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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.

Library changes

The Rahway Public Library will be closed Wednesday for a staff development day. Public service staff will be at Rahway High School learning about the Internet.

The library will close Saturdays for the summer, beginning June 21. All departments will remain on the regular schedule for the rest of the week: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday opening will resume after Labor Day.

The library will be closed Independence Day.

Offices closed

The offices of this newspaper will be closed July 4 in observance of Independence Day. We will reopen Monday, July 7.

The deadlines for the July 3 edition remain the same.

The deadlines for the July 10 edition also remain the same.

- Lifestyle, including church and club news, etc. — Friday, noon.
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Regional welding winner

Anthony Lechtrecker of Clark, a junior in the welding program at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools, is congratulated for becoming the regional first-place winner in a student welding contest held at the Somerset County Vocational-Technical School. From left are Charles S. Mancuso, president of the UCVTS Board of Education; Anthony Lechtrecker; and George Sheehan, Lechtrecker's welding instructor.

Advocates for homeless stage march through city

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Joanne Eash of Rahway did not always work for St. Joseph's and the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless.

"I left an accounting job that made pretty good money for a social service job that didn't have good money and I feel better doing this than making a rich man richer," said Eash.

Eash has been working with the Elizabeth Coalition for two and one-half years, years that have been "wonderful, very tiring, very stressful, but very rewarding."

"I put in more than the eight hours that I'm required to," she said.

That could be one of the reasons Eash is participating in the Kensington Welfare Rights Union's "March for Our Lives" that started in Philadelphia at the start of summer, June 21, and will end in front of the United Nations building in New York City on July 1, a distance of 125 miles. The march has already started and the participants were scheduled to reach Rahway yesterday.

The march, according to a press release distributed by the Union, is a demand that all Americans be granted the right to a job at a living wage. It started at the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia and is being led by poor and homeless families. Events along the route have included a rally at the State House in Trenton on Monday.

Eash is not participating in the entire march. But she will be joining them at St. Paul's Episcopal Church on Elm Street in Rahway, where they spent the night, helping them set up and then joining them on their march up St. Georges Avenue at 8:30 a.m. today. She will be leaving them at the Elizabeth Coalition so that other members can join the march, which will then head for a rally at the county welfare office.

St. Joseph's and the Elizabeth Coalition have been assisting the march by providing them lunch in Elizabeth and distributing press releases.

When asked why she was doing it, Eash said, "I'm trying to give support to people who have organized a walk for homeless people."

No figures are available on how many homeless people are in Union County. The county Department of Human Services said that, in 1996, Union County's six shelters served 2,200. More than 1,500 of these were individuals; the rest were parts of families — over 250 families in all.

Eash works with the children at the Elizabeth Coalition. "I've witnessed what's happened to children," she said. "What you see on the news is the drunk, the drug addict."

But, while every homeless person isn't a drunk or a mental patient, a lot have different, more subtle problems, like a lack of education; that does not give them much chance to land a job. Many of them are also battered people — men as well as women.

"How can you have a home on $500 a month?" Eash asked.

"It's a lot of stress, especially when children are involved," she added.

She said that, one year, there was a child whose family was told they would have to leave their home by Christmas. She followed that child, making sure she had toys for Christmas and making sure that her family was cared for.

"I've been here a lot of years," she said, "and you see a lot of injustice — not a lot, but a good deal."

The Kensington Welfare Rights Union was started in April 1991 as a result of welfare cuts in Pennsylvania. The union has led one other march similar to this week's event, a 140-mile march from Philadelphia to Harrisburg, Pa., to protest state cuts and "attacks on the poor."

Educator will travel in search of history

By Litza Jurado
Staff Writer

It may not be a trip around the world, but for Lillian Enda, a chance at gaining first hand information on the history of the Holocaust is a dream come true.

On July 12, this second grade teacher will be on her way to visit Germany, Poland, the Czech Republic, and Jerusalem, a trip she thought, if asked a few weeks ago, was not going to happen.

"I'm really excited about going," said Enda, who was having some difficulty raising the final $1,000.

The $3,000 trip is an effort to further broaden her analysis of Jewish-Christian studies. She received a $1,000 award from Honey & Maurce Axelrod Inc., a $500 grant from the New Jersey Commission on Holocaust Education, a $500 gift raised from different members of her family, and a $1,000 loan from a personal friend.

Recently, she co-edited "Lessons from the Holocaust," a teacher's guide of lesson plans for grades K-12, on how to teach the Holocaust through already published literature. It was published through Seton Hall University's Jewish-Christian studies called the Sister Rose Thering Endowment.

"There's an important need to teach about tolerance," she said. "There are a lot of people out there who still follow the hate that Hitler tried to instill, and we need to remember and never forget the terrible things that happened during World War II."

An elementary school teacher for eight years, she received her bachelor's degree from Glassboro State College, which is now Rowan University. She is seeking her master's degree at Seton Hall University.

Yet more intriging is her background. Here is a woman of Puerto Rican descent, a Roman Catholic, who is taking the time to educate herself about a historical aspect of a completely different religion.

"I grew up in a family that was very tolerant of diversity," she said. "And the more diverse our communities become, the more we need to learn how to tolerate each other."

While in Europe, she plans to keep a journal, which will help her bring back what she learns.

"Never in a million years did I think I would have this opportunity," she said with a smile. "Education is something one can find anywhere they go. All you have to do is open your eyes to the world."

Feds investig radiation was...

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

A worker's mistake at Merck & Co. could wind up costing his company a $10,000 federal fine.

The federal Nuclear Regulatory Commission met with Merck on Monday to discuss the possible disposal of about 880 microcuries of radioactive iodine-125 in the company's regular trash — trash that ended up at the UCUA incinerator in Rahway.

A Merck spokesperson would only confirm that a meeting had taken place and would not give further comment.

According to Neil Sheehan of the NRC office in King of Prussia, Pa., Monday's meeting was a "predecisional enforcement conference" with Merck to look into the April 10 incident.

"In our case, we'll look at it for enforcement purposes," he said. "We think they need to exercise greater care when they're handling radioactive materials."

The meeting is a chance for Merck officials to tell "their side of the story" regarding the incident and so that the NRC can know what corrective actions that the company has taken.

Sheehan said a decision on the incident will probably come up to 30 days after Monday's conference and could result in a maximum fine of $10,000.

The iodine used in the April 10 incident is used in drug research and has a half life of 60 days — that is, half any given sample of iodine-125 will break down into another material in 60 days. Its purpose is to tag molecules so that they can be measured and traced.

Normally, radioactive material used by Merck is disposed of on site. After being used, it is stored in a special facility until it breaks down to point where it is deemed safe. It is then burned in Merck's own incinerator.

Donna Nostbiry of Merck has said that the iodine arrived on the Merck site on April 10 as part of an "atypical" shipment from NEN Life Science Products and was sent to a lab worker other than the one that had ordered it.

This worker apparently took out a container that he thought to contain the radioactive iodine and placed it in a freezer, said Sheehan. He did not see two vials of iodine-125 in the package and threw the package out, still containing the two vials.

The worker supposedly realized his mistake the next day. When he went to the freezer, he found that the container there did not have any radioactive materials in it. Merck then notified the Rahway police, the NRC and the state Department of Environmental Protection.

According to Sheehan, Merck has made an "immediate corrective action" to prevent further incidents. This has involved the distribution of a notice to workers "to take precautions in the future," he said, and a mock shipment of iodine-125 for clarifying packages and verifying procedures at the facility.

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Police investigate two city burglaries

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Police are investigating two burglaries, both of which occurred in homes and on the same day.

According to Det. Lt. Bob Disko, both burglaries occurred between the morning and afternoon of June 18.

The first occurred in the 300 block of East Scott Avenue between 7:45 a.m. and 3:40 p.m. According to Disko, none of the residents were at home at the time.

Police believe that the burglar or burglars gained entry into the apartment by breaking a rear window. The bedrooms were ransacked and about $3,000 in various items were missing, including jewelry, video equipment and about $400 in cash.

The second burglary occurred in the 1900 block of Beacon Street between 7:30 a.m. and 7:30 p.m. Police believe the burglar or burglars entered through an open window leading into a garage.

A number of rooms at this location were ransacked as well — the living room, two bedrooms and an office.

According to police, about $5,000 worth of items were stolen, including computer and stereo equipment and compact discs.

According to Captain Edward Tilso, this ransacking is not random destruction or vandalism but instead a search for valuables.

"They basically trash the place," he said.

According to Disko, it is not known if the burglaries are related. There are no suspects, but the incidents are still being investigated.

Det. John Kaczer is investigating the first burglary, while Det. Paul Meo is investigating the second. If you have information on either of these two burglaries, call the Rahway Police Tips Hotline at (908) 388-1553.

Getting bowled over

Rahway Senior Citizens Center along with Linden Lanes sponsor a senior citizens bowling party. Seniors were treated to free games and equipment. Fore more information about Rahway senior citizens activities, call 827-2016.

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Strongin appointed advertising director

Publisher David Worrall announced this week the appointment of Martin Strongin as director of Advertising and Marketing at Worrall Community Newspapers.

Strongin will direct the advertising department's sales force for all 22 of the company's weekly newspapers in Essex and Union counties. The Advertising Department includes Retail, Classified and New Media.

Strongin brings 30 years of experience in advertising sales, marketing and business management to the newly created position. He recently served as business director of the North Jersey Jewish Media Group, where he was responsible for business management, marketing and sales direction for two northern New Jersey newspapers: the weekly *Jewish Standard* and bi-weekly *Jewish Community News*.

Martin Strongin

Prior to that, from 1992-1995, Strongin served as business/advertising director for the Connecticut Jewish Ledger Publications, where he successfully relaunched and repositioned four weekly newspapers in Hartford, New Haven, Bridgeport and Stamford. He also was responsible for total graphic and editorial makeover, as well as developing a business operation for these publications. He directed a marketing and sales effort that positioned these publications as viable advertising mediums, increasing sales 85 percent.

Strongin also worked for the *Metrowest Jewish News*, where he served ad business/advertising director and was responsible for the business, marketing and sales areas of the publication. While at the *Jewish News*, Strongin launched a subsidiary glossy, four-color magazine for the publication.

Strongin also worked for Professional Market Associates Ltd., Resorts Magazine Network, Packard Press, Find Magazine and The Jewish Newspaper Group of Philadelphia.

He said he looks forward to finding better ways to market the publications and increase sales effectiveness for all 22 newspapers.

"I'm excited to be at Worrall Newspapers. Working with quality paid subscription newspapers is similar to what I've done before. Because they're so focused editorially, in essence, they are special interest papers for the community. That's been my marketing specialty," he said.

Strongin has been examining the Essex and Union towns served by Worrall Community Newspapers and has found a great deal of diversification. "There's a lot of growth potential, but I see a lot of individualized marketing approaches in the areas because of the differences," he said.

Strongin holds a bachelor of science degree in marketing from Temple University and attended the Charles Morris Price School of Advertising.

Merck target of investigation

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The vials are believed to have ended up at the UCUA incinerator, which disposes of the municipal garbage in Union County, including Merck's. Joseph Spatola, the Executive Director of Merck, has said that there was no evidence of radiation at the UCUA, even after representatives of the DEP examined the incinerator.

Sheehan said 880 microcuries of iodine-125 should not harm humans. This amount is more than 40 times above the federal occupational annual limit for exposure to iodine-125 of 40 microcuries. But he added that a human would have to ingest up to 10,000 to 200,000 microcuries before it started to affect the function of the thyroid gland and cause health problems.

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Saturday

• The Rahway Historical Society will hold its Third Annual Auction and Tag Sale fundraiser to be held at the Merchants and Drovers Tavern beginning at 9 a.m. Proceeds from the sale will benefit museum development of the historic 18th Century inn, and interpretive and educational programs of the society.

For more information, call Ted Nevins at (908) 499-0279.

July 3

• The Concerned Citizens of Union County will meet at the JFK Community Center, 796 East Hazelwood Ave., in Rahway. For more call Bob Carson at 381-7250 or Kerri Blanchard at 396-3722.

The Concerned Citizens are 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.

July 4

• The Rahway Department of Public Works announces the garbage and bulky waste collection schedule. There will be no garbage and bulky waste collection on July 4. All bulk waste normally scheduled for collection on July 4 will instead be collected on July 5. Regular garbage normally scheduled for collection on Friday will instead be collected on July 8.

July 7

• Rahway Hospital will host a Cardiac Support Group on the first Monday of each month beginning July 7.

The group will meet from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the hospital's conference room No. 3. There are no fees and no pre-registration is necessary.

The Rahway Hospital Cardiac Support Group is designed to provide current information and social support for a group setting for people with cardiac problems including patients, family members, caregivers and friends. It is a forum to share experiences, problems, worries and success stories. The facilitators will aim to tailor each session to the needs of those attending.

For more information on the Cardiac Support Group, call (732) 499-6056.

Discount amusement tickets offered

Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation, along with the New Jersey Recreation and Park Association announces its 1997 Summer Community Service Amusement Park Discount Ticket Program.

Listed is the name of the amusement parks, gate prices and the discounted prices:

Great Adventure, Jackson, NJ: combination-gate price $32.95; NJRPA price $25, $24-group.

Theme Park Only gate price $36; NJRPA price $23, $22-group. Group tickets for 15 or more. Escorts 1:15 ratio for groups only.

Dorney Park/Wildwater Kingdom, Allentown, PA:

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Group tickets for 20. or more. Escort 1:20 ratio for groups only.

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Regular — weekdays — gate price $28, NJRPA price $17.

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Scouts tour Gettysburg battlefield

Recently, Troop 91 of Clark toured the Battlefield at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania. The members of Troop 91 completed the two prescribed hiking trails totaling about 12-and-one-half miles around the Union and confederate lines and across the field of picket's charge. In addition to those hikes, Troop 91 also visited the Gettysburg Cemetery.

Visitors Center, Cyclorama, and General Dwight D. Eisenhower's Farm — all of these events are part of Gettysburg Heritage, run by the National Park Service and the Boy Scouts of America. By completing these requirements the two leaders and eight boy scouts participating in this event have earned their Gettysburg patch and segments along with the trail medal. Also participating in this event were two girl scouts and two other younger children of the scoutmaster.

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Scholarship carries police legacy

By Litza Jurado
Staff Writer

As the growth of volunteerism and the expansion of community policing continue, they produce future scholars in law enforcement like Peter Femiano.

Recently announced as the recipient of the first Captain William Arthur O'Leary Memorial Scholarship, he is the chief/president of the Rahway Police Department's Explorer Post 31.

"I was excited when I found out," said Femiano. "College could be expensive, so this could be good for books or toward tuition."

This 18-year-old graduate of St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen will be attending John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City in the fall. It was his first choice out of the four schools he applied to.

The scholarship is in memory of Captain William "Artie" O'Leary, a member of the Rahway Police Department for more than 27 years. O'Leary was the father of two daughters, grandfather of five and was married to Leslie Zelman O'Leary for 24 years.

He died in 1993 as a result of a prolonged illness. However, he was one of the two original founders of the first Rahway Police Explorer Post in 1972, Officer Paul Benkovich was the other founder.

"He would have been proud," said James O'Leary, William O'Leary's younger brother, who has been on the force for 28 years. "He would of liked this even if it wasn't in his honor. But I'm honored that they did."

O'Leary was known for encouraging teenagers and young adults to become involved in the Police Department and the City of Rahway. Several members of the first explorer program have put the ideas and practices instilled in them by O'Leary to good use by successfully pursuing a law enforcement career with the Rahway Police Department, as well as other law enforcement agencies.

The scholarship was funded by local businessowners Ruth and Bernard Burkhoff, who were close friends of O'Leary.

The Burkhoffs were not available for comment, but were quoted in a press release dated June 26: "They believe the children are our future and the efforts of the Rahway Police Explorer Program encourages students and young adults to become involved in the city, in particular, the Police Department."

"I was very surprised when I found out about the scholarship, but I was very proud," said Leslie O'Leary. "It was something we have wanted to do for a very long time, but we weren't sure how to start it."

The intent of Law Enforcement Exploring is to educate and involve youth in police operations. It is used as a tool to interest youth in the possibility of a future law enforcement career.

"Law enforcement is not for everyone," Femiano said. "You have to be very disciplined and be able to take orders from people whether they are younger or older than you. And if you can do that, you can have a good career in it."

Peter Femiano
Scholarship recipient

Protestors mark Whitman's visit to plant

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

If you looked around the parking lot at General Motors' Linden Assembly Plant on Routes 1&9 on Thursday, you would have seen a lot of happy faces, all of them glad that Gov. Christine Whitman had come to help them break ground at a new cogeneration plant.

Outside the parking lot was a different story.

The parking lot, which is surrounded by fences, was also surrounded by protestors, about 25 by one estimate. Many of these were the Citizens Action Group, a local group opposed to GAF/ISP construction of a toxic waste incinerator in Tremley Point.

"And, yes, a great deal of people started booing her when she started speaking," said Beatrice Bernzott of the CAG.

According to Bernzott, the CAG, which sponsored Thursday's demonstration, created a "panorama" of pickets and signs around the parking lot, including a banner: "Governor Whitman's Promises Kept — 1. Howard Stern's Rent Stop 2. GAF Chemical Waste Incinerator."

"She could halt this," said Ron Martins of the Concerned Citizens of Linden. "She could halt the minutes of the Hazardous Waste Siting Commission."

Whitman has been a target of the CAG at least since a recent New Jersey Turnpike Authority meeting, which approved a ramp off the Turnpike to the incinerator that is necessary for construction to begin. If Whitman had vetoed the minutes of this meeting, the ramp could not be built and, with it, the incinerator.

But Whitman said of this, "From all that I've seen, I'm not in a position to second guess."

This ramp would be built with taxpayer dollars, something Mike Keehan of Elizabeth disapproved of.

"If we're going to subsidize something, let's subsidize old people or something," he said.

Keehan is not a member of any group opposed to the incinerator and was there on his own time.

"I'm from Elizabeth, so I can smell it," he said. "When Exxon blew up, it blew out my windows. It might not blow up, but it could and I'd be in the line of fire."

"We've been fighting this for 10 years. GAF hasn't put a shovel in the ground," said Martins. "So we're winning."

Some of the people were not there about the incinerator.

They were there for different issues — auto insurance, veteran's housing, anti-abortion — that they said Whitman has fallen short in.

According to Bernzott, the CAG has become part of a network of groups that are opposed the governor's policies. This is almost out of necessity, said Bernzott, since Whitman is not releasing her agenda; in fact, Bernzott said that she was tipped off to Whitman's appearance by a GM employee.

"All I can say is that Christie Whitman had a lot of nerve coming here to the rank and file," said Bob Carson of Rahway, a member of the Union County Concerned Citizens, saying Whitman has helped to cut workers' benefits and had done nothing about high car insurance rates.

"After taking so much from the workers, she has a lot of nerve coming to the UAW."

"She doesn't want anything to show up in the papers," she said. "She wants it to be this glorious, adored governor and it's about time."

According to Bernzott, Whitman made a "maximum effort" not to be seen by the protestors, supposedly even hiding her face so she would not be seen.

This is the second time this year that the CAG has been unable to confront Whitman face to face about the GAF/ISP incinerator.

The CAG tried to present a "Mother's Day Card" to her while she was attending a police awards ceremony in Mountainside. Whitman had taken a rear entrance to the restaurant, L'Affaire, where the ceremony was being held.

Correction policy

It is the policy of this newspaper to correct all significant errors that are brought to the editor's attention. If you believe that we have made such an error, please write Chris Suswal, managing editor, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., Union, 07083, or call him at 686-7700 Ext. 322 on weekdays before 5 p.m.

Animal group plans bowling fundraiser

By David Goldberg
Correspondent

On Saturday, the People For Animals, a non-profit animal welfare organization, will sponsor Moonlight Bowling at Clark Lanes from 8:30 to 11 p.m. This event is scheduled to benefit homeless animals. The price for the Moonlight Bowling will be $15, which will cover the cost of the bowling shoes and automatically give anyone the opportunity to be a candidate for a door prize. There will be gift certificates given away as well as many other several mystery door prizes.

If an individual would like to pay for the Moonlight Bowling on the day of the event rather than pay by mail, the person or persons can pay at the door. It is also recommended that each person attending bring a partner. Everyone will be paired up with a partner. Event organizers state that it would easier if everyone came with a another person, because then will be an even number of people.

This isn't the type of event recommended for the serious bowler. "The lights are down for the first game. The people do all kinds of different styles of bowling. Some of the people bowl the ball through their hands. Others roll the kinds of unique things that wouldn't be seen in a traditional game of bowling. It is just bowling for fun rather than the serious bowling competition," said Fran Moore, a representative from People For Animals.

People For Animals has been running these Moonlight Bowling events for the last several years. They usually draw about 75 people to these events. The Moonlight Bowling always runs very well.

People For Animals also runs other types of fundraisers. The Chinese Auction is their most successful fundraiser. There are also special bus rides arranged by People For Animals, which travel to destinations such as Atlantic City and New Hope. People For Animals gets about 40 to 50 people to attend these bus rides.

While running many fundraisers, People For Animals also runs a spay/neuter clinic and a homeless animals adoption program. People For Animals has been in operation since 1985. People For Animals has also helped more than five thousand animals in population.

People for Animals also tries to help animal adoption every week. Every other weekend mainly in North Plainfield and sometimes in various other places in New Jersey, People For Animals tries helps to find homeless animals a home. They first help find the animals a temporary home to determine what kind of environment would be suitable for the animal as a permanent home. The future goal of People For Animals is to be able to fund its own shelter. With its own shelter, People For Animals would be able to take in homeless animals and give the proper treatment that they deserve and help find the animals suitable homes.

If anyone would like more information about Moonlight Bowling or any fundraisers or other events ran by People For Animals, they should call the organization at 688-1073. The phone lines are open 24 hours a day. If anyone leaves a message, a representative from People For Animals will get back to that person as soon as possible.

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COMMUNITY FORUM

Graduations offer lesson in life

As we make our way to the end of the school year, we remind everyone — students, educators, parents and guardians — of the tragedy often resulting from graduation celebrations.

After working toward this goal for 13 years, it is understandable that graduates want to sing from the rooftops that they've made it. However, each year, many of these youngsters do not live to see the month of July, in large part because of celebrations that include drugs or alcohol.

