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It was a close finish for this race as (l-r) Greg Oriolo, Ryan Ruzanski and Jake Ryan cheer for their favorite cars during Cub Scout Pack No. 469's Pinewood Derby, held at Sayreville Middle School Friday.

O.B. superintendent accepts Oregon post

Daniel Rodriguez, hired in 1997, saw a \$66M bond referendum through

BY SUE M. MORGAN
Staff Writer

Expressing well wishes and gratitude for his service, the Old Bridge Board of Education accepted the resignation of Superintendent of Schools Daniel Rodriguez during its meeting Tuesday.

The resignation is effective July 1.

Rodriguez notified board members and other district officials last week that he will be leaving the district to accept a position as schools superintendent in Oregon City, Ore., after the current school year ends.

According to district spokeswoman Lori Luicci, Rodriguez was officially offered the Oregon position on March 20.

Rodriguez, a California native, has made no secret of his desire to return to the West Coast to be closer to family members there, according to board Vice President Joan Bonk.

"Dr. Rodriguez was totally upfront with us from a couple of years ago. It's not a surprise," Bonk told Greater Media Newspapers.

"I have nothing but well wishes for him," she added.

Rodriguez earns \$145,000 yearly, Luicci said.

Old Bridge's superintendent since July 1997, Rodriguez worked in an Oregon public school system for nine years before relocating to the East Coast. He came to Old Bridge after serving as superintendent of

schools in Piscataway.

Board President Frank Weber noted Rodriguez's influence in helping to formulate and attain voter approval of September's \$66 million school construction referendum. Weber said he regrets seeing Rodriguez go, but understands his reasons for wanting to leave New Jersey. He said the superintendent has no immediate family in the area.

"I wish him well," Weber said. He called Rodriguez "an integral part of the referendum process."

"I wish he would remain in place to see the fruits of the referendum through to completion that he helped formulate and get passed," he stated.

Bonk praised Rodriguez's accomplishments during his tenure in the district and his visible presence in the schools.

"He has certainly made an impact on the district while he was here," Bonk said. "Anyone who can get two budgets and a referendum passed certainly has made contributions to Old Bridge."

Bonk also noted Rodriguez's presence in the community, particularly in the form of community outreach meetings that the superintendent held on a regular basis.

"He was very visible in the schools from the first day on," Bonk said. "That was part of his original plan."

Because the board has accepted Rodriguez' resignation, he is free to leave the district as of June 30, Weber said.

In an interview earlier this week, Weber suggested that the board begin discussing the criteria for hiring a new superintendent at its April 4 meeting. Candidates for

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Judge upholds revocation of Krome's liquor license

Nightclub owner says business will stay open despite loss of license

BY JENNIFER DOME
Staff Writer

The Sayreville Borough Council's decision to revoke the liquor license from the Krome nightclub, formerly Club Bené, was upheld by Judge Anthony T. Bruno of the Office of Administrative Law,

Mercerville, last week.

Mayor Kennedy O'Brien said he was very pleased with the outcome of the trial.

"A liquor license is a privilege, not a birthright," O'Brien said.

The nightclub, located on Route 35 south and Old Spye Road, is operated by Tom and Joseph Beninato Jr., sons of the original owner of the 50-year-old Kozy Lanes Inc., which owns Krome.

The borough revoked the liquor license in November 2000

after charging that, on five dates that fall, several stipulations attached to the recent renewal of the license were violated.

According to borough documents, 21 charges were filed against the nightclub, holding that on several dates Krome failed to provide valet parking, to have identifiable clothing for security personnel and to have an adequate number of security workers in relation to the number of patrons. The club also failed to remove litter from its parking

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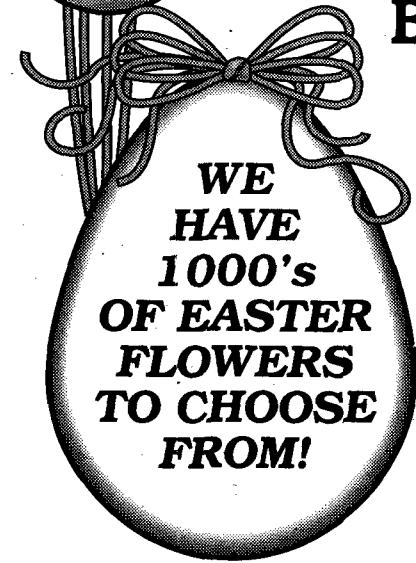
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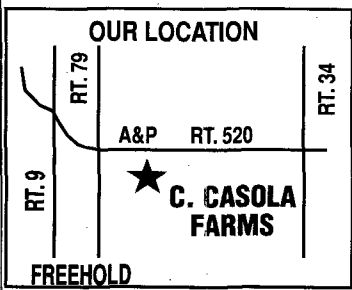
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Board OKs senior housing, offices of housing authority

Two-winged building would be built next to Raritan Bay Med. Center

BY SUE M. MORGAN
Staff Writer

OLD BRIDGE — Applicants seeking to construct a 100-unit age-restricted housing complex adjacent to Raritan Bay Medical Center, Route 18, have cleared the first hurdle toward providing reportedly much-needed affordable senior housing in the township.

The Zoning Board of Adjustment unanimously approved a preliminary site plan application last Thursday submitted by developer Pennrose Properties Inc. of Philadelphia to construct the four-story structure on a 15-acre parcel adjacent to the hospital's Old Bridge division, near Ferry Road.

The proposed building would be located west of the hospital and adjacent to Old Bridge Manor.

Besides the 100 full-sized units, the building will also house the offices of the township's Housing Authority. Pennrose Properties, a noted affordable age-restricted housing contractor, applied on behalf of the authority, which owns the land.

Because the property, which the Housing Authority purchased from the township for \$600,000 last year, is in a general office zone, and not a residential zone, Pennrose was required to get a use variance from the board.

The building would be constructed with two wings and a circular lobby/common area serving as the residential point of entry located between the wings. The offices for the housing authority would be self-contained in the right wing, according to Mary Ann Gurliaccio, housing authority chairwoman.

A parking lot with a capacity of 107 vehicles would be located in front of the building, with an additional 15 stalls in an overflow area. The lots could be used by residents and their visitors, as well as by housing authority personnel and their clients, said William F. Nero of French & Parrello Associates, Holmdel, the project's consulting engineer.

The building will be constructed in a

linear fashion due to wetlands that run in an east to west direction on the site, Nero said.

"With a senior housing use, you don't want to go too high and you don't want a lot of angles," Nero said. "From a senior perspective, the most linear layout is best."

The complex would be accessed via a driveway from northbound Route 18. The contractor also hopes to create an emergency "cut-through" road allowing easy accessibility to the hospital.

The present plan calls for entry and exit only to Route 18, but not to Ferry Road.

Board member James Galante asked Timothy Henkel, a Pennrose development officer, to define affordable housing. Henkel explained that affordable housing is based on the area's median income. In Middlesex County, the median income is \$63,000 yearly, Henkel said. The correlating rent to that income would be \$720 monthly, Henkel said.

"The housing authority wants to make these rents lower," Henkel said.

Housing Authority Attorney W. Lane Miller told the board that it is difficult to determine exactly what the monthly rents will be, but he estimated that they would be in the range of \$500 monthly.

"They are really beyond our control," Miller said.

According to Gurliaccio, Pennrose, which would also own the building, is presently lobbying for a payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) arrangement where it would pay the township a set amount of money for municipal services annually.

The PILOT payment would be based on the gross revenues received from the complex through rentals, as opposed to assessed property valuation, Miller said.

Without knowing if Pennrose will be eligible for the PILOT arrangement and because the developer is seeking to get state Council on Affordable Housing credits, Miller stated that it is hard to determine what the actual monthly rents will be.

"Once that is fixed, we will be able to give a figure," Miller said.

Pennrose is leasing the property from the housing authority for a period of 60 years, Gurliaccio said.

Mary Johannesen, a partner with Kitchen and Associates Architectural



A facility in Old Bridge proposed by Pennrose Properties would feature 100 units of senior housing and would house the offices of the township's Housing Authority.

Services of Philadelphia, the building's designer, said the wings will hold fully independent units with a living/dining area, a small kitchen and a bathroom. Nine units would have two bedrooms and the others would have one bedroom. Each unit would have its own individually controlled heating and cooling system.

A community room is planned for the lobby area. Common laundry facilities will be located on each floor with a lounge/library area on the third floor, Johannesen said.

Five percent of the units will be handicapped accessible. Higher floors would be accessible via an elevator and two stairwells. Sprinklers would be installed throughout the building, Johannesen added.

"We're trying to make it look like a home and not an institution," Johannesen said.

Residents and visitors would enter the building through a single point of entry in the circular vestibule. Each resident would be issued a card key to enter the main entrance, Johannesen said. Visitors would be able to contact residents via an intercom system. Residents could then view their visitors on a closed circuit television system and allow entry into the building by unlocking the vestibule's front door from their apartments.

Township Planner Sam Rizzo voiced concerns about the building's length and linear appearance from Route 18. He pointed out that, from the roadway, the structure would appear as two buildings connected by a third circular structure.

In order to avoid the appearance of long, straight, unbroken lines in the structure, Rizzo asked the architects to alter their plans to provide several breaks in the building.

Noting that the presence and location of wetlands on the parcel prohibits the building from being constructed horizontally to Route 18, Beth Kitchen, a principal architect with Kitchen Associates, requested a bulk variance to permit the linear construction allowing the building's frontage to face northward.

"The wetlands have severely restricted how we can set up the building," Kitchen said.

No date was set for a hearing on the bulk variance or the final site plan approval.

Gurliaccio said that, pending final site plan approval, she hopes that Pennrose and the Housing Authority can break ground for the complex in October. Should that occur, and depending on weather conditions during the winter, the complex could open for occupancy in the early spring of 2003, Gurliaccio said.

Summer completion expected in bridge project

Second project on Route 18 slated to begin in 2004

BY SUE M. MORGAN
Staff Writer

Ongoing repair work on Route 18 at East Brunswick's border with Old Bridge, which includes a newly constructed bridge over Main Street, should be completed by this summer, according to a spokesman for the state Department of Transportation (DOT).

The \$9.5 million construction project has been delayed by utility work and the need to acquire as many as four residential properties situated along the state highway in order to widen the road, DOT spokesman John Dourgarian said. The Route 18 bridge crosses over Main Street and the Conrail railroad tracks in East Brunswick just north of the Old Bridge border.

"The project, which will line up the new roadway connections with the bridge,

is scheduled for completion this summer," said Dourgarian. "Once this is done, the bridge will be able to be fully used."

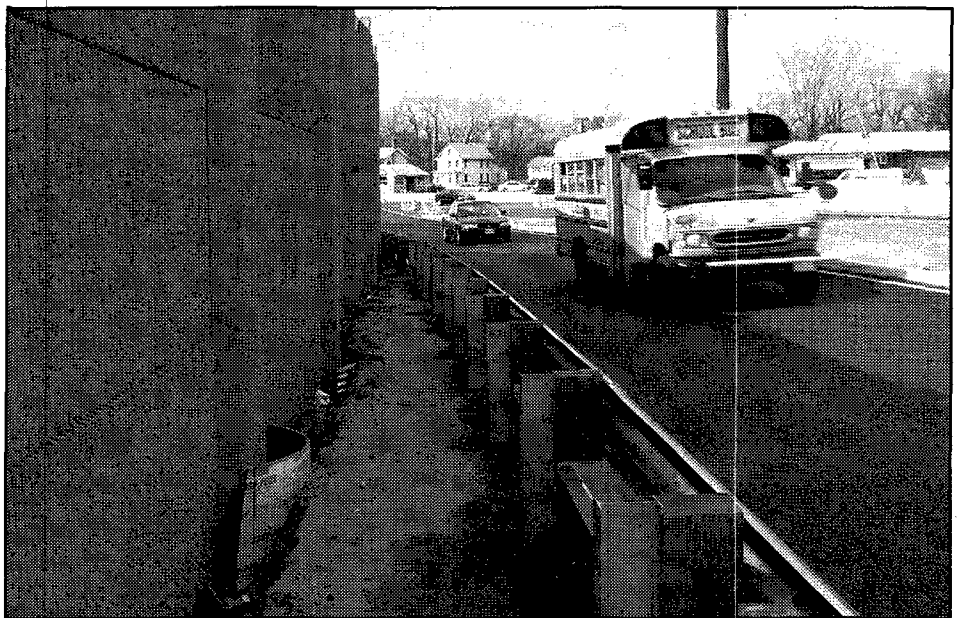
The bridge currently in use is a new structure now consisting of two lanes traveling in each direction, he said. When completed, it will have three lanes running in each direction and shoulders on each side, he said.

"We didn't have every parcel in place," Dourgarian said.

The demolition of the houses was necessary in order to provide space for the widening of the highway on both sides, he said.

Funded by the Federal Highway Administration, the project includes a 525-foot-long sound barrier along Route 18.

A second phase of the construction will add new on- and off-ramps and upgrade the roadway in the area where Route 18 meets routes 516 and 527 in Old Bridge. That \$13.4 million project, which will include the construction of a new Route 18 bridge over Route 516, is due to begin in 2004.



A school bus passes by the nearly completed sound barrier separating Route 18 from homes in East Brunswick near the border with Old Bridge.

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Theater's attorney says client's rights 'trampled'

BY JENNIFER DOME
 Staff Writer

SAYREVILLE — Attorneys representing the Cinema 9 adult movie theater and the borough are expected to give summations to the Borough Council by next month so the governing body can determine whether to renew the theater's business license.

The council held a hearing last week to allow testimony in the borough's case against renewing the license.

Cinema 9, in the Sayreville Plaza, Route 9, has been operating on an interim business license since January when the council voted against renewing the license due to code violations cited by the borough's code enforcement officer, William Nemeth. Nemeth has been working with the Sayreville Police Department in recent years to investigate various issues with Cinema 9, Borough Attorney Judy Verrone has said.

Sayreville Police Detective Bureau Capt. Edward Szkodny said that the business is operating in violation of a state statute that prohibits sexually oriented businesses such as adult theaters from operating within 1,000 feet of a residential area, church or school. The theater is located within 200 feet of a borough neighborhood, Verrone said.

Although an initial hearing on the business license was scheduled to take place last month, Verrone and Borough Prosecutor Robert Blanda questioned the credentials of one of the attorneys representing the theater's owner, Wyndmoore Management Co. According to Verrone and Blanda, Herald Price Fahringer is not licensed as an attorney in the state of New Jersey, and should have

notified the borough of his credentials prior to that hearing. That hearing was postponed, and prior to the next hearing, which was held March 21, Fahringer attempted to get approval from a state judge to represent his client, but that approval was not granted, Verrone said.

Wyndmoore Management Co.'s other representative, Myron Milch, of Hackensack, refused to cross-examine the borough's witnesses at the March 21 hearing, saying he does not specialize in First Amendment law, while Fahringer does. According to Milch, the mayor and council have "trampled" his client's rights.

"No one has a right to tell a client who can represent them," Milch said.

Milch said that if the business license is not renewed, he intends to file a motion in state Superior Court and argue that there were "deficiencies" in the way the council handled the hearing. He contended that borough officials are intent on revoking Cinema 9's business license.

If, after summations are given in the coming weeks, Cinema 9 is found to be in violation of the state statute, Verrone said the business license cannot be renewed.

In addition to the borough's case against the adult theater, the Police Department has filed several criminal charges against it, Szkodny said. Regardless of whether the business license is renewed, a hearing will be held in Sayreville municipal court on the criminal charges, he said.

Cinema 9 has five charges of maintaining a nuisance, according to Szkodny. The charges, based on multiple arrests for sexual activity, are pending a court date, he said.

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One down and a basket to go! Laura Metz, 3, hunts for eggs during the Sayreville Easter egg hunt held at the borough hall fields on Saturday.

Budget carrying 19-cent tax hike sent to voters

BY SUE M. MORGAN
Staff Writer

OLD BRIDGE — The Board of Education unanimously voted Tuesday to adopt a budget for 2002-03 that totals more than \$106 million and would raise school taxes for the average homeowner by \$273.

The budget now goes before the voters in the April 16 school board election.

As presented, the budget would raise the school tax rate by 19 cents to \$2.07 per \$100 of assessed valuation. On the average township home, assessed at \$144,000, school taxes would increase from \$2,707 to \$2,980 yearly.

Four cents of the proposed tax levy would be used toward the district's \$2.29 million debt payment, district officials have said. That payment serves as the first installment payment on a \$66 million school construction project that will ultimately create one single high school campus. The district must repay \$47 million

borrowed to finance the construction over 30 years.

Because the voters approved the referendum in September, the district received \$18.9 million in state grants to help finance that construction.

Rising health insurance premiums, a substantial increase in transportation costs, and increasing enrollment are all factors that have created for a school tax levy, district officials have said.

Although the district will still receive \$35 million in state aid, the same amount as last year, district officials have stated that the amount will not cover increased operating costs. Consequently, taxpayers must supplement those expenses through increased school taxes, officials have said.

No one from the public spoke during an open hearing on the budget Tuesday night at the television studio at Old Bridge High School east campus.

Polls for the April 16 election will be open from 2 to 9 p.m.

Police, firemen to play benefit basketball game

The Sayreville Police Department will face off against the Sayreville Fire Department in a basketball game to benefit the David Christopher Miller Cerebral Palsy Fund at Methaney at 3 p.m. on April 28 in the St. Stanislaus Kostka School gym, 225 MacArthur Ave., Sayreville.

The event will feature live music, raf-

fles and refreshments.

Donation is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children ages 16 and under. Advance tickets are available from Connie Modzelewski at (732) 651-6391, the church office at (732) 254-0212 or after Masses at St. Stan's, April 6-28. Tickets also will be sold at the door.

Performers to appear in duet concert at library

The Friends of the Old Bridge Public Library will present alto saxophone and flute virtuoso Libby Richman in a duet performance with guitarist Tom Landman from 1-3 p.m. on April 13 in the reading area of the main library, Route 516 and Cottrell Road.

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Rt. 516 project draws concern

OLD BRIDGE — Concern that ongoing road improvements at the busy intersection of Route 516 and Bushnell Road have been overengineered has prompted the Township Council to ask the county to take a second look at the construction design.

The council approved a resolution 7-0 Monday night asking Middlesex County to assign the county engineer to re-examine the design of the four-way intersection to determine if any other changes could be made to enhance its safety and efficiency. The road-widening and paving project, located near Burger King and a 7-Eleven convenience store, has been ongoing since April, township officials have said.

The township's legal department will be forwarding the resolution to county officials as well as to the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

In the resolution, the council states that the improvements to the four-way intersection are nearly complete. The council expresses concern that the improvements as

constructed are overdesigned and might not adequately meet the needs of drivers, Old Bridge residents and businesses within the immediate area.

At the March 18 agenda meeting, Councilman Dennis Maher had requested that the township formulate and pass the resolution to be forwarded to the county. He noted that the construction has negatively affected area businesses.

"They [the businesses] think that the road has been overengineered," Maher said at that meeting.

Residents have complained about inconveniences caused by the construction and the length of its duration at council meetings, as well as at a mayor's open forum meeting held March 6. At the open forum, Mayor Barbara Cannon stated that the delays were due in part to the running of power lines in the area by Verizon and other utility companies.

— Sue M. Morgan

Revocation

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lot, which was another condition of the renewal, borough documents stated.

The club was also charged with demonstrating an inability to control crowds as they exited or entered the premises. This resulted in several fights, noise violations and the hindering of the flow of traffic on Old Spye Road, according to the borough.

The charges were compounded in October 2000 when, just weeks after the club's liquor license was renewed, police reported a fight that resulted in the arrest of a New Brunswick man after he fired shots into the air.

Bruno ruled that all the evidence presented by the borough was factual and that Kozy Lanes Inc. failed to present testimony directly contradicting Sayreville's points.

"Having observed the demeanor of each witness and considering the substantially identical testimony of the sequestered witness, I find the testimony of the Sayreville police officers and the residents of Old Spye Road vicinity to be legally competent and credible," Bruno wrote in his conclusion of the appeal.

Bruno did, however, find that Sayreville

did not present sufficient evidence to prove that Kozy Lanes Inc. changed its trade name four separate times, as the borough alleged.

Nevertheless, Bruno ruled that "Kozy Lanes violated the terms and conditions of the Sayreville resolution renewing the Kozy Lanes' retail plenary consumption liquor license for license year 2000/2001."

Therefore, the decision to revoke the license was "affirmed," Bruno ruled.

Bruno ruled, however, that the "recommended decision may be adopted, modified or rejected by the director of the (state) Division of Alcoholic Beverage Control (ABC), who by law is authorized to make a final decision in this matter." However, if the director makes no action regarding Bruno's ruling within 45 days, the judge's ruling will stand.

Since Kozy Lanes Inc. lost its liquor license, the nightclub has been holding alcohol-free events on the premises. Joseph Beninato said Tuesday that he and his brother will continue to do so, although Kozy Lanes Inc. has lost money due to the loss of liquor sales.

"We're trying (to keep the club open)," Beninato said.

The nightclub was denied permission from the ABC to serve alcohol on the premises while appealing the loss of its license.

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"We are the 14th largest district in the state, with over 10,000 students," Weber said.

Rodriguez had interviewed for a position in Albany, Ore., last year. After a job offer from that district failed to materialize, he chose to remain in Old Bridge to work with the district in its campaign to pass the referendum.

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the position should have three to five years of experience as a superintendent in a K-12 district and experience in seeing a construction referendum to completion, Weber said.

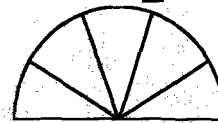
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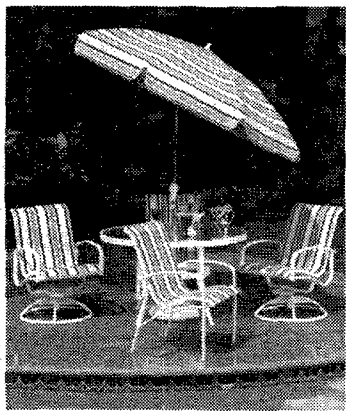
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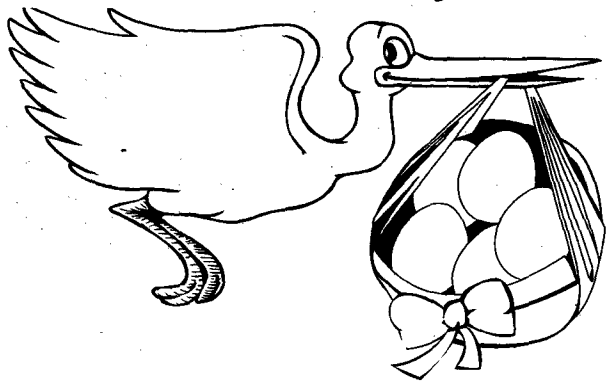
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Planners hear testimony on Crystal Lake traffic

Redesign reduces
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BY ALISON GRANITO
Staff Writer

With the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional Board of Education and the township of Old Bridge formally opposed to the Crystal Lake development, a crowd of approximately 50 people turned out at last week's Aberdeen Planning Board meeting to hear testimony on the development.

Greenwood Holdings, LLC, Holmdel, is seeking major site plan approval on the 379-unit townhouse development, to be located off Greenwood Avenue on the Old Bridge/Marlboro border. The Old Bridge Council has passed a resolution formally opposing the development, as has the Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District.

If approved, the complex would be located on a 45-acre tract of vacant land currently zoned RA-PRD. That designation allows for the construction of a planned residential development, such as Crystal Lake.

According to the Aberdeen master plan, the purpose of the RA-PRD zone is "to provide for the construction of housing for low- and moderate-income households as well as households in other income categories."

The area of Freneau near where Crystal Lake would be located was the center of the township's affordable housing controversy in the early 1990s. Two proposed high density developments, Applewood and Aberdeen Forge, stalled after nearly a decade-long legal battle over the number of affordable housing units to be included if the developments were built.

Since the last round of testimony in January, the applicant has revised the site plan for the development, decreasing the number of units from 387 and changing the distribution of the complex's Mount Laurel affordable housing and senior components throughout the development.

Under Aberdeen's state Council on Affordable Housing requirements, the township is responsible for providing 54 units of age-restricted affordable housing in the next six years.

Of the 379 units proposed for Crystal Lake, 48 would be designated as low- or moderate-income housing, while another 16 low- and moderate-income units would be reserved for senior citizens. Of the remaining units, 61 would be designated as townhouses while the remaining 254 units would be considered multi-family housing.

The majority of the testimony at last week's meeting focused on the traffic impact study, based on traffic counts conducted in the area in May.

According to Harvey Yesowitz, the applicant's traffic expert, Crystal Lake would generate 2,283 additional vehicle trips, both entrances and exits, over a 24-hour period on Greenwood Road, which he said has a low to moderate traffic volume.

According to his testimony, the majority of the traffic from the complex would be coming from and going to points north.

Yesowitz said he arrived at that conclusion by studying the traffic patterns of the Old Bridge subdivision Cedar Ridge, which is across the street, by tracking the direction of traffic leaving Pemberton Drive and Winston Drive.

During the peak morning hour of 7:15-8:15 a.m., Yesowitz said, approximately 146 additional car trips on Greenwood Road would be generated by the complex. During the peak evening traffic hour of 4:45-5:45 p.m., 192 additional trips into and out of Crystal Lake are projected.

The gain in traffic, he said, was "not inconsequential," but the "volumes can be accommodated by the roads."

According to the traffic engineer, the applicant plans to widen Greenwood Road as well as flatten humps in the road, which would increase the visibility, allowing drivers to make a turn from the complex onto Greenwood Road more easily.

In addition to the improvements to Greenwood Road, the applicant would contribute its fair share to other road improvements in the area, as is required by law of any developer.

Aberdeen Mayor David Sobel, who sits on the Planning Board, said traffic in the area is a regional problem.

"We are all concerned about what the impact will be on what has become a sorry state of affairs trying to maneuver around different communities, including to and from the train station," said Sobel.

Several of those who spoke at the public hearing were concerned about the traffic impact of the development on already busy roads such as Wilson Avenue, Route 79 and Route 516. Wilson Avenue connects Route 79 to Henninger's Mill and Texas roads.

"At the end of Wilson and [Route] 79, you can lose 15-20 minutes trying to get through that intersection in the morning," said Dave Celestina of Morganville Road in Old Bridge.

Aberdeen Planning Board Attorney Michael Leckstein told one resident of Cedar Ridge in Old Bridge concerned about increased traffic that traffic problems have been building up for a long time.

"You can't just see the last straw as the straw that broke the camel's back," said Leckstein.

After several residents questioned the accuracy of the May counts on the basis that Greenwood Road had been closed from November 2000 until February 2001, the applicant agreed to conduct additional traffic counts before the next Planning Board meeting at which the application would be heard.

Old Bridge Township Planner Sam Rizzo also questioned the accuracy of the applicant's traffic counts based on the number generated by recent subdivisions in Old Bridge that are near the site of Crystal Lake.

Yesowitz said that the numbers for those subdivisions, which consist of single family homes, would not paint an accurate picture of the amount of traffic that Crystal Lake would generate since single family homes tend to generate nearly twice as many car trips as townhouses.

Rizzo also requested that the impact on potential developments in nearby Marlboro be considered by the board when weighing the Crystal Lake application.

Board officials noted that traffic generation alone is not legal grounds to deny an application for an approved use of the land.

Matawan-Aberdeen Regional School District Superintendent Michael Klavon also spoke at the public hearing, reading into the record the school district's December resolution opposing Crystal Lake on the grounds that it would have an impact on an already overburdened school system.

The hearing was continued to 7:30 p.m. May 15.

Officials: Ruling is a victory in controlling development

Council members ask planning board to look for more down-zoning

BY JENNIFER DOME
Staff Writer

SAYREVILLE — Councilmen Vincent Zarcaro and Frank Makransky announced last week on the tail end of a court victory regarding a zone change to allow less housing in one section of town that they will continue efforts to "down-zone" other areas as well.

On March 4, state Superior Court Judge Richard F. Plechner, sitting in New Brunswick, upheld amendments made to Sayreville's zoning code and dismissed property owner Loraine Mocco's complaint that the amendments made development of her land on Main Street "unfeasible."

The zone change reduced allowable residential density from 4 units to 2.1 units per acre, according to borough officials, and eliminated a multi-family housing development option.

Mocco filed suit against the municipality in May 1999, stating that the amendments to the zoning code were "arbitrary, capricious and unreasonable as applied to her property," according to documents provided by Mayor Kennedy O'Brien and Riker, Danzig, Scherer, Hyland & Perretti, who represented the borough during litigation. According to the documents, Mocco believed that her property was not able to be developed under the new zone restrictions.

