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PTA nominations

UNION, N.J

Washington Elementary School in Union has announced the executive board nominations for 2008-09.

The next PTA meeting will take place May 19 at 7 p.m.

The nominations include the following: president, Isbett Checo; first vice president, Paula Matos; second vice president, Lisa Padden; treasurer, Toni Becht; recording secretary, Rosa Santos; corresponding secretary, Judy Romeo and honorary vice president, Mark Hoyt.

Battle Hill School PTA has announced its revised slate of officers for the 2008-09 year. They include the following: Cheryl Hughes-Mimy, president; Sandra Matthews, vice president; Omayra Torres, second vice president; Carol Giugliano, treasurer; Vonda Morton, recording secretary and Connie Novoa, corresponding secretary.

Nominations from the floor give 20 days notice before the election meeting May 12 of their intention to run.

Notification must be made in writing to the PTA president, recording secretary and nominating committee chairperson.

Township Trivia

In honor of the township of Union's bicentennial celebration, the Union Leader will be testing residents' knowledge of local history by asking weekly trivia questicas

The answer to the Township Trivia question, along with the name of the first person to submit a correct response, will appear in the next edition of this newspaper.

Responses can be e-mailed to the managing editor at unionleader@thelocalsource.com.

We congratulate Charles O. Hoffman Jr. of Union, who was the first person to correctly answer last week's question: What was the name of the only church that exist**Board OKs Gateway North plans** By Jackeline Leon Staff Writer

UNION - The Planning Board gave its stamp of approval last week to the redevelopment plan for a section of Union, leaving many who are in opposition, embittered.

The board's April 17th decision will now be passed on to the Township Committee for final approval.

The redevelopment plan, proposed by Jersey City-based The Metro Company Inc., has been in the works for the past two years after certain properties in town were designated "in need of redevelopment" on Dec. 26, 2006. The plan divides the township into three sec-

tions for redevelopment purposes. The first area, labeled "Union Center Gateway North," spans 19 building lots between Lentz Avenue and Vauxhall Road, along Stuyvesant Avenue.

Specific plans for the Gateway North area has been discussed and includes re-zoning the area for mixed usage. According to Stuart Portney, president of the Metro Company, the first floor would be mainly retail and the the top two floors would be residential.

He anticipates that approximately 50 to 75 residential units of one and two bedrooms would be added to the landscape of Stuyvesant Avenue.

Property owners of the area are concerned that eminent domain remains a strong possibility, even though the Township Committee had passed a resolution stating that eminent domain will not be used.

"I can understand why people are concerned about eminent domain," said former Planning Board member, Joseph Cantalupo. "But they (the Township Committee) would've never removed it if they were going to put it back."

He said the process to reinstate a clause for eminent domain would be an arduous one, involving several public hearings and notices.

As they geared up to approve the plan, Planning Board members explained their point of view.

"There have been 14 meetings with varieties of citizenry in town," Planning Board Member Jean Perkins said. "Change is difficult, painful and necessary."

"It's well worth a try to start off somewhere," Planning Board Member Michael J. O'Hara said. See PLANS, Page 6

Photos By Barbara Kokkalis ALL SIGNS POINT TO FUN — During a recent Sign and Sing program at the Roselle Park Veterans Memorial Library, 14-month-old Kamila Castro, above, learns simple sign language with the help of caretaker, Agnieszka Dworsynska. Below, a young boy and his mother clap and sing along to the music during the program.



Plans fuel debate

By Jackeline Leon Staff Writer

ROSELLE PARK - A representative from the luxury apartment company Avalon Bay presented a proposal for the site, but residents remain torn on what should be built on the historic and aging site.

"Our proposal is similar to what the governing body had in mind," Ronald S. Ladell, Avalon Bay vice president of development, said in reference to the borough's master plan for redevelopment.

The master plan caps the housing unit number for the 4.8-acre site at 215 units. However, Avalon Bay's propos-" al for a rental community involves the construction of 278 huxury apartment units

"The market determines what goes on the site," Ladell said. "We don't think it's a retail site."

Ladell suggested that building retail on the property would be challenging due to the Gordon Street Bridge, which splits the property, as well as proximity to the train and the irregular shape of the site.

Putting safety first By Jackeline Leon

Staff Writer KENILWORTH --- The good news keeps coming for the Kenilworth School District.

Still basking in the success of its 2008-09 school budget, which was approved by voters for the second consecutive year, the district announced that it is the recipient of a safety incentive award.

During a meeting on April 11, officials from the New Jersey School Boards Association Insurance Group, ERIC West Sub Fund, announced that of the 42 members of the organizations, 16 school districts, including Kenilworth, were eligible for a safety award. The award recognized Kenilworth's commitment to safety in the schools and awarded the borough \$2,846. The funds will be used to fund and maintain safety initiatives in the school district.

In addition to maintaining a safe work environment for employees and students, taxpayer burdens are reportedly lowered because of reduced claims payments that the school dis-

ed in Union before 1873? The correct answer is Connecticut Farms Church, which was formally established in 1730.

The following is this week's Township Trivia question:

Q. What former store in Union served as a post office, police station and welfare office during the Great Depression?

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classroom."

"We always make a conscious

He explained that work-related accidents are always going to occur, but procedures are in place to minimize the chances of accidents in the schools. The school district's Safety Committee, which includes school administrators, faculty and staff members, meets regularly to discuss healthrelated topics as well as formulate plans to address safety and health concerns in the schools.

proactive and discusses real life issues," School Superintendent Lloyd Leschuk said. "It takes steps to prevent workplace injuries and saves tax dollars in the process."

discussion in the past included MRSA, lockdown procedures, traffic safety and safety inside and outside of the classrooms.

"Through the steadfast commitment of the board and the administration to safety, Kenilworth schools continue to provide a safe environment not only for their students but also for the entire staff and community," Sharon Cooper, director of NJSBAIG ERIC West Group, said.

The district has been a member of the subdivision of the insurance group for three years.

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trict has had to submit to its insurance provider.

Latonya Jackson, a senior technical specialist with the non-profit insurance group, said Kenilworth does what it can to implement needed safety measures.

"It is obvious that safety is a priority for this district," Jackson said. "Kenilworth's efforts assist in keeping dollars where they belong - in the

effort to follow the program as outlined," Business Administrator Vincent Gonnella said, referring to the policies regarding safety that are set forth by the insurance provider.

"The Safety Committee is very

According to Gonnella, topics of

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Facility operates as Overlook satellite emergency center

By Jackeline Leon Staff Writer

UNION - Six months after Union Hospital put an end to acute care services, the facility's emergency department remains open and has become a model, or sorts, for other New Jersey Hospitals that plan to operate Satellite Licensed Emergency Departments or SLED.

After Union Hospital shut its doors on Sept. 20, 2007, Summit-based Overlook Hospital — which is a part of Atlantic Health - took over the emergency center, which continues to operate with a full staff of nurses and physicians, despite the lack of acute care services in the rest of the facility. Statewide, other hospitals facing

closure, such as Muhlenberg Hospital, regard Overlook Hospital's Union campus as a guidepost of how to han-

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facility to just a SLED.

According to Chief Nursing Officer for Overlook Hospital, Mary Pat Sullivan, the transformation that took place at Union Hospital was historic.

"It's the first time a hospital closed and a different entity took over, making it a very complex process," Sullivan said. She added this was a first in the state and perhaps in the nation to make such a transformation.

The transition to a SLED, which commenced six weeks prior to the closing of the hospital, involved preparations to upgrade the emergency room, which now stands alone in the large Galloping Hill Road facility.

A Picture and Communications System, or PACS, allows radiological images to be viewed easily for effi-

24 hour

on-line service

dle the transition from a full acute care cient treatment of patients and the information can also be easily relayed to affiliate hospitals such as Morristown Memorial Hospital.

"Communication is going very well," Pam Garretson, public relations manager for Morristown Memorial Hospital, said.

Computers on Wheels, or COWS, as the nursing staff calls them, are computers that can be wheeled into patient rooms for fast patient data processing.

Although some had speculated the emergency department would also eventually close, officials say the center seems to be experiencing success as a satellite emergency medical facility. An average of 60 patients are treated there each day.

"Most are the type of patients we would've expected to see," Sullivan

or to see a demo

Rent for each apartment unit would range from \$1,200 to \$2,500 and Avalon Bay would not provide subsidized housing

The apartments would include studio apartments as well as one, two and three-bedroom units.

Ladell told the audience-packed borough meeting room, that the building currently situated on the Romerovski site brings in an annual average of \$160,000 in taxes.

The anticipated earnings for the borough in taxes could jump to \$900,000 with the creation of the proposed apartment complex, according to Avalon Bat representatives.

Mayor Joseph Delorio and members of the Borough Council have been in opposition of the proposal for the Romerovski site.

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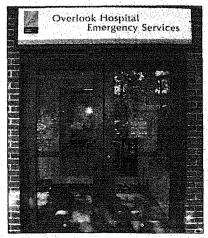


Photo By Jackeline Leon An new Overlook sign hangs in front of the former Union ER.

said. "We certainly do have some that need to be hospitalized." See HOSPITAL'S, Page 12



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Union 07083, or submit them at www.localsource.com/community calendar.

Today

ing at 7 p.m. at the Board of Education Administration Building, 195 Vir-

Tuesday

meeting of the board, at Burnet Middle School, 2144 Morris Ave. at 6:45

p.m. Present and future issues will be discussed. All members of the Board

are requested to attend. Immediately following at 8 p.m., a regular meeting

p.m. at council chambers, located on the first floor of the Roselle Park

Wednesday

present the first Taste of Union from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus

Hall, 1034 Jeanette Ave., Union. Tickets may be purchased at the clerk's

office in town hall, 1976 Morris Ave. For information, contact Karen at 908-

· The Community United Methodist Church of Kenilworth invites the

public to its annual fish and chips dinner from 5 to 7 p.m., at the Church, 455

Boulevard, Kenilworth. For tickets or additional information, call 908-276-

May 1

blood drive from 8 a.m. to 2:45 p.m. in the Roselle Park High School audi-

torium, 185 West Webster Ave., Roselle Park. Each donor will receive two

To schedule an appointment or for more information, contact school

nurse, Jan Haddad, at 908-241-4550, ext. 2071. Drop-ins will be welcome.

May 4

· Roselle Park High School's Future Health Careers Club will host a

· The Friends of the Fownship of Union Bicentennial Committee will

• The Roselle Park Board of Education will meet for an open session at 8

of the Union Municipal Building, 1976 Morris Ave.

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will be conducted.

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• The Hillside Board of Education will conduct a regular business meet-

• The Union Planning Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the main meeting room

· Jewish Women International - Batim - Union Chapter will conduct a

The Community Calendar is prepared by the Union Leader to inform residents of various community activities and governmental meetings. Mail

Borough Council will discuss streets, curbs

A special meeting of the Kenil- Street to Lafayette Avenue; worth Borough Council will take place May 7 at 7 p.m. in the courtroom, located on the second floor of borough hall, 567 Boulevard, Kenilworth.

The purpose of this special meeting is to confirm curb assessments on the following roads:

· Commonwealth Road; North 21 Street from Washington

Avenue to Monroe Avenue;

• Halsey Street from North 12th Street to North 13th Street;

· Sherwood Road from Wilshire

Drive to Pembrook Drive; • North 24th Street from Center

Street to Washington Avenue; • Roosevelt Lane from Lincoln

Drive to Lot 3 in Block 99; North 15th Street from North 14th

· Commonwealth Road from Park Drive to new construction limit;

• North 22nd Street from Oak Street to Monroe Avenue;

• Pembrook Drive from Sherwood

Road to new construction limit; • Dorset Drive from Boulevard to

Epping Drive; · Union Avenue from Blooming-

dale Avenue to Faitoute Avenue; • 25th Street from Passaic Avenue

to Richfield Avenue;

• Summit Avenue from Michigan Avenue to the dead end:

· 12th Street north of Sheridan Avenue;

Notice of assessments have been sent to all affected property owners. Formal action will be taken during the meeting.

Foundation to honor local grant recipients

Members of the community are invited to the annual reception to honor recipients of Township of Union Education Foundation grants.

This year's cocktail and dessert reception will take place May 15 at Schering-Plough Corp., located on Morris Avenue in Union, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The Education Foundation is also selling raffle tickets for a drawing that will take place May 15 at Schering-Plough.

The first prize is a 47-inch Vizio Galleria television, donated by Investors Savings Bank. The second prize is a gift basket and certificate valued at \$150, donated by Whole Foods and the third prize is a "basket of cheer" donated by local realtors, valued at \$125. Those who wish to enter the raffle must be at least 21 years old. Tickets may be obtained at Union Center National Bank, 2455 Morris Ave., Union; Barry's Auto Center, 39 Milltown Road, Union or by calling Evelyn at 908-964-1476 or Barbara at 908-687-5743.

The Education Foundation is also selling tickets to Lord & Taylor's Westfield Benefit Bash on May 6. With the purchase of a ticket, supporters receive a 15 percent savings pass to be used all day throughout the store, valid on cosmetics and fragrances, and a 20 percent coupon good on one special regular or sale priced item. Both discounts have virtually no exclusions.

In addition, there will be special activities-book signings, contests, children's events, fashion show and more. Contact Sue at 908-851-9869 for tickets.

'Twain' to visit local library

The Kenilworth Public Library will present "The Report of My Death," a one-man docudrama about the life of Mark Twain by New Jersey playwright Adam Klasfeld, at 7 p.m. on May 2, in the library's main reading room.

Mark Twain said that nobody can be completely honest until after they've been dead for many years. This play takes him at his word, with the dead writer saying everything he wants.

Featuring rare and posthumously published Twain letters, stories, and historical artifacts, "The Report of My Death" follows Samuel Clemens as an American radical - from his bankruptcy through his worldwide lecture tour, personal tragedies, unlikely recovery, and principled opposition to the Philippine-American War.

The role of Mark Twain will be played by Ron Crawford, a Twain look-a-like who starred alongside Mia Farrow in "Arthur and the Invisible," and also shot two sequels this past summer. Crawford performed in Steppenwolf's Tony Award-winning production of "Grapes of Wrath" on Broadway, in Chicago and in London and he also has extensive experience in both the New York and regional theater circuits. His television appearances include "Another World," "Law & Order" and as a special guest artist on "Spin City" and "Ed."

Klasfeld, a recent honors graduate of Rutgers University's theater arts program, is the founder and artistic director of One Armed Man theater company.

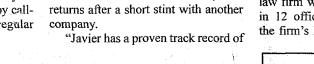
Klasfeld's first full-length play, "Europa's Child," was part of Amphibian Productions' Spring 2004 New Play Reading Series.

His tragicomedy "Good Fences Make Good Neighbors" premiered at the 2005 New York International Fringe Festival. "The Report of My Death" was first performed at the Metropolitan Playhouse in New York City in 2007.

This program is free and open to all members of the general public.

However, because space is limited, preregistration is required and preference will be given to Kenilworth residents

If space is available, registration will open to residents of other communities on April 30. Registration may be done in person at the library or by calling 908-276-2451 during regular library hours.



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team," said Jim Schoening, manager of the Union office.

Roselle Park native is firm's new law partner

Michael C. Woodruff, a native of Roselle Park, has been named partner at Drinker Biddle & Reath, a national law firm with more than 660 lawyers in 12 offices. Woodruff practices in the firm's Real Estate Practice Group



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Township resident joins His practice includes a wide vari-Mack Boring of Union ety of commercial real estate transac-

Jim Blaney, formerly president of Aquadrive Systems Inc., has joined Mack Boring & Parts Company of Union.

Blaney will serve as the buliness development manager for Aquadrive products at Mack Boring's Marine' Transmission Center. Blaney introduced Aquadrive products to the United States marine market more than 25 years ago.

tickets to a Mets baseball game.

Sales associate returns

age in Union as a sales associate.

Matallana, an Elizabeth resident, is his sales negotiations and marketing expertise. He serves the greater Union County area, specializes in the Township of Elizabeth. He previously worked in the Union office, and

• The Kenilworth Fire Department will host its second open house from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., rain or shine. Several demonstrations will take place including: a Truck 3 demonstration, "booster line" demonstration, use of the "jaws of life" and fire prevention techniques. The Rescue Squad will also be on hand to provide blood pressure screenings and demonstrate first aid techniques. Refreshments will be available, including a barbecue.

• The Ladies Altar Guild will host its spring dinner at 12:30 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, 301 Tucker Ave., in Union. The deadline to purchase tickets is Sunday. The menu includes: fruit cup, ham, chicken, sweet potatoes, seasonal vegetables, bread/butter and dessert. There will be a raffle for prizes. For information call the church at 908-688-0714.

Javier Matallana has re-joined Coldwell Banker Residential Broker-

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Taking on the tunnel



Several officers from the Roselle Park Police Department, representing PBA Local 27, participate in the 22nd annual Lincoln Tunnel Challenge 5K Fun Run/Walk to raise money for the New Jersey Special Olympics. The event was presented by AmeriHealth New Jersey. The borough officers who participated include, standing, from left, Patrolman Sean McCarthy, Sgt. Ted Dima, Patrolman Joshua Medrano, Patrolman Nicholas Vaughan, Patrolman James Kompany and Detective Sgt. Manuel Jimenez. Kneeling, from left are Patrolman Edward Nortrup and Patrolman Robert Harms.

Volunteers needed to help with annual event at Kenilworth Library

The Kenilworth Public Library, 548 Boulevard, is looking for volunteers interested in working with members of the library staff on the annual children and teens summer reading club cash-free tricky tray.

Anyone who may be interested in serving as a volunteer is invited to attend the first meeting of the Tricky Tray Committee and enjoy a pizza dinner on May 5 at 6 p.m. in the library's activity room.

This year marks the seventh year that the library will be holding this very popular event, held each year as a celebration for the members of the library's summer reading club, ages 3 through 18.

This year's tricky tray event will again take place in the corporate cafeteria of Schering-Plough Corp., 1000 Galloping Hill Road in Kenilworth on Aug. 9, beginning at 5:30 p.m.

Although the key functions pertaining to the organization of the tricky tray are performed by members of the library staff, the success of this undertaking depends on the work of a team of volunteers.

Among the tasks that volunteers perform in advance of the event are soliciting donations of prizes and cash, arranging and wrapping prize baskets, and meeting with library staff and other committee members to brainstorm ways to make the event even better.

On the day of the tricky tray, volunteers are also needed to help transport items to Schering-Plough, set up the prize tables. register participants and hand out tickets, record the names of the prize winners and serve as runners.

The library also welcomes donations of prizes from members of the public. Prize items donated should be new, in their original packaging, and suitable for children anywhere between the ages of 3 and 18. Donations of cash are also welcome.

Anyone interested in attending the meeting on May 5 is asked to call the library at 908 276-2451 to register.

For information either about becoming a summer reading tricky tray committee volunteer or donating prizes, call the library and ask for Robin Koerner, coordinator of children's services or Dale Spindel, library director.

Man arrested for disorderly conduct after pushing officer

Borough man taken into custody by Roselle Park Police

Roselle Park On April 13, Patrolman Joshua

Medrano responded to a Jerome Street apartment complex after a possible attempted break-in.

While investigating the case, Medrano encountered a man, identified as Carlos Restrepo, 51, of Jerome Street, who was allegedly intoxicated and behaving disorderly.

The man then allegedly pushed Medrano and repeatedly yelled at the officers while they were attempting to conduct their investigation.

He was advised to calm down and control himself. Due to his behavior, he was placed under arrest for disorderly conduct.

· On April 16, police arrested a borough man for alleged drug possession and outstanding warrants.

At 2:05 p.m. Sgt. Ted Dima observed Michael Tarantino, 30, of West Webster Avenue, walking on the 100-block of that street. Tarantino was wanted by several jurisdictions on outstanding warrants with bail set at more than \$7,700.

Following an investigation, Tarantino was found in possession of one hypodermic syringe, a glass pipe containing a screen, and a plastic bag containing powdery residue. Tarantino was charged with possession of a hypodermic syringe and drug paraphernalia.

After being processed by Roselle Park police, the suspect was turned over to the custody of the Edison Police Department on outstanding warrants.

• On April 16, at approximately 5:37 p.m., while parked on Sheridan Avenue, Sgt. Ted Dima observed a black Infiniti G35 almost strike his patrol vehicle while making a turn onto Sheridan Avenue.

Dima noticed that neither of the two occupants were wearing seatbelts. He checked the vehicle's registration and found that the registration had expired on March 8.

During the traffic stop of the vehicle, the passenger, identified as David A. Soto, 22, of Elizabeth, was found to be in possession of marijuana.

According to reports, Soto was arrested and charged with possession

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of less than 50 grams of marijuana. He is scheduled to appear in Roselle Park Municipal Court regarding the charges.

The driver of the vehicle was issued summonses for driving an unregistered vehicle, failure to present documents and failure to a wear seatbelt

· On April 15 at approximately 7:15 p.m., while investigating an attempted burglary that took place April 10 at a residence on Pine Street, Detective Dominick Frino interviewed three suspicious men walking in the middle of the street on West Sumner Avenue.

Further investigation revealed that Daniel M. Galloway, 22, of West Sumner Avenue, was in possession of less than 50 grams of marijuana.

He was arrested and taken to headquarters where he was processed and charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance and released pending a municipal court hearing.

· Police are continuing to search for three male suspects in connection with an attempted home burglary on the 800-block of Pine Street.

On April 10, at 3:20 p.m., police responded to Pine Street on a report of an attempted burglary to a home. The suspects are described as three white men who allegedly attempted to gain entry through a rear entrance of the single-family residence.

The male resident of the home was alerted to the attempted break-in after hearing a load noise in the rear of the home.

The suspects were unable to gain entry and fled west on West Sumner Avenue.

Detective David Pitts is investigating the case. Anyone with information regarding the suspects involved in the incident can contact him at 908-245-8104.

Union

-car accident Monday afternoon on the 2300-block of Springfield Road.

No injuries were reported and the engine fire was extinguished within minutes.

A summons was issued to one of the drivers for careless driving.

· An accident involving two vehicles near the Pathmark store on Route 22 resulted in injuries Monday at 4:20 p.m.

One individual was transported to Overlook Hospital in Summit. A summons was issued to one motorist for careless driving.

• A report was called in to police headquarters regarding the possible use of controlled dangerous substances at the Joe Collins Park on Liberty Avenue Sunday. It was reported that a group of 10 women were walking along the street and two men exited a nearby vehicle in a wooded area near the park.

All of the suspects had already fled the scene when officers arrived to investigate the possible CDS activity.

· On Sunday, a two-car accident near the corner of Morris Avenue and Spruce Street resulted in injuries to two people.

A summons was issued for careless driving and disregard of a traffic signal.

• A car struck a juvenile riding a pedicycle on Friday at 7 p.m. along Tower Street in the Vauxhall section of Union.

The juvenile was transported to University Hospital in Newark.

· A juvenile girl was placed under arrest after allegedly attempting to shoplift at the Wal-Mart store on Springfield Road April 17. The juvenile was arrested for shoplifting, obstruction of justice and resisting arrest.

Kenilworth

Several reports were made of a natural gas odor pervading the borough on Friday evening.

A countywide alert was sent out because neighboring towns including Roselle Park, Cranford and Garwood were experiencing the same problem.

According to police, Elizabethtown Gas reportedly dispatched crews to A car fire erupted following a three investigate a possible gas leak but the investigation provided negative results.

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Dr. Neil D. Bressler, D.C.

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MYTH #1: Sciatica (pain down your leg) is always caused by a herniated disc!

No way...even though most doctors will sell you a \$3,000 MRI at the first sign of leg pain. But they don't tell you about a 5-inch muscle in the hip that can squeeze the sciatic nerve. And it feels EXACTLY like you've got the worst slipped disc on earth. It's a major discovery and ...

The good news is that it can be easy and inexpensive to correct! How? Just keep reading! But first, here's a picture to show you where the pain comes from:



means you're getting old ... and it must be the reason for all your pain and stiffness!

Not true, because thousands of folks with arthritis in their backs have absolutely NO PAIN! Then why do YOU feel like you're back will snap if you bend forward or twist too fast? Because the truth is:

Your stiffness may be caused by a hidden, even more dangerous problem than arthritis, and it can lead to a hip replacement!

You see, most folks believe that something mysterious (like maybe an "arthritis fairy"?) waved a wand over them, and they're cursed...doomed to suffer forever.

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If the alignment is off just a teeny-weeny bit, at first you don't notice, but over a thousand miles you start to see signs of wear...that is, if you're lucky enough to catch it before a flat on the freeway ruins your day. In your spine, you're lucky if you catch untreated imbalances before they ruin your spine! How to fix them? Just look at Myth #3.

MYTH #3: Your Back Is "Out"!

Sure, that's exactly how it feels. But oldfashioned chiropractors (the ones who only 'crack' your back) really thought the spine worked this way. Now we know better. New research provides a whole new arsenal of tools - not just a 'crack'.

You see, there are 7 different reasons for that painful, locked-up and stuck feeling that causes so much misery:

- low-grade spasm pelvis torque and tension imbalance of hips fallen or dropped arches stiff vertebra joint adhesions in leg muscles
- pinched nerve

It's NOT just your spine, and it's NOT just your muscles. As a matter of fact, if one of the major muscles that stabilize the spine is partly spasmed, a "2nd stringer" will have to carry the load. But this is a serious problem ...

It's like having your plumber do all the dangerous electrical work!

Sure, he may get it done, and it may work at first, but how long until there's a fire? Or your back locks up? Which leads me to our next myth:

MYTH #4: "It's Only a Muscle!"

Boy, it's scary how many people think muscle problems are no big deal. Unfortunately, tight, bound-up, and spasmed or tight muscles can wear out joints faster than you can say, "Charley Horse"!

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MYTH #5: "Muscle Relaxants" will help your muscles heal! Good grief, NO!

Your muscles tighten up for a reason, and muscle relaxants are like turning back the clock on a time-bomb.-you know it's still going to blow up! Sure, you may feel better now, but you'll pay later-and pay "in spades"!

So don't fall for these lies about your low back.

They'll keep you hurting, frustrated and exhausted-forever!

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EDITORIALS

Listen up

For months, Union officials have tried to convince residents and business owners not to jump to conclusions about the direction of possible Union Center redevelopment, by saying that none of the plans have been approved. That changed last week and it seems that, for the most part, the community's concerns have fallen on deaf ears.

The first part of the Union Center redevelopment — the Gateway North proposal — was approved by the Union Planning Board April 17. The proposal calls for improvements in the section of Union Center between Lentz Avenue and Vauxhall Road. Plans include turning the center into a mixed-use development with stores at the street level and apartments above those businesses. A presentation of the plan also indicates that it takes into consideration the suggestions of the community, such as not using eminent domain to secure properties and addressing issues such as traffic and parking.

