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Community briefs

Group to discuss a Fitzgerald book

EDISON—"The Great Gatsby" will be the featured book at the Monday meeting of the Edison Book Discussion Group. The group will meet at 11:30 a.m. in the North Edison Library, 777 Grove Ave. The group is open to the public. For more information, call (732) 603-8983.

St. Helena's School decorated gift bags

The Middlesex County Commission on the Status of Women collected trial and sample sized personal hygiene items and assembled gift bags for the families of Amandla's Crossing, a transitional housing in Edison. Seventh-grade students at St. Helena's School assisted the county women's organization. The students decorated the plain white bags as a community service project. In lieu of their holiday grab bags, the Middlesex County Commission on the Status of Women made a lump sum donation to Amandla's Crossing.

Garden club to meet Jan. 12 at Main Library

The Edison Garden Club will meet 7:30 p.m. Jan. 12 at the Main Library, 340 Plainfield Ave. Robert Takash will present "Growing with the Greenway Group, an Environmental Action Report and How we Fit." The hostesses will be Kendra Schultz and Marilyn Gerner. The program is open to the public.

Library board to meet Jan. 26

HIGHLAND PARK—The Highland Park Library Board of Trustees will meet Jan. 26. The meeting will be 7:30 p.m. at the library, 31 N. Fifth Ave.

Hypnosis Center to host workshop

The Hypnosis Counseling Center will present a special set of workshops on Wednesday, January 21, 1998, for Smoking Cessation and Weight Loss at the JCC of Middlesex County, 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison. The workshops can be taken individually or as a set. The Smoking Cessation workshop will be 6:30-8 p.m. and the Weight Loss group will continue from 8-9:30 p.m. The cost per workshop is \$30 for members, \$35 for non-members. Registration begins immediately, and participants will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. For registration or further information on this program, call Iris Baumgarten at (732) 494-3232. For information on Hypnosis techniques or other Hypnosis workshops contact Barry Wolfson, Hypnosis Counseling Center at (908) 788-0250.



Sing-a-long

Fifth-grade flute players and the chorus from Lindeneau School in Edison entertain students at James Madison Elementary School Dec. 19.

RUTHANNE WAGNER/CORRESPONDENT

Chamber to install new president Jan. 17

BY KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

METUCHEN — A former councilman has found a new way to service his community as the president of the Chamber of Commerce. Kenneth Hoffman who gave up his seat on the borough's governing body on New Year's Day will be installed as the next chamber president Jan. 17. He has been the chamber vice president for two years. Besides serving Metuchen on the council, Mr. Hoffman has worked on the Planning Board, the Municipal Pool committee,

the senior Citizens and Youth Service boards and the Transportation and Cultural Arts Commissions. He has also contributed his time to the Metuchen/Edison Exchange Club, Metuchen Elks, the Metuchen/Edison YMCA, Celebrate Metuchen Nite and the First Presbyterian Church. He is a pilot with American Airlines. Mr. Hoffman's progression from vice president to president was natural, Board member Martha Ribaldo said. The hierarchy of the board works in a manner that officers begin at treasurer and gradually move

through the ranks to president. The presidential term is one-year but presidents have the option of staying for more than one term. Mr. Hoffman succeeds Barry Tobin, owner of Lucca's Coffey, who served for two years. "Mr. Hoffman is a Metuchenite through and through," Ms. Ribaldo said. "His knowledge of government alone has always been an asset to us." The chamber will install Mr. Hoffman as president at its 44th annual installation/dinner dance at the Victorian Manor, 2863 Woodbridge Avenue, Edison 7 p.m. Jan. 17. Brian McGowan, Manager of Metuchen Savings

Bank, will be made Vice President; David Tutrone of Franco Manufacturing will be secretary and Michael Hronich of M.A. Hronich & Co. will be installed as treasurer. The chamber will also honor the Metuchen Organization of Women as Organization of the Year; Nancy Trought as Citizen of the Year; and Tracy Nault, of Tracy Lee Originals and Martha Ribaldo of Baer, Arbeiter, Ploshnick, Tanenbaum & Weiss as joint chamber members of the year. For tickets or information call the chamber officer at (732) 548-2964.

A new look

Board of Education considering school uniforms for students

BY KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

EDISON — The school uniform committee of the Board of Education will present its recommendation to the full board next month on a pilot school uniform program in the district's 11 elementary schools. Board President Bruce Polkowitz suggested this fall to initiate a pilot school uniform program in two of the district's school but wide-spread support for the program changed the plan to include all elementary schools. "We feel these will instill school pride," Mr. Polkowitz said. "They're very trendy and there is a whole host of things for each school to choose from. The board has no control over what the schools pick." Each school will be able to pick which colors and styles they would like to wear. The vendor selected by the board will make presentations to each parent teacher organization this spring. State law allows public districts to implement a school uniform program as long as wearing the uniform is not mandatory. Children still have the option of wearing their own clothes in the classroom.

Mr. Polkowitz said he looked into the program to increase school pride and save money not because of concerns of gang problems. The cost for the uniforms would be about \$110 per year. The program is on line to be implemented in September.

A new leader

BY KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

EDISON — The Board of Education last week unanimously appointed acting superintendent Vincent Capperro as the district's next official superintendent for at least five years. Dr. Capperro has served as acting superintendent since last October when the board suspended Superintendent Melindo Perci. He will become superintendent July 1 after Dr. Perci's term expires June 30. Dr. Capperro worked as deputy superintendent under Dr. Perci. Board member Philip Labasi said he was happy with the decision to appoint Dr. Capperro. "There has been a substantial change since he took over. The morale of the employees has improved and parents are much more satisfied." Dr. Capperro's starting salary will be \$125,000, at least \$10,000 less than Dr. Perci's. The new superintendent has also agreed to waive his travel expense account which former superintendents used to finance their traveling around the district. The appointment brings other considerable savings to the district. Since Dr. Perci's suspension the board has continued to pay him for contractual reasons and this expense will end June 30. Also, Dr. Capperro has shifted his former responsibilities as deputy superintendent around the administration. The elimination of this position will save taxpayers some \$90,000 per year. Dr. Capperro was not available for comment on his appointment.



Making plastics

Kristen Casale and Brandon Clermont, fifth-graders at Thomas Jefferson Middle School, learn about the chemical aspects of plastics and rubber. The National Plastics Center visited the school Dec. 15.

GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

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Borough to continue animal contract with New Brunswick

By DEBRA RUBIN
CORRESPONDENT

HIGHLAND PARK — The borough recently renewed a "very successful" interlocal agreement with New Brunswick, allowing that city to take care of stray and injured animals found on public property, according to the president of the Board of Health.

Lewis Fishberg said the approximately year-old agreement has eliminated problems rescuing such animals late at night or on weekends that occurred with St. Hubert's Giralda, a Morris County organization that previously was under contract. The organization last year asked that it be removed from consideration as the borough's animal control agency, citing logistical problems.

"We had to wait a long time for them to come," said Mr. Fishberg, adding that interim emergency services were provided for injured animals.

Mr. Fishberg said the municipality looked into a number of sources last year while investigating options for its animal control program, but found none as a reasonably priced and close as the New Brunswick Animal Control Service.

"The police — everybody knows who to call now," he added. "This arrangement has been great. We've had no problems on weekends. It's been very successful."

Residents should call 745-5015, Monday-Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m., to report a lost, stray or dead animal less than 75 pounds. Calls on holidays, evenings and weekends are treated as emergencies and need to be authorized by the police shift commander.

New Brunswick will pick up both strays and dead pets as well as surrendered animals. It will also assist in other emergency situations including animal bites and suspected rabies cases, according to Mr. Fishberg. The animal control service

will return any pet to its owners if they can be reached within one hour after the animal has been picked up. After that, the pet will be taken to Bluming Kennels in East Brunswick, where the owner will be responsible for veterinary care and shelter fee, which includes a \$30 initial pound charge plus \$4 for each additional day.

Mr. Fishberg additionally noted, in an effort to make it easier for residents to comply with an ordinance requiring all dogs and cats 7 months and older to be licensed, tagged and inoculated for rabies, all pet licenses will expire annually on June 30 rather than Jan. 31. Any licenses issued in 1997 will run through June.

"This will make it easier for pet owners to renew their licenses at the annual rabies clinic," said Mr. Fishberg. The clinic is free to licensed pets. Inoculations are good 1-3 years.

Under the old licensing expiration date, the board president said pet owners were sometimes

financially penalized.

"It used to be some people would pay twice," he explained. "One time when they got a new pet and another time at the rabies clinic."

The license fee for dogs is \$7 a year or \$21 for three years. Owners with dogs deemed dangerous or vicious, such as pit bulls, must pay \$100 annually. The fee for cats is \$5 if neutered and \$8 if unneutered.

Mr. Fishberg reminded dog owners that their pets must be walked on leashes not exceeding 6 feet. Pet feces must be removed from all private property by owners and disposed of properly.

"Pets can be a wonderful part of your family," said Mr. Fishberg. "The Board of Health urges all pet owners to take good care of their pets and provide them with adequate food, water, shelter and attention. In addition to love and affection, attention includes registering your dog or cat with the borough and ensuring that it has all the necessary vaccinations."

Time to renovate your home in '98

What are you resolving to do during the New Year? Shed those unwanted 10-pounds gained during the holidays? Contact old friends from years past? Become more organized? Improve your home?

What? Improve your home? Immediately, thoughts center on saw horses, contractors, surmounting bills and, of course, a shortage of petty cash.

Such an association is not surprising considering that the Census Bureau's American Housing Survey, a questionnaire circulated every two years, determined approximately \$133 billion was spent on remodeling (including additions and alterations as well as replacements and maintenance) during 1994-95. This figure can frighten many homeowners, especially since most popular home improvements (ie. remodeling the kitchen, adding an additional bathroom, etc.) can average \$10,000 to \$20,000. As a result, homeowners often tend to overlook small efforts, many of which can be completed without hiring outside contractors.

According to Kathleen (Neen) O'Malley, CRS, making modest - but visually effective - improvements can benefit homeowners while they occupy the residence and later when they decide to sell. These projects may increase the value of the home or shorten the time it stays on the market.

"Most sellers wait too long to analyze improvements and are shocked by the costs," said O'Malley, a member of the firm Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, Basking Ridge and president of the New Jersey chapter of the state's leading agents, those who have earned the CRS designation through training and demonstration of professional experience. "Some people end up spending a great deal more money than they expected to, and even worse, still others decide not to bother at all. Either way, they lose money, because they sell the home for less or it does not sell as quickly as homes in move-in condition."

Professional agents with the

CRS credential advise home owners to include these activities among their list of resolutions for the New Year:

1. **Hire a cleaning crew** - Before prioritizing your home's 'to-do list' enlist a professional cleaning crew for a once-over. Once clean, certain items like the family room carpet do not have to be replaced. The service might also point out items not noticed by homeowners.

2. **Consider new wall and floor coverings** - Homes take on a whole new look if peeling paint, wall paper and stained or warped floor coverings are replaced. Choose neutral or subtle colors; color can be added with fabric, flowers, paintings, picture frames and other accessories.

3. **Resurface kitchen cabinets** - If the kitchen and bathroom cabinets are in good condition, it is considerably less expensive to resurface than to replace them outright. Another option is to simply paint them (use a primer first) or replace the cabinets' hardware.

4. **Replace fixtures** - Cracked stairwell railings, dripping faucets, failing locks and other miscellaneous items are easily replaced and can keep visitors - and potential buyers - from wondering if the items not visible are being neglected too.

5. **Landscape** - Before beginning your spring landscaping, make sure your yard complements the neighbor's grounds. Trees should not overshadow the home. If you have a small yard, consider planting potted flowers near the front door or hanging flower boxes from the windows.

6. **Overhaul exteriors** - Repair cracked cement driveways and walking paths, replace the rusted mailbox and install new door handles, knockers and street address numbers. Investing in a new steel door with a peep hole can make your family more safe and your home more attractive.

7. **Organize storage** - Consider installing easy-to-assemble closet organizers in the master bedroom, children's rooms, kitchen pantry, linen closet, garage and attic. When you are ready to sell your home, buyers will appreciate the extra storage space.

8. **Invest in new windows** - Although the cost is significant, there are two reasons to consider new windows an investment: 1 - According to *Remodeling Magazine*, they average 69% return on investment (ranging as high as 100% recovery in Pittsburgh and Seattle to as little as 45% in Des Moines and Boise), and 2 - New windows, especially energy efficient triple-paned glass windows, can lower the monthly utility bills by 20-40%.

By planning the improvements (which require little routine maintenance) before making arrangements to place the home on the market, you can save yourself time, money and needless anxiety. Who knows? You might even find time in 1988 to read, compose, diet, work, exercise and ring up old pals.



Wrapping gifts

Borough resident Sarah-Ann Harnick, assistant director of student support services at Jersey City State College, participated at the school's second annual "Gifts from the Heart Project." Students, faculty and staff of the school sorted and wrapped the donations for the needy.

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Metuchen man loses a 'secret' bag at Menlo Mall

A Metuchen man lost \$85 worth of brand new underwear at Menlo Park Mall Friday, police said. He put the bag of under garments he had just purchased from Victoria's Secret on the floor in Macy's and when he went to get it, it was gone, according to reports.

police said.

Police log

Two 14-year-old boys were charged with shoplifting at Macy's in Menlo Park Mall Saturday, police said. The two youths tried to steal \$448 in merchandise from the department store, according to reports.

A 17-year-old Somerset man was charged with shoplifting at Macy's in Menlo Park Mall Saturday, police said.

A 15-year-old girl was charged with shoplifting in Nordstroms at Menlo Park Mall Dec. 26, police said.

A 14-year-old was charged with shoplifting at Price Costco on Route 27 Sunday, police said.

Olakunif Odusegt, 20, of Elizabeth was charged with shoplifting at Software Etc. in Menlo Park Mall Dec. 26, police said.

Tishonne Harris, 18, of Elizabeth was charged with shoplifting at Nordstroms in Menlo Park Mall Sunday, police said. She tried to steal \$442 in merchandise from the department store, police said.

A Rivendell Way home was burglarized Sunday, police said. A basement window was forced open and some \$6,300 worth of jewelry and cash were stolen from an upstairs basement.

Anatoly Zoporhan, 48, of Brooklyn, N.Y. was charged with shoplifting at Price Costco on Route 27, Sunday,

Some \$3,000 worth of magic trading cards were stolen from a card show in the Ramada Inn Sunday,

police said.

A 1991 Chevrolet Blazer was stolen from the Menlo Park Mall parking lot Friday, police said.

A 1987 Chevrolet Nova was stolen from College Drive Dec. 24, police said.

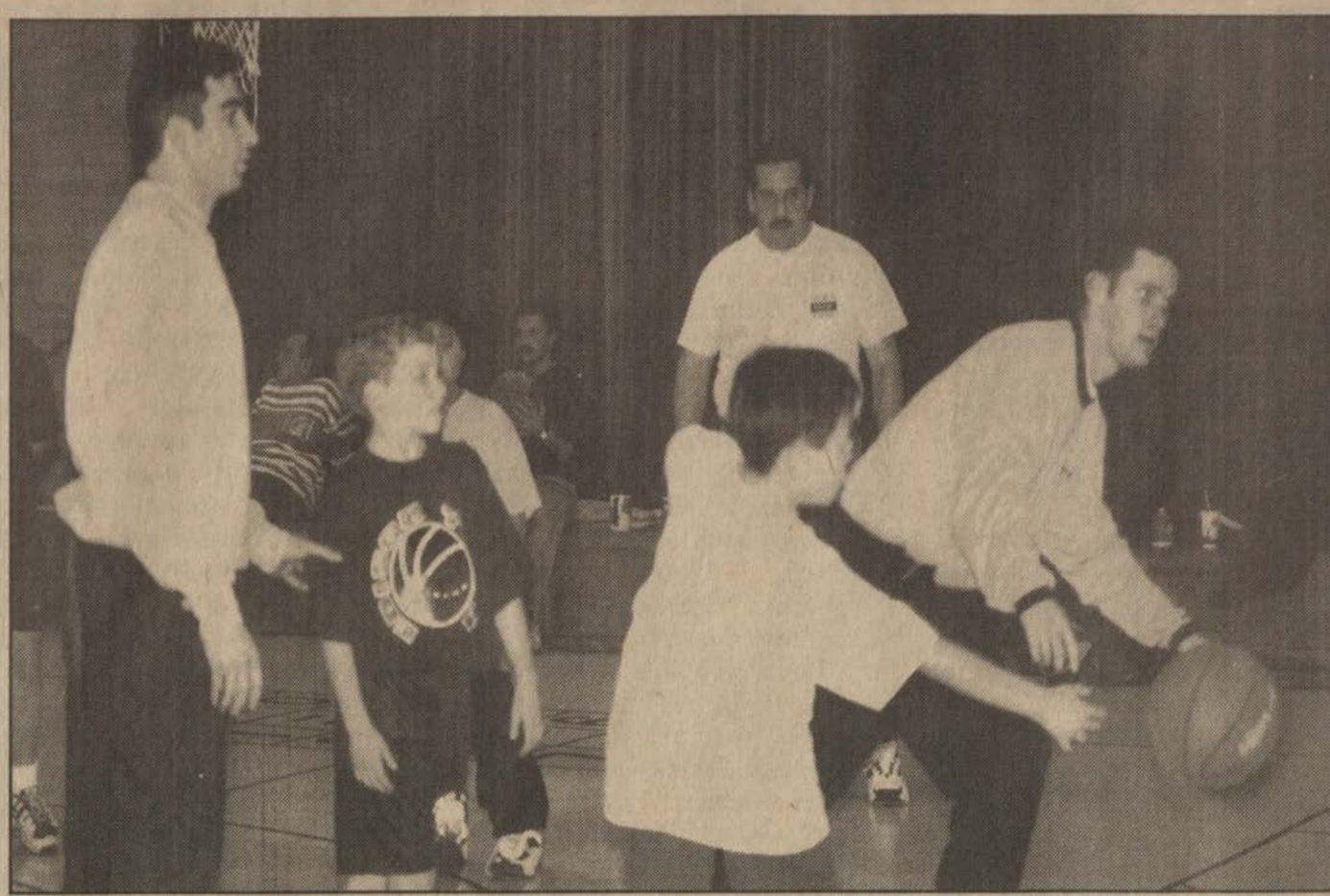
A car stereo was stolen from a 1987 Volkswagen Jetta Sunday at Menlo Park Mall, police said. The window was smashed to gain entry to the car.

A cellular phone was stolen from a car parked on Poll Place Friday, police said.

An insurance card was stolen from pick-up parked on Brookville Road Sunday, police said.

A dent was kicked into the door of a 1990 Corolla Sunday, police said. The car was parked on Pelham Avenue.

A rear window of a 1994 Nissan Altima was smashed while the vehicle was parked in the Inman Grove Shopping Center Sunday, police said.



Basketball players

A group of boys in the Edison Recreation Basketball league had the opportunity to learn from Rutgers University Assistant Basketball Coach James Cardillo (left) and Kean University Assistant Basketball Coach Larry Jacobs (right) at James Madison Primary School. The young players, coached by Larry Jacobs, are from left, Jonathan Book, Andrew Jacobs and Michael Cho.

Metuchen based group offers support for women

Melissa Higgins, executive director of Women Helping Women, recently gave a presentation on coping with the many stresses of everyday life to the women's Rosh Chodish Group of Temple Neve Shalom in Metuchen.

The services are provided through funding from United Way of Central New Jersey, corporate and community sponsors and individual donations. For more information about Women Helping Women, call (732) 549-6000.

will feature its 1998 premier meetings tomorrow and Jan. 17 at the Edison Library, 340 Plainfield Ave.

The both events will be 10-11 a.m. Guests are welcome.

Toastmasters International is a nonprofit communications and leadership training organization with 8,421 chapters with 173,000 members.

For more information, call Fran at (732) 885-5708 or (800) 9WE-SPEAK.

Toastmasters to meet tomorrow in Edison

Thomas Edison Toastmasters

Students at Washington School spread holiday cheer

EDISON - Fifth-grade students at Edison's Washington School offered their good will to residents of Amanda Crossing this holiday season.

Since the beginning of the school year, the students, under the direction of Sharon Russell Fowler, have been collecting items for the Edison residence. In all, they collected 10 videos, clothing (particularly children's clothing), and non-perishable items. J&J donated baby products to the collection.

Just before the holidays they presented representatives of Amanda Crossing with 15 boxes full of items for the residents.

The fifth graders also shared holiday greetings with the senior residents of JFK Hartwick, with whom they are working to establish a pen pal relationship.



students must compete a three-part, 100-hour training program. Students will begin with an overview of the field and learn basic troubleshooting techniques and then move on to hands-on, highly supervised technical training.

Classes will be given during the evening and on Saturday. The television repair program begins Jan. 14 and the VCR repair program will start Jan. 12.

To register or for more information, call the college at (732) 906-2556.

MADD to sponsor poster/essay contest

The Middlesex/Union Counties Chapter of Mothers Against Drunk Driving wants to remind students and teachers that the 1998 National Poster Essay contest is open to all stu-

dents in grades 1-12. "Stand Strong. Stay Sober." reflects the focus by MADD to involve young people in the battle against underage drinking and drunk driving.

Students may also submit black and white photography or a public service announcement video as their entry.

The chapter is joining several hundred other MADD chapters in reaching out to America's youth.

The deadline for entries in the local contest is Jan. 31. First place winners will receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bonds; second and third place winners will receive \$50 U.S. Savings Bonds.

First place winning entries will be forwarded to MADD's headquarters for national judging.

For more information, or to receive an entry form, call the local chapter at (732) 417-5959.

MCC to offer courses in TV and VCR repair

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Herbert Hoover School issues honor roll list

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Grade 8 — Shannon Carson, Yun Sun Chae, Laura Chaneski, Ravi Chugh, Jessica Friedland, Anton Getz, Jane He, Katerina Lavado, Tu Mai, Olga Medvedev, Shantanu Mukherjee and Payal Shah.

Grade 7 — Akansha Agarwal, Sumaira Aslam, Anil Beniwal, Jessica Capurso, Jonathan DuBois, Anuja Khunti, Nathaniel Kuo, Matthew Millar, Miksha Patel and Matei Zatreanu.

Grade 6 — Shibani Bhujle, Valerie Bozza, Scott Chaneski, Michael Drew, Monica El-Raheb, Ashley Frankovich, Ashley Fruscella, Sang Hong, Lindsay James, Xi Liu, Albert Semeniuk and Maureen Walsh.

Named to the "A/B" honor roll:

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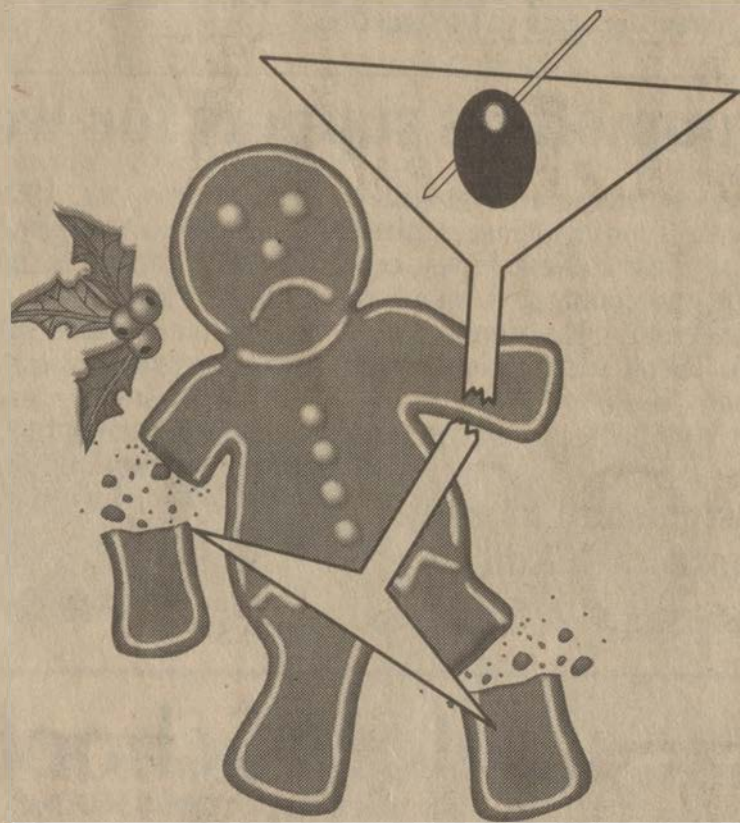
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Students make the honor roll at Jefferson

EDISON — Thomas Jefferson Middle School has issued its honor roll for the first marking period.

Named to the "All A" honor roll:

Grade 8 — Huma Farid.

Grade 7 — Michelle Balschem, Chinmoy Bhate, Chiang (Sheena) Huang and Jimmy Shah.

Grade 6 — Daniel Buhler, Winnie Chang, Tiffany Eckert, Tina Lee, Lingxiao (Jessica) Lu and Shazia Memon.

Named to the "A/B" honor roll:

Grade 8 — Sonya Cooper, Gagandeep Kaur, Nicole Robinson, Natasha Alagarasan, Sheryl Chiola, Binayak Sinha, Jennifer Ubl, Jason Zhan, Eli Chang, Kiadda Edwards, Alison Fenkel, Diane Hickey, Pooja Kumar, Kishan Patel, Pratesh Patel, Christopher Riley, Brian Rock, Joseph Yan, Helen Yankilevich, Jacqueline

Andrews, Fernanda Arias, Katie Horniacek, Anna Kalenchits, Rujal Parmar, Sharlene Saldana, Lauren Aquino, Antonios Fiotakis, Nihal Shah, Nicole Brownlie, Sheri Dohanyos, Kimberly Kurdes, Jacqueline Niemiera, Mona Parekh, Rubia Reikdal, Nicole Bianca, Joseph Bonner, Jeffrey Chan, Pawan Chandhok, Lorenzo Gonzalez, Qanita Manzoor, Manish Sharda, Tracey Shrodo, Ranjeet Sivaraman, Ying Wang, Carl Werner, Sung Min Kim, Su-Ting Kuo, Rachel Bier, Maciej Cetnerowski, Tyson Hammary, Stacey Kahn, Michelle Loewenstein, Angela Matos, Nicholas Urbanski, Sara Henry, Gina Lee, Farhan Malik, Rebecca Marchitto, Brooke Orcutt and Sreevthasankarthik Rao.

