The 1997 Acura CL series has sport, luxury all in one

As the 1997 Acura CL Series is officially unveiled today, the nearly 10-year history Acura in the United States gains yet another entry on its ever-growing lists of "firsts."

It all began in 1986 as the first Japanese luxury import brand, and has been first in import luxury sales for eight consecutive years. It brought the first Japanese exotic care to market with the 1990 introduction of the Acura NSX. And just last fall, Acura introduced the SLX, the first luxury brand sport utility vehicle.

Now, the CL represents the first U.S.-designed, engineered, and manufactured model ever offered by a luxury import nameplate.

"The introduction of the CL Series breaks new ground for Acura and comes during the most exciting year in our history," said Rich Thomas, Acura's executive vice president and general manager. "It assumes a very significant position in our lineup, which in the last year has grown to be the most expansive of the Japanese luxury import nameplates. And, it sets the stage for exciting new U.S.-based design and manufacturing developments in the future."

Every way you look at it, Thomas added — from a business standpoint and a product standpoint — the CL Series makes perfect sense.

From a business standpoint, the American-designed and manufactured CL Series takes advantage of a broad base of research and development resources and manufacturing operations in the U.S., and demonstrates the company's philosophy of building products where they are sold. It also helps hedge against volatile currency exchange rates.

From a product standpoint, the CL Series is the latest milestone in Acura's history of developing the right product for the right time.

The two-door CL, which went on sale last year with a 2.2-liter in-line four-cylinder engine, and adds a U.S.-made 3.0-liter V-6 model in the fall, was conceived at Acura's design studios in Southern California, where product planning, styling, technical and quality research, and local adaptability testing support is based. Further product development and the development of locally procured parts occurred at the Honda R&D facility in Ohio. Performance testing was conducted at two facilities: the Honda Proving Center of California and the Transportation Research Center in Ohio.

The result is a stylish, personalized sport-luxury coupe aimed at maturing baby boomers (age 35-44), who make up the largest segment of the general population for the first time since the late 1960s, when the personal luxury coupe segment was born.

More than a year of consumer research by the CL Series design team indicated these maturing baby boomers demand high levels of style, status, and performance at an attainable price point.

From a business standpoint, the American-designed and manufactured CL Series takes advantage of a broad base of research and development resources and manufacturing operations in the U.S., and demonstrates the company's philosophy of building products where they are sold.

Expected to sell in the $22,000 to $27,000 price range and at a rate of between 20,000 and 30,000 units annually, the CL bridges the gap between Acura's sporty, performance-oriented Integra and the TL Series of luxury sedans. It includes:

- A high level of comfort and convenience items as standard equipment;
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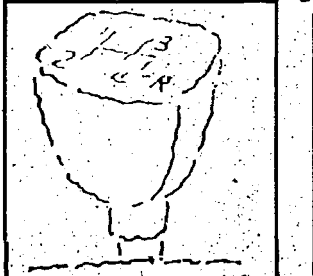
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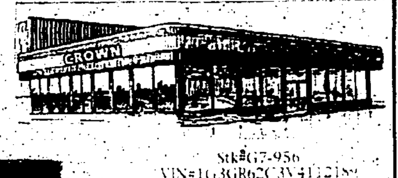
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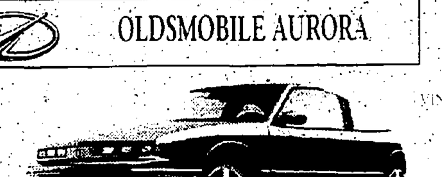


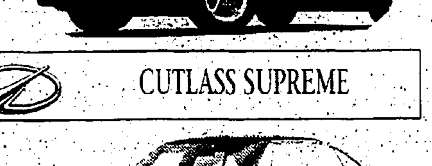
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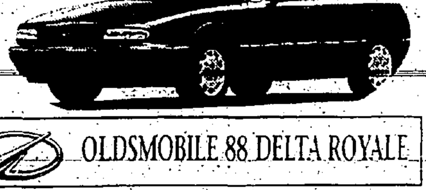
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City Highlights

Tree planting

Mayor James Kennedy and the Department of Public Works announced the second city-sponsored tree planting program to take place this spring. The program is designed to encourage the planting of trees, enhancing the beauty and quality of life in the community. Applications are available for Willow Oaks, Tupelos, and Silver Lindens. The DPW is offering trees for half of wholesale price. Applications are available at City Hall near the bulletin board in the lobby. There are also pictures of these types of trees available.

Vendors wanted

Vendors are wanted for a craft fair tomorrow from 6 to 10 p.m. at Grover Cleveland School. For information, contact Paige Rue at 382-5108.

Tax program

The AARP, with the cooperation of the Division of Parks and Recreation, will conduct a free income tax-aid program for Rahway seniors on a limited income. The tax assistance program will be on an appointment-only basis and will be held in the Rahway Senior Center on Esterbrooke Avenue on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The program will last through April 15. For an appointment, call the Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation at 827-2045.

Stamp services

Several stamp-buying services that help postal customers year-round are particularly handy. Stamp services enable customers to receive their stamps via delivery within a few days by filling out a form that can be obtained from mail carriers. The service is of no extra charge more than the face value of the stamps. Credit cards can also be used for telephone orders by calling (800) STAMP-24 as Visa and Mastercard are accepted.

Blood screening

A free blood pressure screening will be offered for residents of Rahway at the Rahway Public Library every month. For further information contact the Department of Health, Welfare and Recreation at 827-2085.

Golf for cancer

Swing into 1997 with a golf pass from the American Cancer Society, Union County Unit. For a donation of $35, you can play at golf courses in New Jersey and Pennsylvania, with 26 in New Jersey. The pass will be honored for the 1997 golfing season, but quantities are limited, so call (908) 354-7373 to order.

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Happy anniversary



Students and faculty celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Parent Teacher Association of Franklin School. From left are students Justin Lamb, Angelita Sanchez, Angelica Castaneda and Billy Hofman and PTA members Mindy Boydman, Margaret Cilia, Paula Braxton and Principal Frank Buglione.

City plans to convert wetlands

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

They have decided what they are going to do with the vacant lot behind City Hall.

Mayor James Kennedy announced that the ground will be broken on the 11-acre parcel of land by May. This will be the start of a 18,000 recreation center that, in the end, will house the Recreation Department and the Rahway Police's Juvenile Department.

Further down the road are plans to turn a large, separate chunk of the site into a retail center. Kennedy said that this will include one large user, taking up 80,000 to 100,000 square feet, or a number of smaller offices, with an anchor office of 25,000 square feet and offices ranging down to as little as 1,000 to 2,500 square feet.

No site plans have been approved by the Planning Board or Zoning Board of Adjustment, though the city is talking to an architect for the recreation center. Talks are also being conducted with the police and Police Athletic League as how to use the recreation center. Kennedy said that he hoped to have everything ready in the next six weeks.

The retail center is slightly further off.

Kennedy said that he is talking to two "potentials for the site" — large users that would use all or most of the available space at the retail center. He said that he could not give out any names at this point, but did say that one is a retail company while the other is focused more on entertainment.

Kennedy said that he is hoping for construction on the retail center to start around mid-summer.

If construction does start, it would mark the end of a 25-year effort to develop the site.

But one more hurdle remains for the construction of the retail center, at least — the remediation of wetlands and the clean-up of construction materials left on the site.

Right now, there are 0.86 acres of wetlands on the site, wetlands that must be filled in and graded before construction can begin. About $140,000 in federal Housing and Urban Development money had been given to Rahway for this purpose.

Kennedy said this week that the money had been released to the developer of the site, SDI Industries, for them to remediate or to hire a contractor for remediation.

He added that part of the site to be remediated — worth about $30,000 in remediation — would be covered up by the retail center. This remediation met with controversy last year.

Former City Councilman James Fulcomer had advocated using the HUD money for tax relief and capital repairs in the city, claiming that SDI Industries could do the remediation instead of the city.

But Kennedy said that the money was set aside specifically for the remediation and that if it was not used by the time construction started, it would go back to the federal government.

There was also controversy with the bidding process itself for the remediation.

The first round of bids were rejected because they were too high; the lowest bid was $101,425, more than $20,000 over the engineer's estimate of $80,000. But the second bid, which was recommended by Kennedy, came in at $149,577.50; he said that the bid specification, most notably the space to be filled, had changed. But Republican councilmen said that this was not enough to count for the increase.

Teen-ager sentenced to rehab programs for robbery, attack

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

A 14-year-old city resident was sentenced to a residential rehabilitative program and counseling after an attack on a 13-year-old boy in December.

Michael Brown, 14, was sentenced to four years of probation conditioned on the successful completion of a residential fields program, basically a four-to-six month stay in a county-run group home. He then will be transferred to the Juvenile Intensive Supervision Program, where a JISP officer will be available 24 hours a day for intensive counseling.

Brown was charged with robbery in the incident but pled guilty to second degree robbery after the December incident. First degree robbery carries a heavier maximum sentence for juveniles of up to four years in a reformatory, said Debra White of the Union County Prosecutor's Office Juvenile Unit.

A reduced sentence such as this has upset the victim's mother, Paula Laurencelle of Rahway, whose son suffered a concussion and other injuries during the robbery. Laurencelle fought to have Michael's name released "for community notification," something that as a rule is not done with juveniles.

"My views on the whole thing is that first-degree crimes should not be pleaded down," she said. "I almost lost my son, one more blow...."

The incident took place in a backyard near East Scott Avenue and Paterson Street on Dec. 11 last year. The victim was playing basketball and Laurencelle said that he had two friends nearby when he was attacked.

According to police, Brown and his 12-year-old brother Timothy approached the victim and told him to empty his pockets. He was then punched by one of the suspects while the other sprayed the victim's face with a "pepper mace spray." Both began punching and kicking the victim and one threw a garbage can at him, striking him in the head.

The victim fell down and struck his head on the sidewalk and was knocked unconcious. He woke up to find that his T-shirt had been taken off an one of the suspects was urinating on it.

One of the two then threatened the victim with bodily harm if he reported the incident. Both fled with his jacket, valued at $125.

According to Laurencelle, neither of his friends did anything to stop the attack. "They could have just gone inside and called the police," she said.

She added that both Brown and his brother stayed on the corner, preventing her son from walking directly home.

In addition to the concussion, police say that Laurencelle's son suffered a sprained ankle, contusions and bruises.

"He was burning up from the mace," she said. "He had four welts on his head. He was burning up from the pepper

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Tenants and authority argue housing action

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The Rahway Branch of the NAACP has been involved in the Glen Denning, Kennedy and Scott federal housing complex on Capobianco Plaza for years.

Last Monday, their help went public with a press conference addressing the concerns of the tenants in the complex, including security and maintenance.

Lori Caughman, the president of the Rahway NAACP, has said there has been a lack of concern in the city government regarding the tenants at the housing complex. Caughman said the NAACP has been working with the tenants for years on these matters and that the group is "planning to take affirmative action." She declined to say what action.

Jack McGrath, executive director of the Housing Authority, said that such allegations were "outrageous."

A number of residents in the housing complex have complained of a lack of security and maintenance. They added that their security has gone down in the wake of a shooting on Feb. 26.

Two shots were fired during an apparent argument at 10:15 that night but no one was reported wounded. Police are investigating the incident.

The tenants said police could have responded faster to the incident because they have officers stationed in the complex.

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View of parking differs with residents' opinion

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

This week, the *Rahway Progress* is featuring part two of its series on parking in the downtown area, this week from the perspective of the residents living there.

Unlike the merchants that the *Progress* spoke to last week, many residents said that they were happy with the parking in the downtown area.

"There seems to be a lot of room, especially with the meters," said Peter Zeleznik, whose apartment is in the building at 1646 Irving Street, slightly outside of the downtown business area.

According to Zeleznik, whenever he has business in the downtown area, he just parks on Irving Street or under the railroad bridge.

At least one Irving Street merchant has complained of residents parking in front of his store and taking up parking spaces for his customers.

Zeleznik replied, "But you have two-hour parking there, so no one can't park more than two hours. And no one who goes to the downtown area doesn't stay more than two hours."

He added, "My opinion is if the businessman is complaining, it's probably a tenant who live near him and, if he talks to him, I'm sure it'll be easier for him."

As for improving the parking situation, Zeleznik said that there are areas for parking that go unutilized, including one lot on Main Street.

"That always seems empty," he said.

But, according to City Councilman Donald Andersen, the lot is utilized. Furthermore, there are a number of parking meters there along with permit parking; these meters have maximum periods of two, eight or 12 hours.

"He may go by and look at it and no one's at the two hour meter," said Andersen, who is also council liaison to the Parking Authority.

Main Street, unlike Irving Street, is lined with parking meters, with one hour costing a quarter. According to Andersen, these were put in in 1992.

Mayor James Kennedy, who has a jewelry store on Main Street, said, "That will be addressed. We have been intending to pull those out last year."

But Jim Kelly of 155 West Main St.

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Celebrating research



Micheal Forrest, director of pharmacology at Merck and Co., receives a plaque in recognition of Merck's commitment to cardiovascular research. From left are Jayne Mackta, executive director of the New Jersey Association for Biochemical Research; Cindy Flockton, an American Heart Association volunteer; Micheal Forrest; and Willie Mae Coran, an American Heart Association board member.

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Victim's mother contests punishment for robbery

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spray; he couldn't breathe. He passed out in the bathroom when the police came."

Now, said Laurencelle, her son, who plays football, baseball and hockey, is fine, except for occasional trouble with his neck and ankle.

"But he's got a strong character, thank God," she said. "He's got a strong character and it got him out of this."

According to Rahway police, Laurencelle's son was acquainted with the Michael and Timothy Brown.

But, according to Laurencelle, her son had never met them before. Despite this, she claimed, Michael Brown said that he hated her son.

"I would really like to know why they hate my son when they haven't even met him," she said.

She also claimed that the Browns' parents and the Rahway school system were partly to blame in the incident, not for what they did but what they did not do.

Laurencelle blamed Rahway High School, where the Browns went to school, for not intervening even in the face of a number of warning signs. Mary Lou Hawkins, the school principal, had no comment.

"Largely I think that the justice system doesn't realize that, out in the real world, kids don't think that they can get away with anything because they don't get severe punishments," she said.

But White defended the sentence that Michael received.

"The aim of the Juvenile Unit is rehabilitation and he never had any of the rehabilitation services available to him," she said. "This is an appropriate sentence."

Officials dismiss garbage charges

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Two officers patrol the complex during a six-hour stretch in the evening and were on patrol at the time of the shooting. These patrols are paid for by a federal drug-elimination grant designed to put officers and an office for them inside the complex. Mayor James Kennedy said that this is the only area of Rahway that receives such attention from the police. In addition, patrols have been increased since the shooting.

But tenants have said that the officers instead sit in their office and fail to disperse loiterers, who often sell drugs.

Kennedy replied, "It's a frustrating situation, because you're trying to maximize your security and if you do then you're too forceful and it you're not then it's not enough."

McGrath added that he receives daily reports on the activities of the police, adding, "They do their job and they do it very effectively."

He added that he has already had a meeting with Chief of Police Barry Henderson on community policing and an earlier meeting March 11 with the GKS Tenants Association and the Rahway police.

But security was not the only problems listed by Caughman.

Some of the maintenance problems listed at the complex included garbage along a back fence, dumpsters overflowing with garbage, cracked sidewalks, litter and adandoned apartments containing insects and dead cats and birds.

"I've heard some of the charges," said McGrath in response.

He said that maintenace has been an "ongoing issue" in his more than 20 years in the Housing Authority.

McGrath said that the maintenance staff at the complex is underhanded but added, "I have the best maintenance staff in the state. They pick it up. They don't put it down; they pick it up."

He also said that the residents had to "take pride" in the complex, adding, "Whether or not they put it down, pick it up."

"I'm not casting all the blame on the residents, but we've done our best to pick up the garbage," he said, adding, "When they put it down.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

The Community Calendar is prepared by the *Rahway Progress* to inform residents of various community activities and governmental meetings. To give your community events the publicity they deserve, mail your schedule to *Rahway Progress*, Attention: Chris Suswal, managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

Saturday

• The Franklin School PTA will be holding their annual Spring Festival and Craft Fair fund raiser at 1809 St. Georges Ave. from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. There will be crafters, vendors, food, games, etc. For information call Gene Andre at 396-8010.

• The Rahway YMCA will co-sponsor an Easter Egg Hunt at 10 a.m. at the Hart Street Park. For information call 388-0057.

• Gladys M. Whitehead will be releasing her long-awaited book "Recollections IV" from 1 to 4 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church, 1731 Church St. The price is $20.14 per copy. It is a hard cover book of 120 pages, easy to read print, and pictures. There are five parts of the book telling of Vacation Days in Maine, Trips to Other Places, copies of letters from Maryland and Virginia in 1861 and 1862 by soldier boys to their home folks, also various articles.

Sunday

• Ars Musica Antiqua will present "In Praise of Women" works by women composers at 7:30 p.m. The program will be narrated by Walter Canter and directed by Victoria Griswold. The sopranos will be Margaret Southwell and Marilyn Spesak. The Castlecourt Musicians will be Jane Canter, Vivian Lipcon and Betsy Wrobel. This program is funded from the Rahway Savings Institution. Admission is free.

• The Ladies Auxilary of Mulvey-Ditmars VFW Post No. 681 will be hosting a Tupperware Party at 2 p.m. The party will be at the Post Home located at 1491 Campbell St. in Rahway. For information call Gerry at 499-9163.

Monday

• Dana Thornley, a registered dietician from Rahway Hospital will speak on "Spring Into Fitness" at the Clark Public Library at 7:30 p.m.

Coming Events

April 11

• The New Jersey Golden Gloves Finals will be held at the Rahway High School Gymnasium. At last year's semi-finals, five World Champion boxers were in attendance, as well as New Jersey State Boxing Commissioner, Larry Hazzard. This year's event promises to be filled with exciting boxing action and will be attended by nationally known celebrities. The guest of honor will be General Alfred M. Gray, USMC. Ticket prices are $60 Golden Ringside Seat which includes prime rib buffet dinner at St. Thomas Church in Rahway, $15 for reserved seating, and $10 general admission. For information on time and tickets call the Rahway PAL at 827-2136.

• The New Jersey Native and Plant Society will hold several events in the month of April. There will be a Spring Lecture Series at the Holly House at Rutgers and Cook College from 7:30 to 9 p.m. on April 11 and April 25. Ted Gordon will lecture on New Jersey Pine Barrens on the first date and Nancy Slowick will lecture on Native Plants of the Palisades on the second date. There will be a Spring Walk and Planting at the Watchung Reservation on April 20 at 10 a.m. For information on any of these events contact Karen Carlough at (908) 352-1734 or Jeanne Overly at (908) 247-0079.

Mayor, council discuss parking

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is not satisfied with that.

"I've been assuming that the meters would be out in January," he said. "As you can see, those words were hollow."

Kelly, like many of the apartments on Main Street, has a parking meter in front of his home. He parks on Elizabeth Avenue or in the parking lot of an old typewriter store and cannot get a parking permit like some commuters have. This has cost him a total of $600 to $700 in parking tickets over the years.

"I'll be damned if I'll park in front of my house and pay a quarter to park in front of my house," he said.

Kelly noted that much of Main Street from Elizabeth Avenue to Irving Street is residential. This area has parking meters while the "central business district" does not.

What angers Kelly is the feeling that he is "subsidizing" free parking for the merchants. According to him, the price on the meters in front of his house have been raised from 10 to 25 cents per hour.

"So we're subsidizing the merchants in the center of the downtown area, which is one reason that I won't shop in the downtown," he said.

"I'm so ticked off about it, I'm going to move out of Rahway," he said. "That's how upset I am."

One way to solve this would be to construct parking lots behind the stores, he said.

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Golden Gloves fundraiser promises to be a knockout

By Chris Suswal
Managing Editor

'The skill here is utilizing an effective team of players who are fighting to help kids in Rahway.'

— James Kennedy, Mayor of Rahway

Rahway is fighting to improve the quality of life for the city's youth — literally.

The New Jersey Golden Gloves Finals, a premiere boxing event, sponsored by the Rahway Police Athletic League, will be held at the Rahway High School Gymnasium on April 11.

On Tuesday, city officials, members of the PAL, and local students attended a press conference at City Hall to promote the fundraising event. Former heavyweight contender Gerry Cooney is among the nationally known celebrities who have confirmed an appearance at the 12-bout boxing contest.

At last year's semi-finals held in Rahway, five World Champion boxers were in attendance, as well as New Jersey State Boxing Commissioner Larry Hazzard. Hazzard spoke about how the event will benefit the youth via educational programs.

"This has been a campaign throughout the state to get the PAL and other social institutions to work with and support young people," he said. "Through the PAL and Golden Gloves that's what we can do."

Much of the discussion focused on the Alternative Center for Education which is a high school level program that aids students who are having academic difficulty. According to Paul DiGiano, an ACE program instructor, the tutoring program meets both in the mornings and afternoons and "gives kids a chance to succeed." He noted Superintendent Bill Petino's role as a founder and former director of the program which began in 1986.

Tom Lewis, current director of the ACE program, spoke at length about having an impact on children who come from low income families.

"Those that have feeling for others who are on uneven footing — people they they don't even know — have tremendous compassion," he said. "They dedicate their time and that's the most important thing anyone can give."

According to Gene DeCarlo, PAL assistant executive director, sponsors like Merck and Co. and the Rahway Savings Institution significantly fund many of the PAL activites like baseball and basketball leagues.

"There is a quality of life issue here," Mayor James Kennedy said. "The skill here is utilizing an effective team of players who are fighting to help kids in Rahway."

Rahway Police Captain Edward Tilton mentioned the collaboration of efforts through several people including Lewis, DeCarlo, Hazzard, DiGiano, the mayor's Special Confidential Aide Ibrahim Sharif, Senior Supervisor of Maintenance for Merck and Co. Bob Gregory, and local businesses.

Many anticipate this year's event to sell out the 1,400 capacity high school gymnasium as the guest of honor will be General Alfred M. Gray, USMC. The event will feature categories of boxers ranging from flyweight to heavyweight. Two female bouts will also take place and a taping of the contest will be aired on Comast Cable channel No. 8. For information on time and tickets, call the Rahway PAL at 827-2136.

Residents ralley for cancer patient

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Gwen Tourtellot is loved by a lot of people.

Tourtellot, a resident of Union, is a teacher at Roosevelt School in Rahway.

Debbie Wakstein's daughter was in her first-grade class last year; she calls Tourtellot "excellent, sweet, very caring to the teachers... to the children, to everyone actually. Makes you feel like a part of the family. That's why we're here."

"Here" was Clark Lanes on Central Avenue in Clark on Saturday. Tourtellot's 16-year-old nephew has bone cancer — osteogenic sarcoma — in his legs and is in chemotherapy right now, and they were collecting money at the lanes to help pay for the massive costs of surgery and treatment.

Tourtellot's nephew, Douglas Insley of Teaneck, was diagnosed with cancer last August. Since then, he has had his knee and part of his tibia replaced and there is no way of knowing if the cancer has spread.

Insley also lives in a single-parent household with his mother; treatments put a strain on already stressed funds.

"It's hard for her to bring him to his treatment while working full time and she has another child," said Tourtellot. "It's hard for her money-wise as well as otherwise. It's hard for a single parent, even when a child isn't sick."

The idea for a bowling fundraiser came somewhat from Insley himself. He is on the varsity bowling team at Don Bosco High School and has gotten a number of scholarships while on the team.

Couples paid $35 to play three games on Saturday. Tourtellot said that she was hoping to make $500, with about 50 couples.

But over double that showed up for the fundraiser on Saturday; Toutellot estimated that about 110 couples showed up. Insley was supposed to show up also, but couldn't because of a weak immune system.

"I think it's wonderful that they're trying to rally around me," said Tourtellot. "They announced it at a PTA meeting and I actually brought in word, so it's nice that they're gathering around and rallying around me."

Many were from Rahway and were parents at Roosevelt School.

"It's a good cause," said Ron Knox, a fireman in Rahway. "It's a good night out is the main reason we're here."

Knox's wife is on the Roosevelt PTA, which helped to spread the word about the fundraiser.

When asked how he thought he'd do, Knox said, "I guess I won't hurt anyone tonight, I hope." Knox used to bowl, but that was before his marriage.

"I haven't bowled in about 10 years," he said with a laugh. "The bowling went right out the window."

A number of the people at the fundraiser had friends or family who had died from cancer.

Greg Harms of Union lost the best man from his wedding to cancer. He was at the fundraiser with his wife, three other couples and a 150-or-so average from his bowling league.

"It's a good idea," he said. "It's a good way to raise money. I know what kind of a burden it is on the family."

"I think it's a lot of fun," said Iris Kaconas of Elizabeth, whose friend, Diane Reidlinger, was helping run the fundraiser. Kaconas has had family members who have died from cancer.

"I think it's a nice turnout. I think it's nice so many people are supporting it."

Medalists



Students from Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark display medals and a trophy they won at the State Distributive Education Clubs of America Career Conference. Kris Piech won 1st place in customer service while Kelly Castoro won 3rd place overall in fashion modeling as well as a Finalist Medal Overall.

Alaskan race for life keeps heritage alive

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Believe it or not, Rahway has a connection to a diptheria epidemic in Alaska.

The epidemic took place in 1925 in Nome, before Alaska became a state and when it was even wilder than it is today. Before it was over, it claimed the lives of five children.

It was stopped only after 20 volunteer mushers, people that drive a dog-sled team, brought the vaccine to stop the epidemic 674 miles from Anchorage.

There is only one surviving musher. Edgar Nollner is now 93-years-old and an Athabascan Indian who lives in Galena, Alaska; he set out from Whisky Creek, Alaska with the vaccine.

So what does Rahway have to do with an epidemic thousands of miles and more than half-a-century away?

Well, the vaccine that stopped the epidemic was made by a company named Mulford, which later became a part of Merck & Co.

"I think that for Merck, it's part of the heritage of what Merck is about," said Donna Cary of the Merck Vaccine Division, headquartered in Whitehouse Station.

The dog-sled relay, born out of necessity, has since become the Iditarod Dog-Sled Race, a two-week race and one of the biggest, if not the biggest, dog-sled races in the world.

But it also emphasized the importance of immunization against childhood disease, said Cary. Even now, the mushers and the Iditarod Committee, which works with the Alaska Nurses Association, are spokespersons for immunization.

"Really, I think the original Iditarod, was the same thing, a race for life," said Cary. "The Iditarod was all about getting this medicine to Nome for the children, and we see that in our researchers, the same drive to do whatever it takes to get to the end. In our case, it's discovering a new medicine or vaccine."

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Council made the right decision

During the most recent City Council meeting, cigarette lighters that look like handguns was the topic of discussion. An ordinance sponsored by Democratic Councilmen Donald Anderson and Robert Rachlin targets the potential danger of what appear to be guns but are made to light small flames from their barrels. The legislation would prohibit the sale and possession of cigarette lighters which have the appearance of weapons anywhere in the city.

When the terms of the ordinance were thought to need amending, council members postponed the first reading of the ordinance, which would carry a penalty of arrest and fine up to $1,000. The postponement came before a vote on first reading because Republican Councilman Frank Janusz voiced concern for people who have had these types of items in their homes for several years.

The decision not to rush this legislation was the right one. Janusz said he did not disagree with the ordinance, but wanted to protect residents who have had these types of lighters. Because there may arise a situation where a law enforcement officer is visiting a home for an emergency, Janusz was against having someone arrested for possessing a "family heirloom."

Too many times, city residents have witnessed their government pass legislation even when several residents voice displeasure or confusion about an item on the agenda. Janusz's request to alter the wording to protect residents was followed by a civil discussion about how the concerns could be resolved. Moreover, Council President Jim Jones has been handling the newly formed council meetings with swift authority. Jones suggested that Anderson and Janusz try to iron out details of the ordinance and "fine tune" its wording. It's obvious that on this issue, at least, the council is working together to find solutions.

The ordinance, which was fashioned after one passed by the Elizabeth City Council, is clearly an important one. No one should have to witness an unfortunate accident in which anyone is injured because the lighter is pointed at a law enforcement officer. Although the City Council cannot really affect the manufacturing of these dangerous products, it is moving in the right direction by limiting its sale.

All responsible parents commit themselves to protecting their children's well-being. But if a child gets hold of one of these lighters, which replicate real guns, the young person may not realize its potential danger.

Rahway has the opportunity to become among the state's leading municipalities in this regard. The City of Elizabeth was the first community in New Jersey to ban gun-shaped lighters, and if Rahway passes the ordinance, it would become the second in the state to do so. In January, Elizabeth approved the ordinance by an 8-0 vote and it should be anticipated that after adjusting the details, Rahway will follow with a unanimous vote.

Crime prevention is vital. This effort does not speak solely for the members on the council dais, but for everyone who cares to keep violence at bay.

A worthwhile student program

The Mr. Rogers "Say No!" Program aids the lives of city boys who once had discipline and academic problems in school. A ceremony on March 1 at the John F. Kennedy Center on Hazelwood Avenue, which was attended by Councilman Dave Brown and Board of Education member Theresa Mikajlo, celebrated the achievements of a number of boys who had a lot going against them but who succeeded.

Leading these boys to the right track may be difficult, but when these boys see how much they can accomplish, this path will lead them to success. Wendell Rodgers' program centers on helping "at-risk" African-American boys who come from broken or poor families. These boys are given help with homework and positive role models through adult volunteers to the program.

The results of the program are extremely encouraging as the March 1 ceremony saw a total of 36 boys receive awards. The program includes a weekly meeting with Rodgers, formerly an employee of the Michigan State corrections system and now director of Clinical Services at the Essex Substance Abuse Treatment Center in Newark.

We commend those who received the awards which included PAL Awards, Mr. Rogers Program Awards, Perfect Attendance in School Awards, Most Improved Student from the Last Marking Period Awards, Mr. Rogers Outstanding Students Awards, Participation Awards and many other classroom awards. The classroom awards focus on reports, homework, tests, being prepared for class, classroom work categories and best conduct category.

The Mr. Rogers "Say No!" program deserves the support and recognition of the residents of Rahway. We hope the program continues to thrive and be successful.

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HELPING OUT — A recent 'Thank You Research' event has people joining in on creating awareness of heart disease. The event, attended by the American Heart Association and the New Jersey Association for Biomedical Research, was held during American Heart Month at Merck and Co. in Rahway. Cindy and Jeffrey Flockton, volunteer ambassadors, were speakers at the gathering which recognized Merck's longstanding commitment to cardiovascular research. For information on heart disease and stroke call (800) 634-1AHA.

