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Outgoing mayor's message stresses the future

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

Moves to revitalize the downtown and cope with the town's "gradually diminishing non-tax revenues" are some of the more prominent themes touched upon in Mayor Richard Bagger's last annual message.

The mayor, who is stepping down next month to focus on his energies on his new post in the state assembly, is scheduled to deliver his address at the town's re-organizational meeting at 8:30 p.m. tonight in the council chambers of the Municipal Building.

Mr. Bagger lauded the Westfield downtown, stating that "the character of our downtown gives a sense of place and a small town feeling to all who live in Westfield. Without it, our community would be like a doughnut, with a hole in the middle."

The mayor stressed, however, that the downtown's vitality has begun to be affected by "empty storefronts, retail businesses closing, new malls opening, neighboring towns sprucing up."

In order to examine the future of the central business district, Mr. Bagger announced that he and Chamber of Commerce President Robert Newell would be

announcing the appointment of a Downtown Westfield Committee. The new group will be charged with exploring ways the town can preserve and revitalize the central business district (CBD).

The committee will consist of retail business people, downtown property owners, service business people, town government representatives and community leaders. Mr. Bagger said the committee will be appointed in the coming weeks.

The mayor indicated that one of the greatest challenges to Westfield financially would be the state's mandate in the revisions to the Quality Education Act that municipalities must spend surplus funds.

"The town's number one priority in the coming years must be to maintain and improve the quality of local services in the face of gradually diminishing non-tax revenues," said the mayor. "Councilman (Michael) Panagos, our new finance chairman, will continue Westfield's long record of fiscal excellence in the face of budgetary difficulties."

Mr. Bagger applauded the eight years of service of Councilman Jubb Corbet, who made an unsuccessful run for a fifth term in November.

"Jubb has done an outstanding job and will be missed," he said.

The mayor also expressed pleasure in

the addition of Norm Greco to the council, stating that Corbet's successor "will quickly make his mark, both in shaping town policy and in improving our communications with the town."

In reviewing the past year, the mayor stated that much of what the council had planned to do in 1991 had been accomplished. He cited the completion of the design phase of the Municipal Building renovations, the adoption of new Master Plan by the Planning Board, and the creation of an architectural review board as examples. The mayor is scheduled to (Please turn to page A-2)

Former Westfield cop leaves Bridgewater force

A former Westfield police officer has resigned from the Bridgewater Police Department after a Nov. 26 incident in Echo Lake Park, where he and a Westfield police officer allegedly fired their guns, striking a parked car.

Kevin Williams, a former Westfield officer, resigned from the Bridgewater force on Dec. 17. Mr. Williams left the Westfield force 13 months ago on good terms after two years of service.

The second police officer, Officer Bryan Hughes of the Westfield Police Department, has been suspended with pay from the local force.

An employee of the town government, who wished not to be identified, called The Record last week to report the incident. According to the employee, a town police officer and a former Westfield policeman were a part of an incident in Echo Lake Park, where the source said the two men were drinking and discharged their firearms. The employee also said a bullet from one of the guns struck a home in the area.

It was later substantiated that it was a car parked at a local residence that was

struck.

Bridgewater Police Chief Richard Voorhees said last week that Mr. Williams was given a choice to resign, since the incident in Echo Lake Park was out of his jurisdiction.

Mr. Williams, 26, was involved in an incident in Bridgewater in November when a motorcyclist driving recklessly was killed during a high speed pursuit. Richard Hunt of Manville reportedly was thrown from his motorcycle and killed after striking a guard rail overlooking the Bound Brook Water Company Reservoir off the southern edge of Chimney Rock Road.

Local police officials have declined to provide details of the Nov. 26 incident, but have confirmed that Officer Hughes, 26, has been suspended with pay. An internal investigation of the incident is being conducted by the local police, according to Captain John Wheatley.

The matter is also under investigation by the Union County Prosecutor's Office, which would also not comment on the matter.

Steve Strunsky contributed to this report



The traveling trio: Jay Cuoco, Jim Sabbagh and John Jefferson returned recently from a 9,000 mile motorcycling tour of the country. They're looking forward to their next excursion.

Finding adventure on the road

By JOAN LOWELL SMITH
THE RECORD

As much as they love Westfield, when these three Westfield bikers returned from almost five weeks circling the country on the backs of their state-of-the-art motorcycles, they hated to abandon the freedom of the road for reality.

Nearing thirty, Jay Cuoco, Jim Sabbagh and John Jefferson go way back as friends in Westfield. Their touring together is more recent.

This odyssey was their first as a trio, although John and Jay teamed in 1988 to bike North Africa and Europe. Jim and Jay explored the Blue Ridge Parkway run to Memphis last year, and Jay and John soloed the country, Jay in 1986 and John in 1987.

This time the three joined forces for 34 days, clocking 9,000 miles in the process. They weren't out to break any records; it was for the sheer joy of it.

Jay becomes almost poetic after discarding the myths about the tough-guy stereotypical "Easy Rider." There's nothing easy about riding America's roads, he explained, but there is much which is pleasurable, chal-

lenging, uplifting and inspirational.

Trying to depict the lure of the road, Jay dispels another myth. "We don't just hit the throttle for maximum speed," he said. "In fact, we often deliberately slow down to savor the smells, the topography and the feel of where we are."

Prudent riders, the three men certainly enjoy riding at top speed but only on long safe stretches where they can hit 80 mph. Racing along open roads in the West provides an exhilaration and communion with nature, they said. It allows you to deal with the elements, hear the sounds and feel the wind in your face, preferably without a helmet (most states don't require them).

Heading south to participate in the 128th anniversary celebration of the Battle of Gettysburg, they were fascinated with the Manassas battleground in Virginia, directly followed by their own battle in North Carolina, their first run-in with the police. As they gassed up in a small town, John pulled away in the lead. By the time his partners caught up, John had been pulled over by a patrol car.

Accusing John of speeding, the cop ominously delivered no summons, but these

parting words; "you guys aren't planning to spend the night in North Carolina now, are you?"

That was the only suspiciously racist incident in the 9,000 mile trip. Everywhere else, the trio is quick to say, "We had a good time with the cops," especially in Texas where they found the cops very friendly.

Traveling in Arizona, where John and Jay had graduated from the University of Arizona, no helmets were required, but when they crossed the border to Nevada, a cop stopped them with a big smile asking them to don their helmets. No problem.

Before they hit Arizona, the trio had camped out from Natchez to Mobile, from Memphis to St. Jo, with the exception of a week in Sanibel Island where Jay's brother-in-law took them fishing on his boat, plus a few decadent days in New Orleans where they opted to stay in a cheap motel.

On their Harley Davidsons (Jim and Jay) and BMW (John), the men all wore heavy black leather jackets. The wholesome, non-drinking, non-smoking crew say their jackets aren't designed just for warmth or to "look cool," but are the only barrier between them (Please turn to page A-2)

Westfield's Library continues to thrive

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

Though population is down, circulation numbers at the Westfield Memorial Library are up.

The figures are from the New Jersey Public Library Statistics for 1990 report, recently released by the New Jersey State Library.

Population in town was listed at 28,870 in the 1990 census. Estimates in 1989 were 29,975. Despite that, circulations per capita rose to 10.4 in 1990, up from 9.4 in 1989. This represents a 10 percent increase.

State aid based on per capita remained at \$30.447.

In the county, Westfield once again passed Summit in terms of total circulation, 300,885 check-outs as compared to 284,987. This is despite the fact that Summit spent \$45.74 per capita on library services, while Westfield's expenditure per capita in 1990 was \$31.20. The county average of per capita spending is \$27.50.

The library's total spending increased by

two percent from \$882,088 in 1989 to \$900,769 this year. This is \$30,422, or three percent, below the budget that was proposed for the year. The average budget for other libraries in the county group is \$76,724.

These funds have helped the library increase its collection. A total of 114,557 volumes were owned by the library in 1990. This is an increase of four percent over 110,183 in 1989.

According to the State Library, local tax support per capita rose from \$20.39 to \$27.99. This is a jump of 37 percent.

Another way the state gauges expenditures is through circulation per hours open. Westfield's figure in 1990 was 4,863 up from 4,530 in 1989. This is the highest figure among the neighboring communities of Cranford, Scotch Plains, Mountainside, Garwood, Kenilworth and Fanwood, with Cranford's 3,886 a distant second. In 1989, Cranford was again second.

Outlay per circulation is still another way. In 1989, the Westfield Memorial Li-

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Westfield's Year in Review — month by month in 1991

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THE RECORD

January

Richard Bagger is sworn in as mayor. Among his goals for the year are the rehabilitation of the municipal building, passage of the revised Master Plan and the formation of an architectural review board.

The Citizen's Advisory Committee on Enrollment Projections and Building Usage recommends redistricting that

would send 53 students from Jefferson to Tamaques and 26 from Tamaques to McKinley. Two weeks later, the board approves the recommendation.

Schools Superintendent Mark Smith supports a recommendation by Westfield High School principal Robert Petix that 14-year boys' varsity soccer coach Walt Leonow not be reappointed. Girls' varsity soccer coach George Kapner is tabbed as his successor.

The Gulf War begins. Many Westfield residents in the armed forces travel to the Gulf; locally, support for the troops as well as some outcry against the war begins.

February

The Town Council prepares a 1991 budget of \$19.1 million, up 6.7 percent from last year.

Residents of Stoneleigh Park vote 13-12 to make the neighborhood Westfield's first historic district. The vote falls short of the

two-thirds ratio required to approve the designation.

March

Revisions to the Quality Education Act (QEA) are made; Westfield's budget cap is decreased from 14 percent in 1990-1991 to 7.5 percent. Mr. Smith deems the revisions worse than the original act, which cut \$7.7 million in state aid to the district over four years.

The Planning Board votes to make

Stoneleigh Park a historic district, despite the fact that the measure was rejected by residents of the neighborhood. The matter is brought before the Town Council in May. The council rejects the board's recommendation.

Changes in the QEA allow \$900,000 in state aid to be sent to Westfield, reducing the municipal budget and allowing for a zero tax increase. Also included in the revisions are mandates that Westfield must spend its surplus funds over the next four years.

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Public Library Statistics in Central Union County

Municipality	Population Served*	Volumes Owned	Total Spent Per Circulation	Circulation Per Capita	Circulation Per Hours Open	Local Tax Support Per Capita	State Aid Based on Per Capita	Total Expenses
Westfield	28,870	114,557	\$2.99	10.4	4,653	\$27.99	\$30,447	\$900,799
Cranford	22,833	93,565	\$2.83	9.9	3,886	\$26.63	\$22,093	\$638,988
Scotch Plains	21,160	91,980	\$4.34	5.7	1,907	\$24.65	\$18,677	\$530,100
Mountainside	6,657	51,744	\$2.59	5.8	698	\$41.27	\$6,396	\$259,815
Garwood	4,227	22,171	\$6.67	2.1	263	\$15.81	\$2,135	\$61,690
Kenilworth	7,574	33,458	\$5.14	5.0	731	\$24.82	\$5,543	\$195,561
Fanwood	7,115	37,863	\$3.76	9.1	1,295	\$32.33	\$8,724	\$243,653
County	492,243	2,011,155	\$5.44	5.0	2,133	\$24.91	\$591,601	\$13,534,481
State	7,659,289	26,150,699	\$4.93	5.1	3,615	\$22.99	\$7,837,245	\$144,311,381

Westfield's library

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 brary spent \$3.14 per capita. The 1990 figure slipped down five percent to \$2.99. The town ranks fifth among the seven towns in that area, with Garwood's \$6.67 the

highest.

Yet another method of looking at expenditures the state uses is circulation per full-time employee. In 1989, Westfield was second highest in the state with 14,478 cir-

culations per full-time employees. That figure rose dramatically in 1990, to \$25,073.

Three out of every four residents in town have a library card. Cards were computerized two years ago.

Last year was the second year that the Westfield Memorial Library was in its new home on East Broad Street. It moved from the Municipal Building in 1988. The new library has more than twice the space of the old one.

Westfield's year in review

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April
 Mayor Bagger narrowly wins the Republican nomination for a state assembly seat in the 22nd district.

The Westfield Republican committee endorses Board of Adjustment member Pamela McClure for a Third Ward council seat. Incumbent Councilman Kenneth MacRitchie and committee chair Allen Chin exchange political barbs over the snubbing in a series of press comments.

Allegations surface that school board candidate Thomas Mutafis did not graduate from the Air Force Academy, as his resume stated. When contacted, academy officials said there were no records of Mr. Mutafis' graduation or attendance.

May
 Incumbent school board members Susan Pepper, Carol Molnar and Benjamin Rulf are elected to new terms.

A raccoon found dead in Lenape Park is found to have rabies. It is the first confirmed case in town.

Councilman Kenneth MacRitchie raises questions over the town's procurement of insurance, stating the town violated portions of the Local Public Contracts Law. A state official will later conclude that some technical provisions were not conducted, but is adamant that no purposeful wrongdoing has occurred.

Westfield resident Andrew Ruotolo is tabbed by Governor James Florio to be the Union County Prosecutor.

A stringent new ethics law imposed by the state causes five local board members to resign from their posts.

June
 Councilman Kenneth MacRitchie defeats Pamela McClure in the Republican primary for the Third Ward council seat, while political newcomer Norm Greco beats incumbent First Ward Councilman Jubb Corbet.

The town holds a meeting to hear about the Main Street program, a downtown revitalization program. No decision has yet been made as to whether the town will become involved in the program.

The Board of Education votes to establish The Education Fund of Westfield. The fund is described as an independent, non-profit organization dedicated to raising private donations in order to raise the quality of the school system.

July
 A new bandstand is dedicated in Mindowaskin Park. The stand is a replica of the one first dedicated in the park in 1922.

Righteous Carnage is published. The book, which chronicles the List murders, was penned by Westfield resident James Johnson and Mountainside novelist Timothy Benford.

August
 Tempers flare at a town council meeting over the procurement of insurance. The council decides to

abandon the broker of record system it currently uses, in the hopes of increasing the competitiveness of the insurance buying process.

September
 Westfield's 1991 average Scholastic Aptitude Test scores rise dramatically. The 532 average math score is 12 points higher than last year's, while the verbals scores increase by 11 points to 468. Both average scores were much higher than state and national averages.

The Town Council votes to go ahead with the \$2.7 million municipal building rehabilitation project.

Westfield passes a state-mandated proof of trash collection ordinance, which raises the ire of some residents.

October
 The Board of Education votes to hire a consultant to study the future uses of the two intermediate schools in town.

Westfield's effective use of its financial resource allow it to score first in the state and in the top ten percent nationally in an independent study.

A town-wide meeting is held to learn about Special Improvement Districts, a funding mechanism for downtown revitalization.

November
 In the general election, Mayor Richard Bagger is elected to the state assembly in the 22nd district. Locally, Democratic Councilman

James Hely defeats Steve Garfinkel for a fourth term. Norm Greco, Kenneth MacRitchie and Margaret Sur win seats on the council.

The Mindowaskin Park Committee recommends improvements to the park. The committee recommended that funding for the project come from state and federal sources and the town.

The Town Council meets with a representative from a Washington D.C. law firm to consider entering into a battle with the Federal Aviation Administration over the Expanded East Coast Plan. Mayor Richard Bagger states that the town's involvement in the battle, which Scotch Plains had already entered, would probably only come if more municipalities were willing to join in.

December
 The Town Council passes an ordinance mandating bicycle helmets for riders under the age of 15. The law is the first in the state and one of a handful in the nation. Locally, public opinion on the new measure is split.

Two public forums are held to allow resident input on the study of the two intermediate schools. Residents for the most part are critical of the way the study is being handled.

Mayor Bagger announces that he will resign from his post, due to his election to the state assembly. He states that he would like to resign around the time of his swearing-in in Trenton.

Mayor's address

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 appoint the first board tonight.

The mayor also commented on several matters that the town had begun in 1991, including implementation of the Mount Laurel settlement and preparation for the next round of Mt. Laurel obligations (scheduled to begin in about six years.)

Other accomplishments the mayor pointed to were the implementation of a new insurance procurement system. Mr. Bagger said the insurance buying process made headlines in 1991, but that "After all the shouting was over, the town saved nearly 10 percent in property/liability insurance premiums."

He called for further revisions to the system, including consideration of Councilman David Mebane's proposal that the town discontinue the hiring of a paid insurance consultant. The mayor said the town now has a volunteer insurance review board made up

of local insurance professionals that could review the procurement process.

The mayor also stated he was pleased that Westfield became the first municipality in New Jersey to pass an ordinance requiring bicycle helmets for children.

"I hope that Westfield's new mayor will continue to treat the bicycle helmet ordinance as an educational tool and a standard of conduct, not as something to be enforced in the usual sense," said Mr. Bagger.

Finally, the mayor expressed regret that he is resigning from his post before the end of his term in 1992.

"Westfield is a special community," he said. "The challenge for all who serve the town (including me in my new role), is to do our very, very best to maintain and improve our community. I know that each of you, and the entire town, will succeed in that task."

Finding adventure

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and the road.
 Used to insects petting goggles at 80mph, Jay was hit in Texas by a crow, which temporarily paralyzed him and didn't do the crow much good either. Withing on the ground in pain, wind knocked out of him, several bikers stopped to help.

"We're a loyal bunch," Jim said. Harley owners are particularly loyal, not just because of the quality of their mounts but because Harley is the only American motorcycle made today.

Driving rain in New Mexico impeded the bikers where they were trapped with nowhere to hide. Forced to persevere, they fought to stay on their bikes with visibility severely restricted, fortunately with roads in good condition, which wasn't the case as they left Tucson.

Outside Tombstone, a sudden sand storm almost blew them off their bikes. They felt like part of a bad Western when the road suddenly disappeared, a scary moment finally relieved by a road-grader who led them to safety as they coughed dust. John missed the unhappy adventure when he left Tucson for Los Angeles to stay with friends.

Crossing Death Valley to meet John at full speed and feeling grateful for the lack of sand storms, Jay's bike started to misfire without warning and finally quit. Of course, it was high noon in blistering heat with nothing in sight but relentless sand. Suddenly Tombstone seemed friendly.

Jim left Jay with a canteen of water and raced to Baker, a town about 20 miles away. Jay strung his poncho between the handlebars and the rear of his bike to stay out of the blistering sun, and in retrospect described the experience as worse than anything in the Sahara or the Negev. He felt 'loopy.'

An auto mechanic, Jim didn't have the parts to fix the bike. Neither did anyone in Baker. It was an electrical problem requiring precise

equipment. Jim wisely rented a box truck for \$116, and picked up his 'loopy' friend, returning to the Harley dealer in Vegas, a bit too late in the day for repairs.

With the permission of the dealer, the men slept in the truck after a bite at Taco Bell's next door.

Bedded down, bright lights suddenly hit them in their weary eyes. There stood two women cops devoid of humor.

It seemed that Taco Bell's was robbed shortly after Westfield's wholesome duo had left. Explanations heard, the cops became very apologetic. The ordeal was over.

The next day they met John, who'd ridden from Lake Tahoe to Salt Lake City at night to reconnoiter with his buddies at the local Harley dealer. John was high on his visit to the 'Ponderosa' in Tahoe, which is practically a 'shrine' to the trio, who are all consummate Bonanza fans. To indicate the strength of their friendship, Jay and Jim didn't rub it in that while John was at the shrine they were at gunpoint.

Back in New Jersey, Jay has returned to teaching gymnastics at Sargent's in Garwood. Jim is back to working on cars instead of motorcycles and John is back at the books working on his masters in sociology at Columbia.

Reflecting on their memorable trip sleeping in ditches, tents, trucks, an occasional motel and even a compost heap in Davenport, Iowa, Jay spoke wistfully of a man they met in Sturges, near Mt. Rushmore in South Dakota, where serious bikers from the world over gather for the annual Black Hills Rally. He was in his 70s and had sold everything to make the road his home. "That would be utopia," he pronounced for the three motorcycle musketeers.

Perhaps Willie Nelson knew what he was singing about. The three now count the days until they can be On The Road Again.

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Police blotter

Here are descriptions of entries in the Westfield Police Department call log:

Dec. 29:

A Summit Avenue man reported that his home was burglarized. Entry was gained through a rear upper bedroom window. Several rooms were entered. Stolen was \$5,000 in jewelry and \$100 in coins.

Dec. 28:

Officer William Moffitt issued a summons to Jason McMiller of North Scotch Plains Avenue on two warrants out of Fanwood and Middletown.

Dec. 28:

A Parlin man reported that two tires were stolen from his motor vehicle while it was parked at Seville's Auto Body on South Avenue.

Dec. 24:

A Wallberg Avenue woman reported that her motor vehicle was burglarized. Stolen was a cassette stereo system of unspecified value.

Windows were reported broken on a shed at the Miller Cory House.

Dec. 23:

Officer Frank Schmitz issued a summons to Louis Krause Jr. of Scotch Plains on a warrant out of Westfield Municipal Court.

E'town launches aid program

Elizabethtown Gas has launched its annual Share the Warmth campaign, which solicits contributions from the utility's customers to help offset winter heating bills for the needy and elderly.

The company's shareholders, who give the fund an initial boost of \$50,000, match all contributions dollar-for-dollar. Now in its seventh year of operation, Share the Warmth has already distributed more than \$500,000 — a sum that goes a long way to aid the plight of the company's less fortunate customers.

Elizabethtown President Robert P. Kenney reported that the money will be divided among four social service agencies operating in Elizabethtown's seven-county franchise area: The American Red Cross of Eastern Union County, the Urban League of Union County, the Puerto Rican Association for Human Development of Perth Amboy and the Northwest New Jersey Community Action Program of Phillipsburg. These agencies then provide grants of up to \$200 to elderly and needy clients for use in paying their gas heating bills.

Tax-deductible contributions may be sent to Share the Warmth, c/o Elizabethtown Gas Company, 1 Elizabethtown Plaza, Union, N.J. 07083, or included with bill payments. Check should be made payable to Share the Warmth.

Elizabethtown Gas Company, a subsidiary of NUI Corporation, serves about 227,000 customers in parts of Union, Middlesex, Hunterdon, Mercer, Morris, Sussex and Warren counties.

