leary at 908-527-4503.

Blood drives scheduled

The Blood Center of New Jersey will sponsor the following blood drives:

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

• Saturday, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., Our Lady Peace Church, 111 South St., New Providence.

For more information, or to sign up, call 1-800-BLOOD-NJ.

Community Health Law Project speaker at NAMI

Have your questions answered by an attorney at a free presentation offered to area residents on Tuesday. Speaker Marc D. Snyder, managing attorney, of Community Health Law Project in Union County will speak on services available through CHLP — a non-profit advocacy and legal services organization dedicated to serving the needs of low-income persons with disabilities and the elderly in New Jersey. The presentation is run by the Nation-

al Alliance for the Mentally Ill of Union County.

Founded in 1976 CHLP has represented over 50,000 individuals. Areas of expertise include public entitlements — Social Security Disability, welfare assistance, food stamps, etc. — Medicaid, Medicare and other health insurance benefits, housing advocacy, family law, discrimination in various areas and a wide range of other civil matters.

Snyder is a graduate of Albany Law School and a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Pennsylvania State University. Currently, he is chairman of the Union County Human Services Advisory Committee and chairman of the Union County Local Emergency Food and Shelter Allocations Committee. He serves on the Legal Services of New Jersey Think First Committee and the Minority Concerns Committee, Superior Court of New Jersey. He has provided service in civil liberties litigation in state and federal courts and represented inmates at New Jersey state and county correctional facilities.

The program will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Osceola Presbyterian Church, 1689 Raritan Road, Clark, which is handicapped accessible. Refreshments will be served.

For more information, or in case of inclement weather, call 908-233-1628.

Surrogate offers warning about probates

Union County Surrogate James LaCorte is cautioning senior citizens to beware of solicitors offering unnecessary living trust and estate plans at greatly inflated prices.

"People should be very careful that they do not pay exorbitant and excessive fees for estate documents they do not need," LaCorte said.

An unsolicited sales pitch to a county woman, recently brought to the surrogate's attention, highlighted the misrepresentation sometimes used to sell unnecessary estate plans at high prices.

Using a complicated probate matter as an example, a salesman contacted the senior citizen and suggested she set up a living trust to avoid "costly probate" he said could cost as much as \$25,000.

The \$25,000 figure was presented as the normal price of admitting a will into probate. The salesman then suggested that the cost can be avoided by setting up a living trust through his company for about \$2,000.

While it is true that a complicated and complex probate situation concerning an estate worth \$250,000 could produce \$25,000 in legal fees, it is the exception rather than the rule.

"Of all the wills my office handles, 99 percent are neither contested nor complicated," LaCorte said.

He suggested people exercise caution when offered an unsolicited deal on a living trust.

"Some companies are misrepresenting the need of a living trust," LaCorte said. "Most people do not have the assets or lifestyle needs to justify the need for such a document."

The surrogate recommends shopping for a lawyer to have a last will and testament properly drawn up to avoid any complications when entering a will into probate.

For more information, call the Union County Surrogate's office at 908-527-4280 or visit www.ucnj.org/surrogate/index.html on the Web.

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Getter brings her varied approach to music back to New Jersey

By Jeff Cummins
Associate Editor

Few people take advantage of diversity more strategically than Jane Getter. As Getter goes through life, she enjoys music from different genres, and then borrows facets of each style to make her own music more interesting, more adventurous.

Getter's already had an interesting ride during her musical career. She's played in the Saturday Night Live band, in addition to performing with Jaimoe from the Allman Brothers, Ursula Dudziak, Lenny White, Jack McDuff, Michael Urbaniak and Keny Garrett.

Of course, she'll be playing a lot of the songs on her new CD, "See Jane Run," when she performs with her band, the Jane Getter Trio, at The Dancing Goat cafe in South Orange on Friday at 9:45 p.m.

In the early days, Getter listened to a lot of folk, country and blues. Then she got "into" jazz.

"Somebody turned me on to Chick Corea's 'Return to Forever,' which was one of the first major jazz/rock fusion bands," said Getter. "So that opened up my ears to jazz. Then someone took me to see Joe Pass, a jazz guitarist. That blew me away; I never could have imagined a guitar could be played like that, and I wanted to do that."

Eventually, Getter, a South Orange native who had been living in San Francisco, moved back to the East Coast, settling in New York City.

Then she began playing with performers like George Benson and Grant Green.

Then came her gig with jazz/blues organist Jack McDuff.

"That was a real turning point for me," said Getter. "Previously, I had been playing and writing a more intellectual style of jazz, and McDuff's music was real party music. I'd look out to the audience when I played with him and everybody would be clapping their hands and smiling. That really

affected me, to be able to affect people like that."

So Getter, a Columbia High School graduate, began to write for a wider, more diverse audience, incorporating different styles of music into her performance, styles she hoped more people would find palatable, which led her to include more rock and funk into her repertoire.

"I started combining more of those influences in my music, and then I started listening to African music, and I love African music," said Getter. "So all those styles mixed up in to what I'm doing now, influencing what I'm doing now."

Getter's band mates also serve as proof of the diversity of her musical tastes.

James Genus of the Saturday Night Live Band plays bass, having performed with Chick Corea, The Brecker Brothers, Bob Berg, Bob James, Horace Silver and Pat Martino. Rocky Bryant plays drums, having played

with such recognizable performers as David Sanborn, Peter Frampton, Cindy Lauper, Branford Marsalis, Dianne Reeves and Maxwell.

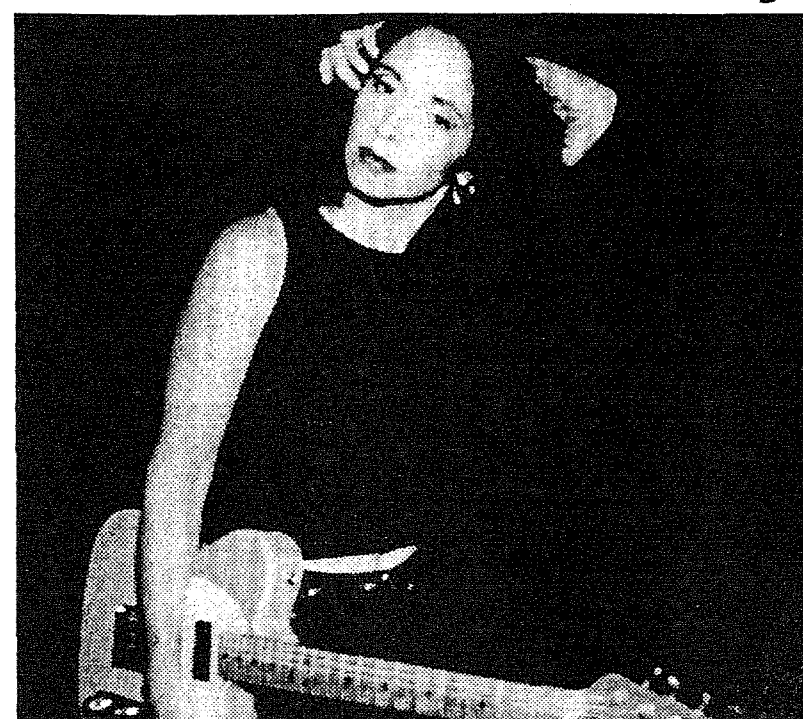
Getter will perform with her band at The Dancing Goat, 21 South Orange Ave., South Orange. Getter and her trio will take the stage at 9:45 on Friday, with Dave Corp opening the show at 8:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$10 for the Jane Getter Trio, and \$12 to see both shows.

For more information, call 973-275-9000, or visit the Web site, www.janegetter.com.

Which brings Getter to the present, and her current routine, which will include songs from her new album, as well as many older things she's likely to play.

"The experience of playing for people and making them feel happy and seeing that they're having a good time, affected my music naturally, in a way that I wanted to do that more," said Getter.



Jane Getter

Play offers humorous take on pregnancy from different perspectives

By Jeff Cummins
Associate Editor

Pregnancy has always been fodder for humor, but Sheldon Senek has definitely taken the topic in a new direction.

Movies such as "She's Having A Baby," and "Parenthood" have pointed out some humorous things about the topic, but Senek explores pregnancy from the perspective of others who are affected — including the family pets.

"It's kind of bittersweet," said Senek, a West Orange resident whose play, titled "Nine Months Out," will be performed at West Orange's Theater Under The Stars through Sunday.

"Dogs, for instance, were scared of the idea of the child coming; of the attention they'll never receive again. But then they think of the good things that will happen, the affection from the child, the scraps they'll get from the table."

As offbeat as it may sound, Senek might just be on to something with this premise. Since childbirth is one thing that involves everyone, in one form or another, it's clearly a topic that finds common ground with almost everyone.

"I think it speaks to people who have children and people who don't, because we all know someone who is

pregnant, who wants to have kids," said Senek. "It's something we can all relate to, because it deals with how pregnancy affects everyone, people around you."

Senek's play is focused on a couple, Bob and Lisa, who will be having a baby, examines the emotions of all the people affected in a pregnancy, including neighbors, pets, relatives and friends.

"I started writing this in the third or fourth month, and I thought what perspective do I need, and one day I was at my computer writing, and my dogs were staring at me, and I wondered

what their take on it was," said Senek. "Before the child came, it was just my wife and the two pets. Now they had to figure out how life is going to change for them."

Senek's experience shopping at the Babies 'R Us in Union also served as the inspiration for a scene.

"You have to think about safety," said Senek, "and we thought, how do you decide what the safest crib is? So, in one of the months that we were pregnant, I wrote about deals with a guy from the Cable Shopping Network, and he's selling a product called the sack-and-string, a sack that is all-purpose,

becomes your baby seat, high chair, crib."

"Nine Months Out" details many of the things that will change with childbirth. Responsibilities and attention will shift, comforts must be sacrificed, routines changed, and lives altered.

And one of the most interesting things is that two actors share the load for performing all the different parts.