Grade 7 — Cecilia Arias, Joshua Burd, Pawel Cetnerowski, Nirupa Chandrasekaran, Michael

Esposito, David Gonzalez, Samir Jani, Neal Jordan, Dimitri Kashtanov, Tomasz Kuras, Caitlin McGrory, Ross Schwarzer, Kirthika Sutharsanam, Raj Trivedi, Joseph Zapotoczny, Edward Zarnock, Jian Zeng, Christine Cataquet, William Lehman, Sonya Manzoor, Ailya Naqvi, Emily Schneck, Kristen Tirado, Jin Bai, Dean Adi, Ryan Caffiero, Yunlin Dong, Brandy Macko, Olivia Alubankudi, Noel Fabretti, Christine Hong, Nisha Vyas, Christine Gladis, Rachael Harrington, Jacqueline Passero, Neel Patel, Allison Raymond, Flory Mares, Sapna Singh, Pamela Cicero, Matthew Fiorino, Christine Giordano, Jessica Gottlieb, James Hickey, Mohammad Javed, Christopher Latham, Michael Loureiro, Brian Matusiewicz, Robin Ortiz, Nirav Pandya, Jennifer Park, Roshnee Patel, Ashley Price, Bryan

Ronan, Abhishek Shah, Maria Tsakon, Monica Barszcz, Aisha Memon, Cristina Nunez, Sidharth Pande, Dhvani Ganatra, Supriya Kunani, Peter Macari, Yogesh Ravanan, Madeeha Shah, Subhashini Soundararajan, Thu Win, Xi-Jun Chen, Ana Yansy Duarte, Matthew Emerick, Kristine Hopkins, So-Jung Park, Mitesh Patel, Christina Recine, Daniel Krauss, Namreta Kumar, Kristina McKinney, Christine Muller and Avani Shridharani.

Grade 6 — Jevon Drake, Bradley Iacovelli, Kruti Joshi, Denise Luna, Diaa Musleh, Rachana Singh, Ryan Wares, Kristen Corno, Brianne Dinitz-Sklar, Anthony Gomez, Vincent Grillo, Beth Nebenhaus, Anuj Patel, Kelly Eayres, Ankita Maheshwani, Parshant Mittal, Priya Patel, Maria Sideris, Lisa Slover, Carlye Spitzmiller, Joseph Anis, Diana Beno,

Vanessa Buron, Megan Bussiére, Michael Duval, Nicole Fasarakis, Candice Greaux, Amanda Guzzi, Lingxiao (Jessica) Lux, Susan MacCloskey, Misha Matalia, Linda McDevitt, Sean McQueeney, Elise Petro, Melissa Rivera, Monoswita Saha, Samantha Sileo, Jamie Wasson, Aimee Wu, Geraldine Conrad, Patrick Keogh, Kaitlin Quinn, Sarah Turzani, Lauren McCarty, Theresa Bonner, Dennis Chekenian, Nicole Sona, Kate Tivald, Jennifer Cadic, Matthew Frohnhoefer, Lauren Goldberg, Laura Kandlehner, Tianyi Li, Jessica Ng, Ankur Patel, Millie Rajyaguru, Esli Espada, Cassandra Gibbs, Jasmine Gonzalez, Asim Syed Hussain, Andrew Lowe, Melissa Olsen, Vishal Patel, Christina Castiglia, Derek Gianakas, Mallory Leonard, Ankit Patel, Paolo Solarte, Samantha Thompson, Krithika

Gurumurthi, Kimberly Holtsclaw, Mary Elizabeth Lenti and Ashwini Poola.

Temple to hold memorial

HIGHLAND PARK—The tenth anniversary Yahrzeit memorial of Rabbi Hershel Jonah Matt will be 2 p.m. Jan. 4 at the Highland Park Conservative Temple.

Professor Daniel C. Matt will deliver a lecture in memory of his father, "From Kabbalah to the Big Bang: Discovering Harmony between Spirituality and Science." Hershel Matt was Rabbi of Temple Neve Shalom in Metuchen from 1959-70. From 1970-75 he was Rabbi of the Jewish Center in Princeton. He was on the faculty of the Reconstructionist Rabbinical College in Wyncote, Pa.

The temple is at S. Third and Benner streets. Admission is free.



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Commentary

What we want to see in 1998

1998 will be the first year of Gov. Christine Todd Whitman's lame duck term as governor.

After a narrow election victory over a virtually unknown Democratic opponent, Gov. Whitman will not have an overwhelming electoral mandate to carry her through the next two or three years. With the strong Republican majority still maintaining its hold on both houses of the legislature, the balance of power for at least the next two years may have shifted in New Jersey from the executive branch to the legislative branch.

The Republican legislature now has the mandate to tackle some of the toughest problems still facing New Jersey. But Gov. Whitman still has the power — and more importantly, the responsibility — to provide the necessary leadership on these issues.

One of the biggest lessons Republican legislators should have learned from November's election was how upset residents are about paying high auto insurance rates. This issue alone almost sunk Gov. Whitman's re-election which should have been, given her record, a sure thing.

Early this year the governor proposed a reasonable set of auto insurance reforms. But the legislature failed to take action on the highest premiums in the country. New Jersey residents desperately want some relief on this issue which strikes deep into everyone's pocketbook. In her inaugural address, the governor should set a stern deadline for the legislature to take some action on auto insurance. Residents will not tolerate any more inaction on the issue, nor will they accept any bows to special interest groups (i.e. lawyers). If the legislature fails to act this year, the Republican hopes for maintaining control of the Assembly in the 1999 election may be jeopardized.

Property tax reform was another message delivered loud and clear in the gubernatorial contest. Gov. Whitman has taken a proper first step by appointing a commission to study the alternatives and report back next August. The commission is the politically expedient route; it takes the pressure off the governor and the legislature from developing a solution. The commission's recommendations will inevitably be controversial; each of the state's 566 municipalities has a special interest to protect. And the recommendations won't be pretty — there will probably be calls for more regionalization and shared services, with municipalities losing some of their precious home rule.

What we hope the commission recommends is more regionalization and consolidation of school districts. New Jersey has more school districts than municipalities; that doesn't make any sense. That is also the single largest factor causing high property tax rates. The state has to offer some incentives for school districts to think about the unthinkable — putting school funding, administration and transportation on a countywide basis. That will be a difficult equation for residents and officials to balance; will they exchange much lower property taxes with a loss of local control? As long as municipalities and school districts insist on local control, New Jersey residents will be saddled with high property tax rates; this is one issue where the governor and legislature need to write their own profiles in courage.

There are many other issues which we would like to see the state tackle in 1998 — a 65 mph speed limit should be allowed on some of the state's interstate highways (for example, Route 78 west of Route 31, Route 80 west of Route 206 and Route 287 north of Route 80); a solution to the continuing crisis in health care for those without insurance; more initiatives to preserve open space and acquire parkland; statewide management of development to cut down on traffic congestion and stricter enforcement of environmental standards.

1998 is a year of opportunity for Gov. Whitman and the Republican legislature. They have been given a strong mandate by residents to tackle some ticklish issues. Let's hope they don't waste the opportunity.

HOW'S THAT FOR A NEW YEARS RESOLUTION LIST?...

A WORD OF CAUTION KID... THAT'S THE SAME LIST HE SHOWED ME WHEN I STARTED OUT.



Letters to the editor

Consider issues of religion

To The Editor:

I am writing in response to Frank Apisa's most recent comments about God and religion. I must preface this note by stating that I have known Frank for quite some time. If memory serves me correctly, Frank has, in the past, stated an atheistic belief structure. Frank is currently denigrating God, the Bible, religion, and so on. A reminder, Frank: An assumption of atheism states there is no God; therefore, it should be more difficult for you to berate what does not exist. If, however, you are arguing the notion of God, as perceived by humans, you may have overstated your position.

I would suggest, Frank, that you weigh the benefits and deficits of religious belief systems. While the systems in question have been partly responsible for some horrific human endeavors, they have also elevated humans to some astonishing heights. I hope, Frank, that you note some history where religion and philosophy caused many humans to recognize personal freedom through an inborn independence. The notions of equality and fair and

equitable treatment among each other are also traits that have been connected with the human notions of God and religion. Those qualities have been inserted in many governmental systems which rely upon the rule of law.

While some of your arguments have promise, your basic premise overlooks too wide a variety of human associations with God and religion. A prime example of a God-based belief system that helped structure a wider social system is still attempting to elevate all humans into the realm of mutually recognized equality. That social system was responsible for a Bill of Rights which allows room for your comments to be heard as well as seen in print. Perhaps Frank, you could be more forgiving about the notion of gods and religions if you noticed that the human presence on Earth has, on balance, been responsible for more good than harm while accepting those notions.

DON BEITZ
Piscataway

Thank you for a successful bonfire

To The Editor:

We would like to thank everyone involved in the bonfire for the Metuchen High School students held Nov. 26. The bon fire was a lot of fun and will provide lasting memories for all who attended. The bon fire would not have been possible without the support and assistance of many from our community. We would like to thank Mayor O'Brien, Borough Administrator Bill Boerth, Police Chief Hall, Fire Chief Mike Soltys and Fire Prevention Officer Robert Mohr for their assistance and support. Special thanks to Mr. Morrison, MHS band director; the MHS Marching Band; Mrs. Sullivan, the cheerleader advisor; the MHS Cheerleaders; our MC, Jordan Melograna; and the MHS 1997 football

team. Thanks to DJ&R Trucking for donating the pallets for the fire and Mr. Tranotti for picking up the wood and delivering it to the school.

Special recognition and thanks to the Metuchen Police Department, especially the officers that assisted at the event, and the Metuchen Fire Department, especially the fire fighters who donated their time for the entire event, from starting the fire to putting it out.

Lastly, thanks to everyone else that helped and thanks to all that attended. Hopefully, we can bring back the bon fire as an annual event.

KATHY GIBBONS
GAIL TOTH
Metuchen

Dedication helped pass school vote

To The Editor:

Bravo Metuchen! And a deep thanks to the 2,069 voters who passed a much-needed referendum designed to replace, expand and realign our four (public) schools.

What a tremendous showing of successful community effort and cooperation by hundreds of individuals, organizations and business owners. As core members of PASS '97, my husband Bill Green and I saw firsthand the positive things Metuchenites are capable of performing. As a native Metuchenite, I felt a revived pride and joy in saying "I live in Metuchen."

You have proven to be positive role models for

our children through your amazing teamwork and tireless dedication. Middle-class ethics are alive in this town and you have shown that hard work for a good cause creates success.

Once again there are so many people to thank for getting the vote out. You know who you are and you can proudly share in the victory cry "yes." Metuchen is a quality "place to be" and "yes" we take care of our own.

JUDI RODGERS GREEN
Metuchen

The writer was a co-founder of PASS '97, the campaign to pass the Dec. 18 school bond referendum in Metuchen.

Thanks team for a great season

To The Editor:

I would like to thank all of the players on this year's Metuchen High School football team and their coaches for giving us a great season. They are a great group of dedicated young men. I am especially proud of their team spirit, their dedication, hard work and good sportsmanship.

Special thanks and best wishes for senior play-

ers Josh Dean, Steve Garcia, Francis Hwang, Abiola Ijalana, Andrew Joyce, Jason Ladao, Chris Latham, Darryl Spence and Ryan Toth.

I'm looking forward to another exciting football season next year. Go Bulldogs!

GAIL TOTH
Metuchen

Commission thanks police force

To The Editor:

On behalf of the members of the South Plainfield Cultural Arts Commission, I want to express to you our appreciation for so graciously opening your hearts and your home, the firehouse, to our committee and to the community for our 1997 Annual Winter Caroling celebration last Sunday evening.

We appreciate your making this space available to us and recognize the trouble you took for us by displacing yourselves and your trucks for several hours.

Everyone had a grand time, thanks to you, and the efforts you went to in creating the space. I personally wish to acknowledge your contribution to the evening's success.

You added immeasurable to the holiday spirit

that was experienced in our community that evening. Indeed, because of you, we all came together for this special moment in time.

I especially enjoyed the ride in the fire truck to the gazebo at the park. (my first time!)

Kindly convey our appreciation to the members of your department for their part in the evening's success.

Best wishes for a healthy and joyous holiday season to the able men and women of the South Plainfield Fire Department and your families from the South Plainfield Cultural Arts Commission.

ANITA LEPELSTAT
CHAIRWOMAN

The letter was sent to Police Chief Joe Abbruzzese

OFT TOLD TALES



By Gary Introne

Tears in the social fabric

A certain sadness takes over as I think about the slow deterioration of the civic fabric within Metuchen. It is becoming obvious that among the give-and-take of "battle" there are those who are rending the cloth of comity through spite and gloat. It seems to be of no service to any cause for us to have to be taken through the constant treadmill of spite and obfuscation which is rounding its way into our social causes. To bespeak a meanness or nastiness toward discourse is silly. Making outrageous comparisons to historical epochs of the past or dastardly episode still with us cheapens the debate.

It was but a hundred years ago at most when members of a community were accepted for their eccentricities or oddness. There was then a time when intelligence and learning were marked by curious habits or behaviors that now, instead, isolate or make an outcast of the bearer. There was a time when smug conformity and slavish devotion to means and norms destructive to real life were not so prevalent. Those were the days when travelers and learned people would arrive within Metuchen's borders to be honored and queried about their experiences and learning. Today, instead, they are battered and belittled by the ramrod detraction of ironic and sleazy reactionaries who cannot let down a guard, even after the contest is done. Metuchen's Main Street was once a facade of erudite and savvy wits and scribes. Today it reeks, instead, of mere and smug commerce. There was once a time when daylight's sun arose and shone over this quaint and (make no mistake) odd community to welcome and help grow the gloried community of learning and wisdom.

Today, instead, we are greeted by catcalls and derision. God forbid, should he, that we do not vouchsafe to meet the norm and settled means of behavior or attitude or opinion. We are greeted weekly with letters pages in local newspapers wherein those with the means and disposal can awkwardly tear at and belittle adversaries, when smug and snotty derision betokens false examples of things, things used only to deride and stab at others of different persuasion. They should look where it is coming from. All of a sudden, the "downtrodden" are crushing others. How broad is the smile supposed to be when we are forced to read drivel about imaginary animal, fur and pelt collectors touting illogical and stupid vagaries of opinion? How are we supposed to be taken in by the smug complacencies of loud-mouths who can only belittle others? Why are we supposed to give in and cede the power of opinion to a TV access not open to all and one which proclaims bravely only one side? How is a community to grow and weather social storms when the victors berate the losers for seeking the same votes that they sought? How many deals and chatty snob sessions are we to endure while those at the top can barely look down at those below? When does the social tea season become, instead, a season of gloat and reproach? It is all too sad. It all bears no connection to this borough's regal past of bright solidity and benevolent charity.

We have let riches and the seeking of same ruin us. We have sought wasted effort and devotion to material gain discolor and darken the skylights above us, blocking out even the brave light of the past which once cooperatively tried to guide us into the future. We are given over to sluggards and complainers who, instead of correct department, chase for the reunion of greed and egotism. When I listen close, I know that I am listening to the sadness of Metuchen, faintly crying to itself in sorrow somewhere in the background. We are teaching our children to be users instead of learners. We are putting layer upon layer of mistrust and doubt upon things, then attempting to seal it all in with another layer of hate. It must stop. We are better than this. Metuchen is better than this. If it isn't, we had better make sure that it starts to be — right now.

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Golden Nuggets SENIORS

Edison AARP Chapter 3446
Trips planned are to "Ozark Mountain Jamboree" at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, leaving 2:30 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 18; and Rocking Horse Ranch, Sept. 7-11. Both trips leave from the Our Lady of Peace annex in Fords. For more information, call Vice President Helen Rader at (732) 738-7441.

Senior Adult Club
Activities sponsored by the Senior Adult Club of the Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County, 1775 Oak Tree Road:

Tuesday, Jan. 6 — "Readers on the Go" discussion group with Donna Rifkind, 10 a.m. She is a book critic whose reviews have been printed in the New York Times and the Wall Street Journal. Cost is free for members and \$2.50 for non-members.

Thursday, Jan. 8 — Hot lunch plus presentation on exercise motivation, noon. Cost is \$1.75 for members and \$3 for non-members.

Tuesday, Jan. 13 and 20 — "Tracing Your Jewish Roots" with Nathan Reiss, 10 a.m. He is chairman of the genealogy committee of the Jewish Historical Society of Central New Jersey. Cost is \$8 for members and \$12 for non-members.

For more information on Senior Adult Club activities, call (732) 494-3232.

Metuchen AARP Chapter 3208
American Association of Retired Persons Chapter 3208 will hold its monthly meeting 1:15 p.m. Monday, Jan. 12 at the Reformed Church, 150 Lake Ave. William Roettger will present a "Civil War Story" program. Guests are welcome.

Trips sponsored by the AARP chapter:
Friday, Feb. 20 — "Born Yesterday" at Hunterdon Hills Playhouse. Cost of \$39 per person includes bus transportation, show, lunch (Yankee pot roast, stuffed breast of chicken, fried scallops and shrimp, or broiled catch of the day), tips and taxes. Checks (payable to Metuchen Chapter 3208 AARP) should be sent with name, address, phone number and menu choice to Felonese Kelley, 36 Home St., Metuchen, N.J. 08840. For more information, call (732) 548-2362.

Thursday, March 26 — "Phantom of the Opera" at Three Little Bakers. Cost of \$51 per person includes bus transportation, show, buffet meal, tips and taxes. Checks (payable to Metuchen Chapter 3208 AARP) should be sent with name, address and phone number to Ruth J. Skudlarek, 167 Highland Ave., Metuchen, N.J. 08840. For more information, call (732) 548-5790.

South Plainfield Adult School Seniors
The Adult School Seniors

meet 10 a.m. the first Friday of every month in the board room of the administration building on Cromwell Place. All residents over 60 are welcome. Transportation is available to the meeting; call (908) 754-1047. Coffee and cake will be served afterward.

A craft group meets 10 a.m.-noon every other Monday at the administration building.

PAL Senior Citizens
The PAL Senior Citizens Club meets 10 a.m.-2 p.m. every Tuesday from September through June at the PAL building, 1250 Maple Ave. South Plainfield residents 60 and older are welcome. Dues are \$6 a year. Bingo, card games and conversation are featured. Coffee is served; bring lunch.

"Art for Art's Sake" is 9-10 a.m. Thursday in the arts and crafts room of the PAL building beginning Feb. 5. This class is for seniors over 60 "who love to create." Cost is \$12 for residents, \$18 (plus cost of paint) for non-residents. Sign up by Jan. 29 in the recreation office at the PAL building.

Line dancing lessons for seniors over 60 also begin Feb. 5 and will run 10:30-11:30 a.m. Thursday at the PAL building. Cost is \$18 for residents, \$23 for non-residents. Sign up by Jan. 29.

The winter luncheon for seniors 60 and older will be 11:30 a.m.-2 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 12 at the PAL building. Future Homemakers of America from South Plainfield High School will serve the catered meals and prepare dessert. The Mello Tones will provide sing-alongs and dining music. Cost is \$2; reservations are required.

The Recreation Department is planning a trip to Atlantic City in April or May.

AARP Chapter 4144
The American Association of Retired Persons chapter will meet 12:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 16 at the PAL building, 1250 Maple Ave. Carol Romer, a counselor with GMAC Income Advantage, will clarify how reverse mortgages work.

Trips being planned are April 1 to the Evergreen Theater to see Charlie Prose and a May trip to see "Phantom of the Opera" at Three Little Bakers. Details and phone numbers will come in February.

Piscataway Senior Center
Activities scheduled for the Piscataway Senior Citizens Center, 700 Buena Vista Ave., off Hoes Lane:

Thursday, Jan. 22 — Atlantic City trip to Sands casino. Cost \$10.50. The bus will leave 8:30 a.m. from the Senior Center and return 6:30 p.m.

Seats are now being booked for trips to Washington, D.C., March 1-3; Atlantic City (overnight), March 25-26; "Phantom of the Opera" at Three Little Bakers, April 16; Las Vegas, June 1-5; Nova Scotia, June 7-13; Wildwood, Sept. 28-Oct. 2; Salem, Mass., Oct. 13-15; a western Caribbean cruise, Nov. 8-15; and "Noah" in Lancaster, Pa., Dec. 3, 1998.

For more information on activities, call (732) 562-1133.

Tri-County Senior Citizens
The Tri-County Senior Citizens Center is at 450 New Market Road, Piscataway. Anyone 55 and older is welcome. Activities take place at



Christmas in New Brunswick

Santa Claus sits with one of the children from the New Brunswick Housing Authority at the Christmas on Campus. St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen hosted 41 children and the day featured a day of games and fun.

the center unless otherwise noted. Call (732) 752-1142.

Upcoming activities for the Tri-County Senior Citizens:

Saturday, Jan. 17 — Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse for "Ozark Mountain Jamboree." Cost is \$43. Call Catherine Jenneken at (908) 755-1455.

February (third week) — Trip to Atlantic City, overnight or 3 days/2 nights. If you are interested, call Catherine Jenneken.

Highland Park Senior Citizens Club
The club meets 1 p.m. the first and third Monday of the month at the Senior/Youth Center, 220 S. Sixth Ave. Birthdays are observed the third Monday.

Bingo is 1 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of the month at the Senior/Youth Center.

Senior Center
The Senior/Youth Center, 220 S. Sixth Ave., is open 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, 11

a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday. Anyone 60 or older is welcome. Programs take place at the center except where indicated. Call (732) 819-0052.

The center will be closed Friday, Jan. 2.

Breakfast is served 8:30 a.m. Monday-Friday.

Reservations are being accepted for a St. Patrick's Day show March 10 at the Wayne Manor. Cost is \$37. See the flier on the bulletin board or speak to Ida.

Activities sponsored by the Senior/Youth Center:

Friday — Painting, 9 a.m. Stretch, Breathe, Relax, 9:30 a.m.

Sunday — Bingo, 1 p.m. **Monday** — Stretch, Breathe, Relax, 9:30 a.m.

Tuesday — Conversational English, 9:30 a.m. Chorus, 10 a.m. Bridge and mah-jongg, 1 p.m.

Wednesday — Video exercise, 9:30 a.m.

Thursday — Conversational English, 9 a.m. Yoga, 9 a.m.

The **Highland Park Conservative Temple and Center**, 201 S. Third Ave., will mark the 10th *yahrzeit* of Rabbi Hershel Jonah Matt with a lecture 2 p.m. Sunday (1-4).

Rabbi Matt's son, Daniel C. Matt, will speak on the relationship "From Kabbalah to the Big Bang: Discovering Harmony Between Spirituality and Science." Mr. Matt is a professor of Jewish spirituality at the Graduate Theological Union in Berkeley, Calif. He is the editor of a book of Rabbi Matt's essays and has published a number of articles about Jewish mysticism.

Admission is free. *** Two courses for adults begin

Chapter & verse

this week at the **Highland Park Conservative Temple and Center**, 201 S. Third Ave.

The "Drop-In Talmud" class will run 8-9:15 p.m. Tuesday starting Jan. 6. Rabbi Stephanie Dickstein will lead this class about Ketubot, the portion of the Talmud that deals with the obligations husbands and wives have toward each other. English texts will be used; anyone who has a Hebrew text is welcome to do so. Anyone can attend at any

time even if it is only once or twice a semester.

An "Introduction to Yiddish Language and Culture Through Song" begins 8 p.m. Wednesday (1-7). This 10-week course taught by Maier Friedman stress elements of Yiddish vocabulary, grammar and pronunciation by way of Yiddish songs. Knowledge of Yiddish is not required. Cost is free for Conservative Temple members and \$10 for non-members; bring

two blank audio cassettes to the first class.

For more information or registration, call (732) 545-6482. ***

Daily services at **Temple Neve Shalom**, 250 Grove Ave., Metuchen, are 6:45 a.m. Monday and Thursday; 7 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday. Services on Rosh Chodesh, the first day of a month in the Jewish calendar, begin 6:35 a.m.

The recovery prayer, or *Mishebeyrach*, and memorial prayer, *El Maleh*, are recited every Monday and Thursday morning.

For more information, call (732) 548-2238.

Cittone Institute donates gifts to needy

EDISON—Students from the Edison campus of The Cittone Institute donated more than 40 gifts for the needy to be distributed by Middlesex County Head Start in Woodbridge.

The donation was part of "Adopt an Angel" program.

Rochelle Friedman of Piscataway, director of student services for Edison Cittone and Barbara Masino of Edison, administrative assistant to the executive director, coordinated the effort.

Food baskets with turkeys, canned goods and other food were collected for three needy families for Thanksgiving and were distributed by the Metuchen Catholic Charities. ***

Barbara Masino of Edison was named "Employee of the Month" for November at the Cittone Institute's Edison campus.

Motor vehicles in any condition can be donated for the "Cars for a Cure" program of the American Cancer Society.

All makes and models are being accepted. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law. For more information, call (800) 318-6661.

Community Briefs

Hadassah now forming groups for bridge

HIGHLAND PARK — The Raritan Valley Chapter of Hadassah is forming groups for bridge and bowling. If you are interested, call Helene Frankel at (732) 572-0036 or (732) 819-7310.

Neve Shalom to host Shabbat workshops

METUCHEN—Neve Shalom is sponsoring a workshop to familiarize people with Shabbat rituals in the home on Friday nights.

Rabbi Zelizer will teach the prayers which are recited at home and will discuss how to

transform the dinner into a sacred experience. He will distribute a booklet about Shabbat from the National Federation of Men's Clubs.

The workshop is free and open to the public. Neve Shalom is at 250 Grove Ave.

Assembly recognizes local students

Among the 19 high school students recognized by the state Assembly last month for their participation in the Rutgers University-Minority Apprenticeship Precollege Program in Science (RU-MAPPS)

were: **Eileen Malimban** of Edison and **Melissa Reynon** of Piscataway, students at Bishop George Ahr High School in Edison; **Jamiyla Bracey** of Edison High School; **Chanelle Howe** and **Vivian Okomo** of Highland Park High School; and **Janice Manaois** and **Matthew Martin** of Highland Park High School.

RU-MAPPS is designed to recruit, encourage and prepare minority students for careers in biomedical/behavioral research and health professions and expose teachers to the latest scientific skills and knowledge which they can bring back to the classroom.