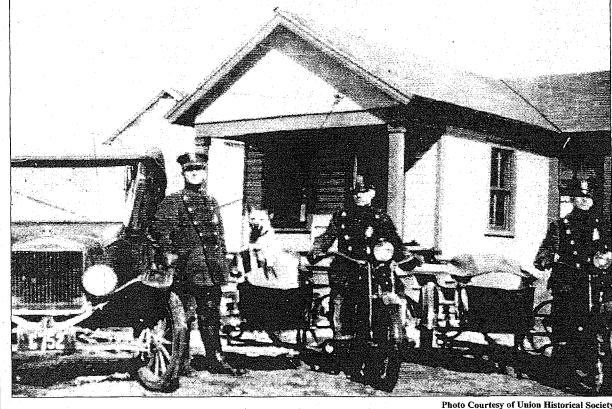
However, had planners and officials really listened to local business owners and residents, they would have understood that, while there are sections of the proposal pertaining to things such as parking and safety, the proposal doesn't exactly take residents' concerns into consideration. Instead, they propose ideas based on their knowledge as planners, but what about the knowledge and opinions of the people who live, drive and work in that area every day?

Since 2006, there have been 14 meetings during which the public has had an opportunity to voice their concerns about the project, according to Stuart Portney, president of the Metro Company planning firm. At each meeting local officials simply noted the opinions of community members, but didn't engage in any actual discussions, because that's not how meetings are typically run. But at least now the Planning Board can boast that it gave the public 17 opportunities to make their voices heard. That's not good enough.

Instead of meetings where community members are given a brief amount of time to voice an opinion with no response, local officials should host a round table-type discussion during which taxpayers can ask questions and engage local officials and developers in conversations about the plans for their town center. Community members have a wealth of ideas and opinions about the center. They, not just an outside planning firm, should be instrumental in providing input about the center and how to improve it. The Township Committee or Planning Board should also consider forming an ad hoc committee or focus group made up of Union Center businesses owners who will be able to give direct input on the proposals.

Everyone agrees that improvements are needed in Union Center, but as of now, local officials seem to have the final word on what changes take effect. However, it's the livelihood of the business owners, not the planners, that's at stake. It's still early in the process, but before the process goes any further, the Planning Board needs to invite community members to a discussion where their opinions are not only heard, but acted upon as well.

Do your part for



CRIME-FIGHTERS -Even in 1923, members of the Union Police Department were ready to protect and serve the residents of the township in cars and on motorcycles. Standing, from left, are Police Chief Charles Hopkins and Officers Joseph Weisbecker and Albert Wondrack.

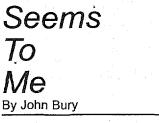
The type may be small, but the expenses are big

Editor's note: The following column is a first in a series about the municipal budget process.

I've been away from this politics thing for a while. In the early 1990s Kenilworth had issues like the Waldorf case and deregionalization that demanded attention. Now we have property taxes skyrocketing and politicians apparently powerless. So I took an interest again.

To this end, I eagerly awaited the printing of the 2008 Kenilworth budget in the local paper, though not this one. I felt a pang of remorse at that. All that advertising revenue lost. Was it my fault with this column, as the council was playing hardball?

Never mind, I picked up the Cranford Chronicle last Friday to begin my+ research. I first looked near the "opeds." Not there. Of course not. They



wouldn't spare this valuable space for something as lengthy as the budget. Maybe it had its own section, a pullout. Nope. Maybe it was on one of the back pages of a section. Wrong again. Maybe it wasn't this week. I took one more foray, this time scanning every word.

Success --- of a sort. In the legal notices there was, in a space the size of a floppy disk, the "Borough of Kenilworth Revenue and Appropriations Summaries." Tiny letters at a this 68 percent increase to be expected total cost of \$42.84.

That's what they're spending to publicize a \$13 million budget? That's what I cost this paper? The guy with the timeshare in Costa Rica is probably a bigger cash cow for the Chronicle.

When was it decided that a good way of saving tax money was to keep the public ignorant of things like budget details? Luckily, I own a magnifying glass so, based on the information I could make out, I did develop some questions to put at the May 14 budget hearing.

· How did salaries and wages go from \$4 million to \$4.8 million when we still have 105 employees? Were there 20 percent pay raises?

· How did "other expenses" go from \$3.8 million to \$6.4 million? Is every year from now on?

· Is the drop in "miscellaneous revenues" from \$2.6 million to \$2 million all due to the decrease in state aid or are other revenue sources drying up?

• The total to be raised from taxes went from \$8.6 million to \$9.6 million? Is this 1 percent hike what we can now expect?

If you object to buying the Chronicle to develop your own questions, copies of the budget are available in the office of the borough clerk.

Even if you're not that interested it's still worth a trip since, if it's the same size as in the paper, after you're through researching it, it makes a great coaster.

John Bury is a resident of Kenilworth.

Union County residents are joining Union County residents are joining Union County residents are joining Enclosed a traveling eco-van to Union County residents are joining

with people all across the country to celebrate Earth Day, and Arbor Day, too. It's a fitting time to celebrate the many ways that we care for our environment all year round.

Open space preservation is a timehonored tradition in Union County. In the 1920s, we were among the first counties in the United States to preserve natural areas by establishing a county park system. To this day, county residents have overwhelmingly supported adding more land to preserve and protect. We've added more than 300 acres in just the past seven years. Keeping household chemicals out of the environment is another longstanding effort in Union County. Every year, many residents use our hazardous waste recycling programs

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to dispose of used batteries, aerosol cans, motor oil, oil-based paints, pesticides, solvents, home electronics and other products. You can find out more about hazardous waste recycling by contacting your town or visiting the County Web site, www.ucnj.org. Our popular Trailside Nature and Science Center in the Watchung Reservation has been a wonderful resource for county residents of all ages to enjoy learning about the delicate balance of nature. It was recently renovated and expanded, and we've

bring more environmental programming to schools.

This year, the Freeholder Board introduced the new Go Green initiative to step up the county's environmental efforts and prepare the way for even more improvement in the future. makes common sense. Trading yard The initiative includes conforming tools with a neighbor, saving leftover county construction and renovation food for another meal, or turning off projects to the highest LEED - Lead-

City's agioup, these programs and up to a strong platform for further action.

Individually, households throughout Union County have also been building their own platforms for action. For many of us, "going green" is a familiar, thrifty habit that just lights in empty rooms are just a few

Earth Day

The ongoing theme of green continues as groups and residents continue to do their part in keeping the earth, well, green. While Earth Day was officially slated for April 22, there will be plenty of events this weekend allowing for more participation by those who can not help on a Tuesday.

None more prominent than the Rahway River cleanup. The river has been instrumental in the growth of Union County especially the towns that are along its banks including Cranford, Rahway, Clark, Linden, Springfield and Union.

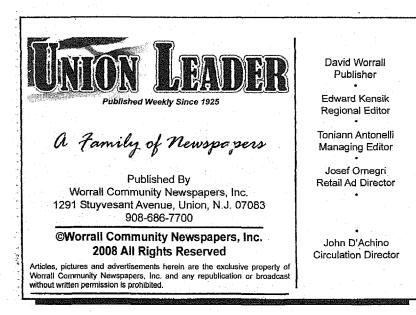
For 2008 the Rahway River Association will start its Earth Day Rahway River Cleanup as a weeklong event scheduled for Saturday through May 3. The main cleanup is Saturday from 9 a.m. to 1 p m. and is expected to start at the dam at Winfield Park, but the cleanup will be along most of the river banks throughout the other Union County towns.

Last year, the annual cleanup collected more than 40 tires, other large debris and almost 100 large bags of floatable and other wastes. This year's haul should be even bigger.

For more information about the cleanup call Wally Shackell at 908-272-7544 or Joe Seebode at 732-381-6853.

Earth Day goes back to 1970 when it was started by Earth Day Network to promote "environmental citizenship and year round progressive action worldwide." While for several decades it remained in relative obscurity, Earth Day has grown in the American minds with the mission to grow and diversify the environmental movement to promote a healthy, sustainable planet.

While there is still debate about humankind's effect on global climate change, there is no disputing that litter is a problem in Union County and cleanups like the Rahway River are necessary to keep the county green and clean.



ership in Energy and Environmental Design — standards for green buildings, switching to more recycled paper, and distributing grants for environmental projects in schools.

Public outreach is also part of Go Green, and we're starting off by conducting an environmental education event for county employees on Earth Day.

examples. By appreciating our mindful habits, and continuing to develop and improve upon them, we can all make every day a celebration of the Earth on

Angel G Estrada is the chairman of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

which we live.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The 'old' Union is a thing of the past To the Editor:

A while ago, there was a letter in the paper by Philip Geron about the new Dunkin' Donuts going up at the site of the old courtesy house on Morris Avenue. wonder if this is the same Philip Geron who was my classmate in Miss Mladenick's sixth grade class at Connecticut Farms more years ago than either of us care to remember.

I strongly agree with his letter and when he says that Union is not the town it once was, it is also true. As we speak, they are building the Dunkin' Donuts and it is an eyesore. A big, imposing and very ugly wooden structure in the middle of town is the last thing the moribund center needs. What they should have done was restore the courtesy house. At least it was shelter from the rain and snow. Now what about the people who must wait for the buses at that spot? You think Dunkin' Donuts is going to let the people hang around the premises without buying anything? I think not. A lot of people catch those three buses every day. Where are they going to wait?

It's not just the new Dunkin' Donuts. It's the direction of the town in general. I was absolutely shocked to pass by the old torn down Club Elmore on Vauxhall Road and see another bank being built. The heads who run the town brag about our new "super" Stop and Shop but it, too is an eyesore. If you want to see a real super Stop and Shop, go to the one in Piscataway. It's twice as big.

They are now digging in Friberger Park, apparently enlarging the parking lot - but who knows? I'm very afraid that one day the park will be torn down altogether to make room for an expanding town hall.

There is even construction work on my own street. It began a few weeks ago and they have been digging, putting in black and blue plastic pipes, cutting down big trees without first checking whether birds or squirrels have nests in them. Monstrous and misshapen tractors sit lopsided on piles of dirt and stones; giant trucks park and noisily idle in front of drive-ways; cars speeding up and down the street create great clouds of dust and when it rains the dirt becomes mud. No parking signs are nailed to our trees and our lawns are sprayed with paint-blue for the water line and yellow for the gas. Stakes are driven into our lawns with

pink ribbons and things are spray-painted onto the street, but you can't see it because of all the dirt and dust. In short, a disgusting sloppy mess. This "work" doesn't appear to be necessary and no one I've spoke to wants it. Who makes these decisions? What are they thinking? There should be no construction work without the consent of the people its going to most affect. How can the ones making these decisions claim to know what's best for neighborhoods they don't live in. Getting back to what Philip said, who really wants a Dunkin' Donuts at the center? Don't we already have four or five of the them in town? It's nothing but greed and the stink of greed is the worst thing you will ever smell.

The Union of our Connecticut Farms days is gone forever. Pretty soon no one will want to grow up here. We've already lost our language and our culture. What's next?

Richard Lime Union

Congrats to school election winners

To the Editor:

Congratulations to Nathalie Yafet, June Korzeneski and Tori Isaac on your victory in the Hillside Board of Education election.

Also let me thank all who voted and those who voted for me and my team.

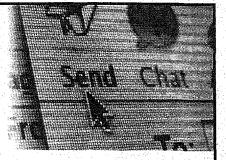
That said the people have spoken and given the job of making decisions for our children to three deserving women who have shown they can get the job done. I know June personally and am quite sure she will do right by our children. She always did right by us when I was a one of her students.

I don't know Nathalie on a personal level but say what you want there is a reason she has been elected over and over again by the parents of Hillside. Tori, as a black man, I am very proud of you and hope that you do well and am glad to see a Hillside graduate do so well.

Again thank you all who voted and congratulations to Nathalie, June, and Tori.

> George Cook Hillside

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Exploring the early years of the township of Union

Editor's note: The following is the first in a series about the history of the township of Union.

• Purchase of the First English Settlement in New Jersey: Elizabethtown: Sept. 30, 1664, British Governor Richard Nicolls responded to a letter from Long Island, N.Y. residents that they have his consent to purchase a parcel of land from the Indians in order to settle the land and improve their lives.

The letter was written just four days earlier on Sept. 26, 1664, by John Bailies, Daniel Denton, Thomas Benydiek, Nathan Denton, John Foster and Luke Watson. Captain John Baker was employed to act as an interpreter to meet with the Indian Chiefs and explain the offer of the Long Island men.

Oct. 28, 1664, on Staten Island, N.Y., Indian Chiefs Mattano Manamowaouc, Cowescomen, met with John Bayly, Daniel Denton and Luke Watson to transact a land sale. The three men also represented their Long Island men. The Indians bargained and sold the land bounded on the south by the Raritan River, and on the east by the river at Staten Island, and northward to Cull Bay and westward into the country twice in length as the north and south lands.

The Indian chiefs were paid 20 fathoms of trading cloth, two made coats, two guns, two kettles, 10 bars of lead, 20 handfuls of power, and a promise to pay in one year's time four hundred fathoms of white wampum.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of witnesses Charles Horsley and Randal Hewett, who made his mark.

The land contained about 500,000 acres and included all of the township of Union and Union County.

Elizabethtown Associates: Feb. 19, 1665, at a town meeting, all male associates were required to take an oath of allegiance to English King Charles II and his successors, the Lords Proprietors and the government of the province of New Jersey, as long as they lived in this province. Sixtyfive men signed their names.

Some of the associates that settled in the Connecticut Farms section of present-day Union were: John (Woodruff), Stephen Woodrofe

Looking Back By Michael Yesenko

Crane, John Waynes (Winans), Tomson Thomas (Thompson), William Trotter, John Haynes, Charles Tucker, Jeremy Osbourne, Robert Bond, Joseph Bond, Moses Tomson, (Thompson), William Maeker (Meeker), Nathaniel Bunnel and Leonard Headley.

Leonard Headley purchased 150 acres of land in Elizabeth Town

Leonard Headley was an emigrant from Manchester, England who landed at Boston, Massachusetts. Afterward, he migrated to Connecticut and Long Island, New York. During his stay at East Hampton, he married Sarah the daughter of Thomas and Mary (Sheaffe) Diament.

While at Long Island, he probably met John Ogden, one of Elizabethtown's first settlers, and was encouraged to become an associate.

Leonard's original house and lot were near the Elizabeth River, The homestead was on the north side next to John Ogden Jr., and a few hundred yards east of John Ogden's water mill. The mill was west of Broad Street's stone bridge. Leonard and Sarah lived at this property until 1668.

Leonard made his living as a tanner of leather goods. Records of his work show that he was a weaver of cloth, turning fine spun threads of cotton and wool into finely woven materials for clothing and household use. He also owned a saw mill.

• The Associates petition Governor Philip Carteret: Land disputes caused the Associates to petition Gov. Philip Carteret and his council "that we may have our lands laid unto us, according to the agreements made by the inhabitants and consent of the Governor with them, as many more fully appear in the town records; which if it cannot be granted, we do not see how we can possibly subsist in the town, but shall be forced to look out somewhere else for a livelihood."

Among the 17 signers of this petition were Nathaniel Bonnell, the three Thompson brothers — Thomas, Hur,

will be conducted.

guest speaker.

and Moses, Benjamin and Joseph Capt. Robert Treat and Lt. Samuel Meeker, Joseph Bond and Leonard Headley. In 1667, these families were recorded among the first settlers at Connecticut Farms.

Governor Carteret ordered a land survey. He decreed that the Associates must have their own land claims surveved in accordance with his proprietary rule, or else have their lands confiscated. Accordingly, on Oct. 6, 1675, Leonard Headley made an application for a land survey of 120 acres, "in right of himself and his wife, Sarah."

Three years later, in 1678, Leonard's land survey was completed. By then, the land increased to 150 acres. His surveyed lands included: his original house lot of four acres in the village of Elizabeth Town; 65 acres of upland near the plain and bordering the Mill Brook and lands belonging to Margaret Baker, Jonathan Ogden, and Benjamin Parkis (Parkhurst); a second tract bordering Elizabeth Creek; and four other tracts owned by Daniel De Hart, Hur Thompson, John Woodruff, and George Morris. Most of this land was in the Connecticut Farms section of Elizabeth Town and was called Headley Town.

Leonard Headley died in February 1683, without leaving a will. His death may have been sudden and unexpected, since his marriage to Sarah was scarcely long enough for their children to come of age. Sarah administered his estate which was valued at 90 pounds by the appointed appraisers, Isaac Whitehead and Jonathan Ogden.

None of Leonard and Sarah's children was mentioned in the settlement of the estate, probably because they were underage. Family historians believe the couple had two sons, Thomas and Abner. About the time of Leonard's death, Sarah's father also died. In his will, he left Sarah a featherbed "to be given to whichever of her children she chooses."

Within a year of Leonard's death, his widow Sarah remarried. Her second husband was Robert Smith, who afterward was appointed High Sheriff of Elizabeth Town.

Little is known about Thomas and Abner Headley. Thomas had one son called Samuel Headley who also resided in Elizabeth Town.

• New Ark Settlement: May 1666, ety.

Swain led a group of eleven committeemen from Branford, Milford, and Guilford Connecticut to a new settlement in New Ark, Newark, N.J.

Their mission was to "make one township" and according to fundamentals mutually agreed upon, to be of one heart and consent through God's blessing, and "to carry on the spiritual concernments and civil town affairs according to God and a Godly government."

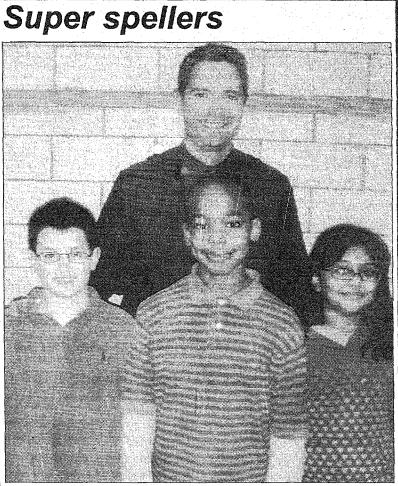
On Oct. 30, 1666, Thomas Lyon, probably a brother of Henry Lyon, joined a group of 25 subscribers from the Branford Congregational Church and decided to settle in New Ark. Some of his co-subscribers were Jasper Crane, Abraham Pierson, Edward Ball and John Crane. One year later, these same pioneers were among the first Englishmen to settle Connecticut Farms, now the township of Union.

Henry Lyon was one of the founders of Milford, Connecticut in 1639. In 1652, he married Elizabeth Bateman of Fairfield, Connecticut. In 1667, he joined a group of Puritans migrating from Milford to New Ark.

The New Ark Town Associates met in a town meeting on February 6, 1667, in order to draw lots for dividing the land. Each associate was given a number and the numbers were placed in a common lottery. Henry Lyon drew lot number one from a pool of 62 lots. John Crane drew lot number 62.

First Family Estate Tax: The founding families were assessed a rate or share of the land purchased. Robert Treat was named committee chairperson from a group of seven men to place a value of 50 pound for every child, or servant, in the family, plus 10 pounds for the head of the family. This was the first family real estate tax levied in the New Ark settlement. A deduction of one-third of the estate was allowed each family. Thomas Lyon's estate was valued at 570 pounds. His deduction brought the assessment down to 380 pounds. Samuel Lyon's assessment was 150 pounds.

Michael Yesenko is the president of the Union Township Historical Soci-



Washington Elementary School students, from left, Marc Valerio, Patrick Thomas and Narissa Moonsammyare are congratulated by Principal Mark Hoyt, rear, after winning the Union school's second annual fourth grade spelling bee.

Helping local pets is just a walk in the park

People for Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization based in Hillside, is sponsoring its annual Walk for Animals on May 4, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Nomahegan Park in Cranford.

Everyone is invited to attend this fun event, with or without a dog. There will be refreshments for dogs and humans, contests and "doggie bags" filled with goodies for the canine participants.

People for Animals is asking anyone interested in participating to call 973-282-0890, ext. 312 to register, to pledge or for information. Callers are asked to leave their name and an evening telephone number so that a volunteer can return their call.

Every participant who turns in \$100 or more in sponsor donations on the day of the event will receive a free People for Animals T-shirt.

Donated pledges are 100 percent tax deductible. All proceeds will be used exclusively to support the People for Animals Pet Rescue and Adoption Program that provides medical care, food and shelter for homeless pets in the area, awaiting adoption.

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JWI will host theater trip for 'Kiss Me Kate'

Elaine Ratner, president of Jewish Women International's Batim-Union Chapter, has announced a planned trip to the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn on May 7, for a matinee production of "Kiss me Kate."

For information and reservations, 11 908-687-4549.

The fish and chips dinner will be Jeanne Major, program chairpercatered by the Argyle Restaurant, and will take place from 5 to 7 p.m. Chickson, has invited David Dowling of the en will be available as well. AARP Speakers Bureau, to be the

The contemporary service will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will feature The First Friday Band as well as the Union High School Gospel Choir Club.

There is no admission and everyone is welcome.

• July 27 - Participants will see the Broadway musical "Hairspray." Seats are limited and payment is due when making your reservation. For tickets, contact Rosemary Palmer at 908-272-1705.

Trip will provide funds for local scholarships The Friends and Family of Tim

Garden club plans trip The Union Township Garden Club,

in Kenilworth.

or Debbie at 908-591-8456. Proceeds

will benefit local scholarships for

David Brearley High School and gift

certificates to David Brearley Middle

School and St. Theresa's School, both

Union. For information, call 908-686-1270.

Woman's League plans trip to Showboat in AC

The Women's League of Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, is sponsoring a bus trip to Showboat Hotel and Casino in Atlantic City on May 25.

Members of the Sisterhood of the former Temple Israel of Union are now members of Women's League. The bus will leave the Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael parking lot at 9:30 a.m.

JWI to host speaker

Jewish Women International Batim - Union Chapter will conduct a meeting of the board on Tuesday, at Burnet Middle School, 2144 Morris Ave. at 6:45 p.m.

Present and future issues will be discussed. All members of the Board are requested to attend. Immediately following at 8 p.m., a regular meeting tion on May 15, from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at Schering-Plough Corp., located on Morris Ave., Building U23, Union.

will host a cocktail and dessert recep-

The Union Education Foundation

UEF to host reception

Annual fish fry planned

Connecticut Farms Presbyterian Church in Union will present its second annual fish fry, with a contemporary music service immediately following, on May 2.

Special guests at the contemporary service will be the return of the Union High School Gospel Choir Club.

Connecticut Farms Church is located at the corner of Stuyvesant Avenue and Chestnut Street in Union. For information, call 908-688-3164.

Deborah Foundation will visit winery, casino

The Deborah Hospital Foundation will sponsor the following day trips: • Sunday - Renault Winery tour

and lunch followed by a trip to Atlantic City to the Showboat Casino.

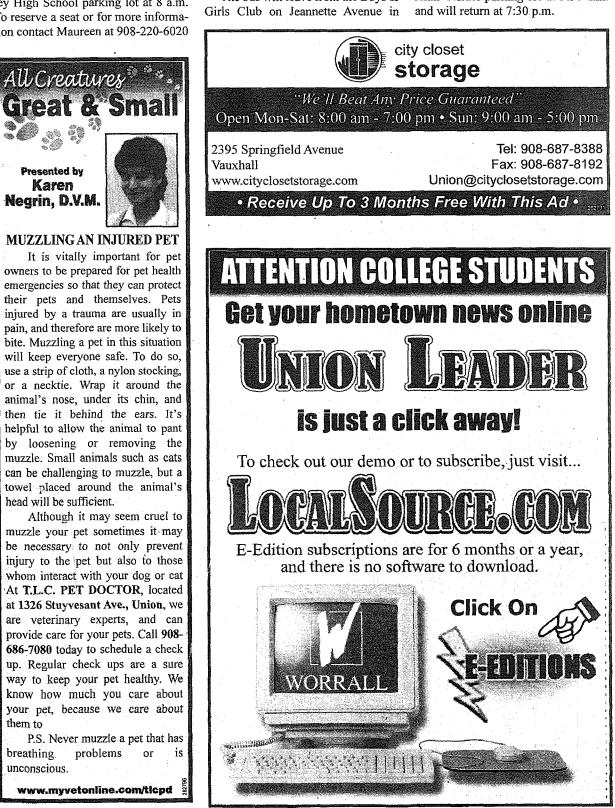
Carbone is sponsoring a bus trip to Showboat Casino in Atlantic City on May 4.

The bus will leave the David Brearley High School parking lot at 8 a.m. To reserve a seat or for more information contact Maureen at 908-220-6020

Karen

which meets at the Union Senior Center, 968 Bonnel Court, Union, will host a trip to the New York Botanical Gardens May 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The bus will leave from the Boys & Girls Club on Jeannette Avenue in





UNION LEADER

Society to host history Making a feathered friend celebration next month

Exciting developments concerning the Nitschke House preservation project will be presented during a Kenilworth History Celebration on May 30.

The event, which the Kenilworth Historical Society is hosting for the general public, will begin at 7 p.m. at the Kenilworth Senior Center, 526 Boulevard.

It will feature a debut performance by the Kenilworth Historical Players, who will reenact Lt. Gen. James Doolittle's famous 1929 plane crash in Kenilworth. Historic memorabilia and photographic exhibits will be on display, and a Kenilworth commemorative coverlet and soon-to-be-published "Culinary Kenilworth" cookbook will be available for purchase. Light refreshments will be served. Admission is free.

The colored, woven coverlet design bears Kenilworth's Centennial logo. which was created especially for the borough's 100-year celebration last year, and features such familiar sites as the Kenilworth Municipal Building, Sayre-Shallcross House, Kenilworth Boulevard and trolley, New York and New Orange Railroad Station, Upsala College, McKinley School, Kenilworth Public Library, Shallcross Pond in Black Brook Park, Kenilworth Police and Fire/Rescue, Kenilworth Inn and the James Arthur residence.

Proceeds from the sale of the coverlet will benefit the Kenilworth Historical Society's ongoing project to restore the historic Oswald J. Nitschke House and transform the 19th-century home into a "living history" museum and cultural arts center.

The Kenilworth Historical Society will host a bus trip to New Jersey's famous, historic seashore resort of Ocean Grove on May 17.