Downtown shopping is becoming obselete

Free Form

By Bob Rixon

You may have noticed that the McCrory's in Carteret is about to close up. Pickings at 40 percent off were getting slim by last week. I don't know how many of this chain's stores are closing; the one in Hoboken looks healthy, but the old Keyport store is also going out of business.

Together with Woolworth, McCrory's is one of the last remaining chains of true variety stores, or five and tens, as we used to call them. They haven't offered much in the 10 cent range during my life, but I have always enjoyed these stores.

The Carteret McCrory's was a bland place, located as it was in a strip mall. But the Keyport store, like Rahway's C.H. Martin, was something special, a fixture and anchor of the downtown business district.

The Keyport McCrory's, which may have been a Woolworth's at one time, was in a wide, glass-fronted building with two double door front entrances. Most of the merchandise was on the big main floor. At the back — and I always like these designs — the store went split level; a short flight of stairs to the linens, shades, and ladies undergarments, and a short flight down to hardware. Renovations couldn't disguise the way the store must have looked in the '50s, or earlier. At the very far end of the store there were creaky, narrow steps up to the business offices, still in service like an old, trusted employee.

All of these old stores had character. The Rahway five and ten, now occupied by a food market, had a neat balcony inside the store.

The actual merchandise in McCrory's over the past few years still provided an O.K. browse, but most of it was stuff you can find in Walgreens or Drug Fair. McCrory's carried a lot of necessities, but it was essentially a downtown kind of place. It flourished in an era when you had a list of things you needed, you drove downtown, parked the car, and got out and walked from store to store. You brought an umbrella if it was raining. In addition to whatever was on your shopping list, you might come home with a carton full of five goldfish, or one of those hollow, pink rubber balls used for playing stickball or spud.

I feel sorry for Keyport, which is like a Rahway-by-the-bay. Keyport's lovely waterfront, however, is keeping the town afloat, and they will do fine over the next few years.

Here in Rahway we sometimes seem as clueless as we were a decade ago. Another "consultant" passes through with suggestions for slowing traffic and making some of the downtown streets two-way — which ones?

My good friend, John Cox, co-proprietor of Cindy's Luncheonette, had much to say in last week's *Progress* about parking, which is a bigger problem on his end of Irving Street than it is at the other. John and Cindy need a large turnover of take-out orders. Joe Mancuso, the new director of the Arts Center, correctly points out that people do park and walk for a popular show at the theater. But the future of Rahway's downtown will mostly depend on "park and walk" customers. There is no solution for a lack of on-street parking except the creation of 20 minute spaces, and probably few would support it.

McCrory's is closing for two reasons. First, not enough people wanted what they were selling, as happened in Carteret. Second, they were a form of convenience store whose downtown locations could not be reached conveniently and quickly, as happened in Keyport. The underlying problem in Rahway is not lack of parking, and the solution is not more parking, or even two-way streets. For a business to be successful in any aging downtown, it has to sell something that people are willing to park and walk to buy.

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Bring an umbrella on those weekend jaunts

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

When a student enrolls on Weather 101, is he/her told right from the beginning never but never to predict rain on a summer weekend?

Weather plays a major role in weekend plans and if the prediction is for rain, heavy cloudiness or unseasonably high or low temperatures, plans are apt to change. The trip to the shore is postponed, that ride in the country to visit that new Tibetan restaurant is put on hold and that shopping trip is put off... much to the concern of shore shops, the Tibetan restaurant owners, and proprietors of the variety shops.

As you can see, weather plays an important role on how we run our lives. And for someone to come right out and say that rain is in the forecast for Saturday and Sunday is something akin to mortal sin.

I notice when I listen to the weather broadcasts in the early mornings, weather is an important topic since the forecast is announced over and over again. And if you take particular notice, the commentators sort of dance around the topic. If they must predict rain, it's done politely without any fanfare or dire predictions that a whopper is bearing down on us. We are gently reminded to take along an umbrella and any other rain gear we have.

However, if there is rain forecast for Saturday or Sunday, the commentator must bite the bullet and just come out and say what is in store for us. Of course, there are ways of saying such things in a way not to disappoint or anger too many people. The commentator will say the rain won't be much and there is a 50-50 chance that the sun will peek out sometime during the day. That little disclaimer seems to somewhat calm many people down.

I've heard announcers dance and skip around a forecast, daring not to say the terrible "r" word even though it couldn't be more cloudy and thunder claps and flashes of lightning are in great abundance. Mentioning or even hinting at the rain is a definite no-no in the field of weather forecasting. This is especially true during summer or holiday weekends, garden parties, especially weddings, or when plans are made to see a baseball game at Yankee or Shea stadiums.

Many of us take our weather very seriously. And to many, our lives revolve about it. High strung or emotional people will fly into a rage when told that the weather is going to be lousy over the next few days which includes a weekend.

I've heard of a case when a commentator predicted rain on a certain Saturday and the radio or television station received death threats if such a calamity occurred. It's like killing the messenger who bears bad news.

Weather predicting is still an imperfect practice, even though we can land men on the moon. How many times have we heard a nasty forecast and the opposite took place and how many times have we heard a forecast which is akin to what Camelot experienced and it turns out to be the worst kind of weather ever to befall us.

Being a weather forecaster, now that the supposed nice weather looms on the horizon, can be risky because plans are being made now to set aside certain days in the near future to eat at that Tibetan restaurant or visit a brand new mall; but it all depends on the weather. If the weather doesn't cooperate, we become enraged and begin seriously thinking of suing the radio or television station for being a spoil sport.

That's why enrolling in weather 101 can be a dangerous occupation since we are a volatile lot and the forecaster's job is to promise good weather and mean it. And woe betide the forecaster if he/she is wrong and what promised to be a great weekend ends in a deluge, complete with thunder, lightning and topped off with heavy gusts of wind. Of course, by Monday morning the storm has rolled out to sea and the weather couldn't be more perfect, only thing is, it's Monday.

We are not trying to make light of bad weather since many people earn their living by having good weather, especially those with businesses at the shore or nearby holiday resorts. A constant diet of bad weather can put them out of business or force them to postpone their planned trip to Mexico.

We bet that listening to or watching those cute little weather ladies on television is becoming more and more of a spectator sport. For many of us, weather plays a key role in our lives, even though we can't do a single thing to control it.

Norman Rauscher, a former newspaper publisher, is an active member of the Summit community.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Judge Assad by his actions

To the Editor:

The new report released by the White House Task Force on Terrorism and Unconventional Warfare recently stated that Syria is actively preparing for war.

The State Department listed Syria as a terrorist-sponsor since Syrian agent Nizar Hindaw smuggled explosives onto an El Al jet in London in 1986. Syria sponsors many terrorist groups in Lebanon, Argentina, Turkey and recently in Saudia Arabia. Syria's fingerprints are also visible in the bombing of Pan Am 103.

In addition, Syria is in a strategic alliance with the arch pariah state, Iran. In January, the U.S. opposed the sale to Syria of tanks by South Africa, threatening Nelson Mandela with a cut of foreign aid and putting Israel's security in jeopardy.

The State Department wants to resolve these contradictions by giving the Golan Heights to Syria for a peace treaty signed by Assad at the White House, to get the Nobel Peace Prize for Hafez al Assad who is actually preparing for a bloody war, to get rid of Israel — the only democratic foothold for the Western world.

The State Department should judge Assad by his actions and behavior and as the Palestinians to live up to their commitments under the terms of the Oslo and Hebron agreements, instead of constantly applying pressure on Israel to make concessions regardless of the random killing of innocent men, women and children by Arafat's followers.

Bernard Jacoud
Union

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VIEW POINT

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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LAST WEEK'S RESULTS

Have you seen any of the performances this season at the Union County Arts Center?

NO RESPONSE

Students get direction in career hunt



Richard Geiger, engineer/lawyer makes a diagram of Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark recently. Geiger holds a position with Merck and Co. in Rahway and discussed the opportunities and challenges of his position in engineering. Geiger is an ALJ graduate and holds a degree in chemical engineering.

In celebration of National Engineers Week, Richard Geiger, engineer/lawyer spoke to Tom Galiszewski's advanced placement physics class at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School.

An ALJ graduate and former student of Galiszewski, Geiger holds a bachelor of science degree in chemical engineering from Villinova as well as a law degree from Seton Hall University. He addressed the physics class to give them direction in career opportunities in engineering.

After showing two short videos, Geiger fielded questions and explained the types of troubleshooting that is required of him in his job at Merck and Co. in Rahway.

CLUBS IN THE NEWS

Market funds musical

SAGES, the environmental club of Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark, will be sponsoring a flea market on Saturday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Funds raised by SAGES will support Joe Marchese who is producing and directing an independent musical at ALJ, "They're Playing Our Song."

The production is open to the public and will be playing on April 11 and April 12 both at 8 p.m. at ALJ.

School announces marking period honor rolls

The following is the list of students from Rahway Intermediate school who made honor rolls for the 1996-1997 second marking period.

Sixth grade

High honors

Stephanie Allman, Nicole Arcuri, Daniele Armus, Anton Artemenko, Christine Beaver, Linda Bishara, Danielle Blankenship, Jonathan Bober, Jessica Breault, Cenithia Butler, Erica Campbell, Nikki Carpenter, Sarid Castaneda, Steven Counterman, Alexander Eagan, Lauren Fitzgerald, Mary Fitzpatrick, Magdalena Gruchala, Joseph Hughes, Daniel James, Jasdip Kaur, Michael Keker, Nicolet Kirk, Daniel La Bellarte, Lauren Lanza, Victoria Meyer, Christopher Might, Chris Mozingo, Alexis Nicasio, Mikaela O'Toole, Daniel Obiedzinski, Vincent Jan Ong, Tiffany Parducci, Dorian Peterson, Edward Phipps, Jennifer Principe, Ashley Reeves, James Robinson, Thomas Rowe, Sara Ruggiero, Shareyna Scott, Jaime Segal, Melissa Servedio, Alexander Staunton, Zafar Syed, Lisa Tavolaro, James Vallarta.

Honor roll

Folahanmi Adeleye, Lindora Awkward, Shavon Barno, Ashley Boston, Emma Brailey, Palisha Brisson, Jeffrey Brooks, Daniel Brophy, Tiana Carbonaro, Manouchka Charlemagne, Jacqueline Ciallella, Michael Costello, Amelia Crudup, Ebony Cummings, Christina Dudley, William Dunn, Theresa Ellis, Krystal Felton, Jarrell Forbes, Joseph Gesumaria, Jeanne Gibbs, Andres Gonzalez, Francis Gonzalez, Sanaya Gunn, Tamara Hannibal, Rahjan Harris, Johanna Henaro, Edward Hendrickson, Ray Holland, Sean Horton, Eric Jann, Sarah Jasper, Whitney Johnson, Letitia Jones, Stephanie Jones, Alexander Kaminski, Eric Kern, Kristin Ann Kolic, Tyree La'Vant, Christine Latif, Carlos Latony, Ryne Ludington, Bianca Luna, Raymond Matthews, Tami Mayers, Molly McGill, Frank Miranda, Jr., Jason Mizerek, Joshua Mujica, Michael Murphy, Jason Nadler, Nicholas Nistico, Nicole Nixon, Jasson Noel, Lovely Oscar, Amina Owens, Shonelle Peterson, Leeann Pilot, Chukwuma Pius-Nwagwu, Erik Podell, Michael Podell, Kiona Poindexter, Casey Probus, Frederick Ragland, Jr., Lauren Reidy, Jasper Rice, Samantha Rivera, Sandeep Saini, Carlos Sanchez, Rafael Sanchez, Christopher Santiago, Juan Santiago, Ian Savard, Marlow Scott, Daniel Serpi, Duane Shadd II, Lamaar Shell, Hardeep Singh, Andrea Smith, Nicole Smith, Samantha Solimo, Edwin Solivan, Christopher Surber, Joanna Sweeney, Quintel Tankard, Krystle Truncale, Frances Wasiewicz, Annie Watson, Laura Werner, Sha'Rice Wilks, Nicole Wronski, Samantha Young, Bey Tremayne Young, Ryan Zabala.

Seventh grade

High honors

Marvin Baysmore, Ashley Biscardi, Kevin Bobenchik, Michael Brennan, Christopher Brindle, Gina Brisson, Amy Brys, Christine Campanelli, Joseph Campos, Billy Chee, Joseph Colasanti II, Shane Condren, Susan Connell, Payal Dalal, Pamela Dopart, Marguerite Ferrell, Francisco Garay II, Michelle Ginfrida, Noah Go, Jennifer Depinto, Jaclyn Bringuez, Laura Gruber, Kate Henderson, Christine Holencsak, Laura Hulnik, Mark Keefe, Meghan Malley, Robert Marsh, Jr., Jennifer Mendelson, Christa Olandra, Daisy Perez, Michael Rowan, Jermaine Rozzelle, Jeanette Sharp, Jennifer Slatter, Travis Smith/Simons, Jessica Stephens, Kristyn Swartzel, Scott Temple, Alin Vaks, Kyle Wilner, Monika Zarzecki.

Honor roll

Vanessa Alvarado-Henao, Timothy Antisz, Augusto Aquino, George Awkward, Melissa Bondar, William Boydman, Kimberly Brandao, Lorena Caballero, Lisa Cannon, Whitney Christow, Lauren Cohen, Niasha Collins, John Colucci, Melisa Condon, Erin Cox, Astride Dagene, Geslsie Dagene, Mallory Decker, Anthony Deigg, Marjorie Diegue, Joseph Dipierro, Michelle Ginter, Joseph Giacobbe, Eric Gustofson, Mary Jo Hammer, Enrique Huezo, Melissa Jazikoff, Christopher Johnson, Jillian Jones, Sheena Kelly, Oscar Koloff, Leslie Lachenauer, Jason Berger, Timothy Mackay, Christen Makan, Regina Mannino, Eerica Mason, Corina Mazzuca, Elizabeth Merlo, Jenna O'Donnell, Joseph O'Reilly, Hardikkumar Patel, Stephen Pilot, Crystal Powers, Megan Reed, Karen Romero, Edgar Rubin, Erna Saint Charles, Michael Sanosian, Wilfredo Santiago, Randi Schroeder, Tamirah Shields, Thomas Swindell, Jessica Tayts, Michael Vazquez, Hubert Velasco, Eugene Weldon, Lauren Weldon, Lauren Yuengel, Althea Stancil.

Eighth grade

High honors

Bradley Aikins, Anthony Berardinelli, Richard Borek, Debra Buchan, Kelsey Burrell, Gregory Campbell, Joseph Caruso, Justin Chavez, Julie Cuzzo, Michael Dipierro, David Dodman, Kate Fitzgerald, Alexis Freeman, Keri Ann Grablachoff, Frank Hamaty, Gina Hering, Candice Hoffman, Kristen Hudack, Imagbogho Igbinosun, Christine Jazikoff, Deepani Jinadasa, Mark Johnson, Lorna Koloff, Chau Wing Lam, Richard Lenkiewicz, Joseph Mannino, Daniel McGovern, Alyshia McQuire, Suzanne Miklasavige, Ryan Miller, Naimah Mitchell, Jaemi Ong, Joel Payne, Kimberly Plewa, Meagan Quinn, Gene Ronkiewicz, Andrew Suarez, Jennifer Tennet, Orivelis Tores, Alisha Trocciola, Andrew Webb, Jonathan Wishbow, Lauren Witiek, Cherilyn Wysocki.

Honor roll

Quianna Bacon, Jennie Ann Baluyot, Christopher Bechelli, Joseph Berardinelli, Jamal Boston, Omar Boy, David Brailey, Anthony Branham, Daniel Cambridge, Jesse Campanelli, Ronique Chiu, Judith Cordova, James Cunningham, Chelsea Decker, Jerome Derios, Rachel Devaney, Eric Dubhorn, Marie Estime, Richard Flynn III, Daniel Garay, Alicia Garcia, Jessica Glaser, Jabari Golden, Kristina Gresham, Jennie Harris, Patricia Henderickson, Dane Iorio, Daniel Johnson, Christina Anglin, Erin Kelly, Matthew Kofi, Katie Kraus, John Laurencelle, John Ludinton III, Steven Maldonado, Melanie Mallick, Daniel Marchica, Sherley Mautes, Steven O'Loughlin, Sandra Peterson, Christopher Petroski, Luidgi Pierre, Antonio Pugliese, Vicki Rider, Timothy Rieder, Natasha Robinson, Raymond Roon, Matthew Schleifer, Antwine Shell, Monica Sienkiewicz, Nicole Simoes, Tanisha Spells, Michael Teixeira, Taneesha Thompson, Hlif Waiton, Jessica Webb, Barry Wise, Bryan Zupkus.

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FAMOUS FEBRUARY



Many famous people are honored in the month of February. Mrs Iredell's 4th grade class at Featherbed Lane School, Clark, read biographies, wrote speeches & dressed up as the famous people they read about. The 4th grade performed & read their speeches to other grades who were able to guess who they dressed up as for the day.

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Highlights of Three New Tax Laws and How They Affect You

Three recent laws enacted by Congress, *The Small Business Job Protection Act* (the Business Act), *The Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act* (the Health Act), and *The Personal Responsibility and Work Opportunity Reconciliation Act* (the Welfare Act), have many provisions that affect you as an individual taxpayer.

Individuals will want to know that the Business Act provides a tax credit of up to $5,000 per child ($6,000 for a special needs domestic adoption) for adoptions taking place after 1996 and before 2002. If the credit exceeds your tax liability, the unused portion may be carried forward up to five years. The new law also narrows the ability to exclude from income personal injury damage awards. Only damages received on account of physical injury or sickness can be excluded; damages from emotional distress and punitive damages generally are now taxable. A new college savings plan allows parents to save for their children's college cost on a tax-advantaged basis. Your state must establish a plan that allows you to prepay college tuition costs. Earnings on the account grow tax deferred. When educational benefits are received, the child is taxed only on the amount that the benefit exceeds the amounts contributed. Finally, under the new law, starting in 1997 you will need to provide a Social Security number to claim any dependent or to take the dependent care credit on your tax return.

In the retirement area, several changes were made to the rules for pension distributions. A special rule that allows taxpayers to in effect "average" over five years the tax treatment of lump-sum distributions from retirement plans is eliminated after 1999. Another provision that allows taxpayers to exclude from income up to $5,000 of employer-provided death benefits also is repealed, effective in 1997. Also starting in 1997, employees who work beyond the current age 70-1/2 mandatory age for starting retirement distributions will be able to delay some of those distributions until after retirement. Finally, the 15% excise tax on distributions from retirement plans in excess of $155,000 ($775,000 for a lump-sum distribution) is suspended for 1997, 1998, and 1999. If you have built up a large balance in retirement funds and are worried about this so-called "success tax", you should consider taking advantage of this tax break.

If you file a joint tax return, you can contribute up to $2,000 to each spouse's IRA as long as the total contributions do not exceed your combined compensation for the year. Previously, the total contribution for both spouses under a spousal IRA was limited to $2,250.

The Health Act creates a test program for tax-favored medical savings accounts (MSAs). This pilot program uses low-cost, high-deductible health insurance in combination with MSAs, allowing those eligible (generally self-employed persons and employees of small businesses) to save for and pay medical expenses on a tax-deferred basis. Next, beginning in 1997, long-term care expenses and premiums for long-term care insurance will be allowed as a medical expense deduction that can be claimed as itemized deductions subject to the same 7.5% of adjusted gross income limitation on all medical expenses. Also beginning in 1997, accelerated life insurance death benefits (viatical settlements) received by a terminally or chronically ill person will not be taxable. Finally, the health Act establishes portability requirements for group health plans. Group health insurers cannot limit coverage for preexisting conditions of people who change jobs. Individuals may no longer be excluded from coverage based on their health status.

The Welfare Act further restricts an individual's ability to claim the earned income credit. The earned income credit is no longer available to individuals who fail to provide their Social Security numbers when claiming the credit. Also, the categories of investment income that can disqualify a person from being eligible for the credit have been expanded.

With all the new changes included in these three laws, it is best to check with your tax advisor or accountant to see how they might impact you.

More details of the *Small Business Job Protection Act* and the *Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act* will be covered is separate articles.

This information is provided as a public service, and should not be construed as individual accounting or tax planning advice. For information on how these general principles apply to your situation, please consult an accounting or tax professional.

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Temple schedules Jewish films lecture

Noted Yiddish, Israeli and Jewish film expert Eric Goldman will discuss "The Comedic Jew in Film" in a lecture on April 6 at Temple Beth O'r/Beth Torah, 111 Valley Road in Clark.

The program, the annual Sol Sem Memorial Lecture, begins at 8 p.m. and is open to the public free of charge. The lecture is named in memory of a beloved longtime member of the Temple. For further information, call the Temple at (908) 381-8403.

Goldman will address, in his talk and through film clips, how "funny men" handle aspects of Jewish life through humor. The Comedic skills of Woody Allen, Mel Brooks and Gene Wilder, among others, will be explored. Clips from Israeli comedies will also be shown.

Goldman, who teaches at Ramapo College, is author of "Visions, Images and Dreams: Yiddish Film Past and Present." He is founder and president of Ergo Media, a company specializing Jewish and Israeli video.

Former director of the Jewish Media Service and former curator of film for the YIVO Institute for Jewish Research, he moderated the film series at New York's Hebrew Union College and 92nd Street Y for 10 years.

He was also a member of the Educational Advisory Committee of the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum.

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OBITUARIES

Fernando Grilo

Fernando Grilo, 92, of Rahway died March 4 in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Ilhavo, Portugal, Mr. Grilo came to the United States in 1922 and settled in California. He then lived in New York, Elizabeth and Union Beach before moving to Rahway in 1995.

Surviving are two daughters, Marie Costeira and Adeline Reverendo; a brother, Joseph; five grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Mario F. Fiorentini

Mario F. Fiorentini, 77, of Rahway died March 12 in his home.

Born in Old Forge, Pa., Mr. Fiorentini lived in Elizabeth before moving to Rahway in 1952. He was a machine repairman for Singer Manufacturing Co., Elizabeth, for 39 years and retired in 1981. Mr. Fiorentini was an usher for St. Mary's Church, Rahway. he was a member of the Singers Retiree Club, Elizabeth, and the Retired Men's Club of Rahway.

Surviving are his wife, Yolanda, and two sisters, Viola Barbetti and Emma Lupia.

Marion B. Freeman

Marion B. Freeman, 88, of Rahway died March 9 in the Meridian Nursing Center, Westfield.

Born in Holyoke, Mass., Mrs. Freeman moved to Rahway in 1943. She was an admitting clerk for Rahway Hospital for five years from 1960 to 1965. Mrs. Freeman was a 1929 graduate of Russell Sage College, Troy, N.Y. She was a member of the Society of Mayflower Descendants and the Rebecca Cornell Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. Mrs. Freeman also had been active in the Rahway Woman's Club, the Daughters of the Founders and Patriots of America, the National Society of Colonial Dames of the 17th Century, the Society of Daughters of Colonial Wars in the state of New Jersey and the Westfield Genealogical Society. She was a self-taught genealogist and helped many friends, acquaintances and strangers research their ancestry.

Surviving are two sons, Douglas and Donald; three grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Margaret Sexton

Margaret Sexton, 86, of Clark died March 10 in her home.

Born in Bayonne, Mrs. Sexton moved to Clark five years ago.

Surviving are three sons, Raymond M. Jr., Robert and Thomas; a daughter, Patricia; a brother, John Bonner; 11 grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Raymond Jones

Raymond Jones, 47, of Clark died March 11 in the Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy Division.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Jones lived in Clark for many years. He was a stationary engineer for U.S. Gibson Co., Clark, for the past 10 years. Mr. Jones served in the Marine Corps and was a member of the American Legion 327 and Veterans of Foreign Wars 7363, both in Clark.

Surviving are his wife, Donna; a daughter, Cherish Jones; a son, Philip; a sister, Irene Szymanski, and a brother, Edward Hayducko.

Theresa Esposito

Theresa Esposito, 70, of Clark, one of the first triplet babies born in St. Elizabeth Hospital, Elizabeth, died March 14 in St. Michael's Medical Center, Newark.

With her triplet brother, Peter, Miss Esposito was the co-owner of Esposito's Farm, Clark, where she lived for her entire life.

Also surviving are her triplet sister, Frances Sult, and four other brothers, Sal, John, Henry and Andy.

To place a classified ad call 1-800-564-8911 by 3 p.m. Tuesday.

DEATH NOTICES

CAMPBELL - Nancy, of Linden, on Monday, March 10, 1997, dear niece of George and Julie Evancik of Linden. The funeral was from The SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 146 E. Second Ave., Roselle. Interment Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth.

DZURAK - Elizabeth, of Roselle, on Friday, March 14, 1997, beloved wife of the late Michael Dzurak, devoted mother of Mrs. Catherine Jamiolkowski of Linden, Mrs. Mary Ann Noll of Connecticut, Mrs. Margaret Latawiec of Roselle and the late William Dzurak, also survived by eleven grandchildren and thirteen great-grandchildren. The funeral was from The SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 146 E. Second Ave., Roselle. A Funeral Mass was offered in St. Joseph the Carpenter, Roselle. Interment St. Gertrude's Cemetery, Colonia.

MULLER - Edward, of Roselle, on Tuesday, March 11, 1997, beloved son of Mrs. Mary (Semple) Muller of Roselle, dear father of Christine Muller of Rahway, dear brother of Mary Ann Maloney of Clark, Patricia Fazam of Rahway, Leo of MI., Robert of Florida, James of Clark, Thomas of Clark and John of Sayerville. The funeral was from The SULLIVAN FUNERAL HOME, 146 E. Second Ave., Roselle. A Funeral Mass was offered in Church of St. Joseph th Carpenter, Roselle. Interment Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth. Please make a contribution to the Center for Hope Hospice, 176 Hussa St., Linden, N.J. 07036.

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Have You Not Read: That our Lord has commanded and gave authority to members of His Church (only Christians) To "Do this in Memory of Me" on every Lord's Day worship service. (Acts 20:7, Rev 1:10, 1 Cor 11:23-26)
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MASSES - 7:30, 9, 10:30 A.M., NOON, 1:30 P.M. (Hispanic)

SPORTS

Rahway's Smith reached semis

Garay, Hay and Ziobro made it to the quarters



Photo by Milton Mills

Rahway High School standout senior grappler William Colbert, a Union County and District 11 champion this year, pinned West Essex's Kevin Wilson in 3:11 in this Super Regions bout March 11 at UHS.

By Andrew McGann
Staff Writer

The Rahway High School wrestling squad's pursuit of an individual state champion will have to wait at least one more year.

Despite their best efforts, heavyweight Antonio Garay (HWT), 135-pounder Jay Smith and 215-pounder William Colbert were unable to capture Rahway's first individual state championship since 1966 when they competed in the 64th annual NJSIAA/Bob's Store's wrestling championships last weekend at Atlantic City's Convention Center.

Third-seeded Garay and fourth-seeded Smith both finished the tournament with fifth-sixth rankings. Garay ended the season at 32-2 with 23 pins and Smith ended at 28-6 with 12 pins.

Colbert finished 26-5 with 19 pins.

"I was pleased," Rahway head coach Fred Stueber said. "There were a couple of close matches I thought could have gone either way. We also wrestled well in the matches we lost."

Shawn Stueber, 119, and Jason Crutchfield, 160, competed in the state tournament, but were eliminated in wrestle-back competition. Stueber ended the season at 26-4 and was second on the squad with 20 pins. Crutchfield finished at 26-7 with 14 pins.

Of the five wrestlers who competed in the state tournament, three will be returning. Garay, Stueber and Crutchfield will all look to return to Atlantic City next year.

"I'm graduating five starting seniors and they're five of my best kids," Stueber said. "It's going to be a little problem trying to replace those guys."

Last season, two Rahway wrestlers finished in the top four in the state. Tom Wysocki finished second at 130 and Garay finished fourth at 215.

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Linden's bid for a state wrestling champion fell short this weekend when Allen Hay, 160, and Simon Ziobro, 215 were defeated in the NJSIAA Tournament quarterfinals.

Hay finished the season at 20-3 and Ziobro at 22-4.

Ziobro, who placed second in the Union County Tournament, suffered a heart-breaking 2-1 defeat in the quarterfinals. Both wrestlers were defeated in wrestle-back competition.

1997 NJSIAA Wrestling Tourney

The following is a rundown of how area wrestlers performed in the NJSIAA Tournament that began Tuesday, March 11 with Super Regions competition at Union High School (Region 3 vs. 4) and continued last Friday and Saturday at Atlantic City's Convention Center.

AFTER MARCH 11 SUPER REGIONS AND BEFORE FRIDAY'S QUARTERFINALS

SUPER REGIONS CHAMPIONS
112 Craig Frost, Roselle Park
125 Kimo Geter, Elizabeth
130 Bill Crecca, Roselle Park
135 Jay Smith, Rahway
145 Eric Swick, Roselle Park
160 Allen Hay, Linden
171 Steve Karlik, Roselle Park
215 Simon Ziobro, Linden
HWT Antonio Garay, Rahway

WON IN MARCH 11 PRELIMINARY ROUND
160 Jason Crutchfield, Rahway
215 William Colbert, Rahway

LOST IN MARCH 11 PRELIMINARY ROUND
135 Phil Torino, Roselle Park
140 Jeff Gallicchio, Roselle Park
145 Phillip DeBarry, Elizabeth
152 Kevin Kolbeck, Roselle Park
HWT Mike Munoz, Roselle Park

FRIDAY QUARTERFINALS
112 6-Craig Frost, Roselle Park, dec. 3-Terrell Johnson, Phillipsburg, 3-0.
125 3-Kimo Geter, Elizabeth, dec. 6-Erik Norgaard, St. Joseph (M), 3-1 OT.
130 5-Bill Crecca, Roselle Park, dec. 4-Kevin Van Brill, Clearview, 7-4.
135 4-Jay Smith, Rahway, dec. 5-Greg Ruggiero, West Essex, 7-6.
145 1-Eric Swick, Roselle Park, dec. 8-Eric Bellas, East Brunswick, 3-2.
160 4-Karl Norgaard, St. Joseph, Mont. pinned 5-Allen Hay, Linden, 1:06.
171 7-Mitch Markle, Warren Hills, dec. 2-Steve Karlik, Roselle Park, 8-1.
215 3-Brian McTigue, Demarest, dec. 6-Simon Ziobro, Linden, 2-1.
HWT 6-James DiCataldo, Kittatinny, dec. 3-Antonio Garay, Rahway, 13-3.

FRIDAY FIRST-ROUND WRESTLEBACKS
119 Jeff Beverly, Point Pleasant Boro, pinned Shawn Stueber, Rahway, 1:56.
160 Doug Easlick, Cherokee, dec. Jason Crutchfield, Rahway, 21-9.