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John C. Hutchinson, Director - (732) 257-3300 - 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

TRADE AND INDUSTRY COURSES			
COURSE TITLE	LOCATION	COURSE TITLE	LOCATION
Agricultural Landscaping (9 wks)	EB	Electricity VII (Elect. Code) (20 wks)	EB-PI
Automotive	EB	Electricity (10 hours)	PA
Auto Body & Fender Repair (9 wks)	EB	Continuing Education Code Course	EB
Auto Mechanics (Basic) (9 wks)	ALL	Electricity VIII (20 wks)	EB
Automotive Brakes (9 wks)	EB	(Electronic Devices & Circuits)	EB
Steering and Suspension (9 wks)	PI	Industrial Electronic Controls (9 wks)	EB
Diesel Mechanics (9 wks)	PI	(PLCS)	EB
Know Your Car (9 wks)	EB-PI	Machine Shop I (Basic) (20 wks)	EB-PA
Building Trades Blueprint Reading (9 wks)	EB	Machine Shop II (Math) (20 wks)	EB
Cake Decorating (9 wks)	EB	Machine Shop III (Intermediate) (20 wks)	EB-PA
Carpentry for the Home (9 wks)	ALL	Machine Shop IV (9 wks)	EB
Catering-Cooking (9 wks)	EB	(Elementary BPR)	EB
Construction Carpentry (20 wks)	EB	Machine Shop V (Advanced) (20 wks)	EB-PA
Cooking-Italian Culinary (9 wks)	EB	Machine Shop VI (Metallurgy) (20 wks)	PA
An Evening of Italian Culinary** (1 session, Fee \$30)	EB	Machine Shop (Computer Numerical)	PI
Drawing and Sketching (Basic) (9 wks)	EB	Controlled Machines (9 wks)	EB
Electrical Circuits (20 wks)	ALL	Oil Painting (9 wks)	EB
Electricity II-B (Math) (Winter) (9 wks)	EB	Photography (9 wks)	EB
Electricity III (20 wks)	EB	Plumbing (20 wks)	PI
(DC Motors & Controllers)	EB	Plumbing Code (9 wks)	PI
Electricity IV (20 wks)	PI	Printing (20 wks)	EB
(BPR Residential)	PI	Sheet Metal (20 wks)	PI
Electricity V (AC) (20 wks)	EB	Silkscreen Printing (9 wks)	EB
		Small Engine Repair (9 wks)	EB-PA
		Welding (20 wks)	ALL

TECHNICAL COURSES			
COURSE TITLE	LOCATION	COURSE TITLE	LOCATION
Air Conditioning & Refrig. I (20 wks)	EB-PI	Electronic Devices & Circuits (20 wks)	EB
Air Conditioning & Refrig. II (20 wks)	EB	Hydraulics (9 wks)	EB
Air Conditioning & Refrig. III (20 wks)	EB	Instrumentation (Industrial) (20 wks)	EB
Air Conditioning & Refrig. IV (20 wks)	PI	Stationary Engineering I (9 wks)	ALL
Computer Assisted Drafting (9 wks)	EB-PI	(Low Pressure)	EB
(CAD)	EB	Technical Drafting (9 wks)	EB
Computer Service & Repair (20 wks)	EB		

CONSUMER AND HOMEMAKING COURSES			
COURSE TITLE	LOCATION	COURSE TITLE	LOCATION
Baking (9 wks)	EB	Interior Decorating (9 wks)	EB
Cooking (9 wks)	EB-PI	Slipcovers & Draperies (9 wks)	EB-PI
Dressmaking (9 wks)	EB-PI	Quilting (9 wks)	EB
Flower Arrangement (Basic & Advanced) (9 wks)	EB		

OFFICE OCCUPATIONS / COMPUTER APPLICATIONS			
COURSE TITLE	LOCATION	COURSE TITLE	LOCATION
Accounting I (9 wks)	EB	Managing Your Hard Drive ** (5 wks, Fee \$40)	EB
Accounting II (9 wks)	EB	Pre-Requisite: P.C. Fund. or Equiv.	
Pre-Requisite: Accounting or Equiv.		Microsoft Word For Windows (9 wks)	ALL
Buying & Setting Up Your PC ** (1 session, Fee \$30)	EB	Microsoft Word For Windows (Advanced)	EB-PI
Excel (9 wks)	ALL	(Advanced)	EB
Introduction to Internet ** (1 session, Fee \$30)	EB	P.C. Fundamentals (9 wks)	ALL
Introduction to Windows 95 (9 wks)	PI	Typing (Basic) (9 wks)	PI
		Typing (Advanced) (9 wks)	PI

HEALTH & SAFETY			
COURSE TITLE	LOCATION	COURSE TITLE	LOCATION
Motorcycle Rider Education **	PI	Basic Boating & Seamanship **	EB

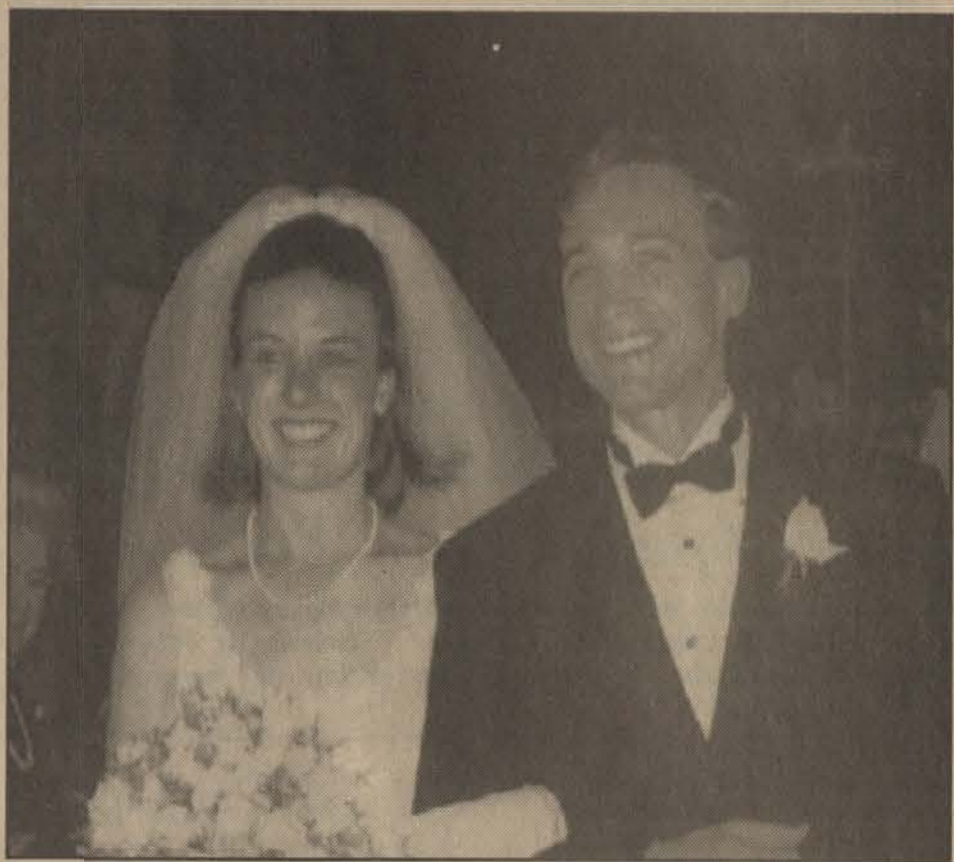
LEGEND			
FEES:	LOCATION:	FEES:	LOCATION:
9 Wk Course - \$65.00 Per Course	(9 Wks) Nine Week Course	EB - East Brunswick	
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Community Life



Stacy and Matthew O'Connor



Denise and Jose Figuero



Darlene and Michael Mongiovi

Stacy Ann Navarro weds Matthew O'Connor

Stacy Ann Navarro, the daughter of Paul and Elaine Navarro of Jamesburg, formerly of Edison, was married May 25, 1997 to Matthew Smith O'Connor, the son of Tim and Mercedes O'Connor of Darien, Conn.

The Rev. Mark Lane performed the Mass at the Cannon Memorial Chapel on the campus of the University of Richmond in Richmond, Va. A reception followed at The Jefferson.

The maid of honor was Nancy Hess of Madison, Wis.

The bridesmaids were Marisa O'Connor of Manhattan, sister of the bridegroom; and Katherine Costenbader of Arlington, Va.

Flowergirls were Jourdan Stone of Basking Ridge; Addison Meyer-Cuno and Erin Meyer-Cuno both of Charlotte, N.C.

The best man was John T. O'Connor IV of Cambridge, Mass., the bridegroom's brother.

The ushers were David

Navarro of Jamesburg, brother of the bride; Christer Wollmar and Jason Demark, both of Manhattan; Robert Killoran and Christopher Ord both of Los Angeles.

The couple spent their honeymoon in San Francisco and Napa Valley.

The bride is a graduate of J.P. Stevens High School in Edison and a graduate of the University of Richmond. She graduated from Rutgers University School of Law in May and is an associate with Angelini, Viniar and Freedman in Woodbury.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Darien High School in Darien, Conn. and the University of Richmond. Until recently, he was a consultant with Anderson Consulting in Washington D.C. He is currently a first year student at the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania in Philadelphia.

Denise Abbruzzese weds Jose Figuero Jr. on Aug. 2

Denise Ann Abbruzzese, the daughter of Guido J. and Mildred Abbruzzese of South Plainfield, exchanged wedding vows Aug. 2, 1997 with Jose Antonio Figueroa Jr.

The bridegroom is the son of Jose A. and Gloria Figueroa Sr. of Perth Amboy.

The Catholic ceremony took place at Our Lady of Fatima in Perth Amboy with Decon Daniel Torres officiating.

The bride was given away in marriage by her parents.

The maid of honor was Kellie Vopat of Edison, best friend of the bride.

The bridesmaids were Sheryl Thimons of South Plainfield, the bride's niece; Sharon Thimons of South Plainfield, the bride's niece; Erin Dunn of Sayerville, the bride's niece; Danita Torres of Perth Amboy, the bridegroom's cousin; Ranece Abbruzzese of South Plainfield, the bride's niece; Jennifer Onuska of South Plainfield, the bride's niece.

The flower girls were Stephanie Holowka of South Plainfield, the bride's niece;

Adrinanna Gerena of Perth Amboy, the bridegroom's niece.

The best man was Mario Abbruzzese of South Plainfield, the bride's brother.

The ushers were Paul Busch Jr. of South Plainfield, the bride's nephew; Glen Thimons Jr. of South Plainfield, the bride's nephew; Kevin Dunn of Sayerville, the bride's nephew; Thomas Durnya Jr. of South River, the bride's nephew; Micheal Gregorib of Firds, the bride's nephew; Angel Torres of Puerto Rico, the bridegroom's cousin.

The reception was at The Forge.

The bride is a graduate of South Plainfield High School. She is an assistant manager at First Savings Bank of Edison.

The bridegroom is a graduate of Perth Amboy High School and is a truck driver at Archie Jacobson.

The couple spent their honeymoon at Disneyworld in Florida.

The couple will reside in Perth Amboy.

Darlene Gilabert weds Michael Mongiovi

Darlene Gilabert, 25, the daughter of Eileen and Mario Gilabert of West Paterson exchanged wedding vows with Michael Mongiovi, 25, July 12, 1997.

The bridegroom is the son of Marie Mongiovi of South Plainfield and Phil Mongiovi of Dunellen.

The double ring ceremony took place at Holy Angel's Roman Catholic Church in Little Falls. The bride was given away in marriage by her father.

Father Michael Carnevale officiated the ceremony. Denise Wentzell was the soloist.

The matron of honor was Denise Wentzell of Virginia Beach, Va., sister of the bride.

The bridesmaids were Debbie Moore of Naples, Fla., sister of the bride; Teresa Varcadipane of West Paterson, cousin of the bride; Andrea Mongiovi of South Plainfield, sister of the bridegroom; and Nicole Mongiovi of Dunellen, the bridegroom's sister.

The bestman was Brian King, of St. Croix in the Virgin Island, a friend of the bridegroom.

The ushers were Dominick

Lucas of North Plainfield, cousin of the bridegroom; Nicolas Talmo of North Plainfield, cousin of the bridegroom; Dunn Joseph Hofilenia of Belville, friend of the bridegroom; Devang Muchhala of Randolph, friend of the bridegroom.

The reception was at the Wayne Manor in Wayne.

The bride attended Passaic Valley High School, and East Stroudsburg University where she earned a bachelor of science degree in special education. She is a special education teacher for the West Orange Board of Education.

The bridegroom attended South Plainfield High School, East Stroudsburg University and the New Jersey Institute of Technology where he earned a bachelor of science in chemical engineering. He is a research associate at New Jersey Institute of Technology in Newark.

The couple met at East Stroudsburg University in Pennsylvania.

The couple will reside in Randolph.



Laura Antonini and Robert Cagle

Laura A. Antonini to wed Robert Cagle in 1998

PISCATAWAY—Anthony and Judith Antonini of Piscataway has announced the engagement of their daughter Laura A. Antonini to Robert Cagle, the son of George and Carol Cagle of North Brunswick.

Miss Antonini is a graduate of Piscataway High School, Middlesex County College and

Trenton State College. She is employed at Tiny Treasures Day Care in Parlin.

Her fiancé is a graduate of North Brunswick High School.

He is employed at Keansburg Post Office in Keansburg.

A March 1998 wedding is planned.

Weddings & engagements

Mary Durner to wed Thomas Donahue Jr.

Robert and Rosemarie Durner of Minnesota, and formerly of South Plainfield, has announced the engagement of their daughter, Mary to Thomas Donahue Jr. of South Plainfield.

Thomas is the son of Thomas Sr. and Clotilde of South Plainfield and Blanca of Piscataway.

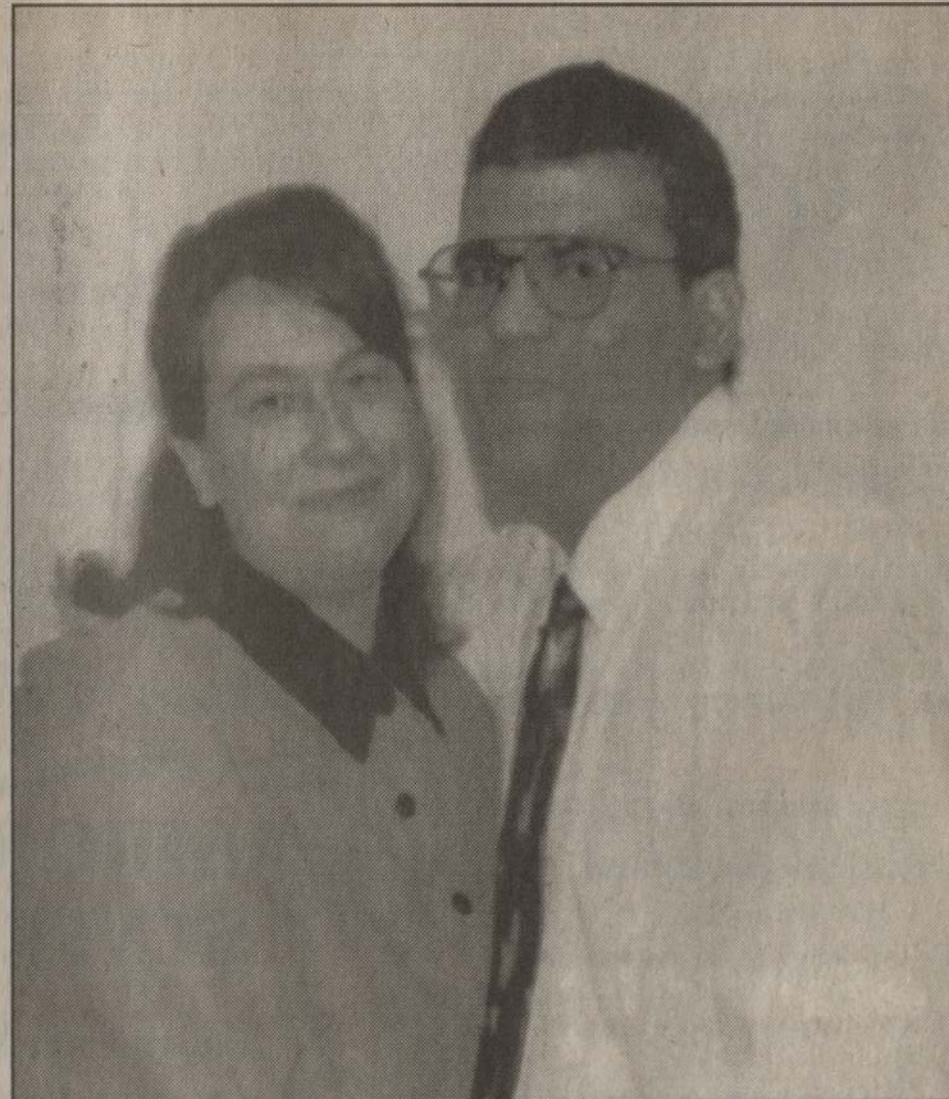
Miss Durner is employed by A&P in South Plainfield and is a technician at DPC Cirrus Inc. in Randolph.

She is a graduate of Sacred Heart School in South Plainfield, St. Pius X High School and Kean College.

Her fiancé is the seafood manager at A&P in Warren.

He is a graduate of South Plainfield High School.

A June 20, 1998 wedding is planned.



Mary Durner and Thomas Donahue Jr.

Births

The following births were announced by Somerset Medical Center in Somerville:

A daughter, Gillian Reed, was born to Barbara A. and Clarence Anthony of Piscataway Dec. 2, 1997.

A daughter, Lindsey Marie, was born to Allison Marie and Derek Gladden of North Edison Dec. 2, 1997.

A son, Dominick Joseph, was born to JoAnn and John Alexander of South Plainfield Dec. 4, 1997.

A daughter, Ashley Lynn, was born to Robyn Lynn and Steven LePoidevin of Piscataway Dec. 10, 1997.

A son, Matthew Ryan, was born to Donna Marie and Robert James Siepmann of South Plainfield Dec. 11, 1997.



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Edward Mislensky, 86; dancer, ballroom manager

METUCHEN — Edward L. "Muscles Eddie" Mislensky, 86, a participant in marathon dancing competitions during the Depression and the manager of two now-defunct ballrooms in Central New Jersey, died Dec. 25 at his North Brunswick home.

He toured the nation in a Ford Model T to take part in marathon dances from 1930-37. Mr. Mislensky was a consultant to the producers of the 1969 motion picture "They Shoot Horses, Don't They?" adapted from the novel of the same name, which was about a dance marathon. The late Gig Young won an Academy Award for best supporting actor for his performance in the film.

Mr. Mislensky also had been manager of the Raritan Ballroom in Perth Amboy and the Linwood Grove on Route 27 in Edison. The Linwood Grove attracted the major dance bands from the time it opened in 1956 until 1964; that ballroom was destroyed in a 1976 fire.

After serving in the Army during World War II he became an iron worker with the Elizabeth Iron Works and American Bridge Works. Mr. Mislensky worked on buildings and highways in Central New Jersey. He retired in 1968 after he fell from an Edison construction site in an accident that killed a co-worker.

He was a past vice president of the Manville Organization to

Improve Benefits to the Disabled. Mr. Mislensky was a member of iron workers' union locals in Perth Amboy, Newark and Elizabeth as well as Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 363 in Perth Amboy. He formerly was a member of the Hungarian Democratic Club in Edison and the Harmony Club in Perth Amboy.

A native of Perth Amboy, Mr. Mislensky lived in Metuchen from 1956 until he moved to North Brunswick in 1996.

Surviving are three brothers, Joseph of Sayreville, Frank Myslensky of New York state and Matthew Myslensky of Pennsylvania; three sisters, Catherine Mislinski of North Brunswick, Jeanette Kolodziej of Edison and Violet Potocki of Toms River; a niece, Barbara DePhillipo, with whom Mr. Mislensky lived; a nephew, John Wickman of Bradford, Vt.; and several other nieces and nephews.

His wife of 27 years, Edna Marks Mislensky, died in 1972. Two other brothers, Leon Myslensky and Eugene Myslensky, and two other sisters, Jennie Wickman and Mae Gregowitz, also are deceased.

Services were held Sunday at the Costello-Runyon Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Heart Association, 2550 Route 1, North Brunswick, N.J. 08902.

Margaret Ashworth, 73 Cheerleading competition judge

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Margaret D. "Peg" Ashworth, 73, died Dec. 22, 1997 at Genesis Eldercare-The Woodlands in Plainfield. She had been a judge for cheerleading competitions and active with the cheerleading squad at Sacred Heart School.

She was born in Plainfield and lived in that city before moving to South Plainfield in 1959.

Mrs. Ashworth was a salesclerk for seven years in the gift shop at McAuley Hall, on the Watchung campus of Mount St. Mary Academy. She earlier had been a trust securities clerk for 19 years at a Plainfield office of what is now the United National Bank.

She was active in the South Plainfield High School Athletic Club and for 20 years a volunteer at what is now Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield. Mrs. Ashworth was a

charter member of the Columbiettes associated with Knights of Columbus Council 6203 in South Plainfield.

She was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

A brother, Anthony "Bud" Naples, and a sister, Jane Latocha, are deceased.

Surviving are a daughter, Virginia "Ginger" Helgert, and her mother, Susan D. Naples, both of South Plainfield; two granddaughters, Michelle Miller of Coopersburg, Pa., and Ingrid Stacy of Ortleigh Beach; and a great-granddaughter, Lauren Ashley Miller of Coopersburg.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday at Sacred Heart Church, following services at the McCriskin-Home for Funerals. Burial was in Holy Redeemer Cemetery, South Plainfield.

Neva M. Zilocchi, 76 Retired from Webcraft plant

Neva Micheletti Zilocchi, 76, died Dec. 23, 1997 at her home in Fords. She had been an assembly worker from 1968-83 at the former Metuchen plant of Webcraft Technologies Inc.

A native of Venezuela, Mrs. Zilocchi lived in Union City and New York City before moving to Fords in 1967. She was a member of the Fords-Keasbey Senior Citizens Club and a parishioner of Our Lady of Peace Roman Catholic Church in Edison.

Her husband, a son, died in 1997.

Surviving are a son, Anthony of East Windsor; three daughters,

Anne L. Martel of Metuchen, Lucille T. Lasky of Fords and Sylvia M. Vandertulip of Summerville, S.C.; a brother, Omero Micheletti of Italy; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held Saturday at the Flynn & Son Funeral Home, Fords, followed by a funeral Mass at Our Lady of Peace Church. Entombment was in the mausoleum at Monmouth Memorial Park, Tinton Falls.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 846 Main St., Fords, N.J. 08863.

Arthur P. Young, 83 GM electrician; owned TV shop

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Arthur P. Young, 83, died Dec. 24, 1997 at his home. He had been an electrician with General Motors Corp. during World War II and a pioneer in television development after the war.

A native of Newark, he lived in Linden and Toms River before moving to South Plainfield in 1993.

Mr. Young received a wartime award from the U.S. government for devising a way to perform electrical repairs on airplane engines without dismantling the entire engine. He operated the Cascade Television Co. in Hillside

until his retirement in 1970.

An avid boater and fisherman, Mr. Young was a member of the Roanoke Yacht Club in Newark.

His wife, Stephanie Klosky Young, is deceased.

Surviving are three sons, Arthur of Linden, Ronald of East Brunswick and Alan of South Plainfield; two sisters, Elizabeth Gosswein of Monmouth Beach and Frieda Wafchak of Avenel; and four grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at the Krowicki McCracken Funeral Home in Linden. Burial was in St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia.

Obituaries

Robert B. Davis, Rutgers mathematics professor; 71

HIGHLAND PARK — Robert B. Davis, 71, a professor of mathematics education at Rutgers University since 1988 and an editor of professional journals related to mathematics, died Dec. 21 at his home.

He had been an instructor at the University of Illinois, Cornell University, Syracuse University and Yale University before joining the Rutgers faculty. A former editor of the Journal of Mathematical Behavior, Dr. Davis served on the editorial boards of the Journal of Education Computing Research and the publication Cognition and Instruction.

He was a member of the research advisory committee of the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics from 1991-94. Dr. Davis was the senior mentor for young researchers in the council's Standards Monitoring Project in 1991 and program chairman of the Five Nations Annual Conference on Mathematics Education in 1992. He also organized sessions on algebra in the elementary grades during the Fifth International Congress on Mathematics Education, held in Australia in 1984.

Dr. Davis was an adviser to the Children's Television Workshop,

producers of "Sesame Street" and similar programs. He was a member of the national advisory committee of the National Center for Research in Mathematical Science Education, located at the University of Wisconsin, and the National Advisory Committee on the Evaluation of the California-based Interactive Mathematics Project.

He earned a bachelor's degree, a master's degree and a doctorate in mathematics, all from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Dr. Davis was born in Fall River, Mass. He lived in Urbana, Ill.; Syracuse, N.Y.; St. Louis, Mo.; and since 1988 in Highland Park.

Surviving are his former wife, Rose Garcia of Apopka, Fla.; a son, Paul G. of Ann Arbor, Mich.; a daughter, Alexandra Davis-Hay of Bradenton, Fla.; a brother, Edward L. of Leverett, Mass.; and a close friend, Mary Howard of Highland Park.

Services were held Monday in Fall River. Local arrangements were by the Flynn & Son Funeral Home in Fords.

Memorial contributions may be made to Habitat for Humanity or the American Diabetes Association.

Theresa M. Conover, 38 Clerical worker; also with hotel

HIGHLAND PARK — Theresa Marie Conover, 38, died Dec. 27, 1997 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick. She had been a clerical worker with the Atlas Overhead Door Co. of Edison for 2 1/2 years until she left the company in 1992.

Mrs. Conover was born in Lackawanna County, Pa. She lived in Jessup, Pa., before moving to Highland Park in 1986.

She served in the Army from 1983-86 and worked at the Hyatt Regency hotel in New Brunswick

before joining Atlas. Mrs. Conover was a member of American Legion Post 88 in Highland Park.

Surviving are her husband, Frank D. Jr.; a son, Jacob Andrew at home; her mother, Rose Mary Anescavage, and two brothers, Andrew Anescavage and William Anescavage, all of Jessup; and a sister, Marilyn Wall of Scranton, Pa.

Services were held Wednesday at the Jaqui-Kuhn Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Lupus Foundation.

Donald Williams Sr., 67 Chairman of antique car show

PISCATAWAY — Donald S. Williams Sr., 67, died Dec. 24, 1997 at St. Peter's Medical Center in New Brunswick. He had been for 16 years the chairman of an antique automobile show in Plainfield that benefitted Ronald McDonald House.

He was born in Plainfield and lived in that city before moving to Piscataway in 1992.

Mr. Williams was a carpenter in the Plainfield school system since 1970 and self-employed as a carpenter in Plainfield before then. A state high school

wrestling champion for two years, he was a member of the Galloping Hill Cruisers car club in Union and the Antique Automobile Club of America.

Surviving are his wife, Florence Van Horn Williams; a son, Donald S. Jr. of Piscataway; three brothers, Jack of Bath, Pa.; Gordon of Dunellen and Bobby of White Horse, Pa.; a sister, Ceil of Plainfield; and a grandchild.

