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spect in township bank robberies arrested

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — A suspect in two township bank robberies this year was arrested Monday at the Raritan Toll Plaza while fleeing after another bank robbery in Old Bridge, police reported.

Michael Giannone, 34, of New York, was

arrested 12:35 p.m. Monday in connection with the robbery of Amboy National Bank in Old Bridge.

FBI Special Agent Matt Heron said the suspect was acting alone when he robbed the bank. It appears Mr. Giannone was stopped at the toll plaza after his getaway car, a white Oldsmobile with New York license plates, was identified, the agent

said.

Mr. Heron said the suspect has not been charged with the two Edison robberies and a third bank robbery in South Plainfield.

"But he is a suspect in those two robberies," he added.

On June 5, a lone bandit entered a Parsonage Road bank and made off with about \$4,000. The suspect entered the

bank about 10:45 a.m. and handed the teller a hand-written note demanding cash, police said. The note stated the man had a gun and would use it if he felt he had to.

Under similar circumstances, Banker Savings on Amboy Avenue was robbed on Aug. 14.

Edison Police Sgt. Matt Freeman said a suspect approached the teller at 2:10 p.m.

The suspect put a black bag on the counter and demanded the contents of the cash drawer while brandishing a dark-colored semi-automatic handgun.

The suspect retrieved the money before fleeing the bank and heading toward Route 1 in a white Ford or Mercury, Sgt. Freeman said.

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Joining the parade of twins at Moss School are, from front, Rachel and Sydney Pollard, Kevin and Kyle Cameron; Alex and Madeline Storts, Emily and Peter Strom; Erica and Victoria Otersen, Jenna and Drew Grossman. Not shown are Sachar and Nimrod Michaeli and Vasilios and Nicholas Timakos.

Moss School overflows with eight sets of twins

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — What has 32 eyes, ears, legs and arms and a total of 320 toes and fingers?

An octet of fraternal twins at Moss School.

"Eight sets of twins is a good number," Moss School Principal Fred Cohen said, especially considering the size of Metuchen's school district.

So far, it outpaces school districts of similar size reporting a surprising number of twins popping up in their classrooms. For example, Garwood reported six sets of twins reporting to school for kindergarten classes this year. Four sets of twins at Bound Brook Middle School also have drawn some attention. Still,

none have matched the number of twins attending Moss School.

Metuchen's twins are spread out from kindergarten through second grade. The twins are kindergartners Emily and Peter Strom, Sydney and Rachel Pollard, Vasilios and Nicholas Tiniakos, Sachar and Nimrod Michaeli; first-graders Alexander and Madeline Storts, and Victoria and Erica Otersen; and second-graders Kevin and Kyle Cameron and Drew and Jenna Grossman.

This year, Mr. Cohen added, is the first time the school has had so many twins. They were taking the record-breaking situation in stride Monday morning, when six sets of them gathered in the principal's

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Volunteer chaplain will serve on-call

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

METUCHEN — The newest member of Metuchen's emergency response team won't be carrying a badge or a fire extinguisher.

Instead, the new public safety chaplain will be carrying hope for residents in need of counseling.

The Borough Council unanimously approved an ordinance creating the position during its Monday night meeting. The chaplain will be called upon to counsel residents and public safety workers in dealing with traumatic events such as fires or disasters.

The public safety chaplain will be either a licensed clinical psychologist or a member of the clergy volunteering services to the borough, Mayor Ed O'Brien said.

The non-salaried chaplain would be appointed for a two-year period and serve on-call, responding to

emergency situations as needed.

The Human Relations Commission now is expected to sift through volunteers for the position and make a recommendation to the Borough Council. Before approving the commission's selection, the council will have an opportunity to look at all the prospective volunteers' resumes.

Previously, Borough Council members had pointed out a chaplain would be useful in situations such as the Metuchen police and firefighters responding to the Durham Woods explosion in Edison. They also noted the chaplain could have responded to a structure fire in which several Metuchen firefighters were hurt. Besides helping firefighters cope with that difficult situation, the chaplain also could have counseled local residents upset at watching their neighbors' house burning.

JFK offers mammograms

EDISON — Low-cost mammograms for women are being offered to township women this month.

The mammograms are being made available through the Edison Health Department and the Breast Center at JFK Medical Center. Participants must meet guidelines issued by the National Cancer Institute. Insurance plans will be billed. The total cost out-of-pocket will not exceed \$93. For eligibility and/or a voucher, call 248-7277.

Fall fix-up

There's still time to get your home in shape

Special section inside



Country pumpkins
Matthew Spiegel, 4, checks out the pumpkins at the Metuchen Country Fair.

I don't believe it was a typo. This is a sham.
— Burton Gimelstob, Edison Ethics Board member,
on a \$1 million discrepancy in the referendum
for capital improvements in Edison schools

Quote of the Week

Billboard called illegal by DOT

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — A state Department of Transportation (DOT) official has ruled Matthews Outdoor Advertising Inc. illegally erected a two-sided billboard on Coral Street.

Although the company won a legal battle against the township in May to erect a two-sided, 50-by-20-foot lighted billboard in the Clara Barton section of Edison, it was only given permission by the DOT to put up a one-sided sign.

"Current state outdoor advertising regulations prohibit the erection of a sign visible to the southbound traffic of the Turnpike at this site, because of the proximity of the interchange to those lanes. We have inspected the structure, verified that the second face was erected illegally, and are already in the process of citing the sign as a violation," wrote DOT supervisor of outdoor advertising Michael McGuire in a letter dated Sept. 17.

The DOT had approved an application by Matthews to erect a 50-foot wide, 20-foot high single-faced sign in the Clara Barton Section of Edison in April 1994.

Addressed to Clara Barton resident Donald Dudas, the letter

prompted the resident to ask the Township Council during Wednesday night's meeting how it could allow the two-sided billboard to be erected in the township.

"We gave them a building permit for a two-sided sign," Mr. Dudas said.

Township Attorney Louis Rainone said the state's and township's permitting processes differ.

Later, he explained it is similar to a builder getting permission to build on an area with wetlands — it is given contingent on the builder receiving the other necessary permits.

"It didn't slip through the township," Mr. Rainone said.

But Mr. Dudas noted the May 20 ruling by Middlesex County Superior Court Judge Douglas K. Wolfson required Matthews Outdoor Advertising to provide the DOT permit for the sign and certify the billboard's lights do not shine onto adjacent residential properties. It also required the township "after being provided with the DOT permit and photometric casting patterns (light cast from illumination of billboard)" provide the necessary building permits for the company.

Now Mr. Dudas worries the township will sit and wait until the

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Gotta get away?

Upstate NY retreats,
romantic and otherwise

See Weekend Plus inside

Navratri festival's finances are questioned

(Continued from page A-1) said, but he could not remember reasons for the delay.

"I don't want to dispute it. We have done something for the cause," Mr. Kothari said. "We have a record that speaks for itself."

But that record has now become clouded with questions about the organization's finances and whether the festival is making a profit.

"He was always saying he was losing money," Mr. Rajan said. "In my view, I don't think it's true."

Although he was shown a document in 1993 indicating the festival organization was \$200,000 in debt, Mr. Rajan said it wouldn't be held year after year if it continually lost money.

Mr. Rajan said he believes the fact that the festival makes money can be borne out by considering ticket prices range from \$9-\$15 and Mr. Kothari reports the festival attracts 100,000 people. Expenses, he said, cost about

\$500,000.

"You don't need a Ph.D. in mathematics to figure out something is wrong," Mr. Rajan said.

Mr. Kothari painted a different picture of volunteers struggling to keep their religious festival afloat while fending off unconstitutional legal challenges by the township.

"I never tried to make money off of it," Mr. Kothari said. "It costs a lot of money to run the festival."

Questioned about how much money sponsoring companies donate to the society, Mr. Kothari shifted focus and said such businesses wouldn't be so stupid as to support an untrustworthy institution.

Mr. Kothari refused to reply to Mr. Rajan's comments. He would only say the press should ask those who criticize him what they have done for the Indian community. He said he is in a difficult position because he must stand up to the authorities on behalf of the minor-

ity community.

"It's takes a lot of courage. We have something to lose and nothing to gain by doing this," he said.

Echoing those comments, Mr. Rajan said few members of the Asian-Indian community are willing to speak out against Mr. Kothari. He said he had to because he is an officer of the court and is required to tell the truth when called to testify on Edison's behalf.

Mr. Rajan left the organization in 1994 because of concerns about the way the festival was being run. One reason, he said, is because a number of members of the Indian community who donated money to the festival to help get it off the ground were never reimbursed. Mr. Rajan said he had to sue Mr. Kothari for the \$10,000 he lent him for the festival. Other members of the Indian community who were owed money did not wish to get involved in a battle with the organization, he added.

272 appealing Pooja ruling

EDISON — North Edison residents appealed en masse to the Borough Council to overturn a zoning board ruling granting variances for a banquet hall and restaurant on Oak Tree Road.

Township Clerk Reina Murphy said 272 people have filed appeals with the Township Council regarding the banquet hall to be located at the Faith Fellowship Ministries World Outreach Center facility on Oak Tree Road by Pooja M. Inc.

The appeals were given during Wednesday night's council meeting.

Edison is one of the few communities left that allows residents to appeal decisions handed down by the zoning board to the Township Council.

On Aug. 20 the zoning board granted 10 variances to Pooja for a banquet hall/restaurant, offices, art gallery and television studio at Faith Fellowship, which

is moving to Sayreville.

The zoning board ruled that the proposed change of use in the property is a substantially less intensive land use than the existing one. It also stated the site is more compatible to the mix of adjacent office, warehouse, railroad and manufacturing uses than the existing use, and less incompatible to the more distant surrounding residential uses, than the existing large religious use.

To fight the banquet hall, the Save Oak Tree Road Committee is holding garage sales this weekend.

Former Councilwoman Jane Tousman said the committee will be collecting goods for sales to be held tomorrow and Sunday on Jean Place.

For more information about the garage sales, call Ms. Tousman at 561-5504.

Moss School is overflowing with twins

(Continued from page A-1) office to discuss the situation.

All of the twins said it really wasn't a big deal to have a brother or sister the same age in school.

Second-graders Erica and Victoria said because they don't look alike, many people don't know they are twins.

Jenna said people suspect she's part of a pair when she's with her sister — but not with her twin brother Drew. Jenna then went on to explain that some twins look alike, others don't. She added that

twins don't have to be two girls or two boys.

"But it seems like a big deal," Jenna said. "People say 'Wow, you have a twin.'"

Madeline said she didn't know what the best thing about being a twin was, while Erica said people never ask her how it feels to have a twin.

"They ask my mom," she said.

Kindergarten twins Peter and Emily said they "kind of and kind of not" enjoyed having each other as a sibling in the same grade.

"I like chasing her in the playground," Peter said.

That was Emily's biggest complaint about having a twin, she confided. The best thing, she quickly added with a smile, was that she liked to fight him in the playground.

Kevin said he could say what the best thing about having a twin is for his brother.

"Piggyback rides," he said.

Mr. Cohen said teaching the twins poses no problem to the school teachers. None have been

reported for trading places or trying to take a test for each other, he said.

"They are too young to think about things like that," Mr. Cohen said.

Most of the twins are separated in their grades, with classes located across the hall from each other.

"We usually place children in different classrooms so they really develop their own personality," Mr. Cohen said.

Billboard called illegal by DOT

(Continued from page A-1) DOT adopts a regulation that may allow the additional sign.

Mr. Rainone added that in other cases, the DOT has allowed a two-signed billboard as long as the second sign is used for public announcements and would not require an additional state permit.

"That's what we were told internally," Mr. Rainone said.

Mr. Dudas said there is only one other instance of a billboard company putting up a sign without

proper permits and being allowed to wait for the law to change permitting the second sign.

Worried that would happen in Edison, Mr. Dudas questioned why the township refused to act when he brought it up a month ago.

"I think it's already too late for them (the township) to bring it up," Mr. Dudas said. "I am sure the DOT will give them permission."

Councilman Peter Barnes said he does not have answers to Mr.

Dudas's question on how the township gave Matthews building permits despite the discrepancy.

Residents of Clara Barton fought the billboard for two years since it was approved by the Board of Adjustment in December 1994. That ruling was overturned by the Township Council on May 10, 1995, then upheld May 20 by Judge Wolson.

Counsel for the advertising company had argued the council was trying to infringe on the company's right to free speech.

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Pre-registration deadline is Monday, October 14, please.



Indo-American Cultural Society President Pradip Kothari speaks at Tuesday's press conference.

Fire department holds open house

METUCHEN — Members of the Metuchen Volunteer Fire Department headed into classrooms this week to teach children the lessons of fire prevention.

Fire Chief George Wallace said several volunteers took days off to teach 20 groups of nursery and elementary children fire safety guidelines.

"They are in awe of the big red

Man arrested

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The suspect is expected to be transferred from Middlesex County Adult Correctional Center to federal custody next week.

fire engines," Chief Wallace said.

Fire Prevention Week is always observed the week of the "Great Chicago Fire" of 1872.

Residents also can learn a thing about fire safety when the department holds an open house between

7:30 p.m.-9:15 p.m. tonight.

The open house will be held at the fire house on Middlesex Avenue, where a brand new 1996 Pierce Lance heavy duty rescue truck will be on display.

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Verbal	521	527	528	525	511	521	537	543	529	535	521	532	536	527	525	497	494	494	496	498	500	500	499	504	505
Math	530	542	544	550	543	550	564	573	560	575	541	554	559	556	561	497	498	500	503	505	501	503	504	506	508
Combined	1051	1069	1072	1075	1054	1071	1101	1116	1089	1110	1062	1086	1095	1083	1086	994	992	994	999	1003	1001	1003	1003	1010	1013

FIVE-YEAR TREND																								
EHS					JPS					DISTRICT					NEW JERSEY					NATION				
Verbal	-10				+14					+4					+1					+5				
Math	+13				+25					+20					+8					+7				
Combined	+3				+39					+24					+9					+12				

Students seek extra help to ace SATs

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — More than 300 township high school students recently headed back to school during the weekend to get in more study time.

The students were attending a "profiler" course on the national Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). The day-long workshops, held Sept. 21-22 at J.P. Stevens High School, focused on test-taking strategies and gaining familiarity with the test.

Assistant Superintendent of Schools Robert Ranta said the courses are just one way the school district is helping students improve their SAT scores.

The district already out paces the state and national SAT score averages. In a five-year comparison completed by Mr. Ranta, the district's combined SAT scores were on average 88 points higher than the state's and 76.40 points higher than the national combined scores.

Those numbers are more impressive because of the percentage of Edison students taking the test, Mr. Ranta said. Eighty-one percent of students in the district take the test, compared to 69 percent taking it statewide and 49 percent nationwide.

Some districts' averages might be boosted because many students opt not to take the SAT.

Mr. Ranta's comparison also revealed a 35.20-point difference in the combined scores of Edison High School and J.P. Stevens.

"The difference is not significant," Mr. Ranta said. "Edison (High School) scores are close to J.P. Stevens."

One of the reasons for this year's 56-point

difference between the two schools is the dip in Edison High School's verbal scores.

Last year, J.P. Stevens experienced a similar fall in its verbal mean score. Calling it a "blip," Mr. Ranta said J.P. Stevens verbal scores rebounded and Edison High scores likely will climb this year.

Overall, verbal scores tend to be lower than math scores, he explained. The verbal portion of the SAT tests high school students' ability to read on a college freshman level. The math portion tests students' ability in geometry and algebra, both of which are taught in high school.

Mr. Ranta has said the reading portion of the SAT tends to be vocabulary-oriented. With the elimination of the SAT section on antonyms, the test has become more focused on reading comprehension, he said.

Despite the many children taking the SAT and the high test results, Mr. Ranta said it would be wrong to compare Edison to other districts.

"For example, Realtors use the scores to compare one town to another. That would be a misuse of SAT scores," the administrator said.

The primary reason it would be a misuse, he said, is because those comparisons don't take into account the social and economic differences among communities.

For high school students taking the test, their main concern is their scores.

Edison High School senior Megan Ryan said she was a little worried when she took the test last May.

"Everyone was kind of nervous and anxious about it," she said.

The main cause of the anxiety wasn't difficult questions, but rather the three-hour testing period. Megan said some students questioned whether they could remain focused and answer questions for such a long period of time. But that concern did not affect her own SAT score.

Scoring a 1,310 out of a possible 1,600, Megan said the test wasn't too difficult. She said she only had problems with a few math and vocabulary questions.

Most of her friends, she added, did just as well.

"Most of my friends said it wasn't that bad and they did pretty well," she said.

Some of her friends, she added, will try again for higher scores.

The district offers several courses for those trying to improve their SAT scores.

Megan took a College Studies Skills class in preparation of the test her junior year. She said she believes the course did not substantially improve her test score, as it only improved 10 points from her PSAT (Pre-SAT) score of 1,300.

Mr. Ranta said the district helps students develop strategies for the test. It offers the profiler class and a crash course in SAT skills as part of the Adult Continuing Education school.

Fees are charged for the latter two courses.

Similarly, many students also are paying for professional SAT courses offered by private companies.

In addition, Mr. Ranta said the district is trying to use SAT-style questions on mid-term tests.

A year later, leagues await funding for lights

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — One year ago, the Township Council adopted an ordinance funding lights and Americans with Disabilities Act improvements for three sports leagues.

A year later the Edison Angels, North Edison Baseball and Softball, and Edison Boys Baseball are still waiting for the money. And they will have to wait some more.

The Township Council voted to table a resolution Wednesday night after arguing over its wording, which urged Mayor George Sparadore to meet with representatives of the three leagues affected to "expedite" funding these projects and eliminate any miscommunications between the parties involved." The resolution also asked for the township to provide assistance to expedite the public bid-

Criticizing the previous ordinance, Mr. Cifelli noted it was passed "in a rushed manner" and was approved in November during an election year to give the funding to the three biggest leagues in the township.

Ms. Teffenhart said these leagues were allocated the funding to erect lights to attract tournaments to Edison.

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Bureaucracy snags Democracy Day

By VERA CARLEY

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Councilwomen Catherine Totin and Beatrice Moskowitz are working along with Mr. Trecolis to come up with possible questions for a Democracy Day ballot.

Some questions being tossed about are what the borough should do about Franklin School and whether voters are happy with the service provided by TKR Cable.

Mr. Trecolis said he hopes the borough will be able to hold Democracy Day before the end of the year. There is a possibility downtown stores could be used as polling places, he said.

A September date had been tentatively scheduled before being scrapped for an Election Day vote.

It was hoped that by holding it on Election Day, more borough residents would be asked to cast their votes on important issues facing the borough in a nonbinding referendum.

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All eyes upon Edwards

Supermarket mum on plans for Metuchen store

By VERA CARLEY

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METUCHEN — Although it is checking out a prospective new location, Edwards Supermarkets isn't detailing further plans regarding its borough supermarket.

The supermarket chain is a prospective tenant of a new strip mall on Route 1 recently given the green light by the Edison Planning Board.

"We are in negotiation for that piece of real estate, but at this point we don't have a signed agreement or lease or anything," Edwards Consumer Affairs spokeswoman Tanya Lyons said. "It's a little early in the process."

Ms. Lyons said this is all the information she has on the proposed new site and all the chain is "will-

ing to disclose."

Responding to the question while on vacation, Ms. Lyons was unavailable to comment further on the future of the Metuchen supermarket.

During Monday night's council meeting, Mayor Ed O'Brien said "everything is speculative" about Edwards Supermarkets moving from its borough location.

Two weeks ago, the mayor said he believed the chain would leave once it opened a supermarket in Edison.

"If they are going to move out, I would welcome it," Mayor O'Brien admitted Monday night.

The borough has been busy trying to attract more supermarkets, such as Kings Supermarkets and Fresh Fields, into the borough. Several other possible investors have also indicated an interest in bringing a supermarket to the borough.

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Ms. Lyons said this is all the information she has on the proposed new site and all the chain is "will-

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Responding to the question while on vacation, Ms. Lyons was unavailable to comment further on the future of the Metuchen supermarket.

During Monday night's council meeting, Mayor Ed O'Brien said "everything is speculative" about Edwards Supermarkets moving from its borough location.

Two weeks ago, the mayor said he believed the chain would leave once it opened a supermarket in Edison.

"If they are going to move out, I would welcome it," Mayor O'Brien admitted Monday night.

The mayor said the Edwards lease expires in 2002. Taking into account it could take two years to complete the Route 1 site, he said, it is very unlikely the borough will be without a supermarket.

"I would be very upset if Edwards sat on the lease," Mayor O'Brien said.



MELISSA KLAVER/REVIEW CORRESPONDENT

Many are wondering whether Edwards will remain at this Metuchen location on Route 27 once the chain opens a supermarket in Edison.

Edwards would be trying to mayor added.

block competition if it sat on its Edwards Supermarkets replaced lease and failed to move, the Mayfair Foodtown on the corner of

Middlesex Avenue and Route 27 last year. Edwards has since remodeled the inside of its store.

Borough Council candidates differ on supermarket strategy

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

METUCHEN — A battle is brewing among council candidates in the borough's supermarket wars.

Republicans and Democrats have long been at odds on the location and size of a new supermarket. Those differences, which erupted into a bitter conflict along party lines several years ago, again are being highlighted in this year's council race pitting Democratic incumbents Beatrice Moskowitz and Thomas Vahalla against Republican challengers Steve Warner and Thomas Frey.

Ms. Moskowitz said residents still are concerned about the supermarket issue, desiring a more modern supermarket with a complete line of products on the shelves.

"A lot of people want another supermarket," Mr. Frey said. "A supermarket is a big issue given the convenience that it offers."

Although both agree a new supermarket is needed, the sides differ on the best approach in attracting another one to the borough.

Mr. Frey said most residents he has talked to were upset the borough turned away a proposal by Mayfair Foodtown to build a new supermarket at the EFCO tract.

Mr. Warner said he has serious questions about whether the borough will be left without a supermarket if Edwards Supermarkets opens a new location on Route 1 in Edison.

"I am afraid we are currently faced with the prospect of having no supermarket in town," he said.

Mr. Vahalla said he is not worried Edwards will pick up and leave the borough without a supermarket, as the chain has a long

term lease.

"If they move I am sure we will be able to replace that store. There are many other supermarkets interested in relocating," he said. "I don't see us having a down time."

But based on that possibility, the Republican challengers also charged the Democratic council majority has been slow to attract new supermarkets.

"I am somewhat surprised (by the charges) because we have already had markets coming into town and making presentations," Ms. Moskowitz said.

As a member of the Development Commission, Ms. Moskowitz said she has worked on attracting another supermarket to the borough.

The commission has made several trips to various supermarkets to determine their suitability for Metuchen. Several chains have been asked to add a location to the borough, she said.

"What they seem not to realize is we are not real estate brokers," she said of her opponents.

"I think they are a bit ill-informed and could be potentially harming the borough in its negotiating point to bringing in another market," Mr. Vahalla said.

Mr. Vahalla said the Republicans' comments could be pushing up the price on the properties the borough is looking to rezone to allow for supermarkets.

An ordinance rezoning the downtown has not been adopted. The borough, he said, is awaiting a response on it from Edwards Supermarkets.

"I think it's very important because if they decide to stay, we welcome their business," he said.

Ms. Moskowitz said the council cannot expect 100 percent agreement on the issue, but it can try to ensure 100 percent awareness.

"We believe we are moving conscientiously. We want this town to move together," she said. "We don't want to have another divisive issue."

The Republicans also differ on the direction the borough is taking in trying to attract supermarkets to the downtown.

"I believe the current proposals for possible supermarkets in the downtown area at a very small square footage are not feasible," Mr. Warner said. "I am afraid we are not going to attract replacements."

The sites identified by Planner James Constantine as possible supermarket locations do not seem feasible, Mr. Frey said.

Those locations include the former Morris Stores (now being developed by Metuchen resident Eric Berger), the See-More appliance store area, the Pearl (or New) Street parking lot, A&P Liquor Store, and the Franklin School.

"Some of those locations would not provide sufficient square footage to attract a quality supermarket.

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Franklin School would provide enough space for the location, he said while adding he believes the borough should reconsider using that property for a possible municipal/Board of Education complex.

The current supermarket area should be used for a new market, he said.

"You don't want to do it in a fashion to relocate downtown," Mr. Frey said. "You don't want to shift

its focus. You want them to complement each other."

Mr. Vahalla said he and Ms. Moskowitz ran on keeping the supermarket located at the current site or at Boro Motors, which was rejected by the borough's Planning Board.

"I think the first area is right where it's at right now with additional work and planning on it," Mr. Vahalla said. "The present site has always been an acceptable site."

Mr. Vahalla said he would like to see the road vacated and changes

made in the area such as marking the parking lot and remodeling the outside of the store.

The candidate also stressed the importance of having a supermarket move in that fits the needs of the community and entire downtown.

Mr. Warner also said attracting a supermarket where all residents can shop on a regular basis is an important consideration.

Both sides agree attracting an upscale supermarket, like Kings or Fresh Fields, would have a positive effect on the downtown district.

Council considers dead-ending roads

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THE REVIEW

EDISON — The Township Council will hold a special meeting Tuesday to consider permanently dead-ending several streets that would be used for an access road into a proposed development with 109 single-family units.

Council members Eileen Tefenhart and Raymond Koperwhats called for the meeting after

listening to Bonhamtown residents voice concerns about the project during Wednesday night's council meeting.

Mr. Koperwhats called for an ordinance to dead-end the streets to prevent them from being opened up for the development.

However, the township must determine whether Alcoa Avenue, Tived Lane and Whelan, Morris and Herman streets in the Bonhamtown area are paper streets

that run through the proposed development. If they are not, the council can pass an ordinance adding them to its official inventory of dead-end streets.

The development has been scaled down by two houses from its originally proposed 111 units on 33.65 acres off Pierson Avenue in the Bonhamtown Triangle.

The Planning Board is expected to review plans on the development Thursday.

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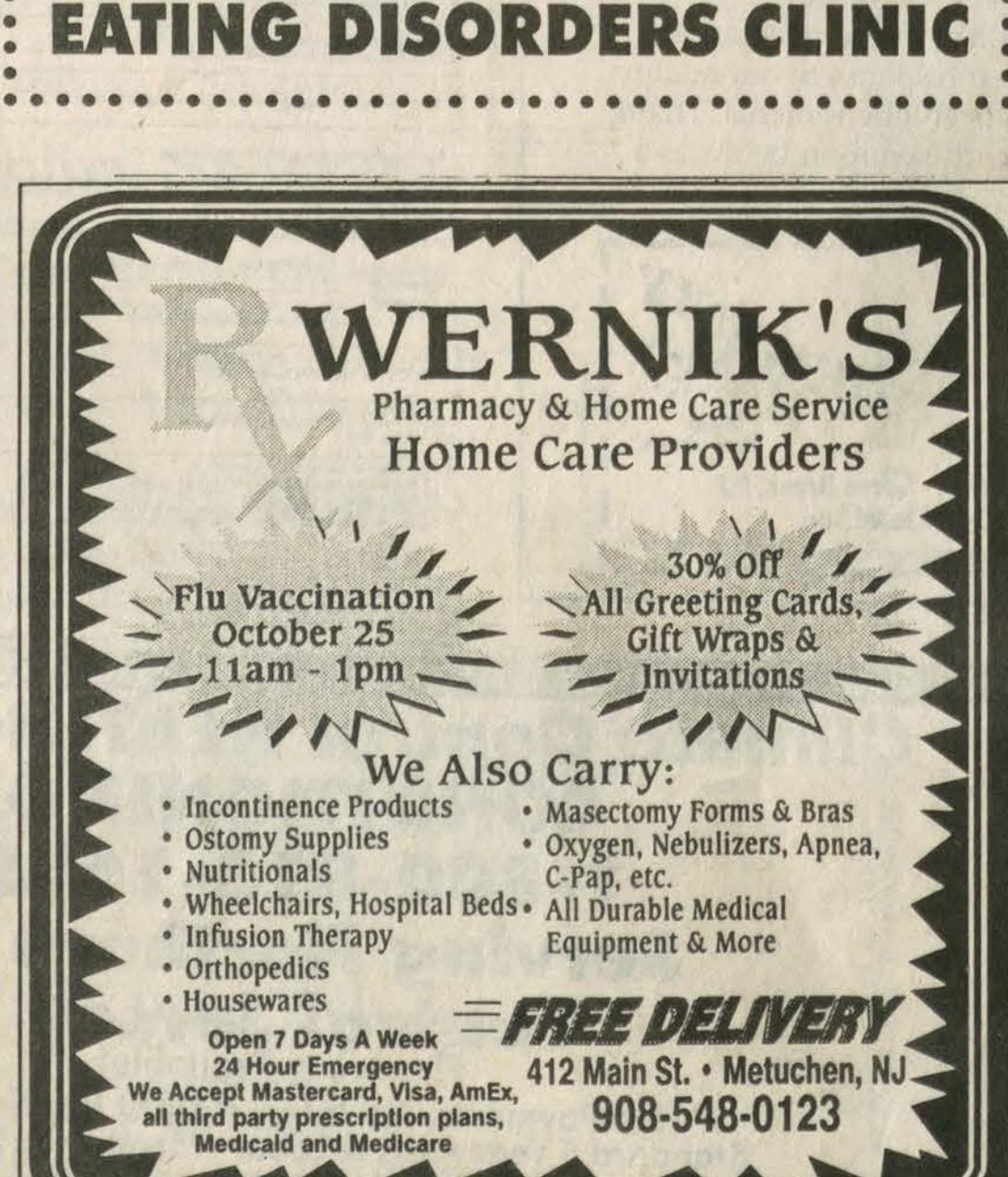
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Auto dealer reports two cars stolen in scheme

EDISON

Two recent instances of theft by deception and forgery, involving the same suspect and same salesman, have been reported by the general manager of Open Road BMW on Route 1, police said.

First, a man entered the store July 3 and leased a 1996 BMW for 12 months using identification belonging to a "Jeffrey Lynch," the manager told police. A person by that name was contacted and was unaware of any lost or stolen identification, police said.

The car is worth \$38,000.

The same man again entered the store July 16 and leased a 1996 BMW for 48 months using the identification of a "Robert A. Sherman." A person by that name was contacted and was unaware of any lost or stolen identification, police said.

The car is worth \$48,000.

No description of the suspect is available.

Both incidents involve the same salesman, whom the manager suspects was involved in the scheme. The salesman has been unavailable to date, police said.

Both incidents were reported noon Monday.

A Forest Haven Boulevard resident was rudely awakened by an uninvited guest 1:29 a.m. Tuesday, police said.

After arriving home 9:47 p.m., the victim told police he chained and locked his door and went to bed shortly afterward. He was awakened about four hours later by noises coming from his walk-in bedroom closet.

After turning on his light, the victim discovered an unknown person in his bedroom. He im-

Police log

mediately began yelling at the suspect before calling 911. While the victim was dialing the phone, the suspect managed to escape through the front door.

No description of the suspect is available and his whereabouts are unknown.

Nothing other than the victim's clothes in the closet appeared to be disturbed.

James, Matt, and Faith Dinetta, 18, 22, and 39 respectively, all of Fifth Street, were charged with simple assault, criminal mischief and disorderly conduct against Matt Dinetta and James Dinetta. The victim also signed a criminal complaint of simple assault, criminal mischief and disorderly conduct against Faith Dinetta, according to the police report.

Damage to the vehicle is listed at \$1,000.

A solid brass cash register, two oak rocking chairs, and a mahogany bed, totaling \$1,600, were stolen from an antiques auction conducted by the Edison Elks on Old Post Road between 9:10 p.m. Oct. 3, police said.

None of thefts were witnessed.

The register is worth \$650, the chairs are worth \$500 and the bed is worth \$450.

A TV/VCR combination worth \$650 was stolen from Ryder Truck Rental offices on National Road between 6:15 p.m. Oct. 3 and 7:45 a.m. Oct. 4, police said.

The ground level door was unlocked, a Ryder employee told police. Entry to second-floor offices, which were reportedly "rifled," was gained by prying open the main door, the employee said.

Then the suspects opened a rear window in the office, pried off a window screen and left it on the office floor. Using a computer cord, tied together with another cord cut from a fan, the suspects then lowered the TV/VCR from the second-floor window to the ground, the police report said.

The cord was found on the ground in front of the building.

Two men who tried to steal a Bell Packard Platinum Computer worth \$2,199 at Comp USA on Route 1 successfully fled from authorities 6:50 p.m. Saturday, police said.

A Comp-USA security officer said the men were heading toward the exit door with the computer, which was not paid for, in a shopping cart. The men were unable to explain what they were doing with the computer, the security guard told police.

However, after a brief interview, the men managed to flee the store and escape in a 1983 white Chevy Wagon, the police report said.

No description of the suspects is available and their whereabouts are unknown.

A 40-foot trailer worth \$15,000 was stolen from the loading dock of Menlo Park Mall between 5 p.m. Oct. 4 and 4 a.m. Saturday, police said.

No one witnessed the theft. The trailer contained numerous goods of an undetermined value, police said.