FRIDAY SECOND-ROUND WRESTLEBACKS
160 Doug Easlick, Cherokee, dec. Allen Hay, Linden, 10-4.
171 Dane Tabano, Bergen Catholic, dec. Steve Karlik, Roselle Park, 8-2.
215 Bill Malast, Manchester Township, dec. Simon Ziobro, Linden, 5-2.
HWT Antonio Garay, Rahway, pinned Mike George, Hanover Park, 2:58.

SATURDAY SEMIFINALS
112 2-Kevin Rucci, Eastern, dec. 6-Craig Frost, Roselle Park, 6-5.
125 7-Mtume Goodrum, Absegami, dec. 3-Kimo Geter, Elizabeth, 5-2.
130 1-James LaValle, Han. Park, dec. 5-Bill Crecca, Roselle Park, 13-5
135 8-Andy Chencharik, T.R. East, pinned 4-Jay Smith, Rahway, 1:00
145 4-Rob Booth, Camden Cath., dec 1-Eric Swick, R. Park, 12-10 OT

Here's a look at how area wrestlers finished their seasons:
Antonio Garay, Rahway — 5/6 at heavyweight (32-2)
Jay Smith, Rahway — 5/6 at 135 (28-6)
Allen Hay, Linden at 160 (20-3)
Simon Ziobro, Linden at 215 (22-4)

LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

Randy Grider's 35 points helped the L.A. Lakers overcome an 18-point first-half deficit en route to a 78-73 win over the Seattle Sonics in the Linden Recreation Department Junior Winter Basketball League championship game.

The L.A. Lakers edged the N.Y. Knicks 70-69 and Seattle stopped the Houston Rockets 93-79 in the semifinals.

Members of the championship L.A. Lakers team included Grider, Jamarl Anderson, Damian McCall, Calixto Guerrero, Edwin Charlotin, Evesick Dennis, Chris Hamilton, Manuel Herrera, James VanDunk and coach Richard Dynak.

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The following are Linden Recreation Department Winter Junior Basketball League standings and results as of Feb. 22:

Results
Houston Rockets 85, Seattle Sonics 84
Brendon George 22 points, Lenny Loiselle 37
Utah Jazz 107, Chicago Bulls 100 (OT)
Travelie Jackson 27, Sharif Abuhamoud 34
L.A. Lakers 114, N.Y. Knicks 57
Randy Grider 34, Eric George 21

Standings
L.A. Lakers (7-2)
Houston Rockets (6-3)
Seattle Sonics (5-4)
N.Y. Knicks (4-5)
Utah Jazz (3-6)
Chicago Bulls (2-7)

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The following are Linden Recreation Department Adult Basketball League A Division results and standings as of Feb. 27 and B Division results and standings as of Feb. 26:

A DIVISION
Results
Microcel 75, T & A Engineering 41
Morlees 70, Linwood R & R 60
Knicks 85, Mackevich & Burke 79
Standings
Morlees (10-0)
Knicks (8-1)
Microcel (6-4)
Mackevich & Burke (4-5)
Wizards (3-6)
T & A Engineering (2-7)
Linwood R & R (0-10)

B DIVISION
Results
Juliens 60, Styles Inn 48
Ray's Clippers 80, Linwood Inn 44
House Music 72, Parkside 47
Standings
Ray's Clippers (10-0)
House Music (8-1)
Mykytka (6-3)
Juliens (5-5)
Parkside (2-7)
Linwood Inn (2-8)
Styles Inn (0-9)

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The following are Rahway Division of Parks & Recreation Women's Volleyball League standings as of March 4:
1. Hampton Sand (54-6)
2. Gallagher's (47-13)
3. General Locksmith (47-13)
4. Scoreboard (38-22)
5. Power Play (33-27)
6. Butch Kowals Tavern (28-32)
7. Columbus Manufacturing (27-33)
8. Pettit Davis (25-35)
9. Malter-O'Donnell Architect (23-37)
10. Rahway FMBA #33 (19-41)
11. Styles Inn (17-43)

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Rahway proved to be one of the top teams again this year

Indians went 16-7 and reached section semis

By Andrew McGann
Staff Writer

The gods of basketball that saw fit to bring Rahway a dramatic North Jersey, Section 2, Group 3 state championship victory last season on an improbable last second shot did not have them playing for the sectional title again this season.

Despite another surperb effort from senior guard Louis Campbell, who scored 24 points, the second-seeded Indians were upset at home by third-seeded and eventual state Group 3 champion Shabazz in a heart-breaking 58-55 loss in the sectional semifinals.

Ironically, it was Shabazz that Rahway downed in the sectional final last year.

Although Rahway did not win a second consecutive sectional championship, the Indians still had an excellent year, finishing 16-7 overall and reaching the Union County Tournament semifinals after handing undefeated Roselle its first loss of the year in the quarterfinals.

"A three-point loss like that is just a missed shot here, a turnover there or a missed assignment," a dejected John Petela, Rahway's head coach, said.

Petela added that, despite their best efforts, Rahway wasn't able to contain the Shabazz scoring trio of Angelo Barnino, Khalid Coursey and Shahib White: Barnino led all scorers with 25 points.

Boys' Basketball

Forward Robert Lester, Rahway's second-leading scorer, finished the contest with 16 points. Recently Lester had been bothered by a stiff lower back, but Petela said the problem was corrected through numerous trips to the chiropractor and it did not bother him in the state tournament as it had in the UCT.

Rahway had advanced to the semifinals by running over Newark West Side 70-45 in the quarterfinals.

In the victory, sophomore center Keith Duncan poured in a season and career-high 20 points. Duncan's 20-point effort came on the heels of his previous season-high of 16 points which he scored in the UCT semifinals against Elizabeth.

Campbell was once again solid with 24 points and Lester chipped in with 10.

Rahway played both state tournament games without the services of its three-point specialist, junior guard Cerril Charles. Charles was suspended for disciplinary reasons and was replaced in the starting lineup by sophomore Antonio Davis.

"I was very happy with Antonio's play," Petela said. Davis, who is also a long-range bomber, scored six points in both of Rahway's tournament contests.

For the season, Campbell led the way, averaging just over 20 points a game. He also led the Indians in assists with four and averaged an impressive four steals each time out. A second consecutive All-County nod should come his way.

Lester was the team's second-leading scorer, averaging 17.5 a game. He led the Indians in rebounds by averaging 8.4 boards.

Duncan, who will be looked upon heavily to fill the scoring and rebounding voids left by Campbell and Lester, averaged seven points and 7.8 rebounds a game on the season.

Clark SB League seeks one team

The Clark Men's Softball League is looking for one team for the upcoming softball season. The 22-game campaign runs from April to July and the league consists of 14 teams split up into two divisions.

Anyone interested in participating may contact Rich Martucci at 908-965-7515.

Johnson's Kryszon in North-South

Johnson Regional High School standout senior football player Guenter Kryszon will represent the Crusaders in this year's First Union New Jersey North-South All-Star Football Classic.

The game is tentatively scheduled for Friday night, June 27 at a site to be determined.

Kryszon, Johnson's first-ever Parade Magazine All-America selection, will attend Georgia Tech University on a full football scholarship. The outstanding two-way lineman had four sacks and 67 tackles for Johnson in 1996 as the Crusaders went 7-3 and qualified for the state playoffs for a third consecutive season.

Kryszon was one of six offensive linemen selected for the North squad.

The South won last year's game at Rutgers by a 32-23 score to take a 9-7-2 series lead.

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Highway chase leads to arrests

A chase into Linden last week netted two alleged car robbers, one of them a juvenile.

Rahway police arrested Barry Brame, 19, of Elizabeth and a juvenile, also from Elizabeth, for possession of a stolen motor vehicle after a chase down Route 1&9 into Linden last Tuesday.

The chase began at 10:33 p.m., when Patrolman Chris Daniel observed a 1997 Ford Escort on Main Street in the vicinity of East Milton Avenue. Daniel checked the plates on the car and found that it had been stolen in Elizabeth on Feb. 19.

The car was travelling in the opposite direction from Daniel and he lost the car at that point, but later found it coming back his way. Another cruiser came up to help Daniel and both followed the Escort.

Daniel acitivated his lights and the car pulled over as if to cooperate, but sped off after he got out of his cruiser.

The Escort fled east on East Milton Avenue, with the second cruiser in pursuit, then turned north on Route 1&9 toward Linden. At the turn into Linden Plaza, the driver of the Escort lost control and rammed a pole. Both

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occupants fled the Escort on foot and were captured about 100 feet from Route 1&9.

Brame is being held on $20,000 bail at Union County Jail. The juvenile was sent to the Juvenile Detention Center in Elizabeth.

• Police say that a drug suspect that they caught last week was tripped up by the alcholic beverage that he was carrying in public.

Patrolman Richard Long was on patrol in the area of Poplar and Irving Streets last Saturday at 11:19 a.m. when he observed George Seton, 41, of South Amboy drinking an alcoholic beverage on a public sidewalk.

When Long stopped to investigate, Seton allegedly dropped a white envelope that he had pulled out of his pants pocket. Police say that the envelope contained a white powdery substance, believed to be cocaine.

In addition to drinking in public, Seton was charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance. He was sent to Union County Jail in Elizabeth with bail set at $1,000 cash or bond.

• Police are investigating the burglary of a store that may have a connection to other burglaries in the area.

Police were summoned to Rex Gene's at 2325 Elizabeth Ave. at about 7 p.m. on March 9 by the store's burglar alarm. But, because they were unable to contact a representative of the company to check the inside, they had to content themselves with an exterior examination; according to police, all seemed secure at the time.

Police were summoned back to the company the next day, this time by employees. A hole was found in the roof, indicating entry, and a power drill and other tools were found located between a shelf and the wall. Further investigation confirmed that the building was entered, supposedly between 7 p.m. and 7:42 p.m.

Nothing was reported missing from the building. Police believe that the police response to the alarm scared off whoever was in the building.

Rahway police believe that last week's incident is connected to similar incidents in Linden, all involving roof entries. Detective William White is still investigating the incident.

Appliances may have caused fires

At least two people had trouble with their appliances this week. But these two incidents, unlike most, led to fires.

Both happened over the weekend. The Rahway fire department responded to a home on East Emerson Drive where a clothes drier caught fire on Saturday at 10:10 p.m. According to Battalion Chief David Hummel the cause of the fire was found to be an excessive build-up of lint in the dryer.

The fire was confined to the drier. The damage from the fire was estimated to be $500.

The next place to be hit by the appliance gremlins was a home on West Meadow Street.

The fire department responded to the home at 5:08 p.m. on Sunday. According to Hummel, the washing machine there was smoking.

Fire officials determined that the drive belt got caught up on the motor until the belt was cut in two.

The smoke was reportedly very

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light and there was no estimate of damage.

• Many people joke on birthdays that the birthday boy or girl will have enough candles on their cake to set off the fire alarm. Well, last week, that's apparently what happened.

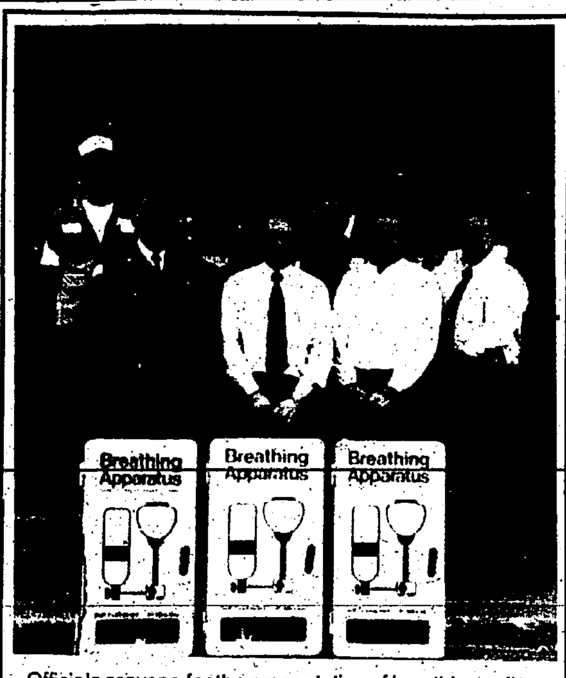
The fire department responded to an alarm on West Milton Avenue 6:50 p.m. on Saturday. When they got there, they found that it was a false alarm — the fire alarm had been set off by a "multitude" of candles on the cake.

"It happens," said Hummel.

• The fire department also responded to an electrical fire in a home on Moses Drive.

According to Hummel, the fire started at about 8:50 p.m. on Saturday, when the fire department was called. The fire was in an electrical outlet. Firemen stopped the fire and isolated and capped the wires.

No damage estimate was indicated, but Hummel said that the damage would require repair by an electrician.



Officials convene for the presentation of breathing units to the Rahway Fire Department. From left are Edward Fritz, fire chief; Tim Tidey; John Dale, general manger; maintenance manager; Bob Kozaklewcz, environmental manager; DRI-PRINT Safety Committee members Phil Mai, Frank Bonavota, Benjamin Del Rosario, Karin Kowal, Mary Fitzgerald, Don Galvin, Christina Pena and Diego Lovato.

Local company gives to fire department

DRI-PRINT Foils Inc., of Rahway recently donated three Self-Contained Breathing Apparatus to the Rahway Fire Department.

These breathing apparatus are used by firefighters any time they must enter a hostile environment such as a fire or hazardous-material spill.

The presentation was made to Fire Chief Edward Fritz by Bob Kozakiewcz, environmental manager for the Rahway facility along with Tim Tidey, general manager, and other members of the DRI-PRINT Foils Safety Committee at DRI-PRINT Rahway Headquarters.

Supporters offer care meetings

Taking on the role of caregiver for an elderly family member of friend can be a difficult task. Both individuals who actually provide day-in-day-out care and those who may not administer direct care but are responsible for such support may be overwhelmed. Rahway Hospital's support group, Because You Care, provides an opportunity to caregivers to share common experiences with others who are enduring the same responsibility.

"Many people are unaware of what is really involved when they take on the task of tending to an ill family member or friend," Neelam Verma, RN, on staff at Rahway Hospital said.

Verma will be facilitating the support group along with Susan Bundy, RN, who works as a community health nurse.

"Learning to cope together can provide that insight needed to care for a loved one," Bundy said.

Each meeting will begin with short informative sessions covering various aspects of caring for the chronically ill from shopping to managing finances.

Topics to be explored include but are not limited to:

- Issues encountered in daily care.
- Psychological and behavioral aspects of chronic illness.
- Home health care options.
- Identification and assessment of community resources.
- Legal aspects — advance directives, durable power of attorney.
- Proper nutrition and potential feeding problems.
- Medication considerations.

The seven-week program will meet on Monday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 at Rahway Hospital in the 4A Lounge beginning March 17.

Due to the interactive nature of this program, space is limited. To register, call Rahway Hospital Community Outreach at (908) 499-6193.

Rahway Hospital's support group, Because You Care, can help if you're a care giver and:

- You feel as if you are the only person in the world that has the responsibility of caring for a sick relative or friend.
- No matter what you do it never seems like enough.

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Safety workshop tonight

Tonight at 8 o'clock, the Mothers' Center of Central New Jersey will present an evening workshop at the Scotch Plains Library meeting room, titled, "A Child's World of Hazards."

The workshop will feature two speakers. Stephanie Levine, a board certified physician in pediatrics, associated with the Somerset Pediatric Group, will speak generally on safety in the home. She will be followed by Valerie Schroeder, an attorney who will speak on the risks of lead poisoning.

The Mothers' Center is a Scotch Plains-based non-profit organization, founded by mothers for mothers, to take the stress out of parenting. It offers daytime support and study groups, evening parent educational workshops, social activities and library resources. New members are always welcome. For further information about the workshops, or about joining the Mothers' Center, call (908) 561-1751.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET STATEMENT
FOR SCHOOL YEAR 1997-98
BOARD OF EDUCATION CLARK, COUNTY OF UNION
BUDGET STATEMENT AND PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the New Jersey Statutes relating hereto, notice is hereby given that the Board of Education of the School District of the Township of Clark, has prepared a tentative budget for the school year beginning July 1, 1997 and ending June 30, 1998 which is on file and open to inspection at the Secretary's Office in the Administration Building on Schindler Road in Clark, New Jersey between the hours of 8 a.m. and 4 p.m.

This year's budget reflects, for the first time, the inclusion of the Arthur L. Johnson High School. All budget revenues and expenditures are shown under State of New Jersey GAAP format.

Public Hearing on said budget will be held at the Carl Kumpf School, Mildred Terrace in Clark, New Jersey at 7:30 on March 25, 1997. Any citizen interested in any questions concerning this budget will be given an opportunity to be heard.

A summarized comparison of the tentatively approved budget with that of the current year follows:

Paul J. Ortenzio, Ed.D.
Board Secretary

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Advertised Enrollments

ENROLLMENT CATEGORY	October 15, 1995 Actual	October 15, 1996 Actual	October 15, 1997 Estimated
Pupils on Roll Regular Full-Time	1192	1934	2100
Pupils on Roll Regular Shared-Time		13	13
Pupils on Roll - Special Full-Time	33	31	31
Private School Placements	[illegible]	12	12
Pupils Sent to Other Dists-Spec Ed Prog	4	4	4
Pupils Received	2	143	143
Pupils in State Facilities			8
Resident Enrollment Per State Aid Calc		1247	1794

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Advertised Revenues

Budget Category	Account	1995-96 Actual	1996-97 Revised	1997-98 Anticipated
GENERAL FUND				
Budgeted Fund Balance	10-303		200,000	
Revenues from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy	10-1210	10,013,445	10,455,737	21,205,894
Tuition	10-1300	12,914	30,000	1,057,937
Miscellaneous	20-1XXX	285,582	75,000	
Unrestricted Miscellaneous Revenues	10-1XXX			175,000
SUBTOTAL		10,311,941	10,560,737	22,438,831
Revenues from State Sources:				
Transportation Aid	10-3120	146,112	146,112	313,305
Special Education Aid	10-3130	486,111	486,111	793,016
Bilingual Education	10-3140	27,337	27,337	29,867
Stabilization Aid	10-3171	37,918	11,835	17,881
Supplemental Stabilization Aid	10-3172			137,072
Academic Achievement Reward Program	10-3193			6,584
Other State Aids	10-3XXX	64,976	64,976	710
SUBTOTAL		782,454	736,371	1,298,437
Adjustment for Prior Year Encumbrances			95,061	
Add (Excess)Deficiency of Rev (Over)(Under Expnd		568,211		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		11,662,606	11,592,169	23,737,268
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				
Revenues from State Sources				
Distance Learning Network Aid	20-3213			72,281
Other Restricted Entitlements	20-3XXX	282,837	239,492	172,062
TOTAL REVENUES FROM STATE SOURCES		282,837	239,492	244,343
Revenues from Federal Sources				
P.L. 103-382 Title I	20-4411-4413	66,671		
P.L. 103-382 Title VI	20-4415-4416	8,832	7,825	5,869
I.D.E.A. Part B (Handicapped)	20-4420	83,647	90,364	67,773
P.L. 101-392 (Vocational Education)	20-4430			8,820
Other	20-4XXX		11,761	
TOTAL REVENUES FROM FEDERAL SOURCES		159,150	109,950	82,462
TOTAL SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS		441,987	349,442	326,805
TOTAL REVENUES/SOURCES		12,104,593	11,941,611	24,064,073

Advertised Appropriations

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Budget Category	Account	1995-96 Expenditures	1996-97 Rev Approp	1997-98 Appropriations
GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE				
Regular Programs - Instruction	11-1XX-100-XXX	4,747,259	4,875,445	9,881,349
Special Education - Instruction	11-2XX-100-XXX	804,539	818,775	1,252,081
Basic Skills/Remedial - Instruction	11-230-100-XXX	140,261	145,815	151,267
Bilingual Education - Instruction	11-240-100-XXX	48,419	50,356	89,870
School-Spon. Cocurricular Activities-Instruction	11-401-100-XXX	30,826	13,230	93,700
School Sponsored Athletics - Instruction	11-402-100-XXX		56,700	626,110
Community Services Programs/Operations	11-800-330-XXX	1,261	2,000	4,000
Undistributed Expenditures				
Instruction	11-000-100-XXX	417,992	496,884	659,096
Attendance and Social Work Services	11-000-211-XXX			30,835
Health Services	11-000-213-XXX	174,999	181,434	275,554
Other Supp Serv - Stds - Related & Extraordinary	11-000-216,217	178,626	150,677	243,302
Other Support Services - Students - Regular	11-000-218-XXX	139,779	137,805	676,280
Other Support Services - Students - Special	11-000-219-XXX	236,979	254,892	583,830
Improvement of Instructional Services	11-000-221-XXX	152,573	179,267	674,466
Educational Media Services - School Library	11-000-222-XXX	166,637	173,128	413,576
Instructional Staff Training Services	11-000-223-XXX	16,547		30,900
Support Services - General Administration	11-000-230-XXX	421,622	388,199	655,206
Support Services - School Administration	11-000-240-XXX	384,806	393,943	890,005
Operation and Maintenance of Plant Services	11-000-260-XXX	1,332,467	1,085,670	2,219,628
Student Transportation Services	11-000-270-XXX	276,002	228,000	473,702
Business and Other Support Services	11-000-290-XXX	134,094	156,040	368,395
Personal Services - Employee Benefits	11-XXX-XXX-2XX	1,307,742	1,746,513	3,199,260
Food Services	11-000-310-XXX	4,325		7,000
Total Undistributed Expenditures		5,345,190	5,572,451	11,401,055
TOTAL GENERAL CURRENT EXPENSE		11,117,756	11,534,772	23,499,431

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Budget Category	Account	1995-96 Expenditures	1996-97 Rev Approp	1997-98 Appropriations
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
Equipment	12-XXX-XXX-73X	4,802		87,837
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	12-000-4XX-XXX	540,048	57,397	150,000
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY		544,850	57,397	237,837
GENERAL FUND GRAND TOTAL		11,662,606	11,592,169	23,737,268
SPECIAL REVENUE FUNDS				
Facilities Acquisition and Construction Services	20-213-400-XXX			72,281
TOTAL DISTANCE LEARNING NETWORK AID				72,281
Other State Projects:				
Nonpublic Textbooks	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	36,140	31,703	23,777
Nonpublic Auxiliary Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	45,084	42,669	32,000
Nonpublic Handicapped Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	136,497	110,261	82,700
Nonpublic Nursing Services	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	52,702	44,780	33,585
Other Special Projects	20-XXX-XXX-XXX	12,404	10,079	
Total State Projects		282,837	239,492	244,343
Federal Projects:				
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School District Budget Statement
for the School Year 1997-98
Advertised Recapitulation of Balances

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Budget Category (1)	General Fund (Unreserved) (2)	General Fund (Reserved) Cap. Reserve Account (3)	General Fund (Reserved) Adult Ed. Programs (4)	General Fund (Reserved) Legal Reserves (5)	Debt Service (6)	Special Revenue (Reserved) Cap. Reserve Account (7)	Totals (8)
01595 Est. Approp. Bal. 6-30-95 (Prior Budg)	346,856						346,856
01600 Approp. Balances 6-30-95 (from Audit)	642,691						642,691
01605 Est. Approp. Bal. 6-30-96 (Prior Budg)	50,310						50,310
01610 Approp. Balances 6-30-96 (from Audit)	315,647						315,647
01620 Amount Budgeted during FY 96-97	-200,000						-200,000
01630 Add. Bal. to be Approp during FY 96-97							
01640 Add. Bal. Anticipated during FY 96-97							
01650 Appropriation Bal. 6-30-97 (est.)	115,647						115,647
01660 Amount Budgeted in FY 97-98							
01670 Appropriation Balances 6/30/98 (est.)	115,647						115,647

Current state law requires that unreserved general fund balance (surplus) in excess of the established statutory limitation (generally 6% of the prior year budget) must be appropiated in the budget for tax relief purposes. Below are the amounts for the proposed and prior two years given the current statutory limitations:

1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
		0

* Please note that if the law had been in effect in 1995-96, it is probable that the subsequent year balances would have been lower.

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Per Pupil Cost Calculations

Per Pupil Cost Calculations:	1994-95 Actual (1)	1995-96 Actual (2)	1996-97 Original Budget (3)	1996-97 Revised Budget (4)	1997-98 Proposed Budget (5)
Total Comparative Per Pupil Cost	8,483	8,492	8,688	5,483	10,464
Total Classroom Instruction	5,677	5,572	5,874	3,705	6,795
Classroom-Salaries and Benefits	5,322	5,201	5,648	3,555	6,473
Classroom-General Supplies and Textbooks	190	208	134	91	198
Classroom-Purchased Services and Other	165	163	92	58	124
Total Support Services	728	680	726	459	1,040
Support Services-Salaries and Benefits	704	655	706	444	940
Total Administrative Costs	949	1,017	1,055	665	1,249
Administration-Salaries and Benefits	774	784	863	543	935
Total Operations and Maintenance of Plant	1,093	1,186	960	608	1,038
Operations & Maintenance of Plant-Salary & Ben.	686	697	508	320	246
Total Food Services Costs	5	4	0	0	3
Total Extracurricular Costs	24	29	69	43	337
Total Equipment Costs	140	4	0	0	75
Employee Benefits as a % of Salaries	22.6	16.9	22.0	22.0	20.4

The information presented in columns 1 through 3 as well as the related descriptions of the per pupil cost calculations are contained in the 1997 Comparative Spending Guide. This publication is available in the board office and public libraries. The same calculations were performed using the 1996-97 revised appropriations and 1997-98 budgeted appropriations presented in this advertised budget. Total Comparative Per Pupil Cost is defined as current expense exclusive of tuition expenditures, transportation, residential costs, and judgments against the school district. In 1997-98, it also includes the new restricted entitlement aids. With the exception of Total Equipment Cost, each of the other per pupil cost calculations presented is a component of the total comparative per pupil cost, although all components are not shown. The employee benefits percentage does not include pension and social security paid by the State on behalf of the district. Employee benefits is a component of each of the per pupil cost calculations.

The Clark Board of Education 1997-98 School Budget is being advertised prior to the approval of the County Superintendent:
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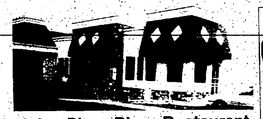
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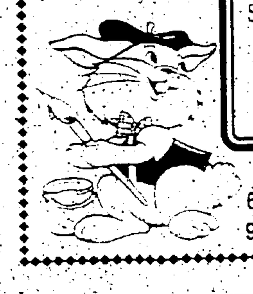
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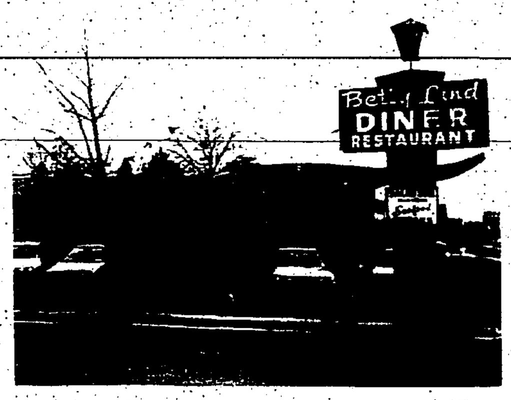
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BETTY LIND DINER
1932 E. St. George Ave. Linden
(908) 925-2777
(across from Warinanco Park)



Betty Lind Diner Restaurant is located at 1932 East St. George Ave. in Linden.

Betty Lind Diner Restaurant

Large salad bar features shrimp.

The Betty Lind Diner Restaurant has been newly renovated and has a new look inside and out.

The diner features free shrimp on the large salad bar and many new entrees to choose from. All baking is done on premises.

Senior citizens and children are always given special care. Open 24 hours a day, seven days a week, the diner is conveniently located at 1932 East St. George Ave., Linden.



Cioffi's has locations in Springfield and Union.

Cioffi's

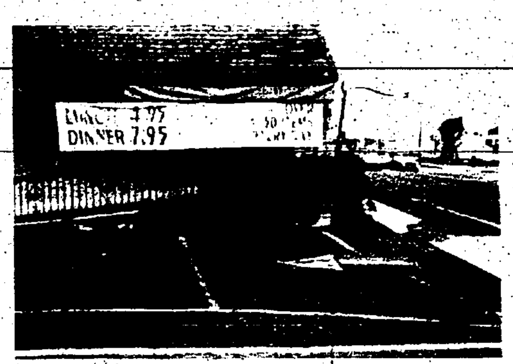
Delicious food in a family-friendly atmosphere.

When Carmen and Antonietta Cioffi arrived in the United States in 1958, from their native Naples, Italy, little did they realize they would be founding a family dynasty.

They worked hard and opened a pizzeria in 1963 in Union.

Their daughter, Maddalena, was born in 1959 and son, Carmen arrived in 1962. The family worked hard and long hours establishing a loyal following that continues today. In 1966 another son, Joseph completed the family picture.

By 1974 Carmen Sr. moved the pizzeria to 929 Stuyvesant Ave. and introduced a full-service restaurant featuring the finest in homemade Italian cuisine. Today Cioffi's in Union has become a landmark. With their recently remodeling complete, Cioffi's offers not only a take-out section, and private party rooms, along with their expanded dining room. In addition, Cioffi's also offers off-premise catering.



Garden Buffet Offers All You Can Eat Buffet

The Garden Buffet restaurant at 1181 Morris Ave in Union has an all-day, all-night, all-you-can-eat buffet and an enticing variety of mouth-watering dishes that are nothing less than extraordinary.

There is American and Chinese food, and you can mix and match, savor a different dish, choose whatever you like out of 55 dishes. And if you've missed anything that looks appetizing you can go right back and fill up another plate. When you smell the assortment of dishes, it will seem as if you have gone straight to heaven.

Along with the American and Chinese dishes, there is a salad bar and ice cream included among the large selection of foods available.

The 55 selections change daily and take out is available. A private party room is available for up to 150 people.

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World-class Italian cuisine delights Liantonio's patrons

Chef John V. Molle is waiting to serve customers the finest Italian cuisine. With over 20 years of experience, Molle has delighted patrons all over the world.

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Cortina Restaurant is located in downtown Cranford, across from the train station.

Cortina Restaurant

Interior features impressionistic paintings.

Nestled snugly in the heart of downtown Cranford, across from the train station, the Cortina Restaurant is easy to find, and it's easy to find safe, well-lit parking, but once you're inside the restaurant, it's hard to leave.

The walls are covered with the impressionistic paintings of Joseph Dawley.

Cortina Restaurant's Northern Italian cuisine literally changes your taste buds; you'll want to taste as many offerings as you can, and with good reason — absolutely nothing disappoints.

A private banquet room for 70 people is available for parties at Cortina.

After 35 years in Cranford, Cortina possesses the vibrancy of youth and, like the finest of Italian wines, will only get better with age.



Costa Del Sol is located at 2443 Vauxhall Road in Union.