Throughout the country, school districts and PTAs have undertaken the organization of events such as Project Graduation, a drug- and alcohol-free party often lasting all night. By giving students the option of kicking up their heels without risking their lives, these adults have saved countless lives and ensured countless bright futures.

While not every community sponsors an official Project Graduation, we contend that such a party is perhaps the best graduation present that these young people could be given. Not only is the safety of the celebrants protected, but these events also offer the opportunity to re-emphasize that drugs and alcohol are not necessary ingredients or prerequisites for a good time, one final lesson from their alma maters that they will hopefully carry into their adult lives.

To those school districts that sponsor, we salute you and thank you. You are investing in the futures of not only the students, but all of us. The students who survive graduation night thanks to these parties could very well be the ones who will one day find a cure for AIDS, lead our nation to economic stability or simply make the lives of others brighter through their work in the arts.

To the towns that do not sponsor a Project Graduation, we simply ask, "Why not?" When you consider the returns on the investment of time, it's perhaps the best way the community can look out for its own.

Of course, in the absence of an official Project Graduation, parents can take the initiative in providing drug- and alcohol-free settings in which these young people can mark a milestone in a manner which ensures all future milestones.

We are not born with an innate sense of discretion; it's a skill that must be learned. Since many young people of 17 and 18 years have not yet necessarily had the opportunity to hone this skill, it is the responsibility of all of us to help them with this lesson by setting examples and providing them with opportunities to become the adults who will lead tomorrow's world.

Practice safety

Now that school is out and the summer has officially begun, residents will begin to spend more time together, whether it be a quiet afternoon at home or some fun in the sun at the town pool. Whatever the case may be, be sure to practice proper pool safety.

Some overlook the one hour eating rule as a myth. You know the one — after eating, stay out of the water to avoid cramping. The truth is, most people do experience cramping after jumping back into the cool pool right after consuming their summer afternoon treat. So, don't be a fool, stay out of the pool for at least one hour after eating.

Also, those plastic bubbles, also known to the kiddies as "swimmies," that parents place on their children's arms to help them stay afloat in even the shallowest sections of water, are not meant to be a life-saving device. Parents should never leave their children unattended in the water. The devices are meant to be used as an aid, not a sitter in the water. The same holds true for rafts or other popular flotation devices. So, to avoid a tragedy, stay with your kids in the water and splash around with them.

Another problem which kids and adults alike experience is the dreaded sunburn. For the fair-skinned, it can be quite a grueling experience. But for some reason, everyone is in search of the perfect bronze tan that will make the look better than any supermodel or Coppertone Kid. But be smart and avoid the pain. Make sure you use a sunblock, with a minimum of 15 SPF, often. To ensure that you are getting better protection longer, try using one of the waterproof or sport lotions. They won't wash off in the water as fast and less applications may have to be applied. Anything less than a 15 protection, you may as well put Wesson oil on your body.

But if a burn should occur, make sure you know exactly what you are dealing with. Keep a close eye on the skin and if any abnormalities should occur, be sure to call a doctor right away to find out how to properly treat the burn.

All in all, if you follow these simple tips, there is not a reason why any family could not have a happy and safe summer.

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UNSIGHTLY GARBAGE — Trash lines the perimeter of the water at Rahway River Park located on St. Georges Avenue. See Question of the Week below.

Attending rock concerts is not easy matter

Free Form

By Bob Rixon

Attending a rock concert isn't an easy matter for me. Having read too many spy and detective novels, I feel it's necessary to assume the identity of a typically dedicated fan of a particular act in order to observe, in a detached manner, the behavior of these fans. I'm compiling my accounts of these rock concerts into a book titled, "My Life in the Slow Lane of the Continental Airlines Arena Parking Lot Exit Ramp."

The first, and most simple, disguise I assumed was for an Elvis Costello concert. I wore a tight, dark suit with pants that ended 6 inches above my shoes, a very narrow tie, and a pair of black, horn-rimmed eyeglasses. Much to my surprise, people thought I was Elvis Costello, which resulted in several graphic solicitations from women for my companionship. I turned these down for ethical reasons, and because I worried that three women might be aware of certain tattoos on Mr. Costello's body.

The success of this venture gave me the confidence to tackle a Lynyrd Skynyrd reunion. I bought a Harley Davidson T-shirt, sewed a Dixie flag patch on a pair of old jeans, which I then rubbed with motor oil. I never got to hear "Free Bird," and I woke up in the back of a Dodge pickup truck parked outside of a bar near Easton, Pennsylvania. I went into the bar, but my cover was blown when it was discovered that I didn't know anything about the World Wrestling Federation. But I learned that the Philipsburg, N.J. police do not like hitchhikers.

The relative success of this adventure gave me the courage to attempt a Grateful Dead concert. Deadheads have always frightened me. They're nice folks, too nice. I feared what they would do to me if they found out I was a not only an unbeliever, but the equivalent of atheist. To know the Dead and yet reject them is a grievous spiritual apostasy.

I bought a wig that resembled Cher's hair circa 1970. I invested in a very expensive tie dye shirt, and stocked up on love beads at a hippied shop on the Seaside Heights boardwalk. I borrowed a pair of sandals and some bongo drums, and tucked several clove cigarettes into a small pouch, along with some Zig Zag rolling papers and a small, scented candle. For my admission to the inner circle of parking lot van culture, I recorded a live Dead album using an extremely cheap tape recorder and marked the cassette with the cryptic code, "7/1/77, Sandusky Ohio."

When I arrived at the arena, I cautiously approached a group of Deadheads who were sitting in a Volkswagon van and scooping hummus with their fingers from a large, plastic bowl. I chanted the magic words, "I need a miracle," over and over again.

One of them, a guy named Tripping-Skippy, asked if I had anything to trade, as he might have the miracle I was searching for. I showed him my bogus tape.

"Man, that's just not cool," he said, shaking his head sadly. "I happen to know that Jerry was laid up with a toothache in Martin County on that date, and Bob Weir was scuba diving with his dolphin friends near Santa Catalina Island." He added, "The Dead did play Sandusky, but it was on the 7th of July in 1978."

After that experience I gave up disguising myself for rock concerts until the recent Marilyn Manson appearance at Ozzfest. Intrepid me out of retirement. For the Manson show, I dyed my hair black, wore black combat boots, very white makeup, black lipstick, and a black dress. I had a great time until I jumped out of the seats, ran across the field, was tackled by a State Trooper, taken to the security office and frisked by a police matron.

Bob Rixon is a resident of Rahway.

Anniversary triggers memories of a mystery

The Way It Was

By William Frolich

It was just a few weeks ago that we tore another page off the calendar and it was already the month of May. This thought alone revived a flood of memories of things that had happened many years ago in that month. It has been 60 years since that fateful day of the sixth of May and the Hindenburg disaster at Lakehurst Naval Air Station.

Even on that day it seemed impossible that such an event could have happened, four-it was earlier in the day that the giant airship had been seen flying over Elizabeth, apparently on its way to its mooring mast at Lakehurst. A group of us were outside in our backyard enjoying a pleasant evening and were discussing what we had seen of the big dirigible in the sky, and were sure that the ship must have already landed. We did not know that a small storm over southern New Jersey had caused a delay, and we were shocked with disbelief when a young girl from next door ran out of her house crying, "The Hindenburg is dead!"

That was our first news bulletin, but we quickly received more detailed information from the radio inside our house. It was true: The big airship somehow burst into flames as it approached the mooring mast and was a complete loss. This luxury aircraft that only the year before had made many routine crossings over the Atlantic Ocean from Germany was no more.

There was no television in those days, and our earliest news came from radio. Later, the newspapers were full of photos and stories from reporters and survivors of the disaster. Oddly enough, the uneventful crossings of the previous year had made this crossing a major news event, and the reason that there were any reporters and cameramen present at the landing was because this trip was the first one of the 1937 season, for there were no flights during the winter.

A radio newsman was there to broadcast this routine landing, and his anguished voice can still be heard on recordings, as he attempts to describe the huge fireball engulfing the airship, while passengers and groundcrewmen run for their lives. A newsreel cameraman, still waiting for the landing and hoping that there would yet be enough light for his camera, suddenly found more light than he had ever expected and was able to record some of the most spectacular film ever shot. Even today, it can be found on videotape.

This fantastic footage shows the amazing speed with which the huge Zeppelin was destroyed. From the time that a large fireball bursts from within the ship only 32 seconds elapse as the Hindenburg settles to the ground and collapses into a twisted framework of structural metal. A few survivors can be seen running from the flames.

There has never been any certain answer as to what caused the fire as the airship neared its mooring mast. A possible cause has been advanced that somehow lightning or static electricity was generated as the ship approached the ground. Did a thunder storm with its charged atmospheric create a spark? The highly inflammable hydrogen with which the ship was inflated would have ignited had the slightest spark been present, but no one knows.

Various theories of sabotage have been expressed but without proof. This disaster occurred at a time when Hitler and Nazi Germany were becoming increasingly unpopular, and the Hindenburg bore large swastikas on its tail fins. Was this an attack on the Nazi system? No one knows.

Another theory was that this was an effort to force the United States to sell non-flammable helium to Germany for use in other dirigibles. This gas is almost as light as hydrogen and is found almost exclusively in this country. Had this been a saboteur thought, it was not successful, as German Zeppelins had been used in World War I to bomb England, and a new war in Europe appeared quite possible. Helium-filled dirigibles would have been almost indefensible, while hydrogen airships fall easy victims to incendiary bullets.

The destruction of the Hindenburg brought about the end of trans-Atlantic airship travel, although the U.S. Navy made good use of blimps as off-shore anti-submarine defense during World War II. A line of these helium-filled air ships cruised along the Atlantic coastline from where they could easily see submerged U-boats waiting to attack oil tankers and other vessels traveling to and from New York Harbor.

Today there are no more rigid-framed airships, as airplanes and helicopters have taken over whatever uses the big crafts might have had, although back in the early 1930s the Navy used several, even equipping them as airplane carriers, capable of launching and recovering the five fighter planes contained within them. Unfortunately, except for the German-built "Los Angeles," which was dismantled, all of the other Navy dirigibles broke up and crashed to earth. Present-day blimps are used almost exclusively as advertisers, and as television camera platforms in the skies over athletic events.

William Frolich is a resident of Roselle and a member of the Union County Historical Society.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Israel in need of our support, aid

To the Editor:

More than half a century ago, 6 million men, women and children were savagely murdered. They didn't ask for any territory, they had no arms and they declared no independence as do the separatists of Bosnia, Chechnea and others. All they wanted was to live in peace. They were murdered only because they were Jewish, while the nations of the world remained silent and closed their doors to Jews who tried to escape Hitler's ovens. If Israel had existed at that time, the Holocaust would have been avoided. In order to avoid another Holocaust we must be united and support Israel permanently, regardless of which prime minister the Israeli people elect.

In 1935, the Nazis decreed that Jews had no right to build houses and to live in specific places; Germans were severely punished for dealing with Jews. It is regrettable that the Nazi legacy is still kept alive by Arafat and his supporters, by denying the right to Jews to build their houses and to live in the eastern part of Jerusalem, Israel's sovereign territory. Arafat's supporters are executing Arabs for dealing with Jews; they transformed the peace process into a killing process against the Jews. Goebbels would applaud. The PLO is not interested in peace with Israel; they want to take piece by piece from Israel to make it indefensible, and ultimately destroy it.

Peace for Israel means security. Israel's desire for peace should not equate peace with an apathetic readiness to be destroyed.

Bernard Jacoud
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VIEW POINT

QUESTION OF THE WEEK

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City schools participate in math program

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

It's a saying that education has three R's: reading, writing and 'rithmetic.

The Linden and Rahway school systems are looking into a new way to teach 'rithmetic.

Both Rahway and Linden are involved in a program with the Merck Institute for Science Education that is exploring Investigations in Number, Data and Space, a mathematics curriculum from the non-profit group TERC that emphasizes group learning, reasearch and flexibility.

"I really look forward to the coming year with enthusiasm," said Walter Tylicki, director of mathematics and social studies in the Linden School System. "This is really the most comprehensive math initiative that we have done in our school's history."

According to Tylicki, Linden is involved in the program "because it truly shows that mathematics is important."

According to materials provided about the program, Investigations in Number, Data and Space is meant to teach children to use more flexibility in working out mathematics problems, using, models, diagrams, different strategies and tools such as calculators and computers.

It also includes a new way of organizing students and their work.

Students would be organized into groups of varying numbers, from a single student working alone to an entire classroom.

According to the materials, students have traditionally "focused on getting the right answer" and "completed many problems as quickly as possible." Under the system, students will "consider their own reasoning and the reasoning of other students" and will work on a small number of problems during a class, even spreading one problem out for one class or a series of classes.

At second grade, the students' work will be separated into "units," each unit offering two to six weeks of instruction in numbers, data analysis and geometry. These would be further organized into "investigations" that will take two days to a week to complete and are supposed to be parts of a whole rather than isolated projects.

One investigation has children going into a hypothetical "Snakewood" to look at the snakes. From the pattern of stripes on the snakes' bodies as they grow, the children are supposed to learn about patterns, recognizing different elements of a pattern and recursive series. They also learn how to use patterns to extrapolate a result, such as how many black and red stripes a snake had if they are only told how many red stripes the snake has.

The development of the program was partially funded by the National Science Foundation, which was evidently a plus to Tylicki.

"Commercial publishers are not willing to stick their necks out for excellent programs," he said. "Commercial publishers put out materials designed for the comfort level of teachers and what we want to do is have a mathematics program that will encourage youngsters to think about math."

Linden has already received a total of $40,000 in grants from the New Jersey Statewide Systemic Initiative to explore the use of this system in kindergarten through second grade at Schools 4, 5 and 9 and third through fifth grade at Schools 1, 6 and 10 and at Joseph E. Soehl and Myles J. McManus Middle Schools.

MISE is also providing $8,000 in in-kind services and a $10,000 award for staff development.

The program is not in use throughout the school, said Tylicki. Teachers are being trained in the program in a staff development program and the program is being used in a pilot program. The program will be evaluated at the end of next year.

Hospital donates services to aid children

On May 28, Rahway Hospital opened its doors to two young children from Santo Domingo, 3-year-old Isamar Cornelio and 5-year-old Rael Pena. The two were admitted to the hospital to undergo specialty surgeries that are unavailable in their home country. Rahway Hospital volunteered its facilities, technology and clinical services, while local specialists donated their time and medical skills to treat the youngsters.

Both children were under the surgical care of Dr. Jerrold Zeitels. Isamar was admitted to the hospital for the first of several operations to remove a benign facial tumor. Rael came to Rahway Hospital for surgical follow-up. Under the care of Zeitels and others, Rael has undergone multiple surgeries at the hospital for the correction of a cleft lip and cleft pallet, and for reconstrutive surgery to the ear. He has also received a full array of corrective dental care from Doctors Philip Grye and Timothy McCabe.

Rahway Hospital was able to help these children through a collaboration with Healing the Children, a non-profit organization comprised of physicians, administrators and health care professionals. Healing the Children works to specialized medical care for children in the U.S. and across the world. The organization sponsors the children's travel and arranges for host families with whom the youngsters can stay during the rehabilitation and early recovery periods.

According to Dr. Frank Light, Rahway anesthesiologist and Healing the Children vice president, "Rahway Hospital and local physicians continually offer extensive support to Healing the Children and those it seeks to aid. The hospital has provided medical facilities, technology, and follow-up services to nearly 50 children during the past 10 years."

Light also noted that Zeitels has collaborated with Rahway Hospital and Healing the Children to operate on nearly 15 children. Additionally, he has traveled with other local physicians to Panama and the Dominican Republic to perform surgery on those in need of specialty care.

With the help of Rahway Hospital, local physicians and other health care providers, Healing the Children Midlantic Inc. assists in providing necessary medical care to more than 150 children a year in the state of New Jersey alone. To date, the program has sponsored medical care for children in over 60 countries including the United States, El Salvador, Africa, Morocco, Mexico, Guatemala, Panama an the Dominican Republic. Since 1988, organization volunteers have made 28 international trips, performed surgical procedures on more than 2,000 children, completed dental procedures on several thousand children and fitted hundreds with eyeglasses.

STUDENT UPDATE

Bratton wins oratory skills award

Rahway resident Elegance Bratton, a recent graduate of Seton Hall Preparatory School, recently won national recognition as an eloquent orator.

Bratton was among five Seton Hall Prep students to qualify for the Grand National Championships of the National Catholic Forensic League held May 23-25 in Baltimore, Md. Bratton and his partner, Thomas Dooley of Bernardsville, were awarded a trophy as National Quarter Finalist, signifying the top twenty-five speakers in the nation, for their dramatic duo interpretaeson of the play "The Spelling Bee."

Based on Aristotle's works, the term "forensics" represents the activity of public speaking, debate and drama in high schools across the country.

"The value of a high school forensics speech team is paramount for teenagers," said Jill Gerken, Seton Hall Prep forencis coach and English teacher. "Studies find students who learn public speaking and debate skills as adolescents have greater self confidence, stronger leadership skills, and more academic success at college than those students who are not trained in oratory."

In New Jersey, there are two organizations that serve high school forensic league and the Catholic Forencis League.

Bataille receives college award

A Clark resident was among 59 Union County College students who received Academic Awards for Excellence during Awards Night ceremonies held May 28 at the college's Cranford campus.

The Excellence in Teacher Education Award went to Linda Bataille.

Berry receives university degree

TaraMase Berry of Morristown recently received a degree at the University of New Hampshire's 127th commencement held on May 24, 1997. She is the daughter of Dennis and Carol Berry of Clark.

Approximately 2,400 graduates were honored at the event, which featured main speaker and former US Labor Secretary Robert Reich, who received an honorary doctor of science degree.

Also honored at the ceremony were New Hampshire Governor Jeanne Shaheen, who received an honorary doctor of laws degree, and writer Rudolfo Anaya, who was presented with an honorary doctor of humane letters degree.

Sarnowski achieves honor status

Kristin L. Sarnowski of Clark from Campbell University was named to the president's list for the spring semester.

The president's list names students who, during their second or a later semester at Campbell, are eligible for the dean's list and present on the school's 4.0 scale accumulative grade-point average of 3.5 on all college work attempted. The Dean's List recognizes students who, in the semester just ended, have achieved an average of 3.25 or better in completing 12 or more semester hours.

Campbell is a Baptist-affiliated university in Buies Creek, N.C. Founded in 1887, Campbell has become one of the largest private liberal arts universities in North Carolina, offering pre-professional programs in law, pharmacy, education, business, religion, and arts and sciences.

Varsity math league places fourth

Mother Seton Regional High School's Varsity Team of the Catholic Schools Mathematics League placed fourth out of 35 teams. More than 350 contestants competeit in this Varsity level contest of the Catholic Schools Mathematics League. Four Mother Seton students placed in the top 11. Trophies will be presented to Michelle Ramos, Newark for 4th place; Maria Perez, Newark for 9th place; Jennifer Gallo, Hillside for 10th place and Elizabeth Dumer, Cranford for 11th place. The next highest school scorer, Tiffany Small, East Orange will receive a trophy for outstanding achievement as the school's next highest scorer.

The Mathematics League competition at Mother Seton is under the direction of Sister Jacquelyn Balasia, assistant principal and chairperson of the mathematics department.

Students honored for dedication

Eight Union County College students were honored for their outstanding dedication, leadership, and service to the college's three student publications.

Their efforts were for work either for the "Sheaf," a literary arts magazine; "Scroll," a student newspaper, or "Foreign Student Voice," a literary arts magazine with an international flavor.

The awards were presented at the college's recent annual Awards Night ceremonies at the Cranford Campus.

The student recipients are: Michelle Kelly of Linden and Kimberly Wills of Clark, the "Sheaf;" Leonardo Zuniga and Wafa Qattam, both of Elizabeth, and Michael Hegedus of Linden, the "Scroll;" and Pinal Sanjawala of Avenel, Vivian Ho of Berkeley Height, and Mei-Yu Lee of Westfield, "Foreign Student Voice.

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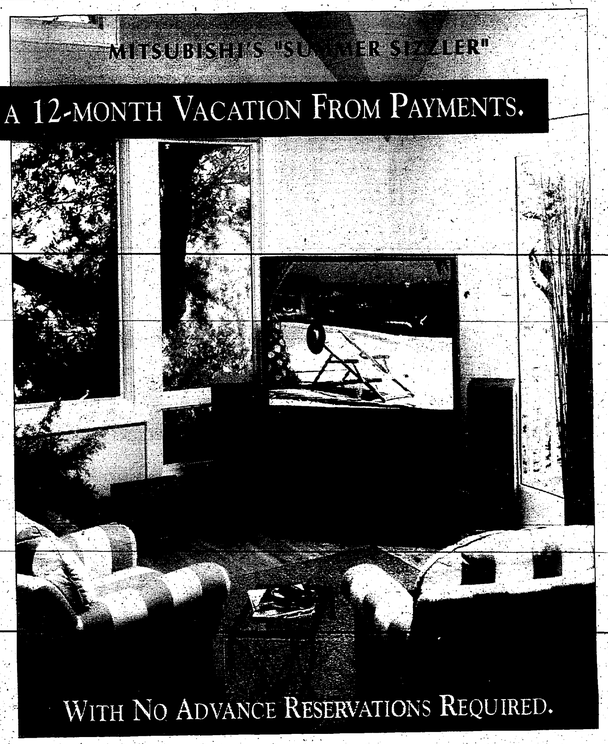

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Applications sought for Polish beauty pageant

The General Pulaski Memorial Parade Committee of Linden, Inc., announced that applications are now being accepted for the committee's annual search for Miss Polonia of Linden. The committee's president, Michael Slivinski, called the annual search for a young lady of Polish descent one of the biggest highlights of the committee's year next to marching down Fifth Avenue in New York City each October.

1997 marks the 17th year that the Linden Committee has selected a Miss Polonia. The successful contestant will join in with one of the largest contingents in the Pulaski Day Parade to be held this year on Oct. 5.

To be eligible to compete in the Miss Polonia Pageant, the candidate must have one parent of Polish descent; be between the ages of 16 and 25, not married, be a resident of Linden or have a parent who is a member of the General Pulaski Parade Committee of Linden. Applications must be submitted by June 30, 1997.

If you meet the requirements and wish to be a contestant, applications and inquiries can be obtained by calling Ellie Barbarich at (908) 486-7247, or Josephine Caggiano at (908) 862-8808 or 862-6192.