Josephine Grant, 44, of New

Brunswick, was charged with shoplifting three pairs of women's shoes totaling \$434 at Macy's of Menlo Park Mall 3:05 p.m. Saturday, police said.

Twenty dollars was stolen from a register at Rose's Hallmark on Inman Avenue 10:20 p.m. Oct. 4, police said.

Entry was gained smashing a front entrance door, which set off an alarm. When police arrived, no one was there.

Damage to the door is estimated at \$450.

A 1994 BMW worth \$30,000 was stolen from Westgate Drive between 1-7:15 a.m. Saturday, police said. The victim said the vehicle was locked and contained an anti-theft device, The Club, on the steering wheel.

A 1994 Honda motorcycle worth \$2,500 was stolen from Hana Road between 4 p.m. Sunday and noon Monday, police said.

A male 17-year-old Edison youth was charged with shoplifting a Tommy Hilfiger jacket worth \$190 at Macy's of Menlo Park Mall 12:09 p.m. Oct. 4, police said.

A 1991 Saturn worth \$9,000 was stolen from Forest Haven Boulevard between 10:10-30 p.m., police said.

A Sony stereo and compact disc player worth \$700 was stolen from a 1989 Nissan Pulsar between Oct. 1-3, police said.

The vehicle was left at Citgo on Route 1 to be repaired. The owner of Citgo said he was moving the vehicle inside the garage to work on it Oct. 3 when he discovered the stereo missing. The victim has yet to be contacted.

A 1979 Ford pickup truck worth \$2,000 was stolen from Poll Place midnight Tuesday, police said.

The victim's mother said she heard the truck start up and drive away but assumed it was her son. About two hours later, the victim realized the truck was stolen.

A green, Kokomo 21-speed bicycle worth \$269 was stolen from a Latonia Avenue residence Monday, police said.

The thief entered the garage through an open front door and stole the bicycle between 5-6 p.m., the victim told police.

A 17-year-old Edison youth was charged with burglary and theft after she allegedly stole a wallet from a vehicle on Gurley Road 6:30 p.m. Monday, police said.

The victim told police the teenager entered his unlocked car, removed a black wallet containing \$110 cash, and walked away. The victim followed the suspect onto Old Post Road and confronted her. After an initial dispute, the female admitted to the theft.

A 1981 Datsun worth \$400 was stolen from a Sutton Place drive-

way Sunday or Monday, police said. Shattered glass was found on the ground where the vehicle was parked.

A 40-foot aluminum ladder worth \$250 was stolen from the back yard of a Pleasant Avenue residence Sunday, police said.

A 1996 Mitsubishi worth \$20,000 was stolen from Menlo Park Mall between 6-9 p.m. Saturday, police said.

Seven thermopane windows were shattered at John Marshall School on Cornell Street between 11 a.m. Sunday and 6 a.m. Monday, police said.

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A 1982 Oldsmobile worth \$1,000 was stolen from Menlo Park Mall between 5:30-9:15 p.m. Oct. 4, police said. Inside the vehicle were art supplies, art books and writing pads totaling \$230.

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A boy was assaulted at the Krauszer's store on Durham Avenue 6:30 p.m. Monday, police said.

The boy was standing in the parking lot when another individual grabbed him by his knapsack and spun him around, Lt. Keane said. The individual then acted like he was going to hit him, but instead slapped him in the back of the neck, he said.

The suspect is being investigated, Lt. Keane said.

A 1994 Oldsmobile parked in the Metuchen High School parking lot had its sun roof smashed between 1:30-2:30 p.m. Monday, Lt. Keane said. Estimated damage is \$400.

Police charged Philip Maroon, 37, from Englishtown with shoplifting 6:30 p.m. Saturday.

An employee notified police the suspect was spotted trying to shoplift \$8.95 worth of deli meat, Lt. Keane said. Mr. Maroon was charged and released on his own recognizance.

A \$10 scarecrow on the front lawn of a Rose Street home was reported stolen between 11 p.m. Saturday and 10 a.m. Sunday, Lt. Keane said.

A borough resident reported Sept. 29 that his Murray 18-speed mountain bike, valued at \$110, was stolen Sept. 6, Lt. Keane said.

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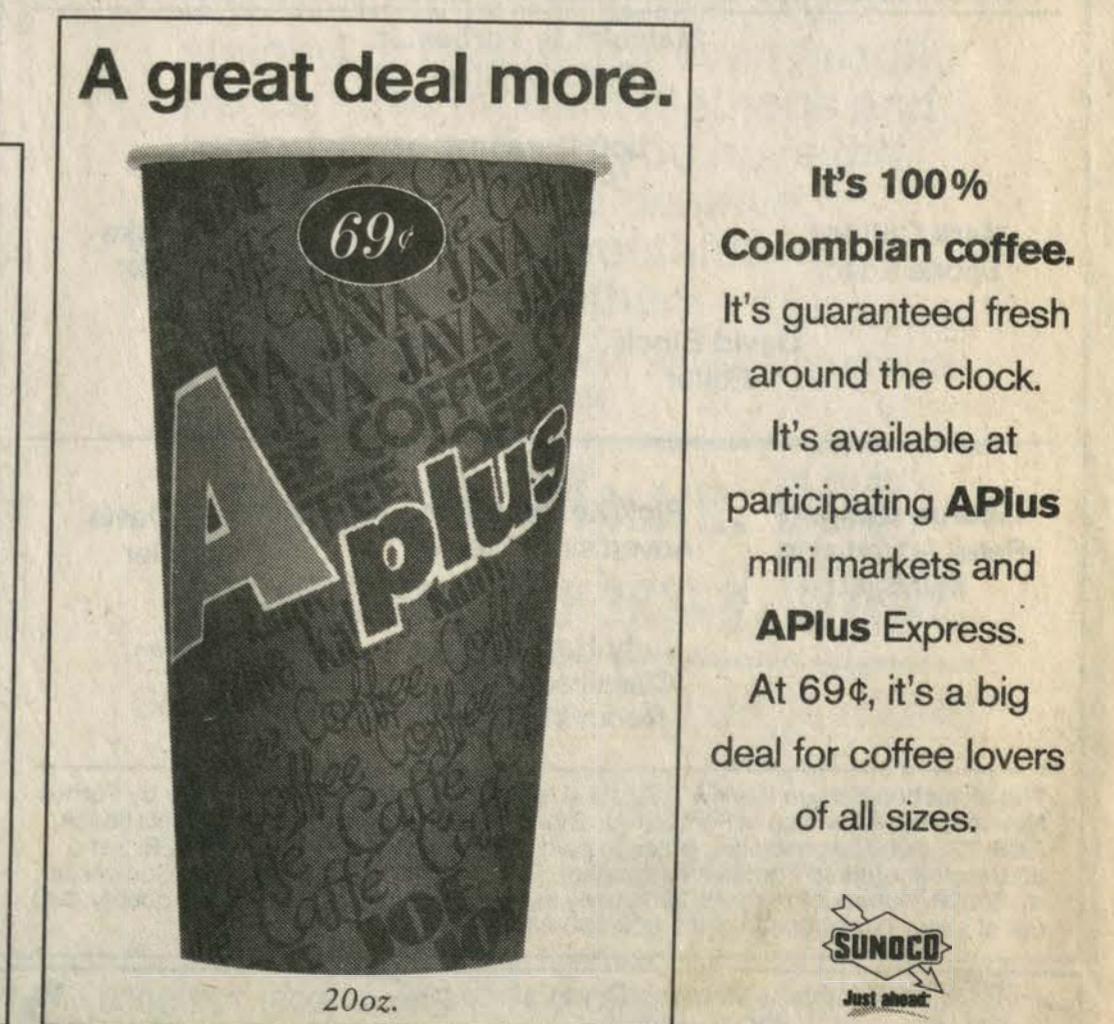
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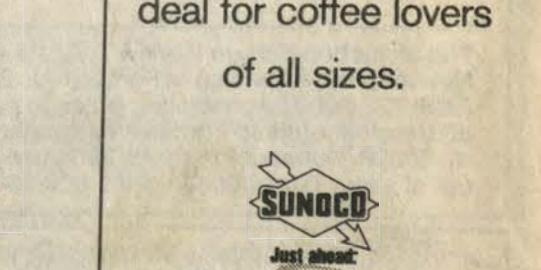


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Commentary

Religious strife

Navratri organizers must keep noise down this year

Entering its seventh year in Edison, the Navratri festival is set to begin at Raritan Center tonight. Unfortunately, while worshipers may have prepared themselves for prayer and song, organizers and township officials have battled over the conditions under which the festival will be run. And once again, the conflict between the Indo-American Cultural Society and Edison Township has been decided in a court battle. Although the township has not been without blame during the history of the ongoing controversy, festival organizers are the ones who need to demonstrate their good faith in the upcoming weeks and show consideration for residents.

Judge John C. Lifland recently ruled that the society's right to free speech would be violated if a curfew were imposed on its religious festival. In winning three court battles in about a year, including this recent preliminary injunction keeping the township from halting the festival, organizers seem to have lost their appetite for compromise. Not only will festivities not conclude at midnight as the township attempted to stipulate, they won't even end at last year's closing time of 2 a.m. The injunction won by organizers will keep the festival going until 4 a.m.

Indo-American Cultural Society officials maintain the tradition of Navratri, a religious event observed in honor of the Goddess Shakti, dictates worshipers stay up all night. While local organizers say the 2 a.m. ending last year left some at a loss, others in the Asian-Indian community believe the starting and ending times sought by the society are not necessary requirements of celebrating Navratri.

What's indisputable, however, is the festival has created a substantial noise problem in the past. Indo-American Cultural Society President Pradip Kothari has said he wants to be a good neighbor; now is his time to prove it. He must fulfill his promise to adhere to the township ordinance limiting decibel levels. That means testing for noise periodically at designated locations throughout Edison. Also, a system for establishing order has to be in place for when the volume gets out of hand.

Like the issue of courtesy vs. subscription busing for the school board, the Navratri festival has become an annual controversy in Edison. It's a shame that a time of religious excitement is the focus of such strife between township and worshipers. Organizers can help change that by keeping the noise down and working together with officials toward a more peaceful resolution for future years.

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Letters to the editor

Mayor is asked to act at meeting

To The Review:

The following was written as an open letter to Edison Mayor George Spadaro.

As members of the governing body, we urge your help in a bipartisan manner.

The Planning Board is considering 111 new homes in Bonhamtown and a 190-door trucking terminal off Mill Road.

You, by virtue of your office, command respect among fellow Planning Board members, whom you appoint.

Having no Republican representation on the Planning Board, we are appealing to you to look very hard at the impact these applications will have on Edison.

We have spoken to dozens of citizens from these two neighborhoods, and they feel these applications will be detrimental to the areas affected.

We realize that the Democratic Party has received substantial political donations from the applicants.

We are asking on behalf of the citizens that we were both elected to serve to rise above donations and protect our neighborhoods.

Your 1994 public attendance at a Zoning Board meeting influenced the denial of the MLS application on Amboy Avenue, and your press release against the PSE&G helicopter pad situated near a residential area are examples of the power you wield over these land-use boards.

One of the early initiatives of your administration

was the creation of neighborhood preservation committees. And these we supported.

The Bonhamtown committee was formed and has subsequently become one of the more active groups in Edison.

The Bonhamtown committee is vehemently opposed to the applications as they were submitted. Although they know they can't stop the construction of the 111 homes, they do know that concessions can be placed on the developer to some parts of the plans that will adversely affect their quality of life as they know it.

We ask that you join us at the Planning Board meeting. We realize that you customarily send Art Cifelli. However, matters of this magnitude deserve your personal attention, not the outside man.

We ask that you not only make a motion to deny the application for the 190-door trucking terminal, but also to see to it that the concerns of the Bonhamtown committee are met in reference to the 111 new homes. We expect you to also lobby the support of your appointed Planning Board members.

We know that if the mayor of Edison sincerely opposes the applications along with Councilman Billy Kruczak, the Planning Board will respect your wishes.

EILEEN TEFFENHART
RAYMOND KOPERWHATS
Members,
Edison Borough Council

Open space is not inexhaustible

To The Review:

I gladly congratulate Alexia Kazimer (letter, Oct. 4) for illuminating the importance of nature in our everyday lives and the lack of foresight the township is showing in considering the construction of 111 homes in the Bonhamtown Triangle section of Edison. It was great to see printed such an open and challenging letter concerning one of the most important issues with which Edison has been dealing — the preservation of natural land.

I agree that Mayor Spadaro has made real strides in preserving land, and I applaud his success. But because we have developed too much land already, especially over the past 15 years, development in Bonhamtown Triangle will mean we are only continuing a bad habit. Development here would destroy yet another natural tract that offers to anyone passing it, whether Bonhamtown residents or not, an opportunity to experience the beauty of nature and a serene environment. It also would demonstrate the continuing disrespect by many towns in our country for species other than ours, whether mammal, arboreal, etc.

I support the efforts of the Bonhamtown Awareness Network, and as an Edison resident who does not live in Bonhamtown I am glad to do so. Ms. Kazimer, you are not alone — I too understand the importance of trees!

The inescapable fact about developing open space is that open space is not an inexhaustible resource. So, townships should find ways to replace this funding source now while some open space still remains. If they do not do it now, they will inevitably have to face this reality later, but the invaluable resource of natural land would have been lost.

It is the responsibility of every town in our country to show foresight by realizing that natural land is not infinitely available. In doing so, we would have preserved for ourselves and our descendants the opportunity to experience the serenity and beauty of nature. Also, we would have shown that our generation recognized that the value of open space development was temporary, but the value of nature is eternal.

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PAUL MONTALBANO

Editor

DPW 'witch hunt' embarrassing

To The Review:

I would like to comment on the recent newspaper articles concerning Edison's Public Works Department.

Although there are some serious problems involving a few employees within the department, it is a shame that an entire work force is being maligned. As a lifelong resident of Edison, I have been a recipient of these services and can only commend these dedicated men for performing an excellent job even under the most adverse weather conditions. I have never had a problem with the work provided by this department such as garbage pickup, recycling, road work, etc. and consider these services among the best the township offers.

A few bad apples happen in all sectors of business both public and private. The problems should be handled expediently and in a professional manner. It

should not be used by any politician as a political tool to obtain votes or public support because it demeans every employee and their entire family. Additionally, it brings about low morale, resulting in poor work performance, which will eventually corrode the infrastructure of the whole department.

Those elected officials that have conducted the witch hunt must stop ruining the reputation of an entire work force and embarrassing our community. Allow the administration to do their job which is running departments and handling employee problems. These officials should not be allowed to use a "scatter gun" approach in dealing with employee problems just to get press! After all, these are people, not politics.

DAVID A. PAPI

Chairman

Edison Ethics Board

Candidate put up signs on lawn

To The Review:

Beatrice Moskowitz (article, Oct. 4) stated she has refused to put up political signs on her property. This is a total fabrication of the truth, as the property has been the location of a 4-foot-square sign touting local Democratic candidates, including Ms. Moskowitz when she ran three years ago.

Come on Ms. Moskowitz, tell the truth. Is this yet another lapse of memory on your campaign literature for your service on the Board of Education and the "rent a roof" affair and sale of Franklin School to a developer for high-density housing?

WILLIAM A. CUTHBERT

Metuchen

Letters to the editor

Appointed board is bad idea

To The Review:

The voters of Edison Township will be asked to vote on whether they want to return to an appointed board on Tuesday, Nov. 5.

The choice that has to be made is obvious.

Going back to an appointed board puts us at the mercy of the mayor for his appointments. The mayor's record of putting so-called experts on the township Planning Board speaks for itself.

What kind of experts would the mayor select for an appointed Board of Education? One can only shudder at the thought.

One must remember our country's birth was born out of the frustration and anger of residents being taxed without any direct representation. We fought that battle against England's King George and won. We can not afford to lose to Edison's King George.

The reasons people are promoting an appointed board are clear. They are promoting their own special interests in being involved with a \$100 million budget.

This is a story about money taking your money. The money they want to take out of your pocket like a thief in the night. They want to bypass the electorate and tax us into oblivion.

Another reason that people are pushing an appointed board is because it would allow the superintendent of schools to issue bonds and bypass the electorate. Under an appointed board, the public would not have the right to vote on the board's proposed \$38 million capital improvement referendum.

It is obvious here what is going on. They are trying to cut the citizenry out of the process.

Efforts to silence the public and quiet debate are already under way at the board meetings. Citizens are being told they cannot criticize the board's actions, elected officials or public officials.

It is very disheartening when you go to a meeting and see board President David Dickinson silence a young lady speaking out about what is happening in the school district. In my opinion, Mr. Dickinson's actions in concert with others is an obvious attempt to have a chilling effect on free speech.

On the other hand, I am very proud of Joe Both, Felton King and Gynne Kesselman on this board. They are great role models for the board. They are out there protecting the taxpayers. It's not surprising that some of these board members have voiced their opinion against moving to an appointed board.

You can see the difference between these board members and the rest of the board, who vote at the direction of the superintendent.

Those board members who would support an elected board are only looking out for themselves. Those members would not win if they sought re-election again.

Going back to an appointed board means returning to the days of smoke-filled-room dealing, when an appointed board sat and made decisions without regard to public consideration.

Do we want to return to the days when all the Board of Education deals were made at a Route 27 dealership? Do we want to have decisions made for us by board members and political bosses meeting at the local diners? What these politicos are serving won't taste good to the residents looking for an affordable, quality education for their students.

For those concerned about the quality of the board members currently sitting, they should voice their opinions at board meetings. Most importantly, all residents should stand up for the children and taxpayers of Edison during board elections in April and during this important election on Nov. 5.

You pay your taxes; you should at least have a say on that board.

As a citizen advocate for fighting corruption in this township, an elected board is the only way to go and end the tax-and-spend ways of the current board and the dictatorial regime of Superintendent Melindo Persi.

BURTON GIMELSTOED

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Letters to the editor

True business partnership needed

To The Review:

Last Saturday, along with about 30,000 other people including most of our fellow Metuchen residents, we spent a marvelous day enjoying our Country Fair. The day was beautiful in every respect. From the sun shining down on us from above to the smiles of the children shining up at us from below and the spirit of the participants shining all around us, the fair truly was a glorious event. Once again, the Country Fair offered our neighboring communities an opportunity to see the very best of Metuchen, including our most precious resource — our proud and civic-minded residents.

As successful and joyous an event as the Country Fair was, we could not help but be reminded, by the dozens of vacant storefronts, of how our beautiful downtown has deteriorated over the past few years. Many of the hundreds of residents with whom we had the opportunity to speak expressed their disappointment and concern over the recent loss of so many businesses on Main Street. Several former residents also expressed shock upon seeing just how much our downtown has changed in the past couple of years. For them, as well as for us, the many "Space for Rent" signs were a reminder that our local officials have not done nearly enough to develop our downtown.

While many factors have contributed to the recent loss of business, our municipal government can play a

key role in attracting and maintaining the types of business that complement the residential character of our community, not to mention reduce our property tax burden and increase the value of our homes. Unfortunately, the past several years of governmental inaction has contributed to the problem rather than produced a solution. If we are to revitalize our downtown, we must make real changes in the way in which we address our business community, not only by revising our land use ordinance, but also by modifying the process by which we regulate our existing and prospective downtown businesses. We also must alleviate the downtown parking problem by, among other things, expanding existing commuter parking and designating the portions nearest to Main Street for shoppers only. But most of all, we must work together with our property owners and their business tenants so that we can attract the types of businesses that can survive and thrive in our downtown.

Only by forming a true partnership with our business community can we ensure that in the years ahead our Country Fair will showcase a downtown that is prosperous 365 days of the year. We ask that on this Nov. 5 you give us the opportunity to help transform this dream into reality.

STEVEN K. WARNER
THOMAS FREY

Metuchen

The writers are Republican Party candidates for Metuchen Borough Council.

GOP passed 'anti-business' law

To The Review:

The Republican candidates for Metuchen Borough Council (letter, Oct. 4) blame the Democratic candidates for the microregulation in the land development ordinance. Were the Republican candidates better informed, they would realize that the microregulation is in borough Ordinance No. 93-23. This ordinance was written by the present Republican municipal chairman (then borough attorney) and adopted by the Republican mayor and Republican-controlled council in 1993. It has been enforced ever since by the Republican majority on the Planning Board.

The "anti-business" mentality and microregulation of this Republican-adopted ordinance has forced dozens of applicants to come before the Planning Board needlessly and at substantial cost. The public interest could have been protected at almost no cost to the applicant by requiring administrative review by the zoning officer with only a few applications needing Planning Board review.

Soon after taking office this year, Mayor Ed O'Brien, looking to improve the downtown area, met with

local business owners and business tenants to get their input. He has urged the Planning Board to recommend to the council ways to eliminate microregulation in the zoning ordinance. The Planning Board has responded with many concrete suggestions to reduce the burden the ordinance places on local business and it has made those suggestions to the council unanimously — Democrats working with the Republican majority on the Planning Board to improve Metuchen's business climate. These proposals have all been reviewed in public meetings of the Planning Board which the Republican candidates did not bother to attend.

Under the leadership of Mayor Ed O'Brien, council President Tom Vahalla and Councilwoman Beatrice Moskowitz we can look forward to the council repeal of Ordinance No. 93-23 and the adoption of reasonable change-of-use regulations which are business-friendly and at the same time protect the public interest.

JIM CONLON
Alternate Member,
Metuchen Planning Board

Politicians should stop backbiting

To The Review:

The Oct. 4 edition of *The Review* contained letters pertaining to a variety of non-issues (signs, lost stores, etc.).

During the "silly season" signs proliferate like dandelions throughout the town, on lawns, poles and sometimes even trees. By the second week, nobody even pays attention to them. I would remind the Republican candidates that during the last election, they won the battle of the signs but lost the war. The suggestion that the voluntary elimination of unsightly, unnecessary signs would be a violation of anyone's constitutional rights is unworthy of anyone with legal training.

It is ridiculous to blame either political party for the closing of stores in Metuchen. Mr. Lease failed to note that many of the vacancies occurred during the previous (Republican) administration — a couple were due to retirements which are to be expected in a town as old as ours — and he made no mention of several

new businesses recently opened and others in the works. As a major real estate holder himself, Mr. Lease should be well aware of complaints which I have heard personally that local rents are just too high and not competitive with other nearby communities. Mr. Lease also seems to have forgotten that, together with former Mayor Marshall, were major factors in discouraging attractive residential development of the EFCO site; I have never seen an applicant treated in such a hostile manner before any Metuchen board before or since! "Love Canal" has proved to be totally unfounded.

Perhaps if both parties worked together instead of backbiting and criticizing, we could again be the Brainy Boro. Change attitudes on the part of the Planning and zoning boards, become a development-friendly community once again and give some thought to the public good instead of political vendettas.

CLAUDE EISENSTEIN
Metuchen

Y fund-raising a 'wonderful' feat

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Administrator adventure drags board into court

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — The hiring and firing of the district's director of administrative services brought the Board of Education into court Wednesday morning.

Civic activist James Kukor, an unsuccessful candidate for the job, filed suit against the board claiming it improperly hired John Suarez for the director's position.

While Judge Robert Quackenboss dismissed Mr. Kukor's suit, he also refused to rule on a request by Mr. Suarez's attorney to prevent the board from firing his client.

Mr. Suarez's contract with the board is set to expire Nov. 12 after the board voted to terminate him on Sept. 12.

Board of Education attorney Gordon Golum said Judge Quackenboss did not hear the arguments for an injunction by Mr. Suarez's attorney, Robert Schwartz. Instead, Mr. Schwartz was told to file the legal paperwork establishing grounds for an injunction.

Board member Felton King said the board expected Mr. Suarez to try a legal maneuver.

"He has the right to go to court," he said. "But I think we made the right decision."

Legal concerns prompted the board to take a second vote rescinding Mr. Suarez's contract Sept. 26. The board had taken its first vote without receiving a recommendation on what action it should take in regard to Mr. Suarez's position. The second time it

voted, the board asked for Superintendent of Schools Melindo Persi to give a recommendation on whether Mr. Suarez's appointment should be rescinded.

For personnel issues, the Board of Education can only vote on its superintendent's recommendations. Legally, the board must have just cause in not approving a superintendent's recommendation regarding personnel.

Mr. Golum said the Board of Education has not been served with legal papers regarding the quest for an injunction. He added that Mr. Schwartz indicated he would be seeking to keep the board from removing his client from his position before Nov. 12.

"I think he's going to try and go to court," he said.

In that case, Mr. Golum said, the board might again argue that the plaintiff should exhaust administrative remedies before the state commissioner of education before going to court.

The board made that same argument in Mr. Kukor's case.

According to the legal papers filed on behalf of the board, "jurisdiction is granted to the Commissioner of Education to determine 'all controversies and disputes arising under the school laws.'

Judge Quackenboss told Mr. Kukor to apply for relief from the commissioner.

"That's fine and that's the avenue I will pursue," Mr. Kukor said. "I have already filed a complaint with them."

Mr. Golum also said the judge

ruled Mr. Kukor did not have the proper standing to seek injunctive relief from Mr. Suarez being hired and that the issue was moot because of the director's firing.

Despite the ruling, Mr. Kukor said he felt vindicated by the board's recent actions to terminate Mr. Suarez. The board should not have hired Mr. Suarez for the position because he failed to meet the basic requirements advertised for it, Mr. Kukor said.

As advertised, the position required: a bachelor's degree, with preference given to those with a master's degree in administration and/or supervision; three years' experience in public or private sector

administration or supervision preferred; and those certified or eligible for certification as school administrator, principal or supervisor preferred or as required by the state. Although Mr. Suarez has experience working at other school districts like Trenton, his application indicated he has not received a bachelor's degree.

Board Attorney Joseph Jankowski told the board during its Sept. 12 meeting it is not legally bound by the advertisement for the position. The board waived the bachelor's degree requirement for the job when it approved Mr. Suarez's hiring, he noted.

Superintendent's contract up in the air

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — For the third time in three months, the Board of Education was set to vote on Superintendent of Schools Melindo Persi's contract last night.

But Mr. Persi didn't think it would happen.

"That's not my understanding," Mr. Persi said. "I haven't been notified."

Mr. Persi said the board president and superintendent customarily set the agenda for the meeting. Mr. Persi refused comment on whether he must be given prior notice if the board decides to add the vote to the agenda.

"I doubt if that will occur," he said. "I have not been notified and it is not on the agenda."

The last few months have been rough for the superintendent. He overseen the district's switch from courtesy busing to subscription busing, which angered many parents. Two bond referendums and both school budgets proposed by Mr. Persi have gone down in defeat.

Most board members refused to comment on the impending vote, which would be cast on whether Mr. Persi's contract should be automatically be renewed for an additional three years.

Language in his contract stipulates that Mr.

Persi be given 18 months prior notice if his term is not being renewed under the same terms and conditions.

If the board fails to vote before Dec. 31, the superintendent's contract would automatically be renewed for the three additional years.

"It would not be prudent to do anything," board member Bruce Polkowitz said.

Mr. Polkowitz said he doesn't think the board should lock itself into an automatic extension. Voting against automatic renewal would not prevent the board from extending the superintendent's contract later on, he noted.

It was unclear, however, whether the board actually would vote on the issue yesterday.

The board has tried to vote on Mr. Persi's contract before. Twice before board members said they had lined up enough votes to tell Mr. Persi his contract would not automatically be renewed, but a public vote on the superintendent's status was never taken.

This time board members privately are saying they expect the vote to go through. Some are even speculating there would be enough votes to buy out Mr. Persi's contract. Several board members said the possibility of buying out his contract also was supposed to be on the table during last night's meeting.

Under his contract, Mr. Persi will earn \$130,000 from July 1, 1996 to June 30, 1997 and

\$135,000 from July 1997 to June 30, 1998.

The superintendent also is entitled to 23 vacation days annually, 10 of which can be carried over from one year to the next. He also is entitled to 12 sick days annually which can be accumulated. Upon his initial hiring, Mr. Persi was credited with an additional 60 sick days after leaving Elmwood Park with 101 unused, accumulated sick days. Three personal days are also granted each year, which can be converted to sick days if not taken.

All sick days Mr. Persi has accumulated will be reimbursed, according to the contract, at a rate of \$40 per day, not including the 60 days carried over from Elmwood Park.

However, board members were not predicting either vote would come off without a hitch.

Board member Felton King said he wasn't sure the board would take a vote on the superintendent's contract.

"When I think I have the board pinpointed, they change," he said. "It might change."

The vote would come on the heels of the board finally establishing goals for the superintendent and releasing a rosy — and controversial — evaluation of his performance.

During a retreat on Sept. 21, the board and Mr. Persi set up "mutual goal areas" to be converted into an action plan.

Council may create redevelopment authority

By VERA CARLEY

THE REVIEW

EDISON — Empty warehouses and abandoned buildings are the targets for a redevelopment authority being proposed in Edison.

The Township Council approved applying to the Local Finance Board to create the authority Wednesday night.

Township Councilman Peter Barnes said the authority would have broad-based powers, including condemning properties on which the township holds tax liens, working with prospective buyers to purchase and redevelop the land, and offering tax abatements.

"This mechanism creates an authority which can move more quickly, condemning property and find more uses for the property," Mr. Barnes explained after the meeting.

During the meeting, several residents voiced their objections to the proposed authority, saying it would create another level of bureaucracy in the township. They also questioned the scope of the agency's powers, who would appoint its members, and whether its institution would lead to the development

of Rivertown, a massive development proposed in the Raritan Arsenal.

Township Attorney Louis Rainone reassured residents the agency would not have anything to do with housing and would not interfere with the Edison Housing Authority.

"The only authority this redevelopment authority would be is to execute redevelopment plans," Mr. Rainone said. "It has nothing to do with the Housing Authority's powers at all. It has nothing to do with Rivertown."

The authority's only power would be to try and redevelop areas deemed in need of redevelopment by the Planning Board, the attorney reiterated several times during the discussion.

The mayor would appoint the members with the advice and consent of the Township Council. Agreeing with a suggestion by resident Joyce Ship that it reflect the community, Mr. Barnes said the authority should be similar to New Brunswick's in that it would include residents.

Mr. Barnes said there are only two properties currently proposed for redevelopment in a plan ap-

proved by the Township Council in June — the John Hancock Building and the brick church, both on Route 27. Taxes on the properties, both owned by Jean Salsbury, have been delinquent for several years.

The township has already condemned the properties, both of which the redevelopment authority would seek to get back on the tax rolls by attracting new businesses to the locations.

Councilman Eileen Teffenhart asked Mr. Rainone why the authority is needed to do this type of work. She noted the council voted last year to give developer Ike Heller a tax abatement after it asked the Planning Board to determine whether property located in Raritan Center was blighted. The property, located in the shadow of the Edison landfill, was deemed blighted by the board, allowing the Republican-controlled council to offer Mr. Heller a tax abatement to develop it.

At the same time the council was considering blighting the property for Mr. Heller, Ms. Teffenhart said the administration proposed several other locations to receive tax abatements. However, she said, the council told the administration it

would not rush to do so without evaluating them on a case by case basis.

Fellow Republican Ray Koperwhats also asked if there were any other ways the township could redevelop the properties without establishing another authority.

"This is just another bureaucracy," he said. "I think it's wrong for Edison. I think it's wrong for the people of Edison."

Councilman Billy Kruczak noted the resolution only allows the township to submit an application to the state.

In a 4-2 vote, with Mr. Koperwhats and Ms. Teffenhart objecting, the council approved creating the authority. In conjunction with that vote, the council voted on whether to hire PMK environmental engineers to work for the authority. A 3-3 vote led to the measure being tabled.

After the meeting, Mr. Rainone said he felt the township had a better chance of success by having an environmental engineer on board for the authority.

However, Mr. Barnes said he doesn't believe it is necessary now.

"I don't think there is any need to designate an engineer," Mr. Barnes said. "I do not think it's a requirement for the package."

Mental health support group forming

METUCHEN — An educational and support group is being formed for families with someone who suffers from mental illness.

The support group will meet 6:30-8 p.m. every other Friday at the Family Institute of New Jersey, 312 Amboy Ave., beginning Oct. 18. Nadine Bennett will

lead the support group.

The purpose of the support group is to educate families about mental illness; increase their knowledge about available community resources; and provide families with new, healthier, more productive methods of coping.

For more information or registration, call 548-0444.

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of the value of your estate. This means that your family may have to sell some assets just to pay the estate taxes!

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Community Life

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The Borough Improvement League clubhouse — the Old Franklin School House — is located at 491 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen.

Held the second Wednesday of the month, Round Robin Bridge will take place again Nov. 13.

For reservations and additional information, call Lenoir Stewart at 548-9474.

JCC Senior Adult Club

The Senior Adult Club of the Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County is located at 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison. The next meeting is a noon luncheon on Thursday. Cost is \$1.75 for members and \$3 for guests.

The Senior Club Board meets noon Thursday, Oct. 24.

