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Commission suggests river project study

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Davy in response to this. "Mr. Harrell has his own ideas."

According to Davy, the project is being done in partnership with Middlesex County. The project is an attempt to remove "siltation" in the river to mitigate flooding, he said.

This is only one part of the program, he said. Other parts of the program include improvements at Merrill Park, such as bank stabilization.

According to Davy, the letter McGinney sent to Rahway was a request for Rahway to remove trees and brush along the banks to help the water flow freely and to help getting rid of the silt.

Harrell, instead of dredging, has advocated long-range planning upriver to help mitigate the flooding. He said the development there took 30 to 40 years, "really not that big a time to make this huge a problem."

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Saturday

• The Rahway Veterans Central Committee have completed plans for the following activities prior to and on Memorial Day. On May 24, members of the various veterans posts will be placing flags on the graves of all deceased veterans in cemeteries in our immediate area. The Girl Scouts of Rahway will be assisting on these days.

Sunday

• The Rahway annual Memorial Day Parade will be held in the downtown area. All units of the Rahway Veterans Central Committee that plan to participate are requested to assemble at the Rahway Library, Central Avenue and Pierson Street at 12:30 a.m. These will be a parade marshals available to advise and direct your unit where to assemble. Step off time is 1:30 p.m. Immediately following the parade will be an open house at Post 5 American Legion on Maple Street, Post 681 Veterans of Foreign Wars, Campbell Street and Post 499 American Legion, Main Street.

• There will be a garage sale and flea market at First Presbyterian Church on the corner of West Grand Avenue and Church Street. For more information call 382-0803.

Tuesday

• The Rahway Board of Education will hold its regular meeting in the Intermediate School cafeteria at 7:30 p.m.

Coming events

June 1

• Allstamps of 38 North Main Street, Milltown, will

hold an open house and special sale on Sundays, June 1, 8 and 15. The event will take place from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Everyone interested in stamp, postcard or sports card collecting is welcome as are collectors of political, World War II, entertainment, historical, sports and other memorabilia. Also invited are those interested in old engravings and famous illustrators as well as general ephemera and other collectibles.

Personal will be on hand to answer questions on all aspects of the paper collectibles field, as well as to appraise and/or purchase any collectible materials from the public. There will also be a special assortment of Father's Day and Graduation gifts. Allstamps has been serving metropolitan area collectors since 1969 and is an accredited member of both the American and New Jersey Stamp Dealers' Associations, subscribing to those strict codes of ethics. Further information may be obtained by calling (908) 247-1093.

June 5

• The Concerned Citizens of Union County will meet at the JFK Community Center, 799 East Hazelwood Ave. in Rahway. For time call Bob Carson at 381-7259 or Kern Blanchard at 396-3722.

The Concerned Citizens are currently involved in examining such issues as the hazards of a toxic waste incinerator. The group uses the model of participatory democracy in their organization and state there is no single person who makes all the decisions, the group decides action.

The Concerned Citizens invite all to join their meetings on the first and third Thursday of every month. This will be the annual Memorial Day parade in the downtown area.

June 12

• The Rahway Environmental Commission will hold its regular meeting in the second floor conference room of City Hall at 7:30 p.m.

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Animal rescue organization succeeds with yard sale

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Bruce Larimore's home on Schuyler Drive in Clark seemed the perfect place for a yard sale.

Larimore is the co-founder with his wife, Nancy, of Noah's Ark, a foster home program for animals. His own home seems like a yard sale itself — lots of cats-off dogs, cats, kittens in cages, including some two or three-day-olds, even a rabbit.

And that is not counting his own cats and his 55-gallon tank of freshwater fish, including a shark.

"Basically, my wife and I started Noah's Ark," he said. "So, since we

started it, we do it here and it's a good location."

Noah's Ark has been in existence for five years, he said, and the yard sale for four. This year, it was held on Saturday and Sunday and was expected to bring more than \$1,000 for the organization.

Saturday was the busy day, said Kim Saunders of Union. Saunders was manning the cash box under a small tent. Surrounding her, the Larimores' small front yard and all the way up their driveway, were goods of every kind, all of them donated.

They included the usual items such as toys, clothes, puzzles, records, tapes, compact discs, housewares and glasses, "too many books" and "a million bowling balls."

And there were some oddballs, like a wood and plastic "Jelly Bean Dispenser" that spun like a lottery ball, pictures and empty frames, looked rips, automobile jacks, lamps, some good-sized wood tables, empty plastic slides for slide projectors and Christmas ornaments.

COMMUNITY FORUM

How could it hurt?

As the Board of Chosen Freeholders examines the feasibility of consolidating the Sheriff's Department and the County Police Department, many around the county are made uncomfortable. We merely ask how could it hurt? We understand how such a merger could result in the loss of jobs for some and the reduction of power for others, but the benefits for the taxpayers outweigh those considerations. Besides, the talk is of studying the possibility of the merger, not enacting the merger.

It is not a new idea. The practice of having two law enforcement agencies under one government is wasteful, even if they have different duties. In fact, it is that separation of duties that is maddening; taxpayers in almost every county must fund two bureaucracies, when money can be saved by deploying the same officers under one command. Maybe even more officers could be hired, as the number of civilian clerks is reduced.

Was a study commissioned by the state six years ago that made waves among law enforcement agencies as the idea of preventing duplication of services threatened those with duplicitous motives. This study resulted in the transfer of duties from the County Police, to the Sheriff's Department.

Around the state, counties far more populous and much larger than Union County have eliminated their county police departments. Saving money was said to be the reason each time.

That should be the answer given in Union County as well. Although the county's financial state is sound, the taxpayers should not have to wait for a fiscal crisis for the freeholders to act to trim the size and expense of government. If the two departments are consolidated, there would be no layoffs or demotions, according to the sheriff, who also said the Sheriff's Department, with 151 officers and 22 civilians, would absorb the County Police's 65 officers and 22 civilians.

All that is needed here is the political will to withstand the pressure from the police unions, which surely will try to scare the public with tales of how cutting costs will result in dangerous streets.

The study should be finished soon. We hope the freeholders read it carefully and keep their minds open to the need to reduce government spending.

A vital lesson

Friday's Health Fair at Roosevelt School, held in the gymnasium, was visited by all 530 children at the school while a number of local business and government service representatives also attended.

The premise of this program incorporates vital health lessons for students to learn.

We commend the school's effort to teach Rayway children preventative medicine and developing an interesting and enjoyable way to teach health and safety issues. For example, there were children making "cupcakes" at a table operated by CVS, dancing with people from Pyramid Health Club and being fingerprinted by the sheriff's office.

What is even more impressive is the attempt to display how illegal drugs can be harmful. Rayway has had a DARE program for six years and at this event, the program provided a visual effect — there were various, rather realistic-looking replicas of drug-addicted organs. Certainly, this gives students a clear picture of how dangerous drugs can affect the body.

We agree with this approach to make children understand what can be dangerous to their health and well-being. On many levels, our culture seems to always promote some kind of "drug" as a cure-all. Therefore, these lessons need to be taught to children so they can distinguish between what is acceptable and what is harmful.

Make a difference

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In addition to helping others, this event is a chance for families to participate together in a fun and rewarding activity. The registration fee is \$5, and further information can be obtained by calling (908) 889-5335. Use this unique opportunity to make a difference in others' lives.

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SPRINGTIME TREELINES
The trees along Cherry Street gleam in the afternoon sun. Recently, the city initiated a free-planting program for other parts of the downtown area. See ViewPoint below.

Photo by Joseph McCarthy

Balanced budget is key to strong economy

In the House

By Rep. Bob Franks

The historic balanced budget agreement reached between President Clinton and the Republican leadership in Congress will not only end more than three decades of reckless deficit spending in Washington, it will open up new opportunities for all Americans.

This agreement will help American families get ahead by letting them keep more of what they earn. Moreover, by balancing the federal budget and eliminating the need for massive borrowing by the Federal Treasury, interest rates should begin to fall. That will make it less costly for a family to take out a mortgage on a home, finance a car or borrow money to send their child to college.

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COMMUNITY FORUM

Extreme nationalism clouds common sense

As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

The ongoing peace talks in the Middle East, among the many nations in Africa where civil war seems to be a way of life and the various factions in the Balkans, are all well and good, but are they bound for success? I'm not too optimistic.

For decades, and in some cases, centuries, peace has eluded the many nations involved in today's peace processes. Even in Northern Ireland, there is no real sign that peace will suddenly break out and everyone will happily ever after. Too many people have scores to settle in light of the rampant killing on both sides.

In Africa, nations such as Zaire, Rwanda, the Sudan, and Angola continue in battle, and unless there is nothing of crossing borders and wiping out entire villages. In the Balkans, where genocide has reared its ugly head, entire families have been slaughtered and in the Middle East, Palestinians and Israelis have more than their share of scores to settle before real peace can be given a chance.

No matter what the mediators do at the peace table, it will be almost impossible to achieve a peace where all sides will be satisfied or all sides will renounce revenge.

We realize that for years many factions had no real reason to fight. But when a cause, or a supposed cause, appeared, peace seemed to evaporate, and fighting on a grand scale began to take place.

There is nothing wrong with nationalism, so long as it does not turn into taking innocent lives or destroying homes and villages. For too long, many warring factions think that destruction of the "other guy" is justified under the mistaken notion that differences can only be rectified by fighting it out, killing and destroying.

One of the most devastating conflicts today is taking place in Zaire, where a once proud, prosperous and forward looking nation is now wallowing on the verge of complete chaos. If President Mobutu resigns and the rebel leader Kabila takes over, don't think that either side will embrace each other in friendship.

Again, there are too many scores to settle, mouths to feed and people to throw bombs, firing a mortar or blowing up a busload of children are ways to peace.