Mocco's attorney, Bernard Shihar, of Convery, Convery and Shihar, could not be reached for comment.

The plaintiff's 157-acre property was subject to changes that went into effect in March 1999. The intention of the new "planned development, or PD, zone," was to "control density, promote a mixed use of housing types and preserve existing open space in the municipality," according to officials.

Plechner upheld this plan, stating that the amendments were consistent with the borough's master plan and that Mocco was unable to prove "that the amended zoning ordinances rendered the development of her property unfeasible," a press release stated.

The lead counsel for the borough, Gerald A. Liloia, said in the press release that the "zoning regulations are enacted for the benefit of the entire community, and that the economic interests of an individual landowner are not the appropriate criteria for assessing the validity of a zoning ordinance."

Zarcaro said March 19 that he intends to seek out other areas that can be "down-zoned." He said he plans to introduce a resolution directing the Planning Board to make a list of such areas.

"Elected officials have the duty and the right to protect municipalities against unwanted development," Zarcaro said in the press release. "I intend to take the list that we receive from the Planning Board

and down-zone as many areas as possible."

In response to the dismissal of Mocco's complaint, O'Brien said the borough has been successful at minimizing the amount of building that is allowed.

"Hopefully, our victory here ... will demonstrate our commitment to controlling development in the borough, and preserving open space throughout the community," O'Brien said on March 4.

Makransky said that the victory is important in helping the borough reduce density in Sayreville.

"I intend to see that the Borough Council takes swift action to ensure that the borough of Sayreville only develops as necessary," Makransky said.

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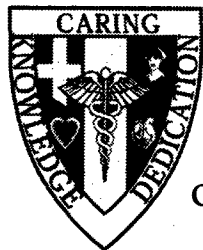
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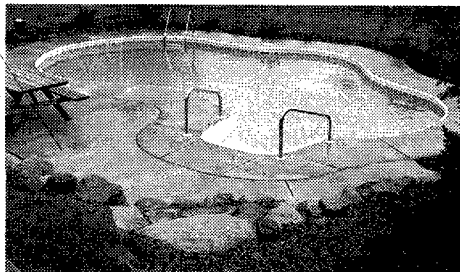
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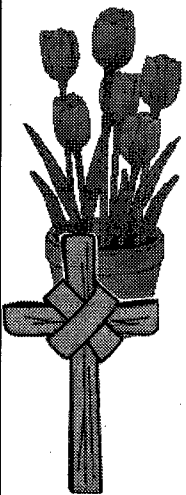
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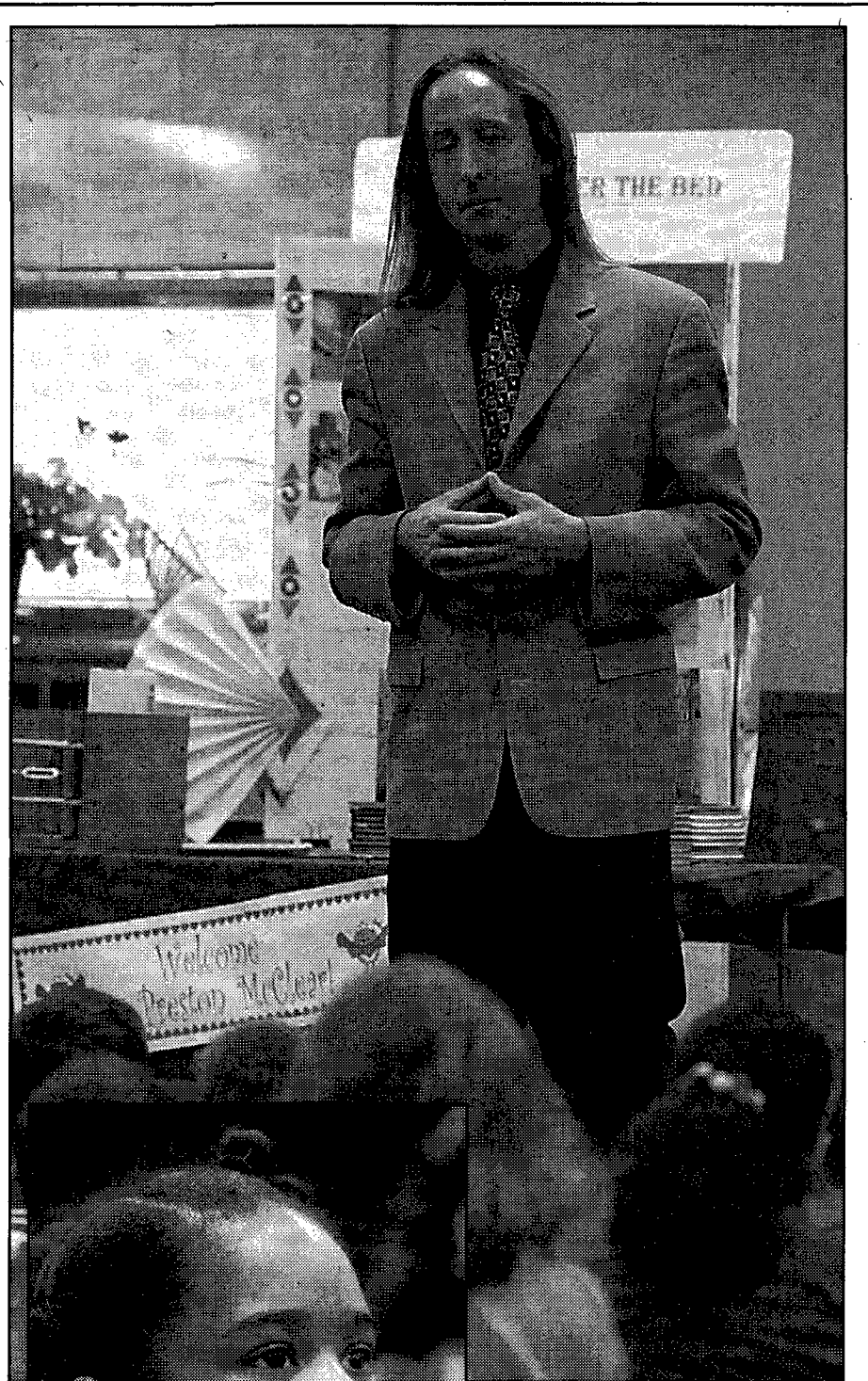
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BY JENNIFER DOME
Staff Writer

SAYREVILLE — A budget proposed by the Board of Education for the 2002-03 school year that carries an 8-cent increase in the school tax rate, was approved by a unanimous vote of the Board of Education after a special presentation Tuesday.

According to School Business Administrator Michael Poll, the owner of property assessed at the borough average of \$135,000 will see a tax increase of approximately \$108 under the present proposal.

The total school budget for 2002-03 would be approximately \$57.6 million, including debt service for construction bonding, Poll said. Taxpayers would be responsible for approximately \$37.2 million of the total cost, he said.

Superintendent of Schools Dennis Fyffe and board member Arthur Rittenhouse conducted a power point presentation during the meeting that highlighted comparisons among the Sayreville school district and other districts in the county and the state. According to Fyffe, Sayreville ranks 96 out of 97 for schools of their size with regard to the amount of money spent per pupil. In other words, Sayreville spends less per pupil than 95 other K-12 districts that have a population of more than 3,500 students, Fyffe said.

This year, the district will spend \$491 less per pupil than last year, Fyffe said.

According to Fyffe, the board wanted to keep the tax increase as low as possible since residents were so generous when voting for the Samsel School referendum in November. The school district will maintain existing programs and also ease the overcrowding in the schools with this budget, Fyffe said.

One reason board member Curtis Clark said he voted to adopt the proposed budget, is that it includes funds to expand the classroom and cafeteria space in the middle school.

Rittenhouse pointed out that Sayreville spends 68 percent of its budget directly for the children. He said that while the board had to cut back on a number of projects, the students are getting everything they need for their education.

"There are children in this district who deserve more, but we have to try to strike a balance," Board of Education President Kevin Ciak said.

One parent, Terri Campbell of Siedler Lane, said she feels that spending less per pupil than most other school districts is not something to be proud of.

"I'd be willing to spend whatever the state says to provide an education to my child," said Campbell, the mother of a middle school student and an elementary school student.

Campbell said she is concerned that if the budget does not pass as the board has proposed, it will be cut even more.

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Last year, voters defeated a school tax levy that would have translated to an increase of \$139 for the average homeowner. The tax rate was then reduced by about half of what was proposed, and a 5-cent increase, or \$68, was instituted after the Borough Council reviewed the school budget and made recommendations to cut a variety of items.

School board members cut about \$3.5 million from a preliminary 2002-03 budget by deleting items that had been requested by the administration, Poll said.

According to board members, the board was originally going to hire 22 new teachers for the district; now, there are only 11 included in the proposed budget. Ciak added that, based on past surveys, taxpayers are usually willing to pay around \$100 more in school taxes. However, he said budgets have passed with more of an increase, and they have failed with less of an increase.

The two main reasons for the 8-cent increase in the 2002-03 budget were a decrease in state and federal aid, and basic inflation that occurs each year, district officials said. The tax increase, they said, could not be avoided even with the cuts.

"We have not cut any existing curricular or extracurricular programs," Ciak said Tuesday.

According to Ciak, the district is allocating \$50,000 for a wireless computer lab, which would allow teachers to transport laptop computers from class to class. The board also earmarked \$45,000 for teachers to become involved with curriculum writing in various subject areas. Currently, supervisors do most of the curriculum writing in the district, Ciak said.

The board also decided to implement a freshman wrestling program next year at a cost of \$4,800, the board president said.

When asked for a comment about the proposed budget, board member Joseph Bera responded by simply saying, "Vote yes."

Borough residents can vote on the proposed school budget April 16 from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., Ciak said. Residents will also elect three members to the school board on that date. The four candidates running are incumbents Bera, Rittenhouse, Ronald VanTine, and newcomer John Myatt.



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Don't combine authorities; eliminate New Jersey Highway Authority

Citizens Against Tolls has learned Gov. James E. McGreevey will soon present his plan to combine the New Jersey Highway and the New Jersey Turnpike authorities. Unless there is a significant cut in costs throughout the bureaucratic structure of these authorities, we do not see many reasons to proceed with this process.

Combining the authorities has a number of setbacks:

- The governor's actions will lead to a larger and stronger bureaucratic/patronage body. This body will continue to incur huge amounts of debt at the expense of New Jersey's residents. Most importantly, is combining the parkway and turnpike a step to prevent the citizens from one day removing only parkway toll barriers?

- If no patronage jobs are eliminated, how many savings are there and what changes actually occur? This is not clear to us.

- We fear the combination of the two authorities could also be a step toward High Speed E-ZPass, a system estimated to cost the taxpayers of New Jersey more than \$300 million. (This is only a preliminary estimate. It is safe to say the final cost for such a system could reach close to \$1 billion.) High Speed E-ZPass is nothing

more than a code word for eternal tolls.

The safest, most economical and beneficial way to assist the residents of New Jersey would be to completely remove tolls from the Garden State Parkway.

Without this action, the perpetuation of the authorities will only lead to additional mental anguish, waste and safety hazards.

During the past couple months, Citizens Against Tolls has been informed that E-ZPass cameras have now been installed in nearly every lane at many toll barriers along the Garden State Parkway. (At what expense?) This means fines will be increased and sent to anyone not paying in "exact change" lanes.

Should persons "missing" the exact change bucket be forced to stop their vehicle, step out of the car and collect the displaced coins?

What is the personal hazard of such action? Our government officials should make this clear.

Remember, the Garden State Parkway is just a road — please help stop the insanity.

*John Millett
Citizens Against Tolls
Manasquan*

Move E-ZPass booth to a different lane

On Feb. 18 the E-ZPass booth at Garden State Parkway Raritan Toll Plaza south was relocated from the second lane (from the right) to the third lane in the second row of booths.

This made it impossible to use E-ZPass during evening rush hour for those who need to use Exit 124 or Exit 123 south.

To get to Exit 124 from the E-ZPass lane, you have to change two lanes in a very short distance. During rush hour, vehicles are moving bumper-to-bumper in two right lanes starting from the

booths, and it is impossible to change two lanes to get to Exit 124 south.

The inconvenient location of the E-ZPass booth may create a dangerous situation on the parkway and cause accidents.

I believe that E-ZPass was made to improve safety and traffic congestion on the roads, not the opposite.

So let us install an E-ZPass device in the first lane of the second row of Raritan Toll Plaza south.

*Irina Ivanter
Sayreville*



Letters

Resident thinks criticism of Old Bridge councilman was unjust

I must take exception to an obviously partisan letter to the editor, written by Joseph Mancini, ("Appreciates Old Bridge Councilman's Bid To Make Roads Safer," *Suburban*, March 14) and to the erroneous statements made by this gentleman.

First of all, at no time did Councilman Richard Greene "speak down" to Councilman Kevin Calogera. Mr. Greene merely suggested that traffic and safety issues and concerns exist

throughout the township.

If Mr. Mancini had researched Councilman Greene's record, he would have discovered that traffic concerns and vehicular speeding throughout the township are a priority with Mr. Greene. He would also have found that the state Department of Transportation (DOT) denied a township request to install a traffic light at the intersection of Ticetown Road and Valley Vale Drive. Despite this decision by the DOT, Councilman Greene has been

aggressively working with the township's Police Department to get the DOT to reverse its position.

Instead of launching petty attacks, Mr. Mancini should applaud the efforts of both Councilman Calogera and Councilman Greene in their attempt to control a serious problem that exists in our township.

*Dan Ostrowski
Old Bridge*

Thanks extended to supporters of PTA's 'Care Night 2002'

A word of thanks from the Middle School PTA to the many volunteers and local businesses in the Sayreville area for helping make "Care Night 2002" a success.

Again and again, local busi-

nesses in the Sayreville area continue to support the children in our schools. Donations range from stylish haircuts to delicious hot pizzas.

The generosity of the local business owners and the volun-

teers in our community helped make Care Night an evening of fun shared with friends and family.

*Kathy Makowski
Sayreville Middle School PTA*

Dedicated state income tax should fund education system

Property taxes have become a growing problem, resulting in a great hardship for New Jersey residents. Poor planning is a major contributing factor.

Housing construction has overridden its boundaries and, in turn, has created a multitude of children to overflow our schools. The homes, which have been built, are not affordable to the

general public and are highly priced in order to attract the wealthy. When the owners move in, they enter their children in our schools, thereby making our taxes go up, and in turn, forcing the lower income families to pay for their children's education. This is immensely unfair to place such a burden on the people who have lived here most of their lives and

contributed so much.

Financing the schools should come from the state income tax.

It is high time and long overdue for legislation to enact a new referendum, and in doing so, protect the future of the state and its educational system.

*Ann Czok
East Brunswick*

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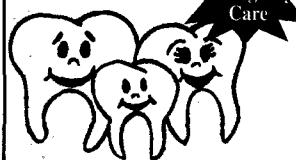
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Down payment increased in condemnation of Cedar Ridge II parcel

BY SUE M. MORGAN
Staff Writer

OLD BRIDGE — The Township Council has approved a \$200,000 emergency appropriation to be used as part of a 5-percent down payment on the outstanding balance to buy the 200-acre Cedar Ridge II property.

The council voted 6-1 to approve the appropriation at its public meeting Monday

night. Ward 1 Councilman Joseph Hoff, a vocal opponent of the Cedar Ridge II purchase, cast the lone dissenting vote.

Township Finance Director Himanshu Shah said the emergency appropriation is needed because the township's general treasury is \$200,000 short of the \$370,000 necessary to make the down payment on the property. The \$200,000 appropriation will be incorporated into the fiscal year 2003 budget, Shah said.

The highest of three appraisals received approximately two weeks ago by Township Attorney William Ruggiero placed the property's value at close to \$14 million. Shah noted that, according to the state's bond ordinance, a 5-percent down payment, or \$700,000 based on the \$14 million figure, is required in order for the township to continue its condemnation proceedings.

The township had assessed the property at \$6.6 million in 1999. A 5-percent down payment based on that assessment, or \$330,000, has already been made to the state, Shah said.

Because of the more recently released higher appraisal, the township must pay an additional \$370,000 to fulfill the state's down payment requirement, Shah said.

Since the township has only \$170,000 left in its capital budget for this fiscal year, the \$200,000 emergency appropriation was necessary, Shah explained.

In addition to the \$330,000 that was paid based upon the \$6.6 million appraisal, Ruggiero said the township has already deposited \$6.2 million in the state's courts towards purchasing the property. That includes \$2 million from Middlesex County, \$1 million from the township's open space trust, and \$3.5 million from state Green Acres grants.

The township has also been approved for a \$9.5 million state Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) loan toward the acquisition of the property, which it plans to preserve as open space. That loan, on which the township must also repay half of the interest, will be received in the fall, Mayor Barbara Cannon has said.

The appraised value of the land, located between Morganville and Ticetown roads, has been a major sticking point in the township's negotiations to purchase it.

The property owner, developer Marvin Schmelzer, has estimated its value at \$14 million. Schmelzer had previously planned to construct a 139 single-family home development on the property. However, both of his applications were rejected by the Planning Board in 1999 and 2001.

The township council subsequently began negotiating to acquire the property through condemnation in July 2001 after Schmelzer's second application was denied.

Most township officials have emphasized that the land must be spared from residential development in the growing township. However, Hoff has said he believes that, based upon all estimates received, the property will ultimately cost more than the township should actually pay for it.

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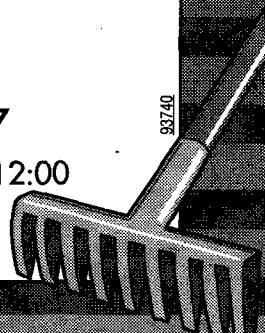
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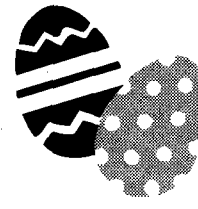
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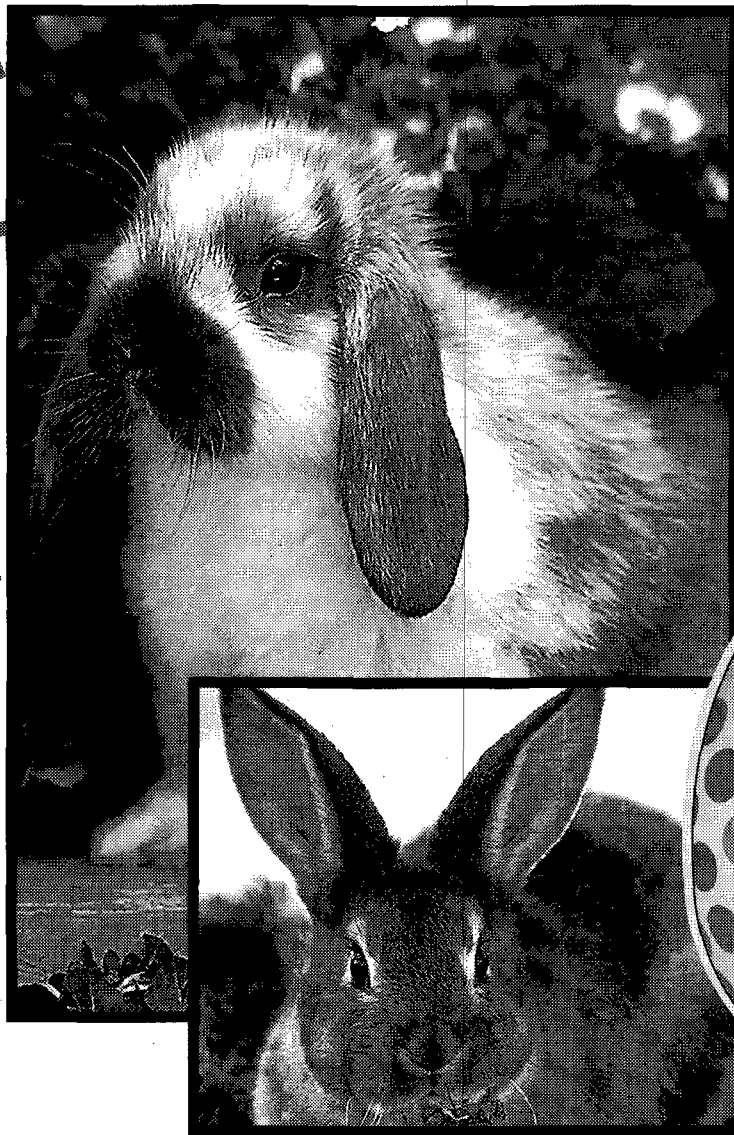
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Batko switches parties; claims GOP is 'stagnant'

BY JENNIFER DOME
Staff Writer

SAYREVILLE — Councilwoman Phyllis Batko announced this week that she will no longer be a member of the borough's Republican Party, citing philosophic differences.

"As time passed, it appeared to me that the goals of the Republican Party were not really those that I had campaigned on," Batko said.

Batko said she has been a Democrat since she began voting. However, she switched parties in 1997 when she first ran for the Borough Council as a Republican. Though she did not win that election, she ran again and won as a Republican in 2000.

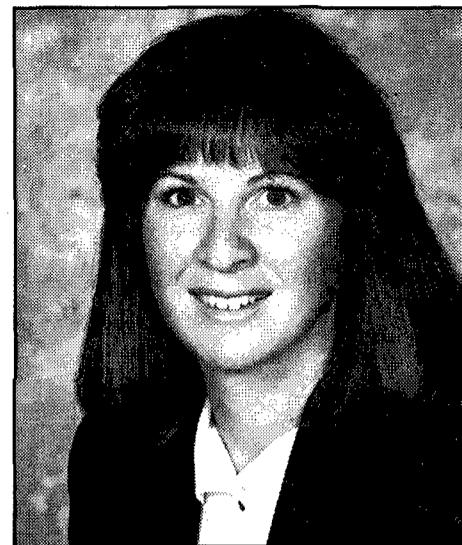
"I feel like we're stagnant," Batko said about the Republican majority on the Borough Council. Her change in party affiliation will evenly split the council, as there will be three Democrats and three Republicans. Any votes along party lines that result in a tie can be broken by Republican Mayor Kennedy O'Brien, however.

Batko said she does not plan to change the way she votes, though.

"I vote what I think is right. I don't vote along party lines," she said.

Batko has voted differently on many ordinances and resolutions from the Republicans, particularly on issues dealing with finances. Batko said she is concerned that the amount of bonding the council has approved will have a negative effect in the future. According to Batko, bonding can fix a problem in the short term, but the funds will only have to be paid off down the road.

"I find myself more comfortable with [Democratic Councilman Thomas Marcinczyk's] proactive style and his fiscal responsibility than that of the Republican majority," Batko said. She and



Phyllis Batko

Marcinczyk have voted the same way many times in the months since Marcinczyk took his position on the council in January.

"I will continue to work with those who are elected by the people no matter what their party affiliation," Batko said.

Paul DeSarno, a member of the local Democratic Party, said he believes the borough's Democrats have differing views about Batko's return to the party.

"I think it's a big party and there's room for everyone," DeSarno said, stating that diversity is a positive quality. DeSarno said he feels Batko's switch is an indication of the Republican Party's inability to move in a particular direction.

O'Brien responded to Batko's announcement by saying he wishes her well.

"It's the right of every American to have religious and political choices, and this is her choice," he said.

Spotswood church seeks vendors for flea market

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U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 2-1 will offer a four-lesson boating safety course from 7:30-9:30 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays beginning April 1 at the Flotilla Headquarters Building, 167 Main St., Sayreville (Borough Hall Annex).

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Assistance center closes; new services offered

Gov. James E. McGreevey announced March 22 the closing of the N.J. Family Assistance Center, Jersey City, after serving families affected by the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks for six months. The families will now be served by the N.J. Family Advocate Program.

As part of the family advocate program, each family will be assigned a trained and experienced advocate who will help families gain greater access to services and obtain information regarding charitable and private organizations, legal, financial and mental health services, scholarship programs and job training and skill enhancement programs.

The Jersey City closing is a result of a decline in use of the services at the center, from more than 50 families a day in November and December, to an average of three families in recent weeks. The assis-

tance center helped 4,158 families, and its crisis hotline processed more than 6,800 calls.

"We are working closely with the United Way of New Jersey to establish a program that will be a useful resource for the New Jersey families who lost loved ones in the attacks, as well as victims who lost jobs or who were seriously injured in the attacks," said Office of Recovery and Victim Assistance Coordinator Eric Shuffler. He added the program will be operational by April 8.

For information, families who lost loved ones in the attacks and victims who were injured in the attacks may call the Governor's Office of Recovery and Victim Assistance at (609) 777-1248 or call Carolann Kane-Cavaiola, executive director of the N.J. Family Advocate Management at (732) 869-2255.

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Bulletin Board

La Leche League of S.R. to hold April meetings

La Leche League of South River, a support group for expectant and nursing mothers in Middlesex and Monmouth counties, will hold its monthly meetings at 7:30 p.m. on April 2 and 10:30 a.m. on April 3 at the South River Library, 55 Appleby Ave.

Topic will be "Nutrition and Weaning." Babies, mothers and mothers-to-be are welcome.

The group shares information on parenting and mothering choices with mothers in East Brunswick, South River, Spotswood, Monroe, Jamesburg, Old Bridge, Sayreville, Matawan and Aberdeen.

For more information and directions to the library, call Jeanine at (609) 430-4364.

E.B. salon will sponsor benefit for Camp Daisy

Head to Toe Salon and Spa, Route 18, East Brunswick, will host a "Color Celebration," in collaboration with Redken New York City, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on April 22 to benefit the Camp Daisy Foundation, East Brunswick.

Appointments are currently being taken for express color services. The event also will feature a Chinese auction, refreshments and special retail offers.

For more information and to schedule an appointment, call (732) 390-4500.

Sisterhood to sponsor fashion show on May 1

The Sisterhood of Congregation Beth Ohr, Old Bridge, will sponsor its annual fashion show at 6:45 p.m. on May 1 at the Grand Marquis, Route 9 south, Old Bridge.

A \$38 donation will include the fashion show, a full dinner and a door prize ticket. Cost for admission tickets is \$40 if purchased after April 1.

For tickets and more information, call Monica at (732) 390-5890 before 8 p.m.

Band parents selling Great Adventure passes

The Sayreville War Memorial High School Band Parents Association is offering Great Adventure 2002 season passes at discount prices.

Theme park and Hurricane Harbor passes cost \$75 each, including tax. Daily passes for both parks also are available.

For more information and to order, call Sandy at (732) 254-0455 after 5 p.m.

Kilgore Memorial Scholarship available

The New Jersey Press Foundation, West Trenton, has announced it is offering a \$5,000 journalism scholarship, the Bernard Kilgore Memorial Scholarship.

High school students must be nominated by the faculty adviser of the school newspaper, or by the editor of a local newspaper.

The scholarship will be awarded to the student selected as the 2002 New Jersey High School Journalist of the Year, a competition sponsored by the press foundation and the Garden State Scholastic Press Association.

For deadline date or information about the scholarship and the application process, go to www.njpa.org/foundation/kilgore-form.html.

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GOOD FRIDAY, MARCH 29
The Way of the Cross for Children - 3 p.m.
Stations of the Cross w/ Spoken & Choral Meditations - 8 p.m.
HOLY SATURDAY, MARCH 30
The Great Vigil of Easter: Lighting of the New Fire
Baptisms
First Eucharist of Easter - 8 p.m.
EASTER SUNDAY, MARCH 31
Holy Eucharist: Rite I with Music - 8 a.m.
Choral Holy Eucharist: Rite II - 10 a.m.

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Mar. 28 Maundy Thursday Svc. -
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Community Bulletin Board

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'Buzzing Bees' youth program slated at library

Registration will begin at 9:30 a.m. on April 4 for "Buzzing Bees," a youth program set for 4 p.m. on April 11 at the Old Bridge Library Main Branch, Route 516 and Cottrell Road.

Participants in the event, which is open

to youngsters in kindergarten-fifth grades, will listen to stories about bees, learn a bee tongue twister and create a giant tissue paper flower adorned with a honey bee.

Library card number will be required at registration.

For more information and to register, call (732) 721-5600, ext. 5028.

Sahaja Yoga program at Old Bridge Library

The Old Bridge Public Library will present a return engagement of the Sahaja Yoga basic meditation program in the large meeting room of the Main Library from 2-4 p.m. April 7 and April 21.

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Southern N.J. Hadassah will hold April 28 dinner

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The evening will begin with a cocktail hour. A buffet dinner and Viennese table will follow. Guest speaker will be Elaine Weiser, a national Hadassah board member.

All keepers and prospective keepers are invited to attend. Each member must pledge an annual contribution of \$1,000, which will go to gene therapy research or any other project of the member's choice at the Hadassah hospital in Israel.