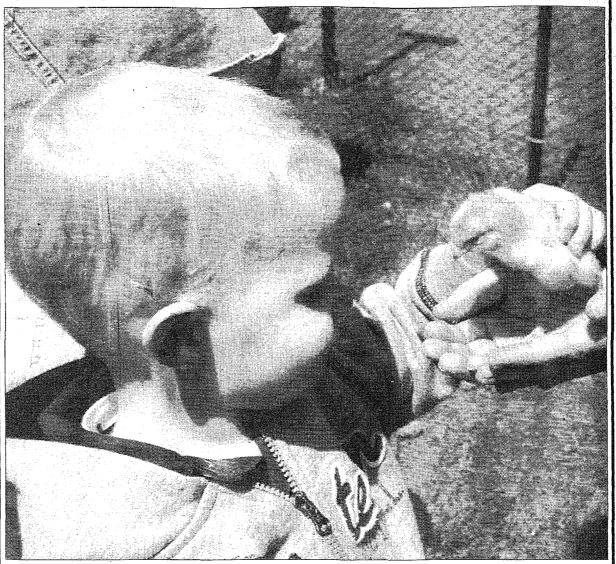
The bus will depart Kenilworth from St. Theresa's School parking lot at 9 a.m. and return at approximately 6 p.m. The cost includes motor coach transportation and a guided tour along Ocean Grove's tree-lined thoroughfares, which showcase one of the largest assemblages of authentic Victorian architecture in the United States. The 90-minute narrated walking tour will highlight the colorful history of this popular family seashore resort, which is listed in the National and New Jersey Registers of Historic Places.

Among the featured sites on the tour are Ocean Grove's Great Auditorium, "tent colony" and more.

The trip also includes lunch at a circa-1890 Victorian inn and a visit to the Sandy Hook Visitors' Center, with sights of the nation's oldest operating lighthouse. Tax and gratuities are included in the price of the trip, which is being arranged and escorted by Progressive Travel of Union.

For information and reservations, call 908-709-0391 or 908-709-0434. As space is limited, it is suggested that reservations be made as soon as possible to ensure availability.

The Kenilworth Historical Society is an independent, non profit, tax-exempt organization dedicated to the research, preservation and interpretation of local history.



Jaison Appel of Hillside pets the soft feathers of a baby chick during last year's annual Pet Fair at the Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside. This year, the fair will be conducted on May 4 from noon to 5 p.m. For information about the Pet Fair, call 908-789-3670 or go to www.ucnj.org/trailside.

Developer proposes 278 luxury apartments in borough

(Continued from Page 1) The master plan, drafted several years ago for the borough, calls for affordable housing for seniors, retail space and public access to the site.

Delorio said he would prefer to see redevelopment take the form it did in municipalities such as Cranford and Red Bank and suggested retail would be needed to accomplish that goal.

Nobel Prize Winner Guglielmo Marconi, creator of the wireless telegraph system, had developed the site. Explosives "and "ammunition" were made there during World War II.

The owner of the property, Isreal Braunstein, filed a lawsuit to halt the expected usage of eminent domain by the borough on the land. Braunstein believes the Avalon Bay proposal better suits his expectations for the property. In early discussions regarding the redevelopment of the Romerovski site, however, Braunstein told officials he wanted to work with the borough

in maintaining the "Marconi aspect" of the site and would consider working with the Roselle Park Historical Society to preserve the history of the location.

The now dilapidated structure, suspected of having asbestos, is considered by Ladell to be challenging to work around and he said it would be easier to create an entirely new structure. He said any work to preserve the site would be minimal.

'We would love to work with the filstorians to preserve what was on the Marconi site," Ladell said.

"We don't want to build for yesterday or today but for years to come," a Heyer and Gruel & Associates planner said during the meeting.

"I find it could be favorable," former Planning Board member, Giusseppe Barberio, said of the proposal. "But I'm still a little skeptical."

One member of the audience said the three-bedroom apartments may mainly attract couples with very young children who would likely plan to use the third bedroom as office space

He believes an approximate number of nine school-aged children would enter the district as a result of the construction of the rental commu- get." nity. Ladell said he did not believe the community would be a high generator of school-age children.

Some residents said they were concerned with possible overcrowding in

"He cannot guarantee that only nine school-aged children will be in the units," resident, Gail Bradley said. "What they're saying is one thing and what they're going to do is another," resident Gail Roth said. "The people in this town, we deserve something more."

"Why can't we have retail there," Bradley asked. "Why do I have to go to Westfield to go to a Gap?" Many residents want to see some-

apartments are not large and would thing accomplished soon.

"I don't understand why the mayor and council are resisting this," resident and member First Aid Squad member, Joe lungerman said.

"The area should be residential not retail," he said. "My only concern is how many additional calls will we

He said that in a typical week, one or two emergency calls are made from apartments within the borough.

Regarding the idea of rehabilitating

be too much trouble for the town. "The idea of rehabing that building is foolish," Iungerman said. "Why not

Another resident seemed to be unsure of the apartment versus condo-

"I don't know if having condos there would not be better," resident Christina Harms said. "You want to do it right because it's going to be long term.'

the Marcolli building and converting it 1908+686-7700 ext 126 or unioninto a museum, he believed it would cleader@thelocalsource.com.

just place a memorial there?"

minium capabilities of the site.

Jackeline Leon can be reached at



The Union Police Department DARE Unit has announced its 11th Annual Union Police Bike Tour, which will be conducted on June 7, with a rain date of June 14.

The event is open to boys and girls ages 8 and older, who have access to a bicycle in safe working condition and a protective helmet. Parents are encouraged to accompany the participants.

This event has been designed to give young people and their families an opportunity to enjoy a day of fun, learn about their community and create a setting in which young people and local police can interact to build strong, positive relationships.

This event will be free to all participants. Because of the effort of local business and police, as well as the involvement of parents, children will have an opportunity to see that the township of Union, as a community, cares about them.

All bicycles must be registered with the Union Police Department. Although bicycles may be registered at the bike tour, participants are strongly encouraged to register bicycles in advance at Union Police Headquarters or at the Union Police Mobile Precinct anytime prior to the event.

Check-in for the tour will begin at 10:30 a.m. at Rabkin Park, located on Swanstrom Place in Union. The tour will consist of a 5-mile ride through Union. The riders will be given an opportunity to take a rest break at the midpoint of the tour.

The tour is not a competition, so participants will ride at a controlled pace. An obstacle course competition will be conducted after the tour. Refreshments will be available and prizes will be awarded.

The event is made possible by the sponsorship of local businesses, community organizations and other agencies.

There is no charge to participate in the event and applications will be distributed through local schools. Additional applications are available by contacting the Union Police DARE Unit at 908-851-5252.



on the project. Ladell suggested he was interested encourage large families to move in. Ladell said the three-bedroom

Plans for redevelopment approved

(Continued from Page 1)

Many residents who were present were not pleased with the plan, with some stating there were unavoidable flaws in the draft.

"With all these people moving into Stuyvesant, where are they going to park," asked resident, Fernando Gonzalez. Gonzalez, a federal officer, moved to Union three years ago because crime was reportedly low in the township.

"Now there are more assaults, more sexual assaults and you don't know who's moving into the neighborhood anymore," Gonzalez said. He suggested that Union needs more law enforcement.

"Any responsible developer would like to reassure residents and business owners that they can provide proper and adequate security," Portney said. "We would also provide adequate, safe and secure parking."

He assured that consultants within his company performed sufficient parking and traffic studies. Another resident said many have been moving out of Union in droves and it may not necessarily have to do with the slumping housing market.

"A lot of homes are up for sale," 30-year resident, Jean Waricka, said. "I'm scared to walk along the streets sometimes."

There are four pending lawsuits against the township, regarding the redevelopment process and one is regarding the North Gate property. Many property owners suggest that the township did not engage them in a more "roundtable" discussion and did not allow concerned owners to provide their input and have those taken into account.

"People have Stop and Shop-itis," Louis Papale said. referring to the construction of the Super Stop and Shop that residents on Grandview Avenue opposed. "Now they have a large structure in their face."

One resident said he wasn't sure the general population of Union may want to visit cafes and restaurants if the economy continues spiraling downward.

Portney was optimistic about the state of the economy and therefore optimistic as well on the success of the proposed redeveloped area. "I am reasonably confident the economy will turn around," Portney said.

Resident and treasurer of the Putnam Manor Civic Association, Ellen Entricken, said the proposed plan would "handcuff business owners."

"This plan creates too many non-conforming uses and thus prevents businesses from expanding when successful," Entricken said.

One resident, who has lived in Union since 1978, stepped forward in approval of the plan but faced some apprehension from the crowd who suggested she was speaking disingenuously. "The downtown was fairly vibrant but that's no longer the case," she said. "I do believe it's good for the town as a whole.'

The other two areas which would be studied next are the "Union Center Four Corners" which encompasses the Morris and Stuyvesant avenues area and "Union Center Gateway East" which runs along Morris Avenue up until the Garden State Parkway overpass.

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UNION BICENTENNIAL

A family designed to stand the test of time

Potter family's history dates back to early days of Union

By Jackeline Leon Staff Writer

UNION - One of the founding families of Union, the Potter family, has a legacy of militiamen and architects that spans the life of the town they made their own.

Their home on Colonial Avenue, built in the 1600s, started out as a farmhouse, but has evolved into the offices of Potter Architects, a wellknown firm which has been trusted with the responsibility of designing several schools and municipal buildings in town. Their home was also utilized by soldiers during the Revolutionary War.

The roots of the family can be stretched back to Matthias Potter, who was born on Dec. 27, 1741, and lived in Union or as it was then, part of Elizabethtown. According to the president of the Union Township Historical Society, Michael Yesenko, Matthias served as a lieutenant in the British Army but when the Revolutionary War erupted, he resigned and accepted a commission



to serve as captain of the First Regiment Essex County New Jersey Militia. His cousin, Col. Samuel Potter, marched alongside his relative in 1777.

Matthias then helped fight off British and Hessian soldiers during one of the most historic battles fought in Union — the battle of Connecticut Farms on June 7, 1780. Part of the Potter home had been burned that year when a British troop leader, Lt. Gen. Wilhelm von Knyphausen ordered the conflagration of several homes on the village of Connecticut Farms, including what is now the Caldwell Parsonage.

The Potter family today is proud that their predecessors were able to rebuild their home from the ashes and create a strong family business. Today, the Potters are asked to do design work for the schools and buildings in and around New Jersey.

The business has been in existence for 76 years, attached to the Potter residence.

"Architecture is like painting a picture," patriarch Richard Potter, 73, said. "It's not hard work; it's fun and interesting work." Of the town, Richard said that Union was laid out in a logical manner.

"It was very smart the way they developed this town," Richard said. "Schools are all over the area." He said that growing up, he remembers that Union was once just farmland. "It all grew naturally after World War II," Richard said.

Richard's wife, Roberta Potter, is bookkeeper for the business. She said she is very proud of her family's accomplishments and its title as "town architects."



Photo Courtesy of Potter Architects LLC An old picture of the Potter house on Colonial Avenue. The house was built as a farmhouse in the 1600s. The home was used by soldiers during the Revolutionary War.

Richard's father, Steven J. Potter, designed the municipal building that was unveiled in 1957, which is now at Frieberger Park on Morris Avenue.

"They did the designs for the new library in Vauxhall and the senior center and did construction for the schools," Roberta said. "They do a business and I'm sure they're going lot of work in town and surrounding towns."

His three sons went through the Union school system and two are also town architects who expect to maintain their business in Union.

"They settled here to carry on the

to stay here," Richard said. "It's a good place to carry on a business because you're about an hour away from Pennsylvania and New York."

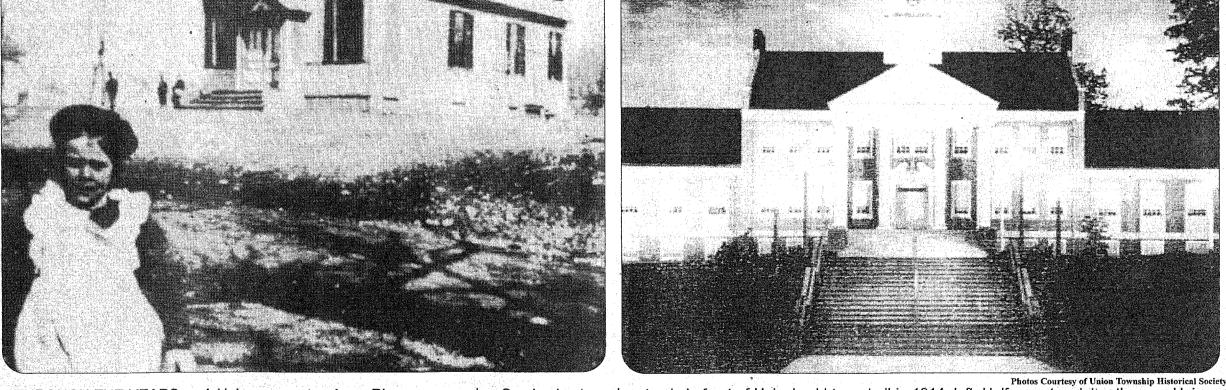
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Photos Courtesy of Potter Architects LLC Throughout the past three centuries, the Potter family homestead evolved and expanded. What was once a farmhouse in the 1700s is now the home of Potter Architects LLC. The firm has been in existence for 76 years. Architect Steven J. Potter was responsible for designing the Union Municipal Building, which opened in 1957. transformer i Serviciones







THROUGH THE YEARS — A Union youngster, Anne Rhymer, wears her Sunday best as she stands in front of Union's old town hall in 1914, left. Half a century later, the new Union Municipal Building, designed by architect Steven J. Potter, opened at 1976 Morris Ave. The building's official dedication was Oct. 19, 1957.

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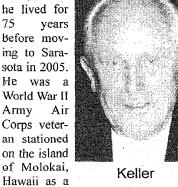
OBITUARIES

Frank Keller Jr.

Frank J. Keller Jr., 84, of Sarasota, Ela., formerly of Union, a retired Union Township fire inspector, died on April 2.

Born in Newark, Mr. Keller moved

to Union in 1930, where he lived for 75 years before moving to Sarasota in 2005. He was a World War II Army Air Corps veteran stationed on the island of Molokai,



cryptographer. Mr. Keller was a communicant of St. Michael's Church, Union, for 75 years. He was a Union Township fireman for 25 years and retired in 1986 as an inspector. During the following 11 years, Mr. Keller was a volunteer in the Physical Therapy Department of Union Hospital and also was an employee of Haeberle and Barth Funeral Home, Union, for 18 years. He was a 60-year member of the American Legion Connecticut Farms Post 35, FMBA Local 46, New Jersey Retired Police and Firemen's Association Union County Local 3, Union Council 4504 Knights of

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS TOWNSHIP OF UNION BOARD OF EDUCATION COUNTY OF UNION <u>NEW JERSEY</u>

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Town-ship of Union Board of Education, in the County of Union, for the furnishing of the hereinafter described labor, material and equipment for Proposed Metal Roofing Replacement - Hannah Caldwell ES, 1120 Commerce Avenue, Union, NJ, and opened and read in public at the Township of Union Board of Education Offices, 2369 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083 on May 8, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time. Bids to be received for this work shalt be Combined Bids for all the work required.

Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083 on May 8, 2008, at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time. Bids to be received for this work required. Bidding Documents may be examined at the office of Potter Architects, L.L.C., 410 Colonial Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083, during business hours. A copy thereof may be procured in person only after April 24, 2008, at the Architect's office for the purpose of bidding. Bidders shall notify the Architect in advance prior to obtaining bidding documents. Docu-ments will not be mailed. A deposit in cash or check to the order of said Archi-tect in the sum of \$150.00 is required, which is non-refundable. There will be a Pre-Bid Meeting at the Hannah Caldwell ES, 1120 Commerce Avenue, Union, NJ on April 29, 10:00a²m. prevailing time: Attendance at the Pre-Bid Meeting is strangly encouraged, but not mandary and the accepted that does not conform to the Project Manual. Bids must be made on standard bid forms in the manner designated by the Project Manu-al, must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the bid-der, the contract being bid on the outside thereof, addressed and should be deliv-ered in person to the Owner. Owner will not be responsible for bids scent by mail on

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Each bid shall be accompanied by the following:

 Guarantee payable to the Township of Unrion Board of Education that bidder, if the Contract is awarded to him, will enter into a contract therefor. Guarantee shall be in the amount of 10% of the bid, but not in excess of \$20,000.00 and may be in the form of certified check cashier's

Columbus Honorary Membership, a lifetime charter member of the National World War II Memorial, an "Elder MED of America" member of Union Hospital and one of the 50 top blood donors of Union County.

Surviving are his wife of 66 years, Marjorie, "Marge;" two daughters, Danni Sadler and Karli Mahoney; a brother, Joseph; five grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

The Palms-Robarts Funeral Home, Sarasota, and the Bradley, Haeberle & Barth Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

Theresa Innamorato

Theresa Innamorato, 90, of Hillside died March 18 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Mrs. Innamorato lived in Newark before moving to Hillside more than 50 years ago. Surviving are two daughters, Phyllis Innamorato and Eileen Malatesta; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The McCracken Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

Christine Brevard

Christine Miller Brevard, 91, of Hillside died on March 18.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Brevard lived in Hillside. She was a member of the First Mountain Zion Baptist Church, Newark.

PUBLIC NOTICE

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales. The property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, County of Union, State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 369 Hollywood Ave. Hillside, NJ Tax Lot No. 24 Block No. 1212 Dimensions: 100.00 x 19.71 Nearest Cross Street: Conant Street The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjuic to the sold without further notice by publication.

publication. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$228,331.41*** Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Three Hundred Thirty One and 41/100***

(732) 290-7600 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$250,876.26 ***Two Hundred Fifty Thousand Eight Hundred Seventy-Six and 26/100*** April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 2008 U208460 UNL (\$98.58)

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PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the ordinance set forth below was introduced at a regular meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Union in the County of Union, held on April 22, 2008 and that said ordinance will be fur-ther considered for final passage at a meeting of the Township Committee at the Municipal Building, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey on May 27, 2008 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. EILEEN BIRCH,

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Surviving are two daughters, Christine "Roz" Samuels and Patricia F. Burroughs; three sisters, Susie Williams. Lorraine and Dorothy; three sons, Phillip, Robert and Lester; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Whigham Funeral Home, Newark, handled the arrangements.

Rafael Mediavilla

Rafael Mediavilla, 91, of Hillside died March 24 in Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth.

Born in Cuba, Mr. Mediavilla lived in Astoria, Queens, before moving to Hillside 36 years ago. He was a bartender for Fornos Spanish Restaurant, New York City, for 25 years and retired in 1981. Mr. Mediavilla was a member of the Casa Galicia, New York, for many years and a member of its Thespian Group. He was a veteran of the Spanish Civil War.

Surviving are his wife, Eusebia; two daughters, Patricia Zenere and Rosalina Mediavilla; a son, Rodolfo; a sister in Spain; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The Growney Funeral Home, Hillside, handled the arrangements.

Linda Aiello

Linda G. Aiello, 57, a lifelong resident of Hillside, died March 25 at home.

Miss Aiello was an educator with

PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH- 07002224 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2378007 County: Union Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCI-ATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR THE STRUC-TURED ASSET SECURITIES CORPORA-TION MORTGAGE PASS THROUGH CER-TIFICATES, 2006-EQ1 VS

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08002134 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1184807 County: Union Plaintiff: US BANK NATIONAL ASSOC., AS TRUSTEE FOR THE STRUCTURED ASSET SECURITIES CORP. MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST, 2006-AM1 VS VS Defendant: MARIO COUTO, MARIA T. COUTO, AAMES FUNDING CORP. D/B/A AAMES HOME LOAN Sale Date: 05/14/2008

Defendant: KERRY AKA KERY FERDI-

Sale Date: 05/21/2008 Writ of Execution: 03/19/2008 By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales.

Property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, County of Union and the State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 1574 Wyn-dmoor Avenue, Hillside NJ 07205 BEING KNOWN as LOT 16, BLOCK 310, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside

sales. Property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, County of Union and the State of New Jersey Přemises commonly known as: 566 Yale Avenue, Hillside NJ 07205 BEING KNOWN as LOT 5 BLOCK 807, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside Dimensions: 39.00ft x 80.00ft x 39.00ft x 80.00 ft Dimensions: 39.00ft x 80.00ft x 39.00ft x Nearest Cross Street: Cornell Place The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication. "Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, citarges, iliens; insurance premi-ums or other advances made by plain-tiff prior to this sale. All interested par-ties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstand-ing interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being fore-closed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside Dimensions: 197.11 feet x 37.44 feet x 196.91 feet x 42.14 feet Nearest Cross Street: Winans Avenue The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication of the sale without further pro-taxes, Charges, liens, insurance premi-ums or other advances made by plain-tiff prior to this sale. All interested par-ties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstand-ing interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being fore-closed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

due thereon. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$237,405.52*** Two Hundred Thirty-Seven Thousand Four Hundred Five and 52/100***

the Hillside Board of Education. Surviving are a son, Gabriel; a daughter, Jillian Aiello, and a sister, Diane Aiello.

The Growney Funeral Home, Hillside, handled the arrangements.

Bessie Albert

Bessie Albert, 90, of West Orange, former longtime resident of Hillside, died March 28 in St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

Born in Harrison, Mrs. Albert lived in Hillside for 48 years before moving to West Orange in 2005. She was a manager at Lisa Drugs, Jersey City, for many years before retiring in.2002. Mrs. Albert was a member of the Union County Chapter of Hadassah.

Surviving are a son, Ronald; two daughters, Irene Landis and Susan Johnson; a brother, Morris Wein; a sister, Sally Wasserman; six grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union handled the arrangements.

Robert Appel Sr.

Robert W. Appel Sr., 75, of the Care Free section of Berkeley Township, formerly of Hillside, died March 27 in the Van Dyke Hospice of Community Medical Center, Toms River.

Born in Newark, Mr. Appel lived in Hillside before moving to Berkeley Township six years ago. He served in

PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

Writ of Execution: 02/27/2008 By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales.

Writ of Execution: 02/27/2008

the Army Air Force during the Korean War and after in the Army Reserve before retiring in 1992. He was a police lieutenant in the city of Newark and retired in 1989.

Surviving are his wife, Sheila; four daughters, Susan, Lisa, Kelly and Kathleen; five sons, Robert Jr., Michael, John, David and Thomas, and nine grandchildren.

The Timothy E. Ryan Home For Funerals, Toms River, handled the arrangements.

Elizabeth Brugger

Elizabeth I. Brugger, 89, of Hillside has died in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Carteret, Mrs. Brugger lived in Elizabeth before moving to Hillside in 1956. She was an alarm dispatcher for Apex Alarm Service, Hillside, for 14 years and retired in 1984. Mrs. Brugger was a member of the Hillside Historical Society.

Surviving are two sons, Ronald Repmann and William Brugger; four grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Growney Funeral Home, Hillside, handled the arrangements.

Ann Kreitz

Ann Kreitz, 86, of Hillside died March 30 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was intro-duced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, on April 22, 2008. It will be further considered for final passage, after hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Municipal Building, 1976 Morris Ave, Union, New Jersey on May 13, 2008 at 7:30 o'clock P.M. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordi-nance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of such bond ordinance follows: Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE TOWN-SHIP OF UNION. IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, AMENDING ORDI-NANCE NUMBER 4834 OF THE TOWN-SHIP OF UNION, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, AMENDING ORDI-NANCE NUMBER 4834 OF THE TOWN-SHIP FINALLY ADOPTED ON AUGUST 24, 2004, SUBSEQUENTLY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 4972 OF THE TOWNSHIP FINALLY ADOPTED ON OCTOBER 10, 2006, AND SUBSEQUENT-LY AMENDED BY ORDINANCE NUMBER 4992 OF THE TOWNSHIP FINALLY ADOPTED ON FEBRUARY 27, 2007, PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS IMPROVE-MENTS TO THE MAIN LIBRARY OF UNION THE ISSUANCE OF \$475,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OUNION THE RAD APPROPRIAT-ING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$475,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF UNION TO FINANCE THE SAME.

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OF UNION TO FINANCE THE SAME. Purpose(s): IV not not not referred s The improvement authorized and the pur-pose for which the bonds or notes are to be issued is to amend bond ordinance number 4834, as subsequently amended by bond ordinance numbers 4972 and 4992 of the Township by appropriating an additional \$150,000 from the Township of Union Library Board's designated account for library renovations Appropriation: \$981,000(representing an increase of \$150,000 from the Prior Ordi-nance)

nance) Bonds/Notes Authorized:

\$475,000 Grants (if any) Appropriated:

\$331,000 \$331,000 Contribution from Union Township Library Board: \$150,000 (representing an increase of \$150,000 from the Prior Ordi-Section 20 Costs: \$7,500 Useful Life: 15 Years Eileen Birch, Township Clerk U209913 UNL April 24, 2008 (\$32.85)

Mrs. Kreitz lived in Hillside for most her life. She was a former member and was active in Ukrainian dancing at Holy Ascension Ukrainian Orthodox Church.

UNION LEADER

Surviving are a daughter, Carol Napolitano; a son, George Jr.; seven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The Union Funeral Home, Lytwyn & Lytwyn, Union, handled the arrangements.

Maxine Poku

Maxine Poku, 57, of Hillside, a longshoreman for 29 years, died on March 23.

The Cotton Funeral Service, Newark, handled the arrangements.

Frances Lewinski

Frances C. Lewinski, 85, of Hillside died April 3 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital at Rahway.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Lewinski lived in Hillside. She was employed as a salesperson with Levy Brothers Store, Elizabeth, and then Hummel Distributors, Hillside, and retired in 1980. Mrs. Lewinski was a member of St. Catherine Church, Hillside.

Surviving are her husband of 55 years,, John F. Sr.; three sons, John Jr., Russell and Ronald; two sisters, Jean Schaefer and Margie Nigito, and five grandchildren.

PUBLIC NOTICE

County: Union Plaintiff: FEDERAL NATIONAL MORT-GAGE ASSOC.

VS Defendant: EDWARD WHITMORE; COUN-TRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.; RUFOL-FO ESPINOZA, TENANT AND CORRIN OSBORN, TENANT Sale Date: 05/07/2008 Writ of Execution: 02/29/2008 By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales.

he property to be sold is located in the OWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE, County of nion and State of NJ.

It is commonly known as 9-11 VINE STREET, HILLSIDE, NJ. is known and designated as Block 1211,

Lot 7. The dimensions are approximately 53 feet wide by 100 feet long (irregular). Nearest cross street: PENNSYLVANIA

NUE r lien(s): SUBJECT TO UNPAID ES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS. OF 12/28/2007 TAXES ARE PAID OUGH 4TH QUARTER 2007. SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE HT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITH-FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUB-NION.

