

AAA tries to prepare all for chilly weather

Properly maintained vehicles can easily weather winter's chilly temperatures, but special steps are required to protect cars from the season's harshest winds, according to the American Automobile Association.

As part of National Car Care Month of October, AAA is urging motorists to prepare now for the severe cold snaps that strand millions of motorists each winter.

"In 1994, AAA received nearly 27 million calls for emergency road service," said George Gell, managing director of AAAA Automotive Services. "Much of that volume is directly attributable to periods of single-digit and sub-zero temperatures in many parts of the nation."

The best strategy to combat severe winter weather is to make sure your car's battery is in proper working condition.

"Motorists should check to make sure the cable connections are tight and there is no corrosion on the terminals," said Gell. "Also, if the battery fluid level can be checked, make certain the fluid covers the battery plates."

If the engine fails to start, turn on the headlights. If the headlights work, even if they are dim, the battery power may only be low and a jump start does not work, the vehicle may require service by a qualified technician.

If the temperature has been extremely low and the battery is weak, the battery could be frozen. Motorists should not attempt to jump start a frozen battery.

Moisture in the fuel line can sometimes freeze, blocking the flow of fuel and preventing engine start-up. AAA recommends adding a commercial additive containing isopropyl alcohol to the gas tank when filling up before and during periods of extreme cold weather.

For motorists who live in areas prone to extremely cold temperatures, an engine block heater that warms the engine oil can be installed to help ease cold weather starts. Even something as simple as burning a 100-watt light bulb under the hood can provide warmth to assist in starting the engine.

Severe cold also can strand motorists by causing door locks to freeze. If locks are frozen, AAA recommends motorists try using a hair dryer to heat the lock. Also, leaving the tip of the door key with a match will sometimes be effective. If the lock still does not function, contact your auto club or a certified service facility for assistance.

Basic vehicle maintenance also plays a vital role in cold weather vehicle performance. In addition to the battery, ignition system and engine oil, the engine should be inspected and engine oil changed before frigid temperatures hit. Be certain the engine coolant is a 50/50 mix of anti-freeze and water. Motorists who live in areas prone to severe weather may want to change to a winter-grade oil, such as 5W-30, which performs better in the cold.

AAA is a not-for-profit federation of 110 member clubs with more than 1,000 offices providing 37 million members in the United States and Canada with travel, insurance, financial and auto-related services.

Keep car maintained for high resale

Keeping your car looking nice does more than make you feel good. It helps your wallet, too. A well-maintained vehicle may be worth twice as much as a neglected one at trade-in time.

Dealers like a car that requires less maintenance, and a car that looks good will sell faster on the market. One of the first places an appraiser will look, for example, is under the floor mats to

check the condition of the carpeting. Take care of the interior fabric. And, to prevent rust, minor dings and scratches as soon as possible.

For a free illustrated pamphlet on appearance maintenance, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to: Car Care Council, Dept. N, One Grande Lake Drive, Port Clinton, OH 43452.

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Treasurer finds decline in city value

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

If you had enough money — say, \$100 million — to buy all of the real estate in Rahway, you would have to wait until this year. The total value of the city — about \$1.2 billion, according to Treasurer Frank Jannex — has gone down by \$110,000,483. This is less than 1 percent of the total value of the city.

According to Jannex, the value of the town has gone down in large part because of an uncontrollable decrease in the "angible personal property" owned by various utilities. These include power and gas lines and other infrastructure.

According to Jannex, the total value of the town has gone down every year since Mayor James Kennedy has been in office. Jannex is a critic of Kennedy and his administration.</

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Freeholders support magnet education

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relief for that one student. And that's the only district refusing to participate. The other districts aren't refusing to participate or pay tuition. There are some districts that wish to limit the number of students like Hillside and Clark, but not to totally pull out of the arrangement."
Bistocchi said, "Title 18A entitles any resident of Union County to participate in any program that the Union County Magnet School offers. It's our feeling that what we're doing is beyond what any of the other districts do offer. We are meeting a need whether it's perceived or not. And we're becoming a very attractive offering for the students."
Jim Clark, superintendent of the Linden School District, said, "We're not saying that we want to pull out of the magnet school. That's not the case. I don't think anybody disputes the opportunity that's offered with the magnet school. What we do take issue with is that we're required to pay the tuition of these students, but they're no longer our students. We have to provide transportation and extracurricular activities for these students, but we can't count their SAT scores and we don't grant them a Linden High School diploma. Plus, there's no limit to the number of students that they can take from any district. So our tuition costs could skyrocket over the next few years because each year they'll accept more students."
He added, "This year, six students from Linden are attending the magnet school. At \$6,000 a student, I'm paying \$36,000 in tuition outside of my district. And next year, if we take six more students, that's another \$36,000 providing the tuition rate stays the same. When do we get to have some control over the situation? We are not going to stop paying tuition because that's against the law as it stands now. But, we are trying to change the law to give the local district a little more choice and control."
As for the future, Bistocchi said he is confident. "Will there be challenges down the road? Who knows? What I do know is that we have the support of our Board of Education and the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders. And it's our goal to create an outstanding technology learning institute for the residents of this county."

Hospital continues SMART Sitter course

Railway Hospital again is offering its three-session SMART Sitter Course, which provides participants with the knowledge needed to handle the responsibilities of caring for the children of others. Courses are scheduled for Wednesdays, Nov. 12, 19, and 26 from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the hospital's Conference Room No. 3.
The SMART Sitter acronym refers to the qualities that parents seek as they look for a sitter: Sensible, Mature, Alert, Reliable and Trained. Individuals who successfully complete this course gain a better understanding of care for children of all ages. The course is instructed by Regional Nurses from Railway Hospital Maternal/Child Health Services.
The fee for the course is \$30. Pre-registration is required and because of the limited nature of the course, the number of participants is limited. Classes can also be arranged on-site for any clubs, groups or organizations. Courses are scheduled by the Sea under the direction of its renowned director Reverend Alphonsus Stephenson. The first-raising event will be held at Union County Arts Center, Railway, on Dec. 10 at 8 p.m.

KidCare laws create new state program

Assemblyman Alan M. Augustine, R-Union, co-sponsor legislation to create New Jersey KidCare, a new state program for children of the working poor.
The program will make \$136 million available to provide health insurance coverage for 102,000 children in New Jersey.
"We must do all we can to make sure our children grow up healthy and safe, and children of the working poor are most likely to be lacking health care coverage," he said. "With New Jersey KidCare, these children will now have access to health care which can improve their quality of life."
New Jersey KidCare will be funded by \$88.4 million in federal funds annually, which will be combined with \$47.6 million in state matching funds.
Under the plan, comprehensive, managed care coverage will be available for uninsured children with family incomes between 133 and 200 percent of the poverty level. Health insurance will be provided for children of families with incomes of up to 200 percent of the poverty level, which is \$16,000 for a family of four. In addition, the program will expand the Medicaid program to cover all children with family incomes up to 133 percent of the poverty level.
Through New Jersey KidCare, children will be eligible for preventive services, hospitalization, doctor care, lab and X-ray, prescription, mental health services, dental, vision and hearing services.
"Initially, we hope to ensure coverage for as many uninsured children as possible," Augustine said. "But our ultimate goal is to provide all of New Jersey's children with health insurance coverage."

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

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

Saturday
• The Railway Kiwanis Club is holding a Harvest Moon Ball on Nov. 1 at the Grand Casino, 440 Madison Hill Road, Clark from 7 to 11 p.m. There will be a 17-piece band playing hits from the '40s. Cost is \$22 per person. For more information call (908) 388-3172.

Sunday
• The National Council of Negro Women Inc., Railway Station will host a membership tea on Nov. 9 at 4 p.m. at AMI Church, 253 Central Ave., Railway. All members and prospective members are invited to discuss the following programs: Christmas party for seniors, teenage awareness program, teenage pageant and Adopt-A-Senior. Refreshments will be served and admission is free. For more information call 381-3384 or 382-3309.

Nov. 15
• Railway Hospital Foundation's Annual Fashion Show and Luncheon committee is accepting reservations for its sixth annual fund-raising event for the benefit of community services and programs at Railway Hospital. This year's show will be held at The Hilton at Short Hills Nov. 15. The day will begin with a boutique session where guests will have the chance to win a variety of gifts donated by local merchants and community members. A luncheon and fashion show featuring an array of designer fashions, presented by Neiman Marcus, Short Hills will follow.
Reservations to the 1997 Fashion Show and Luncheon are \$45 per person. For more information about reservations or to make a donation to the fashion show on behalf of the Community Health Center, call Railway Hospital Foundation's Development Office, (732) 499-6135.

Nov. 19
• The Board of Trustees of the Railway Center Management Corporation (RA-Railway Center Partnership) will meet at 7 p.m. in the El Bodegon Restaurant, 169 W. Main St., Railway on the following dates: Nov. 19 and Dec. 17. For further information, call (908) 396-3545.

Nov. 27
• Railway Division of Parks and Recreation announced that it is sponsoring a Railway Day at Disney on Ice — Hercules on Nov. 27 at the 7:30 p.m. show at the Continental Airlines Arena. In conjunction with Railway Day, the Division is providing a discount Special Courtesy Coupon that will allow the public to purchase and price tickets for a \$9.50. Ticket purchase with the Railway coupon and only good at the Nov. 27, 7:30 p.m. performance, call the Division Office at City Hall. For more information on the Special Courtesy Coupon, call the Division at 927-2045.

Foundation announces holiday concert

Railway Hospital Foundation announces the availability of tickets to the 1997 Holiday Concert, performed by The Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea under the direction of its renowned director Reverend Alphonsus Stephenson. The first-raising event will be held at Union County Arts Center, Railway, on Dec. 10 at 8 p.m.