Couvert for the dinner is \$36 per person.

For information and to reserve, call Estelle at (609) 395-7070.

'Lunch and Learn' session scheduled at temple

The Adult Education Program at Congregation Anshe Emeth of South River will sponsor a "Lunch and Learn" with Rabbi Nathan Langer beginning at 9:15 a.m. on April 13 at the temple, 88 Main St. A Shabbat service will be followed by

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Registration deadline is April 5. For more information and to reserve, call the synagogue office at (732) 257-4190.

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A June 2003 wedding is planned.

Rafael-Oriani

Francine D. Rafael of Monroe Township announces the engagement of her daughter, Suzanne Rafael, to Joseph Michael Oriani, son of JoAnn Zelinski and the late Nicholas Zelinski of Parlin. Suzanne is the daughter of the late Thomas C. Rafael.

The future bride is a graduate of Monroe Township High School. She received her degree in cosmetology from East Brunswick Vo-Tech.

She is employed as a stylist at Hair Cuts Plus, Spotswood.

Her fiancé is a graduate of Sayreville High School.

He is self-employed as a computer consultant in Parlin.

An October wedding is planned.



Joseph Oriani, Suzanne Rafael

Stork Club

Karen and Brant Wright of Sayreville announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Amber, Jan. 24 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick. The baby weighed 4 pounds, 10 ounces. Grandparents are Wanda and Frank Jones of East Brunswick and Patrice and Frank Wright of Edgewater, Fla. Great-grandmother is Ann Preston of Homosassa Springs, Fla. Godparents are Jennifer Jones of East Brunswick and Ron Nieratka of Rahway.

Deborah and Frank Santora of Old Bridge announce the birth of their son, Frank Anthony, Jan. 24 in St. Peter's University Hospital, New Brunswick. The baby weighed 8 pounds, 10 ounces. Grandparents are Barbara and Wib Dias of Spotswood and Debra and Frank Santora of Old Bridge. Great-grandparents are Helen Morgan of Spotswood and Margaret and Frank Santora of East Brunswick. Godparents are Darlene Ragaglia of Spotswood and John Santora of Old Bridge.

To our readers

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The People Poets of Old Bridge will present "Poets in the Pantry," a poetry reading and food drive, at 7:30 p.m. on April 10 in the coffee café at the Old Bridge Library Main Branch, Route 516 and Cottrell Road.

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Obituaries

Greater Media Newspapers prints obituaries as a free community service, at no charge to the families of the deceased or to the funeral homes that provide the information.

ARTHUR P. CHRISTIE, 79, of Matawan, formerly of Old Bridge, died March 20 in Bayshore Community Hospital, Holmdel. His wife, Catherine Christie, died in 1995. Surviving are his companion, Mary A. Oty of Matawan; a son, Robert Christie of Centerville, Ohio; two daughters, Patricia Valentino and June Gustavson, both of Laurel, Md.; a brother, John Christie of Garden City, N.Y.; two stepdaughters; one stepson; five grandchildren; and one great-grandson. Interment was in Ocean View Cemetery, Staten Island, N.Y.

ANTHONY C. "TONY" FRANCIS, 90, of Hagerstown, Md., died March 19 in Washington County Hospital, Hagerstown. Surviving are his wife, Helen Ivancoe Francis; a brother, Stephen Ference of Old Bridge; and a sister, Elsie Halka of Englishtown. A Mass was offered at St. Thomas the Apostle Church, Old Bridge. Interment was in St. Rose of Lima Cemetery, Freehold.

JEAN PONDISH, 64, of Howell died March 17 in Jackson Healthcare Center, Jackson. Her husband, John, died in 1995. Surviving are a son, John Jr. of North Carolina; three daughters, Denise Allen and Deborah Boyce, both of Old Bridge, and Joan Pondish of Jackson; three sisters, Lorraine Spinelli of Jackson, JoAnn Jaeger of Teaneck and Phyllis Adamo of Pennsylvania; eight grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren. A funeral liturgy was offered at St. Rose of Lima Church, Freehold. Interment was in Flower Hill Cemetery, North Bergen.

PATRICIA A. SAFKA, 60, of Manalapan, formerly of Old Bridge, died March 18 in Aberdeen. She was the owner and operator of All About Bows, Aberdeen, with her niece and business partner, Elizabeth Purcell, for four years. Surviving are her husband, Fred M.; two stepdaughters, Melanie Shickirk of Florida and Stephanie Safka of Lake George, N.Y.; a brother, Leon Warnock of Jackson; a sister, Audrey Vaughn of Keyport; three step-grandchildren; two step-great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. A memorial Mass was

offered at St. Joseph's Church, Keyport. Memorial donations may be made to the American Heart Association, 2550 Route 1, North Brunswick, NJ 08902-4301.

MARY SZAFRANSKI SPENCER, 89, of the Morgan section of Sayreville, formerly of South Amboy, died March 24 in JFK Medical Center, Edison. Her husband, Joseph W. Spencer, died in 1975, and a son, James Spencer, died in 1981. Surviving are four sons, John Spencer of Morgan, Arthur W. Spencer of Vacaville, Calif., Joseph Spencer Jr. of Bordentown and Robert Spencer of Woodstock, Ga.; two daughters, Mary Pollack of the Laurence Harbor section of Old Bridge and Patricia Klosek of the Parlin section of Sayreville; 22 grandchildren; and 26 great-grandchildren. A Mass was offered at St. Mary's Church, South Amboy. Interment was in Christ Church Cemetery, South Amboy.

CAROLYN KNAPP CLARK, 69, of Sayreville died March 22 in Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy division. A son, David Clark, died in 1992. Surviving are her husband, Gilbert Clark; three sons, Gilbert Clark of Sayreville, John Clark of Jackson and Warren Clark of New York City; three sisters, Rosalind Gutkowski of Howell, Edna Jones of Rahway and Marge Jorgenson of Middlesex; a brother, Raymond Knapp of Chatham; and three grandchildren. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

JOSEPHINE GADOMSKI LEHOCKY, 79, of the Parlin section of Sayreville died March 23 in JFK Medical Center, Edison. Her husband, Albert, died in 1974; a son, Albert, died in 1957; and a grandson, Raymond Kukan, died in 1988. Surviving are two daughters, Carol Placca of Roselle Park and Barbara Kukan of Jackson, and three grandchildren. A Mass was offered at St. Mary's Church, South Amboy. Interment was in St. Gertrude's Cemetery, Colonia section of Woodbridge.

RALPH A. VICIDOMINI SR., 68, of Sayreville died March 23 in Raritan Bay Medical Center, Old Bridge division. Surviving are his wife, Edythe Laverne Russell Vicidomini; two sons, Ralph of South Amboy and Michael of Sayreville; a daughter, Donna Vicidomini of South Amboy; and five grandchildren. Services were held at Maliszewski Memorial Home,

Sayreville. Interment was in Holy Cross Burial Park, South Brunswick.

KEVIN ERNEST BARA, 38, of South River died March 19 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick. He was predeceased by his father, Ernest J. Bara, in 1999. Surviving are his mother, Eleanor Zaleski Bara, with whom he lived; a brother, Alan Bara of South River; a sister, Karen De Marco of Bristol, Pa.; and several nieces and nephews. A Mass of Christian burial is planned for 9 a.m. on March 23 at Corpus Christi Roman Catholic Church, South River. Burial will follow in St. Mary's Cemetery, East Brunswick. Memorial donations may be made to Sayreville Brain Injured Children, 449 Washington Road, Sayreville, NJ 08872.

THE REV. STEPHEN H. CONGDON JR., 66, of Monroe Township, formerly of Monmouth Beach, died March 20 in JFK Medical Center, Edison. He was founding pastor in 1992 of Nativity of Our Lord Church, Monroe. Prior to that, he served in the parishes of St. Francis, Metuchen; Immaculate Conception Church, Somerville; and Our Lady of Mercy Church, South Bound Brook. He is survived by his sister and brother-in-law, Patricia and Richard Keller of Monmouth Beach, and several nieces and nephews. A Mass was offered at Nativity of Our Lord Church. Interment was in Mount Carmel Cemetery, West Long Branch. Memorial donations may be made to the Building Fund, Nativity of Our Lord Church, 185 Applegarth Road, Monroe Township, NJ 08831.

EVA DEMSKO HARRIS, 85, of South River, formerly of Old Bridge, died March 23 in Summerhill Nursing Home, Old Bridge. Her husband, John A. Harris, died in 1996. Surviving are a son, Alexander "Sandy" Harris of South River; three grandchildren; and six great-grandchildren. A service was held at Saints Peter and Paul Russian Orthodox Church, South River. Interment was in the church cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Saints Peter and Paul Russian Orthodox Church, 76 Whitehead Ave., South River, NJ 03882.

RABBI DR. JOSEPH MAZA, 79, died March 17 in JFK Medical Center, Edison. A noted Talmudic scholar, he was rabbi of Congregation Anshe Eineth of South River for

48 years, 1950-1998. Following his rabbinical ordination in 1944, he joined the first post-graduate class of the Yeshiva Gedolah of Lakewood. In 1976 he founded Young Israel of East Brunswick, and in 1983 he established the Union Hill Congregation, Manalapan, where he served as rabbi emeritus until his death. Surviving are his wife, Shirley; three daughters, Cheryl Strauch of Highland Park, Phyllis Parker of Merion, Pa., and Sandra Gross of Teaneck; two sons, Elliot Maza of Englewood and Alan Maza of Highland Park; two sisters, Gail Schulman and Evelyn Weisman; three brothers, Rabbi Bernard Maza, Rabbi Gabriel Maza and Jackie Mason; 15 grandchildren; and one great-grandchild. Services were held at Rezem Funeral Home, East Brunswick. Interment was in Floral Park Cemetery, South Brunswick.

JAMES A. MURRAY, 69, of Manalapan died March 21 in Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital, New Brunswick. His wife, Barbara, died in 1995. Surviving are two sons, James of Manalapan and Scott of Spotswood; a daughter, Vicki Pantano of Manalapan; and four grandchildren. A funeral liturgy was offered at St. Thomas More Church, Manalapan. Interment was in St. Rose of Lima Cemetery, Freehold Township.

PAUL B. RYAN, 62, of Sand Lake, Mich., formerly of South Amboy, died March 23 at home. Surviving are his wife, Roberta Devereaux of Spotswood; three daughters, Kathleen Collins of Monroe, Michelle Ryan of Spotswood and Dana McCauley of Jackson; a sister, Patricia McGuire of Bayville; and five grandchildren. A Mass was offered at St. Mary's Church, South River. Interment was in Holy Cross Burial Park, South Brunswick.

JOHN MURINO, 82, of Spotswood died March 25 at home. Surviving are his wife, Helen Donohue Murino; a son, John Murino of Delran; two daughters, Jeanette Stilo of Red Bank and Donna Boergers of Monroe; a sister, Flora Italiano of Brooklyn, N.Y.; seven grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren. Services were held at Immaculate Conception Church, Spotswood. Interment was in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Red Bank. Memorial contributions may be made to the Albert Einstein Cancer Center, 5501 Old York Road, First Floor, Philadelphia, PA 19141.

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Police Beat

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OLD BRIDGE

A township resident reported that unknown suspects stole his 1967 Chevrolet station wagon from the parking lot of Pathmark, Route 9, on Saturday between 11:15 a.m. and 12:01 p.m. while he was inside the supermarket. The victim estimated the value of his car at \$10,000.

A truck driver for Shore Point Distributing, Freehold Township, reported the theft of five cases of Corona beer valued at \$23 each while he was delivering an order to Harbor Liquors, Route 35, in the Laurence Harbor section on Friday. The complainant told police that while he was taking the order into the store, unknown persons entered the unlocked delivery truck in the store's parking lot, removed the cases of beer, and fled the scene.

A Teaneck resident reported that unknown suspects stole his 1998 black Acura Integra valued at \$14,500 from a parking lot at Old Bridge Township Raceway Park while he was visiting the racetrack between noon and 1:30 p.m. on Sunday.

A resident of the Stratford Apartments reported that unknown persons stole the rear spare tire from the back of his 1986 Chevrolet Blazer, which was parked outside of Building 20 in the complex between 3:10 and 6:30 p.m. Sunday.

A resident of Columbus Avenue in the Cliffwood section reported that unknown suspects entered her home, rummaged through dresser drawers and removed a portable Aiwa radio from inside the house between 1 and 10:10 p.m. Sunday. The complainant told police that the suspects entered by kicking in the home's back door, damaging the door frame.

SAYREVILLE

A South Amboy resident was arrested and charged with shoplifting Saturday at 3:13 p.m., police reports said. Paula Fuentes, 35, of August Street, allegedly placed \$292.70 worth of items from ShopRite, Washington Road, into bags that she carried into the store with her, police reports said. Fuentes was released on \$1,000 bail, according to police reports.

Police reported the theft of a motor vehicle on Orchid Court between 7 p.m. March 19 and 5 p.m. Sunday. The green 1998 Ford Escort was stolen from a parking lot by unknown suspect(s), police reports said. Police are investigating.

EAST BRUNSWICK

A police pursuit that started in East Brunswick and ended in Sayreville at 1:11 a.m. March 21 resulted in the arrest of a Helmetta man on charges of eluding police, possession of a hypodermic syringe, and being under the influence of a controlled dangerous substance. According to police, patrolmen Joseph Kowal and Joseph Marcantonio were operating an unmarked car when they observed a 1998 Chevrolet driven by James D. Szawaryn, 21, who police said was driving in an unsafe manner on Old Bridge Turnpike and Cranbury Road. The officers attempted to stop the vehicle, which then reportedly took off at a high rate of speed, headed south on Old Bridge Turnpike. The vehicle turned onto Main Street in South River with officers in pursuit. The pursuit was then taken over by a marked police unit, which followed the vehicle into Sayreville. The suspect lost control of his vehicle on Bordentown Avenue, police said, and was taken into custody. He was taken to Raritan Bay Medical

Center, Old Bridge division, to be evaluated and was then lodged at the Middlesex County Adult Correction Center, North Brunswick, on \$25,000 bail, according to police. No injuries were reported.

MONROE

A Newark man was arrested by police and charged with providing false information on March 1 after Officer Leigh Ann Palo stopped a vehicle driven by Antonio De Brito, 34, for allegedly speeding on Spotswood-Englishtown Road. According to police, De Brito could not produce a driver's license and gave the police officer a false name. The suspect's actual identify was confirmed by police, who then arrested the Newark resident. De Brito was released on recognizance.

Charles Belenski, 40, of Monroe, was arrested by police and charged with driving under the influence on March 10, according to police. Patrolman Christopher Mullen stopped Belenski's vehicle after he was allegedly driving at a high rate of speed on Englishtown Road, police said. According to police, Belenski was arrested after failing a field sobriety test. He was also charged with reckless driving, police said.

A Jackson resident was arrested and charged with driving under the influence on March 14. According to police, Christopher Harris III, 38, was stopped by Patrolman Keith Saloom after he was allegedly observed to be swerving as he drove on Route 33 east. Harris allegedly failed a field sobriety test and was arrested, police said. He was additionally charged with possession of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle, police said.

Outdoor yard items valued at more than \$350 were reported stolen from the home of a Tenth Street resident. On March 18, the resident told police that a decorative fountain basin, a fountain pump and a statue of two dolphins were stolen from the front yard while the family was away during the weekend. Anyone with information is asked to contact township police at (732) 521-0222.

SPOTSWOOD

Police arrested and charged Cynthia Fazio, 61, of Monroe, with driving while intoxicated at 3:33 p.m. March 19 after two vehicles were involved in an accident on DeVoe Avenue, police said. Fazio allegedly attempted to leave the scene, according to a police report, but her vehicle became disabled due to the accident. The driver of the other vehicle was injured and taken to St. Peter's University Hospital, New Brunswick.

Police arrested and charged Giovanni Vazquez, 21, of Spotswood, with disorderly conduct and for a dog running at large at 9:18 p.m. on March 15. Police said a patrolman was confronted by numerous neighbors complaining about parking problems on their street. While investigating the matter, he allegedly observed a pit bull dog allegedly owned by Vazquez running at large. While in the street, the suspect allegedly started yelling obscenities to the neighbors. He was released pending a municipal court hearing.

Two borough residents were arrested at 8:06 p.m. March 14 and charged with disorderly conduct and interference with a police officer. Police said Michael Setta-case, 18, and Russell Saul, 21, were allegedly yelling at oncoming traffic and causing a disturbance while walking on Main Street. After being confronted by police, the two men allegedly refused to cooperate, walking away and ignoring the verbal commands of a police officer. Both were placed under arrest, according to police, and released pending a municipal court hearing.



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Sports

Contingent of local athletes earns All-Area recognition

With the basketball Tournament of Champions wrapping up last weekend, the high school winter sports season officially came to a close, which means it's time to announce this year's All-Area teams.

This year, a high number of local products were among the athletes named to the All-Area teams in each of the winter sports.

Basketball

In boys' basketball, South Brunswick's Drew Biri was named to the Second Team of the All-Area squad after leading the Vikings to one of their best seasons in school history. South Brunswick finished with a 21-3 record, and earned the school's first GMC Red Division title and a trip to the CJ Group IV semifinals. Biri averaged 17.2 ppg this year.

Meanwhile, Spotswood junior Jean Georges was named to the Third Team, after averaging over 19 ppg (ranked third in the area), and leading the young Chargers to a stellar season.

Among the players receiving honorable mention were East Brunswick's Gordon Hurley and Matt Cassidy; North Brunswick's Shaheid Williams and Joe Celmer; Old Bridge's Shawn Williams, Steve Barella and Spencer Corbett; Sayreville's Steve Gitlin and Nick Shaw; South Brunswick's Mike Kneiss and Chad Wood; South River's Zack Earvin and Mike Feaster; Spotswood's Dave Curry; and Monroe's Chris Felix and Matt Gigliello.

South Brunswick's first-year coach Haywood Vereen was named Boys Coach of the Year.

On the girls' side, East Brunswick's Jill Masterton was named to the All-Area Team after leading the Bears to yet another GMC title, finishing undefeated in county play along the way. The 5-8 junior guard was particularly impressive during the postseason, when the Bears were hit with injuries to key players.

Masterton's teammate, senior Erin Kenny, was named to the Second Team, along with North Brunswick senior Lorene Brown.

Meanwhile, the Bears' Sylvia Majdanski was picked for the Third Team.

Among those receiving honorable mention were East Brunswick's Heather O'Reilly and Ashley Stapleton; Monroe's Alison Bauml; North Brunswick's Alana Ponder and Patricia Clark; Old Bridge's Jamie Capra and Cathy Rutter; South Brunswick's Heather Domoter and Lisa DiTuro; South River's Katie Daly; Sayreville's Sarah Davidauskas, Liz Brugnoli and Meredith Phair; and Spotswood's Meaghan Koppel and Jill Dickinson.

Wrestling

On the wrestling mats, Spotswood's Jason Mar was the top local performer this season, finishing third in the state at 160 pounds. Mar overcame an injury late in the year to win a District 20 title, before taking third in Region V. But it was in the state's final rounds where Mar distinguished himself, bouncing back from a loss to the eventual 160-pound champion Ryan Cunningham, to win four straight matches for the third-place finish.

A number of other local wrestlers were also named the top grappler in their respective weight classes, starting with Old

Bridge's Ian Gorham at 119 pounds. Gorham finished the year at 32-3, and placed seventh-eighth in the state after winning both District 20 and Region V titles.

At 135 pounds, South Brunswick's Kyle Nasdeo was the area's elite wrestler, finishing in sixth place in the state, after winning his third District 20 and Region V championships.

Old Bridge's Mike Wojcik earned the nod at 171 after finishing the year 32-4, placing seventh-eighth in the state, and winning a district and region title.

South Brunswick's Derrick Cromartie was the only other local wrestler to make the All-Area First Team, getting the spot at 189 pounds. Cromartie won a district and region title, and made it to the quarterfinals of the state tournament.

Among the wrestlers named to the All-Area Second Team were Old Bridge's John Pagnotta (103) and Wilhelm Keinhofer (145), and South River's Dan Fodor (215). East Brunswick's Corey Ritchings (103) and Kevin Hendricks (215), Old Bridge's Justin Obrusniak (112) and Vin Iodaci (130), and South Brunswick's Mike Valentino (145) were named to the Third Team.

Among the wrestlers receiving honorable mention were East Brunswick's Carmen Corona (125), Brian Ackerman (140) and John Clay (171); Monroe's Jared Axelrod (135) and Matt Klein (145); Old Bridge's Mike Caruso (125), Alejandro Battle (140) and Matt Lamela (HWT); North Brunswick's Chris Bellavia (112) and Rocky Anastasio (125); Sayreville's Roger Jasiak (125) and Eric Pampaloni (130); South Brunswick's Mike Fidacaro (130), Ryan Griffin (140) and Kyle Cleffi (152); South River's Rodney Thomas (130), Greg Mongelli (152) and Pedro Mirasol (171); and Spotswood's Dan Winant (HWT).

Old Bridge's Ken Scott was named coach of the year after leading the Knights to a 15-1 mark, winning the GMC Red Division and repeating as CJ Group IV champs.

Indoor track and field

The Old Bridge Knights once again dominated the local track and field front, placing eight athletes on the All-Area First Teams.

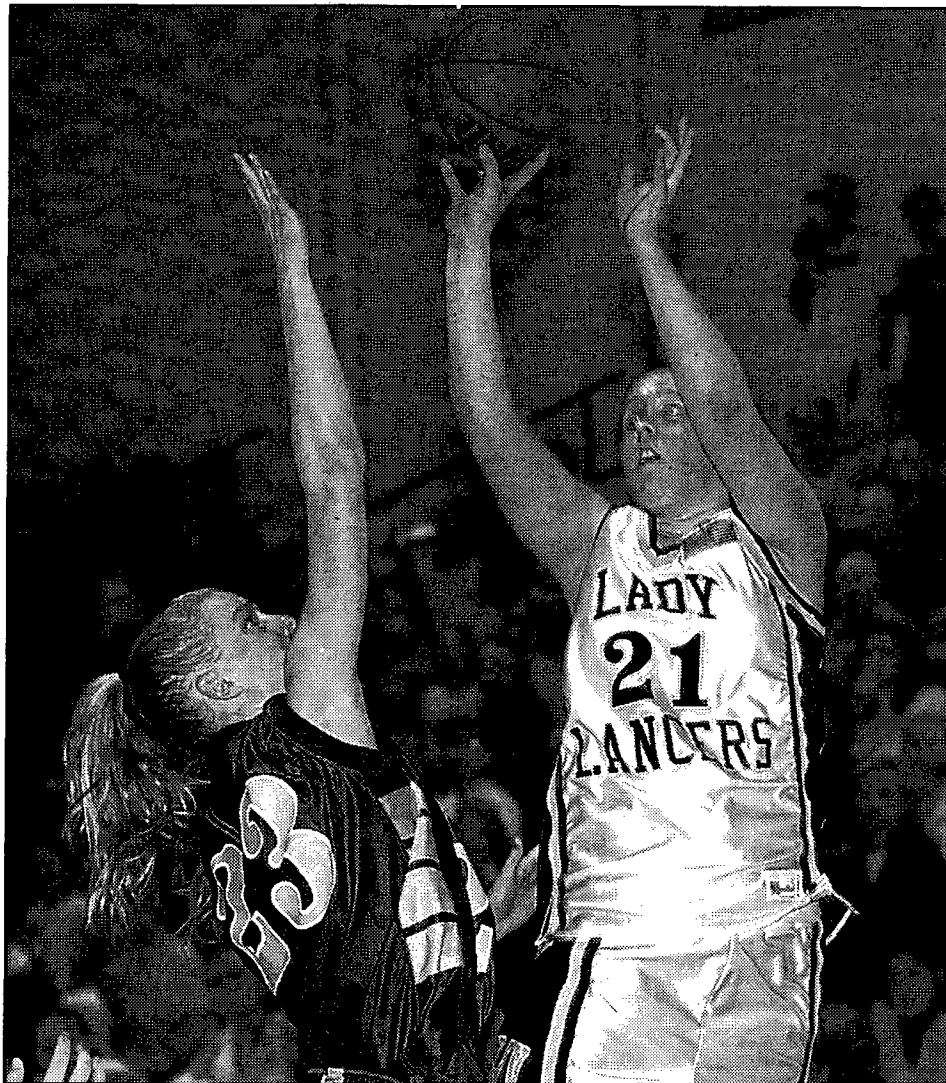
On the boys' side, Tim Paule led the way, finishing fifth in the 800 at the Group IV meet and third at the GMC meet. He was also a member of the 4x400 team which placed second at the Meet of Champions. The other members of the team were Anthony DePalma, David DePalma and Justin Marquez.

Rich Lafergola was the other Knight to earn First Team status after placing fourth at the MOC in the 1,600.

North Brunswick high jumper Guy Jackson also earned First Team status after clearing 6-8 at the MOC to place second. He finished second at the Group III meet and first at the GMC Individual meet.

Local boys earning honorable mention include East Brunswick's Jon Kaczmarek and Alex Shatskov; and Old Bridge's Dan Harding and Matt Betti.

On the girls' side, Old Bridge's Kim Henry led the way, earning First Team status after establishing herself as the top hurdler and 400 runner in the area. She was the Group IV champ in the 55 hurdles and GMC champ in the hurdles and 400. She is joined on the First Team by teammates Mara McNemey (3,200) and Stephanie Zottoli



FARRAH MAFFAI

St. John Vianney senior Cheri Wittlieb finished second in voting for the Shore Conference Player of the Year, and was named to the All-Shore First Team. Her teammates, Marybeth Kuenne and Shantel Brown, were also recognized, earning spots on the All-B North Second Team.

(sixth at MOC in 1,600).

Monroe's Ashley Maguire earned a berth in the MOC in the 800 after placing fourth in Group II, and was also named First Team All-Area.

The South Brunswick relay team of Natalya Johnson, Engedaye Polk, Lauren Broadnax and Tanya Earl earned First Team status after placing first at the GMC meet, and sixth at the Group IV meet.

Among those earning honorable mention were Old Bridge's Brittany McCombs, Shannon Robinson, Linda Sanders and Danielle Haggag, Sayreville's Jessica Tirkak; and Spotswood's Chelsea Statkowski.

Swimming

The local swimming scene was once again dominated by St. Joseph's of Metuchen, but the East Brunswick boys enjoyed a stellar season in their own right.

However, Sayreville's Derek Kwok led the way among local swimmers, earning First Team status in the 50 freestyle after winning the GMC title.

Earning Second Team All-Area recognition from East Brunswick were Chris Martinetti (100 free); Kyle King (50 free); the 200 relay team of Mark Rynone, Ryan Martinetti, King and Chris Martinetti; and the 400 relay team of Rynone, Ryan Martinetti, King and Chris Martinetti.

Old Bridge's Dan Tsin (200 IM) and North Brunswick's 200 medley relay team of Jordan Schanen, Brian Rose, Drew Schanen

and Paul Jennings also earned Second Team status. Rose was also named for the 100 breaststroke.

On the girls' side, East Brunswick's Chrissy Leblon earned Second Team All-Area status in the 50 free, while South Brunswick's Amy Wolf made Second Team in the 100 breaststroke. In addition, the North Brunswick 200 medley relay team of Tanya Holubiak, Allison Palladino, Nicole Alicino and Jackie Barton also earned Second Team status.

Among those earning honorable mention in girls' swimming were East Brunswick's Sarah Chicchi; Monroe's Lisa Slover; North Brunswick's Nicole Karalevich; Sayreville's Kerri Adams; and South Brunswick's Rachel O'Halla.

Bowling

On the bowling front, a trio of local keglers earned First Team All-Area status, led by South Brunswick's Cyndi Fregoni on the girls' team. Among the girls earning honorable mention were Old Bridge's Kim Bergamini; North Brunswick's Roxi Holowienka and Rebecca Pierce; and South Brunswick's Emma Burtenshaw.

On the boys' side, both North Brunswick's Mike Billand and Dan Knopf earned First Team status this year. Among those earning honorable mention were Monroe's Eric Wysokowski and Andrew Chung; North Brunswick's Rob DiFranco and South Brunswick's Ross Winarz.

O.B. softball team looks to improve on last year

Lady Knights open against Woodbridge Monday

BY WARREN RAPPLEYEA
Staff Writer

With solid pitching and a good defense, the Old Bridge High School softball team can be a contender in the Greater Middlesex Conference's Red Division, if its hitting comes around.

A year ago, coach Sue Klein's team managed to hang tough behind the pitching of Amanda Meatto and excellent glove work in the field to go 11-13. Of the 13 losses, however, nine were by just one run.