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As I See It

By Norman Rauscher

The ongoing peace talks in the Middle East, among the many nations in Africa where civil war seems to be a way of life and the various factions in the Balkans, are all well and good, but are they bound for success? I'm not too optimistic.

For decades, and in some cases, centuries, peace has eluded the many nations involved in today's peace processes. Even in Northern Ireland, there is no real sign that peace will suddenly break out and everyone will happily ever after. Too many people have scores to settle in light of the rampant killing on both sides.

In Africa, nations such as Zaire, Rwanda, the Sudan, and Angola continue in battle, and unless there is nothing of crossing borders and wiping out entire villages. In the Balkans, where genocide has reared its ugly head, entire families have been slaughtered and in the Middle East, Palestinians and Israelis have more than their share of scores to settle before real peace can be given a chance.

No matter what the mediators do at the peace table, it will be almost impossible to achieve a peace where all sides will be satisfied or all sides will renounce revenge.

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Foundation welcomes new director of Annual Giving

The Chilton Memorial Hospital Foundation has a new addition, Marge Baker, director of Annual Giving. From the foundation's new location on the second floor of the Collins Pavilion, Baker emphasized that she is quite pleased to be working at the only hospital in New Jersey to receive a perfect score from the Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations.

The Chilton Memorial Foundation is a non-profit corporation. Its purpose is to encourage philanthropy giving to the hospital and thereby enhance the delivery of quality health care to the community. The foundation's Annual Giving program provides financial support for hospital services and equipment through donations from individuals, foundations and corporations.

Baker, a Clark resident, has been associated with non-profit organizations for more than 10 years. Six of them were with the Hospital Center at Orange, where she was in fund raising. Prior to joining the foundation, she was the director of fund development for a Girl Scout council.

Originally from Southampton, NY, she is a graduate of the State University of New York at Stony Brook. Baker resides in Clark with her daughter Jamie Lynn. She enjoys listening to music, reading and dining out.

She is a member of two professional organizations, the Association for Healthcare Philanthropy, and the National Society of Fund Raising Executives, where she sits on the scholarship committee. Maintaining her relationship with the Girl Scouts, she is a volunteer with the Washington Rock council's fund-development committee. Through donating her personal time to deserving organizations, Baker lives the credo of her profession.

Marge Baker

Bendlin gets award

Eileen Bendlin, of Linden, was the recipient of the Arthritis Foundation, New Jersey Chapter's, prestigious Chairman's Award of New Volunteer of the Year at the annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon recently at the Victorian Manor in Edison.

The Chairman's Award for New Volunteer of the Year is presented to the volunteer whose commitment and effort has made a significant impact on improving the quality of life for people affected by arthritis. Bendlin was selected for the award from the New Jersey Chapter's seven hundred active volunteers. The theme of this year's event was "Volunteers, Real People, Real Connections," which spotlighted the pivotal role played by volunteers in the battle against arthritis.

The mission of the Arthritis Foundation is to support research to find the cause for and prevention of arthritis and to improve the quality of life for those affected by arthritis.

Eileen Bendlin

For information on arthritis, the Arthritis Foundation and volunteer opportunities, call the Chapter at (908) 283-4300 or (609) 482-0600.

Former Linden High grad arrives duty

Air Force Airman 1st Class Dennis A. Hodge has arrived for duty at RAF Mildenhall, Cambridgeshire, England.

Hodge is an information management craftsman assigned to the 100th Communications Squadron.

He is the daughter of Alexander O. Hodge of 1210 Middlesex St., Linden. The airman is a 1994 graduate of Linden High School.

Rubio graduates from Texas base program

Air Force Airman 1st Class Raul Rubio has graduated from the heating, ventilation, air conditioning and refrigeration apprentice course at Sheppard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas.

Students were taught fundamentals of repairing, troubleshooting, and maintaining the maintenance of the above mentioned systems and their components. They installed oil and gas space heaters, furnaces, boilers, steam and hot water heating systems, compressors, condensers, evaporators, and alarm systems.

Rubio is the son of Denise J. Jovel of Linden and Raul Rubio of Miami.

EDUCATION

Area residents near nursing program completion

Lisa Trainor, Maryann Genega and Greta Modi, residents of Clark, are among 180 Union County College students enrolled in the Cooperative Program in Professional Nursing who are candidates for Associate in Science degrees at the College's 63rd Commencement on May 29 at 6 p.m. at the Cranford Campus.

Trainor is enrolled at the Elizabeth General Medical Center School of Nursing and Genega and Modi are enrolled at the Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center School of Nursing and are candidates for an Associate in Science degree at Union County College's Commencement on May 29 are: Trainor, Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center School of Nursing, and Tara Scutari, Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center School of Nursing.

The Cooperative Program in Professional Nursing is conducted jointly by Union County College and the Schools of Nursing of Elizabeth General Medical Center, Elizabeth, and Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Rahway.

Students in the Cooperative Program in Professional Nursing are among 900 Union County College students who are candidates for Associate in Arts, Associate in Science or Associate in Applied Science degrees, Certificates or Diplomas.

Local schools announce honor students

The following is the list of honor roll students at Rahway Intermediate School for the 1996-97 Third Marking Period.

Sixth Grade
High Honor Roll: Stephanie Altman, Nicole Arcuri, Danielle Arnes, Anton Arneson, Frankie Brennan, Pulisla Brisson, Daniel Drobny, Cecilia Butler, Erick Campbell, Tanna Carbonaro, Nikki Carpenter, Sarah Casanueva, Theresa Ellis, Lauren Fitzgerald, Mary Fitzpatrick, Janelle Forbes, Magdalena Gruchala, Joseph Hughes, Daniel James, Jaspal Kaur, Michael Koker, Eric Kern, Nicole Kirk, Daniel La Bellara, Lauren Lark, Andrew Latta, Kathleen Adams, Shavon Barrio, Christine Beaver, Andrew Bennett, Linda Bishara, Danielle Blankenship, Jonathan Boller, Ashley Boston, Emma Bradley, Verne Branch, Jessica Brouil, Jeffrey Brooks, Manoschka Chafmanag, Jacqueline Cialicella, Michael Connolly, Steven Connerman, Arnette Crutcher, Elmyr Cummings, Alexander Deveau, Cecil Dum, William Dunn, Khalil Elmi, Joseph Guevarra, Jeanne Gibbs, Francis Gonzalez, Tamara Hamblin, Matthew Harris, Rajan Harris, Lloyd Haynes, Johanna Henao, Edward Hendrickson, Amanda Hinton, Sean Ileron, Darius Houston, Osward Ighinious, Eric Jann, Sarah Jasper, Whitney Jones, Lefitia Jones, Stephanie Jones, Kamari Alexander, Kristin Ann Kelle, Carlos Latony, Janelle Lewis, Rynne Ludington, Bianca Luna, Christine Lutz, Christopher Migh, Joshua Mujica, Alexei Norey, Michael Onizki, Vincent Ong Jan, Lovely Oscar, Amma Owens, Tiffany Padgett, Dorian Petersen, Erik Poddell, Jennifer Principe, Ashley Reeves, Thomas Rowe, Sara Ruggerio, Shavonn Scott, Janice Segar, Melissa Servadeo, Alexander Smith, Lisa Tavolan, James Veltava, Lilla Varga, Francis Wasiewicz, Annie Warner, Laura Warner.

Seventh Grade
High Honor Roll: Ashley Biscardi, Kimberly Brantano, Michael Brennan, Jacob Bringle, Gina Brisson, Amy Brys, Christine Campanelli, Lisa Cannon, Billy Chen, Joseph Chelala, Li Melisa Condon, Shane Condon, Susan Connell, Erin Cox, Payal Dalal, Anthony Deigo, Jennifer Defino, Marjorie Diega, Pamela Dwyer, Francisco Garay, Li, Noah Go, Kate Henderson, Marvin Baysmore, Holmback Christine, Holak Laura, Mark Kofie, Steven Kelly, Robert Marsh, Jr., Jennifer Mendicino, Elizabeth Merlo, Christa Olandria, Hardikumar Patel, Daisy Perez, Michael Rowan, Jerraine Rozelle, Michael Sausan, Jennifer Stater, Travis Smith/Simons, Jessica Stephens, Scott Temple, Alan Vakis, Kyle Wilner, Lauren Yaguel, and Monike Zarecki.

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SPORTS

LOCAL SPORTS HIGHLIGHTS

If Union is the dominant Union County team in football and Elizabeth in basketball, then Westfield is in baseball.

Westfield scored a run in the top of the eighth and held on to defeat Governor Livingston 4-3 in last Saturday's second UCT semifinal at Rahway's Veterans Field.

Winners of the last three titles, a UCT record, Westfield will face Summit in Saturday's third-round County Interscholastic Athletic Conference tournament championship game, scheduled to take place 8 p.m. at Linden's Memorial Field.

Ninth-seeded Summit advanced by posting a come-from-behind 4-3 win over fifth-seeded Union in Saturday's first semifinal.

Westfield will make its fifth consecutive appearance in the final and last loss a UCT game when it was defeated by Union 5-3 in the 1993 final.

The Blue Devils have won their last 15 UCT games and 18 of 19 PRELIMINARY ROUND games.

Rahway 12, Roselle 11 (9 inn.) Hillside 8, Plainfield 7, Union Cath. 10, Linden 13, St. Mary's 2.

FIRST ROUND
May 4: Cranford 17, Hillside 2
May 5: Elizabeth 12, Roselle Catholic 3
Summit 11, Dayton 3

SECOND ROUND
May 4: Scotch Plains 12, Rahway 5
Union 3, Wadsworth-Hatfield 1
Westfield 9, Roselle Park 3
Gov. Livingston 7, Linden 3
New Providence 5, Johnson 1

QUARTERFINALS
May 10: Summit 2, Cranford 1
Cranford 1, Scotch Plains 0
Westfield 6, Elizabeth 3
Gov. Livingston 5, New Prov. 1

SEMIFINALS
May 11: Summit 4, Union 3
Westfield 4, GL 3 (8 inn.)