The following programs are planned:

- Oct. 15, 22: "More Adventures in Opera" presented by Phyllis Josell 10 a.m.-noon. Cost is \$4 for members, \$8 for non-members. Individual classes may be attended for \$2 for members, \$3 for non-members.
- Oct. 27: Afternoon trip to Boheme Opera in West Trenton to hear Carmen. Advance registration required. Bus leaves 12:30 p.m.
- Oct. 28: Atlantic City's Showboat Casino. Cost is \$13. Bus leaves 8:45 a.m.

Call Claire Fishkin, coordinator of Senior Adult Services, at 494-3232 for information on senior programs.

Edison AARP

The Edison Chapter of AARP No. 3446 meets at the Victorian Manor, 2863 Woodbridge Ave. The next meeting will be 1 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21. Betty Bergman, director of the Center for Behavioral Medicine in South Amboy, will speak on "Humor and Health." Members are asked to bring in canned or packaged food items or toiletries for the county food bank.

The Knitting and Crocheting Club will meet 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 18 at Stelton Community Center. Call Kay McCormick at 548-1976 for more information.

Dede Jinoch is accepting reservations and payment for the Christmas Dinner Dance set for Dec. 16 at Victorian Manor. There will be a full-course dinner with music and dancing to follow. This will replace the regular meeting and tickets must be purchased in advance. Membership renewal will be accepted at the meeting; national AARP membership is required.

Vice President Helen Rader is planning the following trips:

- Oct. 14-21: Las Vegas (Monday-Friday) and a cruise to Mexico (Friday-Monday).
- Nov. 6: Sight and Sound, a new Christmas show, and dinner at Good and Plenty.
- Nov. 16: Keswick Theater, Pa. Can Can.

Buses leave from the Annex of our Lady of Peace in Fords. For more information, call Ms. Rader at 738-7441.

Metuchen AARP

Metuchen AARP Chapter No. 3208 meets monthly at Reformed Church of Metuchen, 150 Lake Avenue.

The Tour Committee has prepared the following trips:

- Dec. 13: Bus trip to Christmas at Radio City Music Hall. Cost is \$55 per person, including transportation, admission, late lunch at The Hometown Buffet in Edison, taxes, gratuities and service charges. Bus will depart from Reformed Church of Metuchen, 150 Lake Ave. at 9 a.m. For tickets, mail a check (payable to Metuchen Chapter 3208, AARP) plus a note with your name, address and phone number to Elliott Mayo, 31 Rayle Court, Metuchen, 08840. For details, call 548-2989.
- Feb. 14: Bus trip to see comedy Wally's Cafe at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. Cost is \$39.50 per person, including transportation and meal. Menu is fried shrimp and scallops, Yankee pot roast, catch of the day, stuffed breast of chicken. Bus will leave Reformed Church 10:15 a.m. and return about 4:30 p.m. For tickets, mail a check (payable to Metuchen Chapter 3208, AARP) plus a note with your name, address, phone number and luncheon choice to Felonese Kelley, 36 Home Street, Metuchen, 08840. For details, call 548-2362.

Senior Citizen Commission

The Metuchen Senior Center, 15 Center Street, offers trips and activities for anyone 60 years old and older.

Bingo takes place every Monday and Thursday from 10 a.m.-noon.

Recreational contract bridge is offered at the center 1 p.m. every Wednesday. Players of all levels welcome.

Ceramics instruction is offered every Monday 10 a.m.

Senior exercise is held 10-11 a.m. every Tuesday and Thursday.

For more information or reservations for trips, call Alice Fleming at 632-8524.

Edison Senior Services

The Edison Township Division of Senior Citizen Services, 2963 Woodbridge Ave., offers programs, seminars and activities related to issues of concern to township seniors.

For more information, call Tracy Gray 9 a.m.-5 p.m. weekdays at 248-7345.

Neve Shalom Senior Citizens Club

Horainu is Temple Neve Shalom's social club for senior citizens. For more information, call Zelda Sandler at 549-7418.

Campus notes

Two Edison students were named to the dean's list for the summer 1996 semester at Pennsylvania State University in State College, Pa. They are Michael J. Sautner of Sunrise Drive and Catherine Liu of Janina Avenue.

YMCA honors volunteer couple

METUCHEN — The Metuchen-Edison YMCA is a nonprofit organization that relies on the volunteer efforts of many people. When an opportunity arises to recognize these volunteers, it does so eagerly with much appreciation, the Y noted in a press release.

Two such volunteers are Joseph Zampetti Sr. and Eleanor Zampetti, recently acknowledged for their many efforts by the naming of the new preschool playground in memory of their son, Ronald, who died in 1995.

The Zampettis' work for the Y and the life of their son were celebrated in a dedication ceremony. The elder Mr. Zampetti spoke of

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— William Lovett
Executive director

about his family and how his volunteer work at the Y became even more important following the son's death. Walking by the plaque that has the inscription for his son "will bring him a little closer to Ron and his memory," according to a YMCA press release.

Mr. Zampetti is responsible for the improved appearance outside the Y building. He does all the landscaping and exterior maintenance, including the upkeep of the playground.

Mrs. Zampetti works full-time at the Y, and is an active volunteer as

well. While her efforts are not as immediately noticeable as those of her husband, they are no less important. She works on the Y's International Committee, helps to plan the formal dinner-dance and works with Mr. Zampetti on the Christmas tree sale.

Since their children were active in the Y's swimming team and Indian Guides, the Zampettis were involved in both as officials and officers.

The decision to name the playground after Ronald Zampetti in honor of his parents was easily made, the press release stated.

"Joe and Ellie Zampetti represent everything that is good about the YMCA," Executive Director William Lovett said. "The desire to help others, to build strong families and to give of one's self for naught but the joy of giving are the qualities the Zampettis share with our YMCA. We are lucky to have them in the YMCA family."

"Naming the playground for them is but a small way to thank them for all of their volunteer work on behalf of the Y," Mr. Lovett said.

The new playground and landscaping are part of the first phase of a planned renovation at the Y.



Present for the preschool playground dedication ceremony are Cheryl Hoffman Zampetti, Eleanor Zampetti, Joseph Zampetti Jr., Joseph Zampetti Sr. and Rhonda Zampetti. Not pictured is Renee Zampetti Halliday.

Construction the fall will provide a ground-floor entrance for handicapped people, a second pool for rehabilitation and infants, and more space for aerobics and preschool programming. The construction is expected to take about a year.



AUGUSTO F. MENEZES/THE REVIEW

Fairly exciting ride

Edison residents Nicole, 11, and Melody Mendez, 2, enjoy a ride at the Metuchen Country Fair.

Edison offers karate class

EDISON — Classes in Shorinjiryu karate are now being offered through the Recreation Department.

They are open to all township residents 5 and older. Classes are held Monday and Thursday evenings at the Stelton Community Center, 328 Plainfield Ave., and the Minnie B. Veal Community Center, 1070 Grove Ave. Registration for new students began last week at each location.

Shorinjiryu karate is suitable for

women, men, girls and boys of all ages. Each class is taught through black-belt levels with promotion tests at regular intervals. The Japanese-trained instructors hold black belts.

An application fee of \$15 and a non-refundable registration fee of \$5 will be charged. Children ages 5-8 must have a parent participate with them. A gi (karate uniform) is required.

For more information, registration and fees, call 248-7310 day or 248-7314 night.

Halloween events scheduled

METUCHEN — Halloween events have been scheduled by the Recreation Commission.

Children 5-12 years are welcome to carve pumpkins into jack-o'-lanterns 3-5 p.m. Wednesday at the senior citizens center, 12 Center St. Pumpkins, tools, instruction and supervision will be provided. All jack-o'-lanterns will be launched 7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 20 into Tommy's Pond on Lake Avenue.

For the brave at heart, the Halloween Haunted Trail will open 7 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19 in the Edgar Woods behind Edgar School. Witches' brew and other devilish delights will be on sale.

Pupils in kindergarten-fourth grade are invited to a Halloween poster-painting contest 3:15-4:15 p.m. Monday, Oct. 21 at Moss School. Children must provide their own smocks, paint brushes and pencils. Refreshments will be served.

For more information or registration, call 632-8502.



Victorian girl

Nicole Daniele of Edison poses as a Victorian "American Girl" at the Edison Tower Museum. The Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield is sponsoring a fashion show of costumes from the collection Saturday-Sunday, Nov. 9-10 at Union Catholic High School. For ticket information, call 709-1177.

THIS WEEK

FRIDAY OCT. 11

DAR MEETING — Matachhon Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, business meeting plus Frank LaPenta on "River Watch." Guests welcome. Metuchen Public Library, 480 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen, 1 p.m. Call 548-2609.

BLOOD DRIVE — in upstairs hall at VFW post, 1970 Woodbridge Ave., Edison, 6-10 p.m. Call 985-9631.

SATURDAY OCT. 12

CAR WASH — sponsored by Project Graduation behind Metuchen High School, 400 Grove Ave., Metuchen, 9 a.m.-noon. Call 549-6064.

FLEA MARKET — and baseball card show, sponsored by Encore Ensemble Dance Company. Kaye-Lynn Dance Studio, 1969 Oak Tree Road, Edison, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 548-8452.

BLOOD DRIVE — sponsored by Clara Barton Post 324 of American Legion, Brower Avenue, Edison, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Call 225-9824.

CAR WASH — sponsored by choir of John P. Stevens High School, 855 Grove Ave., Edison, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Vans \$7, cars \$5. Call 549-5543.

SUNDAY OCT. 13

NEVER FORGET — bus trip sponsored by Middlesex County College to Holocaust Museum in Washington, D.C. Cost \$30. Bus leaves from Parking Lot 2 at college, Mill Road, Edison, 7:30 a.m. Reservations: Call 906-2503.

ECO-TOUR — of Raritan River and Kin-Buc landfill (both Edison). Tour begins 9 a.m. from boat basin on Meadow Road, Edison. Call 906-0529 or 756-5197.

FALL RUMMAGE SALE — at Temple Emanu-El, 100 James St., Edison, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. Call 549-4442.

COMMUNION BREAKFAST — sponsored by Altar Rosary Society of Guardian Angels Church. Adults \$10, children under 12 \$4. Guardian Angels hall, Market Street, Edison, 10:15 a.m. Tickets: Call 548-3323, 548-8454 or 549-6198.

SUNDAY SCHOOL SPEAKER — Charles Ryerson, professor of history of world religions at Princeton Theological Seminary. First Presbyterian Church, 270 Woodbridge Ave., Metuchen, 10:45 a.m. Call 549-5101.

CASINO TRIP — sponsored by Metuchen Metro Lions Club to Taj Mahal casino (Atlantic City). Cost \$25; receive \$16 in coin plus \$5 coupon for buffet or \$3 for dinner. Bus leaves from Pearl Street lot, Metuchen, 11 a.m. Reservations: Call 548-5900.

ECO-TOUR — of Piscatawaytown and Silver Lake (both Edison). Tour begins 4 p.m. from commons behind St. James Church, 2136 Woodbridge Ave., Edison. Call 906-0529 or 756-5197.

MONDAY

OCT. 14

MEAL PLANNING — and basics in dealing with diabetes, for those who suffer from the disease. JFK Medical Center, 65 James St., Edison, 7 p.m. Registration: Call 321-7089.

BUILDING SELF-ESTEEM — in children and adolescents, lecture by David Anderson of Providence Clinic (Princeton). Cost \$7. St. James Episcopal Church, 2136 Woodbridge Ave., Edison, 7:30 p.m. Registration: Call (800) 899-1994.

TUESDAY

OCT. 15

PANIC RELIEF — weekly support group for those who suffer from panic and anxiety attacks. Cost \$15. Edison, 10 a.m. Directions: Call 937-4832.

UNEARTH THE PAST — Metuchen-Edison Genealogy Club meeting and program on research

COMING EVENTS

FLU SHOT CLINIC — for adults 18 and older. Free to Medicare Part B recipients, \$10 for others; may not be available for HMO clients. ShopRite, Oak Tree Center, 1665 Oak Tree Road, Edison, 10 a.m.-noon Oct. 19 plus 5-7 p.m. Nov. 8. Call (800) 280-0862.

HAUNTED TRAIL — pre-Halloween activity with witches' brew and other devilish delights on sale. Edgar Woods behind Edgar School, Brunswick Avenue, Metuchen, 7 p.m. Oct. 19. Call 632-8502.

INTERNET BREAKFAST — "Everything You Always Wanted to Know About the Internet But Were Afraid to Ask." High school seniors and college students welcome. Congregation Beth-El, 91 Jefferson Blvd., Edison, 9:30 a.m. Oct. 20. Call 985-7272.

ECO-TOUR — of open space in North Edison. Tour begins from Minnie B. Veal Community Center, 1070 Grove Ave., Edison, 10:30 a.m. Oct. 20. Call 906-0529 or 756-5197.

ROAST BEEF DINNER — sponsored by VFW Post 3117 (Edison) and auxiliary. Adults \$6, children under 10 \$3; takeout orders available. Upstairs hall of VFW post, 1970 Woodbridge Ave., Edison, 3-6 p.m. Oct. 20. Call 985-9631.

RHINESTONE RODEO — and date night for girls 4-14 with their fathers. Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County, 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison, 4:30 p.m. Oct. 20. Tickets: Call 494-3232.

JACK-O'-LANTERNS — launched into Tommy's Pond, Lake Avenue, Metuchen, 7 p.m. Oct. 20. Call 632-8502.

HALLOWEEN POSTERS — poster-painting contest for children in kindergarten through fourth grade. Bring smocks, paintbrushes and pencils. Moss School, Simpson Place, Metuchen, 3:15 p.m. Oct. 21. Registration: Call 632-8502.

GEORGE AND FRIENDS — magic and ventriloquism with George Terebush for Edison children in preschool through sixth grade. Preschoolers must be accompanied by parent or caregiver. Edison Free Public Library, 340 Plainfield Ave., Edison, 7 p.m. Oct. 23. Registration: Call 287-2298 or TDD 777-7813.

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CHINESE AUCTION — sponsored by auxiliary of Metuchen First Aid Squad, Route 27 and Safety Place, Metuchen, 6:30 p.m. Oct. 23. Cost \$3.50. Call 548-0268.

BASICS OF ESTATE PLANNING — workshop on living wills, power of attorney and related matters. Edison Free Public Library, 340 Plainfield Ave., Edison, 7 p.m. Oct. 23. Registration: Call 287-2298 or TDD 777-7813.

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Orry Shackney, 52

Metuchen library board president

METUCHEN — Orry Y. Shackney, 52, who served as president of the Metuchen Public Library board of trustees from 1993 until his resignation seven months ago, died Oct. 9, 1996 at his home.

He had been on the library's board since 1989 and was its treasurer from 1990-92. Mr. Shackney had been managing director of Shackney & Associates Inc. of Metuchen since 1986 and also president of the Colloquium of Consultants on Strategy.

He formerly was a manager with Johnson & Johnson, in New Brunswick; the operations manager of the American Tack and Hardware Co., in Monsey, N.Y.; a principal of CRESAP, in Manhattan; and president of M. Grumbacher Inc., also in Manhattan.

Mr. Shackney was born in Detroit, Mich., and had lived in Metuchen since 1981. He earned a bachelor's degree in industrial en-

gineering from the Pratt Institute in 1967 and a master of business administration degree from Fairleigh Dickinson University in 1976.

An instructor of courses in management at Rutgers University and Rockland Community College, Mr. Shackney was selected for Who's Who in U.S. Executives in 1989.

Surviving are his wife, Grace; two sons, David B. of Bayville, N.Y., and Gabriel N. of Metuchen; and a brother, Dr. Stanley E. of Pittsburgh, Pa.

Services were held yesterday at the Costello-Ryun Funeral Home. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery. Shiva will be observed through Wednesday at the Shackney residence.

Memorial contributions may be made to the United Jewish Appeal, 230 Old Bridge Turnpike, South River, N.J. 08822, or the Metuchen Public Library, 480 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen, N.J. 08840.

Stanley Blekwick, 76

Machine operator; a Marine in WWII

EDISON — Stanley A. Blekwick, 76, died Oct. 7, 1996 at his home. He joined Nixon Nitrate Co. in 1950; it later was acquired by Teneco Corp., and he was a machine operator at its Edison plant until his retirement in 1978.

He was born in Perth Amboy and lived in Woodbridge before moving to Edison in 1955.

Mr. Blekwick served in the Marine Corps during World War II and was a member of Veterans of

Foreign Wars Post 3117 on Woodbridge Avenue. He was a parishioner of Guardian Angels Roman Catholic Church.

Surviving are his wife, Leona; a son, a grandson, Stanley A. of Edison; and a sister, Sophie Hryck of Cinnaminson.

A funeral Mass was celebrated yesterday at Guardian Angels Church, following services at Boylan Funeral Home. Burial was in Clover Leaf Memorial Park, Woodbridge.

Sidney Kaplan, 66

Owner of a sewing machine company

METUCHEN — Sidney Kaplan, 66, died Oct. 2, 1996 at St. Vincent's Hospital in Manhattan. He had owned S. Kaplan Sewing Machine Co. of New York City.

Mr. Kaplan was born in Brooklyn and had lived in Metuchen since 1969. He served in the Army.

Surviving are his wife, Harriet; three sons, Steven of Mountainside, Stuart of New York City and

Richard of Beverly Hills, Calif.; four grandchildren; and a sister, Sylvia Gelbert in Florida.

Funeral services were held Friday at Congregation Neve Shalom, of which Mr. Kaplan was a member. Burial was in Mount Hebron Cemetery, Flushing, N.Y.

Arrangements were by Goldstein Funeral Chapel in Edison.

Neve Shalom plans book fair

METUCHEN — Neve Shalom, a Jewish congregation on Amboy Avenue, will hold a Jewish book fair Wednesday, Oct. 30-Thursday, Nov. 7.

Jewish books for adults and children will be available. The public is invited to attend while nursery school and Hebrew school are in session. For exact times, call 548-2238, Ext. 0.

Edison board's bond referendum figures aren't adding up

By VERA CARLEY
THE REVIEW

EDISON — A million-dollar typo in the proposed bond referendum is raising some eyebrows.

Business Administrator Dan Michaud said the district's architectural firm discovered the error in the district's proposed \$38.3 million capital improvement referendum when reviewing the \$1.2 million cost to repave the J.P. Stevens parking lot.

"I think it was just an extra zero was added," Mr. Michaud said.

That extra zero changes \$1.2 million worth of parking lot repairs that drew criticism during the debate on the referendum into a \$120,000 question.

"I don't believe it was a typo," Ethics Board member Burton Gimelstob said. "This is a sham."

Mr. Gimelstob said he was informed of the error on Tuesday when he called the school district for more information on the parking lot cost. Originally, he had raised concerns about the lot after questions about it from board members Gwynne Kesselman and Philip Labasi during a special Board of Education meeting Sept. 17.

Disturbed by the proposed cost of repairs, Mr. Gimelstob said he called the district to find out what bidders were contacted for estimates. Instead, he was informed of the mistake found by the district's architect firm Faridy, Thorne & Fraytak. Now, he said, he questions the integrity of the other numbers being used in the referendum.

"I wonder how many additional typographical errors we will find," he said.

Facility Advisory Committee (FAC) Co-chairmen John Locker and Dennis Pipala, who led the group of volunteer citizens who proposed the referendum, disagreed with that assessment.

Both said they were unaware of the error, but said they believe the numbers in their are reliable.

"All the estimates are good, reasonable estimates," Mr. Pipala said. "As best we can determine, I be-

lieve they are fairly accurate."

The FAC was relying on 1994 figures used by the architectural firm in its feasibility report for the board, which detailed \$32 million worth of proposed repairs for the district, and numbers generated by the 1995 FAC. A member of the first FAC, Mr. Pipala said that committee adjusted its numbers for inflation. It also scrutinized the accuracy of the numbers, and did find discrepancies, he said, which were taken into account this time.

Those numbers were also adjusted to include the cost of inflation since 1994, and possible increases over the next five years, he said.

Mr. Pipala suggested Mr. Gimelstob refer questions about the estimates to 1995 FAC member James Kukor, whom he called knowledgeable in this area.

Last year, Mr. Kukor sat on the original FAC and pointed out numbers in the architect's report which were now too low because of construction costs.

Although he is not finished analyzing the referendum proposal, Mr. Kukor said he does have a similar concern this year. He said proposed tennis court improvements at J.P. Stevens are listed in the referendum as costing \$16,000. That, he noted, conflicts with the \$122,849 price tag put on the project this summer by the Board of Education.

It is likely the conditions of the courts since the initial report in 1994 have gotten worse and required the additional repairs sought this summer, Mr. Kukor said, adding he could not comment on the projected cost of the parking lot at J.P. Stevens. He said that work was taken out of the initial FAC report and therefore never scrutinized.

"No one says we would spend a \$1 million to do a \$200,000 project," Mr. Locker said. "Someone has to put it in perspective. It's absurd for people not to think logically about the issue."

The two FAC members said putting things into perspective means taking into consideration that:

• Prices may increase during the

Obituaries

Bernard D. Lipman, 64

Accountant and author

EDISON — Bernard D. Lipman, 64, a certified public accountant, published author and lay member of the Middlesex County Bar Association's ethics committee, died Oct. 3, 1996 at his home.

He had maintained his accounting practice in Perth Amboy for 35 years prior to his retirement. Mr. Lipman wrote articles and gave speeches on corporate financial management, financial reporting and taxation. He earned two undergraduate degrees from Rutgers University, the first in 1953 and the second in 1955.

He also was a director of Middlesex County College Foundation; Theatre Six, in Metuchen; Precision Polymers Co.; and Center for Laboratory Medicine Inc. He was a member of New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of Certified

Public Accountants.

A native of Perth Amboy, Mr. Lipman served in the Army from 1956-58 and had lived in Edison since 1964. He served as chairman of the Perth Amboy Economic Development Corp.

Surviving are his wife, Sylvia; a son, Philip A. of Somerville, Mass.; a daughter, Nancy E. of Cambridge, Mass.; and a brother, Herbert of Metuchen.

Funeral services were held Sunday at Temple Sholom in Plainfield. Burial was in Mount Lebanon Cemetery, Iselin.

Arrangements were by Flynn & Son Funeral Home in Fords. Memorial contributions may be made to Fox Chase Center, 7711 Burholme, Philadelphia, Pa. 19111; Haven Hospice, at JFK Medical Center, or a liberal charity of your choice.

Robert J. Papp, 59

Truck driver; served in Korean War

EDISON — Robert J. Papp, 59, died Oct. 5, 1996 at his home. A lifelong Edison resident, he drove trucks for Arbor Trucking Co. of New Brunswick and the Continental Baking Co. at its former East Brunswick bakery.

Mr. Papp was a member of International Brotherhood of Teamsters Locals 194 and 701 in North Brunswick. He served in the Army during the Korean War and was a member of Father and Son Post 435, American Legion.

He was a parishioner of St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church.

Surviving are his wife, Mary C.; two daughters, Mary Lou of Edison and Anne Marie Strongi of Mercerville; and two brothers, Frank of Westerlo, N.Y., and Thomas of Geringer, S.C.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday at St. Matthew's Church, following services at Boylan Funeral Home. Burial was in Lake Nelson Memorial Park, Piscataway.

Elizabeth Saltarella, 87

Homemaker; formerly of township

EDISON — Elizabeth A. Saltarella, 87, died Oct. 2, 1996 at Crestfield Rehabilitation Center in Manchester, Conn. She was a homemaker.

Mrs. Saltarella was born in Wilkes-Barre, Pa. She lived in Edison; Hagerstown, Md.; and since 1974 in Manchester, Conn.

Her husband, Pasquale, died in 1984.

Surviving are a son, Michael of

Manchester, Conn.; two daughters, Patricia Hanrath of East Hartford, Conn., and Joan Drusby of East Brunswick; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; and a brother, Patrick Morbit of Palm Beach, Fla.

Services were held Saturday at Gleason Funeral Home in Somerset. Entombment was in St. Peter's Mausoleum, New Brunswick.

William A. Jarema, 74

A lifelong resident of the township

EDISON — Private services were held for William A. Jarema, 74, who died Oct. 6, 1996 at Genesis Eldercare-The Woodlands nursing home in Plainfield. He was born in Plainfield and lived in Edison all his life.

His parents, William and Anna,

are deceased. A brother, John, died in January.

Mr. Jarema is survived by a sister, Julie Linczyk of Edison; and several nieces and nephews.

Arrangements were by James W. Conroy Funeral Home in South Plainfield.

John Oniskevich, 80

Worked at Ford plant; fought in WWII

EDISON — John Oniskevich, 80, died Oct. 4, 1996 at his home. He worked in the body shop of the Ford Motor Co. vehicle assembly plant on Route 1 from 1947 until his retirement in 1974.

He was born in Plains, Pa., and had lived in Edison since 1943.

Mr. Oniskevich was a life member of Fraternal Order of Eagles Aerie 1329 in New Brunswick. He was a parishioner of St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church and a member of Father and Son Post 435, American Legion.

Alfonso Saglico, 84

Former member of police reserve

Alfonso Saglico, 84, died Sept. 20, 1996 in West Palm Beach, Fla.

Born in Dunmore, Pa., he lived in Edison for 30 years before moving to West Palm Beach nine years ago.

Mr. Saglico was an engineer with the Pennsylvania Railroad for 35 years before his retirement in 1978.

He was active with the Edison Police Reserve for 30 years, retiring as a captain. He served as president of the reserve for two terms.

Mr. Saglico was well known at St. Helena's Church as a school crossing guard and a bingo guard.

Juanito Parungo, 65

CPA with Kmart; Philippine native

Surviving are his wife, Jennie; a daughter, Mary Jane Addone; two sisters, Josephine Tomillo and Jane Howe; two brothers, Salvatore Salico and Charles Salico; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Dorsey Funeral Home in West Palm Beach, Fla.

A funeral Mass will be offered 9:30 a.m. Monday at St. Helena's Church, 950 Grove Ave., Edison.

Cremation was private. Interment will be at the family plot in Dunmore, Pa.

Robert W. Sandbeck, 71

Parish consultant; in WWII air corps

METUCHEN — Robert W. Sandbeck, 71, died Oct. 6, 1996 at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center. He had been a parish consultant for J.S. Paluch Co. of Schiller Park, Ill.

Mr. Sandbeck was born in Perth Amboy and had lived in Metuchen since 1953. He served in the Army Air Corps during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Verna; two sons, Robert A. and Paul C., both of Metuchen; two daughters, Linda Palmisano of Cranford and Lori of Edison; and four grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday at Costello-Ryun Funeral Home. Burial was in Alpine Cemetery, Perth Amboy.

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How to Recognize a Quality Funeral Home

One of the most difficult times in a person's life is making last minute decisions about a loved one's funeral. Many people have had the experience of walking through that fog of grief and unreality, while having to make some very important, irreversible choices.

In a society that is used to shopping for an item and becoming knowledgeable before we buy, a funeral is one shopping trip for which we are least prepared. Therefore, we have to put our trust in the person doing the counseling, the director of a funeral home.

Here are some valuable things you should know when faced with that need. Now you can be as informed about buying a funeral as buying any other product or service.

A quality funeral home:

- takes the time to answer all your questions completely.
- encourages you to check with others who have used their services.
- seeks to make your loved one's funeral a personal experience,

Developer comes to the rescue of Edison Angels with \$5,000

By VERA CARLEY
THE REVIEW

EDISON — Although it may not have been divine intervention, the Edison Angels had their spirits lifted by a local developer's generosity.

Ike Heller, president and founder of Edison-based I. Heller Construction Co., donated \$5,000 to the girls softball league for a computer system, which will allow the girls to surf the Internet, contact colleges and apply for scholarships.

"I am very partial to girls. I have four daughters and five granddaughters," Mr. Heller said, speaking at a press conference Tuesday. "I am proud of all you girls."

Former Angels President John Regan expressed his gratitude to Mr. Heller. Current Angels President Richard Sweeney said going on-line will help athletically and academically gifted Angels apply for scholarships and attract college recruiters.

Guided by Angels Creative Development Manager Frank Shallis and Rutgers Women's Athletic Director Rita Thomas, the league is developing a program to attract college recruiters. The program will allow the Angels to fax vital in-

formation about their scholastic career, including SAT scores, along with their photographs and batting averages.

"God willing, every kid in the league will get a scholarship," he said.

Angels player Laine Geis, a junior, said she hopes it will help her efforts to find a good college and win a scholarship.

"I don't think I'll have a hard time getting in, but I think I'll have a hard time getting a scholarship," she said. "I'll guess I'll find out."

Laine said she thinks the "great" computer system will be very helpful. She also said she was surprised at Mr. Heller's generosity.

"I didn't know we were so widely known throughout the community," Laine said.

Councilwoman Eileen Teffenhart said previously Angels had difficulty attracting recruiters.

Ms. Teffenhart's 18-year-old daughter Jennifer played softball with the Edison Angels until she

was 16. Then she joined an outside league that promoted its players to college recruiters and won a scholarship.

"Although I was criticized for actually being forced to do the same thing by going to an outside league with my daughter, I took the opportunity to find out why and what they had that our league was missing," Ms. Teffenhart said.

Councilman Raymond Koperwhats cited Mr. Heller's work in getting the program off the ground, and said the community is happy to have him working in Edison.

This isn't the first time Mr. Heller has come to the aid of the Edison Angels. For the past several years he has paid for air transportation to send two Angels teams out West to the national championships.

Ms. Teffenhart said she hopes to help other recreation leagues start similar programs.

"I am trying to find out the needs and then try to fulfill them," Ms. Teffenhart said.



Ike Heller speaks at Tuesday's press conference as Councilwoman Eileen Teffenhart holds his donation to the Edison Angels Girls Softball League.

MELISSA KLAVER/REVIEW CORRESPONDENT

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if any, filed in a civil action, in which CITICORP MORTGAGE
MORTGAGE INC. is Plaintiff and SALVADOR
ROSARIO, INC. is Defendant, in the Superior Court of
New Jersey, Chancery Division, MIDDLESEX County and
bearing Docket No. F-10094-96 within thirty-five (35) days
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relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your
answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of
the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, ON-97,
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of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing the mortgage dated April 13, 1989 made by SALVADOR ROSARIO, INC. to CITICORP MORTGAGE
MORTGAGE INC., recorded on 04/27/89, in Book 3814 of Mort-
gages for MIDDLESEX County, page 994, et seq, and (2) to recover possession of, and/or concern premises com-
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YOU, SALVADOR ROSARIO, are made party defendant to this foreclosure action because you are one of the mortgagors and may be liable for any deficiency and/or any lien, claim, or interest you may have in, or against the mortgaged premises by reason of the mortgage made by you, SALVADOR ROSARIO and, as set forth above.

YOU, MRS. SALVADOR ROSARIO, are made a party defendant to this action to the extent that you may be liable for any and all rights or interest he/she may have in, or against the mortgaged premises by reason of the mortgage made by you, SALVADOR ROSARIO and, as set forth above.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may call or communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Union by calling 908-249-7600 or the legal services office of the

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Dated: October 10, 1996

DONALD P. PHILAN
Clerk of the Superior
Court of New Jersey
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Notice is hereby given that Leslie Tucker and Josh Leibner, formerly doing business under the name of Roundstone International, a Virginia General Partnership, at 11141 Lake Chapel Lane, Reston, Virginia 22091, did by mutual consent and by Agreement dated December 31, 1995 dissolve the partnership and terminate their rights as partners effective December 31, 1995.

In the event of the dissolution of the partnership conducted by Ms. Tucker for the purpose of winding up the partnership's affairs, Ms. Tucker will pay and discharge liabilities and debts of the partnership, receive money payable to the partnership and do those other acts required to wind up partnership affairs. All debts owing the partnership and claims against the partnership will be received by Ms. Tucker at 11141 Lake Chapel Lane, Reston, Virginia 22091 through August 31, 1996. After August 31, 1996, all debts owing the partnership and all claims against the partnership will be received at 1801 Robert Morris Drive, 4th Floor, Oakbranch Plaza, Reston, Virginia 20190.

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Dated: October 2, 1996

Leslie Tucker, Partner
Roundstone International
ME169 1T 10-11-96

LEGAL AD
There will be a special public meeting of the Edison Township Board of Education on October 14, 1996 at 7:00 P.M. in the Office of the Superintendent, 100 Municipal Boulevard, Edison, NJ.
The intent of the meeting is to discuss Student/Local/Potential Matters and any other matter that may come to the discussion of the Board. Formal action will be limited to the discussion of the privileged session agenda.

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You said it:

'South Plainfield gave us fits.'

— Metuchen High boys soccer Head Coach Ken Graf.
(see story below).

Cliff's Notes

Mark Clifford
Sports Editor722-3000
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Name games

One thing I've noticed about the athletes around here: there seem to be an awful lot of them with famous namesakes.

The local high school teams have some great ones: J.P. Stevens has a wrestler named Rudy Valentino, Edison a softball player named Meg Ryan and Metuchen a soccer-basketball player named Liza Fanelli.

In the Pop Warner football ranks, there's a quarterback on the North Edison Shamrocks Pee Wee team named Vince Lombardi and a coach of the Edison Jets Mighty Mites team is named Charlie Brown.