Bagger on TV

Mayor Richard Bagger is scheduled to appear on Suburban Cablevision's "Downtown: A Talk With Your Mayor," 8 p.m. Wednesday on TV3. The call in number is 636-5333. The program will be repeated on TV3 Sunday, Jan. 12 at 7:30 p.m.

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Mayor Richard Bagger's 1992 address

Here is the text of the Annual Message that will be made by Mayor Richard Bagger at tonight's reorganization meeting:

On behalf of the entire Town Council, I wish each of you and your families a happy, healthy and prosperous New Year.

For the first time in eight years, Westfield will be without the steady hand of Jubb Corbet overseeing the town's finances. Jubb has done an outstanding job and will be greatly missed. However, Westfield is fortunate to have Norm Greco joining the council this year. Norm will quickly make his mark, both in shaping town policy and in improving our communications with town residents.

The best way to chart where Westfield is going in the year ahead is to review where we've been in the year just concluded. Much of what was planned for 1991 has been accomplished. Yet important tasks remain for 1992.

A year ago I called upon the council to complete the design phase of the municipal building renovations, authorize construction and put the project out to bid. Those steps have been completed. The funds necessary for modernizing the police department and renovating the former library space have been appropriated without borrowing money. Bids for the work came in nearly one-half million dollars under estimate. Contracts for the municipal building renovations should be approved by the Town Council on Jan. 14 and work will begin soon thereafter.

Land use was a primary focus of my remarks last year and has been the subject of much activity since then. The Planning Board adopted a new Master Plan in June. A citizens' committee has been working since then on a new Land Use Ordinance to implement the Master Plan. This substantial task is nearly complete and should be ready for council approval within a month or two.

One recommendation of the Master Plan — creation of an Architectural Review Board — has already been acted upon. Tonight, I am appointing Westfield's Architectural Review Board, which will provide aesthetic advice on commercial buildings, signs and multi-unit residential development.

The Final Order memorializing the resolution of Westfield's Mt. Laurel case was finally signed late last year. However, steps to implement our affordable housing settlement were moving forward all year. The Town Council approved a Regional Contribution Agreement with the City of Elizabeth. The Senior Citizens Housing Committee, chaired by Councilman Boothe, is exploring different funding mechanisms for the anticipated additional senior citizens' apartments on Boynton Avenue. Housing rehabilitation continues through the Community Development Block Grant Program, enhanced by Councilman MacRitchie's efforts to identify eligible properties. Finally, within the next month, the

Town Council will be called upon to rezone the two sites in Westfield identified as possible future locations for new affordable housing.

With Westfield's first Mt. Laurel case over, the town has six years before it can be exposed to a similar suit. Yet the town is already preparing for its next encounter with Mt. Laurel. Councilman Jenkins has studied town-owned parcels of land for long-range planning purposes. Several sensible subdivision applications for town land will be proposed to the Planning Board in coming months.

1991 was a big year for Mindowaskin Park. The Mindowaskin Park Committee, chaired by Councilwoman Peggy Sur, completed its Master Plan for Mindowaskin Park in November. The Bandstand, the architectural centerpiece of the park, was rebuilt last spring and dedicated at the Independence Day observance.

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*—Richard Bagger
Westfield mayor*

In addition, the Historic Preservation Commission nominated the park (together with the Firehouse, Railroad Station and Plaza Monument) as local landmarks. In 1992, a Friends of the Park Foundation will be established for private donations to augment town efforts for the restoration of Mindowaskin Park.

The last year saw some Westfield issues make the headlines. The town's system for purchasing insurance, long a subject of Town Council discussion, was improved through the efforts of an Insurance Review Committee. After all the shouting was over, the town saved nearly 10 percent in property/liability insurance premiums. In 1992, I am sure the council will continue to search for ways to enhance our insurance program, including employee benefits. In particular, I hope the council will consider Councilman Mebane's suggestion that we don't need a paid insurance consultant, now that we have a volunteer Insurance Advisory Board made up of talented local residents.

Attention focused on Westfield this fall as we became the first community in New Jersey to require children to wear bicycle helmets. Councilman Healy is to be thanked for bringing this important safety issue to the council's attention. I hope that Westfield's new mayor will continue to treat the bicycle helmet ordinance as an educational tool and a standard of conduct, not as something to be enforced in the usual sense.

Westfield was recognized last year as the number one community in New Jersey in terms of its prudent fiscal policies.

Town Administrator Jack Malloy and Finance Chairman Jubb Corbet — and their predecessors over the years — deserve our commendation on this important distinction. However, with the honor comes the challenge. The Town Council faces greater and greater financial impediments, including most recently the state's mandate that Westfield spend down its surplus. The town's number one priority in the coming years must be to maintain and improve the quality of local services in the face of gradually diminishing non-tax revenues. Councilman Panagos, our new Finance Chairman, will continue Westfield's long record of fiscal excellence in the face of budgetary difficulties.

There is one new initiative for 1992 that I would like to discuss tonight. One of Westfield's great advantages is its vibrant central business district. The character of our downtown gives a sense of place and a small town feeling to all who live in Westfield. Without it, our community would be like a doughnut, with a hole in the middle. We are fortunate for the vitality of our business district. Yet hints of warnings can be seen: empty storefronts, retail businesses closing, new malls opening, neighboring towns sprucing up.

Westfield's downtown remains a showplace for our community. However, we should examine the future of Westfield's central business district before we have a serious problem. The Chamber of Commerce has focused interest on some potential directions for downtown Westfield during two well-attended programs this past year.

Addressing the future of the central business district requires a partnership of business, government, downtown property owners and townspeople. Consequently, within a week or two, Chamber of Commerce President Robert Newell and I will appoint a Downtown Westfield Committee, consisting of retail business people, service business people, downtown property owners, town government representatives and community leaders. The committee will explore what action should be taken to preserve and enhance downtown Westfield.

As you know, my tenure as mayor will end this month. It was with both regret and realism that I reached the decision to step down and concentrate my efforts on serving in the Assembly. I will miss very much the challenges and camaraderie of the past eight years serving Westfield as councilman, Planning Board chairman and mayor.

Westfield is a special community. The challenge for the council, and for all who serve the town (including me in my new role), is to do our very, very best to maintain and improve our community. I know that each of you, and the entire town, will succeed in that task.

Thank you.

Union County College tightens its fiscal belt

A Reduction in Force Plan impacting upon nine tenured faculty was adopted last week by the Board of Trustees of Union County College.

Seven of the faculty teach in the Dental Hygiene Program, one in the Dental Laboratory Technology Program and one in the Medical Laboratory Technology Program. The three programs are scheduled to be discontinued by Aug. 31, with the closing of the Scotch Plains Campus.

Dr. Thomas H. Brown, president, reported negotiations are underway with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey to conduct joint allied health programs at the Scotch Plains Campus, utilizing the Health Technologies Building. Under this plan, Union County College faculty members could be offered teaching assignments by the University of Medicine and Dentistry.

Dental Hygiene, Dental Laboratory Technology and Medical Laboratory Technology are among the programs being considered as joint offerings by Union County College

and the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey, Dr. Brown said.

Dr. Brown added that the Reduction in Force Plan provides for the impacted faculty members to teach in other departments if they are qualified or to seek retraining to teach in areas where the college has a "demonstrated need for instructional staff."

The college adopted a Strategic Plan 1991-92 and 1992-93, last June, calling for the closing of the Scotch Plains Campus in the summer of 1992. Under this plan, the Cran-

ford, Elizabeth and Plainfield.

The development of the Strategic Plan was triggered by a three-year decline in state aid and a reduction in county aid as well as a state-imposed cap on tuitions, Dr. Brown said.

"During the current recession, we have been impacted fiscally like all other institutions of higher education in New Jersey and in other sections of the nation," Dr. Brown said. "This fiscal crisis has forced us to take steps to operate more efficiently and more

effectively with fewer dollars. This means we are a less comprehensive college programmatically, but we have no choice in this period of economic downturn. We must operate within the dollars that are available."

Dr. Brown said the problems are exacerbated by a continuing increase in student enrollment, which totals 16.6 percent over the past three years. "We are seeing increases in applications again for the upcoming Spring semester," Dr. Brown said. "There is a real question about how long we can continue to increase enrollment with declining state and county support."

Tax return training for volunteers

The Retired Senior Volunteer Program of Union County is sponsoring federal and state tax training for the 1991 tax season.

Training will be held Jan. 14 to 17, at the Elizabeth Library from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

The training and materials are free of charge and each volunteer is needed to be available several hours

one day each week from February to mid-April.

This program assists senior citizens, handicapped and low income clients who are filing basic tax returns. This RSVP program operates with the cooperative efforts of Catholic Community Services. Call Kate Nordstrom Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 351-0070 for a registration form and information.

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Commentary

Preservation honors enhance the community and foster 'a valuable sense of place'

Westfield has paid careful attention to the preservation of its historical landmarks and a number of them are registered with state and national agencies. Closer to home, the town has earned county honors for historic structures for the second year in a row. The Miller-Cory House Museum was cited by the Union County Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs for "exemplary preservation efforts." This comes on the heels of the county's recognition last year of the mid-1980's renovation of Westfield's distinctive Moorish style firehouse. One of Westfield's favorite charities, Children's Specialized Hospital, was also cited in 1990 for its expansion and preservation over a century.

The Miller-Cory facility is a natural for the recognition for several reasons. One is that the farmhouse on Mountain Avenue is well maintained. Another is its history, dating back to the Miller and Cory families, early settlers who built it in the 18th century, in the 1740-80 period. Still another plus is that the site contains more than buildings. It is a living museum that keeps the heritage of the town and region visible. The home yielded to a museum 19 years ago through the efforts of citizens anxious to retain the historical place. Since then the museum has attracted hundreds of volunteers and docents who guide children and families through demonstrations of colonial life. Its festivals and special events have attracted thousands of people.

Also close to home, the Westfield Historic Preservation Commission has nominated five sites as local historical landmarks. These include the former home of cartoonist Charles Addams at 522 Elm St., the World War I monument, Mindowaskin Park, the fire headquarters and the north and south side train stations. These nominations go to the Planning Board and then to the Town Council. As public properties, they should be less controversial than the attempts to create residential historic districts.

The designations and commendations underscore the historical heritage of the community and enhance its valuable sense of place.



Beau knows everything

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

In my house, when you can't find the clicker for the television, your left sock, your toothbrush, your Rolling Stones Love You Live compact disc, or your lucky stuffed snake, there's only one thing to do.

Ask Beau. Beau knows. My nephew Beau knows where

Random notes

the clicker is because it is his imaginary shaver. It's in the bathroom sink under six inches of water, where an imaginary shaver should soak after you've shaved off you're imaginary beard.

Beau knows where your left sock is because it is not really your sock. (I bet you feel pretty stupid now that you've been putting it on your left foot all these months, huh?)

No, your left sock is his "Mask-perado" mask, which he drapes across his eyes. We're all dying to know what a maskperado is, but Beau is too busy walking into walls to tell us.

Beau knows where your toothbrush is, because he uses it to clean your old typewriter. That's because it is not really your old typewriter. It's Beau's rocket machine. Whatever it is, I went to work with "r's and 'q's on my teeth last week.

Beau knows where your all your compact discs are. They're not your discs, after all; they're his, and he plays them in his compact disc player, which used to be our toaster. My dad ate Bob Dylan's Bringing It All Back Home last week for breakfast, with eggs and ketchup. He's been eyeing my Blood On The Tracks disc ever since.

And yes, Beau knows where your lucky stuffed snake is, the one you've had since you were 6. It's his tie. Every morning we have a major commotion, because we have a 3-year-old who insists he has to wear a stuffed snake around his neck to pre-school.

All of this wasn't much of a problem at first. I didn't really mind when Beau used the family iron to flatten worms, since I failed to recognize what the stupid thing was.

I didn't even care when he used my comb on his feet. Considering I have a crew cut, I'm not quite sure why I even own a comb.

It was when my car keys disappeared from the face of the earth for six days that I became irked by this "Beau Knows" phenomenon. I found them hanging from my belt, which was hanging from the clothes line in the back yard.

I marched back into the house, past my dad eating my Bob Dylan collection, passed the wet clicker (which was now as effective at changing the television channels as a banana would be), past my mother picking worms off the bed spreads, to the little urchin, who was adorned in my left sock and a stuffed snake.

"Why were my keys hanging on the clothes line?" I asked him.

"Oh, those aren't your keys," he said happily.

"Oh. What are they, if you don't mind me asking?"

"They're the keys to my rocket blaster. You want to hear how it works?"

With that I gave up and went to find the Pepto Bismol. Beau may know everything else, but Uncle Donnie knows indigestion.

Six weeks to go Each home town poised at a treacherous intersection

Take a short test, won't you, it's for the benefit of the community's youngest people and the future.

1 - Which of these matters most in the long run? (Answer below)

- Curbing local taxes
- Attracting, keeping the very best teachers
- Earning a good reputation for the schools
- Stretching every administrator, teacher and student so that the maximum learning occurs for every pupil
- Steadily improving performance in any standardized test
- Community-wide insistence on and support for a quality, non-sense public education system
- All of these
- None of these

2 - Which of these matters most in the long run?

- Home rule and one- or two-town control of a public school district
- Multi-town, large-scale districts in which the best staff, services and facilities can be offered to the maximum number of students
- Sending special needs students to sometimes distant specialty schools at taxpayers' expense so that they receive maximum attention and support
- Keeping such impaired students in their home district so that their peers can provide the support and everyday orientation on how they can best interact with the unimpaired
- Establishing specialized intra-district schools (magnet schools) to bring maximum faculty and equipment to support students in science, arts and humanities, etc.
- Concentrating on offering top faculty and equipment in every school in the traditional, democratic style of public education
- Encouraging teaching excellence by evenly paying all faculty in terms of teaching experience, and their individual post-graduate collegiate standing
- Encouraging teaching excellence by including peer or supervisory review, student test performance and other more subjective gauges in calculating salary.

ANSWER: Some of these and some of your own ideas.

Feb. 13, barely six weeks away, is the deadline for filing to run for the local board of education. Who will step forward? Who won't, but probably should? It's for the children and the future, tough questions notwithstanding.

Rulf responds to criticism of board

To The Record:

Hard times bring out the best in some people and the worst in others. All signs indicate that 1992 will be another difficult year for the region's economy, including Westfield's school system. The effort to find a balance between opposing demands, while trying to avoid lowering educational standards, is going to call for more patience, cooperation and ingenuity than ever before.

Against this background, it is hardly helpful for me, an unpaid elected member of Westfield's Board of Education, to be accused by some critics of callousness, aloofness, stupidity, lack of basic common sense, lack of interest in the needs of my fellow citizens, and maybe downright corruption.

I could shrug all this nastiness off as the resentment of some negative people whose personal frustrations drive them to find fault with the decision of any authority. However, when the editors of a local newspaper join this destructive free-for-all, I find it hard not to respond.

As we all know, members of the Board of Education are elected on a personal (non-partisan) basis by

our town's citizens in an orderly, democratic process. The non-political and voluntary nature of this office has assured a broad representation of all segments of our society: men and women, Republicans, Democrats and Independents, parents and non-parents.

Whether members are elected by 10, 50 or 90 percent of the registered electorate is hardly relevant. All those who live here and who care to participate in the democratic process can easily find out what the issues are and when to vote. A low voter participation does not prove, or even indicate, that those elected are out of touch with reality or lack common sense and feelings for the needs of the town's citizenry.

Furthermore, does a low voter turnout mean that those elected have no right to exercise their duty and make decisions that some may disagree with? Does a totally non-scientific and biased poll that was answered by about five percent of the electorate carry a higher weight than a democratically elected board which has devoted many agonizing hours to study all the options?

In the years that I have been living in Westfield I have noted

with satisfaction that this town has managed to elect very good and capable people to the Board of Education, low voter turnout notwithstanding. Candidates with negative agenda or of doubtful character have, so far, been rejected by those who chose to vote. However, I am very worried about the increasingly hysterical, hateful and illogical tone of those who disagree with some of the board's past decisions or anticipate the possibility of such decisions in the future. Their style of "public debate" reminds of times and places that I don't care to mention.

As long as the discussion of various options is kept factual and avoids personal attacks on those who have to make the decisions, I have no trouble defending my point of view. However, when unscrupulous persons cross the line between debate and calumny, or when newspaper editors use false arguments to delegitimize the authority of a legally elected board, I begin to doubt whether they are really devoted to a democratic form of government.

BENJAMIN RULF
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Reader tells politicians: explain yourselves

To The Record:

As the country is sinking into the worst economic crisis since the Depression, I realized that all of our rulers are millionaires who probably don't stand on line at check-out counters.

Bush, Bradley, Lautenberg and Rinaldo! What have they done for this country that helped lead our economy to where we are today? I ask that you invite them to a public forum to discuss why they should stay in office.

Let them explain their roles in the bills passed that caused the thrift crisis and now the real estate crisis.

Let them explain how the country has benefited from their services the last four years.

Let them explain their roles in the '86 tax bill and all the special interest riders that staff attached. How much did that cost America?

Let Bush come back to Westfield, which he visited in November of 1988, and explain how our community is better off today than four years ago.

When they visit let them discuss how much time they spend on raising money to run again and how much time they spent on our domestic problems of not enough jobs, homelessness, crime, schools,

litigation madness, and other problems that are making America a second class country.

Do I sound angry? Yes, I am, for I fear for my children's future.

We, in the Third Ward of Westfield, threw out our two councilmen who forgot that they serve the taxpayers and their dependents. I serve notice to all of our elected officials.

So, I write to you and your newspaper to demand that our elected officials explain themselves, so the voters will have the facts, not Willie Horton ads, the next time they run.

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Westfield High names students to honor rolls

These 430 students at Westfield High School have achieved listing on the first marking period honor rolls.

To be included in the distinguished honor group, a student must obtain a grade of "A" in all major academic subjects and no grade below "B" in any minor subject. For the honor group, a student must obtain grades of "A" or "B" in all subjects, major or minor.

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Lufthansa, Forbes announce European tour

For the second time since Lufthansa German Airlines inaugurated non-stop service to Newark Airport, Forbes Newspapers will co-sponsor a 10-day European trip.

"The Continental Capitals of Europe" tour, which is scheduled to leave from Newark Airport on May 4, will visit France, Holland, Belgium, and Luxembourg. Arrangements have been made to visit some of Europe's most interesting cities, including Paris, Brussels, Bruges, The Hague and Amsterdam.

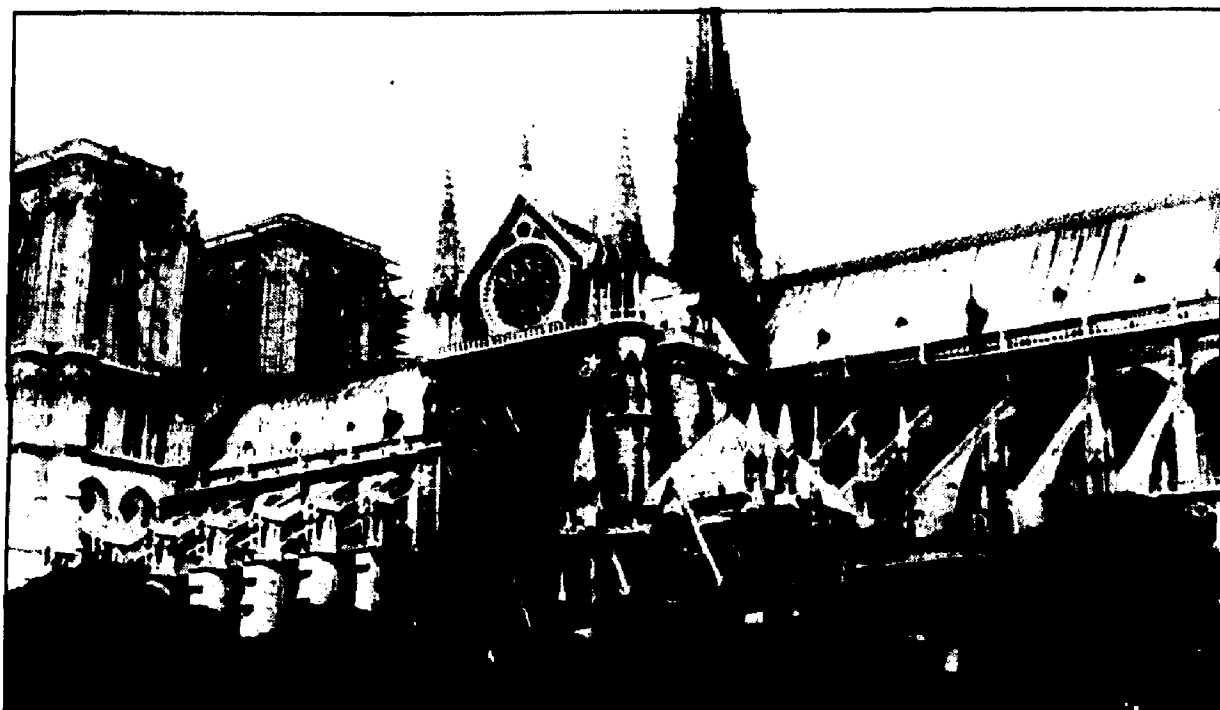
The trip follows a popular itinerary at an unrushed pace, featuring extended stays in Brussels and Paris. Tour Coordinator Steve Neuschulz said, "Many of our previous European tour participants commented that they would like a little bit more time to linger and explore on their own. Our itinerary was developed with this consideration in mind, as well as the desire to visit varied destinations."

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While traveling through Belgium the group will also visit Bruges, one of Europe's most beautifully preserved medieval masterpieces. Upon entering Holland, our readers-turned-adventurers will continue to The Hague, seat of the Dutch government and the International Court of Justice.

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For more information regarding the "Continental Capitals of Europe Tour," contact your local travel agent or call Romantic Tours at (703) 644-3179 or 1-800-523-6767.



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Soccer school coming to area

Soccer Skills and Drills, Inc., a year-round soccer tutoring school for all ages is enrolling students for its next session beginning Jan. 28. Classes are held in the Westfield-Scotch Plains area.