CHAMPIONSHIP
May 24: 9-Summit vs. 7-Westfield
Linden's Memorial Field, 8

UCT Softball
Top-seeded Governor Livingston won its first-ever Union County Tournament championship by blanking second-seeded Cranford 5-0 in last Saturday night's tie game held at Linden's Memorial Field.

GL blanked all four of its UCT opponents by a combined score of 25-0.

"It was the first time a team from the Mountain Valley Conference won the title since Roselle Park in 1982."

FIRST ROUND
April 26: Gov. Livingston 9, Union Cath. 0
New Providence 6, Summit 1
Union 10, Dayton 0
Johnson 20, Elizabeth 1

SECOND ROUND
Cranford 11, Scotch Plains 1
Plainfield 6, Linden 1
Rahway 11, Roselle Catholic 0
Westfield 9, Roselle Park 3

QUARTERFINALS
May 8: Union 8, Johnson 3
Cranford 7, Plainfield 2
Westfield 6, Rahway 1

SEMIFINALS
May 19: Cranford 1, Westfield 0
GL 10, Union 0
CHAMPIONSHIP
May 17: GL 5, Cranford 0

INTER-CITY
Clark Blue Jays 6, Scotch Plains 2

Clark Soccer
Peter Closs, who stopped three unbreakable shots in goal, also scored three goals to lead the Clark Blue Jays to the win. Nicole Giorgio and Pam Tavallo, who also scored a goal, frustrated the Scotch Plains offense with their iron-will defense. Keith Bobrowski and Jessica Matloz each pointed in a goal in round out the scoring for the Blue Jays.

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Barbecues are easy, but need planning

Summer is nearly here and with it comes one of America's favorite pastimes: the picnic barbecue. The following tips come from picnic experts Great Picnics, the year-old division of renowned New York-based caterer and event planner Great Performances. These picnic planners have pulled together many summer events, including last summer's do for 6,500 happy Walt Disney/Disney/Cap Cities employees. According to Executive Chef John Reilly, a successful summer outing needs special care. "It's all in the planning," he explained. "The right location, enough food of just the kind your group really likes and lots of fun activities will make any summer picnic a great success." Reilly suggests that summer revelers always remember to do the following when planning their picnics and barbecues:

- Make sure you have enough grill space for the size of your group. Often food comes out overcooked or undercooked when cooked too close together.
- Use good quality, name-brand charcoal. Often inexpensive, off-brand varieties burn too quickly and unevenly.
- When using lump mesquite charcoal, be very careful. Mesquite burns much hotter than regular hardwood charcoal.
- When grilling chicken on the bone, use a covered grill. Another good option is par cooking chicken in the oven prior to grilling. Open saucer grills are not conducive to cooking chicken all the way through. Often, the poultry will char before cooking completely.
- Start dark meat poultry before light meat poultry. It takes a bit longer to cook.
- Always start chicken skin-side down without any barbecue sauce. Once the chicken begins to sizzle, flip it over and brush sauce on the cooked side.
- When grilling shellfish use a ridged heavy griddle plate on the grill. Cooking shellfish directly on the grill causes unnecessary shrinkage.
- Another good trick for grilling jumbo shrimp or scallops is putting them on two parallel bamboo skewers. This makes them much easier to handle.
- When grilling hamburgers, make sure they are cooked thoroughly. Although cooks can be served rare, burgers cannot. This is because ground meat may acquire dangerous bacteria such as e-coli in the production process. Solid muscle meats, such as steak, are much less likely to contain these bacteria.
- Be sure to wash your hands with an antibacterial soap after handling raw meat or poultry. If you don't, you might transfer salmonella or e-coli to salads and other foods.

Many vacationers opt for taking a cruise

Springfield is catching the hottest wave in vacationing: cruising. Cruise Holidays of Springfield, a retailer specializing in cruise travel, has reported a dramatic increase in cruise bookings. Joe Amabile believes the increased interest in cruising is due to a number of factors. "We have utilized a combination of aggressive marketing and promotions to make the Union County area aware that cruising is the best vacation value around," he said.

— Joe Amabile, Cruise Holidays of Springfield

"The traveling public is beginning to realize that the all-inclusive nature of a cruise makes this type of vacation far more budget-friendly than the average vacation at a land-based resort. That's because the airfare, accommodations, entertainment and food are included in one low price. It also makes cruising one of the most convenient forms of travel as it frees the vacationer from having to make separate arrangements for each facet of the trip. Cruisers simply unpack once and the cruise ship takes care of the rest," he also said.

"In fact, the cruise ship has become the resort destination itself," he added. "Today's cruise liners are filled with entertainment venues such as top quality Broadway-style shows, numerous dining choices, lavish gambling casinos, sports activities, movies and more."

Amabile also attributed their increased sales to the quality of customer service they consistently deliver. "We have worked hard to establish a reputation for high quality and attention to detail. Because we deal solely in cruises, we're the cruise experts. We know the various cruise lines, destinations, prices and most importantly, the 'personality' of each ship. We take the time to discuss travel preferences, desired activities, atmosphere and budget with our customers to recommend the cruise that's just right for them."

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Shipping company shares their driving safety tips

It's summertime again and many Americans are asking the question — What do we do for summer vacation? For millions, it will include car travel. So, before packing up for a week's vacation, a weekend getaway or just a day at the beach, UPS drivers have tips to help get motorists there safely.

Safe driving is a way of life for the 80,000 UPS delivery drivers. Following these "Five Space and Visibility Habits" makes UPS drivers among the safest professionals on the road.

• Aim high in steering: Rather than staring directly over the hood of the car, look farther down the road. This will give you more time to adjust to changing traffic conditions.

• Get the big picture: Stay back and see it all. Knowing what's ahead, beside and behind you can help you make safe driving decisions.

• Keep your eyes moving: Scan, don't stare. Shift your eyes every few seconds and check your mirrors frequently.

• Leave yourself an out: Maintain a cushion of space on all four sides of your vehicle. Keep a four-to-six-second interval between you and the traffic ahead.

• Make sure other drivers see you: Communicate in traffic. Using signals, lights and the horn established eye-to-eye contact.

According to the Department of Transportation, motorists will drive more than 850 billion miles on U.S. roads before you Member.

This company's drivers logged more than 2 billion miles last year, so driving safety is a subject they know.

ial Day and Labor Day.

With so many motorists on the road, the chance of getting into an accident increases dramatically," said Tom Walsh, UPS Corporate Health and Safety Manager. "Safe driving is integral to UPS' daily operations. We are proud of our drivers for maintaining such a high safety record, and encourage motorists to follow their example and take extra care on the roads this summer."

Last year alone, UPS drivers logged more than two billion miles on the road to deliver more than three billion packages. On average, UPS drivers experience only one accident for every two million miles driven. While the average U.S. motorist will experience nine accidents over the same distance, using statistics supplied by the National Safety Council.

UPS drivers also encourage motorists to "buckle up." Proper use of seat belts can save lives. It is especially important to make sure that young children are strapped in their car seats.

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Variety in swimwear is help to shopper

Most women love to go shopping — except when they're looking for a swimsuit. The thought alone can trigger enough anxiety to make most women throw in their towels and forgo the search altogether. With an endless sea of styles and silhouettes, finding a new suit that fits and flatters can be a real ordeal.

But, believe it or not, swimsuit shopping can be an event to enjoy. Here are a few tips from Talbots to help you suit up in style:

• Consider your swimwear needs: A bikini is perfect for sunbathing, but it won't hold water for active sports. Serious swimmers should opt for better coverage, such as a high-neck tank, which will stay secure every stroke of the way.

• Determine your correct size: The general rule is to buy one size larger than your dress size, but always try on several sizes and styles to ensure the best fit. Also, test each suit for comfort as well as appearance: bend over, squat, stretch and "swim." The wide range of cup sizes and torso lengths now available will make this decision easier than ever.

• Examine your silhouette: If one area of your body appears larger, smaller, longer or shorter in proportion to the rest of your figure, you can use fabric treatments, textures, patterns or color to achieve more visual balance. If you're short-waisted, suits with vertical stripes and seams will lengthen your look, diagonal lines will enhance your curves, whimsical prints and wavy patterns will make your figure appear more balanced.

If you have a long torso, opt for bikinis, blouses and styles with belts, strips or any details that break your figure horizontally. Also, look for "long torso" sizes that won't ride up in the seat or cut into your shoulders.

If you're top-heavy, support and coverage are key to your comfort, so look for wide straps, high arm holes, underwires or cup sizing, and styles that pull the eye away from your bustline and add volume to your lower half.

If you're small-busted, create fullness with shirring, ruffles or even the popular push-up top. If you're one size on top and another on the bottom, opt for swim separates to ensure the best fit.

If you have full hips and thighs, skirted suits offer a glamorous and flattering look. Other great hip-slimmers are sarongs, peppy styles and dark-colored bottoms. Interesting necklines will help draw the eye upward and away from your area of concern.

If you need a tummy flatterer, choose a wrap-front "surplice" or loosely fitting blouse. Also, V-neck tanks, high-waist bikinis and dark colors will camouflage your bulges, while tummy-control panels can help define your waistline.

• Don't forget to cover up! Oversized shirts, wrap skirts, and sarongs will protect your skin from overexposure to the sun and may even extend the life of your suits.

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To enjoy a season filled with mouth-watering barbecues, the experts at the National Propane Gas Association suggest outdoor cooks begin by thoroughly cleaning the grill to remove any grease or grime left from previous cookouts, as well as checking to see if all the grill's components are working properly.