Not to be outdone, Edison United Soccer has a player on its Arsenal team named Jason Alexander.

Some of the athletes I cover seem to be named not after famous people, but after one another.

This past summer's Edison Angels 12-year-old travelling softball team had a pair of unrelated teammates named Christina Hopkins and Kristine Hopkins. There's a Joe Gallo on the J.P. Stevens soccer team and another Joe Gallo on the Bishop Ahr cross country team. The Metuchen High cross country team has a Scott Ferino and a Jon Farina.

Dogs catch Tigers by the tail

By MARK CLIFFORD

THE REVIEW

METUCHEN — South Plainfield is probably the one team the Metuchen High least wants to see in its bracket when the Greater Middlesex Conference Tournament seedings come out later this month.

Darting, diving and dancing like a mongoose fighting a cobra, pesky little South Plainfield harassed and tormented an imposing Metuchen High on its home field Monday before the host team finally landed a fatal strike.

Metuchen escaped from the skirmish with a 2-1 victory and its season record still unblemished at 9-0, while the Tigers fell to 2-4-1.

"South Plainfield gave us fits," said Metuchen Head Coach Ken Graf. "But this is the second time we've been down and come back. We showed a lot of heart."

South Plainfield had lost by scores of 2-0 to Metuchen the second time the two teams played each other in 1995 and again the first time they played earlier this season. The two teams create all sorts of matchup problems for each other, since South Plainfield has the edge in quickness and ballhandling, while Metuchen is much bigger and stronger.

Baseball, softball registration soon

Midtown Little League, Edison Boys Baseball and Edison Angles Softball will all soon hold early registration for the 1997 season.

Midtown Little League will hold registration 7-8:30 p.m., today and 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m., tomorrow.

The cost is \$80 per child, which includes a \$50 work bond. The second and third child in a family are \$15 each. Copies of birth certificates for new members are required. For information, call Gloria Winston at 287-1539.

The Angles will hold registration at the Angels Clubhouse on Kilmer Road 7-9 p.m. Thursdays, Oct. 17 and Nov. 7 and 9 a.m.-2 p.m., Saturdays, Oct. 19 and Nov. 9.

Angels players must be 7 years old by Sept. 1, 1996. The cost is \$50 for the first child, \$25 for the second and \$20 for the third. The Angels On Deck program for 5- and 6-year-olds is \$25. For information, call Ron Jardin at 248-0585.

The EBBL is holding registration at the B field clubhouse at Suttons Lane and Central Ave 6:30-8 p.m., Wednesday, Oct. 23 and Oct. 30 and 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 26.

The EBBL is open to boys and girls 5-16 years of age by July 31, 1997. The cost is \$15 for the first child, and \$5 for each additional child with a refundable work bond of \$40.



PHIL NERGES/SPECIAL TO THE REVIEW

Gang tackle

North Edison Shamrocks Justin Bonderowitz, Brian Lemchak, Nick Ogunlade (34) and Mike Barakat (28) swarm an opposing ballcarrier during Sunday's 19-0 victory at Colonia. For youth sport results, see page A-15.

AUGUSTO F. MENEZES/THE REVIEW
A goal by Jason Chang (11) got Metuchen going in Monday's 2-1 victory over visiting South Plainfield.

Sports Scholars

Singh's earned spot at head of the class

By MARK CLIFFORD

THE REVIEW

There's no better student to kick off this fall's Sports Scholars series than Abhishek Singh, a soccer player at J.P. Stevens High who entered the school year with the top ranking in his senior class and a grade point average in excess of 4.0.

Abhishek is the vice president of two school clubs: the Academy of Science and the National Honors Society. He is also a member of the Spanish Honors Society and Model United Nations and the varsity basketball team.

Abhishek is considering the following universities: Harvard, Brown, Northwestern, Virginia, Princeton, Rutgers and the College of New Jersey. He hopes to study medicine.

The Review: Tell us about the Model United Nations.

Abhishek: Basically, we mimic the activities of the United Nations. We discuss issues of international

importance and national importance at conferences at places like Annapolis, Yale University, New York City and Old Dominion University.

The Review: Have you done any academic summer programs?

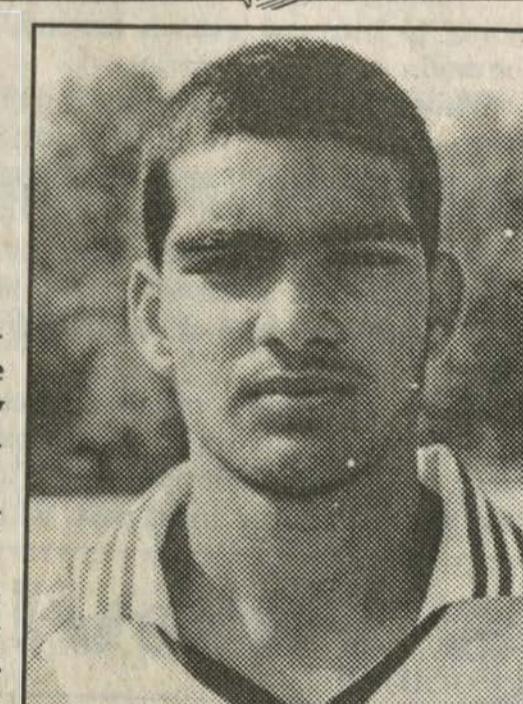
Abhishek: I did the Rutgers Young Scholars Program the summer of my freshman year and last year I went to Lebanon Valley College for a program in chemistry.

This summer, I went to the New Jersey Scholars Program at Lawrenceville Prep. The major topic was the environment. We went to the Pine Barrens and camped there. We had related classes in history, science, art history and English.

The Review: What's the most interesting job or volunteer work you've ever done?

Abhishek: I've volunteered at J.F. Kennedy Hospital, and I only did it once, but I thought Buddy Ball was interesting.

The Review: Have you done much traveling?



ABHISHEK SINGH



Edison resident Joseph E. Graci had two holes-in-one during an Oct. 1 round at the Tamarack Country Club with irons on par-3's of 127 and 155 yards.

Hawks stun Old Bridge

By BILL HOWARD

REVIEW CORRESPONDENT

EDISON — After his team's lackluster defeat to East Brunswick the previous week, J.P. Stevens High football Head Coach Frank Zarro had every reason to be nervous entering Friday's clash with visiting Old Bridge.

Yet as he surveyed his players in practice and in the school hallways, he could sense a special effort coming. With the possibility of starting the season 0-3 added to the burden, the Hawks delivered with a bone-jarring performance along the front line that led Stevens to an 18-8 victory over the widely-favored Knights.

"They were possessed and you could tell," Zarro said. "They worked real hard all week in practice and they were always up. They lost the first two games and could've easily put their tails between their legs, but they didn't."

The flock of fans who endured the first cold weekend of fall was treated to a defensive performance for the Hawks (1-2) that could've filled the team's season highlight tape. Constant pressure from the defense overwhelmed Knights (0-3) quarterback Dan Lanzafama to the point where he threw a key interception and fumbled the ball an astounding five times.

"What a great performance from our defense," Zarro said. "Awesome."

Whereas turnovers killed Stevens against East Brunswick the prior week, a 180-degree turn was made against Old Bridge, which had many of their momentum-building drives squashed by giveaways. The first Lanzafama fumble came on Old Bridge's first drive of the game and stopped the Knights at the Hawks 30-yard line.

On the subsequent drive, an eight-yard run by sophomore running back Shaquan Lane and a seven-yard scramble by junior quarterback Mike Giuliano set up the ball in Knights territory. Two plays later, the offensive line created a pocket that gave Giuliano nearly five seconds to look across the field and find senior Sylvester Miller in double coverage for a 46-yard touchdown strike.

The Knights gave the Hawks a major scare late in the first quarter when they took a drive from the Old Bridge nine and drove to the Stevens 9. However, Lanzafama's second fumble of the game was recovered by Hawks sophomore linebacker Jamil Davis and stalled an 11-play drive.

Lanzafama fumbled again on the Knights next possession when he was whacked by Stevens senior

lineman Dan Rosenstein at the Stevens 19. With the momentum clearly swinging toward the Hawks, their defense peaked when junior linebacker Henry Braxton caught a tipped Lanzafama pass and raced 45 yards down the right sideline to help give his team a 15-0 advantage.

Before the half ended, the Stevens defense would cause Lanzafama to fumble one more time and Rosenstein would add another sack to his credit. Old Bridge stormed out for the third quarter and went 64 yards for a touchdown in just five plays, with most of the yards gained on Lanzafama's 34-yard scramble into the end zone.

Although Old Bridge was only

FOOTBALL

down by a touchdown and an extra point, there was never a question as to which team was in charge. Stevens tightened the defense yet another notch and the core of Rosenstein, junior Tashon Palmer, junior Jeran Crawford, sophomore Pat Cicarella and junior Ron Darnowski only allowed the Knights into J.P. Stevens territory once the rest of the way.

With the victory, Zarro understandably breathed a sigh of relief and suddenly next week's game against Piscataway has a little more excitement added to it. Giuliano doesn't expect things to change much or less. He hopes his teammates remember what brought them perhaps their biggest victory of the season.

"It's just heart," he said. "It's just wanting it from the inside."

Old Bridge 0 0 8 0 — 8

J.P. Stevens 8 7 0 0 — 15

First Quarter

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JP — Braxton 45 interception (Sica kick), 7:12

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Ground-bound Bears grind down Eagle 'D'

By MARK CLIFFORD

THE REVIEW

The tortoise beat the hare in Friday night's high school football game at Matthew J. Drwal Field, as East Brunswick's pedestrian power outdistanced Edison's flashy "Air Eagles" offense.

"You have to give them credit. They managed to grind it out," said Edison Head Coach Tom Gargiulo after the visiting Bears (2-1) rushed 46 times for 237 yards en route to a 26-23 victory.

The game matched two offenses with dramatically different methods of operation: while Edison quarterback Jamar Frink completed 14 of 20 passes for 282 yards and three touchdowns, East Brunswick's option-oriented offense put the ball in the air only twice all evening. The Bears scored a touchdown on all three of its second-half possessions on ground-bound, clock-eating drives of 60, 51 and 39 yards against a worn-down Eagle defense.

"We were getting the option right, but they started running a lot of dives and counters and the misdirection plays were throwing our guys off," said Edison senior nose guard Geoff Gifford.

Still, the difference in the game

may have been that the Bears got a considerable amount of bang for their buck passing as a 65-yard touchdown completion from quarterback Scott Hops to receiver Bryan Merrigan jump-started the Bear offense in the first quarter.

Edison practically did its opponent a favor every time it ran the ball instead of throwing. The Eagles picked up a scant 28 yards on 17 rushing attempts.

Perhaps the most impressive thing about Edison's effort was the way it responded to a touchdown run by Hops and an ensuing extra point which gave the Bears a seemingly insurmountable 26-16 lead with 1:39 left in the game.

"Show me what you're made of!" Gargiulo shouted to his team as it took the field in a situation in which many teams probably would have rolled over and given up.

Instead, a desperate Eagle drive ensued. On second and 10 at the Edison 39 with 26 seconds left, Frink dropped back and threw an instant before getting hit for a 52-yard completion to Jerome Thomas (three receptions for 82 yards).

With Edison just over one yard from the end zone a few moments later, Frink tossed to Jaines Watson (seven receptions for 119 yards and two touchdowns) for a TD with one second left.

It seemed fitting Watson would score the game's final touchdown,

since he also scored the first one on a 35-yard catch-and-run with 7:11 left in the first quarter. But Merrigan's 65-yarder just over a minute later — on a short pass which found no one home on the entire left side of the Edison secondary — cut Edison's lead to 7-6, and the score stayed that way until halftime.

Edison seized the game's momentum briefly in the second half. Frink fired back-to-back strikes — a 40-yarder down the left sideline and a 10-yard slant to Anthony Jackson (five catches for 85 yards) — for a touchdown and Edison kicker Dan Kralich set up his own 37-yard field goal with a successful onside kick to give the Eagles a 15-12 lead with 11:47 left in the game.

Besides that field goal and on side kick, Kralich had two punts of 38 yards each, was 2 for 2 on extra-point attempts and was just a couple of feet short on a 42-yard field goal attempt.

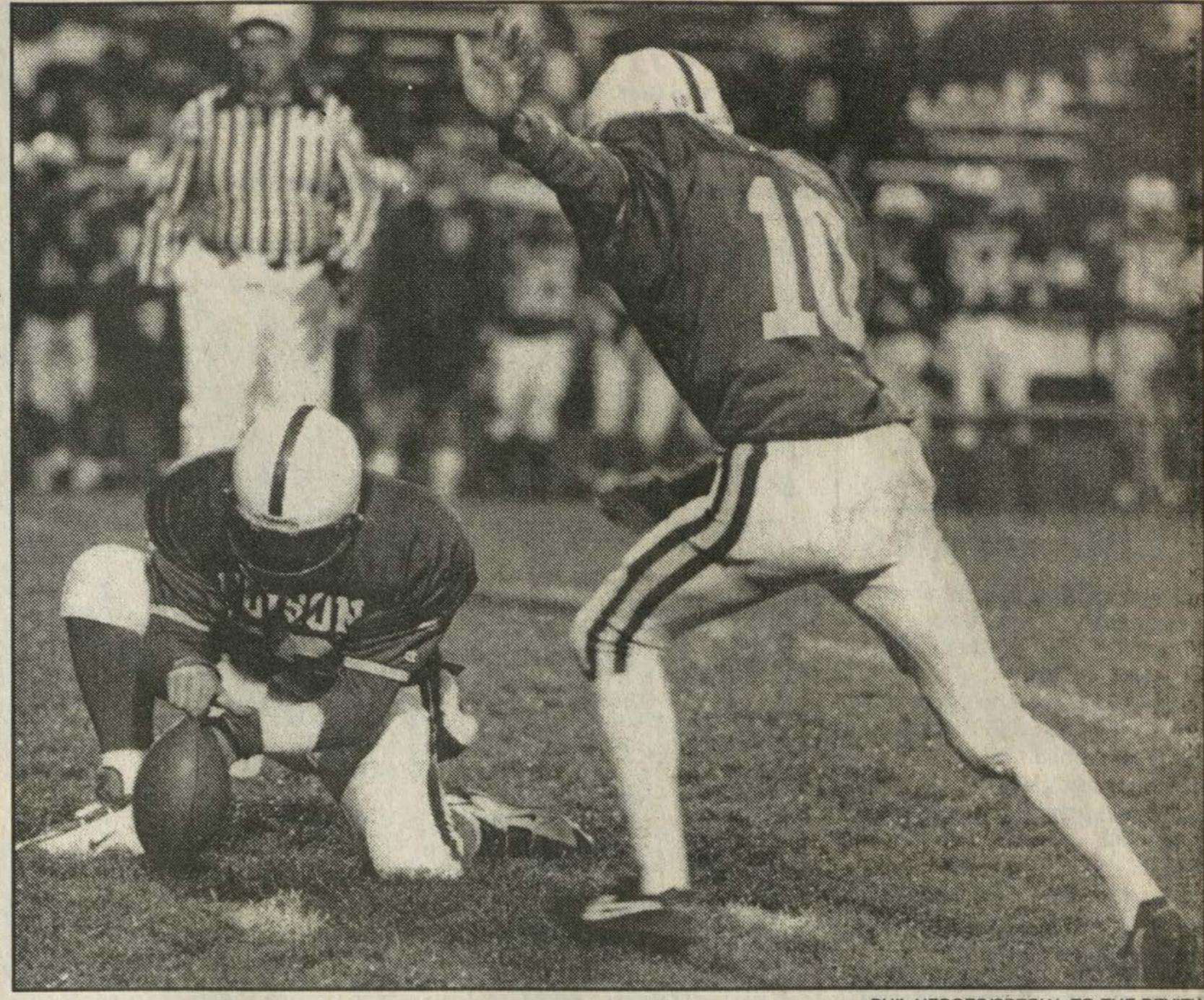
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First Quarter

E — Watson 35 pass from Frink (Kralich kick), 7:11 remaining
EB — Merrigan 65 pass from Hops (kick failed), 5:59

Third Quarter

EB — Watson 1 run (run failed), 4:52



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Dan Kralich (pictured here with holder Bob Brownlie) had a big game against East Brunswick, including a 37-yard field goal, two punts of 38 yards each and a successful on side kick.

E — Jackson 10 pass from Frink (run failed), 2:00

Fourth Quarter

E — Kralich 37 kick, 11:47

EB — Corio 4 run (Beatty's kick), 6:57

EB — Hops 35 run (Beatty's kick), 1:39

E — Watson 1 pass (Kralich kick), :01

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS

	EB	E
First Downs	15	14
Total Yards	306	310
Rushes-Yards	46-237	17-28
Passing Yards	69	282
Comp-Att-Int	2-2-0	15-21-0
Sacked-Yards	0-0	3-25
Penalties-Yards	7-43	4-35
Fumbles-Lost	3-2	2-1

Rushing — EB: Corio 15-114, Hops 10-56, Beatty 9-32, Leotta 9-31, Petty 1-5, Brenner 2-9; Edison: Timmons 10-20, Ayers 3-2, Frink 3-7, Robertson 1-1.

Passing — EB: Hops 2-69, 1 TD, 0 int; Edison: Frink 14-20-282, 3 TD, 0 int.

Receiving — SH: Merrigan 2-69; Edison: Watson 7-119, Jackson 5-85, Thomas 3-82.

Vazquez leads Eagle runners

Phil Vazquez placed fifth overall to lead the Edison High cross country team to finish 13th among 22 teams in the Varsity B boys race at the Salesianum Invitational in Wilmington, Del.

Vazquez



showed each had one goal and Kirsten Coyne had two assists in Friday's 2-0 victory at Spotswood.

East Brunswick 11, Edison 0 — East Brunswick improved to 6-0 at Edison's expense Oct. 2.

Boys Soccer

St. Joe's improved to 8-1 at Edison's expense in Friday's 1-0 victory over the Eagles in Metuchen.

East Brunswick 5, Edison 0 — Schuck's eight saves weren't enough to keep the Bears from improving to 7-1 in an Oct. 2 game at East Brunswick.

Tennis

East Brunswick (8-2) scored a 4-1 victory Monday over Edison (4-6), though the Eagles got a victory from the second doubles team of Neethu Varughese and Namrata Agnihotri (3-6, 6-1, 7-5). suffering losses for Edison were Mahumita Chatterjee (6-1, 6-0), Mandy Schenck (6-1, 6-0), Jung Kang (6-3, 6-2) and Mayumi Kawashima (6-1, 6-1).

Edison 3, Metuchen 2 — Edison won an Oct. 2 match against Metuchen thanks to victories at



SHARON WILSON/THE REVIEW
Edison's Erica Gershovitz (7) scored in Friday's 2-1 victory over Spotswood.

third singles and both doubles spots. Edison's winners included Jung Kang (6-2, 6-2), Meline Rader-Mayumi Kawashima (6-1, 6-1) and

Namrata Agnihotri-Neethu Varughese (6-2, 6-4). Suffering losses were Chatterjee (6-1, 6-3) and Schenck (6-4, 6-4).

Dogs hoping to turn it around

By MARK CLIFFORD

THE REVIEW

Was it really just three years ago the Metuchen and Dunellen high schools played one each other for football's Central Jersey Group 1 Championship?

"There's always been a rivalry between us because of that state game," said Metuchen senior linebacker Sean Kohl, referring to Dunellen's 12-3 victory at Edgar Field to cop the 1993 group sectional title. "I was there that day and maybe half of the guys who are seniors on this team were there that day."

Times have certainly changed at both schools since those glory days, but the rebuilding process each program is undergoing would certainly gain from a victory when the two 0-3 teams meet 2 p.m. to

last week's

Week 1-3

High School Preview

Football

Metuchen

at Dunellen

2 p.m., tomorrow

metrow at Columbia Field for Dunellen's Homecoming game.

"We have a lot of respect for Metuchen. We've played a lot of great games over the years," said Dunellen rookie Head Coach Dave DeNapoli.

While Dunellen's offense relied

mainly on the passing game last year, this year's Destroyers stick to the ground for the most part, with

quarterback Luke Ciannello handing off to running backs Todd Harris and Chris Byelick.

"Harris is a senior, and he's a big, strong fullback, between about 190 and 200 pounds" said DeNapoli. "Byelick is a freshman, but he's got some quickness to him."

The key question for the Bulldogs is can they keep their composure if a fired-up Dunellen team comes out and puts some quick points on the board. A number of Metuchen players were visibly frustrated during last week's loss at Monroe, and appeared to berate teammates over penalties, missed coverages and confusion over substitutions.

Kohl, however, said that was not the case.

"We stuck together pretty well all through the game," he said. "We're not a team to start pointing fingers."

Despite all that, a 5-yard touchdown run by Wonti Worjoh gave the Bulldogs a 26-21 lead with 2:30 left to play in the third quarter. But on the ensuing two-point conversion attempt, back-to-back 5-yard penalties moved the line of scrimmage back to the 12 1/2-yard line, from where a pass attempt failed.

That came back to haunt the Dogs when the Falcons embarked on a 17-play drive on their next possession, which Rawluk capped off with an untouched touchdown run of 4 yards and his fourth extra-point kick of the game to make it 28-26 with 7:10 left to play. So Metuchen's inability to make that two-point conversion ended up, in effect, being the difference in the final score.

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• Metuchen committed four turnovers: two on fumbles and two on interceptions.

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Bulldogs shine at Shore Invit.

Soccer teams continue to roll

The Metuchen High boys cross country team came within one point of winning Saturday's Varsity E race at the Shore Coaches Invitational at Holmdel Park. The Dogs' 146 points was second only to Henry Hudson's 145, while edging out Palisades Park (third, 154 points), Haddonfield (fourth, 186) and Kittatinny (fifth, 190).

Sean Ryan's ninth-place finish in 17:26 led the Bulldogs, followed by Chris Piekarski (21st, 17:45), Mike Gurzo (31st, 18:03), Ben Spector (39th, 18:16) and David Stein (46th, 18:19).

GIRLS SOCCER

Liza Fanelli earned her fifth hat trick of the season in Monday's 5-0 victory at South Plainfield (0-8-1), while Carrie Stevens and Jen Graf each added one goal and one assist for the Lady Bulldogs (6-0-2). Camil Velazquez had two assists an Melissa Collins had one.

Metuchen 7, Highland Park 1 — Fanelli racked up her fourth hat trick of the season and Stevens got her first in Saturday's 7-1 victory at Highland Park. Graf added a goal and an assist and Velazquez had an assist.

Metuchen 3, South Brunswick 2 — Fanelli had two goals and Stephanie Baran had one in an Oct. 3 game against visiting South Brunswick, which suffered its first defeat after starting the season with five victories. Collins, Velazquez and Diedre Fenton recorded assists and Kathy Casey had nine saves.

BOYS SOCCER

Metuchen dealt Highland Park its first defeat of the season after the Owls had started the season with six straight victories with Saturday night's 5-0 Bulldog victory on the road. Chris Baffuto scored twice and Justin Killian and Tim

Kenyon each scored once for the Dogs (8-0). Ryan Manatch had three assists and Brian Fish two for Metuchen.

Metuchen 4, Carteret 2 — Ryan Manatch had a hat trick and Fish had two assists in an Oct. 3 victory at Carteret (2-5). Justin Killian had a goal and Audi Sumik had an assist.

FIELD HOCKEY

Metuchen fell to 1-5-1 with Monday's 2-1 loss at Sayreville (3-6). Gina Nye had Metuchen's lone goal on an assist from Hue Hoang. Kim Penny had eight saves. **Piscataway 2, Metuchen 0** — Metuchen gave a good account of itself in Friday's game against visiting Piscataway, a conference powerhouse, behind eight saves by Penny.

East Brunswick 3, Metuchen 0 — The Bears (4-1-1) defeated the Lady Bulldogs Oct. 2 in East Brunswick.

TENNIS

Metuchen (7-6) swept Spotswood (7-1) Monday with victories from Kim Duvall (1-6, 6-3, 6-1), Kristin Haring (6-2, 6-2), Claudia Lombardo (6-1, 6-1), Michelle Chen-Jamie Dikken (6-3, 6-0), Megan Magee-Nadia Pivovarova (7-6 and 10-8, 3-6, 6-2).

Highland Park 4, Metuchen 1 — Metuchen's lone victory belonged to Duvall (6-0, 6-2) in Friday's loss to Highland Park. Metuchen players who suffered losses were Haring (6-7 and 8-10, 6-4, 6-4), Lombardo (6-0, 6-2), Dikken-Chen (6-2, 6-3) and Davar-Magee (6-2, 6-2).

Edison 3, Metuchen 2 — Metuchen won at first and second singles in an Oct. 3 match against Edison (3-4). Duvall won 6-1, 6-3 and Haring won 6-4, 6-4. Suffering losses for the Lady Bulldogs were Lombardo (6-2, 6-2), Chen-Dikken (6-1, 6-1), and



RANDALL MILLER/THE REVIEW
Metuchen's Justin Killian scored in victories over both Highland Park and Carteret.

Magee-Davar (6-2, 6-4).

THE GAMES WEEKLY PROGRAMMING UPDATE

This week's edition of *The Games Weekly*, a 15-minute show on METV 12 produced by Metuchen High students, will feature game results and highlights as well as the first of a new feature called Random Athletics, which will take a look at local sports outside of MHS. This week's subject is Marie Gostel, a world-class baton twirler from Edison. There will also be musical accompaniment by MHS students Dan Conniff, Karl Jensen and Paul Schneekloth.

The show airs 6:45 p.m. Thursdays and repeats at the same time Fridays and Saturdays.

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It's a four-goal day for Fanelli

By MARK CLIFFORD

THE REVIEW

This is getting a bit ridiculous. Metuchen High senior soccer player Liza Fanelli recorded her sixth hat trick of the season Wednesday, then added a fourth goal for good measure in a 4-0 victory over visiting Spotswood (3-7).

It was the third game in a row Fanelli had recorded a hat trick, giving her 22 goals in just nine games for the 7-0-2 Lady Bulldogs.

And that total is a testament to the overall effectiveness of Metuchen's offense as it is to Fanelli's individual skill.

"They're making a lot of short passes, working the ball, doing a lot of drop passes and using the whole field," Metuchen senior goal-keeper Kathy Casey said of her

GIRLS SOCCER



teammates.

Casey had one of the best seats in the house from which to watch Metuchen's offensive show: she had to make only one save all day and rarely saw the ball even enter the box at the Metuchen end of the field, thanks to Metuchen's airtight defense.

"We've learned how to play together. We've got people playing positions they never played before, like Sara Ziznewski moving from stopper to sweeper and Melissa

Collins moving up, depending on the formation. I think just the whole team is playing really well."

Spotswood came in to Wednesday's game hot off Monday's 2-0 upset of South Brunswick and was obviously looking to add Metuchen's skin to its wall. And the Lady Bulldogs might have been expected to be looking ahead to tonight's big game at North Brunswick (which was 8-0 through Monday's action) on the Raiders' Homecoming weekend.

"It took us a while to tear apart the Spotswood defense and finally get our shots off," said Metuchen Head Coach Val Gazda. "But they haven't let me down yet."

Aside from Fanelli's broad repertoire of headers and shots from either foot, Spotswood seemed to have a particularly difficult time

keeping up with the speed of Metuchen strikers Carrie Stevens (two assists) and Camil Velazquez.

Meanwhile, Metuchen senior center midfielder Jen Graf directed traffic with her customary deft passing touch and intimidating presence. Spotswood was obviously preoccupied with Graf: most of the shouting back and forth among the Charger players and head coach began or ended with "Watch Number 10!"

Metuchen played without regular starters Stephanie Baran and Kaci Redding, but showed a depth and flexibility in making up for it, as players like Jessica Akey, Theresa Sprunger, Katie Donnelly, Lisa Porpora, Nicole Martinez, Deirdre Fenton and Kristen Vassallo gave Gazda all kinds of different combinations to play with.

LOCAL SPORTS

with great throw-ins.

Woodbridge Roadrunners 3, Metros 2 — Dan Ostermueller scored on a breakaway after Matt MacMarion sent the ball past midfield. Ryan Dunbar scored the other Metuchen goal off a corner kick.

North Plainfield 7, Lazio 0 — Keeper Kevin Ryan stopped numerous shots on goal. Andrew Bonner, Eric McCutcheon, Mike Rohal and Anton Wnorowski all played well in defeat.

Sharks 1, Berkley Blazers 0 — Yogesh Ravanian scored off a pass from Craig Toncic. Frankie Faleskie, Franco Mastrapasqua and Ross Schwarzer played strong defense. Goalkeeper Erik Cheng recorded the shutout.

Patriots 3, Kenilworth Devils 1 — Colin Weiss dominated the midfield and assisted Thomas Calabrese for the first goal. Danny Demirkovic scored on a breakaway pass from Weiss. Matt Novak and Mijitba Haidri dazzled the Devils with their defense. Adam Bianscino and Brian Rake anchored the midfield. Nick Mordecai and Patrick O'Connor excelled in goal.

Hawks 2, Montgomery Magic 2 — Jamie Hansson and Kerry Callahan scored and Jessica Capurso and Lauren Wierbowski provided strong defense. Goalkeeper Erik Cheng recorded the shutout.

Herrricanes 3, Livingston 0 — Adrienne Darpino opened the scoring on a pass from Stephanie Sabaliauskas. Erin Dean scored after a long rush through the Livingston defense. Sabaliauskas scored once on a penalty kick. Amy Kalista played most of the way in goal.

Herrricanes 3, East Brunswick 0 — Adrienne Darpino, Nicole Wilkins and Stephanie Sabaliauskas scored and Megan Powell and Kristin Savulich had assists. Stephanie Camiglia, Julia Mastrapasqua, Hannah Ludwin, Melissa Warner, Wilkins and Powell stonewalled the East Brunswick attack. Amy Kalista and Erin Dean combined to record the Herrricanes' third shutout in four games.

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North Edison 26, Colonia 6 — The Shamrocks (6-0) scored on their opening drive on a 40-yard run by Joshua Abrams. The Gold offense scored on a pass from Tony Smith to Rob Griffiths. Ryan Sullivan made a one-handed diving catch on a pass from Vincent Lombardi. Smith scored on a 50-yard interception return.

Sean Bell and Dan Lauri did an excellent job of running the ball for the Gold offense.

MIDGETS

Shamrocks 19, Colonia 0 — Mike Maffucci and Mike Ferraro teamed up for a pair of long completions. Mike Leahy provided strong running. John Loguidice, Maffucci and Leahy played excellent defense and Darnell Dobbs had an interception.

EDISON JETS

Marauders 7, South River 0 — Mo Cranell score one touchdown and Mark Blevins hit Brett Augustine for the extra point. The defense was led by Tyler Solley. Marty McElrath, Kurt Gregory, Brian Muldowney, Javon Drake and Alan Tucker.

Missiles 13, South River 7 — The Missiles improved to 6-0 with the help of touchdown runs of 65 and 55 yards from Eric Young and key running by Bill Jones and Brian Ciri. Brandon Beards, Corey Griffin and Joey Grippo led the defense and Gary Yetko, Jamaal Cosby and Ryan Chupka also had fine all-around games.