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Q. What is the proper way to brush?
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Merck and Co. sponsors disabilities event

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer
Sunday was a day of caring in Railway River Park.
It was also the day of the First Annual Merck & Co. Walk/Bike-a-Thon, a Merck fundraiser for the dedication for Retarded Citizens in Union County.
About 100 people, 50 of them from Merck's two Union County campuses, participated in the event. All told, the participants and the event's 25 sponsors raised about \$5,000 for the ARC, the money will be used for services and programs for residents with developmental disabilities — 800 families in all.
Participants could either walk, run or bike around the one-and-a-half mile circumference park; the park was closed off to traffic during the event.
This is the first year that Merck, or rather Merck's Volunteer Focus Group, has held fundraisers for the ARC.
"It's a local cause and geographically close to Merck — Merck is in Union County," said Bob Gregory of the Volunteer Focus Group. "And some of our employees have children in the Kohler school, so that's a direct connection. It helps our employees."
The walk-a-thon is the group's "Day of Caring" for this quarter. The next day of caring will be a Christmas party for the ARC's Kohler Child Development Center in Watfield Park, one of two ARC of Union County schools.
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Society seeks old photos

More than 300 historic photographs of Railway, most of which have never before been seen by the public, will be published by the Railway Historical Society, announced Linda McTeague, executive director of the organization.
Due for release in early December, "Images of the Past: A Railway Album" will contain rare pictures dating from the mid-19th century to the early 20th century. "Many will be enlarged to show fascinating detail," said McTeague. "The book will provide a wonderful photographic history of Railway that is sure to become a treasure trove for all."
The photographs, taken from the collection of the society and including some donations from Railway citizens, will be presented in a 160-page, hardcover book with an attractive cover. F. Alexander Shipley, author of "Rediscovery of Railway" is writing the explanatory text. The book will be designed by Sam H. Pender.
The photographs selected are representative of practically all aspects of life in Railway. The book will contain photos of businesses and industries, including a rare picture of Milton Mills. About three dozen photographs alone will illustrate the business district of Railway in the late 19th and very early 20th centuries. Some show interior shots of various stores.
Scenes of residential neighborhoods — individual houses — leisure activities, horses and carriages, celebrations, organizations, disasters, athletic events, schools, early commercial delivery — wagon, rail, and military transportation, fire and police departments, public works and civic buildings, churches, people and much more are among those chosen from more than 600 photos initially considered.
A first printing of only 500 copies has been ordered. To ensure December delivery, the society's advance orders at a special pre-publication price of \$29.50. Checks should be made out to "Images" and mailed to "Images," c/o William Reak, Railway Historical Society, P.O. Box 1842, Railway, 07083. The books may be picked up at the Merchants and Drovers Tavern in December. Those who wish to have the book mailed should include an additional \$3.70.
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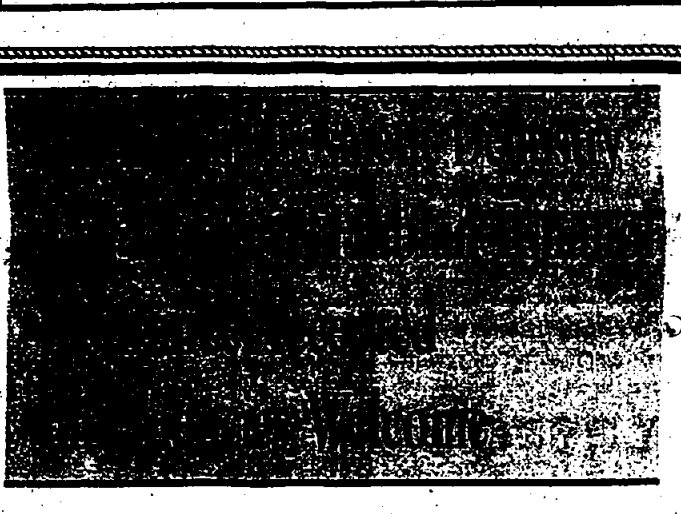
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Denise Rock, James Gruffer and Barbara Taylor participate in a walk/bike-a-thon sponsored by Merck and Co. on Sunday in Railway.

Arthur L. Johnson High School Key Club members Christina Watson, Taryn Winkle, and Laura Mitterman, top, share smiles on the bus trip home from the New Jersey District Key Club "Great Fall Rally" held at Great Adventure in Jackson, on Oct. 12. Fifty Key Club members from the Clark high school and their advisers Ralph Johnson and Susan Dougherty attended the morning rally packed with motivational speeches. Following the rally, the 3,000 New Jersey Key Club members enjoyed "Great Adventure Theme Park" all day. Ms. Winkle and Ms. Watson were the local chairpersons for the day's event.



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Lesniak, Cohen and Suliga

On Tuesday, voters will have the opportunity to choose representation in the 20th Legislative District, and we urge voters to support the Democratic ticket of Sen. Ray Lesniak and Assemblymen Neil Cohen and Joseph Suliga.

These three incumbents offer a record of community involvement and have proven their interest in enhancing their constituents' communities through swift political action.

Perhaps the most immediate issue is that of the Rahway River Committee. Through a recently passed bill, this river management committee develops recommendations and models ordinances on river use, land use and environmental concerns along the Rahway River from its headwaters in Middlesex County to the Arthur Kill.

Lesniak, Cohen and Suliga have fought to include the 20th district among those represented on the committee. These three candidates have a genuine interest in the protection and preservation of the river.

With regard to the Assembly, Suliga has put forward a bill that would funnel \$3 million in state money into the closed Lawrence Street bridge in Rahway. This is vital, as it would set a precedent in the reconstruction of other aged spans near Routes 1&9. The closing of these bridges, most of them built in the 1920s, causes significant increases in traffic along this highway, which affects so many residents in the 20th district. In addition, Suliga has assisted with park renovation projects to promote a positive image to not only the people who live and work along Routes 1&9, but to those who may just have flown in to Newark Airport and are new to the area.

Lesniak, Cohen and Suliga are certainly true representatives of the 20th district. On Tuesday, cast your vote to keep them as your representatives.

Re-elect Whitman

For a continuation of fiscal responsibility at the state level, we urge voters to cast their ballots for Christine Whitman and return the Republican to another four-year term as governor.

During Whitman's first term, New Jersey residents were given a record income tax cut and the lowest property tax increase in 25 years.

In addition, total state aid to help reduce property taxes has increased in every county, resulting in more than \$90 million in property tax relief.

Also during her term, Whitman implemented a Work First New Jersey program to help welfare recipients find jobs in an effort to eliminate them from the dependence of government subsidization.

We wish auto insurance had been dealt with more vigorously by the Whitman administration and not used during the political campaign. During her second term, we urge Whitman to make auto insurance a priority and remove some of the burden from New Jersey residents, who pay the highest rates in the nation for auto insurance.

We urge voters to vote on Tuesday and give Whitman another four years in the State House.

Yes on 1, 2 and 3

In addition to the election of candidates on Tuesday, voters will have the chance to fund environmental initiatives; we suggest voting yes for Public Questions 1, 2 and 3.

Question No. 1 involves the Urban and Rural Centers Unsafe Buildings Demolition Bond Act.

Passage of this ballot question would authorize the sale of \$20 million in bonds to finance the destruction of dilapidated buildings. The money would be delivered to municipalities in the form of low-interest loans.

We support this proposed bond sale and recommend the voters do also.

If approved, questions 2 and 3 would allow the state Environmental Infrastructure Trust to spend funds remaining from two earlier state bond issues.

A total of \$50 million would come from a \$350 million water supply bond issue from 1981 and \$5 million would come from a \$50 million sewer bond issue from 1989.

Passage of the questions will not result in the issuance of new bonds or addition of more debt.

The questions would allow funding of low-interest loans to finance water supply, stormwater and sewerage projects and to secure \$28 million in federal matching funds.

The sewerage projects would involve the elimination of combined stormwater and sanitary waste sewers which would prevent overflowing during heavy rains and flooding in many areas.

The legislation placing the questions on the ballot had bipartisan support in the Legislature and was signed by Gov. Christine Whitman — a notable feat in a year when the governor and all legislators are up for re-election and partisan politics affects every decision. It is an issue that everyone can support. Important infrastructure work will be performed and the money already is available.

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COMMUNITY ECONOMY



GRAND OL' TIME — Rich and JoAnn Hamel enjoy St. Mary's recent Grand Slam party on Central Avenue. More than 800 parishioners purchased tickets to the event, making it the church's largest fundraiser.

Force, Kurz and Lehr

There are more reasons to re-elect Edwin Force, Henry Kurz and Frank Lehr than we have space to list here.

In general, we believe in two-party government; returning these three public servants to the Board of Chosen Freeholders will preserve two-party representation. Specifically, by observing how the Democrats use public office and public money for party politics, we will rest easier if the six Democrats can be challenged by these three Republicans.

However, merely holding the minority in a 6-3 split on the board is no reason to recommend voters support the ticket, so we remind county residents of some of what Force, Kurz and Lehr have done.

• Instead of panicking, they work with the Union County Utilities Authority's Board of Commissioners to prevent the financial failure of the UCUA incinerator. Doing so, they will have saved county taxpayers \$35 million.

• Speaking of tens of millions of dollars, Force, Kurz and Lehr share the credit for a county government surplus of more than \$30 million.

• Withstanding spirited public criticism, the three were among

those freeholders who voted for the regulated deer-hunt in the Watchung Reservation. The county's five-year plan isn't nice, but it is working.

• They were among those freeholders who had a solid, reasonable solution to the juvenile justice center problem, only to have the funding cut off by partisan Democrats.

• They helped put together a funding package for the county Vocational-Technical School, creating the Magnet School, which attracts the county's brightest students, only to have the funding delayed by partisan Democrats.

• They, with other Republicans, kept efficiency in government a top priority by reappointing Democrat Ann Baran to the county manager position. Baran trimmed government, cut spending and kept taxes stable until she was squeezed out earlier this year by partisan Democrats.

There is much more to report, but we hope you get the idea. Their record speaks for itself and now it is incumbent upon the voters to say they want efficient, responsive and honest government by re-electing Ed Force, Hank Kurz and Frank Lehr.

Ann Conti

In the race for Union County surrogate, our choice of Democrat Ann Conti is an easy one. If you're unfamiliar with the Surrogate's Office, it is a constitutionally mandated bureau that prosecutes wills, appoints executors and guardians, and serves as officer of the Superior Court in probate matters, for those unable to provide for themselves.

With almost 15 years on the job, Conti has her department running efficiently and meeting its obligations without complaints. Of course, there's always room for improvement and Conti is known for striving for it.

With documents dating back nearly 150 years, the Surrogate's Office has been turning information on brittle yellowed papers into digital data. In addition, data on separate computer systems

are being merged. County residents also have access to the office via the Internet, from which they can prepare paperwork before visiting the office. A notable result of these efforts, we think, is the size of the department's staff, which has shrunk throughout the years.

Adding a personal touch to the Surrogate's Office's duties, Conti makes house calls, visiting residents at home, if they are infirm and unable to reach Elizabeth.

Frankly, with all of the lawyers in this state, each performing pro bono work, we don't think New Jersey needs county bureaucracies devoted to these tasks. But until the state constitution is amended to allow the closing of Union County's Surrogate's Office, we'd prefer having public servants like Ann Conti in charge.

Was it stealing or vengeance served cold?

Stealing was put in a serious test on a recent Saturday night at two popular Morrisown restaurants.