Services were held Monday at the Memorial Funeral Home in Fanwood. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains.

Louise Namias, 75 Headed area synagogue Sisterhood

EDISON — Louise Namias, 75, died Dec. 23, 1997 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick. She had been a past president of the Sisterhood at Congregation Etz Ahaim in Highland Park.

A native of New York City, she lived in New Brunswick before moving to Edison in 1957.

Mrs. Namias was on the staff of the former Mistrial Shoes store in New Brunswick from 1975-90. She was a member of the Central New Jersey Jewish Home for the Aged, in Somerset.

Surviving are her husband, Meyer; a son, Michael of Edison; two daughters, Roberta Finch of Howell and Valerie of Torrance, Calif.; two brothers, Harry Jaffe of Edison and Albert Jaffe of Orlando, Fla.; and two grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Friday at Congregation Etz Ahaim. Burial was in Poile Zedek Cemetery, New Brunswick.

Arrangements were by the Crabiell Parkwest Funeral Chapel in New Brunswick.

Catherine Steele, 90

Cafeteria worker in SP schools

PISCATAWAY — Catherine Roe Steele, 90, died Dec. 24, 1997 at Greenbrook Manor in Green Brook. She had been a cafeteria worker at South Plainfield High School and Grant School in South Plainfield prior to her 1957 retirement.

Mrs. Steele was born in Newark and lived in South Plainfield before moving to Piscataway in 1976.

Her husband, Percy F., died in 1986.

Surviving are six sons, David Conroy of Piscataway, John

Conroy of Tampa, Fla., George Conroy of Oshkosh, Wis., William Conroy of Columbus, Ind., Henry Conroy of Santa Rosa, Calif., and Richard of North Plainfield; three daughters, Carole Nolt of South Plainfield, Grace Sodowski of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., and Jane Vanderhort of Washington; 20 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at the James W. Conroy Funeral Home in South Plainfield. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains.

Robert P. Ryan, 72

Bus driver; a WWII sailor

HIGHLAND PARK — Robert P. Ryan, 72, died Dec. 22, 1997 at the McCarrick Care Center in Somerset. He retired in 1984 after 29 years driving buses for NJ Transit and predecessor lines.

A native of Bloomsburg, Pa., Mr. Ryan lived in New Brunswick and Highland Park before moving to Somerset in 1996. He served in the Navy during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Virginia Maher Ryan; two sisters,

Dawn Behnke of Bloomsburg and Molly Boody of Havre de Grace, Md.; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Friday at the Quackenboss Funeral Home in New Brunswick. Burial was in Franklin Memorial Park, North Brunswick.

Memorial contributions may be made to the McCarrick Care Center, 15 Dellwood Lane, Somerset, N.J. 08873.

Rose A. Robinson, 73

Homemaker; in Metuchen 43 years

METUCHEN — Rose A. Robinson, 73, died Dec. 22, 1997 at JFK Medical Center in Edison. A homemaker, she was born in Jersey City and had lived in Metuchen since 1954.

Mrs. Robinson was a parishioner of St. Francis of Assisi Roman Catholic Cathedral.

Surviving are her husband, Lester S.; two daughters, Barbara R. Fitos of Ocala, Fla., and Eileen R. Ferrara of Annandale, Va.; two brothers, Daniel Brennan of

Rutherford and James Brennan of Brooklyn; and a grandchild.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Friday at St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral, following services at the Costello-Runyon Funeral Home. Entombment was in the Woodbridge Memorial Gardens mausoleum.

Memorial contributions may be made to American Cancer Society, 846 Main St., Fords, N.J. 08863.

Joan V. Depta, 64

Home health care aide in area

EDISON — Joan V. Depta, 64, died Dec. 25, 1997 at JFK Medical Center. She had been a home health care aide with Always Care in Metuchen for many years prior to her retirement.

Mrs. Depta was born in Union and lived in Roselle Park before moving to Edison in 1961.

Surviving are her husband, George J.; and a daughter, Carol L. of Edison.

Services were held Monday at the Mastapeter Funeral Home in Roselle Park. Burial was private.

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Faye Bencivengo, 80

Avon saleswoman; GM inspector

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Faye Petolino Bencivengo, 80, died Dec. 27, 1997 at her home. She had been a saleswoman of Avon cosmetics for 30 years in South Plainfield and Plainfield.

Mrs. Bencivengo was born in Newark and lived in Plainfield before moving to South Plainfield in 1975.

She also was an inspector with General Motors Corp. during World War II and a parishioner of Sacred Heart Roman

Catholic Church.

Her husband, Francis "Frank," died in 1990.

Surviving are two sons, David G. of Fanwood and Dr. Charles J. of Burlington, Conn.; a sister, Margaret Freaoso of Brick; and five grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday at Sacred Heart Church, following services at the McCriskin Home for Funerals. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains.

Anthony Mazzio, 44

Mechanic; in Army Reserve

EDISON — Anthony M. Mazzio, 44, died Dec. 21, 1997 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick. He served in the Army Reserve and for 20 years had been a mechanic at the Kilmer Center in the township.

Mr. Mazzio was born in New Brunswick and lived in Edison all his life. He was an avid fan of Rutgers University football and

basketball.

His mother, Veta Bonanno Mazzio, died in 1992. His father, Ferdinand, died in 1973.

Surviving are many aunts, uncles and cousins.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Dec. 24 at St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, following services at the Boylan Funeral Home. Burial was in St. Peter's Cemetery, New Brunswick.

Katherine Arcuri, 87

Most recently of South Plainfield

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Katherine V. Ferrara Arcuri, 87, died Dec. 23, 1997 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

She was born in Plainfield and lived in that city before moving to South Plainfield in 1980.

Her husband, Anthony J., died in 1984. Mrs. Arcuri is survived by two sons, Joseph J. of North Plainfield and Anthony J. Jr. of South Plainfield; a daughter,

Beatrice Chiovarou of South Plainfield; two sisters, Madeline Pompilio of Toms River and Angelina Fiorellino of South Plainfield; eight grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday at St. Bernard's Roman Catholic Church, Plainfield, following services at the James W. Conroy Funeral Home. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains.

Obituaries

Rose A. Sklon, 83

Most recently of Edison

EDISON — Rose Aronowitz Sklon, 83, died Dec. 21, 1997 at JFK Medical Center. She was born in Linden and lived in that city before moving to Edison in 1994.

Mrs. Sklon was a member of the Gomel Chessed Association in Elizabeth.

She formerly was a member of the Linden chapter of Hadassah and the Hilda Gould Chapter of the Deborah Hospital

Foundation, also in Linden.

Surviving are her husband, William; a daughter, Susan Dessel of Edison; a brother, Alfred Aronowitz of Elizabeth; two sisters, Pearl Becker of West Orange and Irene Kramer of Cranford; and three grandchildren.

Services were held Dec. 23 at Kreitzman's Memorial Home in Elizabeth. Burial was in Gomel Chessed Cemetery, Newark.

Carl Horowitz, 81

Midland-Ross machinist

HIGHLAND PARK — Carl Horowitz, 81, died Dec. 26, 1997 at the Barbara E. Cheung Memorial Hospice in Edison. He retired in 1992 after 26 years as a machinist at the former Somerset plant of Midland-Ross Corp.

A native of Jersey City, Mr. Horowitz lived in Hillside before moving to Highland Park in 1973. He worked for the Hartig

Extruder Corp. in Hillside before joining Midland-Ross.

His wife, Sarah, died in 1996.

Surviving are a son, Sherwin of Buffalo Grove, Ill.; two brothers, George of Bayonne and Gus of Warwick, N.Y.; and two grandchildren.

Services were held Sunday at the Jaqui-Kuhn Funeral Home. Burial was in Mount Lebanon Cemetery, Iselin.

Corrie Wehantouw, 47

Indonesian native; recently of area

EDISON — Corrie "Lis" Wehantouw, 47, died Dec. 25, 1997 at JFK Medical Center. She was born in Indonesia and had lived most recently in Edison.

Mrs. Wehantouw was a member of the GPDI Beth Eden Church of New Jersey, in Perth Amboy.

Surviving are two sons, Boyke Wawo and Kikie Wawo; two

daughters, Fife Wawo and Sultje Wawo; three brothers, Supit Tompono, Wempie Tompono and Welly Tompono; four sisters, Welmintje Tompono, Naomi Tompono, Aneke Tompono and Sintje Tompono; and a grandchild.

Services were held Sunday at the Thomas Joseph Costello Funeral Home in Iselin.

Carmelo Maiorana, 43

Repairman; an avid fisherman

EDISON — Carmelo J. Maiorana, 43, died Dec. 24, 1997 at his home. He had been a trailer maintenance repairman with the United Steel Deck Co. of South Plainfield.

Mr. Maiorana was born in Perth Amboy and lived in Edison all his life. He also was an avid fisherman. Surviving are his wife, Ruth E. Bollman Maiorana;

three daughters, Lisa, JoAnna and Roseanne, his parents, Rosario and Domenica, and a sister, Caterina Maietta, all of Edison; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held Monday at the Boylan Funeral Home.

Burial was in Franklin Memorial Park, North Brunswick.

Rita High, 25

For 38 years a Metuchen resident

METUCHEN — Rita High, 52, died Dec. 26, 1997 at Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy Division. She was born in Orange and had lived in Metuchen since 1959.

Ms. High is survived by her parents, Benjamin G. and Philomena; a sister, Anna Torsiello; and a brother,

Benjamin A. Sr.

Another brother, John, is deceased.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday at Our Lady of the Valley Roman Catholic Church, Orange, following services at the Codey Funeral Home in Orange. Burial was in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, East Hanover.

Alice E. Herd, 63

Formerly an accounting clerk

EDISON — Alice E. Herd, 63, died Dec. 27, 1997 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick. She had been an accounting clerk with the Monroe Calculator Co. of East Orange prior to her retirement.

Mrs. Herd was born in East Newark and lived in that town before moving to Edison in 1962.

Surviving are her husband, Frank J.; two sons, Frank J. Jr. and Thomas L.; six sisters, Katherine Lotzer, Isabelle Perrello, Mary Seconish, Jo Anna Conrad, Joyce Russo and Gloria Ehehalt; and many nieces and nephews.

Three brothers, Thomas Deegan Jr., William Deegan and James Deegan, and two other sisters, Elizabeth Urban and Virginia Pawlowicz, are deceased.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday at Holy Cross Roman Catholic Church, Harrison, following services at the Mulligan Funeral Home in Harrison. Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington.

Ann Kernis

Secretary with trucking lines

HIGHLAND PARK — Ann Kernis died Dec. 28, 1997 at the Deerbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Monmouth Junction. She had been a secretary with the Freedman Trucking Co. of Edison and Cooper-Jarrett Trucking Co. of East Orange prior to her 1982 retirement.

Miss Kernis was born in Brooklyn and lived in Highland Park before moving to Monroe in 1985. She was a member of Hadassah; the Deborah Hospital Foundation; Women's American ORT; and the Jewish Congregation of Clearbrook, in Monroe.

Surviving are a brother, Morton, and a sister, Miriam Steck, both of Cranbury; and many nieces and nephews.

Services were held Monday at the Crabel Parkwest Funeral Chapel in New Brunswick. Burial was in Beth Israel Memorial Park, Woodbridge.

Loretta Polito

Jewelry saleswoman; avid bowler

EDISON — Loretta J. Polito died Dec. 27, 1997 at JFK Medical Center. She had been a saleswoman with Sherman & Sons jewelers, first in Metuchen and more recently in Menlo Park Mall.

Mrs. Polito lived in her native Irvington before moving to Edison in 1970. She also was an avid bowler.

Surviving is her husband of 30 years, Anthony. Services were held Wednesday at the Flynn & Son Funeral Home in Fords. Burial was in St. Gertrude Cemetery, Colonia. Memorial contributions may be made to the Middlesex County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

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Sports

Hrabar claims title as PHS takes 2nd in tourney

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

WESTFIELD — After beginning the season by placing seven finalists at the Raider Tournament at Hillsborough and then topping that off with a 71-3 drubbing of Franklin, it was time for Piscataway High's wrestling team to face its first real test of the 1997-98 campaign.

The Chiefs faced some stiff competition Saturday in the Westfield Tournament and performed admirably, taking second place, 60 points behind champion Roselle Park.

The most impressive showing was by 103-pound sophomore Chris Hrabar who claimed the only individual title for the Chiefs, defeating John Colingato of Howell by decision 9-5 in the finals.

"Chris has really been improving steadily," said Piscataway Head Coach Bill Voliva.

"He was in the finals at Hillsborough. He wrestled real well at Westfield. I'm sure he has his sights at placing in the county meet and is looking forward to a district championship. I think

he'll only improve with each match during the season."

Also advancing to the finals for the Chiefs were Shaun Marosy at 130 and Dom DeAnthony at 189. Marosy fell 4-2 in overtime to Craig Frost of Roselle Park, who placed in the states last season.

DeAnthony was nipped 7-6 at 189 to Joe Grasso of Colonia. The score was tied at 6-6 in the waning moments when DeAnthony was called for locking his hands.

Placing third for Piscataway were Joe Mastrogiovanni at 125, Dave Ford at 145 and Matt Byble at 171.

Missing in action was 152-pounder Brian Voliva, who tried to make a go of it but his sore ribs would not allow him to wrestle and he was forced to withdraw.

"I don't think we wrestled to our potential at Westfield," Voliva said. "The competition was tougher than in the Hillsborough Tournament. Our weaknesses were more apparent."

Voliva certainly sees some potential in the Chiefs this season but would like to see a little more toughness out of them.

"We have to get tougher on the

mat," Voliva said.

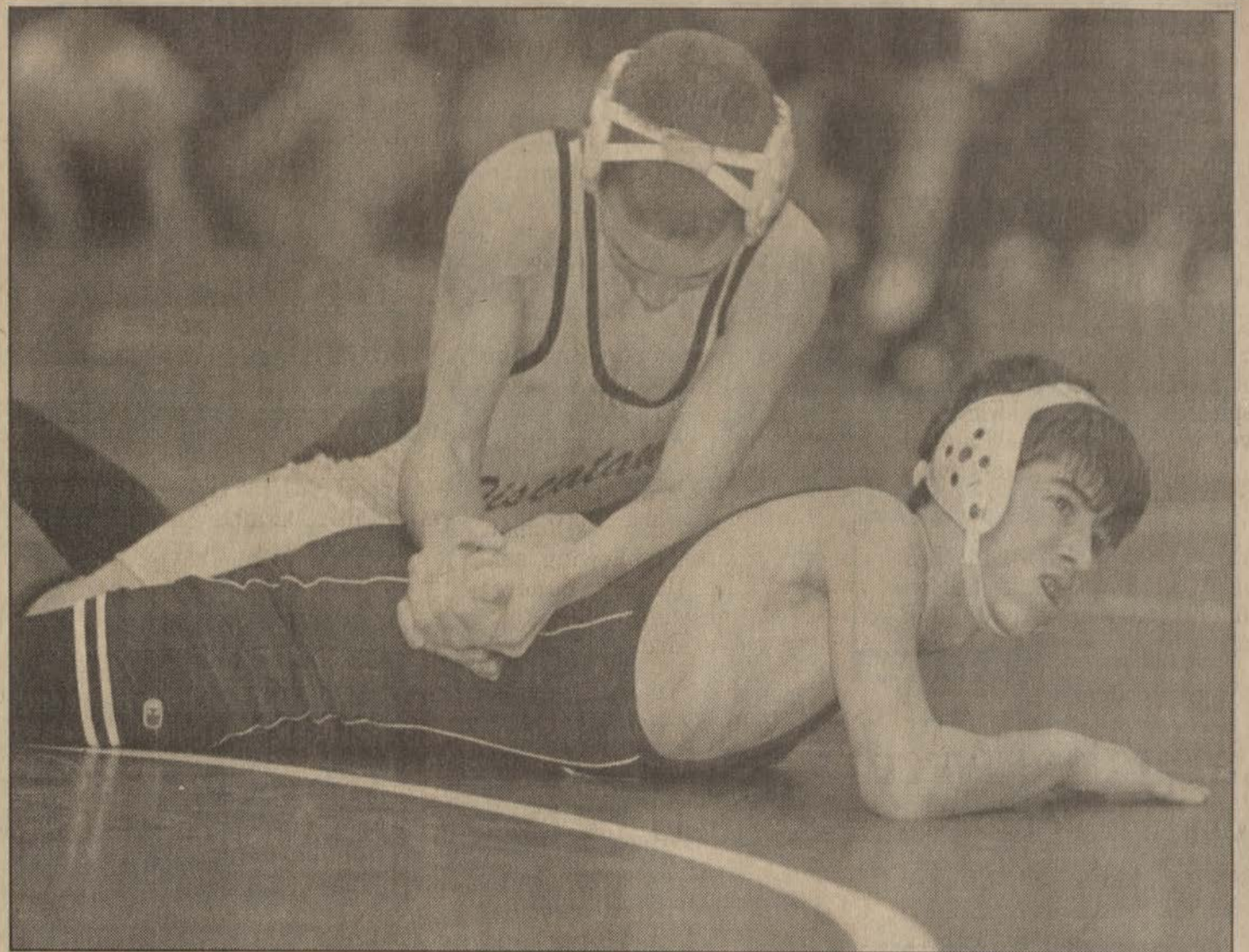
"I think we have to spend more time on the mat. To be competitive in our dual meets, we'll have to pick up more falls."

After having 14 wrestlers advance to the semifinals in both the Raider and Westfield Tournaments, depth should not be a problem for Piscataway this season.

"We're not going to be giving up any weights," Voliva said. "Our lineup may not be quite set. They're might be some changes."

Piscataway 71, Franklin 3 — The Chiefs (1-0) recorded five pins in capturing the meet Dec. 23.

Winning for Piscataway were Chris Hrabar (103, pin in 3:08), Ron Vaneto (112, t-fall, 17-0), Bryan Changaris (119, pin in 2:20), Joe Mastrogiovanni (125, pin in 0:11), Ryan Marosy (130, forfeit), Matt Byble (135, pin in 3:44), Tom Cercatore (140, forfeit), Dave Ford (145, pin in 3:15), Jason Gubi (152, forfeit), Mike Szymonowicz (171, forfeit), Gabe Acquire (189, forfeit), Dominick DeAnthony (215, forfeit) and John Pampani (heavyweight, forfeit).



Piscataway High's Chris Hrabar claimed an individual title at 103 pounds in the Westfield Tournament Saturday. Overall, the Chiefs placed second. PHOTO BY GEORGE PACCIELLO

Mr. Smith heads to RU

HP's two-sport star commits to play football at Rutgers

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

Highland Park High senior L.J. Smith had wrestled with the decision for months.

Football or basketball? Smith's stock in football had only risen in the past year, after posting 143 tackles and 11 sacks as a linebacker on the Owls in the fall and also catching 29 passes and 10 touchdowns as a tight end.

Rutgers University had been after him for over a year but Smith also happens to be pretty adept on the basketball court. He averaged 17 points per game last season for Highland Park which won the Central Jersey Group 1 title. A stellar winter could attract some Division 1 offers, maybe.

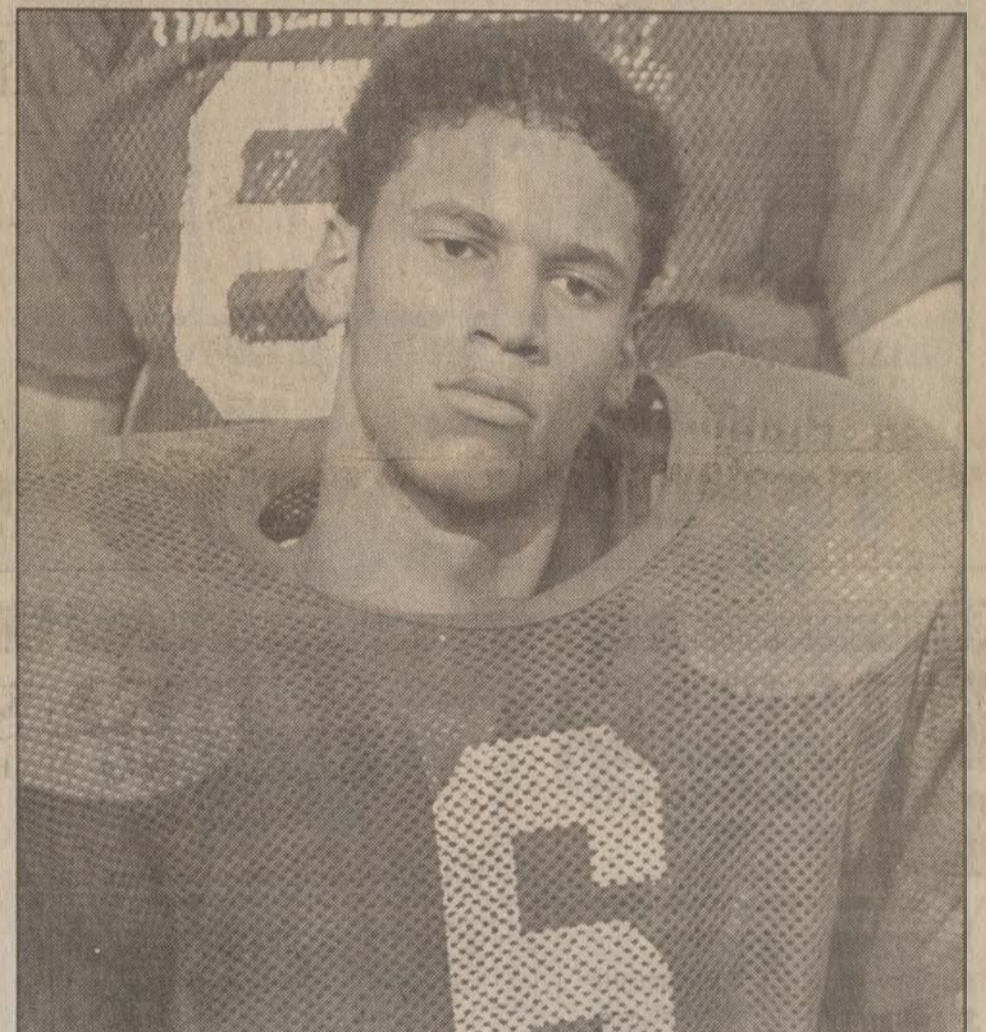
Instead of a maybe, Smith went with the sure thing and while he verbally committed to play football at Rutgers, basketball could be a possibility there too.

"It came down to everyone was turning away from my grades," Smith admitted. "I didn't do too well my freshman and sophomore years. A lot of schools were waiting for my grades next marking period. I felt I couldn't wait any longer. I felt like I had to have something."

Smith, a 6-foot-4, 195-pounder, also received football scholarships from North Carolina State and Iowa State. Although a lot of New Jersey natives are shunning Rutgers, Smith feels he can be a part of a winning tradition.

"Nine or 10 people starting on defense were freshmen," said Smith of the Rutgers squad this past fall. "They didn't have the personnel this year. They matured in one year. I think they'll turn it around."

Smith is hopeful a stellar basketball season will propel him to be a hoopster at Rutgers. If it's football or basketball, one thing is for certain and that's the fact the Scarlet Knights have landed an impressive talent.



L.J. SMITH

"I think Rutgers realizes that he's as good as anyone in the state," said HP football Head Coach Joe Policastro. "Rutgers is truly elated. He does things we can't teach. He's fast and strong. He's only 195 pounds. He'll be a real good football player. I'm sure Terry Shea (Rutgers football Head Coach) realized that."

Although football may be where Smith is truly talented, there's no question that basketball has a special place in his heart.

"He waved the fact that he loves his basketball but when the offer came for football, it's hard to turn it down," said HP boys basketball Head Coach Mickey Gaspar. "It was a terrible decision for him to have to make. I saw him struggle with it for a long time. It's hard for a young man to deal with all the pressure colleges put on you. I have a lot of respect for him."

Smith did have other football scholarship offers and still went with Rutgers. He was impressed with the coaching staff and faculty there.

"I was talking to one of the deans and he said, 'You can forget all the hoopla, it comes down to if you like the faculty and the students', and I liked both," said Smith. "I liked the facilities and the coaching staff."

As far as football goes, Smith's future probably rests at linebacker but he also has quite a bit of talent at tight end which the senior from Highland Park prefers over defense.

"There are many good football players who can't play basketball," Policastro said. "Seeing a football player on the basketball court tells you a lot. How many outside linebackers can dunk a ball with both hands and he's tough enough to play football."



The North Edison Pee Wee football squad finished the season with an 11-1 record and advanced to the finals of the New Jersey state championship. First row (from left to right): Adam Lewis, Gary Dragona, Anthony Maffucci, D'Madrio Viera, Vincent Lombardi, Syr Stewart; Second row: Martin Duffy, Dan Lobacz, Michael Lewis, Anthony Miller, Michael Curtin, Christopher Petrucci, Kashif Salahuddin, Justin Hinds, Joseph Scerbo; Third row: Joshua Abrams, Carmine Gaudio, Sean Bell, Evan Cress, Iln Sampson, Kareem Ibrahim, Joseph Giardano, Frank Darabos, Nico Sharp, Christopher Kirsch; Top row: Andrew Petrucci, Gary Dragona, Bob Sica, Dave Kirsch, Mike Waton, Joseph Lobacz, Stu Cress, Margie Lobacz, Deborah Bell.

Powell paces JP to victory

Frank Powell scored eight of his 16 points in the fourth quarter as J.P. Stevens High's boys basketball team



outscored Rahway 22-15 en route to a 51-45 victory Saturday in the first round of the Tri-County Tournament. Stevens (1-2) shot 16 of 18 from the foul line in the fourth period. Derrick James added 10 points for the Hawks. Jamil Davis chipped in with eight points and Gary Lamb scored seven for Stevens.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Hawks fell behind 18-3 after one quarter in dropping a 58-35 decision to Cranford Saturday in the first round of the Cranford Tournament. Joanne DiMuzio scored 12 points and Dana Honcharuk added 11 to pace the Hawks (0-3). Lauren Elwood also chipped in with six points for Stevens. Megan Zambell scored 14 points and dished out six assists to lead Cranford.

Scotch Plains-Fanwood 41, J.P. Stevens 39 — Lauren Elwood scored 20 points but the visiting Hawks came up short Dec. 22. Megan Beebe chipped in with 11 points and Dana Honcharuk added six. Nikki McCoy led Scotch Plains with 17 points.