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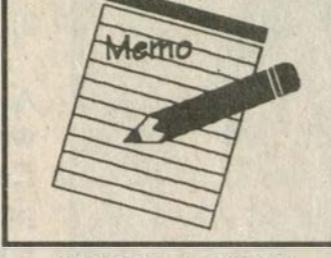
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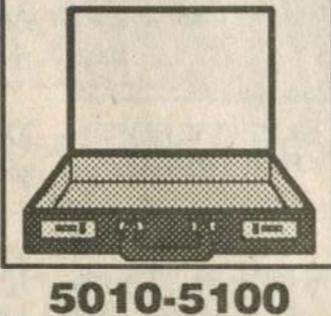
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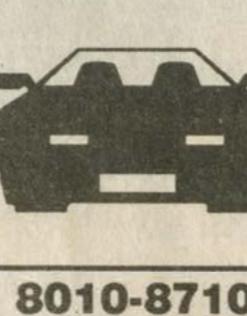


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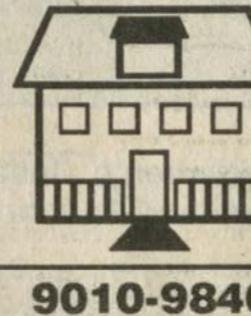


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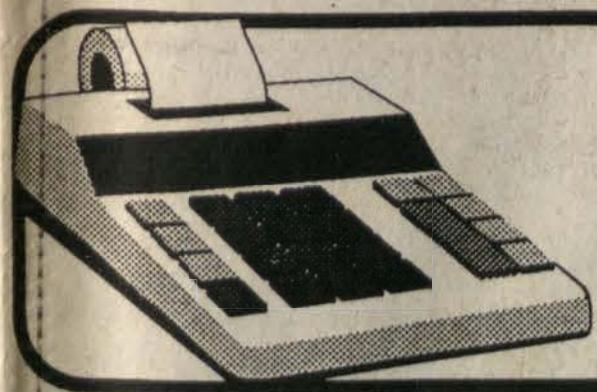
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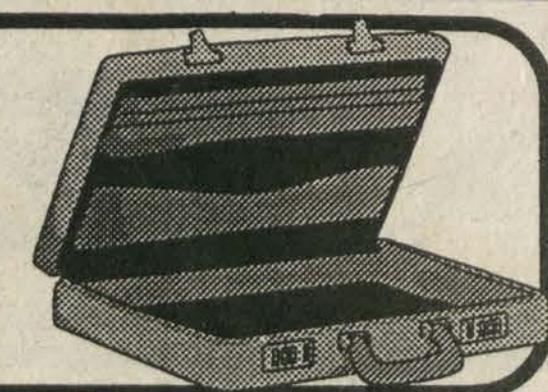
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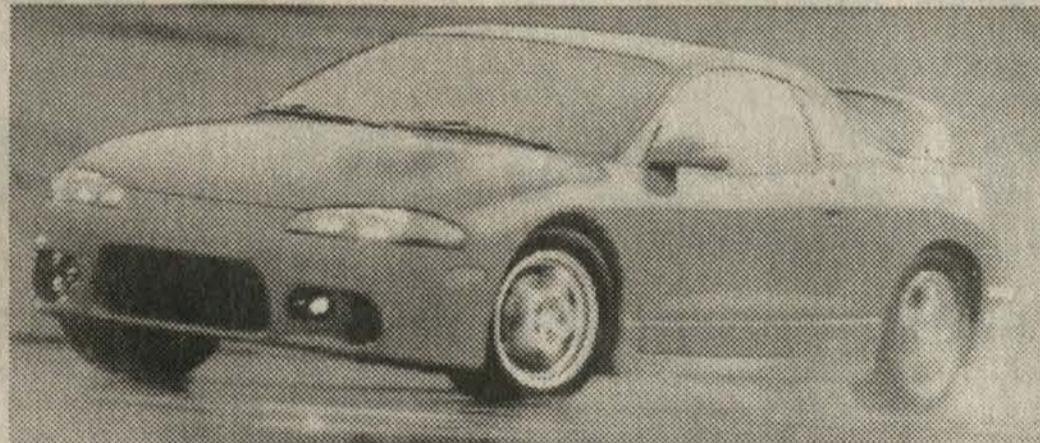
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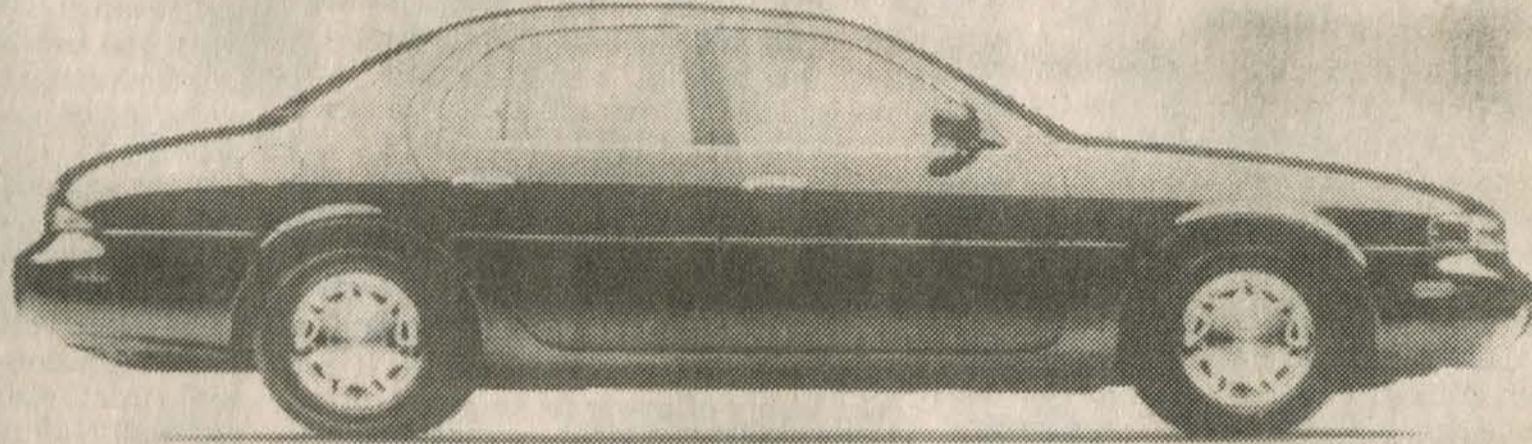
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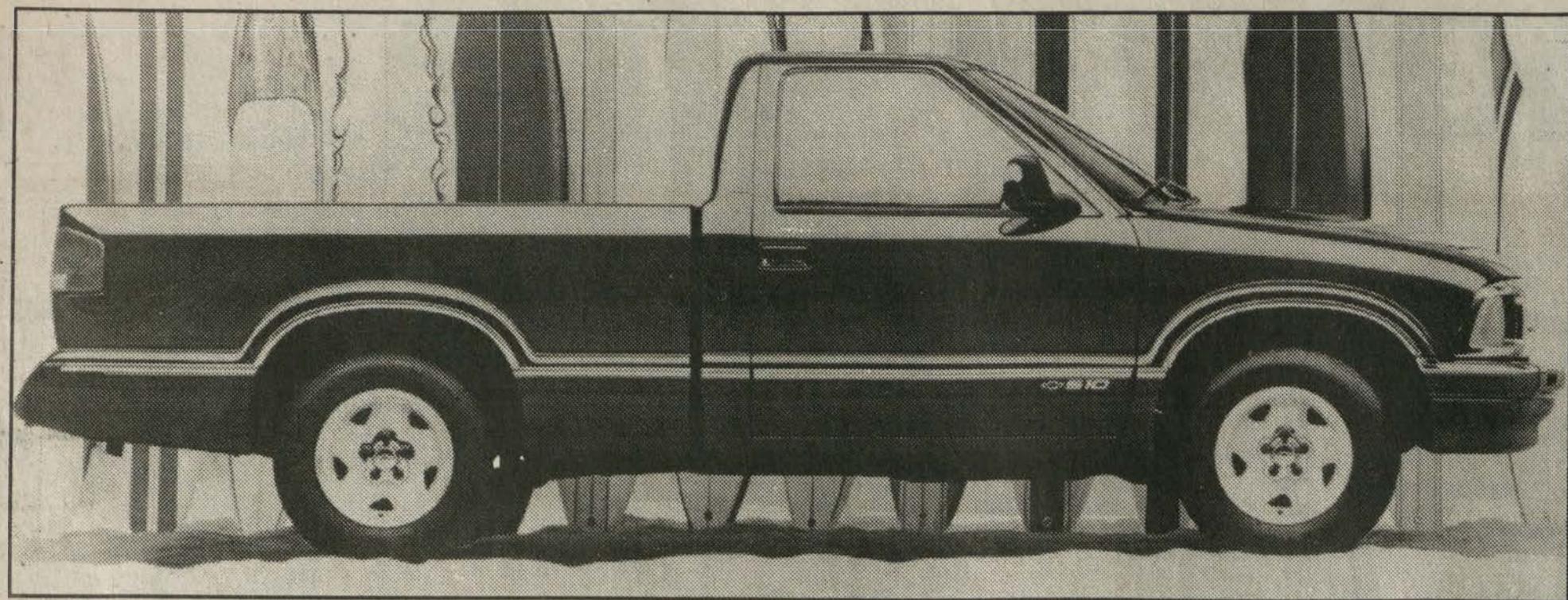
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The 1996 Chevrolet S-10 gets 23 miles per gallon in the city and 30 on the highway, for an average of 27.

Chevy pickup in tune with buyers

By TOM HAGIN
FORBES CORRESPONDENT

Chevrolet's S-10 pickup was redesigned in 1994, and it is in tune with the '90s truck buyer. Chevrolet says 90 percent of the compact pickup owners purchase their vehicles for personal use.

The S-10 is available in six models and four trim levels, from the stripped-down Base version to the 4X4 specialist, the ZR2. Our test vehicle for the week came as a regular-cab short bed, with LS trim.

Outside

The S-10 offers sharp styling with integrated front and rear bumpers, and sweeping side molding that runs end-to-end. New this year are two Sportside models with muscular rear fenders and a small step on the side, but at the expense of cargo capacity.

Also new this year is an extra door on the driver's side of extended cab models, which greatly enhances access to the compartment behind the seats. The company is very concerned with corrosion resistance, and has given S-Series pickups two-side galvanized steel for all body panels except for the roof and cargo box, plus six years or 100,000 miles of corrosion protection.

The six-foot cargo box has a low load floor, a quickly detachable tailgate, four tie-down hooks, and two-tier loading, which allows a second loading level above the rear fenders.

A nice touch is the standard full-sized spare tire mounted under the cargo bed.

Inside

LS models come nicely equipped. A standard 60/40 split bench seat includes a

fold-down armrest with storage compartments and a pair of cupholders, plus the ability to add a third occupant, although it is a tight squeeze.

LS trim also includes an AM/FM stereo, tinted glass, twin outside mirrors, intermittent wipers and dual power ports for operating 12-volt accessories. Its gauges are simple to read, and the controls are well placed and easy to reach, although the radio buttons are on the small side. Air conditioning is optional, but most S-10 LS models are equipped with it, some as part of a special no-charge options package.

Our truck came equipped this way, and with the special package came alloy wheels, a tachometer and a cassette stereo.

On the road

Our test model was powered by the standard 2.2-liter inline four-cylinder engine that produces a modest 118 horsepower and 130 lb-ft of torque. Installed in the short-bed regular cab model, it provides plenty of power for most needs, and gives excellent fuel economy. A more powerful optional V6 engine is available with two-wheel-drive models, and is standard on 4X4 S-10s.

Last year's 4.3-liter V6 has been enhanced to give 25 more horsepower and five more lb-ft of torque. Chevy's hot S-10 Super Sport model comes this way, and zips to 60 miles per hour in a just eight seconds. Our test truck used the standard five-speed manual transmission, which gave the four-cylinder engine some added pep.

An electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission is optional, and we suggest it when ordering the enhanced V6-engine option.

Behind the wheel

To further prove Chevrolet wants to offer an S-10 for almost anyone, seven chassis packages are available; three on 2WD models, the rest are offered on 4X4s. The S-10's ladder-type frame is rugged, even more so since Chevrolet "boxed" its front-frame section to make it more resistant to bending and twisting.

This enabled Chevy engineers to give firm support for a healthy payload, yet still provide a reasonably compliant ride. Its unloaded ride is helped by two-stage rear leaf springs which give a smooth ride when the bed is empty, but when weight is introduced into the cargo area, a shorter, stiffer set of auxiliary leaf springs come in play.

A new optional sport suspension is available on Regular-Cab S-10 pickups, which includes special coil springs, gas-charged shock absorbers, large front and rear stabilizer bars, variable-ratio power steering and larger tires. Braking is accomplished with front disc and rear drum brakes, while all S-10 models come standard with a four-wheel anti-lock braking system.

Safety

A driver's side airbag, ABS and side-impact beams are features and daytime running headlamps are also standard.

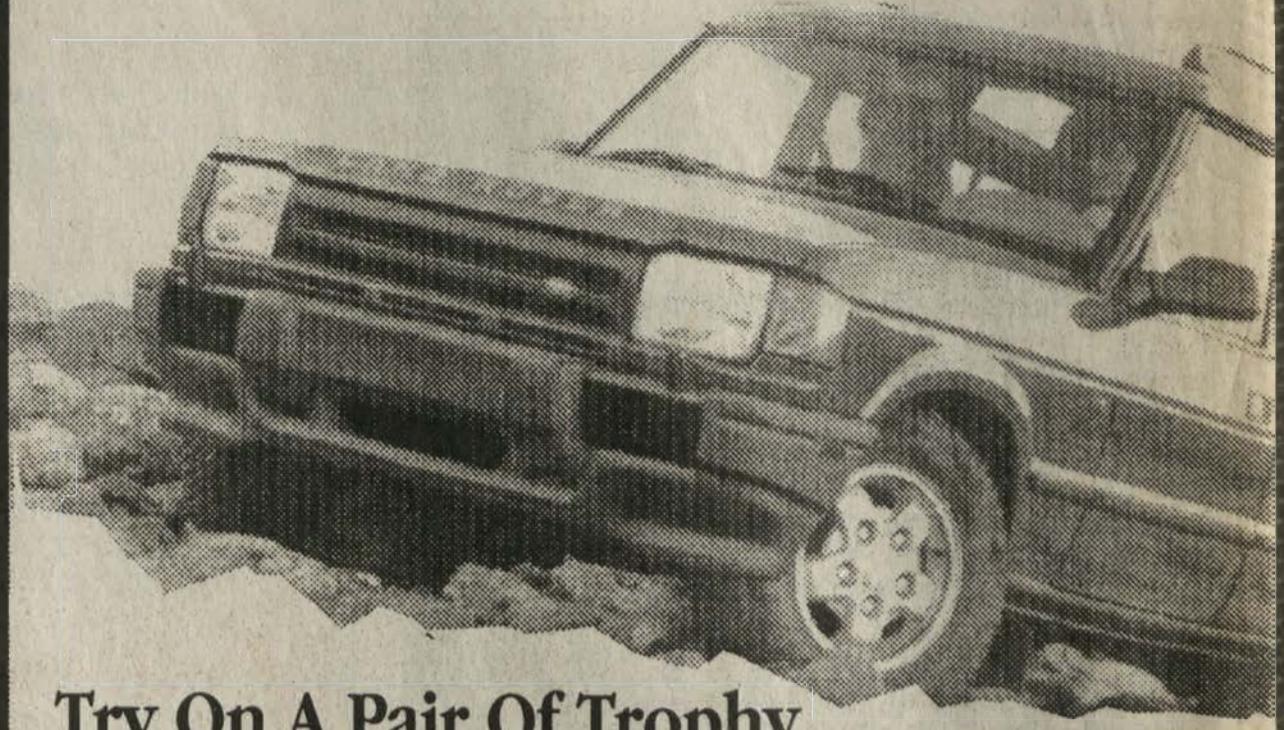
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The LS Decor exterior trim kit added \$276 with no extra charge for air conditioning, tachometer, aluminum wheels or stereo cassette player.

Price

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Maria Wood and Jim Santiago acquaint themselves with the Jaguar XK8 at the Forbes Estate, Timberfield Oct. 6.

Jaguar becomes a 'world-class' car

By STEVE WALLACE
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

For years, Jaguar has struggled with a reputation akin to a double-edged sword. In terms of prestige, there are few vehicles that carry the weight of a Jaguar. In terms of maintenance, few that carry the headaches.

But that's all changing now.

"In 1988, Jaguar got hit hard when some of the cars they put out really had maintenance problems," said Alan Stein of East Brunswick, who worked for Jaguar a decade ago before moving to BMW.

"But since Ford got involved, they have been steadily improving to where now I truly believe Jaguar produces a world-class car."

Mr. Stein said he was particularly impressed with the new XK8 series.

"It's everything I expected it to be, everything we heard it would be. Sleek, elegant and really good on the road. They still have a rough road to hoe because of its past reputation, but the Jaguar of

today isn't the same car."

Jaguar, now owned by Ford Motor Company, held a test drive with 22 of its six vehicle models, including the much heralded new XK8 coup and convertible, at the Forbes estate, Timberfield, in Bedminster Sunday.

"I thought it was fantastic," said Bob Gahan, who accompanied a guest from New York. "They're really elegant cars and drive so nicely. I was very impressed."

Michael Hoyt, district sales manager for Jaguar of North America, said September has been a record-breaking month for Jaguar due to the unveiling of the XK8 models.

"Owners or Jags have a passion for them," he said. "And the new XK8 handles like the car which will take Jaguar into the next millennium."

Equipped with 4-liter, six-cylinder engines, the Jaguar sedans particularly impressed many of the drivers.

"It's got so much room and rides so nicely," said Jane Ross of Massachusetts. "It's really an im-

pressive car."

Mr. Hoyt said the maintenance on the new vehicles, while still recommended to be done at a dealership, is not the ordeal it was with past models, and Jaguar now offers 24-hour pick-up service and offers loans.

He said the tri-state area is the best market in the world for Jaguars, followed by Florida and Los Angeles.

"Jaguar attracts what we call the 'prestige' segment of the marketplace," he said. "People who own Jaguars, particularly classic Jaguars, don't want to give them up."

Mr. Hoyt said the best response he got to the new line was "the big smiling faces" as people drove them.

"It was a good car, a nice drive," said Kawadwo Yeboah, a college student in New York City. "I'll get one someday, when I'm out of school and paid off all the student loans."

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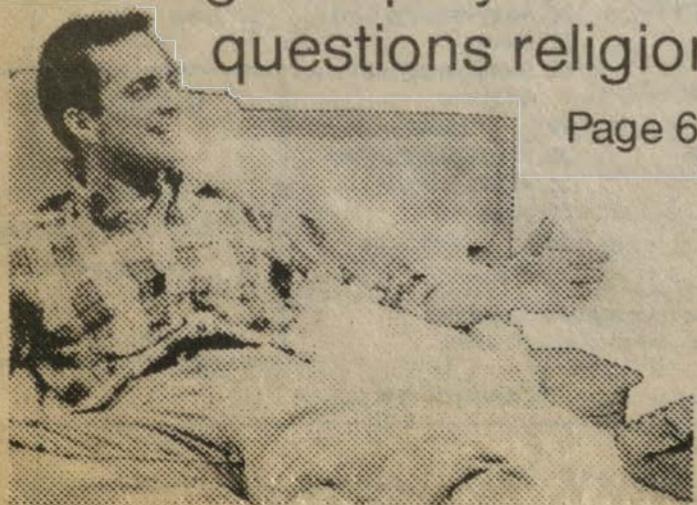


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scribed as a white male, five foot, ten inches tall, 200 pounds, between 50 and 55 years old, with gray hair, glasses and a large rear end, according to police.

Do you remember where you last saw it?

A Nazareth, Pa. man reported his Nissan Maxima stolen between 4:30 p.m. Aug. 21, police said. He called back 12:42 a.m. Aug. 22 to say he had found the car at the Middlesex Mall, where he had parked it.

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"Columbus Day"

By Gerry Frey

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"The more we study the more we discover our ignorance."

Percy Shelley

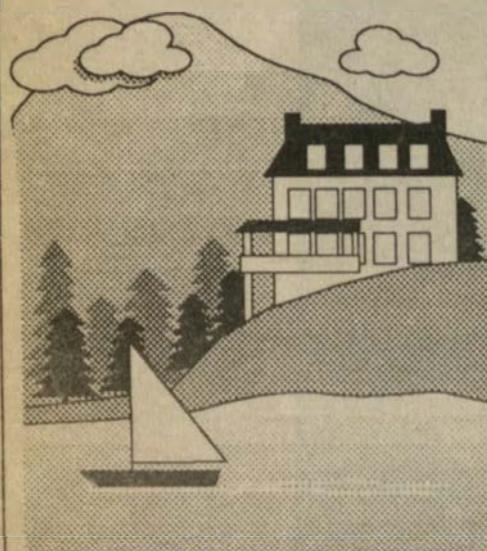
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Gone fishin'. Will Campbell, 18, and Byron Jefferson, 18, cast their lines under the Washington Avenue bridge in Piscataway.

Good comedy leaves you thinking

WEEKEND CONFIDENTIAL

Weekend Confidential has always found that the best comedy, in any medium, happens when the characterizations and the situations have some underlying truth to them.

That's why we must wholeheartedly recommend the McCarter Theatre production of *The Royal Family*, whose last weekend is coming up. The play concerns an acting family, two of whose female members are torn over whether they really want to be in that profession.

Julia Cavendish, played by Sara Botsford, has been onstage for years, having kept her longtime suitor, Gilbert Marshall (played by Terry Layman), at bay. Mirroring her plight, Gwen Cavendish, played by Kali Rocha, is torn between marrying her fiance and beginning the stage career her family insists she was meant for.

Underneath all the character quirks and quips in the course of the play, we come to know that these women will forever be trying to choose between doing what they feel driven to do and marriages

which they think might actually be what would make them truly happy. It's a choice that's never quite resolved in *Family*, a classic by George S. Kaufman and Edna Ferber, and McCarter's production leaves you thinking about similar choices in your own life, or those facing those you care about.

Fig leaf

Confidential has a colleague we like very much. But there is a problem; her calendar.

Instead of a nice Arizona Highways calendar or some other landscape type date book, she has decided to go with the renaissance art date book.

Mr. September is a rather unimpressive male nude.

Now, we're not prudes. We think nudity is great, in moderation. But if you're going to gaze at a nude,

there is scant else as unattractive as the naked male form.

It's very uninteresting unclothed.

Yes, rippling muscles and bulging male physiques can be artistic. A good shot of Arnold Schwarzenegger can be intriguing.

But when we uncover what makes a male nude a NUDE, uhhhhggg, it just ruins it for us. No form, no art.

At least the October page is a well-clothed couple sleeping under a tree.

Pride in the Yankees

Confidential hears plenty of talk about the Yankees around our office, but none of it quite like the story a friend told us recently.

When they were all kids, the older brother of a friend of hers used to enjoy reciting a play by play of Yankees games off newspa-

per accounts. He remained a loyal fan for decades.

One day, the man and his second wife, in their late 50s or early 60s, stepped off the subway, arriving at the stadium. He had always been in pretty good health, but he said he didn't feel well. Minutes later, he was dead of a heart attack.

"That's so nice," our friend felt, meaning it was beautiful he died at a place that he loved. Unfortunately, she told *Confidential*, no one else quite appreciated this.

Real love

Confidential, waiting for a friend recently, was moved by an elderly couple walking not three feet in front of us.

Arm in arm, the wife helped the husband step over a curb and onto the sidewalk.

And we began to doubt that we'll ever find someone that will love us that much — now, and that far into the future.



Get away from it all

Upstate New York resorts offer romance and relaxation

Guests at the Gold Mountain Resort in Spring Glen, N.Y. can dine while enjoying the breathtaking view of the Shawangunk Mountains.

By MARC O'REILLY

Weekend Plus correspondent

When I called my fiancee to tell her my plans to sweep her away for a romantic mountain getaway, I noticed a sudden change in her voice.

"Really? We're really going?" she said. "I can't wait."

I told her what I knew about the place.

"It's a resort for couples," I said. "Some kind of romantic getaway. We'll have our own private chalet with a wood-burning stove and a whirlpool right there in our room."

"That's great, but what's a chalet?" she asked.

"I think it's like a cabin," I said. (We're not very cultured.)

And we were off. The ride there took a little less than two hours. (Note to State Police: Speeding tickets can be mailed to Weekend Plus.)

On the way, we puzzled over the name Gold Mountain Resort. As her purple (she insists it's actually plum) Honda climbed the steep in-

cline just off Route 209, we wondered if there was gold in them thar hills. Turns out there is, but not the kind we were expecting.

The first thing we noticed was the deafening silence. The second was the green mountainside. Nestled in the scenic Shawangunk Mountains, the resort offers a breathtaking view of the green mountains. When the leaves change in autumn, we were told, the whole mountainside turns a deep mellow gold. Thus the name.

"Oh, I get it now," I said. "Gold Mountain."

She called me a dork and kissed me.

We were me in the lodge by Harris Lapidus, the proud owner of Gold Mountain, who offered us a warm welcome. Looking around at the rustic chalets — I was right, they are like little cabins — we knew we wouldn't be needing the fancy dress clothes we had packed for dinner. To be quite honest, we were relieved. Comfort and relaxation are paramount at Gold

Mountain.

Our cabin was one of the "Victorian Elegance" suites at the bottom of the hill. Our suite included a comfortable living room with a wood-burning stove, cable television and a king-size waterbed.

We had checked in at 2 and finally made it to dinner at about 8. Enough said. The menu offered a wide range of succulent dishes. We could hardly choose from among Long Island duck, broiled Norwe-

There is something different about romantic love. There is something magical about it. And that is exactly the people we want to attract. People who want to get away and be alone.

— Harris Lapidus
Gold Mountain Resort

sion, two comfortable sofas and a stereo with a cassette deck. The fully functional kitchen came with a fully stocked refrigerator. Even the ice trays were full. The wood stove is visible from the king-size waterbed, where clean towels awaited.

Next, we checked out the bathroom, where a whirlpool built for two sat waiting to sweep us away.

gian swordfish, char-broiled filet mignon and veal marsala. The kitchen also offers a variety of vegetarian dishes for those who are not omnivores like me and my seafood-crazed fiancee. She ordered the seafood combo and I ordered the steak. In one corner, a young couple sat holding hands across a cozy table, seemingly unaware of anyone else in the room.

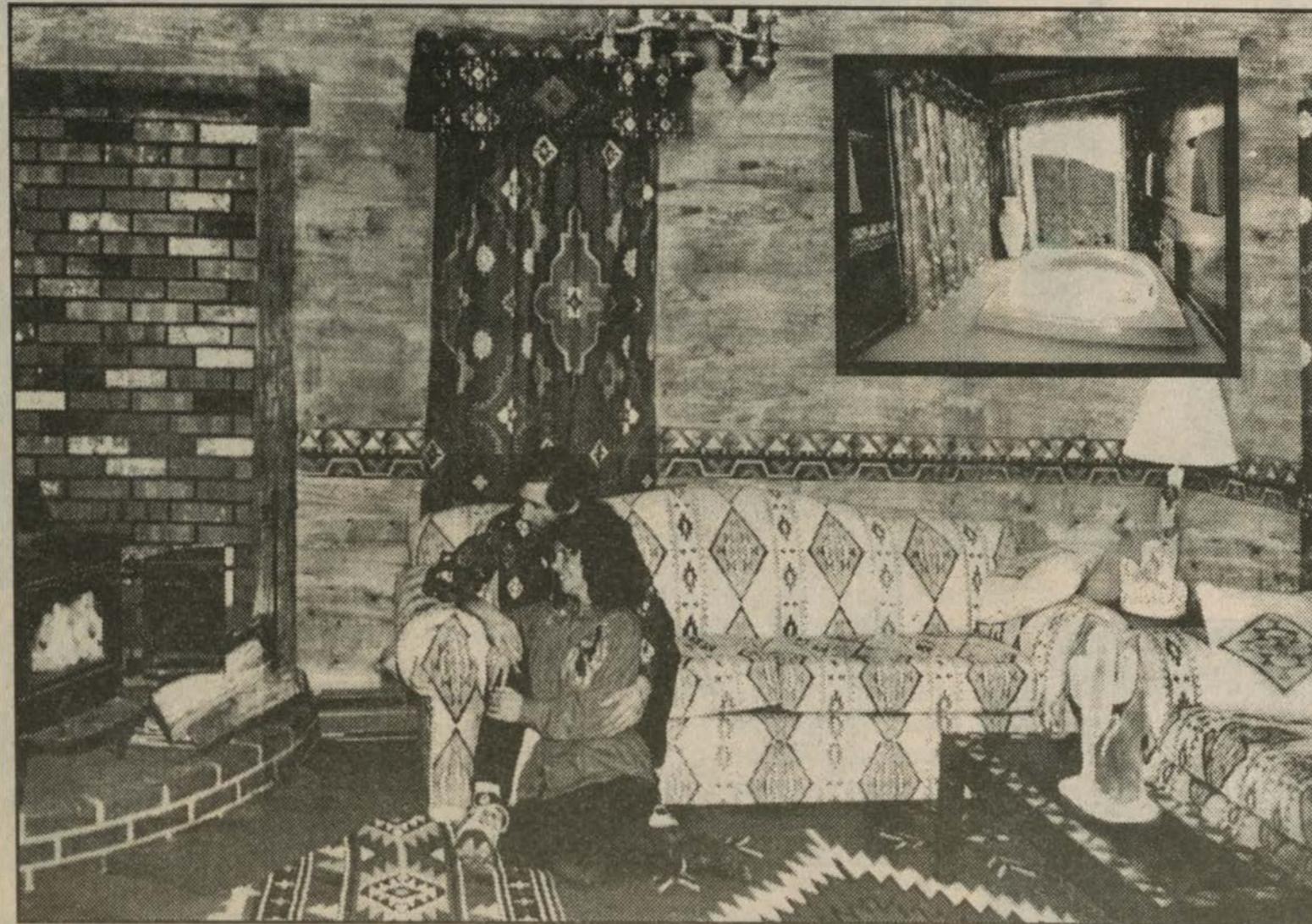
After dinner, as the brisk wind blew rain through the valley of Spring Glen, a brownout struck the tiny town. As the staff scurried to start the emergency generators, the bartender started handing out candles. Only half the resort was out and, as luck would have it, our chalet was dark. (I was right; it is like a little house.)

"Where are the matches?" I asked, seeking her hand in the darkness. I found them in my own pocket and lit her candle, then mine.

We walked through the darkened chalet with only those two small flames to guide us to the living room. Moments later, we snuggled in front of a roaring fire that flickered on the warm-colored walls of the chalets.

"I've had a wonderful time," she told me as we retired for the night.

I knew we had all we needed to weather the storm and anything else that might come our way. I thought of that the next morning (Please turn to page 5)



A couple snuggles in front of a roaring fire in a chalet at the resort.

(Continued from page 4) as Lapidus and I talked over a breakfast table about Gold Mountain.

"There is something different about romantic love," he said. "There is something magical about it. And that is exactly the people we want to attract — people who want to get away and be alone."

The property had been in the Lapidus family for about 75 years before Harris, an attorney, and Diane, an airline stewardess, decided to make it their home.

"We built the one unit and we were in love," he said, "with each other and with this place."

With strong competition from larger Catskills resorts, Gold Mountain offers what the bigger resorts don't: a real mom-and-pop operation that is affordable and romantic.

"That's why I stock the refrigerator, that's why I give you a bottle of wine in the room," he said. "We give you the option of having dinner delivered. Some people come here and they don't even want to leave the room."

For those who do, there are tennis courts, indoor and outdoor pools, a whirlpool, nearby mountain trails and tours of the historic valley.

Because of the rainy weather, not to mention our general laziness, my better half and I spent the entire time indoors making googly eyes at one another and talking.

But for the more athletic couples out there, Spring Glen is a haven for a vast array of winter

and summer sports. There is hang-gliding, cross-country skiing, mountain biking and hiking. Everything else you bring yourself.

"A lot of people think of these kinds of places as somewhere you go to mend a relationship," Lapidus said. "But we're a little different. You come to us before you get to that point."

"This is a place for people who are truly in love," he added. "People need to be alone together."

The resort is ideal for married couples, especially those with children. Our neighbors in the chalet next door, Bob and Debrah Barrett of Monticello, N.Y., didn't travel far but felt like they were worlds away from their everyday lives. Their three children, 11, 7 and 5, were staying with their grandmother while the couple escaped for their anniversary weekend.

"It's been 12 years," Mr. Barrett said. "We hardly ever leave them [the children]. This is the first anniversary we've taken."

"People want to spend time together," Lapidus said. "They want to start a conversation with the person they love and finish talking without getting interrupted."

Rooms start at \$199 a couple for one night in the "Victorian Elegance" suite. The Southwestern Rustic units, which come with an extra bedroom, two full baths and a whirlpool overlooking the valley, start at \$209 a night. These prices include dinner and a stocked refrigerator. Gold Mountain also offers specials for couples who want to cook their own meals. For more information, call (800) 395-5200.

Other getaways and fun stuff upstate

• **Maple Leaf Festival** — Main Street and Firemen's Field, Downsville, 9 a.m.-dusk Oct. 12. Call (607) 363-2564. Directions: Thruway (I-87) North to Exit 16, Quickway (Route 17) West to Exit 94, then Route 206 North 15 miles.

• **Oktoberfest and Craft Fair** — Lander's Campground, Narrowsburg, noon-10 p.m. Oct. 12, 13. Adults \$4, children under 12 \$1. Call (914) 794-3000, Ext. 5010. Directions from Middlesex or Somerset Counties: I-287 North to Exit 52B, Route 23 North to Port Jervis, then Route 97 West 30 miles to Narrowsburg. Directions from Union County: Garden State Parkway North to Exit 155P, Route 19 North into I-80 West to Exit 53, Route 23 North to Port Jervis, then Route 97 West 30 miles to Narrowsburg.

• **Fourth Annual Foliage Festival** — Downtown Port Jervis, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 12, 13. Free admission. Call (914) 856-6694. Directions from Middlesex or Somerset Counties: I-287 North to Exit 52B, then Route 23 to Port Jervis. Directions from Union County: Garden State Parkway North to Exit 155P, Route 19 North into I-80 West to Exit 53, then Route 23 North to Port Jervis.

• **Oktoberfest** — German-style celebration at Tulip Tree Restaurant, Rye Town Hilton, Rye Brook, 6 p.m. Oct. 18, 25. Adults \$21.50, children under 12 \$10.75; reservations recommended. Call (914) 939-6300. Directions: Thruway (I-87/I-287) South over Tappan Zee Bridge to Exit 8, Cross-Westchester Expressway (I-287) East to Exit 10, bear left on ramp, go north to fourth traffic light, turn left to entrance.