Both bistros were packed with customers on the busiest night of the week when police arrived and told the owners that the patrons must leave — a gas leak in the immediate vicinity had been detected. The patrons left behind uneaten or half-eaten meals and full dinners waiting to be served: no bills had yet been paid.

The leak was fixed and the restaurants reopened. Now comes the test of honesty. According to both restaurant owners, no one came back. The uneaten food remained uneaten, the meals waiting to be served remained waiting on serving carts, and bills awaiting payment went unpaid. The restaurants said they were stiffed for a total of several thousand dollars by over 100 patrons.

This rare occurrence has caused much debate as to why none of the customers came back to settle their bills, leaving the restaurants literally holding the bag.

Some thought an inherent sense of lawlessness took over, and that the incident proved many people will take advantage of a situation where they can get away with something. Others thought the patrons were getting back at the restaurants for the inconvenience of the evacuation, and that it served the restaurant right.

However, when asked why the bill skippers' consciences failed to kick in, the answers people gave varied from the notion that we all harbor a desire to get away with something, to

the justification that the restaurants charged outrageous prices to begin with and deserved to be stiffed. These answers have a smattering of truth, and they boil down to the idea that the incident was a triumph for the so-called underdog, the paying customer who is not always pleased with the service, the long waits between courses, and the difficulty of getting a check.

However, one important point was overlooked: those who did not pay for their meals are, in effect, stealing. The restaurant owners had to pay for the food, the waiters, and other overhead expenses just as with the operation of a restaurant. If a customer walks out, the owner is out of luck.

In the Morrisown incident, the customers knew they would never be caught. They were faces in a rapidly exiting crowd, hoping they wouldn't be blown sky high with pasta fagioli from a gas leak.

Some probably thought when the all-clear signal was sounded, it might still be physically dangerous to go back in to settle up.

In any case, the restaurant owners are out several thousand dollars because of something that was their fault. We all have a streak of hidden lawlessness.

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"Culinary Hearts Kitchen is the ultimate course for anyone interested in a healthier lifestyle," says Carol Schindler, a registered dietitian who will teach the course. "It's not just for heart patients, but for anyone who wants to learn how to reduce fat intake without sacrificing good taste."

Severe house blaze erupts due to candle

Rahway

A firefighter was injured fighting a major structure fire on Oct. 21. The fire was in a two-and-a-half single family home on Emerson Avenue and was called in at 9:12 p.m. The Rahway Fire Department brought in three fire engines and a tower truck to fight the blaze along with a mutual aid engine.

FIRE BLOTTER

The fire was apparently started by a candle. An occupant of the home said that she had a small candle burning on a coffee table while she was watching television. She left the room to go to the kitchen, while she was pouring a soda, she heard the fire alarm go off. She came back to the room to find the sofa on fire.

The fire was already venting out of three windows on the first floor of the house when firefighters got there and residents reported a smell of smoke from two blocks away. Nevertheless, Rahway firefighters quickly put the blaze under control.

Captain James Nelson was injured his knee while going down into the house's basement. He was transported to the Rahway Hospital emergency room.

The fire resulted in \$20,000 in damage to the house.

Firefighters responded to another house fire on Broad Street on Oct. 24. The fire, which was called in at 12:15 p.m., resulted in \$3,000 in damage to the house.

It started in a laundry room on the second floor. Apparently the occupants had stored paperwork in cardboard containers in this room; this paperwork was too close to the dryer and ignited.

The fire was contained to the laundry room. There were no reported injuries.

Firefighters responded to a medical call on Walter Street on Oct. 22. The Rahway Volunteer First Aid Squad had attempted to enter a home, without success, and had called the Rahway Fire Department to help them get in. Firefighters removed a piece of plywood from a basement window to get in.

The trouble was, the resident didn't want medical help. In the end, firefighters left and replaced the plywood.

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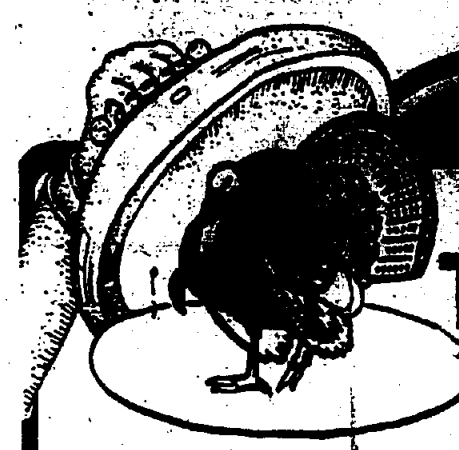
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EDUCATION

Linken named Student-of-the-Month

The Student-of-the-Month for October at Arthur L. Johnson in Clark is senior Jennifer Linken. Ranked second in her class, she has been the president and vice-president of the senior class; vice president of the National Honor Society; treasurer, vice president and president of the Key Club; editor and section editor of the *Lancer*; as well as a member of the Spanish Club, Science League, SPEL, and Peer Leadership. Comfortable on the stage, she has appeared in the lead role of "Uncommon Women and Others," "Fame" and "Wisdom of Eve," as well as "Little Shop of Horrors." She also appeared in "Bye Bye Birdie" and "Class Dismissed."

An honor roll student, she is a member of the Drama Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society, and also received the Crusader Award, Key Club and Yearbook Awards. She was selected as a distinguished student in Fine and Performing Arts and is listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students." Linken participated in the 14th Annual Leadership Day with Representative Bob Franks.

Linken is applying to Boston, New York and Rutgers Universities, and would like to major in Communications/Television. She is the daughter of Rhonda and Dennis Linken.

Jennifer Linken
ALJ Student-of-the-Month

AT THE LIBRARY

Poetry sessions

There are still seats available for the last two sessions of "I Sing America: Voices of Contemporary American Poetry" at the Railway Public Library. Led by Sandra Fiskinger of Union County College, the Thursday evening series will look at African-American poets Gwendolyn Brooks and Rita Dove on Nov. 6, and Chicago poet Gary Soto on Nov. 13.

"I Sing America" is a free program designed to introduce people to recent American poetry as well as promote the library as a place to experience the humanities. Each of the five sessions features a presentation about the poet, an interview with that poet from National Public Radio, and then participation in a discussion about what the poet's work says to you. A guide book and a series of tapes are loaned to participants for the duration of the series. Programs begin at 7:30 p.m. and run until 9 p.m.

The series is presented as part of the Modern Poetry Association's program, "Poets in Person: Reading, Hearing, and Talking about Contemporary Poetry in America's Libraries." Funding for the program was provided by a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities.

Interested in expanding your mind? Just contact the Railway Public Library at 388-0761, or speak to someone at the "Christian Book at the Library," located at the corner of Central and St. Georges avenues, to save your seat.

Children's programs
Registration for the fall series of children's programs at the Railway Public Library is underway, and there are just a few spaces left. In fact, the Wednesday morning program is already at capacity. The series begins during the day and runs until the end of November.

Each program is for a different age group. Seating is limited to 20 children of that particular age group. Sorry, no big brothers or sisters are allowed. Space is available in the following order: Monday afternoon, Tuesday morning and afternoon, Wednesday afternoon and Thursday morning.

Everyone is welcome to come to Nighttime Storytime, which is a 30-minute session on Monday evenings at 7 p.m. This program, and the others during the week, are done by Mary Pitting, head of Children's Services.

Other programs will be on Nov. 15, Thanksgiving craft, and Dec. 13, how to wrap presents. Librarian Jean Rodas leads the Saturday series. Programs at the library are free.

First choice at seating goes to children who have a Railway Library card or obtainable ID with the parent's name and address. For more information about what is available for children, call the Railway Library at 381-4110.

Book covers offered
Is the family Bible crumbling? Is your favorite novel looking worn? Has your Zuckerman become unloved? The Railway Public Library can now offer you a program to get it all together, between two sturdy covers.

The library will pack the item, arrange for periodic delivery to LBC, and contact you when it is ready. Turn-around time is usually a month from time of shipment. LBC uses a standard Grade F, forest green book-ran, with black lettering. Depending on the size, type and condition of the item, the cost can run between \$30 and \$120 plus shipping.

In addition, the library is offering a repair service, for books which are only slightly damaged. With the help of library volunteer Norma Bender, a little tape or glue can add years to a good book. The cost for this service is \$10 per item.

To have a book rebound or repaired, stop by the Railway Library at the corner of Central and St. Georges avenues, and pick up a "Book Binding for the Public" information slip.

Book group meets
The next meeting of the Clark Public Library book discussion group is scheduled for Dec. 8. Wally Lamb's

"She's Come Undone," will be discussed at the meeting from 7 to 8:30 p.m. in the library's Ayr's meeting room. Copies of this book are available for check out at the circulation desk or through the Reference Librarian. Advance registration is appreciated, but not required.

The Clark Public Library is located at 305 Westfield Ave. If any individual requires special assistance or assistive technology for the program, contact the library director at (732) 388-5999 as far in advance as possible as arrangements can be made.

Readers' club starts
The Clark Public Library announces a new program for children ages 6 to 12. The Young Readers' Club will meet monthly with a variety of themes to appeal to readers of all levels. As a special treat for National Children's Book Week, Margie Palatini, author of the prize-winning "Tiggle, Pig," will be in residence on Nov. 18. For further information, call the library at (732) 388-5999.

"The Clark Library offers all persons equal access and opportunities to participate in its services, programs and activities. Any individual requesting special accommodations or assistive technology may contact the library to request appropriate arrangements be made in advance.

Attention schools
This newspaper encourages school organizations to inform the editors about scheduled events and activities. Send information to: Chris Suwari, managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, N.J. 07083.

Safety tips educate Trick or Treat goers
• Always trick or treat in groups. Parents, accompany your children for their safety.

• Driver's should use added caution on this night.

• If it looks like it has been tampered with, call your local police department and give the responding office the item in question.

With a little vigilance and some common sense, this can still be a fun holiday.

These tips are brought to you by the Railway Police Department, and the Community Assistance Team. If you have any questions call the Community Assistance Team at 827-2179.

At Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark, the freshman team captured first place in the National Current Events League competition. Standing from left are Diane Jaz-winski, Linden; Sandra Esteve, Newark; Mario Strano, Colonia; Amy-Lyn Frankishun, Kenilworth; Laura McClelland, Roselle; Dominique Joseph, West Orange, and Patricia Campos. Sitting from left are Gagen Deep Singh, Carteret; Anita Ragnhuwansi, Clark; Judith Alonso, Clark; and Cindy Souffrant, Railway.