"We were right there last year," said Klein, whose team opens the season Monday at home against Woodbridge. "The girls were in every game, but offense was a problem for us. We didn't help ourselves at the plate."

Collectively, the Lady Knights batted .223, with Meatto pacing the attack with a .341 average. Unfortunately, no other Old Bridge players could come near the .300 mark.

Klein thinks that will change this year. Sophomore third baseman Lisa Petillo is coming off a .247 season and should be even better this spring.

Shortstop Jaime Capra ended up at .205, but showed promise at the plate, as did senior second baseman Debbie

McKim.

In addition, senior outfielder Cori Edley has been hitting the ball well this spring.

If the Lady Knights can cobble together some runs, they should win their share of games in the competitive Red Division, which also includes J.P. Stevens, East Brunswick, South Brunswick and Edison.

As usual, East Brunswick is likely to be the team to beat, although graduation took some of their key players from last year's championship squad.

Meatto, who pitched every inning a year ago, keeps her pitches low, moves the ball around and generally keeps opposing hitters off balance. A fine fielder, she also had a .958 fielding percentage and 81 assists.

The infield defense, augmented by Stacey Swider and Paige Coppola at first base, is top-notch.

Catcher Brianne Regan, a junior who played right field last season, has looked good in practices and has thrown out six would-be base stealers in scrimmages.

Edley will provide a good glove in center field; she'll be flanked by either junior Jen Moran or sophomore Dana Hadzimichalis in left field, and either Shannon Halstead or Ashley Kalbach, both freshmen, in right field.

"We'll have a few new players in the field, but I think they'll get the job done for us," Klein said. "The key for us will be hitting. If we can get some timely hitting, we can play with anyone."

Lady Bombers ready to launch successful year

Sayreville girls open with JFK Tuesday

BY WARREN RAPPLEYEA
Staff Writer

With its outfield intact and several key infielders returning, the Sayreville War Memorial High School softball team is looking to improve on last year's 11-10 record.

Coach Janet Ryan said a strong defense and experience will be her team's strengths this spring.

The coach is also expecting that a year's experience will help her players hit a bit better than last year.

"Things are coming around for us, although the weather has been tough," Ryan said. "We've had three scrimmages and I saw some very nice things."

One has been the work of Jessica Small, expected to be the Bombers' top hurler. The senior, who also plays first base, was 2-3 with a 1.38 ERA a year ago, while batting .268. Sophomore Lauren Karbowski will also see time on the mound.

The Bombers will need another series of strong pitching performances from Small as they try to improve their offense as the season progresses. Small kept the team in a number of games last year with her steadiness, and should expect a little more help this time around.

The rest of the infield should be solid

with seniors Lisa Oriolo at second base and Laura Lasko, a .283 hitter, at third base. Sophomore Lynn Olender will be the shortstop. She hit .247 last year and led the team with 14 runs and 12 stolen bases.

Senior Sarah Dovidauskas is the right fielder, with juniors Julia Switzer and Melissa Braun in center and left fields. Switzer hit .284 and committed just two errors, while Braun, who led the team in sacrifices, did not make an error.

Junior Danielle Martin and sophomore Shantai Dixon are the catchers. Gina Makowski, Theresa Holon and Gabriella Vargas provide infield depth, while Stephanie Marshall and Makowski can play in the outfield.

Ryan said that much of the Bombers' success this year will depend on their ability to come up with some timely hitting, something they struggled with last year.

"If we hit the ball well, we should have a successful year," Ryan said.

The Bombers are scheduled to open the season at home Tuesday against JFK. Sayreville visits Colonia Wednesday and completes its first week at home April 5 against South Plainfield.

A fast start will go a long way toward helping the Bombers compete for a division title, something they are certainly capable of, if they can get the offense to match with what should be a solid defensive squad.



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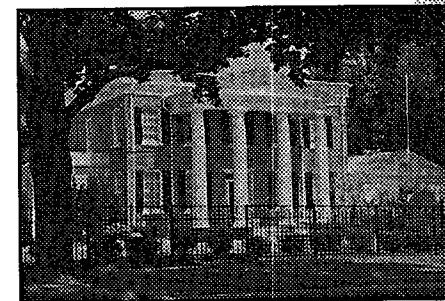
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E.B.'s Subramanian returns as area's top tennis player

Bears look to build solid team around super sophomore

BY RICHARD JEROME
Staff Writer

It's a new look for the East Brunswick High School boys' tennis team, which opens the season April 3 against Moorestown.

"There isn't a senior on the team, so we're very young," said Coach Bill Pellagrino, whose Bears went 22-3 last spring.

That doesn't mean there isn't plenty of talent, starting with sophomore first singles star Vivek Subramanian, last year's Greater Middlesex Conference singles champion, who made it to round 16 of the state individuals.

"He's a great all-around player, very quick with a strong forehand and backhand," said Pellagrino.

Everyone in the local tennis community is expecting great things from Subramanian, as he has improved his strength and consistency since last season.

Subramanian expects to repeat as GMC champion, but would like to improve on his postseason performance of last year. This time around the super-sophomore will have some experience under his belt, which should go a long way

toward helping him conquer some of the finest players in the state.

Another soph, Jay Kaplan, is the number two singles player — a solid baseline performer with fine strokes and an excellent serve. At number three is freshman Ilya Kazakin-Kuteyev.

Pellagrino likes what he has seen from the freshman, and recognizes that he has some definite potential.

"He doesn't have a lot of power, but he's a great baseline player with great strokes," said Pellagrino.

There may be some shuffling at doubles, with junior Jonathan Cohn and his freshman brother Ross as one possible combo, along with junior Vinayak Haridas, and sophs Patrick Bell and David Liu.

"They're all very close in ability," Pellagrino said.

Although there remains some uncertainty concerning the Bears' lineup, they should be very competitive this season, particularly since they should get an automatic win at first singles in just about every match they enter.

But the remainder of the team will need to improve over the course of the season if the Bears want to compete for a division title, or more.

Following the opening match against Moorestown, the Bears will face St. Joseph's April 5 at Middlesex County College, before taking on Edison April 8.

Sport Shorts

The Valerie Fund, a New Jersey-based nonprofit organization, will hold its **Walk Relay** April 13 at Liberty State Park (south end) in Jersey City. At the Walk Relay, corporations, school groups, community groups, families and friends team up to take turns walking laps around a track. Walkers collect flat donations, which are recorded on a sponsor form. Festivities include food, music, clowns and prizes. Trophies are awarded to participants for most laps walked by a team, most money raised by a team, most money raised by an individual, largest team and most creative T-shirt. Registration begins at 11 a.m.; Walk Relay is from 1-3 p.m. Awards ceremony immediately follows. The Walk All proceeds raised from this event will support the eight hospital-based treatment centers located in New Jersey and New York City. For more information, call (973) 761-0422. The Valerie Fund provides comprehensive treatment for more than 5,000 children with cancer and blood disorders in New Jersey and the Greater New York City and Philadelphia metropolitan areas.

The Sayreville Bomber Touchdown Club and the Sayreville Wrestling Association Parents Group will hold a night of **professional wrestling** at Sayreville High School April 6, starting at 7:30 p.m.. The main event is a Legends Match between former WWF/WCW Superstar Larry Zbysko against former WWF/MCCW Star Sal Sincere. There is also a battle royal with the winner to meet for the NWA Junior Heavyweight Champion Dave Mysterio, a midjet world title wrestling match and more. For more information call (732) 888-1704 or go online at JobBox47@aol.com

The Sayreville Recreation Department Wrestling Team ended their season on a successful note with wins at the annual Metuchen Novice Tournament.

Christopher Pearson and Michael Bowling each took home first-place medals for Sayreville, and teammate Gino Schifano won a third-place medal. Two other wrestlers, Zachary Johnson and John Melillo also wrestled and brought home fifth-place ribbons for Sayreville.

The Middlesex Division of the **Atlantic Coast Football League** is currently holding registration for both the 2002 men's two-hand touch and flag football spring seasons, starting this April. Games in the A League are competitive, and consist of games of seven-on-seven and two-hand touch, and eight-on-eight in flag; while games in B League are recreational, and will consist of games of six-on-six, two-hand touch, and seven-on-seven flag. Individual players and partial teams are also welcome and will be placed on a team. Players must be 18 years or older. Games will be played on local fields Sunday mornings. There is a 10-week season, plus play-offs. Winners advance to play winners in other divisions, with the championship game being played at West Point Military Academy. Now in its eighth year, the ACFL is the metro area's largest two-hand touch and flag football association. For more information or a registration packet, call (973) 486-8072 or visit www.onscore.com.

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Planners, council to take next steps on Ford Ave.

BY LYNN K. BARRA
Staff Writer

MILLTOWN — Within the next few months, borough officials will review a preliminary analysis of the redevelopment of Ford Avenue.

The report was submitted to the Borough Council Monday by the borough-appointed Ford Avenue Redevelopment Agency.

Outlining existing uses on the 14-acre site and current zoning laws, the report will be reviewed within the next month by the borough's Planning Board, which will make recommendations to the Borough Council. The council will hold two public hearings before adopting an ordinance enabling a plan to go forward.

"This is where the rubber hits the road," said Anthony Zarillo, chairman of the redevelopment agency. "Before the agency can take any action, the mayor and council must adopt a conceptual plan. We can now embark on a concrete plan for the

redevelopment of the site."

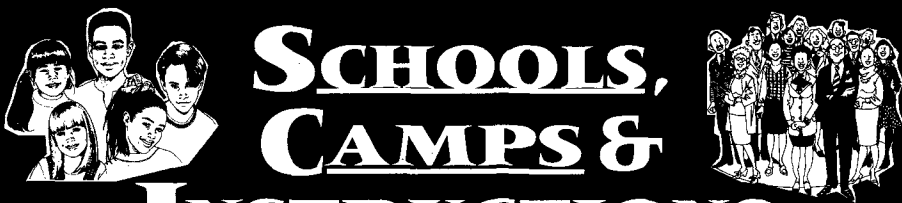
Zarillo said that before the agency can create a detailed redevelopment plan, it must first meet with developers. The agency cannot discuss redevelopment ideas with developers until an ordinance is adopted by the Borough Council.

"Once the plan is adopted by ordinance, we are then empowered to seek proposals from qualified developers interested in developing the site," Zarillo said. "We can then legally negotiate with the owner. We can't do any of that without first passing the ordinance."

The seven-member agency was formed in October to consider what action to take to acquire the site and what to build once the land is acquired. Recent ideas proposed by the agency include the construction of a firehouse and a senior citizen housing unit.

Agency members include Councilman Gerard Cappella and Mayor Gloria Bradford.

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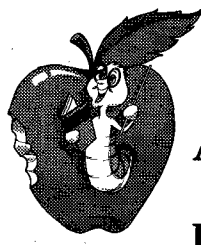
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Bradford emphasized that recent action taken by the council is a legal formality — and not a seal of approval for future construction.

"Nothing has been endorsed by the redevelopment agency," Bradford said. "To be eligible for county, state and federal funds, we [the agency] have to become autonomous. The steps we're taking are absolutely necessary to allow the agency to become a legal entity unto itself."

The site is the location of the former Michelin Tire Co., which was built in 1843. Many of the buildings on the site fell into disrepair years ago. Officials said its owner, U.S. Land Resources, Morristown, has yet to take action to redevelop the site, which some officials have described as an eyesore.

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Raritan Bay Credit Union opens Parlin office

The Raritan Bay Federal Credit Union (FCU) held a grand opening this month for its new office at 502 Washington Road in the Parlin section of Sayreville. At the March 2 grand opening ceremony, Sayreville Mayor Kennedy O'Brien cut a ribbon made of false money to symbolize a \$100 donation presented at the event to the Sayreville Emergency Squad.

The Parlin express service center

Eagle named to manage MMSBDC satellite office

The Mercer/Middlesex Small Business Development Center (MMSBDC) recently named Gail D. Eagle of East Brunswick to manage its affiliate office in Piscataway.

With Eagle's appointment, the MMSBDC ends a yearlong search for an assistant

officially opened for business Jan. 28. The new office features three drive-through teller lanes, two teller windows in the lobby, which is accessible 24 hours a day. Raritan Bay FCU members can use the ATM without paying surcharges.

The credit union is a nonprofit, community-chartered financial institution that was chartered in 1941. It is owned and operated by its members.

director.

Eagle owned and operated a marketing and publishing firm for the past 15 years.

She has taught MMSBDC workshops, participated in panel discussions, played an advisory role, and, most recently, counseled clients.

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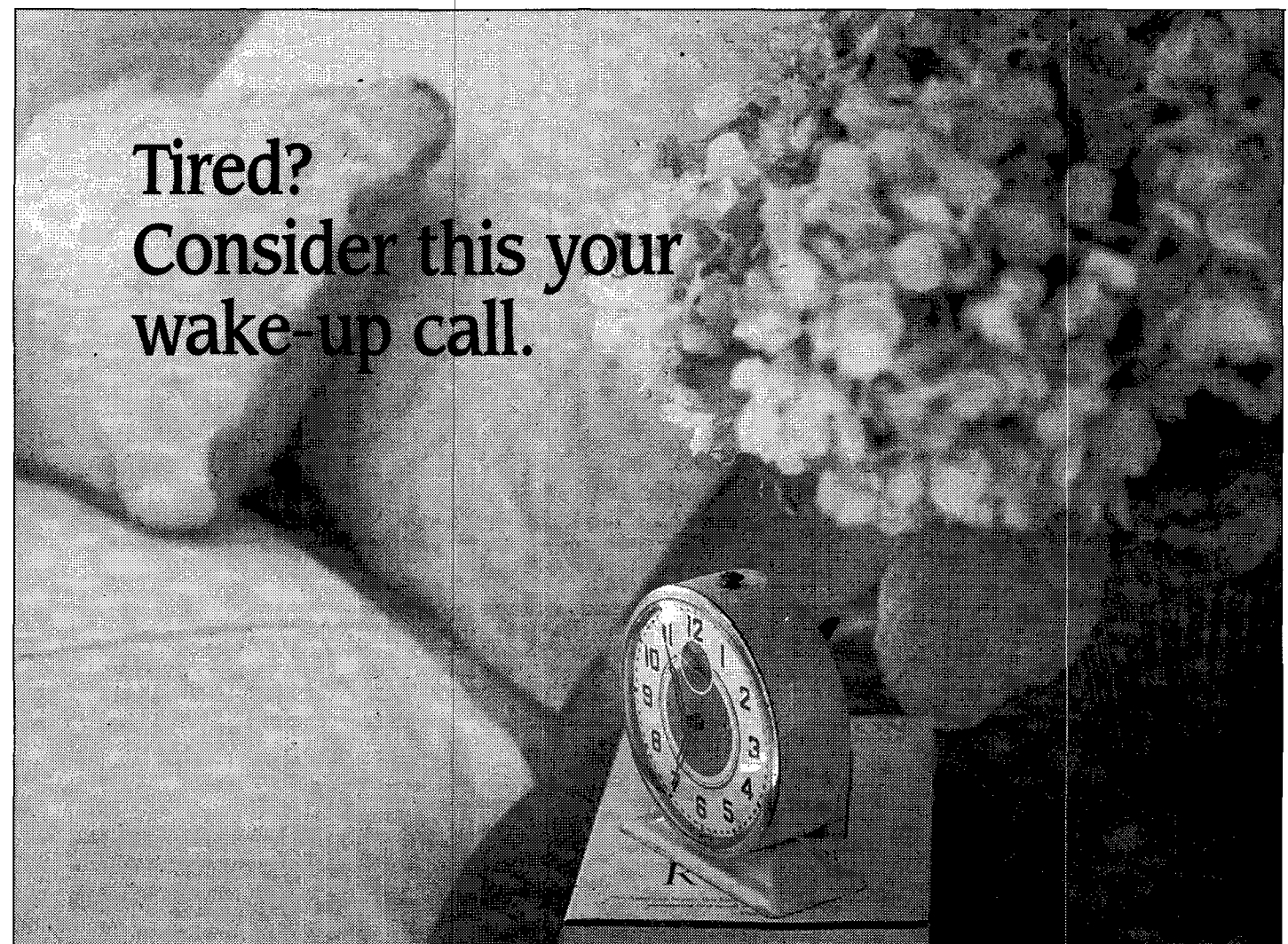
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TOGETHERNESS!

Happy, easygoing, intelligent, honest, loving, attractive SWF, 57, N/S, seeks SWPM, 55-67, likes conversation, theater, arts, concerts, dancing, gardening, walks and quiet times. Ad# 1821

FUN FUN FUN

Educated, outgoing WF, 46, 5'5", blonde, blue eyes, full-figured, enjoys biking, travel, horseback riding, culture events and jazz. Seeking M, 35-54, common interests, for LTR. Ad# 1782

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ONLY YOU

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PRETTY WOMAN

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NO HEAD GAMES

DWF, 54, 5'2", blue-eyed blonde, with sense of humor, enjoys music, dining, dancing, traveling, theater, movies. ISO caring, sensitive, fit, youthful, family-oriented SWM, 54-59. Ad# 1807

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Pretty, slim SWPF, 35, 5'7", dark blonde hair, blue eyes, N/S, intelligent, personable, enjoys many interests. ISO SWPM, 30-50, who's attractive, kind, decent, for LTR. Ad# 1811

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THE RIGHT ONE

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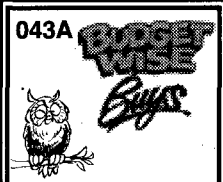
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M.N.

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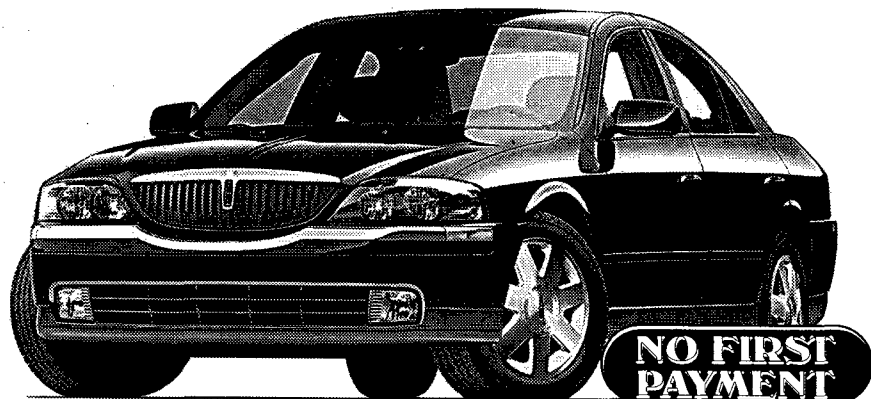
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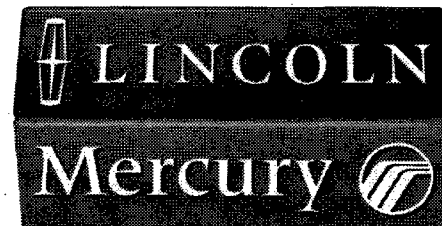
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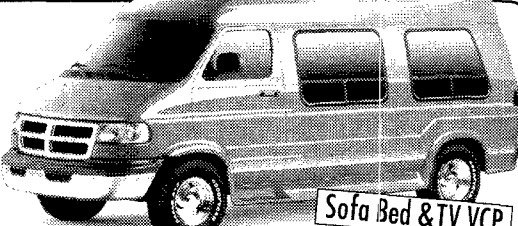


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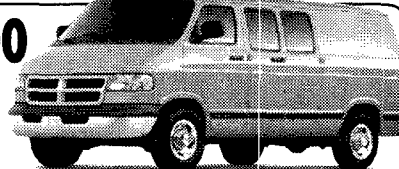
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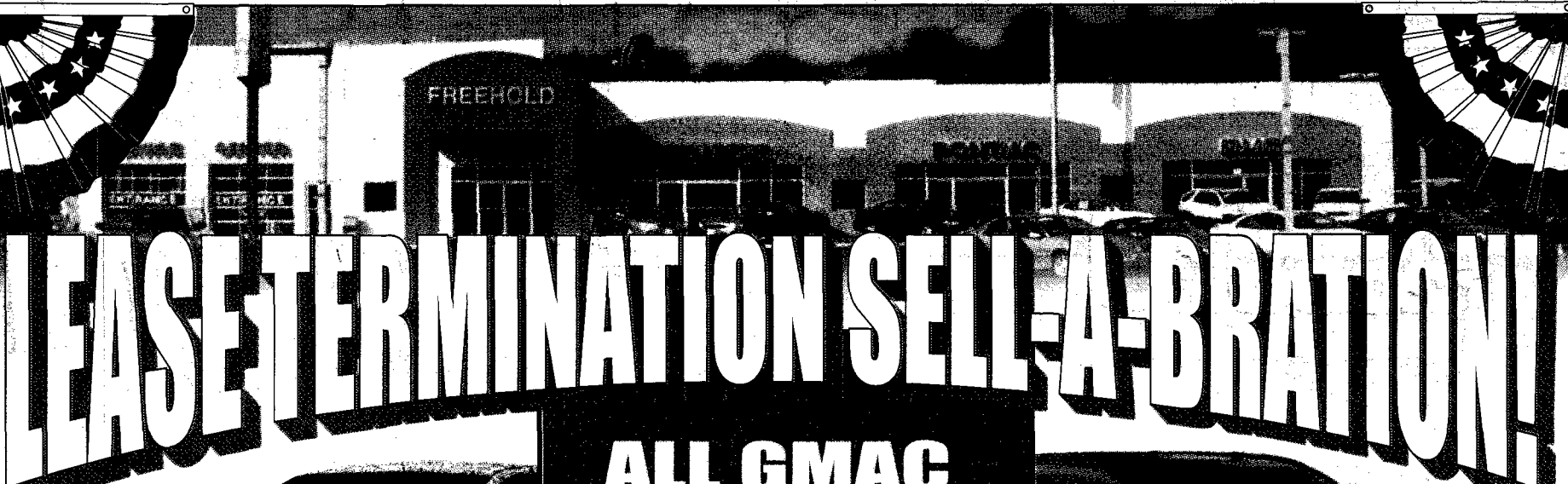
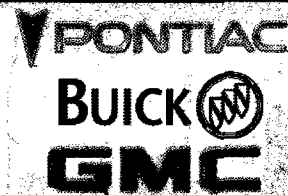
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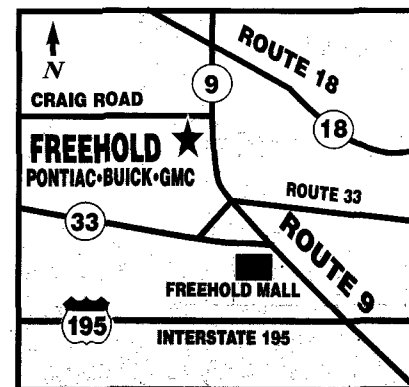
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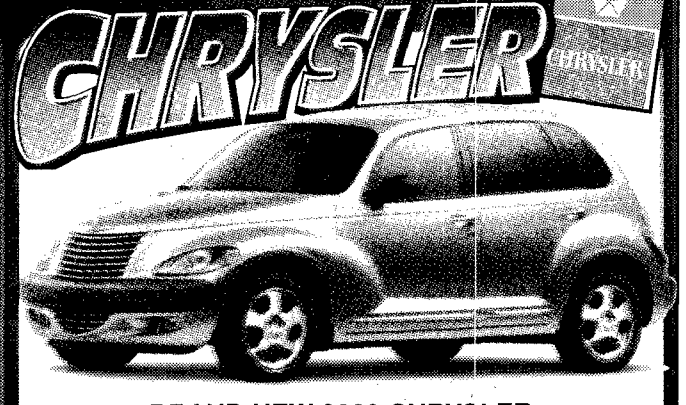
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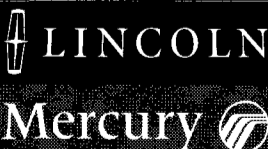
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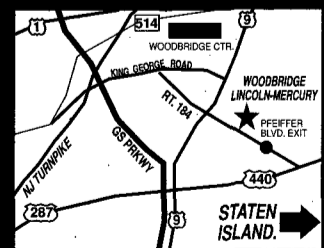
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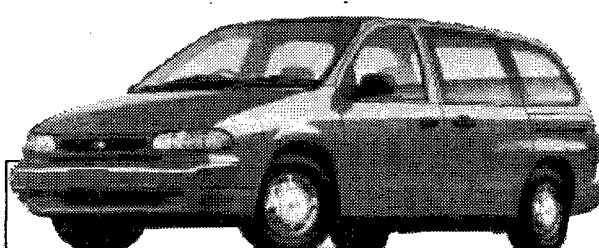
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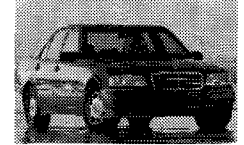


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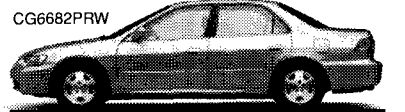
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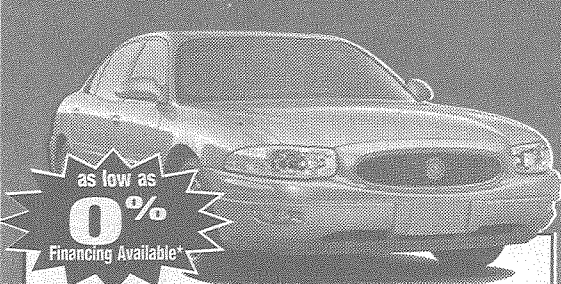


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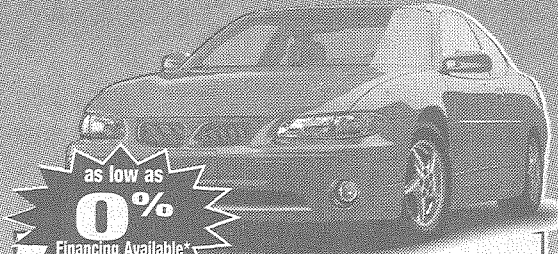


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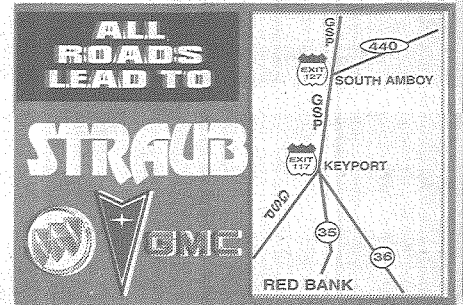
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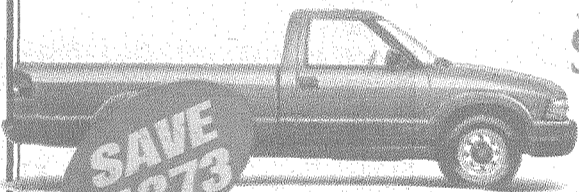
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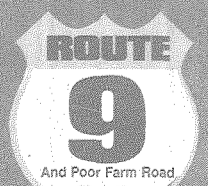
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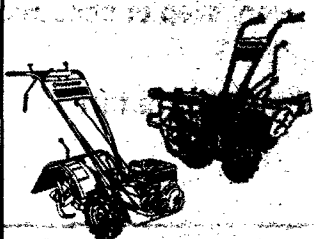
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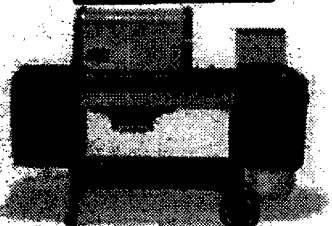
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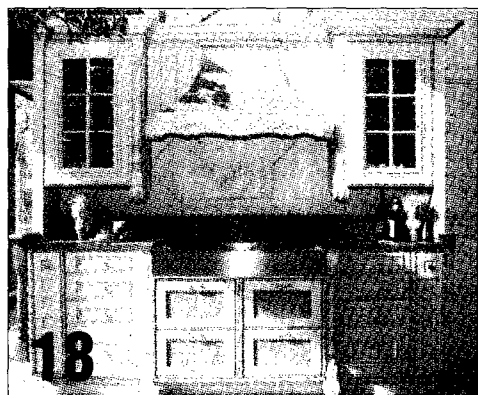
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BY EILEEN KOUTNIK
Correspondent