UDGMENT AMOUNT: \$366,045.46*** hree Hundred Sixty-Six Thousand orty-Five and 46/100***

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Y Y LAVINTHAL, FRANKENBERG & ARD, LLC SENHOWER PARKWAY 300 - P.O. BOX 1660 STON, NJ 07039-1660

Into a contract therefor. Guarantee shall be in the amount of 10% of the bid, but not in excess of \$20,000.00 and may be in the form of certified check, cashier's check or bid bond.
2. Certificate from a surety company stating that it will provide the bidder with a bond in such sum and form as is required in the Specifications.
3. Affidavit showing prequalification in accordance with the standards of and by the New Jersey Department of the Treasury, Division of Building and Construction, for bids \$20,000 and over, for prime bidders and subcontractors, in accordance with the requirements of the Department of the Treasury.
4. A statement setting forth the names and addresses of all stockholders owning 10% or more of the stock in case of a corporation, or 10% or greater interest in the case of a partnership, or acknowledgment that no person or entity has 10% or greater proprietary interest in the Bidder.
1. Addendum may be issued by the Owner in accordance with therequite stock of receipt.
Bidders are notified at follows:
2. No bid may be withdrawn after the date of receipt.
Bidders are notified that they must comply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.37 and 34:11-56.38 et seq. (Wages on Public Works) and that the contract to be awarded in the case shall contain a stipulation workmen employed in the performance of the contract shall not be less than the prevailing wage rate as determined by the Commersioner of the Department of Labor and Industry of the State of New Jersey. Bidders are notified that they must comply with the provisions of P.J. 1999, c. 238 (The Public Works Contractor Registration Act), which became effective on April 11, 2000, and P.L. 2004, c. 57 (Business Kagistration of Public Contractors) which became effective on September 1, 2004.

which became effective on September 1, 2004. Bidders are notified that they must com-ply with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:31-1 to 52:33-4, the statutes on the use of domestic materials on public work. Bidders are put on notice that the Owner is an exempt organization under the pro-visions of the New Jersey State Sales and Use Tax (N.J.S.A. 54:32B-1 et seq.) and is not required to pay sales tax. All bidders are put on notice that they are required to comply with all rules and regulations and orders promulgated by the State Treasurer pursuant to N.J.S.A. 10:5-31, and with all provisions of N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through 10:2-4 (Affirma-tive Action), and N.J.A.C. 17:27. The Owner reserves the right to consid-er the bids for sixty (60) days after receipt thereof, and further reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any informalities in any bid or bids, and to make such awards as may be in the best interest of the Owner. Bo ard of Education, in the County of Union, New Jersey. Mr. James J. Damato, Board Secretary Township of Union Board of Education

Township of Union Board of Education 2369 Morris Avenue Union, NJ 07083 U209771 UNL April 24, 2008 (\$68.85)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE 'Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08002011 'Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F818207 'County: Union Plaintiff: NEW CENTURY MORTGAGE 'CORP. 'VS

VS 'Defendant: DANIELLE D. PERCOSKIE Sale Date: 05/07/2008 Writ of Execution: 01/22/2008 'By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed I shall expose for 'sale by public venue, at the UNION

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., pro-vides that in the preparation of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% unless authorized by ordinance to increase it to 3.5% over the previous year's final appro-priations, subject to certain exceptions;

priations, subject to certain exceptions; and. WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a pro-vides that a municipality may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actu-al final appropriation and the 3.5% per-centage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and, WHEREAS, the Township Council of the Township of Union in the County of Union finds it advisable and necessary to increase its CY 2008 budget up to 3.5% over the previous year's final appropria-tions, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and, WHEREAS, the Township Council baraby

by the provide year's minil appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and.
WHEREAS, the Township Council hereby determines that a 1.0% increase in the budget for caid year, amounting to \$620,740.44 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and.
WHEREAS, the Township Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.
NOW THEREFORE BY IT ORDAINED, by the Township Council of the Township of Union, in the County of Union, a majority of the fully authorized membership of Union shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 400A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5% amounting to \$2,172,591.54 and that the 2008 municipal budget for the Township of Union shall, in accordance with this ordinance; and.
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced by services within 5 days of introduction; and.
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and.
BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days affer such adoption.

after such adoption. U209915 UNL April 24, 2008 (\$43.65)

UNION

NOTICE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL TAKE NOTICE that application has been made to The Township Committee of the Township of Union, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083 to transfer to FGK DINER, LLC the Plenary Retail Con-sumption License No. 2019-33-070-004 heretofore issued by the Township of Union to CRIS-N-PRO CORP. trading as MARK TWAIN DINER for the premises located at 1601 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083. The persons who will hold an interest in this license are Fotios Kunis. 14 Hillside Drive, East Hanover, New Jersey 07936, Georgios Spiropoulos, 917 Route 10 East & Center Grove Road, Randolph, New Jersey 07864, and Kos-mas Bessas, 2256 Crossing Way, Wayne, New Jersey 07470, who are the members of FGK, LLC. Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to: EILEEN BIRCH, Municipal Clerk of the Township of Union, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 0743. Applicant's Attorney: Neil J. Dworkin, Esq., 664 Stuyvesant Avenue, P.O. Box 497, Irving-ton, NJ 07111. April 17, 24, 2008 U209226 UNL (\$39.80) April 17, 24, 2008 U209226 UNL (\$39.80)

Four Hundred Five and 52/100*** Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC 400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100 MT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (856)813:5500 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$259,725.46 ***Two Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine Thousand 46/100*** April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 2008 U209695 UNL (\$135.00)

<u>HILLSIDE</u>

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08002228 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1625207 County: Union Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS,

sales.

Nine Hundred Seven and Control Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC 400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100 MT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (856)813-5500 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich 4 full legal description can be foun A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$270,816.49 ****Two Hundred Seventy Thousand Eight Hundred Sixteen and 49/100*** April 17, 24, May 1, 8, 2008 U209117 UNL (\$132.06)

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$247,907.60*** Two Hundred Forty-Seven Thousand Nine Hundred Seven and 60/100***

<u>HILLSIDE</u>

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH- 07002192 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2244507 County: Union

County: Union Plaintiff: WELLS FARGO BANK, N.A. AS TRUSTEE FOR THE HOLDERS OF SASCO 2007-MLN1

INC. VS Defendant: FRANK MONASTERIO, ESSEX COUNTY BOARD OF SOCIAL SERVICES Sale Date: 05/21/2008 Writ of Execution: 02/22/2008 By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sale. Defendant: TEOFILO LABOY, ANA L. LABOY

Defendant: IEUFILU LABUY, ANA L. LABOY Sale Date: 05/21/2008 Writ of Execution: 03/13/2008 By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IST FLOOR. 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales.

tified check at the conclusion of the sales. The property to be sold is located in the TOWNSHIP of HILLSIDE, County of UNION and State of New Jersey. Commonly know as: 85 WILLIAMSON AVE, HILLSIDE, NJ 07205. Tax Lot No. 56 in Block No. 1003 Dimension of Lot Approximately: 44X117 Nearest Cross Street: NORTH BROAD STREET BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE NORTH-EASTERLY LINE OF WILLIAMSON AVENUE DISTANT 1037.06 FEET NORTHWESTERLY FROM THE OLD LINE OF NORTH BROAD STREET "THE SHERIFF HEREBY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ADJOURN THIS SALE WITH-OUT FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH PUB-LICATION." PRIOR LIENS/ENCLUMBEDANCES

20% of their Did available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales. Property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, County of Union, and the State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 1469 Hiawatha Avenue (a/k/a Hiawatha Street), Hillside NJ 07205 BEING KNOWN as LOT 1, BLOCK 313, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside Dimensions: 39.00 feet x 96.58 feet x 39.00 feet x 96.76 feet Nearest Cross Street: Emerson Lane The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication. "Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, liens, insurance premi-ums or other advances made by plain-tiff prior to this sale. All interested par-ties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstand-ing interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being fore-closed and, if so the current amount due thereon. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$382,208,44*** Three Hundred Eighty-Two Thousand Two Hundred Eight and 44/100*** Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC

Two Hundred Eight and 44/100*** Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC 400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100 MT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (856)813-5500 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$418,494.38 ***Four Hundred Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred Ninety-Four and 38/100*** April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 2008 U209692 UNL (\$131.40)

UNION

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that the following applications for Zoning Variances were heard by the Board of Adjustment of the Township of Union on <u>Wednesday, April 16, 2008</u> at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, Friberger Park, Union, N.J. Resolutions memorializing.

Calendar # <u>Name of Applicant &</u> <u>Premises Affected</u> Hillcrest Dev. & Management Corp. 1000 Galloping Hill Road Block- 802 Lot- 6, 9 & 10.01 Cal. #3114

Richard Malanda, Board of Adjustment Secretary

U209806 UNL April 24, 2008 (\$24.30)

UNION

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH- 07003349 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F1279306 County: Union Plaintiff: U.S. BANK NATIONAL ASSOCI-ATION, TRUSTEE VS

ATION, TRUSTEE VS Defendant: CHRISTIANA ABEBUSUYI; MR. ABEBUSUYI, HUSBAND OF CHRIS-TIANA ABEBUSUYI Sale Date: 05/14/2008 Writ of Execution: 03/12/2008 By virtue of the above-stated writ of exe-cution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETHTOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales.

20% of their bid available in cash or cer-tified check at the conclusion of the sales. Property to be sold is located in the Township of Union, County of Union, State of New Jersey Premises commonly known as: 330 Indi-ana Street, Union, NJ 07083 BEING KNOWN as LOT 51, BLOCK 5808, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Union Dimensions: 157.16ft x 95.79 ft x 35.00ft Nearest Cross Street: Orchard Park The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication. "Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, liens, insurance premi-tiff prior to this sale. All interested par-tiff prior to the advances made by plain-tiff prior to the sale. All interested par-ting interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being fore-closed and, if so the current amount due thereon. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$389,156.54***

due thereon. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$389,156.54*** Three Hundred Eighty-Nine Thousand One Hundred Fifty-Six and 54/100***

One Hundred Fifty-Six and 54/100 Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC 400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100 MT LAUREL, NJ 08054 (856)813-5550 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$451,266.07 ***Four Hundred Fifty-One Thousand Two Hundred Sixty-Six and 07/100*** April 17, 24, May 1, 8, 2008 U209119 UNL (\$126.48)

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH- 08002036 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F2477007

<u>Variances</u> Requested Utilization of former Union Hospital site as a health park Decision of the Board of Adjustment

Granted by Resolution

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BOARD OF EDUCATION Township of Union, County o New Jersey 07083 of Union

UNION

(973) 740-0700 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$399,993.72 ***Three Hundred Ninety-Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Ninety-Three and 72/100*** April 10, 17, 24, May 1, 2008 U208461 UNL (\$120.90)

Sealed proposals will be received by the Board of Education of the Township of Union, County of Union, New Jersey on Tuesday, MAY 6, 2008 at 11:00 a.m. in the office of the Secretary, Administration Building, 2369 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083 for the following items:

Two (2) Type "D" School Bus Forward Engine #08-36

Instructions to Bidders, Proposal Form and Specifications may be examined at the office of the Secretary, Administration Building, 2369 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey 07083 and each bidder thereof may obtain one copy. For each bid totaling \$1,000.00 or more, a deposit payable to the "Union Township Board of Education" in the form of a certi-fied or cashier's check or bid bond issued by a surety company licensed to do busi-

Board of Education" in the form of a certi-fied or cashier's check or bid bond issued by a surety company licensed to do busi-ness in the State of New Jersey shall accompany each proposal. The amount of the deposit shall be 10% of the total amount of the bid, but in no case in excess of \$20,000. No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof. The Board of Education reserves the right to reject any or all bids, or to accept the bid, which in its judgment will be for the best interest of the Union Township Board of Education. The Board also reserves the right to renew any award in accordance with New Jersey Public Con-tracts Law 18A:18A-42. Bidders are required to comply with the Affirmative Action requirements of P.L. 1975, C.127 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 and any other applicable Federal, State, County or Municipal laws, rules, regulations or codes. BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION. TOWNSHIP OF UNION

codes. BY ORDER OF THE BOARD OF EDUCATION, TOWNSHIP OF UNION, COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY James J. Damato Board Secretary U209778 UNL April 24, 2008 (\$27.00)

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE PUBLIC NOTICE

The following ordinance published here-with have been passed by the Township Council at a meeting held at the Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, on Tuesday, April 8, 2008. 0-08-013

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 4 OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE TOWN-SHIP CODE ENTITLED "ADMINISTRA-TIVE BRANCH"AT ARTICLE II, BY ADDING 4-3.30 "APPOINTED MUNICIPAL POSITIONS:

Leonard Gilbert Council President

Attest: Janet Vlaisavljevic Township Clerk U209912 UNL April 24, 2008 (\$10.80)

Attorney: FEIN. SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, PC 7 CENTURY DRIVE SUITE 201 PARSIPPANY, NJ 07054 (973) 538-4700 Sheriff: Raiph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$457,857.45 ***Four Hundred Fifty-Seven Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty-Seven and 45/100*** April 24, May 1, 8, 15, 2008 U209709 UNL (\$133.20)

UNION Kean University Board of Trustees Notice of a Board of Trustees Meeting

OUI FURTHER NOTICE THROUGH FUE-LICATION." PRIOR LIENS/ENCUMBRANCES 2006 ADDED ASSESSMENT OPEN PLUS PENALTY 2007 4TH QUARTER TAXES \$1 827.00 SEWER OPEN PLUS PENALTY \$96.00 2006 4TH QUARTER TAXES OPEN PLUS PENALTY 5339.01 TOTAL AS OF MARCH 14, 2008 \$2,843.21

JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$2,843.21 State St

The Kean University Board of Trustees held a special public meeting via confer-ence call on Friday, April 18, 2008 at 11:30 a.m. in the Estabrook Conference Room of Kean-Hall, 1000 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey. The Board considered resolutions related to the protest filed by Cobra Construction Inc. regarding the Nancy Thompson Library addition project and the award of a contract for such proj-ect. The meeting was limited to discus-sion and action on this matter.

U209801 UNL April 24, 2008 (\$9.45)

Catherine Tisch

Catherine Irene Tisch, 91, of Hillside died April 14 in the Cranford Health and Extended Care Center, Cranford.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Tisch lived in Cranford before moving to Hillside in 1941. She was a former member of the Hillside Presbyterian Church, Hillside.

Surviving are four sons, Raymond, Theodore, Arthur and Frederick; a brother, the Rev. Harold Story; two sisters, Margaret Myers and Olive Pirrocco; seven grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Howard Sanders

Howard Louis Sanders, 69, of Hillside died on April 15.

The G.G. Woody Funeral Home, LLC, Roselle, handled the arrangements.

Rashaan Smith

Rashaan Smith, 32, of Hillside died on April 13.

Born in Newark, Mr. Smith lived in Hillside.

Surviving are a son, Rashaan M.S.; his mother, Patricia Smith; his father, E.H. Monroe, and a brother, Omar K.Smith. The Perry Funeral Home, Newark, handled the arrangements.

Charlyn White

Charlyn Denise White, 56, of Hillside died April 17 in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.

Born in Albany, Ga., she lived in Hillside for six years.

The Brown's Funeral Home, Plainfield, handled the arrangements.

Eileen Fraleigh

Eileen Fraleigh, 69, of Kenilworth died April 15 in Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth.

Mrs. Fraleigh was raised in Roselle and lived in Kenilworth for 43 years. She was a secretarial clerk for Trinitas Hospital, formerly St. Elizabeth Hospital, in the X-ray department for 20 years and retired seven years ago.

Surviving are a son, Jeffrey Powers; a daughter, Theresa J. Watson; two brothers, Robert and Richard Fitzpatrick; a sister, Kathy Fitzpatrick, and a grandchild.

The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangementson T xiz perhauff send T consect send arrange women arrange agaguaguag

Robert Riccio

Robert Riccio, 43, of Kenilworth, formerly of Springfield, died April 16 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Jersey City, Mr. Riccio lived in Springfield before moving to Kenilworth. He graduated from Jonathan Dayton High School, Springfield, where he played football. Mr. Riccio was a self-employed conThe Galante Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

Joseph Lipka

Joseph E. Lipka, 90, of Stroudsburg, Pa., formerly of Kenilworth, died April 11 in the Good Shepherd Care Center, Bethlehem, Pa.

Born in Bayonne, Mr. Lipka lived in Roselle Park, South Plainfield and Kenilworth before moving to Stroudsburg four years ago. He was a World War II veteran and served in the Army in France and Germany. Mr. Lipka received the Purple Heart, while serving in Germany. Before retiring in 1982, he was the owner of ABC Dwellings and Lipka Construction, Kenilworth, for 30 years. Mr. Lipka built many homes and businesses in central New Jersey and also was a well-known carpenter. He was a member of St. Joseph the Carpenter Church, Roselle, where he was a member of the choir and was involved in many activities within the church.

Surviving are two sons, Roland and Ronald; a daughter, Ronda Prokop; a brother, John; six grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The Lehrer-Gibilisco Funeral Home, Rahway, handled the arrangements.

Patricia Waldvogel

Patricia R. Waldvogel, 75, of Kenilworth died March 29 in Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Plainfield.

Born in Eben Junction, Mich., Mrs. Waldvogel lived in Maplewood before moving to Kenilworth 50 years ago. She was a teacher in the Union County school system at the regional high schools. Mrs. Waldvogel was a member of the United Federation of Teachers and the Deutscher Club in Clark. She also was active in local democratic polities.

Surviving are two daughters, Lynn Waldvogel and Leigh Waldvogel; a sister, Carol Lowney, and six grandchildren. The Higgins and Bonner Funeral Home, Westfield, handled the arrangements.

Bruce Marhold

Bruce A. Marhold, 56, of Kenilworth died April 12 at home.

Born in Las Vegas, Nev., Mr. Marhold lived in Elizabeth, Roselle and Roselle Park for 17 years before moving to Kenilworth eight years ago. He was a bartender for 30 years at various restaurants in the Union County area, and most recently, in Essex County in Maplewood at the Maplewood Country Club. Mr. Marhold served in the Army Air Force during the Vietnam era.

Surviving are his wife of 31 years, Janet M.; two sons, Bryon and Donovan, and his mother, Dorothy Poempner.

Frank Baumbach

Frank E. Baumbach, 92, of Roselle Park died April 13 at home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Baumbach settled in Roselle Park 57 years ago. He was a shipping clerk for Central Scientific, Mountainside, for 21 years and retired 22 years ago. Prior to that, Mr. Baumbach worked for New Jersey Bell Telephone Co., Linden. He was a World War II Army veteran and served in Central Europe, the Battle of Normandy, Northern France, the Battle of the Bulge and Rhineland, Mr. Baumbach was a recipient of the European-African-Middle Eastern Medal with a Bronze Arrowhead.He was a member and past president in 1960 of the Holy Name Society of the Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park, where he was an usher at the 7 a.m. Sunday Mass and a member of the 29th Infantry Division Association in Maryland.

Surviving are his wife of 62 years, Anna; two sons, John and Jeffrey; two daughters, Suzanna Sullivan and Mariann Baumbach; a brother, Louis; nine grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren. The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

Denise Longo

Denise Longo, 52, of Roselle Park died March 31 in Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Longo lived in Roselle Park for 23 years. She was co-owner of the Hair Station, Roselle, for 23 years.

Surviving are her husband, Donald J.; a son, Richard Charles Villa; a daughter, Melissa Lee Villa; her father, Charles Giancane, and a sister, Joann Giancane.

The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

William Davis

William Davis, 88, of Roselle Park died April 16 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Davis moved to Roselle Park 62 years ago. He was a chemical operator for Exxon Research, Linden, for 30 years and retired 26 years ago. Mr. Davis was a World War II Navy veteran, who served in the Asiatic-Pacific Theater. After the war, he went into the Reserve for 25 years and was a dental technician chief warrant officer. Mr. Davis was a member of the Casano Community Center and the Casano Community Center Senior Citizens, and was a member and secretary of the Retired Men's Association, all of Roselle Park. He also worked with Mayor Joseph Delorio with the youth court at the Union County Courthouse, Elizabeth.

Surviving are three brothers, Morris, Sammy and Martin, and three grandchildren. The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

Evelyn Worth

Evelyn Grace Worth, 86, of Roselle Park died April 16 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Mrs. Worth graduated from Roselle Park High School and worked in New York City before joining Schering-Plough, Kenilworth. She was a lifelong member of the Community United Methodist Church, Roselle Park.

Surviving are a son, Donald C.; a daughter, Gail Carney; two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The Dooley Funeral Home, Cranford, handled the arrangements.

Victor Craig

Victor H. Craig, 60, of Roselle Park died April 18 in the Howell home of his daughter, Lucy Craig.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Craig lived in Roselle Park for most of his life. He was a glazer at the Union County Courthouse, Elizabeth, for 35 years.

Also surviving are a sister, Mary Ann Moneika, and a grandchild. The Mastapeter Funeral Home,

Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

James Gilroy

James P. Gilroy, 83, of Roselle Park died March 26 in Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth.

Born in New York City, Mr. Gilroy lived in Roselle Park for 48 years. He was a custodian of the Roselle Park Board of Education for 14 years and retired in 1990. Before that, Mr. Gilroy worked for Railway Express, Manhattan. He served in the Army Medical Corps in World War II in the Ardennes, Northern France, and Rhineland and received the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal. The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements.

Irene Taylor

Irene M. Taylor, a lifelong resident of rk Roselle Park, died April 7 in the Bridgeal, way Nursing Home, Bridgewater. Mrs. Taylor was the office manag-

er for Colonial Village, East Brunswick, for many years.

Surviving are two brothers, Leonard and Joseph Miczulski.

The Dooley Funeral Home, Cranford, handled the arrangements.

Marjorie Crandell

Marjorie Crandell, 79, of the Vauxhall section of Union, died on April 9.

Born in Martin County, N.C., Mrs. Crandell lived in the Vauxhall section

of Union. Surviving are a son, James; three daughters, Linda Wilkins, Claudette and Delphine Williams; 20 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren.

Claudia Fortunato

Born in Newark, Mrs. Fortunato lived in Union for more than 40 years. Surviving are a daughter, Claudia Reuter; a brother, Angelo Barbato; three grandchildren and two greatgrandchildren.

John Fritz

John Fritz, 76, of Union died April 16 in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.

Born in Hillside, Mr. Fritz moved to Union more than 30 years ago. He was formerly employed as a dock worker with Union Trucking, Kenilworth, and was in the trucking industry for 37 years before retiring in 1994. Mr. Fritz was an Army veteran and a member of the Teamsters Local 476 of Union.

Surviving is his wife of 48 years, Joan.

The McCracken Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

Carolyn Albright

Carolyn Albright, 82, of Union, a singer, musician and Irvington School bus driver, died on April 15.

Surviving are three daughters, Evette and Ramona Brooks and Monica Boone; a son, Raymond; five sisters and brothers, Donace Johnson, Susie Strickland, Cleveland, Robert and Bobby Brooks, and seven grandchildren.

The Cotton Funeral Service, Newark, handled the arrangements.

Lucia Schlimbraco

Lucia M. Schlimbraco, 94, of Union died April 17 at home.

Born in New York, Mrs. Schlimbraco lived in Edison before moving to Union. She was a supervisor with New Jersey Bell Telephone Co. before retiring 40 years ago after 27 years.

Surviving is a brother, Joseph Arace.

The Galante Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

Beatrice Gardner

Beatrice Gardner, 90, of Union died on April 18.

Born in New York, Mrs. Gardner lived in Union for more than 56 years. She was a telephone operator for New Jersey Bell Telephone Co., a former member of the Widows and Widowers Group at the Knights of Columbus Union Council 4504 and a member of St. Michael the Archangel Church Rosary Society, Union.

Surviving are a son, Joseph M.; a daughter, Susan Kordell; a sister, Elizabeth McCaffrey, and two grandchildren.

The Bradley, Haeberle & Barth Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

Joan Rush

Joan G. Rush, 74, of Union died

years ago. She graduated from Queen of Peace High School, North Arlington, and Berkeley Secretarial School. Mrs. Rush worked at Westinghouse Electric Co. for 10 years. She was a member of the St. Genvieve's Leisure Group, Elizabeth, Father Washington Club, Kearny, and the Gregory Club, Montclair.

Surviving are her husband, William J.; three daughters, Kathleen M. Otterbein, Barbara J. Griffith and Nancy R. Vesey; two sons, James P. and Daniel J.; a brother, William Grant; a sister, Mary Naismith, and 13 grandchildren. The Higgins and Bonner Echo

Lake Funeral Home, Westfield, han-

Norman Sapolnick, 70, of Union

Born in Newark, Mr. Sapolnick lived

in Hillside from 1964 to 1978 before

moving to Union. He was the owner and

operator of Fit-Rite Uniform Co. Inc., a

supplier of public safety uniforms and

accessories, in Hillside since 1969. Mr.

Sapolniik was a veteran of the Army dur-

ing the Vietnam era. He was a member of

the Hillside Lions Club and served as

captain of the Hillside Ambulance

and Boy Scout leader. Mr. Sapolnick was

a member of the Azure Masada Lodge 22

F&AM in Cranford and the Elmora

Hebrew Center, Elizabeth, and B'nai

B'rith. He was the founder of the South

Surviving are two sons, Barry and

Jay; a daughter, Melanie Pasquarelli; a

brother, Allan; his companion, Joyce

The Menorah Chapels at Millburn

Viola Curcione, 86, of Union died

Born in Newark, Mrs. Curcione

April 17 in Overlook Hospital, Sum-

moved to Union in 1961. She was a

hairdresser for Shirley's Beauty Shop,

Irvington, for 50 years before retiring.

Surviving is her husband, Ralph.

handled the arrangements.

Victor Reboll

April 19 at home.

The Galante Funeral Home, Union,

Victor Reboll, 89, of Union died

Born in Newark, Mr. Reboll lived

in Union for 41 years. He served in the

Navy during World War II. Mr. Reboll

was a grocery manager for Foodtown

Supermarket, Irvington, for 28 years

Lucy I.; three sons, Roy, Richard and

Anthony; two daughters, Florence

Vacovetti, Carmella Sibilia; two

brothers, Raymond and Robert; three

Surviving are his wife of 41 years,

before retiring 27 years ago.

Kernusz. and seven grandchildren.

in Union handled the arrangements.

Newark First Aid Squad.

Viola Curcione

He was a distinguished Eagle scout

died April 17 in Overlook Hospital,

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Norman Sapolnick

tractor and a drummer.

Surviving is his companion, Rachel Greenberg.

The Mastapeter Funeral Home, Roselle Park, handled the arrangements. Claudia Fortunato, 92, of Union died April 15 in the South Mountain Rehabilitation Center, Union.

April 16 in Trinitas Hospital, Elizabeth.

Born in Kearny, Mrs. Rush lived in Elizabeth before moving to Union 39

sisters, Evelyn Butler, Eleanor Brown and Rita Seeley; 13 grandchildren and 11 grandchildren.

in The Galante Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.