• **Fifth Annual Hot Air Balloon Fest and Craft Fair** — Meadowgreens Restaurant and Golf Course, Ghent, dawn-dusk Oct. 19, 20. Free admission. Call (518) 828-0663. Directions: Thruway (I-87) North to Exit 21, Route 23 East over Rip Van Winkle Bridge to stop light, then Route 9G North through Hudson into Route 66 East; follow signs.

• **Third Annual Corvette Americana Muscle Car Show** — first of two Corvette shows on back-to-back weekends. Corvette Americana Hall of Fame, Cooperstown, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 19. Free admission for pa-

trons; fee to register vehicles in car show \$5. Call (607) 547-4135. Directions to Cooperstown: Thruway (I-87) North to Exit 19, Route 28 West through Catskill Park and Oneonta to Cooperstown.

• **Cigar Lovers Dinner** — for those who appreciate stogies (sorry, nothing from Havana). Hilton Inn, Tarrytown, 7 p.m. Oct. 21. Cost \$100, not including tax and gratuity; reservations required. Jackets preferred. Call (914) 631-5700, Ext. 5148. Directions: Thruway (I-87/I-287) South over Tappan Zee Bridge, stay in right lane on bridge, take Exit 9 (500 feet after toll plaza), go straight ahead at stop light.

• **Second Annual Cooperstown Fall Corvette Classic** — second of two Corvette shows on back-to-back weekends. Corvette Americana Hall of Fame, Cooperstown, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 26. Free admission for patrons; fee to register vehicles in car show \$5. Call (607) 547-4135. Directions to Cooperstown: See Corvette Americana Muscle Car Show above.

• **Antique-Craft-Food-Merchandise Expo** — Port Jervis, 11 a.m.-dusk Oct. 26, 8 a.m.-dusk Oct. 27. Donation. Call (914) 939-1800. Directions: See Foliage Festival above.

• **Candlelight Tours** — of Sunnyside (Washington Irving home), Van Cortlandt Manor, Lyndhurst, Montgomery Place and Philipsburg Manor, all historic sites in Tarrytown; various dates in November and December. Package plans available with Hilton Inn. Call (914) 631-8200, Ext. 618. Directions for Hilton Inn: See Cigar Lovers Dinner above.

• **The Headless Horseman** — famous character from *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow* hosts Halloween party at Sports Edition, Hilton Inn, Tarrytown, 9 p.m. Nov. 1. Cover \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door. Call (914) 631-5700, Ext. 5150. Directions: See Cigar Lovers Dinner above.

• **Chef's Secrets** — "for a great Thanksgiving dinner," offered at Rye Town Hilton hotel, Rye Brook, 10:30 a.m. Nov. 9. Cost \$95; class size limited. Call (914) 939-6300. Directions: See Oktoberfest above.

— Compiled by Charles Everett

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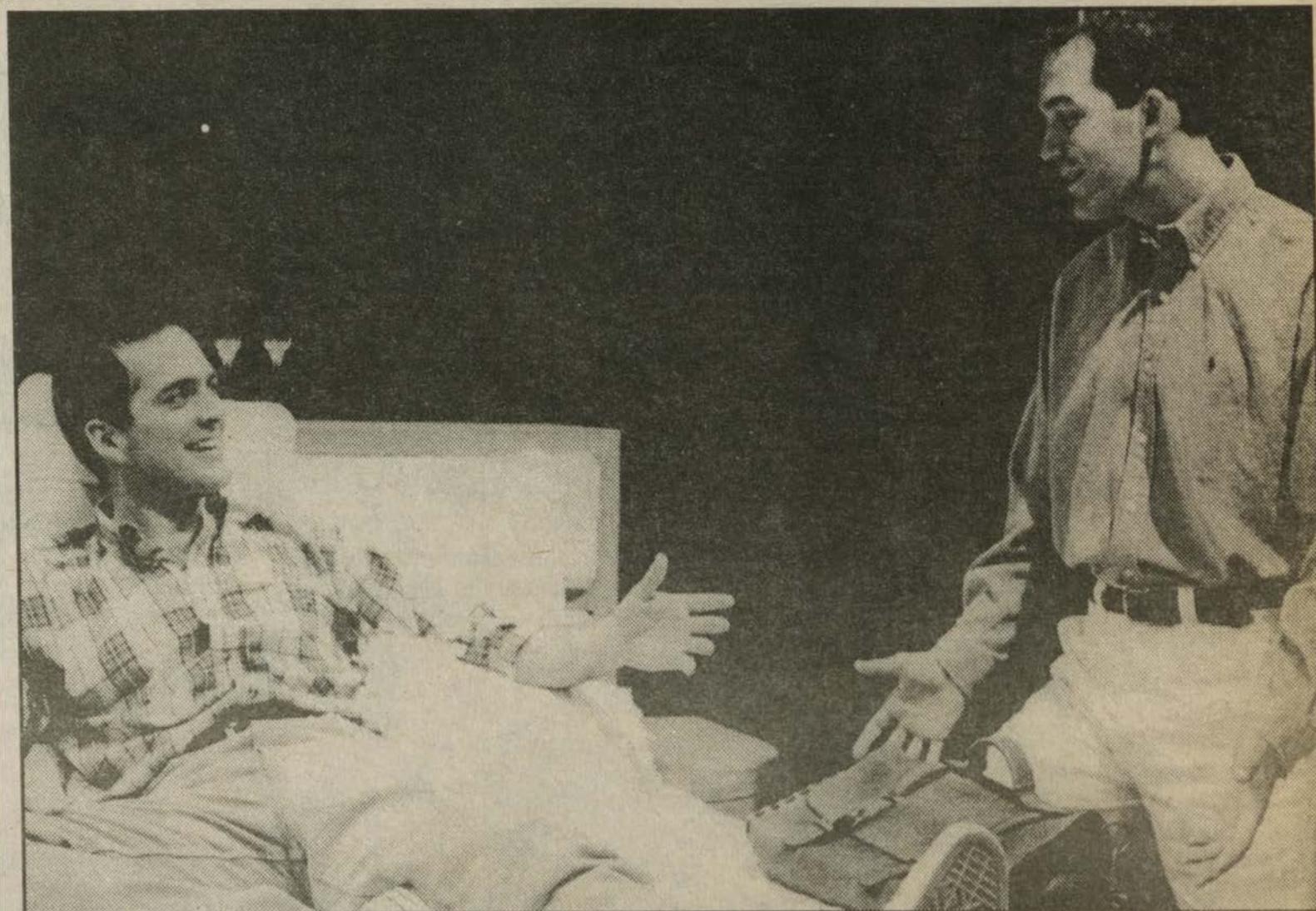
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Brian (Peter Gantenbein) flirts with Tom (Michael Booth) in the George Street Playhouse production of *Avow* by Bill C. Davis, an insightful human comedy about same-sex marriage.

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George Street Playhouse comedy questions religious doctrines

By JOHN ANGELO

Weekend Plus theater writer

"I was thinking a lot about commitments and what it means when someone makes a vow. Whether it's a vow of chastity or a vow of commitment to another person, what happens to that promise throughout the changes in a person's life?"

"Lives change. Personalities develop. Relationships change. Can a vow run its course?"

Those were some of the questions Bill C. Davis asked himself when he wrote *Avow*, a human comedy which explores life and love in the '90s. Those are also some of the questions he forces his audience to ask itself while watching the play, whose world premiere opens the George Street Playhouse's 1996-97 season.

Avow begins with two Catholic parishioners who are lovers and soon-to-be adoptive parents requesting a marriage ceremony from their young, progressive priest, Father Raymond. This is not an unusual request except the lovers in this play happen to be two men, Brian and Thomas. Their request is denied, in keeping with church doctrine.

Brian's sister Irene, an unwed expectant mother who plans to give her baby to Brian and Thomas to raise, is furious at Father Raymond's refusal to marry them and makes it her mission to show the unbending priest some light and understanding. Little did she

know she would eventually fall in love with the man who stood between her own brother and his happiness. Meanwhile, Father Raymond finds himself caught in a series of events that bring him into conflict between his faith and his heart.

Though the play contains many areas of human interest, it's the topic of same-sex marriage which stands out because of today's headlines. Although there are no easy answers in *Avow*, Davis has written a script that reaches beyond the headlines and the hype. It explores the human and very personal side of love and marriage, which is rarely as simple as extremists would have us believe. *Avow* respects the complexity of human nature by presenting the stories of four people who could easily be our friends and family.

The script by Davis, (who also wrote the stage play and screenplay for *Mass Appeal*, starring Jack Lemmon), is sharp and edgy; he calls the church to task on its positions on homosexuality and same-sex marriages without pulling any punches. The result is a poignant and provocative dramatic comedy that examines love, God, commitment, church, family, acceptance and tolerance in the '90s.

The play is directed by Gillian Lynne, the Tony nominated associate director and choreographer of *Cats* and *Phantom of the Opera* on Broadway. She has also served as director and choreographer for

more than 20 West End shows in London.

"I was eager to work on a production of Davis's, especially one so apt and timely to the problems of emotional fulfillment in certain areas today," Lynne says. "I expect the audience will respond to Bill's wonderfully light touch on such serious matters — laugh a lot, cry a little and think."

Avow runs through Oct. 27 at the George Street Playhouse, 9 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. Call 246-7717.

Top ten video rentals

1. *The Birdcage*
2. *Twister*
3. *Up Close and Personal*
4. *Truth About Cats and Dogs*
5. *Mulholland Falls*
6. *Fargo*
7. *City Hall*
8. *Before and After*
9. *Happy Gilmore*
10. *Two Much*

New releases: *The Craft*, *Flipper*; List courtesy of Easy Video, Bedminster

Poet to show Metuchen how language saves

By NATHAN SHASHOUA
Weekend Plus editor

Print —
each letter is a star
in this darkness
I grope in.
I travel this journey
with faith, staking all I am
in search for meaning
in the darkness
between words,
between letters.

— From Jimmy Santiago Baca's journals
in *Working In The Dark*, Red Crane Books

Language can save your life. Chicano poet Jimmy Santiago Baca is a walking testament to this notion. He tries to teach everyone how language does.

"I show them that power doesn't come from their fists as much as from language," he says. "The better you can use it, the better you can manipulate your environment."

Baca, 43, of New Mexico, learned to read and write in prison, where he also first became a poet. Those attending the Oct. 17 taping of MTV's *Off The Page* program at the Metuchen Library can bear witness to Baca's salvation.

His visit to the East Coast, which will

Nirvana release captures band's power and passion

By NATHAN SHASHOUA
Weekend Plus editor

The surviving members of Nirvana don't want to talk about this album.

They just want you to listen to it.

Declining interviews for its release, their liner notes for *From The Muddy Banks of the Wishkah* (DGC) simply conclude "Crank this record up and realize the bliss, power and passion."

And the album is a perfect document of this. Even if Kurt Cobain hadn't died the way he did, he would still be revered as a gifted musician and songwriter. *Wishkah* is further proof of this, but not in the fashion of *Unplugged in New York*.

Both albums are decidedly not greatest hits collections. Instead, they're sets with some very well-known songs and great performances of other songs that are just as compelling, but just didn't happen to be singles. *Unplugged* was one concert; *Wishkah* is compiled from live performances ranging from before drummer Dave Grohl joined the band to shows from their last tour in late 1993.

Performances of a number of older songs from the independent label release *Bleach* and a past rarities collection appear on *Wishkah*. As a group, "School," "Sliver" and "Negative Creep," along with the now-legendary "Smells Like Teen Spirit," all capture the outlook of a misfit youth or teenager who

include readings in New York City and talks with students at Metuchen High School and Perth Amboy schools, is sponsored in part by the Metuchen Library Board of Trustees Endowment Fund.

Baca recalls when he first realized the importance of education.

"The guy in line before me, they just gave probation. He was up for heroin possession. But for stealing an apple, my buddy got five years in maximum security prison," he says. "I started learning to read and write because I wanted to know what was going on. I never wanted to be at the mercy of other people's judgment."

By the mid-1980s, after earning his college degree at the University of New Mexico, Baca was counseling and teaching, along with writing and publishing. Even back then, he tried to instill the importance of creativity in the programs he worked for.

"The idea of spiritually emboldening someone is as good as a good stitch," he says of his efforts working with doctors who treated abused children. "In a prison, I did a creative writing workshop; that (kind of thing) was usually for wealthy people. I told those people to hire them. I also worked in the barrios, and some of them became writers,

The better you can use (language), the better you can manipulate your environment.'

— Jimmy Santiago Baca

ers, too."

Baca and his colleagues pulled crack dealers and pimps off the streets and gave them support to write poetry, short stories and novels.

"We would meet in the park where there would be drive-bys and bullets would be whizzing by," he says. "You'd be discussing Hemingway's *For Whom The Bell Tolls* and hoping it wouldn't toll for you."

Language, in poetry and literature, teaches people their history and tradition, and how to express themselves, Baca has found.

"I teach that they have a voice, a perspective and they can contribute. I work at making them realize how beautiful they really are," Baca says. "The earlier you tell a child, the richer the child is and the more reason they have to work on behalf of society."

While the poet says "people who are poor

really have something to write about," he also believes deep stories are what make great people, citing Cesar Chavez, John F. Kennedy, Guadalupe Torres, Malcolm X and Martin Luther King Jr. One never knows where a fascinating story will be found, Baca says.

"If you go to Appalachia, a poor white child might say he had an uncle who built a clock, and it ended up in the Smithsonian," he says.

Young readers can best acquire such wealth through longer narrative works. Baca explored this form with *Martin & Meditations on the South Valley*, a pair of 50-page-long narrative poems. He recommends Walt Whitman, William Carlos Williams and Ezra Pound for insight into America's traditions.

"Stories are essential. When we lose our stories, we lose our soul," Baca says.

Jimmy Santiago Baca will read his works and speak about his life and times with *Off The Page* host Betsy Robin Schwartz 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 17 at the Metuchen Public Library, 480 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen. They will be joined by musician and songwriter Greg Stier. For more information, call 321-0130.



doesn't, or won't, or can't fit in.

While *Unplugged* contrasted Cobain's intense voice against acoustic music, the renditions on *Wishkah* are mostly more frenetic, both in the singing and playing, than the originals. The intensity is magnified by these being professional

Somehow this album captures a certain strange subtle grace.

recordings of crisp clarity, not muddy bootlegs.

Somehow, however, this album also captures a certain strange subtle grace amongst Grohl's pounding drums, the raging guitars and Cobain's screeching voice. Maybe it's the thoughtful words amongst the raw noise or the classic Nirvana dynamic of softer verses punctuated by blaring choruses. Or maybe it's just a timeless extra something that no words can really describe or express.

Whatever it is, it's evident on what even the album notes acknowledge are particularly aggres-

sive late 1991 performances of "Teen Spirit" and the rarity "An-eurysm," now being played on the radio. Recordings made of 1989 performances of "Polly" and "Breed," songs which later appeared on their 1991 breakthrough *Nevermind*, show how Nirvana's music would start to evolve, as well.

The rendition of "Polly" seems a little rote at first, but when Cobain gets to the last verse, he adds an extra emphasis that heightens the emotional stakes, much as he did on his performance of the blues classic "Where Did You Sleep Last Night" on *Unplugged*. "Spank Thru," the one song that's never appeared in any form, starts off like a typical classic rock number, but again is elevated by the mood the band creates in its performance.

The version of "Heart Shaped Box" from 1993's *In Utero* is pretty close to the original, but seems just slightly more weary. The ever more anguished lyrics of this and the other newer songs here — "Milk It" and the indecipherable "tourette's" — find Cobain digging still deeper into the demons that affected him on those older "misfit" songs.

Wishkah is a potent reminder that no one had ever heard anything like this before, and they might not again.



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Kurt Cobain

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Use caution at auction

How to find genuine antiques for reasonable prices

By ARTHUR MILGROM

Weekend Plus antiques writer
anticipation collecting fulfills
many needs.

A For some of us, antiques give a connection with the past and at the same time provide an aesthetically pleasing environment.

For others, the thrill of the hunt is the reason. This is the garage sale crowd, the "I paid \$3 and it's worth \$150" crowd, the "Everybody was at the sale and missed this great little piece under the desk" crowd.

The power of the great buy gives them a warm glow. The antique store for these people loses its luster, aside from the possibility of the dealer making a pricing mistake. This leads them to the auction, where the audience, with certain exceptions, sets the prices. This brings us to this month's

topic: the auction, that seductive and dangerous exercise in basic capitalism.

Auctions are indeed an enjoyable and entertaining way to acquire antiques, and it is possible to get items at a reasonable and, often, below retail price. But there are pitfalls.

The first and foremost is the so-called "auction fever," the syndrome in which newcomers get so caught up in the intense excitement of the auction that they bid beyond reason or even desire and wind up paying more than they would under calmer circumstances. Related to this is the problem of buying things the consumer doesn't understand either in terms of authenticity or market value.

Finally, there is the trap of not checking carefully for condition. Remember, auction houses are

generally not responsible for guaranteeing authenticity or condition. The way to deal with these questions is to have an auction strategy. If you are a newcomer, attend several auctions without purchasing anything over \$10, no matter how tempting. This teaches restraint and allows you the time to feel the rhythms of an auction.

Always arrive at least a half hour early, so you can examine carefully all your prospective purchases. Introduce yourself to the auctioneer and ask what his policy is concerning his guaranteeing authenticity and condition. When you're ready to enter the fray, choose the price you're willing to pay and don't go above it.

Sometimes, it feels as if one more bid will do it, but the other bidder probably feels the same. If there is a buyer's fee (a percentage added to your bid if it's successful), keep it in mind when bidding. Figure it into your possible highest bid before you start bidding. Now that we have the tools, let's discuss the type of auctions.

My favorite type of auctions are house or estate auctions, in which everything in the house must be sold. Usually, it's everything from pots and pans to antiques, sometimes even automobiles. These sales are mostly held at the house where the merchandise lives. In addition to possible antique bargains, one can often buy at very low prices a variety of everyday items such as refrigerators, children's furniture and snow blowers.

These sales are not secrets, and you are likely to be banging heads with dealers, but if you follow the rules in the last paragraph, you'll stay out of hot water. Sometimes at these sales, there are "power" buyers, dealers with lots of money who love to buy fancy, flashy antiques. Often, this is merely a macho exercise having little to do with real value. Don't let them rattle you; just view it as entertainment and keep following your strategy. On a fine spring or fall day, there are few pleasures as great for an antique lover as sitting outside and watching an auction unfold.

Another kind of enjoyable venue is the "hall auction. These are sales held usually on a regular basis in VFW posts, firehouses and Elks lodges. The goods here consist of a combination of partial estates or households, the auctioneers' own property and consignments from dealers, often items that have become shopworn.

These auctions vary greatly in their quality and honesty. Most are straightforward, but some allow consignors to "protect" their goods, that is, bid on their own merchandise to artificially raise the bid. When you attend an auction of this kind, it's important to

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Meet The Wonders

Tom Hanks directs friendly tale about '60s pop success

By JEFFREY COHEN

Weekend Plus film critic

When actors become filmmakers, the results can vary widely. Some turn out indulgent vanity productions like that thing that Steven Seagal directed a couple of years ago. Some go for the big, splashy pretentious kind of thing that wins Academy Awards and shows how serious they are, like *Braveheart*. In short, they reflect the personality of the actor/director.

That's why it's no surprise that Tom Hanks is the creative mind behind *That Thing You Do!*, since the movie embodies Hanks' on-screen persona almost perfectly. It is friendly and easy, eager to please but with an eye of self-consciousness that keeps it from veering into the saccharine. It is an effervescent little movie with no pretense toward being anything else.

Hanks wrote and directed *That Thing*, and was even gracious enough to only give himself a decidedly supporting role. Don't expect to see him much on-screen, but be sure that you're in capable hands with regular guy auteur.

That Thing takes place in a newly Beatle-conscious 1964, when everyone was joining a band. So why should things be different for Guy Patterson (Tom Everett Scott, whose only credit until now was a guest role on TV's *Grace Under Fire*), a 20-something drummer in Erie, Pa., who bears an eerie resemblance to ... Tom Hanks.

Guy is asked to fill in for the regular drummer in the One-ders (get it? 1-ders?), a local band whose resident tortured songwriter Jimmy Mattingly (Johnathon Schaech) has written a little ditty called "That Thing You Do," and is premiering it at a local dance one night. The regular drummer? Broke his arm, and was never as good as Guy, anyway.

Guy helps the song find its catchy groove, and the band is a hit at the dance. Then, at a local bar. Then, in local fairs. And finally, on a record, when the renamed Wonders find a manager named Mr. White (Hanks, and the character never has a first name), who happens to be the talent coordinator for a record label.

The movie never really has much of a plot, but it moves along nicely, and the characters are so likable that it doesn't really matter. Guy is attracted to Jimmy's girlfriend Faye (Liv Tyler, whose lips do most of her acting for her); Jimmy wants to record more songs instead of playing the same one.



Tom Hanks with the cast of his lighthearted directorial debut: Johnathon Schaech, Liv Tyler, Ethan Embry, Tom Everett Scott and Steve Zahn.

over and over; Mr. White seems to have some hidden agenda; the guitarist is chasing after every woman he meets. And so on.

Hanks has done a lovely job of creating a cute little confection that holds the interest and amuses the senses as well as the mind. He hasn't tried to do anything else, and that is wise of him. But then, Tom Hanks has always known exactly who he is and what is expected of him. Luckily, he doesn't mind providing it.

Weekend Plus rates films on

Video Rewind

It's no wonder that so many film critics fell all over themselves praising *I Shot Andy Warhol* (Evergreen Home Video) when it was released to art houses this year. After all, this docudrama about a militant lesbian feminist (Lili Taylor) who shot the pop artist because she thought he was inhibiting her writing career features thoroughly unlikeable characters twisting their obnoxious insistence on being "different" at all costs into your face. It has a fearless performance by Taylor that crosses the line into one-note annoyance quickly. What's for a film

just how much of their \$8 ticket price they're worth:

That Thing You Do! . \$7

Written and Directed by Tom Hanks. Produced by Gary Goetzman, Jonathan Demme and Edward Saxon. Rated PG. Guy Patterson.....TOM EVERETT SCOTT Faye Dolan.....LIV TYLER Jimmy.....JOHNATHON SCHAECH Lenny.....STEVE ZAHN The Bass Player.....ETHAN EMBRY Mr. White.....TOM HANKS Tina.....CHARLIZE THERON Lamar.....OBBA BABATUNDE Troy Chesterfield.....PETER SCOLARI Marguerite.....RITA WILSON

critic not to like? Just because something doesn't conform to the established norm doesn't make it good. And that is the message, unintended, of this film.

Something considerably more mainstream is visible in *Flipper* (MCA/Universal Home Video), in which the '60s TV show about a dolphin gets the big-screen treatment with Paul Hogan (who used to be more readily associated with crocodiles) as the laid-back uncle of Elijah Wood, banished to an island for the summer (we should all be so banished). They get involved with this dolphin, see. And it's all nice and mainstream and predictable. Hogan is more amiable than he's been in a while, and the movie, bland as it is, may work for some kids. Better as a rental than a purchase, though.

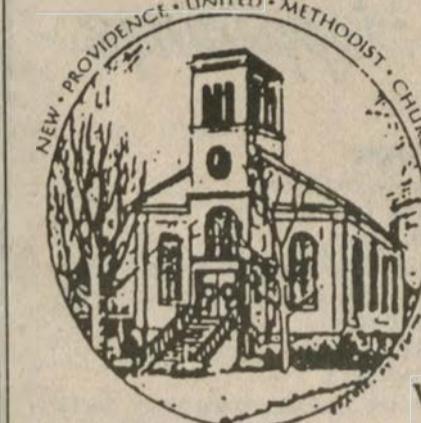
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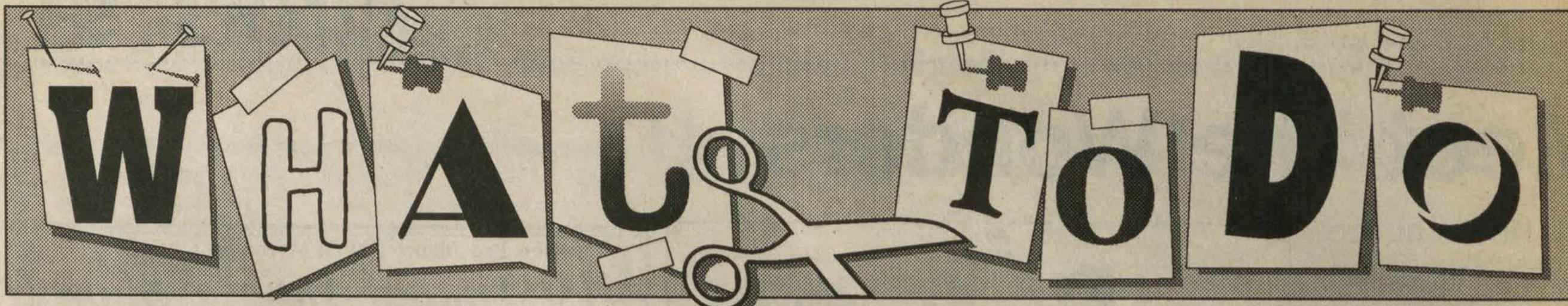
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APPLE FESTIVAL

AND CRAFT FAIR

Lebanon Reformed Church
Brunswick Ave., Lebanon
(908) 236-6932, 236-6187

■ 22nd annual show featuring an apple pie contest, 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Oct. 12. Free admission.

AUTUMN CRAFT FAIR

Orange Avenue School
901 Orange Ave., Cranford
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■ Benefit for the school's PTA, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 12. Free admission.

BEHIND THE SCENES

State Theatre, 19 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick
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■ Tour of the venue and socializing with a ballet company, starting 2 p.m. Oct. 19. Free admission; reservations required.

CLARK STAMP SHOW

Holiday Inn
Garden State Parkway
Exit 135, Clark
(908) 247-1093

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CRAFT FAIR

Community Center, 29 Park
Ave., Berkeley Heights
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Eastman Plaza, Cranford
(908) 996-3036

■ Downtown within the Union County township, 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 13. Rain date Oct. 20. Free admission.

FALL FAIR

Clover Hill Reformed Church
890 Amwell Rd., Hillsborough
(908) 369-8451

■ Including a flea market and country kitchen, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Oct. 19. Free admission.

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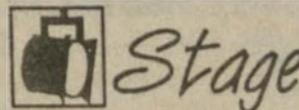
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George St., New Brunswick

(908) 932-7511

•All in the Timing, David Ives play which incorporates Leon Trotsky, a Philip Glass opera and three monkeys. Oct. 10-27. Admission \$16-

\$12; discounts available.

OAKES MEMORIAL OUTREACH CENTER

120 Morris Ave., Summit

(908) 665-1376

•The Skin of Our Teeth, Thornton Wilder drama staged on the centennial of his birth. Oct. 11-27. Admission \$12.

OFF-BROADSTREET THEATRE

5 S. Greenwood Ave.

Hopewell

(609) 466-2766

•Two by Two, musical comedy adapted from the tale of Noah and his ark. To Oct. 26. Admission \$20 Saturday, \$18.50 Friday and Sunday; discounts available.

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE

Brookside Dr., Millburn

(201) 376-4343

•Applause, revival of early-70's Stephen Sondheim musical based on the Bette Davis movie All About Eve. To Oct. 19. Adults \$46-\$31; students (15 minutes before showtime) \$10. Group rates available.

PLAYHOUSE 22

210 Dunhams Corner Rd.

East Brunswick

(908) 254-3939

•Barefoot in the Park, Neil Simon comedy out of Manhattan in the 60's. To Oct. 12. Adults \$13, senior citizens and students \$10.

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE OF NEW JERSEY

33 Green Village Rd., Madison

(201) 514-1940

•God's Field, staged reading of a new play by Meg Griffith. 8 p.m. Oct. 11, 12. Free admission; reservations required.

SHERATON AT WOODBRIDGE PLACE

Route 1, Iselin

(201) 301-0562

•A Deadly Brief Case, 007 spoof done dinner-theater style. 7:30 p.m. Saturday to Dec. 28. Admission \$42.

SOMERSET VALLEY PLAYERS

Route 514, Neshanic

(908) 369-7469

•Beau Jest, comedy by James Sherman. To Oct. 13. Admission \$12.

VILLAGERS THEATRE

475 DeMott Lane, Somerset

(908) 873-2710

•Ten Little Indians, adaptation of the mystery by Dame Agatha Christie. To Oct. 13. Admission \$17 Saturday, \$15 Friday and Sunday; discounts available.

WESTFIELD**COMMUNITY PLAYERS**

1000 North Ave., West

Westfield

(908) 232-1221

•A Day in Hollywood, A Night in the Ukraine, revival of 70's tribute to the Marx Brothers. To Oct. 26. Admission \$15; group rates available.

COMING UP**COMMUNITY THEATRE**

100 South St., Morristown

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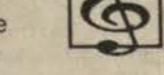
•Kreskin, hypnotist who became famous in the 60's. 8 p.m. Oct. 18. Admission \$20-\$15.

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE OF NEW JERSEY

33 Green Village Rd., Madison

(201) 984-3400

•The Acts of the Apostles, one-man biblical show with Max McLean. Oct. 18-27, Nov. 8-24. Admission \$16; group rates available.



In Concert

F. ALLEN ARTZ III

4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 20

Cathedral of the Sacred Heart

89 Ridge St., Newark

(201) 484-4600

•Organist performs works of Franck, Mendelssohn, Guilmant, J.S. Bach and other composers. Admission \$10.

BEAUSOLEIL/POINT CROSS

8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12

Edward Nash Theatre

Raritan Valley Community

College, North Branch

(908) 725-3420

•Two zydeco bands, the former from Louisiana (where the music originated), the latter from Canada. Admission \$20, \$15; group rates available.

CELLO

8:30 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18

Bedminster

(908) 782-3935

•Christian singer-songwriter. Admission \$15, \$12.

N.J. SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Friday, Oct. 18

State Theatre, New Brunswick

8:30 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 19

Crescent Theatre, Trenton

(800) ALLEGRO

•New Jersey premiere of a symphonic fragment from Josephs-Legende by Richard Strauss; also works of Richard Wagner and Ellen Taaffe Zwilich. Admission \$49-\$15; discounts available.

What to do 11

OF THEE I SING

8 p.m. Saturday, Oct. 12

State Theatre, 19 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick

(908) 246-7469

•Revue of George Gershwin songs to mark his centennial. Admission \$30-\$15.

PRINCETON CHAMBER SYMPHONY

4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 20

Richardson Auditorium,

Princeton University

(609) 258-5000

•All-Beethoven program. Adults \$24, \$21; senior citizens \$22, \$19; students \$8, \$6.

PRINCETON UNIVERSITY ORCHESTRA

8 p.m. Oct. 18, 19

Richardson Auditorium

(609) 258-5000

•Performing works of Smetana, Mozart and Brahms. Adults \$10, students \$5.

REQUIEM

4 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13

Calvary Episcopal Church

12 What to do



Club Mix

BIRCH HILL NIGHT CLUB

Route 9, Old Bridge
(908) 536-0650
•Bob Mould, Oct. 11.
•Stabbing Westward, Oct. 18.
•Mercyful Fate, Oct. 19.

BOURBON STREET CAFE

Old Bay Restaurant
61 Church St., New Brunswick
(908) 246-3111
"Is That Jazz?" (acid jazz), Sundays.

Blues DJ, Wednesdays.
•Shirley Lewis, Oct. 11.
•Sonny Rhodes, Oct. 12.
•Bobbie Parker, Oct. 17.
•Frankie Lee, Oct. 18.
•"Oktoberfest," Oct. 20.

BROADWAY CENTRAL CAFE

114 S. Broadway
South Amboy
(908) 721-2059
•"Folk-Off!" Oct. 19.

CATCH A RISING STAR

Hyatt Regency Hotel
Route 1, West Windsor
(609) 987-8018
Comedy club.

•Joe Bolster, to Oct. 13.
•Brian Frazer, Oct. 15-20.

CITY HALL COFFEEHOUSE

94 Washington St., Hoboken
(201) 420-2207
•Harmonix, Oct. 11.
•Margo Hennebach, John Sonntag, Oct. 18.

CLUB BENE

Route 35, Sayreville
(908) 727-3000
•Johnny Winter, B.B. & The Stingers, Oct. 11.
•Humble Pie (no Peter Frampton), Oct. 12.

•Gong, Oct. 17.
•Iron Butterfly, Oct. 19.
•Solo, Oct. 20.

COACH N' PADDOCK

Route 173, Hampton
(908) 735-7889
•Jim Hoffman, Oct. 11.

CORNERSTONE

25 New St., Metuchen
(908) 549-5306
•Jill McCarran Quartet, Oct. 11.
•Larry Ham Quartet, Oct. 12.

•Ken Peplowski Quartet, Oct. 16.
•Danny Tobias Quartet, Oct. 18.
•Michael Rabinowitz Quartet, Oct. 19.