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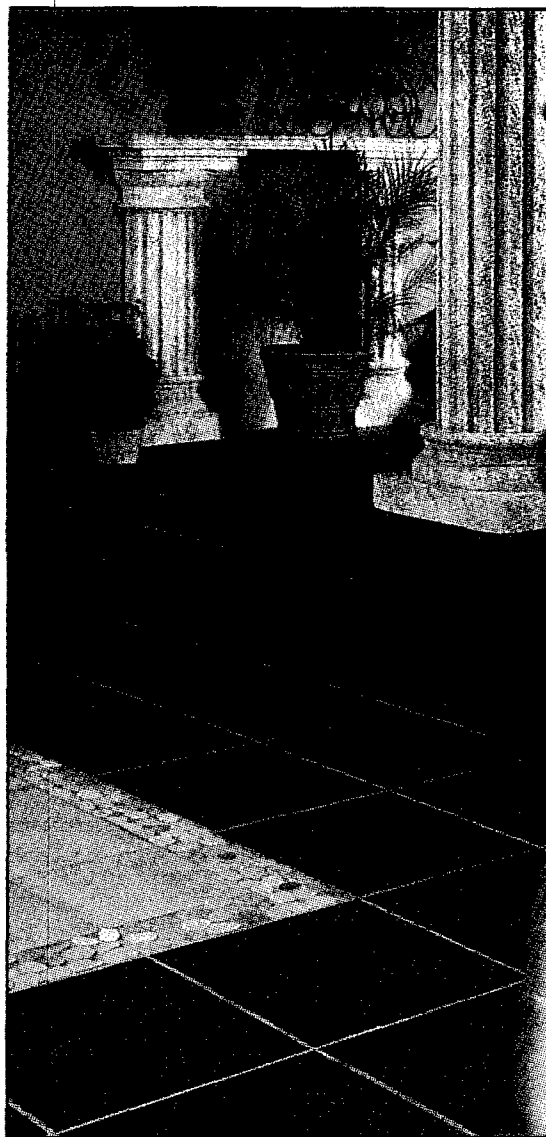
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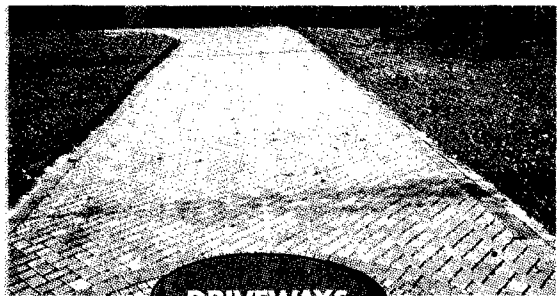
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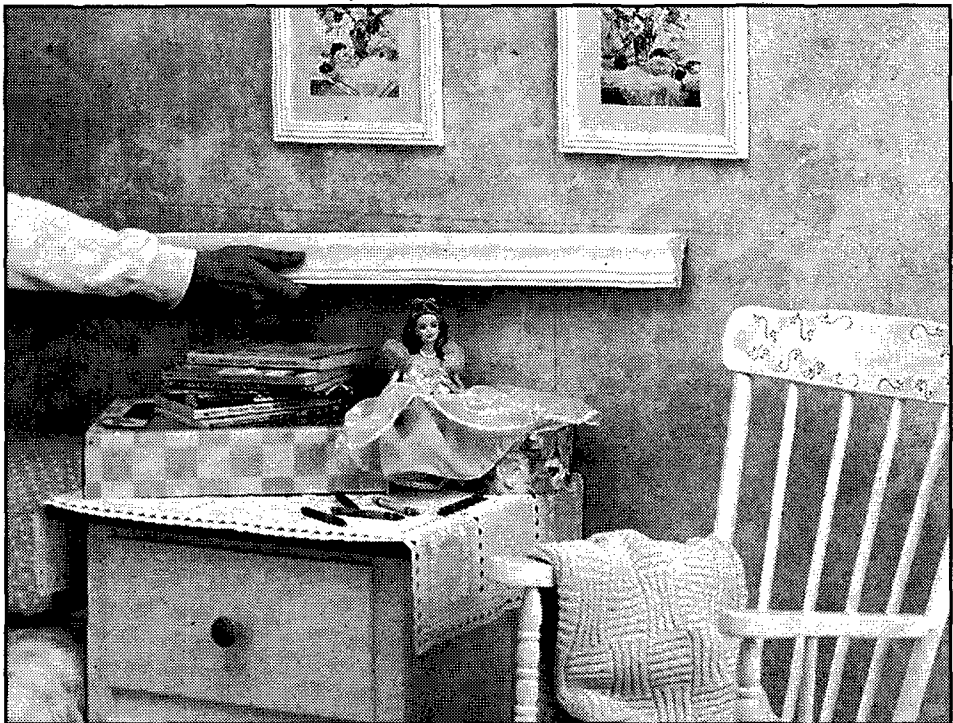
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Let's get this straight: a new way to decorate

Who hasn't encountered problems hanging pictures straight? Or how about the intricacies of mounting level shelves or attempting to align wallpaper?

Trying to put up anything that requires a straight line can be a hassle, especially when working alone. Holding the level in one hand and making a pencil mark of a straight line with the other hand isn't always an easy task.

Homeowners and apartment dwellers alike can rest assured that their decorating days will now be easier. A new product on the market helps solve this home improvement dilemma. The Strait-Line Laser Line Generator is an innovative hand-held device that casts a level, red laser line on any surface.

"While there are a number of laser tools on the market, none are quite like this," said Don Zeman, host of the nationally syndicated radio show "Homefront."

"For anyone who has ever encountered problems maintaining a straight line while aligning pictures, mounting wall decorations, hanging wallpaper or for other home improvement projects like cutting wood and tiling floors, the Laser Line Generator is a perfect solution to those problems. It creates a straight line wherever you need it without having to spend time drawing marks on nice surfaces," Zeman said.

Unlike many other laser tools — which can cost hundreds of dollars — the Laser Line Generator is affordable with a suggested retail price around \$60. It is powered by two AA batteries and includes a carrying case that easily attaches to a belt. Its ergonomic design includes a soft-grip handle and levels for horizontal and vertical applications. And with a flip of the lens cover, it's easily turned on or off. It also includes built-in metal anchor pins that can attach directly to a wall for added stability and an extra free hand.

"The anchor pins allow the user to mount the laser to the wall or ceiling, so their hands are free to do other things," said Zeman. "Many people will appreciate this feature because it can make handling home improvement projects much easier."

And if the laser line encounters an obstacle such as molding or framing, the line continues past the obstruction. It's made possible with patented technology that "casts a line" on the surface similar to the way other objects can cast a shadow.

"I used the Laser Line Generator to hang a pair of decorative shelves in my new apartment," said Heather Budnick, a veterinary technician in Chicago. "Without it, I would have had to use a pencil to draw a line across my entire

wall to make sure the two shelves were lined up straight and then I would have had to go back and try to erase the marks. This tool was quick and easy to use and it didn't involve the inconvenience of marking up my walls."

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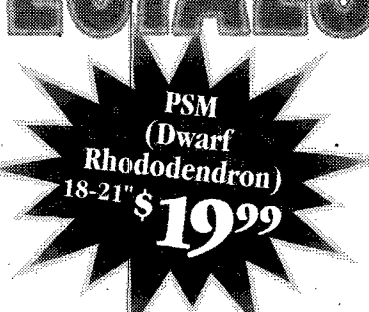
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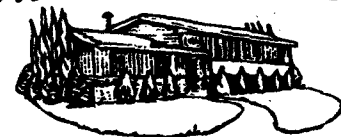
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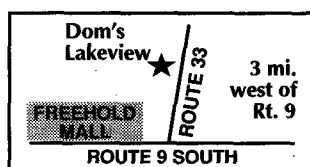
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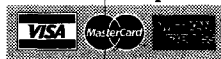
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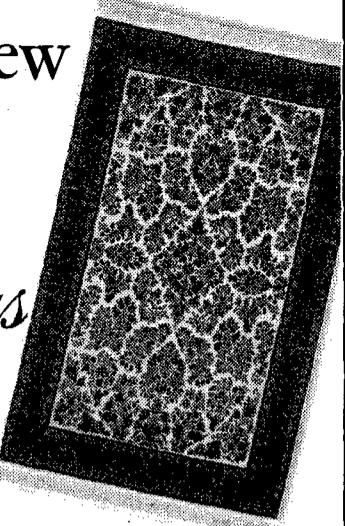
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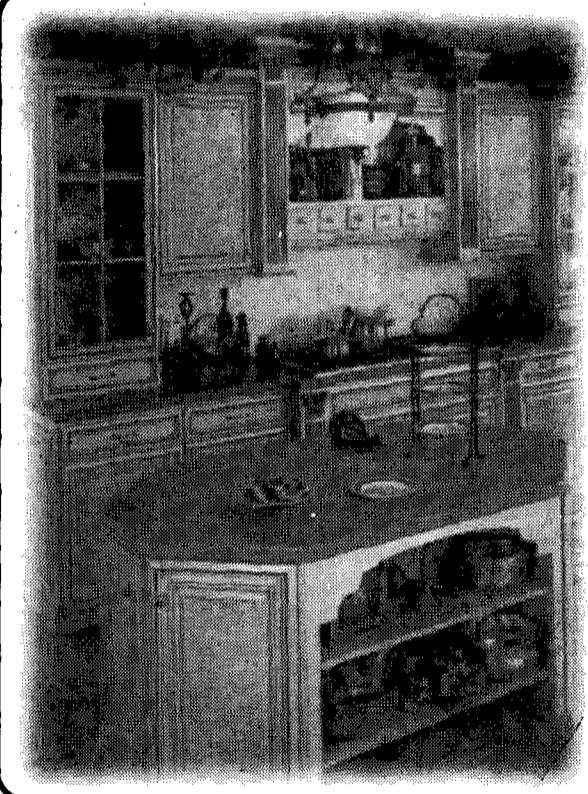
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Practice first aid for your azaleas

Do your azaleas exhibit signs of sickly, yellow leaves? If so, they are likely suffering from lack of iron due to a high alkaline soil pH. Canadian sphagnum peat moss may be just what the plant doctor ordered.

The ideal pH level for healthy azaleas is 4.5 to 5.5. A soil pH test will determine the acidity of your azalea bed and is a measurement for prescribing treatment.

A quick remedy is an over-the-counter iron product applied to the leaves according to directions. But like most pain relievers, it is only a short-term fix. Other treatments must be done to cure the alkalinity problem.

Sphagnum peat moss applied an inch thick as a top dressing and lightly worked into the soil is ideal. Canadian peat bogs are normally quite acidic, ranging 3.5 to 4.5. The acidic nature of this harvested product is a plus when used in combination with acid-loving plants. In plantings with thick, shallow roots, mix sphagnum peat with soil at a 50/50 ratio and place on the surface up to 2 inches thick. Covering the peat/soil mix with a shredded hardwood bark better holds the mulch in place. With time the peat helps to lower the soil's pH, allowing the plants to absorb nutrients like iron. If the pH test results are over 6.5 it is advised to mix a soil sulfur product according to directions with the peat moss.

In new plantings, incorporate the sphagnum with the existing soil at a ratio of one part peat to one part soil. Azaleas perform best in moist, organic soils that drain well. Sphagnum acts like a sponge, keeping the right blend of air and moisture around the plant roots. Likewise, peat loosens clay particles and binds sandy particles, providing an ideal blend of organic material.

Rest assured that the Canadian peat industry is taking steps to avoid depletion of this natural resource. Less than .02 percent of all bogs are being harvested — millions of acres are preserved and can never be harvested. On virgin peat bogs, peat is accumulating 50 times the rate of harvest due to the enormity of the bogs. If that isn't comforting enough, there is cutting-edge technology developed for the industry that enables producers to restore harvested bogs back to ecologically balanced wetland systems within three to five years.

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With the home becoming ever more important as a retreat from the world, offering comfort, serenity and solace from the pressures of everyday life, one room maintains its singular ability to nourish and refresh the spirit — the bedroom.

Decorating your bedroom to create the restful tranquility, the sense of peace and harmony that you desire, can be easily attained, according to the decorating experts at Stroheim & Romann, the high-end resource for decorative fabrics, wallpapers and trimmings. Here are their tips for achieving the bedroom of your dreams:

achieve is the use of a bed canopy or bedhangings. Fabric panels can be hung from the bed's posters or railings, or can be draped artfully over the head of the bed from a pole, crown, or ring affixed to the wall. Even a simple fabric panel draped behind the bed can add a hint of romance to a bedroom.

- Don't ignore the decorative possibilities of your walls to enhance the romantic ambiance ... whether you choose a matching or complementary wallpaper, upholster the walls in a coordinating fabric, or choose a harmonious paint color.

- Make sure that the things that most soothe your senses are within easy reach. Choose a bedside table large enough to hold all the necessities, as well as the little luxuries, that make your bedroom a relaxing retreat.

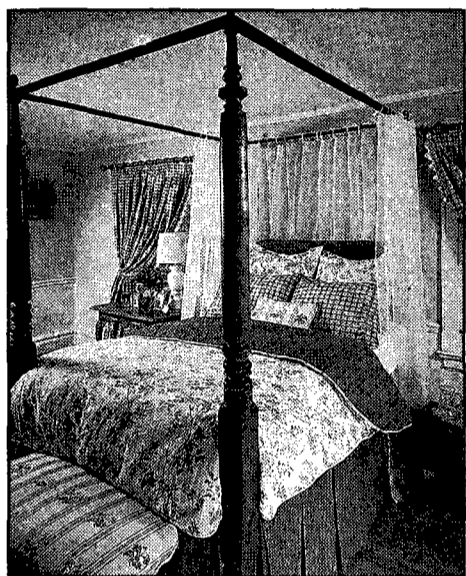
- Choose accessories that enhance the serene mood. If you are a collector, display your treasures on tables and shelves. Framed photos of loved ones, vases filled with flowers and fragrant candles enrich the senses.

- Sometimes the most romantic effects result from the details. Use trimmings lavishly — such as braids, cords, fringes, and

tassels — to add richness and luxury. Small decorative pillows, in tapestry, embroidery or needlepoint looks, also enhance the bedroom.

- If there's room, add a comfortable armchair, settee, or even a chaise lounge, upholstered in a fabric that complements the other fabrics. With a great place to curl up in, you may never want to leave your room.

Stroheim & Romann fabrics and wallpapers are available through interior designers and design showrooms. For information, call (718) 706-7000, or visit the Web site at www.stroheim.com.



This bedroom is the ultimate restful retreat, with its lavish use of romantic fabrics from Stroheim & Romann. Springtime Floral and Bachelor Button cover the bed, accented by Sigourney Plaid on the lush draperies, and Leah Sheer panels tied to the bed's railings. Grazia Stripe provides a charming complement on the bench.

- The loveliest of bedrooms are often the result of the lavish use of exquisite fabrics. Whether you choose sumptuous silks, luxurious jacquards or brocades, elegant plaids or stripes, or rich velvets, look for fabrics with a lush, romantic look to sooth the senses.

- Among the most appealing fabric choices for bedrooms are florals. This versatile motif comes in every variation, from lavish, oversized blooms to delicate bouquets, either printed, woven in or embellished.

- Create an interesting mix of materials by pairing pretty patterns with crisp, classic checks, stripes or plaids and solids to give your bedroom a rich, multi-layered look. Stroheim & Romann often coordinates patterns like florals with stripes, plaids and textures.

- Among the most popular choices of pattern for bedrooms are toiles. These charming designs are usually in one or more colors on a natural ground, and feature pastoral, motifs that combine well with other crisp patterns. For a timeless look, choose one distinctive toile design for both fabric and wallpaper. Stroheim & Romann offers collections of toiles in both fabrics and wallcoverings.

- Choose your bed with an eye to its romantic possibilities. Among the perennially popular choices are classic four-poster beds. Or, for a very special look, pick a headboard and footboard that can be upholstered in a fabric that matches or complements your main fabric.

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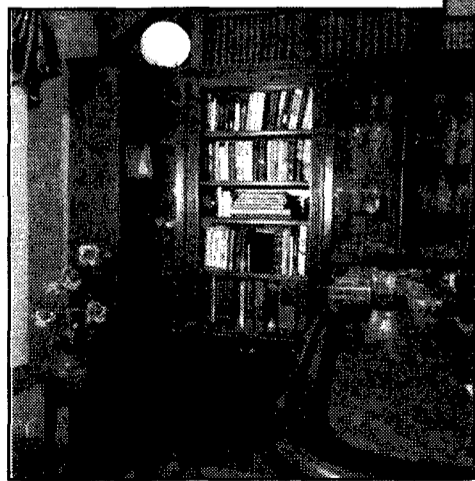
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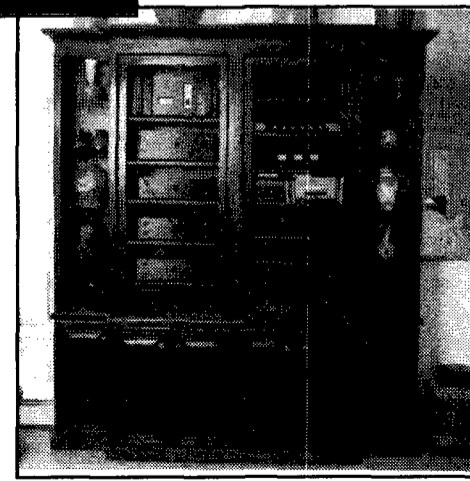
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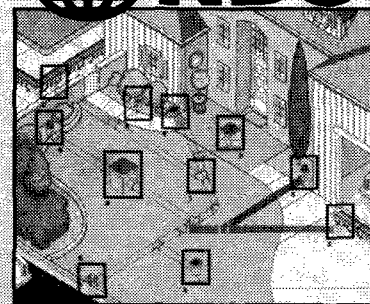
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Expert offers tips for a thriving container garden

From traditional terra cotta pots to whimsical wash-tubs, more and more people are using containers — both conventional and avant-garde — to indulge their green thumbs.

"Containers let you garden in the smallest of spaces, inside or outside," says Austin, Texas-based landscaper Larry Connelly. "They're great for growing plants that may not thrive in a traditional garden. But best of all, containers let you take a flexible attitude toward gardening and move plants around at the slightest whim without making major revisions to the landscape," he says.

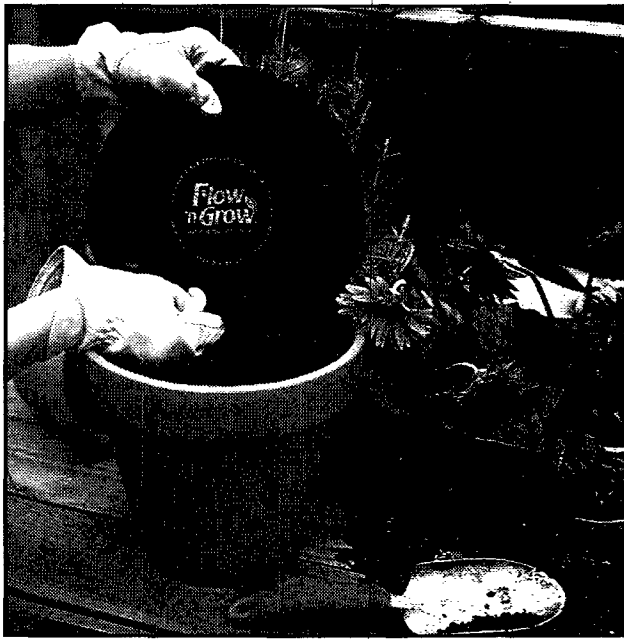
With more than 23 years of experience as a landscaper, Connelly incorporates container gardens into many of his designs. Better known as "Landscape Larry," Connelly has worked on high-profile landscaping projects such as the Jimmy Carter Library and Museum in Atlanta, and high-end residential projects across the country.

Connelly says there are several tips professionals use to ensure a successful container garden:

- Use your imagination. Terra cotta is nice, but there are plenty of other types of containers to choose from. Don't be afraid to try a planter box or wacky containers, like watering cans or wastebaskets, even old washtubs or aquariums. Just remember to poke a hole in the bottom for drainage. Put plants of various shapes, colors, sizes and textures together in the same container to complement and contrast.

- Size matters. Pay attention to the space you have to work with on your balcony, deck or room. Larger spaces allow for a nice mix of styles, shapes and sizes of pots and plants, while small spaces look better filled with different-sized containers made from the same material.

- Never overwater. According to Connelly, drainage is the most important — and most overlooked — aspect of container gardening. "Poor drainage kills more container plants than nearly any other cause," he says. "And the frustrating part is that it's preventable." Connelly rec-



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ommends replacing the stones or chunks of broken clay that many people use to help drainage with a product like the Flow 'n' Grow Easy-Flow Container Drain, which he invented to help the container gardens he uses in his landscaping business thrive. The beanbag-like Flow 'n' Grow is made of polypropylene beads sandwiched between two layers of tightly woven, yet porous, rot-resistant fabric.

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drainage holes at the bottom of a pot," Connelly says.

Connelly offers some additional tips for creating a beautiful and healthy container garden.

- Move it. A great thing about growing plants in pots is that containers can be moved with very little effort. Depending on your mood, you can reposition containers into thousands of different combinations. When you're filling your containers, remember that different plants need different amounts of sunlight. Group plants by how much light they require, and it'll be easier to care for them.

- Go vertical. Don't discount the aesthetic value of adding hanging plants or wall-mounted planter boxes to your container garden. Or, if you're working on a flat surface, add some height and visual interest by using small specimen trees and columnar evergreens.

- Know your climate. Keep in mind that the container gardens on your balcony and deck are subject to the same temperatures as your traditional garden in the backyard. In hot climates, for instance, use lighter-colored containers to lessen heat absorption.

- Pay attention to the soil. The right soil combination is a critical element to ensure healthy plants. Add about an inch of peat moss and compost to the soil in your container garden. The combination of peat moss and compost loosens heavy soil and adds body to sandy soil while saving water by absorbing and releasing moisture.

- Vary with veggies. Flowers are great, but don't be afraid to branch out by adding some vegetables and specimen plants to the mix. Cherry tomatoes, carrots, beets and herbs all generally do well in container gardens.

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Nostalgia decorating symbolizes survival

Add wallpapers and textiles with historic roots to a home and even a new structure will achieve a feeling of permanence and history, a comforting sense that belongings have been acquired over years, passed through a family, well-loved and lived in, says Susan North, design director for Greeff. By extension, along with creating a gracious, soothing ambiance, classic patterns also symbolize survival.

"I work from antique wallpapers and textiles to create many of the decorative products we introduce to interior designers, architects and fine retailers," says North. "Document wallpapers, such as Althorp Floral from the Arboretum collection, are printed just like the originals, 18-inches wide, rather than in today's standard 20- or 27-inch rolls. The elegant flowers look the way they did in the mid-19th century. Like Viburnum, designed from a late 19th century pattern of blossoms that resemble hydrangea, both enchanting garden-inspired motifs come in soft antique colorations and have the subtle painterly texture of surface printing." Adds North, "Colors, such as rich red and brown, also feel comforting."

Regarding color, Leatrice Eiseman, author of *Colors for Your Every Mood*, (Capital Books, 2000) observes that the events on Sept. 11th caused people to take stock of what came before. "American influence on design is not just about Colonial traditions," says the Bainbridge Island, Wash.-based color consultant. "Other parts of the U.S. carry their own brand of nostalgia, such as the palettes of Palm Springs in its hey-day which, at the close of the '90s, I predicted would influence design."



Document prints give a comforting sense of permanence and history. Graceful bouquets in Althorp Floral from the Greeff Arboretum collection, combine with scroll-shaped vines in a wallpaper printed like the mid-19th century pattern that inspired it.

"The trend focuses on the desert, dotted with glamorous motels dressed in dusted palettes, during Hollywood's golden days."

"As we grow older," notes interior designer Susan Gulick of Susan Gulick Interiors, Herndon, Va., "we find out that life is about memories. Many of the things

we made fun of in our youth become meaningful because we associate them with fond recollections. While the design work we do is contemporary, there are classic elements, such as the Greek key, that even if modified, are familiar, providing a sense of stability, security and comfort."

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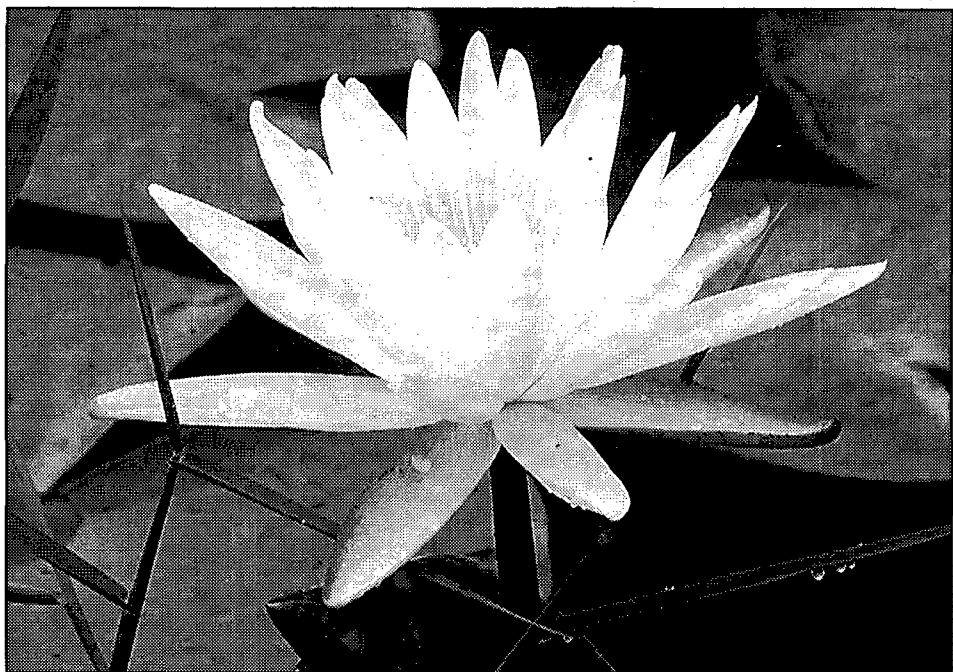
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Water lilies are just one beautiful feature of a personal water garden.

Design a beautiful water garden at home

The term "gardening" encompasses much more these days than it used to. Plants can poke their heads out of old tennis shoes or buckets and be bordered by fine china, or you may prefer a more traditional garden complete with a rose-covered trellis.

One trend that is springing up in many more gardens is the use of water as a visual focal point. A pond stocked with vividly colored koi, a trickling fountain or even a modest birdbath can all add a unique appeal to your garden retreat. Here are some tips to creating a beautiful water garden, according to Alex and Judy Munro, featured in *Flower Gardens* magazine.

1. Select the site carefully. Avoid low-lying areas that collect water. Hillsides lend themselves to waterfalls. Just put a basin of water at the top that gushes over the hill, slashing into a pond below.

2. Lay out an outline of the pond's shape on the ground using a garden hose. A few large sweeping curves are more pleasing than a lot of smaller ones.

3. Dig! You can use a bobcat or a backhoe if you have one, but these are necessary only for larger ponds. A shovel and a little elbow grease work just fine for small projects.

4. Leave shelves of earth in the sides

of the hole to make a place for setting the beautiful grasses that will make your pond come to life. Only lilies and lotus grow on the pond's bottom. The pond's marginal plants tie into the surrounding garden's perennials and annuals.

5. Line the bottom with sand.

6. Use a foam sheet purchased from a garden center to line the sides of the pond or use rubber roofing, which is less expensive and works just as well to protect the pond liner from holes.

7. Install a pond liner. These are heavy enough to conform easily to the pond's shape. Fold the corners just like you would pie dough.

8. Finish pond edges with stones to cover the edge of the liner. Fieldstone is free and lends a natural look. You can even create layers of stone below the water to step or slope the edge so it doesn't look like a tub. Pebbles and mulch along the stones' edges make mowing easier.

9. Fill with water.

10. Install a filter and hook up a pump, which will supply a fountain, bubbler or waterfall.

11. Install potted water plants on shelves of the pond and on the pond's bottom.

12. Enjoy!

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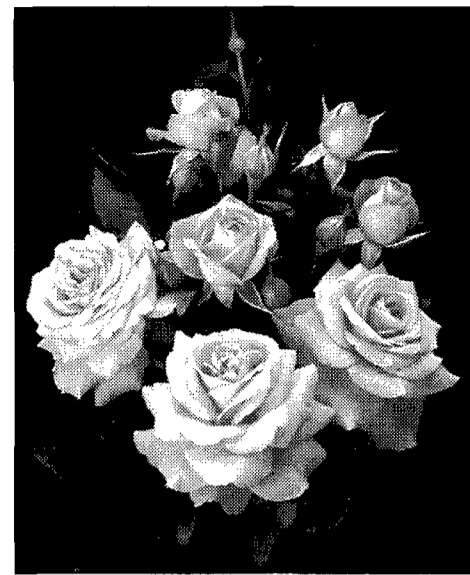
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Outta the Blue has strongly fragrant, multi-toned magenta-to-lavender-blue flowers (left). Countess Celeste has fragrant blossoms on a round, bushy shrub (right).