According to the NPGA, the proper steps to clean and check the grill are:

- Clean the burner and tubes. Greasy food drippings and hibernating insects can clog the burner's gas ports and short out the igniter's flame, making the grill difficult to start and causing an uneven flame.
- Before cleaning the burner and tubes, make sure the gas is turned off at the tank. Remove the briquettes and cooking grid and set them aside.
- Following the instructions in the owner's manual, unfasten the burner, slip the Venturi tubes off the gas lines and remove the unit as a whole.
- Remove any dirt or grease accumulation by using a soft cloth and soapy water.
- "Towel dry" and clean out each burner with a toothpick.
- Clean out the Venturi tubes with a non-metallic bottle brush, and set the entire assembly aside.
- Clean the grill housing. In order to pre-

vent grease buildup and rust, clean both the inside and the outside of the grill.

- When cleaning, cover the gas orifices beneath the control panel with aluminum foil to keep water from causing corrosion.
- Scrub the grill's inner and outer surfaces with a brass-bristle brush and soapy water.
- Rinse the grill thoroughly with a garden hose and towel dry.
- Remove the aluminum foil.
- Inspect paint for chips or scrapes. Most grills are made of cast aluminum and won't rust, but moisture can corrode them if paint chips aren't repaired.
- Sand scrapes or chips until the metal beneath is white and shiny.
- Prime and touch-up with paint especially made for high heat applications. Always do these touch-ups when the grill is cold. Once the paint is dry, reattach the burner, Venturi tubes and igniter.
- Check the fuel supply system.
- Check the grill's gas line, line connections and propane tank before re-starting the grill. Although propane tanks should last as long as the grill, dented or seriously rusted tanks must be replaced immediately. Minor corrosion can be fixed the same way as the grill housing.
- Reconnect the propane cylinder to the grill. Refer to the grill manufacturer's instructions.
- Test the connections for leaks by brushing soapy water on them and turning on the gas. If bubbles appear, or you smell the distinctive "rotten egg" odor of propane gas, shut off the tank and tighten the connections. Run the test again. If bubbles persist, shut

off gas and call a local propane dealer.

- Clean the briquettes and cooking grids.
- Simply flip briquettes so that greasy sides face the burner and slide cooking grids into place.
- Light the grill, close the lid and set the flame on "High" for 15 minutes to burn the

grease off the briquettes and grids.

- Once the grill is cool, remove the grids and briquettes. Using the brass-bristle brush and some soapy water, scrub grids, rinse and towel dry. To prevent corrosion, coat the grids with liquid cooking oil — not an aerosol spray.

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It's safety 1st when preparing a picnic

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Most food-related illness can be prevented with proper food preparation and handling, according to the Industry Council on Food Safety, formed by the National Restaurant Association's Educational Foundation.

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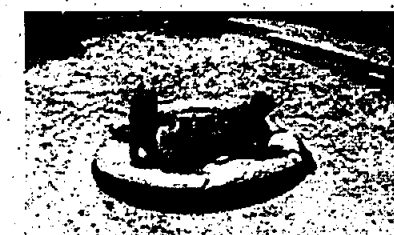
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Maintaining the pool is smart health protection

Most of us who use a swimming pool take it for granted. Here's a look at the behind-the-scenes activities that must take place to maintain a pool's health — and the health of the people who use it — from year-to-year. During the pool season, pool water can be significantly affected by a number of common occurrences. The most likely are rains, winds, extended periods of above average temperatures and heavy pool use. These conditions can quickly cause the water chemistry to deteriorate, leading to algae, cloudy water and other pool problems. To prevent problems from developing routine chemical treatment is essential.

Not only should a pool be free of harmful germs and bacteria, it must also look inviting and pleasing to people who use it. The overall objective of chlorinating is to disinfect or kill harmful microorganisms, which can cause health-related problems, and to make the pool water safe for bathers. As the chlorine is working to provide safe, clean water, it gets used up rapidly reacting with bacteria, organic matter, soils, dirt particles, ammonia, products, bathing lotions, body oils, perspiration, cosmetics, hair, lime, algae and other contaminants that may enter the pool. The chlorine is quickly used up in combating contaminants, creating a chlorine demand resulting in a need to add more chlorine to the water.

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not be enough to meet the demand so an extra high dose of chlorine must be added. This is referred to as a shock treatment which raises the chlorine level 2.5 parts per million to meet the demands placed upon the water. In addition to adding your routine chlorinator, shock-treat the pool on a weekly basis, both as a remedial and preventive measure.

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Sunshine: Too much of a good, fun thing?

The growing popularity of outdoor recreational activities runs tangent to an alarming increase in melanoma, a potentially dangerous skin cancer of pigmented cells called melanocytes. Whether bicycling, in-line skating, tanning or jogging, Americans are exposing themselves more and more to the sun's damaging rays.

While a health-conscious public is demonstrating greater awareness of the dangers of excessive sun exposure, little attention has focused on protecting the lips. As one of the body's weakest defensive links, the lips are always exposed to the elements and frequently ignored in the skin care regimen.

"Lips contain little or no melanin, the natural pigment in skin that screens out the sun," said Dr. Charles Zugerman, Northwestern University Medical School associate professor of clinical dermatology. "While most people use sunscreens to protect their skin, very few protect their lips."

In warm weather, pets are at higher risk than humans

Maybe you thrive in the warm breezes and bright sun of summer. But when it comes to hot weather, pets aren't like us. In fact, summer's heat can be dangerous for dogs and cats. The veterinarians at Veterinary Pet Insurance have these suggestions for preventing heat stroke and injuries.

- Never leave a pet in a car with the windows closed, especially if the sun is shining and the temperature is 70 degrees or more. The heat in a car can double in no time.
- Jogging or power walking with your dog can be dangerous in hot weather. Run alone, then take your dog for a leisurely stroll.
- Try to find grassy areas for your summertime walks. Concrete — especially blacktop — becomes extremely hot, injuring or burning animals' foot pads.
- Outdoor pets should always have fresh water and shady areas for protection from the sun.

• Dogs and cats with very short, pushed up noses — brachycephalic breeds — should never be out in the heat unsupervised. They overheat and suffer from heatstroke more quickly than other breeds.

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For natural bodies of water:

- Areas clearly should be separated and designated for activities, including wading, advanced swimming, diving, scuba-diving and boating.
- Know about the tides, currents, waves and the temperatures of the water.
- Locate rocks, tree stumps, and other natural hazards.
- For pools:

Maintenance procedures must be followed, including water circulation, chemical balance of water and removal of debris.

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Summer artist program is available to children

The Westfield Summer Workshop, a five-week arts program for students in pre-school through grade 10, has published its 1997 summer brochure, containing a listing of 87 courses in specialty areas.

There are 32 offerings in the arts and crafts curriculum. Popular courses in painting, drawing, sculpture, 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 acrobatics and tai kwon do.

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Fairy Tale Theater is a new offering for young actors and joins 6 other theater courses in a new department.

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Kaleidoscope, which includes such courses as chess, math, science and reading, contains 10 courses. New this year are Kitchen Chemistry and Cooking Magic.

In Theater World, students can choose from two major theater productions for grades 6 to 10: "The Wizard of Oz" and a musical version of "Robin Hood." The Traveling Players, boys and girls in grades 4 to 7, will continue to entertain residents of senior citizen housing, nursing homes and hospitals.

The pre-school department offers a class for 3- and 4-year-olds while the kindergarten class is intended for students who will be entering school in September. This latter group is divided into several smaller classes of approximately 10 students each, which allows for greater individual attention. Both Pre-K and K are mini-workshops which include art, music and movement.

The Summer Program will run from June 30 to Aug. 1, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Edison Intermediate School on Rahway Avenue in Westfield. The Junior Musical will be held at Westfield High School on Doran Road.

Brochures will automatically be sent to households in Scotch Plains, Fairwood, Westfield, Mountainside and Cranford. Residents of other towns may obtain a brochure by calling (908) 789-9696.

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.

The Westfield Summer Workshop, in its 26th season, was founded by Dr. Theodore K. Schlosberg. It is a division of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts, which includes the Westfield Fencing Club, The Music Studio, Kids' N' Arts, Tots' N' Arts and the Westfield Art Gallery. The NJWA can be seen on the Internet at its web site at <http://www.westfieldnj.com/njwa>.

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SECTION B

From The Editor's Notebook
By Tom Canavan
Editor in Chief

The State Attorney General has completed a report that strengthens former Governor Kean's Executive Order 123. The executive order, enacted in 1985, is a supplement to the state's Right to Know statute that details the information policies of departments across the state, are required to release to the news media.

The new version, scheduled to go into effect July 1, reportedly will allow as much disclosure as possible without violating an individual's right to privacy. Two key points of the order are a 24-hour time frame for producing arrest information after a request has been made, and county prosecutors must come up with countywide plans on how police departments will address this requirement.

One of the reasons for the amendment is a crime that took place in Bergen County in which a teenager was raped and the police did not reveal the incident to the press. When the story was discovered, it created an uproar in Bergen County because this type of crime, which should be revealed to the public and to the news media, was not reported. The incident also led to a newspaper's examination of all police records in the county's communities from the same time period and the discovery that many incidents were never revealed to the press when reporters examined the police blotters.

Basically, the new order is to provide better access for reporters to police reports.

I don't believe either of the new points will strengthen reporters' access because neither point puts the onus on the police departments. It is to be released within a 24-hour time frame, but the clause, "after a request has been made," gives police departments the full power of deciding what can or should be released to the media. This makes it easy for any police department to say, "They didn't ask about the package," referring to any media's inquiry.

The second point, ordering county prosecutors to devise plans to implement the first point, doesn't change "how police departments should release information to the media."