"It's a marathon for the two actors, who play up to 10 characters each," said Laura Byrne-Cristiano, the show's director. "They have to find a way to make each character unique, yet avoid making them into stereotypes."

"They have to keep their energy up. I give a lot of credit to the actors who do this."

Tickets for "Nine Months Out" are \$20, \$18 and \$14; Sunday matinees are \$18, \$15 and \$12. For more information, or to purchase tickets, visit the Web site, tickets@wotuts.org, or call 973-325-0795.

And for people who are expecting a baby, yes, there are plenty of things in "Nine Months Out" that you could find humorous.

"Pregnancy is a crazy time, you have no idea what you're in for," said Senek.

Life's speed bumps offer humor

By Ruth Ross
Correspondent

Award-winning playwright Christopher Durang writes comedies with a fine sense of modern life's absurdities, which he skewers with a very sharp wit. In his 1987 comedy, "Laughing Wild," a woman and a man wrestle with the problems of daily life, with its attendant madness, woe and laughter. In a marvelous production at Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre, this mordant satirical comedy reminds us of comedy's ancient origins and gives us much food for thought.

Even though it was written during the Reagan administration, "Laughing Wild" has lost none of its sharpness of

wit and social criticism. One of the two characters, Woman, confronts the quotidian stresses of waiting in line, rude taxi drivers, inane talk shows and people who block the aisles in supermarkets. Her male counterpart addresses greater issues such as nuclear waste, the scourge of AIDS and the collision between religion and morality. As they pursue their goal of finding communion with another human being and peace within themselves, their stories ultimately collide in a series of dreams and fantasies.

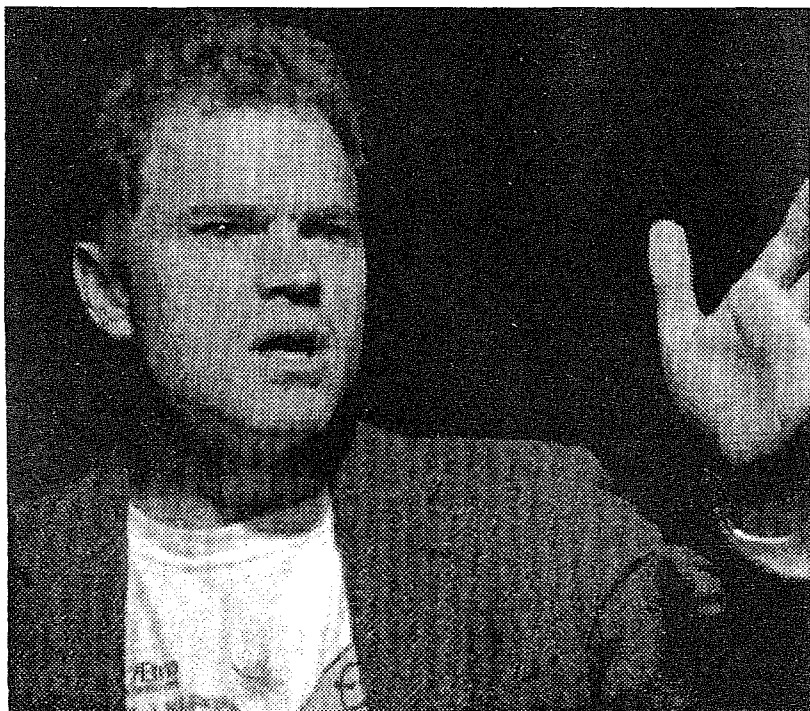
As the Woman, wonderful Harriett Trangucci engages in a 40-minute monologue in a manner so engaging that she completely draws the audi-

ence into her world. Hostility oozes from her every pore as she directs her scorn toward anyone who seems to be happy, Mother Theresa, Sally Jessy Raphael and Dr. Ruth Westheimer! It's exhausting just to listen to her; imagine the energy needed to deliver these diatribes. Her mental instability is in full force; for her it's "too difficult to be alive" with "all these people to deal with." And the mad cackle she effects is unnerving.

Clark Carmichael is equally as riveting as her male counterpart, the man she bops in the head when he blocks the tuna fish aisle in the supermarket. A walking bundle of quivering nerves and all sorts of insecurities, he resorts to transcendental meditation and recurrent affirmations to convince himself he's happy. Carmichael is convincing and natural every minute of his monologue. Especially hysterical is a 1978 conversation he imagines between God and the Angel Gabriel wherein God suddenly has the idea to afflict homosexuals with AIDS — 5,000 years after the book of Leviticus rejected homosexuality!

The final scene has the two characters sharing dreams. In one really side-splitting episode, the Woman has killed Sally Jessy Raphael and, as host of her talk show, interviews the Infant of Prague, played by Carmichael. Finally, as they react to each other in less hostile ways, the two reach a kind of communion and remember to breathe, something the Woman has told us is the great lesson of the EST program.

Laura Ekstrand's deft direction keeps the proceedings moving along swiftly yet naturally, and the two actors move fluidly around Jessica Parks' nifty supermarket/park/talk show set.



Clark Carmichael, who is playing the role of Man in Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre's production of "Laughing Wild," now playing through Nov. 21 at the Baird Center in South Orange.

Author seeks to expand horizons

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

It took a successful businessman, Joseph Rocco Cervasio of Nutley, about 10 years to write a book about his youthful years in Belleville and Nutley and Newark. But now that "Bad News on the Doorstep" has been published and read with throughout the country, Cervasio is encouraged enough to take more time out of his business career as vice president of Organizational Development for the Resort Division of the Bluegreen Corp., to continue to enhance his warm and wonderfully appealing, realistic novel.

He has employed an agent, and in addition to seeking a major publisher, he is in the process of writing a screenplay, and plans a trilogy with the encouragement of his friends, actor Joe Pesci and football coach Ed Marinaro. And in between, Cervasio still travels from New Jersey regularly to his offices in Boca Raton, Fla., and Ridgedale, Mo.

It was because of all of his traveling that the idea for this book was born. "Actually," Cervasio said over dinner the other evening at a restaurant in Bloomfield, "it was my wife, Marie's, idea. You see, in 1994 I was traveling 77 miles each way from Nutley to Watergap, Pa., and I was getting a little bored and frustrated. So, my wife said, 'Why don't you write a book?' That's all I needed, because the next thing I did was to bring along a dictaphone with me, and I said to myself, 'Let me put some thoughts in this machine while driving. Let this be a series of good thoughts.'"

Cervasio sighed. "My mind kept drifting to people who passed in and out of my life, and I couldn't help but

think, I should be writing about them."

Cervasio was about 47 years old at the time, and his mind kept reliving "special years of innocence." He actually began to think historically of the years in his life beginning with the year 1959 when he was 12 years old.

"They were happy events that happened nationally as well as locally in my own personal life," he recalled. But he decided to write fiction because it would give him more freedom. "Eventually what evolved was a family epic that portrayed characters who were taught lessons and benefited from good and bad decisions. I was thinking of my readers and appealed to their decision to learn from their own life."

In his book, Cervasio revealed what life was all about "growing up in North Newark, Belleville and Nutley, and the significant cultural influence in the Italian-American community that I was so much a part of."

Cervasio admitted that, "I knew I had to be honest. I wanted the reader to feel that there was good and bad in everything. And I think it did come out in this book."

He said he allowed the characters to be colorful, even if they did break the law, and to have the blue-collar person try to live a decent life and do the right things. "I really want the book to introduce to the world people who went to their graves without knowing they were other people's heroes."

He rejoiced in the fact that the late 1950s were "a wonderful time, with love and respect for your parents and people older than you."

Cervasio explained that "in my work across the country, I specialize in leadership developmental concepts

and the principals that baffle the audience. I say becoming a leader is simple, but not easy. First, you must become a servant before you can become a leader. For example, the character, Marietta, in the book, who was actually my mother, she served beyond what was expected, but in the end, it shortened her life." His other characters are composites of real people, which is why readers take the book so much to heart.

"Bad News on the Doorstep," which took 10 years to complete, took four years to do the treatment, another four years to write the book, and two years to get it to the public. "I have been working closely with a wonderful editor, Kenny Potter, from Boca Raton, Fla., and we have been able to make it more readable. I'm getting some really great letters from readers, who have seriously taken the phrase that I use in the book, 'glance, don't stare,' to heart. It transcends regional interests as well as socio-economic and cultural differences. I think I have made up a story that would be of interest to the masses. There's no question about it," Cervasio said. "It is a story of humanity."

The author, who graduated from Nutley High School and Cornell School of Industrial Relations, received his master's degree in business administration from New York University Stern School of Business. In between his executive duties, Cervasio finds he is spending more and more time with his writing career. He calls it his "spare time," but actually, he said, "my spare time, my passion, is to fictionalize some of the unique life experiences that I've been through. And there'll be other books. I'm not through yet."

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By Charles Preston

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REUNIONS

The following schools will conduct reunions in the coming months:

- Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, Clark, Class of 1974, 30-year reunion, Saturday.
- Hillside High School Class of 1954, 50-year reunion, Saturday.
- Roselle Park High School Classes of 1983, 1984 and 1985, 20-year reunion, Saturday, 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.
- Jonathan Dayton High School, Class of 1994, 10-year reunion, Nov. 27, at the Chart House Restaurant in Weehawken. Admission is \$75 per person. RSVP at www.classmates.com or with Nick Bove at 973-477-8660.
- 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, English-town 07726 or call 732-617-1000.

- 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, visit [New England Reunions at www.newenglandreunions.com](http://www.newenglandreunions.com).

Pedas leads Celebration Singers

Tom Pedas has rejoined the ranks of the Celebration Singers and once again assumes the position of director for the Children's Chorus. Tom founded and directed the Children's Chorus from 1995-2000, also directing the adult chorus during that time, where he also directed the opera, "Amahl and the Night Visitors." The Celebration Singers sponsors the tuition-free Children's Chorus consisting of members aged 9 through 13 from the surrounding communities. They sing all types of music, from light classics to Broadway show tunes. According to Celebration Singers president, Dennis Jenkins, "Our goal is to provide quality musical programs that feature a wide range of musical styles, and to present music to those who may not have the ability to see and hear it elsewhere. And it's important that while we do all this, we're having fun."