Current events team takes 1st place

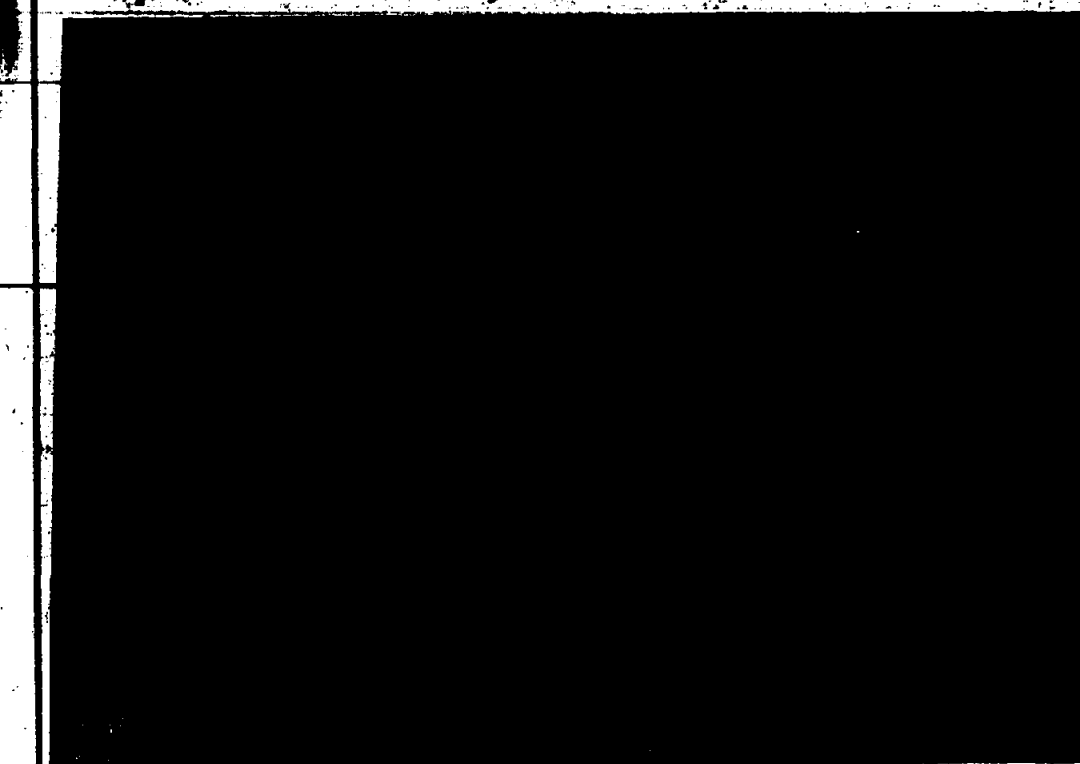
The Social Studies Department of Mother Seton Regional High School in Clark recently announced that the freshman team captured first place in the National Current Events League competition. The team competed with 23 other schools nationwide. Mother Seton's team's cumulative score was 1,078 points.

The competition consists of four meets throughout the school year. Questions from all meets are selected from major national and international events in the following areas: general news, arts and entertainment, science and health, business and finance and sports.

Amy-Lyn Frankishun of Kenilworth has been named as a National Student winner in these competitions for this school year. The team is under the direction of Patricia Campos of the Social Studies Department.

Campos states, "I am very proud of my students' achievements in the National Current Events League Olympiad. They worked very hard to stay up-to-date on all the news and their regard was double. They were thrilled to finish the year as national champions. Being so well informed about event going on in the world around them gave the students a great sense of satisfaction."

A performance, 'tres bien'



Students perform a humorous skit in Arthur L. Johnson High School's French IV class. From left are Christopher Doss, Regine Rouso and Andrew Jiang. Teacher Madame Viviane Levy strengthens students' conversational skills through this activity where they are required to write, rehearse and perform the skit for their peers.

Decorations committee plans ahead

The Clark-Railway Holiday Decorations Committee in conjunction with the Clark Celebrations Committee had been at a standstill. In the past four years, space to store the items for the Clark-Railway Tree and Memorial Lightings ceremony, which usually takes place on the first Sunday after Thanksgiving, was provided by the Way-Fidelity of the Way Excavating Company. This company is located on

Westfield Avenue in Clark. The committee wishes to sincerely thank the Way family for allowing use of this space.

Since this space has recently been rented, the committee has been looking for another storage area. Many phone calls were made and over 600 letters mailed requesting help in the search.

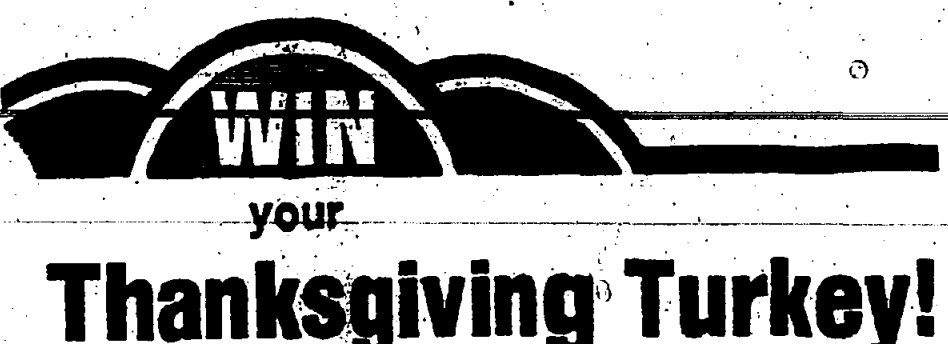
A solution to the problem came about after a phone call to Frederick J. Mansfield, director of Operations for Karmak Corporation located at 330 Central Ave. in Clark. Not only will Karmak supply a storage area, they have offered a new 50-foot trailer, which will be left on their property until the need arises for it to be moved to the site of the Lightings Ceremony for use up of the equipment which would be stored in the trailer.

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Partnership offers business promo

The Railway Center Partnership, in cooperation with the City of Rahway, is initiating a new seasonal banner program as part of a total promotion and marketing campaign to be undertaken by the Partnership. Under this program, the RCP will purchase and install three seasonal banners, Spring, Fall and Holiday, as well as other informational, special purpose and special event banners.

In order to help promote your business, as part of this program, the RCP is offering individual businesses the opportunity to have your company's name imprinted on one or more of these banners, for one time cost of \$90 per banner.

If you buy one banner per season for \$250, your business name will be continuously displayed on a banner for approximately 10 months each year for the next four years. While the RCP cannot guarantee exact banner location, every effort will be made to locate banners on a pole as close to your business as possible.

There will be three seasonal changes per year. Banner and banner changes are included in the one-time fee. The cost to your business this year will provide you with several years worth of high visibility, good faith advertising and the sense of belonging to a commercial district that is moving forward into the next century.

Several large businesses in the Rahway area have already committed to this program.

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More than 30 percent of the banners are already taken. For more information call (908) 396-3545.

Flu immunizations

In anticipation of the 1987-88 flu season, Multi-Care Health Center is offering the community an opportunity to receive flu immunizations. Immunization will be available at the Multi-Care Health Center facility, located at 100 Commerce Place in Clark.

Hours for immunizations will be between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday, with evening hours offered from 4 to 8 p.m. on the following dates: Oct. 28, Nov. 11, Nov. 19, Dec. 9, Dec. 16. The cost of the immunization will be \$10 per injection. Multi-Care will bill Medicare for Medicare-eligible patients.

Multi-Care Health Center, an affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System, is the largest and most established urgent care center in Union County serving the health care needs of both the public and industry since 1982. Open 7-days-a-week, 365-days-a-year, patients may be seen without an appointment for medical illness or injury. The Multi-Care facility

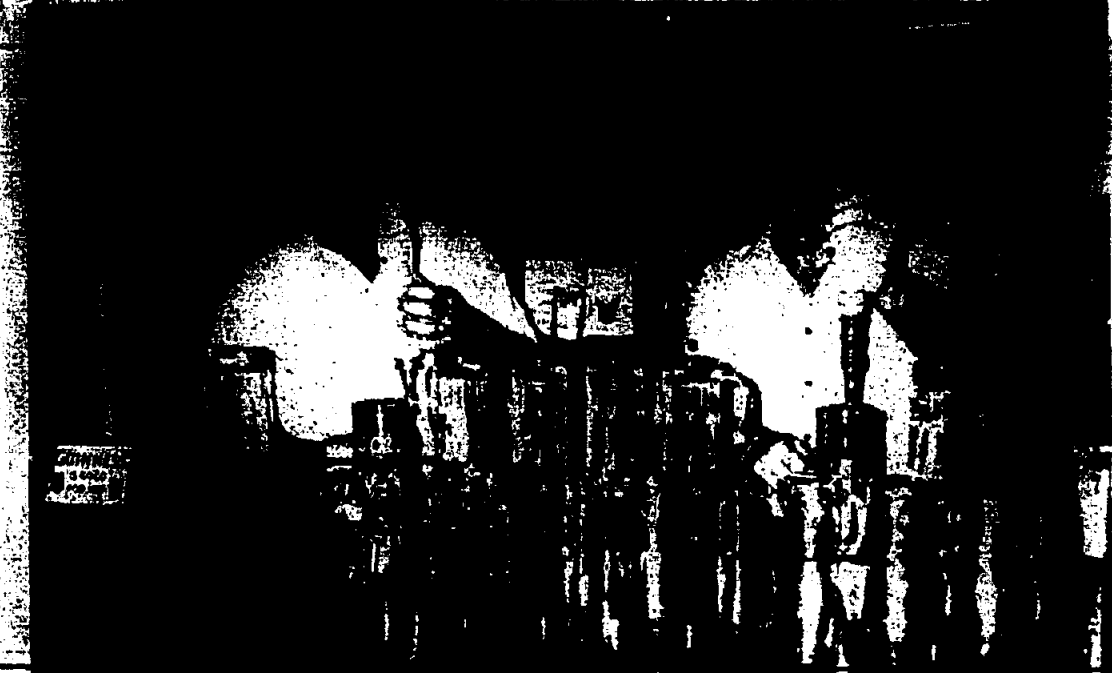
includes a complete x-ray suite, laboratory, EKG, pulmonary function testing and physical therapy. For more information about flu immunizations, call Claudia Fornataio, MHA, RN, director of Nurses at (732) 499-0606.

Diabetes lecture

Diabetes is a complicated disease that affects 13 million Americans. Proper education is required to learn how to live a healthy lifestyle while coping with diabetes. Rahway Hospital's Diabetes Lecture Series is designed to help diabetics and their families better manage this perplexing disease.