Why the cynicism? In some of the 23 communities we serve, police departments are reluctant to release any information to the media because they don't want any crime-related incidents, particularly in their minds, those such as a "Mushmouth in the community." Sometimes it means sending them a copy of Executive Order 123 so they understand that we know what we are entitled to as far as arrest information.

Police blotters are the kinds of features in newspapers that are read by so many people as those who look forward to reading them each week. There are those who think that a listing of criminal incidents makes their community look bad. There are others, and those with whom I agree, that a police blotter is a public service to a community.

If several criminal incidents are reported in a section of town, or at a specific intersection, and they are reported in the newspaper, our readers may use caution when traveling to that area. If several houses in an area of town are reported to have been burglarized and they are published in the newspaper, homeowners in the area may use twice caution when leaving for work or an afternoon shopping spree.

Executive Order 123 should be made even stronger by requiring police departments across the state to allow the media to examine every incident report that is filed. That way, the onus is on the media to ensure that every criminal incident is reported in the newspaper. And if a case of rape, for example, goes unreported, it would be the newspaper that gets taken to task. And I hardly think we would ignore that kind of a story.

Prosecutor to be named county manager tonight

Tonight, the freeholders are expected to name 1st Assistant County Prosecutor Michael Lapolla to the post of county manager.

The 40-year-old Elizabeth resident is a veteran of the county's government, having served two terms as a freeholder. Elected to that board in 1983 at age 26, Lapolla was the youngest person elected freeholder in the state.

It was during his tenure on the board when court orders prompted the county to contract both a solid waste incinerator and a county jail — two issues that continue to dominate discussion among freeholders. That experience, plus his work as a department head in the Prosecutor's Office, prepared him for the task he'll assume later this year, he said.

"I'm really looking forward to it," he added. While his appointment is assured, his salary and whether or not he'll be signed to a contract will be decided during the freeholders' meeting tonight. Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender said he could be hired and employed "at the pleasure" of the board, rather than to a specific term defined by contract.

"All those who know and have worked with Michael share my enthusiasm for his impressive qualities," Stender said on Tuesday. "Like his predecessor, he brings to this position superb administrative skills, in-depth experience in the operations of county government and bipartisan respect and confidence."

Lapolla's predecessor is Ann Baran, who announced her resignation May 6. She will finish her term, which ends July 31, and the transition to Lapolla's term is expected to begin before her departure, Stender also said.

A graduate of Rutgers University, Lapolla earned his law degree from American University. He was admitted to the state bar in 1981.

During his second three-year term as a freeholder, he was elected chairman of Board of Chosen Freeholders in 1988. Early in the Florida administration, he served as assistant counsel to the governor. Later, he headed the New Jersey office of Sen. Bill Bradley. In 1991, he was named 1st Assistant Prosecutor of Union County.

The question of who will succeed Baran has been heard in political circles around the county since the Democratic won election and the majority of freeholder seats in November. Of the recent rumors included the names of county Democratic Party boss Chairman DeFilippo, Democrat Assemblyman Joseph Suliga and Elizabeth Director of Policy and Planning George DeVanney, who headed the Democratic freeholders' campaign last year.

Following Baran's announcement on May 6, Stender said the freeholders would conduct a search for a new manager. On Tuesday, she explained that the county saved time and money without convening a search committee, as the freeholders also had done when Baran was hired.

ing Executive Assistant Prosecutor Robert P. O'Leary to remain juvenile officers about the new provisions of the state's code of Criminal Justice that make parents criminally liable for serving alcoholic beverages to underage drinkers in their homes.

First Assistant Prosecutor Michael J. Lapolla said the office has received a number of requests for copies of the statute.

Throughout New Jersey, school officials and law enforcement officers are planning special festivities and education programs to heighten awareness about drunk driving.

Evening planned in high schools include Project Graduation, where students have a night of substance-free fun in one location rather than driving around from house party to house party and support networks for parents and prom parties set up by concerned parents with support from groups such as Mothers Against Drunk Driving and the various Municipal Alliance Committees.

The New Jersey Juvenile Offenders Association is pushing for programs for every high school. "It's really a great thing when all the juniors and seniors get together, have fun and decide they don't want to lose a single

graduation to a tragic accident," said Perth Amboy Sgt. Joseph Britton, president of the NJJVOA.

Last year, the county chiefs association commended the area's juvenile officers for producing a video, titled "Death in the Fast Lane," which features interviews with survivors and defendants from fatal accidents involving alcohol.

"It's quite graphic, but it's meant to get the kids' attention and start their thinking about consequences of bad choices," O'Leary said, adding the association will lend out copies of the video to interested schools.

Other activities being planned include mock car accident drills, placement of crash-test vehicles outside the high schools buildings and getting local businesses, junior stores, taverns, rental shops and florists to help post messages about the efforts.

"Here's the bottom line: We don't want to lose one youngster this year," Stender said. "It's supposed to be a time of joyous celebration and not just a night of needless tragedy."

Centerville Police Chief Harry White, president of the state chiefs association, said he was pleased that part of a film made by his municipal alliance committee would air in the video being distributed.

Freeholders, UCUA agree to cooperate

Goal is cutting incinerator rates

County Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender and Union County Utilities Authority Chairman John Kullish announced last month the UCUA and the freeholders will develop and implement a plan to make the \$306 million incinerator's rates competitive with low cost disposal opportunities offered by out-of-state landfills.

Such reductions would enable the UCUA to attract sufficient waste volume to survive the expected demise of its monopoly control over waste flow next year.

Following a meeting held on April 15 among freeholders, UCUA board representatives and attorneys, Stender and Kullish said their first priority in searching for a solution is to protect the interests of taxpayers.

"The responsibility for setting county solid waste policy rests with the Board of Chosen Freeholders," said Stender. "This has always been the case in Union County and it was affirmed by Judge Edward Beglin's recent court ruling. Although created as an autonomous body, the UCUA is responsible for implementing the policies we set."

Kullish and Stender acknowledged that different approaches exist with regard to solving the problems likely to occur if waste flow control by local authorities is removed by the courts.

"Our primary concern," Stender said, "is to assure the UCUA is functioning in concert with our policy to protect the interests of the taxpayers of Union County. At our meeting, we agreed to work cooperatively to make sure that our resource recovery facility does not end up as a burden to Union County taxpayers. We want to accomplish that by making its tipping fees truly competitive in the open marketplace."

The UCUA also agreed to continue re-evaluation of strategies concerning the renegotiating of its contracts with Ogden Martin of Union, Inc., the holder and operator of the Rahway-based incinerator, Public Service Electric & Gas Co. purchase of electricity produced at the plant; and Empire Sanitary Landfill, of Traveler Park, the disposal point for ash residue from the Union County facility.

Kullish announced that the firm of DeCotis, Fitzpatrick & Gluck has been retained by the UCUA as special counsel to interface with the UCUA's general counsel, Bivona, Cohen, in its contingency planning process. Attorney Jonathan Williams, of the DeCotis firm, is special counsel to the UCUA. Until last month, Williams represented the county in the effort recently rejected by Beglin to renegotiate the UCUA. Following the Beglin ruling, Kullish called for a cooperative effort with the county to resolve their disagreements and invited Stender to the meeting that took place on April 15. The contract reviews outlined at the meeting will be under the supervision of the UCUA general counsel.

The question of competition arose last July, when Federal District Court Judge Joseph Bruni ruled that waste flow control by county authorities represents a violation of the commerce clause of the U.S. Constitution. If appeals of the Bruni decision fail, municipalities will be permitted to send their waste to facilities offering the lowest tipping fee. At facilities such as the one in Rahway, which the UCUA opened in 1984, tipping fees include provisions for the payment of the bonds sold to fund construction.

Consequently, three facilities operate at tipping fee levels higher than those available at landfills. Without waste flow control, the UCUA and other authorities around the state will have to find ways to pay off their bonds while operating at a competitive tipping fee level.

During the past several months, the freeholders have said that the UCUA has not developed a contingency plan to their liking. The UCUA said it is renegotiating contracts.

While the UCUA has cut costs to stabilize the tipping fee for the year, the need to use nearly half of its tipping fee income for bond payments would keep UCUA rates above what's regarded as competitive.

A bill introduced by Cape May Assemblyman John Gibson would remove the bond payment obligation from the local authorities and reduce their rates accordingly, permitting them to compete for solid waste business. Lower tipping fees would result from implementation of the Gibson bill would permit payment of the bonds to be made with local property tax dollars in what could be a break-even arrangement.

Of the \$206 million in UCUA bonds, \$35 million are general obligation bonds underwritten by Union County. The remainder is in the form of revenue bonds intended for repayment through tipping fees and other smaller sources of revenue.

A recent attempt to solve the bond payment problem by federal government action was a measure introduced by Congressman Bob Franks. The Franks bill would permit waste flow control to remain in effect in areas where bonds were sold for the construction of facilities prior to the 1993 Supreme Court action that triggered waste flow problems throughout the nation.

Law enforcement officials start annual anti-drunk driving effort

This month, county officials began their annual campaign against teen drinking and driving.

As the prom and graduation season nears, officials from the Prosecutor's Office, the county juvenile officers and police chiefs associations and school officials are broadcasting their message to try to combat that carnage that often is linked to this time of year.

"We're making this part of our special program on May 14 at the Westwood," said Plainfield Police Sgt. Donald Myers, president of the Union County Juvenile Officers Association. "And, we're making our special 15-minute video available to the high schools once again."

Acting Prosecutor Edward M. Neasey said, members of his staff, including detectives and attorneys from the Fatal Accident Justice Unit, are taking a "zero tolerance" approach when it comes to prosecuting drunk driving cases involving young people.

Last month, he said, a 24-year-old Basking Ridge man, who was driving the wrong way on the Garden State Parkway, was sentenced to a 21-year prison term for killing five people because he was "extremely reckless" by drinking heavily and then getting behind the wheel of a car.