A free, 45 minute presentation about the school is planned for Saturday, Jan. 11 at 5 p.m. at Echo Lake Church of Christ, on the corner of East Broad Street and Springfield Avenue in Westfield. Call 889-2339.

International Club to meet Thursday

The International Club of the Westfield Y, 220 Clark St., will meet at 10 a.m. on Thursday, Jan.

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In brief

Rice Commencement

Has winter programs

The Westfield Rice Commencement winter programs begin Monday, with a few new additions added to the school site.

The commencement will offer to wide variety of programs to community residents, including: Commencement, academic, athletic, poetry, adult and children's music, drop-in basket ball, the community concert band, and the after-school program for kids. Beginning later in the month are the indoor bowling and girls' indoor field hockey programs.

Information: 769-4083.

Sid trip planned

The Westfield Rice Commencement has scheduled a sid trip to Vernon Valley/Gorge on Sunday.

The trip is open to all Westfield residents. Children under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.

Cost is \$65, which includes a \$5 ticket and transportation. Lessons and equipment rental are extra. The bus leaves the Municipal Building at 7 a.m. and returns at about 8 p.m.

Registration is on a first come, first served basis until the bus is full. Call 769-4083.

Seniors' club plans trips

The Westfield Senior Citizens will run these trips:

Tomorrow, the Radio City Music Hall Christmas show with dinner at the Colonnade restaurant.

Wednesday, Jan. 15, the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, dinner, dessert, and The Odd Couple.

Thursday, Feb. 6, the Plaza Dinner Theater for *Love Me a Tonor*.

Information: 239-4088.

Rocky Horror Picture show comes to town

The Westfield Twin Cinema will present the Rocky Horror Picture Show with missing footage of *Super Heroes* at midnight, Saturday, Jan. 11. Doors open at 11:30 p.m. Admission is \$6. Call 684-4731.

Making a point

Membership in Westfield Fencing Club continues to grow

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

For the Westfield Fencing Club, having a good time is the whole point.

Coach Tom Tomko, who has coached high school and college fencing teams for more than 25 years, said participation has been good since he began with the club last spring.

"We get a nice turnout," he said. "In the spring we had over 25. In the summer we had over 45, so I had five classes going. We've had a real good response from the community, and we're looking to expand the program with people who are interested."

Though fencing is regarded as a winter sport, Mr. Tomko said there has been an effort to expand the club through all four seasons. Class sizes are limited to 10 students, so each member can benefit from individual instruction.

"I limit it because you really need individual instruction if you're going to learn the basics," said Mr. Tomko.

While the club has in the past been strictly for children, this season an adult classes was scheduled for the first time.

There are classes for those who are just starting out and for those who can parry and thrust with the best of them. All New Jersey residents are welcome.

Mr. Tomko first became interested in the sport of fencing in

high school in 1961. In 1965, he began coaching in the Newark school system and went on to coach on the college level at Fairleigh Dickinson University in Madison.

He teaches techniques using both the epee and foil, two of three types of fencing swords (the third is the sabre). Students are also shown a variety of strategies and how to improve their speed. At this point the classes do not engage in competitions.

Students are provided with equipment, though Mr. Tomko said many of the club members do obtain their own gear. Some of the club's members have gone on to fence in tournaments, or continued with the sport in high school.

"Most of the kids — and the adults — are really motivated," he said. "They have a real willingness and desire to learn how to fence. And we try to give them that."

The Westfield Fencing Club is a project of the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts, a non-profit arts education organization. The workshop also runs the Westfield Workshop for the Arts, The Music Studio and Union County Music Theater.

Classes are held at the Redeemer Lutheran Church on Cowperthwaite Place.

The club's fall program is set to start Jan. 11. Registration is open until Jan. 9. Those interested in joining the club can receive a free brochure by calling 322-5065.



Yumi Matsuura, 15, and Hanvey Hsiung, 15, practice thrusts at a recent meeting of the Westfield Fencing Club. Coach Tom Tomko pays close attention.

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Religion

'Tough times' topic for Rev. Pretz

The Rev. Timothy Pretz of Osceola Presbyterian Church in Clark will speak Sunday on the topic "Living in Tough Times," around the theme, turning to God to face 1992. This is also Communion Sunday. Morning service begins at 10 a.m. followed by Fellowship Hour at 11 a.m., Junior Choir at 11:15 a.m.

Services for the week of Jan. 5 are as follows:

Monday, 6 p.m.: Hosting the Homeless Program.

Tuesday, 9 p.m.: church registration of Nursery School.

Wednesday, 7 a.m.: Prayer meeting; 5:30-7:30 p.m. Junior Youth Group; 7:30-9 p.m. Senior Youth Group.

Thursday, Jan. 9: Noon AA meeting; 8 p.m. Chancel Choir.

Friday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m.: Chapter II group.

Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 a.m.: Men and Women's Breakfast.

Temple announces January schedule

Temple Emanu-El, 756 E. Broad St., Westfield, announces its schedule for the beginning of January:

Today: Minyan Morning Service, 7 a.m.; Adult B'nai Mitzvah Class, 7:30 p.m.; Youth Committee, 7:30 p.m.

Tomorrow: Minyan Morning Service, 7 a.m.; Shabbat Service, 8:15 p.m.; Junior Congregation, 8:15 p.m.

Saturday: Minyan Morning Service, 10 a.m. Tiny Tot Havdallah, 5:30 p.m.

Sunday: Minyan Morning Service, 9 a.m.; Family to Family meeting, 10 a.m.

Monday: Minyan Morning Service, 7 a.m.; Sisterhood Meeting/Luncheon, 12:20 p.m.

Tuesday: Minyan Morning Service, 7 a.m.; Bible Class, 9:30 a.m.

Friendship Group, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.

Wednesday: Minyan Morning Service, 7 a.m.; B'nai Mitzvah Dance Class, 8-9 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 9: Minyan Morning Service, 7 a.m.

ing Service, 7 a.m.; Adult B'nai

Mitzvah Class, 7:30 p.m.; Member-

ship Committee meeting, 7:30 p.m.;

Nursery Enrichment Registration,

8-9 p.m.

'Three Men and Baby' sermon topic

At First United Methodist Church, 1 East Broad St., Westfield, there is church school for all ages at 9:15 a.m. each Sunday. Morning worship at 10:45 a.m. with child care. Sunday, the Rev. David Harwood, senior minister of the church, will preach on "Three Men and a Baby." Holy Communion will be served. Handbell Choir will meet at noon, and United Methodist Youth Fellowship at 6 p.m.

Other events for the week:

Monday: Wesley Hall Nursery School opens; Discovering the Bible at 1:30 p.m.; Wesley Choir at 3:30 p.m.; Fife and Drum at 7 p.m.; Finance Committee at 7:30 p.m. Staff Parish Relations Committee at 8 p.m.

Wednesday: Career Enhancement Seminar at 8 a.m.; Youth Choir at 6 p.m.; Property Management Committee at 8 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 9: United Methodist Women at 9:30 a.m.; Primary Choir at 3:30 p.m.; Oratorio Singers at 7:30 p.m. and Sanctuary Choir at 8:45 p.m.

Golden Age luncheon

Dr. William Ross Forbes of the Presbyterian Church in Westfield will preach at the 8 and 10:30 a.m. services Sunday. The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be celebrated. Music leadership at the 10:30 a.m. service will be by the Chancel Choir. Golden Age Fellowship will meet for luncheon at noon with a program to follow.



The Oratorio Singers will meet tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the Choir Room of First United Methodist Church, Westfield. They will welcome newcomers into the singing group as they prepare for the March 22 concert.

This year's program combines three magnificent choral/orchestral works by Johannes Brahms: *Shicksalslied*, *Song of Destiny*; *Nanie*, *An Elegy*; and *Ein Deutsches Requiem*, *A German Requiem*.

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"The Adventures and Misadventures of an Amateur Police Force in Suburban 19th Century America" is the sub-title for Lawrence Fuhro's talk at the next "First Wednesday" luncheon at noon Wednesday at Raymond's Restaurant, Westfield.

Mr. Fuhro, president of the Cranford Historical Society and a former vice president of the Union County Historical Society, will display artifacts and memorabilia as he unfolds his true and often amusing story, "The Cranford Thief Detecting Society." According to Mr. Fuhro, also a trustee of East Jersey Olde Towne in Piscataway, such societies were not uncommon, as even Westfield had one.

A resident of Roselle, Mr. Fuhro is a graphic artist specializing in technical illustration and a consultant on graphics and publicity to many historical organizations throughout New Jersey. Reservations: 232-1776 before Tuesday.



Westfield AARP

The next general meeting of the Westfield Area Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will be held Monday at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 414 East Broad St., Westfield, at 1 p.m. Refreshments will be served at 12:30 p.m. Members and guests are requested to enter through the red door at the rear of the building and to bring a non-perishable food item for the food cupboard. A representative of Overlook Hospital will discuss "Living Wills."

A day trip has been scheduled to the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see *The Odd Couple* Feb. 6. Friends are welcome on this luncheon after-noon trip. Plan to pay at the Jan. 6 meeting. The trip to New Orleans and the "Deep South" is March 25-April 1. Deposits should be in by Jan. 6. Friends are welcome. A trip to Myrtle Beach, S.C. from May 17-23 is also planned.

Prospective members are invited to attend the Jan. 6 meeting. Information: 232-5777.

Cabaret Nite

Westfield area members of the Linden Summer Playhouse are busy rehearsing for "Cabaret Nite" to be held Saturday. Performances are scheduled for 8:45 and 8:45 p.m. at the Reformed Church of

Linden, Wood Avenue and Henry Street.

Members of the show include David Simon, Ericka Wilhelms, Kelly Korecky, Abigail Stotter and Bob Wischusen, Deirdre Cooney, Rebecca Wilhelms and Melinda Stotter, Maria Genoni, Mia Genoni, Karen Mlynarczyk and Pam Mezeo.

Tickets are \$5 and can be purchased by calling 925-1389.

Welcome Wagon

The Welcome Wagon Club of Westfield announces its upcoming calendar of events:

Sunday, 1 p.m.: "Explorers Group" Sunday afternoon at the movies, *Beauty and the Beast*. All tickets \$3.75.

Thursday, Jan. 9, 12:45 p.m.: gourmet brunch.

Tuesday, Jan. 14, 1:45 p.m.: community service, monthly bingo games at Meridian Nursing Home.

Thursday, Jan. 16, 6:30 p.m.: monthly dinner meeting at Echo Lake Country Club.

Tuesday, Jan. 21, 9:30 a.m.: preschoolers and moms meet.

Friday, Jan. 24, 8 p.m.: couples doubles tennis.

Thursday, Jan. 30, 7:30 p.m.: craft night - Valentine project.

All area women who are interested in meeting new people and getting involved in fun activities are invited to inquire about membership by calling 232-2450.

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Artist to speak

Burton Longenbach, Westfield artist, will be speaker at the business meeting of the Wednesday Morning Club Wednesday at 10 a.m. in the Sarah Raddin Auditorium of the Cranford Public Library.

Mr. Longenbach is a former teacher and supervisor of art in the Cranford public schools. In his second career, he is described as a "painterly painter" who holds to the value of spontaneity in painting and who works proficiently in both oil and water color.

The Cranford Historical Society has on display an oil painting of the former Girl Scout House on the riverside which he presented to the Society.

Mr. Longenbach's works have garnered numerous awards and commendations in local, county and state association shows and open juried exhibitions.

Women's Club of Westfield

The regular meeting of the Social Services Department of the Women's Club of Westfield will not be held because of the holiday season. The executive board will meet Monday at 9:30 a.m. at the clubhouse, 318 So. Euclid Ave. At noon on Tuesday, the Recreation De-

partment will meet for lunch and an afternoon of bridge. The Travel Department will not meet in January.

Flavian, popular psychic, will be the entertainer at the general meeting on Monday, Jan. 13 at 1:15 p.m., at the clubhouse, 318 So. Euclid Ave. Flavian's subject is "The Magic of Mind Power: Hypnosis and ESP." His program will include experiments in precognition, telepathy and psycho-kinesis. The

Recreation Department will host the tea following the program.

The Arts and Crafts Department will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 15 at 10 a.m.

Members of the Antiques Department will meet on Friday, Jan. 17 at 1 p.m. Ellen Dupont, club member and collector of bears, will bring part of her collection to display in connection with her delightful program presentation. Tea will be served by the department's hospitality committee.

Obituary

Joseph DiMaio, 70

Westfield resident was WWII vet

Joseph S. DiMaio, 70, died Dec. 17, 1991, at the East Orange Veterans Medical Center.

He was a lifelong resident of Westfield.

Mr. DiMaio served in the Army during World War II. He was a member of the Martin Wallberg American Legion Post No. 3 of Westfield and the Disabled American Veterans Post No. 7 of Plainfield.

He also was a member of the

Seniors Social Club of Holy Trinity Church, Westfield.

Surviving are his wife Sarah Marino DiMaio; a son, James; two daughters, Theresa DiMaio and Sally DiTollo; two brothers, Frank and Albert; two sisters, Rose Esposito and Mary DelMonico; and three grandchildren.

Arrangements are by the Dooley Colonial Home, Westfield.

Mass was offered Dec. 20 in Holy Trinity Church. Interment was at Fairview Cemetery, Westfield.

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Sports

Devils wrestlers feast in home meet

7 place in holiday tourney

By KIP KUDUK
THE RECORD

As far as the wrestlers are concerned, the only drawback to being the host school at a tournament is rolling up the mats and putting them away at the end of the day.

The Blue Devils carted off the large mats in quick and efficient fashion, treating them the same way they handled some opponents.

Before each mat was folded up, though, three Westfield wrestlers came away as winners in their respective weight class. Brian Buldo (112), Paco Gonzalez (119) and Paul Jordan (160) took home first-place plaques.

The success did not stop there, however, as Westfield had a pair of second-place finishers to complement their pair of third-place participants.

George Laszky (103) and unseeded Kurt Duchek (152) were runners-up, while Paul Baly (171) and Seth Coren (heavyweight) won their consolation final matches to claim the No. 3 spot.

With seven wrestlers placing in the top three the Blue Devils finished the Westfield Invitational as the third best team. Westfield's 143 1/2 points were 13 1/2 points behind second place Roselle Park and 43 1/2 points behind three-time defending champion Howell.

"After not wrestling well last week (in the Voorhees Tournament), I'm pretty happy with our

performance," said Westfield wrestling Coach Don MacDonald. "Some guys — Buldo, Baly and (Lance) Kovac — wrestled well. I really didn't expect to do this well."

Howell High School did. Winning the tournament twice before the Rebels were the heavy favorite coming in — and it didn't disappoint. Howell placed in 10 out of the 13 weight classes, including a championship at 125 (Keith Swistock), 130 (Alex Kavoleff) and 135 (Mike Duffy).

Howell had three second-place finishes and four third-place showings. For this, the Rebels don't mind the one hour drive up the Garden State Parkway.

"It's a very well run tournament," said Howell Coach Doug Bower. "We can take both the JV and varsity here and put them up against good competition like Westfield, Roselle Park and Piscataway. It's good to see different types of competition."

"It's something to get ready for the season," said MacDonald. "All the kids get some mat time in. Everyone gets a turn to go and you don't have to travel."

Westfield's Paul Jordan got some quality time in. But, unfortunately for his opponents, he wrestled as if he were in a hurry. Competing at 160 pounds, Jordan made quick work of his first two opponents, pinning first round foe Paul Mooney of Roselle Park in just 26 seconds and pinning Howell's Mark Gurzo in 1:48. Jordan walloped Pis-



Brian Buldo won perhaps the most exciting match of the tournament, beating Morristown's Marcus Getkin, 13-12 to win the 112-pound title. Buldo won both his earlier matches with pins.

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cataway's Ira Guyer in the final, 16-0. Because of his dominance at 160, Jordan was selected as the tournament's Most Outstanding Wrestler.

"I felt pretty good out there. I

was able to score real easy from the top position. That was the key," said Jordan. "Even though it's a pre-season tournament it's a positive achievement."

Jordan's title didn't come as a

shock, but the wrestling of Kurt Duchek surely surprised more than a few bystanders. The senior entered the 152 pound weight class unseeded, but pinned first round (Please turn to page A-10)

Comandini paces boys' first win

The Blue Devils picked up their first win of the season on Sunday night by beating Franklin (2-3), 55-48, in the consolation game of the Perth Amboy Tournament.

Junior Mike Comandini paced Westfield once again. The guard scored 20 points for the fourth straight game. Matt Comandini, Mike's brother, was inserted into the starting lineup by coach Stewart Carey, and he responded by scoring 11 points and collecting 11 rebounds.

Senior Gary DeChellis was also given more playing time in order to give the Blue Devils more size under the basket. Although the big center scored only three points, he bottled up the middle and got some key rebounds.

Westfield (1-3) led 20-11 after one quarter of play, but the Blue Devils self-destructed in the second stanza, turning the ball over without taking a shot on eight straight possessions. The Blue Devils managed only two layups and found themselves behind at halftime, 26-24.

"In the third quarter we settled down and played our best half of basketball of the year," said Carey. "After halftime Matt Connell suggested we pressure them because he said he noticed they didn't have good ball handlers. So, I thought about it and we pressed them in the backcourt and once they passed the halfcourt line, we settled into a 2-1-2 zone."

We only forced three turnovers in that quarter, but the press helped because the Franklin players found themselves in positions they don't normally find themselves in to shoot."

Connell's recommendation worked well, as Westfield outscored the Warriors 17-11 in the third quarter and 14-11 in the final quarter.



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Westfield Katie McEvily drives to the basket against Bloomfield during the Bloomfield Tournament. The Lady Blue Devils dropped both contests, but McEvily starred, scoring 11 against Bloomfield and 13 against Columbia.

Westfield enjoyed more balanced scoring in the win, as Greg Prunty netted 10 points, and Connell added 11.

In the tournament opener the Blue Devils found Perth Amboy to be unkind hosts. The Panthers (4-0) used their quickness to sabotage Westfield's offense in winning the game, 88-68.

The Blue Devils turned the ball over 30 times and fell behind early, as Perth Amboy hit five three-

pointers in the first quarter to bolt to a 29-16 lead. Westfield's woes continued in the second quarter and the locals trailed 48-29 at intermission.

"They took us out of our tempo by hitting those three-pointers in the first quarter," said Carey. "We didn't do bad offensively, but we couldn't stop them. Any shot they missed they got the rebound and put it back in. And you're not (Please turn to page A-10)

Westfield track set for County relays

By KIP KUDUK
THE RECORD

Coach John Martin is hoping his depth and experience will be enough to overcome illness and stiff competition in this weekend's Union County Relays, held at Elizabeth High School's Dunn Arena.

Both the boys and girls teams were devastated by the flu in last week's East Brunswick Relays, so much so that one-third of Westfield's runners were unable to compete.

Nevertheless, the girls won an event (distance medley) and placed third in another (4x800 relay). The boys finished second in the 4x400 relay and missed out on a good finish in the 4x200 relay because a runner went outside his lane and was disqualified.

But, the East Brunswick Relays were basically a tune up for the upcoming Union County Relays. The boys and girls will compete on separate days. The girls meet will begin Saturday at 10 a.m. and the boys meet will get under way Monday at 6:45 p.m.

The girls team has both youth and experience on its side, as seven of the 10 prominent performers are juniors. Only Kelly Cooke, a distance runner, is a senior.

The 4x800 meter relay team should be comprised of juniors Anne Engell, Katie Robinson, Kelly Gandy and either Emily Gleason or Cooke. The 4x400 team should involve four of these five runners.

Freshmen Tiffany Hester and Ahisha Winkler, along with junior Elizabeth Ryu comprise 75 percent of the 4x200 relay. The trio should be the main sprinters for Westfield this season. Distance specialist Heather Pusich, another junior, should see a great deal of action in the longer races throughout the season and on Saturday. Junior Noelle Nolas figures to be a main cog in the girls team this winter, however she will be unable to com-

pete in the county relays.

"We have 17 girls on the team and it's one of the deepest teams we've had," said Martin. "A lot of girls have a year of experience under their belt and they've done fairly well so far this year."

Last year we won two relays in the county's (two mile and sprint medley) and we bring back all but one runner (Jenee Anzelone). I like to have a lot of young kids back because it keeps you young and you have something to look forward to for next year."

In last year's county relays Martin was forced to use certain girls in three different events, something which precluded those girls and the team from doing better. With more depth Martin doesn't have to put girls in three races, so everyone should benefit as a result.

"Depth is our No. 1 strength. We have quite a few kids who ran last year and we don't have to look to piece people in events," said Martin. "I'd like to win the two mile and the distance medley and place in the sprint medley, the 4x100 or the 4x200. We should be strong in all events because we have enough girls for all the events."

As far as the boys team is concerned, Martin expects Westfield to improve upon last year's fourth place finish in the county relays. Ans, as is the case with the girls team, the boys have a solid crop of juniors to help them along this season.

But, with the Union County Relays representing a big early season test, the future is now.

"I'd like to finish at least in second," said Martin when asked about the boys chances on Monday. "For us to win, we'll have to do extremely well and hope Elizabeth will slip up somewhere along the line."

The difference between Westfield and Elizabeth will be widened when it comes to the shotput competition. Last year the Blue Devils (Please turn to page A-10)

Just let the good times bowl

By KIP KUDUK
THE RECORD

After finishing sixth in the state tournament last year it looked as if this could be a banner year for Westfield bowling, since every member of last year's team was to return this season.

But coach Mike Tirone's luck was about as good as rolling a gutter ball because the Blue Devils lost three people they were counting on.

Dave Ricker and Hillary Cooper transferred to different schools and a third bowler was declared academically ineligible.

"Ricker was our anchor last year. He's a very good bowler," said Tirone. "His will be a significant loss, as is the loss of the other two. However, we have some new people who show some promise."

As it stands now, the starting five is a good combination of experience and youth. Junior Mike Pass, a consistent contributor from last year's squad, will start the winter in the leadoff slot for Westfield.

Greg Rhodes, a sophomore who started last season, will occupy the No. 2 spot. Either Matt or Dan Broughton, both sophomores, will bowl at No. 3, although Tirone says both will probably be bowling by the end of the year.

The final two positions are taken by a couple of senior co-captains, Bob Sleesman and Jeff Hemer.