These new roses have old-fashioned charm

So you thought you would grow some of those old-fashioned roses that you loved in your grandmother's garden. Then you discovered that they bloom only once a year, hog all the space in the garden, attract every rose disease that's out there, and look like a pile of naked sticks except during that one week in June when they bloom.

Roses have come a long way, baby! Now you can buy easy-to-grow roses that have those lovely, many-petaled, fragrant, old-fashioned blooms, but on plants that have been bred to flower continuously all season long. The Modern Antiques collection from Weeks Roses is composed of five varieties of modern roses with old-fashioned charm and amazing flower power packed into compact plants that will fit into any space.

Sturdy, disease-resistant, and amazingly floriferous, the Modern Antiques varieties are very easy to grow. Like all roses, they should be planted in well-drained soil, watered frequently, and fertilized once a month or so. In return, they'll produce myriads of flowers, adding color to the landscape and ideal for making those lovely full-figured bouquets that are so nostalgic and popular.

The Modern Antiques collection consists of modern shrubs and floribundas in colors that will thrill every old-fashioned rose aficionado. Countess Celeste has fragrant coral blossoms on a vigorous plant that grows round and bushy, with deep green, glossy foliage. It's very free-flowering, and great in mass plantings, in the perennial garden or all alone. It's very winter-hardy. Outta the Blue is a modern shrub of medium height with strongly fragrant, multi-toned magenta-to-lavender-blue flowers. It's highly vigorous and bears huge clusters of ever-changing, unusually colored, old-fashioned blooms.

Princess Marianna has pastel, peachy colored, sweetly fragrant blooms on a low-growing shrub that is sturdy and disease-resistant. Purple Heart is a medium-size floribunda that's always covered with huge clusters of luscious wine-red flowers with a strong, spicy fragrance. Queen Margrethe is a small shrub that can be tucked into a small space and produces apple-scented pastel pink flowers in great abundance.

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Formula for estimating how much paint to buy

Painting is one of the easiest ways to give a room a new look. Yet, before you embark on the project, it's a good idea to learn approximately how much paint you will need for the project. There's nothing more frustrating than running out of paint in the middle of a project and leftover paint can take up a lot of room in the basement or garage.

Here is an easy guide to estimating the amount of paint you'll need to purchase for a ceiling or room project, courtesy of www.dummies.com; the Web site of the popular "For Dummies" series.

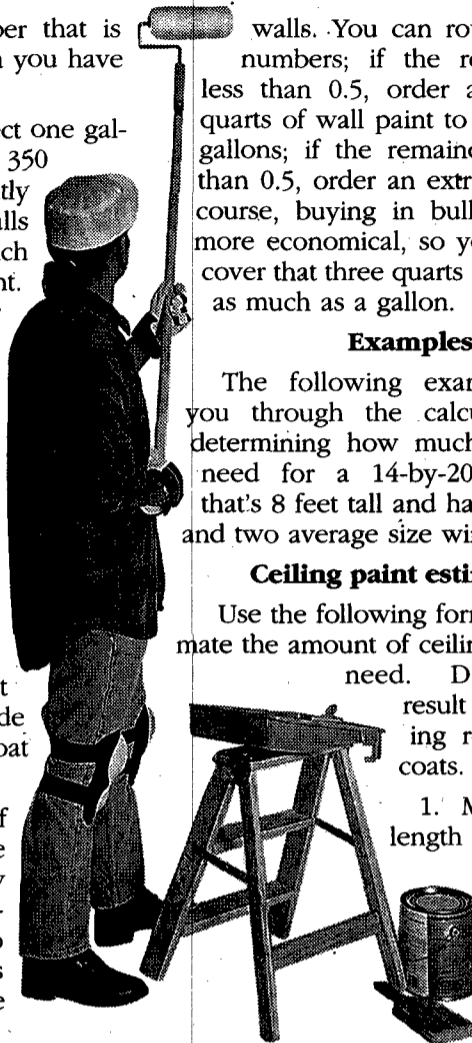
To estimate the amount of paint you need in order to cover the walls of a room, add together the length of all the walls and then multiply the number by the height of the room, from floor to ceiling. The number you get is the room's square footage. Is that math class coming back to you now? Now you have to determine how much of that square footage is paintable surface area. Because you use a different paint on the doors and windows, subtract those areas from the room total. No sweat, just subtract 20 square feet for each door and 15 square feet for each average-sized window in the room.

You end up with a number that is close to the actual wall area you have to cover with paint.

In general, you can expect one gallon of paint to cover about 350 square feet. You need slightly more than a gallon if the walls are unpainted drywall, which absorbs more of the paint. You also need to consider whether to paint more than one coat. If you're painting walls that are unfinished, heavily patched, or dark in color, plan on applying two coats of paint.

When painting a dark color, pros often add a color tint to the white primer. Tints for both latex or alkyd paints are available at most paint stores. For best results, choose a tint shade that's closest to the top coat color.

Now for the clincher of the math problem. Divide the paintable wall area by 350 (the square-foot coverage in each gallon can) to find the number of gallons of paint you need for the



walls. You can round uneven numbers; if the remainder is less than 0.5, order a couple of quarts of wall paint to go with the gallons; if the remainder is more than 0.5, order an extra gallon. Of course, buying in bulk is usually more economical, so you may discover that three quarts of paint cost as much as a gallon.

Examples

The following examples walk you through the calculations for determining how much paint you need for a 14-by-20-foot room that's 8 feet tall and has two doors and two average size windows.

Ceiling paint estimator

Use the following formula to estimate the amount of ceiling paint you need. Double the result if the ceiling requires two coats.

1. Multiply the length of the ceiling by its width to find its area. $14 \times 20 = 280$

square feet

2. Divide that number by 350 (the estimated square feet covered per gallon) to figure out how many gallons of paint you need. $280 \div 350 = 0.8$

For this example, you want to buy one gallon of ceiling paint for a single coat.

Wall paint estimator

Use the following formula to estimate the amount of wall paint you need. Double the result if the walls require two coats.

1. Add together the length of each wall. $14 + 20 + 14 + 20 = 68$ feet
2. Multiply the sum by the wall height to find the total wall area. $68 \times 8 = 544$ square feet
3. Subtract 20 square feet for each door ($20 \times 2 = 40$) and 15 square feet for each window ($15 \times 2 = 30$) to find the actual amount of wall area you're painting. $544 - 70 = 474$ square feet
4. Divide this figure by the paint coverage (350 square feet per gallon), and the result is the number of gallons to purchase. $474 \div 350 = 1.4$

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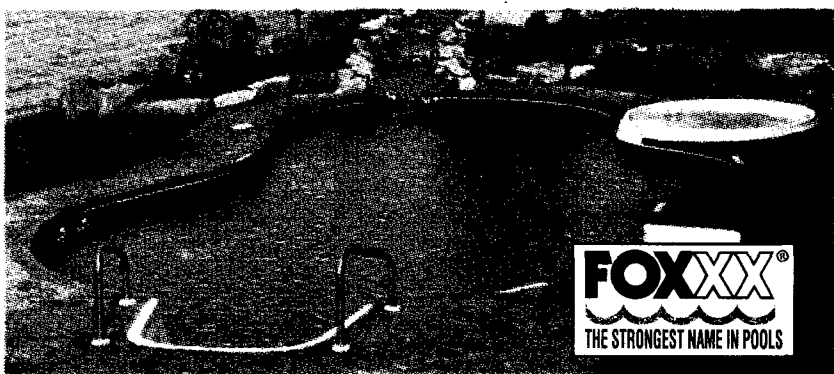
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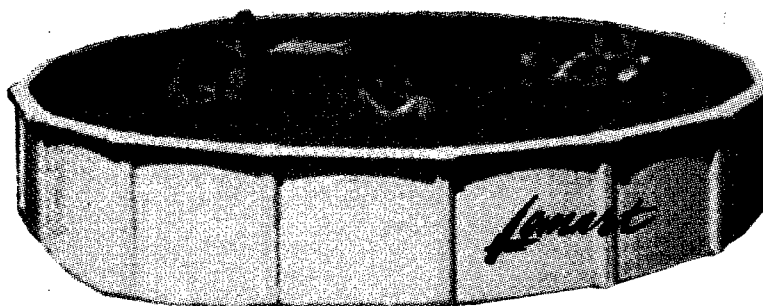
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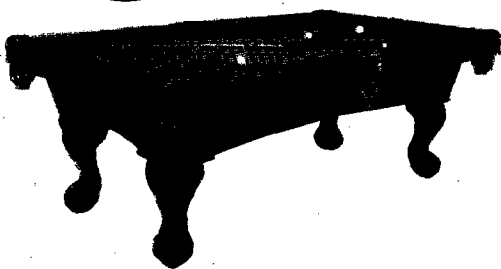
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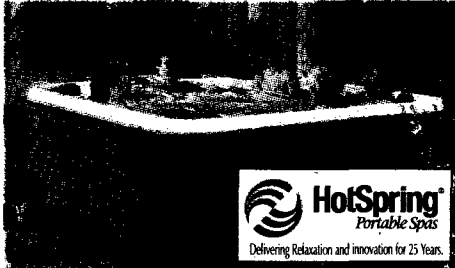
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Every spring gardeners of all levels vow to have a beautiful garden that's free of weeds. Yet, after a few weeks, the constant vigilance and manual pulling of weeds gets old. And as a result, flower and vegetable beds become overtaken by weeds.

You can win the war against weeds in your garden by following a few simple tips.

The first step is to provide adequate nutrition. Few soil conditions naturally offer the proper nutrients for successful plant growth. That's why fertilizing is so important. Keep in mind, however, that not all plants use the same fertilizer. For example, flowers need a fertilizer that is high in phosphate, while vegetables need a well-balanced product. A simple vegetable fertilizer used in your garden, such as a 5-10-5, will help to produce an abundant crop.

The second step is prevention. Unless you want to spend the rest of the summer pulling weeds, act early to prevent them. A pre-emergent granular herbicide, such as Preen by Greenview, actually prevents weeds from germinating. No weeds means no weeding and a lot more free time for you. Even better, with no weeds competing for moisture, nutrients, sunlight and space, your plants will grow larger and more vigorous. The best weed prevention programs start early in the season before the first weed is seen. Long-lasting weed preventers like Preen may be applied to beds up to 10 weeks before the recommended planting season. As a result, seeds and transplants are



Preen 'n' Green is an herbicide and fertilizer, which means it provides nutrients to your plants and prevents weeds from growing.

planted into weed-free beds.

The majority of your garden preparation can be accomplished during cooler weather. Simply shake Preen's granules into the soil and water thoroughly to enjoy a weed-free garden for up to three months. To save time, apply an herbicide that's combined with a fertilizer, such as Preen 'n' Green, so that you can add valuable nutrients into the soil while you're preventing weeds. Preen 'n' Green's balanced 9-17-9 fertilizer helps ensure abundant blooms, strong root development and improved vigor, and is

endorsed by the American Rose Society.

Another way to minimize weeds is to add mulch around your flowerbed. Mulch has a two-tiered effect. First, it holds moisture for your plants, and second, it smothers weeds and hinders their growth. Since mulch usually contains many weed seeds, however, consider applying a preventer such as Preen or Preen 'n' Green on top of the mulch and water in. Many people apply the herbicide first. In reality, however, a mulch, then Preen, program is more effective and saves valuable time and energy.

In combination with mulch, some people choose to put down a barrier, like plastic, over the ground to further prevent weeds. Keep in mind, however, that weed seeds from other areas of the yard may still blow onto the barrier and start a new crop of weeds. For maximum protection, consider applying a weed preventer over the barrier.

Regular watering is the most important thing you can do. Plants have a tendency to dry up without water and may show signs of moisture stress. The first sign that they need attention is an overall drooping of the leaves. With the exception of rainy days, gardens and flowerbeds should be watered every day if possible, especially if the temperature rises above 80 degrees or the area receives a lot of sun. Rain gauges are an inexpensive and indispensable product for your garden. They display the amount of precipitation, which is an indication of the water received by your plants. Plants typically need a minimum of a quarter inch each day.

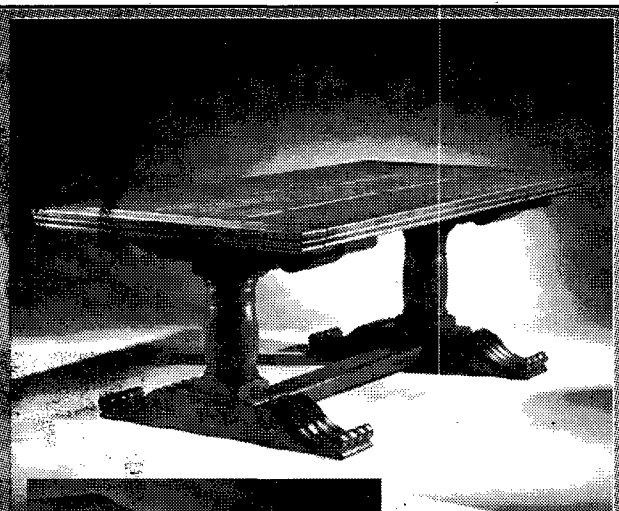
The last tip involves something not found in a store — patience. Take care of your plants and realize that no amount of fertilizer or watering will make them grow overnight. On the average, flowering plants will bloom from seven to 14 days. Likewise, vegetable plants require a fair amount of time before you will begin to see results. For more information about preventing weeds and for additional gardening tips, visit www.preen.com, or to locate a retailer nearest you, call (800) 532-0090, ext. 214.



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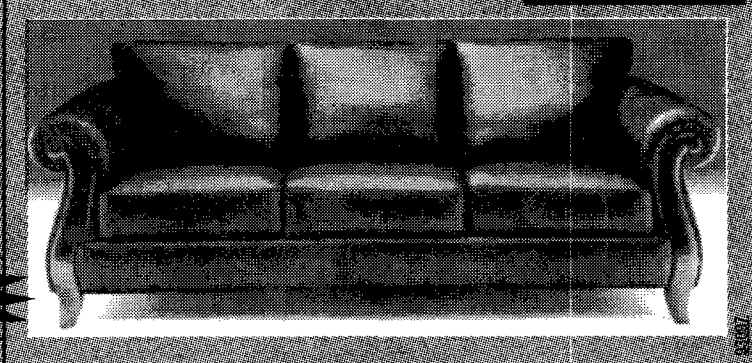
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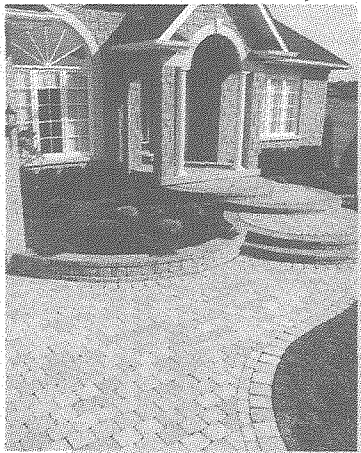
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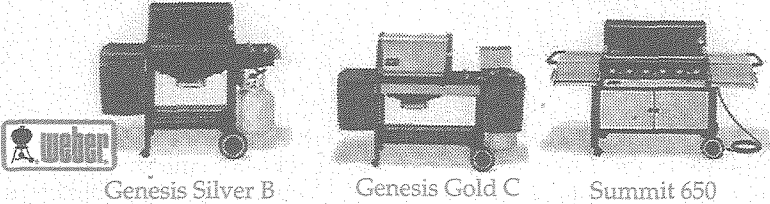
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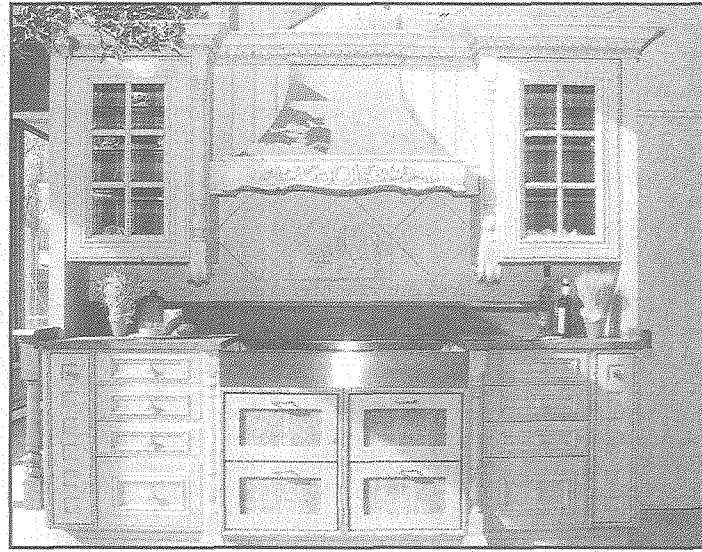
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Let SD Designs create your dream kitchen

BY ANITA STRATOS
Correspondent

There's no limit to the artistry that can transform your kitchen into the focal point you've always wanted it to be, as long as you work with professionals like those at SD Designs Inc. Whether you're building from scratch, adding on, or renovating an existing kitchen, the possibilities are endless.

With many years of experience in the fields of layout and design, owners Santa DeCenzo and Paul Schoenfeld continually show their expertise designing and installing high quality kitchens, libraries, media rooms, bathrooms, commercial office spaces and more. DeCenzo and Schoenfeld are dedicated to creating the perfect rooms for their clients, and they are involved in every aspect from start to finish.



FARRAH MAFFAI

The Normandy design by Neff Kitchens is an elegant style that is available through SD Designs in Little Silver.

The design process begins with a consultation with clients in order to determine their lifestyles, budget, and any specific preferences they may have. Special attention is paid to individual considerations such as height restrictions or the need for a kosher kitchen. DeCenzo and Schoenfeld can then review the architects' blueprints for new construction so that any corrections or improvements to the plans can be made.

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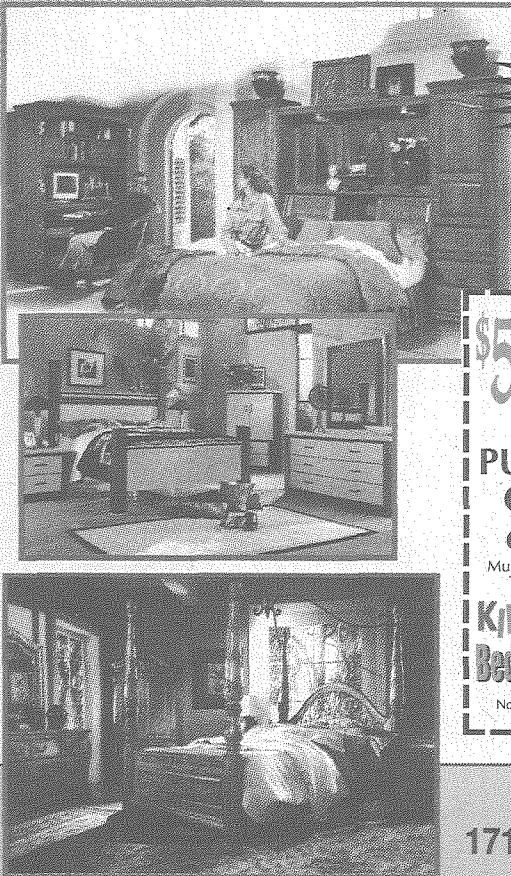
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before construction begins. The style of the room is very important and the overall look must be kept in sync with the rest of the house. The kitchen in particular is always visible to guests since it so often becomes a gathering place; it also plays a major role in resale value.

In the case of a renovation, DeCenzo and Schoenfeld take measurements of the existing area, then take digital photographs in order to lay out the room by hand on the drafting table. This allows them to be more artistic and creative with their design work, rather than relying on computer-aided design, which can put limits on the process.

"Anyone can stack boxes; we're trained professionals who do things the old-fashioned way," Schoenfeld said.

DeCenzo and Schoenfeld only work with high quality cabinet manufacturers who have excellent reputations, such as Wood-Mode, Neff Kitchens, Heritage Custom Kitchens and Brookhaven. Besides carrying manufacturers' warranties, DeCenzo and Schoenfeld stand behind their work with their own installation warranty. If at any time past clients wish to enlarge their kitchens but keep the cabinetry originally provided by SD Designs, DeCenzo and Schoenfeld can match the existing cabinetry perfectly.

The No. 1 focus at SD Designs is to create a kitchen that will complement the rest of the home. DeCenzo and Schoenfeld will work within their clients' budgets to give them the look they want, which can sometimes mean finding alternative ways to provide an expensive look with smaller budgets.

The majority of homeowners are leaning toward traditional kitchen cabinetry, with white and off-white being the pri-



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Your country kitchen is complete with Wood-Mode custom cabinetry, one of the styles that SD Designs in Little Silver offers.

many choices in paint color and cherry being the first choice in woods. However, glazes and hand-applied finishes are also very popular right now. There are no limits to the selections of cabinet colors and styles, and at SD Designs you find hundreds of color choices and a wide range of cabinet styles in their showroom. There are also quite a few choices in countertops, among the most sought-after being Corian which has a seamless appearance, and granite, the most durable counter surface. In order to help their clients choose from among the numerous natural granite colorings, either DeCenzo or Schoenfeld will accompany their clients to a local granite yard where they can assist in coordinating a sample of the cabinetry with the many granite options. They can then select the actual slab of granite that will be

used to create the countertops. If contemporary is more to your liking, you'll love the sleek contemporary look of the stainless steel countertop in the SD Designs showroom.

Because kitchen trends tend to change from decade to decade, DeCenzo and Schoenfeld don't overload the kitchens they design with too many accessories, as these details can make a kitchen look outdated over time. Instead, the kitchens created at SD Designs have a timeless appeal that look great in any decade.

The kitchens designed by DeCenzo and Schoenfeld continue to shine even beneath the surface. Convenience and organization are critical in any good kitchen, and these beautiful kitchens have it all. From maintenance-free stainless steel drawer inserts that organize utensils per-

fectly, to fully extending drawers and pivoting half-moon cabinet shelves that make deep corner problems a thing of the past, there's no end to the possibilities that make kitchen work simple.

For many years, homeowners stayed away from using dramatic, darker colors in kitchens, but these restrictions no longer apply to homes today. When SD Designs works with your new construction or renovation project, they make sure there is enough properly placed lighting in the room to keep it bright and ensure the right areas are well lit. In fact, lighting recommendations are a complimentary service provided to all of their clients.

DeCenzo and Schoenfeld don't stop at layout and design. They oversee the entire construction or renovation project, helping clients select hardwood or tile flooring and arrange for permits, plumbing, electrical, and installation work, saving their clients the hassles of finding reputable workers and dealing with the ongoing concerns of any home project.

"We bring all the elements together for our clients," Schoenfeld said. "There is an enormous number of details that have to come together in the right way, and we make sure that happens."

Part of what sets DeCenzo and Schoenfeld apart from other designers is that they truly enjoy working with people and are never too busy to spend time with their clients. In fact, the majority of their business comes from referrals, which they consider the greatest reward of all.

SD Designs Inc. is located at 2 Fairview Ave. in Little Silver. Showroom hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays and evenings by appointment. For more information, call (732) 842-7393 and visit the Web site at www.sddesign.com.

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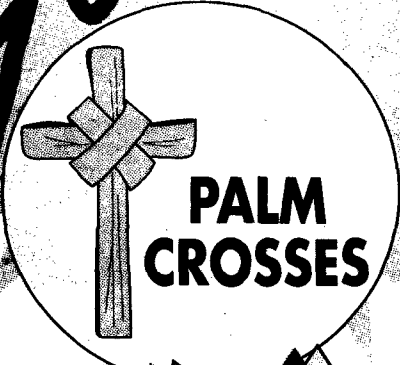
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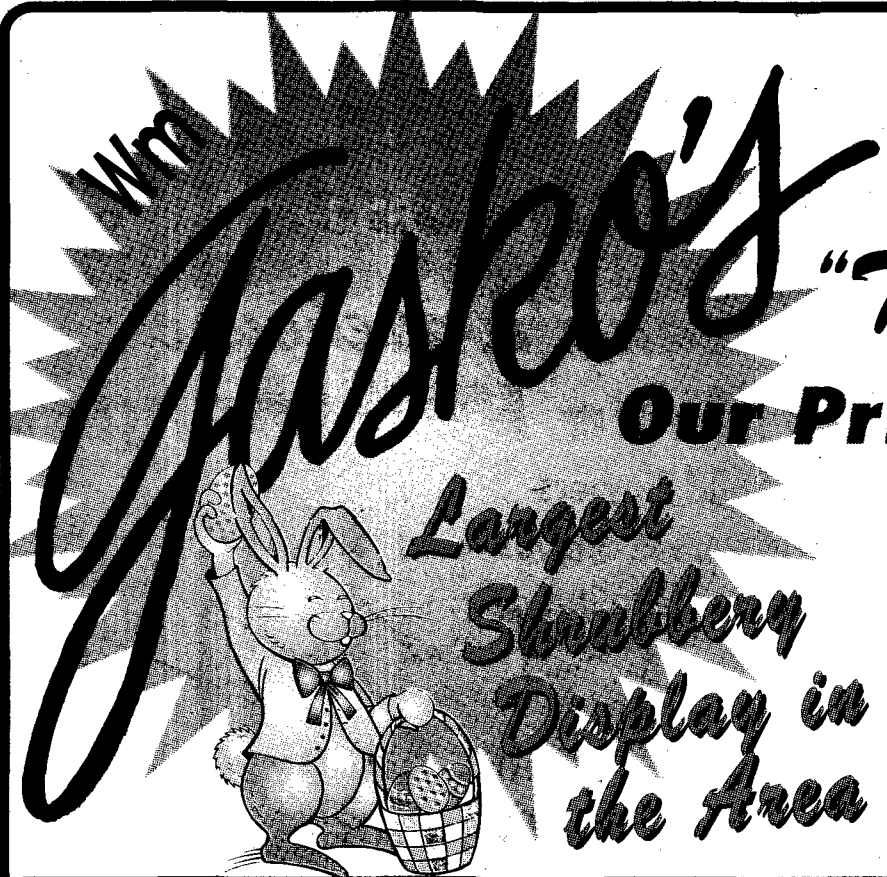
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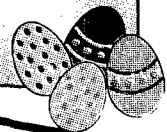
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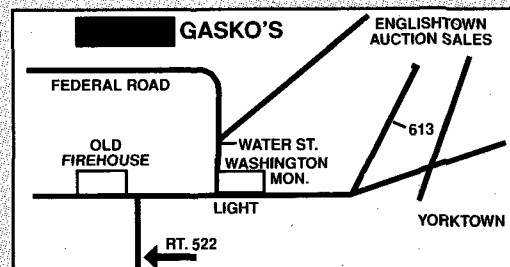
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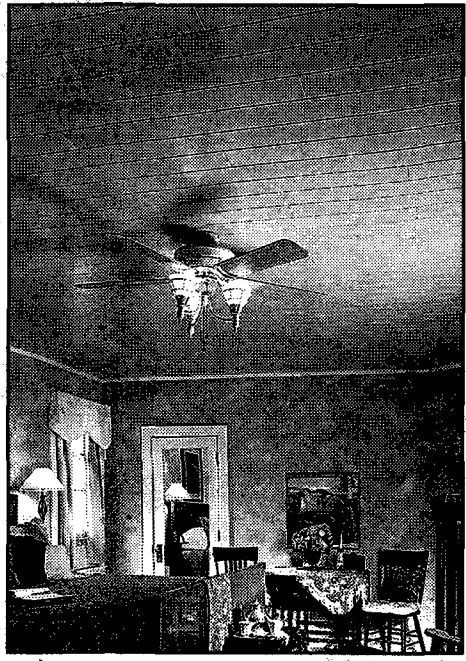
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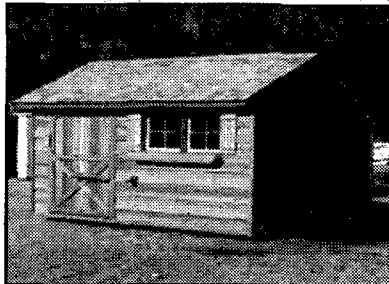
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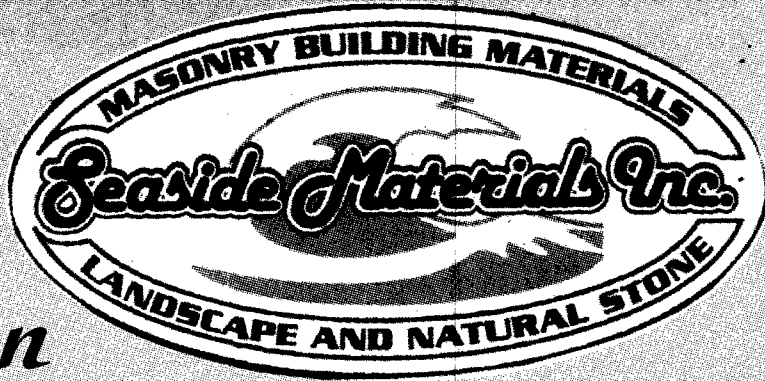