CROSSROADS

78 North Ave., Garwood
(908) 232-9020
•Nasty Ned & The Famous Chili Dogs, Oct. 11.
•Michael Powers, Oct. 12.
•Slam Allen, Oct. 17.

•Clarence Spady, Oct. 18.
•Filthy Rich & The Poor Boys, Oct. 19.

FAIRWAY MANOR

Old Orchard Country Club
54 Monmouth Rd., Eatontown
(908) 542-7979
•Andrea Migliaccio, Oct. 11, 12, 19.

•Steve Brining, Oct. 18.

THE HIDEAWAY

Tompkins Ave.
South Plainfield
(908) 668-9860
•The Trash Mavericks, Oct. 11.

JAVA CAFE

Route 206, Skillman
(609) 683-9092
•Bob Stormcrow Sanders, Oct. 18.

LAUGHING LION

40 N. Sussex St., Dover
(201) 328-0424
•Son Lewis, Oct. 17.

MAXWELL'S

1039 Washington St.
Hoboken
(201) 798-4064
•Combustible Edison, Oct. 11.
•Velocity Girl, Lauren Hoffman, Oct. 12.

•Versus, Oct. 19.

McATEERS

1714 Easton Ave., Somerset
(908) 469-2522
•Comedy night, Oct. 18.

METRO LOUNGE

369 Broadway, Long Branch
(908) 229-9186
•Boymen, Solution AD, Oct. 12.

•Graham Parker, The Figgs, Oct. 18.

MINSTREL COFFEEHOUSE

Somerset County Environmental Education
Center, 190 Lord Stirling Rd., Basking Ridge
(201) 335-9489

•James Keelaghan, Julie Hoest, Oct. 18.

RASCALS COMEDY CLUB

425 Pleasant Valley Way
West Orange
(201) 736-2726
•John Fox, Oct. 10-13.

•Gary Conrad, Oct. 17-20.

SHOUT!

116 Watchung Ave., Plainfield
(908) 769-9267
Local bands, Thursdays.
•Fighting Gravity, Oct. 11.
•New Life Crisis, Oct. 12.

•Burns in the Park, Oct. 18.

•Rich Meyer, Oct. 19.

SPOTLIGHT CAFE

5 N. Park Pl., Morristown
(201) 539-5282
•Bob Stormcrow Sanders, Oct. 12.

STONE PONY

913 Ocean Ave., Asbury Park
(908) 775-5700
•Murphy's Law, Oct. 18.

STRESS FACTORY

90 Church St., New Brunswick
(908) 545-4242
Comedy club.
•Ross, Oct. 10-12.

•Joey Kola, Oct. 17-19.

SWEET DREAMS CAFE

42 Lincoln Pl., Madison
(201) 377-2010
•Bob Stormcrow Sanders, Oct. 11.

TRADEWINDS

1331 Ocean Blvd., Sea Bright
(908) 842-7300
•The Connells, Marshall Crenshaw, Kevin
Salem, Oct. 11.

THE YELLOW ROSE

724 S. Main St., Manville
(908) 526-4310
Country and Western club.
Dance party, Sundays and Tuesdays.

•Family night, Sundays.
•Jamboree (7 live bands), Oct. 13.

ZIA GRILL

19 Dennis St., New Brunswick
(908) 249-1551
Scarlett Blue, Fridays.

Galleries

ALEXANDER LIBRARY

Rutgers University

George St., New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
9 a.m.-5 p.m. Monday-Friday, 1-5 p.m. Saturday.
Free admission.

•"Documents and Images from Feminist Contemporary Art," Oct. 14-Jan. 13, 1997.
•"An Anarchist Experiment" by the Modern School of Stelton (Piscataway), Gallery '50, to Jan. 16, 1997.

ARK II GALLERY

33 Mine St., Flemington
(908) 782-8235
10 a.m.-5 p.m. Thursday-Sunday.
•Wildlife art by Wilhelm Goebel, Oct. 12-Nov. 10. Reception 2-4 p.m. Oct. 12.

THE ARTISTS SHOWCASE

10 Budd Ave., Chester
(908) 879-9552
Noon-6 p.m. Wednesday-Friday; 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturday; 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Sunday; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Oct. 14. Free admission.
•"Night Visions," to Nov. 17. Reception 3-5 p.m. Oct. 19.

ATRIUM GALLERY

Chubb Group of Insurance Companies

15 Mountain View Rd., Warren
(908) 903-2608
9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Also open by appointment.

•"Art Quilts," to Dec. 6.

B. BEAMESDERFER GALLERY

6 N. Second Ave., Highland Park
(908) 249-6971
10 a.m.-6 p.m. Monday-Friday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday. Also open by appointment.
•"Four painters 'Working the Land,'" to Oct. 26.

BERNARDSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY

2 Morristown Rd., Bernardsville
(908) 766-0118
Open during library hours.

•Nancy Picchi on searching via the Web, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 16. Registration required.

•Sherie Fox Schmauder on writing memoirs, 10 a.m. Oct. 19. Registration required.

•Carol Clark and Diane Laks on women reinventing themselves, 2 p.m. Thursday to Oct. 31. Registration required.

•Watercolors by John Williams, to Oct. 31.

•"Treasures from the Sea," to Oct. 31.

BERNSTEIN GALLERY

Robertson Hall, Princeton University

(609) 730-1401
9 a.m.-5 p.m. every day.
•Works by Jules Schaeffer, to Nov. 9. Reception 5:30-8 p.m. Oct. 12.

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL

Rosedale Rd., Princeton

150 New Providence Rd.
Mountainside
(908) 233-3720, Ext. 379
8:30 a.m.-8:30 p.m. every day. Enter via ambulance entrance. Free admission.

•Paintings by Ilene Baranik and Sue Ellen Rohrer Leys, to Oct. 31.
•Photographs by Deborah Majeski, to Oct. 31.

CONANT GALLERY

Educational Testing Service

Rosedale Rd., Princeton
(609) 734-1012
9 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday.

•Color photographs by H. Lisa Solon, to Nov. 4.

CORYELL GALLERY

AT THE PORKYARD

8 Coryell St., Lambertville
(609) 397-0804
11 a.m.-5 p.m. Wednesday-Sunday.

•Works by Richard Lennox, Ron Lent and Nancy Silvia, to Nov. 17.

MABEL SMITH

Douglass College

Chapel Dr., New Brunswick
(908) 932-9407
Open during library hours.

•"Artists' Portraits and Statements," to Dec. 15.

EDISON FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY

340 Plainfield Ave., Edison

(908) 287-2298
Open during library hours.

•Watercolors by Sheila Eichenblatt, to Oct. 31.

1860 HOUSE

Montgomery Cultural Center

124 Montgomery Rd., Skillman
(609) 921-3272
9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday, 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday.

•Fall juried show, to Nov. 16.

EVERHART GALLERY

117 S. Maple Ave.

Basking Ridge

(908) 221-9007
11 a.m.-6 p.m. Thursday-Saturday. Also open by appointment.

•Fall show, to Nov. 9.

EXXON CHEMICAL CO.

1900 E. Linden Ave., Linden

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•Union County Teen Arts touring exhibit, to Oct. 25.

GALLERY AT

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(609) 252-6275
Free admission; call for each day's hours.

•"Real People: Six Artists," Oct. 13-Dec. 1. Reception 3-5 p.m. Oct. 13.

GALLERY OF SOUTH ORANGE

5 Mead St., South Orange

(201) 378-7754
10 a.m.-2 p.m. and 4-6 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday; 1-4 p.m. Saturday, Sunday.

•"A 'Constructed View' from Susan Napack, to Oct. 15.
•"Personal

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I love Jewish Men! Pretty, slim, young 40, DJF, irresistible, blonde/baby blues, traditional values, seeks captivating DJM, 36-45, fit, nonsmoker, who knows what he wants! **23467**

School teacher DF, 40, dark hair and eyes, enjoys art, reading and music. Looking for lasting relationship with nonsmoking, nondrinking, drug-free Male, 35-55, with old-fashioned values. **23480**

SWF, 55, seeks conservative, agreeable Gentleman, to share skiing, dancing, Internet and humor. **23482**

Terrible at home repairs, great at cooking, let's talk trade. Self-reliant SWF, 47, non-smoker, child-free, two cats, homeowner, diverse interests; prefer SWM, under 55, over 5'10", who likes cheesecake and lasagne. **23464**

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MEN SEEKING WOMEN

Adventurous WM, 40s, romantic and spontaneous, seeking WF to share magic moments, secrets of the heart and intimate relationship. **23468**

Affectionate, fun-loving SWM, 25, with nice smile and eyes; handsome, sexy, athletic, conversational, with great sense of humor. ISO pretty, slender SWF, sweet, sensitive and fun, for possible friendship, perhaps relationship. **23470**

Affectionate, caring SWM, 35, 160 lbs, brown/blue, good-looking, n/d, enjoys the Shore, Cape Cod, weekend trips or quiet evenings, seeking attractive, stable F for lasting, loving relationship. Metuchen area. **23475**

Construction worker, SWM, 37, smoker, ex-Marine, 5'11", 185 lbs, (no transportation right now). Seeks soulmate to love and help me get back on track. Age/race open. **23461**

Cute, long-haired, 26 year-old Male, who likes any kind of fun, is looking for attractive SWF, who has a great personality, is hard-working and open-minded. **23476**

DWCM, 50, 5'9", Single parent. Seeks affectionate Woman for possible long-term relationship. Social drinkers welcome. **23474**

Good-natured, caring SWM, 52, enjoys music, travel and some sports, ISO relationship with a caring Woman, age and race open, full-figured a plus. **23460**

Handsome and sincere SWM, 44, 5'10, 175 lbs, nonsmoker, numerous interests. ISO reasonably attractive S/DWF, 30+, for dating, possible long-term relationship. Children welcome, n/drugs. **23478**

Healthy, spontaneous, adventurous, passionate, prudent and playful Italian businessman, 5'10", 210 lbs, brown/blue. Seeking same in a curvy Female—for love in smoky places and shadowy corners. **23465**

Lonely cable Guy, 43, 5'9", 185 lbs, divorced father of two, seeking affectionate Woman for relationship, possible long-term. **23481**

New to Somerset County. SWM, 33, 6'2", brown/blue, clean-cut, nonsmoker, likes sports, travel, weekend getaways. ISO SWF, 25-30, nonsmoker, with similar interests. **23466**

Nice Guys do exist. Attractive, clean-cut SWPM, 30, enjoys animals, romantic evenings, dining. ISO petite, attractive SWPF, 20-32, who wants to experience romance, passion and the best life has to offer. **23458**

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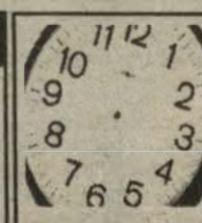
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OF CENTRAL NEW JERSEY

• Pizza at Pizza Hut, Edison, 8 p.m. Wednesday, (908) 756-0940.

• Karaoke night at Cryan's Restaurant, Metuchen, 9:15 p.m. Oct. 15. (908) 756-0940.

• Bowling at Strike 'N Spare Lanes, Green Brook, 2:30 p.m. Oct. 19. (908) 756-0940.

• Mass and brunch, 10:30 a.m. Oct. 20. Mass at Guardian Angels Church, Edison; brunch follows at Hometown Buffet, Edison. (908) 287-6245.

CENTRAL JERSEY

TALL FRIENDS CLUB

(women 5'10" and taller, men 6'2" and taller; 21-up)

(908) 281-0540

• Dessert and play at Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell, 6:30 p.m. Oct. 19. Cost \$20; must reserve by Oct. 15.

FIRST IMPRESSIONS

(908) 234-1977

• "Pub crawl" in Hoboken, 8 p.m. Oct. 18. Reservations required.

• Day trip to New Hope, Pa., and Lambertville, noon Oct. 20. Reservations required.

FRIDAY FORTNITES

(908) 766-2412

• Big band dance at The Barn Studio, Bernardsville, 8 p.m. Oct. 18. Cost \$15.

INTERFAITH SINGLES

(908) 233-2278

• Social at First Baptist Church, Westfield, 9 a.m. Sunday. Cost \$2.

JEWISH WOMEN

INTERNATIONAL

Hannah Senesh Chapter

(40s, 50s)

(908) 750-5836

• Meeting at Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County, Edison, 2 p.m. Oct. 20.

NEW HORIZONS

(Catholics, 28-48)

• Hike at Jockey Hollow, Morristown, 10:30 a.m. Oct. 12, 19. Meet at visitors center. Cost \$5; bring water. (908) 903-0292.

• Volleyball (weather permitting) in Southard Park, Basking Ridge, 1 p.m. Oct. 20. Cost \$5; bring water. (201) 378-8571.

PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS

Hunterdon County Area

Chapter 1332

(908) 713-8484

• Meeting and group discussion at Hunterdon County Parks System, Annandale, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 11.

• Dance at Holiday Inn, Clinton, 8 p.m. Oct. 13. Members \$6, non-members \$8.

SINGLE COUNTERPARTS

(Catholics, 25-50)

(908) 603-0461

• Movie and dinner, 7 p.m. Oct. 11. Movie at Cineplex Odeon Menlo Park, Edison; dinner follows at Suburban Diner, Edison. Cost \$16.

• "Pumpkin Fest" at Whistle Stop Nursery, Ringers, 10 a.m. Oct. 13. Meet in lot behind St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral, Metuchen. Cost \$8 plus lunch.

• Day trip to New Hope, Pa., 9 a.m. Oct. 20. Meet in lot behind St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral, Metuchen.

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(908) 462-2406

• Dance at Hilton hotel, Parsippany, 9 p.m. Oct. 11. Cost \$12.

• Dance at Ramada Inn, East Brunswick, 9 p.m. Oct. 12. Cost \$12.

• Columbus Day party at Forrestal at Princeton, 8 p.m. Oct. 13. Cost \$12.

• Dance at Hilton hotel, East Brunswick, 9 p.m. Oct. 18. Cost \$12.

• Dances at Essex Health and Country Club, West Orange, and Atlantic Club, Wall, 9 p.m. Oct. 19. Cost \$12.

• Dance at The Gate House, West Orange, 8 p.m. Oct. 20. Cost \$12.

SOLO SINGLES

(908) 766-1839 (7-9 p.m.)

Weekend Plus, October 9-11

MARGARETA GREELEY

2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 20

Millburn Public Library

200 Glen Ave., Millburn

(201) 635-5363

• "Drawing on Your Creativity" with a Swedish-born art instructor. Donation.

JONATHAN WEINBERG

6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16

Newark Museum

49 Washington St., Newark

(201) 596-6550

• Yale University professor explains the relationship between Alfred Stieglitz (photographer) and Georgia O'Keefe (artist). Members \$6, non-members \$8.



ANNE FRANK REMEMBERED

(America, 1995)

7 p.m. Oct. 11, 12

Scott Hall, Rutgers

University, New Brunswick

(908) 932-8482

• Academy Award winner for best documentary — about the Dutch girl made (posthumously) famous by her World War II diary. Admission \$5.

CARPATI: 50 YEARS, 50 MILES

(America, 1996)

7 p.m. Oct. 18, 19

Scott Hall, Rutgers

University, New Brunswick

(908) 932-8482

• The life of Lev Godinger, one of the few Jews still living in Ukraine. Admission \$5.

THE UMBRELLAS

OF CHERBOURG

(France/Germany, 1964)/

WELCOME TO THE DOLLHOUSE

(America, 1996)

7 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 13

State Theatre, 19 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick

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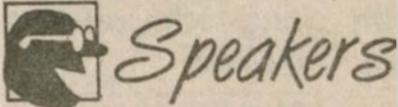
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Fagioli in Scotch Plains serves fine Italian fare

By PHYLLIS RECKEL

Weekend Plus culinary correspondent

Fagioli, only four months old and billed a *cafe and ristorante*, doesn't seem to quite know whether it is indeed a cafe or restaurant.

Its exterior appearance, a large expanse of curtained windows topped with a huge dark awning, makes you think of European cafes serving afternoon desserts. And with the elegant desserts it offers, it could well be. The interior, a huge expanse of tables, makes you think cafeteria, but the white table cloths and the Pompeian decor says Old World Italy.

But it really doesn't matter which it is, for while style may be ambivalent, the cuisine is not. There is a wonderful array of Northern Italian dishes to suit any taste bud and most wallets.

The requisite pasta dishes (\$9-\$10) range from the simple, with fresh tomatoes or tomato sauce, to the unusual, with rabbit sauce. Added to that is a risotto of the day, which the day we were there was combined with portobello mushrooms. It was a wonderfully flavorful dish and makes a hearty meal. Depending on the mood of the chef and what's available at the market, sometimes the risotto is blended with peas, or asparagus or seafood.

Most sections on the menu, in fact, range from the simple to the unusual. Cold appetizers include prosciutto wrapped around goat cheese, marinated peppers, mozzarella with fresh and dried tomatoes — and octopus salad. The uninitiated might have to close their eyes for that last one, but it's worth a try, because it's a delicious dish of marinated morsels of substance and subtle flavor.

Hot appetizers include thin, delicate asparagus wrapped in prosciutto; grilled portobello, particularly flavorful and non-greasy; grilled endive, a good dish for those who like their vegetables strong and on the bitter side; and of course, a wonderful brushetta.

The salads, too, range from simple to uncommon (\$6.50-\$6.75). There's the usual tricolor leafy type, tomatoes and onions, baby lettuce; but there is also watercress with apples, walnuts and provolone and fresh fennel with shaved parmesan.



SHARON WILSON/WEEKEND PLUS
Giovanni Zini, at right, the proprietor of Fagioli in Scotch Plains, takes in the Italian cafe atmosphere he's created.

The entrees (\$12.50-\$15.50) include a small selection of chicken and veal dishes, plus calves liver, codfish in tomato sauce and an outstanding fresh salmon and julienne vegetables cooked in parchment paper. The latter was a man-size portion of tasty, tender, moist and succulent fish that could not be better for twice the price. The fresh green beans that came with it had a peppery bite that made them interesting.

Every day, the lunch and dinner specials nicely complement the menu; lunch includes sandwich or omelette specials for \$6.50.

Giovanni Zini, a native of Florence, Italy, and his French wife Jacqueline opened Chez Jacqueline in Greenwich Village in New York City 18 years ago. Jacqueline still heads that eatery, but Giovanni has taken the helm at Fagioli. The name, he says, comes from the fact that Florentines are known for eating beans. Thus, on every table, instead of flowers or candles there is a jar of beans, each different in style and color, and at the front door are sacks of various types of dried beans.

Despite its name, the menu does not offer many selections with beans although there is a daily offering of *pasta e fagioli* (\$4.50), a tasty dish.

The kitchen is filled with Italian cooks. Chef Massimo Carbone began his career in his native Italy, and worked in several places including Spiga's and Gianluca's in New York. Sous chef Ales-

sandro Bambini, another Florentine, opened Fagioli with Mr. Zini.

The Zinis live in Warren and Giovanni often came to Scotch Plains for the nearby video store. It was on one of his trips that he noticed the empty space of what had been a combination pharmacy-liquor store. Thinking it would be a great location for a cafe, he bought it but when he began the interior decorating the space took on the ambiance of a restaurant, so we have a combination. As a cafe, it's a great place for an afternoon or late evening stop for lavish desserts and cakes.

Mr. Zini is a gracious and charming host who serves as maître d' and is not above lending a hand with waiting and busing tables. Always looking to please his customers, he is happy to accommodate requests, and serve food to your liking.

Fagioli is a cheerful bring-your-own-wine place, delightful for dining with the kids or with the boss. The food is great, the prices are moderate and service is given with a smile. You can't ask for anything more.

Fagioli, 450 Park Ave., Scotch Plains; 322-5181. Open Monday-Thursday 11:30 a.m.-10 p.m., Friday-Saturday to 11 p.m., Sunday 4-9 p.m. All major credit cards accepted, handicapped accessible, small smoking section.

Use caution when seeking antiques at auction

(Continued from page 8) find out if this practice takes place. Also ask if the auctioneer or his or her helpers is allowed to

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these auctions. There is a variation on this type of sale, generally held in motels or large halls by organizations without local roots. They often advertise Oriental rugs, bronzes and items from "fine estates." These sales are to be avoided. They are high pressure and not a place to find good buys. Merchandise is not always described well, and consists of large

amounts of reproductions and is sometimes "protected." Stick to local auctioneers or ones whose reputations are known to your local antique dealer.

Another rung up the auction ladder brings us to the New York City auctions. Some like Christie's and Sotheby's are household names. There are several other New York houses that, while not

so exalted, are quite interesting and often more affordable. Going to previews at any of these galleries is an educational experience. It's like a museum, except that you are allowed to touch. Catalogues from these auctions are excellent research tools. The results are mailed to the catalogue owner after the sale, so one can compare pre-sale estimates with prices actually realized.

One can find auctions listed in antique newspapers, or in the classified section of the newspaper you now hold in your hand. Those interested in offerings at New York galleries can find listings in Thursday editions of *The New York Times*.

So go to an auction. Absorb the atmosphere and feel the hum of a working antique machine. Sniff the air. Stick a toe in the water, and when you feel comfortable, dive in.

Reader inquiries

This month, a reader sent in photos of two Maxfield Parrish prints. Parrish was an artist and illustrator who lived from 1870-1966. He did magazines, book illustrations, advertising and murals, including a beautiful painting in the King Cole Bar at the St. Regis Hotel in New York City, as well as a mosaic composition in the Curtis Building in Philadelphia. He was quite prolific, and his prints are not rare, although they are highly collectible due to their fanciful composition and lush colors.

The two prints submitted were "Daybreak" (5 by 10 inches), and "The Garden of Allah" (15 by 30 inches). These are among the most common of the Parrish prints. The smaller is worth \$100-\$150. The larger is worth \$200-\$250. These values are retail and relative and suppose perfect condition and original frames.

Arthur Milgrom is proprietor of Aaron Aardvark & Son Quality Used Furniture & Antiques, 119 French St., New Brunswick. He can also be reached by E-mail at Amilgrom@aol.com. To ask him an antiques question or get his estimation of the value of an item, write (with a photo and description of items) to "What's it worth?" c/o Weekend Plus, P.O. Box 699, 44 Veterans Memorial Drive, Somerville, N.J. 08876.

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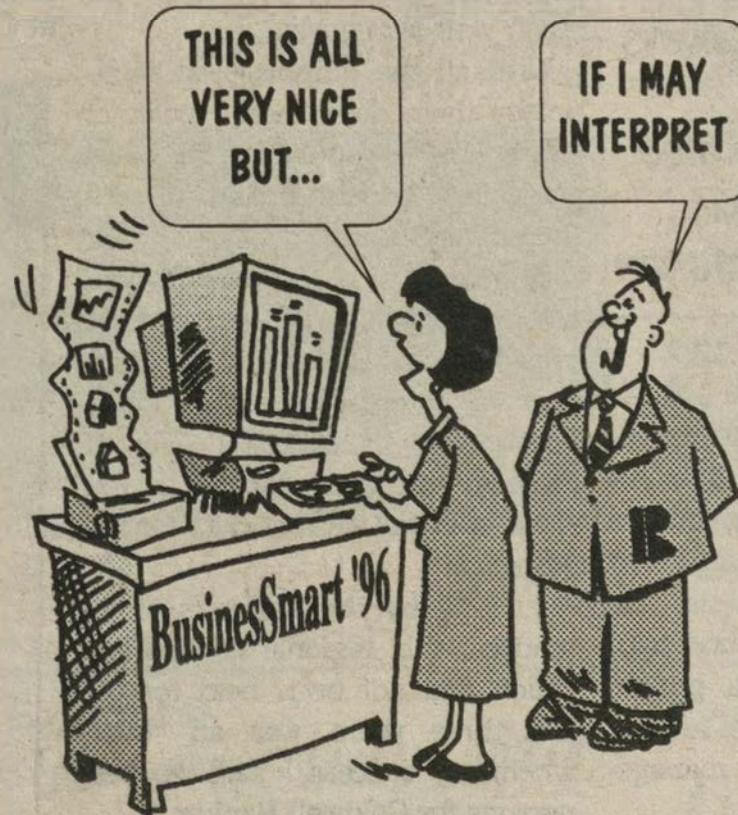
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Coldwell Banker hosts agents for seminar on new technology

A lineup of speakers that included real estate luminaries Floyd Wickman, Dr. Clifford Baird, Steve Woodruff and Pat Zaby was one of the main attractions at BusinessSmart '96, a Coldwell Banker educational expo held in Whippany.

Busloads of Coldwell Banker real estate sales associates from the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area were among the 3,000 convention attendees who attended BusinessSmart '96 sponsored by Coldwell Banker Sept. 18 at the Birchwood Manor. Hailing from Pennsylvania, Long Island and the southern tip of New Jersey, these Coldwell Banker sales associates were able to take advantage of educational and networking opportunities offered by Coldwell Banker — many of which focused on the way technology is affecting their industry.

BusinessSmart '96 gave constituents an opportunity to meet Bruce Zipf, newly appointed president of Coldwell Banker's metropolitan operation. Mr. Zipf welcomed attendees, and said Coldwell Banker offers its sales associates the most progressive marketing tools, technology and training available.

He said financial strength and the ability to create brand awareness will be among the major ram-



ifications of the purchase of Coldwell Banker by HFS Inc. in May.

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110 exciting vendors," said Zipf.

Coldwell Banker said BusinessSmart '96 provided the necessary educational tools for its sales associates to better serve buyers and sellers. Keynote speaker Floyd Wickman, best known as the founder of the highly successful Sweathogs program, is a prolific author of books, tapes and articles on real estate sales and management skills.

Wickman urged his audience of Coldwell Banker sales associates to "Care about what your customers care about, not what you care about. Listen to them and always give more than you promised. Stay motivated and sharpen your skills."

Renowned expert Dr. Clifford Baird also conducted a special seminar on the psychology of selling real estate. Baird believes that changing behavior will ultimately change attitudes.

"Give and encourage others," he said. "When you help others reach their full potential, they help you reach your own goals."

With all the emphasis on technology these days, many speakers addressed Coldwell Banker sales associates' concerns and offered them reassurance.

"Technology is the enabler, you are the driver," said Jim Sherry, president and chief executive officer of Interealty Corp., adding, "Technology is overrated. Yes, it provides us with data, but you must interpret all that data for the customer."

Judging by the numbers of attendees, this regional convention, which had not been held for the last three years, was an "overwhelming success," said spokespersons for Coldwell Banker.



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An experienced businessman for more than 20 years, Mr. Lyte has held managerial positions in multinational conglomerates involving accounting, treasury, auditing and financial responsibilities. His educational background consists of a bachelor's degree in accounting and a master's degree in finance and economics.

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Country Hills II has the house you're looking for

LOPATCONG — Most buyers at Country Hills II have ideas about what they want in a home. At this new DeLuca Enterprises community, they found the features they wanted. They found a Warren County location with good schools, beautiful surroundings and a sense of community. And they found prices that allowed them to own a home in a small-town setting.

"People feel that they have really discovered something exciting when they come to Country Hills II," said Perry DeSiato, vice president of sales and marketing for DeLuca Enterprises. "The small-town atmosphere of Lopatcong gives new residents a sense of place that is lacking in many new communities. In addition, buyers find they can own the home with the features that they want, without stretching the budget beyond comfortable limits."

Country Hills II homes are priced from \$189,900. The new community is located on the edge of town in a rural setting. Lopatcong is a small town with schools, shopping, services and

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recreational facilities.

Buyers can choose from a selection of home designs. The traditionally styled homes feature maintenance-free siding with stucco, brick or stone fronts. Interiors have floor plans that balance formal and informal spaces. Two-story foyers, oversized family rooms or great rooms, kitchens with breakfast areas, dining rooms, and master suites with cathedral or tray ceilings are standard features in every home.

There are two fully decorated models. The Whitman Model Home has an oversized, open, family room with a two-story ceiling, two stories of windows, and a balcony overlook. Highlights include classic interior columns, a peninsula-design kitchen with

a pantry, and a master retreat with a designer bath. The Rosewood Model Home is a traditionally styled home with luxury detail. The most popular feature of this home is the kitchen, which opens onto a breakfast room and a two-story family room.

The Country Hills II Sales & Information Center and model homes are open 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily, and noon-5 p.m. Sunday and Monday. For more information, call 213-9700.

To visit the Country Hills II model homes, take Interstate 78

West to Exit 3, proceed 1/2 mile to Route 519, and make a right. Proceed 1.3 miles to the traffic light, and make a left onto Route 57 for 1.3 miles to Red School Lane. Turn right, and proceed 1/2 mile to Stonehenge Drive. Make the right onto Stonehenge Drive, and proceed directly to Sales Center.



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Plenty of play space awaits at Kensington

With two parks of 19 acres built by Farinella Development, one of which was recently dedicated by the township, recreation is right at the doorstep for residents of Kensington at Mansfield. The first park, with its ballfields, tennis courts, tot lots and picnic areas with grills, is already open; the second park, with soccer fields will be completed in the future.

Kensington boasts a country setting in Warren County with the unbeatable advantages of all public utilities, no homeowner association fees, and easy access to major highways and the state's business centers.

Kensington, priced from \$208,900, offers several models ready for occupancy within 30-150 days.

Kensington holds strong appeal to growing families who appreciate the homes' design with floorplans adaptable to their needs. Breakfast rooms adjoin the kitchens and family rooms so food preparation and mealtimes are easily shared by the whole family. Windows fill rooms with light and accent the views. Full basements with extra-high ceilings can become splendid game rooms. In some models, a bedroom that performs as a baby's nursery can be transformed into a home office or an exercise or sitting room in the future.

Kensington's location has at-

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tracted home buyers from New Jersey and New York. Close to Hackettstown and western Morris County, Kensington offers the advantages of small towns, while continuing economic growth has brought major corporate expansion to the area. In addition to the community's two parks, there is fishing in the Musconetcong River, golf at Mine Brook Golf Course, and the Delaware River National Recreational Area is just minutes from home. Roadways are accessible within minutes, including routes 80, 57, 517, 24 and 46.

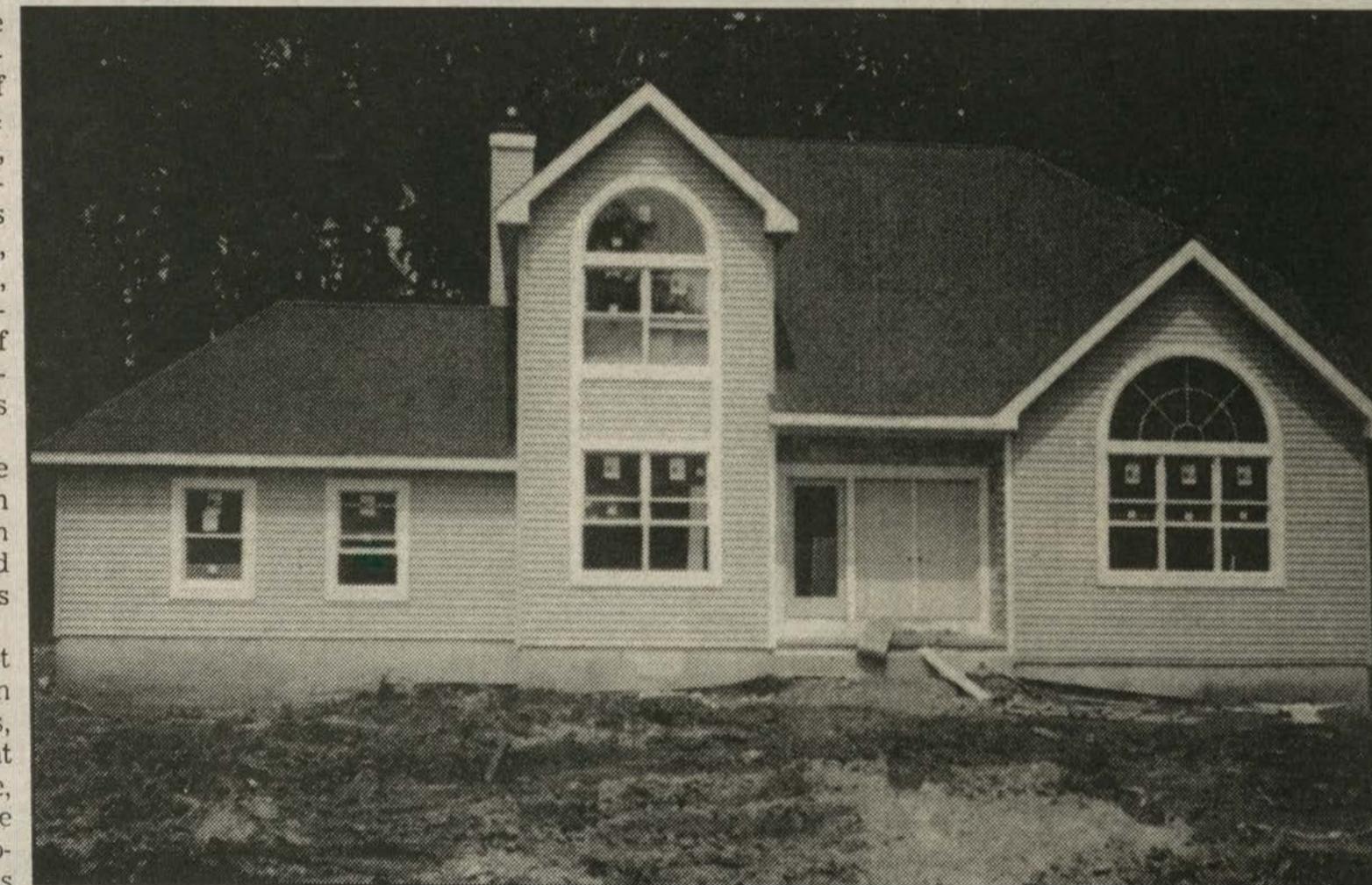
Sales continue at a brisk pace at Kensington, and there are limited opportunities for early occupancy available. Right now is an ideal time to visit Kensington and meet with Maureen Uhendorf, sales director and community manager. The sales center is open 11 a.m.-5 p.m. daily. Broker participation is welcomed at Kensington.