WORSHIP CALENDAR

ASSEMBLIES OF GOD CALVARY ASSEMBLY OF GOD INTERNATIONAL. A Pentecostal church seeking the face of God". 953 W. Chestnut St., Union. Church/964-1133, Fax/964-1153. Rev. John W. Bechtel, Pastor. Sunday Services: Sunday Service - 6:30pm Wednesday Services: Ladies Bible Study (Heart&Home) - 10am Family Night 7:30pm with -Royal Rangers boys program (ages 3-14) Missionettes girls program (ages 3-17) Adult School of the Bible Friday Services: Youth Night - 7:30pm College & Career - 7:30pm

College & Career - 7:30pm In addition there are monthly meetings of Women's Joy Ministries and Men's Breakfast Fellowship. For directions call 908-964-1133 and press 4.

UKRAINIAN EVANGELICAL ASSEMBLIES OF GOD 2208 Stanley Terrace, (908) 686-8171 Rev. Walter Cebula, Pastor **Note: All services are in English. (Ukrainian & Spanish translation available) Sunday Worship: 10:30 AM Sunday Evening: 6:30 PM Food Pantry (Wednesday) 5-6:45 PM Wednesday Family Night: 7:00 PM Spanish Service (Saturday): 7 PM

BAPTIST

ANTIOCH BAPTIST CHURCH, 640 S. Springfield Ave., Springfield. Rev. Clarence Alston, Pastor. Church phone (973) 379-1465. SUNDAY: 9:30 A.M. Family Bible School; 11:00 A.M. Worship Service. WEDNESDAY: 7:30 P.M. Mid-Week Service, Holy Communion every First Sunday. Nursery Care available every Sunday. If transportation is needed call the church office. Everyone is Welcome at Antioch.

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CONSERVATIVE CONGREGATION B'NAI AHAVATH SHALOM, 2035 Vauxhall Road (corner of Plane

Street), Union, Tel: (908) 686-6773. Dr. Leon J. Yagod, Rabbi Emeritus; Oscar Newman, Cantor; David Gelband, President. Congregation B'Nai Ahavath Shalom is a traditional conservative congregation with a full range of programs. DAILY SERVICES: Sun: 8:30am; Mon-Fri. 7:30am; Friday evening: 8pm; SATURDAY: 9:00am. Torah class half hour before each service. Hebrew School: Sundays 9:30am.

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UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF UNION. Berwyn Street at Overlook Terrace, Union. Rev. Ferdinand Llenado, Pastor.Jonathan Schneider, Music Director. Church Office 687-8077. Parsonage 686-2412. Worship Service 11:00 A.M., Sunday worship includes a children's sermon, followed by Sunday School, and communion on the first Sunday of each month. All welcome. United Methodist Men's, Women's and Youth groups. Home Bible Studies 3rd Saturday each month.

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DENOMINATIONAL KENILWORTH GOSPEL CHAPEL Newark and 23rd Street, Kenilworth, 908-272-6131, Pastor Donald Dunkerton. Sunday 9:15 am Communion, 11:00 am Family Bible Hour and Sunday School for all ages, Wednesday 7:00 pm Prayer and Bible Study, (childcare provided), Friday 7:00 pm Youth Activities for Grade School age, Jr. High and Sr. High. kenilworthgospel.org

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UNION LEADER



CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON — Members of St. Michael's fifth and sixth grade girls basketball team of Union, above, recently defeated St. John Vianney, securing the championship in the Greg Frost Tournament and placing first in the Suburban Catholic School League. The school's seventh and eighth grade boys basketball team, below, defeated Hillside Catholic Academy 48-45 in the Suburban Catholic Schools League tournament, spoiling HCA's previously undefeated season.



Historic study will further efforts to help prevent, eliminate cancer

The American Cancer Society is looking to New Jersey residents to play a direct role in improving the lives of future generations by participating in an historic study.

The society will be signing up volunteers for its Cancer Prevention Study 3 at two locations: Relay For Life of Roselle Park High School, 185 West Webster Ave., Roselle Park on June 7 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m. and Relay For Life of West Orange High School, 51 Conforti Ave., West Orange on June 20 from 5:30 to 9:30 p.m.

The study, which will enroll a diverse population of half a million people across the United States, will help researchers better understand the lifestyle, environmental and genetic factors that cause or prevent cancer, and will further efforts to eliminate cancer as a major health concern for future generations.

Roselle Park and West Orange are two of more than 110 enrollment sites currently scheduled for 2008, nearly double the number of sites that took part in 2007.

Participants must be between the ages of 30 and 65, must never have been diagnosed with cancer, and must be willing to make a long-term commitment to the study, which simply means filling out follow-up surveys at their home periodically.

To enroll in the study, individuals will be asked to complete a brief, written survey, provide a waist measurement, and give a small blood sample at the relay enrollment site, in addition to

completing a baseline survey at their home. For the first time in more than 50 years of conducting these kinds of studies, the ACS is making it possible for participants to complete their baseline and follow-up questionnaires online.

"This is a once-in-a-generation opportunity for Americans to participate in lifesaving cancer research," said Eugenia E. Calle, American Cancer Society director of analytic epidemiology, who is overseeing the study. "While we have been conducting these types of studies for decades, our world-class research department can only study new and emerging cancer risks if members of the community are willing to become involved."

"This study is a unique opportunity to use the power of Relay For Life to rally the community in the fight against this disease. Individuals who come to this event to enroll for CPS-3 directly support the society's mission to reduce the burden of cancer," Robin Kraft, director of Relay For Life events said.

Researchers will use the data from CPS-3 to build on evidence from a series of American Cancer Society studies that began in the 1950s and involved hundreds of thousands of volunteer participants. The Hammond-Horn Study and the two previous Cancer Prevention Studies have played a major role in understanding cancer prevention and risk, and have contributed significantly to the scientific literature and to the development of public health guidelines and recommendations.

Those studies confirmed the link between cigarette smoking and lung cancer, showed that obesity increases the risk of several cancers, and linked aspirin use to a lower death rate from colon cancer. The current study, CPS-II, began in 1982 and is still ongoing. But changes in lifestyle and in the understanding of cancer in the more than two decades since its launch make it important to begin a new cohort.

The Relay For Life events in Roselle Park and West Orange will be the only times CPS-3 will be enrolling in Union and Essex counties this year. While initial enrollment takes just 20 to 30 minutes, the study is expected to produce benefits for decades to come.

"While science can do a lot to explain the biology and genetics of cancer, some of the most valuable information we have is a direct result of the contributions of dedicated individuals over several generations," said Calle. "We are once again looking to the dedication, compassion, and generosity of Americans to come through and help us provide answers that we know will save lives and improve the outlook for future generations."

For more information or to learn how to become involved with CPS-3, visit *www.cancer.org/cps3*, email cps3@cancer.org or call 888-604-5888.

To learn about Relay For Life events, contact the American Cancer Society at 973-736-7771, ext. 205, or visit the Web site at www.cancer.org/relay.

Enjoy a spot of tea at Liberty Hall

Liberty Hall Museum at Kean University will host a Mother's Day Afternoon Tea on May 11, from noon to 2 p.m. in Liberty Hall's Carriage House overlooking the picturesque rose garden.

This year's annual celebration will explore the life of Lucinetta Halsted Kean, the longest living matriarch of the Kean family and one of the most-powerful hostesses in Washington D.C. during the early 20th century.

+ Guests will hear stories of the frequent gatherings hosted by Kean in Washington D.C., with some of our nation's most influential politicians, captains of industry, military leaders, and diplomats.

Notable guests included Theodore Roosevelt, John D. Rockefeller, Alice Roosevelt, William Howard Taft,

Eleanor Roosevelt, Supreme Court Justice Oliver Wendell Holmes and Henry Cabot Lodge.

Following the tea, guests will view a new exhibit, "The Pleasure of Your Company: The Power and Politics of Victorian Dining." It consists of objects on loan from the collection of Mr. and Mrs. John Kean.

Shown in a suite of recently restored rooms, including the mansion's wine cellar, which is open for the first time, the exhibit features period silverware, glassware and fashions, along with artifacts such as the family guestbook and the calling cards of famous visitors.

Reservations are required as seating is limited. The day's menu consists of a selection of sandwiches, pastries, scones and clotted cream, jams and a choice of two teas.



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Union's Szabo to throw out first pitch At the Newark Bears' opener

By JR Parachini Sports Editor Union resident Mike Szabo is get-

ting used to being asked to throw out the first pitch at Newark Bears' games.

On Tuesday night at Bears and Eagles Riverfront Stadium in Newark, Szabo, 86, will throw out the first pitch on opening night.

The Newark Bears are scheduled to host the Bridgeport Bluefish at 7:05 p.m. after opening up this weekend with a three-game series at the Long Island Ducks.

Szabo, whose 87th birthday is this July 7, has been a Union resident the past 16 years. He just retired last week from a part-time job he had the last 12 years at Enterprise Rent-A-Car at Newark Airport.

Szabo was a bat boy for the 1937 Newark Bears team at the age of 16. He lived in Newark, then Irvington and then Union.

Szabo was also a Little League manager in Irvington for 22 years.

Szabo was part of the groundbreaking ceremonies for Riverfront Stadium and was asked back by the Bears to throw out the first pitch in their first Old Timers Game.

"That was great," Szabo said. "I got to throw the first pitch to Yogi Berra, who played for the Bears before playing for the Yankees."

Szabo played minor league baseball for one year for the the Durham, North Carolina Bulls in 1947.

Union Suffragettes Week Two competition SENIOR DIVISION

Comets 14, Libras 9: Halley Warnock and Gabby Sully blasted home runs for the Comets. Cherilynn Restaino chipped in with a triple and Michaela Velez played well defensively. Nikki and Alexi Laraway had three hits for the Libras, while Brianna Cubello, Nicole Fuscaldo and Nikki Schreihoffer banged out two.

Aquarians 14, Scorpions 1: Danielle Reilly, Jessica Ludolph and Melinda Kieri pitched two innings each and combined for 17 strikeouts. Felicia Morris had a hit to drive in two and Kendall Clark had three hits to go with her four RBI.Anna Torres and Kimberly Tower hit safely for the Scorpions and Gerena Garrido and Nicolette Bedlivy were on base three times each. Leos 12, Capricorns 2: Louise Berardi and Amanda Brando combined for the win, throwing heat to Gabby DaCosta, who caught a heroic game. Alanna Jereb was 3-for-3 to lead the Leo offense. Genna Conti made an outstanding double play and Stephanie DeGrazio also showed some leather, ending a rally, for the Capricorns. Kim Chung blasted a home run and drove in two runs. Pisces 13, Geminis 3: Adrianna Ferreira displayed fine defense and Brianna Creegen had two sharp singles for the Geminis. Natalie DePetrillo made an outstanding catch in left field. Amanda Londino and Nicole DePetrillo hit singles.



The Union High School softball team is sparked by the play of junior catcher Hana Gross. Yesterday, the Farmers put their 8-0 record on the line at Linden, which was 8-2 and on a two-game winning streak. The Watchung Conference game probably decided who will get the No. 2 seed when the Union County Tournament is devised Saturday in Linden.

UHS softball off to fine start after capturing own tourney UCT will be seeded Saturday in Linden

By JR Parachini

Sports Editor After posting a fine 3-1 win over one of Somerset County's best teams in Bridgewater-Raritan to win last Saturday's Union Tournament and then dusting off Shabazz 16-0 - also at home - Monday, the Union softball team's first really big game of the year was scheduled to take place yes-

terday. Union, with a record of 8-0, was to play at Westfield, winners of two in a row and with a record of 8-2.

Westfield looked impressive in beating visiting Linden 9-2 Monday. Union the defending single-division Watchung Conference champion, beat Linden 6-5 at home back on April 9.

Whoever won yesterday's game will be the No. 2 seed for the Union County Tournament, which will be seeded Saturday afternoon in Linden. The team that did not win the Union-Westfield game will, most likely, be the No. 3 seed.

Two-time defending champion Cranford, 11-0 prior to Tuesday's makeup game at Union Catholic, will be the top seed. Last year, Cranford won the UCT as the No. 8 seed, beating top-seeded and undefeated Governor Livingston and senior righthander Capri Catalano 1-0 in a quarterfinal in Berkeley Heights.

Union will wrap its week with a home game tomorrow at 4 p.m. against Elizabeth, which was 2-4 after falling at Scotch Plains 18-16 Monday.

Union sophomore lefthander Amanda Kardys was to take the mound yesterday in Westfield, owner of a 6-0 record and three shutouts. In a 9-6 freshman season last year, Kardys earned the mound victory in Union's 2-1, 10inning regular season win at Westfield. Union junior catcher Hana Gross came through big-time with her bat in Union's two wins on Saturday. In the first game 14-0 triumph over Columbia, Gross was 3-for-3, with two home runs and seven RBI - one of her round-trippers a grand slam.

Sophomore right fielder Allie Davis also had a day to remember at the plate against the Cougars from Maplewood and South Orange. She was 4-for-4, with two triples and three RBI.

Against BR, Gross hit a two-run homer in the top of the first for the game-winning hit, giving Union the lead for good. Kardys belted an RBI-double that drove in Goncalves in the third inning for an important insurance run in the third.

Kardys allowed no hits in three innings against Columbia, while she tossed a one-hitter in beating BR, striking out eight, walking none and not allowing an earned run. Union outscored its first eight foes by an impressive 89-8 margin, including five shutouts.

Sophomore righthander Kristen Wilson tossed her second shutout, second no-hitter and first perfect game in beating visiting Shabazz in five innings Monday.

UNION FARMERS (8-0) results/schedule: April 7 (A) Union 15, Kearny 0 April 9 (H) Union 6, Linden 5 April 14 (A) Union 13, Newark East Side 0 April 15-(H) Union 15, Plainfield 0 April 18 (A) Union 7, Scotch Plains 2 UNION TOURNAMENT AT UNION April 19 (H) Union 14 Columbia 0 April 19 (H) Union 3, Bridgewater-Raritan 1 April 21 (H) Union 16, Shabazz 0 April 23 at Westfield April 25 Elizabeth, 4 p.m. April 28 at Irvington, 4 p.m. April 30 Kearny, 4 p.m. May 1 at Millburn, 4 p.m. May 2 at Linden, 4 p.m. May 5 Newark East Side, 4 p.m. May 6 Bishop Ahr, 4 p.m. May 7 at Plainfield, 4 p.m. May 8 Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m. May 9 Scotch Plains, 4 p.m. May 12 at Shabazz, 4 p.m. May 14 Westfield, 4 p.m. May 16 at Elizabeth, 4 p.m. May 17 at Morristown, 10:30 a.m.

May 19 Irvington, 4 p.m.

R. Park softball is winning ball games *Panthers best Bears Monday*

By JR Parachini Sports Editor

The Roselle Park softball team continued a fine start to the season by beating

Mountain Valley Conference rival Brearley 8-1 Monday at home in a makeup game that was previously rained out on April 4.

The Panthers entered Tuesday's scheduled home game against Kent Place of Summit with a 7-2 mark that included a five-game winning streak and one of their losses by just one run.

Kent Place entered Tuesday's game with a 5-2 record and four-game winning streak after beating Brearley 10-9 in nine innings last Thursday at home.

Roselle Park has received solid pitching from sophomore righthander Taylor Zengewald, senior righty Alex Bober and junior Ashley Gomes.

Zengewald improved to 4-1 by limiting Brearley to two hits, striking out 12 and walking none.

Gomes one-hit Oak Knoll 13-0 in Summit last Friday, striking out 11 and walking two. She was also the winning pitcher in a 20-0 home triumph over Technology April 15, striking out 10 and walking two.

Bober beat St. Mary's of Elizabeth on a two-hitter April 11 in a 19-0 home win. She struck out 12 and walked two.

Roselle Park is scheduled to play at Governor Livingston today at 4 p.m. in Berkeley Heights.

On Saturday, the Panthers will find out what seed they are after the Union County Tournament is seeded in Linden.

Prior to Tuesday's home game against Kent Place, Roselle Park's only loss to an MVC team was at Roselle Catholic 4-3 on April 8. The Panthers' first loss was at home to Somerset County power Bridgewater-Raritan 9-0 on April 2. BR earned the No. 2 seed for its Somerset County Tournament, with Hillsborough the No. 1.

Roselle Park defeated Kent Place 18-1 on April 3 in Summit in their first meeting of the season.

Roselle Park's first four wins in its five-game winning streak prior to Tuesday were shutout triumphs over St. Mary's of Elizabeth, Technology of Newark, Dayton of Springfield and Oak Knoll of Summit. Roselle Park won those games by a combined score of 67-0. The five-game winning streak came out to a score of 75-1.

Bober and sophomore first baseman Rebecca Vera slugged home runs in the Brearley victory.

Elizabeth Lautenbach was 3-for-4 with two runs, Vera 2-for-2 with two RBI and a home run, Jessica Johns 2-for-4 with two RBI and Bober drove in three in the victory at Oak Knoll.

Against host Dayton, Cassey Riccitelli was 3-for-3 with four RBI and Bober 2-for-3 with three.

ROSELLE PARK PANTHERS (7-2) results/schedule: April 1 (H) Roselle Park 14, Oak Knoll 0 April 2 (H) Bridgewater-Raritan 4, Bridgewater-Raritan, 4 p.m. April 3 (A) Roselle Park 18, Kent Place 1 April 8 (A) Roselle Catholic 4, Roselle Park 3 April 11 (H) Roselle Park 19, St. Mary's 0 April 16 (H) Roselle Park 20, Technology 0 April 17 (A) Roselle Park 15, Dayton 0 April 18 (A) Roselle Park 13, Oak-Knoll 0 April 21 (H) Roselle Park 8, Brearley 1 April 22 Kent Place April 24 at Gov. Livingston, 4 p.m. May 1 at New Providence, 4 p.m. May 2 at Rahway, 4 p.m. May 6 Dayton, 4 p.m. May 8 Newark Central, 4 p.m. May 13 Johnson, 4 p.m. May 14 Glen Ridge, 4 p.m. May 15 at Hillside, 4 p.m. May 16 Rahway, 4 p.m.

JUNIOR DIVISION

Diplomats 11 Farmers 9: Emily King pitched two innings for the mound win and was 3-for-3 with five RBI. Sydney Loomis had three hits, Michelle Faraone a double and triple and three RBI, Gulia Bionei and Alana Smith two hits that drove in runs and Tyanna Reynold a triple.

Artists 6 Professionals 4: Janai-Sophia Ottey and Chelsea Sully had hits during a five-run first inning. Jennifer Maltese banged out two doubles and pitched three innings, striking out five for the victory. The Professionals were led by Kristina Carugan, who played well at third base and in the outfield. Stephanie Lanzano and Taylor Bedlivy hit safely.

Entertainers 18 Educators 9: Jenna Sorrentino sparked the Entertainer offense by going 3-for-3 with two home runs, a double and six RBI. She also pitched two innings in relief. Gabriella Oxenford had three hits and drove home three and displayed fine defense at first base. Sasha Horn slugged two home runs for the Educators, while teammates Celia Rizzo, Brianna Veltre, Alyssa Rivera and Sophia Santos also hit safely twice.

Farmers 20, Inventors 3: Nicole Supino and Erika Grusinski pitched well for the Farmers, combining for 12 strikeouts. Both also had two hits and two RBI. Alana Smith had three hits Catie Pagano also had and two RBI.

Union swept Westfield in conference play last year, also winning 1-0 at home. However, Westfield defeated Union 2-1 in Westfield in the UCT quarterfinals.

"Amanda's improved a great deal," Flinn said. "She's faster this year and her curveball is really good. I think it's due to the fact that she worked very hard after last season."

Flinn reported that Kardys played about 40 games last summer on the Pink Panthers of Clark team and then played fall ball and winter ball along with returning senior center fielder Jessica Goncalves.

"Amanda and Jessica probably played about 100 games after last season," Flinn said.

Both also attended Michelle Smith's camp in Florida and returned to the sunshine state for tournament play on two other occasions.

"Amanda was taught by Smith, who is a lefty, and Cat Osterman, another lefty," Flinn said.

Union Little League teams impress

The following are Union Little League results of games played earlier this month: MAJOR LEAGUE

Union Elks Lodge #1583 Tigers 5, Schering Plough Mets 4: Brandon Rodriguez and Brandon Wheeler combined for five hits and Michael Ioannou drove in the winning run with a walk. Rodriguez pitched two solid innings for the win. For the Mets, ALvin Mukalel pitched well as the starter and Vincent Ramos drove in two runs with a single.

Lee Myles Braves defeated Schering Plough Mets: Playing well for the Braves were pitcher Jason Kuhn, relief pitcher Jalen Boyd, catcher Sean Kip and shortstop Louis August. Playing well for the Mets were pitcher Brian Cautillo, Mike DePalma and Vincent Ramos.

Union Elks Lodge #1583 Tigers 13, ACU Powders International Yanks 1: Jesse Silva was the winning pitcher, tossing a complete game, while teammates Josh Siniscal and Kevin McDonough banged out two hits. Duniel Coke belted a double and Josh Stern pitched well in relief for the Yankees.

Union Elks Lodge #1583 Tigers 8, Rotary Club Giants 3: Brandon Rodriguez pitched five strong innings, Evan Hoey had three hits, Lou Alvarado reached base three times and Chris Iaonnou had a key hit in the second inning to start a rally for the Tigers. Ryan Cagide and Chris Petrucelli reached base twice and Joe McCaffrey singled and scored for the Giants.

MINOR LEAGUE

American Flag Bats 5, Prestige Graphic Printer Lugnuts 2: Michael Jacoby pitched four innings and had a hit to earn his first win. Relief pitcher Justin Beckett earned a save and had two hits, while Justin Bogan and Talib Salaam had one hit. Zane Kharitobw pitched a strong game and had two hits for the Lugnuts.

American Flag Bats 5, Pathmark Owlz 4: Talib Salaam and Alejandro Salcedo pitched well for American. Justin Beckett had three hits and Chris Robyns and Mekhi Bryant one. Joshin Smith hit a double to left-center, stole third and scored on an overthrow in the sixth after the Owlz fought back to tie the game. Anthony Barksdale and Frankie Weber had one hit for the Owlz.

Union Rams Blue Claws 17, Daniel Antonelli Law Office Bulls 6: Mark Dahmer, Matt Meola and Nelson Kelly had two hits for the Blue Claws. Matthew Pavick struck out seven batters in three innings. Paul Avila and Nestor Conforti played well for the Bulls.

Union Rams Blue Claws 15, Jerome Petti Esq. Sidewinders 5: Jordan Pierce had two hits and Jason Wild reached base four times for the Blue Claws. Juan Legra drove in two runs with a double. Shamar Simms and Zach Ludolph hit the ball well for the Sidewinders. JR's SPORTS BLOGG All the latest sports chatter, opinions, and scores for Union County.

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Union Rams registration Saturday at fieldhouse

Registration for the 37th season of Union Rams football and cheerleading is scheduled to take place Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The location is the Rams' fieldhouse, which is located at the end of Stahuber Avenue, across from Costa Del Sol.

More information may be obtained by calling 908-688-RAMS (7267) or by visiting www.unionrams.org.

UCT baseball to be seeded Monday

The baseball Union County Tournament will be seeded Monday night, with preliminary round games to follow next week. May 19 at Cranford, 4 p.m. May 20 at Brearley, 4 p.m. May 22 Union Catholic, 4 p.m. May 23 Roselle, 4 p.m.

Brearley wins its fifth game last Friday

Brearley, which was 5-5 after falling 8-1 at Roselle Park Monday, won its fifth game last Friday, downing Roselle 14-1 at home.

The Bears were scheduled to host Dayton Tuesday and today are at New Providence at 4 p.m.

In a 14-1 home win over Roselle last Friday, freshman pitcher Stephanie Hand improved to 5-3 after limiting St. Mary's to just three hits in five innings. She struck out nine, walked three and did not allow an earned run.

Nicole Laudati went 3-for-4 with three runs and one RBI. Lisa Reilly was 3-for-3 with three runs.

BREARLEY BEARS (5-5) results/schedule:

April 3 (H) Brearley 14, St. Mary's 0 April 8 (H) Brearley 14 Oak Knoll 3 April 10 (H) Brearley 14, Hillside 0 April 11 (A) Gov. Livingston 13, Brearley 1 COLONIA CLASSIC AT COLONIA April 12 (A) Iselin Kennedy 12, Brearley 0 April 12 (A) Colonia 12, Brearley 0 April 15 (A) Brearley 14, Newark Central 0 April 17 (A) Kent Place 10, Brearley 9 (9 inn.) April 18 (H) Brearley 14, Roselle 1 April 21 (A) Roselle Park 8, Brearley 1 April 22 Dayton April 24 at New Providence, 4 p.m. May 1 Technology, 4 p.m. May 2 at Rahway, 4 p.m. May 8 at Oak Knoll, 4 p.m. May 12 Union Catholic, 4 p.m. May 13 at Cranford, 4 p.m. May 15 Roselle Catholic, 4 p.m. May 16 at Johnson, 4 p.m. May 19 at Dayton, 4 p.m. May 20 Roselle Park, 4 p.m. May 22 Kent Place, 4 p.m. May 23 Rahway, 4 p.m.

Hillside, sparked by Queen, won twice last week

The Hillside softball team evened its record at 3-3 last Thursday after downing St. Mary's of Elizabeth 14-1 at home.

The Comets' first win last week was a 14-3 home triumph over Newark Tech on April 14.

In the win against St. Mary's, winning pitcher Shavone Queen allowed just two hits in five innings of mound work.

Mariela De Los Angeles was 3-for-4 with four RBI, while Mariah Major and Janel Simms each drove in three.

Major, a freshman, was 3-for-3 with a home run, triple and four RBI against Newark Tech. Simms tripled and drove in two runs.

Hillside's first win this year was a 17-7 triumph at home over Technology on April 8. Lisa Motyczka scored four runs and Jennifer Campos, Stephanie Zuma and De Los Angeles two each.

Hillside was scheduled to play at Rahway Tuesday in Mountain Valley Conference play and today is at East Orange at 4 p.m. in a non-conference game.

Next week, Hillside is to host Roselle Monday at 4 p.m., Governor Livingston Tuesday at 4 and Newark Central Thursday at 4.

UNION LEADER

Hospital's ER is still in business

(Continued from Page 1)

She specified that many of those patients are transported to Overlook Hospital in Summit.

"But if they have a relationship with a specific physician at another hospital, they can go to that hospital for continuity reasons," she added.

• The turnaround time per patient is an average of two hours, total. According to Charles D. Smith, one of the two clinical coordinators at the Union ED, results are attained very quickly. Within 15 minutes of entry into the ED, patients can expect to begin receiving treatment.

There are 80 staff members including physicians, nurses and ambulance staff, with 30 specialist doctors on-call compared to eight on-call doctors when the hospital was fully operational last year. Sullivan suggested that the good staffing and easy access are responsible for efficiency.

