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'Asian Night' at Westfield High School included Carrollynn Chang's translation of peoples' names in Chinese script.

Parking deck may be in downtown's future

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

Talk of a possible parking deck in the downtown business area has again surfaced in Westfield.

The subject of the parking deck was mentioned in new Mayor Garland "Bud" Boothe's acceptance speech two weeks ago.

Mr. Boothe said the recession makes this an opportune time to do public works projects.

"With the fire house and municipal building renovations under control and the new library built, the remaining major public works project could be a parking deck," he said.

Mr. Boothe said he would support building a deck if it were determined beneficial.

"I do not want to spend town monies on a white elephant," said Mr. Boothe, "but if there is a case to be made, cost-wise, for building a deck, now is the time to build it. I am convinced in my own mind that some day Westfield will have a parking deck."

Mr. Boothe called upon the transportation, traffic and parking committee, chaired by Councilman Ken MacRitchie, to study the feasibility of a deck.

The subject was raised at the first meeting of the Westfield Downtown Committee two weeks ago, according to committee member Councilman Norman Greco. Mr. Greco said the feasibility of a parking deck will be reviewed by a sub-committee charged with looking into long-term proposals.

The idea of a possible parking deck in the central business district is not new. A deck on Elm Street was considered in the 1980s, and a single-floor deck was approved in 1989. Funding of \$1 million slated to go toward the deck has since been earmarked for the rehabilitation of the Municipal Building.

Mr. Greco, the council liaison to the Chamber of Commerce and the owner of five businesses, said it is his opinion that while the parking deck should be looked into, it is not the highest priority for the town.

How to phone Mayor Boothe

Mayor Garland "Bud" Boothe invites residents to call him. He's installed a telephone answering system on the direct line into the mayor's office in the Municipal Building. It's not an answering machine. The system is on 24 hours a day and he can access it from wherever he happens to be. He's the only person who can access the messages.

The phone number is 789-4046. The system activates after four rings.

"I encourage Westfield residents who want to reach me to use this system," he said. "I will respond to them as quickly as possible." He hopes phone book publishers will add the number to their lists.

Westfield Teen Center finds temporary home at the 'Y'

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

For the Westfield Teen Center, there's no place like home, even a temporary one.

The center began operations in its new home, "the Westfield Y" last Friday, and will remain there until renovations to the Municipal Building are complete.

Recreation Director Paul Campanelli expressed gratitude to the Y for allowing the center to set up temporary shop there.

"We are really appreciative of the efforts of the Y and (executive director) Stan Kaslusk," said Mr. Campanelli. "It's nice that we can join efforts when the need arises."

The relocation will allow the center to make use of several Y rooms, including the gymnasium, which Mr. Campanelli said lends itself to a more active type of center.

"It's a little bit of a change in program," he said, "because now we can include more active types of activities, like basketball and volleyball."

The center will have to move from its Waterunk room home for several reasons.

One is that materials must be moved out of the current adjacent storage space and into the Waterunk Room to allow for asbestos removal. Also, entrances to the room will not be accessible while the asbestos is removed.

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Local battle lines forming to fight state education cuts

By DONALD PIZZI
THE RECORD

Westfield may join at least 14 other financially similar school districts hit hard by the Quality Education (QE) in forming a coalition to seek a consensus on common concerns and to lobby state leaders.

According to schools superintendent Dr. Mark C. Smith, who met Monday with superintendents of other districts in Princeton Monday, the coalition would be composed of "a group of districts that experience some success and are at the greatest risk" of provisions of the QE.

Dr. Smith said the districts are looking

for a financial commitment of \$500 from coalition members, which could towards the hiring of an individual to lobby in Trenton.

Other districts that would be involved would be Ridgewood, Livingston, Madison, Summit, West Windsor and Lawrence, districts that are considered among the wealthier in the state.

Dr. Smith said the group would be meeting again on March 9, and said that he and board president Susan Pepper would attend. Prior to his mentioning the association in the new business portion of Tuesday's board meeting, Mrs. Pepper was the only board member who knew of the idea.

While several board members expressed interest in the formation of a unified group, there was some concern over the suddenness of the proposal.

Board Vice President Dr. Susan Fuhrman said that she had "grave concerns over an association founded on wealth."

Mrs. Fuhrman stated that while she thought it would be alright to appropriate the seed money for the association, she wanted the board to discuss the matter further and consider alternatives.

Board member Melba Nixon agreed, stating "I do want to proceed with caution and want put in a lot of caveats if we do

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Three more join race for school board seats as deadline arrives

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

The field for the three available Board of Education seats has been upped to six, with the announcement of three more candidates last week.

Lawrence Soffer of Golf Edge, Thomas Benisch of Willow Grove Road and William Sweeney of Birch Avenue filed for candidacy last week. Today is the deadline for filing. Catherine Marchant, Danielle Walsh and Eileen Satkin announced their candidacy two weeks ago.

Mr. Soffer of Golf Edge is the only candidate who ran for the board last year. He is a retired research biologist and administrator in the pharmaceutical industry with Merck Inc. He has been a county resident for 20 years. He and his wife Phyllis have lived in town since 1989.

Mr. Soffer sponsored an after-school science club at Wilson School in the early 1980s and is a volunteer in the STS program. He has also presented talks within the district on geography, culture and science.

He is an advocate for strengthening mathematics and science programs, but stresses the importance of developing well-rounded students with strong academic and social skills.

"I have a lifelong interest in education, and it saddens me to see how poorly students are doing, and I would like some input," he said.

He also emphasized the need to "keep a sharp eye on the financial status of the budget," though he doesn't believe money

is the predominant issue.

"Quality is the issue," he said, "we need good quality teachers who can teach in creative ways. Money doesn't mean results."

Mr. Benisch is a partner in a law firm with offices in Berkeley Heights and West New York. He is a member in the NJ Business and Industry Association, the NJ Chamber of Commerce, the Meadowlands Chamber of Commerce, the Hudson County Chamber of Commerce and the National Alliance For Business.

Mr. Benisch has been a delegate to the legislation committee from Tamaques and Edison schools for three years, and currently serves as its co-chairman. He helped the committee sponsor a forum on the Quality Education Act in 1990 and one on various educational issues last year.

He and his wife Jean have lived in town for 13 years. They have two children in the school system.

Mr. Benisch said he has been actively involved in the local district, and is running for a seat on the board, "because I think it's worth it to help the system strive for excellence."

Of particular concern to Mr. Benisch is the global competitiveness that current students will face when applying for jobs

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Enrollment up slightly in Westfield

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE RECORD

Enrollment in Westfield schools increased minimally from the 1990-91 to 1991-92 school year, according to statistics released by the school district last month.

Enrollment in all schools increased from 4,336 to 4,342 over that time period, an increase of .0001 percent.

In the six local elementary schools, there was an enrollment increase of two percent, from 2,023 students to 2062. In September 1990, assistant schools superintendent Dr. William Foley predicted a modest elementary increase over a two-year period.

The elementary school with the highest enrollment continues to be Franklin, which has 459 students this year, 12 less than last year. McKinley School is the smallest with 250 students, but has 44 more pupils than last year. That is a 21 percent increase.

Franklin School has the second highest elementary enrollment, though it is down from 471 students last year. Tamaques School is third, with the number of students rising from 388 students last year to 398.

Jefferson School has 326 students, as

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New councilman



DIANE MATTLER/THE RECORD
James Gruba was sworn in as a member of the Town Council Tuesday night with Bible held by his wife Mary Ann. He succeeds Garland "Bud" Boothe who ascended to the mayoralty. Other family members present for ceremony were Michael and John Gruba.

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Police report

Here are descriptions of entries in the Westfield Police Department call log from Feb. 7-10.