The Celebration Singers is a Union County-based, non-profit cultural arts organization that has been in existence since 1938. It has performed at nursing homes, hospitals, church functions, municipal events, and helped raise funds for charitable organizations. In 1964, it sang at the World's Fair in New York. The winter performance will be on Dec. 10 and 11 at 8 p.m. both nights. Funding for the Celebration Singers is made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council for the Arts, Department of State, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Arts.

Pedas is a former music teacher with the Cranford and Linden public schools, and was named "Master Music Teacher" of New Jersey by the New Jersey Music Educators Association. He was chosen as guest conductor for the Region II High School Chorus and the Junior High All State Honor Choir. He is also the founder of the Linden Summer Playhouse that he directed for seven years.

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SATURDAY & SUNDAY

November 20th, 21st, 2004

EVENT: The 30th Annual Craft Show

PLACE: Caldwell College Student Center, 9 Ryerson Ave., Caldwell, NJ. (off Bloomfield Ave.)

TIME: 10:00am-5:00pm

PRICE: Admission and Parking FREE

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For information or request a space call Jane Besty 973-226-2885, Linda Havel 973-228-1453

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HOROSCOPES

Nov. 22 to 28

ARIES, March 21 to April 19: Inquisitiveness spurs you on in a search for knowledge and understanding. Do not stop until you have uncovered the desired answers.

TAURUS, April 20 to May 20: A recent financial shortage ends with positive change or improvements. Come to terms with previous losses and begin to rebuild your budget.

GEMINI, May 21 to June 21: Do not make the mistake of taking an important relationship for granted. Find a way to enhance communication and stay emotionally connected.

CANCER, June 22 to July 22: You will get a lot further down the road of success with a viable business plan in hand. Avoid rushing blindly into a professional venture or situation.

LEO, July 23 to Aug. 22: Resign from passing judgment on your friends or associates without just cause or proof of concerns. Keep in mind, we are all innocent until proven guilty.

VIRGO, Aug. 23 to Sept. 22: Spending time alone is good for your emotional, mental and spiritual well-being. Get centered and enjoy a sense of calm or peace of mind.

LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23: Show interest and receptivity to the important ideas or lessons shared by your peers or siblings. Keep an open mind and you will benefit greatly.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 21: Take your time and think before leaping on a fiscal opportunity this week. Read the fine print on a binding document before signing your name.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 22 to Dec. 21: An imprudent or risky action provides fuel for gossip or rumor. Do your best to plan carefully and avoid embarrassing moments.

CAPRICORN, Dec. 22 to Jan. 19: Make a conscious effort to tie up loose ends this week. Set your sights on entering a new cycle or phase of experience with a clean slate.

AQUARIUS, Jan. 20 to Feb. 18: The wisdom of many will always outweigh the wisdom of one. Turn to friends or associates for assistance with solving a long-running problem.

PISCES, Feb. 19 to March 20: Insecurity or doubt could greatly undermine your professional success. Hold your head high and snag the job or position that you want with ease.

If your birthday is this week, you have some serious issues to resolve in your home or family life during the coming year. Do not shy away from or ignore the changes that are required to get back on track.

A relationship with an unusual individual will take center stage and make a heavy impact on your life. Get your ego out of the way and allow your heart to guide you toward happiness and emotional fulfillment.

Arboretum shows Lighthipe's work

Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit is exhibiting the work of artist and botanical illustrator Mindy Lighthipe of Studio 16 in Warren. The show, which is currently on display in the Wisner house on the grounds of RRA, will run through Dec. 3.

Lighthipe's work is distinguished by her use of vibrant hues and attention to fine detail. Among the titles on display at RRA are "Purple Waterlily," a giclee depiction of a lush waterlily and dragonfly. Giclee is a high resolution digital print recognized in the fine art category; "Peacock Feather," a wispy colored-pencil drawing of a plume that looks so real it requires a double-take; and a series of exotic butterflies.

The artist's love of nature is apparent in her work which takes inspiration from her many travels to Costa Rica and time spent at the New York Botanical Gardens, first as a student where she studied scientific illustration and then as a teacher coordinating the botanical and natural science illustration program.

Recently Lighthipe and fellow artists Annie Kosh and Lori McBride created a mural for the RRA Education Center that's worthy of an exhibit of its own and requires a viewing when visiting the grounds.

Artwork on display is available for sale, with a percentage of all proceeds going directly to RRA.

Reeves-Reed Arboretum is located at 165 Hobart Ave., Summit, just off Route 24. For more information, contact RRA at 908-273-8787, ext. 10 or 11.

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Theater company depicts radio glory days during the big band era

By Ruth Ross
Correspondent

To portray bad acting, one needs superior talent. This theatrical paradox, so evident in Michael Frayn's "Noises Off" and Ken Ludwig's "Lend Me a Tenor" — both about show biz — would appear to be the guiding principle of The Strollers' current production, "The 1940s Radio Hour." However, the performance is so uneven that it's difficult to believe that it's a calculated move on the part of director Linda Spencer.

Set in the second year of World War II, "The 1940s Radio Hour"

recreates a radio variety show of the era, complete with big band music and old-fashioned comedy.

Broadcasting live from a second-rate 5,000-watt New York City radio station, WOV, "The Mutual Manhattan Variety Cavalcade" presents a group of reasonably talented performers attempting to make it "big" in show biz.

The theater audience, functioning as the actual studio audience, witnesses what the listeners gathered around the Zenith don't see: a multitude of screw ups, tangled Machiavellian rivalries, and the plain,

unvarnished truth about some of their favorite performers.

For the most part, the renditions of such favorites as "I Got a Gal in Kalamazoo," "That Old Black Magic," "Blue Moon" and "Blues in the Night" were well done.

Gene Ciccone was terrific as lush-voiced crooner Johnny Cantone, who's actually a sleazy womanizer and a drunk. His performance of "Our Love Is Here to Stay" and "I'll Never Smile Again" ably captured the ballad's beauty.

As Ann Collier, the show's female star, Betty Slevin was cool and pro-

fessional. Her rendition of "Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas" sent chills down one's spine.

Ingénues Laura Scott, a Union resident, and Joseph LaFalce sang "How about You" very well, but were a bit long in the tooth for the roles. Unfortunately, when he got his big break, LaFalce sang "You Go to My Head" too quickly, robbing the song of its sexiness. As Geneva Lee Browne, Vicky Ridley really got her tongue around the skat in "Rose of the Rio Grand," but had trouble remembering and delivering her lines. Robert Long was appropriately

harried as producer-baritone Clifton A. Feddington, and Jerry Ryan supplied good backup as his right-hand man, Lou Cohn. Judy Gajary's gum chewing and frequent potty breaks provided off-mike comedy, and Eric Kritzer had a very funny turn in a Jerry Lewis/Milton Berle-type comedy routine wherein a diction coach murders the language. The success of any musical radio show depends on the accompaniment of the studio band. This group, under the direction of James Campodonico — playing Zoot Doubleman — had trouble with tempo and staying on key.

With its pop songs and goofy commercials, "The 1940s Radio Hour" takes you on a 90-minute trip down memory lane. Great drama it isn't, but a pleasant diversion from Iraq, the election and the ubiquitous Internet.

"The 1940s Radio Hour" will be presented Friday and Saturday evening at 8 p.m. at the Burgdorff Center on Durand Road in Maplewood. For information and tickets, call the box office at 973-761-8453.

Ruth Ross contributes frequently to Worrall Newspapers.

Community theater performers sparkle in production of 'Oliver!'

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

From the very onset of "Oliver!" the Livingston Community Players' elaborate production of the musical play, when little Jared Goldsmith, in the title role, presents an empty bowl and asks Mr. Bumble, "Please sir, can I have some more?" he fully endears himself to the audience. This tiny bundle of joy, who has an incredible talent for singing and acting, and who is a professional performer, is a third-grade student at Burnett Hill School in Livingston.

On Sunday afternoon at the Mount Pleasant Middle School in Liv-

ingston, Goldsmith led the marvelously talented parade of about 66 performers in an exceptionally entertaining reprisal of "Oliver!" with songs and music in the original British accents.

The show, with a book, music and lyrics by Lionel Bart, based on Charles Dickens' classic, "Oliver Twist," has a cast that would make any community theater envy. Perhaps it is because this "Oliver!" which will continue with performances Saturday at 2 and 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, at 2 p.m., has enthusiastic promoters such as Phyllis Meranus, president and co-producer, and Lois Dyer, producer,

showing so much confidence in their players. And more so, it can be the additional confidence of Patrick Starega, who directed this enormous cast with verve and vigor, and choreographed the dances with such precision that not one youngster or adult bumped into each other, particularly when some of them did somersaults in big crowds. And the overconfidence, and rightly so, by Ilene Greenbaum, musical director, who led her fine orchestra into some rather strenuous numbers.

The well-known story of a young orphan, Oliver, who is beaten by the cruel head of a parochial workhouse

for asking for more food, and is sold to an undertaker, then escapes and is befriended by pickpocketing young thieves, led by Fagin, and ultimately is found by his long lost family, is relived once more on the Livingston stage.

Performers intermingle with the audience as they stroll and sing and dance up and down the aisles throughout the wonderful two-act play.

The beautiful voices that ring out are especially engaging, particularly those of Julie Stiel as Nancy, when she breaks an audience's heart singing "As Long As He Needs Me" and "I'd Do Anything," and Christopher Murphy who is most outstanding as the

Dodger, or even Oliver singing "Where is Love?"