Costa Del Sol

Now features a banquet hall for 300 guests

Changing with the times to a Roman and European atmosphere, Costa Del Sol is providing to the public's high expectations a new banquet facility. The new facility will now hold large weddings of up to 300 persons.

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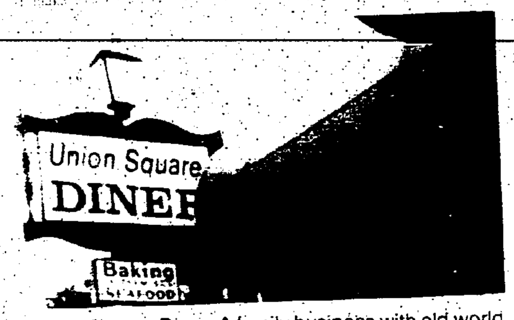
Chef Mario Lavorato prepares a flavorful treat from the sea for a customer at the III Amici's Ristorante, 1700 West Elizabeth Ave., Linden.

North and South mix makes III Amici tasty

III Amici Ristorante, 1700 West Elizabeth Ave., Linden, offers a vast range of continental Italian cuisine with each dish painstakingly prepared as though it were specialty of the house.

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The desserts are spectacular. The cappuccino and specialty coffee drinks are the finishing touches to a great meal or after the movies, with dessert.

Monday and Tuesday, Tiffany's offers a full rack of ribs for $11.95. Wednesday is Kids Day with meals for 99 cents.

Happy hour begins at 4 p.m. Monday through Friday with complimentary hors d'oeuvres.

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Checkers

Checkers: Dual drive-up windows.

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Midas Touch Diner and Restaurant is located on Westfield Avenue at Locust Street in Roselle Park.

Midas Touch Diner and Restaurant

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Nino's Ristorante and Pizzaria

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If you like appetizers, they have an excellent selection. Try the stuffed mushrooms, mozarella sticks, or the "clams oreganata".

For your next meal out try Nino's Ristorante & Pizzaria. Whether it is for a cappuccino, espresso, or just an Italian dessert, come to downtown Union at 1026 Stuyvesant Ave.

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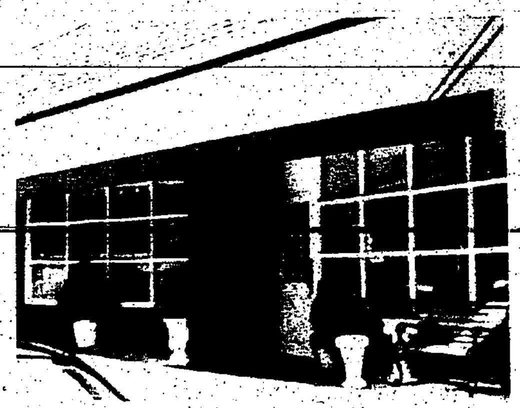
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The menu features wide selections of pasta, chicken, eggplant, veal and salmon. Mouth watering favorites and the unique are to be enjoyed such as Eggplant Rollatini, Linguini Carbonara (light cream sauce with Panchette, onions and peas) Pollo Carlone (chicken grilled with peppers and mushrooms). Norwegian Salmon (fillet and seared with asparagus in Cognac and Dijon sauce) and many others to enjoy.

Aquilas famous party chef, Hanfessen, makes a wide variety of tasty desserts, such as the classic creme Brulee with vanilla bean, fresh fruit crepes with Grand Manier syrup or the ever famous Tiramisu, a taste is all it takes to experience the divine.

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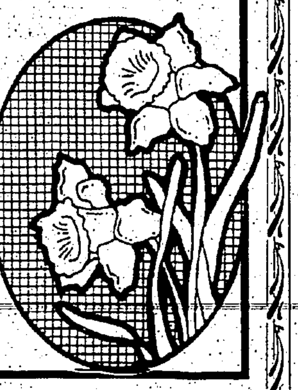
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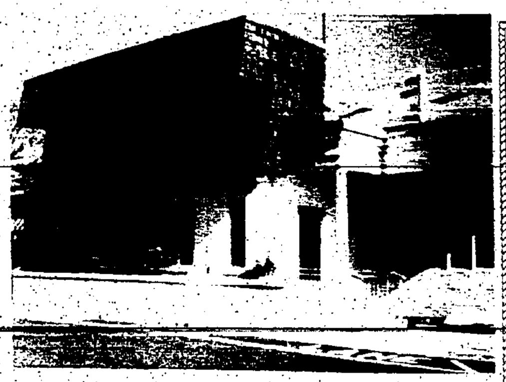
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Fiorino's Ristorante "The talk of the town"

Johnny Bittzi, owner of Fiorino's knows what works in downtown Summit, located on Maple Street. He and his family have owned many ristorantes in New York along with his brother Joe. Fiorino's demonstrates the classic elements of a posh New York City restaurant. It's Italian, prices are moderate, and the decor – featuring paintings of Italian and Roman scenes – has a lot of pizzazz. The walls are decorated with Italian murals [illegible] have depicted landscapes of Rome and Florence.

[illegible] flavorful with many original twists. The pastas are homemade with dishes such as Linguine with baby Clams, garlic and [illegible] with rabbit and shitake mushrooms. The fresh [illegible] highly recommended and a selection from their extensive wine list [illegible] compliment any palate.

Fiorino's is open for lunch Monday – Friday [illegible] and dinner from 5:30 [illegible] p.m. Saturday 5 to 11. For reservations call 908-277-[illegible]

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The staff of Umberto's Clam House. Left to right George Barreto head chef. Rose DelPecore hostess, Umberto Mamone host and owner.

Umberto's Clam House

Umberto's Clam House recently opened in Kenilworth, situated on North 21st Street next to three Brothers Tavern. The experienced staff is headed by owner Umberto Mamone, formerly of the Highlawn Pavilion, Bell Mundo and the Venizia in West Orange. George Barreto, head chef, previously worked at Ferraro's in Westfield and Amici's in Linden. Hostess, Rose Del Pecore has been involved with the food industry for many years including family ownership in the Sanitary Bakery [illegible]

At Umberto's they use only the freshest and finest produce, farm raised seafood and choice meats. Umberto's combines the best of Northern and Southern Italian cuisine.

They are always happy to accommodate guests with special dietary needs, including vegetarian dishes. Corporate lunches are welcome. Party facilities are available for up to 50 people.

Fuddruckers

Burgers weigh half a pound.

Fuddruckers on Route 22 in Union, just west of the landmark "Flagship" has been open for three years and has just expanded its menu. This is a hamburger haven with "class and distinction."

The sign in front says, "The World's Greatest Hamburger," while we haven't sampled all the hamburgers in the world, these are great.

Fuddruckers is open seven days a week from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. It's great place to meet for an express lunch, enjoy a leisurely meal, or have a party. Kids eat free Monday through Thursday after 4 p.m. There is entertainment for the kids on most of these nights, plus they can enjoy the new game room.

You may have visited the Fuddruckers on Route 23 and enjoyed everything there, but you're in for a surprise at this location. The ceilings are low and the barn-like sounds are non-existent. The decor surrounds you with neon lights and cleanliness.

As you enter, to your right, is a bakery where you will be tempted by delicious cookies, brownies, and pies. This bakery produces all the buns for the sandwiches daily from scratch. On the left, is the butcher shop, where the fresh hamburgers are ground daily with no fillers or additives.

Now as to the menu, we had the original "fudd" burger. You have a choice of the third-pound or half-pounder, of course we had the half-pounder. It was tender, juicy and just fantastic. This giant burger is served on an oversized bun and comes on a 12-inch round dish that looks like a pie plate.

Then come the "fixings" where you "build your own." fixings include leaf and chopped onions, sliced and chopped tomatoes, onions, pickles, tomato and onion relish, salsa, chopped onions, jalapeno peppers, and pickled relish. There are also large crocks of cheese — one regular and the other spiced up with jalapeno peppers.

If you don't feel like eating a hamburger, steak sandwiches, chicken and fish, hot dogs and six new salads are also on the menu along with french fries, onion rings, barbecue beans and cole slaw.

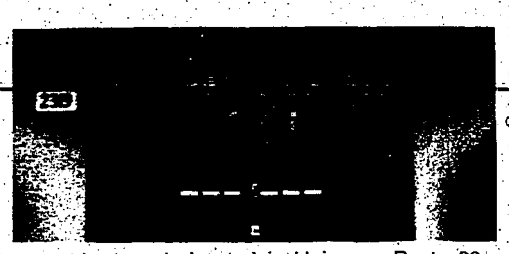
Fun foods include chips and salsa, chili, cheese fries, beef and chicken taco salads, and wings. New on the menu besides the 12 new hamburgers, are steak, chicken, and fish platters that include your choice of baked potato or fries, corn and a side salad.

The free refill soda bar has one of the largest selections of flavors we have ever seen, including: Boylan's birch beer, coffee, tea, and iced tea. Don't forget for those over 21 they have a full bar with beer, wine, mixed drinks and out of this world frozen delights.

There are daily manager's specials and combos which add great value to your dining experience.

The Fuddruckers adds to the Union shopping area in a delicious way. Visit soon and treat yourself. You won't be sorry. We weren't.

Soon after you read this article a new restaurant, "Popeyes," will open on the far end of the Fuddruckers. It will feature its famous Cajun style chicken and side items. Drive up window available also. We are looking forward to this opening, which will help make this location an eating center.



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HYPNOSIS RELEASES SMOKER FROM A 5-PACK-A-DAY HABIT

Back when it was cool to smoke on a cigarette, Lester Baker frequently did. Mr. Baker said he first puffed on a cigarette at the tender age of 14 in 1942. he would casually "bum" cigarettes off other friends in those days. Eventually his habit would increase until he smoked 4+ packs of cigarettes a day. Although he witnessed his father-in-law die of cigarette related cancer, he refused to give up his addiction. When cardiologist, Larry Cohen, M.D., told him to quit he finally listened. "This ain't the first time a doctor told me to quit, I just never did. I tried to cut down, I'd smoke one every half-hour, then one every hour for a month, I just though the heck with it. Dr. Cohen recommended that I see hypnotherapist Garry Brandt. I figured what do I have to lose." According to Mr. Baker, he does not suffer from emphysema or cancer. The only problem resulting from the massive amount of cigarette smoking he was doing for the better part of his life was that he used to get tired easily after slight physical exertion.

With no signs of nicotine on his hands and his face back to its natural color, he has been on the wagon for more than a year. He attributes his success to hypnotherapist Garry Brandt. Mr. Brandt, who runs The Brandt Centers for Hypnotherapy in Edison & Livingston is also a member of The St. Barnabas medical Center Smoking Cessation Network. "You get them to take control of the urge and though, smoking is a physical and psychological addiction, we overcome the though and desensitize the addiction to smoke" says Brandt. "Typically it takes 2-4 sessions to treat patients for smoking." With more than 2000 smokers treated during his 19 years as a hypnotherapist, Mr. Brandt said smoking is one of the areas that could easily be worked on. Patients are made comfortable and asked to keep their minds focused "they hear everything I say, although they may not remember, I talk to their subconscious it's a very natural state of the mind" Mr. Baker "a lot of people are shocked that I could do it. I can tolerate other people lighting up in front of me, since giving up smoking, my senses have improved greatly. I don't know how anyone cold have tolerated standing next to me." "I'll never go back!" if you have any questions please call The Brandt Centers, a referral member of The St. Barnabas Medical Center Smoking Cessation Network, at 201-994-7249.

Elizabeth hospital offers help with assisted living

Seniors who need moderate levels of living assistance have a new, one-stop resource in "Elder Care by Healthwise," an initiative from Elizabeth General Medical Center.

The service, developed for seniors in Union, Morris, Essex and Somerset counties, is being launched this month by Healthwise, a Westfield-based family services division of Elizabeth General Medical Center. The goal is to help clients avoid or postpone the disruption and large expenses associated with moving to an assisted living facility or nursing home.

Healthwise accomplishes this by applying a case management approach to coordinate the often disparate services available to seniors. "Our goal is to provide our client families with a one-stop source for worry-relief," said Jean Truitt, director of Healthwise.

"We know that seniors today want to remain living independently in their homes, among friends and neighbors, for as long as possible," Truitt added. "Our new service helps them do that, and in the process we help families cope with the huge burden of caring for elderly relatives."

Elder Care By Healthwise is designed for seniors who require some amount of living assistance. Typical clients might be showing early signs of memory loss, erratic behavior or disabling physical ailments. They may need help with transportation, household maintenance, shopping and cooking, and they and their families also might need periodic counseling and help with financial, insurance and legal matters.

"Taking care of an elderly relative can be very stressful, particularly when the caregivers are likely to have time-consuming obligations of their own, like young children or two jobs," said Truitt. "And trying to arrange for services via long distance is even more worrisome."

Healthwise geriatric case managers begin by assessing a client's situation and making referrals to agencies that can meet the senior's needs for daily living assistance. Afterwards, Healthwise provides ongoing follow-up monitoring on the client's condition, addressing any changing requirements and working with the service agencies to ensure that the client's needs are being fully met.

Elder Care by Healthwise is part of a growing nationwide movement called geriatric care management, in which geriatric social workers are especially trained to assits elder people and their families with long-term care arrangements. Healthwise is a member of the National Association of Professional Geriatric Care Managers.

Healthwise, a nonprofit division of Elizabeth General Healthcare Corporation, is also a provider of employee assistance programs and managed behavioral healthcare plans. Healthwise can be reached at (800) 624-1696.

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St. Elizabeth Hospital Opens Full-Service, Inpatient Pediatric Unit

The continuum of family-centered health care is further enhanced for our young patients this year when St. Elizabeth Hospital opens an inpatient Pediatric Unit in the Spring of 1997.

Plans to open an inpatient, six-bed, pediatric unit were recently approved in a Certificate of Need. Bed size for the unit was determined based on trends in bed utilization and length of stay for pediatric patients in the hospital's demographic area.

Planned for location on the seventh floor of the North Wing, the unit will have secure doors where visitors to the unit are buzzed onto the floor. The pediatric unit is being designed for a child's point-of-view with a low-walled play area located in full observation from the nurses' station. The low walls, designed so that little ones can easily see into an area, are repeated around the nurse's station. The corridors and rooms will be furnished in light-colored woods and brightly decorated in themes pleasing to children. Room furniture will include cribs and youth beds.

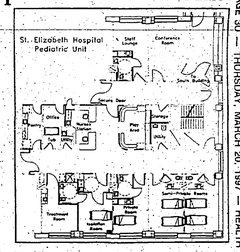
Staffed with nurses trained in pediatric care, the unit will be equipped with a treatment room where any type of invasive exam or procedure will be done, even the simple starting of an intravenous medication. This is so that the child does not associate his/her room with unpleasantness or pain.

In order to lessen the child's anxiety of separation, parents will be allowed 24 hour access to the pediatric unit and will be encouraged to "sleep-over" if they, or the child, so desire.

Also, when the new Pediatric Unit opens, pediatric surgical services will expand to include general and orthopedic surgery that requires a stay of overnight or more. Currently, only same-day surgery is available for pediatric patients.

The pediatric unit was planned in response to the community's needs and in response to the current trends in hospital insurance plans. Current managed care plans look more favorably at hospitals where clients can receive full health care services for all family members. Also, based on the utilization of the Hospital's Pediatric Health Center, more and more community members are looking toward St. Elizabeth Hospital for their family's health care needs.

The Pediatric Health Center is one of three services at St. Elizabeth Hospital's Health Centers where medical care is offered in family practice, women's health and pediatric health.



The above architects' drawing shows the floor plan for the new six-bed pediatric unit that St. Elizabeth Hospital plans to open during the spring of 1997.

Pediatric Care at St. Elizabeth Hospital Rooted in a Rich History



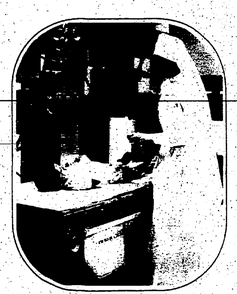
As pictured left, in the early 1900's when St. Elizabeth Hospital's facilities were comprised of a brownstone on South Broad Street with a Rear Wing, pediatric patients were cared for in a ward; an Open Air Pavilion housed a ward for children with chronic medical problems.

Right, a Sister of Charity attends a child in 1954 when the Hospital treated 874 pediatric patients in a "modern" facility in the "new" red brick building whose front entrance was on South Broad Street.





Even though the former pediatric unit closed in 1971, St. Elizabeth Hospital continued to provide tonsillectomy and adenoidectomy surgical procedures. Pictured above, Edith Gribbons, a former head nurse, comforts one of these surgery patients during Christmas of 1975.



Above, in 1965, Sister Claire Maureen, a former radiology technician prepares a pediatric patient for an x-ray.



Above, St. Michael's Girl Scout Troop visited St. Elizabeth's pediatric patients on April 1, 1958 and distributed hand-made stuffed animals.

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Most child stomach ailments are cured simply

Parents frequently suffer anxiety when their child suffers abdominal pain or discomfort. The immediate question raised is "What is wrong, and what can I do to make things better?" In many instances little or nothing is terribly wrong, and the culprit may be simple infantile colic, intestinal spasms, constipation, or school-based anxiety. At other times, however, apparent colic or abdominal pain may reflect abnormalities in gastrointestinal function and may respond to medical intervention.

A number of infants with what initially seems to be simple colic may actually suffer gastroesophageal reflux, also known as "acid reflux" or more simply "reflux." These infants may or may not spit-up or vomit frequently. Their irritability, however, is excessive and often occurs during feeding or burping. Such infants may initially take the nipple eagerly only to reject it soon thereafter by pulling away, arching back, and crying inconsolably. Feeding often seems like a nightmare for both infant and mother.

Fortunately, recognition of acid reflux in infants may lead to appropriate efforts to reduce the condition and its consequences. A variety of options are available which reduce stomach acid formation, such as the addition of cereal to the bottle.

Acid reflux also may be a cause of abdominal pain in pre-schoolers, school age children and adolescents. Children with acid reflux often complain that their pain is located high in the abdomen, just below the breastbone. Their appetite decreases, as eating seems to induce more discomfort. Actual vomiting is rare, but when questioned, affected children may admit that they sometimes sense a sour or hot taste in their mouth. Older children and adolescents with reflux may complain of heartburn, but do so less often then do adults with acid reflux. Appropriate diagnostic testing and treatment is available for children who may suffer symptoms of acid reflux.

Peptic ulcer disease of the stomach or duodenum, the beginning of the small intestine, is relativiy unusual in young children, but nonetheless occurs. It is more likely to occur in adolescens. If parents suffer ulcer disease, their children are at higher risk. Pain occurring in the early morning may suggest ulcer disease and parents should be concerned if vomiting is associated with pain or if loss of appetite occurs. When pain is associated with weight loss, careful medical evaluation is always indicated.

At times, persistent abdominal pain is associated with weight lose and diarrhea. Such symptoms demand careful medical evaluation. Infants with colic and diarrhea may suffer formula allergy and older infants and toddlers may suffer Celiac disease, a toxic reaction to certain grains in the diet. Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis may also result in recurrent abdominal pain, diarrhea and weight loss. Careful diagnostic testing is readily available and appropriate treatment may lead to dramatic improvement of symptoms and a sense of well-being.

Lactose intolerance is relatively common in the United States and can be a problem for both children and adults. Bloating, gas, abdominal discomfort and loose stools occur after ingestion of lactose-containing foods. A trial lactose-restricted diet may be indicated for individuals with such symptoms and should be discussed with your pediatrician should you suspect it in your child.

Parents should rest assured that many bellyaches that their children suffer are innocent. However, help is readily available when needed. For a referral to a Saint Barnabas pediatrician call (888) SBMC-DOC. To schedule a visit with Dr. Nord, call (201) 243-6250.

Spice found in Asian food relieves skin inflammations

Anyone who has ever eaten Indian food has tasted the spice curcumin. Commonly known as cumin and turmeric, curcumin is not only used widely in Asia for cooking, but also to treat skin inflammation and ailments. Like many other common flavorings, including garlic, onions, parsley and licorice, research studies are beginning to show preliminary evidence that curcumin, too, may have anti-cancer properties.

• Breast Cancer- In a study with breast cancer cells, researchers at Pennsylvania State University found that curcumin may inhibit the activity of certain proteins that play a role in cancer development.

• Skin Cancer: Researchers at Chiang Mai University in Thailand found that mice treated with curcumin before being exposed to carcinogens had significantly lower incidence of skin tumor formation and development than mice who did not receive the treatment. More research needs to be conducted in humans.

• Tissue Inflamation: Scientists from the State University of New Jersey found that curcumin suppressed inflamation caused by an enzyme called nitric oxide, which is produced by the body as an immune response to infections and to harmful substances. In this study, curcumin limited nitric oxide's effects to damage cells and possibly leading to cancer development.

Because a growing number of plant foods, including fruits, vegetables, grains and herbs, are being identified as having possible cancer-fighting substances, the American Institute for Cancer Research advises a wide variety of these foods every day. For a free brochure, send a stamped, self-addressed envelope to the American Institute for Cancer Research, Dept. TLP, Washington, DC 20069.

Your doctor can help you put your best foot forward

One of the most frequently asked questions from the local community involves care and recognition of the diabetic foot.

The many different complications that can develop in the foot from diabetes can, in most cases, be diagnosed and treated before serious complications develop. Physicians can help to guard against further complications simply by asking the patient to remove their shoes and socks and examining the patient's foot and legs on a routine basis.

Not all individuals with diabetes will develop complications in the foot from diabetes. Ten to fifteen percent of the people with diabetes mellitus remain free of diabetic foot problems. But the majority will experience some degree of foot complications as a result of progression of the disorder over time.

Diabetes can contribute to foot problems in two ways:

• One, it can cause decreased feeling in the foot with the frequent complaint from patients of numbness and burining in the feet, symptoms that identify nerve damage. Local cuts and scrapes as a result go unnoticed and poorly-fitting shoes will aggravate the problem.

Secondly, diabetes can cause decreased circulation to the feet resulting in reduced ability to fight infection and heal wounds. The interaction of these two processes sets up the individual with an initially simple problem in the foot for more serious and life threatening complications over time. When the injury goes neglected or improperly managed by the patient which, unfortunately as a podiatrist, we see it happening all the time.

It is important for all persons with diabetes to understand the importance of controlling their diabetes. All individuals with diabetes mellitus should be evaluated on a regular basis by their medical doctor. A plan of care should be devised for each patient that helps to guard against serious complications.

The risk of developing foot problems can be greatly reduced if you follow simple principles of foot care and see your podiatrist.

For more information in diabetic foot management and care, call Springfield Podiatry Center, 493 Morris Ave., Springfield at (201) 379-1113, office of Dr. Peter Kelly and Dr. E. Aimee Williams.

Healing Circle scheduled

A Healing Circle is scheduled to meet monthly at the YM-YWHA of Union County.

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Hospital helps parents prepare for pregnancy

The birth of a baby is one of life's most precious moments. The months before birth are a time of wonder, learning and decision-making for expectant parents. Saint Barnabas Medical Center's Women's Health Education ProgramParent Education department responds to the needs of parents-to-be with a variety of prenatal and parenting programs, seminars, and services.

Our goal is to incorporate family-centered maternity services in every aspect of pregnancy, including prenatal education," said Susan Weinstein, director of Women's Health Education. "Our comprehensive programs have been developed to provide state-of-the-art courses for today's entire family unit. The needs of our particular population are accessed and programs are developed to meet their needs."

One of the largest obstetrical facilities in New Jersey, Saint Barnabas's Department of Obstetrics/Gynecology delivered more than 5,700 babies in 1995. Among the many programs and services offered for expectant parents are the following:

Pre-Conception Planning

This one-night class addresses the psycho-social aspects of planning a pregnancy as well as medical, lifestyle and financial considerations.

Moms in Motion

A pre/postnatal exercise program taught by physical therapists, these classes focus on exercises designed for pregnancy and the post-partum period. Exercise and physical fitness are important components of a positive pregnancy.

Childbirth Preparation for First-Time Parents

Curriculum begins in the first trimester with an introductory pregnancy class on nutrition and fetal development. Later in pregnancy the series includes a tour of the Maternity Unit and parents receive Lamaze preparation, advice on medication and anesthesia, Cesarean birth, post-partum recovery and newborn baby care.

Marvelous Multiples at Saint Barnabas

Class information is geared to educate parents expecting multiples on all aspects of their unique pregnancies, birthing experiences and parenting more than one child.

Over-35 Childbirth Prep

Class content is the same as Childbirth Preparation, with additional discussion topics unique to this population.

Lamaze Refresher

Review classes are for couples who have attended a prepared childbirth series with their last baby. VBAC information included.

Pets and Babies

This fun and informative seminar on how to introduce a new baby to the family pet features both a veterinarian and a pedistrician. Topics include making preparations with pets before the baby's due date, ways to reduce jealousy and disease prevention and cautions.

Grandparenting

Grandparents-to-be can discuss their concerns and receive current information on the importance of grandparenting, advances in childbirth, trends in infant care and tips for better family communication.

Breast Feeding Class

This workshop helps mothers achieve the confidence and skills needed for a satisfying nursing experience.

Baby Care Consultation for Adoptive Parents

Individualized teaching done in the home or hospital.

For more information about any of these programs, or to register, call Women's Health Education at (201) 533-5360.

Overlook will provide Healthy Avenues Van

In recognition of March as National Nutrition Month, the dietitians of Overlook Hospital will be providing free nutritional counseling on the Healthy Avenues Van. The Healthy Avenues Van; a free community resource for referrals to health and social services cosponsored by Overlook Hospital and the Partnership for Healthy Communities, will continue traveling to new communities throughout the Overlook service are during the month of March.

The Overlook dietitians will provide nutritional counseling tailored to individual health needs. Health issues, such as weight management or eating disorders; and diets for individuals with cardiac concern, diabetes or other chronic health conditions are among the topics on which the public may receive counseling.

The Healthy Avenues Van was funded by a $250,000 grant from the Overlook Hospital Foundation. The initiative grew out of finding of the Atlantic Health System and Partnership for a Healthy Communities health needs assessment, which surveyed the service areas of Atlantic's three hospitals, Morristown Memorial, Overlook and Mountainside, and two affiliated hospitals, Chilton Memorial and Newton Memorial, to determine the health and social service needs of those communities. One of the primary needs to emerge was access to health and social service information, and for referrals to the appropriate services.

The van, which is equipped with a complete database of services in the Overlook Hospital Service area, is the first initiative to address the needs identified in the Assessment. Plans call for the van to reach every town within the hospital's area by the middle of 1997.

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The American Stop Smoking Intervention Study in New Jersey will be funded for an extra year through September 1999, according to the National Cancer Institute. Seventeen states, including New Jersey, participate in the project, the largest publicly funded tobacco control effort.

The ASSIST project, which began in 1991, was initially funded through September 1998. The project is a partnership between NCI, the American Cancer Society, the New Jersey Department of Health.

Since the program began, nearly 100 municipalities have banned cigarette vending machines in New Jersey. This figure leads the nation.

"We are really excited about the opportunity to continue to educate the public about the hazards of smoking, to both smokers and non-smokers. We have made significant progress during the last five years and now we can do even more," said Teri Cox, a spokesperson for the ASSIST program in New Jersey.

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Here she is to save the day!

Union County has a new superhero in the fight against government waste, evil Republicans and rainy weekends.

Linda: Warrior Princess is leading the fight for her version of the truth, her party's idea of justice and the left's direction on the American Way.

For those of you wise enough to not follow county politics, Linda Stender, chairwoman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, has dissolved the UCUA Board of Commissioners in the belief that a group of obedient Democrats will spare the taxpayers of incinerator-related debts.

Common Sense

By Jay Hochberg
Regional Editor

With all due respect, I say her approach is all wrong. Thumbing her nose at the democratic process by establishing one-party rule in so huge a county does take solid brass, but replacing the commissioners is not the long-term answer.

What Linda must do is abolish garbage.

By having her five fellow Democratic freeholders join her in decreeing that no trash shall be generated by any individual or group — public or private — the county will be free of its UCUA obligations.

Sure there's debt — $283 million worth — but the bond-holders can take responsibility for their $248 million of it. That's one of the risks of investing in others' debt.

The remaining $35 million could be picked up by the county. Of course, taxpayers don't need the additional expense, but a county government that blows through more than a quarter of a billion dollars a year should be able to handle it.

To start, eliminating the county colleges will save $10 million and closing Runnells Hospital will return $26 million to the budget. That leaves a cool $1 million in surplus.

Then there's the legal aspect. While no self-respecting Warrior Princess would bother with legal trifles, there should be an argument prepared:

The Fourth Amendment, for example, guarantees our right to be secure in our papers "against unreasonable searches and seizures." In a "post disorderly" Union County, there'd be no one to look for your papers, much less fake away the ones you won't even want, anymore.

Warrior Princesses are not omnipotent. The outline I present here is only a suggestion, and Linda will need all of our support — especially when she moves to rid the county of those pesky remaining Republican freeholders who don't see things as clearly as do the rest of us.

Pride in St. Patrick



The people who made the county's first St. Patrick's Day parade possible show off the resolutions given by the Board of Chosen Freeholders. The parade, held Saturday in the business district of Union, drew 20,000 spectators. Standing, from left: Freeholder Dan Sullivan, Assistant Prosecutor Bob O'Leary, Brendan Vesey, County Counsel James O'Keefe, Parade Committee Chairman Joe Cryan, John Langan, Kevin Dowling and Patrick Scanlon. Seated, from left: Bridie Vesey, Barbara Mahon, Michael O'Hara, Patrick Riley and Acting Prosecutor Ed Neafsey.

Assemblyman discusses proposed trash-flow bill

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The UCUA played host to the man who could hold the authority's fate in his hands.

Assemblyman John Gibson, R-Cape May, gave a presentation to the UCUA Board of Commissioners March 12, outlining his bill on trash flow in New Jersey and got a mixed reception from the commissioners.

Gibson, who is on the Assembly's Solid Waste Management Committee, is one of several legislators who have put together solid waste flow bills. His "Act Concerning Waste Management and Supplementing and Repealing Parts of Statutory Law," or A-50, would replace current solid waste flow laws, which give county utilities authorities virtual monopolies in their counties, with a free-market system that would subsidize the utilities authorities with taxes.

New Jersey's current waste flow laws were declared unconstitutional in 1996 and are expected to be eradicated in June 1998. These laws forced counties to build their own waste disposal sites, including the UCUA in Union County, and forced the towns in those counties to send their garbage to their county facilities.

The UCUA is guaranteed business under these laws and could pay off its $283 million in debt under these laws.

But the UCUA would have a hard time competing in a free-market system because its per-ton garbage disposal fee, or "tipping fee," is $83.05 per ton, about $40 higher than some other disposal facilities, including landfills in Pennsylvania that have tipping fees of about $45 per ton. About $40 or so of the tipping fee is made up of bond and debt repayments, something that cannot be changed because of the structure of the UCUA's debt service.