FEB. 10
Officers Robert McInerney and David Wayman arrested James Caracer of Parlin for reportedly driving while his license was revoked. He was held in lieu of \$1,150.

A car on Cacciola Place was vandalized.

A Lawrence Avenue home was vandalized and burglarized. **FEB. 9**
Steven Galtary of Scotch Plains was arrested for reportedly driving while intoxicated. Police said he submitted to a breathalyzer test and registered a .12 BAC.

A Coleman Place man reported that a car stereo was stolen from his motor vehicle.

An Embree Court man reported that his car was stolen.

FEB. 8
A Nelson Place resident reported that his car was vandalized.

Broken glass was found on the

property of a Green Place home.

A motor vehicle parked at Westfield High School on Dorian Road was vandalized.

Officer David Wayman and Carmen Brocato arrested Carlos Martinez of New York City on a fugitive warrant. He was to be extradited by the New York City Police Department.

A carton of cigarettes was taken from the car of a Floral Court resident.

FEB. 7
A South Chestnut Street woman reported that the steering column in her motor vehicle was vandalized.

A Fanwood woman reported that her car was vandalized.

A Stirling Place man reported that \$250 was stolen from his residence.

The car of a Plainsboro man was vandalized.

A Union Man reported that his car was vandalized.

Here's the curbside pickup schedule for '92 recyclables

The Union County Utilities Authority (UCUA) has released the schedule for curbside pickups of recyclables during 1992 for Westfield.

Newspaper, glass and aluminum will be collected every other week according to the following schedule:

Pickups on the North side are scheduled for Feb. 6 and 20, March 5 and 19, April 2, 16 and 30, May 14 and 28, June 11 and 25, July 9 and 23, Aug. 6 and 20, Sept. 3 and 17, Oct. 1, 15 and 29, Nov. 12 and Dec. 10 and 24.

South side pickups are slated for Jan. 10 and 24, Feb. 7 and 21, March 6 and 20, April 3, May 1, 15 and 29, July 10 and 24, Aug. 7 and 21, Sept. 4 and 18, Oct. 2, 16 and 30, Nov. 13 and Dec. 11.

Residents are reminded to set out their recyclables by 7:30 a.m. the day they are scheduled for collection. Residents should prepare

their materials according to the following guidelines:

- Newspapers must be clean and tied in bundles that are no more than 8 inches thick. They may not include paper bags, magazines, telephone books or junk mail.
- Glass bottles and jars must be well rinsed with all caps and lids removed. Labels, styrofoam, metal rings and plastic do not have to be removed. Glass must be placed at the curb in a sturdy, reusable container. Only bottles and jars will be collected. No windows, glass, dishes, pyres, mirror or crystal.
- Aluminum beverage containers must be well rinsed and placed in a sturdy, reusable container. Tin cans, paint cans and spray cans cannot be collected.
- Glass and aluminum recyclables must be set out in separate containers. Materials placed in plastic or paper bags will not be collected.



First Annual Westfield Classic Bike Tour launchers are, from left: Rescue Squad President Kirk Fleming, Jaycee President Jeff Stirrat and Police Officer Bob Bartkus.

Bike Classic Tour Oct. 3 will benefit town groups

The Westfield Jaycees will sponsor the Westfield Classic Bike Tour on Saturday, Oct. 3 to benefit the Westfield Rescue Squad, P.A.L. and other community services.

The tour will offer individuals and families the opportunity to safely ride their bicycles along preset routes ranging from one mile to 62 miles. Food, refreshment and local entertainment will follow the tour.

According to Jeff Stirrat, Jaycee president and classic chairman, "This will truly be a great event for the town of Westfield because it

will bring together friends and family for a one-day outdoor activity that will benefit important community services that help make this town great!"

Other members of the bike tour committee consists of Rescue Squad members, President Kirk Fleming and Captain Joe Urso; Police Department members, Detective Ron Allen, Lieutenant Mike McCabe and Officer Bob Bartkus; and Jaycee members, Robert Algarin, Tim Brown and Mike McCabe. The committee is interested in attracting sponsors for this event. Call Robert Algarin at 232-2225.

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Fire report

Here are the calls responded to last week by the Westfield Fire Department:

- Feb. 4: 700 block of St. Marks Avenue, furnace malfunction.
- Feb. 5: 600 block of South Avenue, car fire.
- Feb. 6: 500 block of Lawrence Avenue, alarm activation; 900 block of Columbus Avenue, alarm malfunction.
- Feb. 7: Centennial High School, alarm malfunction; 200 block of Springfield Avenue, car fire; 300 block of Elm Street, alarm malfunction.

- function; 200 block of Gallows Hill Road, brush fire; 300 block of First Street, alarm malfunction; 900 block of Willow Grove Road, smoke condition, caused by closed fireplace damper.
- Feb. 8: Quimby Street and Elm Street, anti-freeze spill in the road.
- Feb. 9: Holy Trinity Interparochial School, trouble alarm; 600 block of Salter Place, water condition in cellar; 800 block of Tremont Avenue, alarm activation caused by self-cleaning oven; 700 block of East Broad Street, alarm activation.

Trailside to offer rain forest during school vacation week

Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountaintop will offer adults and children an opportunity to sample a tropical rain forest during school vacation week programs, Feb. 17-21.

Trailside's Science Make and Take Days Monday and Tuesday, Feb. 17-18 allow elementary age school children to become scientists during a 45-minute session. With the help of their adult lab assistant they will perform experiments and take home the results. Science stations will include: "Kaleidoscopes," "Whirly Birds," "What a Gas," "Good Vibrations," "Crystals," "Inside-Out Flashlights." Sessions are at 10 and 11 a.m. or 1 p.m. The fee is \$6 per child and includes all materials and Science Make and Take Information packet.

"The Sky Inside," a pre-school planetarium show which will explore the transition of the daytime sky into nighttime and the movement of the sun, will be presented at 11 a.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 18. Parents/adults must accompany their 4 or 5 year old and the fee is \$2 per person.

"Native American Skylore," a planetarium show for ages 6 years and up accompanied by an adult, attempts to unravel myths and legends Native Americans told about the constellations. Showtime is

1:15 p.m. and the fee is \$2 per person.

Visitors to Trailside will tour a Panamanian tropical rain forest as Ginny Seabrook shares her slides and firsthand experiences during "A Walk Through the Rain Forest" Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 1:30 p.m. (Suggested donation: \$1 per family.) Listening to Ms. Seabrook's non-biologist account of her rain forest adventures, the audience will understand just how special and important rain forests really are. Immediately following the slide show at 2:30 p.m., children can make a tropical treasure to take home — a morpho butterfly and a beautiful bromeliad for \$2 per child.

Wednesday evening, adults and children 12 years and up (accompanied by an adult) are invited to view a short slide show and then search for owls during an Owl Prowl from 6:30-8 p.m. The fee is \$2 per person.

Thursday, family films will be shown at 10 a.m. for 3 year olds and up accompanied by an adult; and at 11 a.m. for 5 year olds and up accompanied by an adult. Films will include "The Lorax," "The Curious Mouse," "Beaver Dam," "Ducks," and more. Suggested donation: \$1 per family.