Clark library offers children's programs

The Children's Department of the Clark Public Library is pleased to announce the "Go Buggy with Books" summer reading club programs which will be held between June 24 and Aug. 15. Children between age 2 and 6th grade may register for the reading club. Beside reading, everyone will also enjoy attending the programs such as story times — registration required, crafts, contests or special events; receive giveaways; and be rewarded for reading.

Registration has started on June 9. Children who register must be Clark residents. Visit or call the library at (732) 388-3999 for more information and registration. Program schedule and reading club information may be picked up at the library.

On Friday, the Clark Library will present Peanut Butter 'N' Jammin Kids Concert for children of all ages as the opening event of "Go Buggy with Books" summer reading club. The dynamic duo of Dawne and Michael have captivated audiences of children of all ages throughout New Jersey. Their playful and whimsical antics, combined with their exceptional musical talents, will have kids jammin' to some of the most popular music of our times. Children will receive a picture to color after the program.

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Thief caught swiping license from vehicle

POLICE BLOTTER

Rahway

On June 18, police arrested an unidentified burglar at 3:52 a.m. The burglar allegedly tried to steal a New Jersey's driver license from a car on Milwood Avenue.

Also on June 18, police investigated a burglary at 3:39 p.m. Police say that the burglary occured at an East Scott Avenue address between 7:45 a.m. and 3:39 p.m. Entry was gained through a rear window and $3,015 in cash, jewelry and electronics was reported missing.

Also on June 18, police investigated the theft of some change from a vehicle at 9:06 p.m. Police say that between 9 p.m. and 9:06 p.m. about $5 in change was stolen from an unlocked vehicle on Midwood Drive.

On June 20, police investigated the theft of a bicycle at 11:43 a.m. According to police, a 26-inch 18-speed dark blue mountain bike, which belonged to a Mayfair Drive resident, was stolen from Madison Avenue. There are no suspects at this time.

Also on June 20, police investigated the disappearance of a wheelchair theft at 1:22 p.m. The victim, a resident of Irving Street, reported that his wheelchair was stolen or turned up missing from the alleyway next to his residence. The wheelchair is a metallic blue Jaguar with a black seat and two batteries in the rear panel.

On Jun 21, police investigated the disappearance of a dealer's license plate at 8:36 a.m. The plate, which was stolen or disappeared from a Rt. 1 address, disappeared between 7 p.m. on June 20 and 7 a.m. on June 21 during a trip Manhime, Pa. and Rahway. There was only one stop during the trip, in Petersburg, Pa. There are no suspects at this time.

Also on June 21, police investigated the possible theft of a tire off of a vehicle at 11:10 a.m. The tire was taken from a Westfield Avenue resident's vehicle on Westfield Avenue service garage. Three Hispanic males with black hair and white t-shirts were seen driving away from the scene in a rust-colored Chevrolet wagon with wood paneling.

On June 22, police investigated the theft of a cellular phone at 10:58 p.m. The victim, a Williams Street resident, said that his Motorola flip phone was missing from his vehicle, a 1987 Honda, which was parked in front of his home. The theft occured sometime in April.

Also on June 22, a back-up burglar alarm stopped potential thieves on St. Georges Avenue at 11:15 p.m. According to police, an unknown burglar or burglars attempted to disable a burglar alarm at a sport shop on St. George Avenue. When they smashed the front glass to enter, the backup burglar alarm, powered by batteries, kicked in. No entry was gained.

Rahway Fire Department battles nail polish blaze

FIRE BLOTTER

• Firefighters run across all sorts of burning materials in their careers. Still... nail lacquer?

That is exactly what firefighters had to deal with on June 17 at about 12:53 p.m. at 1296 Lawrence St., when some 60-gallon drums of nail lacquer caught fire.

According to Battalion Chief Jerry Dodman, the fire started when a mixing motor shorted out in one of the drums and ignited the lacquer it contained. The fire soon spread to other drums, but was extinguished by the Rahway Fire Department with foam and was contained to one room. No injuries were reported, but the building suffered an estimated $10,000 in damage.

It turns out that the nail lacquer is very flammable. According to Dodman, the lacquer is classified by the fire department as a Class 1-A flammable, the same class that gasoline is in.

• Firefighters battled another fire at another manufacturing building on June 19. This one involved a different kind of fuel.

The fire started at about 1:07 a.m. at 329 New Brunswick Street. The building that it was in manufactures different types of foil, such as Mylar and decorative foils, and uses various solvents and chemicals.

Some of these solvents and foil caught fire in one of the machines in the building. According to Dodman, the fire is believed to have started when static build-up inside the machine ignited the foil and chemicals.

The fire spread to some finished foils before the fire could be contained. There were no injuries reported, but the fire department has yet to receive a damage estimate in the building.

Students plan car wash service

The Auto Preparation Unit of the Clark Public School District's Summer Youth Employment Training Program is providing a car wash and wax service to the public five days per week, Monday through Friday, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Arthur L. Johnson High School, Westfield Avenue, Clark, from June 27 - Aug. 1.

The cost of a car wash is $4, while a car wash and wax costs $6. Mini-vans are $8 and large vans and pick-up trucks are $9. An interior cleaning of the vehicle is included in the price. All work will be done by appointment only. For an appointment, call Walter Wiley at Arthur L. Johnson High School at (908) 382-0910 and ask for Auto Shop. Call after June 27 for appointments.

The Summer Youth Employment Training Program, funded by the Union County Private Industry Council and administered by the Clark Public Schools, provides career-oriented educational and employment opportunities for classified students.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE THAT, the following action was adopted at the Public Meeting of the Clark Planning Board held on June 17, 1997:

Z# 6P5-97-04: The application of A.T. Fulton, L.L.C., a New Jersey Limited Liability Company was granted permission for a two (2) lot subdivision in order to place one building on each lot for residential purposes, for the property located at Fulton & Westfield Avenues, Clark, N.J.

Bruce D. Nemansky
Attorney for A.T. Fulton, L.L.C.
U5308 CLK June 26, 1997 ($7.50)

PUBLIC NOTICE

The five papers by the above decision are available at the Clark Township Building Department, Clark Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, for public review during 9 AM to 4 PM, Monday through Friday.

Bruce D. Nemansky
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BUDDING FLORISTS — Members of the Rahway Senior Citizens Friday Arts and Crafts Class display silk flower basket projects they made this past month. The class is taught by Sharon Young and is held at the Rahway Senior Citizen Center on Esterbrook Avenue in Rahway. The class is scheduled to begin again in the fall. For more information on any Rahway Senior Citizen programs, call the center at 827-2016.

OBITUARIES

Thaddeus Bojar Sr.

Thaddeus Bojar Sr., 80, of Clark died June 16 in East Orange Veterans Hospital.

Born in Carteret, Mr. Bojar lived in Irvington before moving to Clark 20 years ago. He was a machinist for Gould Pump, Fairfield, for 35 years and retired 15 years ago. Mr. Bojar served in the Army Air Corps during World War II and was a member of the American Legion 328, Clark. He was a member of the Polish Education Club, Hillside.

Surviving are his wife, Stella; a son, Thaddeus Jr.; a daughter, Eileen, two brothers in Poland and a grandchild.

Paul S. Robbins

Paul Steven Robbins of Dallas, Tex., formerly of Clark, died June 18 in St. Paul's Hospital, Dallas.

Born in Newark, Mr. Robbins moved to Clark before moving to Dallas 12 years ago. He was a visual merchandiser for Indoor Outdoor Patio Shop, Dallas, for several years. Earlier, Mr. Robbins had been a buyer's assistant with J.C. Penny department store in Dallas. He graduated from Hofstra University, Hempstead, Long Island, N.Y., where he received a degree in marketing.

Surviving are his parents, Eli and Sue Robbins, and a sister, Mindy Pressel.

Norma Binetti

Norma Binetti, 75, of Clark died June 19 at home.

Born in Australia, Mrs. Binetti settled in Linden before moving to Clark in 1952. She was a secretary for the Clark school system for 28 years and retired in 1987. Mrs. Binetti was a past president and life member of the Parent-Teachers Association for Valley Road School, the Brewer School and the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School, all of Clark. She also was a past president and member of the executive boards for the Union County Educational Secretary Association. Mrs. Binetti was a member of the American Association of Retired People and a Brownie Troop leader, both of Clark.

Surviving are a daughter, Patricia Anne, and a sister, June Kujawski.

Nathaniel Alexander

Nathaniel Alexander, 78, of Clark, formerly of Elizabeth, died June 11 in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Albany, N.Y., Mr. Alexander lived in Elizabeth before moving to Clark seven years ago. He was a service manager for Paul B. Williams of Millburn before retiring 10 years ago. Mr. Alexander was a member of the Senior Citizens of Temple Beth On, Clark.

Surviving are his wife, Tina, and a sister, Miriam Warshaw.

Andreas Nicholas

Andreas Nicholas, 28, of Clark died June 10 in North Princeton Development Center, Skillman.

Born in Rahway, Mr. Nicholas lived in Clark for most of his life.

Surviving are his parents, Deno and Frances, and two brothers, George and Nikos.

Eugene T. O'Brien

Eugene T. O'Brien, 72, of Rahway died June 18 at home.

Born in Bayonne, Mr. O'Brien lived in England before moving to Rahway many years ago. He was a mechanical engineer for Colgate Palmolive Co., Jersey City and Piscataway, for 40 years and retired in 1994. Mr. O'Brien was a graduate of Liverpool University in Liverpool, England. He was a life member and past commander of American Legion Post 5, Rahway. Mr. O'Brien also was a member of the Knights of Columbus Council 1146, the Ancient Order of Hibernians Division 3, and the Citizens Youth Recreational Committee, all of Rahway. He was an Army veteran of World War II and served in the European Theater, fought in the Battle of the Bulge. Mr. O'Brien received the Purple Heart and Bronze Star in 1945.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth C.; two sons, Kevin and Christopher; four daughters, Susan Adair, Geraldine Higgins, Bernadette Jacobi and Caroline; a sister, Anne Mulhelm, and eight grandchildren.

Anthony Pinto

Anthony Pinto, 82, of Rahway died June 18 in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Jersey City, Mr. Pinto lived in Rahway for many years. He was a store manager for General Motors Corp., Linden, for 43 years and retired 17 years ago. Mr. Pinto was a member of the United Automobile Workers and the General Motors Retiree Club, both of Linden. He served in the Army during World War II, fighting in the Battle of the Bulge. He was a member of American Legion Post 5, Rahway. Mr. Pinto also was a member of the Senior Citizens Club of Rahway.

Surviving are his wife, Rose; a son, David; a daughter, Jane Fitzgerald, and three grandchildren.

Marion Davis

Marion Davis, 64, of Rahway died June 17 in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.

Born in Montclair, Mrs. Davis moved to Rahway 16 years ago.

Surviving are her husband of 42 years, Nicholas; three sons, Stephen, Jeffrey and James; a daughter, Deborah Estes; a sister, Pamela Dailey, and eight grandchildren.

Thomas Artemisio

Thomas P. Artemisio, 88, of Rahway died June 16 in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Brooklyn, Mr. Artemisio moved to Rahway 47 years ago. He was a chemical operator for Mobil Oil Co., Edison, for 35 years and retired in 1974.

Surviving are his wife, Elizabeth; two daughters, Elizabeth Tsung and Carolyn Plitsas; a brother, Arthur, and seven grandchildren.

Helen Elko

Helen Elko, 74, a lifelong resident of Rahway, died June 21 in the Willow Ridge Nursing Home, Hatboro, Pa.

Mildred Perkins

Mildred Perkins, 71, of Rahway died June 21 in the Westfield Center.

Born in Kenilworth, Mrs. Perkins lived in Rahway most of her life. She was a machine operator for Dri-Print Foils, Rahway, for 15 years and retired in 1988.

Surviving are a daughter, Diane Smith; two sons, Ronald and David, and eight grandchildren.

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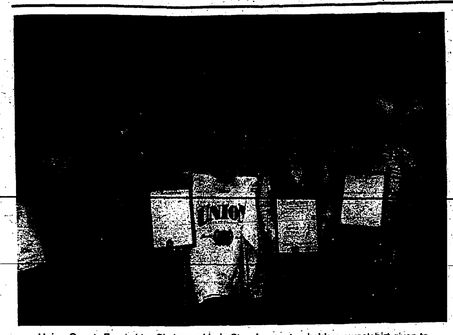

Union County Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender, center, holds a sweatshirt given to her by members and the coach of the Union County College women's basketball team, who show resolutions presented to them by the Board of Chosen Freeholders. From left to right are Jennifer Martel, Sharon Kukal, head coach Donna Herran and Crystal Cosby.

Local connection sparks Lady Owls to GSAC title

The Union County College Lady Owls recently completed a season in which they steamrolled to a 29-3 record, won the championship of the Garden State Athletic Conference (GSAC), the championship of Region XIX and District 1 of the National Junior College Athletic Association, and earned a berth in the National Junior College Athletic Association Tournament.

As a result of their incredible accomplishments, the Owls and head coach Donna Herran were awarded with resolutions presented to them by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders.

"This team and its coaches deserved to be recognized for an outstanding season and some outstanding individual efforts," said Stender. "Union County College may be a small school and a commuter school, but the women's basketball team played like giants. The college has an excellent reputation for academics as well as athletics, and we are all extremely proud of our team."

Sharon Kukal of Linden led the team in both scoring and rebounding. She scored 472 points for an average of 16.3 per game, and had 457 rebounds, averaging 15.8 a game. She was named New Jersey Player of the Year by the N.J. Collegiate Basketball Coaches Association, and made first team All-Region XIX, National Junior College Athletic Association, and Honorable Mention All-America by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association. Kukal was also named to the GSAC All-Academic team and the Region XIX National Junior College Athletic Association All-Academic team.

Jennifer Martel of Winfield Park scored 313 points, averaging almost 11 points a game, and recorded 169 assists and 59 steals. She was named to the All-GSAC first team, to the All-State team of the N.J. Collegiate Basketball Coaches Association, and to the second team, All-Region XIX, National Junior College Athletic Association. Martel was also an Honorable Mention All-America selection by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

Coach Donna Herran, a Roselle resident, was named Coach of the Year by the GSAC, the N.J. Collegiate Basketball Coaches Association, and by Region XIX and District 11 of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

Crystal Cosby, a resident of Plainfield, scored 435 points for an average of 15 per game, grabbed 209 rebounds for a 7.2 per game average, and recorded 140 steals and 106 assists. She made first team All-Gsac, All-Region XIX and National Junior College Athletic Association, and was selected to the All-State team of the N.J. Collegiate Basketball Coaches Association. Cosby was also selected as the Most Valuable Player in the Region XIX National Junior College Athletic Tournament and was Honorable Mention, All-America by the Women's Basketball Coaches Association.

The rest of the team are Alena Sureyeva of Union, Heather Spence of Cranford, Sheron Johnson of Rahway, Susan Jean-Louis of Plainfield, Latice Gramby of Rahway and Crystal Cunningham and Ariza Arnette of East Oranges. Assistant coaches are Anne Matthews of Cranford and Cheryl Bell of Union.

N.J. Flames capture championships

Linden Hoops

The New Jersey Flames, traveling basketball teams from Linder representing the United Family Tree, recently finished competing and doing very successful in two state tournaments.

On June 7 and 8, the Flames entered the Garden State Sharp Shooters Showdowns held in East Hanover. The boys 12 and under team won both division and group championships. Tony Wilson received M.V.P. honors and was awarded a $150 gift certificate to attend the Pocono Invitational Basketball Camp.

The 14 and under team mirrored the 12 and under team and captured both division and group championships. Sharif Abuhamoud was named M.V.P. and was also awarded a gift certificate to the PIBC.

On June 12, the Flames participated in a photo shoot with Citywide Corporate Photography sponsored by Anheuser Busch Inc., who is doing an employee relation article on Anthony Jackson, who deals as commissioner of the United Family Tree and head coach of the Flames. Jackson has been a brewer at Anheuser Busch for the past 16 years.

Linden Mayor John T. Gregorio was presented with an award for helping the Flames receive gym time in Linden schools to help the team prepare for its two tournaments and for helping with all the team's accomplishments.

General Motors Corporation representative Talmadge Fort was also at the photo shoot. GM is a sponser for both the Flames and the United Family Tree. Flames representatives also wished to thank the Linden Board of Education and Alfred Volpe, the superintendent of the Linden Recreation Department, for allowing the team to use the Linden Multi-Purpose Center.

On June 13, the teams took a trip to the Pocono Invitational Jam Fest in the Poconos in Pennsylvania. The teams competed strongly in their divisions and the 14 and under team won a divisional championship.

Johnson All-Stater Kryszon in North-South All-Star tilt

Johnson Regional High School All-State football player Gaenter Kryszon will represent the Crusaders while playing defensive tackle for the North squad in tomorrow night's 19th annual North-South All-Star Football Classic in Ewing Township. Kickoff is scheduled for 7.

Kryszon, who will wear No. 71, practiced with the rest of the players this past week at Rutgers. An outstanding two-way tackle the past two seasons for Johnson, Kryszon will continue his career on scholarship at Georgia Tech.

Rahway traveling soccer socks scrimmages

The Rahway boys under 13 traveling soccer team is looking for teams to scrimmage. More information can be obtained by calling Tony at 732-596-8047.

Local sports camps available in July

The annual Sumaller Sports Spectacular offerings of intensive sports training for youngsters ages 8-15 will be presented during weekly intervals staring July 7 at Union County College's Cranford Campus.

The Sports Spectacular will be co-sponsored by the Cranford Board of Education and Union County Division of Parks and Recreation, both of which will share some of their facilities.

Program offerings for boys and girls are enhanced this year in a variety of outstanding athletic programs.

With the expertise of the college's athletic department, instruction will be offered in baseball, soccer, golf, basketball and tennis by an expert teaching staff who will provide a safe, enjoyable environment for youngsters.

The training will focus on individual performance and competition, as well as cooperative teamwork and sportsmanship to help all participants improve their overall athletic skills.

Each sports program will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Mondays through Fridays.

They will open with announcements and emphasis of the day, followed by assignments to instructional stations, positional play and instructional specialization.

After lunch, the children will then observe individual and group demonstrations, participate in practical application of such demonstrations and conclude the day with athletic competitions.

The Summer Sports Spectacular programs will be as follows:

- Baseball, choice of July 14-18 or July 21-25.
- Golf, choice of July 7-11 or July 14-18.
- Tennis, choice of July 7-11, July 14-18, July 21-25, July 28-Aug. 1, Aug. 4-8 or Aug. 11-15.
- Basketball, choice of July 14-18, July 21-25 or July 28-Aug 1.
- Soccer, Aug. 4-8.

Special warm-up opportunities will be made available for each sport, except basketball, from 8-9 a.m.

More information about any of the excellent sports programs may be obtained by calling the college's Department of Continuing Education and Community Services at 908-709-7600.

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The All East Sports Camps will conduct football camps at two locations for the 1997 summer camp season. The camps, in their 13th season, are being sponsored by Nike.

Here's a look at what's going on at Moravian College:

Moravian College in Bethlehem, Pa.: *All East Quarterback, Receiver Camp*, July 17-20, overnight or day camp. *All East Big Man Camp*, July 17-20, overnight or day camp. *All East Midget Football Camp*, July 17-20, overnight or day camp.

Roselle Catholic's Guenther will grapple for King's College beginning in the fall

Christopher Guenther, a standout on the Roselle Catholic High School wrestling team and a resident of Roselle, has announced he will continue his academic and athletic careers at King's College in Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Guenther was a three-year starter at Roselle Catholic, where he compiled a 42-12 record. As a senior, he finished the year with an outstanding 19-4 record and captured the New Jersey Interscholastic Athletic Association District 11 championship in the 171 weight class, while qualifying for the regional tournament. Guenther also placed second in the Union County Tournament.

Guenther was runner-up in the William Ricci Memorial Tournament in 1995 and 1997, while placing third in 1996. Guenther, who was also a second-team Mountain Valley Conference selection this past season, has competed internationally in freestyle, traveling to Europe with Sports Challenge International.

The King's College Monarchs enjoyed a stellar 1996-97 season in which they finished 19-3 and set a school record for victories, while ranking 24th nationally in Division III. Guenther is expected to compete for the starting 167 berth vacated by the graduation of four-year starter and team co-captain Phil Lazowski.

"Christa is a very talented young man who has his best days ahead of him," King's coach Ned McGinley stated. In high school, he bumped up in weight classes, wrestling at 215 and heavyweight at times to help the team. At King's, he will benefit from staying in the weight class where he belongs and the competition in the wrestling room will improve his skills. We feel he has the potential to do some good things for our program and are confident Chris will do the things necessary to prepare himself for the next level."

A solid student who is a member of the National Business Honor Society, Guenther plans on pursuing a degree from King's prestigious William McGowan School of Business.

Rahway's Palmer, Linden's Calleja honored

Craig Palmer of Rahway, second left, and Michael Calleja of Linden, center, students and members of the Union County College baseball team, receive congratulations for an outstanding baseball performance this past season from Victor Richel, second right, chairman of the College's Board of Trustees. Palmer and Calleja helped lead the Owls to a 17-21 record and a berth in the Region XIX National Junior College Athletic Association tournament. Both men were named to the second team, All-Garden State Athletic Conference, and the second team All-Region, NJCAA. Also offering congratulations are college president Dr. Thomas H. Brown, left, and baseball head coach Daniel Oleaar, right.

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Check for emergencies

Sgt. 1st Class Ed O'Neil, of the State Police Office of Emergency Management, presents a $20,000 check to Ben Laganga, director of the county's Division of Emergency Management, and Freeholder Dan Sullivan. The money is a grant that helped the county purchase a mobile communications unit.

County in good shape with high water levels

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

It's summertime! Time to fill your pool, wash your car and water your lawn!

Many people do these things without a second thought — turn on the tap and you get instant water on demand. But it is precisely activities like these that can lead to water shortages and rationing.

According to Elaine Shapiro of New Jersey American Water Company, water supplies have a tendency to drop in the summer because of activities like these — namely people filling pools, washing their cars, taking more showers and watering their lawns.

New Jersey Water Company supplies six Union County municipalities — Hillside, Springfield, Summit, Union, Berkeley Heights and Union — with water. Most of this comes from a reservoir at Canoe Brook Station, which is supplied by Canoe Brook and the Passaic River and has a water treatment plant.