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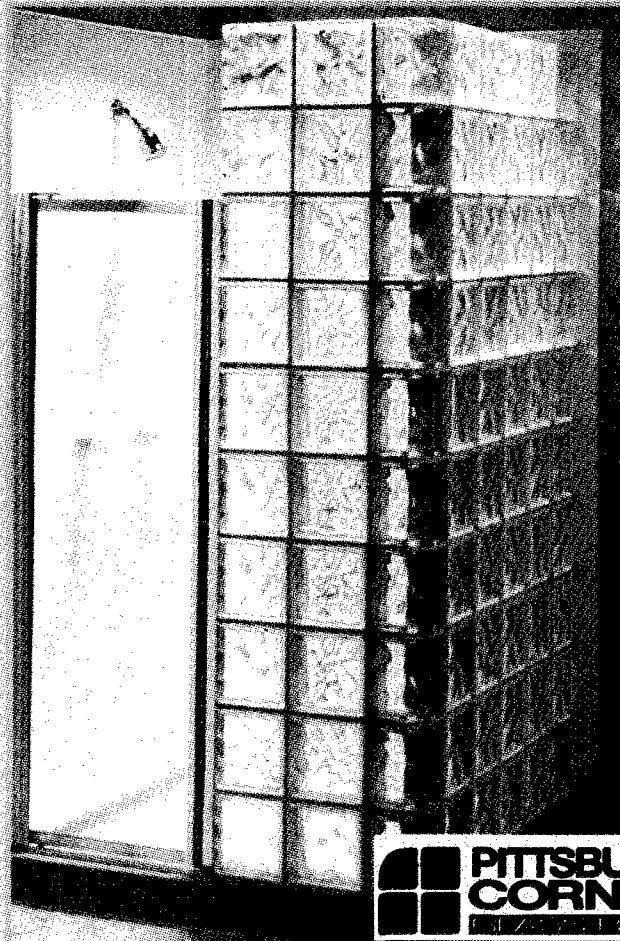
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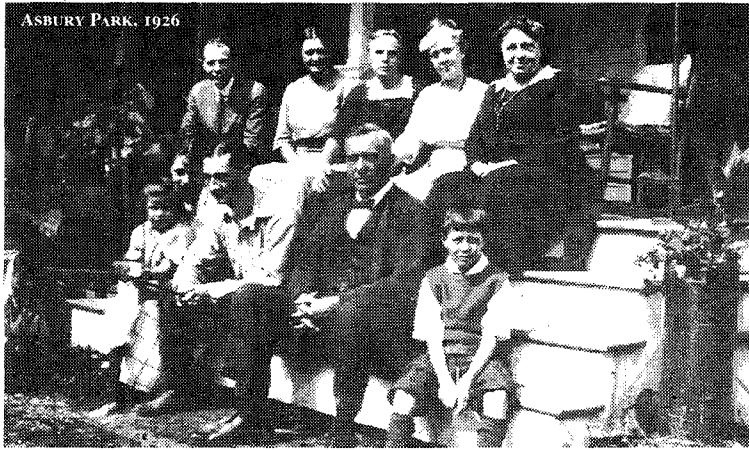
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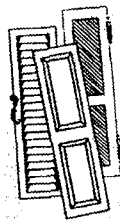
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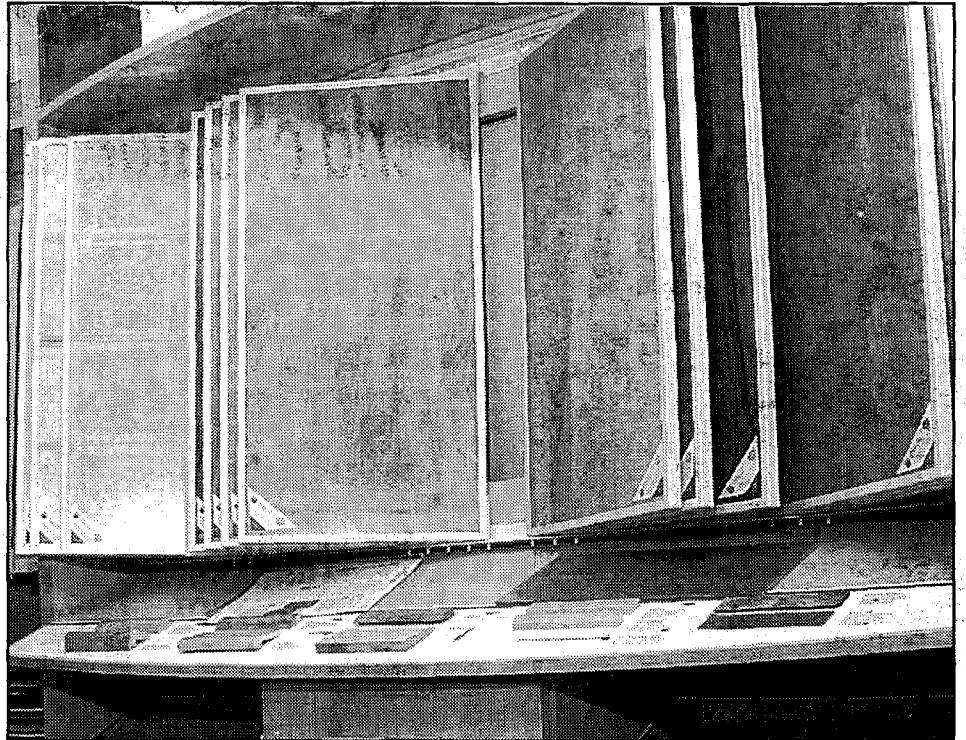


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BY JO-ANN LAMON RECCOPPA
Correspondent

Starting with the basics is the way to create a beautiful home, and the basics begin beneath your feet.

A floor can make a bold statement, or whisper unpretentious elegance. It should not only complement your home décor, it should suit your particular lifestyle.

At Lakewood Flooring, 6475 Route 9 north, Howell, owner Terry Malah offers sound advice to customers thinking of updating floors and carpets.

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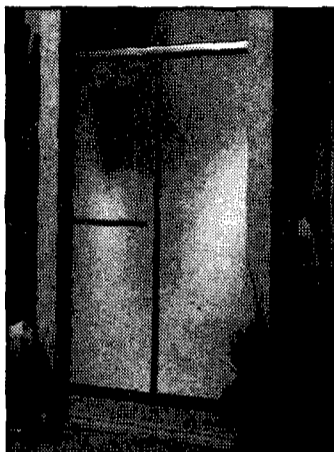
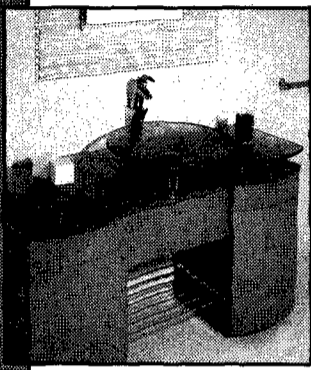
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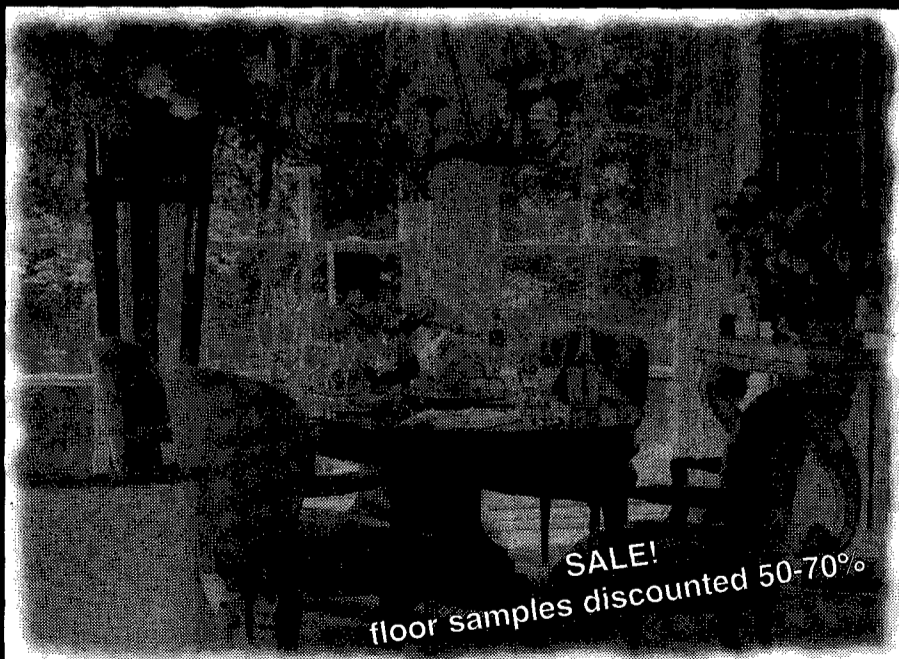
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Maintenance of asphalt driveway is important

One of the hallmarks of the suburban home, and one which is quite often overlooked by the homeowner, is a beautifully maintained driveway wherein the asphalt pavement is a rich black color that looks freshly installed, all cracks and joints are filled, oil and gas stains are non-existent, and overgrown grass onto the driveway edges are cut back, giving the driveway a manicured look.

For the homeowner whose driveway is constructed of asphalt, sealcoating is the process used to beautify, maintain, preserve and protect an asphalt driveway.

Asphalt is composed of mineral aggregates (stone, sand or gravel) held together by petroleum-based asphalt cement (binder) that acts as a glue when an asphalt structure is installed and compacted into place. Asphalt surfaces though are conducive to oxidation, moisture penetration and deterioration, and, therefore, like many surfaces, such as the paint on an automobile, needs to have a protective coating applied to it on a timely basis in order to keep its integrity.

Sealcoating is a process where a coal-tar emulsion sealer is broom applied to an off-street asphalt surface such as small driveways and parking lots. Sealcoating asphalt surfaces creates a tough barrier which protects and prolongs the life of the asphalt structure by sealing in the asphalt's constituents, and sealing out destructive elements (such as UV rays), thus extending the asphalt's life.

Sealcoating will fill surface voids and hairline cracks, making it impervious to water penetration, which is asphalt's worst enemy. Sealcoating restores the rich, black color of a driveway to asphalt that has bleached out due to the sun's ultraviolet rays, and due to lack of timely maintenance. It restores vital pavement oils needed for pavement resiliency and flexibility, and it enhances the beauty, pride and value of your suburban home. A properly sealed driveway is protected from weather and water damage, oil and gas spills and oxidation.

The best time to seal a driveway or parking lot is when it is still in good

condition. New driveways need several months curing time and need to pass the water break test before the sealant can be applied because applying sealer to new asphalt is analogous to painting wet wood — the sealer won't stick.

Many homeowners invest exorbitant amounts of hard-earned money to have their lawns kept green and have their homes landscaped. Some homeowners tackle this task on their own and spend countless hours on weekends scouring nurseries for shrubs, trees, flowers and fertilizers, and they then have to spend the time to install the landscaping. Yet for any number of reasons, too many homeowners neglect their asphalt driveway. An unmaintained driveway juxtaposed by manicured, lush, green lawns and beautiful landscaping creates an imbalance in the home's overall presentation and appearance; it is an eyesore and is aesthetically displeasing.

For the business or professional office with a parking lot, a well-maintained parking lot increases the value of the property and is more pleasing to patrons. The first thing a patron usually sees upon entering the facility is the parking lot. If a parking lot is aesthetically pleasing, patrons take notice. A black parking lot with crisp, fresh lines, no sand or dirt piles, no cracks, potholes or oil stains impresses patrons and creates a positive image of the business or office to the patrons, and patrons feel safe when walking in the parking lot because he or she does not have to navigate around any potholes or slippery areas that can create a dangerous situation, leading to personal injury and a negligence lawsuit.

For the homeowner or the business with a parking lot who is considering sealcoating his or her driveway, leave it to the professionals. One such professional is Jet-Black. The staff at Jet-Black understands pavement, they know how the sealer works, and they are trained to help stop small problems before they become big, expensive problems by using a seven-step process. They know the proper techniques to prepare the pavement and apply the sealer, and have the necessary tools to do so. Some homeowners

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 try it themselves using store-bought products, but using the professional service of Jet-Black yields far better results.

Jet-Black, World's Most Beautiful Driveways, is a national franchise which specializes in beautifying and protecting asphalt surfaces and offers many services to the homeowner, business or the professional office with a parking lot: sealcoating, hot crack filling of pavement cracks, sidewalks joints and garage aprons; heat treating and priming oil spots; patchwork; power edging of overgrown grass at the edges of driveways to give it that beautiful, manicured appearance; and lot line striping for parking lots.

Jet-Black was founded in 1987 by Doug and Andy Hoiland of Bloomington, Minn. Log onto www.jet-black.com, browse the site, and read about the company's history.

With the guidance of one of the nation's top sealcoat manufacturers, the Hoilands developed their own industrial-grade special sealcoat and hot crack and joint filler that exceeds federal specifications. It is a rubberized latex-based formula with a unique additive that makes the Jet-Black sealcoat a much richer black color, longer lasting, thicker, nontracking and slip-resistant. Jet-Black's sealant contains silica sand which, when dried, has the consistency of 220 grit sandpaper, thus making it slip resistant.

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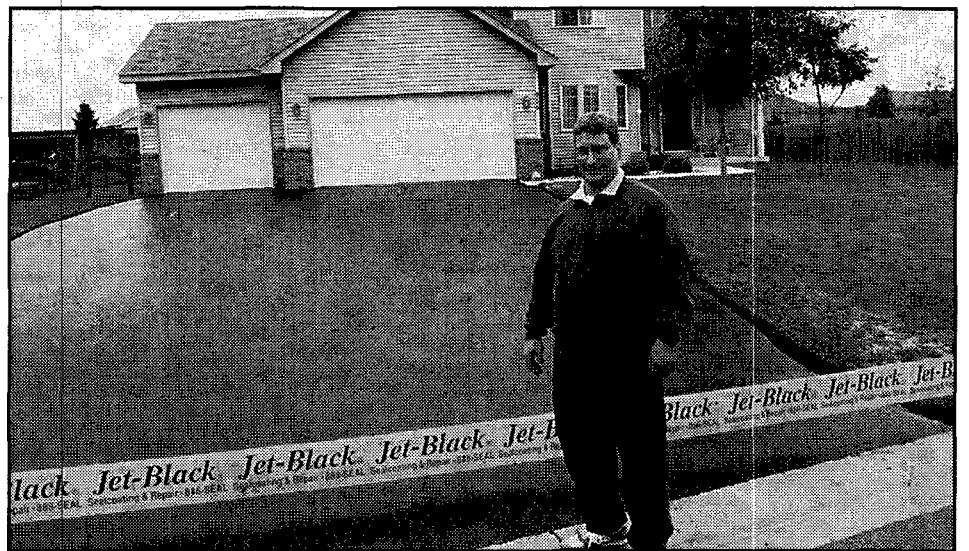
facturer uses a computerized control method of mixing, unlike bulk tank sealcoaters that often leave out key ingredients, resulting in an inconsistent product and unsatisfied customers. Jet-Black's mixing process is pressurized, which forms the smallest particles and suspends them throughout the mix. This allows Jet-Black's sealer to penetrate deep into the asphalt pores. Jet-Black sealant is also applied by broom; the broom application method of sealcoating gives the best results because the sealer is brushed into the pavement pores, as opposed to spraying, where the sealant will rest on the asphalt and not penetrate nearly as well and will wear off quickly.

The key to making your pavement investment last is preventative maintenance which includes, among other things, annual inspections, timely crack filling, and proper sealcoating every one to three years, which will preserve the beauty and life of your asphalt and provide a consistently high level of protection for your pavement, doubling or tripling its life.

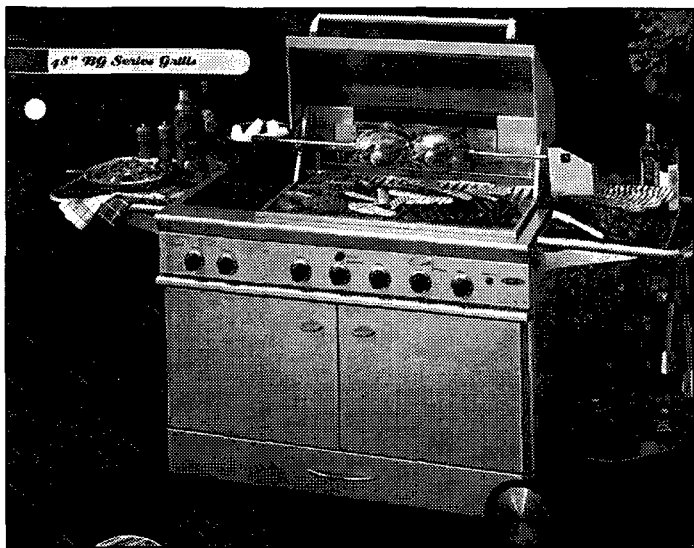
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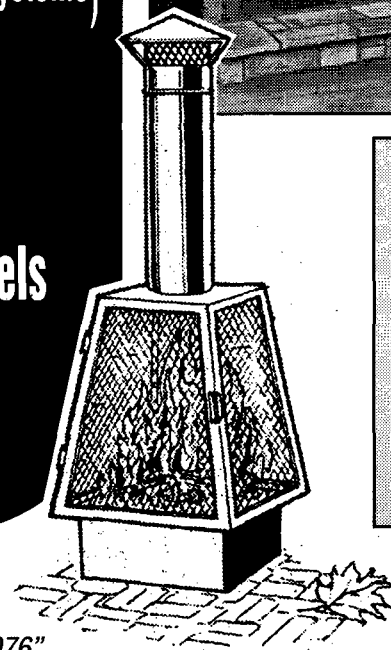
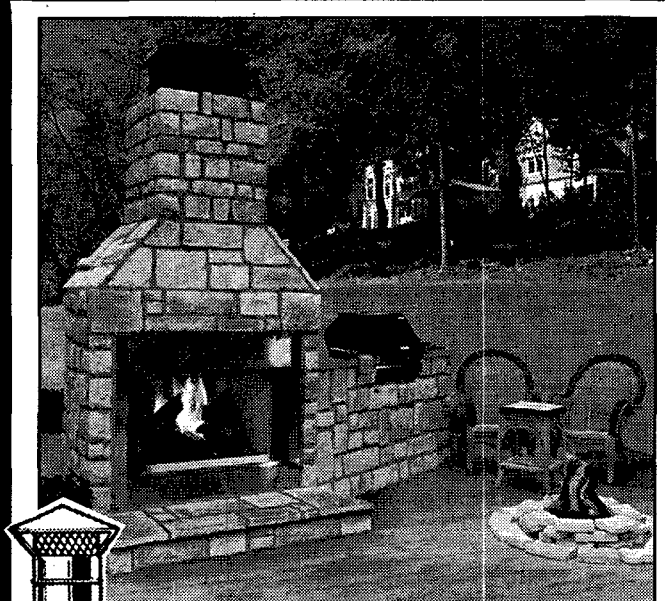
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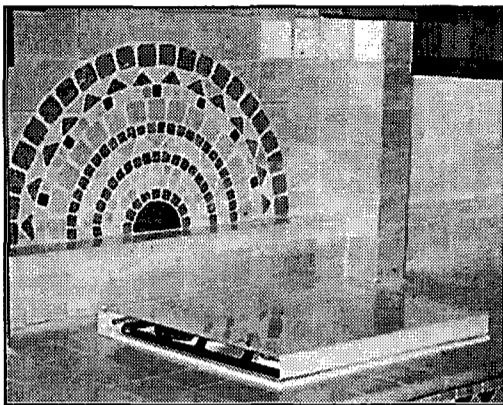
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Maintain a healthy lawn during a drought

The spring turf season is fast approaching and homeowners need to take steps to help get their lawn off to a strong start, especially with the lack of rainfall. Coming off one of the driest winters in history, with a drought warning likely, it is necessary to know how to care for your lawn during a drought.

"There are some easy steps homeowners can take to help their lawn through a drought and recover more quickly," explains Mike Sisti, owner of Alpine Lawn and Tree Care in Freehold. Sisti offers these basic tips for caring for the lawn.

Watering

Consistency is the key. Either water your lawn consistently, if allowed, or do not water at all. Inconsistent watering will stress the grass plants. If you can water, do so consistently and deeply. Typically, 45 minutes per zone with the average sprinkler is good. Watering deeply encourages deeper root growth, giving plants greater access to moisture in the soil.

Mowing

Mow at a 3-inch height to shade the soil and help conserve moisture. A sharp mower blade reduces plant stress. A dull blade will tear the grass tip and leave the plant vulnerable to disease activity.

Fertilization

Sisti strongly recommends homeowners continue to fertilize. Many homeowners are under the misconception that fertilizer will burn a dry lawn. The key is to use a slow-release fertilizer. When it rains, the grass plants need nutrition immediately to support the new growth. The slow-release fertilizer remains in the soil, making those nutrients available when needed.

The final suggestion Sisti offers is to be on the lookout for insect activity. With the mild winter, insect populations will be higher. Be on the lookout for discolored patches of grass, mainly in the open sun.

For more information, call Alpine Lawn and Tree Care in Freehold at (732) 625-3929, or visit alpine@optonline.net.

Whether it's beige or bold, consumers want carpet durability

Does your carpet look like what is in your neighbors' home? According to a recent survey by Yankelovich Partners, almost 40 percent of Americans have beige or neutral carpet in their homes, most likely because of the belief that these light-brown variations will fit any décor or color scheme.

Colors such as darker brown, blue or a multicolored carpet were the second most common used in American interiors, while remaining homeowners did not have carpet at all.

Research also revealed that, if you're like 47 percent of America, you look for durability first when making your carpet selection. That means durability is as important as fashion, style and color are in carpet selections and purchases.

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Putting your home in the spotlight

One of the easiest, most cost-effective ways to enhance a home's style and to increase its beauty and value is to select and install the right lighting system.

"A good lighting plan can dramatically affect how every home looks and feels," says James Decker of Progress Lighting. "Not only does it increase the functionality of every room in a home, but the right lighting system also provides security and adds personality to a home's design and décor."

Whether you design your home's lighting plan yourself or seek the assistance of professionals, the following tips may help shed some light on how to build upon your greatest investment: your home.

First impressions

The entryway of a home creates the all-important first impression of its interior and design personality. Selecting the proper fixtures for this area can set the stage for the décor in the rest of the home. Make a statement with a large entryway chandelier and matching wall sconces to invite guests into your home. When choosing fixtures for your hall and foyer, be sure they are scaled to fit grand entranceways, stairwells and tall, multi-level open plan areas.

Kitchen lighting

The kitchen is often the busiest room in the house, used for entertaining, doing homework and gathering with family and friends, as well as cooking, so selecting the right type and number of fixtures is an important consideration.

"The key to kitchen lighting is to provide sufficient task lighting while also creating a warm and inviting



Adding companion sconces or wall brackets to your dining room's décor provides a complete look for this formal dining area.

atmosphere," says Decker. "Close-to-ceiling fixtures, hanging lights and recessed cans provide needed illumination over key work areas and add dimension and decorative style."

Final details may include the use of accent or track lighting to create drama and ambiance. Installing un-

dercabinet lighting is also an easy way to add beauty and increase safety.

Transforming the bath

Discriminating homeowners want a bath that is more than functional; it should complement the home's overall style and character. When selecting fixtures for the bath and vanity area, choose one main decorative fixture — to be mounted over the mirror — as well as recessed down lights to be used throughout the bath for added illumination and emphasis. Coordinating wall brackets, mounted to the side of the mirror, are effective in eliminating shadows on the face and a recessed shower light or ceiling-mounted plastic unit installed in the shower or over the tub is essential for safety.


Decorative detail

Create an inviting ambiance in your living and dining room by adding decorative fixtures that complement your home's design. Chandeliers, for example, are available in a wide variety of design styles, ranging from contemporary to traditional, and can be married with an assortment of companion fixtures including sconces, pendants and close-to-ceiling accessories, all of which provide a complete look to every home. Highlighting artwork or accenting a room's key area with recessed or track lighting can bring to life areas of a room that normal light fixtures usually fall short of emphasizing. An additional tip: install an inexpensive wall dimmer to create drama with these general lighting fixtures.

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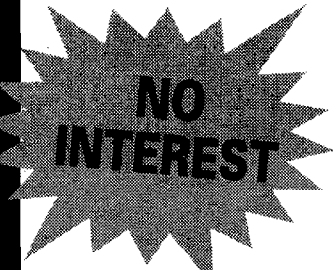


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Fortunately, there's a specially formulated product that can safely and effectively kill mildew on aluminum and vinyl siding, stucco and on painted wood, brick, concrete and cement block exterior surfaces. Here's some advice from the experts at Zinsser that can help you win the battle against exterior mildew:

- Is it mildew or simply dirt? Mildew is usually black and often mistaken for dirt. If in doubt, apply a drop of household bleach to the discolored area. If the discoloration disappears, it's mildew.
- Kill the mildew with a house cleaner formulated to remove mildew, like Jomax House Cleaner and Mildew Killer. Jomax contains an EPA-registered mildewcide that kills mold and mildew on contact without damaging your home or surrounding plants, grass and shrubs. It's specially formulated detergent system loosens dirt and stains without scrubbing or power washing.
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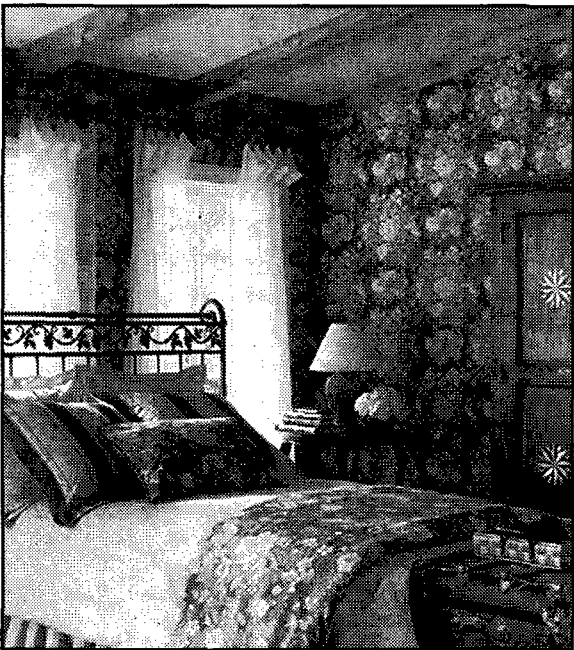
When it comes to decorating with color, spring is more a state of mind than a season. All year long interior designers routinely incorporate the colors associated with spring in homes from Minnesota to Florida.

"Forget old rules," says Eileen Brown, who heads Eileen Brown Interior Design, Luthersville, Md. "When you look outside, wherever you are, whatever the time of year," she adds, "you will see a varied palette in nature. I urge all my clients to 'lift' interiors with some colors of spring.

"Bright, floral prints," Brown says, "are a perfect complement to beiges, browns, terra cottas and even grays."

"The Waverly Bella Tuscany collection of wallpapers and fabrics contains an abundance of large and small scale flower patterns," notes Waverly design director Pam Maffei-Toolan. "Examples include Bella Fiori, Villa Carlotta Vine and Alessandra Companion, reminiscent of the legendary gardens of Italy."

"I often add a floral upholstered chair or several pillows to neutral-colored rooms," adds Brown. "Solid colors in shades of pink, purple, lilac and turquoise also add vitality to today's beautiful neutrals."



Use roses with abandon to fill a room with the essence of spring throughout the year. Villa Carlotta Companion wallpaper and Villa Carlotta fabric with accents of Capulet Stripe and Cencello can welcome and enchant guests in a secret bedroom garden.

"There is vivid color in nature all year, even in Minnesota," agrees Mary Zigan of The Design Doctors, Minneapolis. "While our clients want warm colors, which tend to the darker, less intense shades, they also request reminders of summer. Vivid, bright colors not only pick up warm burgundies and forest greens as well as neutrals," she notes, "but also actually add to the crispness of white, black or deep brown."