Neasey said he also has asked Acting Executive Assistant Prosecutor

County jail inmates could repay costs

Intent is to collect their debt to society

On Tuesday, the Assembly passed legislation, sponsored by two Union County assemblymen, that would allow county and local governments to charge inmates for their prison stays.

Assemblymen Kevin O'Toole and Joel Weingarten's measure would allow county or municipal officials to charge either a nominal or a per diem fee calculated on a sliding scale, against anyone found guilty of a crime, offense or violation. The fees collected are intended to help offset the costs of incarceration, and to place a lien on the prisoner's property to ensure payment.

"The county's treasurer or a municipality's chief financial officer would calculate, on a per capita basis, how much it costs to keep the prisoners in custody," said O'Toole. "It would then be determined what percentage individual inmates would be charged based on their ability to pay."

Taxpayers are tired of working long hours, only to see an ever-growing portion of what they earn go toward supporting prisoners," O'Toole continued. "It's time hard-

working people stopped footing the bill for inmates, and time these inmates literally pay back their debt to society."

"Crime victims, by definition, have already paid a high price for the hardships they suffer," said Weingarten. "We should not add insult to injury by forcing our taxpayers — including these victims — to foot the bill for keeping these assailants behind bars. It is only fitting and proper that those who would victimize society should pay their own costs for their incarceration."

According to the Office of Legislative Services, the state pays \$34.50 per day to house each state inmate in county correctional facilities.

The measure was approved by a 74-0 vote and now heads to the Senate Law and Public Safety Committee for consideration.

The two assemblymen represent the 21st Legislative District, which includes Kenilworth, Roselle Park, Springfield, Summit and Union, in addition to eight towns in Essex County.

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Not just a walk in the park



Freeholder Henry Kurz leads a contingent of volunteers through the Watchung Reservation during Litter Day '97 last month. The effort, sponsored by the freeholders, resulted in the collection of more than 2,000 pounds of recyclables and almost 1,500 pounds of trash. Almost 100 citizens participated in the event, Kurz said, including children, scouts and Teamsters. Each participant received a T-shirt, gloves and a perennial plant in honor of Earth Day.

Future success hinges on coherent strategy

Freeholder Forum

By Linda Stender

Under the recently passed initiative, the Board of Chosen Freeholders created a new Freeholder Economic Development Committee and an Economic Development Department reporting to it through the county manager. A new Council of Economic Development Advisors will be named to provide broad policy advice to the freeholders. The County Economic Development Department would, in turn, coordinate the activities of the various economic development agencies.

Almost half of Newark Airport — one of the busiest in the nation for passengers and cargo — is in Elizabeth. As is all of Port Elizabeth, one of the largest, most modern container ports in the world. Elizabeth is a vast trucking fleet, the New Jersey Turnpike, nationwide rail lines and a U.S. Interstate Highway system. Nowhere else in America is so much transportation and cargo packed into one concentrated region. With this network in place, Union County can truly be said to be "going places."

Why is this transportation infrastructure so valuable to us? Because we are just an overnight drive from 250 million of the highest income consumers and largest concentration of manufacturers in America.

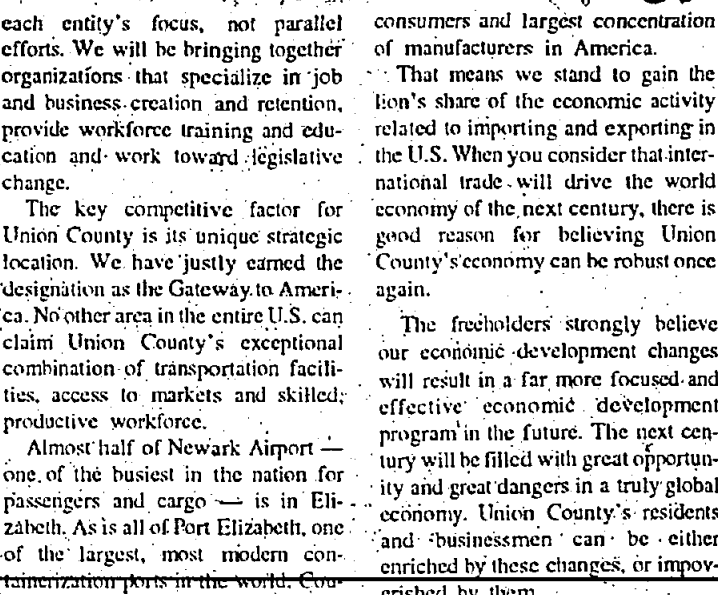
That means we stand to gain the lion's share of the economic activity related to importing and exporting in the U.S. When you consider that international trade will drive the world economy of the next century, there is good reason for believing Union County's economy can be robust once again.

The freeholders strongly believe our economic development changes will result in a far more focused and effective economic development program in the future. The next century will be filled with great opportunity and great dangers in a truly global economy. Union County's residents and "businessmen" can be either enriched by these changes, or impoverished by them.

The answer to that question lies in having an aggressive, world-class economic development team. The Board of Freeholders will accept nothing less.

Linda Stender, who chairs the Board of Chosen Freeholders, is serving her second term as a freeholder. "Freeholder Forum" is a new series of opinion pieces that will appear monthly.

Feline finesse



The Tri-State Cat Fanciers of New Jersey will present its annual judging ring championship cat show in the Westfield National Guard Armory this weekend. The public is invited to view the more than 330 cats that will be on display and witness the crowning of the Best of the Best. The show will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday and Sunday. The armory is located at 500 Rahway Ave. in Westfield. Admission costs \$6, and \$3 for senior citizens and children under 12. For more information, call (201) 379-2816.

County Teen Arts Festival promotes talented youths



Above, visitors to the Union County Teen Arts Festival 'drop in' to one of the Drop-In Art Stops to create with yarn. Below, student musicians head to the buses after a long day of performing.

The Union County Teen Arts Festival, held March 27 and 28 at Union County College in Cranford, was a two-day celebration of the creativity and imagination of youth. The event has become a tradition, with the first Festival being held in 1969 at McCarter Theatre in Princeton. This year, the custom continued as students from throughout the county presented endeavors in the genres of visual arts, film/video, writing, dance, music and drama.

Ten Arts is part of a nationwide arts-in-education movement open to students from public, private and parochial middle and high schools. The Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs and sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. The event is described by coordinator and sponsor as enriching rather than competitive. Each year, the festival hosts approximately 3000 students and a staff of 50 professional artists to accomplish the following goals:

- Develop perceptual, intellectual and technical skills;
- Gain cultural awareness and understanding;
- Develop personal aesthetic values;
- Learn self-discipline, critical thinking and problem-solving through analyzing, interpreting and making judgments.

The event includes a verbal and written critiquing process, with emphasis on constructive and supportive evaluation. The Festival consisted of performance and critique schedules, and workshops. Included in the very qualified roster of instructors and judges were, in the visual art category: Christine Dolimich-Matuska, mixed media artist and director of Union County Conservatory, an art and design studio in Rahway; Herb Way, popular photographic artist from Elizabeth; Nancy Orr, artist and faculty member at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit; and Denise

ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

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The New Jersey Performing Arts Center, less than 6 months from Opening Night, has introduced a unique membership program to build support among the rank and file of its future audiences.

"When NJPAC opens in October 1997," said Richard T. Bryant, vice president of Marketing and Public Relations, "founding members of the NJPAC Charter Club, a select group of individuals and their families, will be sitting in front and center on the magnificent new Prudential Hall."

The NJPAC Charter Club explains Bryant will reward arts patrons who choose to join in support of this effort with substantial benefits during the opening season and long after.

Art patrons can become charter members with subscriptions ranging from \$40 to \$5,000. All membership levels include significant benefits, Bryant said. One of the most intriguing benefits is offered to \$100 Silver Charter Members.

Silver Charter members, in addition to advance subscription tickets, priority tickets handling, gift shop discounts, member-only events and other goodies, will have their name engraved on a brick in Theater Square, a public plaza and outdoor arts venue adjacent to the 2,750-seat Prudential Hall.

"What a wonderful way to record in perpetuity for all future generations to see that you were one of the visionaries who supported the building of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center," Bryant said.

NJPAC recently launched its initial marketing campaign to identify potential subscribers. The campaign includes a "Charter Distribution" contest in which participants have the opportunity to win two round-trip airline tickets to Continental Airlines for a performing arts festival at 40 cities in Mexico City, London, Madrid, Paris, Continental Airlines is the official airline of NJPAC.

Twelve-episode season deals will add to the excitement until early next year, promotional mailings already have the world's finest symphony, orchestra, opera and ballet companies, jazz artists, pop musicians and Broadway musicals.

Further information about membership in the NJPAC Charter Club and opportunities to purchase bricks engraved with names of family members may be obtained by calling, toll-free, 888-GO-NJPAC.