As of Tuesday, the level in the reservoir is 84 percent of maximum capacity, said Shapiro. Whether this level drops is "probably very dependent upon the weather," she added.

The days of highest water usage are during hot and muggy days with no rain. The level in the reservoir usually does not start to drop until July, days like this are more the norm.

On days like this, water usage can skyrocket. In 1995, the last day for which data was available, the average daily water usage from the Canoe Brook reservoir was 35.167 million gallons. But the record day for water usage that year was Aug. 24, when 55.551 million gallons of water were used from the reservoir.

If the level drops low enough, the company can declare a water emergency. The level differs from reservoir to reservoir and is based on the date and water decline patterns in the past. At the Canoe Brook reservoir, the level must fall to 55 percent for an emergency to be declared, while in July, it must fall to 42 percent.

The water company cannot enforce rationing or water saving measures on its customers but can persuade local governments and even the state to declare these measures.

According to Shapiro, New Jersey American Water Company has not had a serious water emergency in her memory, and it does not appear that the water company is headed for one this summer; the level in the Canoe Brook reservoir means that Union County is "in good shape," she said.

Any kind of water emergency is preceded by water company officials informing public officials about the level of the reservoir.

There have been lower level water emergencies. For these, towns have adopted such measures as "odd-even watering" — letting only certain sections of a town water their lawns on either odd- or even-numbered days.

Deeper water emergencies would have deeper restrictions, such as restrictions on water usage at certain hours and on activities like car washing, and then a ban on all outside water use except for new plantings and agriculture. If a water emergency became extreme enough, the state government could order water rationing.

Residents continue complaints against aircraft noise

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

A number of Union County residents have said they cannot enjoy a number of outdoor activities in their yards and on their decks.

It's not because of flies or mosquitoes or deer ticks. It's because of airplane noise.

A number of residents came to a meeting of the county Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board on Monday in Cranford. Many complained that aircraft leaving nearby Newark International Airport have, among other things, made them unable to use their back yards. These planes often cannot attain enough altitude to alleviate the noise of their engines before reaching populated areas of Union County.

"Just sensing that the folks were feeling last night, they were very angry," said Rick Obrock, president of the EWR/Runway 22 Coalition. "They can't use their decks and they wind up going inside. They can't use their gardens — and I think that's the most popular hobby in the United States — and they can't fully utilize their property."

According to Jerome Feder of the Advisory Board, there has been an increase in aircraft noise complaints. Part of the reason for this, he said, is the way people change their lifestyles in the summer — they open windows and spend more time outside, so there are essentially no walls and windows between them and the noise.

Summer is also a season of increased air traffic, though Jim Peters of the Federal Aviation Administration was unable to say whether there has been increased traffic at Newark International Airport.

But part of the reason, according to Feder, is because of the Solberg Mitigation Plan, which was supposed to alleviate aircraft noise over several towns in Union County.

According to the Solberg Mitigation Plan, which was implemented in April 1996 after six years of study, planes leaving Newark International Airport's Runway 22 would fly south then west toward Solberg Airport in a narrow corridor. This would let them avoid a number of Union County municipalities.

But, according to Feder, the Solberg Mitigation Plan rapidly deteriorated. According to radar tracks from August 1996, planes were not following the corridor set up by the Solberg Mitigation Plan.

According to Feder, the planes are essentially set on their final headings soon after leaving the airport, this tends to bring them over residential areas.

The planes also have been routed out of the corridor by air traffic controllers on a regular basis because of air traffic at nearby LaGuardia Airport. The corridor has also widened to twice its planned width, which also brings the planes over residential areas.

"Louder and lower are the two words I heard about it last night," said Obrock.

In addition, nighttime routing has been stopped at Newark International Airport.

This routing was done before the Solberg plan because LaGuardia Airport would shut down at night, freeing airspace that had been occupied by its planes. This would allow planes to fly about 8 or 9 miles south after leaving the airport. This let them climb to high altitude over sparsely populated industrial areas before they ventured into residential areas, which helped mitigate aircraft noise.

There were also more serious complaints made during the meeting.

According to Obrock, complaints made have cases of bed sheets dumped over homes in Linden. There were also reports of an increase in asthma cases in Elizabeth, though Obrock called these "anecdotal."

According to Feder, the FAA is intending to implement part two of the Solberg Mitigation Plan, but until then Union County is stuck with an "interim plan," he said.

Obrock pinned hopes for relief on legislation being proposed by Rep. Bob Franks, R-7. This legislation, nicknamed "Bi-State Legislation," has been introduced as a bill yet. Obrock has said he would introduce it on half and-half reasons but has not yet.

According to Obrock, the legislation would be like a business contract that would require the FAA to reduce noise a certain amount of decibels in a certain number of the face penalties. It would not suggest any solutions, but merely leave the FAA to their own devices.

AIRCRAFT NOISE REVIEW

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The above chart is adapted from charts sent to residents from various municipalities in Union County in an attempt to measure aircraft noise. Residents can clip this chart from the newspaper and mail it to us. We'll publish results in an upcoming edition of this newspaper. To give all readers an opportunity to respond, residents are asked to begin charting their review on Monday, June 30, and end on Sunday, July 6.

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EWR/Runway 22

County pools are open

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders has announced that the county's two outdoor swimming facilities are now open for the public's enjoyment.

Both pools, John Russell Wheeler Pool, Stiles Street and Route 1 in Linden, and the Walter F. Ulrich Memorial Pool, Rahway River Park, St. Georges Avenue in Rahway, feature adult and children's pools. A variety of swimming lessons are offered at the Ulrich pool.

On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Wheeler Pool swim times will be 1 to 8 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday hours are 1 to 8 p.m. Ulrich Pool's hours will be 1 to 8 p.m. on Mondays and Wednesdays. Hours on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays are 1 to 6 p.m. Weekend and holidays, both pools will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Daily admission fees are $4 for adult county residents, $8 for out-of-county adult. Discounted rates are available for youths 17 years and younger, and seniors 62 and older. Ten and 20-visit discount cards are also on sale. Identification will be required before admission or the out-of-county rate will be charged. No one under the age of 12 will be admitted without an adult.

Sixty-two honored for excellence by Vo-Tech Schools

Sixty-two students, mostly members of the graduating class, were recently honored for excellence at the 23rd annual Awards Night, sponsored by the Awards Committee, at the Union County Vocational-Technical Schools. The graduation was June 17.

The Jack Apgar STS Car Service Centers Leadership Award went to Jeffrey Richard Burns of Roselle Park while the H.C. Burby — Masony Award went to Gerardo Molina of Union.

The Russell Dobransky Memorial Award was given to Charles J. Neal of Rahway.

The Master Gardeners of Union County Award went to Paul Jason Huber of Roselle Park with the Mauro S. Piers Memorial Award going to José Louis Torres of Linden.

The New Jersey Association of Countries Annual Vocational-Technical Partners Scholarship was earned by Christine Kathryn Kamichoff of Clark.

The Quality Education Services Company Award was gained by Anthony Joseph Caravano of Union and the Statewide Savings Bank Award by Christina G. Santos of Hillside.

Santos won the Cooperative Industrial Education Award while the honors for Perfect Attendance for Two Years went to Christine Ann Olock of Mountainside.

The honorees receiving achievement awards in specific programs were: Air Conditioning-Heating & Refrigeration Technology: Kevin M. Approbato of Roselle; Timothy B. Bayliock of Roselle Park; and Jose Louis Torres of Linden.

Automotive Technology: James W. Brinson of Vauxhall; Timmothy Rose, Summit, and Metro R. Westlock of Roselle Park.

"Baking": Kevin Michael Geddis of Summit. Carpentry/Construction: Anthony Joseph Caravano of Union, Jean-Robert Casseus of Linden.

Child Development: Jennifer Cerra of Roselle Park.

Commercial Art: Adam J. Soltys of Elizabeth. Computer Aided Drafting and Design: Michael J. Bierwirth of Clark, with Salvatore Cocuzza and Nina D. Lynn, of Springfield.

Cosmetology: Renee Hamel of Rahway, Mohamed N. Madho of Hillside, as well as Tory Natisha Garland of Hillside.

Culinary Arts: Raymond R. Clark of Clark.

Other achievement awards honorees were: Electrical Technology: Howard J. Teddar of Springfield. Horticulture: Paul Jason Huber of Roselle Park.

Law Enforcement: Robert E. Carpenter Jr. of Roselle Park, Christopher Clarke, Union; Martin J. Erle, Roselle.

Maintenance Mechanics: Frederick McLaughlin of Elizabeth, and Charles J. Neal of Rahway.

Masonry: Brian A Axent of Hillside; Office Systems Technology: Nancy Jorge DeCosto of Kenilworth, and Christine Kathryn Kimicheff of Clark.

Thirty-six students were the winners of Vocational-Technical Educational Awards. They are: from Elizabeth: Luis A. Beltran, Willie Brooks and Julissa Lopez; Hillside: Shanita Dorsey, Joseph Feminak and Adrian Zahal; Kenilworth: Daniel Vardalis, Linden: Jason Mohr, Christos Pavlakos, Joseph Roman and Justin-Williams; Rahway: William Allen, Jannell Gaines, Michelle Harris, Martha Swint and Joseph Valcin; Roselle: Tracey Cox, Royston Dass, Rebecca Jacobs and Carmen Olivera.

From Roselle Park: Paolo Marinquin and Nunzi Veiga; Springfield: Brian Padavano; Summit: Dania Sierra.

Additional awards were presented in the areas of Science and Mathematics while 60 students from the graduating and junior classes were recommended for membership in the National Vocational-Technical Honor Society.

In addition to plaques denoting their achievements, the honorees were awarded scholarship checks in varying amounts. These funds were obtained through contributions from business and industry in the area as well as through proceeds from special events run throughout the year by the UCVTS Awards Committee.

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'Burning' up the big screen

Up-and-coming writer/director meets the 'Hollywood' big time

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

What do cows, car bombs and radio personalities have in common? All three are "On the Burn," a movie script to be developed by Union resident Agustin Fernandez, and currently under consideration for distribution by Miramax Films.

This publication interviewed Fernandez during last year's successful New York run of "The Drone Age," a one-man show written by another Union resident, comedian Ron Yacovetti. Fernandez, who directed the show, has moved on to greener pastures through his association with Yacovetti, and is now in the midst of shooting a movie trailer.

It was a slightly different Fernandez, however, who sat down for a precious hour at Union's Van Gogh's Ear Cafe to talk about his newest project. Still as insightful and creative as ever, this young man professed to be very, very tired, indeed, barely making it to the interview he had rescheduled from the prior week.

"I've been busy, real busy. I'm not ever comfortable. I mean, if I sit down for a minute I feel like there is something I should be doing. I feel guilty for resting. Neurosis is another name for filmmaking," Fernandez said with a facetious air. "It's great, I'm not complaining because I'm doing what I want to do and I wouldn't trade places with anybody," he hastened to add.

"It's just a lot of work all at once," said Dan Rowley, Fernandez' assistant director for the project. "There's no way around it either, it just gets really intense because it's part-time but it's full-time on this end of it. It's just insane trying to keep up on everything."

The "everything" Rowley referred to is the creation of a movie trailer, from conception to post-production. Readers may recall this publication's January feature story about Ron Yacovetti of Union, writer and star of "The Drone Age" and emerging stand-up comedian. Yacovetti's stand-up career has led to a friendship with Sean "Hollywood" Hamilton and "Goumba Johnny" from radio station 103.5, WKTU-FM.

"They have a contract with Miramax, who is very interested in them, and they're getting very popular, so they wanted to do a movie," Fernandez related, stating that Yacovetti had approached the former "Drone Age" director about developing an idea for the film. "So I wrote up a treatment for them and they loved it, and they were gonna take it to Mirmax. And in the interim they asked me if I could write it and I said yeah, sure, I'd do it."

And then the real work began. "They give you a little bit of money and say they think it's a good idea to make a trailer. They have money to do the movie. They're just looking for distribution. We're gonna make the movie anyway, we want to do it in the fall, and right now we have the contacts with Miramax. Miramax is pretty much waiting to see our trailer."

And the power-that-be at Miramax are not the only ones who will see this preview of Fernandez' movie concept.

"They're gonna rent out Planet Hollywood and have a screening," said the young director, calmly, as if he were under no pressure whatsoever.

But he and his staff have certainly been working hard to make this trailer "burn" up the screen.

"It's been a long process," said Fernandez. "I wrote the treatment maybe four months ago."

The writer/director described the concept which attracted so much attention.

"On the Burn' is actually an old Italian term that means on the run. It's a comedy. It's about Sean and Goumba, the characters they've created on the radio which they've also done on tv shows. These two guys, a big guy and a little guy, these two Italian guys own a strip club in Manhattan. They get framed by the Mob and then the FBI wants them in for questioning because of things that have happened — shootouts, people getting killed — so they're on the run basically from both the FBI and the Mob trying to clear their name at the same time. They end up in Middle America, so it's sort of like 'My Cousin Vinnie' meets 'Midnight Run.' And it's really funny. They sort of find out that maybe a little cleaner, little slower lifestyle is better than all this stuff they had going on in the city and they sort of...well, I'm not gonna give away the ending," Fernandez stopped, with a sly smile. "It's a feel-good type of comedy.

"The movie is fast-paced, but the trailer is just non-stop. We're blowing up cars, we have a day that Danny's putting together with 300 people at Scores, a strip club in the city, people are getting hit by cars, cows are stampeding and extras are running around."

The scenes Fernandez described are being shot at locations in New York and New Jersey — namely Sunnyside Dairy Farm in Mount Holly, the scenic overlook in Allamuchy Township, Scores gentlemen's nightclub and an apartment in New York City. Car explosions were shot at All-American Auto Salvage on Leesville Avenue in Rahway. Car chase scenes were shot on 50th and 60th streets in New York City.

"The trailer's very funny, and just to have these two characters in the setting with the cows and the farm, it's funny already," said Fernandez. "From a director's point of view, I'm excited about the chance to shoot at Scores and on the farm."

But Fernandez and Rowley have found that it is a lot of work to be funny. The entire production staff has been working long days to acheive their desired results.

"It's almost harder this way, because I could say that I'm directing this film and Dan's my assistant director, but that's so untrue. Dan is producer and I'm producer and we're also calling people. Dan, he's called at least 300 extras that he's in charge of," said Fernandez.

"It's putting it all together," said Rowley.

"When you're at this level." Fernandez finished the thought.

This level for these producers means attending to every detail themselves.

"Top to bottom — planning, locations, paying off, getting permits to do things, hiring our explosives experts," said Rowley, a fourth generation Rahway resident. "It's involved. You just don't realize, it's something you wouldn't be aware of until you get involved, is how much detail. Just trying to keep tabs on everyone of these people who say they're going to be at a particular place at a particular time. It's crazy."

"When I got the go-ahead to do the movie, I called Dan right away because I could say that I'm directing this film and Dan's my assistant director, but that's so untrue. Dan is producer and I'm producer and we're also calling people. Dan, he's called at least 300 extras that he's in charge of," said Fernandez. "I'm asking him to do things like — I need three pink elephants, you know, and a red sedan," the director laughed.

"Tony Morales, he's the director of photography, who takes care of the lighting and all the technical stuff. Mario Childs, production manager, he's taking care of all the clerical work and the logistics," Fernandez continued.

"So, it's so many people. We had a meeting last night where not everybody was present, and we had over 30 people," Fernandez added.

"You don't even realize how many people are involved until you have a room full of people," said Rowley.

"And not enough chairs," finished Fernandez.

"The trick is, though, to get everybody, at least the main crew of people, together. The extras and stuff you can never keep tabs on. The main crew is really into it and really committed to it, because if just one person screws up, that throws the whole thing out of whack. When you commit yourself to locations and there's timing involved, if one person cannot show up, it blows the whole thing," stated Rowley.

"It makes you realize you can't do the things alone. I mean, totally, inevitably I feel like I'm the one responsible. I'm the one who put everybody together, inevitably it's my project, but there's no way I could have done it without Danny or Mario," said Fernandez.

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A car explosion is staged in a scene from 'On the Burn,' while members of Avenel Fire Department stand by to keep the flames at safe levels.

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The concept of Primo's, according to the menu, was created by three — first — generation American cousins whose origins are from Spain. Having brought their original Spanish recipes to their new home, the Montes Family has combined the best of both worlds. Primo serves a wide variety of dishes featuring a blend of Mediterranean, Spanish and American cuisines.

A fine opener is the shrimp cocktail, or Cocktail de Camarones, with generous servings of rock shrimp served with a not too spicy dipping sauce.

There isn't a calamari around who wouldn't appreciate the Bistec de Solomillo, a very tender cut of broiled filet Mignon.

If you're looking to steer away from red meat, the Arroz con Pollo, chicken parts cooked with Saffron Rice, is a delicious Mediterranean version of New Orleans jambalaya, though not nearly as hot.

Primo's offers a wide variety of chicken, beef, veal and seafood entrees. Live lobsters are priced according to size, and the 100 gallon lobster tank also provides amusement to children as you enjoy a cocktail from the bar. Most appetizers are priced under $7 and entrees between $12 and $20.

While there is no children's menu per say, Primo's is amicable to families with children who are not adventurous enough for the adult menu, coming up with chicken fingers and french fries at a moment's notice.

Primo's also features a lunch express buffet and a full lunch menu served Monday through Friday between noon and three. The lunch selection features an assortment of appetizers, soups, and entrees to supplement the dinner menu, which is available at all times.

The service was outstanding. If you have the opportunity request a table by the window, as they are the best seats in the house.

Primo's is located at 2258 Morris Ave. in Union. Reservations are accepted and take-out orders can be faxed for convenient pick up. For further information, contact the restaurant at (908) 686-1200.

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Director learns about filmmaking business

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"You get a real perspective on why it's so expensive for such an undertaking," Rowley commented. "It's astronomical how much money...just detail, even if you're spending nickels and dimes, it just adds up so quick."

"It's great school, too," Fernandez said emphatically. "There's no way I could learn this much about filmmaking going to film school. When you're doing everything — making this film with the money that we have, which I'm not even going to get into but believe me, it's definitely not enough — everybody's working for free. I would think it was a walk in the park to do a job for $50 million now. If I had the money, the things I could do. What we are doing without the money is incredible, and we're doing a lot.

"You just get creative when you don't have money. When I wrote the treatment, I said: 'What do we have? Oh, we have a car and we can blow it up? Good! Oh, we have somebody who can fall off a bridge, we have Scores,' and it puts such a different spin on it. When you have a cow, you have a house and you have two girls, you just make it work, basically, around what you have.

"I like doing film," he continued, comparing his current efforts to his previous directorial efforts in theater. "It's not even like acting, where you do your show, you do your job. You're aware of everthing that's going on, you're aware of the lights and the mike."

And Fernandez has discovered that "Acting — that's five percent of the work, by the time somebody, anybody walks on to the set and says 'Hey, how ya doing.'

"I gave myself three weeks of preproduction, one week of shooting and two weeks of post. But then, it's never like that. We've had locations go belly up and things come in and people say 'Yeah, we're gonna let you use our place to do this,' and then 'Oh no, we can't.' money problems and acting problems and this and the other, but that's the work."

Fernandez and Rowley expressed sincere thanks to the people who helped them facilitate the trailer on their budget, including Roger Winter of Sunnydale Farm, Scores nightclub, Allamuchy Township, and All-American Auto Salvage. Rowley commented that both Avenel Fire Department and Woodbridge Police Department were on the scene during the car explosion sequence, and were extraordinarily helpful.

The director and assistant director also heaped praise upon the two stars of the film, Hollywood Hamilton and Goumba Johnny.

"They're helping to produce, they're really talented and funny, and they're really helping out. I really have to say it's a pleasure working with both of them," said Fernandez, relating that Hamilton was especially helpful in allowing his own brand-new Corvette to be used for a hit-and-run stunt.

And Fernandez is especially grateful to his friends, many of whom have key roles in the production of the trailer and film. Rowley and Fernandez first met when they were both on the modeling circuit, and Rowley was the director's first choice for an assistant. "Drone Age" colleague Yacovetti is signing on the film effort as producer. Fernandez has nothing but high praise for the work being done by Morales, Chioldi, and Kowanto Taiwan, stunt coordinator.

With the trailer nearly completed, the Planet Hollywood screening is scheduled for the end of July. Fernandez and Rowley don't know what they are going to do with all the free time they will have when this job is completed.

"Right now, you don't sleep, but I think once it's all done then you miss it," said Fernandez. "It's like, 'When's the next film?' It's a rush."

Said Rowley, feigning concern, "What do you mean I have nothing to do?"

Judging what these gentlemen already have accomplished, there seems to be no doubt that they will find 'something' to do.

Rahway entrepreneur delves into filmmaking business

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

Dan Rowley, assistant director of "On The Burn," is the only member of the film's production team who doesn't make his living in theatrical arts. A former bodybuilder and model, this fourth-generation Rahway resident owns and operates Daniel Computers and is currently involved in renovating a house located on Lennington Street in Rahway, in the hope of opening a fine dining restaurant.

"I haven't decided what it is I'm going to do when I grow up yet," Rowley laughed. "I'm doing everything."

Fernandez asked Rowley to join the "On The Burn" team hoping to capitalize on the entrepreneur's business sense and refined taste. "You can really count on him to 'dress the set,' said the director.

"And he's just dragging me along wherever he goes!" Rowley teased his friend. "But I love doing it. It's a lot of fun, it gives you an artistic outlet which you don't have selling computers. You set the goals, you put it all together and then you see the finished product," said Rowley, stating that at this stage of production, making the trailer is very much like running a business.

Rowley's house is currently functioning as a production house for the trailer, and a few scenes have been shot at the soon-to-be restaurant.

Summit library benefit features guest conductor

Conductor James Sadewhite is scheduled to perform four benefit performances of Meredith Willson's "The Music Man" to be staged in the auditorium of Summit High School.

Sadewhite, who lives in Irvington, NY, is music director and conductor of the Summit Symphony Orchestra.

Performances of the Broadway musical will begin at 8 p.m. today, tomorrow and Saturday and at 2 p.m. on Sunday. Proceeds will go toward enlarging and renovating the Summit Free Public Library, 75 Maple St.