WRESTLING

The Hawks had four individual champions and placed third in the Rahway Christmas Tournament, 84.5 points behind champion Rahway. Winning for Stevens were Jason LaBella at 103 by decision over Nick Lim of A.L. Johnson 4-3, Rich Reba at 112 by decking Rich Lim of A.L. Johnson in 3:54, Andy Reina at



J.P. Stevens High's Lauren Elwood scored six points in the Hawks 58-35 defeat to Cranford Saturday in the Cranford Tournament.

125 by a major decision over Justin Howley of Millburn 12-4 and Randy Reina at 135 by pinning Dan Freer of Rahway in 1:01. The Hawks Peter Yoo took second at 145, falling to Levi Ortiz of Marlboro 10-3.

BOYS BOWLING

Matt Manenty rolled a 255-224-222 series as the Hawks (1-0-1) blanked East Brunswick 4-0 Dec. 23. Stevens (1-0-1) rolled a

982-1003-984 — 2969, compared to 781-803-861 — 2445. Also contributing to Stevens cause were Adam Kanter (195-202-214), Adam Pedinoff (201-245-DNB), Adam Levy (150-DNB-DNB), Jeff Ludwin (154-DNB-DNB), Josh Lemerman (177-181-183), Jeff Crandell (DNB-204-162), Brian Ackerman (DNB-192-139) and Jarred Grossman (DNB-DNB-201).

Patel, Kralich spark Eagles

Edison

High's boys basketball team used a 14-6 third quarter run to take control of the game and



cruised to a 69-56 victory over Timothy Christian in the first round of the Edison Tournament Saturday. Nirali Patel had 20 points and Dan Kralich added 15 points and six rebounds for the Eagles (1-2). Josh Schuck chipped in with 16 points for Edison.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

The Eagles opened the game with an 11-2 run in the first quarter and coasted to a 50-26 victory over South River

Saturday in the first round of the Edison Holiday Tournament. Amy Bruno scored 15 points and Amy Montalbano added 12 points and five assists for the Eagles (2-1). Lauren Tudor chipped in with 11 points and seven rebounds for Edison.

WRESTLING

Griff Banos, Jarrod Hahn and Anthony Rendina all won titles for Edison at the Warren Hills Wrestling Tournament Saturday. Banos won with a 5-1 decision over Edge Fuentes of Warren Hills at 119.

Hahn scored a major decision over Ryan Storm of Warren Hills 13-4 to win at 140. Anthony Rendina scored a technical fall over Mike Montalvo of Roxbury to win at 103.

GIRLS BOWLING

Lisa Montanye tossed a 182-189-173 as the Eagles defeated Piscataway 4-0 Dec. 23. The Eagles (1-0-1) had a score of 780-859-745 — 2384, compared to 618-691-651 — 1960 from Piscataway.

Pacing Edison were Krista Nygard (174-181-135), Jennifer Lardieri (139-160-116), Michelle DaGrossa (159-163-166), Debby Pimentel (126-166-155), Melissa Ginsberg (122-146-DNB) and Christina Richards (DNB-DNB-116).

Contributing to the Chiefs (1-1) cause were Janice Thomas (92-145-94), Tiffany Belvin (106-145-147), A. Young Ko (126-118-139), Alberta Rowell (109-155-104) and Veronia Hapt (142-126-113).

Zaneto, Joyce pace Dogs

Courtesy of second-place finishes from Nick Zaneto and Andrew Joyce, Metuchen High's wrestling team finished sixth in the North Brunswick Raider Invitational Saturday. Taking third for the Bulldogs were Allen Jensen at 135-pounds and heavyweight Charles Bowles.

Metuchen 81, North Plainfield 0 — The Bulldogs (1-0) recorded 11 pins in completely dominating NP Dec. 23. Winning for Metuchen were Nick Zaneto (103, pin in 1:09), Aaron Bragg (112, forfeit), Rich Cegelski (119, forfeit), Ryan Hale (125, pin in



3:13), Dan Zaneto (130, pin in :44), Matt Sprunger (135, pin in 1:13), Alan Jensen (140, pin in 1:02), Peter Mooney (145, pin in 1:17), Francis Hwang (152, pin in 1:38), Jesse Nadell (160, pin in 4:46), Jason Gibbons (171, pin in 1:17), Adam Davis (189, dec., 5-0), Andrew Joyce (215, pin in 2:17) and Charles Bowles (HWT, pin in :24).

BOYS BASKETBALL
Mark VanDzura scored 30 points but it wasn't enough as the Bulldogs fell to South Amboy 65-50 Sunday in the first round of the South Amboy Tournament. Metuchen (0-3) was outscored 37-15 over the second and third quarters in dropping the game. Scott Leitner chipped in with 10 points for the Bulldogs and Jeff

Dyke added six points.

Carteret 79, Metuchen 42 — The Bulldogs were outscored 48-18 in the second half in falling to Carteret Dec. 22. VanDzura led Metuchen with 12 points while teammates Roger Thomas and Scott Leitner each added eight points. Mike Orlando paced Carteret with 17 points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
The host Bulldogs were outscored 31-13 in the second half in dropping a 50-37 decision to Carteret Dec. 22.

Stephanie Baran paced Metuchen with 16 points while Kim Penny and Tara Muratore chipped in with six points. Jill O'Donnell scored 14 points to pace Carteret.

Doerr wins title for Tigers

South Plainfield High's Tom Doerr won by decision over Brett Vandervoer of Governor Livingston 3-1 to win the 112-pound wrestling crown at the Hunterdon Central Classic Saturday. Placing second for the Tigers were Roberto Ramos at 103 and Joe Celentano at 125. Ramos fell to Jake Beitz of



Hunterdon Central by decision 9-7 and Celentano dropped a 16-3 major decision to Bruce Kelly of St. Mark's.

BOYS BOWLING
Danny Wallis rolled a 245-212-223 series as the Tigers fell to Colonia 3-1 Dec. 23. SP bowled a 977-900-912-2789.

Contributing to the Tigers (0-1-1) cause were Steve Herzog (175-180-125), Joe Grego (171-170-136), Kevin Smith (183-152-179), Eric Gaub (191-150-178) and Jason Kline (183-186-196).

GIRLS BOWLING
Melissa Jameson rolled a 147-166-203 as the Tigers tied Colonia 2-2 Dec. 23.

South Plainfield (1-0-1) had a score of 693-780-893 — 2366, compared to 795-782-786 — 2366 from Colonia. Contributing to the Tigers cause were Jacquie Herzog (102-132-101), Carmela Volpe (131-126-196), Jennifer Nicolay (145-150-179), Amanda Smith (115-118-184) and Jennifer Allen (115-156-131).

Owls receive a holiday victory

Highland Park High's boys basketball team went on a 25-9 first quarter run and easily captured an 84-40 victory over P.A. Tech in the first round of the Highland Park Tournament Saturday.

L.J. Smith paced HP with 23 points and nine rebounds while teammate Darryl Garvin added

12 points, eight rebounds and eight assists. Tony Williams added 13 points and Jesse Akerdolu and Damon Russ each scored nine for the Owls (3-0).

GIRLS BASKETBALL
Highland Park led just 33-31 after three periods but a 12-7 fourth quarter spurt sent the Owls to a 45-38 victory over

Metuchen in the first round of the Highland Park Holiday Tournament Saturday. Pacing the Owls (3-0) were Beth Kressel (14), Verlea McDonald (11), Laura Kressel (10) and Marta Feliz (10). Stephanie Baran scored 16 points and Tara Muratore added 12 for Metuchen (0-3).

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Eaddy sparks Chiefs to victory

Laquan Eaddy scored 14 points as Piscataway High's boys basketball team managed to edge Edison 47-44 in a Greater Middlesex Conference-Red Division contest Dec. 22.

Harold Reid added 11 and Damian McPherson chipped in with 10 points for Piscataway (2-

0). Dan Kralich led the Eagles with 16 points.

GIRLS BASKETBALL
The host Chiefs went on a 36-4 run in the first half and cruised to a 62-23 victory over Edison Dec. 22.

Ashja Jones scored 28 points, grabbed 10 rebounds and added five steals to pace Piscataway (2-0). Jessica Garneri added five points, six rebounds and six steals for the Chiefs.

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YOUTH SPORTS

<p>FRIDAY, JANUARY 2 (all games 7 p.m. unless noted)</p> <p>Boys Basketball Edison at St. Joseph's, 6 Piscataway at Sayreville, 1</p> <p>Girls Basketball Sayreville at Piscataway, 1 John F. Kennedy at South Plainfield</p>	<p>SATURDAY, JANUARY 3</p> <p>Boys Basketball Perth Amboy at J.P. Stevens Highland Park at Carteret, 1 North Brunswick at Bishop Ahr, 5 Metuchen at Spotswood, 1</p> <p>Girls Basketball South Brunswick at Edison, 1 Bishop Ahr at East Brunswick, 1 Spotswood at Metuchen, 1</p> <p>Wrestling Middletown North at J.P. Stevens, 1 Highland Park and South River at Spotswood, 9 a.m. Bishop Ahr at North Brunswick, 10 South Plainfield at Piscataway, 12:30 Edison at Woodbridge, noon</p>	<p>MONDAY, JANUARY 5</p> <p>Boys Basketball Bound Brook at Metuchen, 7:30 Bishop Ahr at South Brunswick</p>	<p>Brunswick Sayreville at J.P. Stevens Girls Basketball Piscataway at South Plainfield Old Bridge at Bishop Ahr J.P. Stevens at Sayreville Wrestling Metuchen at Roselle Park J.P. Stevens at Princeton, 5:30</p> <p>TUESDAY, JANUARY 6</p> <p>Boys Basketball Highland Park at Monroe Girls Basketball Metuchen at Mother Seton, 4 Track Old Bridge at Piscataway, 3:45 Spotswood at Highland Park, 4 East Brunswick at J.P. Stevens, 3:45</p> <p>Bowling (all contests are 3:45 at Caroler Lanes) J.P. Stevens vs. Piscataway East Brunswick vs. Edison Bishop Ahr vs. South Plainfield Swimming Piscataway at East Brunswick, 3:45 Bishop Ahr at Metuchen, 3:45 Wrestling Monroe at South Plainfield, Bishop Ahr at Sayreville, 3:45</p>
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LEGALS

PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CALENDAR FOR 1998 MEETINGS

MONTH	DATE	TIME	DAY
JANUARY	20	6:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	20	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	20	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	28	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
FEBRUARY	17	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	17	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	25	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
MARCH	17	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	17	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	25	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
APRIL	21	7:00 P.M.	4th Tuesday
	21	7:30 P.M.	4th Tuesday
	29	7:30 P.M.	5th Wednesday
MAY	19	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	19	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	27	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
JUNE	16	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	16	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	24	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
JULY	21	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	21	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	29	7:30 P.M.	5th Wednesday
AUGUST	18	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	18	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	26	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
SEPTEMBER	15	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	15	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	23	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
OCTOBER	20	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	20	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	28	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday
NOVEMBER	17	7:00 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	17	7:30 P.M.	3rd Tuesday
	24	7:30 P.M.	4th Wednesday

DECEMBER

8	AGENDA MEETING	7:00 P.M.	2nd Tuesday
8	SPECIAL MEETING	7:30 P.M.	2nd Tuesday
16	REGULAR MEETING	7:30 P.M.	3rd Wednesday

FOR THE PURPOSE OF NOTIFICATION ALL OF THE ABOVE MEETINGS WILL BE HELD AT THE PUBLIC WORKS CENTER, MUNICIPAL COMPLEX, 505 SIDNEY ROAD, PISCATAWAY, NEW JERSEY UNLESS OTHERWISE ADVERTISED.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT CLERK
ADOPTED: 12-17-97

THE PUBLIC WORKS CENTER WILL BE CLOSED ON THE FOLLOWING LEGAL HOLIDAYS:
deceased or personal representatives of his, their, or any of their successors in right, title or interest.

YOU, KATHERINE RANALLI, are named a party defendant in this foreclosure action as a known heir of Robert J. Ranalli, III, and individually by reason of the following judgment which was entered in the Office of the Clerk of Superior Court of New Jersey which may or may not be against the same person as Plaintiff's Mortgagee:
Katherine Ranalli
v.
Robert J. Ranalli
Judgment Number: J-03970-99
Date Entered: 02-03-99
Type of Action: Miscellaneous
Venue: Middlesex
Case Number: M-004591-78
Debt: \$9,980.00
Attorney for Creditor: Iaria & Macvane

YOU, MRS. ROBERT J. RANALLI, III, are named a party defendant as a creditor for any claim or interest you may have in the mortgaged premises because it is not known if Robert J. Ranalli, III, is presently married and after due inquiry the Plaintiff has not been able to ascertain the proper name of his wife, if any, therefore, same is designated as Mrs. Robert J. Ranalli, III, wife of Robert J. Ranalli, III.
Dated: December 17, 1997

DONALD F. PHELAN
Clerk of the Superior Court
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SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
MIDDLESEX COUNTY
DOCKET NO. F-8183-97

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

TO: ROBERT J. RANALLI, III, his heirs, devisees, personal representatives, and his, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest; KATHERINE RANALLI, individually and as a known heir of Robert J. Ranalli, III; MRS. ROBERT J. RANALLI, III; you are hereby summoned and required to serve upon McCabe, Weisberg & Conway, P.C., Plaintiff's attorney, whose address is One GreenTree Centre, Suite 201, Marlton, New Jersey 08053-1536, an Answer to the Complaint, Amendment to Complaint, Amendment to Complaint II and III, filed in a civil action, in which Corestates Bank, N.A. is Plaintiff and Robert J. Ranalli, Jr., individually and as a known heir of Robert J. Ranalli, III; Katherine Ranalli, individually and as a known heir of Robert J. Ranalli, III; Robert J. Ranalli, III, his heirs, devisees, personal representatives, and his, their, or any

of their successors in right, title and interest, Midlantic National Bank, Old Bridge-Sayreville Medical Group, Mrs. Robert J. Ranalli, III; Richards Evans, Tenant; are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within 35 days after January 2, 1998, exclusive of such date, if you fail to do so judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, Trenton, New Jersey in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure. You are further advised that if you are unable to obtain an attorney you may communicate with the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of Venues and that if you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Venues. The names and telephone numbers of such agencies are as follows:

Lawyer Referral Service: (908) 828-0053 and Legal Services Office: (908) 249-7600.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage dated September 17, 1986, and recorded in the Clerk's Office of Middlesex County, in Mortgage Book 3514, Page 712, made by Robert J. Ranalli, III, single and Robert J. Ranalli, Jr., married to The National State Bank, now held by Corestates Bank, N.A. by means of merger and acquisition with The National State Bank, and concerns real estate located at 40 Knoll Court, Old Bridge, New Jersey and to recover possession of said lands and premises.

**ROBERT J. RANALLI, III, his heirs, devisees, personal representatives, and his, their, or any of their successors in right title and interest, are named as party defendants because the defendant, Robert J. Ranalli, III, died intestate on July 26, 1996, as appears from a Muscogee County Georgia Death Certificate. Therefore, his heirs, devisees, personal representatives and his, their, or any of their successors in right title and interest are made proper party defendants to this foreclosure action, and that Plaintiff, after diligent and careful inquiry therefore made as in case of absent defendants, has been unable to ascertain the names and residences of his heirs, New Year's Day: Thur. 1-01-98
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TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY
LEGAL NOTICE
Piscataway Township Assessment Books for the year 1998 will be open for inspection on Monday, January 5, 1998 from 8:30 A.M. to 4:30 P.M. in the Assessor's Office of the Municipal Building, 465 Hoos Lane, for the purpose of allowing the taxpayers to review what assessments have been made against their property and to confer informally with the Assessor as to the correctness of the assessments.
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NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
U.S. STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO: DENNIS MERCURIO
You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon SHAPIRO & KREISMAN, Plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 406 Lippincott Drive, Suite J, Marlton, New Jersey 08053, an answer to the complaint (and amendment to complaint, if any) filed in a civil action, in which FLEET MORTGAGE CORP. is Plaintiff and JOSE A. PEREZ AND AGUSTIN A. PEREZ A/K/A AGUSTIN PEREZ AND AGUSTIN PEREZ AND AGUSTIN PEREZ, HIS WIFE AND AGUSTIN PEREZ AND AGUSTIN PEREZ, HIS WIFE, as Mortgagees, to FLEET REAL ESTATE FUNDING CORP. recorded on MARCH 11, 1993, in Book 4429 of Mortgages for MIDDLESEX COUNTY, Page 438, and (2) to recover possession of, and concerning premises commonly known as 319 KIRKLAND PLACE, PERTH AMBOY, NEW JERSEY 08861. If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling (201) 249-5000. You may also contact the lawyer referral service of the County of Venues by calling 808-828-0053, or 908-494-2929. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Venues by calling 908-249-7600.

YOU, DENNIS MERCURIO, are made a party defendant in this foreclosure action because you may have an interest in the subject property by reason of a lien, encumbrance, or otherwise which may be perfected against the property being foreclosed and for any right, title, claim or interest you may have in, or to, against said mortgaged premises.
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Quotable Quote

"It is a mistake that there is no bath that will cure people's ill manners, but drowning would help."

— Mark Twain

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Benny Goodman tribute planned

Benny Goodman stunned the music world and (to some degree) himself when his band played Carnegie Hall in midtown Manhattan in 1938. The show legitimized jazz and marked an unofficial beginning to the "Swing Years" that ran through World War II.

The 1938 concert will be remembered 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 17 when the Watchung Arts Center presents "Benny Lives!" at Watchung Hills Regional High School in Warren. Ken Peplowski, a sax player and a member of Mr. Goodman's last band, will lead a six-piece group. Mr. Peplowski and pianist Mark Shane were part of the 50th-anniversary show at Carnegie Hall in 1988.

Tickets for "Benny Lives!" are \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door. For tickets, send checks payable to Watchung Arts Center, 18 Stirling Road, Watchung, N.J. 07060. Directions and a map are included with tickets.

For more information, call (908) 753-0190.

Titanic sails surprisingly well

by DAVID HOU
WEEKEND PLUS

James Cameron's *Titanic* is a paradigm of excess much like its deceased parent. It's hyped on end, some \$200 million in production costs and a good three and a half hour chunk of screen time. The *Titanic* was the largest moving object ever created by man when it set sail, a dream ship with no expense spared to be the king of the seas. James Cameron has done the same with his *Titanic* with one exception, it sails straight on through full speed ahead unsinkable.

I went into the theater as one of the many skeptics. How good can a film be when I know the ending? The boat sinks, big deal. And I knew that the film was originally slated for a summer 1997 release. It's usually a bad sign when a movie is held from release. After *Starship Troopers*, I don't buy the PR spin that movies are held because they're too good for release just yet.

I have to say I have been humbled. I will state right now for all the skeptics that the *Titanic*'s sinking is not the end or the whole of the story, just a piece of it. There aren't any bones about the sinking. It's not a surprise, it's just a question of when. You, me, James Cameron, and everyone else in the theater knows it's going to sink. Do yourself a favor and lose the "big deal, boat sinks" mentality for a well written story turned into an excellent production. It's a Hollywood rarity today.

Where do I begin? The entire film is quality. Despite its length, every scene and every character has its proper place in the tale.



I'd say more but I don't want to give anything away. Rest assured that it doesn't drag and when the lights come back on you'll feel it's length was proper. Personally, I'm hoping to see a director's cut.

The casting is much better than I anticipated. Though I still have some argument for all the Leonardo DiCaprio advocates out there, he pulled off the role (for the most part). Kate Winslet was also doubtful in my mind, but she too pulled through. The supporting cast was surprisingly excellent, and large, as well.

If God is in the details, *Titanic* is blessed. From the sets to the costumes to the angles to the score, I can't tell you how much it restored my faith in the power of a grand scale production that didn't need huge explosions or Ah-nold. I'm at a loss to find faults. I can see where the \$200 million went, and it was a smart investment. Hollywood should learn that more money alone makes not a better film without a grand vision like *Titanic*.

By now, you know what I recommend spending eight dollars on this weekend. I'd be disappointed if you came out of the theater thinking any differently.



Treasures in the Attic

By Carolyn Remmey

I just bought a lovely desk for my wife for Christmas. I do not know if I paid too much money. I know she will like it because she has always wanted a small tilt-top desk. I paid \$450 at auction. Did I do OK?

Samuel, Harding Township

The desk is a great buy because it is not only the style and size that your wife wanted but it is also made of Birdseye Maple, which is quite in demand and quite expensive. It seems that the original brass pulls are still intact. I think that you did very well with your Birdseye Maple turn-of-the-century desk. The estimated auction value is \$750-\$900. You got a terrific buy!

We received a gift from our aunt. It is a marble bust of Beatrice, Dante's lover. The name Prof. G. Besfi is the signature. It is quite old and beautiful. We would like to know the approximate value and to clean the figure. It is 17 1/2 inches tall.

Don, Summit

Your marble figure sounds quite lovely. It is a late 19th- or early 20th-century piece denoted by the signature. A marble becomes more beautiful as it ages. You should not use any more than mild soap and warm water to wipe dust off your piece. It is hard to give a value at auction of more than \$100 without actually seeing the piece or a picture. The detail of the carving has a lot to do with the appraisal value.

I have a copy of Charles Lindbergh's book "Lone Eagle," copyright 1928. Can you tell me about the man and the value of the book?

Bob, Morristown

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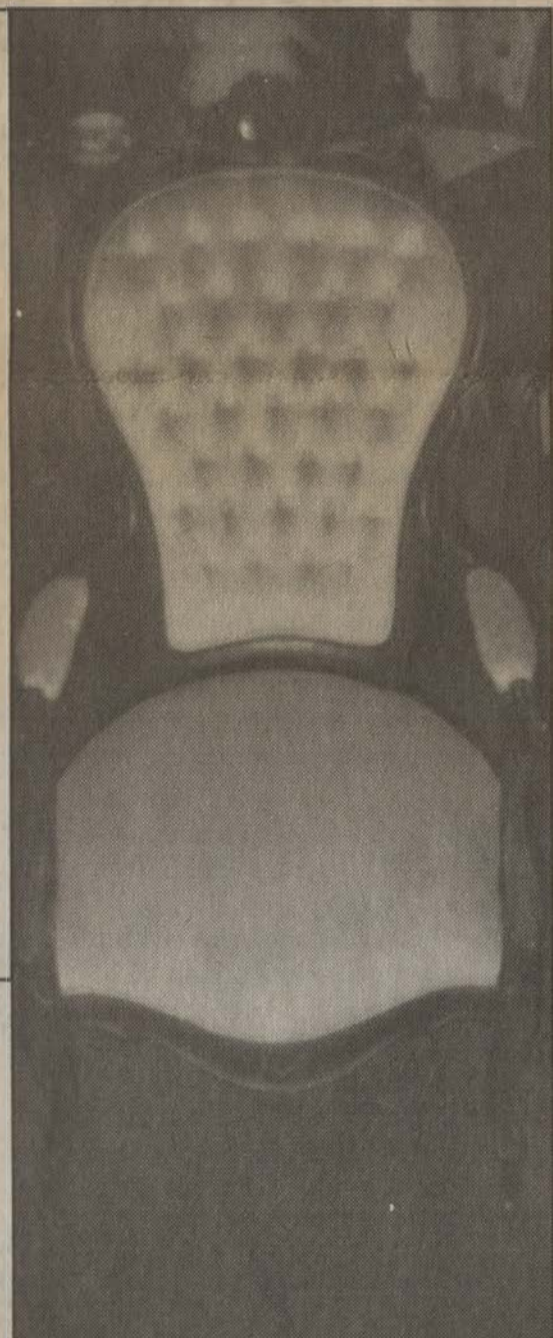
I have just discovered a beautiful chair in my sister's attic. I have no idea how long it has been stored there. However, she lived in the house over 60 years. Can you please help me?

Janet, Clinton

The chair in the photo is a gorgeous Rosewood Victorian parlor chair. It is in such good condition being that it is probably about 90-110 years old. Just viewing from a photo, I cannot tell the age of the upholstery. If it has been in the attic for a long time, it must have been stored properly. The chair in pristine condition should bring \$500-\$700 at auction.

Charles Lindbergh (1902-1974) was a national hero, an aviator who flew the first nonstop flight across the Atlantic Ocean. His baby son was kidnapped and murdered in 1932. Mr. Lindbergh left behind lots of memorabilia to be collected. The book you speak of is probably worth \$25-\$50 at auction.

Carolyn Remmey is an auctioneer, appraiser and president of a gallery in Summit. For answers to your antiques questions, write her at 83 Summit Ave., Summit, N.J. 07901 or fax (908) 273-0171. Photos are encouraged.



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SWF, 25, looking for tall, honest, intelligent M, for a LTR, 25-32. No head games. Ad# 8727

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SWF, 23, average build, brunette, blue-eyed into hockey, movies, walks, television. ISO SWM, 21-28, NS, drug-free, financially/morally stable, average build. Ad# 3525

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SWF, 30, full-figured, caring, honest, ISO DSWM, 29-40, who enjoys quiet times, hand-holding for LTR. No game players. Ad# 8322

WHERE ARE YOU?

Attractive, fun SWF, 38, 5'4", blond, hazel eyes, enjoys theater, outdoors. Seeking handsome DSWPM, 30-45, NS, financially secure, for possible LTR. Ad# 1067

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SWF, great eyes/smile, great-shape, long hair, confident and romantic. Seeks handsome, financially secure, rugged, sensitive, P, NS, for relationship. Ad# 8226

Automotive

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For quiet ride, Lexus is leader in all categories

By MARK MAYNARD

Special to North Jersey Newspapers

Q: My husband and I are hard of hearing and are shopping for a car with a very quiet interior. When we have our hearing aids on, the road noise is amplified and we can't hear conversations. I want this car to be as quiet inside as possible. Price is no object, but we'd rather hold it to the \$25,000 to \$40,000 range.

A: Aerodynamic shapes, tighter window seals and more sound insulation have made all new cars quieter than their predecessors, but some cars are quieter than others.

According to Automotive Marketing Consultants Inc. in Vista, Calif., which tests about 150 cars a year for manufacturers, Lexus makes the quietest cars.

"In every sound test we do, any Lexus is the leader for interior quiet," said senior analyst Jim Wangers. "Obviously, the quietest is the LS 400 (the largest sedan), but the ES 300 (the smallest sedan) is remarkably quiet - and quieter than the Toyota Camry (from which the ES 300 is built).

As a general rule, rear-drive cars are a little quieter than front-drive cars, Wangers said. And overhead cam engines are a little noisier than overhead valve engines, even though the Lexus uses an overhead cam engine.

Other choices in your price range would be the Toyota Camry, Lincoln Town Car, Ford Taurus/Mercury Sable, Buick Park Avenue, 1998 Chrysler Concorde, Audi A4 and Volvo



Like all Lexus models tested, the Lexus LS 400 runs quieter than all other cars in its respective class (large sedan).