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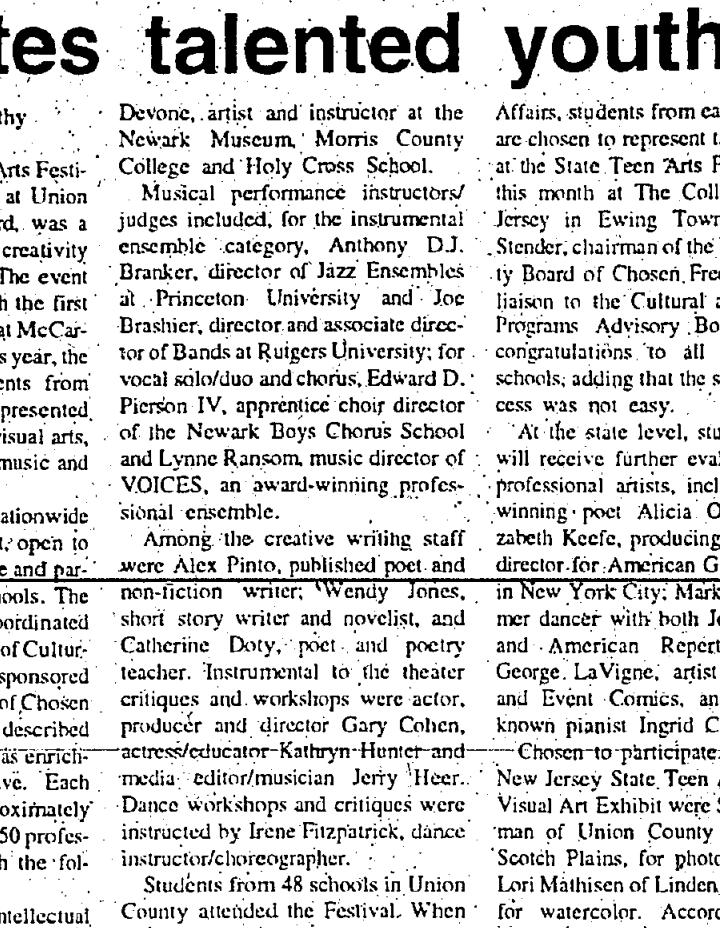
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Stepping Out is a weekly calendar designed to guide our readers to the many arts and entertainment events in the Union County area. To place your free listing, send information to Associate Editor Jacquie McCarth, Worral Community Newspapers, P.O. Box 3109, Union, New Jersey 07083.

ART SHOWS

GARDEN STATE INTERNATIONAL PHOTOGRAPHY SALON is being presented by the Watchung Arts Center through Sunday.

Six accomplished photographers make up the panel of experienced judges who will select the best of each category for awards. These outstanding artists, including award winners, will hang in the Gallery through Sunday. Gallery hours are 1 to 4 p.m. Saturdays and weekdays.

The Watchung Arts Center, "on the Circle" in Watchung, is easily reached from Route 22 or Interstate 78. Call (908) 753-0190 for details and directions. There is ample free parking adjacent to the Arts Center or at nearby municipal lots.

NEW JERSEY WATERCOLOR SOCIETY exhibition of works will be on display at the Rene Fosselman Art Gallery at Paper Mill Playhouse through Sunday.

The juried exhibition offers a representative cross section of the many diverse approaches to the medium of watercolor.

The gallery is open Wednesday through Sunday from one hour before performances through intermission and Fridays from noon to 3 p.m. All art is available for purchase. For more information, call (201) 379-3636, ext. 2272.

CHINESE BRUSH PAINTINGS by Michele Bernstein will be on display through May 31 at The Common Ground Cafe in Summit.

The Cafe is located in Alhambra's Coffee Roastery, 50 Maple St. at Union Place in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-2131.

SKULSKI ART GALLERY of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark will present an exhibition of paintings and graphics by James E. Thouborn III through May 31.

Clark is Thouborn's home, and his optical and color illustrations are a unique blend of scientific and artistic techniques. His paintings incorporate a soft composition, meditations and permutations of muted hues. The use of resin brings forth subtle illumination within each work.

The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark, just off Exit 135 from the Garden State Parkway. The gallery is open to the public Monday to Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call Alexander K. Nowak, director, at (908) 382-7197.

VIX GALLERY will host art work by Brazilian artist Iva Pastern in June 2.

Pastern's subject matter involves horses, a man love of her life. She has been studying their anatomy, movement and behavior for more than 10 years.

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

BACK IN HAVANA, an exhibit by artist Enrique Flores-Gallardo, is on display at Swan Galleries in Plainfield.

The artist's paintings portray the native Cuba with political influences in the myth and romance of Fidel Castro.

The show continues through June 7, weekdays from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday to 4 p.m. Swan Galleries is located at 703 Watchung Ave. in Plainfield. For information, call (908) 756-1707.

NEW JERSEY TARESTY OF ART exhibition is being presented at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts through June 8.

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NJCA is located at 68 Elm St. Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

THE BEST OF KEAN, an exhibition of photographs by students in the Department of Technology at Kean College of New Jersey, will be on display at Les Mamelon Art Gallery in the Union Library. The exhibit will continue through June 12.

Union Library is located on Morris Avenue in Union. For information, call (908) 686-0420 or (908) 686-4536.

SUNNYSIDE BRANCH of Linden Library will feature 11 works by Linden artist George Jarvis. Jarvis's works are bright, colorful and whimsical, frequently featuring children. Jarvis is a painter and illustrator who also designs greeting cards and teaches art to children at the Linden Multi-Purpose Center.

The library is located at 100 Edgewood Road in Linden. The exhibit may be viewed during the library branch's regular hours, 1 to 4 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m. Mondays and Wednesdays and 9 a.m. and 1 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Fridays. For information, call (908) 753-0190.

NEW JERSEY CENTER FOR VISUAL ARTS will host "Color, Line and Form," an exhibit of works by Alice Bryan Hendrix in the Members Gallery from Saturday through June 26.

An opening reception will be held on June 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. NJCA is located at 68 Elm St. Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

ANNUAL SPRING FINE ART AND CRAFTS at Nomahegan Park show will take place on May 31 and June 1, Cranford across from Union County College.

The show will feature over 140 juried professional artists, photographers and crafts people displaying and selling their hand-crafted work. Entertainment will be provided by the Eagle Creek Country Band and a variety of ethnic foods will be served.

The show is free to the public and will be open from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. rain or shine. The park is located on Somerset Avenue in Cranford. For information, call (908) 874-5247.

ROBIN HOOD, presented by Westfield Summer Workshop, is holding auditions at the New Jersey Workshop for children from 12 to 18 years old.

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ART COMPETITION 1997 UNION COUNTY JUNE ART AND CRAFT EXHIBITION is open to all artists and craftspeople who live or work in Union County. The deadline for submission of art is May 31. The winner will take home a cash prize of \$1,000.

The exhibition is open to artists in all media. The New Jersey Workshop, 100 Doran Road, Westfield, N.J. 07090, is the location for the exhibition. For information, call (908) 753-0190.

NEW JERSEY YOUTH SYMPHONY is holding auditions for its 1997-98 season. The symphony is composed of four orchestras, a full orchestra and training groups of musically talented students between the ages of 8 and 16. Private study in an orchestra instrument is a requirement for program participants. Auditions will take place at the

Summit High School in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE is sponsoring the following summer school workshops:

"The Production Workshop" is an intensive rehearsal and performance laboratory featuring individual mentoring sessions for actors, directors and playwrights. From June 10 to July 21 on Monday and Wednesday evenings from 7 to 10 p.m., this class will allow playwrights to have their scripts brought to the production process.

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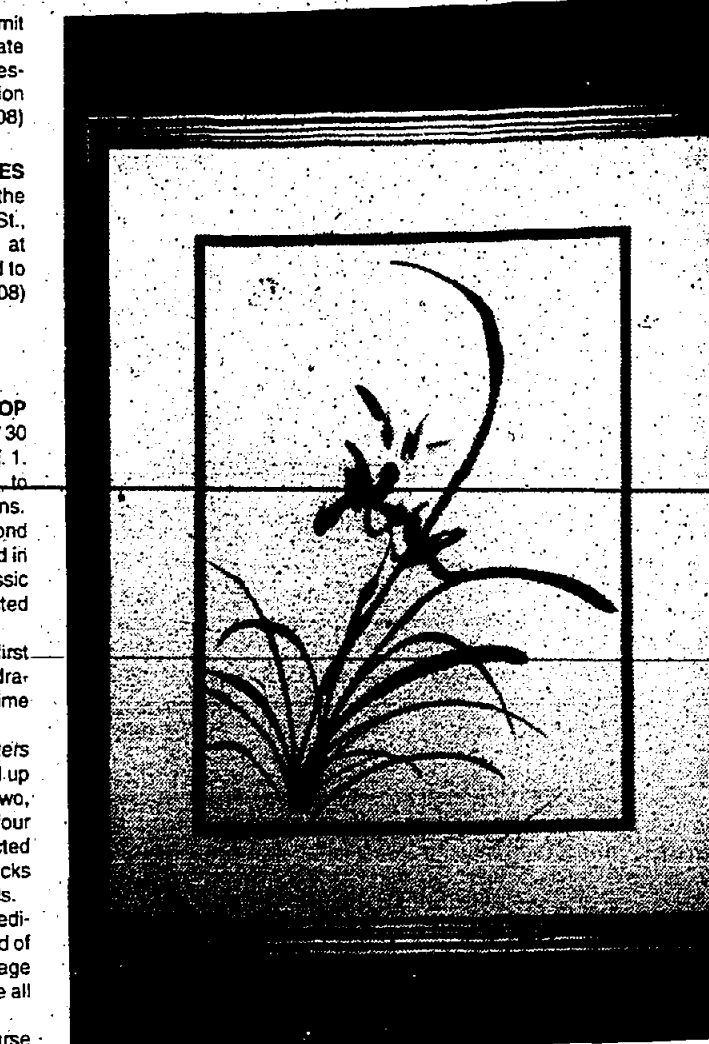
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Chinese Brush Paintings by Michele Bernstein will be on display through May 31 at The Common Ground Cafe in Summit.

Green Village Road in Madison. For information, call (201) 514-1757.

CONCERTS MINISTREL COFFEEHOUSE will present acoustic performer Ken Galipeau and guitarist/vocalist Kathy Moser tomorrow at 8:30 p.m.

The Ministrel Coffeehouse is a coffeehouse/concert series run by the Coffeehouse Collective, a non-profit arts and music organization. The project is located at the Somerset County Environmental Center, 190 Lord Stirling Road, Basking Ridge. Shows are held every Friday evening, 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) 756-2489.

NEW JERSEY INTERGENERATIONAL ORCHESTRA will perform at the Spring Duo Recital and NJDO Dessert Party today at 7 p.m.