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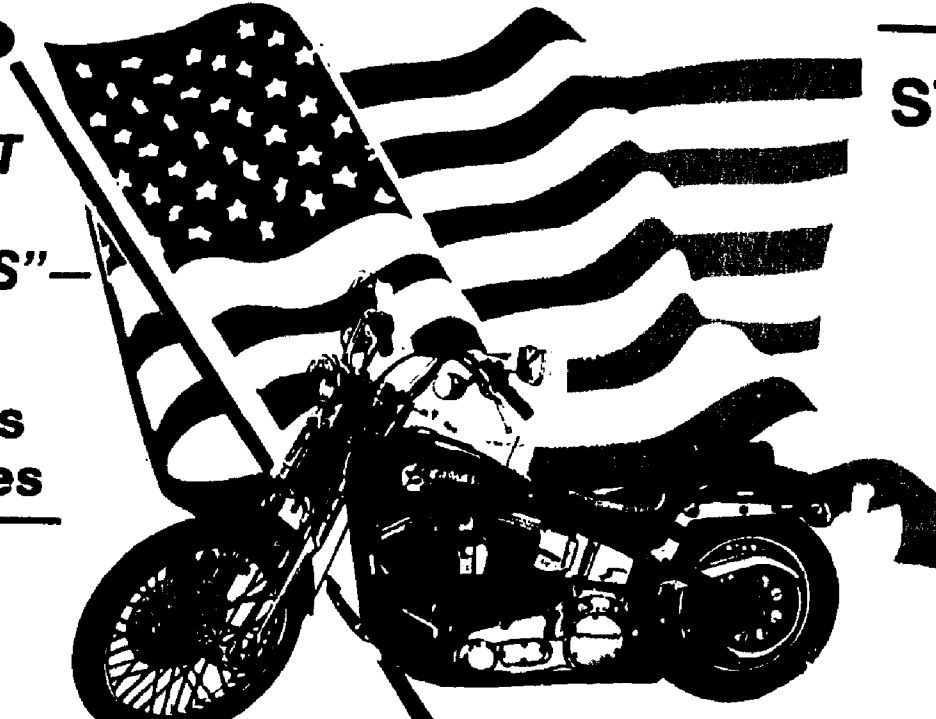
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Danielle Walsh flanked by Gail Cassidy at left and John Schmidt.

Candidates outline campaign platform

Key campaign positions have been named by school board candidate Danielle Walsh. Gail Cassidy and John Schmidt head up the team with Mrs. Cassidy serving as campaign manager and Mr. Schmidt assuming the treasurer's position.

Both campaign workers have been highly visible in the school and community. A 19-year Westfield resident, Mrs. Cassidy served four years on the Board of Education, two years as vice president and one year as president during the 1986-87 school year. Prior to that, Mrs. Cassidy served as president of the Parent-Teacher Council, chairperson of the Education Studies Committee where she also chaired the study committees for The Middle School Study, The Study Skills committee and later the Lunch Study Committee. For nine years she was president of the town's recycling division under Project Share Corporation. She was also the chairperson of the United Fund Agency Review and Allocation Committee. Currently, Mrs. Cassidy is the program chairman for the Westfield Rotary. She is employed as a manager of instruction for Westrom and Associates, the Central Jersey Dale Carnegie sponsorship where she trains new instructors and manages the current instructors. She also does corporate training for the organization. Previously, she was the executive director of the Westfield-Mountainside American Red Cross.

Mr. Schmidt has lived here since 1977. He is a partner in the Westfield law firm of Lindabury, McCormick & Estabrook where he has practiced principally in the areas of commercial, employment, matrimonial and personal injury litigation. He is a designated civil trial attorney. He earned a B.A. in economics from Rutgers College in 1973 and a Juris Doctor from Seton Hall University School of Law in 1977.

He was a member and president of the Westfield Jaycees and a former member of the Visiting Homemakers of Eastern Union County. He is a member and former president of the board of directors of the Westfield Y, a vice president of the Westfield Soccer Association and a member of the local Optimist Club. He also serves as a member of the Cancer Program Community Advisory Board of Elizabeth General Medical Center.

Murch will not seek second board term

"My recent decision not to seek a second term on the school board was more difficult for me than my original decision to seek a first term," said Bonnie Murch when she announced that she will not seek a second term in this year's annual school election.

Mrs. Murch was elected to a three-year term in 1989. "It was much simpler then," she stated. "I saw a job that needed to be done and I knew I could do the job and that I had the time to do it."

"Now," she continued, "after serving for three years, I see the vitally important role that the school board plays in setting direction for the school system and although I have experience, I have less time to give to the board. I regretfully relinquish my voluntary responsibilities on the school board in favor of spending more time with my children and on the job. I thoroughly enjoyed serving on the board and would not rule out running again in a year or two if my circumstances change."

"With six candidates for three school board seats, my decision not to seek re-election is a bit easier," she concluded.

Mrs. Murch is the third incumbent to announce that she will not seek re-election in the annual school election, presently set for April 7. The other two are Dr. Susan Fuhrman and Carolyn Moran.

Mrs. Murch is currently chairwoman of the school board's Programs and Policies Committee on which she served for two years. She also has served on the Operations and Facilities Committee, the Board-Staff Committee, the Legislative Committee and the Ne-

gotiations Committee.

She served as the Westfield Board of Education liaison to the Union County School Boards Association during the three years of her board service and is currently legislative chairwoman and third vice president of the County Association. A former president of the Tamaques School Parent-Teacher Association, she served as the school board's liaison to that school during the 1989-90 year and as the liaison to Franklin School for the past two years.

Mrs. Murch also served as a Board of Trustees member representing the New Jersey School Boards Association on the Board of the New Jersey Assessment and Development Center. She is currently an alternate to the NJSBA Legislative Committee. While on the board, she also attended the Executive Academy of the Department of Education.

Mrs. Murch has two sons: Thomas, a sixth grade student at Edison Intermediate School, and John, a second grade student at Tamaques School. She is employed by Waban Inc., as a sales representative for B.J.'s Wholesale Club in East Rutherford.

"Bonnie Murch brought to this Board of Education several necessary perspectives: as a parent, she was an advocate for children; as a former teacher, she was an advocate for education; as a former P-T president, she was an advocate for strengthening the parent-teacher role in our schools; and as a board member, she asked questions and sought information before making decisions. We are fortunate to have had her as a board member and will miss her," said School Board President Susan Pepper.

New Education fund sets conviviality tone

The new Education Fund of Westfield will introduce itself to the town by presenting "A Taste of Westfield," on Saturday, March 14 from 7-9:30 p.m.

Dinners will be held in homes all over Westfield, followed by coffee, a Viennese dessert table and entertainment in the gymnasium at Westfield High School from 9:45-11:30 p.m. Door prizes will be awarded.

Volunteers who wish to participate and support the new fund may host one of the dinner parties, or they can sign up to attend festivities at the high school after dinner.

Education Fund Trustee Carol Phelan says, "The idea is simple, and the purpose is conviviality. We hope everyone who cares about the Westfield Public Schools will come to enjoy themselves, and learn a little bit about the Education Fund."

Mrs. Phelan explained that the volunteer host decides the type of dinner to be served (anything from Domino's to Chateaubriand) and

the names and number of guests to be invited. Hosts will receive free admittance tickets for the desserts and entertainment at the school. Each dinner guest will purchase a ticket from the host for a minimum donation of \$15.

Individuals wishing to host or attend a dinner should contact Mrs. Phelan at 232-0257 or Nancy Ligera at 654-4742. Those who wish to attend the dessert and entertainment portion of the evening can purchase tickets at Lancaster's on Elm Street. Checks should be made payable to the Education Fund of Westfield.

The Education fund, headed by William Jeremiah, was begun last year as a source of supplementary resources and fund to enhance and maintain the quality of the Westfield Public Schools.

Anyone who cannot attend the March 14 event, but would like to support the fund by making a donation, can send a check to the Education Fund of Westfield, P.O. Box 2221, Westfield, N.J. 07091-2221.