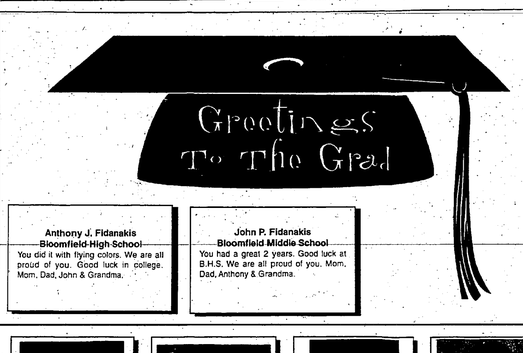
Sadewhite said that he considers it "a privilege" to be among the more than 200 volunteers who are taking part in the effort. Approximately half of the more than 20 musicians who will be in the pit are members of the Summit Symphony Orchestra.

Sadewhite stated, "The community has been really responsive to us." His attitude regarding the fund-raising drive, he added, "has a lot to do with the workings of the town."

For more than 25 years, Sadewhite has taught instrumental music in the public schools of Dobbs Ferry, NY. He made his debut as a conductor at the age of 15, when he led the Westchester County, NY, Youth Symphony.

He has a bachelor of arts degree in performance from the State University at Potsdam, NY. He holds two master's degrees with a major in conducting from Julliard School of Music.

Sadewhite traveled to Taiwan in 1989 and served as guest conductor of several Chinese orchestras. In this country, he has conducted among other orchestras, the Irvington, NY., Symphony and the State Repertory Opera, South Orange.



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Bloomfield High School
You did it with flying colors. We are all proud of you. Good luck in college. Mom, Dad, John & Grandma.

John P. Fidanakis
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You had a great 2 years. Good luck at B.H.S. We are all proud of you. Mom, Dad, Anthony & Grandma.

Michael Feeney
Think of your life as A basketball game...get every 3 pointer that you can and ALWAYS respect your teammates! Love Mom, Dad, Ryan & Mark.

Quintin J. Lewis
East Orange High School
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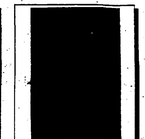
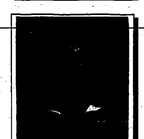

Christa Marie Gonnella
Immaculate Conception, Lodi, N.J.
Best wishes for your happiness and success as you enter Pelican College. Love Mom, Dad, Philip and Grandma.

Jeannine A. Crenshaw
Immaculate Heart of Mary (Maplewood)
Congratulations, Jeannine, for graduating from kindergarten. We wish you much success in the first grade. Love Auntie and Uncle Chet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St. Michael Parish School, Union, NJ
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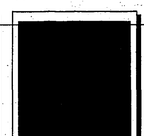
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Our Lady of Sorrows Pre-School
Congratulations, we're proud of you and love you. Gram, Laura, Tristan, Kase and all of your aunts and uncles.

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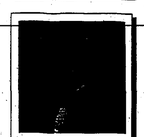
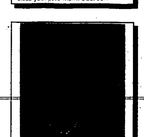
Michael, Congratulations! Wishing you all the best in your future! With all our love! Mom, Dad, Joe, Daniela, Mah, Bella.


Danny Payne
Abraham Clark High School
Danny, my heart floods with joy. You have succeeded where others have failed. Live, earn, only get better. Congratulations Son.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Dwayne Hart
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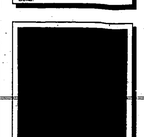
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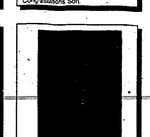
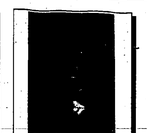
Dear Bill, Congratulations. I am so very proud of you son. God grant you many years. Love Mom.


Heather Dee Malarik
West Orange High School
Congratulations! You made it! We are so very proud of you. Now you're our college girl. Love Mom and Dave.

Michael Mazzolla
Columbia
Michael "Mazz" Congratulations! We are very proud of you! May all your dreams come true! Love Mom, Dad, Cathy, Suzy.

Zeenat Pereira
West Orange High
Congratulations Zeenat. You have only just begun. Aim high and success will follow you. Best wishes from the whole family.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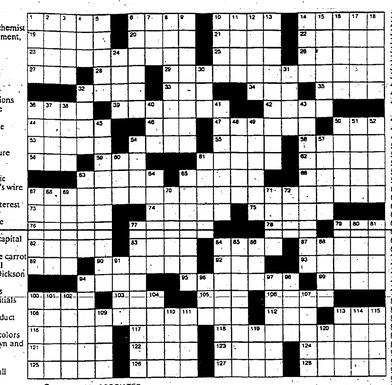

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For the week of June 29 to July 5

Aries
March 21-April 20
Focus on the future. Expect a professional move to pay off over time. Your domestic situation also is headed for a rebound. You could be traveling soon, but don't neglect chores and responsibilities around the house.

Taurus
April 21-May 21
Make the most of your time. Set priorities and refuse to get sidetracked on unproductive activities. Do what needs to be done now. Delays could snowball into major setbacks. Call up an old friend, stay in touch with loved ones. Money problems cause concern, but things will work out.

Gemini
May 22-June 21
Be cautious — take things slow and play it safe. An older person could be a valued adviser, and a younger person's enthusiasm could be infectious. Be willing to compromise where needed.

Cancer
June 22-July 22
Things slow down and you have a chance to catch up on little things you have let slide over time. It also might be a good time to renew old friendships, including romantic ones. Your positive outlook inspires others, so keep smiling.

Leo
July 23-Aug. 23
You ask the right question at the right time and solve a tough problem. Look at things from a new perspective. Try to see them from another's point of view. Be realistic in your expectations, and you'll be rewarded.

Virgo
Aug. 24-Sept. 22
Your creativity and analytical nature are at a peak. Get your thoughts and ideas down on paper. Also get business details down on paper to avoid future disputes. A friend or family member helps you put things in perspective.

Libra
Sept. 23-Oct. 23
Focus on home and family to counter workplace stress. Don't rush into an important decision — take your time and get as much information as possible.

Scorpio
Oct. 24-Nov. 22
Make an effort to mend fences and patch up differences with an old friend or family member. People close to you know what to do and want to help if you'll let them.

Sagittarius
Nov. 23-Dec. 21
Your dedication and hard work will start to pay dividends. Pets and possessions play an important role, but don't neglect friends and family affairs. Your creative blossoms so artistic and cultural activities are highlighted.

Capricorn
Dec. 22-Jan. 20
Personal problems and work situations are challenging, but your leadership skills are more than equal to the task. Financial concerns will work out and you'll come out ahead. Friends are working behind the scenes on your behalf. Take things as they come.

Aquarius
Jan. 21-Feb. 18
Now is the time to start or continue a long-term project. Try to see the big picture and don't get bogged down with petty details. You'll know what to do and when it needs to be done. Take time for yourself. Plans could heat up for travel and education.

Pisces
Feb. 19-March 20
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THURSDAY MORNINGS IN JULY-TUESDAY EVENINGS 1, 8, 22nd
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PLACE: Morrow Memorial Church, 600 Ridgewood Road, Maplewood, NJ.
TIME: Thursday mornings, 9:30-12:30 (except July 31). Tuesday evenings, 7-9pm
PRICE: Free Admission. Bargains in clothing, linens, housewares, luggage, books, toys, jewelry, etc.
ORGANIZATION: United Methodist Women - proceeds benefit charitable projects. For information 763-7676.

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Ecological art exhibit on view in Springfield

"Protecting the Pinelands Through Art," an exhibition of botanical illustrations by Robin A. Jess, has opened at The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library and will continue through July 10. The partial exhibit consists of 20 watercolor illustrations of fascinating Pine Barrens plants including orchids and carnivorous plants.

The exhibition is the result of a joint effort between the artist, the Pinelands Preservation Alliance, through generous support of the Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation.

The Pinelands of New Jersey encompasses nearly 1.1 million acres in Southern New Jersey, almost 25 percent of the state. The Pinelands Preservation Alliance believes that educating New Jersey's citizens about this unique and beautiful ecosystem in their backyard will heighten appreciation of, and enhance the climate for, long-term protection of the Pinelands.

PPA is the only non-profit, non-governmental organization dedicated solely to the protection and preservation of the Pinelands.

Jess has been a freelance botanical illustrator since 1976 after graduating from the University of Delaware with a major in Fine Arts and a minor in Botany. She later received a MFA from Pratt Institute. Jess received a 1990 Distinguished Artist Fellowship and a 1993 Fellowship from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Dept. of State.

Her main client is the New York Botanical Garden in the Bronx, where she illustrated textbooks and research publications for botanists. Jess' work also appears on several Audubon Field Guides and Taylor's Guides to cultivated plants.

The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Public Library at 66 Mountain Ave. The hours for the exhibit are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. For more information about PPA or the exhibit, call (609) 894-8000, or the Library at (201) 376-4930.

You'll wind up having fun at the new museum cafe

The Music Box Cafe of the Donald B. Palmer Museum, located in the Springfield Free Public Library, is open on weekdays for the summer months. The Music Box Cafe will be open Monday and Tuesday mornings from 10 a.m. to noon and Monday evenings from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

The cafe serves coffee, juice, bagels, muffins and baked goods and provides an appropriate atmosphere to read a book or just relax while surrounded by the current exhibit in the Palmer Museum.

An extra feature this summer will be "Game Night" in the cafe and library meeting room every Monday evening from 6 to 8:30 p.m. Chess and Scrabble games will be available for those interested. Bring a partner or come in and find a partner and have a challenging evening while enjoying a cup of coffee.

In addition, the cafe is currently planning to feature new and upcoming talent in a showcase for late summer and fall appearances.

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Stepping Out

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Art Shows

TOMASULO ART GALLERY at MacKay Library, Union County College's Cranford Campus, will present a group of abstract paintings featuring three regional artists through July 3. The show will display works by James Fuess, Al Kaercher and Barrie Samuels.

Gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. and again from 6 to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday. For further information, call the college and ask for extension 7155.

SKULSKI ART GALLERY of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark will present an exhibition of paintings by Wlodzimierz Szpinger through July 4.

Szpinger has had a lifelong fascination with the work of Hieronymus Bosh as well as early 17th century Dutch floral painters, and manages to incorporate their concepts into a most interesting contemporary approach.

The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 1777 Raritan Way, 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 Alexandra K. Nowak, director, at (908) 382-7197.

DONALD B. PALMER Museum of the Springfield Public Library will present "Protecting the Pinelands Through Art," an exhibition of botanical illustrations by Robin A. Jess, at The Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Free Public Library, through July 10. The partial exhibit consists of twenty watercolor illustrations of fascinating Pine Barrens plants including orchids and carnivorous plants.

The Donald B. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Library, 66 Mountain Ave. Gallery hours are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8:30 p.m., Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and Sunday from 1 to 3:30 p.m. For information, call (201) 376-4930.

JACOB TRAPP GALLERY will present an exhibit of paintings by Francis Orszag through July 17.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to noon. The gallery is located at 4 Waldron Ave. in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-3045.

BARRON ARTS CENTER will present "Best of Life" art exhibit, an annual exhibition of life drawing, painting and sculpture by local artists, through July 13.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday to 4 p.m. Swain Galleries is located at 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For details, call (908) 756-1707.

LES MALAMUT ART GALLERY in the Union Public Library will present "The Old Revisionist West," paintings by Michael Sileo of Roselle Park, through July 24.

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

RENEE FOOSANER Art Gallery at Paper Mill Playhouse will present the 9th Annual International Miniature Art Exhibition through July 31.

Gallery hours are Wednesday through Sunday, one hour before performances through intermission, and Friday from noon to 3 p.m. The Playhouse is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call (973) 379-3636, ext. 2272.

SUMMIT FRAME & ART is presenting an expanding collection of paintings, etching and woodblocks from the 1850s to the 1950s.

Summit Frame and Art is located at 465 Springfield Ave., Summit. Store hours are Monday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Thursdays until 8 p.m. For information, call (908) 273-8665.

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, 1-5 p.m. and 6-9 p.m. Mondays and Wednesday and 9-noon and 1-5 p.m. Tuesday and Fridays.

NEW JERSEY CENTER FOR VISUAL ARTS is presenting a Members' Show. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

ELIZABETH LIBRARY will present an exhibit of oil paintings, drawings and collage by Jay Deni. The exhibit will be displayed at the Main Branch, located at 11 South Broad St., Elizabeth.

NEW JERSEY CENTER FOR VISUAL ARTS will present an exhibit by sculptor and artist Peter Reginato through Sept. 30. The exhibit will take place in the Center's outdoor Art Park.

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

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL announces an exhibit of works created by the "Artists With Disabilities" program at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts. The exhibit opens Tuesday and runs through July 31.

The exhibit will be displayed in the hospital's East Wing. Children's Specialized Hospital is located on New Providence Road in Mountainside. For information, call NJCVA at (908) 273-9121.

UNION COUNTY ANNUAL JURIED ART AND CRAFT Exhibition will take place at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, 68 Elm St., Summit, from July 20 through Aug. 17. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

Auditions

MYSTIC VISION PLAYERS has announced auditions for "Dame Yankees" on Sunday and Monday at 6:30 p.m. Auditions will take place at the Linden Presbyterian Church on Orchard Terrace in Linden. Also needed are people to work on costumes, stage managers, stage crew and painting crew.

Be prepared to sing something from the show or your own choice, with sheet music. Wear comfortable clothes to execute a simple dance combination and be ready to read from the show. For information, call (908) 925-9068 or (908) 486-3073.

Classes

DU CRET SCHOOL OF THE ARTS has announced a series of art workshops for the summer. The workshops vary in length and starting dates, and will be offered through Aug. 6. They will include offerings for artists of varied experience and levels from beginners to advanced. Workshops will be available both during the days and evenings.

Offerings include "Photography for Artists," "Mixed Media," "Outdoor Painting," "Acrylic Painting," "Watercolor," and "Pastel," as well as workshops in still life, portrait and figure painting. Fine artists can also learn how to further their careers through a unique course called, "Evaluate, Appreciate and Advance, Your Art," taught by nationally known Metuchen artist Joan Arbeiter.

Computer workshops include "MAC Graphic Intro," "MAC Intermediate," "Advanced Illustrator," "Photoshop 4.0," and "Digital Fine Art and Illustration."

Illustrators have a unique opportunity to work with famed illustrator Michael Donato, in a self-promotion illustration workshop where students will design and create a self-promotion card.

The du Cret School of the Arts is located at 1030 Central Ave. in Plainfield. For further information and a brochure call (908) 757-7171, fax (908) 757-2626 or write: Du Cret School of the Arts, 1030 Central Ave., Rahway, N.J. 07060

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE is sponsoring the following summer adult workshops:

"Pitch Your Screenplay" will present the pitching process over the course of four sessions from Aug. 6 to Sept. 3. The class will be held Wednesday nights from 7 to 10 p.m. with a fee of $200. A fully developed screenplay idea is required in order to participate.

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

Concerts

WESTFIELD RECREATION COMMISSION will sponsor a free summer concert series to be held on Thursdays at 8 p.m. in Mindowaskin Park. Tonight, Westfield Community Concert Band will perform.

For information, call (908) 789-4080.

MUSIC UNDER THE STARS will present Vince Calabrese, Latin performer, in a free outdoor concert today from 8 to 10 p.m. in Friberger Park, Union.

In case of rain, concerts will be moved to Burnet Middle School Auditorium on Morris and Caldwell avenues. For information, call (908) 686-4200.

MINSTREL COFFEEHOUSE will present Grovers Mill and Wendy Beckerman tomorrow at 8:30 p.m., Grovers Mill sings 3-part harmonies and do traditional and original bluegrass tunes and songs. Wendy Beckerman is a songwriter whose songs are poetic, abstract and mesmerizing.

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.

ELIZABETH LIBRARY will present "Soprano Susan Santiglia in Concert" on Saturday at 1 p.m.

Santiglia is a Belleville resident who was featured in New York's Town Hall. She will perform a program of all-time opera favorites.

The performance will take place at the Main Branch, located at 11 South Broad St. in Elizabeth.

NATIONAL CHORALE will perform on Saturday at 8 p.m. in Kean College's Wilkins Theatre. The free concert presents the music of Broadway composers in "Celebrating Gershwin, Rodgers and Ellington."

The college is located at 1000 Morris Ave., Union. For information, call (908) 527-2337.

NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY will hold a pops concert and a picnic on the lawn of Giralda Farms in Madison on Sunday at 3 p.m.

The concert theme is "Music for Dance" including Strauss' "Gypsy Baron" Overture Ginastera's dances from "Estancia," excerpts from Tchaikovsky's "Swan Lake," Rachmaninoff's "Symphonic Dances" and "Sensemaya" and a salute to the Big Band sound featuring Duke Ellington.

Giralda Farms is located on Route 124 in Madison. In case of rain, the concert will be held in the gym at the Mornstown High School on Early Street, Morristown at 6 p.m. For information, call (973) 377-5622.

LINDEN RECREATION DEPARTMENT is pleased to present, for seven consecutive weeks, a variety of "Concerts in the Park." Tuesday will be Polka Night featuring the Walter Lesnak Band at George N. Mikosky Park.

All concerts begin promptly at 7:15 p.m. and run for two hours. In case of rain, concerts will be held at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center. Stop Helen St. Information will be available on the Recreation Hotline at (908) 474-8604. This pertains to all the above concerts with the exception of the July 29 concert. Any questions, feel free to call the John T. Gregorio Center at (908) 474-8627.

BERKELEY HEIGHTS Special Events Committee presents a free summer concert series featuring Tony Cortisello Orchestra on Wednesday from 7:30 to 9 p.m. The orchestra is a 17-piece band playing the music of Count Basie, Nelson Riddle, Sinatra, Bennett and more.

'Red Bar,' a painting by James Fuess, is part of an exhibit of abstract paintings at Tomasulo Art Gallery.

Concerts are held outdoors at Memorial Park. In case of rain, concerts will be held in the Governor Livingston Regional High School Auditorium on Watchung Boulevard in Berkeley Heights. For information, call (908) 464-0550 or (908) 464-0550.

UNION COUNTY SUMMER ARTS SERIES continues with The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. in Echo Lake Park, Mountainside.

There is no charge for admission. The rain site will be Cranford High School Auditorium, West End Place, Cranford. For information, call (908) 527-4900 or (908) 352-8410.

VILLAGE GREEN SUMMER SERIES will present the 63rd U.S. Army Band on Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Village Green in Scotch Plains.

This free concert will be held outdoors. In case of rain, concerts are moved indoors to Scotch Plains High School auditorium on Westfield Road. For information, call (908) 322-6700, ext. 220.

WESTFIELD COMMUNITY BAND has begun its summer concert series, which will run through July 17. Concerts will be held on Thursdays at 8 p.m. in Mindowaskin Park, Westfield.

LYRICA CHAMBER MUSIC will present its 10th anniversary subscription series with four chamber music concerts on Sundays at 3 p.m. beginning in September.

All concerts will be held in the auditorium of the Presbyterian Church of Chatham Township, 240 Southern Boulevard. Tickets are $17 for general admission, $13 for seniors, and $5 for students. Discounts are available for early subscription. For information, call (201) 701-1734.

Fairs

MEADOWLANDS FAIR is open through July 6. A general admission ticket includes over 20 shows including an all-new 6-act European Circus, the GT Bicycles Air Show, The Dennis Lee Variety Show and Master Hypnotist Steve Bayner. There is a separate Kiddie Midway for children. On Sundays, "103.5 FM-The New KTU" will present Sunday Night Dance Parties.

Plants Pop will perform tonight. Tomorrow the fair will feature "The Party Dolls." A 70s Spectacular featuring Gloria Gaynor and Tavares will be presented on Saturday at 8 p.m. Tim Gills will perform on Saturday and on July 5.

The Fair is located at Giants Stadium. New Jersey Sports Complex, Route 3, East Rutherford. For information, call (201) 933-0100 or (201) 842-5600.

Films

THE LOST PICTURE SHOW movie theater, located at 2395 Springfield Ave. in Union, next to the Union Marketplace, screens art films daily. Senior citizen discounts are available Sunday through Thursday, and Tuesday is Bargain Night, when every seat is $4. For showtimes, call (908) 964-4497.

NEW JERSEY INTERNATIONAL SUMMER FILM FESTIVAL presents the following programs this week:

Tomorrow — "Crash," 1997. David Cronenberg's nightmarish, erotically charged drama sparked controversy at the Cannes Film Festival, and among critics and viewers alike. A husband and wife are drawn out of their sterile, high-rise lives into a murky, twisted underworld when a near-fatal accident causes them to explore the mysterious connection between danger, sex, love and death.

Saturday — "Crash."

Sunday — Double Feature

"Fire," 1996. In the dark recesses of a traditional New Delhi household, a fire smolders. Writer/Director Deepa Mehta has crafted a compelling and very contemporary story of women breaking the bonds of obedience, fidelity and silence and of men struggling to maintain their power while exploring the freedoms of westernized life. One of India's finest actresses, Shabana Azmi, delivers an astonishing performance as a woman spanning two worlds. In Hindu, subtitled.

"Siddhartha," 1973, directed by Conrad Rooks. This lush, rarely seen wide screen version of Herman Hesse's meditational novel follows an Indian man on his sensual and spiritual quest for nirvana.

All films begin at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday shows cost $5. Sunday shows cost $3. Tickets are available on a first-come, first-served basis, and can be purchased at the door beginning 30 minutes before the show. Friday and Saturday films are shown in Scott Hall #123, College Avenue Campus, Rutgers University, New Brunswick. Sunday films are shown at The State Theatre, 15 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. For information, call (908) 932-8482.

Opera

MET IN THE PARKS series will run through July 5.

"Carmen" will be performed on Monday in Brookdale Park in Montclair and in Buccleuch Park in New Brunswick on July 3.

"Cavalliera Rusticana" and "Pagliacci" will be performed on Tuesday in Brookdale Park in Montclair and again on July 5 in Cooper River Park in Pennsauken.

All performances are free and begin at 8 p.m. For information, call (212) 362-6000.

Radio

WBGO Jazz 88.3 FM programming will present the following shows this week:

Today — "Artbeat," a weekly magazine show covering all facets of the arts, will be aired at 6:30 p.m.

"Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz" will feature pianist Frank Kimbrough at 7 p.m.

Tomorrow — "Portraits in Blue" will present new releases from the first half of 1997, all styles, at 7 p.m.