"Every guy is an experienced bowler," said Tirone. "Both seniors have been bowling here for four years. Each position is a strength position, even though we lost our anchor bowler. We'll be good, but it'll be hard to repeat last year."

Last year Tirone saw his Blue Devils finish a disappointing third in the Union County Tournament. But, three days later Westfield won the North Jersey Section 2 state championship, which allowed it to qualify for the state tournament.

If Westfield can continue to bowl like it did in the Summit Invitational two weeks ago, the Blue Devils might have a chance to put some more trophies on the mantle.

Westfield placed sixth in a 25 team field in the pre-season event. The Blue Devils tallied 5405 pins in their six games bowled — an average of a fraction over 900 pins a game. They won both matches against West Milford handily and tied with Linden, last year's conference and county champ, for the sixth spot.

"If we can average anywhere around 900 during the year, we'll be able to win most of our matches," said Tirone. "However, that'll be difficult to do because Clark Lanes is hard to score on because they put a lot of oil on their lanes, which makes it tough to control the ball."

John Shirley, a freshman, was particularly impressive in the Summit Invitational. Shirley showed some of the promise Tirone talked about when he threw a 195 and a 180.

"We'll probably have to be concentrating every time we throw the ball. Sometimes it's difficult to sustain consistent momentum," said Tirone. "We need to stay patient and make some spares. A lot of bowlers get mad when they don't get a strike on the first ball. So, they don't concentrate as much on the second ball."

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Track

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finished just five and a half points out of first due to a first place finish in the shotput. But now Westfield will be giving away points because it has no one to enter in the event. Two of Westfield's shotputters graduated and another pair declined to come out for the team this winter.

In any event, the Blue Devils will most likely do more than hold their own in other events. Junior Jamal Hester is the most important member of the team due to his versatility. Hester, a junior, excels in the high jump, where he cleared six feet last spring. He will also participate in the 4x200 and 4x400 meter relays.

Rischoon Williams, Ken Silverman and Rodney Hayes, all juniors, will probably team with Hester in the 200 and 400 relays. Cross country members Matt Gorbaty (junior), Andy Ruggerio (sophomore) and Dan Barcan (senior) will run the distance events, while Mike Chung should prove to be Westfield's top half-miler.

Senior Kevin Toth will spearhead a group of hurdlers which will be followed up by juniors John Ho, Jeremy Romine and Chris Blanding. Seniors Josh Albertson, Rich Andreski and Roy Bodayla, and sophomore Jim Nicholl should fill up most of the vacancies in the middle distance (800-and 1600-meter relays) events.

"We have some good experience and we have some potential," said Martin.

Roundup

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going to beat anybody with 30 turnovers."

In a losing effort, three Blue Devils scored in double figures. Mike Comandini had 20 points, Prunty netted 14 and Mark Koslowsky scored 10.

Girls topped in Bloomfield tourney

The girls basketball team experienced trouble getting out of the gate in each of its past two games, both of which were losses in the Bloomfield Tournament.

In Monday night's 51-43 setback to Columbia-Maplewood, the Blue Devils were outscored 19-7 in the first quarter. Even though Westfield (1-3) would up outscoring the Cougars 36-32 the rest of the way, three quarters of basketball wasn't enough to make up for one bad quarter.

"Our girls aren't ready to play basketball when they get out on the floor. That's what we need to improve on the most," said coach Linda King. "It's not until we're getting our butts kicked that we come back and play. That's the only thing that kills us. In the second half we play well, but we just can't seem to get it back."

Against Columbia, Katy McEvily and Erin Allebaugh both scored 13 points to lead Westfield. Junior forward Amy Gallagher chipped in with eight points.

In the tournament opener Saturday night Westfield was in a slumber for the entire first half before it got its wake up call. But after the Blue Devils went into the locker room at halftime down 30-7 to host Bloomfield, there was nothing Westfield could do to get back in the game.

Allebaugh scored 13 and McEvily had 11 in the 60-34 loss to the Bengals.

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Team Scores:
1. Howell (H) 187, 2. Roselle Park (RP) 187, 3. Westfield (W) 143.5, 4. Dover (D) 118, 5. Piccataway (P) 111.5, 6. Morristown (M) 110, 7. Roselle Catholic (RC) 67, 8. Princeton (Pr) 67.

Championships

103 — Ian Reddy (Pr) pinned George Laszky (W), 5:7.
112 — Brian Buldo (W) d. Marcus Getkin (M), 13:12.
119 — Paco Gonzalez (W) d. Alfie Tamal (H), 7:4.
125 — Keith Swistock (M) d. Kevin Kuernick (Pr), 11:3.
130 — Alex Kavoleff (H) d. Brian Manahan (M), 7:2.
135 — Mike Duffy (H) d. Mike Tavaska (M), 7:5.
140 — Pat McCafferty (RP) p. Alex Weinberg (Pr), 1:54.
145 — Justin Gabrys (D) p. Keith Appello (RP), 8:32 (OT).
152 — Anthony Barra (RP) d. Kurt Duchek (W), 7:2.
160 — Paul Jordan (W) d. Ira Guyer (Pr), 18:0.
171 — Tony Kasapides (Pr) d. Chris Murphy

(Pr), 11:4.
188 — Bruce Ryans (D) d. Zack Voeltz (M), 11:4.
HWT — Cliff Norman (D) p. Steve Gray (H), 3:56.

Consolation Finals
103 — Jeff Checchio (W) p. Doug Kane (D), 3:38.
112 — Jerry Holzman (D) d. Mike DeMaio (RP), 10:0.
118 — Mike King (RP) p. Chaz Lehman (Pr), 2:37.
125 — Benny Arazon (D) d. Ron Minko (M), 6:6 (OT).
130 — Bob Zaglarski (RP) p. Joe Ferrara (RC), 2:50.
135 — Greg Fedorowicz (RC) p. Laed Fois (Pr), 2:08.
140 — Jason Brandi (H) d. Giovanni Duran (M), 7:8.
145 — Steve Wojcio (H) d. Ryan Linder (Pr), 3:0.
152 — Mike Chennels (H) d. D.J. Gurnow (Pr), 1:0.
160 — Mark Gurzo (H) d. Adam Basaltamer (Pr), 7:4.
171 — Paul Baly (W) p. Ryan Vandercrooy (Pr), 1:45.
188 — John Tilton (RC) d. Rob Downey (Pr), 13:11.
HWT — Rick Villani (RP) d. Seth Coren (W),

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Semifinals
103 — Reddy (Pr) d. Checchio (W), 11:4; Laszky (W) d. Kane (D), 6:6.
112 — Holzman (D) p. Getkin (M), 6:30; Buldo (W) p. DeMaio (RP), 1:48.
119 — Gonzalez (W) p. Lehman (Pr), :44; Tamal (H) p. King (RP), 1:15.
125 — Swistock (H) d. Arazon (D), 10:5; Kuernick (Pr) p. Minko (M), 5:57.
130 — Manahan (M) p. Ferrara (RC), 2:43; Kavoleff (H) p. Zaglarski (RP), 4:45.
135 — Duffy (H) d. Fois (Pr), 12:2; Tavaska (M) d. Fedorowicz (RC), 13:9.
140 — McCafferty (RP) p. Duran (RC), 1:32; Weinberg (Pr) d. Brandi (H), 9:8.
145 — Appello (RP) d. Linder (Pr), 18:3; Gabrys (D) d. Wojcio (H), 11:10.
152 — Barra (RP) d. Gurnow (M), 3:1; Duchek (W) p. Chennels (H), 2:59.
160 — Jordan (W) p. Guyer (Pr), 1:48; Guyer (Pr) d. Basaltamer (Pr), 15:10.
171 — Kasapides (Pr) d. Baly (W), 11:2; Murphy (Pr) p. Vandercrooy (RP), 1:24.
188 — Voeltz (H) p. Downey (Pr), :07; Ryans (D) p. Tilton (RC), 1:31.
HWT — Norman (D) p. Villani (RP), :30; Gray (H) d. Coren (W), 12:8.

YOUTH WRESTLING

Last weekend 500 area wrestlers ages 8 to 14 competed in this annual event held at Middlesex High School. Westfield had 15 grapplers compete and was one of 30 towns represented.

Four Westfield wrestlers placed in the top four of their weight class and age group. Corey Posey, the No. 1 seed in the intermediate division (13- and 14-year-olds) of the 140 pound weight class, lived up to his billing by taking home first place. Posey got a bye in the quarter final round, then pinned Ryan Fleishman of Basking Ridge at 1:29. He earned the championship with a pin of Nutley's Nick Confurco at 2:25 in the finals.

Michael Baly placed second in the junior (age 11 and 12) division of the 115 pound class. Nolan Sullivan was runner-up in the intermediate 85 pound class and Kyle Sullivan finished fourth in the 60 pound bantam division (8 years-old and under).

BASKETBALL

One boy and two girls were named local champions of the 1992 Knights of Columbus International Free Throw Championship and will now move on to the district level of competition. The event took place on Dec. 27 at

the Lincoln School Gymnasium. The winners were: Matthew Grady (11 years-old), Kathryn Hinz (11) and Meghan Cusimano (13).

Wrestling

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favorite Alex Thorn of Roselle Catholic in 4:38. Duchek later pinned eventual third-place finisher Mike Chennels of Howell in 2:55 before being dethroned by Anthony Barra of Roselle Park, 7-2.

Brian Buldo won perhaps the most exciting match of the day by a 13-12 decision over Morristown's Marcus Getkin in the 112 pound final. Buldo pinned his first two opponents. Paco Gonzalez was equally impressive, pinning his semifinal opponent in 44 seconds and beating finalist Alfie Tamal of Howell, 7-4.

MOVIE TIMES

JANUARY 3-9

CAPSULE REVIEWS OF CURRENT FILMS IN WEEKEND PLUS

WeekendPlus

MIDDLESEX

AMBOY MULTIPLEX

Routes 9 & 35, Sayreville (908) 721-3400

*Cape Fear (R) Friday through Thursday: 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:50 p.m. Late show Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at 12:30 a.m.

*An American Tail: Fievel Goes West (G) Friday through Thursday: 12:00 p.m., 5 p.m.

*Star Trek VI: The Undiscovered Country (PG) Friday through Thursday: 12:05 p.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:05 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 5:25 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 10:15 p.m. Late shows Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at 12:30 a.m.

*For the Boys (R) Friday through Thursday: 1:45 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m.

*3000 Miles (R) Friday through Thursday: 12:45 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:55 p.m. Late shows Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday: 12:35 a.m.

*Father of the Bride (PG) Friday through Thursday: 12:20 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:50 p.m. Late shows Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at 12:10 a.m.

*The Last Boy Scout (R) Friday through Thursday: 12:05 p.m., 12:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3:05 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 5:25 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 9:30 p.m., 10:15 p.m. Late shows Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at 12:30 a.m.

*Hook (PG) Friday through Thursday: 12:45 p.m., 1:15 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 8 p.m., 9:55 p.m. Late show Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at 12:30 a.m.

*My Girl (PG) Friday through Thursday: Noon, 2:25 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 9:20 p.m. Late show Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday 11:40 p.m.

*JFK (R) Friday through Thursday: noon, 3:35 p.m., 7:15 p.m. Late Shows except Tuesday at 10:45 p.m. *The Addams Family (PG-13) Friday through Thursday: Noon, 12:25 p.m., 4:40 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 9:20 p.m. Late shows Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at 11:40 p.m.

*Beauty and the Beast (G) Friday through Thursday: Noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., 10 p.m. Late show Friday, Saturday, Wednesday and Thursday at 11:50 p.m.

*CINEPLEX ODEON MENLO PARK

Main Level
Menlo Park Mall, Edison (908) 321-1412

*Opens Friday, Dec. 13. Call theater for showtimes.

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Real Estate Guide



This house at 12 Yale Terrace in Cranford is situated on a large, secluded lot.

This spacious split level is in 'mint condition'

CRANFORD — Located at 12 Yale Terrace in Cranford is a spacious split level home in mint condition with new wall-to-wall carpeting, furnace, and aluminum siding on a large secluded lot in a prime location within walking distance to grammar and high schools and public transportation.

Paige, Paige and Richards of Cranford is marketing the home, which is offered at \$289,900. It was built in 1956 and features a finished 19-by-23-foot finished basement with a wet bar, a family room and hardwood floors. The ground level consists of a family room (16-by-21), a laundry room, powder room, and two-car garage.

The first level has an entrance porch, entry foyer (6-by-13), living

room (15-by-20), formal dining room (11-by-14), and eat-in kitchen (10-by-14).

The second level has the master bedroom (13-by-16), a second bed-

HOUSE TOURS

room (13-by-13) and a third bedroom (10-by-11) along with two full baths.

The third level consists of another bedroom, (15-by-18), two walk-in closets with storage area, and attic storage.

The home is situated on a 13,000 square-foot lot and has a 25-by-25-foot patio with serpentine brick

flower wall. Climate control is supplied by gas fuel with baseboard heating. Two window unit air conditioners, one in the family room and one on the first level are complemented by an attic fan and a paddle fan in the master bedroom.

Described as "spacious", the house is located in the "College Estates" development near Union College and is within walking distance to Brookside Grammar School, Cranford High School, and Nomahaga Park (where Cranford's annual River Carnival is held in warmer weather and ice skaters frequent in the winter).

Cranford was first settled in the early 1700's by descendants of the Elizabeth Towne Association. It became known as Cranes Mills, a part of the township of Westfield, and then took the name of Craneville in 1849. Finally, in 1871, it became chartered as an autonomous town known as Cranford.

The town's official tree, a pepperidge, still grows on Lincoln Avenue. At over 200 years old, it is one of the largest pepperidge trees in the northeast U.S. Throughout Cranford there are many older Victorian and Tudor homes.

The downtown is known for its "diversity, with lots of pizza parlors, variety stores, gift shops and a movie theater.

TIPSHEET

Address: 12 Yale Terrace, Cranford
Asking price: \$289,900

Bedrooms: 4

Baths: 2.5

Remarks: new wall-to-wall carpeting, furnace and aluminum siding

Heating/cooling: gas/hot water baseboard heating

Lot area: 75-by-114-by-157-by-138

Taxes: \$1,677 (1991)

Schools: Cranford Public Schools

Age: 35

Open houses: Call Joe Rocky, Paige, Paige and Richards of Cranford, 278-1900

Property sales

CRANFORD

Estate of Lizzie Bower to Harlee B. Haloff et al., 121 Garden St., \$85,000
English Village Associates to Marymargaret McDonough, 217 Prospect Ave., \$95,000

FANWOOD

Marcie Gilmourinas to Bruce & Gayle N. Steinfeld, 18 Timber Line Drive, \$165,000

GARWOOD

Mary M. Black to Robert R. Black, 284 Beech Ave., \$165,000
Richard DiPaolo to Mary T. Hopkins, 248 Hazel Ave., \$52,650

SCOTCH PLAINS

Lawrence A. Miller to Gustavo J. Pares & Gina Archi, 378 Acacia Road, Scotch Plains, \$100,000
Gregory Miller to Annicar R. & Maureen A. Monroy, 1927 W. Broad St., Westfield, \$188,000
Michael & Kathleen Steinfeld to Richard A. Barker et al., 518 Cecilia Place, Scotch Plains, \$129,000
Joseph & Alberta Daddio to Anthony & Victoria Robak, 2240 Coles Ave., Scotch Plains, \$192,000

WESTFIELD

Anthony J. & Linda Nuzzo to Samuel M. & Janet L. Sato, 758 Austin St., \$227,500
Lynn & Edward Margolis to Kurt A. & Beth A. Ebler, 245 Avon Road, \$233,000
New Jersey Transit Corp. to Ray W. & Margaret Knipple, 317 Central Ave., \$4,655,648
Kurt R. & Beth A. Ebler to Richard & Susan E. Scheurer, 1133 Central Ave., \$146,000

BOUND BROOK

First Fidelity Bank to Olympic Tool Co., 15 John St., \$50,000
Central Bible Church to Edward J. Dougherty, 128 Vosseller Ave., \$185,000
Beverly Arrowsmith to Thomas G. Prozzoli, 545 W. Second St., \$126,000

BRANCHBURG

Allan M. Dregghom & L.R. Bakos to Frank Pralino & D. Tashjian, 128 Readington Road, Somerville, \$222,500

BRIDGEWATER

Hugh J. Kiley Jr. to Pirooska Faras, 95 Bonney Court, \$160,000
George C. Daum et al. to Inez Thompson, 703 Brooklaw Court, \$125,500
Arthur L. Reuben et al. to William F. Stanley et al., 62 Claire Drive, \$200,000
Morel & Segal Inc. to Michael J. Kelaheer, 336 Greenfield Road, \$179,900
Rosemarie Maltose Layclus to Douglas G. Paul et al., 308 Hunter Road, Basking Ridge, \$182,500
Maryellen Castimore to John G. Pacelli et al., 55 Leghorn Ave., \$153,000
Norman Plauth et al. to Suhail Alsheikh et al., 4 Lockwood Drive, \$875,000
Stonington Assoc. to Paul Thomas et al., 7 McKay Drive, \$480,000

Eugene J. Guglielmo et al. to Victoria Jansson, 1204 M. Routes 202-208, \$130,000

Kevin M. Klingert et al. to Douglas J. Campbell et al., 2304 Winder Drive, \$145,000

FAR HILLS

Walter H. Harvey et al. to Kenneth & Michael Bourke, 15 Schley Road, \$145,700

FRANKLIN

Carolynne Rago to Edward Youngling et al., 2045 Amwell Road, Somerset, \$215,000
Topcroft Inc. Bankrupt Est. to Richard L. Hoffman et al., 2 Boyard Court, Franklin, \$105,900
Gary R. Upton to Joan K. Upton Waldman, 2 Kingsbridge Road, Franklin, \$25,000
European American Bank to Bernard T. Schrum et al., 51-B Western Road, Franklin, \$155,000
Joseph Grieco et al. to Harriet E. Fenster, 24 Lyon Lane, Franklin Park, \$96,000

GREEN BROOK

David J. Calder to Brian A. Norris et al., 4 Andrew St., \$173,500
GDA Builders Inc. to Sam Hanania et al., 4 Wickett Ave., \$65,070

HILLSBOROUGH

Glen Meadows Inc. to Terry L. Mackie et al., 28-44 Bloomingdale Drive, Hillsborough, \$120,990
Dolores B. Devaney to Lance A. Lamazza et al., 230 Brookside Lane, Somerville, \$111,000
Steven B. Pelucane et al. to Steven B. Fleischer et al., 414 Brookside Lane, Somerville, \$117,000
Richard A. Johnson et al. to Ira Greenberg et al., 533 Brookside Lane, Somerville, \$113,000
Chungli Tsai et al. to Fang Su-hwa Tsai, 61 Crickhollow Court, Belle Mead, \$73,000
Charles T. Slickley to Filipina A. Cook, 21 Independence Road, Somerville, \$146,000
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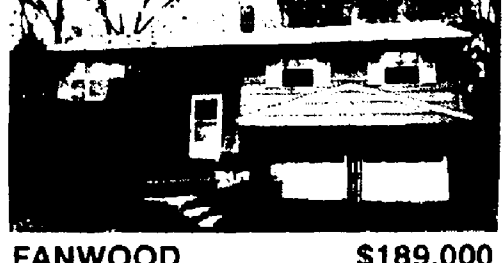
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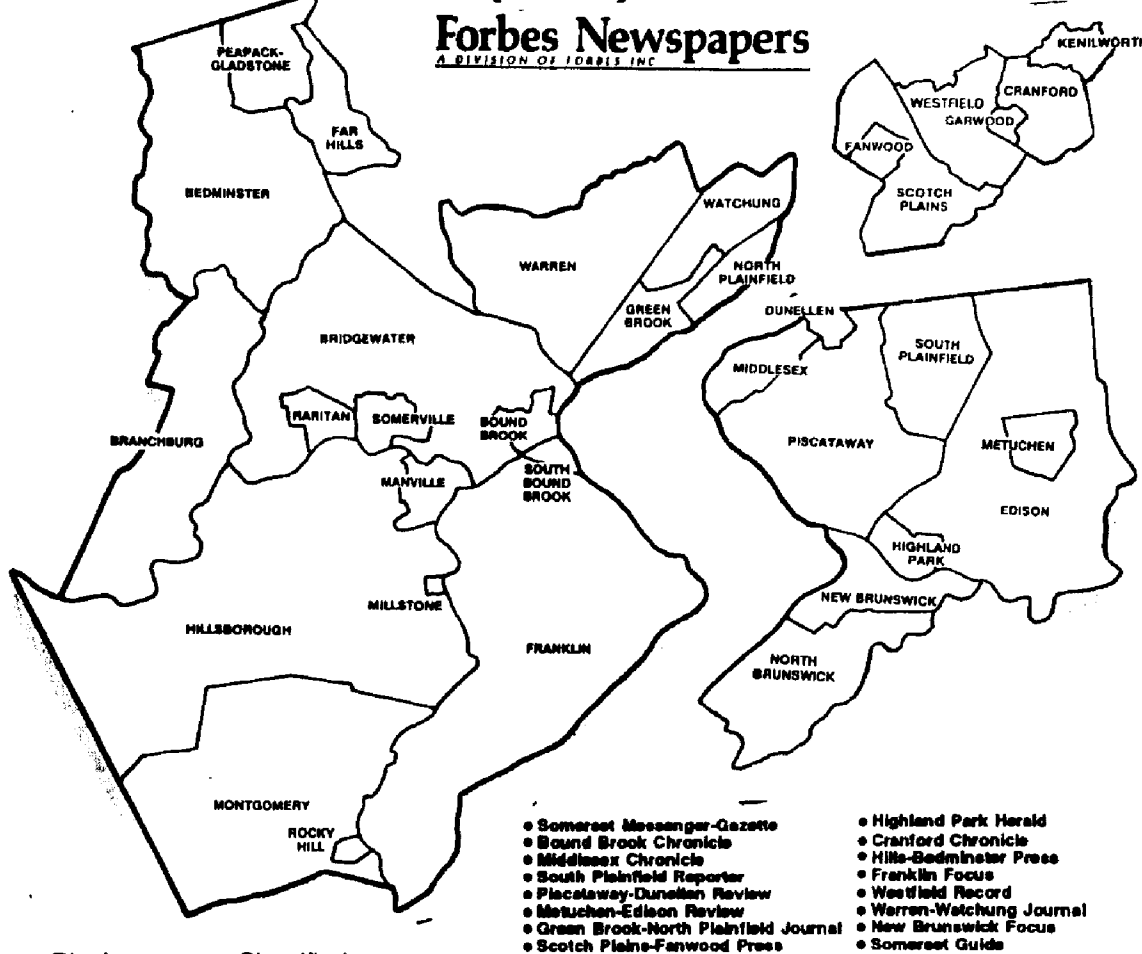
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1000 PERSONAL

1030 Lost & Found

FOUND— cat in Cranford, orange long-haired, 908-272-3593

FOUND— in Chester, neutered male dog w/collar, black w/white on chest medium coat. Looking for owner or good home. Call 908-781-6431

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1040 PERSONALS

FORE CLOSURE?