It is an absolute delight to listen to such memorable music, such as the theme song, "Oliver," "Food, Glorious Food," "Boy for Sale," "Consider Yourself," "Omm-Pah-Pah" and "It's a Fine Life." And it is even more fun to be enraptured by a magnificent, huge, supporting cast led by Michael Ciuffo as the pathetic Fagin, Nate Brochin as menacing Bill Sykes, Ed Wittel as Bumble, Kinsten Almeida as Widow Corney, Catherine Rothweiler as Bet, Carol Arnold as Mrs. Sowerberry and Jonathan Broune as Mr. Brownlow.

The auditorium in the school was filled with adults and children, whose appreciation for such marvelous, toe-tapping entertainment was thoroughly evident in their thunderous applause.

This is the Livingston Community Players' second annual production. The first, "Annie," which was staged last year to the same kind of enthusiasm as "Oliver!" after a hiatus of five years, has encouraged the staff to continue to offer such precious entertainment annually.

"Oliver!" will continue to entertain the public this weekend. Take the children. It's a must see production for everyone!

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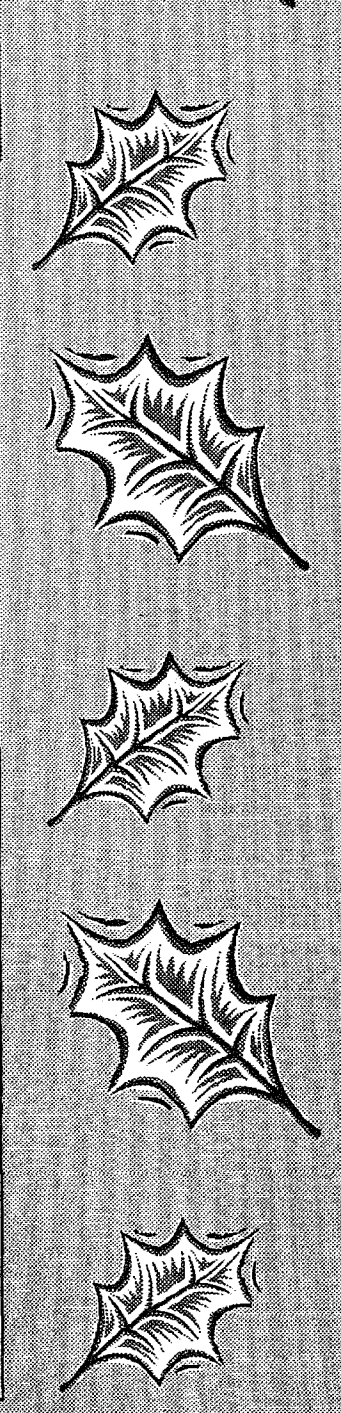
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ART CLIPS

DJ Tamir is scheduled for Dusty's in Roselle

Dusty's Place, Union County's newest nightclub, will present DJ Tamir on Saturday nights this fall. Tamir will present a light and music show starting at 9 p.m. and continuing until 3 a.m.

Admission to Dusty's place is free before 10 p.m.

Thursday and Sunday nights are karaoke nights.

In coming weeks, Dusty's will host jazz nights, comedy nights and Monday night football.

Dusty's Place is located at 112 Chestnut St. in Roselle at the site of the former Cove Jazz Club.

For more information and directions call 908-241-1224.

NJSO plans concert for adults, children

The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra will present the final entry in the Family Concert programs of the 2004-05 season in November.

This concert series is designed for families to enjoy classical music together in a fun and educational setting.

The program will feature excerpts from Dvorak's most famous works, including selection from Slavonic Dances, The American Suite and the "New World" Symphony. Each hour-long performance will engage you and your children through beautiful music.

The orchestra will be led by guest conductor Mark Mandarano.

The final performance of this program will be presented Saturday at New Jersey Performing Arts Center, located in Newark, beginning at 2 p.m.

This performance is made possible through the generous support of the Laraja Foundation Inc.

The NJSO's Family Concert Series is designed to provide parents and grandparents with the opportunity to spend important time with their children/grandchildren in shared experiences that can bring both generations pleasure and which permit the transfer of cultural traditions from one generation to another.

This three-concert subscription series is presented in Newark and Plainsboro each season, and is an outgrowth of the orchestra's in-school education programs.

Tickets are available at \$19 and \$14, and can be obtained by calling the New Jersey Symphony Orchestra ticket office at 800-255-3476, Monday to Saturday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. or online at www.njsymphony.org.

'Connections II' will show photos by Summit artist

The Unique Vision Photography Workshop, founded by Summit photographer Ross Wagner, encourages photographers to search for their deepest connection with the world, prioritizing uniqueness of vision before the quest for technical mastery.

The photographs in this exhibit focus more on content and involvement than on technique.

Accidental images, too, are considered as they often are clues to the development of a photographer's unique vision.

Salon and pictorial imagery are de-emphasized.

The Unique Vision Photography Workshop views photography as a path of self-discovery.

Thus, the images often say more about the photographers than they say about the subjects before the lens.

Frequently, the photographs ask more questions than they answer.

The images invite participation by the viewer.

Some of the local photographers showing their work are Jennifer Bailey, Arnis Balgalvis, Norma Bernstock, Ron Brown, George Bujarski, Marvin Cline, Brian Geldziler, Pam Greene, Linda Guerri, Fred Hedge, Tom Heller, Dot Kuehn, Sheila Lenga, Coleen Marks, John Martancik, Walter Oliver, Lester Pfeiffer, Jody Pfeiffer, Glenn Podel, Joe Riggio, Maureen Rock, Joan Shyers, Neal Snitow, Tom Stillman, Ray Yaros and Sue Zwick.

Additionally, several prints by Pam Constable, who participates via the Internet from New England, will be shown.

The exhibit will run through Nov. 30. For more information about this particular exhibit, call 908-753-019, or visit www.watchungarts.org.

Kean will present a new professional equity theatre program

Kean University announces Premier Stages, a new professional Actor's Equity Association theatre program. Actively engaging and enhancing the professional theatre academic programs at Kean, Premier Stages will also serve a culturally diverse audience, children-at-risk, and a broad pool of artists.

Premiere Stages features four uniquely conceived projects that will nurture and encourage the work of students, introduce children to the arts, attract high-profile artists to the insti-

tution and provide a forum for the development of new plays. The Premiere Stages Play Festival will present the work of emerging dramatists living in the greater metropolitan area through readings, workshops, and fully-produced world-premiere productions. For more information on Premiere Stages at Kean University, or to get on the mailing list, call 908-737-6397, ext. 4-410, or send an e-mail to jwooten@kean.edu.

Juana Zayas to perform benefit concert

Juana Zayas, a Cuban-born classical pianist and New Jersey resident, is offering her gift of music to benefit the YWCA of Eastern Union County's services to victims of domestic violence. On Sunday, at 3 p.m., Zayas will hold a recital at the Little Theatre at Kean University to benefit Project Protect, the only emergency shelter for victims of domestic violence with comprehensive services in Union County.

Zayas started playing piano at a very early age under the guidance of her mother, and gave her first solo recital at age 7. She graduated from the Peyrellade Conservatory in her native Havana and has performed at Lincoln Center, Carnegie Hall, and across Europe. According to Harold C. Schonberg of the American Record Guide, "Zayas is an extraordinary pianist" and describes her playing as "colorful and exciting." The Los Angeles Times said "Zayas is a fine example of what is called a virtuoso."

This recital will benefit Project Protect's new traditional housing project set to open in Plainfield in 2005. The YWCA of Eastern Union County and the YWCA of Central New Jersey are collaborating to open a transitional housing site for "domestic vio-

lence victims in Union County, where women and their children can stay for up to three years as they seek job skills and employment. For tickets and information, call Ana at 908-355-1500.

Hispanic Heritage Month celebrated at Ritz

To celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month, The Ritz Theatre recently hosted an interactive art lesson for 100 elementary school students from Harrison Elementary School and The Shim Academy of Roselle.

"I created the Ritz Arts Council to celebrate art in its many forms," said Ritz Theatre owner George A. Castro II. "In the future, we will host a variety of events at The Ritz Theatre featuring fine art, music, dance and more, to bring the arts to the community and educate children."

The students learned about fine art techniques of Hispanic artists Jorge Posada from Colombia, Frank de la Mercedes from Nicaragua, and Rene Mayorga from El Salvador. The artists exhibited some of their own work and engaged the children in art lessons, offering them the opportunity to use their imaginations while creating portraits and collages.

The Ritz Theatre was built in 1865 and originally opened as Drake's Opera House. After a variety of incarnations, surviving near destruction and years of vacancy, the Ritz Theatre is once again being recognized as a first-class showplace for top entertainers.

Season is under way for Westfield Players

The Westfield Community Players membership drive for its 2004-05 season is now under way, with a four-show season price of \$45, a savings of 30 percent off the price of individual

tickets. The box office is open at 908-232-1221 and ready to take reservations for the opening show or for the full season.

New President Naomi Yablonsky, who has directed and performed at WCP, announced the new season of drama, comedy, murder and song. In addition to the regular season schedule of four shows, WCP is also presenting a musical evening in November featuring vocalist Susan Speidel. Yablonsky added that these special events are another way of drawing audiences to WCP who might not be familiar with the organization.

For the upcoming 2004-05 season, WCP membership director Letty Hudak notes that a \$45 membership gives you tickets to all four of the new season's shows as well as a newsletter and notification of special events. The cost of membership she added, is almost a 30-percent savings over buying tickets to all four shows individually. Individual season subscriptions can be obtained for \$45 each with checks payable to Westfield Community Players, sent to Letty Hudak at 409 Harrison Ave., Westfield, NJ 07090. All shows open on a Saturday night and run Friday and Saturday evenings for three or four weekends, making it easy to have a local night out to experience live theater.

The British farce, "There Goes the Bride," by Ray Cooney and John Chapman, will be presented in January as an antidote to the winter blahs. A society wedding is disrupted by the father of the bride, who lapses into fantasy about the roaring '20s at the Savoy Hotel in London. Show dates are Jan. 8 through 22 with all tickets priced at \$15.