The UCUA is exploring a number of ways to increase revenues and cut costs, but former Executive Director Jeffrey Callahan has said that these are not enough to make the UCUA competitive.

If the UCUA loses enough business, it could default on its bonds. The county government, in turn, would have to pay back at least $35 million of those bonds, which are county guaranteed.

According to Gibson, the UCUA's is one of only six or so incinerators in the state and is being hit harder than some. Other counties have opted for different facilities, including transfer stations that simply send their garbage to other facilities, including the UCUA, for disposal.

Gibson's bill proposes to open up a free market but to subsidize the county utilities authorities' debts, including the UCUA's, with tax money.

Under the bill, the UCUA's debt service would be separated from its operating costs in the tipping fee and would be passed on to the towns or county for payment.

"They may choose not to go there ... but they have a responsibility," said Gibson, likening this to the construction of a county bridge on a county road.

A county trash collection bill would be the same. Its trash disposal bill, on the other hand, would drop, while a new item for debt service would be added to the town's budget, making it "somewhat of a wash."

"I believe that costs will come down," he said. "They will shift, they will move, but actual costs will drop."

Gibson added that his and the other state bills could be unnecessary if an attempt by Rep. Bob Franks, R-7, to "grandfather" New Jersey's current waste flow laws succeeds.

At least one commissioner agreed with Gibson's bill. James Kennedy said that the bill would remove an incentive from towns to take their trash business elsewhere since they would already be paying the UCUA's debt service with taxes. they would have no reason to go elsewhere.

He added that any town that leaves the UCUA and takes its trash business elsewhere is still liable in law suits against the UCUA.

"You're only going to recreate the problems that drove us to this," he said.

Gibson's bill is not popular in the county government, especially with Linda Stender, chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Stender has said in the past that the state, and not the counties, should foot the bill or at least find another way to save the county utilities authorities.

John Kulish, the chairman of the UCUA, had a similar reaction to Gibson's bill.

"I'm not so keen on passing on the cost of the bonds to the taxpayers," he said. "I think legislators can think up a better way of paying off the debt than passing it on to the taxpayers."

Gibson disagreed with the state totally paying off the county utilities authorities' debts, but added, "I think that the state should help to the extent that it can, but the solution lies with the Board of Chosen Freeholders."

One of these could be deferring payments on a $13 million county bond issue for five years. The annual payments, worth about $700,000, could be applied toward debt payments and provide a "cushion," he said.

This option has been removed from the bill, now running 118 pages and with about 50 pages of amendments, to not "complicate" the bill, said Gibson. He has reintroduced it as a separate bill.

The bill is still in committee, but Gibson said that hopes to get it out by January 1998, the end of the legislative calendar. This will give the county and towns the time to pass necessary laws, he said.

UCUA fights new county ordinance

Judge to hear arguments

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The Board of Chosen Freeholders has selected a new Board of Commissioners for the UCUA, throwing out the existing month-old board.

But the commissioners are not going down without a fight. They have filed a petition with Superior Court Judge Edward Beglin, Jr. to block the freeholders' ordinance that would re-organize the UCUA. Beglin will hear both sides on Tuesday.

The ordinance passed by the freeholders March 6 makes the Board of Commissioners a seven-member board with two alternates. Before that, it was a nine-member board dominated by Republicans.

Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender has criticized the UCUA in the past for not being "proactive" in making the UCUA incinerator competitive and ready to compete in a free market.

The UCUA now has a virtual monopoly on trash disposal in Union County, but the laws that give the facility this monopoly have been declared unconstitutional.

If these laws are repealed in June of 1998, the UCUA may be unable to compete due to its high fees and may default on its bonds. The county has guaranteed $35 million of these bonds and Stender has said the government could wind up paying back more.

Normally, any ordinance passed by the freeholders must wait 20 days before it can become law. But, according to Democratic Freeholder Carol Cohen, the freeholders were advised by county legal counsel that they could select a new board that night because it was an "emergent" situation.

The new board consists of six newcomers — Edward Kahn, Reni Erekos, Nancy Kernan Yewaisis, Paul Desenio and Albert McWilliams — with three re-appointed Democratic commissioners — James Kennedy, Richard Lapolla and William Wolf — and UCUA veteran Angelo Bonanno, who served on the board in 1992.

At least six of these commissioners are Democrats and were appointed by the Democrat-controlled freeholders. This has prompted many residents, including freeholders, to call the re-organization politically motivated.

"This is a political withdrawal as far as I'm concerned," said Republican Freeholder Edwin Force.

According to Force, none of the Republicans were asked to name candidates and the re-organization ordinance itself showed up as a resolution with "information to follow" on the freeholders' draft agendas.

"This was quite, quite organized and committed," he said, adding that Bonanno negotiated many of these contracts that they're trying to stop.

Kerri Blanchard of the Union County Concerned Citizens said the appointments suggest a "spoils system" in politics, which has politicians appointing friends and relatives to government positions regardless of their skills.

"The whole thing is kind of amusing," she said. "It's like one crook calling someone else a crook."

Blanchard, a resident of Rahway, the host community for the UCUA incinerator, added that Bonanno held on as chairman of the UCUA board for two years, leading to a lawsuit that the mayor of Rahway dropped on the day it was to be heard. It also led to the renegotiation of Rahway's Host Communities agreement, which led to a loss in host community fees to Rahway.

The Concerned Citizens instead advocated a citizens advisory panel for the UCUA instead of a board of commissioners as the "only sane solution." This panel would have its own consultant, which Blanchard said should be the National Institute for Local Self-Reliance.

Replying to the charges, Cohen said, "You look at the people who were put on, they're qualified for the job and, whether they're going to get the job done and that's the most important qualification right now."

She added that, despite the UCUA complying with or starting to comply with the findings of several audits, including a preliminary report from the state treasury, these changes represent "the smallest part of the whole program for the utilities authority."

These include selling steam to the state prison in Avenel for additional revenue and other cost-cutting measures and sources of income, which a former executive director of the UCUA once said are not enough to make the incinerator competitive.

In response, the UCUA filed a petition with Beglin to block "the extinguishing ordinance" on Friday morning, said UCUA Chairman John Kulish.

According to Kennedy, this was an attempt to put a temporary restraining order on the ordinance. It was unsuccessful, but still accomplished a temporary stay on the new appointees being installed.

According to Kennedy, Beglin ordered that the old group, which includes Kulish, cannot change anything major until the issue is resolved. The new appointees, which include Bonano, will also be kept informed of everything that happens at the UCUA.

Kennedy, who was installed four weeks ago on the UCUA with LaPolla and another Democrat, said that he was "not terribly familiar" with the ordinance, adding, "it's too premature for me to say anything on it, for a month is too early to cast blame."

But Kulish, a Republican, said that the ordinance will not allow present or future authorities to do their jobs.

"I have a five-year term, as do other commissioners," he said. "You're going to tell me that they are going to serve at the whim of the freeholders?"

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Past NJEA members

The Union County Retired Education Association will hold its Spring Luncheon meeting on April 8 at the Westwood Restaurant, at 438 North Ave. in Garwood.

The business meeting will begin at 11 a.m. Speakers will be James Holcombe, president of the New Jersey Retired Educators Association, and Michael Johnson, vice president of the New Jersey Education Association.

Following lunch, to be served at 12:30 p.m., there will be entertainment by the Four Friends in Harmony barbershop quartet.

The meeting is open to all retired NJEA members who live or worked in Union County.

Call (908) 241-0598 or (908) 241-0442 for more information.

Parliamentarians to meet

The Cranford Unit of Parliamentarians will meet Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Cranford Free Public Library, at 224 Walnut Ave. in Cranford.

The group will discuss parliamentary practice in church meetings.

The Cranford Unit, the only unit in this part of the state, includes members from Cranford, Garwood, Hillside, Mountainside, Roselle, Roselle Park, Scotch Plains and Summit.

For information on this meeting or membership, call (908) 276-6760.

'My County' contest

A poster contest titled "My County," to promote County Government Week, April 13-19, is being sponsored by the County Officers Association of New Jersey.

Details, information and guidelines on the contest have been sent to public, private and parochial schools throughout Union County. The guidelines instruct students to create a poster that depicts all that's special and unique about Union County and how this relates to county government.

The deadline to submit posters is March 27. A winner will be selected by the judges and first, second and third runners-up, as well as a selection of three honorable mentions, will be awarded. The winners will receive certificates and be invited to meet the county clerk, sheriff and surrogate at the courthouse in Elizabeth.

Teachers, school administrators or parents who would like further information on the contest can call (908) 527-4998. Posters submitted by the students will be exhibited in the county courthouse during County Government Week.

Mini-camp sign-ups

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Union County is taking registration for its spring Mini Camp, which will be held Monday and March 31 through April 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Children will participate in a full day of activities including arts and crafts, group games, physical education activities, swimming and more. Registration will take place at the Boys and Girls Club, 1050 Jeanette Ave. in Union.

Camp fees for a one day session is $15, and for the week of March 31 through April 4, fees will be $75 for the first child, and $65 for the second child, and $55 for every child thereafter.

For more information on club programs, call (908) 629-1858, (908) 687-2697, or visit our web site at http://www.ncnatural.com/ucyouth.

Classes offered

Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County's Healthy Indoor Air for America's Homes continues.

"Take a Deep Breath" will have training on March 31 and April 7, 14 with graduation on May 6 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. or from 9 to 11:30 a.m. today and March 20 and April 3, 10, 17 with graduation on May 1.

All classes will be held at 300 North Ave., East, in Westfield.

Classes are free but those interested must register. Volunteers that receive training will be asked to give 15 hours of time to their community. If interested, call (908) 654-9854 between 8:30 and noon or 1 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Players needed

The Division of Parks and Recreation, with the ARC of Union County and the YMCA of Eastern Union County, Five Points Branch, will present a Volleyball Program for people with developmental disabilities.

The program will be held at the Five Points YMCA, 201 Tucker Ave. Union, Wednesdays through April 9, from 7 to 8:15 p.m.

Emphasis will be placed on teaching the fundamentals of the sport, and provide fun and exercise. It is possible that a Union County Special Olympics team will be formed by the participants.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served, mail-in basis. The fee is $3. Applications can be requested by calling the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation at (908) 527-4900.

County-wide cookies

It's Girl Scout cookie time again.

Through Sunday, Girl Scouts from the Washington Rock Girl Scout Council will be taking orders for their annual cookie sale. Girls will be hosting displays, booth sales, and taking order door-to-door in Clark, Elizabeth, Hillside, Kenilworth, Linden, Mountainside, Roselle, Roselle Park, Springfield and Union.

Remember that your $3 per box order not only buys a cookie competitive with national brands, but it has a lifelong impact in changing a girl's life. The Girl Scout cookie sale dates back to the early 1920s.

For more information, call Catherine Davis of the Washington Rock Girl Scout Council Service Center at (908) 232-3236.

Mothers meeting

Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge is a national support group for all women who have decided to temporarily leave the workforce to stay at home with their young children.

Discussion groups are held on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 p.m., at the Cranford Library, Walnut Avenue in Cranford. Prospective members are encouraged to meet the group at this informal meeting.

Formal meetings with outside guest speakers are held on the third Wednesday of each month, at 8 p.m., at the Westfield YMCA, 220 Clark St. in Westfield.

For any additional information on FEMALE, call (908) 381-7912.

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ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Summit schools put the S.P.A.R.C. into theater arts





Above, Ozmian beautician Julia Bushe, far left, admires the job she did as The Scarecrow, played by Noel Poyner, and Dorothy, played by Caitlin Thomas, preen after their visit to the Oz salon. This recent production was performed at Franklin Elementary School in Summit, with an excess of 100 students and countless parent volunteers. Below, Summit High School stage is transformed to turn-of-the-century New York City for the final performances of "Hello, Dolly!" on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. From left, student stars Darcy Izard, Dave Maulbeck, Alison Wadsworth, Harland Pond, Charlotte Hodde and Jesse Cox show off the play's costumes at the Summit train station. General admission is $7, $5 for students and senior citizens, and tickets may be purchased at the high school office or at the door just prior to performances.

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

Parents of school-age children are often eager to become involved in their children's extracurricular activities, in order to facilitate growth and knowledge outside of the classroom. Many are familiar with support groups such as band parents and booster clubs, but the Summit school system has put a new spin on this concept with the formation of S.P.A.R.C., or Summit Performing Arts Resource Committee, a group of concerned adults dedicated to facilitating students growth within the theater community.

According to Anne Poyner, vice president of S.P.A.R.C., the group was born in the spring of '96, during the high school's annual spring musical. Summit High School theater director Ron Wells overheard a comment from visiting friends about the success of the show, countered by the incessant feedback from the old and well-worn sound system.

"That kind of started a conversation going, a dialogue going amongst his friends," said Poyner. "So, someone approached me and said we would like to have some kind of fund raiser to help raise money for a new sound system at the high school."

Poyner was a high school theater teacher for 10 years, and as a resident of Summit and a parent with school-age children, she has been active in directing and assisting with shows on the elementary and middle school levels.

"I've been involved in theater education since I was in high school, I was active in high school and in college and that was all I did. I was never a professional actor. I always wanted to be just in theater education, and so I taught theater full time in Texas. So I kind of knew what needed to be done and I knew what teachers needed, and there were some things that, because of budget cuts, that the school district was not able to provide. We knew that if we were going to get some capital improvements made it had to probably come from outside the school district, because they were so overwhelmed with all of the budget constraints."

"That evolved into, 'Well, if we're going to raise money for a new sound sytem at the high school, we really should have a support group," Poyner continued. "It just started bringing up a lot of questions — 'How did the athletics department buy a new scoreboard? How do they buy new uniforms?' and it all came back to they had a support group. Theater and speech had nothing; they really didn't have any organized group of parents or supporters. So we decided to form a group of interested parents on all levels, not just on the high school level, but also on the grade school and the middle school levels. Also, why not include supporters in the community who thought that theater was important and could give something back to the community. And that's how S.P.A.R.C. was born."

The group began with about 10 interested parents.

"They realized that there was no group that supported their kids and there was no group that supported the theater teacher. There really wasn't a theater teacher, just a director at the high school and middle school, who are not even in the building." Summit school system hires outside directors for theater functions, according to Poyner, because there is no official theater class. "They really didnt have anyone to turn to, so they needed some support too; they needed a group to go and say, you know it would really be great if we had someone to help us with costumes or the curtain is in tatters, or we need some concessions. So we wanted to be there for the teacher as well as for the students, and then we could help them morally as well as financially.

"And we wanted the kids to know that we appreciate what they do, because for a while they didnt know that they were supported, because there's no class. They dont have a group within the school. There's no classes in the middle school in speech and theater at all, so there's not that unit like if you are in band, you're in class every day with those kids, or if you're in choir, you're in class with the director every day, so they have that group, and they dont have that with the theater kids, unfortunately."

The new group not only has morale support in abundance, but also performing arts experience and talent. Poyner has directed musicals at Franklin School two years in a row. Another member of S.P.A.R.C., Sherry Williamson, is a trained opera singer and functions as musical director.

"A lot of us in S.P.A.R.C. have professional backgrounds in music or theater, so it means a lot to us. We remember when we were in high school, or in middle school, and how much our theater education and our musical education enriched our lives and helped us. We want to make sure that these high school kids have the same opportunities."

"I love doing the musicals at the elementary school," Poyner added. "Over 100 parents volunteered."

S.P.A.R.C. debuted last spring with a fund raising performance at the high school called "Voices Raised," a selection of students best musical and monologue performances. The newly formed parents group appealed en masse to the community for support, sending letters and flyers. The message, according to Poyner, was that the kids needed to see that someone cared, and that their efforts were important. All efforts were tremendously successful, as "Voices Raised" raised $9,000 toward a new sound system.

"And then over the summer money still continued to come in, and we did a mass mailing to all the high school parents and to a lot of the middle school parents in the fall and continued to collect money," Poyner said excitedly.

Since then, S.P.A.R.C. has grown into a full-fledged association, with the election of officers and a constitution.

"And we're real excited because it really did get a lot of the parents together, and at every performance that's done in Summit public schools there's always a S.P.A.R.C. table. We pass our literature out, and we have S.P.A.R.C. buttons that say 'Get Fired Up With S.P.A.R.C.' "

In the meantime, the new sound system is in place for the current high school musical, "Hello, Dolly!" which takes its final curtain call this weekend. In April, the middle school will present the musical version of "Cheaper by the Dozen."

Poyner welcomes calls from anyone interested in getting involved.

It seems that, no matter how you look at it, S.P.A.R.C. is making a difference in the lives of everyone involved.

Anyone interested in volunteering or obtaining more information about S.P.A.R.C. should contact Anne Poyner at (908) 598-1512. Donations are always gladly accepted, and can be sent to S.P.A.R.C. attn: Cindy Kellogg, 89 Summit Ave. #225, Summit, NJ 07901.

Elizabeth Playhouse applies its craft to 'The Little Foxes'

Theater View

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

The Bible says, "Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines; for our vines have tender grapes..." If you enjoy good theater, be sure to take in the "foxes" appearing for the next four weeks at The Elizabeth Playhouse — that is, "The Little Foxes" by Lillian Hellman, which tells the story of a family trying to outfox the world, and each other.

Set in the Gidden family drawing room, in a small southern town circa 1900, we meet the Hubbards — Oscar, Leo and Regina — close knit and intensely proud of their heritage. The audience immediately becomes privy to their machinations, as Act 1 finds them plying Yankee investor William Marshall with a surfeit of good old southern hospitality in order to gain financial aid for their latest money-making scheme. As the plot thickens, so does the hypocrisy as we are allowed to see beneath the pleasant manners and flirtatious laughter. Agendas abound in this terrificly terrible tale of self-aggrandizement.

There also is a surfeit of opportunities to emote, and the cast takes full advantage of it. Bernie Weinstein is cruel and self-serving as older brother Oscar, and Rich Aront intimidating and pompous as younger brother Ben. Tom Gallison is innocently jaded as Oscar's son Leo, who learns how to manipulate others by his family's example. Mary Wilbon gives a fine performance as housekeeper Addie, concerned and nurturing toward Regina's daughter Alexandra. Mary Mattingly as unwitting investor Marshall and Michael Riddick as servant Cal have limited roles, but make the most of them.

A few of the stars of this production truly shine. One such mention is Kathy Mattingly as Birdie Hubbard, Oscar's long-suffering wife. Seemingly giddy and light-hearted, Mattingly achieves a depth of angst as we are allowed to see into poor Birdie's tortured soul. Jack Drucker's Horace Giddens provides an excellent counterpoint to wife Regina's complicity, portraying a southern "gentle-man" in the truest sense of the word. Stealing the show from "y'all," however, is done smoothly and effectively by Pauline Walsh as the multi-layered Regina, whose breathless delivery and paradoxical motivations delve into the heart of a woman determined to have what she thinks she deserves, and just as determined to maintain her lady-like facade. Walsh goes from flirtatious belle to shrewd businesswoman in the bat of an eyelash.

Don't miss veteran Playhouse member Lorraine Hernandez. A student of Director Marlow Ferguson since age 14, Hernandez is well-cast in the role of Alexandra Giddens, too much like her beloved father to fall prey to the insidious spell of the Hubbard clan. You'll fall in love with this sweet portrayal of a young girl growing into herself against overwhelming odds. Hernandez herself has grown into fine actor with lots of potential.

Audiences will have a great time taking in the verbal confrontations, well-coordinated by Ferguson. The mixed emotions evoked in several scenes keep the dialogue lively and colorful, as the Hubbards engage in their favorite sport — stabbing their beloved family members in the back. Regina's derisive giggle is a showstopper. The entire cast employs great reactions, but special note goes to Drucker and Walsh, who slip in and out of honesty and subterfuge so quickly in their scenes that it is hard to keep up.

In fact, the entire play speeds by, with audience members actively anticipating what the next act will bring. This is a fine testimonial to the quality of this production, a play which was first produced in New York City in 1939. Co-founders Marlow and Karon Ferguson have a knack for finding stories which are just as relevant today as the day they were created. And if you were a night-time soap fan in the '80s, you may find that reruns of "Dallas" may pale in comparison.



A Hubbard family financial disclosure takes place, with Rich Aront, center, presiding while Bernie Weinstein, left, and Pauline Walsh, right, put their two cents in, in 'The Little Foxes' at the Elizabeth Playhouse. The play runs for four more weekends. For information, call (908) 355-0077.

Kids can't 'bear' to miss Summit concert

Kids on the Town Concerts will present David Grover and the Big Bear Band in a benefit concert for Summit Child Care Centers on Saturday at 10 a.m. The concert will be held at the Summit Middle School Auditorium, 272 Morris Ave. in Summit.

David Grover has had a long and successful career performing and recording music for children and adults. He is well known from the PBS television show "Grover's Corner" which he created to teach children about music. With the Big Bear Band, David Grover has made several recordings including "Ernestine and the Green-Eyed Elf," "As Different as We Are," a recording dedicated to children and adults with Down Syndrome, as well as the award-winning "David Grover Live at the Red Lion Inn."

Summit Child Care Centers, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation, that has provided child care services in the Summit area since 1954. The proceeds of this concert will be used provide subsudy to families with financial need.

Tickets will be $5 advance and $6 at the door. Children under 2 will be admitted for free. Tickets are available at Christopher's Bookstore, 338 Springfield Ave. in Summit, at Jaberwocky, 255 Main St. in Chatham, and at Toys that Teach, 1260 Springfield Ave. in the Village Shopping Center in New Providence. For further information, call (908) 273-7017.

Art show, sale set in Westfield

When the 39th Annual Art Show and Sale of the Westfield Chapter of Hadassah opens on April 5 at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, many people will have worked year-round to ensure its success.

Work on the show began last summer, when Marilynne Ford of Scotch Plains commissioned artist Richard Seagalman of Woodstock, N.Y. to create a limited edition graphic which sponsors receive as a gift for their donation. The artist's work appears in many prestigious public collections including the Hirshhorn, Washington, D.C.; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA; Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minneapolis, Mn, and the Montclair Art Museum, Montclair.

The Gallery Committee, chaired by Maxine Bradie of Mountainside, and the Individual Artists Committee, chaired by Betty Dubman of Scotch Plains, selected the galleries and artists who will participate. Each will be setting up their own "mini galleries" and will be present throughout the Show to discuss the art and answer any questions.

Other Committee not involved in art selection are also hard at work. Joan Forscher of Westfield and Ellen Winetsky of Linden supervise the printing. The Ad Journal Committee, chaired by Geralyn Lichtenstein of Westfield and Molly Tobert of Plainfield, solicits ads and prepares the layout. The Gala Committee, under the direction of TassieBecker of Scotch Plains, plans the opening night champagne reception. Sadie Schoss of Westfield and Gladys Grayson of Scotch Plains organize lunch and snacks for the show. Evelyn Hollander of Rahway and Jeanne Goldsteind of Westfield enlist Hadassah women to work during the event.

Opening night, April 5, will find the children of members helping by serving hor d'oeuvres and checking coats. The gala is a great social event for patrons who meet the artists and gallery owners and have the first opportunity to view and purchase works. Betsy Haveson of Watchung will supervise the sales. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the door under the direction of Charlotte Shak of Scotch Plains. This year's wonderful prizes include a Baume and Mercier watch donated by Michael Kohn Jewelers of Westfield, a gold ring with diamonds and emeralds donated by Laurence Ford, and a three-piece set of soft luggage.

In May, the cycle will be completed when a wrap-up meeting is held. The Show is evaluated and financial data is presented by the Treasurer, Marilyn Napack of Westfield. Shortly thereafter, the committees will start on the preparations for next year's Art Show and Sale.

The Art Show and Sale is located at Temple Emanu-El, 756 E. Broad St., Westfield. The Show will be open to the public on April 6 from noon to 9:30 p.m. Admission is $3 for adults and $1.50 for senior citizens; students are free. For additional information about the Show and the limited edition graphic, call (908) 233-6531.

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

Burnet Middle School pals get together for 'Pal Joey'

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

When the idea of the lively Rodgers and Hart musical, "Pal Joey," was announced as the spring play for Burnet Middle School in Union, most of the members of the cast "didn't even know what that was" — it was staged on Broadway long before their time. So, separately and in a group, they began calling and visiting video stores to find the video movie version of it starring Frank Sinatra, Kim Novak and Rita Hayworth.

It took a while to uncover the videos, which had a long line of people waiting, so we share the young sters looked at the movie, compared their characters with those in the film, and took it from there. They will be appearing in "Pal Joey" tomorrow and Saturday at Burnet Middle School on Morris Avenue, and will be ably directed by Sam and Candace Caponegro. Sam is a teacher at Battle Hill School. His wife teaches at Burnet Middle School in Union.

Last Friday afternoon, four of the principals, Meghan Hales, Steel Burkhardt, Colleen Shannahan and Kristen Theresa, accompanied by Sam Caponegro, came by to talk about their production. Steel, a sturdy, talented youth, will play the Frank Sinatra title role of Joey; Meghan will play Vera, the Rita Hayworth role, and Colleen and Kristen will share Linda, the Kim Novak role: Colleen on Friday night and Kristen on Saturday night. The other principals, who were unable to come by last week included Shaun Saunders, who will play Lowell, the evil character, and Adanna Jones, who will play Gladys, the show girl.

"We had to double cast," explained Caponegro. "We had about 180 people trying out for the play and we now have about 80 in the cast. We worked on the show for about three months," he said. "We wanted to do a good musical, and 'Pal Joey' has a great score. We certainly have the talent here to do it. The only change we made from the stage script was the drinks. Instead of drinks, we changed them to ice cream sodas. Otherwise, the play is intact. The irony of it all is that the movie version was very much changed, so that those who saw the video could only study the characters — and not the story."

The four teenagers explained that they have been rehearsing every day until 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium in the school. "It's been hectic," one of them said. "But it's fun," said another."

"They also do their homework backstage when they're not in a rehearsal scene," said Caponegro.

"We have a lot of songs in the show," said Meghan.

"Good songs, too," said Teresa.

All four shouted in unison, "We have to give credit to our private voice coach, Thomas Smargiassi. He's our voice teacher and inspirational mentor. He practically developed our voices."

"The musical director," added Caponegro, "is Margaret Fontana, and our choreographer is Melissa Espana."

"The play is about a guy who has to choose between love and wealth," said Steel. "He's in love with a poor girl and he's with a very, very rich girl, and he doesn't love her."

Among the well known musical numbers in "Pal Joey" are "Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered," "The Lady Is a Tramp" and "I Could Write a Book."

The teenagers all admitted that they sing the songs in the shower. "Yeah," said one of them, "when no one's home."

The other principals in the cast include Adanna Jones as Gladys, Shaun Saunders as Lowell, Ralph Ventre as Mike, Megan Cryan as Melba, Tim Ford as O'Brien, Brian Toscano as Ernest and Kris Cotter as Louis. Joey's Girls are played by Caitlin Colandrea, Christina Kamacatos, Lisa Dmisziwicki, Lauren Banks, Georgia Stravrakis, Danielle Clark, Jen Sincox and Alexandra Lasota. Joey's Boys are Jonathan DaSilva, Kris Cotter, Antonio Fusco and Brian Toscano.

The Candy Girls are Connie Fisher, Erica Assuncao, Daniela Congralos, Lauren DePaola, Gabriella Gerard, Melissa St. Romaine and Danielle Mammone.

The Ensemble consists of Brian Monoghan, Daniel Jamnik, John Imm, Vincent Passafune, Ruksanna Syed, Jen Sincox, Armand Evrett, Nakia Jones, Carli Austin, Morena Bergery, Kelly Martini, James Imm, Laurence Caprio, Gaetano Bracciale, Seth Greenhill, Dawn Rickey, Amanda Rowe, Cheryl Torre, Sabrina Fusco, Lindsey Hunt, Priscilla Arteaga and Anna Korvalayk.

The Dancers include Lindsay Conneely, Melissa Zolata, Tracy Cwiakala, Andrea DaSilva, Rebecca Weber,



Some of the students appearing in the Burnet Middle School production of 'Pal Joey' this weekend are, from left, Steel Burkhardt, age 12; Kristen Theresa, age 13; Meghan Hales, age 14 and Colleen Shanahan, age 12.

Jackie Romanowicz, Daisy Ferreira, Victoria Ramirez, Elizabeth Komar, Danielle Piccolo, Dana Weiner, Kristyn Reiter, Lianna Cusack, Charrisse Tupas, Jessica D'Amico, Tara Zahadnick, Melissa Dobrinski, Katrina Holmes, Dana Musso, Marsha Mandell, Elizabeth Lauterhahn, Alana Davis, Rosalia Lardieri, Sunday Luma and Joanna Somuoska.

The cast members have given previews of "Pal Joey" to the grammar schools. "We go to the grammar schools," they said, "and show them little parts of our play. We give little previews," "It's like going on the road," added Steel.

"They really looked very interested," said Meghan.

"Our audiences are drawn from all the grammar schools," said Caponegro. We're always sold out."

The youngsters all have aspirations for the theater. Steel has appeared "in many productions, at Kean College and at the Union County Arts Center." He and Meghan have appeared in plays at the Summer Music School in Union. And they both have appeared in other school plays. "It takes a lot out of you, but it's fun and enjoyable, and it may just be our careers," said Meghan.

Next year, Kristen and Meghan, 8th graders, will be going to the high school. "We'll be auditioning for the plays at Union High School. Colleen and Steel, who are 7th graders, will have to wait their turn."

"And," added the two older youngsters, "we'll probably wait for them."

Oil, pastel display in Clark

The Skalski Art Gallery of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark will present an exhibit of oil paintings and pastels by Barbara Warlikowska Dachowski through March 31.

Dachowski works mainly in oil and pastel. Her palette consists of pure, vibrant colors rendered in an impressionistic style.

Capture moments while traveling, local landscapes and still life make up the greater portion of her work.

Born in Jersey City, she lived in Dunellen and now resides in Pennsylvania. She attended Newark School of Fine and Industrial Arts and graduated from the du Cret School of Art, Plainfield where she studied with Joseph Davis, Dr. Herman Finch and Rhoda Yanow.

Dachowski's work has been shown at the Catherine B. Lorillard Wolfe Club, New York City, Swain Galleries, Plainfield; Artcraft, Dated Museum in Pennsylvania and in galleries throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania. She is currently represented by the Jim Morgan Gallery of Art, Blakeslee, Pa.

The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark, Exit 135 from the Garden State Parkway. The Skalski Art Gallery is open to the public Monday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday to Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For additional information, contact Aleksandra Nowak at (908) 382-7197.

Visit 'Havana' at arts center

"Havana Revisited," a collection of oil on canvas works by Enrique Flores Galbis will be on display in the Members' Gallery through April 20 at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts.