Westfield Town Council meeting activity wrapup

Here is a summary of this week's Town Council meeting:

- James Gruba was voted Second Ward Councilman Tuesday night to fill the vacancy created when Garland "Bud" Boothe became mayor two weeks ago, replacing Richard Bagger who resigned to devote more time to his State Assemblyship. Mr. Gruba, a Wychwood Road resident, was recommended to the Town Council by the Republican Committee.
- An ordinance was passed to vacate Westfield's right-of-way to Essex Avenue on the Garwood-Cranford border.
- Another ordinance authorizes contracts with Mountainside, Garwood and Fanwood for health services in 1992.

- A contract was awarded to Fraberto Concrete Construction Company for the improvement of Marlboro Street.
- A contract was awarded for a grass clipping disposal site to American Soil, Inc. at \$8 per cubic yard.

- A contract was awarded for a brush disposal site to Alternate Disposal Systems, Inc. at \$6.75 per cubic yard.
- Authorization was given to demolish the house at 631 Downer Street.

- The council gave the go ahead to file suit in Superior Court to repair or remove the structure at 354 South Avenue, East. This building is next to a house that burned down and is unsafe, according to Mayor Boothe.

Three more join race for school board

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as adults. According to Mr. Benisch, advances in satellite communications, the fax machine and computer modems will continue to alter the workplace. He cited Ireland, which he said is openly competing for U.S. jobs through education and government incentives, as an indication of what the U.S. faces in the future.

"It doesn't just face Westfield," he said, "it's a national issue. New Jersey spends more money per pupil than any other state, and the objective test results show that we're not near the top of the list."

Mr. Benisch feels that engineering and law background give him the ability to be objectively analytical, which he feels will help make him a good board member.

"A lot of questions involve analysis, not just taking a vote, which is not a criticism of the way things are done now," he said.

Mr. Sweeney practices law with the firm of Giblin and Combs in Morristown. His expertise is in business, banking, real estate and health care law.

He has lived in Westfield with his wife and three children since 1981. He serves as a member of Westfield's Board of Architectural Review, and has been active as a Westfield Soccer Association soccer coach, United Fund Major Gifts fund raiser and sponsor of

the Westfield Symphony Orchestra.

In launching his campaign, Mr. Sweeney said he planned to emphasize financial planning, leadership and communication.

He said he would like to see the budget process begin earlier, so the board could better look at costs and determine "how to contain or reduce them, making education more efficient."

"We have inherited a legacy of excellence in education which is the envy of other towns in New Jersey," he said. "Yet, the continuation of this tradition is threatened by external pressures which will demand exceptional management skills from our professional educators and a higher level of community involvement from all of us. I look forward to presenting my views on the future of Westfield education in the coming weeks."

Mr. Sweeney feels his 20 years experience as a lawyer advising business will help make him a good board member.

"The school district is actually a \$45 million a year business," he said, "and I feel my legal skills would be helpful."

School elections are now scheduled for April 7, though the state legislature is considering pushing them back until May. All three board incumbents have announced they will not seek new terms.

A new setting



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Dino Aspromatus, 14, and Malika Harris, 17, stretch for the net at the opening night Friday of the Teen Center in its new home, the Westfield Y. The center operated by the Recreation Commission will be at the Y until renovations to the Municipal Building are completed.



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Malika Harris and Dawn Whitfield hang out in a corner of the Westfield Y gym during debut of Teen Night.

Enrollment up slightly

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opposed to 372 last year. That 12 percent decrease is the biggest enrollment drop in any district school this year.

Wilson School's enrollment rose from 296 to 322, while Washington School also has more students this year, jumping from 266 to 281.

Of the three secondary schools, Roosevelt and Edison Intermediate Schools and Westfield High School, enrollment dipped from 2,313 to 2,280.

At the two intermediate schools, there was a slight enrollment decrease, from 979 students in 1990-1991 to 968 this year. That

represents a drop of one percent.

Roosevelt Intermediate School remains the bigger of the two in terms of enrollment, with 491 students as opposed to 477 at Edison Intermediate School. Roosevelt showed a decline of 27 students, however, while Edison gained 16 students.

At Westfield High School, enrollment dropped by about two percent. Last year 1,334 students were enrolled in the school, as opposed to 1,312.

Enrollment in the district was at a high of 4,500 in 1987.

The latest enrollment figures were released on Jan. 31.

Battle lines forming to fight education cuts

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proceed."

Mrs. Nixon's concern was that such an organization could cause divisiveness between urban and suburban districts. She said that while she firmly believed Dr. Smith was firmly committed to providing quality education in all New Jersey districts, she was not sure about other superintendents.

Dr. Smith said he felt the association would help to curb divisiveness,

since the group could form a consensus on issues and discuss them cogently then with a group that has already been formed by urban districts.

Board member Carolyn Moran said she thought the association might be a good idea, stating that umbrella boards such as the New Jersey School Boards Association did not have enough familiarity with all the problems faced by individual boards.

Board member Bonnie Murch also expressed support, adding that in the future "I think we'll see less and less local control."

The board agreed to consider the matter after Dr. Smith and Mrs. Pepper returned from the March 9 meeting. The superintendent elaborated on his views of local, state and national education in a recent speech. Excerpts of his comments, which noted the pros and cons of the QEA, are contained on page A-5.

Teen center finds temporary home

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bestos is removed.

Bathrooms accessed by the center must be made handicap accessible, while during some phases of construction the room will be used to store contractors' equipment.

Town engineer Edward Gottko estimated that the Waterkink Room would be unavailable for the rest of 1992.

Members of the Town Council, the Recreation Commission and the Recreation Department looked

into several temporary locations, including the Westfield High School and several local churches.

One of the priorities for the temporary site was that it would be within walking distance of the central business district, for the convenience of local teens.

The center has been open since September 1990. It is designed as a safe supervised, drug-free alternative for area youths. The center is open on Friday evenings from 8 p.m. to midnight. Local teacher Chuck Ropars acts as the Youth Coordinator for the center.

Commentary

Let's apply surgery to the South Avenue Traffic Circle to achieve safer circulation

The South Avenue Traffic Circle is a relic of Model T days and needs major surgery. Roundabouts are quaint in the European countryside but on Route 28 in Westfield they are antiquated and dangerous. The inside track is a perpetual accident waiting for a collision from the outside fast track. The only saving grace of this round arterial is having the headquarters of the Westfield Rescue Squad right on the spot to tend to injuries if and when they happen.

The town government has explored the anachronism from time to time and has even come up with designs for change at the intersection of Plaza and South Avenue. But little has happened, except on paper. Frost, Christianson and Associates served up a plan not long ago. The issue came up during the Master Plan deliberations of 1990-91. The Planning Board requested a conceptual redesign or any similar design which achieves the results of better circulation.

The master plan recommends that further engineering studies be made before any design is implemented. That can take time. In the meantime, Councilman Kenneth MacRitchie accurately flagged the dangers posed by the current configuration during his campaign for re-election last fall. As chairman of the traffic committee, maybe he can get a safer intersection off the dime, in a "T" or conventional intersection. There is support from the new mayor, Garland Boothe, who said flatly that he wanted to see the circle project move. "I have been navigating that obsolete circle since getting my driver's license in 1949," he said. "My wife and hundreds of others go through it daily by car, bicycle or on foot. I will personally push this project." Power to the mayor. Power to cheaper prices for public works like this in these times of lower bids. Most of all, power to accomplish safe passage at that troublesome juncture.