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1040 Personals

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN— (Never known to fail). Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine, splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the son of God, immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and how me, herein you are my mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me here in you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee. (3x). Holy Mother, I place the cause in your hands (3x). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me, I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. H.M.

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2110 Furniture

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3020 Cats

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3030 Dogs

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SECRETARY/BOOKKEEPER— For office services business. WP & bookkeeping required. Pleasant office & working condition. Pls call 908-234-0400

SECRETARY/RECEPTIONIST— good phone, typing & shorthand skills a must. Full time with benefits. Branchburg. 908-685-7600.

Social Services DIRECT CARE— to train developmentally disabled adults in group home with daily living skills. All shifts. Full time/ part time, weekends & subs. Please call 908-236-2911 or 908-356-8725

SR. STAFF ACCOUNTANT— Small int'l Cranford co. seeks exp'd, degreed Sr. Account with excel communication & analytical skills; a self-starter who has prepared month end closings & financial statements, worked with automated accounting systems & accruals. Working knowledge of subsidiary accounting & intercompany is a +. Pls submit resume to: L.C. Setzer, DLCS, 11 Commerce Dr., Cranford, NJ 07041 include salary requirements.

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STAY HOME, earn over \$100 a day. Easy work. Excellent pay. Amazing recorded message FREE details. 908-324-7651, Ext. 101.

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WAREHOUSE PERSON NEEDED— for medium size manufacturing concern. We provide good working conditions, benefits, & a convenient location near Somerville. You should provide warehouse exper., a good attitude, & a willingness to participate in a team effort. Reply by mail outlining work history, & employee references to: Box 20, c/o Forbes Newspapers, PO Box 699, Somerville, NJ 08876

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Qualified applicant should have 3-5 years current nursing experience, with a year of supervising in Home Care, and proven ability in sales.

We offer a competitive salary & benefit package, including bonuses, plus local and national training and support.

Send resume or letter, including salary requirements, to:

MEDICAL PERSONNEL POOL 28 So. Mt. St. Edison, NJ 08837

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PART TIME SECRETARY— Needed to manage well equipped office for a professional association. Flex. hrs. & work schedule. 20-25 hrs. per wk. Typing, computer (Apple II E), and general office skills nec. Exper. preferred. Competitive salary & other benefits. For appt. call (908)322-4342 or send letter of inquiry to: Scotch Plains Fanwood Education Assoc., Room 7, Park Middle School, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT— Person to work from their own home every other weekend and Thursday night. Must be self motivated and comfortable with heavy phone work. Medical background helpful but not necessary.

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5050 Part-Time Employment

AVON SALES— All areas. For information call 1-800-682-2292.

CASHIERS & STOCK GUY— No experience needed. Apply at Walgreens, 300 South Avenue, Garwood or Call (908) 789-1990-Ask for Mr. Blowe.

CLERK TYPIST— for small non-profit organization. 4 days/week 16 hrs. Skills required: 40-50 wpm, typewriting & filing skills. 1-2 yrs. experience. Salary depending upon experience. Please forward resume & salary history as soon as possible to: NJ Speech-Language Hearing Association, 120 Finnerdey Ave., Bridgewater, NJ 08807 or call 725-0660 or 722-6866

5050 Part-Time Employment

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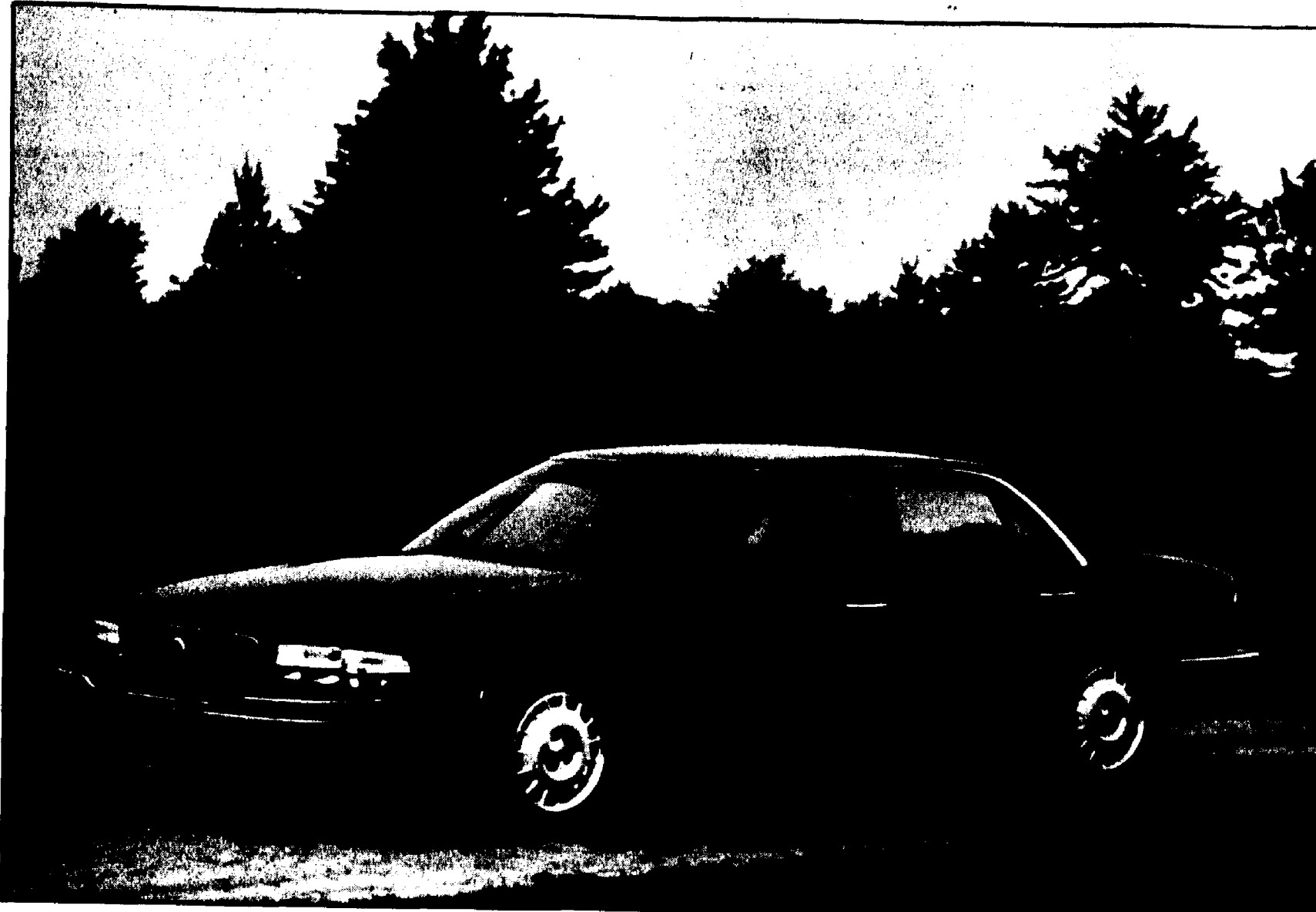
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Automotive Guide

Buick's soundly engineered LeSabre for '92



The new Buick LeSabre is well-styled, soundly engineered and fitted with some of the latest developments in comfort and convenience.

TEST DRIVE: 1992 BUICK LESABRE LIMITED

Specifications
Base price - \$24,775
Price as tested - \$25,397
Engine type - V-6, six-cylinder, 240 hp
Engine size - 2.6 liters
Transmission - 4-speed automatic
Drive type - front-wheel drive
Fuel economy (city/hwy) - 21/28 mpg
Turning circle - 11.1 ft
Turning radius - 11.1 ft
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Performance - 0-60
Time - 11.1 sec
Top speed - 170 mph
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Turning circle - 11.1 ft
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By **BILL RUSS**
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

The 1992 LeSabre is the newest model out of Buick's garage. It takes up in styling, performance and quality where the larger and more luxurious 1991 Park Avenue left off and is a major portion of Buick's attempt to replicate its past glories through the use of the latest in design, engineering and production techniques. The LeSabre (Buick's full-size family sedan and largest selling nameplate), has been redesigned for 1992, and is assembled in the Buick City (MI) plant.

This plant was recently redesigned and reorganized to insure that Buick maintains its reputation for quality. For the past two years the LeSabre has been America's number one domestically produced automobile in quality, according to J.D. Powers pollsters, and Buick claims that the 1992 model continues in this direction.

This newest LeSabre continues a tradition that goes back about 30 years. The tradition is one of being a luxurious, full-size, six-passenger sedan with performance and power. I evaluated the LeSabre Limited Sedan with the Grand Touring Package in my home test area as well as in several other locations and came away from the drive with these conclusions:

APPEARANCE: From its low and wide vertical bar grille to its slightly sloped rear deck and low lift-over trunk, the 1992 LeSabre features the new well-rounded look of the '90's. It is slightly larger in all dimensions than its predecessor and is somewhat sleeker, with a coefficient of drag of .32. Being a traditional 4-door family sedan, it eschews the "black-out" look and features bright trim highlights around the front and side windows, the wheel wells, the bumpers and side rub strips. All glass is almost flush.

COMFORT: The Limited has the top trim level in the LeSabre line, and when fitted with Prestige Option Package and leather trim it is replete with most of Buick's comfort and convenience items; power everything in the way of windows,

mirrors, locks and front seat controls. The upgrade sound system has excellent sensitivity and sound, and the climate system has separate controls for the driver and front passenger. With the split bench front seat, it can seat six, but it is configured for four. The recessed instrument panel has easy to read analog gauges.

ROADABILITY: When the optional Grand Touring Package is installed in the Limited LeSabre, the car really becomes a Touring Sedan. In addition to stiffer springs and shock valving, larger 16-inch alloy wheels and Goodyear Eagle GA P215/60R16 tires are used for a slightly firmer and more adhesive ride. Anti-lock brakes are standard, but the system continues to utilize drum brakes in the rear. Wind, road and engine noises are well-insulated from the passenger compartment. All things considered, this LeSabre rides very well regardless of the road surface or weather condition.

PERFORMANCE: For the latest G.M. 3800, the V-6 has been slightly modified to increase the horsepower without affecting fuel economy. Also on the positive side is the latest Hydra-matic four speed with electronic controls which are tied in with the engine management system to develop shifting patterns based on the owner's driving habits. Power and performance are more than adequate for most driving.

SUGGESTIONS: Increase glass area on each side view mirror.

ECONOMY: EPA averages are 18 city/28 highway. In town driving I averaged 19.1 mpg, and while touring I managed 25.7 mpg.

CONCLUSION: The new LeSabre is well styled, soundly engineered and fitted with some of the latest developments in comfort and convenience. It is a model that concisely reflects Buick's endeavor to reestablish its motto of the '30's which proudly stated that "When better cars are built, Buick will build them."

PRICE AS TESTED: \$25,397 with almost all the bells and whistles.

BASE PRICE: \$20,775 with the well-equipped base Limited package.

Automotive Q&A

By **BOB HAGIN**
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

Q: My car is a 1988 Nissan Sentra XE and it has a problem in that there is a liquid that seems to evaporate. The radiator is fine but to the left of the radiator are two containers. The little one is for windshield wiper fluid — and the other is the one that I keep putting a mixture of half Prestone and half water into. I do it at least every three to five days. I have had the radiator pressure tested, a new radiator cap installed, the radiator removed and flushed and I replaced the oil pressure sending unit. The spark plugs and wires are OK. I check the ground under the car every morning as I park in the garage every night. The temperature gauge needle goes to just under the H mark for Hot. Am I worrying for nothing or what?

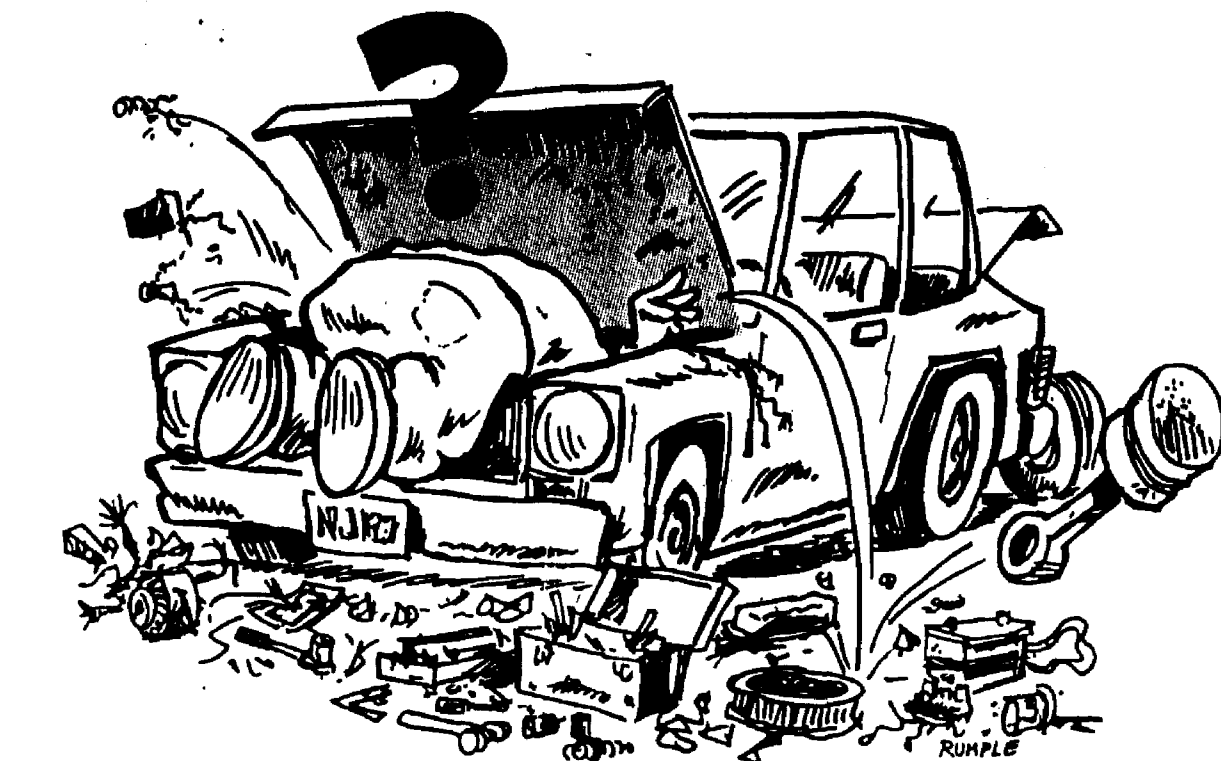
**M.A.
Molly Ridge, NC**

A: I hope that your mechanic changed the coolant thermostat, too. The little container that loses fluid is the cooling system overflow or "catch" can. It's attached to the radiator by a flexible tube and when the fluid in the system expands, it pushes the overflow into the container. As the engine cools down, the coolant is pulled back into the system to keep it full. It should only lose a minuscule amount of fluid over the period of a year. Filling it every couple of days indicates that you've got a problem, maybe a big one since the coolant temperature always reads on the hot side. Those cars are famous (or maybe notorious would be a better word) for blowing head gaskets and they've even been known to crack cylinder heads when they get too hot. If a pressure test of the cooling system (not just the radiator itself) doesn't show a pressure loss, better have your mechanic do a dye check of the coolant itself to check for the presence of carbon monoxide in the fluid. If the head gasket has a leak, it's possible that a small amount of the fluid is being pulled into the combustion chambers while the car is running and is being blown out the tail pipe as a vapor.

Q: I'm thinking about selling my 1977 Porsche 911 which I drive every day to work — a distance of about 30 miles one way. The car is getting up in mileage and when anything goes wrong, the prices of parts and service is incredible. I like exotic cars and I've found a Ferrari 308 that's relatively cheap and am thinking about buying it to replace the Porsche. It's low mileage and would no doubt increase in value.

**R.C.
Alamo, CA**

A: Ferrari parts are also on the expensive side and if I owned one, driving it in everyday commuter traffic would take lots more courage than I've got. Daily parking in a company parking lot would give me ulcers, too. On the other hand, the exotic car market is so depressed right now that cars like that 308 are selling for less than they were and it's a crap-shoot as to whether or not it will increase in value in the near future. But what a conversation piece to show off in your garage, especially if the car is red!



Q: I just bought a 1991 Honda Accord DX. The manual recommends the use of 5W/30 oil. Is this necessary in the summer? I shall use it in the winter. In the summer is it OK to use three quarts of 5W/30 oil and use one quart of 30W? Can one mix major brands of oil, say Pennzoil with Valvoline, Conoco or Amoco? Can I use a blend of 10W/30 and 10W/40 in the summer? I have a very large stock of oil of the above brands and weights and hate to throw it out.

**F.D.
Colorado Springs, CO**

A: No one has ever proven to me that there's a whole lot of difference between oil brands as long as the API applications specifications listed on the can are the same. Service application SG means the same in all brands. Service SA, for instance, means that it has no applications factors other than the fact that it's oil. None of the mixes you list will hurt a car but the owner has to watch that it doesn't void one of the warranties.

Q: I bought a 1979 Ford Explorer truck with 90,000 miles on it. It has an automatic transmission, power brakes and steering. There is a noticeable vibration when idling in all gears except Park and Neutral but goes away when the engine is speeded up. I have had experience in working

engines and drive trains. I have taken it to four or five qualified mechanics and to an automatic transmission specialist. I talked to its service manager and he wasn't sure what the problem is. I've changed the motor mounts, spark plugs and wires, intake manifold gasket and checked the torque converter bolts for tightness. I checked the compression, rebuilt the carburetor, changed the idle speed (going from very low to very high) and reset the timing.

**J.S.
Lagrange, IN**

A: Always get a history on a vehicle you buy used. Maybe the former owner can tell you if the automatic transmission had been replaced or overhauled and/or when the problem started. It pretty well has to be from the torque converter drive plate back but for a quickie test, take off the ancillary unit drive belt and run the engine in Park for a few minutes. It could possibly be the front vibration damper or one of the driven accessories but I think you'll need to go into the transmission and drive plate to find it and that's expensive exploratory surgery.

Q: Many years ago I lived in Japan and I noticed that most cars — and especially taxicabs — had two mirrors mounted up front. They were roughly between the front wheel and the headlight, one on the right and one on the

left, mounted either on the hood of the car or immediately beside it. These mirrors completely solved the blind spot problem. The driver can change lanes without having to glance sideways. All he or she has to do is look in those mirrors. I am not sure if in such cases a rear view mirror, mounted in the customary spot inside the car, is redundant. During a recent trip to New Zealand, I again noticed many cars with such mirrors mounted up front. I have never seen this in the US. Why are cars over here going without such helpful mirrors? Is there some kind of law against them? I'm sure that many Americans traveling abroad must have seen such mirrors. Why hasn't the idea caught on in America?

**H.P.
Eugene, OR**

A: I think that the reason that those fender or hood-mounted rear view mirrors never caught on in this country is that they are probably the ugliest automotive accessory ever devised. Even the Japanese drivers hate the looks of them and the only reason that they are installed on new vehicles there is that it's a national law. Recently I read in Auto Week that the law is going to be changed (maybe it has been already), much to the relief of the Japanese auto industry. There they're referred to as bug antennae, I'm told.

Q: I have an '82 Ford Escort with the 1.6 liter engine, automatic transmission and 85,000 miles. When the gas gets below a half, the gas gauge will drop to either empty or indicate a quarter of a tank. When I put in \$3 worth of gas, the gauge again works OK. Also when I start up the engine in the morning, it hammers loudly until the oil pressure builds up. The car has 85,000 miles on it.

**B.S.
Richmond, CA**

A: I'd be more worried about the hammering in the morning than the gas gauge. The oil filter is draining off over night and each time the bearings pound, you're probably losing a thousand miles of engine life. Change the filter to an original equipment unit to see if the pounding subsides. I think that the gas gauge problem is in the fuel level sending unit in the gas tank. Take off the wire lead at the sender and check the gauge with the ignition on and then ground it. If the gauge reads full and then empty, the problem is the sender.

Q: I purchased a 1991 Chevrolet Caprice LTZ with a 305 V8 engine. As you know these engines have historically taken five quarts of oil with the filter capacity included. The owner's manual still indicates this is my case. In changing the oil, however, I found that five quarts puts the oil level way above the indicated "Full" mark on the dip stick. A comparison check of the dip stick in my car with that of other Caprice cars on the dealer's lot shows that they are all marked the same way. The dealer's lube men says that they solve this problem by putting in 4.5 quarts of oil. My garage man says to forget the dip stick, put in five quarts and run a larger filter. Are all these dip sticks marked incorrectly? If so, there must be a great number of (Please turn to page 8)

Automotive Q&A

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1991 Chevrolet Caprice's running about at least a half-quart low on oil as I was.

G.B.
Spencerport, KY

A: When an engine is designed, the engineers calculate the amount of oil that it will take to keep the engine parts operating at the right temperature as well as lubricated. It's probably something of a rule of thumb but if the amount of oil is less than originally specified, it could lead to engine parts overheating. The oil sump (pan) has a predetermined highmark above the oil pump pickup tube at which the engine oil level is supposed to be maintained but since the pan isn't transparent, a dip stick has to be used to make sure that level is right. The stick on some cars has to run through a guide tube stuck into the block itself

and if the guide tube is pressed in too far or either of them are made wrong, you get a false reading. I'd drain the oil, replace the filter and oil with five quarts, run the engine, let it cool down and then remark the stick with a new Fullmark.