"But I think the infrastructure of the hospital surrounding the ER, in some ways, does slow down the ER, because the care does become a bit diluted," Sullivan said.

Smith said the knowledge base and level of expertise for each staff member has increased because each person is expected to know more in order to provide better and more efficient health care service.

"I love it here and I really want to see this place succeed," Smith said. "The only thing is that the community doesn't know we're still here."

On average, five patients are sent to Overlook per day with two or three patients a week sent to area hospitals. A dozen emergency squads bring patients to the Union emergency room per day from Union, Roselle, Roselle Park, Garwood and Kenilworth. Special ambulatory service is also available for cardiac patients when saving time can mean saving a person's life. According to recent patient and employee satisfaction surveys, the overall percentage of satisfaction was at the "90th percentile."

Security Officer Neil Sullivan has worked in security for 16 years and has been employed at the hospital for the past six years. For him, the decision to reapply to continue working at the hospital was easy.

"I live in the area," Neil said. "I'm used to the hospital and people are used to me and I'm used to them."

He said a familiar face is important to patients and that's what he strives to provide. The main area of the hospital, which remains closed to the public, is currently being looked at by prospective buyers.

"We're anxious for the rest of the building to be operationalized, especially if there are other like-minded nonprofit organizations put there," Mary Pat said.

Currently, the hospital is in the process of installing signage near the Union ED on both Galloping Hill Road and Chestnut Street for greater visibility and to direct patients to the emergency room. The signs are expected to be installed by next week. Mary Pat said that even though Overlook Hospital is only 12 to 15 minutes away from the Union satellite emergency center, the intent of the SLED is to provide residents with treatment in their own town.

She said psychiatric patients, women in later-term pregnancy and assisted life support transfers are transferred to full-service hospitals.

"It's important for people to know that this is an adult and pediatric service facility," Garretson said.

Union Hospital, a former affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System, officially closed late last year despite overwhelming concern and protest from the public and employees. Earlier last year, Barry Ostrowsky, executive vice president of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System, cited \$40 million in overall financial losses as a primary factor in the closing of the hospital.

In the months prior to its official closing, plans had been made to have Elizabeth-based Trinitas Hospital take over. On April 1, SBHCS filed a certificate of need with the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services, expressing a need to close the facility. There were public meetings and proposals to keep the hospital's acute care services operational, but even the efforts of major political figures were not enough to keep the doors of Union Hospital open.

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PEOPLE IN



Academically talented

During a ceremony at Montclair State University next month, Rajiv Dave, a student at St. Theresa's grammar school in Kenilworth, will receive The Talent Search Award from Johns Hopkins University. The award recognizes young participants who scored high on standardized tests.

Pagano returns from overseas deployment

Lt. Geoffrey B.K. Pagano returned on March 10, from a six-and-a-half month deployment on the USS Bainbridge.

Pagano, formerly of Union, now resides in Chesapeake, Pa. The USS Bainbridge was on its maiden voyage and joined a NATO group in the coast of Africa when President George W. Bush was there on a visit.

The USS Bainbridge was also one to save civilians from an erupted volcano and another to save fishermen stranded in their boat for two weeks at sea. When he returned, Pagano anxiously greeted his 5-week old daughter, Elizabeth Claire, born Jan. 28, and

Mediterranean. They patrolled the his wife Sara. On March 15, Elizabeth was christened on the USS Bainbridge. Proud grandparents Sigrid Pagano of Union and Don and Kathy Pollard of Virginia, attended the christening.

THE SERVICE

Hebbe addressed as 'Marine' for first time

Marine Corps Pvt. Sean Hebbe, a 2006 graduate of David Brearley High School in Kenilworth, recently completed 12 weeks of basic training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, S.C.

Training is designed to challenge new Marine recruits both physically and mentally. In addition to the physical conditioning program, Hebbe spent numerous hours in classroom and field assignments, which included learning first aid, uniform regulations, combat water survival, marksmanship, hand-to-hand combat and assorted weapons training.

Hebbe and fellow recruits ended the training phase with The Crucible, a 54-hour, team evolution culminating in an emotional ceremony in which recruits are presented the Marine Corps Emblem, and addressed as "Marines" for the first time in their careers.

Walk to protect your heart

Did you know that more than 140 million Americans are overweight or obese?

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On May 17 at the American Heart Association will conduct its "Start! Union County Heart Walk" at the Schering-Plough Corp. campus in Kenilworth.

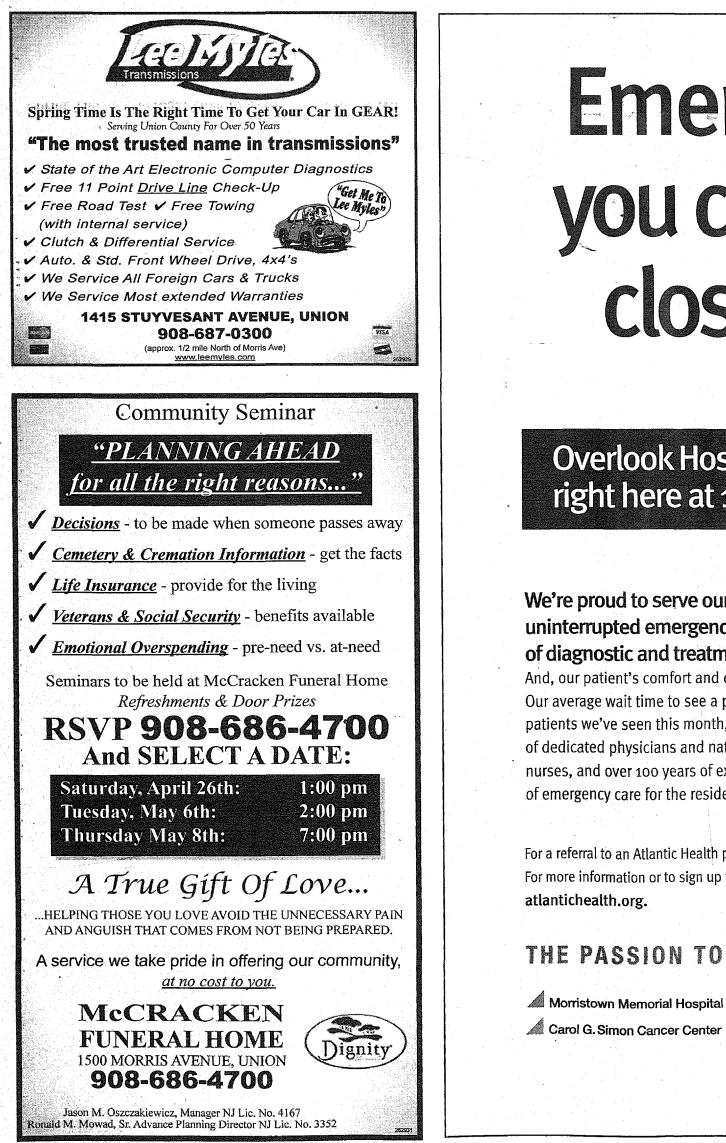
The Start! Union County Heart Walk is new and improved, and supports the ground-breaking new national American Heart Association movement to get America walking to live longer, hearthealthy lives. With Start!, the American Heart Association has transformed its signature walking event into Start! Union County Heart Walk to be the organization's "mission in action."

The Start! Union County Heart Walk is an opportunity for people to improve their health by walking, while simultaneously raising funds to help fight heart disease and stroke.

Every element of the Start! Union County Heart Walk is now designed to create a stronger community among participants; instill passion for reducing disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke and generate excitement for a new or renewed commitment to heart-healthy living.

Presented nationally by Subway, Healthy Choice and AstraZeneca, close to 3,000 walkers from throughout Union County are expected to step out this vear.

Make walking a part of your daily routine. Learn more about the campaign on May 17 at the Schering-Plough campus in Kenilworth by calling the American Heart Association New Jersey State office at 609-208-0020.



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Customer satisfaction

with Comcast Service, you are not alone. A recent customer satisfaction survey by JD Power and Associates gave the cable outfit with a majo operation in Union Township some poor grades. Cable viewer satisfaction was a dismal 59 percent.

· Comcast has even hired 15,000 "customer facing employees" to turn their image around. How many can understand the 76-year-old woman from Virginia who went to attack a Comcast office with a hammer after her phone service was out for six days

Left Out By Frank Capece

Budgetary Joy - With school budgets passing in most county communities including Hillside, Roselle Park, Kenilworth and Cranford, educators were pretty happy. That joy may be short lived. Legislatures are troubled by the dismal turnout, and the cost for elections. Speaker of the Assembly Joseph Roberts is pressing the idea of moving the school board elections to run with the November elections. "It's time for New Jersey to wake up to the reality that the April elections are a poor way to decide the direction of public education,' Roberts said. School officials balk at the proposal saying it will invoke par tisan politics in the process. It would also dramatically increase the chance of defeat of budgets when those not directly interested in the school budget still get to vote.

Mr. Puhak Opts Out - Cranford will be losing two incumbents this year. While it was widely expected that first time incumbent Michael Plick wasn't going to seek a second term, eyebrows were raised when his running mate Robert Puhak also said he wouldn't seek re-election. Puhak a tenacious campaigner sited the huge demands on his time as the reason.

It had to be a disappointing time for Puhak when his well publicized efforts for flood funding for Cranford did not achieve positive results in the new proposed federal budget. Still, Cranford has seen a large number of first time incumbents opting not to go through the rigors of second term.

Operation Caged Lion grabs Latin Kings

By Katherine Paster Staff Writer

Twenty members and associates of the Latin Kings street gang were arrested Sunday night after a ninemonth investigation into the gang's activities in Union County.

More than 300 law enforcement officers from 20 different agencies and 6 SWAT teams took part in the predawn raids, titled "Operation Caged Lion," a regional operation targeting high-ranking "Latin King" gang members operating out of Union, Essex and Middlesex counties.

"While the Latin Kings may have undertones of being religious make no mistake, they are violent, and they deal in drugs and they deal in guns," said Prosecutor Theodore Romankow during a press conference held to announce the arrests.

Teams of law enforcement hit 21 locations simultaneously with search warrants, including 17 locations in Elizabeth where the gang is headquartered.

Twenty arrests were made throughout the course of the night, and three high-ranking Latin Kings are still being pursued by law enforcement. Seven arrests were made in the past month of the ongoing operation, bringing the total number of Latin



Romankow Kings behind bars to twenty-seven.

Search warrants netted \$86,000 in cash, 1.5 kilos of cocaine, 35 grams of heroin, 4 loaded handguns, one shotgun and 9 vehicles used for drug distribution and transport.

"Our purpose was not to go out and grab a lot of product," explained Romankow. "The purpose was to get these Kings off the street."

The Latin Kings Elizabeth Chapter mainly dealt in the cocaine business, dealing an estimated 400 retail trans-

up to 4 kilos of cocaine valued at as much as \$400,000. According to Romankow, the Pros-

ecutor's office has determined that there are more than 100 Latin Kings that reside in the City of Elizabeth, 40 percent of whom were incarcerated for other crimes prior to the current arrests.

The operation was housed at XClusive Auto Repair on East Jersey Street in Elizabeth, which operated 24 hours a day with gang members working 8 hour shifts.

According to Romankow, there were times when up to 15 people would be waiting in line at the gang headquarters waiting to purchase cocaine.

"The Latin Kings run a very sophisticated operation," said Romankow, noting that the gang operates based on constitutional guidelines and bylaws for conduct. "This is one of the major takedowns of the Latin King organization in the state."

Operation Caged Lion successfully nabbed several of the gang's "senior management," including Luis "King Blue" Medina, the president of the Elizabeth Kings, Jesus "King Zeus" Gomez, regional officer in charge of cocaine distribution, and Roberto

actions conducted daily, with sales of "King Homer" Bentancourt, who was "Crown Counsel" of the Elizabeth Kings.

Jesus Gomez and his brother, Roberto "King Truth" Torres, were the leaders of the regional cocaine and marijuana distribution. The brothers reported to their mother, Maria Gomez, who laundered the profits.

Approximately 10 of the 30 people nabbed during the sting were charged with RICCO warrants, allowing the Prosecutor to detain the criminals with less evidence and for a longer period of time.

"We anticipate that these criminals will be found guilty and will serve sentences," long term said Romankow.

The investigation into the Latin Kings began in June 2007, when the Union County Prosecutor's Office began investigating the gang as part of the Governor's Crime Initiative.

The multi-departmental operation began when it was discovered that the Elizabeth Police Department was involved in a narcotics investigation of some of the same individuals.

The two agencies quickly joined forces, bringing in additional assistance from the New Jersey State Police, the Division of Criminal Justice, Union County Police, Union

County Sheriffs Office, neighboring county prosecutor's offices, and local police departments in almost every town in Union County.

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While only one of those that were arrested were charged with homicide -Moises Velez, the majority of the arrests made were for drug distribution, money laundering and weapons possession.

"These individuals working on a 24 hour basis, 7 days a week throughout most of the port area of Elizabeth," said Romankow. "These people were involved not only in drugs but in the sale of guns."

Authorities traced the highly organized Latin Kings to three levels of operation, beginning at the top with the "New Jersey Supreme Crown Council," then trickling down to the North Jersey Regional Kings operating in Middlesex, Union and Essex counties, and finally the Elizabeth Chapter of the Latin Kings.

"There are gangs everywhere, and this operation shows that with cooperation we can actually stop this, but we have to do it one step at a time," said Romankow. "We're going to continue to look at the other Kings in this area."

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Union County MusicFest grows to two days **By Katherine Paster**

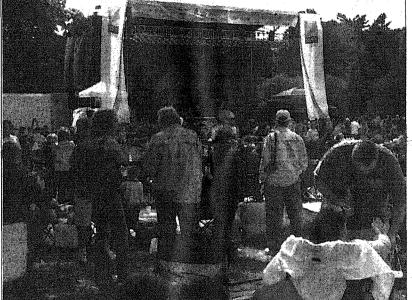
Staff Writer

Armed with lawn chairs and picnic baskets, more than 50,000 people poured into Union County's Nomahe-. gan Park last September to participate in a day-long celebration of musical entertainment and family fun.

Drawing on last year's success, the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has announced its plans for MusicFest '08 which will be two days instead of one. It will feature expanded musical programming, an additional stage, more food and new vendors.

"We have built MusicFest into a regional attraction for family fun and music," said Freeholder Chairman Angel Estrada.

In conjunction with main sponsor, Overlook Hospital, the county will present the 11th annual MusicFest with allday programming on both Friday, September 5 and Saturday, September 6th in Cranford's Nomahegan Park. Like last year, a charity walkathon and run will precede the festival on Saturday Morning. The Rock on! Walkathon and 5k Rock N'Run will again benefit the Love Hope Strength Foundation and The Valerie Fund to raise money for children with cancer and blood disorders and New Jersey, as well as global cancer centers. "The Freeholder Board shares a commitment with both charities in



Strength Foundation, I would like to once again thank the Freeholder Board and the County for their support in allowing us to partner for this benefit," said James Chippendale, leukemia survivor and co-founder of LHSF. "This will allow our foundation to provide critical funding for cancer centers worldwide and help children with cancer and blood disorders in New Jersey."

Last year's fundraising walk/run raised more than \$75,000 for the Love Hope Strength Foundation and the New Jersey Citizens Coalition for Cures for the research and exploration of the potential benefits of stem cell research.

The Valerie Fund will replace the NJCCC as the second beneficiary of the Rock on! Walkathon and the 5K Rock N' Run. With eight centers located across the tri-state area, The Valerie Fund strides to provide support for the compeople of all ages.

Younger festival-goers will be able to enjoy the Kids Kingdom Traveling Jubilee, an entertainment show featuring rides and amusements for children that will be featured in an expanded stage at Shane Walsh Field adjoining Nomahegan Park.

The Shane Walsh Field will also feature a stage for family acts, a petting zoo, arts and crafts and a laser tag field for children.

In Nomahegan Park, a series of rock concerts will be held on three separate stages, with one yet-to-be announced headlining act that will perform as the final performance on Saturday evening.

Last year's headliners included rock legend Chuck Berry who performed his classic hits "Johnny B. Good" and "Maybellene" as members of the Freeholder Board danced on stage.

Unfortunately, the lack of balance with first timers and perennial candidates running is not a good mix. The township loses by Puhak's decision.

Corzine Proposes, Legislators Dispose - First, it was proposed cuts in aid to small town then it was the idea to cut out the Agriculture Department. Now, Governor Jon Corzine is targeting the very popular STAR program. The State Tuition Reimbursement program already has opponents lining up to oppose cuts. Corzine would limit participation to those students with a household income of less than \$90,000. Advocates of the program say the program has helped to stem the state's brain drain. Under the current program high school seniors who graduate in the top 20 percent and keep their grades up get a free tuition ride a community college and later at a state four-year school regardless of income. Imagine that, a program based on no other criteria than merit.

Charlie's Lament - Poor Charlie Gibson, the ex-Summit resident, who was still getting grief a week later for his role as a moderator of the last Clinton-Obama debate. With a dismal economy and the Iraq War put on the back burner, the questions relating to Obama's reaction to Rev. Wright and whether or not each thought the other would be a good President were not welcomed by the viewers.

Taxpayer Champion - Kate Whitman, one of the bevy of the Republicans seeking the 7th Congressional district nomination, found herself the target of an attack. After run ning an ad accusing opponent Leonard Lance of "failing taxpayers" the response came from the incumbent Mike Ferguson. Ferguson, who is stepping down this year, said of the ad, 'I was very disappointed to see Kate's ad, because it's false, it's misleading, it's a complete distortion of Senator Lance's record." Ferguson called Lance, "a taxpayer's champion in Trenton for years."

Some Good News - Last weekend House Speaker Nancy Pelosi, said she would support Federal efforts to develop a capitol plan to enhance funds for Mass transit in the area to help reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

An attorney, Frank Capece is a resident of Cranford.

Throngs came out to Union County's MusicFest last summer. This year's edition will be two days instead of one. Friday, September 5 and Saturday, September 6th in Cranford's Nomahegan Park.

working to find a cure and improve tion, an international charity working treatment for cancer," said Estrada. "We welcome the Love Hope Strength Foundation back again, and we take great pride in announcing a new partnership with The Valerie Fund, which is a local charity with Union County roots." The Love Hope Strength Founda-

towards finding a cure and treatments for cancer, will once again benefit from the MusicFest charity event, using the proceeds to provide cancer patients with quality cancer treatment and access to available medications.

"On behalf of the Love Hope

prehensive hearth care treatment for children with cancer and blood disorders.

"It is an honor to partner with Union County, the Freeholder Board and the Love Hope Strength Foundation," said Valerie Fund Executive Director Barry Kirschner. "Through this partnership, we will be able to do more to help children and their families who suffer from cancer and blood disorders and make a huge difference in their lives."

Following the charity fundraising walkathon, the music festival will commence with a variety of attractions for

Drawing a younger crowd to last year's festival was the alternative rock band Live, who topped off the day-long music festival by performing their chart-topping hits like "Lightning Crashes," and "Dolphins Cry."

MusicFest '08 will be held on September 5 from 4 to 10 p.m. and on September 6 from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. Admission is free and open to the pub-

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UC DPW: New buildings, programs hike budget

By Katherine Paster **Staff Writer**

Editor's note: The following is the fourth part of an ongoing series on the departmental budget hearings for the 2008-09 Union County Budget. This week is the Department of Engineering and Public Works.

Union County residents can expect a 6.5 percent tax increase for the 2008 - 2009 fiscal year, a hike attributed to a \$22 million increase in county spending and expenses.

Union County Manager George Devanney presented a \$436.8 million 2008 county budget to the Board of Chosen Freeholders in February, a proposal which adds \$15.4 million to last year's \$238 million tax levy, marking the eighth consecutive year of tax raises for the county.

This year's proposed \$436.8 million budget represents a 5.3 percent increase in spending over last year's \$415 million capital budget.

County officials cited significant increases in salary, pension, health care and public safety costs as the major source of the county's increase in spending.

During the first Union County budget hearing, directors from county departments presented their budget projections to members of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, where Devanney recognized that even with cut-backs, the county will still face the challenge of rising costs in the near future.

"It is my goal that in these budget

hearings we explore short and long term solutions to items that have been historically problematic for Union County," said Devanney. "Yet even with reforms I feel we will still feel some impact in our budget in the coming years."

Department of Engineering and Public Works

Maintaining newly opened county facilities, controlling the mosquito population and rising overtime costs are among the challenges facing the Union County Department of Public Works and Engineering.

According to Public Works Director Joseph Graziano, one big budget item included in this year's budget is the county's mosquito control program.

With about 20 different species of mosquitoes in Union County, the spring season brings the annual challenge of controlling the mosquito population and preventing the spread of disease.

With new mosquito-control efforts in place for this season, Graziano anticipates to double the amount spent on overtime costs, up from \$30,000 in 2007 to \$60,000 in 2008.

"It really is a great program," said Graziano, noting that the county uses various methods including spraying county park land with repellent and using bug traps. "Once we own the parks we have to main-

tain them, and we're looking into aerial spraying over our county land."

According to Graziano, the light winter season saved the department more than \$100,000 in salt expenses, but the savings were balanced by an increased leaf collection and removal crew.

With the opening of numerous big-budget projects including the new Juvenile Detention Center and the Union County Performing Arts Center, Graziano anticipates a \$123,000 increase in maintenance expenses, up from \$8.4 million in 2007 to \$8.5 in 2008.

"From a facilities standpoint, the \$100,000 increase seems extensive," said Freeholder Alexander Mirabella. "If it makes sense we'll go with it, but if not then we'll have to figure out something else."

The total appropriations for the Department of Public Works and Engineering under the proposed 2008 capital budget are approximately \$16.2 million, up from \$1.9 million in 2007.

This year's budget increase is attributed to the inclusion of the Bureau of Facilities Management, which was formerly included in the budget for the Parks Department. The inclusion of Facilities Management accounts for \$13.7 million, up from \$13.5 million in 2007.

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The County of Union announced it will again enlist county residents in the annual war against the mosquito population, The county has several programs to manage mosquitoes, and res-

idents are being asked to join the fight. There are about 20 different species of mosquitoes in Union County. The Asian tiger mosquito or forest day mosquito is for the most part an urban nuisance. It is characterized by its black and white striped legs, and small black and white body. This species flies in swarms, strikes both day and night, and traditionally takes residence in urban areas. It finds small amounts of water and containers particularly appealing for breeding and is difficult to eradicate.

The Union County Bureau of Mosquito Control conducts surveillance from March to November, seeking potential breeding spots. Once the warm weather sets in, urban backyards, suburban neighborhoods, nature refuges and industrial areas can all provide breeding grounds.

Residents can significantly reduce the mosquito population if they:

· Clean and chlorinate swimming pools, and remove water that collects on pool covers.

· Dispose of cans and plastic containers, and turn over empty flower pots, toys, and any object that can hold even small amounts of water.

· Remove old tires, a favorite breed-

ing place for mosquitoes.

Bite out of mosquitoes

· To prevent trash cans and recycling containers from collecting water, keep tight lids on them, drill holes in the bottom, or store in an enclosed space.

Clean roof gutters regularly.

· Empty out plastic wading pools at least every three days.

· Turn over wheelbarrows.

· Change water in birdbaths every three days.

· In landscaping, fill in low areas where water collects.

· Drain and clean out grills and grill covers.

• If ornamental ponds and fountains are in use, ensure that the water is constantly circulating. Also stock the pond with larvae eating fish such as minnows, goldfish and mosquito fish.

The bureau also collects mosquitoes from 30 New Jersey light traps throughout Union County, allowing the bureau to identify places where mosquitoes are breeding rapidly and target them for larviciding. Samples from the traps are sent to a state laboratory and checked for disease.

Union County residents are urged to call the Bureau of Mosquito Control at 908-654-9834 to report possible mosquito breeding areas in their communities. Residents with questions regarding mosquito problems on their property can receive a free inspection from the bureau.

LIFESTYLES

Nuptials set for Hietala, **Phillips**

James and Donna Hietala of Hillside announce the engagement of their daughter, Dawn Marie Hietala te Robert J. Phillips, son of John and Karen Phillips of Berkeley Heights.

Hietala is completing her last year at Seton Hall Law School and Phillips is completing his MBA at University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill.

The couple met while attending Drew University Class of '03 in Madison.

A September '08 wedding is planned.

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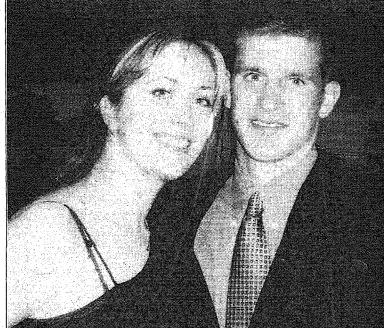
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NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: CHRISTINA A. GIANOPOULOS, Deceased, his/her heirs, devisees and personal representatives, and his/her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest,

their or any of their successors in right, title and interest, YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 7 Century Drive, Suite 201, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, tele-phone number #(973) 538-9300, an Answer to the Complaint and Amended Complaint, filed in a civil action, in which WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA is Plaintiff and CHRISTINA A. GIANOPOU-LOS, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, UNION County and bearing Docket No. F-31150-07 within thirty-five (35) days after 04/24/08, or if published after 04/24/08, thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publi-cation, exclusive of such date, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judg-ment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Com-plaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Jus-tice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jer-sey 08625, In accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated April 29, 2004 made by CHRISTINA A. GIANOPOULOS as mortgages to WASHINGTON, MUTUAL BANK, FA. recorded on May 10, 2004, in Book 10659 of, Mortgagas, for UNION County, Page 226, et Seq., which said mortgage was



Dawn Marie Hietala-Robert J. Phillips

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duly assigned to the Plaintiff named above, who is the present holder of said Mortgage. and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1151 STILFORD AVE, PLAIN-FIELD, NJ 07060. If you cannot afford or are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling:

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(908)354-4340 YOU, CHRISTINA A. GIANOPOULOS, Deceased, his/her heirs, devisees and personal representatives, and his/her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest, are made party defen-dants to this foreclosure action for any lien, claim or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises by reason of the Mortgage made by CHRISTINA A. GIANOPOULOS as set forth above, and by reason of the death of the deceased, CHRISTINAA. GIANOPOU-LOS. Upon request, a copy of the Com-plaint and Amendment to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particular-ity.

ity. File #FWM1051 Dated: April 11, 2008 THEODORE J. FETTER Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey U209694 WCN April 24, 2008 (\$62.64)

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NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY

Union COUNTY Docket No. F- 10361-08 STATE OF NEW JERSEY, to: Abel Quin-teros

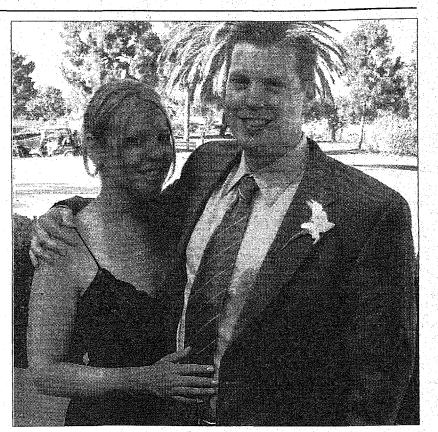
teros YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Pluese, Becker, & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 20000 Horizon Way, Suite 900. Mount Laurel, NJ 08054, An Answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action in which U.S. Bank National Association as Trustee under Pooling and Servicing Agreement dated as of May 1, 2007 MASTR Asset Backed Securities Trust 2007-HE1 Mortgage Pass-Through Certificates Series 2007-HE1, is Plaintiff and Abel Quinteros, et al, are Defendants, pending in the Superi-or Court of New Jersey, Chancery Divi-sion, Union County, bearing Docket No.