Recently returning from a trip to Old Havana, the artist produced these realist works based on Cuba in its current state of desolation. Providing a view forbidden to most Americans, the paintings capture "the streets, the light and the countryside of Old Havana." Born in Cuba, Flores Galbis has lived in the U.S. since 1961 and resides in New York City.

NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. Reception and exhibitions are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Friday from noon - 4 p.m., Saturday - Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m. and Thursday evenings 7:30 - 9 p.m. Funding has been made possible in part by the NJ State Council on the Arts/Dept. of State.

Teen Arts Festival scheduled

The annual Union County Teen Arts Festival, through which some 3,000 students attending public and parochial middle and high schools will obtain a personal critique and further training in areas of visual and performing arts, will be conducted on Wednesday and Thursday, March 26 and 27 at Union County College's Cranford Campus.

The program will feature 40 workshops providing instruction by professionals in selected arts areas to enable young people to further their talents. Professionals also will critique attendees' work. Rounding out the day will be ongoing "art stops" that students may visit during workshop breaks; mini workshops, and an open poetry reading.

New this year are workshops including a mask-making program whereby young people will create masks using found, recyclable materials; the Japanese folk art of origami; henna painting, taught by an Asian-Indian artist; a clay workshop conducted by a protege of the late Jim Henson of Muppet fame; a musical theater workshop offering dance instruction, and musical improvisation.

One of the aims of the 1997 program is to assist schools with meeting New Jersey state core curriculum standards instituted recently that call for increased emphasis on the arts.

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Elmora Players work the 'Schmaltz' out of parody

Theater View
By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

There were plenty of laughs Saturday night when Sybil Wyner's parody of "Grease," called "Schmaltz," was offered at the Elmora Hebrew Center in Elizabeth.

The Purim version, performed by the Elmora Players, consisting of members of the synagogue, was preceded by a fine turkey dinner without schmaltz — meaning chicken fat — and the cast of characters, led by the exceptionally funny character actor, Rabbi Samuel Rosenberg, who played Shlepper Sam, the radio announcer, had a field day with the amusing dialogue and songs, all written and directed by Hebrew teacher, Wyner. Shlepper means plodder. Wyner, incidentally, penned and with her committee, served the dinner.

The cast and the large audience, committing to each other, enjoyed the skits, the musical numbers and many of the flaws, such as forgetting lines, tapes that wouldn't play and the untimely timing of the members of the cast.

Still, the stage visit with students and teachers of Shmaltzville Yeshiva High School, which touched on the play, "Grease," was entertaining, albeit amateurish. One must give credit to the huge cast that did its best. The gangs, The Shtarkers — meaning strong ones — wearing green sweatshirts to announce themselves, included Melach, played by Michael Newman; Moishe, Paul Gruber; Melvin, Ariel Kopitnikoff; Mendel, Angel Ramos, and Misha, Josh Gitchel, played macho to The Pink Tratzkelehs — meaning mishievous ones — Raizel, played by Joan Gross, Rifka, Rebecca Greenbaum; Rosie, Eva Hecht; Rosa, Susan Schendelman, and Rozie, Sandra Gitchel.

Among the featured cast were Lissette Schuster, who gave an impressive performance as Sandy, and Reve, the little sister, who was prettily played by Ophira Kopitnikoff.

The rechristened by very funny Howard Markowitz as the bearded rabbi, included Cole Newman as the history teacher, Arno Schuster, gym; Mavya Balandina, English, who, also in her nice Russian accent, offered a musical solo; David Newman, health; Lory Schuster, foreign language; Michael Hecht, woodshop; Judith Hecht, Mrs. Sourkraut, and Miriam Greenbaum, math.

Shai Kopitnikoff portrayed a Junior Shtarker and was in charge of the sign crew; Roz Schwartzberg, the sound effects, Jean Graff, a stage hand, Gala Dorfman, musical accompaniment, and Helena Schlafer, scenery.

The show, despite its near catastrophies, was a lot of fun, and the audience certainly gave the impression that it is looking forward to the next holiday show, naturally, provided by its talented Sybil Wyner.

Barbershop quartets sing their way to the gold

The Rahway Valley Jerseyaires Chorus of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. hosted its 36th Annual Novice Quartet Contest before an enthusiastic audience Feb. 22nd in the Roosevelt Intermediate School, Westfield.

Thirteen quartets, from eleven choruses and four states, in the Mid-Atlantic District singing society, competed in the contest. The panel of certified judges consisted of Ed Burket - Contest Administrator; Marty Israel - Music; from Hazlet: Chuck Lower - Singing of Oreland, Pa., and Dale Thomas - Presentation of Bloomsburg, Pa.

The Royal Chord Company Quartet members of Byrn Mawr and Landsdale, Pa. Chapters placed first, winning the gold; Runaway Sound Quartet members of Wilmington, De., Abingon/Levittown and Byrn Mawr, Pa. Chapters took second place silver, and Power Supply Quartet of Cherry Hill, NJ chapter received third place bronze medals.

The Jerseyaires meet in the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield, every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. "Men of all ages are invited to sing the good old songs," said Dick Haig, president of The Rahway Valley Chapter.

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Class reunions

• Class reunions are being organized for the following:

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If you are a member of one of these classes, write to: Reunions Unlimited, Inc., P.O. Box 150, Englishtown, NJ 07726; or call 780-8364.

The search is on

• Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of 1946 search committee is seeking classmates for its 50th reunion, the date of which has not been determined. To contact the committee, contact Rose Culmone Tabor at 530 Fourth Ave., Garwood, NJ 07027, or Anne Graziano at PO Box 251, Springfield, NJ 07081.

• South Side High School, Class of June 1946; and Bergen Street School Class of June 1942 are seeking classmates for a 50th reunion. Contact Sam Sporn, 8 Crescent Dr., Parsippany, NJ 07054, or call (201) 335-6611.

• East Orange High School Class of 1946 reunion committee is seeking classmates for its 50th reunion, the date of which has not been determined. To contact the committee, call (201) 887-1141.

• St. Theresa's of the Child Jesus Church, Linden will hold a Christian Youth Organization reunion for classes 1977-1992 April 19. For information, call (908) 486-3670 or (908) 862-0117.

• Linden High School Class of 1987 seeks volunteers and information on classmates for a 10th reunion scheduled for November 1997. Contact Joann Caravano at (908) 862-0994, Beata Lipinski at (908) 862-5732 or Lizzy James at (908) 925-2912.

David Brearley Regional High School Class of '72's 25th Reunion will be held on Nov. 28 at the Galleria Hill Inn.

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Attention: male singers

The Westfield Glee Club invites male singers to come and sing at rehearsals on Mondays at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church Parish Building Assembly Hall, 140 Mountain Ave., Westfield.

Director Thomas Booth of Maplewood, and Accompanist George Lachenauer, of Roselle, and the music committee have selected new and previously sung selections for a varied program of personal, sacred, classical, traditional and folk songs.

A school children's chorus will again join in the concert at Roosevelt Intermediate School to perform a part of the program.

Interested male singers are invited to call Dale Juntilla at (908) 232-0673.

Paper Mill offers Bronte symposium

From one unique English family came some of the most important literary works of the nineteenth century and beyond. Now Paper Mill Playhouse has brought one of these to life onstage with the world premiere production of "Jane Eyre," a dramatization by Robert Johanson of the famed novel by one member of this family, Charlotte Bronte. In conjunction with this production, Paper Mill presents a free symposium, "A Great and Inexplicable Gift: The Strange Lives of Charlotte, Emily and Anne Bronte" on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

"A Great and Inexplicable Gift" explores the life of Charlotte Bronte and her family. Johanson, Paper Mill's artistic director and the writer and director of "Jane Eyre," hosts this special event, which features a distinguished pair of experts: Barry V. Qualls, chairman of the English Department at Rutgers University, and Robert Parks, curator of Autographed Manuscripts at New York's Pierpont Morgan Library. The evening will also include members of the cast of Paper Mill's Production.

The symposium is free and open to the public. No reservations are necessary and seating is open on a first-come, first-served basis.

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Stepping Out

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ART SHOWS

TEEN ARTS TOURING EXHIBIT has been moved to Corestates Bank, 68 Broad St., Elizabeth, where it will remain until tomorrow.

The exhibit consists of 26 pieces of art selected from the 513 visual art works shown at the 1996 Union County Teen Arts Festival, held in March at Union County College. The annual event is sponsored by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation.

For information about the Union County Teen Arts Program, contact the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 24-52 Rahway Ave., Elizabeth, (908) 558-2550. TDD users call (800) 852-7899.

SWAIN GALLERIES will present watercolors by artist Al Grafke through March 28.

Grafke, a native of Summit, expresses in his watercolors a love of the outdoors and his "affection for the simple things that surround us in our everyday lives." Using watercolors, Grafke believes he achieves the most flexibility and permanence while simultaneously experimenting with new techniques that convey a particular spirit all his own.

Grafke's solo exhibit continues weekdays from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays to 4 p.m. Swain Galleries is located at 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call (908) 756-1707.

BILL LEECH will have a solo show at the Watchung Arts Center this month. The exhibit runs through March 29, concurrent with "Material Metaphors" in the other gallery.

Leech works primarily in acrylics on unstretched canvas. His images have evolved to reduced, fragmented and stylized figures and body parts, set against large, flat areas, moving his work solidly into the abstract field.

The Watchung Arts Center is located on the Watchung Circle. For information, call (908) 753-0190.

MATERIAL METAPHORS, an exhibition of the works of Sarah Crooks, Mike Murphy and Robert Sorenson, will be on display at the Watchung Arts Center through March 29.

"Material Metaphors" brings to issue the use of varied materials as substrate, as medium and as metaphor.

Gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. every day except Sunday. Admission is free at all times. Watchung Arts Center is located on the Watchung Circle. For further information, call (908) 753-0190.

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL will present black-and-white photography by Art Carlson through the end of March. Carlson's work can generally be grouped into three categories — landscapes, architectural studies and close-up views of both subjects.

Also on display this month are watercolors and paper sculpture by Claire R. Archer. Her works demonstrate illusions of depth, distance, dimension and movement.

Running concurrently with these exhibits are art work and photographs by patients. The children's works illustrate themes of wellness, ways of staying healthy and preparing for health-care experiences.

Children's Specialized Hospital is located at 150 New Providence Road in Mountainside.

VOX GALLERY presents an exhibit of pastels and oil paintings by Alden Baker through the month of March. The New Jersey artist paints landscapes, still lifes and portraits, in both oil and pastel.

Vox Gallery is located at 444 Springfield Ave., Summit. Gallery hours are Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. For further information, call (908) 273-2551.

FINE ART PHOTO EXHIBITION by the American Society of Media Photographers will be held at the Nabisco Gallery in East Hanover through April 2.

The exhibit celebrates photography as an art form with more than 50 award-winning works from neary 400 entries to the third annual fine art photography competition. A variety of photographic disciplines will be displayed, including landscape, portraiture, abstract, still life, computer-generated and mixed media.

The Nabisco Gallery is located at 100 DeForest Ave. in East Hanover. Admission is free and open to the public from noon to 4 p.m. daily. For information, call (201) 503-3238.

LOCAL LANDSCAPES AND OILS by Louis Winarsky will be exhibited at the Donald Palmer Museum of the Springfield Library through April 16.

On display are oil paintings of local landscapes in Springfield and Short Hills, portrait drawings from life and experiments in art from family photographs.

The Donald Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. The hours for the exhibit are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

MAJOR WORKS art show will open tomorrow at Kean College's James Howe Gallery. Pieces representing all forms of art were chosen by art instructors from the college. All pieces were created by students.

The show runs through April 11. Admission is free. The Gallery, located in the Vaughn-Eames building, is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information, contact Nina Cabrera at (908) 820-0519.

WHISPER, 30 years of black-and-white and color photography by Peter Colby Ortner will be on display today through April 21 at The Jacob Trapp Gallery in Summit.

The Gallery is located at Community House, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit. Gallery hours are weekdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call (908) 273-3245.

SKULSKI ART GALLERY of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark is pleased to present an exhibit of oil paintings and pastels by Barbara Dachowski tomorrow through March 31. An opening reception will be held tomorrow at 8 p.m. The public is welcome, admission is free and refreshments will be served.

The artist works mainly in oil and patel. Her palette consists of pure, vibrant colors rendered in an impressionistic style. Captured moments while traveling, local landscapes and still life make up the greater portion of her work.

The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark. The Skulski Art Gallery is open to the public Monday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Tuesday - Friday from 5 - 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. For additional information, contact Aleksandra Nowak at (908) 382-7197.

A SPECTRUM OF ART WORKS, paintings by Grace Sharpe, will be presented at the Les Malamut Art Gallery in the Union Library Saturday through April 24. An opening reception will be held Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m. Refreshements will be served.

The Union Library is located on Morris Avenue near Friberger Park, Union. For information, call (908) 686-0420 or (908) 688-4536.

HAVANA REVISITED, a collection of oil on canvas works by Enrique Flores Galbis will be on display in the Members' Gallery beginning on Sunday at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts.

Recently returned from a trip to Old Havana, the artist produced these realist works based on Cuba in its current state of desolation. Providing a view forbidden to most Americans, the paintings capture "the streets, the light and the countryside of Old Havana."

NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit. The exhibit and reception are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Friday from noon - 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m. and Thursday evenings from 7:30 - 9 p.m. For further information, call (908) 273-9121.

ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL JURIED SHOW will be on display in the Palmer Gallery at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts Sunday through April 20. An opening reception will be held on Sunday from 2 - 5 p.m. An awards ceremony will take place at 3 p.m.

Juried by leading national art critic and historian Donald B. Kuspit, the works represent artists in the United States and abraod and includes all media. Artists represent 42 states and 10 countries. Works range from watercolors to black-and-white photography, with a strong selection of conceptual and narrative sculpture.

NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. Reception and exhibitions are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Friday from noon - 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m. and Thursday from 7:30 - 9 p.m. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

ANNUAL ART SHOW AND SALE sponsored by the Westfield Chapter of Hadassah will be held April 5 and 6 at Temple Emanu-El, Westfield.

Top New Jersey and New York galleries and a limited number of individual artists have been invited to set up their own "mini galleries" and display their best works. The show has been designed so that both the avid collector and the casual viewer can stroll through the exhibit, stop by each gallery and see what is happening in the art world. Each gallery will have their own experts on hand to answer questions and provide further information about the artists and individual pieces.

A preview champagne reception will kick off the show for patrons on April 5. The show will be open to the public April 6 from noon to 9:30 p.m. Admission is $3 for adults and $1.50 for senior citizens; students are free. For information, call (908) 233-6531.

AUDITIONS

PHILATHALIANS of Fanwood will be holding auditions for "Cahoots," a murder comedy by Rick Johnson. Two couples get together for a dinner that turns hilariously murderous. Getting out of their predicament becomes slapstick when blackmail enters the party. Cast requirements are:

- Jan Miller - 20-45, attractive, somewhat scattered commercial actress, married to Ken.
- Lois Shields - 20-45, successful editor of horror scripts, corporate type, married to Al.
- Al Shields - 25-40, boorish marketing/advertising man.
- Ken Miller - stiff, architect with aspirations of greatness.
- Grant - 19-30, security guard, ability to b innocent or vicious.

Auditions will consist of selected readings from the script. Dates and times are Saturday from 3-7 p.m. and Sunday from 4-8 p.m. Auditions will be held at the Carraige House, 129 Watson Road, Fanwood. Leave a message at (908) 322-8686 for additional information.

CARNIVAL PRODUCTIONS is holding auditions for "The Fantasticks" March 25 - 27 from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Appointments will be scheduled no later than 9 p.m.

Roles include:

1 woman — early 20s, soprano.

2 men — 20s, 30s - 40s, baritone/tenor.

4 men — 40s - 60s, one 30s, comic vocal roles.

1 man/woman — nonspeaking, juggling, mime and acrobatic skills preferred.

Auditions will be held at El Bodegon Restaurant and Dinner Theatre, located at 169 West Main St., Rahway. For further information, call (908) 388-0647.



'Crazy For You' will be presented by the Performing Arts Company at Union Catholic Regional High School tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m.

CONCERTS

CAROL HAMERSMA JAZZ TRIO will appear in concert tomorrow at 6 p.m. at the Barron Arts Center in Woodbridge. The concert is being presented in honor of Women's History Month.

Admission is free, reservations are required. The Barron Arts Center is located at 582 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. For information, call (908) 634-0413.

MINSTREL COFFEEHOUSE will present Michael Smith and Richard Drueding and Stephe Ferraro tomorrow at 8:30 p.m.

Michael Smith is a respected songwriter in the folk field. He has been honing his craft for 30 years, and it shows.

Philadelphia-based Richard Drueding is a respected fingerstyle blues and ragtime guitarist. He has teamed up with percussionist Stephe Ferraro to add another dimension to his work.

The Minstrel Coffeehouse is a coffeehouse/concert series run by the Folk Project, a non-profit folk music and arts organization. The Project is located at the Somerset County Environmental Center, 190 Lord Stirling Road, Basking Ridge. Shows are held every Friday year round, presenting folk music in its broadest sense. Coffee, tea and baked goods are served; no alcohol or tobacco are allowed. Admission is $5. For information, call (908) 766-2489.

DAVID GROVER and the Big Bear Band will appear in a benefit concert for Summit Child Care Centers on Saturday at 10 a.m. The concert will be held at the Summit Middle School Auditorium, 272 Morris Ave., in Summit.

David Grover is well known from the PBS television show "Grover's Corner," which he created to teach children about music. With the Big Bear Band, David Grover has made several recordings including, "Ernestine and the Green-Eyed Elf" and "As Different As We Are."

Tickets are $5 in advance and $6 at the door. Children under 2 are admitted free. For information, call (908) 273-7017.

WESTFIELD SYMPHONY Orchestra will feature harpist Victoria Drake at the "All Mozart Concert" on Saturday evening at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

The concert will feature the Overture to "Bastien and Bastienna," Symphony No. 1, Flute and Harp Concerto featuring Helen Campo on flute, and Symphony No. 40.

Tickets are $24.50 for adults, $21 for seniors with I.D. and $14 for students 25 and under. For further information, call (908) 232-9400.

UNION MUNICIPAL BAND will present its annual spring concert April 7 at 7:45 p.m. in the Burnet Middle School Auditorium, Caldwell Avenue, Union.

The concert will feature selections from the Broadway shows "My Fair Lady," "A Chorus Line" and "Wildcat."

Admission to the concert is free. For information, call (908) 277-3433.

IN PRAISE OF WOMEN, a program of music by little-known women composers of the past, will return to the Rahway Public Library on Sunday at 3 p.m.

Narrated by Walter Canter, the music will be performed by Jane Canter, Vivian Lipcon, and Betsy Wrobel. It will be conducted by Victoria Griswold from the harpsichord, with vocal assistance from sopranos Margaret Southwell and Marilin Spesak. Admission is free.

The Rahway Public Library is located at the corner of Central and St. Georges avenues.

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP CONCERT will be presented by the Music Department of Kean College of New Jersey Wednesday at 8 p.m. The concert will take place in the College's Wilkins Theatre.

The event features faculty and student soloists and ensembles as well as selected student performances.

Admission is $8. Kean College is located on Morris Avenue in Union. For information, call (908) 527-2337.

CROSSROADS in Garwood presents a weekly lineup of musical rotation:

Tuesdays — Acoustic Open-Mic Night. Blues guitar stringer and vocalist Rhett Tyler opens the show, and then opens the stage to any aspiring player who enters. The show opens at 9:30 p.m. This Tuesday will also feature Open Poetry from 8 to 10 p.m.

Wednesdays — B.B. of B.B. and the Stingers hosts Open Jam with all musicians welcome.

Thursdays — Psychedelic Thursdays presents the greatest sounds of classic rock, performed by local bands. Today's show features Post Junction.

Weekend performances include blues, roots and rock music. Tomorrow will feature Irving Lewis Lattin and the Chicago Fire and Saturday's show features Larry Garner. An upscale and traditional blues brunch is presented every Sunday.

The Crossroads is located at 78 North Ave., Garwood. For information, call (908) 232-5666.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of Elizabeth is presenting a series of spring concerts featuring talented New Jersey artists on Sundays.

First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, 42 Broad St., next to the Union County Court House. Admission is $5 per concert or $12 for all three. A tea and reception with the artist will follow the concert. Call the church at (908) 353-1518 from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for more information. All proceeds will be used to help the Needy and Homeless of Elizabeth.

CLASSES

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE of New Jersey has scheduled the following classes for adults:

Beginning/Intermediate Playwriting, beginning Tuesday.

Advanced Playwrighting, beginning Wednesday.

Screenwriting, beginning April 5.

All classes run for eight weeks. The next series of classes for children grades 4-9 begins Saturday.

Playwrights Theatre is located at 33 Green Village Road in Madison. For further information, call (201) 514-1940.

FESTIVALS

ANNUAL UNION COUNTY TEEN ARTS FESTIVAL will take place on March 26 and 27 at Union County College's Cranford Campus.

The program will feature 40 workshops providing instruction by professionals in selected areas to enable young people to express their talents. Professionals also will critique attendees' work. Rounding out the day will be ongoing "art stops," mini workshops, and an open poetry reading. Forty-five schools will be represented at the Festival.

For further information, call (908) 709-7501.

MADISON YOUNG PLAYWRIGHTS FESTIVAL will be held tomorrow and Saturday at Playwrights Theatre in Madison.

Playwrights Theatre is located at 33 Green Village Road in Madison. For information, call (201) 514-1787.

FILMS

CLASSIC FILM SERIES at the Union County Arts Center features two Alfred Hitchcock thrillers, "Rear Window" and "North by Northwest" today at 7 p.m.

Tickets are $8. The UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St., Rahway. For information, call (908) 499-8226.

BLACK MARIA FILM FESTIVAL is an annual showcase of innovative and new experimental, documentary, animation and narrative works through a wide diversity of film and video by filmmakers from around the world.

The Union County tour will continue at Union County Arts Center on Saturday, and conclude at Kean College's Hutchinson Hall, J-100, on March 31.

Union County College, Cranford Campus is located at 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. The Festival is presented in part by the Union County Motion Picture and Television Advisory Board. For information, call (908) 558-2550.

ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY presents "Stairway to Heaven" on Wednesday at 10 a.m. A charming fantasy about a fellow called to his reward prematurely. After winning a reprieve, he returns to earth a wiser man. Starring David Niven.

Also on Wednesday, "Pysanka: Story of Ukrainian Easter Egg" will be shown. Filmmaker Marco Pereyma shows traditions and techniques of decorating eggs. Produced with the support of the Ohio Arts Council.

KIDS

THE UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER will present a series of plays for children. These 75-minute musicals, all performed on Sundays at 2 p.m., are produced in conjunction with the American Family Theater of Philadelphia. Aimed at children of all ages and their families, this year's season includes classic fairy tales, a special holiday show, and a new musical version of "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Remaining shows are:

- "The Wizard of Oz," Sunday.
- "Pinocchio," April 27.
- "Wiley and the Hairy Man," May 3.
- "Winnie the Pooh," May 14.

All tickets may be ordered with Visa or Mastercard by calling the box office at (908) 499-8226, or in person at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway.

LECTURES

JUST ABOUT ART, the ongoing Thursday night forum of informal talks and discussions with artists and curators at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, will feature the following programs:

Today — Enrique Flores-Galbis, NJCVA Instructor of the Month, will talk about returning to his homeland via a study grant that allowed him to capture Havana and the Cuban countryside, previously inaccessible to him, in his oil paintings which will be on view in the Art Center's Members Gallery from March 9 - April 14.

The programs are free and open to the public. Hours are 7:30 to 9 p.m. The Center is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit. For further information call (908) 273-9121.

KATHY BLOCK, artist and instructor at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts will give a free lecture at Barnes and Noble bookstore on March 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Her talk will consist of a collage demonstration and explanation of how cutouts are made in the artistic style of Matisse, along with design ideas and elements.

Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West. For information, call (201) 376-8544.

THEATRE

APPOINTMENT WITH DEATH will be presented by Stony Hill Players through Saturday at Oakes Memorial Outreach Center in Summit. The play tells the suspenseful and often hilarious story of a curious American family abroad in the exotic Middle East and their fellow travelers.

Showtimes are tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets cost $12, $6 for ages 2 and under. For reservations and information, call (908) 464-7716.

CRAZY FOR YOU will be presented by the Performing Arts Company at Union Catholic Regional High School tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m.

"Crazy For You" is the story of Bobby Child, a rich and pampered 1930's New York playboy sent by his domineering mother to foreclose the mortgage on a long-dormant theater in Deadrock, Nevada. Bobby's future takes an unexpected turn as he falls madly in love with Polly Baker, the only girl in the sleepy mining town of 157 men, and assumes the "mistaken iden-

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'The Easter Story' will be presented tomorrow and Sunday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Clinton Hill Baptist Church in Union.

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tity" of showman Bela Zangler.

Union Catholic High School is located on Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains. For ticket sales and information, call (908) 889-1600.

BYE BYE BIRDIE, the fifties rock-'n-roll musical, will be performed at Governor Livingston Regional High School tomorrow and Saturday.

Doors will open at 8 p.m. on both nights of the performance. Tickets are now on sale at $7 and may be ordered by calling Barbara Stauber at (908) 464-3100. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. However, since seating is reserved advanced ticket purchase is recommended. The high school is located at at 175 Watchung Blvd., Berkeley Heights.

HELLO DOLLY! will be presented at Summit High School tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m.

General admission is $7; $5 for students and senior citizens. Tickets may be bought in advance at the high school office or at the door the night of the performances.

For further information, call Cathy Fernandez at (908) 273-5355.

THE EASTER STORY will be presented tomorrow and Sunday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Clinton Hill Baptist Church in Union.

The presentation has been expanded from previous years, and now includes nine scenes, use of a multi-media ten-foot screen and live animals. The play will be presented outdoors.

Clinton Hill Baptist Church is located at 2815 Morris Ave., Union. For information, call (908) 687-9440.

THE WIZARD OF OZ will be presented by the Musical Theater Department at Kawameeh Middle School tomorrow and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m.

General admission is $5. The Middle School is located on David Terrace in Union. For information, call Nanci Schoenberger at (908) 851-6570.

JANE EYRE, presented by Paper Mill Playhouse, plays through March 29 as the fourth production of the 1996/97 Season at Paper Mill, Brookside Drive, Millburn. Charlotte Bronte's classic is the haunting story of a plain governess who becomes caught up in a web of mystery and passion.

Performances of "Jane Eyre" are Wednesday through Sunday at 8 p.m., with matinees on Thursdays at 2 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets range from $31 to $46 and $10. Student tickets may be available fifteen minutes prior to curtain. For tickets and information, call (201) 376-4343. Audio-described performances for the visually impaired will run today at 2 p.m., Saturday at 3 p.m. and Sunday at 8 p.m. A sign-interpreted/open captioned performance for the hearing impaired is scheduled for Sunday at 8 p.m.

REHEARSAL FOR MURDER, performed by Westfield Community Players, continues for two more weekends.

This mystery involves Broadway intrigue, a murder on opening night and a wily playwright's scheme to trap the guilty. The playwright holds an audition and invites all the suspects in the murder of Mónica, his star and girlfriend.

Shows are tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. All tickets are $12. WCP is located at 1000 North Ave. West in Westfield. For information and reservations, call (908) 232-1221.

LITTLE FOXES by Lillian Hellman has opened at the Elizabeth Playhouse.

The Hubbards of "Little Foxes" were rapacious, cruel and callous long before the Ewings of "Dallas" appeared on television. Regina Hubbard is a woman capable of sending her brothers to prison, letting her husband die, wrecking her daughter's life and destroying a whole town, for no better reason than a little social climbing. A whole clan of flow-born Caligula's are scrambling for what they view as a place in the sun.

"Little Foxes" will run every Friday and Saturday at 7:30 and Sundays at 2 p.m. for 4 more weeks. General admission is $8, $6 for students and seniors. The Elizabeth Playhouse is located at 1100 East Jersey St. For reservations, call (908) 355-0077.

FREE LUNCHTIME THEATER at the Elizabeth Playhouse will present "Bedtime Story" on Wednesday from 12:15 to 12:55 p.m.

Bring a lunch; coffee and tea are provided by the Playhouse. Doors open at noon. The Playhouse is located at 1100 East Jersey St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 355-0077.

WORKSHOPS

BOOKS WITHOUT WORDS, adult workshops sponsored by New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, will be conducted on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Led by instructors Fran Willner and Lois Shapiro, this workshop is based on communication through images.

NJCVA is located on Elm Street in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

NEW JERSEY PHOTOGRAPHY FORUM will present a workshop covering print spotting of black-and-white prints. The workshop will be held Monday at 7 p.m. at the Watchung Arts Center and is open to all photographers.

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The fee for the workshop is $18, which includes materials and a reusable take-home spotting brush. Participation is limited, so advance registration is recommended. Call (908) 753-0190 for further information.

Stony Hill Players has made an appointment worth keeping

Stony Hill Players will present the Agatha Christie rarity, "Appointment With Death," tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. and at Oakes Memorial Outreach Center, located at 120 Morris Ave., corner of Russell Place, in Summit. Tickets are $12, age 12 and under $6. For reservations and information call (908) 464-7716.

The murder mystery features: Wendy Weinberger of Maplewood, Audrey Ann Monaco of Springfield, Lisa Silverman of Edison, Phil Dolan of Watchung, Jean Dembaugh, Darlene Lloyd and Mary Ellen and Carroll Eriksen of New Providence, Donna Snyder of Newark, Tony East of Madison, Bob Gagliardi of Fanwood, Steven Somerville of Berkeley Heights, Steven and Nathalie Yafet of Hillside, Robert Peiser of Union, Christine Peterson of Scotch Plains, Joie Trautmann of Piscataway, Jeffrey Michalowski of Warren, and Susan Rosenthal of Gillette.

Directed by Florham Park resident Jay Gaffney, "Appointment With Death" is the suspenseful and often hilarious story of a curious American family abroad in the exotic Middle East and their fellow travelers.

Stony Hill Players, a local community theater in Summit, has been in existence for 50 years offering a wide variety of comedies, dramas, musicals and operas.