The concert will take place at the Hildebrand Avenue School in Cranford. For information, call Loraine Marks at (908) 561-3802.

NEW JERSEY POPS will perform in concert on Saturday at 7:30 p.m. at the Church of St. Theresa in Kenilworth.

The church is located at 541 Washington Ave. For information, call (908) 272-4444.

RAHWAY VALLEY JERSEYANES will perform at the annual Memorial Day ceremony with the V.F.W. Post No. 2636 on Monday at 11 a.m.

The performance will take place at the monument on Ashtown Avenue, located at the rear of V.F.W. Post Hall, 455 Union County Highway, Linden. For additional information, call (908) 233-1188 or (908) 382-2870.

LASER LIGHT ORCHESTRA will be presented at Trailside Nature and Science Center's planetarium on June 8 at 8:30 p.m. Admission is \$12.25 per person, and is limited to those age 10 and up.

Trailside is located in the Watchung Reservation. For more information, call (908) 789-3670.

DANCE THE SUMMIT POOL DANCERS will meet tomorrow at the Summit YWCA, corner of Morris Avenue and Maple Street, Summit. Participants will learn dances of England, Greece, Israel, Romania, the Balkans, Western Europe, etc. No partners are needed. Fee is \$2 per evening. Beginners dance is 7:30 p.m. Regular dance is at 8 p.m. For information, call (201) 467-6076.

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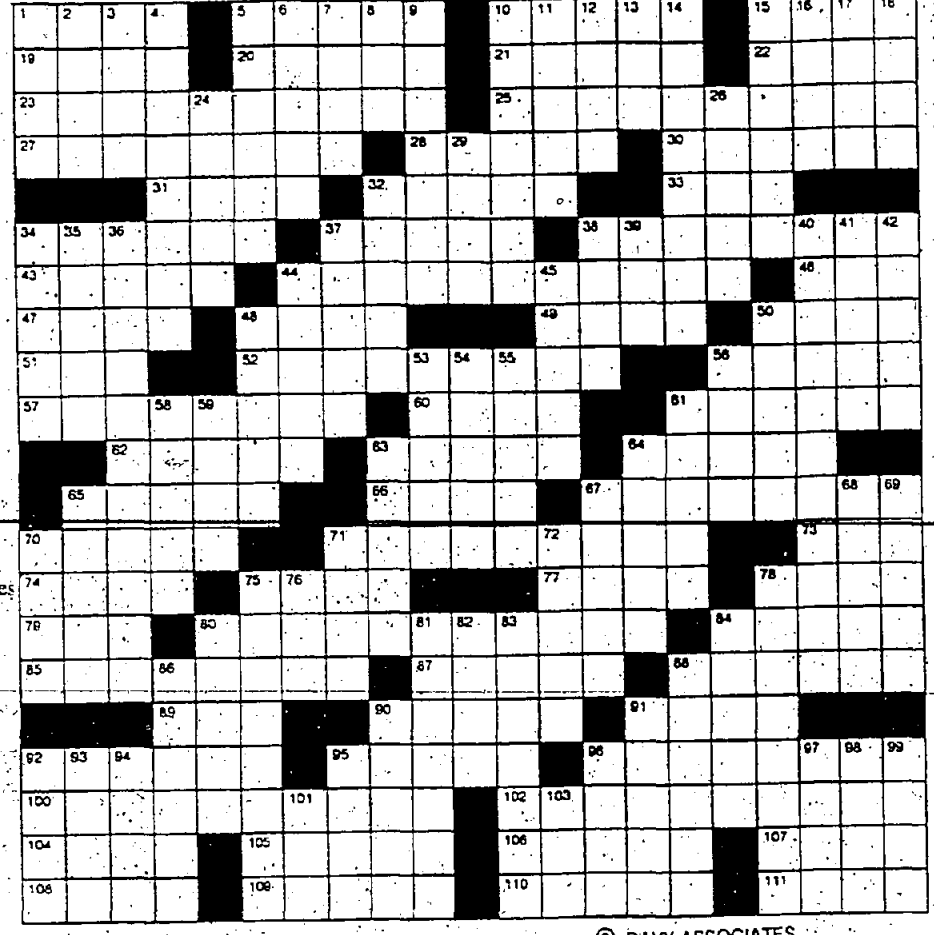
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For the week of May 25 to 31

Aries March 21-April 20

You're on the right track. Stick to what you know is right and things will fall into place. Others may try to sway you but they could be envious of your talents and abilities. Don't be disappointed at temporary setbacks. You'll rebound and come out on top in the end.

Taurus April 21-May 21

Inspiration hits and you'll feel in the mood to try something new. Proceed with caution. Relationships may be affected by your decisions are waiting and watching for results. Now is the time to make health, diet resolutions.

Gemini May 22-June 21

Spurs moving family or financial concern at your own risk. Try to accommodate those who want to be reassured. Calculated risks could pay off in the long run. A friend or family member wants to help if you'll let them. Visit someone from the past and you'll feel better.

Cancer July 22-August 21

Support for your plans or ideas may be shown in a number of ways. Be receptive and remember that others really are on your side. Pay attention to details and fine print. A loved one shows love in a subtle way.

Leo July 22-August 21

You're not very far from a major breakthrough. Take your time because rushing too fast or pushing too hard will defeat your purpose. Moderation and restraint will be wonders for you. Others perceive you as down in the dumps.

Virgo Aug. 22-Sept. 22

Dreams and the future may tempt you for the better or the present. Know your limits and make sure others agree. Watch your progress and keep close to your purpose. Small steps gain you a lot. You don't go overboard.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Now get to know off your leadership skills. Others respect your opinions and knowledge and expect you to take charge. Delegate responsibly.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Curb your extravagant streak. Be aware of quality and take advantage of sales or bargains. Don't spend yourself too thin. Finish current tasks or projects before starting something new. An old friend or loved one is grateful for your encouragement.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

Rules and regulations hinder your ideas and dreams. Bend them when you can. Be sure of the consequences. A current situation is puzzling. You will work itself out shortly. Seeking a cheerful outlook is reassuring. Live it up and cheer.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Make sure your actions affect others. Making big moves could hinder your progress. Be realistic and plan carefully for success. Make your waiting pay off by learning something new or going out with a friend or family member.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You may be feeling pessimistic about life in general but know that the feeling will pass. Try hard to focus on their backs. Founder and Musicians' League. Don't let the best musicians in the orchestra to locations in New Jersey as far north as Bergen County and as far south as Cape May. The orchestra has been most accessible to the western part of the state in Sussex County, numerous times in Morris County, and often in Atlantic City. The orchestra has been most accessible to the western part of the state in Sussex County, numerous times in Morris County, and often in Atlantic City.

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

Stand up for your rights and others will be impressed. Friends and family issues are center stage. Refuse to compromise. A temporary chill in relations is in-mate for your sense of self. Be imaginative and creative in seeking solutions.

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What's Going On?

FLEA MARKET

SUNDAY & MONDAY
MAY 25 & 26 (Memorial Day) 1997
EVENT: Flea Market Two Day
PLACE: Garden State Center, 500 Bellevue Avenue, Bellevue (corner of Franklin & Bellevue Avenue)
TIME: 9:00am-5:00pm Over 100 quality vendors • Kid's Rides • Call 201-597-9535 for information.
ORGANIZATION: Sponsored by The N.J. Garden State Center Day Parade Committee

RUMMAGE SALE

FRIDAY, SATURDAY
MAY 30 & 31, 1997
EVENT: Annual Rummage Sale
PLACE: Calvary Episcopal Church, 31 Woodland Avenue, Summit, NJ
TIME: 9am-4pm
PRICE: Free Admission. Furniture, clothing, sports gear, toys and miscellaneous. 1st Price Sale 12 noon Saturday, \$1.00 per item. 2nd Price Sale 12 noon Sunday, \$1.00 per item.
ORGANIZATION: Women of Calvary

DINNER-BANQUET

SATURDAY
MAY 31, 1997
EVENT: Dinner • Banquet • Roselle Park Youth Baseball League
PLACE: Roselle Park Youth Baseball League, 1000 Roselle Park, Roselle, NJ
TIME: 6:00pm-9:00pm
PRICE: \$25.00 per person, Contact 201-241-1474
ORGANIZATION: Roselle Park Youth Baseball League, all proceeds benefit the league.

WORKSHOPS

TUESDAYS, THURSDAYS, SATURDAYS
JUNE 3, 5, 7, 10, 12, 14, 1997
EVENT: 3 Session Workshops on Mind/Body Health, Stress Management, Business
PLACE: Psychoanalytic Center of Northern New Jersey, 789 Northfield Ave., #112, West Orange, NJ
TIME: A Mind Body Health Plan June 3rd/10th, 9:30am-12pm, "Stress Management" June 7th/14th, 9:30-11am, "Business" June 12th/19th, 9:30-11am
PRICE: \$50 per 2 sessions
ORGANIZATION: PCNJ

OTHER

SATURDAY
MAY 24, 1997
EVENT: Sidewalk Sale
PLACE: Park United Methodist Church, 1000 Park Street, Bloomfield, NJ
TIME: 10:00am to 3:30 p.m.
PRICE: Free Admission
ORGANIZATION: Park United Methodist Church

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

MAY 30 & 31, 1997
EVENT: Job Grand Lodge & B'nai B'rith Grand Chapter Convention
PLACE: Somerset Marriott, 110 David Avenue, Somerset, NJ
TIME: Opening Friday 7pm, Saturday, 8am Meeting, 10am Luncheon
PRICE: Hosted by Grandmaster, Illustrious, and Past Masters of the South Jersey Grand Lodge, 1200 N. 1st St., Somerset, NJ 08856-1000. For more information call 784-8811.

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