G.B.
Spencerport, KY

Q: What gas do I use in my car, unleaded regular or unleaded supreme? It is a 1983 Oldsmobile Cutlass Supreme V6. On regular unleaded fuel the engine pings at the slightest lugging. I find that some brands of gas do better than others but the ping isn't eliminated. When I put the unleaded supreme in the tank, there is no ping at all. A barnyard mechanic I know says to stick with factory specs and tolerate the ping.

K.H.
Citrus Heights, CA

A: Personally I don't like to let a car ping. I can picture a small bit of aluminum being blown from the top of each of the pistons with each ping. Since the car is now eight years old (only slightly more than the national average), there's several other items that could cause your car to ping. Improper operation of the ignition advance system could be one and a mechanic can check this out easily. Another is an excessive buildup of carbon in the combustion chamber which can be removed pretty easily by shooting a commercially-prepared or homemade (water and brake fluid) carbon remover through the intake system. Some other problems may be the wrong heat range spark plug, a vacuum leak that leans out the fuel/air mixture or an incorrect fuel/air mixing in a faulty or an internally dirty carburetor that also leans out the mixture. As a vehicle ages, it requires more maintenance than a new car, not less.

Q: I just got a recall notice regarding my 1986 Mercury Sable to have the front brake rotors replaced. The car has a lot of miles on it and the brakes seem to work fine. Is it legal to simply ignore the notice and not take the car in?

K.J.C.
Boston, MA

A: Only about half of the cars needing recall work get taken in. The rotor material used on a quarter of a million 1986-1987 Ford Taurus' and Mercury Sables gets eaten up by the road salt used in road ice control. Ford dealers get paid by the factory for doing the job (although its paid labor rate isn't what you'd pay for the job) and it gives you a chance to get other things like the axle CV joint boots checked out or even a new set of brakes installed for just the cost of the pads.

Changes sought in governing the business of racing

By **TONY SAKIS**
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

The noise emanating from pit lanes at the last few CART Indy Car races was not exactly promising for America's premier open-wheeled racing series. The rumblings were that the sanctioning body CART (Championship Auto Racing Teams), would close its administrative doors and the series would be governed by an all-new body.

led by the Indianapolis Motor Speedway's Tony George, the viability of a series which is governed by the team owners has recently been challenged. The Indianapolis Motor Speedway has long been the Jewel of the CART Championship season, but the Speedway race is not even on the list of CART sanctioned events. Instead the race is run under the auspices of

USAC (United States Auto Club). CART and USAC have long since been separated and the rift is deep. The Indy Car series, under USAC, has been a sham: there was no series other than the 500 itself. A group of rogue team owners created CART in 1980 to promote something other than an autocratic rule in the series that was then run by a group of old-fashioned old men. The series was run all on ovals and the CART pioneers, who included Roger Penske and Pat Patrick, promoted new races at road courses as opposed to oval tracks. Now there are more road courses than ovals and the series is going strong. Well, sort of.

The Speedway has still mandated rules for the running of the biggest race of the season. Actually, the Speedway doesn't mandate anything, but the race, which is still run under USAC rules, is run with

different rules for the construction of the cars. It seems in the past few years the old fogies at USAC have gotten progressively wiser and are now in favor of technical advances that are better for the series than those of CART's governing board. CART, you understand, is run ostensibly by the teams themselves. That means that of the 24 teams that are in the run-for-pay plan, there are only a few high dollar operations that can afford to take the steps into the future, technologically.

Essentially, the series has stagnated because the poorer teams have stonewalled change. Some of that change, by the way, is manifesting itself in the form of safety. One of the reasons the Porsche Indy Car program was cut at the end of 1990 was because the sanctioning body didn't allow carbon fiber construction of the cars. Porsche brought out its car and the sanc-

tioning body flatly rejected it saying it was unfair technology that would launch the costs of racing into outer space and keep the guys who invested in the CART Indy Car franchises out of the winner's circle. In fact, they were probably right. Porsche was in a position to buy a CART Indy Car Championship. But at the same time, the future of open-wheeled racing is in carbon fiber construction. It is lighter, stronger, and safer for the driver. And as the speeds creep up the driver's life is more and more on the line. The little guys certainly care about their hot-shoes, but they are much more willing to allow them to risk their lives. If the sanctioning body doesn't step in and do something for the racers, nobody will. When the sanctioning body is in charge of competing for the money, there is a definite conflict of interest there. Tony George has proposed a new plan

where a six-man board — made of several team owners (including Roger Penske, Rick Gallas and one unnamed owner), a Pittsburgh Plate Glass (PPG) representative (the series sponsor), Goodyear's Leo Mehl, and a Motor Speedway steward — would begin to govern the business of racing. The plan was voted down. The debate has been raging through the last races of the season, and now with the year over the time has come for a decision. There are two opposed viewpoints in the pits: one says racing is expensive enough as it is, and let's keep it cheap — which makes sense to everyone — and the other says it needs to be safe and it needs to be viable which will happen as the rules change to keep up with current available technology. What both sides agree upon is that nobody is happy and something needs to happen to change that.

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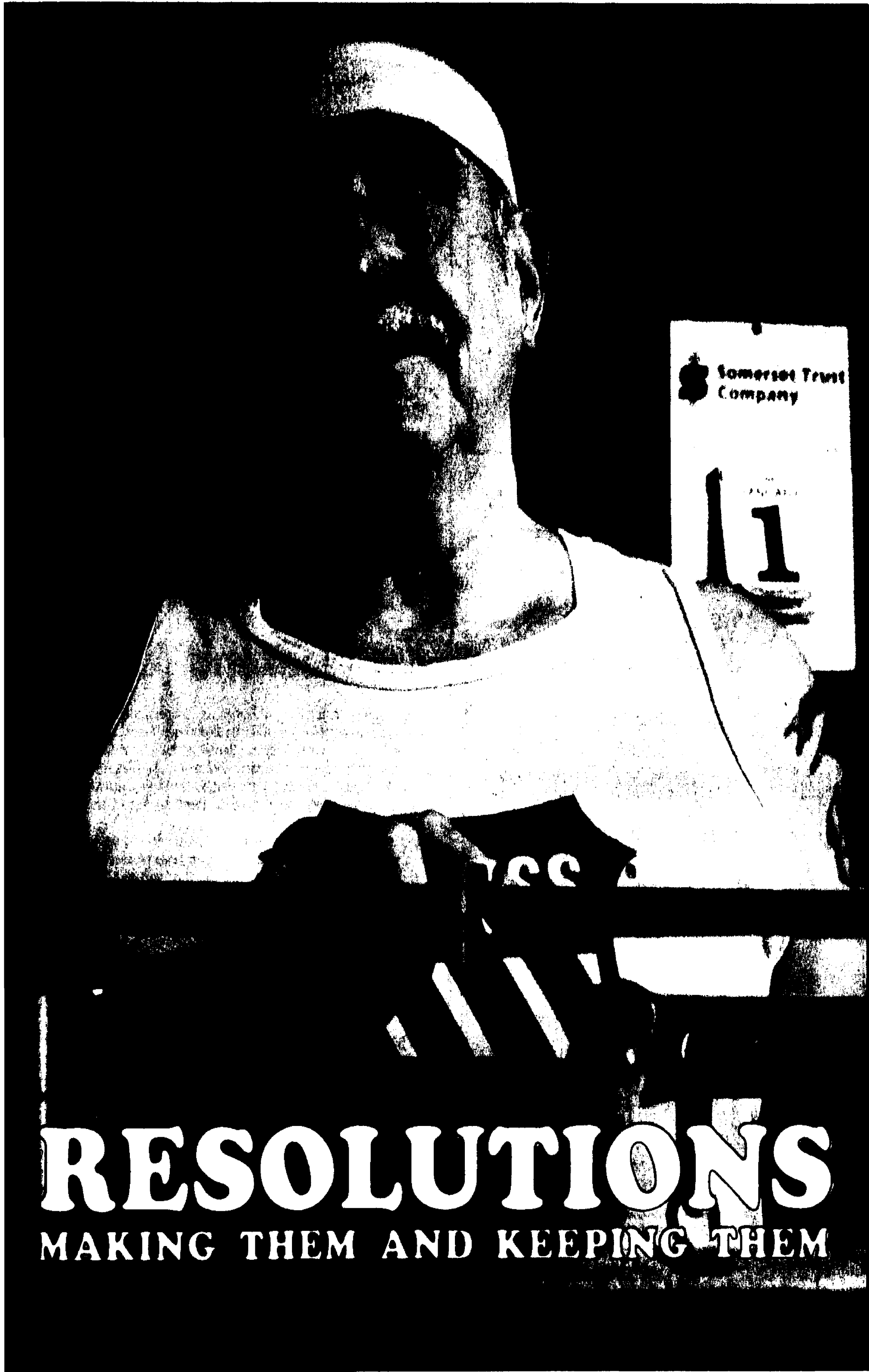
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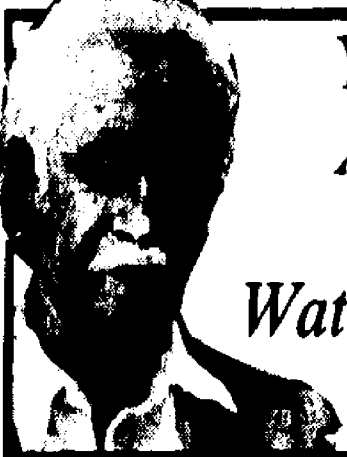
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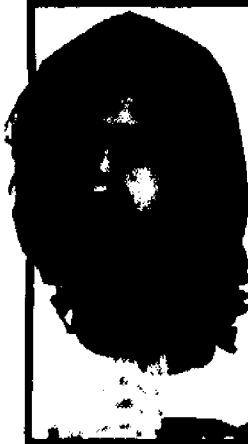
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GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Let your imagination lead you as the week begins, though expect to visit some strange places and meet some new faces. Your penchant for excitement wears down by the weekend. You'll look like you're making up for lost time this weekend with a mad flurry of activity, parties, etc.

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VIRGO (August 23-September 22) You need (and must) play out your efficient side until midweek when you need (and must) play out your fun, sensual side. Plan on play through early next week. Make a date for the longest (nearly) romp in your agenda. Some people have all the luck.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) You're kidding no one, Libra. We know you're not working, but flirting, this week. Forget the weekend when you're up to your old tricks again. Social flurries dominate.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Accept what is because you can't change it anyway. You finally get to go about with your own life by midweek. A flirtation intensifies: a romance blooms, and a relationship renews. Maybe not all at once, but you get the gist. Nurture others this weekend and get some rest.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) Talk all you want, but actions are what count. Don't defend someone who no longer deserves your protection. Though you may have the mopes until the weekend, opportunity may still knock. How this manifests itself is up to you, Sag. You're calling the shots now.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) You may be shocked and depressed by some of your own financial damage. By midweek, you regain your balance. Hang out with friends. Smiles lead to introductions, talks lead to get-togethers, and get-togethers lead to — oh well you know. Enjoy a cozy weekend snuggled in.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) You zoom onto the scene this week and little can stop you — mainly because you're so unaware of all the different forces around you. Reality bogs you down midweek. There is no squelching you in the long run, because by the weekend, you are out and about again...ah, life!

PISCES (February 19-March 20) Say little about recent goings-on. When you decide to cast your vote midweek, others are floored. Use your magic now to maximize your desires. Everything and everyone (nearly that is) falls into place. Watch those indulgences this weekend.

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New Year's Resolutions

by JANIS RISCH

Invariably, sometime between 11:37 p.m. and the slow descent at midnight of the ball at Times Square on Dec. 31, someone in your company sidles up to you and asks, "So, What are your New Year's resolutions?"

As William Hone said in his *Every-Day Book*, "The man who does not at least propose to himself to be better this day than he was the last, must either be very good or very bad indeed."

Without even knowing William Hone, you know this to be true, and as you can't expect people to believe you need no improvement, you feel obliged to offer up a resolution to prove, at least, that you aren't very bad.

So you nobly vow to improve yourself through exercise, diet, or study; by developing the virtues of patience or humor, or to become more generous or giving of yourself.

Sometimes, we realize in that last half hour that another year is slipping away, that we are only a year older and not a year wiser, and we vow to change our lives dramatically: buy a house, get married, get divorced, wrangle a promotion, change careers, go back to school, move to the country, move to the city, build a log cabin, give away our worldly possessions to travel around the world.

The impulse to turn oneself into a better specimen of a human being develops almost as soon as a person begins to be conscious of there being a self.

For example, second graders in Mrs. Dominguez's class at Bound Brook's Lafayette School made the following resolutions for 1992: Alejandro Montoya said he would be good to people and help everyone not to fight, Ricardo Salva said he would be good to his family, Emilio Campos vowed to study English and speak it well, Marcos Montoya resolved to get 100 percent on tests, not to fight, to be good to his family and Jesus, and to help everyone.

Patricia Hernandez resolved for her brother to be good, which is a different kind of a resolution, actually more like a wish.

The problem with resolutions is that they have a half life of about one minute, or the length of time it takes to state the resolution. Toxic waste, unfortunately, lingers longer than good intentions. The failure rate of resolutions forces us to confront the primary law of entropy: that it is the nature of things to fall apart and decay, that chaos is more habit-forming than control.

Knowing this dismal reality, some people forswear making resolutions, and are glad to glibly spout this philosophy to those who do the sidling.

Resolutionary responsibilities

If New Years came and went and you are still straddling the fence considering what approach to adopt, consider the following:

A. In the big scheme of things, January 1 is a relatively contemporary date for celebrating the new year.

The Romans, in 153 B.C. were the first to use Jan. 1 as the beginning of the year, when Julius Caesar revised the calendar to start with January, a month named after Janus, the god of all beginnings. Before that, March 25, the vernal equinox, was the date. January 1 was a peculiar time to begin a new year in that no agricultural or seasonal significance was attached to it. Instead, it was a civil date, the day after elections when the consuls assumed their new positions.

Probably because of the agricultural or seasonal insignificance of the date, New Years celebrations eventually reverted to March 25. Until the 16th century, the New Year began in the spring, on Annunciation, and was celebrated with an eight-day festival ending April 1, when gifts were exchanged. In the 16th century, under the influence Pope Gregory XIII, European countries started adopting January 1 as the beginning of the year. However, many people refused to give up the custom they loved, and they were called, you guessed it, April fools.

So you see that it is really only in the last four hundred years that Jan. 1 has had widespread acceptance as a New Years. It might not be too late to change it back to another time. Who knows, if we re-associate New Years with agriculture, it could simplify the process of making resolutions. We will remember that you basically reap what you sow, barring unforeseen circumstances such as drought, floods or pests.

B. Perhaps resolutions are an imposter New Year tradition deserving our suspicion. Documentation of the origins of resolution making doesn't seem to exist as it does for other customs. For instance, the noisemaking horns, rattles and blow-outs at the stroke of midnight was meant to banish evil spirits, and the custom of drinking to oblivion may have evolved from a pagan rite of personally reenacting the chaos that reigned before God ordered the universe.

Patricia Hernandez of Bound Brook resolved for her brother to be good



Long before Christmas became associated with gift-giving, New Years Day was a time for exchanging gifts. In Rome, the custom developed of presenting gifts to the emperor, and later, English royalty adopted the custom of coercing gifts from their subjects.

In order to have a clean slate on which to start the New Year, another custom encouraged people to make certain that they had no outstanding debts and that all borrowed objects were returned.

C. Here is another reason to put off making resolutions: it is what the professionals advise.

"New Years is an artificial deadline," said Bill Stover, coordinator of clinical services with Family Counseling Services of Somerset County. "People feel obliged to make a resolution because of the season, but that doesn't mean that they are ready at that time to make the necessary changes."

"You must have the mindset that you are ready to make changes. If your life is very complicated, if you are going through a divorce or big changes at work, January may not be the best time," agreed Marie Walt, community nutritionist at Somerset Medical Center.

But if, as the clock tolled the end of 1991, you made bold promises in a public sort of a way and want to live up to them, and want to beat the odds, here is the expert's prescription for success.

According to psychotherapist Barbara Ronca, of Counseling and Therapy Services in Bridgewater, people resist change because it is stressful. Ms. Ronca compares habits to a pair of old shoes.

"You've worn them out and need to get new ones," she said. "But the old ones are comfortable, even though your feet are hanging out. When you get the new shoes, they are tight and uncomfortable at first, but eventually they reach a comfortable level."

According to Mr. Stover, the biggest obstacle to trying on those new shoes, or sticking to your resolution, is the urge for immediate gratification. At any given moment, you will desire much more to stuff your face than to diet, to sit on the couch and watch television and postpone any number of projects that you swore to take on.

"You have to strive to reach a balance between what you want right away what you want later on," he said.

Resolutionary realism

The strategy is to set realistic goals, look at the entire process, and break it down into very small steps.

For instance, if you have been sedentary for five years, it is not realistic to believe that you can look like Arnold Schwarzenegger by July; or if you are a chocoholic that you will never touch chocolate again; that you will go from reading nothing to reading (Please turn to page 4)

"Their resolutions are idle declarations, just pure garbage"

*—Dr. Arnold Lazarus
Rutgers professor*

New Year's

around the world and at home



By JANIS RISCH
WeekendPlus Writer

Some resolutions offered by people who live and work in the area:

- "At my age I don't make resolutions anymore," said Edna Addis, 86, of Middlesex. "I just thank God for every day I am alive."
- "I go on a diet every New Years," said Florence Defino, 76, of Middlesex. "It lasts about a week and that's it. I also resolve to stay away from the Atlantic City casinos. That lasts until the next senior citizen-sponsored trip comes up."



- "I am pregnant and due the beginning of the year," said Caroline Lester of North Plainfield. "So, my resolution is to lose the weight soon afterward. Easier said than done."
- A couple of years ago I made a resolution to give up smoking," said Peter Allen, of Somerville. "It lasted a month. This year, it will probably be to save money. No more buying CDs, tape cleaners, neat new shirts, just picking up a pizza. I'm going to see how much money I can save."
- Linda Convey, of Westfield: doesn't make new year's resolution, because she makes changes in her life all year long. I think it

needs to be an ongoing thing," she said. She often confides her goals to her daughter, Courtney Barra, who helps her mother out.

- "I don't make them," said Courtney Barra, a fitness instructor. "I see that people never keep them. In the first two weeks of January, everyone is pretty gung-ho, and after that, it drops dramatically." Of course, as she exercises for her living, Courtney doesn't have to make two of the most common resolutions: lose weight and begin and exercise program.
- "Time management," said Janet Boni of Morristown. "If I can just get a grip on schedules and organize my life, I can get on with the serious business of figuring out the meaning of life."
- "My resolution is to lighten up," said Bob Boni, who is entering his second year of retirement. "My goal is to look at life in a carefree manner, the way carefree people do. By the way, you've just set us back with your questions, you know."
- "To be more patient, to be more understanding, and to have compassion, and to listen," said Estelle Polinske, of Manville. "That's very important. Most people aren't listening. That's what I would like most of all. I think it would make me happier and more peaceful."
- "I really want to join a spa and take time to exercise, so that I will have more energy," said Kathy Young, of Somerset. "I have to find the time for it. You feel better when you get regular exercise." Kathy's other goal is to spend more time with her husband. She doesn't think the two goals will conflict, because she can kill two birds with one stone, so to speak, by joining her husband who works out already at Jack LaLanne.
- Ted Petriach, of Somerset, began a goal two years ago to become financially independent by the time he is 45 so he can retire. He has ten years to accomplish the goal. His first step was to buy a house and get out of debt. This year, his goal is to invest in mutual funds.

New Year's Traditions around the world

A sampling of some of the many other New Year's traditions celebrated in other countries:

- At the Iroquois Midwinter Ceremony in January, members of the Iroquois False Face Society put on masks to become the curing spirits of the tribe, and visit Iroquois homes. They throw open the door and rub their rattles on its frame. They gather ashes from the kitchen fire and scatter them for everyone's health. If sick people are in the crowd, they blow ashes directly onto the parts of the body that are ailing them.
- A huge dragon, the symbol of good luck, leads the Chinese New Year procession in February. Made of bamboo and covered in paper or silk, more than 50 people may support it underneath, making it weave and wind through the streets. In Chinese homes, families



hang red scrolls printed with wishes for good luck and prosperity, and children receive coins inside little red packets.

- The Tibetan New Year, Losar, is celebrated in February. On the eve of the holiday, families prepare a special dumpling soup. The dumplings contain omens for the new year. A pebble, for instance, promises life as durable as a diamond, cayenne pepper predicts a temperamental personality. Two days after Losar, people take down the

numerous prayer flags that fly above their homes and raise new ones which, as they flap in the wind carry prayers to the gods.

- The Ibo people of Nigeria celebrate the end of the year in March, by making as much noise as possible to show their grief as the old year leaves. When the sounds fade away, everyone rushes outside and welcomes the New Year with applause.
- Noruz, Iran's New Year, is celebrated March 21. Two weeks before that date, families place seeds in bowls of water so there will be green shoots for the first day of spring. They clean their homes thoroughly, and on the eve of the last Wednesday of the year everyone in the family jumps over a small bonfire, to leave behind the sorrows of the old year. The family also spreads a cloth on the floor, and places on it seven objects which represent happiness: sprouted seeds, hyacinth, sweet wheat pudding, vinegar, sumac, apples, and olives.

Expert resolutionary analysis

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50 novels this year, or that you can completely change your diet overnight.

But you can say you will begin a particular exercise program, that you will limit the amount of chocolate, that you will set aside one hour a week to read a novel, or that you will eliminate doughnuts for breakfast this week, and add vegetables to your dinner next week.

According to Dr. Arnold Lazarus, a distinguished professor of psychology at Rutgers University, there are two kinds of people who make resolutions, those who mean those who don't.

Pre-contemplative people are ones who haven't even thought through what it would mean to make the change.

"Their resolutions are idle declarations, just pure garbage," said Dr. Lazarus.