Agatha Christie's courtroom drama, "Witness for the Prosecution," is the March show. True to form, confusion, doubt and double-cross are

skillfully presented by the author in this Tony Award-winning play. The play will be presented March 5 through the 19 with tickets priced at \$15.

WCP ends the season in May with the James Valcq and Fred Alley musical, "The Spitfire Grill." With a score inspired by American folks music, this story of redemption and hope takes place at a restaurant in a small town that serves up more than food to weary souls. The play is presented April 30 through May 21, with all tickets priced at \$20.

Westfield Community Players, founded in 1934, is one of the oldest continuously operating community theaters in the state of New Jersey and has brought to life more than 190 comedies, dramas and musicals in its 150-seat theater in Westfield. With four productions for the upcoming season, it continues to be a vibrant part of the cultural scene in Union County.

Funding has been made possible in part by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, a partner agency of the National Endowment of the Arts, through a grant administered by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs.

'The Sound of Music' at Mother Seton

Students at Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark, will be performing in "The Sound of Music" by Rodgers and Hammerstein at 7:30 p.m. today, Friday and Saturday, and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for senior citizens and children under 12 on Thursday and Friday evenings. All other tickets are \$10. Tickets may be obtained by calling the school at 732-382-1952 any weekday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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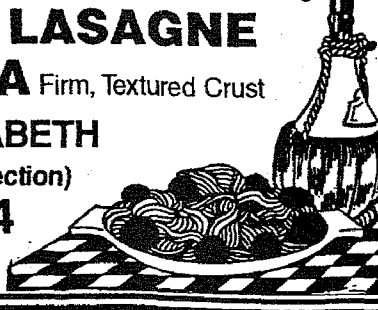
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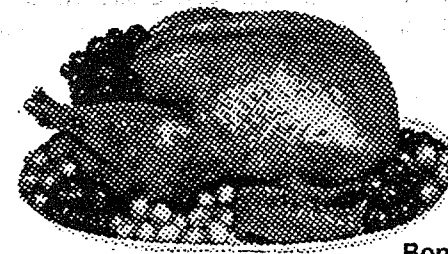
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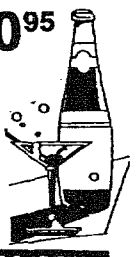
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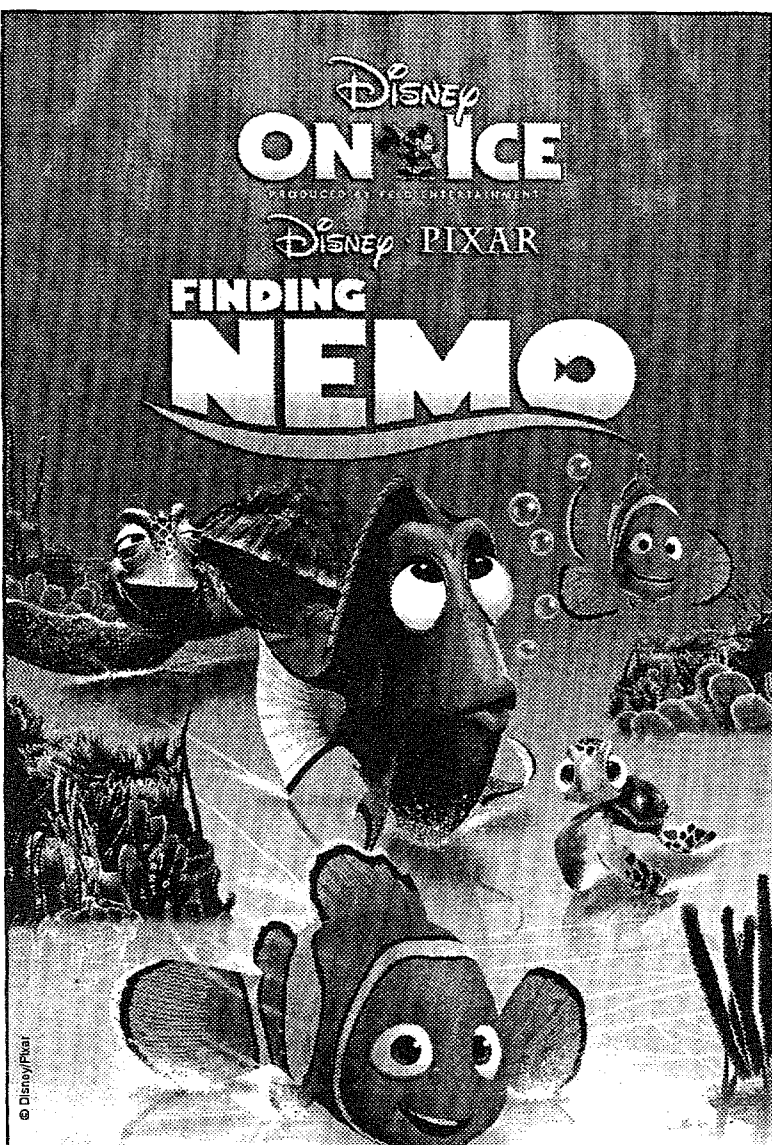
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Take a tour of some unique homes in Summit during the holidays

Reeves-Reed Arboretum in Summit will present its 15th annual Holiday House Tour on Dec. 9. The tour will feature four Summit homes, each decked out in festive style.

The benefit tour offers a look at four architecturally unique residences, each decorated to reflect the owners' personal style. Step through the door of an elegantly restored brick Georgian and absorb the meticulous attention to detail from period elements to a flowing addition featuring a guest suite and

pool house. The home is replete with holiday ideas from top — the safari playroom — to bottom — a personal gym.

A stop by the carefully restored Gothic Tudor reveals impressive wood moldings, original fireplaces and other elements. Wander from the beamed ceiling foyer to the two-story, cathedral-themed sitting room and then out back to an outdoor living space and so much more. This jewel-tone shaded gem mixes traditional elements with the

owner's flare for southwestern design.

A notable English Tudor in one of Summit's finest neighborhoods uncovers the grand splendor of early 20th-century architecture. Enjoy all the traditional spaces decorated for the holiday as well as some extras, such as the enclosed garden room and impressive stone terrace. Visitors won't want to miss the ruby red, etched glass doors leading to the sitting room or the goldfish-filled indoor water fountain. Weather permitting, visitors can take a

stroll through the owner's garden.

For those looking for table-top ideas, the tour offers a Dutch Colonial set for a holiday tea. After feasting on a sparkling table-top setting, visitors can move through the former Victorian to admire the American antiques which accent the home.

Also on the tour are the Summit Historical Society's 18th century Carter House with its annual Crafts Fair and the Wisner house on the grounds of Reeves-Reed which will be decked out

in full holiday splendor for guests. Mulled cider and home-baked treats will be served at Reeves-Reed. After refreshments, visitors may stop by The Garden Shop for holiday gifts or something special for their home. The shop is fully stocked with terrific holiday items as well as the standard garden accessories.

Tour hours are 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and tickets are \$25 by mail until Nov. 30, and \$30 thereafter. A buffet lunch will be served at Beacon Hill for an addi-

tional charge of \$30; seating is limited and must be reserved before Nov. 30. Lunch seatings are at 11:30 a.m. and 1 p.m.

Tickets may be purchased at Reeves-Reed, 165 Hobart Ave., near Route 24, in the office Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., or The Garden Shop, Monday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, contact Reeves-Reed Arboretum at 908-273-8787, ext. 10 or 11.

Symphony to perform at local high school

The Summit Symphony Orchestra will present a concert Sunday, at 3 p.m. at Summit High School, located on Kent Place Blvd.

The concert will include music by Anton Dvorak.

The featured soloist for this concert will be violinist Christine Kwak.

Under the direction of conductor James Sadewwhite, the Summit Symphony Orchestra will perform the Carneval Overture, the Slavonic Dance #8, the Concerto for Violin

and the Symphony No. 2 in D minor, all by Dvorak.

At the age of 19, violinist Christine Kwak has already made her debut at Carnegie Hall, Avery Fisher Hall and Alice Tully Hall. At the age of 11, she recorded the complete 24 Caprices by Paganini.

She has been featured in articles in *The New York Times*, the *Daily News*, *Newsday* and the *Village Voice*, among many others.

Her teacher, the late Dorothy DeLay, renowned for producing

many of the world's great soloists, said, "Christine is an extraordinary talent who will become one of the best in her generation."

Kwak has performed with numerous orchestras, including the American Symphony, the New York Pops, the Westchester Symphony, the Bronx Symphony and the Yonkers Philharmonic.

She has appeared in many recitals and at many festivals in the New York metropolitan area and in other cities around the country. She has appeared

on the "Sally Jess Raphael Show," as well as NBC news and Fox 5. She has also performed for the first lady, Hillary Clinton, on a visit to New York, which was aired on WABC.

Kwak is a sophomore at Columbia University and has been a pupil of the late Dorothy DeLay at Julliard School.

She currently studies with Stephen Clapp, dean of the Julliard School. This concert is sponsored, in part, by the Summit Board of Recreation.

Admission for this concert is free.

Arts Center shows a series of holiday films

Celebrate the arrival of the holiday season on Nov. 26 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center with the holiday hit film, "Home Alone," starring Macaulay Culkin. Visit Santa at the Arts Center before the film at 7:30 p.m. and immediately following the Rahway Tree lighting at Town Hall in Rahway.

As a thank you to the community for all its support, the Arts Center has rolled back its admission price to \$1.

On Nov. 27 at 8 p.m., the Union County Arts Center and the Garden State Theatre Organ Society will present Buster Keaton in "The General."

The original musical score will be performed live by Bernie Anderson Jr. on the Art Center's restored Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ.

One of only three original theater pipe organs still playing in New Jersey, the Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ, known as "The Biggest Little Wurlitzer," was instrumental in the success for the theater's survival.