The six-session series is being offered on Tuesdays through Nov. 23 from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Rahway Hospital Education Center. The series will be conducted by a team of certified diabetes educators comprised of physicians, nurses, a dietitian and a pharmacist, focusing on the three keys to diabetes management: nutrition, exercise and medication.

Pre-registration for the series is required and enrollment is limited to allow for personal attention and interactivity. The fee is \$30 and includes bringing a support person. For further information or to register, call (732) 499-0606.



New owners Bill Brenner and John Alvarado celebrate the opening of The Back Porch Bar and Restaurant in Downtown Rahway. There will be a Halloween party and official grand opening tomorrow at 7 p.m. For information call (732) 381-8455.

Local pub plans Halloween bash

Brenner Enterprises Inc., now owner of The Back Porch Bar and Restaurant in downtown Rahway, will celebrate its official grand opening with a Halloween party tomorrow. Party-goers are guaranteed a frightening good time with all-night drink specials, top tunes spun by DJ Ed Chino, and prizes for best costumes. The event begins with a free buffet from 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is free.

The Back Porch, located at the rear of 1507 Main St., is open seven days a week from 2 p.m. to 2 a.m. Special events include Monday Night Football with \$1 draft mugs and \$20 wings, free pool games on Tuesday nights, karaoke and ladies' night on Thursdays, and live entertainment on Friday nights. A monthly calendar of events is available at the restaurant.

New owners, Bill Brenner and John Alvarado, invite everyone to come to The Back Porch. "Our slogan is 'You're Friendly Neighborhood Pub' and we

active to provide our patrons with a good time in a comfortable setting," said Brenner, a Rahway resident and president of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce. "Service with a smile is what we're all about," added Alvarado, a Roselle resident.

The Back Porch serves appetizers including chicken wings, mozzarella sticks, onion rings, chicken fingers and bar bites. But Brenner and Alvarado said the restaurant is adding a sandwich menu and will soon be open for lunch and dinner.

OBITUARIES

Richard Archer

Richard Archer, 66, a lifelong resident of Rahway, who had been the chief school umpire in the state, died Oct. 20 at home.

Mr. Archer was the general manager for Albany Steel Co., Perth Amboy, where he worked for 36 years and retired in 1953. He was a member for 45 years of the American Softball Association of New Jersey and formerly the umpire-in-chief. Mr. Archer was elected into the New Jersey Umpire Hall of Fame in 1990. He was active in the Rahway Recreation Athletic Program for many years.

Mr. Archer served as a home judge for the AAU Golden Gloves of New Jersey. He was a recreation instructor for the East Jersey Correction Institution of Avenel. Mr. Archer was a member of the Lafayette Lodge 27, F&AM, Rahway, and past president of the Rahway Safety Council. He attended Springfield College, Springfield, Mass.

Surviving are four sons, Dan, Brad, David and Michael; two daughters, Amy Gural and Megan; and nine grandchildren.

Sister M. Gullfoyle

Sister M. Gullfoyle, 92, of St. Catherine of Siena Convent, Caldwell, who served as an elementary school teacher or principal in Union, Linden, Kenilworth and Rahway, died Oct. 24.

Born in Jersey City, Sister Gullfoyle entered the Dominican Sisters of Caldwell on March 7, 1926 and professed her vows on Sept. 9, 1926. She

WORLD CALENDAR

LUTHERAN
ST. LUKE'S LUTHERAN CHURCH (CLARK), 11400 and Columbia Roads, Elizabeth, (908) 325-8477. John Welter, Pastor. One Sunday Worship Service is at 10:15 A.M. Service includes: Holy Communion, and the Word. All are welcome. Call Church Office for more information or Free Packet.

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN
St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church, 211 West Grand Ave., Rahway, 362-8844. Rev. Fr. Charles A. Lefsky, Pastor. Sunday Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. Prayer Service with singing for the sick and body and soul. First Thursday of each month. All are welcome.

ROMAN CATHOLIC
ST. LOUIS CHURCH 100 Main St., Springfield, 374-1772. Rev. Dennis R. McKinnon, Pastor. Sunday Masses: 8:00 a.m., 10:30 a.m., and 12:45 p.m. (Spanish). Wednesday Masses: 8:00 a.m., 8:30 a.m., 12:00 noon, Saturday: 8:00 a.m., 12:00 noon, Holyday: 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon. Masses and 7:15 p.m. Sacrament of Penance: Saturday: 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. and following the 5:30 p.m. Mass.

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Birth announcements will appear every Thursday in the Union Eagle, Roselle Spectator, Rahway Progress and the Clark Eagle. Just fill out the form below and mail it to:

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OBITUARIES

Leonard Wells 2nd

Leonard Wells 2nd, 21, a resident of Rahway, died Oct. 19 in Union County Hospital. He was a member of the Rahway High School football team and was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America.

Surviving are two daughters, Barbara Ann and Diane Noone; a brother, Joseph M. Wells; a sister, Mary Ann; and three grandchildren. Mr. Wells was a warehouseman for White Rose Distribution Center, Rahway.

Mildred Ruth Petri

Mildred Ruth Petri, 81, of South Plainfield, formerly of Rahway, died Oct. 19 in John F. Kennedy Medical Center, Edison.

Born in Roselle, Mrs. Petri lived in Rahway before moving to South Plainfield four years ago. She had been a member of the WSCS Group of the Methodist Church of Rahway. Surviving are two daughters, Barbara King and Lois Merritt; five grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

Lillian Bixby

Lillian Bixby, 87, a lifelong resident of Rahway, died Oct. 24 in Rahway Hospital.

Mrs. Bixby was employed by Fannie Farmer Candy in Elizabeth for seven years before retiring.

Mary Teufel

Mary Teufel, 82, of Livingston, formerly of Rahway, died Oct. 25 in the Englewood Care Center, Livingston.

Born in Pittstown, Pa., Mrs. Teufel

lived in Rahway and Norley before moving to Livingston 11 years ago. She was a secretary for Douglas Sales Corp., Elizabeth, for 15 years and retired in 1960. Mrs. Teufel was a member of the Catholic Daughters of America.

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H.S. Football
Saturday at 2:00
Scotch Plains at Rahway
New Providence at Johnson

SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Both teams have five games played and three to go (games that count toward making the playoffs). It appears that Scotch Plains and Johnson are headed to NJSIAA playoff berths once again.

Still, success is better achieved by taking the season one game at a time. Quality coaching staffs prevent their teams from looking ahead.

With that said, Elizabeth and Johnson, both 5-0, are on pace to get an opportunity to compete in late November and possibly early December.

Elizabeth, winners of 22 consecutive regular-season games, is now the only unbeaten team remaining in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4. Saturday's Watchung Conference opponent is a 4-1 Plainfield team at J.H. Stone Field.

Johnson has won its last six regular-season games dating back to last November and is on the opposite side of a 184-0 count during that span.

WEEK FIVE
Last Friday
Union 17, Plainfield 16
Elizabeth 31, Westfield 14
Roselle 32, Middlesex 0
Dover 38, Summit 8
Last Saturday
Johnson 50, Roselle 14
Clark 27, Hillside 14
New Providence 17, Roselle Park 0
Bomd Brook 13, Dayton 12
Linden 26, Irvington 13
Rahway 21, Newark East Side 14

WEEK SIX
Friday, Oct. 31
Elizabeth at Marlboro, 7:00
Saturday, Nov. 1
Union at Kearny, 1:30
Elizabeth at Plainfield, 2:00
Scotch Plains at Rahway, 2:00
Brentley at Roselle, 2:00
New Providence at Johnson, 2:00
Summit at West Essex, 2:00
Roselle Park at CL, 2:00
North Plainfield at Dayton, 2:00

J.R.'s picks
Hillside over Marlboro
Union over Kearny
Elizabeth over Plainfield
Scotch Plains over Rahway
Brentley over Roselle
Johnson over New Providence
Summit over West Essex
GL over Roselle Park
North Plainfield over Dayton
Last Week: 8-2
Season: 40-12 (.769)

Andrew's picks
Hillside over Marlboro
Union over Kearny
Elizabeth over Plainfield
Scotch Plains over Rahway
Roselle over Brentley
Johnson over New Providence
Summit over West Essex
GL over Roselle Park
North Plainfield over Dayton
Last Week: 7-3
Season: 38-14 (.731)

TERRIFIC TWELVE
1. Elizabeth (5-0)
2. Union (3-2)
3. Linden (4-2)
4. Johnson (5-0)
5. Gov. Livingston (4-1)
6. Summit (3-2)
7. Roselle (3-2)
8. Brentley (4-2)
9. Roselle Park (3-3)
10. Rahway (2-5)
11. Hillside (1-5)
12. Dayton (0-5)

Soccer UCT semifinals scheduled for tomorrow and Saturday night

The boys' and girls' soccer UCT County Tournaments will continue tomorrow and Saturday with semifinal-round action.

On the boys' side, the semifinal contest will take place Saturday night at Williams Field in Elizabeth vs. second-seeded Union Catholic, followed by fourth-seeded Johnson vs. unseeded Scotch Plains at 7.

Surviving are two sons, Charles and Walter; three daughters, Adele, Semany, Ellen Thayer and Patricia; eight grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

B. Art Coogan, 80, of Clark, formerly of Rahway, retired assistant postmaster in Rahway, died Oct. 24 in the Father Hudson House, Elizabeth.

Born in Rahway, Mr. Coogan moved to Clark several years ago. He was employed by the Rahway Post Office for 45 years and retired in 1978 as the assistant postmaster.

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Championship drive continues



Garner TDs, interceptions propel Crusaders to victory

By Andrew McGinnis
Assistant Sports Editor

CLARK — After last week's 14-0 win over Newark Central, Johnson head coach Bob Taylor said his team was on a "drive" for a championship.

That drive continued Saturday in convincing fashion as the Crusaders crushed Mountain Valley Conference Mountain Division rival Roselle 50-14, avenging a bitter defeat from last season and improving to 5-0.

The Crusaders have had this game marked on their calendar for a long time, but Taylor could have predicted what a lopsided affair this one would turn out to be.

"They're a good team and I'm really excited about this victory," Johnson Taylor said after the Roselle game. "Our defense really took command."

A big factor in the Johnson victory was junior tailback Ryan Garner, who stepped from behind the shadows of Eric Gertner in a big way, scoring two touchdowns and rushing for 111 yards on just eight carries in the victory. Garner put the proverbial nail in Roselle's coffin in the third quarter with a 60-yard touchdown run, his longest of the year, down the right side that increased Johnson's lead to 30-0.

Johnson 50, Roselle 14

"The defense was keying on Eric and the line did a heck of a job giving me a big hole," Garner said. "I saw the hole open up and it was daylight from there."