But an action-oriented person has thought the resolution through and has a concrete plan how to reach the goal.

"Their resolution will work, unless their pledge is unresolvable," said Dr. Lazarus.

Lazarus said that a "perfectly good resolution would be to try to get yourself to the point of readiness."

But take hope from the experts.

Wait's resolution is to slow down, not be in such a hurry, realize she can do things a little bit more slowly. Come to think of it, that was her same resolution last year.

"I am still working on it," she said. "It is just like dieting."

Stover doesn't have any particular New Year's resolution, but he joined a gym a couple of months ago because they were offering a good price.

"Sometimes I go, and sometimes I go to the couch. No one is perfect."

Dr. Lazarus has no resolution either.

"I am too pre-contemplative at this point to make any resolutions for 1992."

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• "New Directions" in Russian and Soviet art, through Feb. 25.

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Places to go

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45 Macculloch Ave.
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(201) 538-2404
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mission: adults \$4, students and se-
nior citizens \$2, children under 18
free.
•Game of Staves and Calumet, Pipe
of Peace, films on native American
culture, 3 p.m. Jan. 5.
•Prints by Martin Levine, through Jan.
4.
•"Contemporary Works from the Col-
lection," through Jan. 12.
•"Storybook Visions," illustrations
from children's books, through Jan.
12.
•"Rutgers Archives Prints," through
Feb. 9.
•Paintings by William T. Williams,
through Feb. 23.
•Bronze sculpture by Jonathan Scott
Hartley, through March 8.
•Prints from Currier & Ives, through
April 12.
•"Highlights from the Native American
Collection," through June 7.

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Morristown
(201) 538-0454
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a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m.
Free admission for members. Non-
member admission: adults \$4, senior
citizens and children \$2.
•"Evolution to Revolution," ongoing
exhibition of lamps and lamp acces-
sories from 19th-century America.
•Sculpture by Michael Malpass,
through Jan. 5.
•Abstract sculpture by Alvaro Garcia,
through Jan. 19.
•Works on loan from area companies,
Jan. 4 through March 15. Opening
reception from 7-9 p.m. Jan. 4.
•Abstract sculpture by Marion Held,
Jan. 11 through March 11. Reception
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N.J. HISTORICAL SOCIETY
230 Broadway, Newark
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•Lecture by Joseph
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Jan. 5 (see Speak-
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•Asian Family Day,
Jan. 12. Includes an
"Asian Dance Gar-
den" (see Kid Stuff).
•Super Science
Weekend, Jan. 18,
19.
•"Nature and the

Decorative Arts," ongoing.
•Ink drawings by Allan Rohan Crite w/
a Christmas theme, through Jan. 5.
•Exhibition of works acquired in
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One of the many works of art by Suzy Kitman of New York City going on display at the second Young Artist's Exhibition, which opens Saturday at the Watchung Arts Center.

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Pictures at an exhibition

Watchung Center features new artists

By KATHY HALL

WeekendPlus Writer

The next Picasso or Rembrandt could be discovered this weekend — by you, if you attend the opening of the Young Artists Exhibition at the Watchung Arts Center.

The show features five young painters from New Jersey and New York, and works will be for sale.

"It's not what you'd expect," claims guest curator Judy O'Donnell, who coordinated the event. "The contrast is really what's interesting. I think people are expecting some really odd, cutting edge work, and we do have some of that, but we also have some more traditional artists. I think it's showing that we have a lot of young artists who are very different in their styles."

The artists featured are Brian Ferriso from Morristown, Barbara Jenny from South Orange, Suzy — Kitman from New York City, Elizabeth Mesa from West New York and Fausto Sevilla from Elizabeth.

"Fausto's work is pretty odd," said Ms. O'Donnell. "It's very wild, very different, involving images of internal organs, but it's really interesting."

She described Ms. Jenny's work as "all-encompassing." The Dartmouth alumna is currently setting up her three-dimensional display of an archaeological dig along one of the walls — a 14-foot exhibit that reaches out at least two feet along the floor.

"It's exactly like you were walking into a dig," said Ms. O'Donnell.

Elizabeth Mesa, whose work has previously been exhibited in Brooklyn, Newark, Montclair, Passaic and Hoboken, works in what Ms. O'Donnell calls "modern figurative," and has been featured in a show spotlighting art of Latin American women.

A more traditional style can be found in pieces by Mr. Ferriso and Ms. Kitman. A latter-day Impressionist, Mr. Ferriso's work is "very soft" in contrast to the rest of the exhibit, as the artist is a student of the Old Masters color theories.

Ms. Kitman is the quintessential portrait artist within the group, according to Ms. O'Donnell. Most recently, her work was featured in a three-woman show called "Explorations," in New York. More of her work can be found at the A.J. Lederman gallery in Hoboken.

"I don't think anyone will walk out of there and say, 'Well, that was nice,'" Ms. O'Donnell said, laughing. "I think people will really love it or hate it, or love part of it and hate part of it, but that's great."

The exhibit opens Saturday with a public reception from 7 to 10 p.m.



"Olmec Head," from a collection by artist Elizabeth Mesa, one of the five up-and-coming talents featured at the second Young Artist's Exhibition opening Saturday at the Watchung Arts Center.

Refreshments will be offered, and the artists will be present to meet with visitors and discuss their work. A second reception will be held on Sunday, Jan. 5, from 2 to 5 p.m.

The work will be displayed until Feb. 2, weekdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and Sundays from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday exhibitions will feature some kind of entertainment, and special viewings may be arranged.

More new artists needed

The Watchung Arts Center is also sponsoring a contest open to all New Jersey artists more than 18 years old. Artists may submit up to three works that have been executed within the last two years and have not been exhibited in the arts center before.

The show is called "12x12" and each piece may not be larger than a 12-inch square, including frame, and must be ready to hang. The entry fee is \$15, and the center will deduct a commission on any work sold during the exhibition.

WATCHUNG ARTS CENTER Watchung Circle at 18 Stirling Road (accessible by Routes 22 and 78). For more information, call 753-0190.

ARTS CENTER
The Watchung Arts Center is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the visual arts in the Watchung region. The center provides a space for artists to exhibit their work and for the community to enjoy art. The center is located at 18 Stirling Road, Watchung, NJ 07081. For more information, call 753-0190.

Asian art course at WCC

WCC
The Watchung Center for the Arts is offering a new course in Asian art. The course is designed for students who are interested in learning more about the art and culture of Asia. The course will be taught by a professional artist and will cover a variety of topics, including the history of Asian art, the different styles of Asian art, and the techniques used to create Asian art. The course is open to students of all ages and backgrounds. For more information, call 753-0190.

Happenings

CAFE JUDAICA
Conservative Temple and Center
201 South Third Ave.
Highland Park

(908) 545-6482
•Exhibition and reception with creators of Judaic art, 8-11 p.m. Jan. 11. Admission \$10.
DISABLING IMAGES/

ENABLING IMAGES
Ramada Renaissance Hotel
Route 18, East Brunswick
(908) 846-2895
•How society views disabled

people in the way they are portrayed, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Jan. 18. Interpreted in sign language. Free admission; reservations required.

GARDEN STATE STAMP SHOW
Wayne Manor
Route 23, Wayne
(908) 247-1093

•18th annual statewide stamp-collectibles show, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. Jan. 3, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Jan. 4, 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Jan. 5. Adults \$2, children

under 12 free.
SUMMER CAMP FAIR
Sheraton at Woodbridge Place
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A still life by artist Suzy Kitman from the second Young Artists Exhibition at the Watchung Arts Center.

Happenings

JOHN RYANS Jr.

Saturday, Jan. 18, 11 a.m.
Fairleigh Dickinson University
The Mansion, Madison
(201) 593-8709

•Writer and business consultant will speak about corporate communications in today's business environment. Admission \$10.

Singles

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Happenings

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Route 1 South, Iselin
(908) 469-0810
•Concepts of summer camps, 11:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Jan. 18. Free admission.

Speakers

KIM BUTLER

Sunday, Jan. 12, 1 p.m.
Science Building,
Bloomfield College
171-175 Liberty St.
Bloomfield

(201) 261-0071

•Tax consultant will offer advice on taxes and record-keeping for craft artists. Admission \$30, pre-registration required.

JOHN DEL MONTE

Sunday, Jan. 5, 2:30 p.m.
Mortimer Gallery,
Gill St. Bernard's School

Gladstone

(908) 234-2345

•Director of an art program in Italy will discuss Imprimatur as a definitive work. Free admission.

EXQUISITE DISCOMFORT

Sunday, Jan. 12, 3 p.m.
Clinton Historical Museum

56 Main St., Clinton

(908) 735-4101

•Life in Victorian-era Hunterdon County, related by Kathy Jordan and David Breslauer. Admission \$10.

JOSEPH HUGHES

Sunday, Jan. 5, 2 p.m.
N.J. State Museum

205 West State St., Trenton

(609) 292-6308

•Assistant state fire warden will give a history of fire and how it has been controlled. Free admission.

ANDREA KANE

Sunday, Jan. 12, 2 p.m.

Hunterdon Art Center

7 Center St., Clinton

(908) 806-3615

•Author will speak to the Artists and Writers Group of Flemington about the process of selling a first book. Donation \$3 for group members, \$5 for non-members.

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Raritan Valley Community College Professor Paul Lorenzi (right) reviews a piece of art with instructor Helen Fazio in preparation for "Asian Art," a non-credit course open to the public that begins on Jan. 15. Registration period is Jan. 3-9. For more information, call (908)-218-8816.

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Can't-miss classic

Off-Broadstreet laces up an old favorite

By ALEC M. ADAMS
WeekendPlus Theater Reviewer

When the rights to the comedy *Lend Me A Tenor* were revoked, Bob and Julie Thick, who run the Off-Broadstreet Theater in Hopewell, needed to come up with a replacement.

Arsenic and Old Lace had been the most requested show by Off-Broadstreet audiences through the years, so for the Thicks the choice was easy.

Arsenic and Old Lace is one of those classic shows that is approached with hesitation. Done throughout high schools and community theater, it must rank as one the most produced shows in the United States. It is, however, one of the funniest shows around.

Two elderly ladies poison elderly men as a "charity" to end their lonely lives. Add a nephew who thinks he's Teddy Roosevelt, another who's an insane killer, toss in a theater critic and you have the start of a wonderful show.

Director Mary McGinley (who last directed Villagers' *Lion in Winter*) keeps the action moving. The excellent cast keeps right up delivering the laughs. Suzanne Inman (Abby Brewster) shines as one half of the Brewster sisters. Her matter-of-fact delivery of the most outrageous pronouncements heighten the comedy. Utterly convinced of the value of their 'charity' work, she cannot conceive how anyone could object.

Her sister-in-crime, Martha (played by Petie Duncan) compliments Inman well. Slightly more scattered than Abby, Duncan's Martha is a distinct character in her own right.

John Anastasio threatens to steal the show as Teddy Brewster. Teddy, who believes he is Teddy Roosevelt, spends the show either charging up San Juan Hill (the stairs) or working on the Panama Canal (the basement). Anastasio brings total conviction and great exuberance to the role.

As the only sane Brewster, Tom Stevenson is the true center of the



"Officers" Russell MacKinnon and Manny O'Donnell (both of Somerset) salute Teddy "Roosevelt" (John Anastasio) in *Arsenic and Old Lace*, which continues through January 18 at the Off-Broadstreet Theater in Hopewell.

Even after 50 years, it remains one of the best-loved and endearing plays of the American theater.

show. His performance as Mortimer Brewster is superb. Stevenson walks the fine line between character and caricature with ease. Caught in the middle of bizarre circumstances, his reactions are a joy to watch. his droll delivery, enhanced by a hint of sarcasm, captures the character perfectly. Mark Murphy, who played Tom in *Table Manners* earlier this season at Off-Broadstreet, gives another fine performance as Dr. Einstein the

henchman for the insane Jonathan Brewster.

Tom Orr, playing the evil Jonathan Brewster, is a bit too flat in his delivery. He is an imposing figure, on stage, but needs to vary his delivery to flesh out the character. Catherine Rowe is engaging in the supporting role of Mortimer's girlfriend, Elaine, but Christopher Hartshorne mishandles the small role of Officer O'Hara. He lets his accent stand in for his character, squelching laughs in the process.

Even after 50 years, *Arsenic And Old Lace* remains one of the best loved and endearing plays of American theater. This production aptly illustrates why. Go and enjoy.

ARSENIC AND OLD LACE Through Jan. 18 at the Off-Broadstreet Theater, 5 South Greenwood Ave., Hopewell (609) 466-2766.

Stage right

Crossroads

The president of the New American Plays has awarded Crossroads Theater Company a \$22,000 grant for the world premiere production of *Shower It Around, To Show My Shine*, by Bonnie Lee Moss Hunter, an adaptation of the Zora Neale Hurston's novel, "Their Eyes Were Watching God," which will open at Crossroads Feb. 27.

Now in its 60th year, the Ford is a joint project of the Ford Foundation Center for the Performing Arts and the American Theater Company. It provides grants to theater companies for the production of new plays, creating and enhancing the production of new plays.

Crossroads previously received a grant from the Ford for New American Plays in 2004 for the world premiere of *Shower It Around, To Show My Shine*, by Bonnie Lee Moss Hunter, an adaptation of the Zora Neale Hurston's novel, "Their Eyes Were Watching God."

Art 1 class

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NOW PLAYING

CROSSROADS THEATRE
7 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 248-7469
•*Black Orpheus*, the story of Orpheus and Eurydice transplanted to Trinidad during Carnival time. Through Jan. 5. Admission \$32 to \$19.

FRANKLIN VILLAGERS BARN THEATRE
475 DeMott Lane, Somerset

(908) 873-2710
•*Big Town*, romantic comedy in which Siskel and Ebert review a dream starring Humphrey Bogart and Mr. Spock. Jan. 4 at 8 p.m., Jan. 5 at 2 p.m. and 7 p.m. Adults \$8, senior citizens and children \$6; group rates available.

GEORGE STREET PLAYHOUSE
9 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick

(908) 246-7469
•*Separation*, American premiere of drama about a home-bound British playwright and an American actress in a play of his. Jan. 4 through Feb. 26. Admission \$29-\$18.

MCCARTER THEATRE
91 University Pl., Princeton
(609) 683-8000
•*Three Sisters*, the Anton Chekhov drama translated by Lanford Wilson. Jan. 7 through Jan.

26. Admission \$35-\$12.

COMING UP

CIRCLE PLAYHOUSE
416 Victoria Ave.
Piscataway
(908) 968-7555
•*Strange Snow*, drama set in a reunion of two Vietnam veterans. Jan. 10 through Feb. 1. Adults \$9 (Friday and Saturday), \$8 (Jan. 19); senior citizens and students \$8 (Friday

and Saturday), \$7 (Jan. 19).

CLARKSBURG INN
Routes 524 & 571, Clarksburg
(908) 462-4286
•*Stops Along the Way*, Jeffrey Sweet's love story of "two people in transition." Jan. 17, 18, 19, 24, 25, and 26. Admission \$10, includes dessert.

COUNT BASIE THEATRE
99 Monmouth St., Red Bank
(908) 842-9000

•*Oh! Calcutta!* "Farewell tour" of the semi-legendary erotic musical. 8 p.m. Jan. 14. Admission \$22.50.

PARISH PLAYERS
Edison Valley Playhouse
2196 Oak Tree Rd., Edison
(908) 756-5495
•*The Odd Couple*, Neil Simon's famous play of sloppy Oscar Madison and fussy Felix Ungar. Jan. 10 through Feb. 1. Adults \$10, senior citizens and stu-

dents \$8.

THEATRE AT RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Route 28 & Lamington Rd.
Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•*Annie*, the musical starring the comic-strip orphan girl. 8 p.m. Jan. 17, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m. Jan. 18. Admission \$25, \$22.50 (evening); \$20 (afternoon).

Film Capsules

OPENINGS

BUGSY

•The life and times of Bugsy Siegel, the gangster who made Las Vegas what it is today. With Warren Beatty, Annette Bening and Harvey Keitel. Written by James Toback (*The Big Bang*) and directed by Barry Levinson (*Rain Man*, *Avalon*). (R)

FATHER OF THE BRIDE

•Steve Martin stars in a remake of the 1950 comedy about a man trying to organize a lavish wedding. With Diane Keaton and Martin Short. (PG)

CURRENT FILMS

THE ADDAMS FAMILY

•A tame, disappointing one-joke film featuring the agreeably twisted clan created by Westfield's favorite son, Charles Addams. With Raul Julia, Anjelica Huston, Christopher Lloyd and Thing. (PG-13)

ALL I WANT FOR CHRISTMAS

•Holiday tale about a little girl who wants to reunite her estranged parents for Christmas. (G)

AN AMERICAN TAIL:

FIEVEL GOES WEST

•The further animated adventures of Fievel Mousekewitz. With the voices of James Stewart, Dom DeLuise and John Cleese. (G)

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST

•Madame de Villeneuve's fairy tale gets the Disney treatment. (G)

BILLY BATHGATE

•Any film that opens with Bruce Willis being chucked off a boat with his feet planted in a tub of cement can't be all bad, and this low-key gangster tale — adapted from E.L. Doctorow's overpraised novel — is actually pretty good. The decline of Depression-era gangster Dutch Schultz as viewed through the eyes of a young hanger-on, the film steers a middle course between the operatic *Godfather* series and the grimy stupidity of *Scarface*. With Dustin Hoffman as Schultz, Nicole Kidman as his moll and, in a crucial casting mistake, bland-faced Loren Dean as the protagonist. (R)

FOR THE BOYS

•Bette Midler and James Caan co-star as bickering USO performers whose careers span four wars. (R)

HOOK

•Elaborate fantasy adventure in which the grown-up Peter Pan (Robin Williams) must rescue his children from his archenemy Captain Hook (Dustin Hoffman). With Julia Roberts as Tinkerbell. (PG)

HOUSE PARTY 2

•Kid 'N Play (a.k.a. Chris Reid and Christopher Martin) reprise their roles from the original: this time Kid is pursuing college while Play chases fame as a rapper. With Full Force and Queen Latifah. (R)

LITTLE MAN TATE

•Jodie Foster's surprisingly bland filmmaking debut, redeemed mainly by the fine performance of Adam Hann-Byrd as a 7-year-old genius whose welfare may depend on his being able to leave home. With Dianne Wiest. (PG)

MY GIRL

•Coming-of-age comedy about a tomboy (Anna Chlumsky), her boyfriend (Macaulay Culkin) and a widowed mortician (Dan Aykroyd). (PG)

OTHER PEOPLE'S MONEY

•Wall Street's most ruthless corporate raider, Larry the Liquidator (Danny DeVito), goes after a New England company. With Gregory Peck and Penelope Ann Miller. (R)

THE PEOPLE

UNDER THE STAIRS

•The latest horror movie from Wes Craven (*A Nightmare on Elm Street*, *The Hills Have Eyes*) is about a young burglar who runs into some nasty surprises during his first break-in. (R)

PROSPERO'S BOOKS

•Peter Greenaway (*The Cook, The Thief, His Wife & Her Lover*) does a Felliniesque take on

Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. With John Gielgud as Prospero.

STAR TREK VI:

THE UNDISCOVERED COUNTRY

•Like its cast, this final entry in the *Trek* series is paunchy, slow-moving and more prone to talk than action. The preachment-heavy script transposes the collapse of the Soviet Union into the future, where Kirk, Spock and company must save a plan to resolve the conflict between the Klingons and the Federation. Starring the usual gang plus Christopher Plummer, and Kim Cattrall as Spock's protegee — their mind-melding scene is one of the kinkiest moments in the series. Directed by Nicholas Meyer, the man behind *Star Trek II: The Wrath of Khan*.

THEATERS

A listing of showtimes in Union, Somerset, Middlesex, Morris and Hunterdon county movie theaters appears in this week's issue of your local *Forbes Newspaper*.

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Route 18, East Brunswick
(908) 238-2998

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Caldor Shopping Center
Routes 1-9 & 35
Woodbridge
(908) 636-4566

KENDALL PARK CINEMA

Route 27, Kendall Park
(908) 422-2444

MOVIE CITY 6

Oak Tree Center
1665 Oak Tree Rd., Edison
(908) 549-6666

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South Plainfield
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BERNARDSVILLE CINEMA

Route 202, Bernardsville
(908) 786-0357

BROOK THEATRE

10 Hamilton St., Bound Brook
(908) 469-9665

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Routes 22 & 202-206
Bridgewater
(908) 725-1161

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Easton Ave., Somerset
(908) 828-8787

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SOMERVILLE CIRCLE
Routes 28 & 202, Rantan
(908) 526-0101

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CENTER THEATRE
Routes 206 & 518, Rocky Hill
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327 Chestnut St., Union
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GENERAL CINEMA



Tom Wingo (Nick Nolte) and Dr. Susan Lowenstein (Barbara Streisand) are unlikely lovers in *The Prince of Tides*, now showing at many theaters in the central New Jersey area.

BLUE STAR

Route 22 West, Watchung
(908) 322-7007

LINDEN FIVEPLEX

400 North Wood Ave., Linden
(908) 925-9787

NEW PARK CINEMA

23 West Westfield Ave.
Roselle Park
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250 East Broad St.
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(908) 232-1288

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Video rewind

Groan on the range

City Slickers wants a look, even if it does show Billy Crystal learning the meaning of life and responsibility by loving a calf. Starting with a script by Parenthood scenarists Lowell Ganz and Babaloo (love that name!) Mandell, *City Slickers* follows a group of fretful professionals who cope with their respective middle crises by joining a cattle drive. The drive is essentially bogus (the cattle are there simply to be herded back and forth) and the men spend a lot of their time on the range talking about the fine points of programming a VCR, but the trail boss (played with a fine comic touch by Jack Palance) is a chewing, spitting relic of the Old West, and soon there are some genuine crises to cope with. The gags are sometimes overwhelmed by the psychobabble — a wife sends her husband off on the drive by saying "I want you to find your smile" — but Crystal is in rare form, and Daniel Stern is superbly good as a know-nothing husband who does indeed get to make the most of his time on the range. *City Slickers* is a good one. (PG)

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Achieving Nirvana

Seattle band takes hardcore to the masses

By NORB GARRETT
WeekendPlus Writer

Looking for the recipe to musical success? Simple...ditch your crummy drummer, take a few years off from recording and tour your tails off.