PUBLIC NOTICE F-10361-08, within thirty-five days (35) fiter April 24,2008 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by perfault may be rendered against you for relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Ser-vice in duplicate with the Clerk of the cordance with the Rules of Civil Prac-tice and Procedure. This action has been instituted for the dated September 29, 2006, recorded on forcos, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for EquiFirst Corporation recorded in the Union County for the Mortgage Electronic Registration systems, Inc., as nominee for EquiFirst Corporation recorded in the Union County for ever possession of and concerning eal estate located at 24-26 Sanford Ave., antifield, NJ 07060. By the assigned its Corporation assigned its National Association as Trustee under hooting and Servicing Agreement dated so f May 1, 2007 MASTR Asset Backed securities Trust 2007-HE1 Mortgage and Servicing Agreement dated sout to be recorded. Waten assigned its foreclosure action with the this foreclosure action with the this foreclosure action may lien, claim or interest you or they may hou nor interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may ny lien, claim or interest you or they may provide of the County in which this action is perford an attorney, you may contant afford an attorney with the Legal Superior Court of New



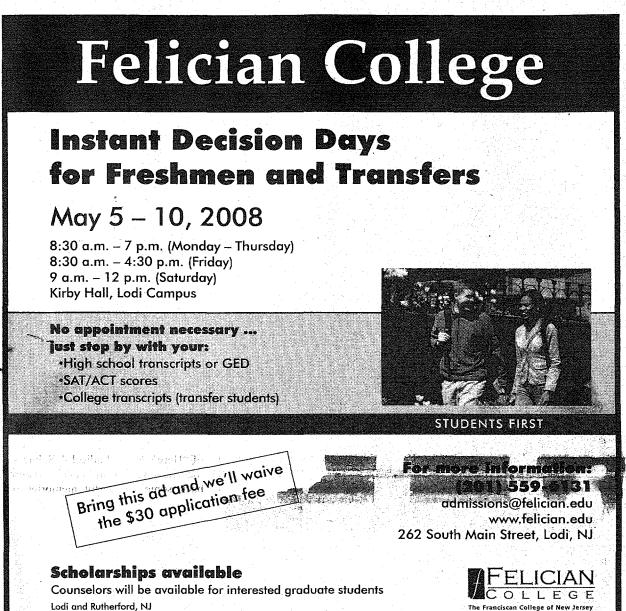
Ericksen to wed **Kress**

Judge David Ericksen and Frances Ericksen of Rahway announce the engagement of their daughter Kristin Ericksen to Matthew Kress of Staten Island, NY. He is the son of Robert and Mary Ann Kress of Staten Island, NY. The bride elect is a graduate of Mounta Saint Mary Academy, Watchung and holds bachelor of arts in elementary education and psychology from Kean University. She is currently employed as a kinderagarten teacher. Her fiance is a graduate of Monsignor Farrell High School in Staten Island and graduated cum laude from Wagner College, Staten Island with a bachelor of science in business adminstration with a concetration in finance. He is currently emploed as a securities lending trader with ING in New York.



Kristin Ericksen-Matthew Kress

The couple will be married on Nov. 1.





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two story red barn, this continues to be the focal point of much attention for day-trippers visiting the area. In business now for over 43 years, this is the place to be if you want that certain something that's not to be found in any strip mall. In fact, you would have to go to garage sales from sun up to sun down for the next twenty years before you could begin to have the same sort of selection that they have there.

Can't find what you're looking for? The long time owner, Guy Johnson, can usually be found behind the counter and he is happy to assist any and all people in need. His ability and knowledge of the current antique market is amazing. It is obvious that he really enjoys his job. In fact, his success has also given him two more antique markets that are both just right across the street.

While many people, have gone through a phase of antique hunting in online auction sites, nothing will ever replace the joy and satisfaction of holding a treasured antique or collectible in your hands. The thriving antique markets of Red Bank are proof of this. We highly recommend spending an afternoon here, but remember to bring some extra money because you will surely find something that you can't live without, even if you plan on "just looking".

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT 'Kiss Me Kate' is a gigantic hit at the Paper Mill

By Bea Smith Staff Writer

From the very first moment the cast of "Kiss Me Kate" opens the show at the Paper Mill Playhouse in Millburn with a resounding rendition of "Another Opinin' Another Show," the audience knows that it is experiencing a titanic hit.

And from then on, no one could find fault with anything or anyone - not the splendid Cole Porter music, the exciting choreography by Patti Colombo, the incredible musical direction by Tom Helm, the fantastically beautiful voices, the performers, the comedy and the double story line. And they're all corralled in perfect harmony by a very dedicated and very talented actor-director, James Brennan.

The best part of "Kiss Me Kate" is that it is a timeless piece of theater. It won the first Tony award for Best Musical in 1949 on Broadway, and it was greeted with exceptional enthusiasm when it first visited the Paper Mill Playhouse stage more than 40 years ago.

It seems that this fabulous Cole Porter musical gets better with time. What astounded the audience this past Sunday afternoon was that when the audience was convinced after each number that it couldn't get better, each song amazingly got better. For example, in the first act, after "Another Opinin," there followed "Why Can't You Behave?," "Wunderbar," "So

In Love," "We Open in Venice," "Tom, Dick or Harry," "I Hate Men" and the title song, "Kiss Me Kate." Can anyone top that?

And in the second act, with the audience in a state of hysterical enjoyment, the "Too Darn Hot" provocative number was a tremendous show-stopper.

The applause was thunderous. The music that followed had a reminiscent quality, particularly for those people who remember how these tunes originally affected them; particularly numbers such as "Where is the Life that Late I Led?," "Always True to You in My Fashion," "Bianca," and "Brush Up Your Shakespeare," another winner, performed by Gordon Joseph Weiss and William Ryall, which very nearly brought the house down.

With music and lyrics by Porter, and a book by Sam and Bella Spewack, "Kiss Me Kate" actually is a play within a play about two musical theater performers, now divorced, signed to co-star in a musical version of the Shakespearean play, "The Taming of the Shrew," and although still attracted to each other, temperamentally, cannot get along. Because of this, there is dire danger of the show closing, until a couple of gangsters appear to collect a gambling debt — from the wrong person.

Mike McGowan is magnificent as Fred/Petruchio, who still yearns for his former wife. His comedic talent and charm appear to be in competition with his outstanding operatic cerned, it should run forever.

voice. And Michele Ragusa, as Lilli/Kate, the wife, has an equally heart-rending, operatic voice. They complement each other with every duo, enchanting a completely receptive audience.

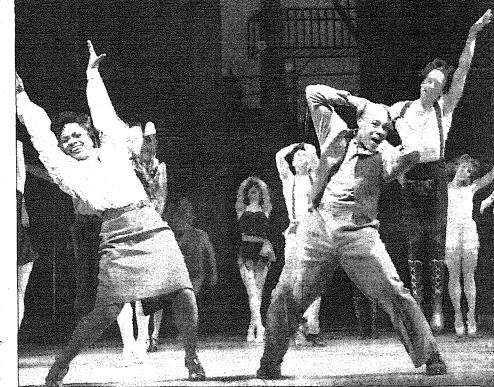
Amanda Watkins, whose exceptional dancing and voice give credence to her performance as Lois Lane/Bianca, is unforgettable.

Another outstanding show stopper was provided by the beautiful Stacey Sargeant, who portrays Hattie. The other principals in the cast, who give their all to an appreciative audience include Timothy J. Alex as Bill Calhoun/Lucentio, Eugene Fleming as Paul, Herb Foster as Harry Trevor/Baptista and Robert Stoeckle as General Harrison Howell. The rest of the large cast can rival any "Kiss Me Kate" cast that performed through the vears.

Much credit to the success of this musical comedy must be given to James Fouchard, scenic designer; Gail Baldoni, costume designer, and Mitchell F. Dana, lighting designer and Randy Hansen, sound designer.

This amazingly entertaining production of "Kiss Me Kate," brought forth by Mark S. Hoebee, artistic director, and Mark W. Jones, executive director, has only one fault.

And the fault is that it has a limited engagement at the Paper Mill Playhouse. It will run through May 18. As far as this reviewer is con-



'Kiss Me Kate' is now playing at the Paper Mill Playhouse. From left to right, Stacey Sargeant as Hattie, Eugene Fleming as Paul, Timothy J. Alex as Bill/Lucentio, Desirée Davar, Cameron Henderson, and Kate Marilley. Call the box office at 973-.376-4343.



Marieann Meringolo exudes a unique versatility, a deeply felt vulnerability, and who can sing like and look like great ladies of song, and still maintain her individuality performed last week at The Manor in West Orange.

Encore for Ms. Meringolo, please

By Bea Smith Staff Writer

A soloist, such as Marieann Meringolo, who exudes a unique versatility, a deeply felt vulnerability, and who can sing like and look like great ladies of song, and still maintain her individuality, is welcome to entertain audiences at The Manor in West Orange any time.

This attractive, dark-haired, award-winning performer, adorned in a black pants suit and a revealingly open white blouse, in her debut appearance, gave her heart and soul to The Manor audience up in Le Dome, the Cabaret room, on the evening of April 17. Her presentation of "Here's to the Ladies! A Salute to" the Great Ladies in Song," brought back some wonderful memories of our favorite singers singing our favorite numbers.

Earlier, in the Terrace Lounge, another unique musician entranced the dining audience with his piano expertise, interpretations and variations of favorite tunes. Bobby

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Richards, dressed in piano-designed clothes, wearing his proverbial dark glasses, was consummate in his offerings of "Spring Is Here," "The Music of the Night," "Wind Beneath My Wings," "Tenderly," "April in Paris" and "April Showers."

Soon after The Manor's polite maitre d, Sammy Odeh, escorted mycompanion and me to our table facing the piano, everyone was further enchanted by the delicacy offering of Mitchell Altholz, executive chef's variety of baby beets to be dipped into a tiny cup of warm goat's cheese fondue.

Both my companion and I ordered fantastic tasting Maine lobster bisque. We could have had in its place, wild mushroom risotto, housesmoked Scottish salmon or Kobe beef

Carpaccio. We found the classic Caesar salad with thin slices of spicy cheese, a delight.

For the main course, I selected the T-bone of American lamb, with French white beans, wild mushrooms in Thyme jus. It was delicious and tender to the palate. My companion was wild about her grilled wild king salmon with wilted baby spinach, black trumper mushrooms in a lobster sauce.

The dessert, which appealed to the dining crowd at last month's event, was offered again. It was a wonderful warm apple pot pie, covered with apple crisp, with creme Anglaise added to its center, and a small mound of butter pecan ice cream. A marvelous Manor cup of coffee completed a perfect dinner.

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The audience was briefly reunited, by way of Meringolo, with such glamorous top stars, who had inspired her in her life, as Peggy Lee, Dionne Warwick, Rosemary Clooney, Edith Piaf, Barbra Streisand and Judy Garland.

Accompanied by a fine threepiece band, with Doyle Newmeyer at the piano, Brian Woodruff on drumsand Boots Maleson on bass, Meringolo treated her audience with such numbers as "Luck be a Lady," "Oh, Lady be Good" and "The Lady is a Tramp." Other triumphant num-See ENCORE, Page B5

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Aries, it's a miracle you've lasted in a dead-end relationship as long as you have. But now is the time to reevaluate the situation and move on to greener pastures.

TAURUS, April 21-May 21 Taurus, it's reasonable for you to be upset with someone who has done vou wrong. Don't hold a grudge for too long. It's difficult to mend bridges

that are broken too long.

Sometimes surprises come in small packages, and that's just what will happen this week, Gemini. You'll find the best things when you're hardly looking for them. CANCER, June 22-July 22

Cancer, while you often want to be everyone's friend, you have to accept that some people will just not be blown away by your congenial nature. Don't take offense.

Romantic happenings dominate most of your week, Leo, which is OK considering all other responsibilities can wait. Do come up for air once in a while for sustenance.

should be focusing on at this moment really aren't a top priority. The stars point to financial concerns as the area where you should devote time.

Without a vision you'll just be ambling along. Go with your gut and the path will seem that much easier to find, Libra. Supportive words from Aquarius brighten your week.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Scorpio, changes are in store at home and at the workplace. This much stimuli may be a negative or a positive for you depending upon the frame of mind you're in.

Hold on to that hard-earned money just a little bit longer, Sagittarius. That's because a "teaser" deal will arise. The real deal for you is just around the corner.

CAPRICORN, Dec. 22-Jan. 20 just don't possess, Capricorn? Don't 39 shop or buy above your head. Otherwise you'll find yourself in a financial mess by June.

AQUARIUS, Jan. 21-Feb. 18 When looking for projects to put an end to your boredom, Aquarius, don't look beyond matters in your house and with your own family.

PISCES, Feb. 19-March 20 Pisces, when everyone else seems

April 27 - Ace Frehley, singer, 57. April 28 - Jessica Alba, actress, 27. April 29 - Michelle Pfeiffer, actress, 50.

April 30 - Kirsten Dunst, actress, the men, deli______ the marten .62: Are you counting chickens that you May 1 - Wes Anderson, director, May 2 - David Beckham, soccer player, 33. May 3 - Greg Gumbel, TV host,

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62-years-old.

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• Thomas Jefferson High School, 55th-year reunion celebration Sept. 11 School on Oct. 18. Get in touch with 1061 or Alan Brookman at 973-996at The Beacon Hill Country Club, 8 Gail Hudak, 908- 2124. Beacon Hill Road, Atlantic Highlands. Contact Jack Padavano 732-929-1666 johnp668@netzero.com or Don 908-353-0867 Schiessl dasretired@aol.com.

• There will be a 50th class reunion 3322. For the June class contact Ada

REUNIONS

VIRGO, August 24-Sept. 22

Virgo, the things you believe you

The following schools are planning reunions:

• Sacred Heart High School, Class of 1958, will hold it's 50th year reunion on Sept. 21, at the Quality Inn, Rt. 37 West, Toms River, from 1 to 5 p.m. If you know of anyone from the class, or for information, please contact Mary Ellen Malone Damiano 908-862-4089 or e-mail adamiano14@comcast.net.

86242Russell230@comcast.net or Juliet Yorke, 732-528-7440StanYorke@msn.com.

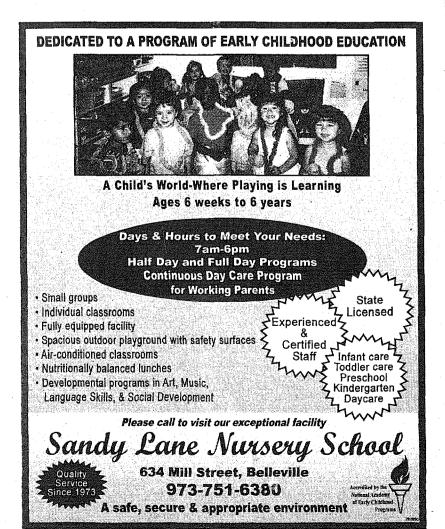
• The Weequahic High School classes of 1943, January and June, reunions is postponed until October. Alumni, or anyone having whereabouts of former classmates please contact for the January class, Selma Rosenstock Cohen at 973-731-4170 or Leona Lubin Kaufman at 732-846-

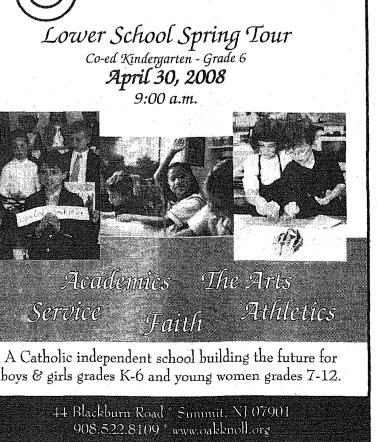
• The Bloomfield High School Class of 1978 will be holding its 30th Reunion on May 17. The reunion will be held at Jenkinson's Pavilion, the Boardwalk in Point Pleasant from 6to 10 p.m. Open to all alumni and friends of the class of 1978. For additional information visit the official Web site: www.classof78BHS.com or www.classmates.com or e-mail: michelecaron@aol.com.

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'Cat on a Hot Tin Roof' comes to Summit

Williams' play starts this Friday at Playhouse

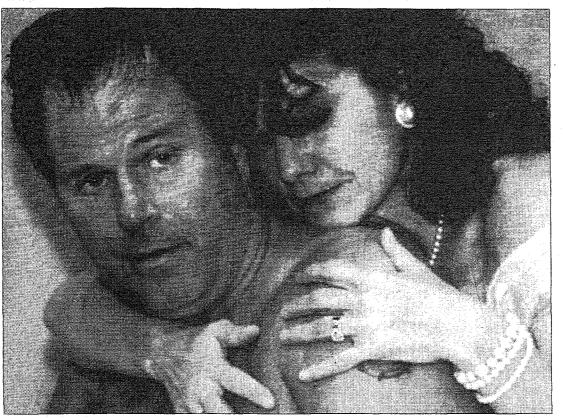
"Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" will be performed at the Summit Playhouse starting Friday.

"Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" was Tennessee Williams' second Pulitzer Prize winning play. In 1954 in the deep south on the Mississippi delta live two of theatre's most memorable characters: Big Daddy and Maggie the cat. It's Big Daddy's 65th birthday and his two sons and their wives all want to inherit his huge plantation "28,000 acres of the richest land this side of the valley Nile."

Also in the cast are - Mark Szabo of Parlin, Bridget Burke Weiss of Boonton, Hank Barre and Ed Schroeder of Basking Ridge, Diane Gilch and Max Weber of Martinsville, John Becker of Whippany, Samantha Lord Feher and Zoe Heard of Chatham, Julia Heckelman and Alexandra Della Sala of Summit.

Performances are April 25, 26, May 1,2,3,9,10 at 8 p.m., May 4 is a signed matinee at 2 p.m. For audio description please alert the theatre at least two weeks ahead and it will be provided. For tickets call 908-273-2192, or ticketleap.com

Funding has been made possible in part from the NJ Cultural Trust, administered through the NJ Historic Trust and a HEART -History, Education, Arts, Reaching Thousands-Grant from the Union County board of Chosen Freeholders.



A.J. Liana of Bayonne, left, and Lynn Langone of Cranford star in Tennessee William's Cat on a Hot Tin Roof opening at Summit Playhouse on Friday.

Local DJ does good with CD

Drummer, Singer and Songwriter, Tommy Russo of "Carnaby Street" performs a one-man show featuring songs from his first, upbeat CD, "Ten" and his hot, upcoming album, "The Gospel According to Russo" on Sunday from 5 to 9 p.m. at Tim Kerwins Tayern, 353 Bound Brook Road -Route 28 West- in Middlesex. Call 732-968-3805 for more information.

Russo is a singer, drummer and songwriter who has performed with the retro-rock band, "Carnaby Street" for the past 20 years. Their genre includes the sounds of the 60's and 70's.

Some highlights of Tommy's career include performances in Atlantic City, Hershey Park, Pa., PNC Bank and Sovereign Bank Arenas.

Russo performed with Carnaby Street when they opened for the Moody Blues, The Beach Boys, Gary Puckett, Rod Stewart, The Drifters and the Happenings.

Russo is having the debut of his upcoming CD, "The Gospel According to Russo" on Sunday in Middlesex.

On a local note, in the mid-to-late 90's, Russo was House DJ at the Stable Bar and Restaurant, on Morris Avenue in Union. Carnaby Street started their career in 1988 at the Club Elmore, a.k.a. The Roscommon House on Vauxhall Road in Union which lead the band to Sovereign Bank Arena.

Every September, the band plays at the Italian Feast on Stuyvesant Ave. where they draw a large crowd. Fans come from all over New Jersey to see them.



Tommy Russo

TO WORLD

Encore for Meringolo

(Continued from Page B3) bers included "I'm a Woman," "Fever," A Dionne Medley," "Hey There" and "La Vie En Rose."

Meringolo knew how to communicate with an audience, flirted with the men, delighted the women with famous favorite ladies' songs of the 1950s and 1960s and had everyone Only Have Love," and that was snapping their fingers to a number or two. She did a comic Italian number

called "Italian Menu," and had everyone longing for the now hardly existent "Little Luncheonette."

The highlight of the evening was Meringolo's thrilling revival of Garland's "I'm Always Chasing Rainbows" and "Over the Rainbow. And best of all, "Get Happy."

.For an encore, she sang "If We enough to want to bring this lady back to render her musical magic that nearly brought the house down once more in Le Dome at The Manor.









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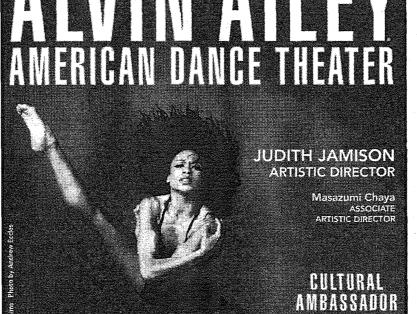
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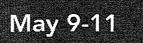
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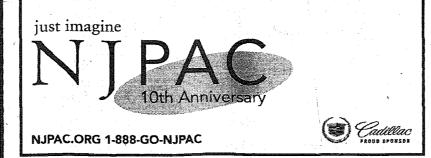


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Fur flies at Trailside's 29th Annual Pet Fair

The 29th Annual Pet Fair, presented by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, will be held at Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside on May 4 from noon to 5 p.m.

"The afternoon promises to be informative and entertaining for children, adults and pets alike," said Freeholder Chairman Angel G. Estrada.

Featured this year at the Pet Fair is "lure coursing" at 1:30 and 3:30 p.m. The Garden State Canine Association, along with rescued greyhounds from "Make Peace with Animals," will demonstrate this exciting sport. In this fast-paced competition, dogs will be running against each other as they chase after a plastic bag "rabbit." Bring your dog and give this sport a try for a fee. A portion of the proceeds will benefit Trailside Nature and Science Center.

Back by popular demand will be Kathy Murarik of the New Jersey Sled Dog Club to demonstrate the working skills of her sled dog team. Kathy and her team will "pull" off the afternoon's first demonstration at 12:30 p.m. Visitors can watch as her dogs are hitched to a sled specially modified for New Jersey terrain.

After the sled dogs, at 1:15 p.m., members of the Seeing Eye Puppy Project will show how puppies are prepared for their formal training as guide dogs for the blind. Hear how the ed to educating the public about pets project started and learn how your family can become involved in this rewarding experience.

Highlighting the afternoon's presentations at 2:15 p.m. is Bill and Elizabeth Johnson and their alpacas from Abenaki Acres Farms in Hunterdon County. Learn all about alpacas and discover the history of alpaca farming in New Jersey. Meet live animals from the Abenaki herd and examine a variety of alpaca fleece products available for purchase.

The excitement continues at 2:45 and 4 p.m. with a flyball demonstration given by Release the Hounds, Garden State Barkway and Great Balls of Fire flyball dog clubs. After them, the Yankee Flyers Dog and Disc Club will show off their athletic dogs as they run and leap to catch Frisbees. Visitors can enjoy the amazing talents of these dogs and discover how they are trained for acrobatic canine sports. Members of the flyball and disc clubs will explain how you and your dog can take part in this sport.

Pets have become such an important part of everybody's lives. If they get sick or hurt, there is a need to respond in the correct manner. At 3:15 p.m. the American Red Cross will discuss pet first aid in times of an illness, injury, or crisis.

A variety of organizations dedicat-

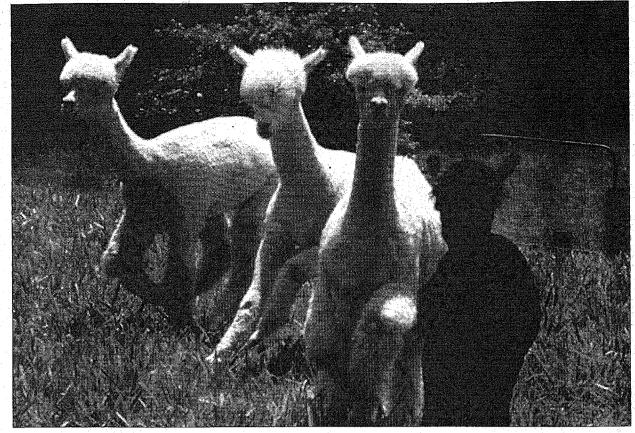
and pet products will be on hand all afternoon. You may purchase bandanas, bones and other pet paraphernalia while enjoying the afternoon's festivities.

Visit TheraPets and discover how animals create a sense of well-being for people in classroom settings, nursing homes, and hospitals. The Mighty Cavits and Rodents 4-H Club will talk about small animals that are commonly kept as pets. Meet some animals available for adoption.

The Trailside Visitor Center, with its many state-of-the-art exhibits, will be open during the fair. Visitors can observe the live fish, turtles and frogs in the wetland habitat on the lower level of the facility or peer into a simulated nest of a red-shouldered hawk from the upper level.

Numerous "please touch me" exhibits provide an educational experience for adults and children alike. Don't forget to visit the Night Theater, a seven-minute, multi-sensory experience that investigates the world of nocturnal animals.

Trailside Nature and Science Center is located at 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside. For further information about the Pet Fair or upcoming spring and summer programs at Trailside, call 908-789-3670 or visit www.ucnj.org/trailside.



Visit with live alpacas from Abenaki Acres Farms at the 29th annual Pet Fair hosted by Trailside Nature and Science Center on May 4 from noon-5 p.m. Demonstrations during the afternoon include sled dogs, flyball dog clubs, Frisbee dogs, lure coursing and much more. For more information please call 908-789-3670 or www.ucnj.org/trailside. Trailside Nature and Science Center is located at 452 New Providence Road in Mountainside.