These films are all part of The Union

County Arts Center's "Movie Palace Experience" Film Series, a recreation of the movie-going experience that America grew up with in the 1920s through the 1950s.

With each movie, you slip back in time. From the restored auditorium to the restored Wurlitzer Theatre Pipe Organ played before each movie, The Union County Arts Center is the only theater in New Jersey that recreates every detail of a bygone era.

Included in each program are vintage movie trailers and short subjects, some that audiences haven't seen in 50 to 60 years. All films are 35mm and are presented in their original aspect ratio.

Tickets prices for "Home Alone" are \$1 and "Sun Valley Serenade" and "The General" are \$5 for all seats and may be purchased by calling 732-499-8226, online by visiting www.ucac.org/moviepalace, or by visiting the Union County Arts Center Box Office in person at 1601 Irving St., Rahway.

Westfield artist's work at Elizabeth Gallery

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is presenting an exhibit of paintings by Bernice Shah of Westfield in the gallery space at the offices of the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, located at 633 Pearl Street in Elizabeth.

"The new exhibit in the Pearl Street Gallery features the work of award-winning painter Bernice Shah," said Freeholder Chairman Angel G. Estrada. "Ms. Shah has titled her exhibit, 'A Poucos Passos,' which means 'A Step from Here.' She lived and worked in Brazil for many years and that experience continues to inform her paintings. We are honored to display her inspiring artwork."

Shah earned her Bachelor of Fine Arts from Mason Gross School of the Arts, Rutgers University. She also studied at the Fashion Institute of Technology, the Art Students League, the New School, and the School of Visual Arts in New York City, and the Summit Art Center for Visual Arts.

Her paintings have been exhibited extensively throughout New Jersey and have won numerous awards in juried exhibits.

Her work is held in many private collections.

"My recent work has dealt with formal issues of color, composition and space within the framework of the canvas. I enjoy working with oils for their intensity and richness, but also like to vary my work with mixed media, which allows for endless exploration," said Shah. "The non-representational larger oils are examples of problem solving on the canvas. Rather than calling them a series, a better description would be to call them sets, whereby one painting will generate a response from the next painting. The smaller mixed-media paintings on paper exhibited here are explorations in form, color and texture with the final varnish layer giving an enamel-like sheen to the surface."

Shah's paintings are on display at the Pearl Street Gallery through Jan. 14. Gallery hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday.

"We are proud to see the work of one of Westfield's talented artists shown in the beautiful and historic St. John's Parsonage on Pearl Street," said Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, liai-

son to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "The talent and diversity of all our local artists ensures an ongoing variety of interesting exhibits. We thank Ms. Shah for sharing her beautiful paintings."

Union County artists — whose works can be hung on a wall — inter-

ested in exhibiting in the gallery are welcome to apply. For more information about the Pearl Street Gallery, contact the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, NJ 07202, or call 908-558-2550. NJ Relay users can dial 711. Or send an e-mail to cultural-info@ucnj.org

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The Northside Trattoria is nestled on the edge of downtown Westfield, on the segment of Prospect Street that runs tangentially toward the fire station. The outside façade is reminiscent of the Old Country, decorated with the foliage and trellises that make it pop out among the boxed stores of Westfield. I remembered visiting it once as a child, since it's a kind of institution in Westfield. But I hadn't been there in well over a decade, so I decided to check it out again.
Walking into the restaurant itself, the most noticeable aspect of the interior is the open kitchen right before you - a sure sign of the confidence that the owner, Tim Boyle, places in his chefs and the quality of food preparation. The kitchen and small reception room leads to the open dining room, which is adorned eclectically with relics of Italy. Capitals of ancient columns, paintings, and an esoteric trio of murals on one wall complement the darkened woodwork of the walls. Two back sections separated by partitions provide room for small parties and those seeking more privacy.
Boyle and his brother took over the restaurant three years ago from the previous owner, who opened it in 1988. The interior was completely redone since the time I had visited last. The brothers also wanted to make the restaurant more accessible in general, and in the words of Boyle, "to make it more like a true trattoria," as he saw when he lived abroad for a period of two years. But they also wanted to make it more affordable, and provide a wider array of menu choices. So my guest and I were looking forward to a new experience, right in our hometown.
The Trattoria does not have a liquor license, since they are at such a premium in Westfield. My girlfriend and I brought our own bottle of wine - a good chardonnay, by our own lowbrow drinking habits. We were ready.
Our waiter turned out to be an acquaintance of mine, a guy who had moved to Westfield a few years ago. He was very attentive and businesslike and prompt with our requests. We were there very late, right before closing, so we were the last people to be seated. In the partitioned party room there was a gathering of a half dozen or so people, but they were fairly quiet. The low-key room seemed romantic, at least to a man; men generally have less of a sense of these things than the fairer sex. The girl seemed to be pleased, though.
We each ordered an appetizer. She was feeling adventurous, ordering the special for that night. It was a puff pastry with ham, cheddar, and caramelized onions, complemented by a smattering of Dijon mustard and served over baby greens. She was ecstatic over the whole thing. Normally a concoction like that would turn me off, but at her goading, I tried a bite, and then another. It was a striking taste. I could have eaten her entire plate. What I ordered was even more personally palatable, though - as a seafood fanatic, I ordered the baked clams in a white wine sauce. They did not disappoint. Best of all, Ma Bella was too wrapped up in her pastry to eat any of my clams, so I had them all to my greedy self.
For a main course, she went with the specials again, opting to try a breaded chicken breast that had provolone, spinach, and prosciutto, and was served over linguini marinara. I instead wanted to try one of the staples of the restaurant - something that would show off the chefs at their best. Garnett the waiter recommended that I try the chicken balsamic, which was described as sautéed chicken in a reduced balsamic vinegar mixed with sun dried tomatoes, mushrooms and zucchini. I went with his recommendation, and I was not disappointed. It was the kind of tangy vinegar taste that I crave. The chicken was juicy and complemented the sauce and the added sun dried tomatoes, which are one of my weaknesses. We couldn't even finish half our portions, even though they were delectable - the wine and appetizers had mostly filled us.
But there's always room for dessert, as Ma Bella believes. So we got the Reese's peanut butter cake, which was equal parts chocolate and peanut butter thickness and raspberry sauce sweetness. It finished the somewhat eclectic meal perfectly - a fitting end to a dining experience that was thoroughly enjoyable.
"We wanted to do new things with the place, of course," said Boyle. "We've done wine and jazz dinners recently."
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ART SHOWS

FIVE ARTISTS will be featured in "Landscapes Old and New," an exhibit which will run until Sunday at Swain Galleries in Plainfield. Dutch artist Oene Romkes deJonge, French painter Aymar Pezant, and three American artists, George Schultz, John Rummell and George Gardner Symons form the "old" portion of the exhibit, while the "new" segment is comprised mostly of New Jersey artists. Frank Ferrante of Westwood, Helen Jacobs of Paramus and Fred Kirberger of Morristown are among the artists whose work will be presented. For information, call 908-756-1707.

EDGE ART GALLERY, which opened its doors in Rahway's arts district is presenting its third series of exhibitions. Gallery One will feature Alejandro Anreus, a Cuban-born artist who examines the nexus between Christianity and politics as it relates to the Cuban-American identity. Gallery Two will feature Julio Nazario. In a series of photographic portraits, Nazario reveals the inner spirit and individuality of ordinary Hispanics.

EDGEArt Gallery is located at 1571 Irving St. in downtown Rahway. The current exhibits runs through Dec. 31. The gallery is open from Monday to Friday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The phone number is 732-669-0112. EDGEArt Gallery is dedicated to artists who have worked outside the mainstream and who have not followed the latest trend but stuck to their vision against all odds.

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL will feature the work of Pasha Bari Ellis, Midge Coleman and Bob Nodor throughout November. The Children's Specialized Hospital is located at 150 New Providence Road, Mountainside. For more information, call 908-233-3720, ext. 5379.

LES MALAMUT ART GALLERY will host the presentation of "A Garden Journal," a series of photographs of Union County Public and Private Gardens by Nancy Ori of Berkeley Heights. The exhibit will continue through Dec. 1. The gallery is open at the Union Library, 1980 Morris Ave. Union, during regular library hours. Operated by the Wheelchair Gallery Inc.

NEW EXHIBIT OPENS AT ARTS GUILD OF RAHWAY. The Arts Guild of Rahway will present "Illusions: Collusions/Collisions by Patricia Cudd, Anuradha Das and Erena Rae." The show will run until Dec. 10. An opening reception will be held on Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. There will be free admission.

The gallery hours are Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 1 to 4 p.m. and Thursday, from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. at the Arts Guild, 1670 Irving St., Rahway. For more information, call 732-381-7511, or visit the Web site at www.rahwayartsguild.org, or e-mail artsguild1670@earthlink.net.

FRANK FALOTICO has announced that the duCret School of Art is sponsoring its annual open house today from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m., and from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Falotico, the school's director, welcomes all interested students to tour the school's facilities and visit classes during the open house. The school is located at 1030 Central Ave., Plainfield. For more information, contact the school office, 908-757-7171.

PRINTMAKERS FOCUS ON WOMEN'S ISSUES AND CULTURAL HERITAGE in the next art exhibit at The Arts Guild of Rahway, titled "Illusions: Collusions/Collusion," which will take place through Dec. 10. There will be an opening reception on Sunday from 1 to 4 p.m. Gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday; and from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m. on Thursday. Admission is free. For more information, call 732-381-7511.

Stepping Out

CONCERTS

JAZZ VOCALIST ROSEANNA VITRO AND HER ENSEMBLE will take guests on a "Jazz Journey of the American Song Book" Monday at 8 p.m. at Kean University's Wilkins Theatre, at 1000 Morris Ave., Union. Tickets are \$10 for the public; \$8 for seniors and alumni; and \$6 for students and children, and can be purchased by calling the Wilkins Theatre box office at 908-737-7469.