Garner also came up huge on defense, hauling in two of Johnson's four interceptions on the afternoon.

"We had a good scoring report and the coaches told us what type of play they were running," Garner added. "We recognized the formation and we knew what they were doing."

Gertner took over the Union County lead in scoring with three more touchdowns, all of which came in the first half, and two two-point conversions following his first and second scores. Gertner, who ran for 83 yards on 21 carries, has now reached paydirt 12 times in Johnson's five games this season.

Senior linebacker Brian Drake just could not be contained by the Roselle line, picking up an unbelievable 53 tackles. Drake, who starts at a tight end, also caught two balls for 39 yards, 31 of which came on a scoring strike from quarterback Dennis Bowden.

Black Spagnuolo helped get things going for the Crusaders early in the first quarter, returning a Roselle punt 46 yards all the way down to the Rams' five yard line. Gertner scored one play later on the Crusaders' first play from scrimmage to give Johnson the early lead. After lining up for the extra point, Taylor decided to go for two following a Roselle penalty.

Roselle, however, responded on its next possession when quarterback James Dumas dove into the end zone from one yard out. He followed that touchdown with a successful two-point conversion pass to Jarrett Drake that knotted the score at 10-10.

It was all uphill from there for Johnson, however. Gertner scored on runs of two and four yards, the latter of the two coming late in the second quarter, and Johnson went into the intermission with a commanding 23-10 lead.

The win helped Johnson forget about Roselle's stunning 22-1 victory over the Crusaders last season that snapped its 18-game winning streak. The Crusaders have now put together a modest six-game winning streak that dates back to last season's win over Governor Livingston in the season finale.

"Last year they broke our winning streak and we weren't going to let them break our winning streak this year," Garner said. "We were fired up all week in practice and we came out and did what we had to do."

The game was played in a soggy field with a light mist and the weather conditions definitely played a factor. The two teams combined for six fumbles, three of which were recovered by the defense. In all, the Crusader defense forced six Roselle turnovers.

Two remain unbeaten
Johnson and Caldwell, both 5-0, remain the only undefeated teams left in North Jersey, Section 2, Group 2.

Defending champion Dover moved to 5-1 with a convincing 38-8 win at home over Summit, which dropped to 2-2.

CLARK FIVE
Johnson 50, Roselle 14

FIRST DOWNS: Roselle 9, Johnson 16
RUSHES-YARDS: Roselle 27-120, Johnson 46-270
PASSING: Roselle 4-12-4, Johnson 12-0
PUNTS: Roselle 7, Johnson 122
FUMBLES-LOST: Roselle 4-3, Johnson 2-1
PUNTS-AVG: Roselle 33.2, Johnson N/A
PENALTIES: Roselle 10-75, Johnson 8-90

Roselle (3-3) 8 0 6 0 — 14
Johnson (5-0) 16 7 14 13 — 50
Johnson — Gertner 5 run, Gertner run (1 8-0) —
(First quarter, 3:45 used)

Johnson — Drake 1 run, Drake pass from Dumas (8-8) —
(First quarter, 2:14 used)
Johnson — Gertner 2 run, Gertner run (1 16-8) —
(First quarter, 2:44 used)

Johnson — Garner 5 run, Jarrik kick (1 23-8) —
(Second quarter, 3:11 used)
Johnson — Garner 60 run, Jarrik kick (1 30-8) —
(Third quarter, 4:48 used)

Roselle — Drake 22 run, run failed (1 37-14) —
(Third quarter, 4:08 used)
Johnson — Drake 31 pass from Bowden, Jarrik kick (1 44-14) —
(Fourth quarter, 2:41 used)
Johnson — Gertner 3 interception return, kick failed (1 50-14) —
(Fourth quarter)

RUSHING: Roselle — Asner Clay 18-60; Jarrett Drake 4-41, one touchdown; James Dumas 4-14, one touchdown; Kyrion Holmes 1-5, Johnson — Ryan Garner 6-111, one touchdown; Quaid Muhammad 2-45; Jarrett Drake 1-34; Dennis Bowden 7-41; Brian Hirth 7-24; Dan Joy 3-11.

PASSING: Roselle — James Dumas 4-12-4, 77 yards, Johnson — Dennis Bowden 6-12-0, 122 yards, one touchdown.

INTERCEPTIONS: Roselle — None, Johnson — Ryan Garner 2, Nick Spagnuolo, Mike Mergott.

— ANDREW MCGINNIS

Indians screen conference foe

Late TD pass winning score

By Andrew McGinnis
Assistant Sports Editor

The Rahway High School football team ended a three-game slide Saturday with a thrilling 21-14 win over Watchung Conference-National Division rival Newark East Side at Veterans Field in Rahway.

Rahway improved to 2-3 with the win while East Side remained winless at 0-5. The Watchung school had not won a game in two years.

The two teams were tied at 14-14 with less than a minute remaining and it looked as if they would be heading into overtime.

But, sophomore quarterback Steve Brown, starting his first game at the varsity level, thought differently.

Brown connected with junior tailback Levar Tulloch on a middle screen with just 20 seconds remaining and Tulloch booted 52 yards for the game-winning score.

"The game was exciting to say the least," Rahway head coach Mike Panko said. "I didn't foresee an ending like that, but that was one of the best executed middle screens I've seen in recent years with this team."

Rahway 21, Newark East Side 14

Brown also scored his first varsity touchdown, a one-yard plunge in the second quarter that helped send Rahway into the intermission with a 7-0 lead.

Through the air, Brown completed seven of 11 passes, including going 4-4 in the fourth quarter, for 146 yards.

"Overall I thought he did a good job," Panko said. "He read the defenses well and called audibles when he needed to."

For his efforts, Brown, who began the season as the number two quarterback behind Brandon Thomas, earned himself another start in Saturday's home game against Scotch Plains.

The Rahway defense, led by All-County defensive end Antonio Gray, tightened up after allowing East Side's Nazair Jackson to return the opening kickoff 92 yards for a touchdown.

Jason Crutfield also found the end zone for the Indians, going in from one yard out for the first of Rahway's two scores in the fourth quarter.

The win marked the Indians' first victory since a 31-6 decision over Snyder in the opener on Sept. 26.

Following that win, Rahway proceeded to be outscored 97-7 in three straight defeats.

Rahway hosts Scotch Plains this Saturday at Veterans Field in a 2 p.m. start. "I hope this win will do a lot for us psychologically," Panko said.

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From The Editor's Notebook

By Tom Cavanaugh
Editor in Chief

A typical day in the life of...

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Major party candidates enter final week of campaign

Juvenile jail, UCIA and patronage are top topics

By Tom Cavanaugh
Editor in Chief

Right now, the Democrats hold a majority on the Board of Chosen Freeholders on Tuesday they could...

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Lehr, from Summit, has been a freeholder for nine consecutive years and was chairman in 1993 and 1994.

Lehr said that he was concerned with the juvenile detention center.

According to Lehr, the Democrats, when they killed the \$50 million bond ordinance, said that the new detention center would be too expensive, which was "a lie."

Only half of the money would have gone into the detention center itself, he said, with the rest going toward parking, a cogeneration power plant and conference rooms for inmates, their parents and attorneys.

As a result, he said, the Democrats will spend more than \$3 million for new offices on the former site of the new detention center. They have already spent more than \$300,000

upgrading the current facilities, he added.

He also criticized the hiring practices of the freeholder board this year.

He said that the Republicans, when they were in the majority on the board, had saved up a \$31.5 million surplus.

The Democrats, he said, spent \$20 million of this for a one-half point tax decrease this year, he added.

The budget has increased because of all the people that the Democrats have hired, he said. As an example, he said that there are four extra in County Manager Michael Lapolla's office.

In Eliza, he said, the Democrats do not want any more county facilities.

The site that was to be used for the detention center has been set aside for county offices.

He said that none of the Republicans were concentrating their efforts on building any particular Democratic ticket year, he said.

Democratic candidates would bring "not much of a change" to the freeholder board.

Lehr said, when asked what he

wanted to do in his next term, that "I'd like to see more of the same things that we are doing."

He pointed out that he got \$4 million in federal ISTEA funds, through the North Jersey Transportation Authority, for railroad freight lines.

The Democratic majority picked up on that," he said.

This would help alleviate traffic in the county, he said. He added that it would help business. He said that 50 businesses have come forward saying that they would use the line.

He would also like to move ahead with a planned Transportation Development District along Route 149.

"This is the most congested route, the busiest route and the main route in Union County," he said.

Kurz, also from Roselle Park, has been a freeholder for three years. He was vice chairman in 1996.

Kurz was also concerned about the county hiring people "at a very fast rate."

He said there were 53 position vacancies in the budget this year that the Democratic majority is filling up "regardless of their qualifications. It's political cronyism at its worst."

Kurz also said that the Green Brook Flood Control Commission was important. Kurz was a representative to this commission that is seeking to control flooding along Green Brook in Plainfield, Scotch Plains and Fairwood.

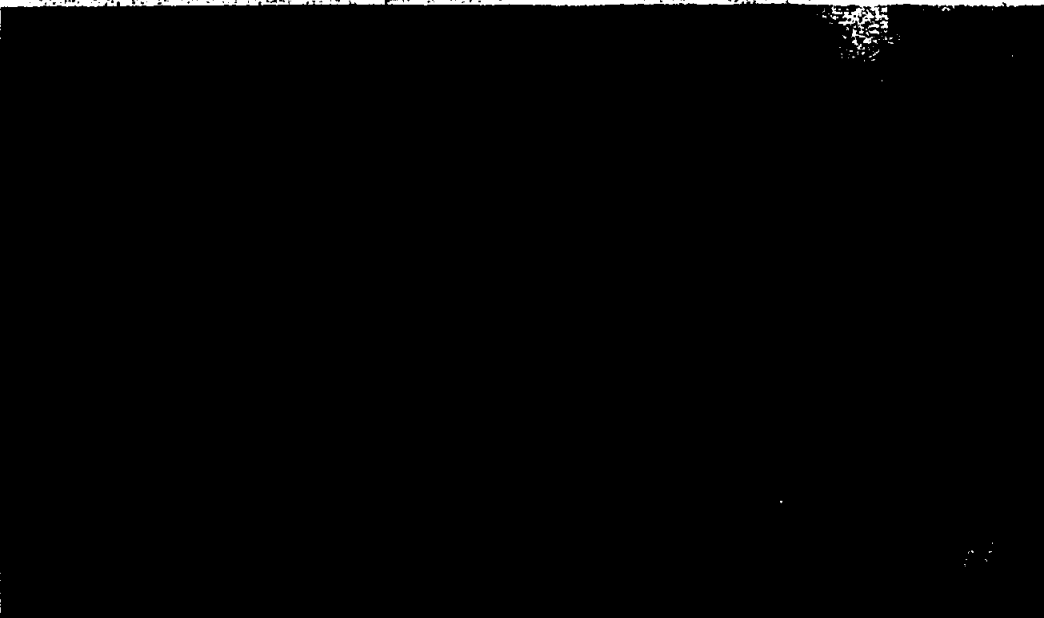
"We have to move forward with this," he said. "We have been working on this since 1973, when the first floods hit."