S70. Tires, too, are important in creating quiet. If the car you are buying has a tire upgrade option, see if you can test drive a car with those to compare.

Q: I have read everything I could get my hands on about the new Passat and, Mark, hands down, your article was the most thorough and captured the essence of this fine car the best - including its foibles. I can't believe you caught the cheesy cup holders up front, and no one else has mentioned the minuscule mirrors. But, I agree, a very fine car.

Which leads me to this: they are NOT available! I have been trying to locate one precisely

like the one you drove (Tinted, leather, CD, moon-roof) - they told me it would be MONTHS. In the meantime, my pre-approval from the CU is about to run out.

Do me a favor - tell me: Who has this car you drove? I wanna buy it.

A: The 1998 Passat is a good news, bad news story for Volkswagen. And you can't get the car I tested. It (and all the test cars) was provided by the manufacturer, not a local dealer.

The good news is that the car has been very well received, said VW spokesman Steve Keyes, and it is trying to catch up with demand for the cars. The production rate is still

ramping up to full speed and supply will be better in a month or so. The bad news is that Volkswagen realizes there are shoppers out there who are at the end of their lease and need a car now and will have to buy something else.

Cars are available with the equipment you are looking for, Keyes said, but those cars are pre-sold orders.

Q: I am about to buy a new car and would like to know your opinion on the value of Teflon coating that can be purchased, including whether it helps protect metallic paint finishes.

A: With the new clear-coat paints being applied to cars today, the Teflon coating is not

necessary, nor will it protect metallic paint better than a good waxing two or three times a year, which is also cheaper.

"The big problem is the stuff that lands on top of the finish," said Barry Meguiar, president of Meguiar car care products. "It is the accumulation of tree sap and bird droppings that dulls the finish. The paints today are hard; they've been formulated to resist acid rain, which is why a car finish doesn't oxidize as fast as it used to."

Call Meguiar's free hotline, 1-800-545-3321, for advice on how to care for your car's finish.

Q: I have a 1990 Nissan Maxima (100,000 miles on the engine) that has been great up until the past few months.

Since that time, I started getting a miss while at idle and not under power as far as I can tell. I have replaced with original manufacturer parts, the plugs, wires, cap and rotor with no luck. I have even tried injector cleaner and still nothing.

As a last resort, I took the car to two different independent dealers who acknowledge the miss, but can't locate it. Can you please give me some advice before I go broke?

A: The Nissan Maxima has had extensive problems with the injectors and injector harness connectors.

"By 1990 it had improved the electrical connections and mechanical design, but don't discount them as a problem even though you cleaned the injectors," said Joel Burrows, director of research and development for Precision Tune Auto Care.

You don't say whether this is

a steady miss or an intermittent miss that just causes a slight drop in rpm, but Burrows said a steady miss should show up on any engine analyzer.

Because the miss is worse at idle rather than at cruise or under a load, Burrows recommends a mechanical compression test. Mechanical engine problems are more apparent when rpms are lower.

It might depend on whether the miss occurs when the engine is cold or hot.

"If it is only when warm, then check for an oxygen sensor problem corrupting the air-fuel ratio," Burrows said. "If the miss happens all the time, check for any obstructions in the mass-airflow-meters grid and for any obstructions in the air filter and filter housing area."

Q: I am considering a vehicle purchase. My criteria is ease of getting into and out of the car, ease of parking and quietness. I find most new car seats too low for convenience. Are there any that stand above the rest? If so, which?

A: Depending on your price range, you might try testing these sedans: Toyota Camry and Avalon, Chevrolet Lumina and Malibu, Ford Crown Victoria or Mercury Grand Marquis (the 1998s have been redesigned and won't be released until midyear), Buick LeSabre and Park Avenue, 1998 VW Passat, Mercedes-Benz C-Class or E-Class.

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Realtors celebrate installation

December 22nd marked the celebration of the Hunterdon/Somerset Association of Realtors installation of their Officers and Directors for 1998. The event was combined with the Annual Holiday party held at the Bridgewater Manor.

James Lewis, outgoing President of the Board, served as Master of Ceremonies for the program.

He honored Evelyn Cotyk, Realtor of the Year, with a special

plaque awarded by the New Jersey Association of Realtors.

He also recognized Claudia Pascale with a special Realtor Emeritus plaque from the National Association of Realtors, honoring her for 50 years of service to the association.

Mr. Stanley Lazicki, 3rd District Vice President, was present to install the new Officers and Directors for the Board.

Greetings were also brought from the State Association by Mr.

Joseph Harrigan, 1st Vice President. The new Officers are: David Malo, President; Sam Milora, President-Elect; John Brendell, Vice President; Betty Jo Brechka, Secretary; Frank Torre, Treasurer; Jim Lewis, Past President.

The 1998 Directors are Casey Bork, Susan Madsen, Arnold Vogel, Dotti Crotty, Janet Parisi, Matthew Zavatsky, Jane DiGian, Genny Rabe, Louis Keleher and Martin Shupack.

Retiring Directors who were honored were: Marie Billingsby; Bob Hatton; Nancy Spencer; David Chippendale; Martin Matthews; Evelyn Cotyk; Fred Nix; Lou Gargano and Claudio Pascale.

Mr. David Malo honored and thanked the many individuals of the organization who have helped to launch the newly merged Association during this initial year.

He also cited the new location

of the Board facility in Branchburg which will be open January 5th and discussed a variety of plans and new initiatives that will take place during the upcoming year.

The installation ceremony was capped by a cocktail party with great food, music and dancing.

As in the past, the Association combined their holiday celebration with gifts for various organizations.

This year they supported the

Women's Crisis Center and the Youth Shelter from Hunterdon County and the Battered Women's and Children Center and the Youth Shelter from Somerset County.

In the past our gifts have brought a great deal of joy to the various organizations and this year being able to do something for the women and children in Hunterdon and Somerset County is very exciting to us.

Home improvement resolutions for 1998

What are you resolving to do during the New Year? Shed those unwanted 10-pounds gained during the holidays? Contact old friends from years past? Become more organized? Improve your home?

What? Improve your home? Immediately, thoughts center on saw horses, contractors, surmounting bills and, of course, a shortage of petty cash.

Such an association is not surprising considering that the Census Bureau's American Housing Survey, a questionnaire circulated every two years, determined approximately \$133 billion was spent on remodeling (including additions and alterations as well as replacements and maintenance) during 1994-95.

This figure can frighten many homeowners, especially since most popular home improvements (ie, remodeling the kitchen, adding an additional bathroom, etc.) can average \$10,000 to \$20,000.

As a result, homeowners often tend to overlook small efforts, many of which can be completed without hiring outside contractors.

According to Kathleen (Neen) O'Malley, CRS, making modest but visually effective improvements can benefit homeowners while they occupy the residence and later when they decide to sell.

These projects may increase the value of the home or shorten the time it stays on the market.

"Most sellers wait too long to analyze improvements and are shocked by the costs," said O'Malley, a member of the firm Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage, Basking Ridge and president of the New Jersey chapter of the state's leading agents, those who have earned the CRS designation through training and demonstration of professional experience.

"Some people end up spending a great deal more money than they expected to, and even worse, still others decide not to bother at all.

Either way, they lose money, because they sell the home for less or it does not sell as quickly as homes in move-in condition."

Professional agents with the CRS credential advise home owners to include these activities among their list of resolutions for the New Year:

1. **Hire a cleaning crew** - Before prioritizing your home's 'to-do list' enlist a professional cleaning crew for a once-over. Once clean, certain items like the family room carpet do not have to be replaced.

The service might also point out items not noticed by homeowners.

2. **Consider new wall and floor coverings** - Homes take on a whole new look if peeled paint, wall paper and stained or warped floor coverings are replaced.

Choose neutral or subtle colors; color can be added with fabric, flowers, paintings, picture frames and other accessories.

3. **Resurface kitchen cabinets** - If the kitchen and bathroom cabinets are in good condition, it is considerably less expensive to resurface than to replace

4. **Replace fixtures** - Cracked stairwell railings, dripping faucets, failing locks and other miscellaneous items are easily replaced and can keep visitors - and potential buyers - from wondering if the items not visible are being neglected too.

5. **Landscape** - Before beginning your spring landscaping, make sure your yard complements the neighbor's grounds. Trees should not overshadow the home.

If you have a small yard, consider planting potted flowers near the front door or hanging flower boxes from the windows.

6. **Overhaul exteriors** - Repair cracked cement driveways and walking paths, replace the rusted mailbox and install new door handles, knockers and street address numbers.

Investing in a new steel door with a peep hole can make your family more safe and your home more attractive.

7. **Organize storage** - Consider installing easy-to-assemble closet organizers in the

master bedroom, children's rooms, kitchen pantry, linen closet, garage and attic.

When you are ready to sell your home, buyers will appreciate the extra storage space.

8. **Invest in new windows** - Although the cost is significant, there are two reasons to consider new windows an investment: 1 - According to *Remodeling Magazine*, they average 69% return on investment (ranging as high as 100% recovery in Pittsburgh and Seattle to as little as 45% in Des Moines and Boise), and 2 - New windows, especially energy efficient triple-paned glass windows, can lower the monthly utility bills by 20-40%.

By planning the improvements (which require little routine maintenance) before making arrangements to place the home on the market, you can save yourself time, money and needless anxiety.

Who knows? You might even find time in 1988 to read, compose, diet, exercise and ring up old pals.

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25 Highlander from Mollie Ginsburg to Jacob & Blanche Frant for \$55,000.
120 Magnolia St. from Ethel Ludwin to Wayne R. Kotzker for \$158,000.
146 N. 11th Ave. from Saul Singer to Leo & Rakoma Wiesner for \$140,000.

METUCHEN
30 Mason Drive from Frank Kress to Cielito Claudio for \$232,000.
57 Railroad Ave. from John

& Isabel McAteer to Robert M. Faleska for \$119,500.
393 Wakefield Drive from Martin W. & Rose G. Rosen to Henry & Laura Adamowsky for \$205,000.
219 Amboy Ave. from VLH Corp. to Keith J. & Kathleen E. Gwozdz for \$217,500.
67 Christol St. from Yi-Der & Mei-Hui Hong to Fernando & Carol A. Rivera for \$220,000.
179 Lake Ave. from George Emont & J. Preminger to Barry Sopher & Merih Uctum for \$228,000.
216 Lake Ave. from Sheriff of Middlesex County to Citicorp Mortgage Inc. for \$1.
11 Mayfield Place from Isadore B. Greenspan to Gary E. & Lawrence E. Smith for \$148,000.
10 Pleasant Place from Paul S. & Regina S. Johnson to Alan & Eaton W. Grossman for \$225,000.
55 Robins Place from Robert Beltech to Parry & Debra Yohannan for \$255,500.
69 Spear St. from Richard E. & Carole H. Kraemer to Brian T. & Kirsten Rose for \$195,500.
35 Voorhees Place from Edna MacWilliam to Christopher W. Jones et. al. for \$182,500.
28 William St. from James & Marilyn Murray to Sandra A. Baker et. al. for \$163,500.
197 Woodbridge Ave. (two properties) from Neil J. & Joan V. Appel to Kurt J. Elster et. al. for \$144,000.

MIDDLESEX
607 Cook Ave. from Bankers Trust Co. of New York to Timothy & Frances Epps for \$115,000.
432 First St. from Sheriff of Middlesex County to Federal National Mortgage

Association for \$23,100.
48 George Ave. from Gretta Boehme to Keith & Zulaika Kirk for \$133,900.
17 Lynn Ave. from R. Michael & Deborah Stair to Gabe M. & Theresa Rosario for \$138,600.
79 Ramsey Road from Margaret Herrmann to Robert M. & Deborah A. Stair for \$181,000.
337 Seneca Ave. from Gregory & Maria F. Woltonist to Linda F. Roberts for \$164,000.
439 Union Ave. from Thomas & Rosemary Gottlieb to Stephen T. & Joyce C. Zimko for \$139,000.
116 Valley Brook Court from Frank V. Cataldo to Janet Cataldo for \$45,800.

PISCATAWAY
65 Grandview Ave. East from Elizabeth M. Arico to Nick Franciosa for \$88,000.
12 Zirkel Ave. from Burton & Mary J. Hafner to Stephen Anthony for \$180,500.
36 Ambrose Valley Lane from Roscam Properties Inc. to Mohammad A. & Nahid Khan for \$286,000.
20 Canterbury Court from Harold Bragen to Slava & Inna Manevich et. al. for \$85,000.
48 Canterbury Court from Rau & Nita Jain to Deepak D. & Mamta Patel for \$84,500.
24 Carriage Drive from Kensington Inc. to Steven K. & Amanda Chow for \$330,000.
1 Dennis Court from Yih Li to Kenneth R. & Pailing P. Reuhl for \$250,000.
338 Derby Court from Maple Grove at Piscataway to Charles Lane for \$129,900.
14 Dickerson Drive from James & Carlyn Onoszko to Cecil Hamilton for \$155,000.

404 Draco Road from Ziad & Olga Ayash to Beverly Payne for \$137,500.
15 Dunbar Ave. from Ing-Mey & Jye & Kazuko Chen to Rajeswara R. & Aruna Duppatla for \$192,500.
32 Dupont Ave. from Brooke Bascom to Scott D. Muller for \$117,500.
10 Farragut Drive from Joseph P. & Annette Wojtowicz to Kim & Janet McKim for \$181,000.
5323 Foster St. from Francisco Goldilla to Lester B. & Andrea Wilson for \$155,000.
24 Haight Ave. from Sheriff of Middlesex County to Nations Credit Financial Services for \$32,300.
220 Hampshire Court from Michael D. & Ann D. Boland to Melissa J. Brown for \$101,500.
43 Hedgerow St. from David L. & Diane E. Price to Gilda & Trinidad D. Sarnillo for \$215,000.
58 Hedgerow St. from Paul & Janice S. Johnson to Mark A. & Karen J. Rhinehardt for \$218,000.
423 Highland Ave. from George Samuels Jr. & L. Smith to Betty Price & James Jones for \$5,000.
33 Johanna Court from Maurice T. Waters Sr. to Haines Estates Corp. for \$45,000.
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\$125,000.
402 Overbrook Road from Herral A. & Peggy A. Schunk to Susan Denham for \$215,000.
6 Palisade Ave. from Harold J. & Dolores O'Connor to Donald & Theresa A. Jefferson for \$204,000.
424 Patton Ave. from James R. & Linda J. Rankin to Michael & Dawn Tortajada for \$187,000.
113 Redbud Road from Gail Raduka et. al. to Catherine E. Collins for \$103,500.
269 Richards Ave. from Donald & Patricia Morrow to Darryl & Catherine Jordon for \$133,000.
534 Runyon Ave. from John & Susan Ricco to Anthony & Susan Rizzo for \$160,000.
51 Seymour Terrace from Sheriff of Middlesex County to Federal National Mortgage Association for \$1,069.
1718 W. Third St. from Sheriff of Middlesex County to Peter L. Daniels for \$34,600.
304 Ventnor Court from Canterbury at Piscataway Inc. to Waymon L. Wright Jr. & Ernestine Wright for \$109,900.
6 Welles Court from Wen B. & Yu-Chih Chiao to Frank A. & Susan M. Noto for \$174,000.
306 Willow Ave. from Peter Rafflor & P. Jannelli to Peter Rafflor for \$45,000.
57 Woodlake Drive from George Nicolacopoulos to Chrsitian M. & Marybeth Kastrud for \$190,000.

J. & Victoria Kiczula for \$80,000.
170-172 Front St. from Anna Bovi to Mongnga J. & Truong T. Nguyen for \$142,000.
1406 Kenyon Ave. from Thomas J. & Vickie L. Kurinzi to Phyllis J. Adams for \$105,000.
2529 Oxford Ave. from Steven E. Gould & P.J. Heller to Richard W. & Sylvie D. Wilhelm for \$152,150.
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115 Teeple Place from Diane E. Nelson to Thomas E. & Clotilde Donahue for \$100,000.
201 Van Fleet Ave. from Levo Del. Inc. to William & Elizabeth Kyle for \$230,000.
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1628 Ford Ave. from Martin A. Rasmussen Jr. to Calvin S. Morrison Jr. & Susan Morrison for \$126,100.
Harvard Avenue from Vincent P. & Angelina Orazi to Peter & Maria DiNizo for \$85,000.
1101 Maple Ave. from Edwin J. Gramer to Carlos M. & Jennifer Gonzalez for \$110,000.
1509 Maple Ave. from Sheriff of Middlesex County to Secretary of Housing and Urban Development for \$100.
1714 Pershing Place from Aloysius J. & Maria A. Moleski to Michael & Sandra Surowiec for \$149,000.
1518 Plainfield Ave. from Norbert V. Kosinski Sr. to Anne E. Riddles & Deborah Reed for \$175,000.

Industrial/Commercial Real Estate Women meeting Jan. 8

The Industrial/Commercial Real Estate Women of New Jersey are holding an organizational meeting at 5:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18 at the Marriott Hotel in Newark.

The topic for discussion is "Revitalizing the Trenton Roebing Community Center: Past, Present and Future." The guest speaker will be Andy Beer, Director, Site Development,

Trenton Roebing Community Development Corp. Cost is \$25 for members and \$35 for non-members. For reservations and information call 973-325-2700.

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15-yr. Fixed	6.625	1.00	5	30	6.878	15-yr. Fixed	6.875	0.00	25	60	6.960	
1/1 ARM	5.875	0.00	10	30	8.934	25-yr. Fixed	7.375	0.00	25	60	7.440	
3/1 ARM	5.500	3.00	10	30	8.379	BERGEN COUNTY ONLY Other rates and terms are available.						
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24-hour rate line 1-800-689-9562						15-yr. Fixed	6.875	0.00	5	60	6.875	
http://www.loanshop.com						30-yr. Fix./Jumbo	7.375	0.00	5	60	7.375	
Apple Nat'l Mortgage 800-MY-APPLE	30-yr. Fixed	6.625	3.00	5	60	6.990	15-yr. Fix./Jumbo	7.000	0.00	5	60	
5-yr. ARM	6.250	3.00	10	60	6.540	1-yr. ARM	5.250	1.00	20	90	5.340	
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30-yr. no income	7.375	3.00	20	30	7.687	3-yr. ARM	6.500	0.00	10	60	8.005	
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15-yr. Fixed	6.875	0.00	5	60	7.000	30-yr. Fixed	6.625	3.00	5	60	6.991	10 minute Pre-Qualifications By Phone. Poor Credit Specialists. Fast Approvals. Ask About No Cost Refinancing.					
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Soehnel joins Weichert

James M. Weichert, President, has announced that Dieter J. Soehnel has joined the Bridgewater Office of Weichert, Realtors as a sales associate. A newly-licensed real estate professional, Soehnel was previously a manager of safety and health at Brooks Industries Inc. in South Plainfield. Soehnel is a graduate of Fairleigh Dickinson University, where he earned a bachelor's degree in chemistry. Married and the father of two children, he is a 14-year resident of South Plainfield. He is also a member of the New Apostle Church. For real estate transactions, call Soehnel at Weichert's Bridgewater office, serving the greater Somerville area, by calling 908-685-0100. The office is located on the Somerville Circle, 220 West End Avenue.

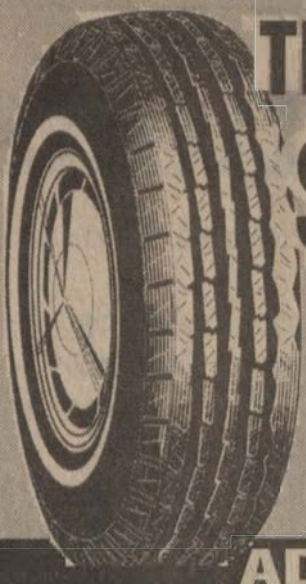
Potts joins Weichert Realtors' Metuchen office as associate

James M. Weichert, President, has announced that Gary Potts has joined Weichert Realtors' Metuchen office as a sales associate. Potts holds a B.S. degree in accounting from Rider University. Potts can be reached for real estate transactions at Weichert's Metuchen office at 732-906-8200. The office is located at 640 Middlesex Avenue.

Specht new sales associate at Weichert Metuchen

James M. Weichert, President, has announced that Lillian Specht has joined Weichert, Realtors' Metuchen office as a sales associate. Specht has 7,500 sales associates in 200 offices in Connecticut, New York, New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia and Washington D.C. Weichert handles both residential and commercial real estate, and offers a full array of time efficient, one-stop shopping services, including mortgages, insurance, rentals, relocation, new homes and land, estate marketing, title services, property management, and moving services. Visit Weichert's website at <http://www.weichert.com>.

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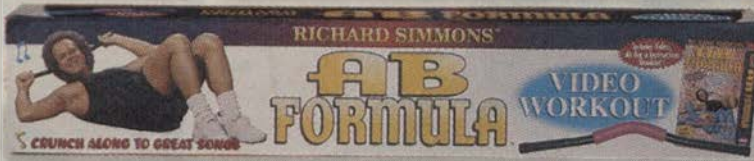
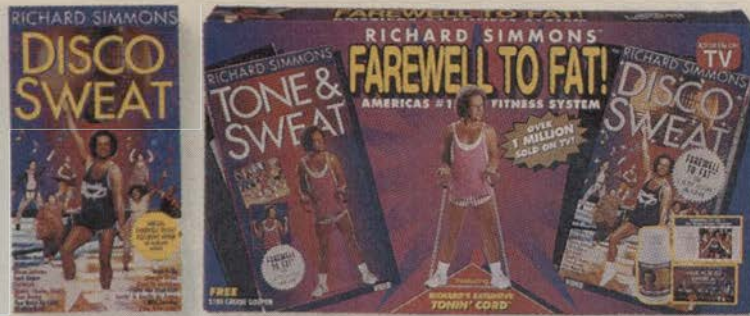
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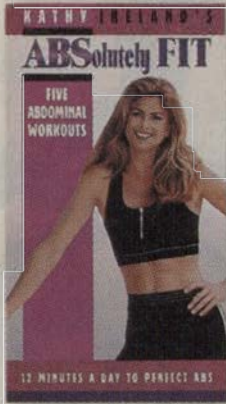
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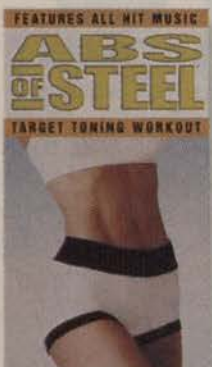
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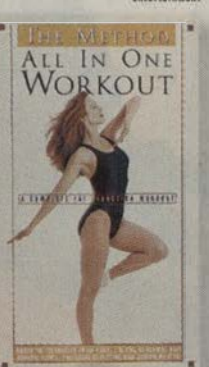
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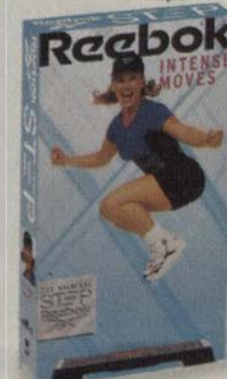
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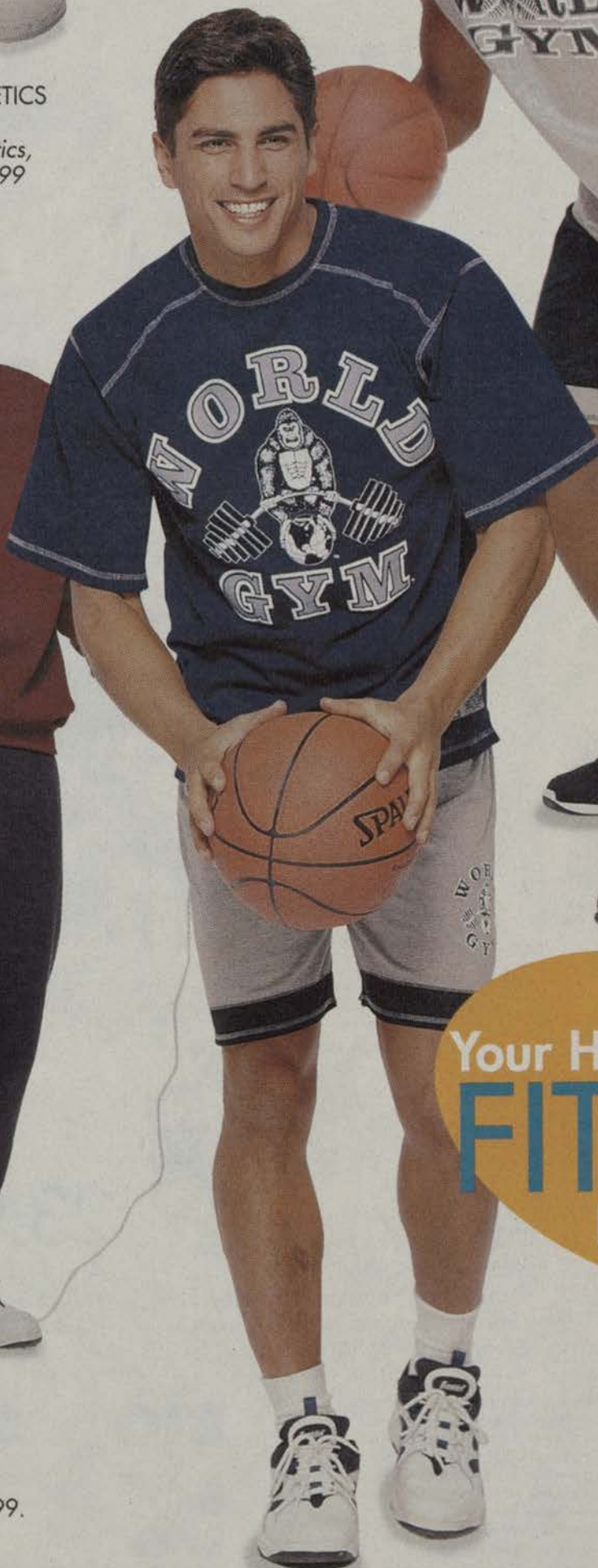


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Big men's 2X-3X, SALE \$8
Rebate limited to mfr.'s stipulations



\$8 Sale Price
-\$1 Mail-in Rebate
\$7 Price After
Mail-in Rebate

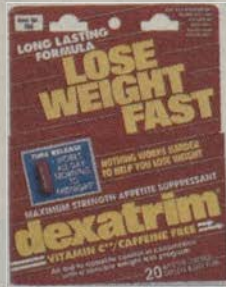
SAVE 2.99 WITH REBATE.
MEN'S SWEATS
Tops or pants. Everyday 9.99.
Rebate limited to mfr.'s stipulations





\$5 off

NICORETTE® OR NICODERM®
All Nicorette® gum, Nicoderm® patch kit
or refill. Reduction is off everyday prices.