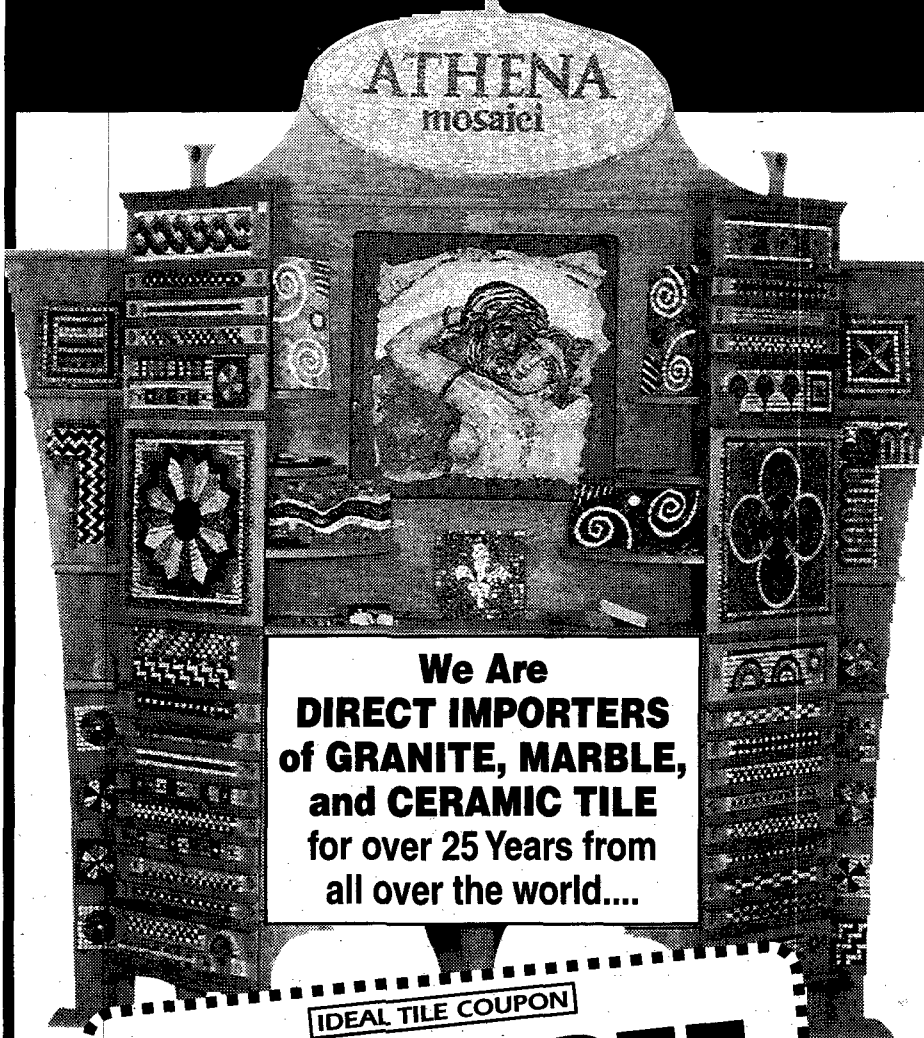
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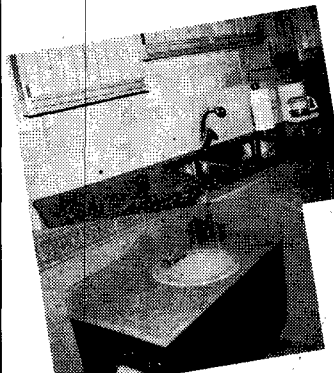
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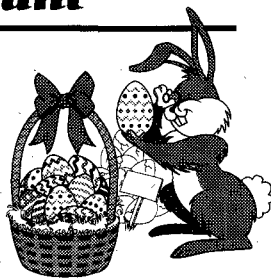
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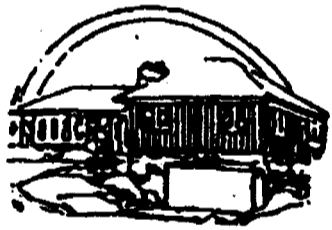
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Tips for fabulous lawn care results

You thought you did everything right last year. You fertilized, you watered, and you mowed. So why didn't your lawn turn out the way you had hoped?

It isn't a curse. According to John Stier, an expert in horticulture with the University of Wisconsin-Madison, "You may be challenged by weather and soil conditions, but you can still get great results by giving your lawn the right balance of nutrients and proper care."

You may simply need to tweak your lawn care program to better serve the specific needs of your lawn. Here are a few common complaints and suggestions for making adjustments.

Weeds

A healthy lawn is your best defense against weeds. As grass strengthens and thickens, it actually helps prevent crabgrass, dandelions and other weeds from growing by blocking out the sunlight and using up the moisture that weeds need in order to germinate.

The way to a healthy lawn is through its soil. The ideal soil for gardening contains a mixture of sand, silt, clay and organic matter. Also, the pH value, which indicates the acid or alkaline level, should be neutral, or around 7.0. You can test your soil with a pH kit available at garden centers.

To improve the health of your soil, use a natural organic fertilizer. "Many synthetic fertilizers release nutrients faster, while organic fertilizers are better at releasing nutrients at the rate plants need them and may add beneficial organic matter," says Stier. "Microorganisms in the soil break down organic matter into a usable form by plants."

A healthy lawn can take some time to develop. Until your lawn has reached this point, you can still fight weeds naturally by mowing your lawn no shorter than 2 to 3 inches and by removing any weeds you notice to prevent further damage.

"Burning" your lawn

Too little water and too much salt will cause your lawn to turn brown and, in severe cases, can kill the roots. Chemically derived synthetic fertilizers can burn lawns if over-applied because they contain a high amount of salts. Applying more synthetic fertilizer than the label suggests can actually damage plants. Follow the directions on the package to avoid problems.

On the other hand, if you're worried about applying too much fertilizer by mistake, go with one that has a low salt index. "The natural organic fertilizer Milorganite contains virtually no chemical salts, so it won't burn grass or plants under any condition," says Mike Archer, market development and research coordinator at Milorganite.

Heavy clippings

Did your lawn grow so fast last year that you couldn't keep up?

Compared to fighting weeds and suffering from burned roots, a lawn that grows too fast may seem trivial. But frequent mowings can wear on you and your summer free time.

Lots of rain may cause your grass to grow faster than usual, but another viable suspect is the nitrogen in your fertilizer. Nitrogen, commonly the prominent nutrient in fertilizers, promotes quick growth and dark green foliage. It is a vital nutrient to plants, but too much can cause plants to grow prematurely.

"Synthetic, water soluble fertilizers tend to release nitrogen faster than organics, so the result is visibly green grass sooner," says Stier. "However, forcing a burst of nitrogen is stressful to your lawn."

A plant's growth should determine its use of nutrients, not the other way around. Look for a "slow-release" or "water-insoluble" fertilizer that releases nitrogen at rates needed by the plant. Generally speaking, the higher the

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If you didn't get the lush green lawn you wanted last year, don't give up. It's spring, which means you have another chance to make your yard the envy of the neighborhood.

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amount of slow release or water-insoluble nitrogen a fertilizer contains, the closer its rate of release to the rate the plant can use it.

Damaged shrubs or gardens

When fertilizing their lawns, homeowners often tend to spread the product too close to their shrubs and gardens. Many fertilizers high in nitrogen are not recommended for these plants. Shrubs and vegetables typically require even less nitrogen than your lawn.

If you have more than just a lawn to care for, you might consider going with a multi-purpose fertilizer that can be used on anything from lawns to shrubs to flower and vegetable gardens. Because natural organic fertilizers release nitrogen at a rate appropriate to plant needs, they can be applied to a variety of plants.

Milorganite, for example, contains 6 percent nitrogen by weight.

"Milorganite is so safe," says Archer, "the only way it could kill a plant is if you spilled a 40-pound bag on the plant and left it there for a week. Even then, the lack of sunlight would be what killed the plant."

General lawn care tips

Here are a few general lawn care tips to keep in mind this spring.

- Spread your fertilizer evenly. Streaks and blotches will give away the spots you missed.
- Do not mow your lawn when it's wet.
- Keep your lawn mower's blade sharp to cause the least amount of damage to the grass.
- Set mower to correct cutting height (2 1/2 to 3 inches).
- Mow often enough so you never remove more than one-third of the lawn height each time.
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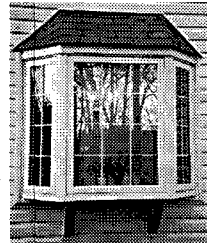
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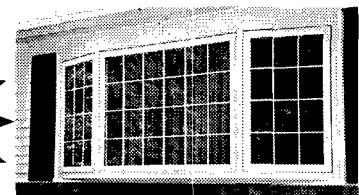
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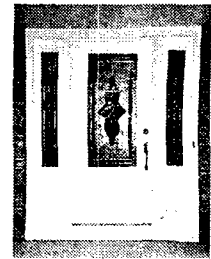


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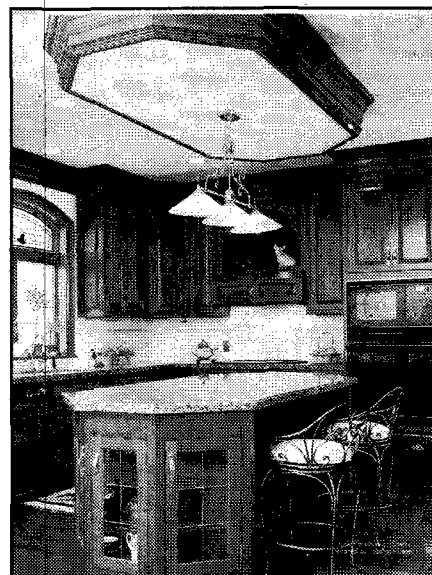


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- **Environment** — As a sanctuary, a sunroom has all the qualities busy people seek: tranquillity, relaxation and warm, natural light. The calmness of nature surrounds the entire room and offers a seasonal palette of changing colors and textures. Place a sunroom where you are able to make the most of natural slopes and landscapes. For maximum relaxation, add miniature fountains that gently bubble and aromatic candles to provide that "spa-like" therapeutic calm.

- **Essential oils** — Whether it is rejuvenating eucalyptus to overcome sluggishness or calming lavender to soothe skin, aromatic oils provide benefits for the mind and body. Lemon, peppermint and even vanilla extract are perfect oils that can be found in your own cupboard or refrigerator.

- **Meditation** — Exhaling and counting silently is all it takes to clear your mind of the day's worries. The first step is to exhale and slowly count to one. Then inhale, and exhale counting to two. When you get to four, start back at one. Stay focused on your breathing and counting.

- **Calming music** — According to the book *Time to Spa*, the power to calm, soothe and revive can be found in music. It cuts down the hyperactivity that many working homeowners have on a daily basis. Make sure the music is not only soothing, but also fits your taste.

- **Disconnect** — Last but not least, the easiest and quickest way to relax is to unplug the television and phone. By cutting the "noise" out of your day, you will see the added benefit of investing in you.

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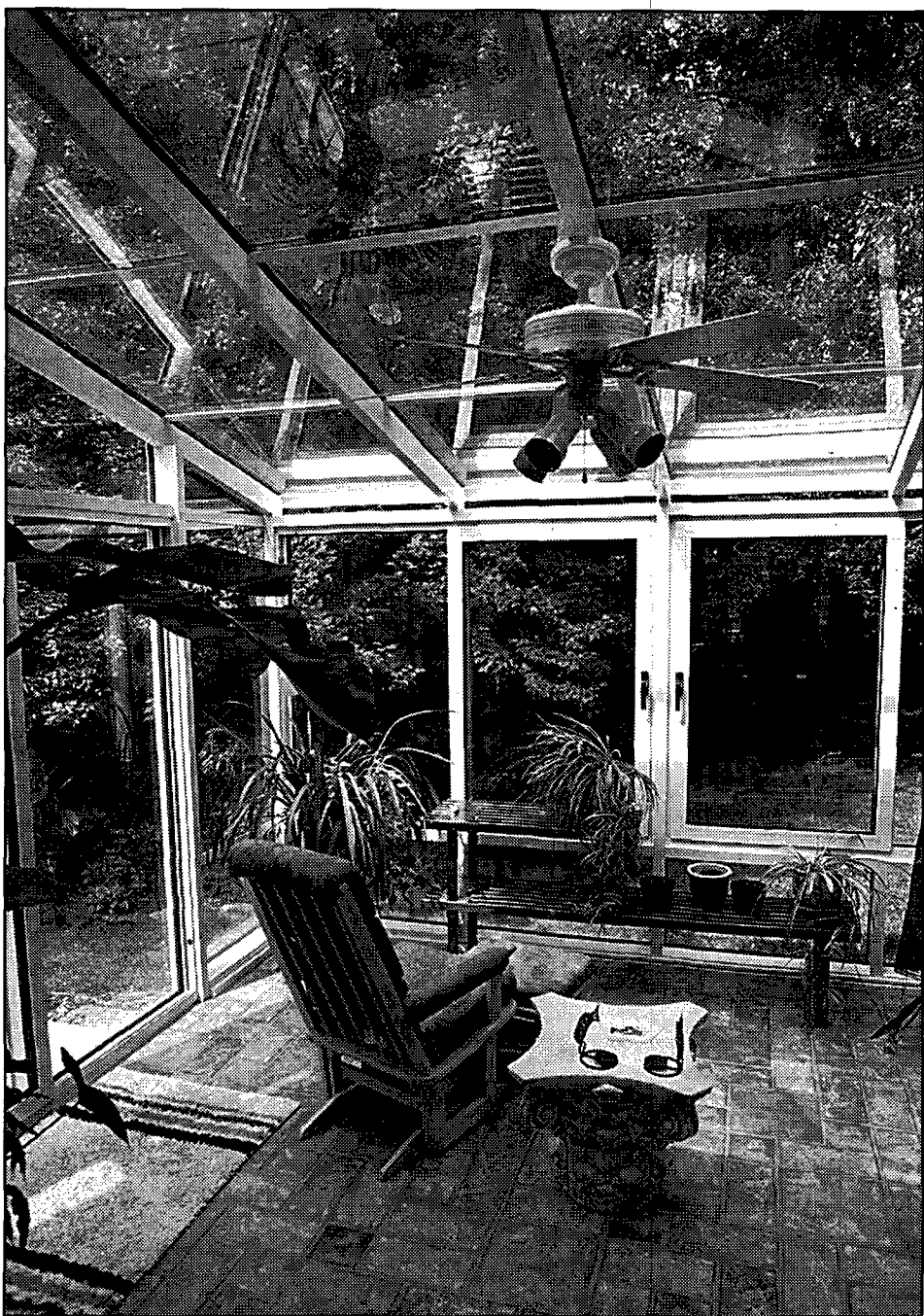
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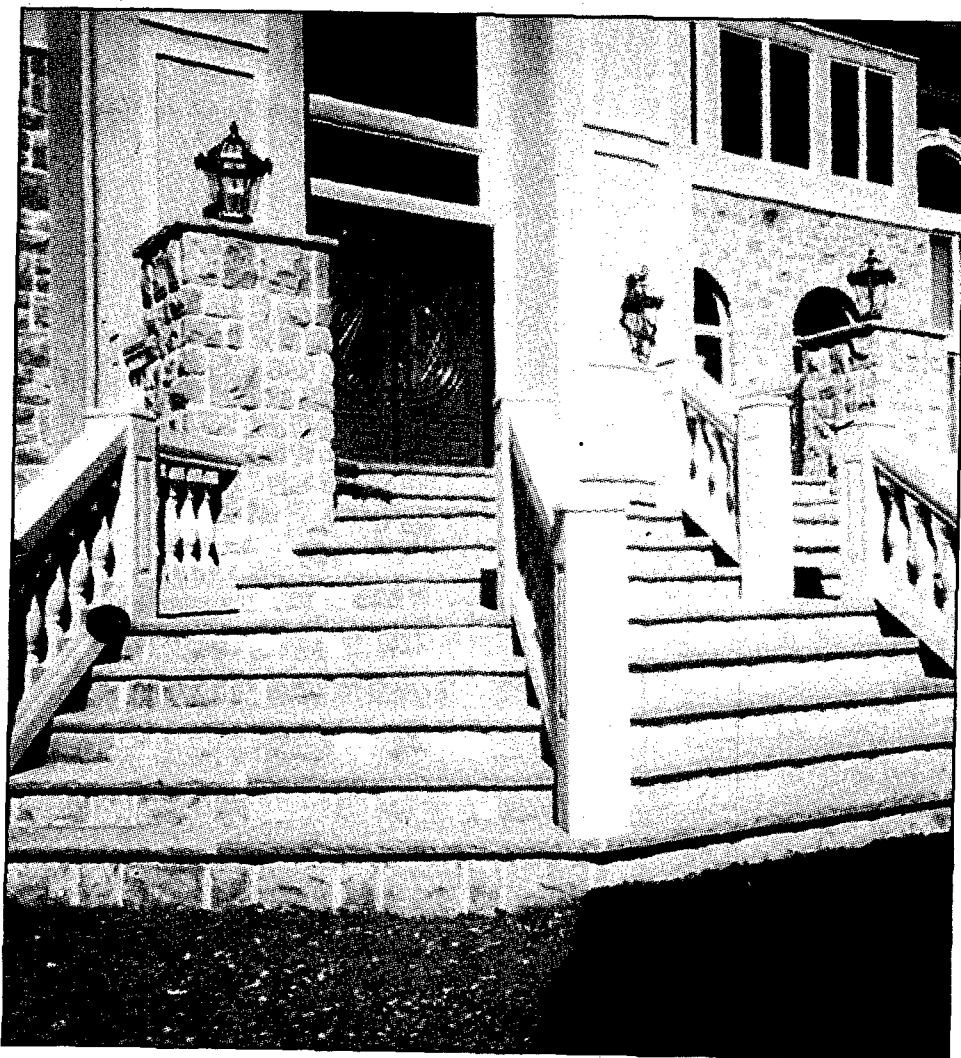
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That's where Sheila Rich Interiors gives you the edge. In working with both the architect and builder, Sheila Rich represents your interests, taking into consideration every possible detail to ensure that your new home meets all of your criteria. From electrical and plumbing considerations to building facades and interior design, Rich takes the burden from the homeowners and addresses each issue with professional insights and personal experience.

Rich combines more than 20 years of design experience with state-of-the-art computer aided design (CAD) technology, which allows her to work flawlessly with architectural drawings, setting her apart from other interior designers. With CAD, Rich and her clients can view each and every aspect of the proposed home with less confusion and more accuracy than a flat blueprint allows, adding and eliminating features or redesigning areas with the click of a button. Furniture, artwork, and more can be input and viewed for optimal placement before a single purchase is made.

After consultations with her clients to determine their lifestyles, preferences, and other details, Rich reviews the blueprints to be sure the layout of the new house meets her clients' needs. She suggests any necessary modifications, and changes can then be made

simply, before any actual construction has taken place, potentially saving thousands of dollars in future renovations.

The facade of the building is just as important as the interior; in fact, it is the introduction to the home and has a major impact on resale value. Exterior color and style must reflect the values of the interior, and Rich can help homeowners select the best exterior to accomplish this.

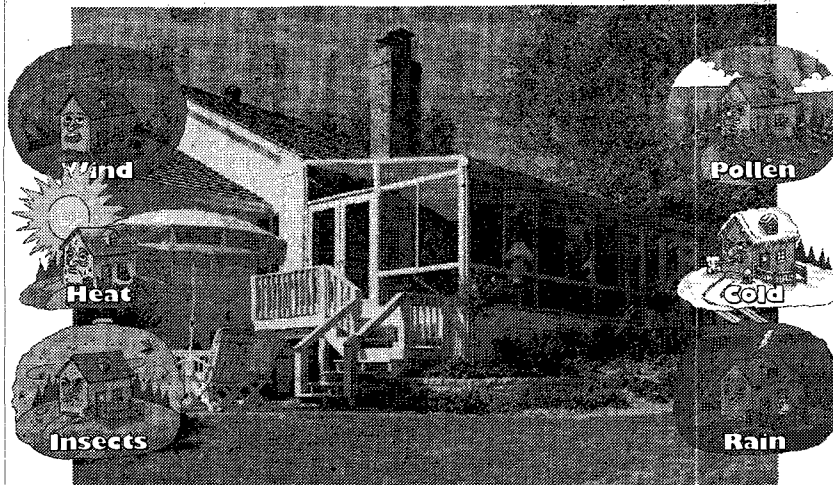
There is much more consideration that needs to be given to the layout of the interior than simply the number of rooms and their uses. Creating an unobtrusive space for electrical equipment, for example, will prevent such unsightly necessities from infringing on living space. Convenient access to a pool, indoor gym, or barbecue terrace must be taken into consideration prior to construction. Countless details like these are overwhelming for homeowners and without professional guidance, major monetary mistakes can result.

Of course, Rich focuses on designing a home in which her clients will feel comfortable using everything — a home that is a true reflection of its owners. Rich stresses the importance of intermingling personal collections, memorabilia, and family heirlooms in the overall design. These are the items that personalize a home, and Rich can make them fit into any décor. The interiors she designs are timeless — they don't scream any particular period or color. Instead, Rich varies the levels of elegance to suit the use intended for each area, then suggests patterns and colors that work together, creating a seamless flow throughout the entire home. These designs will feel as fresh years from now as they did on the day of completion.

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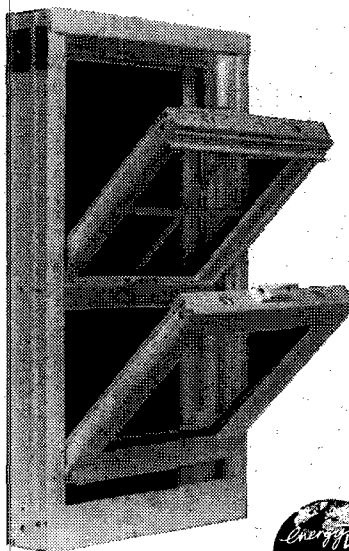
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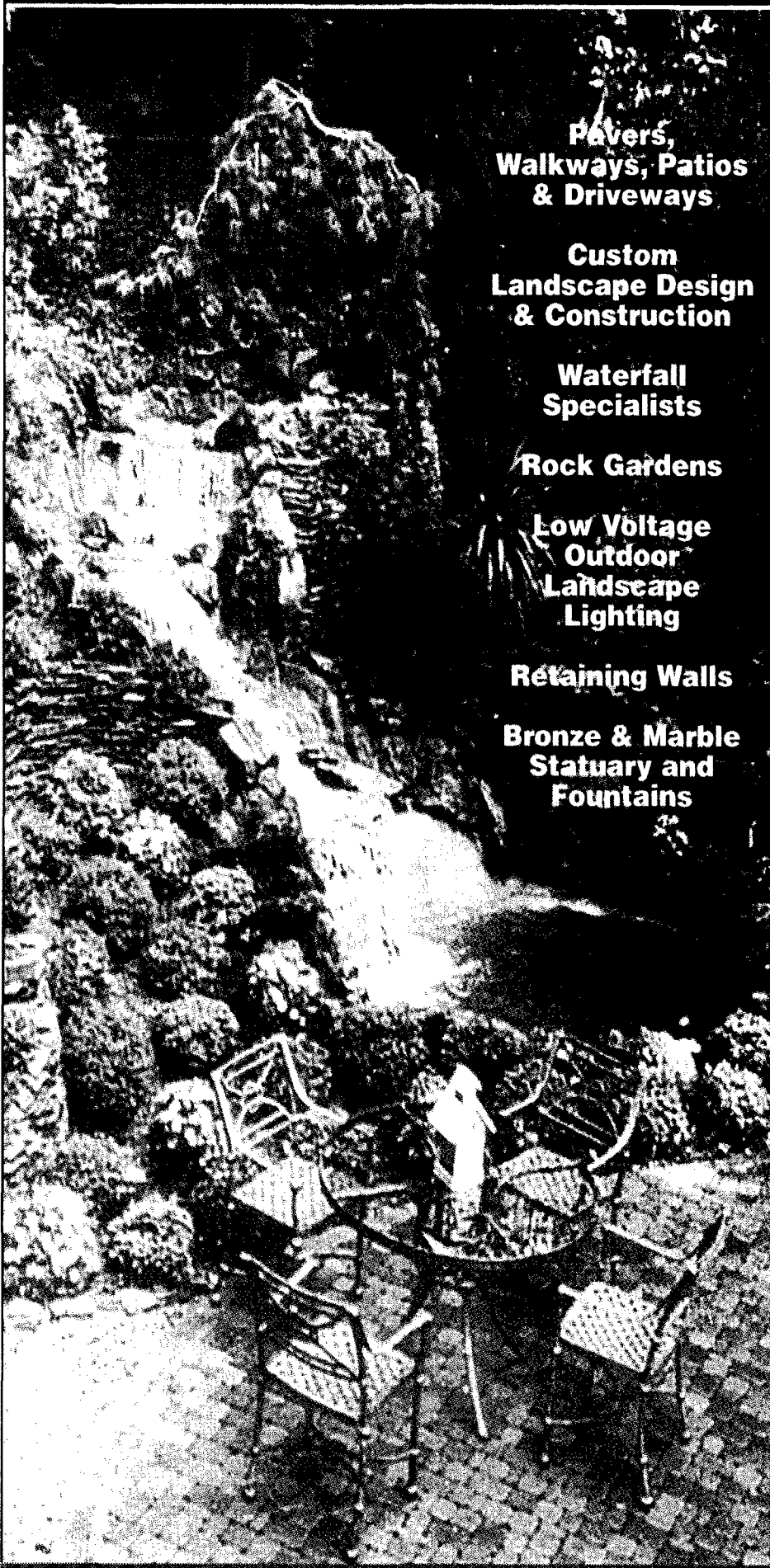
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Wall murals from Environmental Graphics can transform a room into whatever you want it to be. This mural, "Dolphins' Paradise," evokes serenity.

Latest décor trends lead back to nature

Imagine the soothing silver-green of prairie grassland. Or the deep shimmering blue of an ocean bay.

Colors evoking calm and a sense of connection to nature will be on the leading edge of home design this year. Experts say the influence of nature on the latest colors and styles is an attempt to counter-balance the strong effect of technology in our everyday lives.

"There is a strong desire to balance the sensory overload from technology with the need for human sensory experience," says Todd Imholte, president of Environmental Graphics. "Many of the newest motifs are inspired by the botanical and organic qualities of plants, fruits, vegetables and grains," he says.

For instance, floral prints in upholstery,

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 drapes and wall coverings have made a come-back this year, and brocaded silks and jacquards evoke warmth and luxury. Softer, nature-based tones are showing up at textile and home decorating shows all over the world.

Various shades of peach will be the most popular form of orange this year, and green-cast blues, reminiscent of water, are a new look.

Some additional examples of naturally inspired colors are:

- Tiger Lily: a complex, multidimensional orange combining the vibrant florals of nature with the satisfying glow of a quiet fire.

- Pineapple: a pale, luminescent yellow with organic overtones, it bridges spring into winter with a softness that is almost neutral.

- Oxygen: a blue sky as seen through a glass block, with a silver influence on aquatic blues.

- Ginkgo: the botanical green of dried grasslands, bridging the freshness of mustard green with the feel of forest moss.

- Essence of Lilac: a translucent, pale botanical blue with a hint of lilac.

- Sycamore: an update of a classic neutral brown, edgy but luxurious.

Another trend emerging in home design shows around the world is large patterns: the bigger, the better. For example, at a show in Paris, giant spring flowers blossomed across a meadow of bold yellow and white stripes and a large, curvy sofa was covered in huge red-on-red roses the size of beach balls.

Bold patterns can be a refreshing break from minimalistic furnishings, adding weight and shape to the sometimes-stark interiors often favored by architects. Giant scale, either as a pattern or a graphic, can

visually expand a small space. A large-scale wall covering can define a style and boost a room's personality from "wall-flower" to "social butterfly."

One easy way to transform a room and bring a dose of nature indoors at the same time is by installing a wall mural.

"Wall murals from Environmental Graphics can transform a room into whatever you want it to be, from a haven for daydreaming, or a garden for reflection, a pastel desert to a crystalline lake in the woods," says Imholte. "Wall murals are easy to install, won't hurt your walls and can instantly transform a room from ordinary to breathtaking."

One mural that encompasses both of this year's hottest design trends is "Dolphins' Paradise," an underwater scene that depicts dolphins gracefully swimming through a coral reef. The deep, aquatic blues and the play of light across the coral evoke the serenity of an escape to nature, while the mural's size, at 13 feet by 8 feet, makes an immediate and lasting impression upon entering a room. Environmental Graphics' murals are a perfect way to add a view to a room that may not have one.

Several popular murals can bring the tranquillity of nature into a room, with all its warmth and color. "Serenity" shows a quiet path leading to a gated garden; "Cinnamon Bay" shows a deep blue bay surrounded by white sand beaches, and "Oriental Garden" shows a quiet stream falling over rocks among green and flowering plants.

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