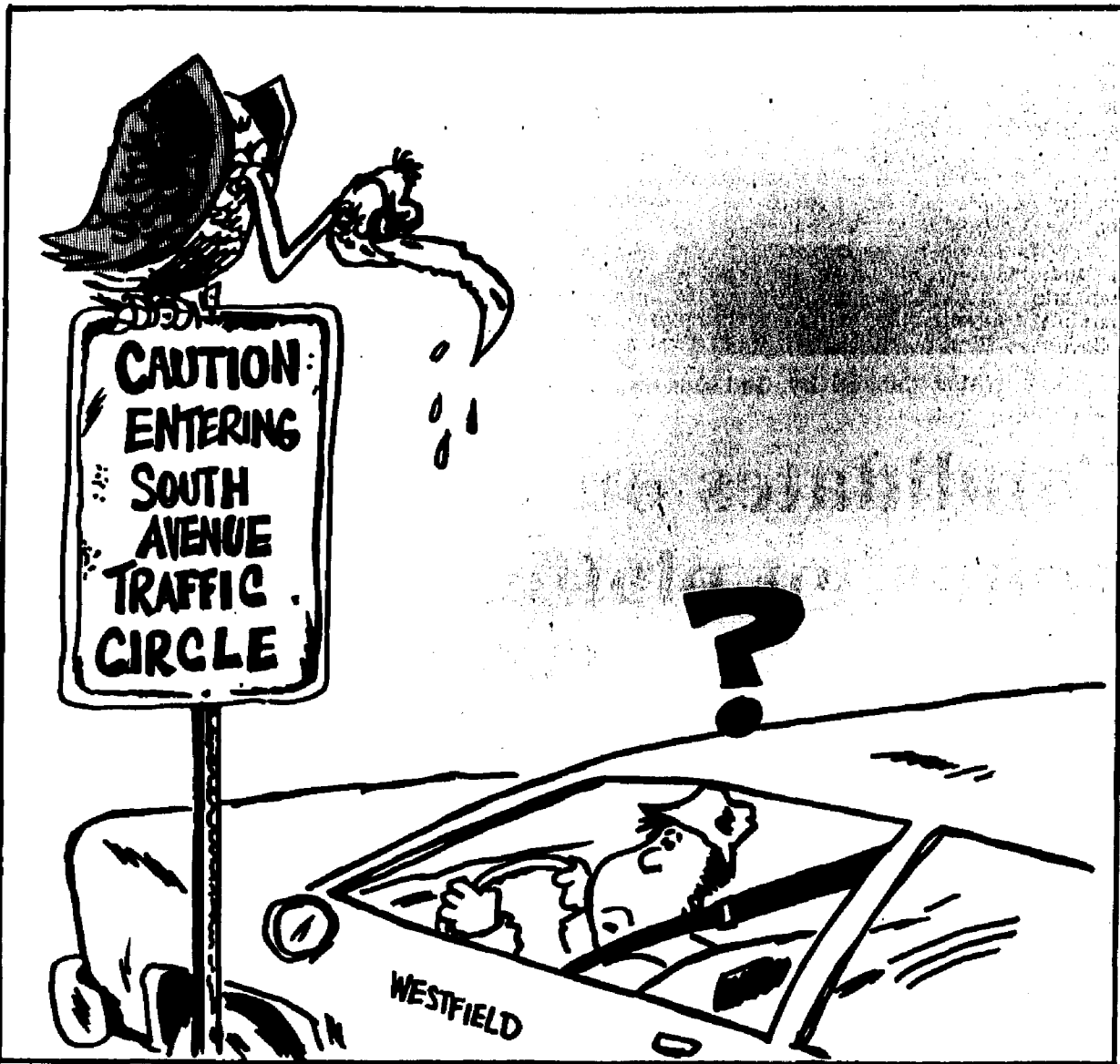
An extra effort for the United Fund

Given this stressful economic season, it's astounding that the United Fund of Westfield has been able to raise \$605,918 so far for human services in the community, even as some traditional donors have been unable to contribute as much as in the past. Executive Director Linda Maggio perceives that needs are greater and that out of "hidden pride" many less fortunate people hesitate to come forward for assistance that

is available from the various agencies that the fund supports.

Board President James Nixon agrees. In his view, the recession has created significant increases in the number of people who need help.

The task of raising money for the fund is not over. It's still about \$45,000 short of the campaign goal. An extra effort in giving could help insure aid for the needy.



Letters

Scouting needs continued support

To The Record:

As members of the community, we share an interest in the progress of our youth. At Washington Rock Girl Scout Council, we help girls ages 5 to 18 make friends and develop their potential through learning experiences in Girl Scouting.

On the eve of our 35th anniversary, Washington Rock continues to provide traditional value-based programs combined with challenging contemporary issues. As a non-profit organization we depend on the generosity of the community to help maintain these programs...programs which serve more than 7,000 girls in 24 communities.

During the next few weeks

Washington Rock will hold its Parents' Annual Giving Campaign. As we approach the 35th anniversary of WRGSC and the 80th birthday of Girl Scouting in the U.S., we reach out during this time to ask for financial support so that Girl Scouting can be assured a future in our community.

Recent studies and endorsements praising Girl Scouting only reinforce the importance of its role in the lives of young women and the influence it has on their future.

A Louis Harris and Associates Study indicates that Girl Scouts tend to make better grades in school and have a stronger moral foundation than non-Girl Scouts.

In a letter to Girl Scouts U.S.A., Congresswoman Patsy K. Mink of

Hawaii writes, "As a former Girl Scout, I am convinced that the life-long impact that Girl Scouting has on young women is an essential component of women's success. The Girl Scout organization has paved the way in providing leadership skills to the future women leaders of America."

If you are interested in helping us continue to pave the way for girls in our community, contact Washington Rock Girl Scout Council, 201 Grove St. E., Westfield, N.J. 07090. Phone 232-3236. Thank you for your continued support.

JOAN K. CORBET
President, Washington Rock Girl Scout Council
CHRISTINE WEISS
1992 Annual Giving Campaign

'Negative campaign' charge puzzling

To The Record:

This is in response to Councilman Greco's letter of Feb. 6.

I do not want to engage in an argument with Mr. Greco on factual points of disagreement. However, I am utterly puzzled by his assertion that some honest persons fear "the very negative campaign practices and character assassination methods used in the past by those seeking re-election," should they become candidates for the Board of Education.

To the best recollection of anybody I know, past school elections were usually fair, non-partisan and issue-oriented. A different tone was injected last year by one candidate who consistently used distorted

and demagogic arguments in his quest to unseat some board members who were seeking re-election. The lamented "negative campaign practices" were used by that candidate and his supporters only. Friends of that candidate have also injected a partisan political tone into the school election and continue to do so to the present day, to the detriment of the entire process.

Furthermore, the "character assassination" that Mr. Greco apparently has in mind was more like a suicide. When a candidate for the Board of Education is found out to have falsified his resume, he has only himself to blame. Telling the truth on such a relevant issue is vital for good government. Neither

negative campaigning nor character assassination was used by any board member who ran for re-election in recent memory.

We have already a field of candidates for this year's school elections and none of them has expressed such misgivings, as far as I know. I am sure that they have nothing to be afraid of, and I am looking forward to the usual honest, non-partisan and issue-oriented campaign. Membership on the Board of Education carries responsibilities without privileges. Nobody in their right mind would discredit our school system by negative campaign practices.

BENJAMIN RULF
10 Evergreen Court

Thank you to all the kind hearts

To The Record:

Tomorrow is Valentine's Day and I couldn't think of a better time than this to thank all the loving and generous Westfield hearts that made the 1991 holiday "Caring and Sharing" campaign the biggest and best ever.

Because of your kind hearts, a total of 883 men, women and children were assisted during the holiday season. The lives of all these people were brightened, especially

in the knowing that someone out there cared. Your overwhelming response to provide for your neighbor in need was truly appreciated by all those who received and by me — the social worker who feared the effect the recession would have upon one's ability to be generous. But, you came through!