To get to Kensington, take Route 80 to Exit 26 (Budd Lake) to Route 46 West. Travel 7½ miles on Route 46, to Route 182 south. Proceed 1 mile to right turn on Route 57 West. Travel 1½ miles to Kensington.



Homes like this Chelsea II model are available now at Kensington, but are going fast.

Homes at Wellington Estates II going fast



Wellington Estates II is located in Montgomery Township.

Only four more families will be able to enjoy the lifestyle at Wellington Estates II, a community of single-family homes, set on 1-4 acres in Montgomery Township, offered through Century 21 Worden & Green. This location offers residents the best of all worlds, with easy access to recreation, shopping, major commuting highways, and the cultural activities of its neighbor Princeton. Montgomery's school system also enhances this community.

Developers Weiss Homes have ensured this community blends in with its setting. Quality, attention to detail and design have earned Weiss Homes their reputation as builders of homes.

Standard features include 9-foot ceilings on first floor, Anderson windows, custom-crafted kitchens, master bedroom suites, gas heat and cooking, side-entry garage, and full basement. Homes are available for September and October occupancy, and prices start as low as \$314,900.

Interested home buyers are encouraged to visit this weekend and walk through the new Fontenay model. This four-bedroom, 2½ bath home has a two-story entrance foyer, dining room and living room, with a cathedral ceiling, and a family room with fireplace. The lifestyle of the modern family has been provided for by the first-floor library. The private master

suite includes a bath with soaking tub, separate tiled shower stall and custom-crafted vanities.

The Wellington Estates II sales office is open noon-5 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, or by appointment. To visit, take Route 206 South for about 10 miles from the Somerville Circle. Turn right on Opossum Road to Wellington Es-

tates II on the left.

Century 21 Worden & Green is the number one Century 21 office in New Jersey and was ranked No. 41 of the 6,000 Century 21 offices in the United States for 1995. Worden & Green is a full-service real estate organization with offices on Route 206, Hillsborough, and Route 18, East Brunswick.

Worden & Green offers residential resales including townhouses and condominiums, new homes, properties, land sales, industrial leasing and sales, investment sales, business brokerage, site selection and a bank foreclosure R.E.O./asset management division. They also offer national and international relocation services.

Realty Notes

Broker/Associate Ching Liang of RE/MAX Hometown in Metuchen has ranked in RE/MAX of New Jersey's Top 50 list for highest dollar volume during the month of August. Her outstanding performance places her at the top of over 790 RE/MAX professionals throughout the state.

Ms. Liang recently joined RE/MAX in March, specializing in the listing and sale of residential property and condominiums in Middlesex, Somerset and Union counties.

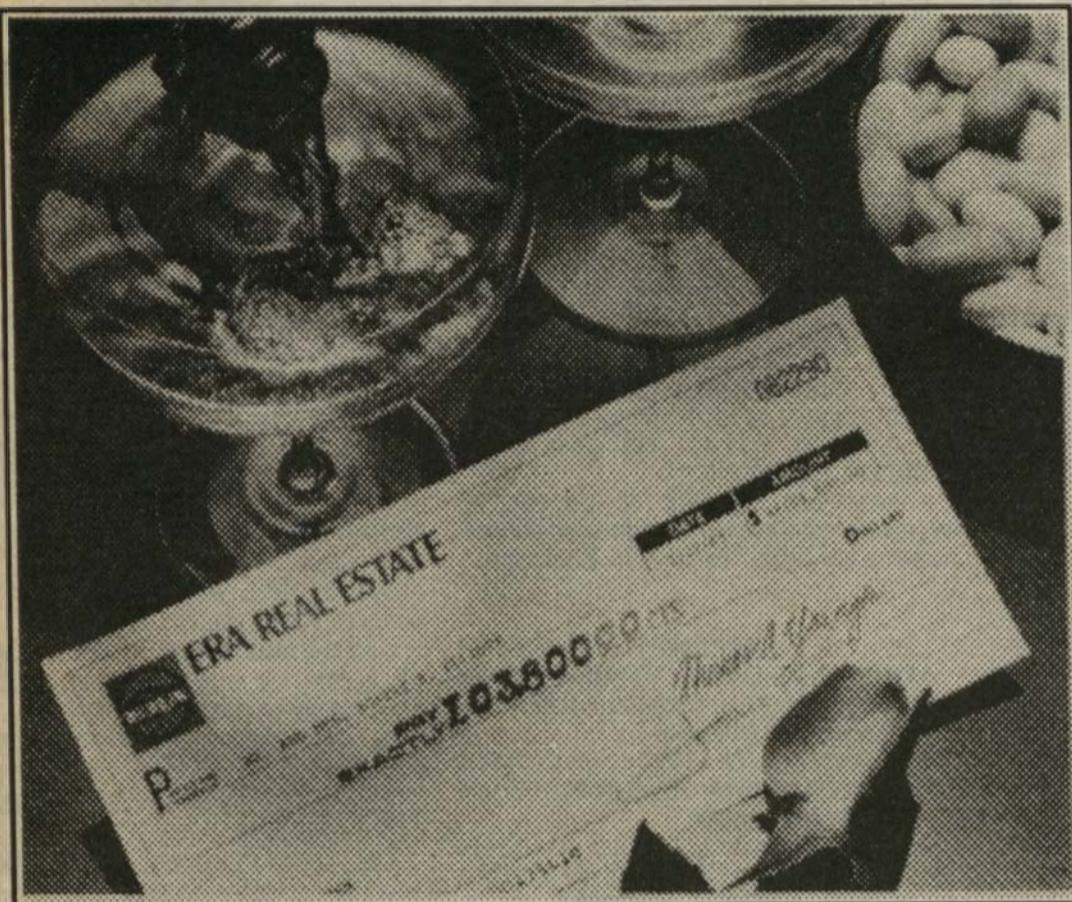
Ms. Liang is a resident of Edison.

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Reva Berger has been honored as a member of Coldwell Banker's International President's Circle. Ms. Berger is a sales associate in the Westfield office. The award was presented at the firm's annual awards breakfast by Bob Becker, president and chief executive officer of Coldwell Banker Residential Affiliates.

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With an increase in interest rates of more than one percentage point since the beginning of this year, now may be a great time for consumers to look into adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMS), according to Countrywide Home Loans, Inc., the nation's largest independent mortgage lender. Because of their typically lower start rates, ARMs may help borrowers qualify for a larger loan amount and possibly a more expensive home.

Unlike fixed-rate mortgages, which remain at the same interest rate over the life of the loan, interest rates on ARMs can change periodically — either up or down, according to the direction of a predetermined index. With an ARM, therefore, a borrower may be able to benefit from a decreasing or even steady rate environment.

Borrowers who want to find out how an adjustable-rate mortgage can fit their personal financial situation, can call Countrywide at (800) 570-9888.

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Commercial News

Burgdorff, Realtors' Westfield Office, has claimed the company's Office Production Award for July, posting the highest dollar production from among the firm's 32 offices throughout northern New Jersey and eastern Pennsylvania.

Jean Massard, vice president and manager, said, "I'm proud of my sales professionals who continue to work hard throughout the year. Their dedication, combined with enthusiasm and spirit, make working together a real pleasure."

Burgdorff, Realtors' Fanwood office, located at 256 South Avenue, has won the company's Office Referral Award for July. Of Burgdorff's 32 branch offices, Fanwood made the greatest number of referrals.

Vice President Connie Burke said, "I'm proud of my team of sales associates who continue to work together and provide professional service to all their clients whether they live in New Jersey or out of state."

Newmark Partners Inc., the New Jersey division of Newmark & Company, has recently arranged four office leases at Somerset Executive Square, located at One Executive Drive in Somerset. The announcement was made by Seena Stein, SIOR, president of Newmark Partners Inc.

Somerset Executive Square is a modern, 160,000-square foot office complex in Somerset County. Comprised of two four-story office buildings, Somerset Executive Square is off Davidson Avenue and is visible from Interstate 287.

Ms. Stein and Senior Managing Director Donald Rotweinare, the marketing and leasing team for Somerset Executive Square I & II, arranged for the following firms to lease to lease space at Somerset Executive Square: Highpoint Rendel Inc., a financial services firm; Weissman & Mintz, Esquires; V.R. Systems Inc., a consulting firm; and Motivational Career Management, a computer software company.



Space leased

A total of 30,800 square feet has been leased at Metropolitan Corporate Plaza in Woodbridge by three new tenants, said Dennis McConnell, associate director of Cushman & Wakefield of New Jersey. The transactions involved a 20,000-square foot, long-term lease by AmeriHealth, the first full-service health insurance company licensed in New Jersey since 1990; 8,800 square feet leased to the MetLife Baypark Sales Agency, which sells life and health insurance, annuities and mutual funds; and a long-term lease for 2,000 square feet to Premier Car Rental, which offers insurance-replacement car rental at reduced rates, as well as other car rental services.



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61 DALY ROAD SOLD TO KOTLER, KIM FOR \$1,000 ON 08-12-96 BY HOOGLAND, CYNTHIA.

15 LAMINGTON ROAD SOLD TO TARSHIS, STEVEN M. FOR \$253,000 ON 08-09-96 BY GRINTON, JOHN M. & JANICE P.

835 LAMINGTON ROAD SOLD TO GOLDBERG, HOWARD B. FOR \$595,000 ON 08-09-96 BY FERRARI, JON R. & ROSALIE.

19 SKI HILL DRIVE SOLD TO ADAMCZYK, THEODORE & KATHLEEN FOR \$322,500 ON 08-06-96 BY SCHUNN, ROBERT & JUDY.

2105 LAMINGTON ROAD SOLD TO LICATA, JOSEPH W. FOR \$365,000 ON 08-29-96 BY BUCCHI, EDITH V.

18 SMOKE RISE LANE SOLD TO WOLFE, RICHARD G. & JOAN M. FOR \$329,000 ON 08-23-96 BY CURNOW, WILLIAM J.

30 CAMBRIDGE ROAD SOLD TO WOOD, JEANNIE C. FOR \$184,000 ON 08-13-96 BY BILGER, MELISSA A.

10 KNOLLCREST ROAD SOLD TO WATSON, ARTHUR B. FOR \$255,000 ON 08-09-96 BY LEGATO, EMMA C.

12 EDGEWOOD LANE SOLD TO DRISCOLL, WILLIAM E. FOR \$333,500 ON 08-05-96 BY KRUPNIK, ROBERT J.

59 STONERUN ROAD SOLD TO MANGAN, DAVID R. & NANCY N. FOR \$189,000 ON 08-22-96 BY SPENCER, JEFFREY & HUNTELL.

92 MAYFIELD ROAD SOLD TO MCGORMICK, MAURA FOR \$100,000 ON 08-22-96 BY DRUCKER, HOWARD.

30 SAGE COURT SOLD TO SCHEFFEL, KATHERINE S. FOR \$105,000 ON 08-26-96 BY VENTURA, DOMINICK & ERIN.

19 CRESTMONT ROAD SOLD TO PRING, LESLIE FOR \$158,000 ON 08-22-96 BY HJORTH, RICHARD N. & SHEILA P.

4 DANBURY COURT SOLD TO ROSENBERG, STEVEN FOR \$136,500 ON 08-23-96 BY MACCHIAVERNA, VALERIE.

37 ACADEMY COURT SOLD TO MASNYK, EUSTACHIJ W. & SOFIA FOR \$155,000 ON 08-06-96 BY BEVACQUA, ALAN A.

34 MORGAN COURT SOLD TO HENNESSY, JAMES J. & CLAIRE E. FOR \$143,250 ON 08-22-96 BY MULDOON, ANNE.

37 CHESWICH COURT SOLD TO ALESHEVICH, LAURA FOR \$62,197 ON 08-22-96 BY CAMPBELL, DANIEL W. & WHITNEY.

60 MOUNTAIN COURT SOLD TO HELLERMAN, JESSICA FOR \$46,472 ON 08-23-96 BY STRUDLER, DAVID.

8 FOUR OAKS ROAD SOLD TO RODRIGUEZ, PATRICK M. FOR \$187,900 ON 08-06-96 BY HILLS DEVEL CO.

15 HEATHERWOOD LANE SOLD TO MASON, ALICE A. FOR \$233,492 ON 08-09-96 BY HILLS DEVELOPMENT CO.

19 HEATHERWOOD LANE SOLD TO SILVA, CARL & DIANA FOR \$191,535 ON 08-16-96 BY HILLS DEVEL CO.

BOUND BROOK

330 TALMAGE AVE. SOLD TO MONARCH, PIPE FOR \$160,000 ON 08-07-96 BY CAGAS, IVO & ELENA.

21 JOHN ST. SOLD TO O'BRIEN, ROBERT L. JR. FOR \$65,000 ON 08-06-96 BY PREHM, EDNA S.

57 TALMAGE AVE. SOLD TO TROIA, ETTORE FOR \$135,000 ON 08-15-96 BY BILODEAU, ROBERT D.

35 W. UNION AVE. SOLD TO FISHER, WAYNE D. FOR \$190,000 ON 08-09-96 BY KEMARS INC.

BRANCHBURG

1297 ROUTE 28 SOLD TO CHANG, T. FOR \$146,000 ON 08-06-96 BY DUFFY, MARGARET C.

12 FOX CHASE RUN SOLD TO MCCARTHY, JAMES C. & MICHELLE A. FOR \$258,000 ON 08-07-96 BY SAGAARD, ODD M. & LAURIE A.

86 ARAPAHO TRAIL SOLD TO SPOSOBIEC, WALTER FOR \$148,000 ON 08-21-96 BY MCNEIL, CATHERINE R.

93 DELAWARE LANE SOLD TO LARSON, DOUGLAS C. FOR \$161,000 ON 08-12-96 BY NELDON, PHILIP J.

75 SUSQUEHANNA TRAIL SOLD TO MCDONOUGH, JOHN F. FOR \$251,500 ON 08-09-96 BY ELLIS, KENT & JOSEPHINE D.

6 SHOSHONI WAY SOLD TO STANSFIELD, SCOTT & NANCY FOR \$222,500 ON 08-10-96 BY MALPAS, ROY A. & JANIS A.

238 ARBOR WAY SOLD TO CASCIO, CATHY J. FOR \$82,000 ON 08-15-96 BY

ABRAMO, JOHN & JANICE.
934 MAGNOLIA LANE SOLD TO BONK, JENNIFER L. FOR \$125,500 ON 08-02-96 BY KOVASALA, KENNETH B.

1204 MAGNOLIA LANE SOLD TO HERZ, ERIC & LORI FOR \$34,000 ON 08-16-96 BY WALSH, MICHAEL & KATHLEEN H.

BRIDGEWATER
313 OLD YORK ROAD SOLD TO FIORILLI, PATRICIA L. FOR \$212,000 ON 08-16-96 BY PAPER, DOMINICK A. & CAROL A.

129 MILLTOWN ROAD SOLD TO LANGE, ERIC FOR \$144,000 ON 08-09-96 BY KARACHUM, LAURENCE J. & MARY C.

204 REYNARD ROAD SOLD TO BROPHY, WILLIAM & KAREN FOR \$287,000 ON 08-08-96 BY MCDONOUGH, JOHN F.

31 MCBRIDE WAY SOLD TO SAMUEL, JOSEPH S. FOR \$249,000 ON 08-05-96 BY SALERNO, PETER M. & MIA L.

183 LEGHORN AVE. SOLD TO BITTONE, MARIA FOR \$149,000 ON 08-22-96 BY SMITH, DAVID & LINDA.

104 OLD YORK ROAD SOLD TO TRECHOCK, JOSEPH & LYNN FOR \$150,000 ON 08-21-96 BY GALLANTI, DESIDERIO.

FRANKLIN
3 UNION ST. SOLD TO MARGOLIS, ROBERT G. FOR \$139,900 ON 08-23-96 BY TREVES, FRANCIS & CYNTHIA.

8 SHAW DRIVE SOLD TO LETOURNEAUX, ROBERT T. FOR \$195,000 ON 08-07-96 BY PORCHER, DANIEL.

2 CARRIAGE TRAIL SOLD TO BIAVA, RONALD & MARLENE FOR \$302,500 ON 08-02-96 BY COUNTRY CLASSICS AT PRINCETON.

33 RIDINGS PARKWAY SOLD TO KADY, STEPHEN J. & MARY T. FOR \$269,180 ON 08-20-96 BY ATHENA PRG BUILDERS INC.

25 PARK LANE SOLD TO VENUS, JOHN P. & TRACY R. FOR \$133,000 ON 08-20-96 BY SCHOEFFLER, MICHAEL H.

78 MAGELLAN WAY SOLD TO DROUILARD, SUZETTE FOR \$225,000 ON 08-14-96 BY PARELLO, JOHN A. & MARIE M.

54 CARTIER DRIVE SOLD TO JONES, PAMELA S. FOR \$208,000 ON 08-16-96 BY DIAZ, LADELLA.

38 CHAMPLAIN WAY SOLD TO MUMTAZUDDIN, SHEIKH M. FOR \$180,000 ON 08-07-96 BY NOCERINO, RICHARD J.

GREEN BROOK
392-394 ROUTE 22 W. SOLD TO 392 ROUTE 22 W. ASSOC'S LLP FOR \$150,000 ON 08-16-96 ON MOLYNEAUX, GEORGE M.

139 GREENBROOK ROAD SOLD TO CIAMPA, MICHAEL J. & VICKI R. FOR \$165,000 ON 08-08-96 BY SCHWEYHER, BRETT R. & JUSTINE A.

36 LENOX AVE. SOLD TO O'NEILL, SEAN J. & KATHLEEN FOR \$128,500 ON 08-09-96 BY SIMPSON, JEROME F.

4 MAXAL ST. SOLD TO FALCON, PAUL J. & CHRISTINE M. FOR \$180,000 ON 08-23-96 BY SUTTMER, PETER E. & DENISE D.

18 SWANSON LANE SOLD TO RAGGI, JOHN FOR \$270,000 ON 08-06-96 BY DAUNO, RICHARD W. & YVONNE L.

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8 CARTER COURT SOLD TO ALLEN, HOWARD J. FOR \$320,000 ON 08-06-96 BY DESANTIS, VINCENT A. & SANDRA P.

269 HIGHWAY 206 SOLD TO SCHULTZ, ROBERT FOR \$235,000 ON 08-16-96 BY REIGEL, RAYMOND & JACQUELINE.

81 ROHILL ROAD SOLD TO DUPONT, DONALD & JEANETTE FOR \$235,900 ON 08-12-96 BY BATCHELOR, RICHARD & MARCIA.

218 BYWATER WAY SOLD TO LACORTE, MICHAEL & KATHLEEN FOR \$180,000 ON 08-22-96 BY RHODES, PATRICK J. & SUSAN S.

116 RIVENDELL ROAD SOLD TO GOLDMAN, LAWRENCE & JOANN FOR \$221,450 ON 08-19-96 BY WILDFIRE, JOHN & ROSEMARY.

3 CRAMMER LANE SOLD TO ODERKO, DAVID J. & BRIDGETTE S. FOR \$229,990 ON 08-02-96 BY CRESTMONT HILLS INC.

605 CORNWALL COURT SOLD TO PAPA, JOHN R. FOR \$113,000 ON 08-22-96 BY KNEPPER, DIANE.

10 JOHN HANCOCK AVE. SOLD TO DITMARS, JONATHAN FOR \$148,000 ON 08-15-96 BY BENNETT, SCOTT M.

MANVILLE
12 S. FIFTH AVE. SOLD TO KUNZE, SHERRI L. FOR \$5,000 ON 08-05-96 BY KALINOWSKI, KENNETH J.

216 S. 14TH AVE. SOLD TO HOME BUILDERS CORP FOR \$37,500 ON 08-23-96 BY SCHAEFER, KENNETH & THERESA.

326 RAILROAD PLACE SOLD TO SEIWELL, PATRICK S. FOR \$92,000 ON 08-26-96 BY RAKSA, PAULINE.

515 JACKSON AVE. SOLD TO MUSTALSKI, TERRANCE J. FOR \$138,000 ON 08-16-96 BY AARON, KIM.

MONTGOMERY
1844 ROUTE 206 SOLD TO MICHANOSKI, GARY FOR \$52,500 ON 07-24-96 BY DIMENSIONAL BUILDERS CORP.

12 KOREN LANE SOLD TO NARTHANA, SUBRAMANIAM E. FOR \$304,900 ON 08-26-96 BY MILLER'S GROVE DEVEL INC.

54 JAMESTOWN ROAD SOLD TO JACOBY, HARRY S. & ADRIENNE FOR \$246,000 ON 08-15-96 SOLD TO KRULISH, JOHN A.C. & RUTH J.

753 LINE ROAD SOLD TO JONES, JEFFREY & ELIZABETH FOR \$197,500 ON 08-27-96 BY KISH, LESTER M. & FLORENCE E.

6 SERVIS ROAD SOLD TO CONRAD, ANDREW W. FOR \$175,000 ON 08-15-96 BY STEIN, BERNICE.

158 WILSHIRE DRIVE SOLD TO CROWE, WILLIAM S. & MARYANN M. FOR \$376,000 ON 08-23-96 BY MAJESKO, GEORGE A. & CAROLYN S.

NORTH PLAINFIELD
147-51 NETHERWOOD AVE. SOLD TO

JACKSON, CHRISTINE FOR \$149,000 ON 08-07-96 BY LESTRANGE, JAMES P. & NANCY J.

401 HIGHWAY 22, NO. 3 SOLD TO KAPPY, CHRISTOPHER FOR \$40,000 ON 08-22-96 BY HAIN, SCOTT W. & SUSAN D.

401 HIGHWAY 22, NO. 4 SOLD TO TAYLOR, LAURA FOR \$61,000 ON 08-19-96 BY LUONGO, GERALD & RAFFAELA.

277 LEONARD PLACE SOLD TO KASSON, JAMES M. FOR \$159,500 ON 08-15-96 BY BASSMAN, RUDOLPH G. & DONNA M.

214 DE LACY DRIVE SOLD TO ROXAS, EDGAR & MARIA S. FOR \$172,000 ON 08-23-96 BY LEONE, LOUIS A. & CHRISTINE.

PEAPACK-GLADSTONE
3 APGAR AVE. SOLD TO MIKULICZ, CHRISTOPHER FOR \$187,500 ON 08-15-96 BY SPENCER, JOSEPHINE E.

9 PROSPECT ST. SOLD TO THOMPSON, KYLE R. & CATHERINE C. FOR \$262,500 ON 08-21-96 BY REID, TIMOTHY P. & KIMBERLY B.

RARITAN

59 VONES LANE SOLD TO KMET, JOSEPH & CONSTANCE FOR \$272,000 ON 08-16-96 BY GENESIS BUILDING INC.

825 RHINE BLVD SOLD TO CARMAN, GARY P. FOR \$60,866 ON 08-07-96 BY CARMAN, GARY R. & DEBRA L.

430-432 RARITAN AVE. SOLD TO ROCHELLE, JOSEPH FOR \$156,900 ON 08-12-96 BY STEIMEL, ROBERT & JOSEPHINE.

59 FREILINGHUYSEN AVE. SOLD TO KLOBUSICKY, JOSEPH & JOAN FOR \$126,000 ON 08-02-96 BY PUCCI, FRANK & KATHY.

3 WOODMERE ST. SOLD TO GAZAWAY, RONALD L. JR. FOR \$160,000 ON 08-21-96 BY ROWE, DONALD J. & EMILY A.

830 OLD YORK ROAD SOLD TO CTY OF SOMERSET CTY OF SOMERSET FOR \$2,000 ON 08-08-96 BY CIATTARELLI, EUGENIA.

SOMERVILLE

36 N. RICHARDS AVE. SOLD TO MONGE, WILLIAM A. FOR \$127,750 ON 08-16-96 BY MIX, MARK.

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785. THIRD ST. SOLD TO MESSINEO, THERESA FOR \$176,500 ON 08-01-96 BY AGUILAR, RUBEN & ROSA.

816 SECOND ST. SOLD TO BROCK, MATHEW W. & NICOLE M. FOR \$151,750 ON 07-31-96 BY ABBONDANDOLO, GAETANO.

392 FAIRVIEW AVE. SOLD TO VANDARTHOS, ARLETTE FOR \$147,000 ON 07-30-96 BY HART, RICK & PAMELA L.

EDISON

6006 HANA RD SOLD TO KOWALIK, MAREK & ANNA FOR \$135,000 ON 08-01-96 BY TORKOWSKI, TADEUSZ & ALEXANDRA.

2805 MERRYWOOD DRIVE SOLD TO DESAI, JAWAHAR A. & HASUMATI FOR \$158,750 ON 07-29-96 BY PATEL, JAYENDRA & NITA.

30 PLAFSKY DRIVE SOLD TO SUNG, WILLIAM R. Y. & LEI C. FOR \$187,000 ON 07-29-96 BY MOSCATELLO, GLENN A. & CHERYL.

1 DESSER PLACE SOLD TO HOWARD, CRAIG T. & CHRISTINA M. FOR \$186,000 ON 07-25-96 BY LERCARA, JOSEPH C. & GRACE A.

17 BARLOW RD SOLD TO ENGRACIA, EDGARDO L. & GLORIA H. FOR \$170,100 ON 07-25-96 BY GARRABRANT, VINCENT J. JR.

29 ELMWOOD TERRACE SOLD TO GARZO, PAUL A. & LINDA J. FOR \$142,000 ON 07-31-96 BY GARZA, TELESFORO F. & MARY F.

21 STILES RD SOLD TO PERRY, CHERYL R. FOR \$118,000 ON 07-26-96 BY VANDERMARK, HAROLD.

63 WOODING AVE. SOLD TO GARCIA, FELIX O. & MIRA FOR \$151,000 ON 07-30-96 BY GLENNON, LOUISE.

215 AMBOY AVE. SOLD TO TUMA, VICTOR B. & PEGGYANN F. FOR \$170,000 ON 07-30-96 BY HALIVOPoulos, ELEFHERIOS.

1516 EDISON GLEN TERRACE SOLD TO EDISON GLEN ASSOCs PTSHP FOR \$132,500 ON 07-30-96 BY MATTI, JOHN & AGNES.

51 KIMBLE ST. SOLD TO ASSERVEITHAM, CHARLES R. FOR \$131,500 ON 07-30-96 BY CHANDRANATHAN, PARAMASAMY.

29 MYRTLE ST. SOLD TO VANBREE, KARL J. FOR \$137,000 ON 07-25-96 BY WHEELER, EDWARD & JILL.

39 VIOLET PLACE SOLD TO PELLEGRINO, MICHAEL & WENDY A. FOR \$141,000 ON 07-31-96 BY MAZUR, DAVID & DOREEN T.

55 BROOKSIDE RD SOLD TO JEAN-FRANCOIS, GERIN & MARIE C. FOR \$205,500 ON 07-31-96 BY NICOLL, MARTIN & SHARON.

4 BROOKSIDE RD SOLD TO THERRIEN, JEAN-PIERRE C. FOR \$161,000 ON 07-31-96 BY FARRELL, JAMES G. JR. & SHERRY A.

2591 WOODBRIDGE AVE. SOLD TO GRYP, PAUL FOR \$74,000 ON 07-30-96 BY NWADIGBU, CHIKE B. & CHINWE F.

33 RIDGE RD SOLD TO ONG, SHAOWEI FOR \$191,000 ON 07-26-96 BY RILEY, TIMOTHY P. & KATHRYN S.

251 CROWELLS RD SOLD TO BELLIVEAU, ROBERT J. FOR \$167,000 ON 07-30-96 BY FEDERAL HOME LOAN MTG CORP.

2278 WOODBRIDGE AVE. SOLD TO GABLE, MERY G. FOR \$114,000 ON 08-02-96 BY EPSTEIN, RONALD.

1 OLD HICKORY LANE SOLD TO HUGHES, DOMINIC FOR \$223,000 ON 07-26-96 BY MAIORELLI, JOHN & DENISE.

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227 NORRIS AVE. SOLD TO SOTO, LARRY & ADA FOR \$197,000 ON 07-31-96 BY KOTLER, JEROME M. & LUCILLE.

219 COLUMBIA AVE. SOLD TO SPARK, RUSSEL S. & THERESA H. FOR \$151,500 ON 07-29-96 BY RAYMOND, JOHN M. & DENISE K.

703 MAIN ST. SOLD TO DEGEORGE, JAMES M. FOR \$118,000 ON 07-26-96 BY MALLETT, ARTHUR H.

95 LINDEN AVE. SOLD TO KRAWIEC, SCOTT M. & MARY FOR \$219,000 ON 07-26-96 BY VILLNEUVE, CHARLES J. & CAROL.

30 STONEHAM PLACE SOLD TO ROSEN, ERIC S. & MELANIE FOR \$264,000 ON 07-30-96 BY RYGIEL, PETER W. & BARBARA M.

130 SPRING ST. SOLD TO DAVIS, MICHAEL & GAIL FOR \$185,000 ON 08-08-96 BY FARR, EDWARD J.

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9 MARSHALL PLACE SOLD TO BAYER, JOAN FOR \$60,000 ON 08-01-96 BY BURTON, AGNES M.

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1029 BEECHWOOD AVE. SOLD TO LACARIA, ROBERT P. & BARBARA A. FOR \$205,000 ON 07-30-96 BY HRONICH, PAUL & PATRICIA A.

239 B ST. SOLD TO HREHA, JOHN C. FOR \$170,000 ON 08-06-96 BY HREHA, JOHN & ELOISE.

204 GILES AVE. SOLD TO DOWLING, PATRICK J. & SUZANNE K. FOR \$142,000 ON 08-06-96 BY WELLS, HOWARD G. & JOAN.

352 SENECA AVE. SOLD TO HEIN, JOHN E. & PAULA A. FOR \$125,000 ON 07-25-96 BY GENTILE, LOUIS J.

332 SENECA AVE. SOLD TO GITLER, DANIEL & DIANE FOR \$150,000 ON 07-29-96 BY D'ELIA, PETER E. & LORI A.

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1469 CEDARWOOD DRIVE SOLD TO GER-NAY, IRMA FOR \$130,000 ON 07-31-96 BY WINKELHOLZ, CHARLES.

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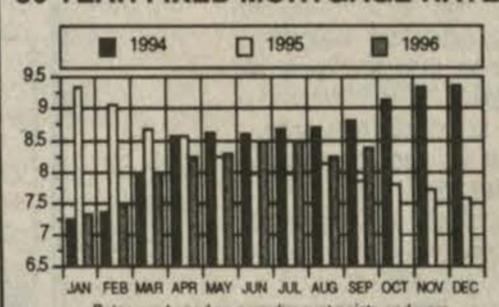
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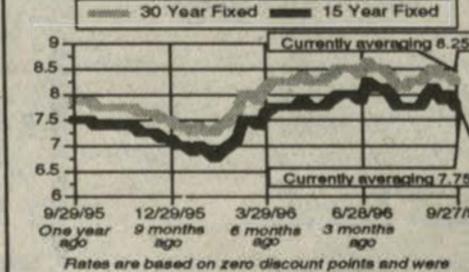
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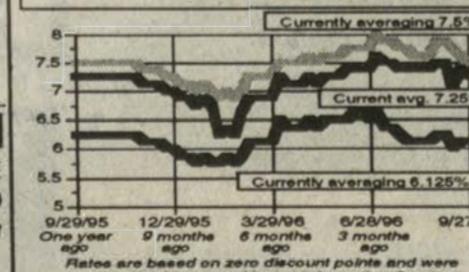
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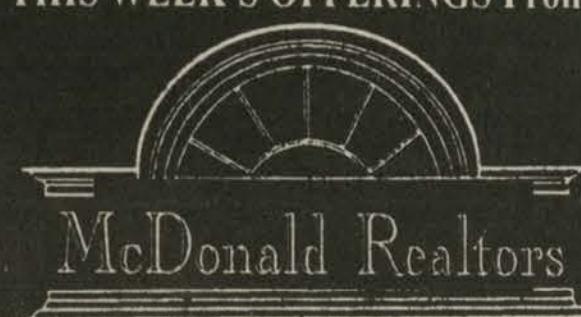
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