NEWS COUNTY

Learn how to shear sheep at museum

On Sunday, listen for the refrain of "Baa, Baa Black Sheep, Have You Any Wool" coming from the Sheep to Shawl Festival at the Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Avenue, Westfield. The festival is from 1 to 4 p.m. and will take place rain or shine.

The entire process of sheep shearing will be demonstrated by master sheep shearer Jeremy Mills of Hamil-

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ton Square, using hand shears as was done in the 18th and 19th centuries. The museum gratefully acknowledges Kafka Farms, Watchung, which is providing the sheep for the festival. The production of woven cloth from woolen fibers continues with demonstrations of carding, spinning and weaving.

Other 18th century farm skills, such as butter churning and tin piercing will also be shown by the museum's volunteers. Children may make a number of crafts to take home.

A bake sale will be conducted throughout the afternoon with a variety of homemade cookies, breads and cakes.

Refreshments will be available for visitors to enjoy in the Frazee Building for a small fee. The museum's gift shop, which carries colonial toys, crafts, cookbooks and educational materials, will be open.

There is no admission charge or registration for the Sheep to Shawl Festival, however, any donations to the museum to support its educational

programs will be greatly appreciated. For more information call the museum office weekday mornings at 908-232-1776.

Union County College to host job fair

On April 24 Union County College's Division of Counseling Services will be hosting a job fair on its Cranford_campus located at 1033 Springfield Avenue.

. The job fair will be held in the Vic-

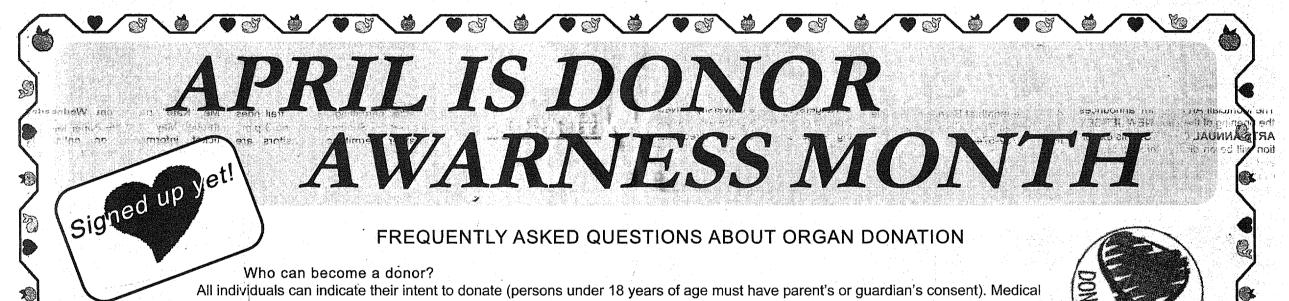
tor M. Richel Student Commons from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. This event is open to all those currently seeking employment, including students and members of the public. Anyone planning on attending should come dressed in the proper business attire and with a resume that is complete and ready to hand out.

In addition, tables are still available to area business owners who may be interested in attending the job fair to recruit new employees.

For more information, please con-

tact May Kortbaoui at 908-709-9495 or e-mail kortbaoui@ucc.edu.





suitablility for donation is determined at the time of death.

Are there age limits for donors?

There are no age limitations on who can donate. The deciding factor on whether a person can donate is the person's physical condition. not the person's age. Newborns as well as senior citizens have been organ donors. Persons under 18 years of age must have parent's or guardian's consent.

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> > 2. Indicate your intent to be an organ and tissue donor on your driver's license. 3. Most important, DISCUSS YOUR DECISION WITH FAMILY MEMBERS AND LOVED

Why carry a Donor card around if my family makes the decision? Donor cards save time, and time is crucial to a successful transplant. A donor card identifies you immediately, and emergency room personnel are instantly alerted of your wishes.

If I sign a donor card or indicate my donation preferences on my driver's license, will my wishes be carried out?

Even if you sign a donor card it is ESSENTIAL THAT YOUR FAMILY KNOWS your wishes. Your family may be asked to sign a consent form in order for donation to occur

Although laws technically allow procurement agencies to recover organs and

tissues without family consent, in practice this is rarely done. In most states, hospitals and physicians by custom and policy defer to the family because they know the family lives on and must feel comfortable and at peace with what happens to their loved one. This respect for the families involved helps maintain public trust in the donation system.

What can be donated?

Organs: Heart, kidneys, pancreas, lungs, liver, and intestines. Tissue: Cornea, skin, bone marrow, heart valves, and connective tissue

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Stepping Out is a weekly calendar designed to guide our readers to the many arts and entertainment events in the Union County area. The calendar is open to all groups and organizations in the Union County area. To place your free listing, send information to: Worrall Community Newspapers, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., P.O. Box 3109, Union, NJ 07083 or unioncountyb@thelocalsource.com. Faxes may be sent to 908-686-6681.

ART SHOWS

The Les Malamut Art Gallery will present an exhibition of photographs, "Reflections" by Fanwood photographer GREG CUMMINGS, through April 30. Cummings has received numerous awards over the years, including Best of Show and First Place in the Union County Juried Senior Art Show, Best of Show and First Place in Friends of National Wildlife Photo Contest, and Second Place in Wickford RI Juried Photo Show. The display is at the Union Public Library at 1980 Morris Ave., Union. It is open during regular library hours and is handicapped accessible. The exhibit is free and open to the public. For further information, call 908-851-5450.

The SKULSKI ART GALLERY of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark, presents an exhibit of Lithuanian art fromFriday through May 16.

The opening reception is scheduled for Friday from 8 to 10:30 p.m. The public is welcome, admission is free and refreshments will be served. The Polish Cultural Foundation, a non-profit organization is located at 177 Broadway, Clark. The gallery is open Monday through Friday 5 to 9 p.m. To visit the show contact Karolina Szczepanska, exhibit curator at 732- 382-7197, or Aleksandra K. Nowak, gallery director by e-mailing aknowak@verizon.net. The Union County Board of Chosen

Freeholders presents an exhibit of drawings by SERGIO MORENO CAR-MENATE of Elizabeth in the gallery space at the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, located at 633 Pearl Street in Elizabeth . A selection of his drawings entitled "Ascendency of the Mark" is on display at the Pearl Street Gallery until June 5. Gallery hours are 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays.

Roselle Park resident artist LEONA M. SEUFER is featured in a solo exhibition of digital artwork at The Hob'art Cooperative Gallery in Hoboken through June 3 at the Sovereign Bank, 86 River St., Hoboken. There will be a reception on Thursday from 5 to 6:30 p.m.

The Montclair Art Museum announces the opening of the 2008 NEW JERSEY ARTS ANNUAL CRAFTS This exhibition will be on display through May 11 and is part of a unique series of statewide exhibitions highlighting the work of visual artists and crafts people from New Jersey. The Montclair Art Museum is located at 3 South Mountain Ave. in Montclair. Information and directions are available at www.montclairartmuseum.org or by calling 973-746-5555. MAM is open Tuesday through Sunday, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and closed on Mondays and major holidays. ARTS UNBOUND has opened its gallery at 544 Freeman St., Orange. The gallery will be open for the public to view and purchase works of art by artists with disabilities. Fine arts and crafts, large and small, including gifts for the holiday season, are available for sale. Arts Unbound is supported by grants from the United Way of Essex and West Hudson, The United Way of Summit, New Providence and Berkeley Heights, the Grotta Foundation for Senior Care, the Kessler Foundation. the Wallerstein Foundation, the Daniel Jorden Fiddle Foundation, the NJ State Council on the Arts and the Newark

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SCRIPTS

PREMIERE STAGES, the new Actors' Equity Association theater program at Kean University, is currently accepting play submissions for the Premiere Stages Play Festival from professional playwrights born or currently residing in New Jersey, as well as in the surrounding areas of New York, Connecticut and Pennsylvania. There is no fee required to submit a play to the Premiere Stages Play Festival. To request entry guidelines, send a selfaddressed, stamped envelope to Laura Kelly, producing assistant, Premiere Stages is at Kean University, 1000 Morris Ave., Union 07083.

SINGLES

INTERFAITH SINGLES, for single adults older than 45 years, will meet every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St. Westfield. For information, call 908-389-5265 or 908-889-4751.

SOCIAL SINGLES DANCING, for 45year-olds and older, meets every Tuesday at 7 p.m. at The Elks Lodge, 1193 Route 22 east, Mountainside. For information, call 908-232-9667 on Tuesdays after 5 p.m.

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THEATER

Pucker up and get ready for romance at the Paper Mill Playhouse in "KISS ME. KATE" which won the very first Tony Award for Best Musical in 1949 and has been delighting audiences ever since. Inspired by The Taming of the Shrew, this charming story follows two musical theatre actors -once married, now divorced - as they star together in a Broadway-bound musical version of Shakespeare's play. "Kiss Me, Kate" runs from Wednesday through May 18 at the Paper Mill. For ticket information go online to www.papermill.org or call 973-376-4343.

OKLAHOMA will be performed at CDC Theatre located at 78 Winans Avenue in Cranford at 8 PM on Fridays, May 2, 9, 16, and Saturdays, May 3, 10, and 17, and 3 PM on Sunday May 11. With music by Richard Rodgers and a book and lyrics by Oscar Hammerstein II, Oklahoma is based on the play "Green Grow the Lilacs" by Lynn Riggs. Tickets for Oklahoma are on sale now. Reserve your spot at www.cdctheatre.org or by calling 908-276-7611.

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AUDITIONS

DREAMCATCHER REPERTORY THEATRE, professional Theatre in Residence at The Baird in South Orange, is holding auditions for "Dreamcatcher Junior: Touch the Sky" on May 17 from noon to 4 p.m. Actors from the ages of 8 through 18 will perform a new revue of stories and songs by songwriter and storyteller John Farrell. No appointments are necessary for auditions, where actors will be asked to tell a story, familiar or original, and sing a song. For information on this or any of Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre's programs, please contact Dreamcatcher Repertory Theatre at The Baird, 5 Mead Street, South Orange, 973-378-7754, ext. 2228, www.DreamcatcherRep.org.

THE SHOWCASE THEATER, a tuition-based program, awards scholarship money based on a talent evaluation.

For information on the Showcase Theater or any NJWA program, call 908-789-9696, visit the office at 150-152 East Broad St. in Westfield or visit www.niworkshopforthearts.com.

BOOKS

host an author meet and greet for local psychologist and author, DR. DIANE SCHAUPP on Saturday from 2 to 4 p.m. Her book "Prime Time: Flourishing After 60" explores the new life that can be created by those who have passed through the hoops of parenthood. The book store is located at 270 East Broad Street in Westfield. For more information call 908-233-3535. THE AFRICAN-AMERICAN BOOK GROUP meets at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, For information, call 732-574-1818.

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PAJAMA STORY TIME is the third Tuesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 west, Springfield.

Wednesdays through Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sundays, from noon to 4 p.m., April through December. For more information about upcoming Liberty Hall events or for

reservations, call 908-527-0400. THE SHAKESPEARE THEATRE OF NEW JERSEY is now accepting applications for its 2008 Junior Corps and Senior Corps, two summer theatre programs designed for students ages 11 to 14 and 14 to 17, respectively. Two sessions are offered this summer, the first from June 23 through July 12 and the second from August 4 through 23. Classes are held Monday through Friday, from 1 to 6 p.m.

To register for the Junior Corps, arrange a Senior Corps audition, or request additional information, contact Jamie Brink-Grant at 973-408-3980 or jbgrant@shakespeareni.org.

COMEDY

An evening of hilarious comedy with star of ABC-TV's "The View," JOY BEHAR, at the Union Arts Performing Arts Center on May 3 at 8 p.m. Laugh with Joy Behar, currently a co-host along with Barbara Walters, Whoopie Goldberg, Elisabeth Hasselbeck and Sherri Shephard on ABC's The View, is among today's leading comic talents. She will be performing live with special guest "It's Madame With An EI" starring Madame with Joe Kovacs. The Union County Performing Arts Center is located at 1601 Irving Street in Rahway. For tickets, call the box office at 732-499-

CONCERTS

The IMPERIAL BRASS presents "American Classics" in concert on Sunday at 7 p.m. at the Redeemer Lutheran Church, 229 Cowperthwaite Place in Westfield. Tickets can be purchased at Redeemer Lutheran Church now or at the door. For further information, please call 908-232-1517 or go to www.imperialbrass.org.

Fans of all ages can enjoy traditional folk dancing, music, storytelling, and much more at the 34th annual NEW JERSEY FOLK FESTIVAL on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., rain or shine. Admission is free for this all-day family event held on the lawn of the Eagleton Institute, George Street and Ryders Lane, on the Douglass campus of Rutgers, the State University, in New Brunswick. For further details, including stage schedules and directions, visit the festival's Web site at http://www.nifolkfest.rutgers.edu or call

the festival office at 732-932-5775 or Rutgers Campus Info Services at 732-932-INFO. The Coffee With Conscience Concert

Series continues its eighth season by presenting the dynamic SCOTT AND MICHELLE DALZIEL. The concert will. take place at the First United Methodist Church of Westfield, 1 East Broad Street ---corner of North Avenue--- in

are always appreciated.

The MULTICULTURAL ARTS FESTI-VAL annually brings families and whole northeastern communities together to celebrate traditional cultures in free live productions featuring international stars and talented performers from right next door. This year's festival season begins on May 3 and 4 in Jersey Gardens in Elizabeth, with performances filling center court on the mail's lower level from noon to 5 p.m. on May 3, noon to 4 p.m. on May 4. For more about the festival and any of the venues, call toll-free 866-894-1812 or visit Pathmark.com.

The NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA will provide a piano concert from one of their principle planists on June 3, 10:15 a.m. at the YM-YWHA of Union County, 501 Green Lane, Union Township. The concert is free of charge to the community. The subscription part will information on next year's four concert series. For more information cal Susan Silberner at 908-289-8112.

CROSSROADS IN GARWOOD will feature: every Monday, Open Mic Night, every Tuesday, Jazz Jam, every Wednesday, karaoke night.

The Crossroads is located at 78 North Ave., Garwood. For information, call Lee at 908-232-5666, or visit www.xxroads.com. LANA'S RESTAU-RANT,1300 Raritan Road, Clark, will offer dinner and live reggae with Exodus Supreme every Wednesday, beginning at 7 p.m. For information, call 732-669-9024.

DANCE SOCIAL DANCING is every Friday at

7:30 p.m. at The Bayway Polish Club, 625 Pulaski St., Elizabeth. Live music and DJ. Coffee, cookies and door prizes are available. For information, call 908-355-3131.

Y-SQUARES, a local square dance club, meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Frank K. Hehnly School, Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call 908-298-1851, 732-381-2535 or 908-241-9492. LUNA LOUNGE hosts "Tasty Thursdays" with DJ Richie, who spins raggaeton and hip-hop. Patrons must be 21 or older. Dress is casual but trendy. Parking is available. Luna Lounge is located at 1906 E. Georges Ave., Linden. Call 908-925-4120 for details.

HOBBIES

THE NORTH JERSEY CAR CLUB meets at the Anthony Amalfe Community Center, 1268 Sheaffer Ave., Roselle, on the first Saturday of each month to discuss driving experiences, auto maintenance tips, safe driving practices and to plan future social outings to places of cultural, historical and scenic interest in Northern New Jersey and the surrounding area. Meetings start at 9:30 a.m. Free refreshments are served to members and quests

TALES FOR TOTS PRESCHOOL

The Town Book Store in Westfield will

THE "LORD OF THE RINGS" READ-ING GROUP meets the first Wednesday of the month at Barnes and Noble, 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For informa-

WEEKLY CHILDREN'S STORY TIMES will be Tuesdays at 10:30 a.m., and_Thursdays at 1:30 p.m., both usually with coloring and/or crafts, at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 west, Springfield.

8226 or www.ucpac.org.



THE DUCRET SCHOOL OF ART is located at 1030 Central Ave. and is situated on a seven-acre campus in a historic residential area of Plainfield. The school offers full-time and parttime day and evening classes in fine arts, graphic design/computer graphics and illustration. For information call 908-757-7171, fax: 908-757-2626, or visit www.duCret.edu.

LIBERTY HALL MUSEUM, 1003 Morris Ave., Union, chronicles more than 200 years of New Jersey and U.S. history. The museum is open to the public Westfield, on Saturday. The awardwinning Ukelele Lady, Victoria Vox, will open the show. Doors will open at 7:30 p.m. and the concert begins at 8 p.m. Advance purchase of tickets is highly recommended by going to scottandmichelle.eventbrite.com. All net proceeds from this evening's Concert will be donated to the Plainfield Chapter of Habitat for Humanity. The season will continue with the legendary David Wilcox on May 17 and the duo. Small Potatoes, on June 21. You can also call the concert hotline at 908-412-9105 or send an e-mail to concerts4causes@aol.com. Volunteers

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before the meeting. For directions and more information, call Jim at 908-245-4744.

THE HARVEST QUILTERS OF CEN-TRAL NEW JERSEY will meet the first Monday of each month at Cozy Corner Creations quilt shop, Park Avenue, Scotch Plains.

KNITTING GROUP meets every Monday from 10 a.m. to noon. Knitters are encouraged to bring a favorite project to the Springfield Barnes & Noble Cafe. For more information, call 973-376-6581

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St. Barnabas earns 'Gold Seal of Approval'

The Stroke Center at Saint Barnabas Medical Center has passed extensive evaluation by The Joint Commission to earn the prestigious Joint Commission Disease-Specific Certification - The Gold Seal of Approval. The Joint Commission, which evaluates and accredits more than 15,000 health care organizations and programs in the United States, is the nation's largest standards-setting and accrediting body in health care. Saint Barnabas has also been designated a Comprehensive Stroke Center by the New Jersey Department of

Health and Senior Services.

Each year, about 700,000 people experience a new or recurrent stroke, which is the nation's third leading cause of death. On average, someone suffers a stroke every 45 seconds and someone dies of a stroke every 3.1 minutes. Stroke is also a leading cause of serious, long-term disability in the United States.

"Saint Barnabas Medical Center demonstrated that its stroke care program follows national standards and can significantly improve outcomes for stroke patients," said Jean E.

ease-Specific Certification of The Joint Commission.

voluntarily pursued this comprehen- provide care is based upon the time sive independent evaluation to enhance the safety and quality care toms of stroke. The sooner the we provide," stated John F. Bonamo, executive director of Saint Barnabas Medical Center. "We are tremendously proud to have achieved this important certification."

abas offers specialized care to known as the Brain Attack Team patients who suffer the most complex

Range, executive director of Dis- strokes and who require the most upto-date, evidence-based care.

When someone has a stroke, "Saint Barnabas Medical Center every second counts. The ability to the patient first exhibits the symppatient is seen and evaluated by the stroke team, the greater the chance of providing that care which may lessen or reverse the affects of the stroke. In that end, the Medical Center has The Stroke Center at Saint Barn- organized a stroke response team BAT. Comprised of an attending

neurologist, medical resident, and with a nap or after discussing it with nurse, BAT is available 24 hours a day, seven days a week to respond immediately to all patients who present with a stroke.

"Most strokes are ischemic, which means they occur from a blockage of the blood flow in an area of the brain," says Doreen Monks, advanced practice nurse and program coordinator of the Stroke Center at Saint Barnabas. "The sooner a patient is seen the sooner we can treat the patient. For instance, in ischemic stroke the standard of care for early treatment is the use of rtPA or tissue plasminogen activator. We have only a 3 hour window from the time the first symptom starts in which we can treat appropriate patients with this medication. We may be able to significantly reduce the affects of the stroke or reverse it entirely, but only if we have time to evaluate the patient if he or she is an appropriate candidate. Early assessment ensures that the patient has the opportunity to receive the best possible treatment."

People must recognize the warning signs and call 911 immediately. This should be the first call you make. Don't assume it will go away

your family members or even your own physician.

By calling 911 and telling the dispatcher I think I or my family member is having a stroke this will get the patient to us in the fastest manner possible

Learn the signs of stroke and teach them to your friends, family members, and acquaintances.

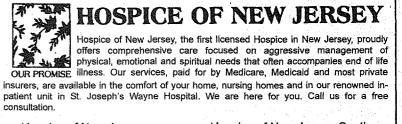
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Does one arm drift A - Arm down? Ask the person to lift both arms

S - Speech - Does their speech sound strange? Ask the person to repeat a simple phrase like "Today is a beautiful day"

T - Time - If you observe any of these signs call 911.

For more information about The Stroke Center at Saint Barnabas, please call 973-322-9742 or visit www.saintbarnabas.com and click onto The Stroke Center at Saint Barnabas.



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Trinitas earns upgraded accreditation

After just two short years since opening its state-of-the-art Comprehensive Cancer Center, Trinitas Hospital's accreditation status with the American College of Surgeons' Commission on Cancer has been upgraded to "Community Hospital Comprehensive Cancer Program." This certification signifies that the hospital's entire cancer program meets or exceeds rigorous national standards established by the ACoS.

The approval was granted following an on-site inspection of the program last fall. Such ACoS approval is granted to only 20 percent of the nation's cancer programs. Of the 51 approved ACoS cancer programs in New Jersey, only 17 have been granted the Comprehensive Community Programs designation.

"Being approved by the ACoS as a Comprehensive Cancer Program confirms that Trinitas is raising the level of cancer care in our region. This is the culmination of a lot of work over the last two years," said Gary S. Horan, president and CEO of Trinitas Hospital. "We owe this achievement to our entire team of oncology specialists, including our outstanding physicians, nurses and staff in our leading outpatient cancer center; our excellent surgeons, radiology, and pathology staff; the skilled nurses of our 23-private bed brand new in-patient oncology unit, the hardworking staff in our cancer awareness and outreach program, and our fantastic tumor registrars. At Trinitas, we hold state-of-the-art quality care and excellence in customer service as top priorities. It's very satisfying to receive the official recognition of the ACoS," he added.

Trinitas Hospital's overall program reflects a higher level of commitment to cancer care. Among the required elements for ACoS certification are multidisciplinary tumor board conferences; state-of-the-art services and equipment; access to clinical trials, education, and support; cancer screenings; patient follow-up through a cancer registry that collects data on type and stage of cancers and treatment results; and ongoing monitoring and improvement of care.

The ACoS approval confirms that Trinitas Hospital has all necessary elements in place to provide exceptional care to patients with cancer and that doctors of all related specialties collaborate to ensure that there is a coordinated, individualized, and well-thoughtout approach to cancer care.

The ACoS Commission on Cancer approval is given only to those facilities that have voluntarily committed to provide the best in diagnosis and treatment of cancer and to undergo a thorough evaluation process and performance review. In order to maintain approval, facilities with approved cancer programs must undergo an on-site review every three years.

Trinitas Hospital is also accredited by the Joint Commission and the American College of Radiation Oncology.

The ACRO awards accreditation to facilities for achievement of high standards, qualifications of personnel, facilities, and quality activities.

For more information, or to speak with Dr. Lisa Febles Henson, Chair of Radiation Oncology, please call 908-994-8000 or go to www.Trinitas CCC.org.

Trinitas Comprehensive Cancer Center

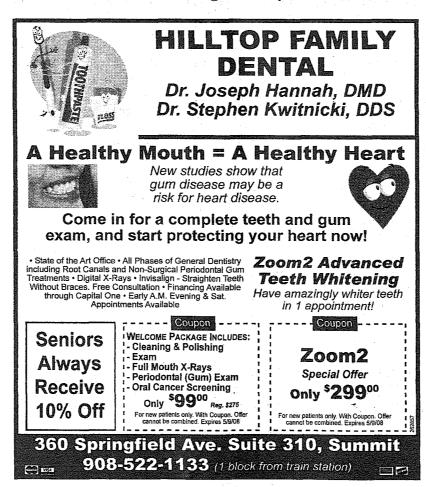
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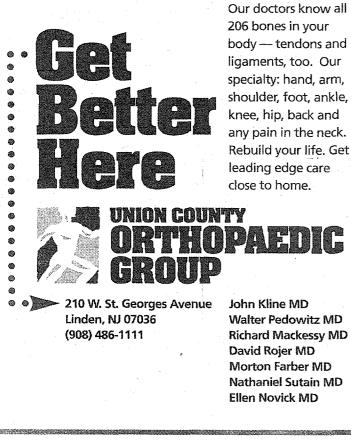
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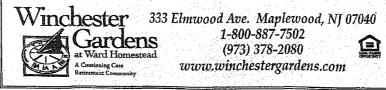
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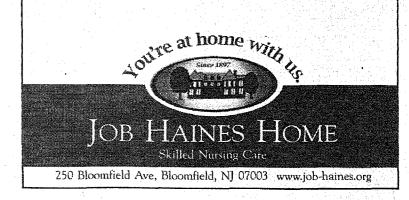
or a period of weeks to months, and then subsiding for a time. While rosacea is not associated with a skin infection caused by one type of bacteria, antibiotics are sometimes prescribed to treat its symptoms. Current treatments have not always been effective; however, recently, scientists have made a discovery that could change that. It was found that over-production of two interactive inflammatory proteins



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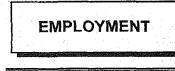
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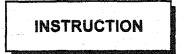
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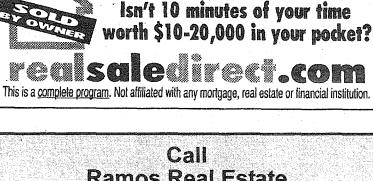
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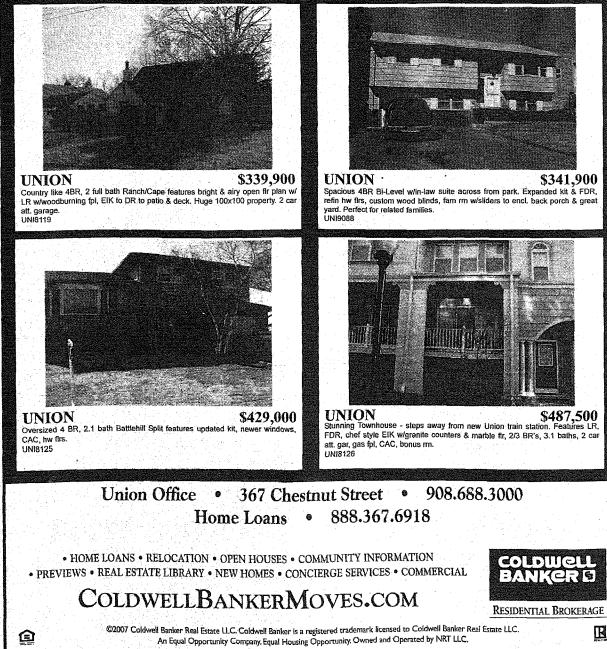
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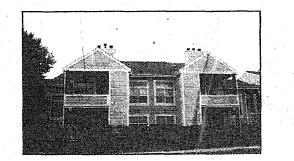
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