Saturday — "Jazz Classics" will feature Henry "Red" Allen, at 6 p.m. Three decades of Allen's work is featured via computer-enhanced transfers from 78 rpm records. Musicians include King Oliver, Louis Armstrong, Luis Russell, Clarence Williams and the best orchestras of the time.

"Jazzcast With Branford Marsalis" will present Auburn Avenue Street Fair in Atlanta at 8 p.m.

Sunday — "Jazz From the Archives" will present the 8th Annual Hooking, Shouting and Screaming show, hosted by John Clement, at 10 p.m.

Monday — "Billy Taylor's Jazz at the Kennedy Center" will present Jane Ira Bloom at 7 p.m. This alto saxophonist and composer was the first to be commissioned by the NASA Art Program to write music for the space program. She performs "My Favorite Things" and "Hawkin's Parallel."

WFMU, 91.1 FM Free Form Radio will feature the return of veteran free form DJ Bob Pixon of Rahway on Monday mornings from 9 a.m. to noon. Featuring spontaneous mixes of jazz, pop, punk, funk, soundtrack music and personal anecdotes, Pixon's programs carry the classic 60s radio style into the late 90s.

Theatre

THE MUSIC MAN will be presented at Summit High School today, tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday.

The musical made its Broadway debut almost 40 years ago. A traveling salesman finds his life changes when he meets Marian, the librarian. It remains an endearing show that provides suitable and wholesome entertainment for all members of the family, according to Lois Hageman, producer. It is a work of gentle humor about people who inhabited the fictional community of River City, Iowa, in 1912. The Mayor of Summit and the Summit Police Chief have cameo roles.

Tickets are on sale at the Summit Free Public Library, 75 Maple St., and at Ahmo's Coffee Roastery, 90 Maple St., at the corner of Union Place. Summit. Tickets will sell for $15 each. For information, call (908) 273-2172.

THE FANTASTICKS will be presented by Carnival Productions in Rahway through Saturday.

"The Fantasticks" is the longest continuously-running musical in theater history, having opened at Off-Broadway's Sullivan Street Playhouse on May 3, 1960. Among the celebrities who have appeared in the show in its many incarnations are Liza Minnelli, F. Murray Abraham, Jerry Orbach, the original El Gallo, John Davidson and Ricardo Montalban in the 1964 abridged television version. Jerry Orbach, and former Linden resident Bill Pertsch, who played Matt in the New York company in the mid-1980s.

"The Fantasticks" will run weekends at El Bodegon located at 169 W. Main St., behind the Union County Arts Center. Show-only and Dinner-and-Show packages are available, as well as group rates and fund-raising opportunities. For more information, call Carnival Productions at (908) 388-0647.

NJ SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL will present "A Midsummer Night's Dream" through Sunday at the Community Theater in Morristown. This popular play is a performance magic mix of fairies, lovers and love potions.

Performances are held Tuesday through Thursday at 8 p.m. and Saturdays at 2 and 8 p.m. and Sunday at 2 and 7 p.m. There is a weekly matinee on Wednesday at 2 p.m. For tickets, call (201) 408-5600.

MAN OF LA MANCHA will be presented at Paper Mill Playhouse, Millburn, through July 20. For tickets, call (201) 376-4343.

A NEW JERSEY THEATER FESTIVAL, a series of staged readings by New Jersey playwrights, will be held throughout June.

Today at 8 p.m., writer Lisa Lipkin will perform her one-woman show, "A New Yorker's Guide to the Bible." Also today at 8 p.m., "Images of Mirrored Images" by Eduardo Garcia will be read. This mystery is the story of seven writers and seven amazing, real and imagined scenes from their lives.

On Sunday at 8 p.m., "The Book of David" by Bob Clyman will be read. The play is a dramatic comedy about a psychologist named David who takes a second chance with a lost love. On Monday, the Festival concludes with a series of one-act plays directed by Joseph Megel and Brian Platt. "One With God," written by Rose Caruso, is a comedy about the spiritual connection between two women and the dangers of their convictions. "Who The Hell Is Abner Bell," written by Sid Frank of Springfield, is a comic tale about who is really buried in the Rand family's cemetary plot. Also by Sid Frank is "Marvin and the Grizzlies," about a city man who meets a mountain man in Glacier National Park where there are grizzly bears everywhere. Finally, Homer's famous wanderer returns and has to justify his "heroic actions" in "Ithaca" by Paul Parente.

Today's shows will be held at the John Harms Theatre, located at 30 New Dutch Rd. in Englewood. Sunday and Monday's shows will be held at Playwrights Theatre, 33 Green Village Road in Madison. Admission is $12. For information, call (201) 514-1540.

MUCH ADO ABOUT NOTHING opens at the NJ Shakespeare Festival on Saturday, and continues through July 26 at Playwrights Theatre of New Jersey.

The theater is located at 33 Green Village Road in Madison. For tickets and information, call (201) 408-5600.

Outer City,' a painting by Barrie Samuels, is part of an exhibit of abstract paintings at Tomasulo Art Gallery.

NJCVA names 'Arts Person of the Year'

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit presented Faith Ringgold, painter, author and teacher, with the Ann G. Stein Memorial "Arts Person of the Year" award on Tuesday in the Fred L. Palmer Gallery.

"The fourth annual Ann G. Stein Memorial Award," explained Carol Beaugard, development associate, "is conferred annually by NJCVA upon a person, who, in the previous year or series of years, has done the most to further the role of the arts locally, regionally and in the state." She said that the criteria for award recipients includes "furthering the role of the arts locally, regionally and in the state; the creation of significant awards of art; encouraging support for the arts by corporations and private citizens, and helping to increase government appropriations."

Former recipients include Gov. Thomas Kean, 1994; Angelo Del Rossi, executive producer of the Paper Mill Playhouse, 1995, and Sculptor George Segal, 1996. Dorothy Gillespie is commissioned yearly to design an original sulpture to serve as the Arts Person of the Year award. The metal piece is a colorfully painted abstract "possessing movement, rhythm and subtlety."

"The recipient is selected by a Blue Ribbon committee representing the leadership from our local business, arts, government, education and philanthropic communities," said Beaugard. The 1997 selection committee included Joan Duffey Good, executive director, NJCVA; William C. Bopp, board of trustees, NJCVA; Elizabeth C. Gump, president, NJCVA; Shirley Aidekman, board of trustees, NJCVA; Elizabeth Christopherson, executive director NJN; Margaret Beach, board of trustees, NJCVA; Assemblywoman Maureen Ogden, Joseph Robinson, financial chair, board of trustees, NJCVA; Paul Stein, Denise Muellen, art department, Jersey City State College; Saundra DeGeneste, School Corp team specialist with the Newark public schools, and Karan Merry, headmistress, Kent Place School, Summit.

Ringgold "is constantly building her skills to create new and varied forms of art." The multi-talented artist "dissolves creative boundaries, making her works uniquely her own. Inspired by African art and utilizing fabric as a means of self-expression, the evolution of her work began in the 1960s with the creation of her first political paintings, 'The American People Series" and the "Black Light Series." She progressed into the 1970s "with the creation of soft sculptures, masks and Tibetan Thangkas, where the form of painted cloth hangings would become her greatest influence."

In the 1980s, Ringgold "natured people's quests and power and life struggles" and began communicating through live performances, "often incorporating humor to emphasize her concerns. She further demonstrated her unique qualities in 'Echoes of Harlem,' which was created as a new way of painting, using the quilt as the medium." Based on her story quilt which is part of the permanent collection of the Guggenheim Museum, in 1991, Ringgold wrote her first and most widely recognized book, "Tar Beach," winning more than 20 awards including the Coretta Scott King Award for best illustrated children's book.

"The artist and teacher, who received bachelor of science and master's degrees in visual art from City College of New York, exhibits her paintings, masks, sculptures and performances nationally and internationally." Among her 50 awards and honors are the Solomon R. Guggenheim Foundation Fellowship, the National Endowment for the Arts Award for sculpture in 1978 and for painting in 1989; the New York Foundation for the Arts award for painting in 1988, and 11 honorary doctor of fine arts degrees from colleges and universities across the United States.

Ringgold is a professor of art at the University of California in San Diego and currently lives and works in La Jolla, Calif., Englewood and New York City. Her latest undertakings include the creation fo a series of 12 painted story quilts called "The American Collection," based on the story of Marlena Simone, an African-American woman who becomes one of America's most celebrated artists.

The non-profit NJCVA is a full-scale art school with two interior galleries and an outdoor exhibition space. The NJCVA is regional and is the largest of the state's art centers specifically devoted to contemporary art through studio classes, workshops, special programs and exhibitions. The center is open Monday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. On Saturday the hours are noon to 4 p.m. and on Sunday, 2 to 4 p.m. The New Jersey Center for Visual Arts is located at 68 Elm St., Summit.

County organizations receive more funding for arts activities

The Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation, announced that 46 Union County organizations have been awarded 1996-97 funding in the amount of $73,700 through the State-County Partnership Program of the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State.

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, through the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board and its Arts Grant Committee, awards grants to organizations that demonstrate a high degree of professionalism in sponsoring or producing arts activities. The grants are administered by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation. "Current funding supports events taking place between July 1, 1996 and June 30, 1997," states Linda Stender, chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. "Many talented groups provide a wide variety of cultural events for Union County audiences," she continued.

Fiscal year 1996-97 Arts Grant funding has been awarded to the following Union County organizations:

- Clark: Public Library, $900;
- Cranford: Celebration Singers, $1,400; Public Library, $600; Public Schools, $2,200; Rahway Valley Jerseyaires, $1,600, Union County College, $2,000;
- Elizabeth: Community Access Unlimited, $800; Public Library, $2,500; Jewish Family Services Agency of Central NJ, $1,300; Progeed, Inc., $1,200; Urban League of Union County, $1,800; YWCA of Eastern Union County, $2,400;
- Linden: Public Library, $1,200; Linden Summer Playhouse, $2,300; • New Providence: Public Library, $1,000; Stony Hill Players, Inc., $1,300;
- Plainfield: ARC of Union County, $1,200; Ars Musica Antiqua, Inc., $1,600; Black United Fund, $1,800; Central Jersey Alumnae, $1,200; City of Plainfield, Senior Citizen Service Program, $2,500; Community Foundation, $1,200; Crescent Concerts, $2,300; El Centro Hispanoamericano, $2,300; Public Library, $2,000; Plainfield Symphony Orchestra, $3,000; Raritan Valley Links, $1,800; Rice-Charles Choral Ensemble, $2,000; Temple Sholom, $1,300;
- Rahway: Public Library, $500;
- Scotch Plains: Jewish Community Center of Central NJ, $1,500; McGinn School PTA, $1,000; Scotch Plains/Fanwood PTA, Young People's Theatre, $1,400;
- Springfield: Public Library, $1,200;
- Summit: Afternoon Music, $1,800; Calvary Chorale, $1,200; Concord Singers, $2,500; Summit Symphony Orchestra, $900; Summit YWCA, $1,200.
- Union: Boys & Girls Clubs of UC, $1,000; Union Symphony Orchestra, $1,900; YM-YMHA of Union County, $2,000; First Congregational Church, $1,100; Westfield Young Artists' Cooperative Theater, or WYACT, $1,800.

For information about the Union County Arts Grant Program or for an application and guidelines for 1997-98 funding, contact the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 24-52 Rahway Ave., Elizabeth, NJ 07202., or call (908) 558-2550. TTD relay users call (800) 852-7899.

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It's hard to find signs of life in 'Deadman'

The Video Detective

By Jim Riffel

The past reviews in this column have been on films which I would recommend. I made it a point to leave out films I felt would be uninteresting or, worse, boring. Unfortunately, not many good films have been released on video lately so I am forced to pick out of a sorry lot. The film I have chosen, "Deadman," may be worth seeing to some because of its director, Jim Jarmusch.

Jarmusch is well-known in the independent film world. He exploded onto the scene in 1984 with "Stranger Than Paradise," a film consisting of a few dozen 2-3 minute takes in which he rarely moved the camera. Hitchcock made this technique famous using a similar style with "Rope." The film won a bunch of well deserved film festival awards and, in my opinion, was the highlight of his career. Jarmusch followed this up with "Down By Law," another picture shot in black-and-white, about three men who make a jail-break. He later directed "Mystery Train" and "Night on Earth." The appeal of Jarmusch's films, with the exception of "Stranger Than Paradise," fall into the same category of abstract art. It's somehow "cool" to be a fan and like his work.

"Deadman" can be summed up in two words: Video Sominex. This film was incredibly boring. The script is painfully slow-paced and scenes seemed to drag on forever. On the other hand, the visual side of the film, like most of Jarmusch's work, is remarkable. He once again won with black-and-white and his ability to compose and frame images is his main strength. In fact, in all of cinema, Jarmusch is probably one of the most talented visual director working. This may be why he is able to attract some of the biggest names in Hollywood. Winona Ryder was one of the stars of "Night on Earth."

"Deadman" is headed by Johny Depp. Depp plays and accountant in the late 1800's who travels to a one-horse town for a new job. When he arrives the boss tells him he's two months late and the job has been filled. Depp spent all his cash on the trip and walks out onto the street without a place to live or enough money for a couple of drinks and winds up in a young lady's bed. Unfortunately, the husband comes home, shoots her, then aims the gun at Depp. Depp, playing a nervous, somewhat bumbling character named William Blake, shoots a shaky gun at the man and drops him. He then climbs out a window, steals a horse and heads for the hills. But he's in for a brutal chase. He's soon pegged as the man who murdered the girl and her rich daddy is hiring the three meanest men in the west to find Depp and kill him.

There's beautiful photography of wild hills, an Indian who keeps talking about the "stupid white man" and Billy Thornton, Sling Blade, getting shot in the foot. If you're a big fan of Jarmusch this film will probably further your worship. If you've never heard of Jarmusch before, you may wonder why this film was ever made.

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By Debrah P. Johnson

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According to NIDA, illegal drug users are five times more likely to file a workers' compensation claim and three times more likely to utilize health-care benefits as non-abusers. Forty-three percent of CEOs responding to a recent survey by the National Association Addiction Treatment Providers estimate that the use of alcohol and drugs costs them, on average, 1 percent to 10 percent of payroll.

Clearly, drug abuse is a bottom line issue for business. And, in New Jersey there is an organization that is using the bottom line to convince employers to establish comprehensive drug-free workplaces.

The Governor's Council for a Drug Free Workplace was founded in 1992 by the New Jersey Chamber of Commerce to help impact the drug problem by concentrating on the workplace and thus to enhance the productivity and competitiveness of New Jersey businesses.

The Council's program includes a step-by-step guide in how to write a policy, how to educate employees, how to train managers, as well as information and discounts on drug testing and employees assistance programs.

The Council's approach is rehabilitative, not punitive. The goal is to identify workers with substance abuse problems, get them into treatment and return them to the workforce as productive employees.

The U.S. Department of Labor estimates that for every dollar an employer invests in an employee assistance program, employers generally save from $5 to $16. The average annual cost for an EAP is $12 to $20 per employee. General Motors reports that its EAP saves the company $37 million per year — $3,700 for each of its 10,000 employees. United Airlines estimates a return of $16.95 for every dollar spent on employee assistance. And, in Philadelphia, police department employees undergoing substance abuse treatment reduced their sick days by an average of 3 percent and their "out-due-to-injury" days by 62 percent.

Tackling substance abuse in the workplace requires the entire community to be involved. The Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse has organized a business task force to address this issue in Union County. The goal of the task force is to provide education, information and resources to the business community. The Coalition and the Governor's Council has teamed together to help Union County businesses.

The Union County Coalition is a three-year project funded by the U.S. Center for Substance Abuse Prevention, with the Saint Barnabas Behavioral Health Network as the lead agency. The Coalition is designed to increase and enhance the prevention efforts in Union County. For more information, call Nicole Koroghlian at (908) 686-6644.

Debrah P. Johnson is director of Membership Development, Governor's Council for a Drug-Free Workplace, Inc.

A simple test can help prevent glaucoma in baby boomers

Men and women over age 50, as an increased risk of going blind from glaucoma, can almost always avoid this danger with a simple test from an eye doctor, according to Jordan Burke, M.D., F.A.C.S., ophthalmologist at Summit Eye Group.

"Everyone knows someone with glaucoma," says Dr. Burke, who notes that the disorder causes damage to the cells comprising the optic nerve, which is responsible for transmitting visual information from the eye to the brain. "As the baby boomers join the 50 million Americans already over the age of 50, the incidence of glaucoma will reach unprecedented levels."

With more than 17 million baby boomers moving into the blindness danger zone by the year 2000, the need for this simple test becomes more critically important than ever, says the ophthalmologist.

Recent worldwide research has developed new treatments and current studies in the U.S. and overseas are focusing on optic nerve protection and regeneration.

"Because glaucoma leads to blindness, yet has no symptoms, a simple eye exam is the only way to protect vision from this insidious disease," says John W. Corwin, executive director of the Glaucoma Foundation.

In addition to aging, other risk factors for glaucoma include nearsightedness, family history, diabetes and race. African Americans are six times more likely to have glaucoma than Caucasians.

"Anyone can get glaucoma, from babies to senior citizens," says Dr. Burke. "There are virtually no signs or symptoms. That is why regular eye check-ups are the key to preserving sight."

The Glaucoma Foundation's free worldwide services include literature, information, and medical referrals, all available by calling 1-800-GLAUCOMA.

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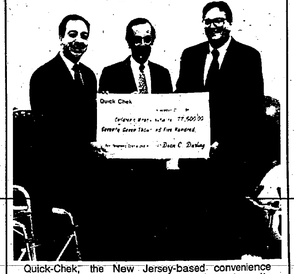

Quick-Chek, the New Jersey-based convenience store, has donated $77,500 to complete its $168,000 pledge to Children's Specialized Hospital. Quick-Chek, with corporate offices located in Hunterdon County, donated the money through the Children's Miracle Network in conjunction with the New Jersey Festival of Ballooning for a physical therapy suite at the hospital's Fanwood site. Donating the final installment to Phillip Salerno, vice president for development, CSH Foundation, left, are Dean Durling, vice president of Quick-Chek, center, and John Shaninger, district manager of Quick-Chek.

Group endeavors to keep people 'Positively Healthy'

An array of social services are offered to people living with HIV/AIDS who reside in Essex, Union, Morris, Sussex, and Warren Counties free of charge through North Jersey Community Research Initiative Positively Healthy! program.

Positively Healthy's' goal is to help empower people to stay healthy, both mentally and physically. The program offers nutrition counseling, transportation, mental health counseling, recreational activities, food bank, child care, support sessions, pharmacy assistance program, and case management. For more information concerning this program, call NJCRI at (201) 483-3444.

In addition to providing social services, NJCRI offers access to the most up-to-date clinical trials for people living with HIV/AIDS throughout the state of New Jersey. Clinical trials are sponsored by the American Foundation for AIDS Research, National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases, and pharmaceutical companies. Access to research trials and social services are confidential and free of charge to the participants.

Founded in 1998, NJCRI is a non-profit, community-based HIV/AIDS organization dedicated to developing new treatments and making them available to men and women throughout New Jersey. NJCRI offers clinical trials, social services and generates public policy. Interested persons may contact NJCRI at (201) 483-3444.

Mineral supplements can be beneficial for diabetics

The benefits of adding minerals to the diets of individuals with diabetes is currently being debated in medical circles, but some studies suggest that diabetics with poor eating habits may benefit by taking daily supplements of chromium picolinate and magnesium to help control their blood-sugar levels and blood pressure.

Chromium picolinate can improve the body's response to insulin in chromium-deficient patients and in some instances, may lower glucose — sugar and lipid — fat levels while helping to restore normal insulin levels. Excessive fats and insulin in the blood contribute to hypertension, heart attacks and strokes and may exacerbate other diabetic complications, such as kidney disease.

Chromium picolinate can be consumed naturally in raw vegetables, black pepper, cheese, breads, beef, kidney and liver. Brewer's yeast has the greatest natural amount of the mineral, and some beers and wines also contain modest amounts of chromium picolinate. It can also be taken as a vitamin supplement.

Patients with diabetes who are chromium-deficient due to poor eating habits or those with eating disorders, such as bulimia or anorexia nervosa, may want to add chromium picolinate to their diets. About 200 milligrams of chromium picolinate daily is recommended.

Magnesium is a metallic element that is essential to the proper functioning of muscle and nervous tissue. Most adults contain an average of 25 grams of it in their bodies, primarily concentrated in their bones. Diabetics who are deficient in magnesium may have an increased risk of high blood pressure and increased blood sugar levels.

Magnesium is found in fish, green leafy vegetables, milk, nuts, whole grains and seeds, or may be taken in pill form as a vitamin supplement. The body's need for magnesium increases with stress or illness. Daily supplements of 350-500 milligrams of magnesium may help control hypertension in some diabetics.

While moderate doses of chromium picolinate and magnesium have no side effects, it is important not to exceed the recommended dosage. Excessive daily amounts of chromium picolinate can cause fatigue and muscle weakness and in extreme cases, a severely depressed heart rate and blood pressure. Magnesium is excreted by the kidneys and may accumulate to dangerous levels in patients with kidney disease.

Chromium picolinate and magnesium may be beneficial for many patients with diabetes, particularly those with poor eating habits. Nonetheless, a nutritionally complete diet such as that recommended by the American Diabetes Association is the best way to avoid the ill effects of inadequate vitamin and mineral intake.

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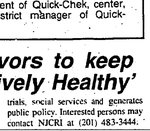

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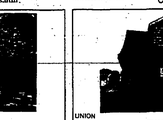

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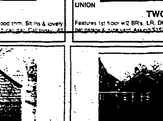

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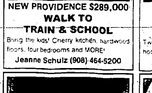

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Automotive

Chevrolet goes back to the basic with the '97 Corvette

Auto Spotlight

For only the fifth time in history, Chevrolet has recreated a legend. The 1997 Corvette is a new generation designed to excel in the areas most important to Corvette customers - ride and handling, performance, comfort and overall refinement.

According to Dave Hill, Corvette Vehicle Line Executive and Chief Engineere, engineers and designers considered every aspect of the vehicle for potential improvement.

"We examined our weak points, and turned them into strengths," said Hill. "Things that were good, we made great. Things that were great are now even better."

Hill's team designed the '97 Corvette to appeal to a wide range of buyers. According to Hill, "Even those customers who are import intenders are going to take a long, hard look at Corvette.