To all of you...school children, their parents and teachers, Scouts, church groups, community service clubs, the Red Cross, the Salvation

Army, and the caring individuals that donated — bless your hearts on this Valentine's Day.

I would like to close with this last stanza from a poem by Amanda Bradley: *For happiness brings love, And loving ways bring love, And giving is the treasure that contentment is made of.*

LILLIAN W. CORSI
M.S.W., Director
Department of Human Services
The Local Assistance Board
Town of Westfield

Nomination had to be made again

To The Record:

I'd like to respond to Ken MacRitchie's remarks regarding the Republican Committee's nomination to fill the Second Ward vacancy on the Town Council.

Mr. MacRitchie expressed reservations about the process used to fill this vacancy. His concern was that Mr. Pinkman, who Mr. MacRitchie nominated, was moved and seconded, but not voted on. I was present during the meeting of the Westfield Town Republican Committee on Jan. 22 along with 30 Republican Committee members,

the mayor and Republican Town Council members. My recollection of what took place is that Jim Gruba was nominated by the Second Ward leader and this nomination was seconded. Mr. MacRitchie proceeded to nominate Ed Pinkman and this nomination was also seconded, but it placed two nominations on the floor at the same time, which was declared out of order. Therefore, we voted on the first motion on the floor — the nomination of Jim Gruba. This was unanimously approved. At that time Mr. MacRitchie could have

then nominated Mr. Pinkman to fill the vacancy in the Second Ward. I am sure it would have again been seconded and would then have been voted on. Mr. MacRitchie did not do this, so there never was a motion on the floor to be voted on. It was not the case, as Mr. MacRitchie stated, that the vote on Mr. Pinkman was not permitted. The problem was that Mr. MacRitchie failed to bring his motion up again.

PAMELA S. McCLURE
132A Durcan Hill
Third Ward
Republican Committee Member

Lung Association applauds Florio's veto

To The Record:

Kudos to Governor Florio!

The American Lung Association of New Jersey — "The Christmas Seal People" — applauds Governor Florio's recent veto of the Cigarette Vending Machine Bill, A-4868.

As proposed, the bill would have prevented New Jersey municipali-

ties from enacting more comprehensive legislation, reduced initial penalties to a "slap on the wrist" warning, and instituted locking devices on cigarette vending machines which have proved totally ineffective in other states.

The American Lung Association will concentrate its efforts during

1992 promoting significant legislation regarding cigarette vending machines, the major source of cigarettes for children in our state.

JACQUELINE C. FLOWERS
M.P.H.
Chair,
Committee on Smoking Or Health

Capital projects deserve consideration

To The Record:

The Town Council is now in the middle of its Capital Budget process, and several projects are worthy of special consideration.

I would like to thank the Mindowaskin Park Committee and interested neighbors for attending our budget session last week. Your presence highlighted the importance of this project. I will support

appropriation of funds to begin the park project, as well as the funding of new playground equipment.

This is also the year to undertake the renovation of the Elm Street tennis courts. The condition of the courts has steadily deteriorated. We must not let this recreational asset go to waste.

Equally important — although perhaps less glamorous — are

projects to improve Westfield's infrastructure. Proposed paving and sewer replacement projects must be given careful consideration.

Many capital projects have been proposed for 1992. Persons having questions about the capital budget process should feel free to contact me at 233-5373.

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First Ward Councilman

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QEA forces school districts to balance excellence and equality

Excerpts from a speech by Westfield's school superintendent:

By MARK C. SMITH
SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

The question of whether a society can promote excellence and equality at the same time was brought to the forefront in New Jersey last year by a decision of the state Supreme Court and by the passage of a new funding law for public education titled The Quality Education Act.

In *Abbott v. Burke*, the New Jersey Supreme Court ruled that the funding formula for public education was unconstitutional because it created unacceptable disparities in funds available for urban children and those available for children in the suburbs.

Governor Florio and his staff drafted the Quality Education Act before the court's decision in *Abbott v. Burke*. The act was passed with little deliberation shortly after the decision was handed down.

The QEA seeks to create greater equality in school spending by increasing state funds for urban school districts, by eliminating general state aid for suburban school districts by transferring millions of dollars in state responsibilities for teacher pensions to the local school districts in suburban communities, and by imposing a restrictive cap or limit on the amount that suburban districts may increase their annual budget.

The QEA addresses a serious inequity in our society, an inequity which cannot be permitted to continue. At the same time, it is a law which — if enacted as written and revised — will cripple quality school districts in New Jersey. It is a law which sacrifices quality in an effort to achieve equity. It is a law which will lead to mediocrity in education throughout the state.

The QEA is flawed because it deals with one social-educational issue while ignoring two other equally important questions. Public education in New Jersey in 1992 is faced with three interrelated policy questions, not one.

The first and arguably most important is the problem of equity — providing equal education opportunities.

The second is the failure (in New Jersey and across America) of some children to learn and to achieve at a level necessary to further our economic well being and to compete with students from other countries.

The third is the racial isolation of our children — a substantial percentage of children in New Jersey are educated in racially segregated schools.

Educational opportunities are not equal

The inequality of educational opportunities for children in New Jersey is clear. In *Abbott v. Burke*, the Supreme Court found extensive inequities in such areas as student achievement; school attendance and completion rates; school facilities; numbers and qualifications of teachers; access of students to music, art and advanced courses in the academic areas; the use of technology and the presence of playing fields for athletics and physical education.

The QEA took an important step to address this issue in New Jersey.

The equity issue, however, should not be solved by leveling down the quality of education and by ignoring racial segregation.

The need to improve the quality of education and the level of student achievement in New Jersey and America is as clear and serious as the reality of unequal resources. Concern about student achievement has been well publicized.

I do not believe that it is wise public policy to attempt to solve the state's equity problem by crippling or dismantling school pro-

grams where students are achieving at levels closest to those needed to propel our economy and to compete in the world.

Westfield is such a district. While average combined SAT's declined by four points nationally and five points in the state last year, Westfield's combined SAT average increased by 23 points. Westfield students also achieve well on scholastic

achievement tests and rigorous advanced placement examinations. Over 80 percent of the 222 advanced placement exams taken by Westfield students last year resulted in scores qualifying for advanced credit or standing in college. Average scores of Westfield students (scored from 200 to 800) on achievement tests were 671 in math level II, 595 in chemistry and 613 in physics.

Under the QEA, as it is currently constituted, Westfield will lose over \$6 million in state aid over the next four years. To make up this loss in revenues, the district will have to eliminate programs and support services which have led to high student achievement, or raise property taxes to an unacceptable level, or develop some combination of both of these steps.

At a time when there is national concern about the level of student achievement and declining SAT scores, and at a time when state officials are proclaiming the need for a world class education, it is nonsensical to pursue policies which will dismantle school pro-

grams in districts where SAT's are improving and achievement is strong.

Schools segregated by race

The third important public policy issue ignored by the QEA is the degree to which our schools are segregated.

In the two years that Jonathan Kozol researched his recently published book, he visited cities and

schools throughout the nation.

"What startled me most," Kozol writes, "was the remarkable degree of racial segregation that persisted almost everywhere. Like most Americans, I knew that segregation was still common in the public schools, but I did not know how much it had intensified. Most of the urban schools I visited were 95 to 99 percent non-white."

The QEA takes a step in the right direction by increasing money for urban schools. It takes a step in the wrong direction by forcing drastic cuts in schools with quality programs, and it takes no step in any direction for addressing the problem of racial segregation in public education.

If the QEA as currently constituted is not the answer to the problems of equality and quality, what is?

If no school districts existed in New Jersey and we were starting from scratch, the best answer to the three issues raised would be the creation of large racially mixed school districts with comparable tax resources. Such districts — or

organized by counties or regions — would solve the problem of equitable property taxes, would permit more racially balanced schools, and would facilitate greater economic efficiencies through economies of scale.