Kurz said, during his term, he wants to support the Vo-Tech School's magnet school. He said that schools let gifted students "kind of wither" and that the magnet school would challenge such students.

He also wanted to use the Vo-Tech School to get students ready for the workplace, saying, "Not all kids are college material."

Lehr said, when asked what he

Fore on the fifth



Participants in the New Jersey Special Olympics North Sectional Golf Tournament celebrate a good day of golfing. The event was held at the county's Oak Ridge Golf Course in Clark on Oct. 25, for individuals with disabilities. Upcoming activities include country-western line dancing during November and ice skating lessons at Warrancos Skating Center in Roselle. Front, from left: James Scatello, Roselle Park; John Pitt and Steven Warnock, Scotch Plains; Patrick Golden and Alana Golden, Chatham; Rear, from left: Tournament Champion Scott Gray, Westfield; Women's Champion Sandy Giordano, Roselle Park; instructors Tom Phibbs and Alisa Olin; Jim Rusin, Roselle Park; and instructor Bill Smith.

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Incinerator debt, operation are under control

Your Board of Chosen Freeholders has been negotiating a tentative agreement to get the county out from under one of the most serious financial threats in its history.

To understand how we got into this perilous situation, you have to go back to the 1980s, when state legislation started closing landfills and mandated the construction of regional garbage incinerators.

They were to be built by selected counties with borrowed capital funds. The funds to pay off this debt and operate the incinerator were to come from the municipalities that were required, by law, to send their garbage to this monopoly. The fee for burning the garbage was set high enough to pay for operations and debt service.

The incinerator in Union County was built by the Union County Utilities Authority, using \$283 million raised by issuing bonds. These incinerators would not have to compete on the open market with alternatives.

Since state law required all towns to send their garbage to the county

Freeholder Forum

By Linda Stender

Incinerators, the towns had no alternative but to pay the UCUA \$83 per ton while landfill in Pomona units were charging \$40 a ton less.

This created waste flow control crisis and left Union County's 21 municipalities with no choice but to accept the higher price.

Until last year.

That's when a federal court declared New Jersey's garbage waste flow laws — and the UCUA's monopoly — unconstitutional. This means the UCUA could lose its customers to lower cost competitors. Without sufficient garbage, and revenue, the UCUA could default on its \$280 million debt.

If that happened, county taxpayers would be legally bound to pay \$25

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UCC gains two board members

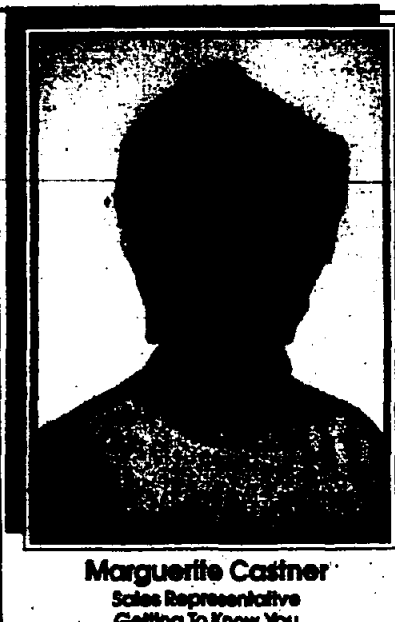
The board of directors and board of governors of Union County College announced the election of two members to the board of governors.

Ramona Curry and Maryann Torre assumed their positions at the first joint board meeting of the academic year.

Curry is supervisor of education and training at General Motors in Linden. A former teacher, Curry joined GM in 1978 at its Plant, Mich., facility and came to Linden in 1983 where she assumed her present position. She was instrumental in establishing a skill center for employees and was awarded a \$4.5 million training grant with which she developed and implemented a training program for 2,300 UAW workers.

Torre is a certified public accountant and a partner with Minix & Co. She is an alumna of UCC and Rutgers University, holding membership in the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, the New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants and the Estate and Financial Planning Council of Central New Jersey.

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Best to leave it in the drawer and wear another watch, I thought.

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It is with great pride that this publication announces the winners of the first annual Worrall Community Newspapers TEAM Awards, recognizing excellence and merit in Union County community theaters. As announced in the September 11 edition of this newspaper, the TEAM Awards — Theater Excellence and Merit — seeks to acknowledge and appreciate efforts made by the winning groups of community theater, the people who spend generous amounts of time, money and energy bringing theater to a local stage. From actors to directors to designers to technicians, whether the production takes place in a grandly restored historic site, a high school auditorium, or even outdoors, the result is the same — quality entertainment.

TEAM Award nominees were announced in the September 18, 1997 and September 25, 1997 editions of this newspaper. Winners were selected from four nominees in each category, with the exception of Best Ensemble Cast, with six nominees.

Winners in each category will be awarded a certificate recognizing their achievement of theatrical excellence and merit.

And the winners are:

Best Actor in a Musical Tom Warren <i>"Crazy For You," Union County Arts Center</i> The perfect Bobby Child, who has to convince the girl of his dreams that he is worthy of her attention. It didn't take him long to convince us. Unquestionably perfect, with his line, in dance routines, this guy has style. Lighting was unnecessary for this actor, as Warren's smile lit up the stage.	Best Actor in a Play Jack Drucker <i>"The Little Foxes," The Elizabeth Playhouse</i> Drucker made his death scene seem so real, due in part, ironically, to the life he brought to the role of ailing Horace Giddens. Although other characters seemed to control the situation with an iron grip, Drucker's gentle but steady Horace proved the stronger.
Best Actress in a Musical Diane Foster <i>"Lil' Abner," Linden Summer Playhouse</i> "More than just a pretty face," is cliché, but in a show made up of clichés, it worked. Although Foster's Daisy Mae was a caricature, it was obvious that this actress has the potential for good lead roles, if given the opportunity. And her beautiful singing voice won't hurt her chances.	Best Actress in a Play Kimberly Valkenau <i>"27 Wagons Full of Cotton," The Elizabeth Playhouse</i> Undoubtedly a flawless performance as Flora Meighan, a simple Southern woman used as a sexual pawn by her husband and his competitor/business partner. Although the act was never shown or spoken of, Valkenau's Meighan effectively communicated a full spectrum of emotions resulting from rape. Valkenau only has approximately 40 minutes in this one-act to make you feel what she feels, and only a stage could come away without emotion.
Best Featured Actor Musical John Marinko <i>"The Fantasticks," Carnival Productions</i> John Marinko as Henry, The Old Actor, and as himself.	Best Featured Actress Musical Cynthia Mery <i>"Merrily We Roll Along," Westfield Young Artists' Cooperative</i> Cynthia Mery, artistic director of MYACT.

Hence is considered to be more difficult to communicate than drama, as dramatic moments are universally shared, but humor is an acquired taste. Any actor that can make an audience laugh with abandon, and make it seem effortless at that, gets my vote. Marinko made the show in more ways than one as Henry, The Old Actor. He capitalized upon everything about this character, from continuing to breathing to moving.

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Best Featured Actor Play Michael Iovino <i>"Rehearsal For Murder," Westfield Community Players</i> Actors who can successfully and realistically inject humor into a role are rare and valuable. In two brief but highly memorable character roles, Iovino created completely different and unique human beings, making the most of hilariously quirky mannerisms which served his characterizations rather than defining or overshadowing them.	Best Featured Actress Musical Kasey Cisselli <i>"Fiddler on the Roof," Mystic Vision Players</i> As Chava, Cisselli delivered a bravura performance as a daughter who must choose between the love she loves and her faith and family. The anguished performance exhibited a maturity well beyond this young actress' age.
Best Musical "Crazy For You," Union County Arts Center	Best Play "27 Wagons Full of Cotton," The Elizabeth Playhouse
Best Ensemble Cast "Palming Churches," The Philanthropists of Fairwood	Best Choreography Allison Brunton-Dooley "Crazy For You," Union County Arts Center
Best Costume Design Clair Colcord and Mary T. O'Connor "The Music Man," Summit Public Library benefit	Best Director Musical Cynthia Mery "Merrily We Roll Along," Westfield Young Artists' Cooperative
Best Director Play Jason Brinkhoff "27 Wagons Full of Cotton," The Elizabeth Playhouse	Best Musical Director Musical Ruby-Robertson Knox "Crazy For You," Union County Arts Center

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The verdict is in on 'Twelve Angry Jurors'

Classic film in courtroom settings set the theme this weekend when Story Hill Players opened their season with "Twelve Angry Jurors."

Many will be familiar with the film "Twelve Angry Men" starring Henry Fonda and Lee Remick. For those who are not, the setting is a jury room in the late afternoon during the summer of 1951. Tempers rise with the heat as deliberations proceed, the subject being a youth with a history of violence and the stabbing death of his father.

Prior to the opening act, Summit Mayor Walter D. Long greeted the audience, and presented a proclamation to Story Hill Players in honor of National Arts and Humanities month. Long expressed appreciation for "how hard these actors work."

The issue at stake in this play is the question of what constitutes "reasonable doubt." The three jurors who were to go home, and so make it their mission to see that justice is served in the most expedient way possible — all except one juror, however, just as tired and hot as the rest, but who cannot justify placing her own creature comfort over another person's life.

Story Hill veteran Jean Dembaugh gives a fine performance as the Foreman, as does Barbara H. Stankiewicz as Juror 2, Wendy Weinberger as Juror 3, Philip J. Dolan as Juror 6, and Susan Rosenthal as Juror 12. Elaine

Theater View

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

Dooman keeps the crowd laughing with great delivery as dull Juror 7, and newcomer Hazel Hartigrove's gracious Juror 9 is an admirable first effort.

Dennis Ryan is strong as voice-of-reason Juror 4, serving as an anchor for the rest of the cast. James Henry is effective as both heated-but-outcasted Juror 10. Gary Schaap's good command of delivery combined with the appropriate accents breaks up the tension more than once in his portrayal of Juror 11.

Overlooked is Story Hill regular Carol Erikson, who has emerged from his usual work behind the scenes to deliver a few witty lines as the Grand Juror.