FORMER SPRINGSTEEN DRUMMER Vini Lopez will be one of three musicians to perform at the Union County Arts Center on Saturday at 8 p.m. Lopez, born in Neptune, was the original drummer in Springsteen's E Street Band. He is currently touring with his band, Steel Mill Retro, and he takes listeners back to Asbury Park with unreleased material from the early days of the E Street Band. Also performing that night will be New Jersey native Glen Burnick and John Eddie. The Union County Arts Center is located at 1601 Irving St., Rahway. Tickets are \$30, \$25 and may be purchased by calling 732-499-8226 or by visiting the Web site, www.ucac.org.

SINGER-SONGWRITER PATTY LARKIN will perform at a folk concert on Dec. 4 at 8 p.m. as part of Sanctuary Concerts, 1130 Mountain Ave.,

Hetfield House, Constitution Plaza, Mountainside. For more information, call 732-239-7018.

ARTERIE, the Maplewood/South Orange artisan's group, is having an "early start" gift show and sale at the Ethical Culture Building at 516 Prospect Street in Maplewood. It will be held on Friday, from noon to 8 p.m., and Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Ten local jewelers, quilters, textile artists and potters will take part. Admission is free. For more information, call 973-275-1633, or send an e-mail to arteriegroup@yahoo.com.

DANCE

BEGINNERS ARE WELCOME when the Summit International Folk Dancers meet on Nov. 26 from 8 to 10:30 p.m. at The Connection, at the corner of Morris Avenue and Maple Street in Summit. The price is \$2, no partners are necessary. For more information, call 973-584-7094.

DISCUSSION

THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF FREEHOLDERS invites local nonprofit

organizations to present their views on the future of the 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.

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

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.

KEAN UNIVERSITY ANNOUNCES SENIOR CITIZEN THEATER TICKET PROGRAM. In an initiative led by the university president, Dawood Farahi, free tickets to several of the stellar performing-arts events held at the university's theaters are available to seniors through local senior citizens centers. "Senior citizens are very important to

our communities," said Farahi. "As a leader in education, it is imperative that Kean University uses its resources to include them in the wonderful cultural offerings on this campus." He added that, while planning this new program, Kean polled seniors living locally to find out what kinds of outings they would enjoy. The overwhelming response was for performing arts. "We have great programming that we can share with our seniors. I know this plan will be especially beneficial for those living on a fixed income, who might otherwise not be able to see events of this caliber as much as they would like," said Farahi.

To request Senior Night Out tickets, contact the senior citizens center in your town. For more information, call Marge Devanney of Kean University at 908-737-6019.

Upcoming Senior Night Out shows include:

• Wilkins Theater: Monday, 8 p.m. Jazz Journey. Andy Fusco, Kean University affiliate artist in saxophone and jazz, brings his post-bebop quintet to Wilkins Theater in another of its patented barn burners.

THE PLAYHOUSE ASSOCIATION OF SUMMIT presents its production of "Fiorello" at the Summit Playhouse through Saturday, Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$25 for adults and \$15 for students. For more information, call 908-273-2192, or order tickets on line at www.summit-playhouse.org.

'THE SOUND OF MUSIC' will be performed by students at Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark at 7:30 p.m. today, Friday and Saturday, and Sunday at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$5 for senior citizens and children under 12 on Thursday and Friday evenings. All other tickets are \$10. Tickets may be obtained by calling the school at 732-382-1952 any weekday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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.

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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 COFFEE-HOUSE 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@secondsataturdays.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.

BOOKS

THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOOK GROUP will meet at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 732-574-1818.

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.

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.

SHAKESPEARE OUT LOUD Reading Group meets the third Friday of the



From left to right, Nancy Anderson, Bill Bateman, Michele Ragusa, Bradford William Anderson, George Dvorsky and George S. Irving in a scene from 'She Loves Me,' the Bock-Harnick-Mastoroff musical valentine now at Paper Mill Playhouse through Dec. 5.

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.

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.

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 McMinamen, a headliner and a feature performer. Ticket price includes light refreshments after the show. The show begins at 8 p.m. Saturday, and tickets are \$15.

The seating at the Watchung Arts Center is within 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.

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NATURE IS THE INSPIRATION for "Earth, Wind and Fire," a selection of songs exploring the many moods of nature, which will be performed by the Summit Chorale, under the direction of conductor Richard Garrin. The first performance will be Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of Madison, 19 Green Ave., Madison. The second performance is set for Sunday at 4 p.m. at Our Lady of Peace R.C. Church, 111 South St., New Providence. Tickets at the door cost \$20; and \$18 for students and seniors. In advance, tickets cost \$18, and \$16 for students and seniors. For more information, call 973-292-1186, or visit the Web site, www.summitchorale.org.

CRAFTS

PREPARE FOR THE HOLIDAYS by attending "Home and the Holidays," a winter craft and gift boutique that will extend through Dec. 5. Hours are 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and admission is free. The boutique will take place at The

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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.

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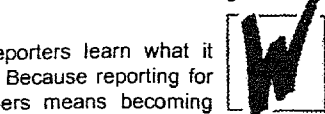
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Week eight

- Call for estimates from three professional movers.
- Draw a floor plan of your new home.

- Call the Chamber of Commerce in your new town for its residential information packet.

Week six

- Inventory all possessions now. Decide what to move, sell, replace or donate to charity.

- Complete U.S. Postal change of address forms and mail to media, stores and organizations.
- Obtain copies of all of your medical, dental, legal, accounting and veterinarian records.

- Make arrangements for record transfers between schools on both ends of the move.
- Ask a tax advisor to review your potential moving-related tax deductions and potential tax liability.

- Itemize moving-related costs with your mover, including packing, loading, special charges and insurance.

Week four

- Repair, send out for re-upholstery or clean furniture, drapes and carpeting as necessary.

- Advertise a garage/yard/tag sale to dispose of unneeded furniture, accessories and clothes.

- If a professional mover is packing your goods, schedule packing day(s) one or two days before the move.

- If you move yourself, order adequate boxes, packing materials and tape.

- Arrange for short-term storage if you will need it.

- Make travel arrangements for pets, including necessary medical

records and immunizations.

Week three

- Assemble a sufficient supply of packing materials and equipment.
- Pack items you won't use immediately or that will go into storage.

- Contact utilities on both ends of the move, and order termination or turn-on for your occupancy date.

- Confirm final travel arrangements for family and pets.

Week two

- Prepare auto(s) for the trip to your new home. Check tires and have car(s) serviced before the move.

- Terminate newspaper and other delivery services.

- Confirm new bank accounts by phone and fax.

- Schedule an appliance service firm for moving day to prepare major appliances for the move.

Week one

- Gather important papers, records and valuables for protected shipment to your new home or safe deposit.

- Notify friends and neighbors of new address — and phone number if possible.

- Make plans for young children to be cared for on moving day.

- Fill any necessary prescriptions and medications needed for the next two weeks.

- Defrost refrigerator and freezer. Give away all food in both units.

- Plan simple meals for moving day — or take out food — to avoid using the refrigerator.

- Pick up cash for your trip and a certified check for mover's invoice.

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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 5.76 percent, with an average 0.7 points, for the week ending November 11, 2004, up from last week when it averaged 5.70 percent. Last year at this time, the 30-year FRM averaged 5.98 percent.

The average for the 15-year FRM this week is 5.16 percent, with an average 0.7 points, also up from last week when it averaged 5.08 percent. A year ago, the 15-year FRM averaged 5.31 percent.

One-year Treasury-indexed adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) averaged 4.16 percent this week, with an average 0.6 point, up from last week when it averaged 4.00 percent. At this time last year, the one-year ARM averaged 3.73 percent.

(Average commitment rates should be reported along with average fees and points to reflect the total cost of obtaining the mortgage.)

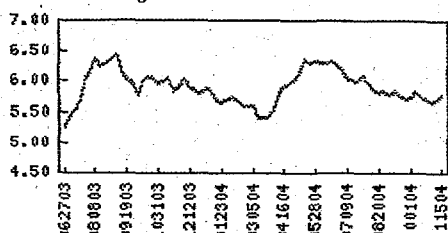
"October's fervent job growth statistics, mixed with upward revisions in previous months, led financial markets to believe the economy is picking up steam. A large number of people reentered the workforce, leading to an uptick in the national unemployment rate to 5.5 percent, which we expect will ease back to 5.4 percent before the year is out," said Freddie Mac Vice President and Chief Economist Frank Nothaft.

"The end result translates into higher long-term mortgage rates this week. Adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) were more strongly affected by the latest Federal Reserve (Fed) rate hike this week. However, mortgage rates continue to be extremely affordable and the outlook for the housing sector appears bright."

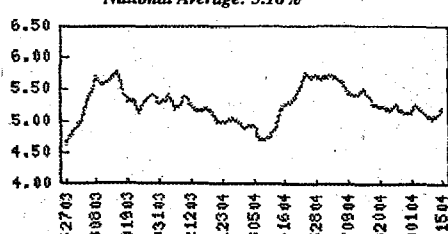
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National Averages

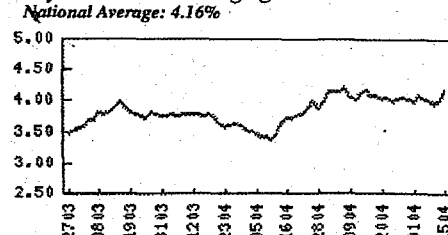
30-year mortgage
National Average: 5.76%



15-year mortgage
National Average: 5.16%



1-year ARM mortgage
National Average: 4.16%



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Mustang: not just a family sports car

By Mark Maynard
Copley News Service

Because of Ford dealership connections, Saleen is a well-recognized name.

I recently spent time in the Saleen S281-E Speedster. This high-performance modified Mustang is available in coupe or convertible, and reaches a varied enthusiast, separated mostly by the price tag. Here's a look at the Saleen S281-E convertible Speedster.