We are not, however, starting from scratch and most New Jersey residents have strong commitments to existing districts and traditional district boundaries. Significant changes in these districts could be so disruptive and divisive as to outweigh the advantages.

Wifredo Caraballo, the state's public advocate, suggested something along these lines last August and was practically run out of Trenton.

However worthy, it is not an idea with much chance for serious discussion or action by political leaders.

The state must change its approach

Short of the wholesale reorganization of public education in New Jersey, the state must revise its approach to education in a way which will further greater equality and improve urban education without dismantling successful education programs wherever they exist. Such a policy should focus on providing funds for programs which promise to increase achievement rather than simply providing unrestricted dollars, and should allocate more funds for such programs where students are not learning or are most demonstrably in need.

There should be a shift of state funds away from suburban areas which have the tax resources to support good schools to areas with less tax wealth and more need.

Finally, state education and funding policy should encourage the voluntary regionalization of

school districts for economic, educational and diversity reasons and the creation of joint programs between urban and suburban districts. Financial incentives should be provided for programs which further integration in educational settings. Such initiatives might include student exchanges, shared programs, and the creation of magnet schools located on the rim of our cities and designed to serve students from both city and suburban areas.

We can achieve equity and excellence

We can achieve both equity and excellence in public education. America and New Jersey have the resources to provide more equal opportunities for children in urban centers without forcing mediocrity in our suburbs, and the resources to further joint or cooperative programs between urban and suburban schools. With the right principles, strong leadership and the political will, we can further both greater equality and greater quality in our public schools. We do not have to settle for measures which further one at the expense of the other.

Guest commentary

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Response to European trip creates second tour

The response to The Continental Capitals of Europe Tour has prompted the announcement of a second departure date. Additional travel arrangements have been made for the tour, which is co-sponsored by Forbes Newspapers and Lufthansa German Airlines.

Departing May 11 from Newark Airport, the second tour will have the same itinerary as the May 4 trip. The original price of \$1,985 per person has been extended to cover the new departure.

"Many people have been surprised at how popular our tour is and how quickly it is filling up," said Steve Neuschulz, tour coordinator for the program. "Since there are just a few seats left on the May 4 departure, we decided to go ahead and offer May 11. Those who wish to join us on either departure should sign up early so they won't be left behind."

It is not surprising that area travelers are enthusiastic about the tour. With an itinerary that includes some of the most historic and interesting places in Europe,

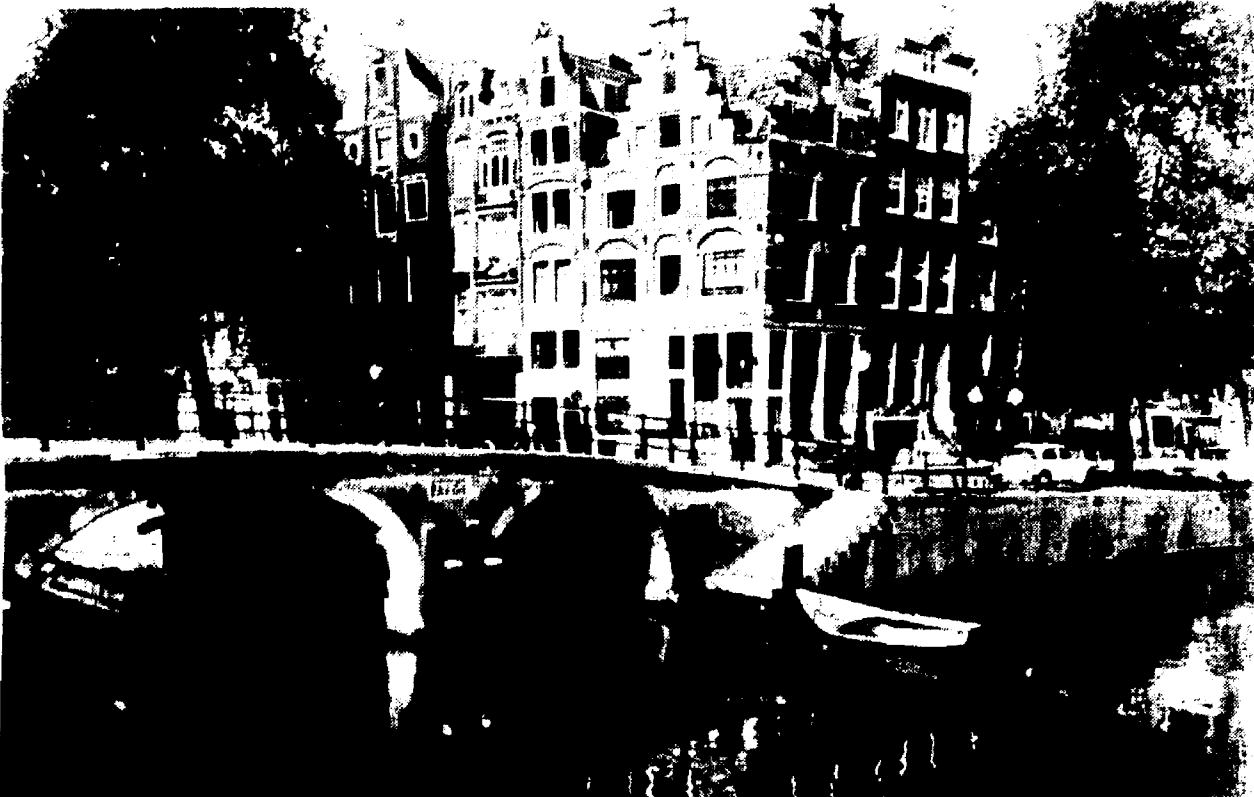
for many it is the trip of a lifetime.

Joanne Traylor, Passenger Sales and Promotion Manager for Lufthansa in New York, said, "The awareness of Europe '92 has increased demand for travel to Europe this year. For many of the participants, traveling at such an historic time has created an incredible amount of excitement."

The 10-day tour begins in France and continues on to Luxembourg, Belgium and Holland. Arrangements have been made to visit some of the most historical cities in Europe such as Paris, Belgium, Brugge and Amsterdam.

The tour includes many services that make the trip trouble-free — airfare, first class hotel accommodations, ground transportation via deluxe motorcoach, buffet breakfast and dinner daily, services of a tour manager throughout Europe, plus other services.

For further information regarding The Romantic Tour, please contact your local travel agent or call the Romantic Tour Hotline at (703) 644-1327 or 1-800-523-6767.



The image of Amsterdam's canal houses is a scene as known by Rembrandt. Amsterdam is one of the capitals to be visited during The Continental Capitals of Europe Tour.

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Schools close for vacation

Westfield public schools will close at the end of the regular school day tomorrow for winter vacation week. School will resume at the usual starting time on Monday, Feb. 24. The three secondary school offices and the administration building will be closed on Monday in observance of Presidents' Day, but will be open from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, Feb. 18-21.

Pancake Day at high school

The Rotary Club of Westfield is holding its 26th Rotary Pancake Day on Saturday, March 7, from 8 a.m.-3:30 p.m. at the Westfield High School cafeteria. The event is the club's major fund-raiser each year. Local musicians will entertain. Guests will have the opportunity to purchase items from a

bake sale sponsored by Rotarian spouses and from an art sale which will include over 100 paintings by Westfield Art Association. Tickets may be purchased from any Rotarian and will be available at the door.

During the past 25 years, over \$860,000 in scholarship awards have been given by Rotarians to 1,036 Westfield High School graduates. The scholarships help students attend college and to develop their potential as tomorrow's leaders.