The gender dynamic at work in this production is markedly different from the original film classic. Theater veterans Nathalie Yafe and Audrey Ann Monaco take on the confrontational roles of Juror 8 and Juror 3. Societal approval of strong-minded women is an ongoing process, so portrayals of same in theatrical settings is uncharted territory. Yafe's brooding, introspective Juror 8 feels self-

righteous anger over the selfishness of her peers. Yafe's Juror 8, who is in a situation where she is likely to get little support, Juror 8 is buffeted by the anger projected by Juror 3, who is also projecting her own personal issues into the deliberation process. Both actors come on strong, further complicating the situation — but that is what they are supposed to do. Yafe is a solid without backing down, Monaco is amusing and harsh, but reminds the audience that she is human.

Continuing is colorful, maybe even a little campy, but successful in offsetting the personalities of the female jurors. The set is stark, as befits a deliberation room. Lighting through the room's one window is well done, clearly depicting time of day.

Director Jay Gaffney has staged this production as well as the set design. Individual performances are effective, in spite of the cast's lack of castmates.

"Twelve Angry Jurors" will run through Sunday. The play will be presented at Oakes Memorial Outreach Center, located at 120 Morris Ave. in Summit. For information, call (908) 664-7716.

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Actor, teacher enjoys both vocations

By Jay Smith
Staff Writer

How can a teacher in the Irvington school system devote so much time to theater work and still come up a winner?

Just ask Regina Bellescheit of West Orange, formerly of Union, who teaches sixth grade at the Grove Street School and who will appear in a principal role in Arthur Miller's Pulitzer Prize-winning play, "All My Sons" beginning Nov. 7 at the El Bodegas Restaurant and Dinner Theatre in Rahway.

"I guess you can call me a teacher-actor," said the highly intelligent, attractive, blonde young woman the other afternoon during a visit to this office.

"I've been teaching since 1991. Actually I started teaching German on Saturdays as a pre-school kindergarten teacher at the Deutsche Sprachschule in Union." She taught the German language through 1995 through an immersion method for students, 3 to 5 years of age, and developed an "introductory curriculum" for German language students, accounting for differences in developmental stages and capabilities.

Actually, Bellescheit had started as a tutor of English, reading, mathematics, German, and computers in 1989, which she has continued to the present time. In the summers from 1989 to 1991, she was a swimmer camp counselor for the Boys and Girls Club in Union, and in 1992, was a student teacher in Washington School in West Orange.

"I was always interested in the theater, all the way back in grammar school. But the teachers wouldn't let me appear in different variety shows, and as a child, I belonged to the Forensic League from fourth to eighth grade. That was the only training I received, and my coach was Elmer Turbett of St. Paul the Apostle School in Irvington. She is to be credited with the acting bug that hit me."

Bellescheit admitted that she loves teaching and acting equally. "A lot of people have told me that I was crazy for going into teaching, and that my talent was being wasted. My response was 'I act every day and I have a cup of coffee every day at all times. I do both, and I enjoy both.'"

"I'm happy doing what I'm doing — giving back to the community. I would be nice to have it as a full-time career, but I think the way I'm doing it is more rewarding for me. I act in community theater more for the love of theater."

Drama, she admitted, "is the heart of it. It is like an onion with so many different layers, and the more you expose the layers, the more beautiful emotions are dug up."

"Teaching? That's for me. Acting? That's for me, too. It's great to be able to combine both. I love all of it."

Editor's note: At press time, Bellescheit announced her engagement to Brian Singer. A July 1998 wedding is planned.

You'd be 'Nuts' to miss Philathalians opener

By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

Why read the movie when you can see it performed live? The Philathalians of Fairwood opened their season with "Nuts," which runs through Nov. 9 at The Carnegie House in Fairwood.

Ok, so it's not Barbra and Richard, but it's close — the movie was adapted from this play by Tom Topor. The play takes a different approach to the story of Claudia Faith Draper, a middle-class former housewife accused of prostitution and murder.

The entire play takes place in a courtroom in the psychiatric wing of Bellevue Hospital. The audience is introduced to the defendant's doing parents, Rose and Arthur Kirk, who are seeking to have their daughter committed to the mental institution.

The allegedly insane Claudia has other plans — she wants to be declared mentally competent to stand trial.

Five performances are in store from this cast. This play is a challenge for actors, who are constantly on stage, and must tell most of the story through monologues and music.

Dennis Fredland is Claudia's attorney Aaron Levinson, seemingly bumbling and informal until his intense cross-examinations make the witnesses

second-guess themselves. Jeff Caplan does a fabulous job as prosecuting attorney Frankie McMillan, translating his characters' initial overconfidence into complete frustration. Alan Gershtman is effective as the state's Dr. Rosenfeld, who ends up being treated as if he were the one on trial.

Sue Baranick is understating as Rose Kirk, a well-intentioned parent forced to face her own shortcomings. Michael O'Connell charms the audience as devoted father Arthur Kirk, completely unaware of how his "fun-crazed" actions have affected those he claims to love.

But when it comes to winning people over, both on stage and in the audience, Lisa Silverman wins out. Silverman does a great job with the extremely challenging role of Claudia, which forces her to swing from one extreme to the next at a moment's notice. She has real fun with this role, from mimicking to teasing to seducing to raging, and all of it very human.

Both O'Connell and Silverman handle some intense emotional monologues with gusto. Comic timing is good from all cast members, and there is good chemistry between characters. Paul Gussert as Judge Mordoch, Art Seif as Officer Harry Haggerty and Daniela Nizzardo as the Court Recorder round out a very well-rounded cast. Kudos to Director Robert Heiser for doing justice to a sensitive, wise and a complex script.

"Nuts" is being performed at 129 Waterford Road, Fairwood. For information, call (908) 322-8666.

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DINING REVIEW

October 30, 1997

MARGIE'S RESTAURANT

A local restaurant with international flavor

By Sandra Cagua
Staff Writer

Most Americans eat Chinese, Italian or Spanish/Portuguese food on a daily basis. You'd wonder if the dishes can be considered a luxury anywhere since these restaurants are located at every corner in your neighborhood. If you are bored with these standard choices, why not try a different international flavor at Margie's Restaurant, which offers the average American a chance to indulge in some Eastern European food.

The restaurant is located in Cranford where husband and wife team George and Margie Obolshcheva have brought their native food from Kiev, Russia. The diner/restaurant serves breakfast, lunch and dinner meals. Upon opening the restaurant seven years ago, Margie sought to bring a homestyle touch to her food.

"You forget you're in a restaurant, here, people come in and stay," said Margie, referring to first or second generation Americans who have Eastern European relatives.

My companions and I decided to try an appetizer of potato pancakes and potato pierogies. Appetizers accompanied the pancakes while sour cream was served on the side for the pierogies. These appetizers were delicious and made us hungry.

I ordered a dish called Kotlety. Po-Kotlety which is Chicken Kiev. The menu describes it as a Ukrainian contribution to Russian gourmet cuisine. Chicken Kiev is minced chicken breast stuffed with herbs, spices and butter. My meal was accompanied with baby carrots and mashed potatoes. Upon cutting into the chicken, butter seeped out into my mashed potatoes. I was surprised and asked Margie how she prepared the dish. She said the chicken is opened up and butter is placed inside along with herbs and spices. After closing it up, the chicken is dipped in eggs and deep fried.

The dinner selections are also served with soup. Margie highly recommended the Ukrainian Borschi, which is a vegetable soup made of celery dill, beans, beets,

carrots and onions with sour cream on the side. Margie said most people are often skeptical of the soup when they first see it because it is all vegetable red soup. While I am not a vegetable fan, I could see why these people were talking about because was indeed red which is not usually the norm. But I loved it, despite the vegetable!

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Burgdorff ERA deems new tax law seminars a resounding success

Judging by the attendance and participation, the recent public seminars on the new tax laws being held by Burgdorff ERA were resounding successes.

This was especially true at the seminar at the Burgdorff ERA office, where nearly 60 area residents attended a lively discussion of how the new tax laws affect the real estate industry and homeowners.

Leading the discussion and fielding the questions was Robyn Roberts, a certified public accountant from Summit. Moderating the event was Burgdorff ERA Vice President and Director of Training Ginny Hillenbrand.

"The interest by the public to learn about the possible benefits of the Tax Relief Act of 1997 was evident by not only the attendance, but the thoughtful and specific questions that were posed by the audience," Hillenbrand said. "Homeowners were pleasantly surprised to learn that, in many cases, they will not pay more taxes when they sell their homes. In fact, many homeowners with no capital gains tax, and new home buyers saw the opportunity to purchase now that IRA money can be used penalty-free. Ms. Roberts, who has considerable experience teaching on the university level, provided a clear, concise approach to the information and not only educated the group, but allowed them to have fun in the process."

The Tax Relief Act of 1997 covers a wide range of topics, part of which

affords homeowners and their agents when they sell their homes. Hillenbrand outlined the guidelines of what capital gains under the new act are as follows:

- Homeowners no longer must wait until age 55 to receive relief from capital gains.
- Homeowners can now pay taxes on up to \$500,000 of capital gains from the sale of a principal residence or \$250,000 for single taxpayers. If certain criteria are met, any profit over \$500,000, or \$250,000, of which \$100,000, the amount over the \$500,000 limit, will be taxed.
- Homeowners may take advantage of this tax relief once every two years.
- "Roll-over" buyers, who make a primary residence of \$250,000 or less, can use the \$500,000 limit to be used for home purchases.

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Anne Meyercord

"I love working for and with people," said Meyercord. "I strive to play an important role in their lives during our working relationship, and in return, I hope they remember me and recommend me."

Nancy Krutier of North Plain Beach, Fla., and Broadway Adams of Memphis, both remember Anne Meyercord. Through their lives during the years of their relationship, they agree: if they ever sell or buy another home, there's no reason they'd rather call than Anne Meyercord. Krutier, who with her husband, Carl, recently engaged Meyercord to market their "dream" home, said, "Anne knew exactly how to position our home on the marketplace. She was so accurate that the final selling price was well within striking distance of our \$1.5 million market position. I would recommend her again in a moment."

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Anne presented our home beautifully and conducted the negotiations," said former client Loraine Bowden. "Roberta oversaw the inspections and the details that went with preparing the home for closing." Bowden said this unique team effort resulted in a 10-day sale of their \$500,000 home in New Providence.

Doug Radford, Meyercord's manager at the Burgdorff ERA Summit office, said, "Most of Anne's clients are sophisticated investment bankers, chief executives and professionals. They know what they want, and she doesn't give up until she delivers it to them. It is a great pleasure to work with her and to watch her at work. There isn't a better role model in our company than Anne Meyercord."

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