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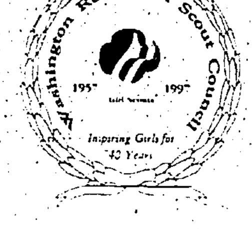
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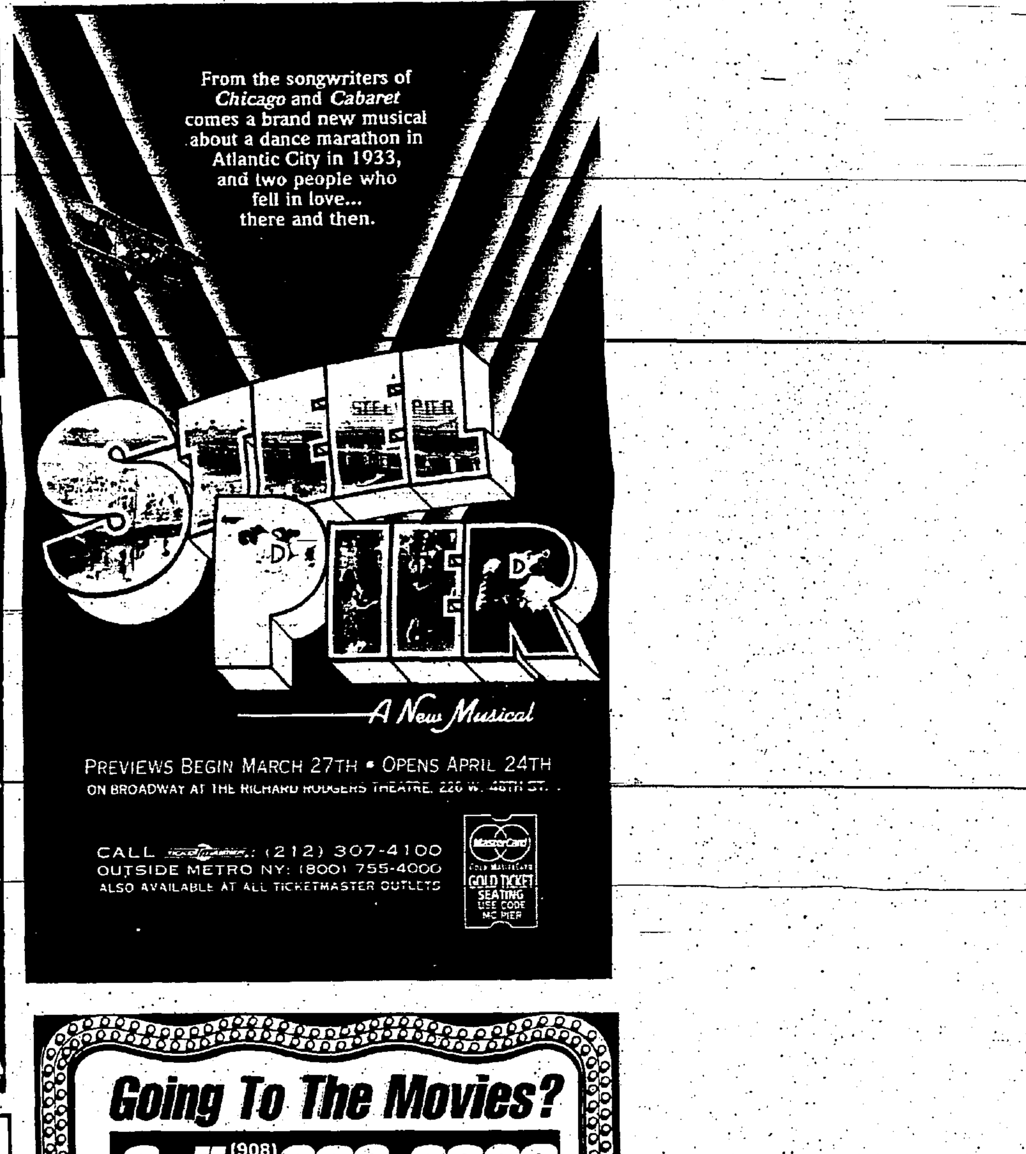




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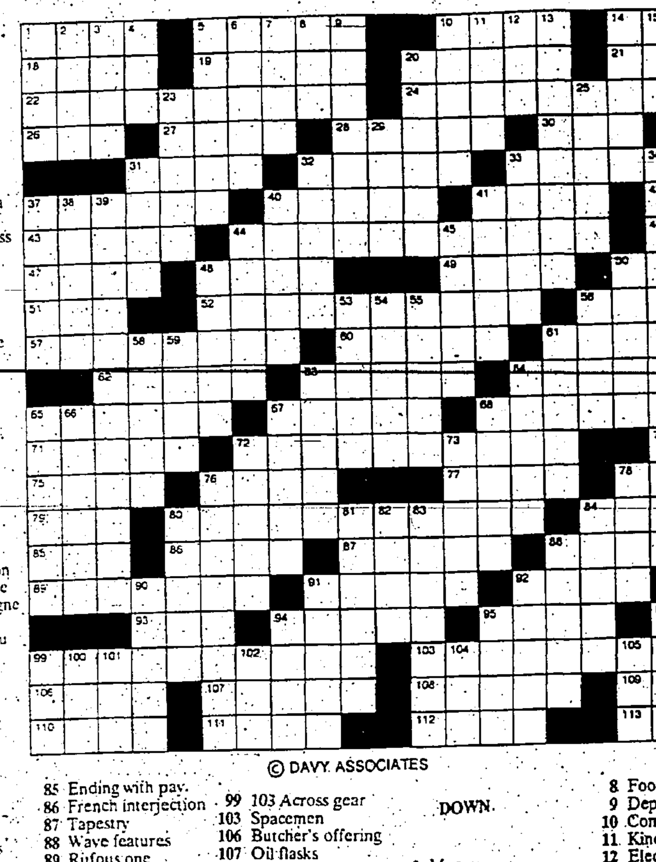


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(See Answers on Page B12)

HOROSCOPE

For the week of March 23 to 29

Aries
March 21-April 20

Enjoy a romantic getaway this week for a refreshing stress-buster. Pay close attention to nonverbal cues, or you could miss an important message. Trust your intuition. Someone who seems to be friendly could have a hidden agenda. Be on guard.

Taurus
April 21-May 21

You may not be getting all the facts you need to make an important decision. Expect the unexpected, and keep your feelings to yourself. Otherwise, you may lose the advantage. Include water in your weekend plans — whether it's a boat ride or a soak in a warm tub.

Gemini
May 22-June 21

Someone who's ordinarily easy-going may seem unusually nit-picky this week. Delve deeper, and you could discover some underlying troubles. A small, loving gesture could make a big difference. Don't let finances get in the way of achieving a long-term goal.

Cancer
June 22-July 22

An idea that seemed promising could be in need of a little revamping. Consult an expert, and then take it from there. Your creativity could be put to the test, but the results will be worth the effort. Cut excess fat from your budget, and you'll realize financial gains in the near future.

Leo
July 23-Aug. 23

Jangling nerves and high stress levels mean that you need a little peace and quiet toward the weekend. Turn off the phone and ignore the doorbell. Use your common sense rather than your emotions to make a sound decision in the middle of the week.

Virgo
Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Look to new ideas and innovations to clear up a problem that seemed impossible. Catch up on paperwork and other chores before the weekend. Be especially sensitive to another person's moods. You could mss out on a subtle clue to what the real problem is.

Libra
Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Be sure to get a second opinion before signing an agreement. Also, be sure to read the fine print. An eccentric friend has a startling idea. Showcase your creativity in a group environment. Travel plans are favored, whether it's for a weekend getaway or next year's vacation.

Scorpio
Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Small gestures clear the way for big progress later this week. Call your connections to help you get what you want. Make an investment in your future well-being. This weekend, catch up on small household chores and paperwork.

Sagittarius
Nov. 23-Dec. 21

You may be feeling constrained this week. Instead of outright rebellion, try to find ways around the rules. You may be able to negotiate some changes, too. Watch finances closely — someone could be paying extra time to your priorities this week.

Capricorn
Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Abandoning an old decision could be a positive move this week. Don't take big risks without getting all of the information first. Tighten your seat belt and hang on — big changes are in the air.

Aquarius
Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You can avoid a lot of misunderstanding this week just by listening closely. If you're feeling really energetic, try channeling your energies into some kind of learning experience. This weekend, spend time with a new friend.

Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20

The quest for perfection could cause some unpleasant fallout in the near future. When looking for answers, probe carefully to be certain you're getting the entire truth. Don't skimp on materials for a project you're embarking on.

What's Going On?

FLEA MARKET

SATURDAY MARCH 29, 1997
EVENT: Giant Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market
PLACE: Roselle Park High School, 185 Webster Avenue (off Locust Street), Roselle, NJ.
TIME: 9am-5pm
PRICE: Free admission. Over 100 Quality Vendors! Call 201-997-9535.
ORGANIZATION: Roselle Park High School Marching Band

CRAFT

SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MARCH 22, 23, 1997
EVENT: Craft Show
PLACE: Jefferson Elementary School, 110 Ashwood Avenue, Summit, NJ.
TIME: Saturday, 10am-4pm; Sunday, 12 noon-4pm.
PRICE: Free Admission. Featuring 50 crafters, children's craft activities, raffles and food available.
ORGANIZATION: Jefferson School PTO.

SATURDAY MARCH 22, 1997
EVENT: Craft Fair
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, Raritan Road, Roselle, NJ.
TIME: 9am-4pm
ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School Mothers Club, 908-245-2350.

GARAGE/YARD SALE

THURSDAY THRU SATURDAY MARCH 20, 21, 22, 1997
EVENT: Garage Sale.
PLACE: Unitarian House, 165 Summit Avenue, Summit, NJ.
TIME: Thursday, 9am-4pm; Friday, 9am-4pm; Saturday, 9am-2pm.
PRICE: Free Admission. Thousands of quality items at bargain prices. For more information call 908-273-3245.
ORGANIZATION: Unitarian Church in Summit.

OTHER

THURSDAY-SATURDAY; MONDAY-SATURDAY MARCH 13th-15th; 17th-22nd 1997
EVENT: Annual Used Book & Music Sale.
PLACE: 26 Park St., lower level, Montclair (across from YMCA).
TIME: March 14th, 20th-21st, 9:30-9pm; 15th, 22nd, 9:30-6; 17th-19th, 2-8pm. Children's book sale March 13th, 2:00-5pm., Adults must accompany child.
PRICE: $4 donation only March 14th. Bargain prices; all catagories! Books/LP's, magazines, ephemera; sheet music.
ORGANIZATION: College Women's Club of Montclair. Funding Scholarship/Fellowships. 201-783-7040.

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Willis 'stands' for latest movie role

The Video Detective

By Tracey DeAngelis

Bruce Willis has yet another unique character to add to his repertoire, with a cast of characters that includes a prizefighter in the 1994 Oscar-winning "Pulp Fiction," a contractor in "Nobody's Fool," a man who tries to save the world from disaster in "Twelve Monkeys," and of course, Detective John McClain in the "Die Hard" trilogy. Willis can add a "gun-for-hire-loner just passin' by" in "The Last Man Standing."

"Last Man Standing" is inspired by the classic 1961 Samurai epic, "Yojimbo," by Akiro Kursawa. The story was originally set in the 1860s Japan and was adapted by writer Walter Hill to the fictional Texas border town at the height of Prohibition. Producer Arthur Sarkissian obtained the remake rights in 1988.

The film is set in Jericho, Texas, a sleepy ghost town that may seem an unlikely outpost for two battling Chicago mobs. But at the height of Prohibition, this border town proves to be the perfect spot for smuggling liquor from Mexico and shipping it up to Chicago. Two big time mob families from Chicago, Station wise-guy wannabe in Jericho to make the transfers. The Doyle gang and Strozzi gang do their fair share of fighting over profits, but the real bloodbath begins when Bruce Willis' character pulls

A few minutes into the film Willis is bullied for looking at the wrong woman. He proves he is no coward by immediately retaliating and killing two gang members. This show of bravery immediately has the Strozzi gang and Doyle gang vying for Willis' talent of murder. Willis, realizing that there is easy cash to be made from these small time con men, decides to stay in Jericho and make some quick money by playing both sides.

Willis' character proves to be the spark that ignites the burning embers in Jericho. His character claims to have the fault of "being born without a conscience." However, this seemingly unsentimental film does prove to have a few sentimental moments where we see the conscience in "The Last Man Standing." These moments are mostly shared with the talented Alexandra Powers.

Bruce Dern does a great job playing the crooked sheriff, and Christopher Walken gives us another great performance as Willis' nemesis.

Also new on video: "Howard Stern: Shut Up and Listen," "Sweet Nothing," "Maximum Risk."

Trivia question: Akiro Kurosawa, producer of "Yojimbo," produced and developed what 1995 hit?

Answer: "While You Were Sleeping."



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There are 32 offerings in the arts and crafts curriculum. Popular courses in painting, drawing, sculture, pottery, jewelry, basketry and cartooning are among the many standard classes. New to the department this year are courses in decoupage, decorative arts, which involves stamp arts and arts and stenciling, and a carving course in which students will actually carve a small village.

The communications department offers 11 courses, some of which include sign language, writing, TV production and Spanish. A new course called Video Animation offers students the opportunity to create their own animated cartoons.

Fencing, which was a popular selection in the past, has returned to the dance and movement division along with aerobics and Taekwondo.

Fairy Tale Theater is a new offering for young actors.

The Westfield Summer Workshop is located just 7 minutes from Exit 135 on the Garden State Parkway and less than 10 minutes from the Mountain Avenue exit off Route 22 East.

All classes are taught by certified teachers, professional performers or skilled artisans. Before-care and after-care are available for an additional fee. A full day program is available in conjunction with the Westfield YMCA. Students are transported by bus to the "Y" accompanied by their counselors.

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
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DOCKET NO. F-380-96
NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY
TO:
FIVE S AND L CORPORATION, A NEW JERSEY CORPORATION

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Sanford E. Chernin, plaintiff's attorney, whose address is One Eastern Avenue, Somerville, New Jersey 08876, an answer to the amended complaint filed in a civil action in which EDWARD SHORT is plaintiff, and FIVE S AND L CORPORATION, A NEW JERSEY CORPORATION, is defendant, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey within 35 days after March 20, 1997, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, Trenton, New Jersey, in accordance with the rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. You are further advised that if you are unable to obtain an attorney you may communicate with the Lawyer Referral Service of the county of venue and that if you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the county of venue. The names and telephone numbers of such agencies are as follows:
Lawyer Referral Service (908) 353-4715
Legal Service (908) 354-4340

The action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the following tax sale certificate:

1. Tax Sale Certificate No. 1085 dated October 30, 1990 made by Angela Rica, Collector of Taxes of the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, and held by Edward Short, the plaintiff herein, and covers real estate located in the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, known as Block 1 Lot 703 as shown on the Tax Assessment Map and Tax Duplicate of the said Township of Berkeley Heights and assessed to Five S and L Corporation, as owner.

2. Tax Sale Certificate No. 1088 dated October 31, 1991 made by Angela Rica, Collector of Taxes of the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, and held by Edward Short, the plaintiff herein, and covers real estate located in the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, known as Block 1 Lot 703 as shown on the Tax Assessment Map and Tax Duplicate of the said Township of Berkeley Heights and assessed to Five S and L Corporation, as owner.

3. Tax Sale Certificate No. 1098 dated October 30, 1992 made by Angela Rica, Collector of Taxes of the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, and held by Edward Short, the plaintiff herein, and covers real estate located in the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, known as Block 1 Lot 703 as shown on the Tax Assessment Map and Tax Duplicate of the said Township of Berkeley Heights and assessed to Five S and L Corporation, as owner.

4. Tax Sale Certificate No. 1103 dated November 8, 1993 made by Angela Rica, Collector of Taxes of the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, and held by Edward Short, the plaintiff herein, and covers real estate located in the Township of Berkeley Heights, County of Union, and State of New Jersey, known as Block 1 Lot 703 as shown on the Tax Assessment Map and Tax Duplicate of the said Township of Berkeley Heights and assessed to Five S and L Corporation, as owner.

You and each of you are made defendants in the above entitled action because you have or may claim to have some right, title, lien or other interest affecting the real estate being foreclosed, by virtue of ownership, inheritance, descent, intestacy, devise, dower, curtesy, mortgage, deed of conveyance, entry of judgment or other legal or lawful right. The nature of which and the reason that you and each of you are joined as defendants is set forth with particularity in the amended complaint, a copy of which will be furnished to you on request addressed to the attorneys for the plaintiff at the above mentioned address.
Dated: March 20, 1997
DONALD F. PHELAN
Clerk of the Superior Court
U3743 WCN March 20, 1997 ($59.50)

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
MICHELE DUMAS

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon HUBSCHMAN & ROMAN, P.C., 318 Bergen Boulevard, Palisades Park, New Jersey 07650, Attorneys for the Plaintiff, an answer to the Complaint and Amendment to the Complaint filed in a civil action in which JHM MORTGAGE SECURITIES L.P. is plaintiff and WALI ABDULLAH, et al. are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County and bearing Docket No. F-8750-93 within thirty-five (35) days after March 20, 1997 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint and Amendment to the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage dated July 20, 1989, made by Wali Abdullah and Kareemah Abdullah, husband and wife, Mortgagors; to E.B. Mortgage Corporation, Mortgagee; recorded on August 1, 1989. The county office where the Mortgage was recorded: UNION. The said mortgage being recorded in Mortgage Book 3996 at Page 0877. Said Mortgage was assigned to Dominion Bankshares Mortgage Corporation, recorded on August 29, 1989, in Book 520, Page 486. Said Mortgage was further assigned to JHM Mortgage Securities L.P., recorded on August 6, 1991, in Book 582, Page 109. The property being foreclosed upon is commonly known as 956 Myrtle Avenue, Plainfield, New Jersey 07062. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling (908) 354-4340. If you are unable to obtain an attorney you may contact the Legal Referral Service of the County of venue by calling (908) 353-4715.

YOU, MICHELE DUMAS, are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because of a child support judgment entered in the Superior Court of New Jersey on October 14, 1993, against Wali Abdullah, in the amount of $7,739.00. Judgment No. J-128904-93, CS Number JC932442197A.
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TO
Daniel J. Morgan, Jr., Michelle D. Morgan, his wife and their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest.

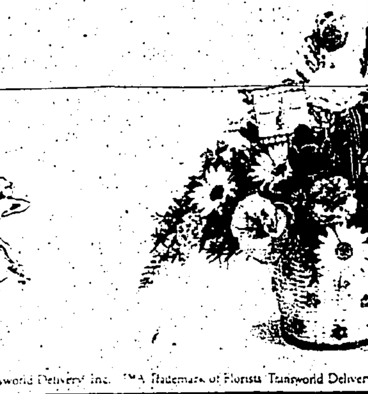
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon WILLIAM M.E. POWERS, JR., CHARTERED, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 737 Stokes Road, P.O. Box 1088, Medford, N.J. 08055, an Answer to the Complaint (and Amendment to Complaint, if any) filed in a Civil Action in which ContiMortgage Corporation is plaintiff and Daniel J. Morgan, Jr. and Michelle D. Morgan, his wife, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within thirty-five (35) days after March 20, 1997, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, CN 971, 6th Floor, North Wing, Trenton, New Jersey, 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

The action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage dated October 25, 1993, made by Eugenia C. Morgan, Daniel J. Morgan, Jr., and Michelle Morgan to Parkway Mortgage, Inc. and duly assigned to plaintiff, ContiMortgage Corporation, and concerns real estate located at 830 West 5th Street, Plainfield, NJ.

YOU, Daniel J. Morgan, Jr. and Michelle D. Morgan, his wife, their heirs, devisees and personal representatives and his/her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made defendants as the makers of the bond/note and mortgage and owners thereof and Plaintiff is unable to determine the whereabouts of the defendants, Daniel J. Morgan, Jr. and Michelle D. Morgan, his wife, and therefore, does not know whether he/she or they are living or dead, and therefore, names as defendants Daniel J. Morgan, Jr. and Michelle D. Morgan, his wife, their heirs, devisees and personal representatives and his, her, or their or any of their successors in right, title and interest.

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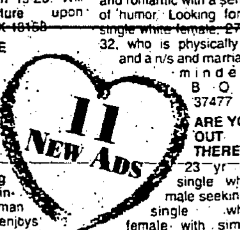


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20 year old, 5'5", heavyset woman. Looking for an outgoing, sensitive, loving, laid back man to be good friends with. BOX 38949

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Divorced Jewish female, 37, vivacious and adorable. Looking for a divorced Jewish or Italian male, 37 to 42, who is full of life for friendship and a possible relationship. Enjoy movies, comedy clubs, New York City, romance and more. BOX 12670

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Independent black woman seeking an intelligent black male, 40 to 55, who is honest and sincere, who likes long walks, dining in and out. No head games please. Drug, alcohol, and smoke free. BOX 13211

PRETTY AND PETITE
38 yr old, 5'3", 120 lb single black Christian female. Looking for a tall, handsome, successful, Christian male, 35 to 45. Enjoy the outdoors; exercise, jazz, comedy, and much more. BOX 38434

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LET'S CHAT
Looking for an interesting woman who is mature and not afraid to express their views and feelings. If you're interested in talking, please leave me a message. BOX 10423

DOWN TO EARTH
Divorced white male, in my mid 40's, 5'6", and kinda low key. Enjoy movies, comedies, music, and much more. Looking for a single or divorced white female for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 11295

FOR A NEW BEGINNING
Divorced white male, 40, brown hair and blue eyes, 6'3", 193 lbs. Like movies, sports, dining out and quiet times. Seeking pretty, slim, fit, single or divorced white female 30 to 40, with similar interests. BOX 11827

RECENTLY TRANSFERRED
Latin male, 25, 6', dark hair and brown eyes. Varied interests. Seeking a n/s, physically fit, sensitive, educated, non-religious woman 19-28. Will send picture upon request. BOX 18158

ENJOYABLE TIMES
160 lb, single white Italian male with dark brown hair and eyes, 160 lbs. Seeking honest, sincere woman who enjoys rollerblading and ice skating or simply having fun. BOX 14906

PROFESSIONAL MALE
Single professional male, enjoys movies and the theatre. Seeking a special love for intimate conversations. Race and age unimportant. No full figures. Especially interested in someone from the Caribbean or Puerto Rico. BOX 15568

TOUCH OF CLASS?
Divorced white male, 37, 5'7", 160 lbs. I am romantic, Italian, good looking. Father of one daughter. Enjoy comedy clubs, dining out, movies, sporting events, etc. Seeking a single or divorced white female 28 to 35, who is petite and attractive. BOX 37821

ALL THE RIGHT THINGS
Attractive, humorous single white male, 46, 5'7" who enjoys the outdoors, travel and more. Seeking fit, attractive single white female, to share similar interests. Seeking companionship and more. BOX 38085

COMMITMENT MINDED
Attractive 35 yr old single white male, 5'9" and 175 lbs. Enjoy running, racquetball, socializing, quiet evenings and more. Looking for an attractive, fit woman who is mature minded and secure in herself, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 38025

ATTRACTIVE MALE
Physically fit, single, white, Italian male, 36, 5'9" and 190 lbs. I'm attractive, sincere, honest and romantic with a sense of humor. Looking for a single white female, 27 to 32, who is physically fit and a n/s and marriage minded. BOX 37477

ARE YOU OUT THERE?
23 yr old single white male seeking a single white female with similar interests. Enjoy dining out, walking on the beach, movies, music, and more. BOX 37603

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...in each other. Sexy, Brazilian Italian male, 27, 5'11" and 145 lbs. Looking for a stable, secure, slim and attractive white male, 18 to 45, for friendship and more. BOX 10968

SEEK A FRIEND
Union County, bi white male, 41, 5'9" and 190 lbs. with a well proportioned build. Looking for a bi or gay male, age and race unimportant, for friendship. BOX 11498

TIRED OF IT ALL?
48 yr old, Gay white male, 5'9", moderate drinker, non smoker. I am good looking, masculine and trim. Seeking a professional Bi or Gay white male 40 to 60. BOX 15039

STRAIGHT ACTING MALE
22 yr old gay white male, 5'7" and 165 lbs. Enjoy football, comics, and alternative music. Looking for an overweight white male, 18 to 30, for friendship and a possible relationship. BOX 12579

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Bi female seeking another attractive bi female for fun and togetherness. If this is you, please give me a call. BOX 37078

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Single, full figured, gay black female. Looking for a similar female for friendship and possibly more. BOX 14506

CURIOUS FEMALE
Attractive, bi curious 31 yr old female. Looking for a very attractive, feminine, petite female for friendship and possibly more. BOX 11103

LET'S HAVE FUN!
Gay white female, 135 lbs., enjoy movies, dancing and having a good time. Looking for another gay white female, 30-35. No drinkers, no smokers, no drugs. BOX 13498

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Looking for a chess coach from Union or Essex County. I'm a retired African American widow from Union Count. Age and race are unimportant to me. If you're interested, please call. BOX 13691

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Very attractive, petite shapely, 45 yr old youthful female, 5'4", 118 lbs. I'm honest, moral, upbeat, energetic, passionate, playful, and spontaneous. Enjoy Atlantic City, fitness, hiking, football and more. You are attractive, fit and match what I value. BOX 11943

SINCERE & LOYAL
Divorced, white, Jewish female, 37, 5'3 1/2" and 125 lbs. Enjoy movies, comedy clubs, NYC, romantic dinners and more. Looking for an Italian or Jewish male 5'8" or taller with a medium build who is huggable, fun loving and adorable for a possible long term relationship. BOX 37642

VALENTINE'S DATE
22 yr old professional female seeking a pleasant gentleman to take me out on Valentine's Day. BOX 37649

WAITING FOR YOU
48 yr old, 5'4" widowed mom of two from Essex County. Enjoy the outdoors, animals, cooking, movies, and much more. Looking for a gentleman with similar interests, who has a good sense of humor, for friendship. BOX 10517

WELL BALANCED FEMALE
47 yr old single black female, 5'8" and 140 lbs. Looking for an honest and sincere male with a very pleasant personality who is serious about a relationship. BOX 12323

GIVE ME A CALL!
Attractive, divorced white female, 45, 5'8", 135 lb. Looking for a financially stable attractive single or divorced white male 37-45, who is honest, caring, affectionate for a long term relationship. BOX 14960

SINGLE WOMAN
Searching for a single male 60 plus, who is loving, honest and sincere. If you really respect honesty and a relationship call! BOX 36814

PLEASANTLY PLUMP
20 yr old single female. Looking for a laid back, sweet, sincere male who likes going out and having fun. BOX 14638

LET ME SPOIL YOU
Light skinned, black male, 21, 5'9", employed and a student. Looking for a down to earth, single female, 18 to 21, who wants to be spoiled. BOX 12522

STEP RIGHT UP LADIES
Single Jewish male, 34, 5'10" with black hair and blue eyes. Enjoy dinner, dancing, movies and more. Looking for a single white female, 24 to 37, with similar interests. Non smokers please. BOX 15341

ATTENTION LADIES!!!
I'm a tall, well built, self assured, sensual and spontaneous male who enjoys good times and quiet times. If you like that, let's share them together. BOX 36537

A TRUE GENTLEMAN
44 yr old black, professional male, 5'10" and 240 lbs. Enjoys the shore, movies, church, walking and more. Looking for a nice, full figured white female, 25 to 50, who is honest with a good heart. BOX 36769

DEBONAIR GENTLEMAN
Tall, dark and handsome, single white professional male, 39. Looking for a witty professional female 27 to 37, who is outgoing, fun loving and family oriented. Enjoy movies, dining in or out, A/C and more. BOX 37836

HONEST & SINCERE GUY
Professional, divorced teacher, 6'3", 270 lbs. Looking for a sincere, professional female for friendship. BOX 37975

LET'S DANCE
40 yr old professional black male from Essex County. Looking for a light skinned black female 25 to 50, who enjoys walks in the park, the beach, movies and more. BOX 38032

AN ORIGINAL MAN....
Down to earth, very well educated, extremely romantic man. Love jazz, world literature, fine arts, do not play games. Seek 35-45, female, she must be a real woman, honest and playful with many interests for a long term relationship. BOX 39087

ARE YOU ROMANTIC?
39 yr old single white professional male seeking a single white female, 27-37, who os romantic. Enjoys open minded. Enjoys motorcycles, pool and more. BOX 38077

ANY RACE IS OK
39 yr old white male, 5'9", 185 lbs and a husky build. N/S and social drinker who is very outgoing person who is interested in females of any race. Enjoys sports, dining, outdoors and more. BOX 37583

COMPANIONSHIP WANTED
White male, 40, brown hair, green eyes, 5'9", 190 lbs, n/s, social drinker, drug-free. Seeking a woman 30 to 45, who is open and honest. Race unimportant. BOX 10450

FEDERAL LAW ENFORCER
25 yr old college graduate male 6' and fit. Seeking a n/s, non religious, fit, intelligent female, 19-26, with varied interests. BOX 38593

SINCERE ITALIAN
Attractive, professional, single Italian male with good morals. Seeking someone who can be my friend and hopefully can amount to more. BOX 39756

AFFECTIONATE!!
31 yr old, 6', 195 lb mature male with a good sense of humor. Enjoys bowling, movies, dining and more. Seeking n/s and non petite hispanic female who enjoys affection. BOX 39529

SEEKING RELATIONSHIP
25, 6'4" male seeking a single white female to have fun and to start a relationship. BOX 39672

ARE YOU THE ONE?
58 yr old African American male is seeking African American or Hispanic female 45-58 for possible long term relationship and marriage. If you like sports, Atlantic City, dining out, are a light drinker and smoker give me a call. Union County Essex County area. BOX 13804

WANNA GO OUT?
20 yr old, 6', 200 lb single male with brown hair and blue eyes. Looking for a single or divorced female 21 to 25, for dating and a possible relationship. BOX 37790

MARRIAGE MINDED MALE
Professional, 38 yr old male seeking a professional white female, 27 to 37, who is romantic, fun loving and easy going. Enjoy traveling, country music, pool, and more. BOX 37989

GIVE ME A CALL!!
Single white male, 6', brown hair and eyes. Seeking discreet relationship with older male for romantic get togethers. Cross dressers a plus. BOX 10877

CAN YOU PASS...
...the test? 46 yr old, professional gay white male 5'8", 160 lbs. I am healthy, good looking, sincere, honest, outgoing and passionate. If you are a bi or gay professional white male with qualities similar to mine... call! BOX 11228

STILL LOOKING
45 year old gay white professional male, healthy, attractive and drug free, 5'10" and 165 pounds. Discreet, outgoing and sincere. Seeking a gay white male, age 45-60, who is honest, sincere and seeking a friendship. BOX 13142

WHAT A GUY!!
5'10", 210 lb white male, 42, enjoys dining, movies, great conversations and working out. Seeking black male 40 to 50. BOX 13541

SINCERE AND CARING
43 year old, single gay white professional male, 5'9", 160 pounds, brown hair, blue eyes, healthy, good looking and trim. Seeking a sincere caring friendship leading to a possible long term relationship. Want someone age 40 to 55. BOX 15469

UNION COUNTY MAN
43 yr old bi white professional, 5'10" and weigh 165 pounds. I am healthy, a non smoker and moderate drinker. Looking for a discreet friendship with a bi or gay white male, age 40 to 55. Want someone who is sincere, honest and not confused. BOX 15793

SINCERE GUYS ONLY
Healthy 42 yr old male, 5'8" and 165 lbs with a medium build. Looking for another healthy, trim male 30 to 50, who is willing to give and receive massages. BOX 37369

WRESTLE ME?
5'8", 185 lb, 46 yr old male who enjoys to wrestle. Seeking someone who wants to wrestle in the ring. BOX 39599

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40 yr old, 5'11" and 152 lb gay white male seeking a gay black male, 28 to 45, for friendship and maybe more. Enjoy hanging out, movies, dining out, and more. BOX 38540

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MY SIGNIFICANT OTHER
Single Jewish professional female, 38, 5'4" and 108 lbs. Looking for a trim, single white Jewish male 40 to 55, for a long term relationship. Non smokers please. BOX 13487

A SIGNIFICANT OTHER
Professional 38 yr old single Jewish female, 5'4" and 108 lbs. I'm intelligent, slim, childless, emotionally and financially independent. Looking for a trim, n/s single Jewish male 40 to 55 for a long term relationship (Essex County). BOX 13233

LET'S MEET SOON
34 year old 5'10" single white Jewish male. Enjoy dining out, dancing, swimming, quiet romantic times and more. Looking for a single white female, 24 to 37, with similar interests. New Jersey area only. No smokers please. BOX 15343

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HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

Hospital pledge takes the cake

A celebration marking the fulfillment of a $218,500 pledge by the Elizabeth General Medical Center Auxiliary to the Medical Center's Renal Satellite was held recently in the Linden—based facility. Patients, staff and members of the Auxiliary joined for refreshments which includes a large cake decorated to resemble a check in the amount of the pledge total.