Steve Saleen has been building high-performance Mustangs for 20 years, and each model year adds more refinement, more horsepower and more speed.

Blame technological advancements and boredom for a \$64,000 Mustang, but that's what happens when a builder keeps evolving a concept.

The top-line S281-E is that next level in the man's brain that asks: "Hmmm, what if we tried this?"

Saleen offers three levels of Mustang performance.

The S281 — so named for the cubic inches of the 4.6 liter — starts at \$36,095 for the coupe and \$40,114 for the convertible. Both come with 290-hp, SOHC, 4.6 liter V-8 and quick-ratio five-speed manual transmission.

Just say supercharge it, and the horsepower goes up to 375 and the price to \$42,788 for the hardtop and \$46,807 for the convertible.

That's about \$6,700 more for a 0.4 second improvement from 0 to 60 — that's 4.7 seconds supercharged vs. 5.1 for the naturally aspirated motor.

Moving up to the top level S281-E brings a 4.5 second 0-60 and a \$17,716 price bump of \$60,504 for the coupe. The convertible starts at \$64,504.

I'd hoped to test a midrange S281, but all that was available when I called was Saleen's personal E-model convertible Speedster — \$67,483 with the Speedster package. The price is staggering, but the more I drove it, the more it earned a spot in my dream garage.

Paint quality, styling enhancements and interior upgrades are all worthy of such a pricey vehicle. But the remarkable smoothness of 445 horsepower and 450 foot-pounds of torque and the suspension that settles in like a Porsche Carrera are all staggering evidence of what can be accomplished with a basic Mustang.

When I drove off, Saleen said, "Be sure to get it up above 5,000 rpm, that's when it starts to sound really good."

The 125-employee company sells 700 to 1,000 cars a year through select Ford dealerships. All are outfitted at his 150,000-square-foot facility in a quiet industrial office park area in Irvine, Calif.

Stock Mustangs are driven into the facility, stripped of suspension and interior pieces and transferred to dollies where they will be rolled from work station to work station for the upgrades. More than 400 items are changed, Saleen says.

"All the parts are designed, engineered, tooled or manufactured by us or a tier 1 supplier, except the Pirelli tires," he says.

For the E model, Saleen went to the wind tunnel.

"Very little of what we have done to this car is for cosmetics," he says. "It's all for higher performance."

The front fenders, door panels and rear quarter panels are the only carry-over pieces.

On the engine, only the block is the same. Everything else is specially made. Even the eight paint colors are unique.

"When the car is finished, we take off the Ford window sticker and put on our own," Saleen says. "This is basically a different level of Mustang."

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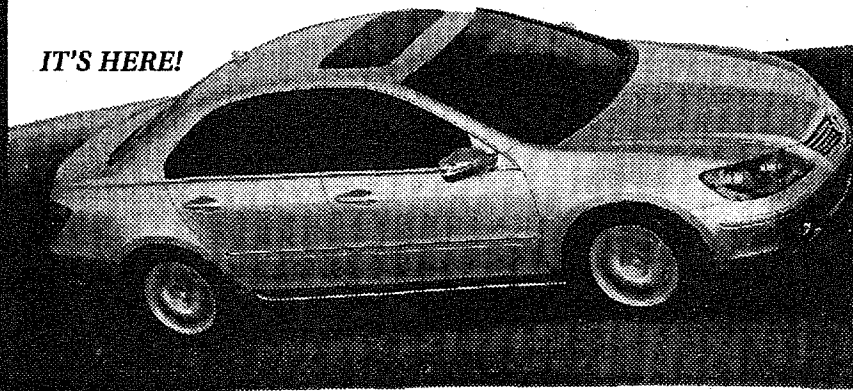


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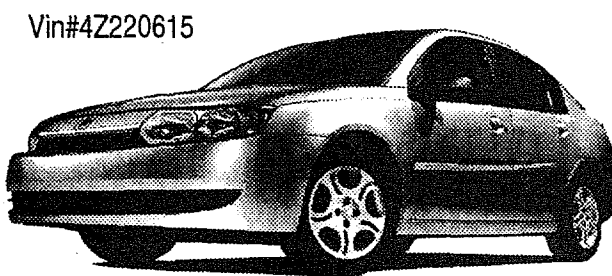
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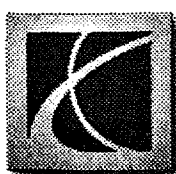
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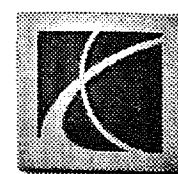
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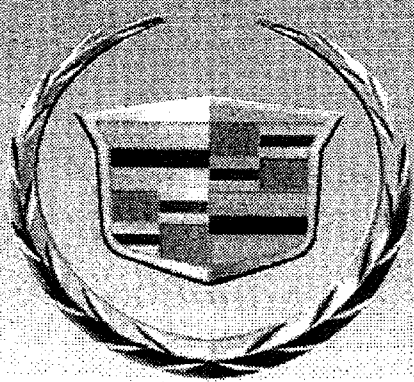


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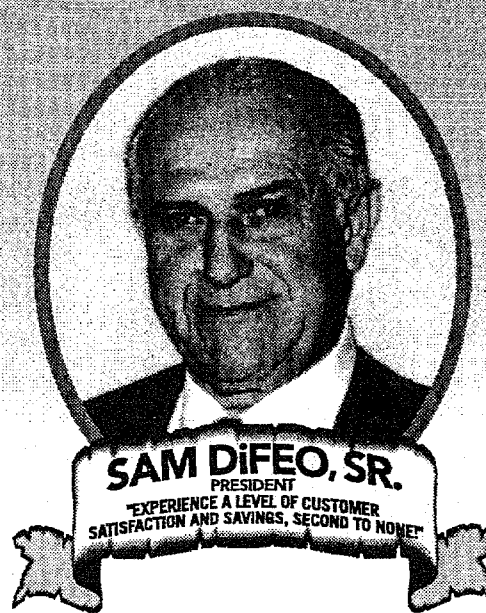
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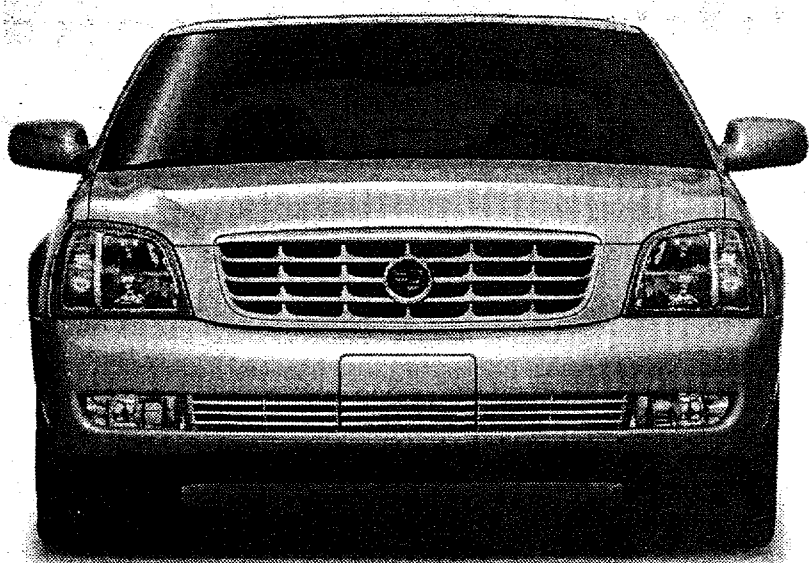
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Beige, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, dual air bags, fog lts, 40,667 mi, Stk. #B12663, VIN #1R02504

\$17,391

2003 Cadillac DeVille

White, 8 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, dual air bags, fog lts, 27,836 mi, Stk. #B12596, VIN #3020940

\$29,903

2004 Cadillac SRX

Blue, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, dual air bags, fog lts, 10,074 mi, Stk. #B12709, VIN #4018758

\$39,994

2001 Cadillac Catera

Black, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, 35,360 mi, Stk. #B12638, VIN #1R025374

\$18,991

2003 Cadillac CTS

Red, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, 31,937 mi, Stk. #B12707, VIN #30117768

\$29,993

2004 Cadillac SRX

Black, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, fog lts, 3704 mi, Stk. #B12714, VIN #30105877

\$39,995

2001 Cadillac DeVille

Black, 8 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, v/gls, alum whls, lthr int, rads, int wip, dual air bags, 26,910 mi, Stk. #B12612, VIN #1U291581

\$26,901

2003 Cadillac DeVille DTS

Blue, 8 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, 23,436 mi, Stk. #B12704, VIN #30113640

\$31,993

2004 Cadillac SRX

Silver, 8 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, fog lts, 8736 mi, Stk. #B12630, VIN #40185844

\$40,994

2004 Cadillac CTS

Silver, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, v/gls, alum whls, lthr int, rads, int wip, dual air bags, fog lts, 23,936 mi, Stk. #B12706, VIN #30110611

\$28,993

2004 Cadillac SRX

Silver Green, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, fog lts, 7283 mi, Stk. #B12690, VIN #40190374

\$38,994

2004 Cadillac SRX

Silver, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, fog lts, 3803 mi, Stk. #B12685, VIN #40195073

\$40,994

2003 Cadillac CTS

Silver, 8 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, fog lts, 24,923 mi, Stk. #B12693, VIN #30109310

\$28,993

2004 Cadillac SRX

White Diamond, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, v/gls, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, fog lts, 11,854 mi, Stk. #B12716, VIN #40190408

\$38,994

2004 Cadillac SRX

White Diamond, 6 cyl, auto trans, air, pwr str/ABS, pwr wind/seats/lcks/ant/mirrs, AM/FM stereo-cass, CD, tilt, cruise, r/def, v/gls, lthr int, rads, int wip, alum whls, dual air bags, fog lts, 5247 mi, Stk. #B12715, VIN #40191063

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