"Make no mistake," added Hill, "it'll thrill our current owners. It provides more sports car for the money than anything in its market segment. It'll pull nearly 1 g, and it starts and stops quicker than you can blink. It truly is the best 'Vette yet."

John Middlebrook, Chevrolet General Manager, concurs with Hill, and paints a bright future for the Corvette.

"Corvette is now, and will continue to remain Chevrolet's flagship," said Middlebrook. "It is our technological and image showcase. Even more importantly, Corvette stands as the most singularly dramatic example of what we mean by "Genuine Chevrolet."

"Corvette is much more than just a car," said Middlebrook. "It's a love affair. Words alone fail to convey the passion it inspires."

The enabler for many of Corvette's improvement is its underbody structure, which is several times stiffer for '97. The result: Better ride and handling, usable space and quality.

The heart of Corvette's new structure is a full-length perimeter frame made (in part) using hydroformed side rails - the largest single hydroformed parts in the auto industry. These side rails are made of a single piece of tubular steel, replacing the 14 parts previously used.

Corvette's stiffer underbody structure helps promote a quieter, more vibration-free environment and enhances quality. By stiffening Corvette's underbody structure, engineers were able to radically reduce structural variation and movement, and improve the ride and handling characteristics through suspension modifications.

For '97, Corvette features a brand new, exclusive suspension design, unlike some competitors who use off-the-shelf parts.

The new suspension is height-adjustable. Each car's suspension is adjusted during production according to specific option content. Now, every Corvette off the line is consistent in terms of ride and handling.

At the heart of every '97 Corvette beats a brand new LS1 small block 5.7-liter V8 engine. Engineers retained the small block's 5.7-liter displacement, traditional pushrod design and 440 bore centers, but that's where the similarity ends.

The new aluminum small block V8 is the first of its kind for Corvette. The block's "deep skirt" design helps reduce engine noise and vibration.

Other improvements include a simplified valve train, unique "extended sump" oil pan, redesigned pistons, composite intake manifold, revised ignition system and dual-wall stainless steel exhaust manifold. The LS1 is GM's first gasoline engine with Electronic Throttle Control (ETC), which results in more precise throttle response through all rpm ranges.

The LS1 produces 345 horsepower and 350 lbs.-ft torque - more than either engine offered on Corvette in 1996.

New for 1997 is 6 rear-mounted transmission configuration that enabled engineers and designers to create more interior space. Corvette offers a choice between a standard four-speed automatic or optional six-speed manual.

The '97 Corvette looks like a Corvette. Research confirmed that Corvette must remain true to its heritage. So, designers included thoughtful touches, such as air scoops which continue to the door panels like the Sting Ray, which first appeared in '56, the quad taillamps that debuted in '61 and hidden headlamps characteristic of the '63 Sting Ray.

But under the skin, Corvette features a redesigned architecture that creates more interior space for people and cargo.

For instance, the '97 Corvette features more head, leg and shoulder room than the previous model. Footwell width has been increased on both sides - enough on the driver's side to allow room for a real "dead pedal."

Corvette's rear cargo area has nearly doubled. Now, the Corvette can hold two large sets of golf clubs in the rear compartment. Reach-over distance has been shortened to make the trunk easier to access.

Corvette's wheelbase is 8.3 inches longer with a wider track (equal in the rear to the ZR1) which provides great stability.

Overall, Corvette is more comfortable and more user friendly. Standard leather bucket seats and power driver's side adjuster have been designed for improved comfort and support. Instruments, switches and controls are strategically located, creating an intuitive environment that is responsive to the driver's needs.

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The 1997 Infiniti Q45 is the epitome of style and luxury

The introduction of the new Q45 flagship luxury performance sedan, continues Infiniti's renowned tradition of offering customers vehicles that are well appointed, providing nearly all features as standard equipment.

Two models of the new luxury sedan are available, the Q45 and a performance-oriented Q45 Touring Model (Q45t). The Q45 was designed to appeal to the premium luxury buyer, with a refined ride and elegant dash-style alloy wheels. The sportier Q45t, cuipped with a sport-tuned suspension, performance cast-aluminum alloy wheels and an attractive rear spoiler designed to add a hint of athleticism to the vehicle's new styling.

Both models of Q45 are equipped with a long list of standard equipment and features, surrounding the driver and passengers with comfort, convenience and security.

Leather seating surfaces, available in Beige, Stone Beige and Black, and 10-way power front seats invite driver and passengers alike into Q45's elegant interior. The driver's seat includes a two-setting exit and entry memory system that enables the seat, as well as the power-assist telescopic and height-adjustable steering column, to move to fully "relaxed" positions for eased driver entry and exit when the front door is opened. The seat and steering column return to one of two pre-programmed positions when the driver's door has been closed.

Once seated, occupants will find a custom-design eight-speaker Bose audio system with AM/FM/cassette/CD player, a two-way power operated sunroof with tilt feature, an Integrated HomeLink Transmitter for remote opening of gates and garage doors, and an automatic climate control system with CFC-free air conditioning system.

Also standard are: rear seat heating and air conditioning vents, an innovative three-way opening center consolе (able to open toward either the driver or front-passenger side), full complement of analog gauges, and wood-tone accents throughout the interior.

The Q45t Touring Model adds as standard interior equipment two-setting heated front seats and a sportier steering wheel with ergonomically-designed "grips" for added driver control.

Both Q45 models are powered by a new 4.1-liter DOHC 32-valve V8 engine that produces 266 horsepower at 5,600 rpm and 278 lbs-ft of torque at 4,000 rpm. This technically advanced engine features aluminum-alloy block and heads, molybdenum coated pistons and Nissan's Variable Timing Control System (NVTCS).

Also standard on both models is a 4-wheel independent suspension systems with front MacPherson struts and a rear multi-link design. A 34.0 mm stabilizer bar is used on the fron suspension in conjunction with sub-frame mounted coil springs and a strut tower bar. The Q45 uses a 24.2 mm rear stabilizer bar, Q45t is equipped with a larger 19.1 mm stabilizer bar. Vehicle-speed sensitive steering is standard on both models, to provide the driver with more power assistance at lower speeds and more feedback from the road as speed increases.

A standard electronically controlled 4-speed automatic overdrive transmission with DUET-II shift management produces smooth, controlled shifts that are responsive to driver input via the throttle. Both Q45 models also feature standard traction control system (TCS) and viscus limited-slip rear differential (VLSD).

Stopping power for the flagship Q45 models is provided by 4-wheel disc brakes with large ventilated front and rear brake rotors and a standard 3-channel/4 sensor anti-lock braking system (ABS).

The elegant styling of Q45 features a strong horizontal character line which runs from the, slanted aerodynamic front of the car to the distinctively styled inverse curve of the C-pillar. The Q45t takes the look a step futher, adding a unique grill with blacked out center bright-work at the front and a body-color rear decklid spoiler with integrated center high mounted stop lamp at the rear of the car. Unique "t" badging further distinguishes the sporty Touring Model from its Q45 stablemate.

The standard dish-type allow wheels of the Q45 are replaced by performance cast spoke-style alloy wheels on Q45t models, in keeping with the sporting nature of this model.

The new Q45 is available in eight exterior color; Black Obsidian, Bordeaux Pearl, Cabernet Pearl, Cypress Pearl, Espresso, Ivory Quartz, Pewter and Silver Crystal.

The Q45t is equipped with all available equipment standard, in addition to the suspension tuning. Available options on the Q45 include two-setting heated front seats and a dealer-installed trunk-mounted 5-disc CD autochanger.

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Automotive

Chevrolet goes back to the basic with the '97 Corvette

For only the fifth time in history, Chevrolet has recreated a legend. The 1997 Corvette is a new generation designed to excel in the areas most important to Corvette customers - ride and handling, performance, comfort and overall refinement.

According to Dave Hill, Corvette Vehicle Line Executive and Chief Engineere, engineers and designers considered every aspect of the vehicle for potential improvement.

"We examined our weak points, and turned them into strengths," said Hill. "Things that were good, we made great. Things that were great are now even better."

Hill's team designed the '97 Corvette to appeal to a wide range of buyers. According to Hill, "Even those customers who are import intenders are going to take a long, hard look at Corvette.

"Make no mistake," added Hill, "it'll thrill our current owners. It provides more sports car for the money than anything in its market segment. It'll pull nearly 1 g and it starts and stops quicker than you can blink. It truly is the best 'Vette yet."

John Middlebrook, Chevrolet General Manager, concurs with Hill, and paints a bright future for the Corvette.

"Corvette is now, and will continue to remain Chevrolet's flagship," said Middlebrook. "It is our technological and image showcase. Even more importantly, Corvette stands as the most singularly dramatic example of what we mean by 'Genuine Chevrolet.'

"Corvette is much more than just a car," said Middlebrook. "It's a love affair. Words alone fail to convey the passion it inspires."

The enabler for many of Corvette's improvement is its underbody structure, which is several times stiffer for '97. The result: Better ride and handling, usable space and quality.

The hean of Corvette's new structure is a full-length perimeter frame made (in part) using hydroformed side rails - the largest single hydroformed parts in the auto industry. These side rails are made of a single piece of tubular steel, replacing the 14 parts previously used.

Corvette's stiffer underbody structure helps promote a quieter, more vibration-free environment and enhances quality. By stiffening Corvette's underbody structure, engineers were able to radically reduce structural variation and movement, and improve the ride and handling characteristics through suspension modifications.

For '97, Corvette features a brand new, exclusive suspension design, unlike some competitors who use off-the-shelf parts.

The new suspension is height-adjustable. Each car's suspension is adjusted during production according to specific option content. Now, every Corvette off the line is identical in terms of ride and handling.

At the heart of every '97 Corvette beats a brand new LS1 small block 5.7-liter V8 engine. Engineers retained the small block's 5.7-liter displacement, traditional pushrod design and 440 bore centers, but that's where the similarity ends.

The new aluminum small block V8 is the first of its kind for Corvette. The block's "deep skirt" design helps reduce engine noise and vibration.

Other improvements include a simplified valve train, unique "extended sump" oil pan, redesigned pistons, composite intake manifold, revised ignition system and dual-wall stainless steel exhaust manifold. The LS1 is GM's first gasoline engine with Electronic Throttle Control (ETC), which results in more precise throttle response through all rpm ranges.

The LS1 produces 345 horsepower and 350 lbs.-ft torque - more than either engine offered on Corvette in 1996.

New for 1997 is a rear-mounted transmission configuration that enabled engineers and designers to create more interior space. Corvette offers a choice between a standard four-speed automatic or optional six-speed manual.

The '97 Corvette looks like a Corvette. Research confirmed that Corvette must remain true to its heritage. So, designers included thoughtful touches, such as air scoops which continue to the door panels like the side coves which first appeared in '56, the quad taillamps that debuted in '61 and hidden headlamps characteristic of the '63 Sting Ray.

Under the skin, Corvette features a redesigned architecture that creates more interior space for people and cargo.

For instance, the '97 Corvette features more head, leg and shoulder room than the previous model. Footwell width has been increased on both sides - enough on the driver's side to allow room for a real "dead pedal."

Corvette's rear cargo area has nearly doubled. Now, the Corvette can hold two large sets of golf clubs in the rear compartment. Reach-over distance has been shortened to make the trunk easier to access.

Corvette's wheelbase is 8.3 inches longer with a wider track (equal in the rear to the ZR1) which provides greater stability.

Overall, Corvette is more comfortable and more user friendly. Standard leather bucket seats and power driver's side adjuster have been designed for improved comfort and support. Instruments, switches and controls are strategically located, creating an intuitive environment that is responsive to the driver's needs.

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Auto Spotlight

The 1997 Infiniti Q45 is the epitome of style and luxury

The introduction of the new Q45 flagship luxury performance sedan continues Infiniti's renowned tradition of offering customers vehicles that are well appointed, providing nearly all features as standard equipment.

Two models of the new luxury sedan are available, the Q45 and a performance-oriented Q45 Touring Model (Q45t). The Q45 was designed to appeal to the premium luxury buyer, with a refined ride and elegant dish-style alloy wheels. The sportier Q45t, tuipped with a sport-tuned suspension, performance cast-aluminum alloy wheels and an attractive rear spoiler designed to add a hint of athleticism to the vehicle's new styling.

Both models of Q45 are equipped with a long list of standard equipment and features, surrounding the driver and passengers with comfort, convenience and security.

Leather seating surfaces, available in Beige, Stone Beige and Black, and 10-way power front seats invite driver and passengers alike into Q45's elegant interior. The driver's seat includes a two-setting exit and entry memory system that enables the seat, as well as the power-assist telescopic and height-adjustable steering column, to move to fully "relaxed" positions for eased driver entry and exit when the front door is opened. The seat and steering column return to one of two pre-programmed positions when the driver's door has been closed.

Once seated, occupants will find a custom-design eight-speaker Bose audio system with AM/FM/cassette/CD player, a two-way power operated sunroof with tilt feature, an Integrated HomeLink Transmitter for remote opening of gates and garage doors, and an automatic climate control system with CFC-free air conditioning system.

Also standard are: rear seat heating and air conditioning vents, an innovative three-way opening center console (able to open toward either the driver or front-passenger side), full complement of analog gauges, and wood-tone accents throughout the interior.

The Q45t Touring Model adds as standard interior equipment two-setting heated front seats and a sportier steering wheel with ergonomically-designed "grips" for added driver control.

Both Q45 models are powered by a new 4.1-liter DOHC 32-valve V8 engine that produces 266 horsepower at 5,600 rpm and 278 lbs-ft of torque at 4,000 rpm. This technically advanced engine features aluminum-alloy block and heads, molybdenum coated pistons and Nissan's Variable-Timing Control System (NVTCS).

Also standard on both models is a 4-wheel independent suspension systems with front MacPherson struts and a rear multi-link design. A 34.0 mm stabilizer bar is used on the fron suspension in conjunction with sub-frame mounted coil springs and a strut tower bar. The Q45 uses a 24.2 mm rear stabilizer bar, Q45t is equipped with a larger 19.1 mm stabilizer bar. Vehicle-speed sensitive steering is standard on both models, to provide the driver with more power assistance at lower speeds and more feedback from the road as speed increases.

A standard electronically controlled 4-speed automatic overdrive transmission with DUET-II shift-management produces smooth, controlled shifts that are responsive to driver input via the throttle. Both Q45 models also feature standard traction control system (TCS) and viscus limited-slip rear differential (VLSD).

Stopping power for the flagship Q45 models is provided by 4-wheel disc brakes with large ventilated front and rear brake rotors and a standard 3-channel/4 sensor anti-lock braking system (ABS).

The elegant styling of Q45 features a strong horizontal character line which runs from the slanted aerodynamic front of the car to the distinctively-styled inverse curve of the C-pillar. The Q45t takes the look a step further, adding a unique grill, with blacked out center height-work at the front and a body-color rear decklid spoiler with integrated center high mounted stop lamp at the rear of the car. Unique "t" badging further distinguishes the sporty Touring Model from its Q45 stablemate.

The standard dish-type alloy wheels of the Q45 are replaced by performance cast spoke-style alloy wheels on Q45t models, in keeping with the sporting nature of this model.

The new Q45 is available in eight exterior color: Black Obsidian, Bordeaux Pearl, Cabernet Pearl, Cypress Pearl, Espresso, Ivory Quartz, Pewter and Silver Crystal.

The Q45t is equipped with all available equipment standard, in addition to the suspension tuning. Available options on the Q45 include two-setting heated front seats and a dealer-installed trunk-mounted 6-disc CD autochanger.

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Buicks make a splash in the automobile luxury market

The '97 Park Avenue and Ultra, featuring a new world-class structure and new design, has been recently introduced to the public.

Park Avenue customers prize roominess, rich accommodations and a quiet, comfortable ride — as well as an attractive value. Mertz said he is convinced the new models will fulfill those requirements.

The most significant change is that the '97 Park Avenue consists of refinement of architectural components (primarily body structure and chassis systems) recently introduced in the Buick Riviera. Park Avenue is in fact a second-generation architectural design with a host of enhancements.

Park Avenue's robust architecture delivers a wealth of tangible customer benefits: a quiet, solid ride for the life of the vehicle, superior road manners and responsive handling, safety-cage construction for outstanding crashworthiness and superior comfort.

The '97 Park Avenue is slightly larger than the previous model in practically all major interior and exterior dimensions. For example, the wheelbase is 3 inches longer to increase the room available for the driver and five passengers. The greatest gains in interior spaciousness are front headroom (+.9 inch), front hip room (+1.3 inch), and rear hip room (+1.5 inch). While the new Park Avenue's trunk volume is slightly reduced (from 20.3 to 19.1 cubic feet), its utility is improved because lift-over height is lower land the width of the opening is maximized with the use of diagonal cutlines for the deck lid.

One innovation is a new seat-mounted safety belt system for front passengers, designed so the shoulder belt fits comfortably irrespective of seat position and occupant size. An example of thoughful design is this safety feature: In the event of an air bag deployment, the doors automatically unlock in 15 seconds.

Buick's successful 3800 Series II V-6s will continue to power the Park Avenue Except for oil and filter changes, both the normally aspirated and the supercharged powerplants are virtually 100,000-mile maintenance free. Park Avenue's naturally aspirated Series II delivers 205 horsepower at 5200 rpm while Park Avenue Ultra's supercharged Series II produces an impressive 240 horsepower at 5200 rpm.

Park Avenue technical advancements include a higher-capacity four-wheel-disc anti-lock brake system, magnetic variable effort rack-and-pinion power steering, several aluminum suspension components, fixed-lens halogen headlamps and a more damage-resis radio antenna embedded in the rear window.

Front and rear suspension systems are supported by rubber isolated subframes to block the transfer of road harshness and driveline vibration. A "cradle" design is used in front to mount not only the suspension but also the powertrain and steering systems while a T-shaped member carries teh semi-trailing-arm rear suspension.

Engineers used state-of-the-art approaches such as torque-axis engine mounting and triple door seals to enhance comfort and quietness.

An example of the robust design is a one-piece cast magnesium cross-car beam that serves as a body structural member is a one-piece cast magnesium cross-car beam that serves as a body structural member as well as the primary instrument-panel mounting support. Squeaks and rattles in the instrument-panel are much less likely because the beam eliminates numerous individual brackets. Magnesium is an exceptional material having high strength and stiffness with very low weight.

In addition, the new Park Avenue's front structure is strengthened by using closed-section welded steel engine-compartment upper rails and radiator tie-bar, eliminating bolt-on structural reinforcements.

Among other enhancements is a new level of electrical architecture that means various systems can perform more tasks using fewer wires. For example, use of new multiplexing technology reduces the number of wires that go into a door by 75 percent, which translates into reduced complexity, less bulk for ease of packaging and improved reliability.

A single key opens all of the car's locks and operates the ignition. (A separate valet key is provided to maintain trunk and glove-box security when Park Avenue is handed over to an attendant). The ComfoTemp climate control system again has dual controls and adjustable rear-seat vents. Comfortable 10-way power driver and front passenger seats are a pile-frame design which allows the seat bottom to be adjusted independently of the backrest. Four-way lumbar-support adjustment, standard on Ultra and optional on Park Avenue, is also power operated.

Buick's "Personal Choice" features have been increased from the previous Park Avenue, adding sound system and climate control settings. Previously, the remote keyless entry fob could be programmed to set mirror and seat positions, automatic door lock operation, perimeter lighting, delayed locking and security feedback.

William L. Porter, who headed its exterior design, said the new Park Avenue's styling was "in part inspired by the silky, undulating surfaces of the Riviera."

A number of features which are optional on the Park Avenue are standard on Ultra. For example, rain-sensing windshield wipers automatically maintain forward visibility according to moisture on the windshield instead of with a fixed delay interval. A tire inflation pressure monitoring system alerts the driver if a tire needs more air.

On the Ultra, real wood interior trim, leather upholstery and a Concert "Sound III" entertainment system — with nine speakers and eight sub-amplifiers — are standard. Most of the comfort and convenience features mentioned above are standard Ultra equipment so its option lists contains only a few items to suit specific tastes and applications. Ultra's exterior is distinguished by a grille-mounted Buick tri-shield badge (as opposed to the Park Avenue's stand-up hood ornament) and a specifitc Ultra wheel.

Park Avenue continues to offer a long list of standard features such as dual air bags, anti-lock brakes, remote keyless entry and traction control (standard on Ultra).

Convenience Plus electrical features continue with delayed entry and exit lighting, "theater dimming" interior lights, battery rundown protection, lockout protection on power door locks, and warning chimes for leaving on the parking brake, turn signal or headlamps and for leaving the key in the ignition when exiting.

Both models are equipped with such long-life feaurs as engine coolant with a recommended change interval of five years or 100,000 miles, platinum-tipped spark plugs with first recommended service at 100,000 miles and transmission fluid that requires no change under normal operating conditions.

Park Avenue and Ultra again feature an on-board diagnostic system (OBD II) that can reduce exhaust emissions by locating malfunctions before they cause emissions to rise.

1997 Dodge Viper is a lethal machine

Since its debut as a concept car in early 1989, the Dodge Viper RT/10 has devioned the quintessential American sports car - big blocked,attention grabbing, fast, loud, untamed,and definitely a modern standard-bearer for pure American heritage and tradition. While Viper has remained virtually unchanged through 1996, the 1997 Dodge Viper RT/10 will mark the opening of another chapter in an emerging Viper history and tradition with changes in appearance and performance.

"Beginning with the 1997 model, a number of product changes are planned with each successive version contributing to the evolution and refinement of the marque," said Martin R. Levine, Dodge division general manager.

"We believe the original Viper RT/10 roadster, produced from 1992 through 1996, has secured a place in history as a vehicle that defined a new Chrysler way of business by taking on fresh challenges and once again, defining the genre of what a pure American sports car should be," Levine continued. "The 1997 Viper RT/10 will open a new chapter in the legendary Viper story."

The first and most noticeable changes in the 1997 Viper are three new exterior design themes. Customers will have a choice of red exterior paint with yellow five-spoke wheels and yellow Viper logo decals, black exterior paint with a silver center stripe and polished aluminum five-spoke wheels; or stone white exterior paint with a blue pearl center stripe and white five-spoke wheels. All previous color choices will be retired, at the end of the 1996 model year run. Interior changes to complement the new exterior color themes include red leather-wrapped steering wheel, transmission shifter knob and hand brake with the red and yellow exterior theme, and blue leather-wrapped steering wheel, transmission shifter knob and hand brake with the white exterior paint and blue pearl stripe. a new all-black interior will be offered with the black exterior paint and silver stripe.