Fulfilling the pledge has been the focus of the 175-member Auxiliary since it was first announced by Auxiliary Chairperson Helen Reilly of Elizabeth in May, 1994. The group's fundraising vehicles includes revenue from the gift shops located at the Medical Center's West and East divisions, and special events such as lobby sales, theater trips and the Auxiliary's annual luncheon show.

According to Reilly, "Helping the community by supporting the activities of Elizabeth General Medical Center is the focus of the Auxiliary. By supporting the Renal Satellite we're helping to make it more comfortable and convenient for those who might otherwise have to travel a long way for dialysis treatment."

Built in 1994, the EGMC Renal Satellite is located in the Linden Towers Condominium complex on North Wood Avenue, Linden. It is licensed for 15 stations that provide hemodialysis, or blood cleasing, treatments for approximately 60 patients with end stage kidney disease. The Medical Center also operates and outpatient dialysis center on Livingston Street in Elizabeth and an inpatient dialysis facility. Elizabeth General Medical Center is the designated end stage renal diasese center for Eastern Union County.

The check is in the mail



From left, director Margaret Meola and executive committee members Jean Gano and Jane Porter, both Summit residents, discuss the results of a town-wide mailing that asked for donations and community support for Pathways. The organization, sponsored by Overlook Hospital, the Resource Center for Women and the Summit YWCA, is a non profit program that provides community-based resources to women whose lives have been affected by breast cancer. For more information, call (908) 277-3663.

Learn how to Keep outpatient costs low

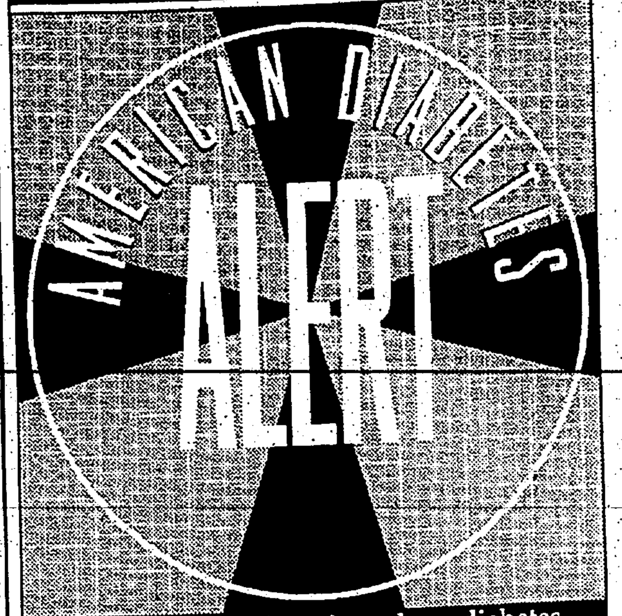
A new book helps consumers get free and low cost outpatient care. The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, DC has just published a 64-page book, "Free and Low Cost Outpatient Care". The book describes how and where to get free and low cost outpatient medical care under the Hill-Burton program.

The Hill-Burton program has been in effect for over 50 years, providing more than 35 billion dollars in free and low cost care to qualified participants. The program was established in 1946 to assist in the construction and modernization of outpatient and medical care facilities. Nearly 6 billion dollars in grants and loans were given to 7,000 facilities in over 4,000 communities. In exchange, the facilities agreed to provide a reasonable amount of services to persons residing in the local community who are unable to pay.

The book contains nearly 500 participating Hill-Burton Outpatient facilities arranged in state order. A step-by-step outline guides consumers through the process of finding a participating facility and applying to determine their eligibility for free on low cost care. Consumers can apply before or other receiving care from a participating facility.

Consumers can receive a copy by sending $3 to cover the cost of postage and handling to: Free & Low Cost Outpatient Care, Book #: OP-520; 611 Pennsylvania Ave., SE Suite 1010, Washington DC 20003-4303.

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Center names new director

Lorraine Marino was recently named director of Volunteer Resources for Saint Barnabas Medical Center. For the past 22 years, Marino has held various positions in the Department of Human Resources at Saint Barnabas, including assistant director. Marino says she has made a smooth transition to the new role, thanks to the efforts of her co-workers and volunteers, and she finds her position "invigorating."

"I've found that my background in Human Resources has been invaluable training for interviewing prospective volunteers and placing them in various areas of service," she relates.

The over 700 volunteers of all ages enhance patient care at Saint Barnabas, says Marino. In addition to assisting the staff at Saint Barnabas, volunteers do some of the "hand holding and listening" that makes a difference to patients. Programs by volunteers include Seniors Helping Seniors, which pairs older patients and volunteers and Activities a la Carte, a daily "menu" of activities for patients including games, crafts, bingo and movie classics.

Marino describes one incident as typical of the difference volunteers make in patients' lives. One young women sent the department a letter describing how much her mother had enjoyed playing bingo during her hospital stay, and how the event gave her mother something to look forward to during the long days in bed. The woman included a pin with the letter with the letter which has the words "I Love Bingo" in glittery letters. When the same woman visited the volunteer department at a later time, the first person she saw was the volunteer who calls the bingo numbers, and he was wearing her pin.

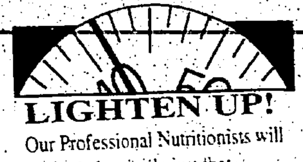
"These are very dedicated volunteers and they take ownership of their jobs," says Marino. "Most of them say they volunteer because they want to give something back to the community."

In the next few months, Marino plans to make enhancements to existing programs and further the department's role in the area of customer service and patient satisfaction. She will also meet and share ideas with directors of volunteer resource department's at the eight other hospitals comprising the Saint Barnabas Health Care System.

"I feel very fortunate to be here," she added.

For more information about the Volunteer Resources Department at Saint Barnabas, call (201) 533-5592.

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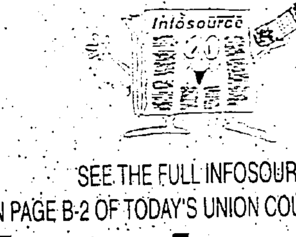
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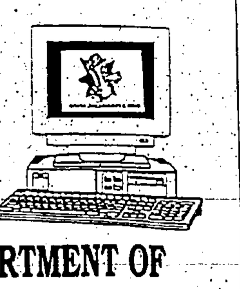


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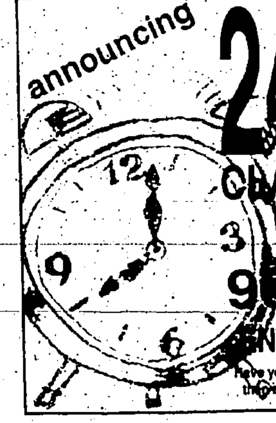
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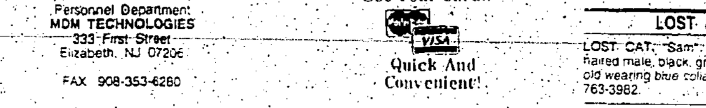
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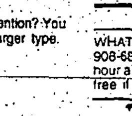
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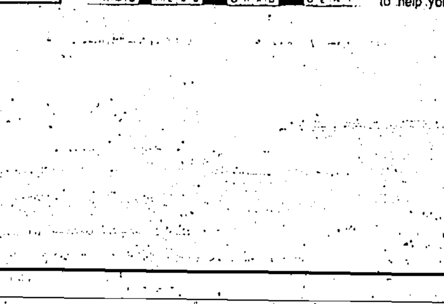
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Clark

Carolyn Craemer sold property at **69 Colonial Drive** to Peter Cantillo for $160,000 on Dec. 16.

Thomas J. and Elaine M. Mariano sold propery at **70 Cook St.** to Vincent K. DiGeronimo for $225,000 on Jan. 9.

Elizabeth

Alaska Seaboard Partners LMT sold property at **1089 William St.** to Urban Resource Corp. for $49,000 on Dec. 13.

Gabriel and Graciela Fernandez sold property at **245 Edgar Place** to John A. Padilla for $110,000 on Dec. 13.

Charles R. and Ann Irek sold property at **601 Adams Ave.** to Maria Gachinerro for $61,000 on Dec. 17.

Eileen Cutro sold property at **522 Pennington St.** to Johnny Regalado for $173,000 on Dec. 17.

New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Association sold property at **817 Summer St.** to Hector Rivera for $73,000 on Dec. 18.

Heygo Inc. sold property at **220 Delaware St.** to Esmelin Alvarez for $135,000 on Dec. 27.

Walter Marczak sold property at **327 Franklin St.** to Paolo Goulart for $65,000 on Dec. 27.

Manuel A. and Maria A. Caniera sold property at **137 Ripley Place** to Leonardo F. Santos for $100,000 on Jan. 3.

Jean Ahern etal sold property at **652-54 4th Ave.** to Jean P. Ahern for $20,000 on Jan. 3.

Barbara Birch sold property at **209-11 Murrary St.** to Gilbert Marin for $128,000 on Jan. 6.

Rafael Torres sold property at **553 Livingston St.** to Cesar Vasquez for $120,000 on Jan. 9.

Hillside

Carol Araneo sold property at **133 Boston Ave.** to Ronald Williamson for $95,000 on Dec. 12.

Aurelio and Maria Rodrigues sold property at **397 Harvard Ave.** to Abel Torres for $152,500 on Dec. 13.

Laura L. Dierolf sold property at **129 Hollywood Ave.** to Doris Asmat for $60,000 on Dec. 13.

Leonardo and Expedita Uy sold property at **580 Sweetland Ave.** to Romualdo Bustrillos for $90,000 on Dec. 17.

Michael N. Bonner sold property at **582 Riverside Drive** to Sharon Wills for $150,000 on Dec. 20.

Jane Brunner sold property at **337 Hollywood Ave.** to Manuel C. Conceicao for $82,000 on Dec. 28.

Kenilworth

Federal Housing Commissioner sold property at **223 N. 11th St.** to Juan C. Galeano for $186,201 on Dec 23.

Linden

Stephen J. and Candy S. Benish sold property at **409 W. Elm St.** to Shain A.C. Koorn for $139,900 on Dec. 20.

Patrick C. and Zyta Mazza sold property at **412 Lafayette St.** to Joseph Mazza for $125,000 on Dec. 20.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. sold property at **1029 E. Blancke St.** to Sharon Davis for $105,000 on Dec. 23.

Sunil M. and Neeta Pandya sold property at **406 W. Henry St.** to Giuseppe Primavera for $125,000 on Dec. 23.

John C. and Anne Furman sold property at **329 N. Stiles St.** to Donnie Days for $130,000 on Dec. 24.

Gertrude Schuman sold property at **34 Melrose Terrace** to Victor Gonzalez for $127,000 on Dec. 27.

Helen Bukowczyk sold property at **200 Bower St.** to Rose M. Belin for $85,000 on Dec. 31.

John E. Harms sold property at **1020 DeWitt Terrace** to Ivan Gonzalez for $130,000 on Jan. 8.

Salvatore Scalish etux etal sold property at **425 Washington Ave.** to Ingrid L. Adams for $146,500 on Jan. 15.

Rahway

Madeline A. Peterson sold property at **1958 Elizabeth Ave.** to Duane A. Butler for $77,500 on Dec. 26.

Miguiel and Teresita Oliva sold property at **1179 Charlotte Place** to Gina Rado for $99,900 on Dec. 27.

Vernell Milton sold property at **302 E. Lake Ave.** to Sabeniah George for $60,000 on Dec. 30.

Kathryn D. Bower sold property at **1192 Revoir Drive** to Daniel Branigan for $130,000 on Jan. 2.

Roselle

Dorothy B. Lorch sold property at **463 Chester Place** to Theresa Ponton for $89,900 on Dec. 20.

Olga Sokich sold property at **442 W. 4th Ave.** to William D. Smith for $135,000 on Dec. 20.

Leon and Sandra M. Hoxey sold property at **908 Chestnut St.** to Camptown Partners Inc. for $51,000 on Dec. 26.

James G. Coble Jr. etal sold property at **1041 Harrison Ave.** to Lorraine Fennell for $111,500 on Dec. 27.

Raymond H. and Barbara Hurling sold property at **220 W. 3rd Ave.** to **Mannfred Silencieux for $93,000 on Jan. 3.**

Roselle Park

Anna M. Daley sold property at **110 Sherman Ave.** to Michael DaSilva for $80,000 on Dec. 16.

Jeffrey C. and Mary K. Schumacher sold property at **112 Galloping Hill Road** to Pedro Cabrales for $112,000 on Dec. 20.

Dorothea C. Scanlon sold property at **507 Chester Ave.** to Saul Diaz for $122,500 on Dec. 23.

Summit

Atsushi and Christine Shiiba sold property at **18 Ruthven Place** to Robert Barnett for $240,000 on Dec. 16.

Robert and Susan McDaniel sold property at **260 Ashland Road** to Thomas F. Juhase for $348,000 on Dec. 18.

Kevin R. and Rebecca D. Morano sold property at **186 Ashland Road** to Scott T. Lowry for $249,000 on Dec. 19.

Allan R. Sampson sold property at **21 Lewis Ave.** to John A. Tedesco for $127,500 on Dec. 20.

John M. and Susan T. Papadopulos sold property at **4 Edgewood Drive** to Francis M. Zachara for $745,000 on Dec. 27.

Kathleen A. Zerweck sold property at **135 Woodland Ave.** to Joseph R. Liro for $671,000 on Jan. 2.

Union

David W. and Elaine Taluba sold property at **137 Jean Terrace** to Christopher Digesu for $187,500 on Dec. 9.

Frederick Falek sold property at **1507 Gregory Ave.** to Murad Muhammad for $206,000 on Dec. 10.

William B. and Catherine Hess sold property at **2160 Tyler St.** to Tommaso Bevilacqua for $152,000 on Dec. 10.

Ronald C. Goldfarb etux sold property at **857 Colonial Ave.** to Gregory J. Staines for $160,000 on Dec. 11.

Mary Barone sold property at **1105 Alfieri Court** to Joaquim M. Parreira for $255,000 on Dec. 11.

Marisa Bevilacqua sold property at **2763 Morris Ave.** to Dinos Vasilopoulos for $236,300 on Dec. 11.

Donald L. and Mary A. Reinhardt sold property at **1386 Isabella Ave.** to Sheila Budd for $120,000 on Dec. 12.

Martin J. Livingston etux etal sold property at **736 Andover Road** to Maria F.S. Juarez for $156,000 on Dec. 13.

Richard Tavares sold property at **148 Burkley Place** to Arthur McFadden for $158,000 on Dec. 13.

Bernard Glass sold property at **790 Colonial Arms Road** to John Goncalves for $156,500 on Dec. 17.

Mary Russo sold property at **2485 Woodside Road** to Jonathan U. Caguluda for $170,000 on Dec. 17.

John M. Seltsam sold property at **89 Concord Ave.** to Davilus Dorcent for $105,000 on Dec. 17.

Thomas and Nancy Majewski sold property at **1938 Oakwood Parkway** to Jose A. Cesar for $154,000 on Dec. 19.

James Vendemia sold property at **1588 N. Hillcrest Terrace** to Tony Bertrand for $120,000 on Dec. 19.

Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. sold property at **958 Rosemont Ave.** to Jose A. Ramos for $120,000 on Dec. 20.

Carl L. and Kimberly A. DeFronzo sold property at **264 Colonial Ave.** to Prisco DeFronzo for $250,000 on Dec. 23.

Patricia M. Thimou sold property at **1053 Trent Place** to Zdzislaw K. Pogorzelski for $100,000 on Dec. 30.

Raymond J. and Judith Fluor Jr. sold property at **1035 Pine Ave.** to Jose S. Cacoilo for $205,000 on Dec. 30.

Eleanor T. Casale sold property at **2297 Fern Terrace** to Mary Spence for $142,000 on Dec. 30.

Emanuel M. Lathourakis etal sold property at **940 Potter Ave.** to Ronald Gold for $163,500 on Dec. 31.

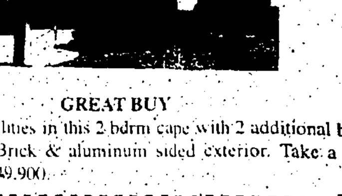
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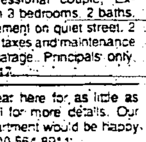
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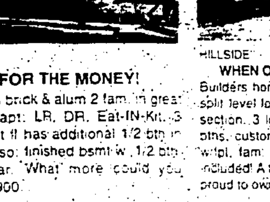
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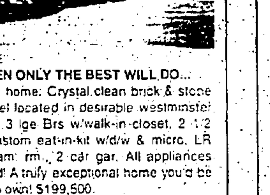
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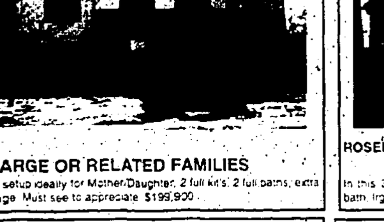
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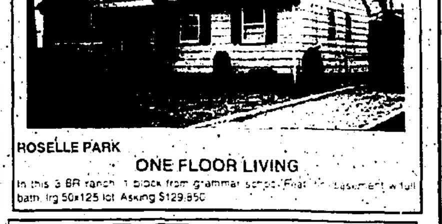
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Chrysler-Plymouth

The Plymouth products continue to impress. Plymouth is viewed as the entry-level brand of Chrysler Corp. and its Neon and Breeze appeal to young families and singles.

Offered as a two-door coupe and four-door sedan, the Neon is avalable with four-wheel disc anti-lock brakes replacing the disc/drum combination. The standard 2.0-liter, four-cyclinder powerplant delivers 132 horsepower. The Neon Expresso is offered with an even racier 150 horsepower, double overhead cam version of the same engine.

The Breeze enters 1997 as a well-equipped compact sedan. Air conditioning, dual front air bags are only part of the package and in fact Breeze has only a few options such as automatic transmission and an integrated child safety seat.

Ford

Ford's new Escort is completely new this year. Two models are available, the standard Escort and the LX. There also is a Sport appearance package available for the LX. A five-door LX wagon is available.

Besides new sheetmetal, the Escort gets a new engine. The 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine delivers 110 horsepower. It's mated to a five-speed manual transmission however, there's a four-speed automatic available.

The Aspire, available in three-or-five-door hatchback models, has fresher front end styling and a firmer suspension. Aspire's standard 1.3-liter, foru-cylinder powerplant delivers 34 mpg city/42 mpg highway when equipped with a five-speed manual gearbox.

Honda

Honda's Civic line has a number of refinements this year including the addition of air conditioning as standard equipment on all LX models, new 14-inch wheels for all models and wheel covers for the Civic DX.

The Civic is available in sedan, coupe and hatchback models with a variety of four-cylinder, 16-valve engine options ranging from 106-horsepower to 127-horsepower.

Mazda

Mazda's compact Protege has a fresh new face and revised interior for 1997. Now it's easier for the driver to see and reach frequently used controls for the audio and ventilation system.

All Protege models have a new front bumper, fenders, grille and headlights.

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From the felons files
County prosecutors list the 10 felons most wanted by local and state authorities. See Page B1.


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Tax program

The AARP, with the cooperation of the Division of Parks and Recreation, will conduct a free income tax-aid program for Rahway seniors on a limited income. The tax assistance program will be on an appointment-only basis and will be held in the Rahway Senior Center on Esterbrooke Avenue on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The program will last through April 15. For an appointment, call the Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation at 827-2045.

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A free blood pressure screening will be offered for residents of Rahway at the Rahway Public Library every month. For further information, contact the Department of Health, Welfare and Recreation at 827-2085.

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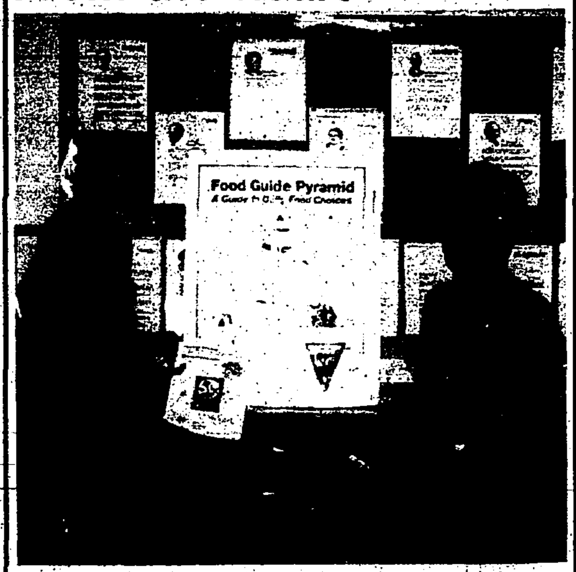
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From the heart



Carol Schindler, a registered dietician from Rahway Hospital, assists Mary Ellen Kennedy, school nurse at Grover Cleveland School, in teaching the American Heart Association Heartiest program to students in each grade.

Man charged with murder, arson after blaze kills two

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

A Westfield Avenue resident has been charged with arson and murder for allegedly setting fire to his home and killing two teenagers.

Brian Land, 25, has been charged with two counts of murder and one count of aggravated arson in the early Saturday fire, which damaged his home at 1004 Westfield Ave. He is being held on $600,000 bail at the Union County Jail in Elizabeth.

Killed as a result of the fire were Nashika Mitchell, 18, and Tamara Mitchell, 14; both died at Rahway Hospital, according to hospital spokeperson Nancy Jackson. Also injured in the fire were the victims' uncle, David Mitchel, 48, who remained in critical condition at Rahway Hospital at press time.

The victims' aunt, Francis Mitchell, 46, and the suspect's mother, Sandra Land, both were listed in satisfactory condition at press time.

Brian Land was living in the house and working at a local fast food restaurant after living in North Carolina.

"At this point, it appears he was upset at a family member and started this tragic inferno in anger," said Acting Prosecutor Edward Neafsey. "We are alleging that, in the process, he snuffed out the lives of his two innocent cousins by committing a violent arson murder."

The Rahway Police and Fire departments were summonned to the house, owned by Sandra Land, at 2:47 a.m. on Saturday. The fire was reportedly started in the kitchen and did not spread much beyond that room.

But, according to Rahway Battalion Chief Irwin Kriesberg, the fire generated heavy smoke that filled the house.

"It was the smoke that overcame the individuals that passed away — most likely, because I haven't seen the autopsies," he said.

Kriesberg said that smoke "went right upstairs," probably using a staircase in the house. He said that the victims' room was right at the top of the stairway; both girls were found huddled together in a closet, unconscious.

David Mitchell reportedly was awakened by or heard a noise from the fire; he opened the door to his room and "got a blast of heat and smoke."

The two women, Sandra Land and Francis Mitchell, reportedly jumped from windows to escape the fire. They received the least serious injuries; Mitchell was admitted in critical condition but has since been upgraded to satisfactory, said Jackson.

The fire also awakened many of the neighbors, one of whom plunged into the fire to help.

Tim Wilson, a neighbor who lives several houses down on Westfield Avenue, said that he was awakened by the screams coming from the house.

"We sleep with our windows open all year for some reson," he said. "We heard someone screaming. I thought someone was getting beat up so I put on my clothes."

When he got to the house, he said that he saw one woman lying on the ground, whom he pulled away from the burning house. Reportedly, one of the two women came back with a garden hose and tried spraying water on the fire.

He said that he then tried to enter the house four times but was driven back by the heat.

Officers then arrived and he accompanied one into the kitchen with flashlights. When they opened the door to try and get inside, black smoke poured out, he said.

"I was screaming like a maniac," said Wilson. "I just kept screaming for the girls."

Wilson said that the hair on his head caught fire during his search inside the house; he was wearing a baseball cap.

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Residents dispute need for new waste incinerator

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The Earth Care medical treatment plant has long been a controversial subject in the area.

The proposed plant was approved by the Linden Zoning Board to take in up to 72,000 pounds of medical waste, including bedding, IV bags and "sharps" like needles and syringes, which it will turn into disinfected waste suitable for burning in an incinerator or burying in a landfill.

But what many residents, including residents of the Union County Concerned Citizens are talkig about, is how the waste will get to the plant and whether the plant is even necessary, given that many hospitals dispose of their own medical waste.

The plant is designed to take in medical waste by rail and by surface roads. The UCCC have raised the spectre of one of these vehicles transporting waste to the plant crashing in a residential neighborhood and spewing infectious waste where children can get at it.

Richard De Caprio, the president of Earth Care Systems, has said that routes leading to the plant are not set up by his company. According to him, the plant is a "destroy and destruct facility" and has nothing to do with how the waste gets to the plant.

According to Jane Rubinstein, director of Environmental Affairs for Biosystems, there are few restrictions as to where a vehicle transporting medical waste can go. Biosystems is a medical waste hauler for Overlook Hospital in Summit.

According to Rubinstein, who is also chairwoman of the Medical Waste Institution of the National Solid Waste Management Association, the only thing restricting where a vehicle with medical waste can go is the weight restrictions of a road and the vehicle itself. Otherwise, it is free to go where it wants.

There is also no restriction on the total tonnage that a hauler can carry in a set time. The only limitation is the capacities of the treatment plants or disposal sites that the hauler brings the waste to and of the generators, like medical laboratories and hospitals, that it picks up the waste from.

But, said Rubinstein, the regulations that medical waste haulers have to follow in New Jersey are "very detailed an onerous."

Just to get a license to transport medical waste, she said, requires a fingerprinting, a photo identification, and "very detailed levels of exposure" on details of the prospective hauler and of parent companies, if any. The license must also be renewed every year with disclosures of financial and company relations, litigation and violations at the state level and in other jurisdictions.

She added that, beginning in 1997, medical waste haulers will be subject to regulations from the federal

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Foundation tribute



In an award presentation, Merck receives the first ever John Shippen Memorial Foundation Humanitarian Award. The foundation encourages minority children to seek excellence in both academics and athletics. From left are Larry Naldi, Merck Rahway Plant manager, Thurman Simmons, chairman of the foundation; and Donald DiFrancesco, state Senate president.

Experimental films festival invades Arts Center

The Black Maria was the name of Thomas Edison's first movie studio.

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

There was a time when the Union County Arts Center was a movie theater. That was before is was abandoned, neglected and finally restored several years ago.

But, for Saturday at least, the center turned back into an old-fashioned movie house with the arrival of the Black Maria Film Festival on Saturday — a movie house filled with short subjects, features, comedy, tragedy and drama.

Granted, these were not your usual movies. The festival, according to Lisa Kruczek, one of the pre-screening jurors for the festival, is to showcase independent films and videos "by artists who are creative, inspiring works that aren't your usual Sundance festival films."

The name "Black Maria" did fool some people. The Black Maria was the name of Thomas Edison's first movie studio, so-called because it supposedly looked like the police paddy wagons of the turn of the century.

At least one person expressed disappointment at the festival; she said that the name "Black Maria" led her to believe that the festival was about Edison.

But it could be said that the films shown on Saturday were as groundbreaking as the first movies made by Edison, the inventor of the movie projector — something that founder John Columbus has said in the past about his festival. The festival is also affiliated with the Thomas Edison National Historic Site.

"When the jurors look at the films, they look for films that you wouldn't get normally in cinema or on the films, that, after you see them, you want to talk about them," said Kruczek.

These included documentaries like "I Don't Know Where or When, or How," a documentary by Zelimir Gvardiol of Novi Belgrade, Yugoslavia on neglected and institutionalized senior citizens in Belgrade, where growing poverty and political upheavals have increased their mortality rate.

"ZAHOR," another imported documentary by Parisian Fabienne Rousso-Lenoir, is a loosely put-together and yet densely-meaningful documentary on the Holocaust and the treatment of Jews under Nazi rule, a montage of family photos and films from that era.

There was drama in the form of "Abilene" by Rebecca Cely, the story of a naive truck driver and a prostitute, Abilene, engaged to a long-absent boyfriend. This is a high-quality if poorly-acted production, but it is not for the entire family. The movie depicts their rocky engagement that ends when Abilene's boyfriend comes back and dumps her and her truck driving fiancee runs her over in a fit of possessive anger.

There were also a number of "experimental films," some of them hard to describe.

One of these was "Pickled Okra," an unsatisfying tale by Paul Stircher of a mask-wearing, gun-toting loser that takes place apparently during Mardi Gras in New Orleans. The movie had a number of interesting extreme close-ups of dirty objects and food, but otherwise spread itself too thin.

More satisfying were the all-out "artsy" films. One of these was "Touched Alive" by Stephen Arthur of Brunaby, British Columbia, a movie of paintings by Canadian artist Jack Shadbolt that used animation and stuttering computer morphing very effectively.

Another was "Nerve Tonic" by Jeff Scherr of New York City, a rapidly-changing, wildly-colorful collage of found-object silhouettes and superimpositions. Set to a pounding industrial-like soundtrack, it had the appearance of an MTV commercial — but not the feel — and was very well done.

Probably the movie that looked the most like the product of an art school was "Robot Rerun" by David Ehrlich of Randolph, Vermont. A repititious but well-done film, "Robot Rerun" features cubical televisions and cubical people changing and elongating again and again in almost endless

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