3.99

SALE! DEXATRIM APPETITE
SUPPRESSANT. 20-ct. package



1.99

SALE! SWEET 'N LOW
SWEETENER. 250 packets.



5.29

SALE! SLIM•FAST. 6-pack ready-to-
drink liquid* or powder drink mix**.
*6, 11-fl.-oz. cans **15-oz.-net-wt. canister



6.49

SALE! CARESS OR LEVER 2000
Choose from 8-bar Caress, 12-bar
Lever 2000 or 24-fl.-oz. Caress or
Lever 2000 body wash.

Your Health & FITNESS Headquarters



20% off

ALL VITA-SMART VITAMINS
AND HERBAL SUPPLEMENTS
Reduction is off everyday prices.

All merchandise advertised in this circular is available at your local Kmart, Big Kmart or Super Kmart.
Sale prices offered in this circular are not available in the New York City Manhattan stores.



4.99

MEN'S PERFORMANCE SOCKS
2- or 3-pair package. Everyday 5.99.
8-pair package crew-length tubes,
Everyday 9.99, SALE 7.99



23.99

SALE! TIMEX IRONMAN
WATCHES. Featured styles only.
All Casio sports watches,
SALE 20% OFF*

*Reduction is off everyday prices



20% off

SALE! ALL BATH SCALES. Choose
from digital, strain gauge or dial-faced
styles. Reduction is off everyday prices.



6.99

SALE! CENTRUM. 100+30 ct.,
or Centrum Silver 100 ct.



89.99

Sale Price

-10.00

Mail-in Rebate

79.99

Price After
Mail-in Rebate

BODY LOGIC FAT ANALYZER
Handheld design, large digital display.
Rebate limited to mfr.'s stipulations



79.99

SALE! OMRON SMART-INFLATE
BLOOD PRESSURE MONITOR



14.99

SALE! BRITA WATER FILTRATION
PITCHER. Standard 1/2-gallon pitcher.
Brita Spacesaver pitcher, SALE 19.99
3-pack filters, SALE 18.99

KMART ADVERTISED MERCHANDISE POLICY
Merchandise advertised in this circular is either Sale Priced or at our Everyday Low Price.
In some cases, we offer Special Buys which are available in limited quantities. Our firm
intention is to have every advertised item in stock on our shelves. If an advertised item is
not available for purchase due to any unforeseen reason, Kmart will issue a Rain Check
on request for the merchandise to be purchased at the advertised price whenever available,
or will sell you a comparable quality item at a comparable price.
Regular prices may vary in some stores due to local competition.
Sale offers do not apply to clearance merchandise. We reserve
the right to limit purchases to reasonable family quantities.



EARN UP TO
**6% BACK WITH YOUR
KMART CREDIT CARD**

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the location of your nearest Kmart Store, Pharmacy,
Auto Center or Little Caesars® Pizza Station® in Kmart.

NEW YEAR'S DAY ONLY!

save 50%



save 50% sale 12⁴⁹

Craftsman 9-pc. wrench set
6-point or 12-point std. or metric
combination. 44162/3, 44181/2 Reg. 24.99



save 50%

sale 9⁹⁹

Compact storage tote
65307 Reg. 19.99



save 50% sale 9⁹⁹

Craftsman 14-pc.
screwdriver set 41566/41458 Reg. 19.99



save 50% sale 12⁴⁹

Easy Living fleece throws
Fortrel® Spunnaire polyester solids or acrylic
and polyester patterns Reg. 24.99
Selection varies by store.



save 50% sale 9⁹⁹

7-pack VCR tapes
82277 Reg. 19.99



save 50% sale 19⁹⁹

Men's Winner® nylon sets
Reg. \$40 Assortment varies by store.
All misses' Bold
Spirit nylon sets

SEARS

Come see the many sides of Sears

NOW IS THE BEST TIME TO BUY

women's • men's • kids' clothing,
shoes & accessories clearance



It's the **Great Take Off!**

save 40-60%

off original prices when you take an extra 25% off

Here's an example of how you save:

20.00	Sears reg. price
15.00	Clearance price
-3.75	25% off
11.25	Final price

Excludes all blue-ticketed clearance merchandise, all cosmetics and fragrances, all costume jewelry and fine jewelry. Intermediate markdowns may have been taken. While quantities last. Assortment and styles may vary by store. No price adjustments given on prior purchases. On sale through January 17, 1998

Open 9 AM to 6 PM New Year's Day

This advertisement includes many reductions, special purchases and items at our low regular prices. Important pricing information on inside back section.

save 35% on all weather boots

end-of-season sale for men, women and kids

Come see our assortment of weather boots for the family! While quantities last.

Sale through January 10

PLUS SAVE 35% on all fashion boots!

Styles, colors and sizes shown represent an assortment that may vary by store. Intermediate markdowns may have already been taken.



Men's

Women's

Kids'

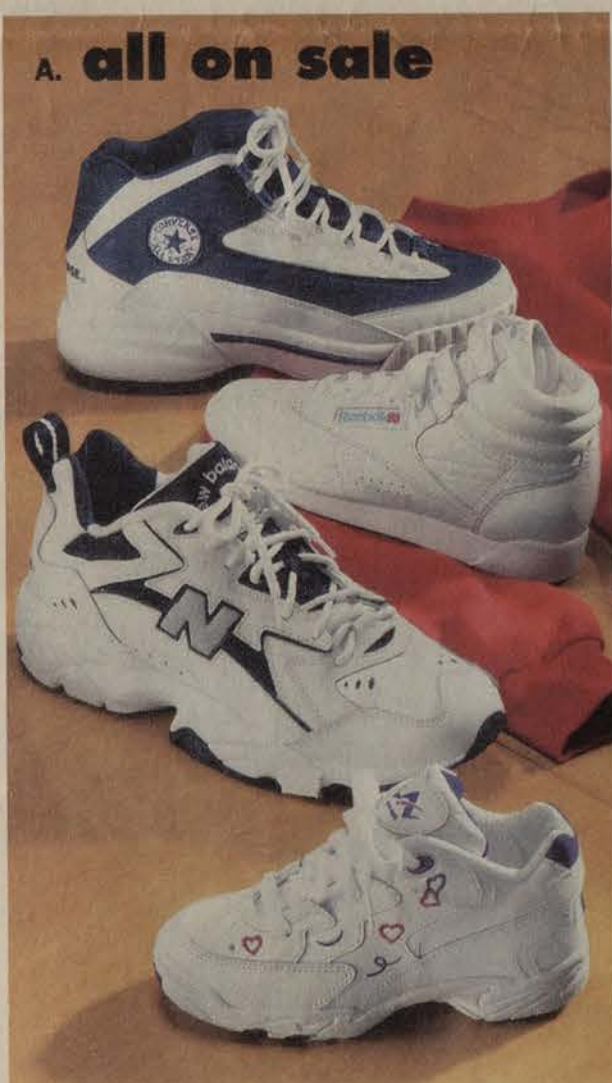
athletic, work and casual shoes

A. Save 20-50% on all athletic shoes
Save on all adult and kids adidas®, Reebok®, L.A. Gear®, Winner® and much more! Reg. 14.99-79.99
On sale for three days January 1- January 3

Assortments and styles vary by store

B. All insulated and steel toe work shoes and boots
Save on entire assortment. Insulated styles while quantities last. Reg. \$42-\$135, 30.99-107.99
Sale through January 10

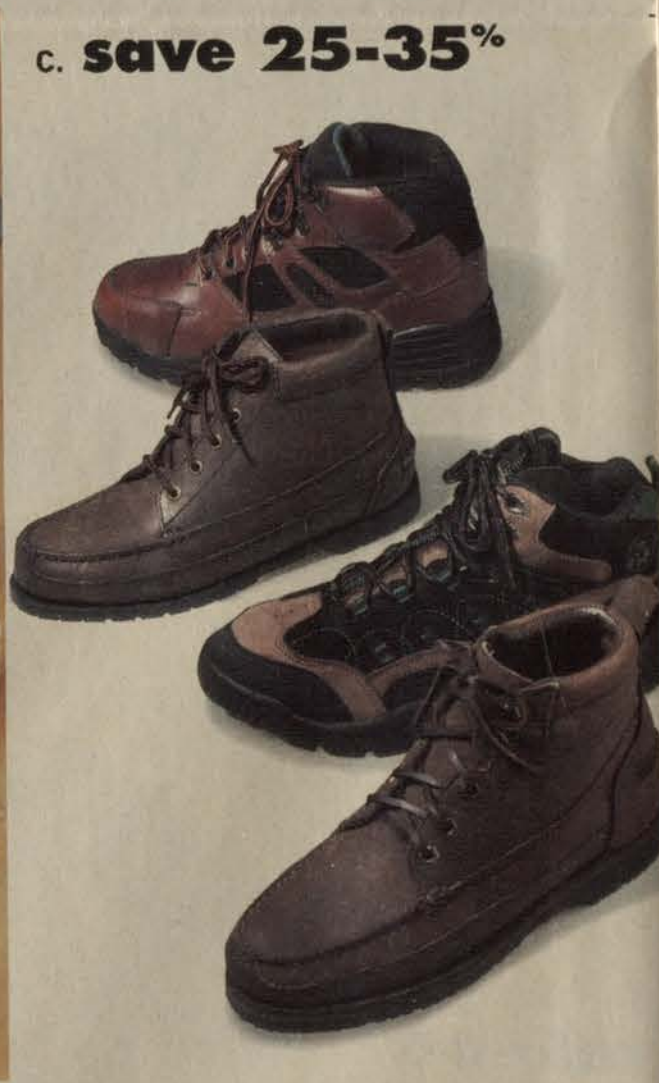
C. All men's Trader Bay™, Dockers® and Elk Woods shoes
Sale through January 10



A. all on sale



B. save 20-30%



C. save 25-35%

great values on kids' gear

D. Boys' 4-20 fashion fleece and nylon activewear
Shown: 8-20 fleece top. Reg. 17.99, 12.59
8-20 fleece pants. Reg. 16.99, 11.89
End-of-season savings, while quantities last. 4-7 sizes also on sale

E. Canyon River Blues® and Levi's® 550™ jeans
Boy's 8-14 Levi's® jeans. Reg. 26.99, 18.99
Girl's 7-16 Levi's® jeans. Reg. 26.99, 21.99
Girl's 7-16 Canyon River Blues™ jeans. Reg. 14.99-16.99, 12.99
Boy's 8-16 Canyon River Blues® 4-pocket jeans. Reg. 14.99, 10.99

F. SAVE 50% kids' heavyweight outerwear
when you take an additional 25% off already reduced prices.
Shown: Girls' 4-6X parka or boys' 4-7 jacket. Save on 7-16, 8-20, infant and toddler sizes, too.
While quantities last.
Excludes Team and Levi's® jackets.
Assortments vary by store.



D. save 30%



E. denim sale



F. outerwear sale

Lee



Jenny Lind collection
Deluxe crib. Maple finish. Reg. 119.99, 99.99 #30038
Changing table. Reg. 79.99, 69.99
Dresser. Reg. 219.99, 179.99 #

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Winfield collection
Crib in natural finish. Reg. 269.99, 219.99
Changing table. Reg. 159.99, 119.99
Dresser. Reg. 299.99, 249.99 #



boots

kids



Women's

ave 25-35%



outerwear sale



sale 19⁹⁹ men's Lee[®] jeans

all regular and relaxed fit jeans for men

Lee[®] regular and relaxed fit jeans

Choose from stonewash, bleach and blanch finishes.

Regular fit prewashed, **17.99**

Riveted loose fit jeans, **24.99**



Jenny Lind collection
 Deluxe crib. Maple finish.
 Reg. 119.99, **99.99** #30038
 Changing table. Reg. 79.99, **69.99** #30346
 Dresser. Reg. 219.99, **179.99** #30729

all nursery furniture on sale



Winfield collection
 Crib in natural finish. Reg. 269.99, **219.99** #30626
 Changing table. Reg. 159.99, **139.99** #30326
 Dresser. Reg. 299.99, **249.99** #30741



sale 19⁹⁹

Men's polyester Flexslax[®]

Assorted colors. Wrinkle-free stretch fabric with Ban-Rol[®] waistband for additional comfort. Reg. \$28

Ban-Rol[®] is a registered trademark of QST Industries, Inc.

FLEXSLAX[®]

WE'VE GOT YOUR SIZE

INSEAM	WAIST										
	28	30	32	34	36	38	40	42	44		
29	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲
30	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲
32	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲
34	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲	▲

Special order for special sizes.
 Sizes marked with ▲ and waist sizes 46-50 are available through special order at similar savings. PLUS, you'll get quick, free delivery. Ask for complete details.

save 30% on entire stock of bras

Van Raalte® • Playtex® • Exquisite Form® • Cachet® • Amanda Stewart



sale 10⁴⁹
Amanda Stewart bra

Scroll lace satin underwire. B, C, D cups.
Reg. 14.99



sale 11¹⁹

Van Raalte® Body Ribs underwire bra
B, C cups. Reg. 15.99



sale 9⁷⁹

Satin and lace bra
B, C cups. Reg. 13.99
D cups at similar savings.



sale 8⁹⁹

Satin Mystique underwire bra
B, C cups. Reg. 12.99



sale 10⁴⁹

Cachet bra
C, D, DD cups. Reg. 14.99



sale 8³⁹

Exquisite Form® bra
B, C, D, DD cups. Reg. \$12



NEED A SPECIAL SIZE?
ask about our
SPECIAL ORDER PROGRAM
see stores for details

sale 15⁹⁹

Playtex 18-Hour bra B, C cups. Reg. \$23. D, DD cups at similar savings.
Save 25% on Slim Shape™ shapewear Shown: Sizes M-2XL. Reg. 14.99, **11.24**

great savings for her

Choose from casual, career or social occasion dressing



save 40%

on entire stock of outerwear for misses, women and petites
Sale excludes Exceptional Values.



save 40%

on all fall and holiday activewear for misses, women and petites



save 50%

on all social occasion dressing for misses, women, petites & juniors



save 40%

on all basic long-sleeve knit tops for misses, women and juniors

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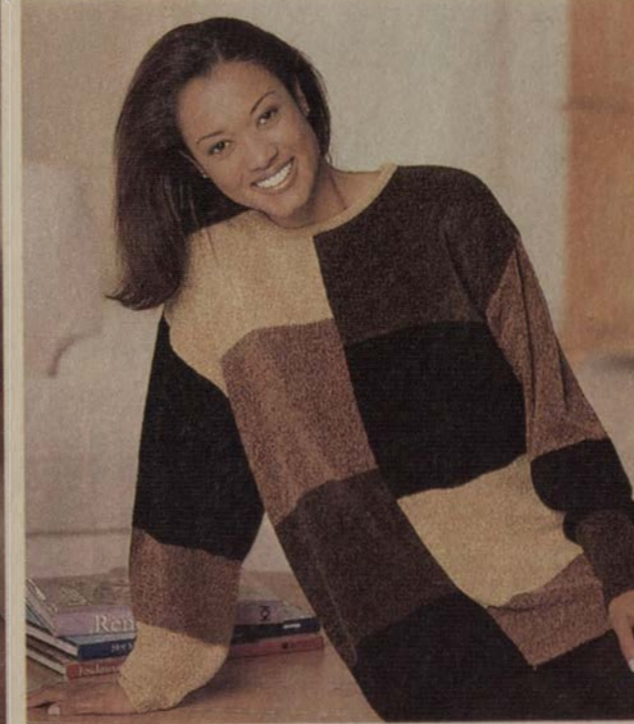
save 50%

on all Sag Harbor® wool separates for misses, women and petites
Save 40% on fall acrylic dressing



save 50%

on fall & holiday Executive Collection suits
Intermediate markdowns may have already been taken.



save 40%

on all fall and holiday sweaters for misses, women, petites and juniors
Sale excludes Crossroads®.



save 25%

on select denim for misses, women, petites and juniors
Save 40% on entire stock of corduroy for her



Springs

sale 3⁹⁹

Springs Ultracale solid 180-count percale. Flat or fitted. Larger sizes, reg. 9.99-19.99



sale 9⁹⁹

All Beautyrest pillows & pads. Shown: Beautyrest pillow. Beautyrest microdown pad, 24.99. Larger sizes also on



sale 79⁹⁹

Bed-in-a-Bag Comforter, dust ruffle, sham, sheet set. Reg. 99.99. *Patterns sold separately. Other styles at similar savings. *One in the



sale 14⁹⁹

Futura home entertainment center. Plenty of storage space for TV components and more. Reg. 179.99. All home entertainment



sale 29⁹⁹

Hamilton Beach 14-speed blender. Mixes, blends, crushes, purees. 48419 (Mfr. #54201). All other blenders at



19⁹⁹

Conair Pack-1875-watt dryer and more. E88910 (Mfr. #060DBS) Windmere. Exceptional Value 21650

of bras

anda Stewart

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A SPECIAL SIZE?
ask about our
SPECIAL ORDER
PROGRAM
see stores for details



5⁹⁹
D, DD cups at similar savings.
own: Sizes M-2XL. Reg. 14.99, 11.24

er
dressing



save 40%
on all basic long-sleeve knit tops for
misses, women and juniors



save 25%
on select denim for misses,
women, petites and juniors
40% on entire stock of corduroy for her

19⁹⁹ any size

Comforters, bedspreads, blankets, sheet sets



Springs

sale 3⁹⁹ Twin
Springs Ultracale solid color sheet
180-count percale. Flat or fitted. Reg. 5.99.
Larger sizes, reg. 9.99-19.99, 7.99-17.99.



CANNON

5⁹⁹ Any size
Cannon feather or polyester pillows
Feather for firm support, polyester for medium
support. Standard, queen, king.
Special purchase.



sale 9⁹⁹ Standard
All Beautyrest pillows & pads on sale!
Shown: Beautyrest pillow. Reg. 11.99.
Beautyrest microdown pad, twin, reg. 34.99,
24.99. Larger sizes also on sale for both.



sale 44⁹⁹ Twin shown
All Smart blankets & bedwarmers on sale
Shown: Smart blanket. Senses cold spots.
Reg. 54.99. Larger sizes also on sale.
Smart bedwarmer, reg. 54.99, 44.99



sale 79⁹⁹ Any size
Bed-in-a-Bag
Comforter, dust ruffle, sham(s) and percale
sheet set. Reg. 99.99. *Patterns shown at these prices.
Other styles at similar savings. †One in twin, 2 in larger sizes.



sale 3 for 9⁹⁹ 25x50-in.
Remarkable solid bath towel
In up to 10 solid colors. Hand towel, washcloth
also on sale. Remarkable solid bath rug.
17x24-in., reg. 7.99, 5.99. Other sizes also on sale.

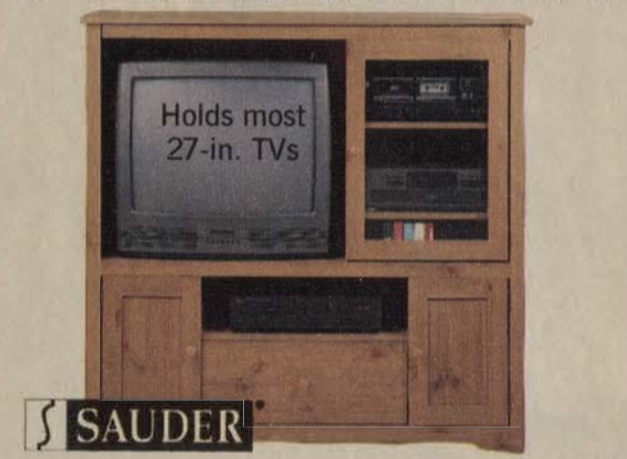


your choice 19⁹⁹ any size

Any size: comforters, bedspreads, blankets, percale sheet sets
• Heartland comforter or bedspread. Reg. 24.99. • Resilience Vellux blanket
• Percale sheet set • Juvenile comforter** Special purchase.
Assortment on this page varies by store. **Available in twin and full size only. While quantities last.



sale 149⁹⁹
Futura home
entertainment center
Plenty of storage space for TV, VCR, stereo
components and more. Reg. 179.99. 84519 (Mfr. #7410)
All home entertainment centers on sale.†



sale 169⁹⁹
Canterbury home
entertainment center
Adjustable shelves behind glass door. Concealed
storage. Reg. 219.99. 40544 (Mfr. #6359)
†Excludes Exceptional Values



save 20-32%
Samsonite Estes[™] and Atlantic luggage
Samsonite EZ Cart, reg. \$200, 135.99
Atlantic Carry-All, reg. \$125, 99.99



save 50%
Ricardo luggage
21-in. Pilot, reg. \$140, 69.99
28-in. Upright, reg. \$200, 99.99



sale 29⁹⁹
Hamilton Beach 14-speed blender
Mixes, blends, crushes, purees. Reg. 34.99.
48419 (Mfr. #54200)
All other blenders on sale.†



sale 39⁹⁹
Kenmore iron
Blast of steam, stainless steel sole-plate.
Reg. 44.99. 62888 (Mfr. #SR365S)
All irons on sale.†



sale 49⁹⁹
Mr. Coffee 12-cup coffeemaker
Accelerated brewing, programmable digital
timer. Reg. 54.99. 67223 (Mfr. #PRX300)
All Mr. Coffee on sale.†



sale 49⁹⁹
Black & Decker Toast-R-Oven
Bakes, broils, toasts and defrosts. Reg. 59.99.
48434 (Mfr. #TRO500)
All Black & Decker toaster ovens on sale.†



19⁹⁹
Conair Pack-Up
1875-watt dryer and more. Exceptional Value.
88910 (Mfr. #060DBS) Windmere Pack-Up, 19.99.
Exceptional Value 21650 (Mfr. #WP-1063)



19⁹⁹
Conair Hot Air Round Brush
Features a 3-position switch and swivel cord.
Exceptional Value. 88860 (Mfr. #CD180CS)



sale 29⁹⁹
Wahl chrome clipper set
20-piece set has chrome finish. Reg. 34.99.
21870 (Mfr. #9234-600)



49⁹⁹
Wahl Custom shaver
3 interchangeable heads for a custom shave.
Exceptional Value. 21704 (Mfr. #7355-500)

America's #1 treadmill center

has solutions for your New Year's resolutions!

Expanse 600 2.25-HP treadmill

A. **sale**
399⁹⁹ Reg. 449.99

save \$50
• 10.0-mph cushioned treadmill
• Absorbs impact to protect joints
29716



SpaceSaver 730
Sightline 2.5-HP treadmill
with innovative cushioning system!

B. **699⁹⁹** Reg. 799.99

save \$100
• New folding design allows you to face the center of the room as you work out! 29794



Image Space Saver 2.5-HP,
12.0-mph club-style treadmill

C. **sale**
1499⁹⁹ Reg. 1599.99

save \$100
• Extra-wide 22x60-in. treadbelt
• Power Incline
• Preprogrammed fat burning workouts!
29757 Exercise equipment requires some assembly

IMAGE



SpaceSaver 2.5-HP, 10.0-mph treadmill with innovative EKG d

588⁸⁸ Reg. 699.99

save \$111
• Cushion Base™ joint protection system
• Get There™ electronics
• Power Incline
• Pre-programmed workouts including weight loss mode
29788 Exercise equipment requires some assembly

ZERO%
finance charge
until **April 1998** on all
NordicTrack and Image club-style fitness products*

*See inside back section for important 0% finance charge details. Offer good thru Jan. 10, 1998



IMAGE
sale 499⁹⁹ Reg. 549.99

save \$50
Image 70 Club-style stepper
• Independent stepping action
• Pre-programmed workouts. 28578

NordicTrack®
699⁹⁹ Sears low price
NordicTrack Ellipse elliptical exerciser
• Simulates walking, jogging with zero-impact elliptical stride
• Provides superior cardiovascular conditioning. 28579



HEALTH RIDER
199⁹⁹ Sears low price
Aerobic Rider II
Features a multi-position grip that works arm, back and chest muscles. 28794



Lifestyler
129⁹⁹ Sears low price
DT1000 Air Resistance Cycle
Dual action handlebars enable a total body workout. Fitness Guide™ electronics provide motivational feedback. 28826



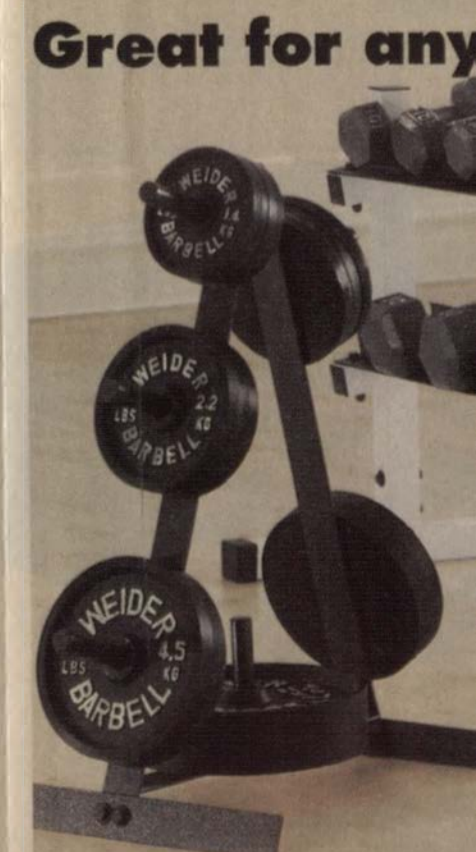
HEALTH RIDER
499⁹⁹ Sears low price
Moment elliptical machine
• Elliptical stride provides a low-impact, high-benefit workout
• Adjustable resistance. 28577



PRO-FORM SPACE SAVER
188⁸⁸ closeout While quantities last. Was 229.99
save \$41
S770 Performance Exercise Cycle provides smooth, silent motion with adjustable magnetic resistance. 28825



weider.
139⁹⁹ Special purchase. While quantities last.
save \$34
Weight bench with 510-lb. capacity
15040 Regular separate prices, 174.95



29⁹⁹ Sears low price
Weight plate tree
Holds multiple sizes.
Easy to assemble. 15754

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ons!