Sliding access side window curtains, replacing the soft zipper curtains and available removable colored hardtops are alsonew for 1997.

The legendary Viper side exhaust system has been changed to a true dual-exhaust system for 1997. It has less restriction for improved performance and a throatier sound due to a redesigned muffler system. Exhaust pipe routing follows the sills as in the former system, but turns inboard forward of the rear wheels. The pipes pass over the rear suspension and enter a tandem muffler with dual outlets on the centerline of the car. The muffler outlets have a polished ceramic coating for a long-lasting quality appearance. An aluminum shield protects the trunk floor and fuel tank against heat from the exhaust system.

Viper's 8.0-liter OHV V-10 engine horsepwer and torque ratings are increased in 1997 due primarily to the redesigned exhaust system. Horsepower increases to 415 bhp (306 kW) at 5200 rpm, with torque at 488 foot-pounds (661 N-m) at 3600 rpm. Internally, the engine also has a new wiredage tray to reduce drag due to excess oil rotating with the crankshaft.

The Viper driveline includes a more robust differential and stronger drive shafts capable of accepting up to 500 foot-pound (678 N-m) of torque. There is also a revised differential mounting system to reduce housing movement under heavy acceleration and deceleration.

Aluminum suspension components improve Viper's handling and provide increased ride compliance.High-ductility A206 cast aluminum control arms and knuckles replace welded steel control arms and malleable cast iron knuckles. The change of material reduces the weight of the vehicle by 60 pounds (27kg). At the same time, the rear roll center has been lowered and geometry revised to reduce track change during ride motions. this makes the car more stable during hard cornering enough roads. At the same time, the rear caster angle was increased from -6 degrees to +1 degree, improving straight line tracking.

Front suspension geometry is unchanged but the lower ball joint has been relocated from the knuckle to the lower control arm, reducing the bending movement in the arm under braking. This allows it to be lighter than with the previous configuration.

Front and rear shock absorber effective travel is increased for better controlby moving the pickup points farther outboard onthe lower control arms that the previous system. Higher rate springs, 18 percent rear and 12 percent front, and new shock absorber valving improve impact feel and increase high speed control. Shock absorber valving has also been recalibrated for better control at low temperatures.

The 1997 DodgeViper RT/10 will be the first domestically-rpoduced car to use Michelin Pilot MXX3 tires. The carcass, tread and compound of these tires are tuned to the new suspension package to provide more stability. The most notable construction change is a significant increase in sidewall stiffness. Reduced road noise and improved low temperature and wet traction objectives have been achieved along with substantial increases in cornering and braking traction. Wet cornering traction increased six percent in a standardized wet traction test. Peak lateral acceleration on the skidpad increased by over 5 percent. Stopping distance from 60 miles-per-hour (96 km/hr) is reduced by over 13 percent.

A recalibrated power brake booster for Viper provides more pedal modulation. The increased modulation improves low to moderate speed braking pedal feel while maintaining Viper's exceptional high-speed braking performance.

Overall, there are 20+ new components, or a 10 percent product change in the 1997 Dodge Viper RT/10 and yet it remains the ultimate American-made, no-excuses and no-holds-barred excitement machine.

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Buick showcases the next generation with the XP2000

Buick's XP2000 showcases a new generation of automotive technology, specifically selected to enhance the convenience, comfort and safety of Buick customers. While the XP2000 remains a dream car, many of these features will appear on real-world Buicks during the next few years.

Customer's Choice allows customers to tailor many features of the car to their personal taste. Each driver is identified by an electronic code in a keyless fob. As he or she approaches the car, a digital code from the fob tells the XP2000's computers to adjust the seat, steering column, outside mirrors, climate control and entertainment system to the preferences of that driver.

The dynamic response of the car, including steering effort, transmission shifts, engine response and suspension feel, can also be programmed using Customer's Choice.

Each driver of XP2000 will have a unique keyless fob. On approaching the vehicle, a signal from the fob unlocks the doors and, if it is dark, turns on the car's interior and exterior lights.

To start the car, the driver inserts the fob into a slot in the instrument panel and presses it momentarily. A security code in each fob allows the car to start only if an authorized fob is used. To stop the engine, the driver simply removes the fob from the slot.

The GM Smart Card, a credit card with an integral computer memory, fits into a slot in the instrument panel, providing a number of convenience features.

A list of Customer's Choice settings can be placed on the card, allowing the settings to be transferred to any Buick equipped with Customer's Choice.

The Smart Card can pay for fuel, food or other services. I can automatically pay tolls, so the car can pass through toll booths without stopping.

Smart Card can also carry the driver's medical records and personal history, important assets in the event of accident or illness.

A head-up display projects vehicle data onto the base of the windshield, allowing the driver to check speed, fuel level and other important information without moving his or her eyes away from the road.

The advanced head-up display of the XP2000 uses programmable, reconfigurable color displays to provide whatever information the driver chooses. When the car is parked or operating in wire-guided mode, the head-up display and the flat-panel color display that normally serves as the instrument cluster can be used as screens for the vehicle information center, the cellular phone, the driver's personal computer or the entertainment system.

XP2000 features a navigation system with an easy-to-use format. An arrow indicates vehicle direction while distance, time to destination, road names and the color of approaching traffic lights are displayed nearby. The system warns the driver of approaching emergency vehicles. It even contains a directory of restaurants and tourist attractions.

The Smart Arrow Navigation System can be programmed to use either the head-up display or the mini-color display in the instrument panel.

The navigation system, climate controls, entertainment system and other features can be activated by a voice recognition system, allowing the driver's hands to remain on the steering wheel.

XP2000 is designed to use wire-guidance systems proposed for the Intelligent Vehicle Highway Systems of the 21st Century. In automatic guidance mode, the XP2000 reconfigures its color displays and other features, transforming the interior into an office or entertainment center.

Also fitted to the XP2000 is an Adaptive Cruise Control system, which can be used for either wire-guidance or normal driving. The driver selects a speed and following distance; the cruise control automatically maintains this distance from the car ahead. The system will instantly slow the car and alert the driver if the vehicle ahead slows or stops suddenly.

To make driving safer, especially at night or in poor visibility, a Near Obstacle Detection System uses radar to track objects near the XP2000 and predict their motion relative to the car. This information is graphically displayed on the head-up display.

When the vehicle is shifted into Reverse, the system scans the space behind XP2000 and warns the driver of any obstacle, using the head-up display and an audible tone. When the car is in Reverse, the system also adjusts the outside mirrors downward to improve rear visibility and reduce blind spots.

Frontal air bags are provided for the driver, front passenger and rear passengers. Side-impact protection is enhanced by an air bag located in each of the XP2000's four doors.

In the event of an accident severe enough to deploy the air bag, the vehicle computers can be programmed to automatically call the local police and ambulance service, and even notify the driver's personal physician.

When the driver approaches the XP2000 after dark, the signal from the remote keyless feb turns on all of the white exterior lights, including the headlamps and backup lamps, providing good visibility around the car. The system includes "puddle lights" under the rocker panels to illuminate the area beneath the doors.

All interior lighting is provided by a single high-intensity discharge light source, and piped throughout the vehicle with fiber optics.

1997 Nissan Maxima improves ite lineup

Since its introduction in 1981, the Nissan Maxima has been the perennial sales leader in the upper middle import sedan segment — a category it helped create. With the introduction of the refreshed 1997 Maxima, Nissan continues to set new benchmarks for its class in styling, performance and value.

For 1997, the Maxima lineup includes the luxuriously equipped GLE model, performance-oriented SE and high-value GXE, providing a wide selection of equipment and features to match the individual needs of each customer.

Nissan's flagship sedan has refreshed styling for 1997, enchancing the sleek, smooth, luxurious shape. Maxima's sophisticated, yet sporty, new looks were achieved through a series of enchancements that include a new front grill design (chrome on GXE and GLE), jewel-like, multi-parabola headlights, new front and rear bumper fascias, and new taillights.

Other major exterior refinements include new 16-inch aluminum alloy wheels and integrated fog light design on the sporty SE. new wheel covers for GXE models, and distinctive new aluminum-alloy wheels for the fully-equipped GLE.

Maxima retains Nissan's award-winning 3.0-liter DOHC V6 engine. This powerful yet refined powerplant was named "Best Engine" by "Ward's Auto World" for two years running. It is one of the lightest, most compact engines for its displacement ever built for production use, producing a potent 190 hp at 5,600 rpm and 205 ft-lbs of torque at 4,000 rpm.

Among the many technical highlights of Maxima's engine are mirror-finishing of the camshaft and crankshaft, a digital knock control system and a cross flow coolant pattern. These attributes help enhance engine performance, reduce exhaust emissions and lower overall engine friction — resulting in improved performance and fuel economy.

The affordable GXE and sporty SE are equipped with a standard 5-speed manual tran-mission. An electronically controlled 4-speed automatic transmission with overdrive is standard on the luxury-equipped GLE and available as an option on GXE and SE.

Maxima's innovative engine is even more impressive when considering its exceptional fuel economy. The Maxima delivers an EPS-estimated fuel economy of 22/27 mpg city/highway when fitted with the 5-speed manual transmission, and 21/26 mpg city/highway when equipped with the 4-speed automatic tran-mission.

The 1997 Maxima is also equipped with Nissan's patented rea Multi-Link Beam suspension, which offers precise steering and stability by minimizing camber change during cornering. This design provides an enchanced ride — due to the minimal camber change during cornering, softer bushings, springs and shocks are used and suspension friction is reduced.

The Multi-Link Beam's compact design combined with Maxima's long 106.3-inch wheelbase accommodates a large and luxurious interior. Other benefits of Maxima's thoughtful design include a spacious, easily accessible trunk and exceptional driver and passenger visibility.

Maxima's independent front suspension uses MacPherson struts with coil springs and a 21.0 mm stabilizer bar to provide optimum controll in a variety of driving conditions.

The 1997 Maxima features an extensive list of standard safety equipment, including dual air bags, 3-point front seat belts with height-adjustable front shoulder belts and a 3-point ALR/ELR front-passenger side and rear outboard passenger seat belt system.

Front and rear crumple zones, an energy-absorbing steering column, child safety rear door locks and pipe-style steel side-door guard beams that help Maxima meet 1997 Federal Side-Impact Safety Standards, provide further occupant protection.

For added driver confidence and control, Maxima is equipped with standard power-assisted 4-wheel disc brakes. An optional anti-lock braking system (ABS) is available on all three trim levels.

All three 1997 Maxima models come equipped with an unexpected level of standard equipment including: a multi-adjustable reclining front bucket driver's seat ; power windows with driver-side one-touch auto-down feature; power door locks with selective unlocking; dual power remote-controlled outside mirrors; digital clock, and CFC-free air conditioning.

For drivers seeking an extra level of style and performance, Maxima SE boasts a sport-tuned suspension with firmer shocks and struts, electronically-controlled liquid-filled front engine mounts.

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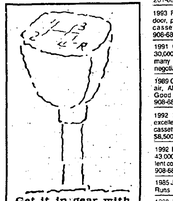

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The deadlines for the July 10 edition remain the same.

- Lifestyle, including church and club news, etc. — Monday, 9 a.m.
- Letters to the editor — Monday, noon.
- What's Going On — Monday, 4 p.m.
- Display ads — Monday noon for Section B and 5 p.m. for Section A.
- Sports news — Monday, 9 a.m.
- General news — Tuesday, 9 a.m.
- Classified advertising — Tuesday, 3 p.m.
- Legal advertising — Tuesday, noon.

Sizzlin' coupons

Readers can take advantage of our summer sizzling days coupons offered by local merchants. See Page B5.

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.

Library changes

The Rahway Public Library will be closed Wednesday for a staff development day. Public service staff will be at Rahway High School learning about the Internet.

The library will close Saturdays for the summer, beginning June 21. All departments will remain on the regular schedule for the rest of the week: Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Wednesday and Friday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Saturday opening will resume after Labor Day.

The library will be closed Independence Day.

Help wanted

The Retired and Senior Volunteer Program of Union County, a program of Catholic Community Services, is accepting applications for volunteers who wish to serve with Travelers Aid of New Jersey.

Travelers Aid has been operating at the International Terminal B of Newark Airport since 1992. New volunteers will be assigned to Terminal C, handling domestic flights. Training and parking are provided by Newark Airport and Travelers Aid. For more information, call Jo-Ann Croteau, RSVP director, at (908) 709-2152 or 709-2150.

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Ready readers

Madison School team winners of the recent Battle of Books competition display their prize ribbons. Gifted and Talented students in each of the district's elementary schools read approximately 16 novels and were asked questions about each one. Back row from left are Kelly Popovic and Daniel Arturi. Front row from left are Sayuri Jinadasa, Maria Pires and Heather Medina.

Kennedy staves off criti[cism]

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

At issue is a possible misuse of a city postal meter.

A possible misuse of $18 in city funds has a number of citizens calling for Mayor James Kennedy to resign.

During the June 11 meeting of the City Council, a number of citizens voiced their anger regarding "criminal acts" and "corruption" in Kennedy's administration.

Kennedy has called these requests for his resignation as "absolutely ludicrous" and that the people making them are "a political force."

At issue is a possible misuse of a city postal meter that was revealed in late May. This meter is paid for with city funds.

Republican City Councilman Frank Janusz, a vocal critic of Kennedy, a Democrat, claimed to have received an invitation for a $250-per-person "Mayor's Cocktail Benefit" for James McGreevy's gubernatorial campaign from an unknown source. This invitation was supposedly stamped by a postal meter with the number 6833296, the same number as a postal meter in City Hall.

Kennedy had said at the time that his aide, Ibrahim Sharif, had used the postal meter. He also said that there were a number of discrepancies in the invitation that Janusz received.

But Janusz has said that using this meter for political reasons violated state law and city ordinances and asked the state Attorney General to investigate this in May.

A number of members of the public agreed with Janusz at the June 11 meeting.

"It's corruption!" said Bob Carson of the Union County Concerned Citizens. "It may only be $18 worth of corruption, but it's corruption."

What angered some of the people who spoke was a comment by Kennedy at the time — "I know the greatest extent of it is 60 times 32 cents — $18" — and that he would refund the postage money if anything had been done wrong. 100 invitations had been printed and 62 were sent out.

"It really doesn't matter because it was only $18," said Carson angrily. "Come on! Would you tell your kids that?"

Mary Ann Janusz, the wife of Frank Janusz, [illegible] that such an incident had been precluded by the previous City Council.

The previous council, which had a larger and active Republican minority, had fought against the hiring of an aide for Kennedy, she said, because such a position would be used for campaign work.

William Weber called for the resignation of the mayor for "criminal acts" in relation to this incident, something Janusz does not agree with.

"I don't think he should step down at this point," he said.

But he did say that he would like an investigation into the incident, including how many hours of city time were used and who paid for printing the invitations on top of postage.

"I think if we put this into perspective — Frank Janusz punching someone in the face — if there was ever a time for someone to resign, that was it," Kennedy said.

He added that Janusz's wife had done something similar — used a city copier machine to copy documents that she then passed on to political groups.

"When we found out about it, we didn't go running to the Attorney General," he said. "We told them to stop."

Protesters stage march against welfare reform

By Sean Daily and
Bill Van Sant

A group of about 70 poor or homeless people would march 10 days and 140 miles to protest welfare reform.

The Kensington Welfare Rights Union of Philadelphia was in Union County for only one night and one day last week, but they seemed to touch many people along the way.

The KWRU was en route to a July 1 rally at the United Nations building in New York City from Philadelphia. Along the way, they stayed for rallies at the Liberty Bell in Philadelphia, the State House in Trenton and the county welfare office in Elizabeth. A group of about 70 poor or homeless people would march 10 days and 140 miles to protest welfare reform; their stories of being on welfare seemed to bear out the name of the march, "March for Our Lives."

"It reminded me of back in the '60s, when we had marches and people came out and said, 'We want a change. We want to make America right,'" said Dave Brown, 4th Ward Councilman in Rahway.

The marchers entered Union County at its western end on Wednesday night. They stopped for the night at St. Pa[illegible] Church before heading [illegible] Avenue through Linden and Roselle to the Elizabeth Coalition to House the Homeless. The day ended with a rally at the county welfare office and an overnight stay at Deliverance Jesus is Coming Church on Springfield Avenue in Irvington.

When asked if the march had lost anyone, Cheri Honkala, KWRU director, said, "No, because they have nowhere to go."

Honkala, herself a laid-off social worker, said that she is on public assistance and is trying to raise a 17-year-old child below the federal poverty level.

Thursday started off blazing hot, but freshened into a rainstorm late in the afternoon. She said the march was going "very well. It's very hard on feet" is "physically [illegible] becomes everyone's going through something financially in their life, so it's hard and we've been hearing stories about people having trouble keeping up and paying bills and paying utilities."

The KWRU is affiliated with the National Union of Hospital and Health Care Employees, AFSCME, AFL-CIO. She was carrying a AFSCME Local No. 99 banner that said "Solidarity." The marchers had stopped at Trenton State Hospital and other hospitals along the way where the employees were affiliated with

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During the 'March for Our Lives,' a young girl stands near a protester-crafted coffin which message reads 'Welfare Reform = Death.'

Police investigate robberies

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Police reported two thefts in Rahway — one a robbery and one a burglary of a home — in a span of three days last week.

The first was the robbery of a 49-year-old Woodbridge woman. Two unidentified black males snatched her purse while she was leaving the Pathmark St. Georges Avenue, police said.

According to police, the robbery, which happened at 8:57 p.m. last Tuesday, occurred just as the woman was placing her packages into the trunk of her car.

The car was parked on the north side of the Pathmark building, between the store and the Rahway River. According to police, the suspects approached the victim with cloths covering their faces.

One of the suspects grabbed her purse and there was a brief struggle. Then the strap of the pocketbook broke and the suspects fled into a wooded area behind the store, taking the victim's pocketbook.

After waiting a few minutes, the victim followed the two suspects and found her pocketbook, which evidently had been discarded on a path in the woods.

According to police, the victim was not injured. The incident did cost her $9 and several credit cards from her pocketbook.

Police are looking for two black males wearing blue jeans and dark shirts.

Officer Richard Long is investigating the case.

The next incident, occurred two days later, on Thursday. This case wrapped up in Elizabeth in a rather unusual way.

Police had been investigating the burglary of a single family home on Richmond Terrace between 9:45 a.m. and 10:15 a.m. that day. During this time, when the occupant was away from the home, someone had kicked in the front door and taken over $16,000 in cash.

The occupant of the home felt the burglary was done by a friend who had visited him the day before.

Half an hour after the burglary, Elizabeth police notified Rahway that they had responded to a Salvation Army shelter on a report of a person handing out money. This man, Frank Miranda, 33 and homeless, was reportedly the suspect that the Rahway police had been looking for.

Det. John Kazmir of the Rahway police said he found Miranda in possession of $16,500. It is unknown how much money he had handed out.

Miranda was arrested and charged with burglary. He is being held in Union County Jail on $15,000 bail.

City approves $12 million tax levy

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The budget process has begun again in Rahway. But, from early indications, it looks like it's going to be much quieter than last year's budget.

At a special meeting on Tuesday, the City Council passed a number of resolutions pertaining to the city government's budget. While the final budget has not been passed, the council did pass, among other things, a temporary budget and tax levies for 1997.

The budget, which is to be for fiscal year 1997-98, will be used to pay for the city's bills and salaries from July 1 of this year to June 30 of 1998. The temporary bill is worth approximately one-quarter of the $25,898,231 budget for fiscal year 1996-97, which ended Tuesday; this will be used to keep city operations going during the budget process.

The tax levy approved on Tuesday is worth a total of $12,858,135. This will be used to pay off tax bills for the last six months of fiscal year 1996-97 and the first six months of fiscal year 1997-98.

According to Treasurer Frank Ruggiero, there is no increase in this tax levy despite a contractual salary increase of between 3 percent and 4 percent for fire, police and city employees.

Councilman Sal Mione said this was because the city has saved money by changing its health insurance provider. This has resulted in 5 percent lower premiums and an 11 percent lower base rate, he said.

He also praised the financial and fiscal management of the administration.

"It makes a statement, not only for the City of Rahway, but for the administration as well," he said.

The council was much quieter for this year's budget process than last year, when there was a larger minority of Republicans and a Democrat, Jerry Coleman, who would often vote with the Republicans.

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County program helps out small business

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It is sometimes impossible for entrepreneurs and newly established, but promising small businesses, to obtain the necessary capital they initially need.

But for Patricia Mcrea, with the assistance of the Union County Economic Development Corporation's Microloan Program, she was able to move her home operated day care center into a larger location.

"I always wanted to have a larger place and Ebenezer gave me that chance," said Mcrea.

Known as Pat's Day Care Center, which was operated in the reconstructed basement of her home, she moved the business to the newly built Ebenezer AME Church on Central Avenue. It now can accommodate 60 children, instead of 16.

It operates a preschool through kindergarten program, with after school services for children up to six years of age. The new facility has enabled Mcrea and her staff to offer new educational opportunities to a wider range of children.

Some of the programs offered for prekindergarten are pre-reading, writing, letter recognition, colors, shapes, and music. For kindergarten children, the day care will offer reading, math, science, writing, dance, music and computers.

The Union County Economic Development Corporation is one of just four organizations in the state selected to administer the U.S. Small Business Administration's Microloan program, which provides up to $25,000 start-up loans. In Mcrea's case, a $10,000 loan was taken out to be specifically used for working capital.

The UCEDC has been helping small retail and manufacturing businesses start, grow, and expand for 20 years. This year alone, it has closed seven microloans totaling $75,000, and a relocation and direct loan, each worth $50,000.

In 1996, 20 Microloans were awarded to businesses in 11 municipalities, totaling $314,500. From that, 20 jobs were created, and 40 jobs were retained.

Also among the recently awarded businesses was Ged Clean, a janitorial and floor care company. According to the UCEDC the company has been in business for a little over a year, and services, strips, waxes and burnishes tile floors.

In the past, the company has been forced to turn down several profitable contracts due to the lack of front money used to cover payroll while waiting for contracts to be paid.

Today, with the assistance of a Microloan issued by the Union County Economic Development Corporation, Ged Clean is able to accept many of these once unattainable contracts.