What'll that get you? In the case of Seattle-based hardcore rockers Nirvana, a new drummer that drives songs instead of splintering them and waves of confidence.

With the spiraling success of their second full-LP release *Nevermind*, the influence of newcomer/drummer David Grohl (formerly of Washington D.C.'s *Scream*) and the two years of touring and honing skills have allowed the band to enter rock's upper strata, all while existing on rock's most heartfelt credo: "Do what you can with three chords, and crank it up to 11."

Since its release in mid-summer of this year, *Nevermind* has soared to the loftiest of perches in such varied mediums as the *Billboard* charts, *College Radio's* Top 10 and *MTV's* 120 Minutes with the release of their first video from the album, "Smells Like Teen Spirit."

The music on *Nevermind* is simple, hard and tight, interspersing rhythmic hardcore rockers such as "Teen Spirit" and "On a Plain" with toned-down, lyric-based jingles such as "Lithium" and "Come as You Are." Their sound is built on feedback-laced guitars (ala *Dinosaur Jr.*, *Dag Nasty*), but they've added a dimension not heard on their first independent LP-release from 1989, *Bleach*. Subtlety.

Lead singer/guitarist/songwriter Kurt Cobain has moved away from the primal punk rock thematics of screaming and non-sensical wall-of-sound feedback to snappy, rhythm-charged songs which allow folks to tap a toe or head to.

"By definition, pop is extremely catchy," said Cobain, who met fellow founding member and bassist Chris Novoselic in the Northwest logging country of Aberdeen, Washington. "There are some pop songs I hate but I can't get them out of my head. Our songs also have the standard pop format: verse, chorus, verse, chorus, solo, bad solo. All in all, I think we sound like The Knack and the Bay City Rollers being molested by Black Flag and Black Sabbath."

Nirvana's ascension to the big time is surprising in that their first release, *Bleach*, while soaked in energy, was altogether average. The songs, with the exception of "Blew" and



The stunning commercial power of Seattle-based hardcore rockers Nirvana is one of the last and most unlikely success stories of 1991.

"Negative Creep", seemed to have been written overnight, a product of the underground hardcore scene in Tacoma, Wash. where they were trying to be heard, literally by how many decibels they could reach.

Turn on *Nevermind* and you'd think the record company had mislabeled the product. The two years of constant touring apparently paid off as the band found out there's more to delivering a driving, hardcore sound than resorting to the late-70's method's introduced by Black Flag and The Minutemen. The lead track is "Smells Like Teen Spirit," and it is by far the band's most shining accomplishment. The song is pure rock and roll as Cobain says: verse, chorus, solo. But it's more than that; it defines Nirvana's sound: melodic hardcore. Cobain shows his maturity with "Polly", a song about rape played only on a strumming six-string; then turns around and blasts you with "Breed", a slammer's delight.

Other tracks pay tribute to all the British punk bands of the 70s, complete with the anthemic soundings of *Stiff Little Fingers* and *The Jam*. "Drain You" and "On a Plain" are along the lines of "Teen Spirit", tight, guitar driven tunes buoyed by Cobain's raspy, often unintelligible voice.

There's nothing revolutionary about Nirvana: they're certainly not master musicians. But the band has accomplished what few underground hardcore bands ever do: they've bridged the gap between pure, speed hardcore and everyday pop rock by delivering a sound that anyone can identify with.

Soundings

MUSIC

CARUSO CELLO QUARTET

Sunday, Jan. 12, 3 p.m.
Robins residence
Saw Mill Rd., Mountaintown
(908) 832-9770
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THE DRUM MAJOR

Wednesday, Jan. 15, 2:30 p.m.
Fine Arts Theatre
Rider College, Lawrenceville
(609) 896-5192

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SAMMY KAYE ORCHESTRA

Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 p.m.
Union County Arts Center
1601 Irving St., Rahway
(908) 499-8226
•Big band performs standards of the 40s. Admission \$17.50, \$15, \$12.50.

MONMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Sunday, Jan. 19, 3 p.m.

Count Basie Theatre
99 Monmouth St., Red Bank
(908) 747-0356
•Winter concert w/Irene Tsakins, soprano. Adults \$12, senior citizens \$10, children free.

HOLLY NEAR

Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 p.m.
Princeton University Chapel
(609) 924-5022
•Tom Paxton headlines a "Concert for Peace on Earth." Admission \$25. Sponsor tickets \$125, includes dinner and reception.

N.J. SYMPHONY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Friday, Jan. 3, 8:30 p.m.
Richardson Auditorium, Princeton University
Saturday, Jan. 4, 8 p.m.
State Theatre, New Brunswick
1-800-ALLEGRO
•New Jersey premiere of *The Wound-Dresser* by John Adams, based on Walt Whitman's poems. Also works by Harbison, Copland, and Shostakovich. Admission \$25-\$10, discounts available.

ELAINE SILVER

Friday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m.
Six Mile Run Reformed Church
Route 27, Franklin Park
(908) 821-1324
•Singer-songwriter performs in a coffeehouse setting. Adults \$5 w/a donation of non-perishable food, \$6 without; children under 12 free.

BILLY TAYLOR TRIO

Saturday, Jan. 18, 8 p.m.
Fine Arts Theatre
Rider College, Lawrenceville
(609) 896-5303

•Jazz pianist performs in concert. Admission \$12.

TRIO INTERMEZZO

Sunday, Jan. 12, 3 p.m.
St. Mary's Abbey, Delbarton School
270 Mendham Rd. Morristown
(201) 538-3231
•Chamber music trio performs works by Mozart, Handel, and others w/Laura Greenwald, soprano. Adults \$5, students \$3.
MAYO TSUZUKI/DAVID SCHNEIDER

Friday, Jan. 10, 8 p.m.
Somerset County Library
North Bridge St. & Vogt Dr. Bridgewater
(908) 526-4016, ext. 119

•Pianist and clarinet player perform together in concert. Free admission.

VIENNA CHOIR BOYS

Saturday, Jan. 11, 8 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lammington Rd. Branchburg
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BIRCH HILL NIGHT CLUB
Route 9 South, Old Bridge
(908) 536-0650
Male revue, Thursdays.

BRIGHTON BAR
121 Brighton Ave.
Long Branch
(908) 222-9684
•Arthur Kili & The Pollutants, The Blisters, Belle Skye, Jan. 4

CARTERET HILL BOWL
569 Roosevelt Ave.
Carteret
(908) 969-1515
Open-mike night, Thursdays.
•The Good Rats, Jan. 3.

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Hyatt Regency Princeton
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•Jon Manfrellotti, through Jan. 5.

CHARLEY'S UNCLE
415 Route 18, East Brunswick
(908) 254-4226
Live comedy every Friday and Saturday starting 10 p.m.
CITY GARDENS
1701 Calhoun St., Trenton
(609) 392-8887

Dance night, Fridays.
•Shelter, Bouncing Souls, Jan. 5.

CLUB BENE
Route 35, Sayreville
(908) 727-3000
•Physical Graffiti, Jan. 4.
•Outlaws, Jan. 10.
•Larry Seth (Elvis tribute), Jan. 11.
•Richard Elliot, Jan. 17.
•London Wainwright III, Jan. 18.
•Steve Forbert, Jan. 24 (tickets for Dec. 13 will be honored).

COCKTAILS
51 Main St., South River
(908) 257-8325
•Orangeman, Jan. 3.
•Backstreets, Jan. 4.
•Bums in the Park, Jan. 10.
•The Nerds, Jan. 16.

CORNERSTONE
25 New St., Metuchen
(908) 549-5306
CORNER TAVERN
113 Somerset St.
New Brunswick
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Spook Handy Show, Tuesdays.
D.J. dance party, Thursdays.

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New Brunswick
(908) 545-7265
Reggae night, Tuesdays.
"Love Shack" dance party, Thursdays.

THE COVE
108 Chestnut St., Roselle
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CROCODILE CAFE
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ESSEX MANOR
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D.J. dance music, Jennifer Berdella, Jan. 8.

THE EXCHANGE
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THE FAR SIDE
789 Jersey Ave.
New Brunswick
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FAST LANE II
207 Fourth Ave., Asbury Park
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Buckelew Ave., Jamesburg
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105 South Main St.
New Hope, Pa.
(215) 862-9897
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Open-mike night, Tuesdays.
Open jam, Wednesdays.
Karaoke night, Thursdays.

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Piscataway
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•The Nerds, Jan. 15.
•Shotgun Wedding, Jan. 22.
•Burns in the Park, Jan. 29.

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•"Projected Images" benefit, Jan. 4.
•Chris Whitney, Jan. 19.
•Swervedriver, Jan. 25.
•The Meat Puppets, Scrawl, Jan. 26.
•Bo Dollis & The Wild Magnolias, Feb. 15.

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(908) 634-5454
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THE RIVERFRONT
11 Main St., South River
(908) 390-4438
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•Brian Bellow & The Lodi Home Boys, Jan. 4.

THE ROCK HORSE
Second & Kingsley
Asbury Park
(908) 774-0039
C&W night, Fridays beginning

Jan. 10.
P.K. & The John Eddie Band, Thursdays.
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•Water, World Within the Kind, Jan. 4.
•The Fairlanes, Jan. 11.
•Faith Healer, Jan. 18.

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North Plainfield
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THE STAGE AT THE INN
Stage House Inn
366 Park Ave., Scotch Plains
(908) 322-4224

More than just pizza

Ferraro's offers a full selection of Italian delights

By MICKI PUSINELLI
Culinary Correspondent

It seems like every other week I'm writing about another Italian restaurant. Lately it has been about pizzerias that also serve Italian food. This week's article is just the opposite. It's about an Italian restaurant that also serves pizza.

Joe Bonfantino, owner of **Ferraro's** in Somerville, is back in the town in which he first started. As a youngster, Joe worked for his father in downtown Somerville making pizza. From there he made stops at Ferraro's in Westfield and at his father's pizzeria in Belmar.

Not content with just making pizza, he opened his first Italian restaurant last summer in Belmar. After a successful venture there, he assumed ownership of Ferraro's in Somerville.

The original Ferraro's in Somerville never got off the ground. After extensive remodeling last summer, the restaurant closed after being open for only a few weeks.

Under Joe's ownership, the new Ferraro's is flourishing. We ate there last Saturday with another couple and, if the number of customers there that night is any indication, I would say that Ferraro's is finally here to stay.

The interior is plain, simple and clean with beige wallpaper, Formica table tops and Christmas paper place mats. It has small tables in the entrance way and a waiting area for people ordering pizza to go. A wall divider separates that area from the main dining room. Ferraro's doesn't have a liquor license but you can bring your own wine or beer.

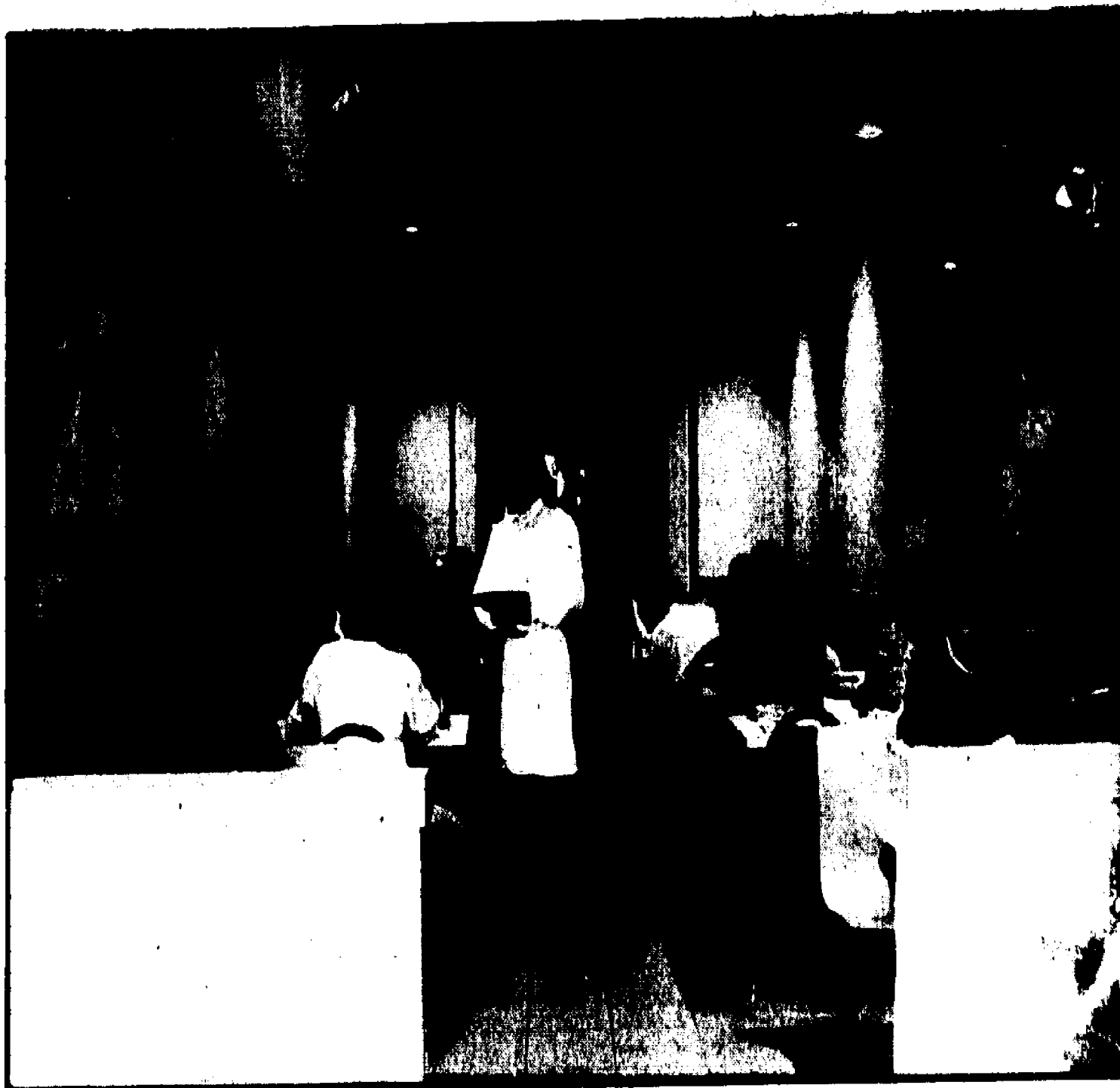
The dining room has tables of four on both sides of the room and two tables of six in the front. All of the tables were occupied that Saturday night and people were waiting to be seated. If you decided to go there on a weekend, I suggest you make reservations.

Ferraro's menu has nine cold appetizers (\$4.95-\$8.95) and 10 hot ones (\$1.95-\$11.95 for a hot antipasto for two). There are three soups and 10 salads (\$1.95-\$5.95 for Caesar salad for two).

Entrees include seven veal (\$9.50-\$10.95), 12 chicken (\$7.95-\$10.95), 15 seafood (\$9.95-\$11.95) and 24 pasta dishes (\$5.50-\$9.95). In addition, there are several nightly specials of both appetizers and entrees. All of the entrees are served with a choice of salad or the pasta of the day.

Our waiter, Nunzio, who was excellent, brought over a bread basket consisting of Foraccia (Italian bread with rosemary, scallions and garlic), garlic twists and Panella (round, crusty Italian bread). It was all made in-house and delicious.

Nunzio proceeds to tell us the nightly specials and in great detail. It



Ferraro's, located on West Main St. in Somerville, offers casual dining and great Italian food.

also seemed as if he did the cooking as well.

For appetizers, we shared orders of fried calamari (\$5.25) and mozzarella en carozza (\$4.95). The calamari was crisp and plentiful. We requested the mozzarella en carozza with anchovies, so it was served in a delicious anchovy paste.

Two of us shared a Caesar salad for two (\$5.95). The salad was made in the kitchen, probably because of the size of the restaurant, but it was good.

For entrees, three of us ordered from the specials of the night and one from the regular menu. Our choices were veal, pasta and two seafood items. The creativity of the kitchen was really highlighted in the nightly specials.

One companion ordered the linguine malafemmina (lobster, clams, shrimp and scallops served on a bed of linguini in a white sauce). The seafood was fresh and their taste not covered up by the light sauce.

The other special, veal Sorrentino (veal, eggplant, mozzarella cheese and prosciutto) was served in a light pink sauce. The veal was tender, you could cut it with your fork and the sauce was extremely light.

My choice of the night was rigatoni vodka (\$7.95). This is becoming my favorite pasta dish. I've ordered it in several restaurants and Ferraro's version was just as good.

Two of us had dessert. Most of the cake desserts are purchased from "Confectioneries by John" in Middlesex. If you never had any of John's cakes, I suggest you try one. They are delicious.

Ferraro's may be new in Somerville, but it is acting like a seasoned veteran in the highly competitive restaurant business. Good food, good service with excellent prices will do it all the time.

FERRARO'S, 18 West Main St., Somerville. (908)-707-0029.

This column is meant to inform readers of dining opportunities in the area. It is not a review.

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Trenton (609) 396-1776
Revolutionary War museum. Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Donation \$2 for adults, \$1 for students and senior citizens, 50 cents for children under 12.
• "Hail the Conquering Hero

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• "Of War, Law and the Third Amendment," through June 1.
REEVES-REED ARBORETUM
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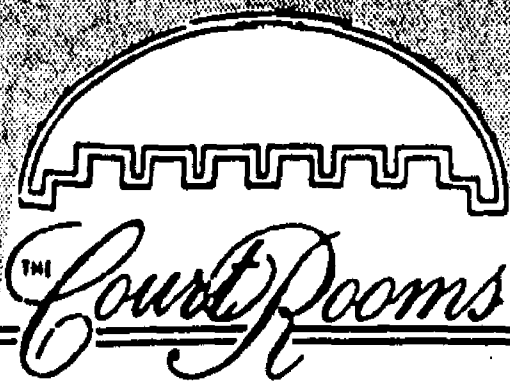
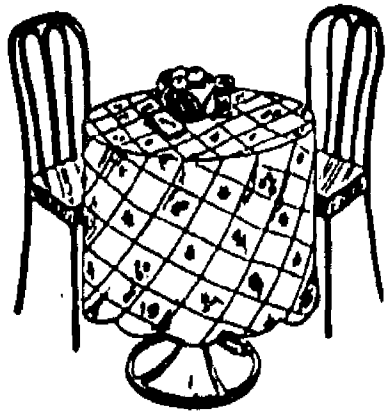
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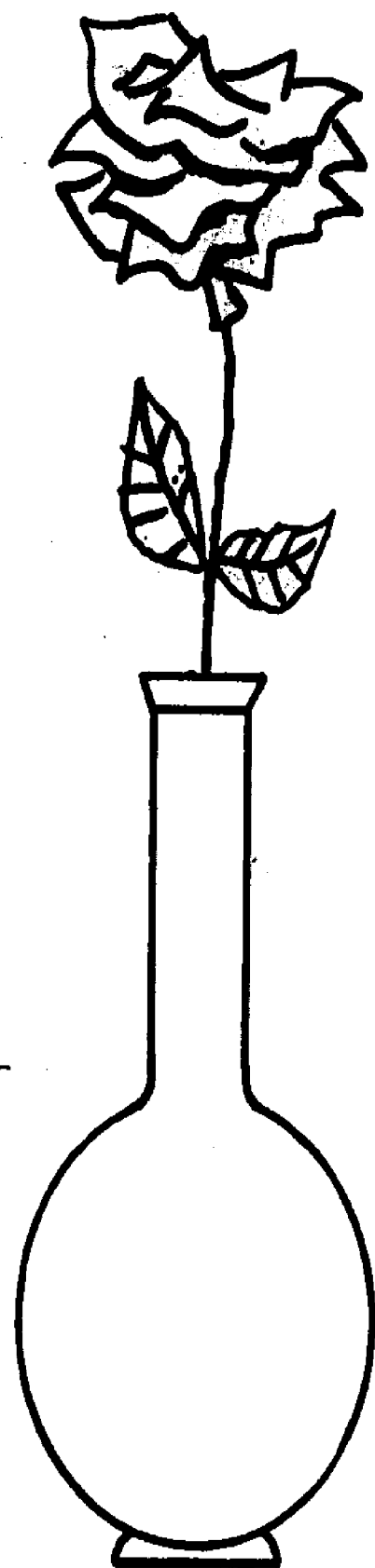
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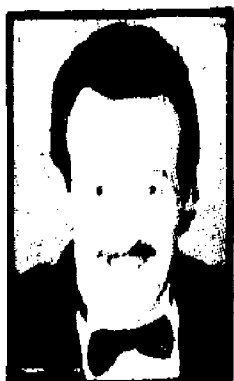
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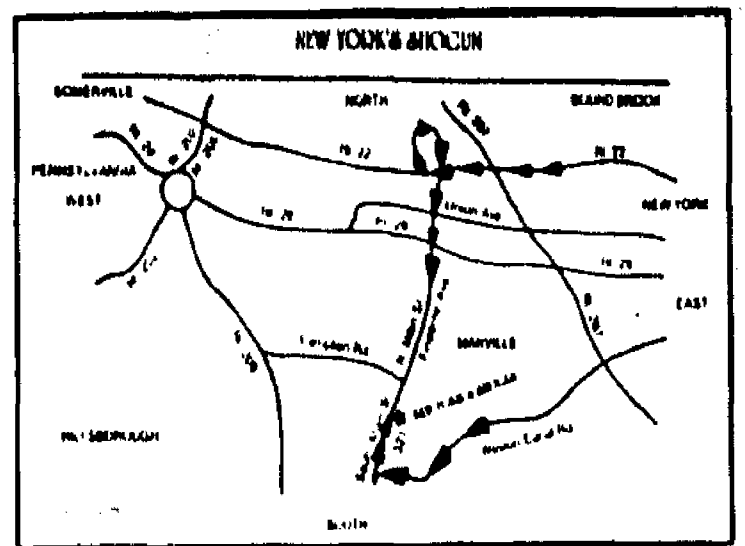
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