Our lowest price ever

for a treadmill with EKG heart rate technology



EKG™ Pulse Grip Sensor



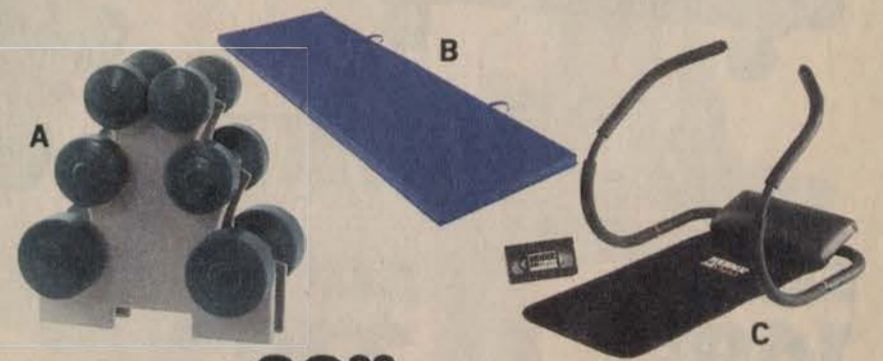
You won't find this treadmill for less!

Buy this treadmill and if you find another with all these features advertised for less, we'll give you a Sears \$100 gift certificate!

Purchase of 29788 required. See store for details.

Buy any treadmill and receive 15% off the regular or sale price of any pair of athletic shoes or men's Activewear.*

Buy \$25 worth or more of exercise wear or Activewear and receive 25% off any one of these fitness accessories:



29⁹⁹ each after 25% coupon. Reg. prices 39.99
A. Bright bell weights and rack. 14952
B. Aerobic Mat. 28205
C. Ab machine. 28075

SpaceSaver 2.5-HP, 10.0-mph treadmill with innovative EKG display™

588⁸⁸ Reg. 699.99
save \$111

- Cushion Base™ joint protection system
- Get There™ electronics
- Power Incline
- Pre-programmed workouts including weight loss mode

29788 Exercise equipment requires some assembly

Low deck

Cushioned 18-in. wide belt



Rowing Cycle
 Complete a total body workout. Ergometer provides motivational feedback. 28826



weider.
139⁹⁹ Special purchase. While quantities last. Reg. 139.99
save \$34
 Weight bench with 510-lb. capacity. 15040 Regular separate prices, 174.95



weider.
sale 129⁹⁹ Reg. 139.99 **save \$10**
 210-lb. Olympic machined weight set. 15758
sale 199⁹⁹ Reg. 249.99 **save \$50**
 Weider Pro 545 multi-function weight training bench. 15047

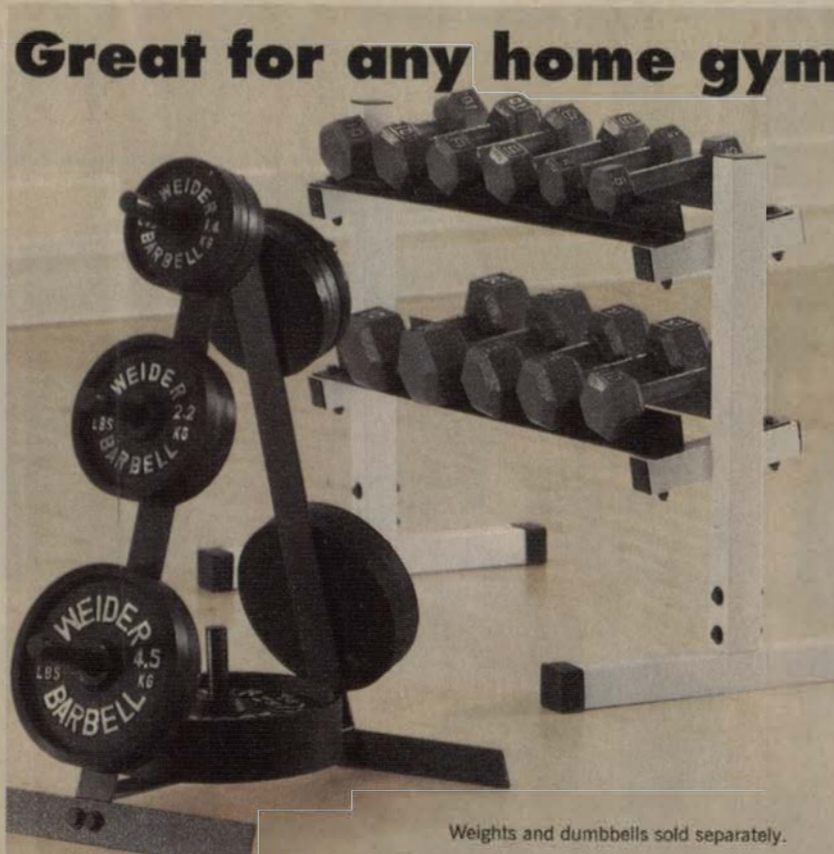
ZERO% finance charge until April 1998 on all game tables over \$199*



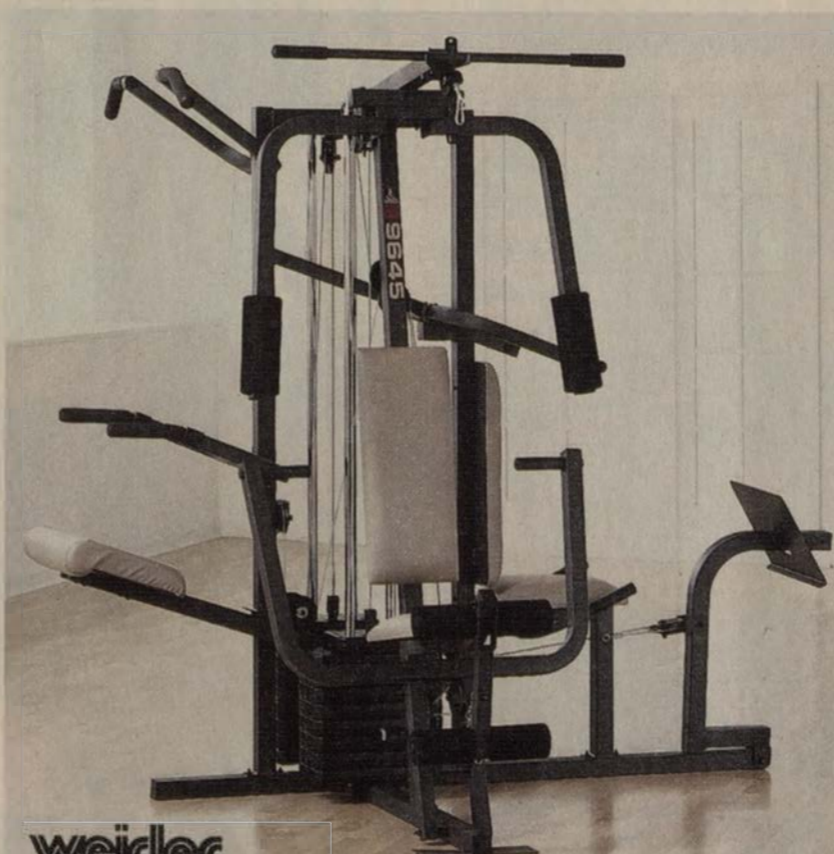
PING-PONG
sale 249⁹⁹ Reg. 299.99 **save \$50**
 International table tennis table includes net and posts. No tools needed for assembly—from box to play in 5 minutes! 26305



Exercise Cycle
 Provides smooth, silent magnetic resistance. 28825



Great for any home gym
29⁹⁹ Sears low price. Holds multiple sizes. Easy to assemble. 15754
69⁹⁹ Sears low price. Holds all dumbbell styles. Club quality. 15789



weider.
sale 499⁹⁹ Reg. 599.99 **save \$100**
 210 lbs. of weight provide 400 lbs. maximum resistance, 8 workout stations, 35 different exercises. 15938



HARVARD
sale 699⁹⁹ Reg. 899.99 **save \$200**
 8-ft. Lexington drop pocket pool table. 3-pc. Slatron™ bed. 25148
 Additional pool table models available:
 Lexington 8-ft. BR Slatron, 25149, reg. 1099.99, **save \$200. 899⁹⁹**
 Lexington 8-ft. DP slate, 25158, reg. 1299.99, **save \$200. 1099⁹⁹**
 Lexington 8-ft. BR slate, 25159, reg. 1499.99, **save \$300. 1199⁹⁹**
 Ingraham 8-ft. DP slate, 25184, reg. 2499.99, **save \$500. 1999⁹⁹**

Craftsman tools make anything

America's best selling brand of tools is designed for the professional



CRAFTSMAN

sale 169⁹⁸
 Thru Jan. 10
 Reg. sep. prices total 199.98
buys both—save \$30
 • 9-drawer chest
 • 5-drawer cabinet
 • Over 11,000 cu. in. of total storage
 65789/65787

sale 279⁹⁸
 Thru Jan. 10
 Reg. sep. prices total 299.98
buys both—save \$20
 • 8-drawer pro chest
 • 5-drawer pro cabinet
 • 12,759 total cu. in. of storage capacity
 65755/65023

sale 599⁹⁸
 Thru Jan. 10
 Reg. sep. prices total 699.98
buys both—save \$100
 • 6-drawer pro chest
 • 9-drawer pro cabinet
 • 17,429 total cu. in. of storage capacity
 65848/65849

Contents not included

your choice 5⁸⁸
 Special purchase
 A. 19-gal. stackable tote. 65430
 B. 12-gal. crate with hinged lid. 63026

your choice 11⁸⁸
 Reg. 14.99-19.99
 A. 4 1/2-in. bench vise with swivel base. 51763
 B. **save \$8** 13-pc. hex key set. 46754/5

your choice 9⁹⁹
 Reg. 12.99-14.99
 A. Hand tool box with sliding trays. 65279
 B. 18-in. metal tool box with steel tote. 6500

your choice 14⁹⁹
 Reg. 19.99
 A. 7-pc. nut driver set in std. or metric. 4196/7
 B. 3-pc. Universal joint set. 4250

Contents not included

sale 39⁹⁹
 Reg. 49.99
save \$10 thru Jan. 10
 Storage tote with caddy to make heavy loads easier to carry. 65125

sale 14⁹⁹
 Reg. 19.99
save \$5
 6-pc. professional screwdriver set features steel blades for long lasting strength. 41903

69⁹⁹
 Special purchase
 Adjustable-height clamping table. Top adjusts to clamp most any size. 65797

39⁹⁹
 Sears low price
 2-pc. Pocket Socket® set. 4-sided jaws reduce slippage. 43379

closeout 99⁹⁹
 While quantities last. Was 129.99
save \$30
 1.5-HP compact compressor delivers 4.5 SCFM at 40 PSI/45

sale 109⁹⁹
 Reg. 119.99
save \$10
 8-in. drill press includes 4 drill bits. Motor develops 1/3-H

your choice 109⁹⁹
save \$10
 A. Belt/disc sander with extra b
 B. 16-in. scroll saw with 4 blad

sale 159⁹⁹
 Reg. 169.99
save \$10
 1/2-HP garage door opener with Plus remotes, keyless touch pa

sale 89⁹⁹
 Reg. 109.99
save \$20
 Craftsman work bench. Sturdy lightweight resin. 65530

sale 79⁹⁹
 Reg. 99.99
save \$20
 6-drawer chest and cabinet combination offers 9,976 cu. in. of storage. 65783

closeout 47⁹⁹
 While quantities last. Was 59.99
save \$12
 • 70-pc. mechanic's tool set
 • 2 quick-release ratchets
 • Standard & metric sockets
 • Includes extension bars
 33670

Save \$10-\$50
All garage door openers on sale

your choice 19⁹⁹
 Special purchase
 A. **\$30 value** 2-pc. adjustable wrench set. 44619
 B. **\$40 value** 4-pc. pliers set. 45251

your choice 59⁹⁹
 Standard or metric. *Special purchase
 A. **\$90 value** 26-pc. comb. wrench set. 44127/8
 B. 11-pc. stubby comb. wrench set. 44138/9*

sale 159⁹⁹
 Thru Jan. 10. Reg. 179.99
save \$20—over \$360 value
 • 180-pc. mechanic's tool set
 • Includes free 3-drawer tool chest
 • 3 quick-release ratchets
 • Assorted standard and metric sockets
 33580

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19⁹⁹
 Special purchase
 Craftsman 20-pc. screwdriver set includes Phillips, slotted and Torx®. 41420

sale 59⁹⁹
 Reg. 79.99
save \$20
 13-pc. wrench set with extended reach for additional leverage. Std. or metric. 44896/934

199⁹⁹ Special purchase
over \$400 value
 • 207-pc. mechanic's tool set
 • 3 quick-release ratchets
 • 20 combination wrenches
 • Standard and metric sockets
 33607

CRAFTSMAN

99⁹⁹
 Special purchase
 Sears 3-ton capacity floor jack with free stands. 5 1/4 to 19-in. lifting range. 50133

99⁹⁹ Special purchase
over \$150 value
 119-pc. mechanic's tool set includes 2 quick-release ratchets, case, more. 33519

199⁹⁹ Special purchase
over \$400 value
 • 207-pc. mechanic's tool set
 • 3 quick-release ratchets
 • 20 combination wrenches
 • Standard and metric sockets
 33607

Our regular 9.6 volt cordless drill with extra battery pack 69⁹⁹ Special purchase
lowest price ever!
 • \$30 less than our best selling 9.6-volt drill
 • Variable speed 0-600 RPM
 27496

SALE 12.99
 35-pc. screwdriver bit set with case. 25597 Reg. 19.99

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closeout
99⁹⁹
While quantities last. Was 129.99
save \$30
1.5-HP compact compressor delivers 4.5 SCFM at 40 PSI. 15034



closeout
399⁹⁹
While quantities last. Was 429.99
save \$30
6.5-HP "Twin-V" air compressor with 60-gal. tank. 16660



sale **109⁹⁹**
Reg. 119.99
save \$10
8-in. drill press includes 4 drill bits. Motor develops 1/3-HP. 21320



now!
189⁸⁸
Special purchase
\$42 less than reg. separate prices. 10-in. compound miter saw includes dust bag. 23535



your choice **109⁹⁹** Reg. 119.99
save \$10
A. Belt/disc sander with extra belt. 22653
B. 16-in. scroll saw with 4 blades. 23558



sale **89⁹⁹** Reg. 99.99
save \$10 thru Jan. 17
16-gal. wet/dry vac with 5 peak HP motor and accessories. 17779



sale **159⁹⁹** Reg. 169.99
save \$10
1/2-HP garage door opener with 2 Security Plus remotes, keyless touch pad. 53675



closeout **59⁹⁹**
While quantities last. Was 69.99
save \$10
8-gal. wet/dry vac has a 3 peak HP motor, extra filter. 17701



Save \$10-\$50
All garage door openers on sale

sale **99⁹⁹** Reg. 149.99
lowest price ever—save \$50 thru Jan. 10
• Powerful 1/3-HP motor
• Security Plus remote control with Rolling Code technology sends a new code every time 53661



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SALE 12.99
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All Craftsman table saws on sale! Save \$15-\$50



sale **319⁹⁹**
Reg. 349.99
save \$30
• 10-in. direct drive table saw
• Powerful 12-amp motor
• Includes two 10x27-in. steel extensions 29921

Bench power tools require some assembly



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99⁹⁹
Special purchase
\$39 less than regular separate prices
• Craftsman 1 1/2-HP router
• Deluxe router table with 2 extensions 25488



new!
your choice **59⁹⁹** Special purchase
A. 1/3-sheet sander with sandpaper. 11628
B. 1/2-in. var. spd. drill w/keyless chuck. 10129



your choice **29⁹⁹** *Special purchase
A. 3/8-in. variable speed drill with bit. 10174*
B. Sabre saw w/manual scrolling. 17207 Reg. 49.99



your choice **39⁹⁹** *Special purchase
A. Ind. 1/4-sheet sander with paper. 27700
B. 5-in. random orbit sander. 11621*



sale **39⁹⁹** Reg. 59.99
save \$20
7.2-volt 2-speed cordless drill is reversible. Recharges in 3 hours. 11173



sale **19⁹⁹** Reg. 24.99
save \$5 on all Clubs
Easy-to-use Clubs deter car theft. Highly visible, easy to use. 56195



CRAFTSMAN

sale **14⁹⁹** Reg. 24.99
save \$10—three days only
Worklight uses 100W bulb. Outlet in handle with resettable circuit breaker. 83919



8⁵⁹ Special purchase
lowest price ever for a 250-watt light
250-watt halogen clamp-on worklight is weather-resistant. Bulb included. 83990



19⁹⁹ Reg. 26.99
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42-in. fan. White or antique brass finish 99001/2
Plus 15% off all other ceiling fans

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sale 19⁸⁸
P145/80SR12BW
Thru 1/3. Reg. 29.99
• 65,000-mile warranty**
• 25 sizes. Prices vary

MICHELIN
RoadHandler Sport
sale 29⁹⁹
155TR12
Thru 1/3. Each, reg. 39.99
• 65,000-mile warranty**
• 13 sizes. Prices vary

PIRELLI
HP
sale 59⁹⁹
P185/60HR14BW
Thru 1/3. Each, reg. 75.99
• 50,000-mile warranty**
• 17 sizes. Prices vary

BRIDGESTONE
Dueler APT
sale 69⁹⁹
P225/70R14 Thru 1/3. Each, reg. 89.99
• 60,000-mi.** /P-metric
• 50,000-mi.**/light truck
• 19 sizes. Prices vary

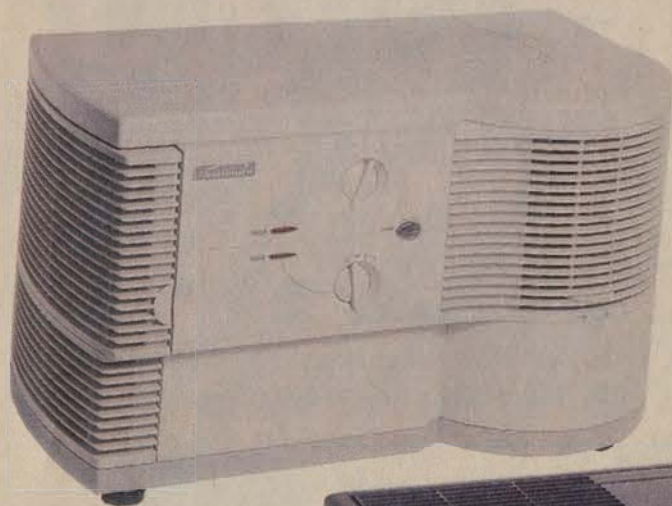
All snow tires on sale including the Bridgestone Blizzak.
Thru 1/3.

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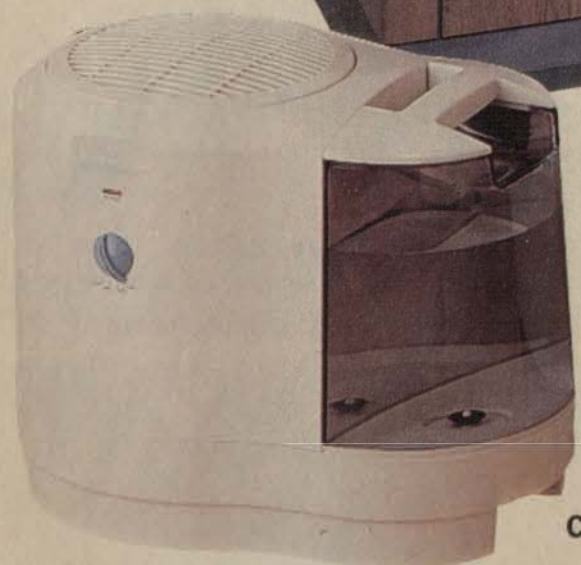
on Kenmore air cleaners and humidifiers



A



B



C

Kenmore
sale 99⁹⁹
Reg. 149.99
save \$50

160-cfm air cleaner with ionizer is up to 99% efficient in removing indoor air pollutants. AHAM certified to clean 16x12-ft. room. 83233
Save \$60 Honeywell HEPA 150 CADR air cleaner, (not shown), 83161, 189.99, 129.99

Kenmore
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Reg. 149.99
save \$30

13-gal. console humidifier with easy side-fill bottles and auto shut-off humidistat. 14453

Kenmore
sale 49⁹⁹
Reg. 99.99
save \$10

Quiet Comfort 3-gal. evaporative humidifier with 3-speed fan. Puts up to 3 gal. of humidity in a 1400 sq. ft. home. 14103



sale 44⁹⁹
With trade-in thru Jan. 3. Reg. 49.99
SAVE \$5 PlusStart 60** battery with up to 540 cold-cranking amps and up to 90 minutes reserve capacity. 36724R

sale 54⁹⁹
With trade-in thru Jan. 3. Reg. 59.99
SAVE \$5 DieHard WeatherHandler battery with 12-month FREE replacement,** 60-month warranty**, 36424R/524R

Automotive batteries starting at just 29.99 with trade-in

All custom wheels on sale
Thru 1/3

sale 104⁹⁹
Thru 1/3. Ea., reg. 119.99
SAVE \$60 on a set of 4 Z racing type 70, 14 x 6, painted. 13750R

sale 84²⁵
Thru 1/3. Ea., reg. 96.99
SAVE \$50 on a set of 4 Z racing type 50, 15 x 7, painted. 13658R



13⁹⁹
Ea. Sears low price
SteadyRider GS-60 Shocks with 60-month/60,000-mile warranty**. 98104
Fits many passenger cars

17⁹⁹
Ea. Sears low price
SportRyder 60 Light Truck shocks with 60-month/60,000-mile warranty**. 92500
Fits most light trucks, sport utility vehicles and 4x4s

All fireplace equipment on sale

sale 99⁹⁹
Reg. 119.99
save \$20
Crystalview glass doors. 40081
5-pc. tool set, 45116, reg. 39.99, 29.99

5-yr. warranty**

Kenmore
99⁹⁹
Special purchase. While quantities last
3/4-HP disposer with heavy duty induction motor. Stainless steel grinding elements. Deluxe sound insulated. 60514

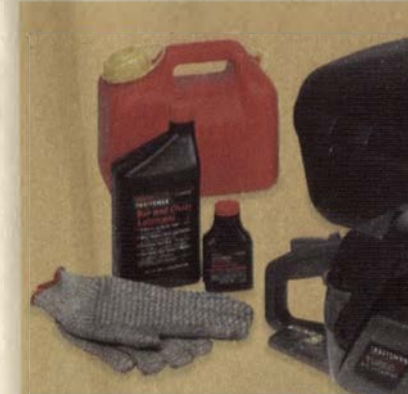


All water heaters on sale

Kenmore
sale 119⁹⁹
Reg. 129.99
save \$10
Example shown: 30-gal. electric water heater. 31236
For emergency installation in 24 hours or less, call 1-800-877-6420
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sale \$147
Reg. 179.99
save \$32—lowest price ever!
Craftsman 18-in., 2.6-C.I.D. g. extra chain, case, oil, lube, gloves



sale 249⁹⁹
Reg. 319.99
save \$70—lowest price ever!
10-ft. x 9-ft. High Gambrel lawn mower
SAVE \$10! 10-ft. x 9-ft. floor kit, 68385



sale 197⁹⁹
Reg. 249.99
save \$52—lowest price ever!
Craftsman 5.0-HP, 22-in. hi-wheel rear bag push mower with Eager-1 engine. 38815



Electric start sale 349⁹⁹
Reg. 429.99
save \$80
Craftsman 6.5 HP, 22-in. electric start, power propelled rear bagger. 37757

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until April 1998*

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sale 1139⁹⁹

Reg. 1249.99

save \$110

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also available in automatic drive

1289⁹⁹

Reg. 1399.99

save \$110

27062



closeout 1289⁸⁸

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19.5-HP, 42-in. lawn tractor

- EZ3 deck
- 6-speed fender transmission. 25956

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25957



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save \$50

Craftsman 6.5-HP, 22-in. rear bag mower • Power propelled, mulching ready • High wheels for added maneuverability • Eager-1 engine. 37756



closeout 2389⁸⁸
 Was 2599.99
 While quantities last
save \$210—
 Craftsman 18.5-HP, 46-in. garden tractor with 6-speed Kohler engine. 25886



closeout 2689⁸⁸
 Was 2899.99
 While quantities last
save \$210—
 Craftsman 18.5-HP, 46-in. automatic garden tractor. No clutching! 25887



Tractors require some assembly

sale \$147
 Reg. 179.99
save \$32—lowest price ever!
 Craftsman 18-in., 2.6-C.I.D. gas chain saw includes extra chain, case, oil, lube, gloves and gas can. 35268



sale 249⁹⁹
 Reg. 319.99
save \$70—lowest price ever!
 10-ft. x 9-ft. High Gambrel lawn building. 68755
SAVE \$10! 10-ft. x 9-ft. floor kit, 68385, reg. 74.99, 64.99



Wide door opening—55½-in. x 60-in.
 Exterior dimensions are approximate

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Kenmore



sale 9⁹⁹



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All refrigerators on sale

sale
549⁹⁹

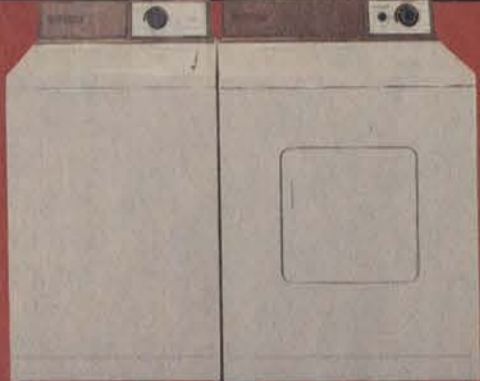
Through January 10. Reg. 599.99

save \$50

Kenmore 18.0 cu. ft., refrigerator with free factory-installed icemaker, an \$80 value. 68832



All washers & dryers on sale



sale
\$177

White only. Reg. \$229

save \$52

1-cycle, 1 temperature washer. 16101

sale
\$177

White, electric model only. Reg. \$229

save \$52

1-cycle, 1 temperature dryer. 66101

Limit 1 pair per customer Through Jan. 3

All cooking on sale



sale
379⁹⁹

Through January 24. Reg. 499.99

save \$120

Kenmore electric range with self-cleaning oven. 92291

All dishwashers on sale

249⁸⁸
closeout

While quantities last. Was 299.99

save \$50

Kenmore 3-level wash dishwasher with deluxe upper rack. 15559



All vacuums on sale



sale
79⁹⁹

Through January 31. Reg. 99.99

save \$20

Kenmore vacuum with 11.0-amp motor, attached tools. 37211

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sale
599⁹⁹

Through January 3. Reg. 649.99

save \$50

RCA 32-in. stereo TV with Master Touch universal remote. 43899 (Mfr. #F32632SB)



closeout
119⁸⁸

While quantities last. Was 149.99

save \$30

LXI 4-head VCR with commercial scan, trilingual menus. 55127

All camcorders on sale



closeout
388⁸⁸

While quantities last. Was 449.99

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