Reading to the big beat

Sounds of "Da Doo Ron Ron, Let's All Sing and Do Our Thing, Rock 'N' Readathon" echoed through Franklin School as musician Stanley Schwartz and his son, Jacob, led the students in an original jingle he composed as a kickoff for this year's Franklin School Readathon.

Mr. Schwartz demonstrated how

he was inspired to write some of his familiar jingles. His company, Stanley Schwartz Music, has an impressive list of clients which includes Budweiser, Whirlpool, Chevrolet, Slim Fast, Pillsbury and Macy's. His career in the music industry has spanned many years and has given him an opportunity to direct performers such as Melissa Manchester, Billy Crystal and Robert Klein, and produce an array of artists including B.B. King, Roberta Flack, Herbie Hancock, The Temptations, Leon Redbone, Joe Jackson and Judy Collins.

An accomplished saxophonist and pianist, he has also performed on the albums of artists such as Diana Ross, Ringo Starr and Barry Manilow.

During the school assembly, Mr. Schwartz played the flute in an arrangement of jazz and classical music with his son, Jacob, a Westfield High School student who plays both keyboard and guitar.

More information on adult school

The Westfield Adult School regrets that a course in the spring catalogue was described incorrectly. "Financial Planning for the Retired and Soon to be Retired," to be taught by John Tarantino on May 4, covers this information: "Your investment goals and decisions usually change upon retirement. This course will extensively review and fully explain alternative retirement and pre-retirement investment planning. Questions and answers included."

Scholarships are available

The College Men's Club of Westfield, a non-profit organization, announced the availability of scholarships for graduating seniors of Westfield High School. Scholarships, through the generosity of members and fundraising activi-

ties, have been awarded by the club for more than 60 years to deserving young men of Westfield.

As in the past, scholarships will be awarded based on need, scholarship and a combination of the two criteria.

Applications are available at the Westfield High School Guidance Office or by contacting Brian Molloy, chairman of the Scholarship Committee, at 31 Hawthorn Drive, Westfield. Call 654-8044. Applications have to be submitted by April 15.

Oratory contest for boys and girls

The Westfield Optimist Club is sponsoring an oratorical contest for boys and girls 15 years old and under. Preliminaries and finals will be conducted during the last week of February. The first place winner will get \$75; students in second place will receive \$25. Also, Olympic-style medallions will be awarded. Local winners will compete at

the regional and state levels where the top prize is a \$1,500 scholarship.

The official oratorical contest subject is "If I Could See Tomorrow." Official entry forms and contest rules are available from Joseph Nierle, drama teacher at Westfield High School, and Maryanne Murray, speech and drama teacher at Edison and Roosevelt junior high schools. Information: 233-4824.

Fishing contest grades 1-8

The state Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife is sponsoring its sixth annual fishing essay contest statewide for pupils in grades 1-8. This year's theme is titled "My Favorite Fishing Trip." The deadline for submitting essays is Feb. 29. Include name, address, telephone number, grade and school name. Submit to: Essay Contest, Pequest Trout Hatchery and Natural Resource Education Center, RR1, Box 389, Oxford, N.J. 07863. Information: 637-4125.



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Community Life

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Registration announced for story hours

The Westfield Memorial Library has announced February registration dates for Toddler Time, Preschool Story Time and Magic Carpet Story Hour.

Registration begins Thursday, Feb. 20, for Toddler Time Story Hour on Thursday, Feb. 27, from 1:30-2 p.m. Toddler Time is a one-time introduction for two-year olds and their parents to storytime, book collection and other services of the library. Children should be 2 1/2 years old to enjoy this program, be registered in person and be Westfield Library members.

Three-year-old Story Time registration begins Feb. 25. The sessions are scheduled for Tuesdays, March 3 through 31, from 10:30-11 a.m. or Wednesdays, March 4 through April 1, from 1:30-2 p.m.

Registration for 4-year-old Story Time begins Feb. 24 and will meet Thursdays, March 5 through April 2, from 10:30-11 a.m. or Mondays, March 2 through March 30, from 1:30-2 p.m. To be eligible, children must be Westfield Library members, be registered in person and have reached their third or fourth birthday by the first story session.

Magic Carpet Story Hour registration begins Feb. 25 for children in kindergarten through third-grade. The sessions will meet Thursdays, March 5 through April 2, from 3:45-4:30 p.m. and will include filmstrips, stories, music and games.

Adult school registration set Feb. 24

In-person registration for courses and seminars offered during the Westfield Adult School spring term will be held on Monday, Feb. 24, from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in Cafeteria B at Westfield High School. Classes are scheduled for Mondays between 7-10 p.m. at Westfield High School. The semester will begin March 9 and continues through May 11. There will be no classes the week of April 13.

Word Processing I is offered on either Mondays or Tuesdays, and Word Processing II is given only on Tuesdays. Two single lectures, "Money Management for Women" on May 5 and "Introduction to the Ancient Art and Current Use of Dowsing" on April 21, are scheduled for Tuesdays. "Finding, Empowering, Enjoying Your Voice" is a total immersion weekend, March 13, 14, and 15. Practical skills courses are scheduled separately through the Westfield-Mountainside Chapter of American Red Cross and through Northern Driving School.

A small registration fee and modest tuition are charged for most courses. Some are free and presented in the public interest. Ten courses, starred in the catalogue, are offered to those age 65 and older at reduced tuition. Call 232-4050.

Lacrosse open to elementary pupils

The Westfield Recreation Commission is offering a lacrosse program to all 5th-8th grade students of Westfield. Fundamentals, equal participation and league play will be stressed. Practice begins the week of March 9 with games starting in April. The cost is \$35 a person and equipment can be rented at the recreation office in the municipal building. Call 789-4080.

Program ahead on nesting birds

This Sunday's program at Trailside Nature Center in the Watchung Reservation is "Hole Nesters" at 2 p.m. It includes slides of species such as the bluebirds, wrens and chickadees who nest in holes. We'll provide plans for building your own nest box. The fee is \$2 a family.

Learn about the state's 'special places'

Arline Zatz, author of the best seller, *New Jersey's Special Places*, will provide an informative program Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m. at the Pequest Trout Hatchery and Natural Resource Education Center located 9 miles west of Hackettstown on Route 46. Call 637-4125.

'Astronomy Sunday' ahead at Trailside

Trailside Nature and Science Center in Mountainside will host "Astronomy Sunday" on Feb. 23 from 1-5 p.m. The event features children's workshops, model rocket launches, solar viewing, meteor displays, children's space face painting, planetarium shows, hi-tech space videos, and an astrophysical debate: "Did the Big Bang Really Happen?"

Refreshments, astronomy equipment and supplies will be sold. This event is free to the public although nominal fees are charged for children's workshops, face-painting and planetarium shows. Call 789-3670.

Exhibit on African women

The Newark Museum will present a new exhibition, "In the Circle of African Women," which focuses on objects made or used by women. The exhibit will be on view through 1992.

Local production ending run

Tomorrow and Saturday are the last evenings to see the Westfield Community Players' production of *Death Takes a Holiday* by Alberto Casella, with Americanization by Walter Ferris. The show begins at 8 p.m. in the group's theater at 1000 North Avenue West.

Town running trip to Nets-Knicks game

The Westfield Recreation Commission and the New Jersey Nets are sponsoring Westfield Town Night at the Meadowlands Arena on Sunday, March 1, at 6 p.m., as the Nets do battle against Patrick Ewing and the New York Knicks.

Tickets are on sale at the Recreation Department in the Municipal Building at a cost of \$16 a person. With each ticket sold, the Nets will contribute \$3 to the Recreation Commission to benefit the teen drug and alcohol free programs.

Free Nets caps will be given with each ticket purchase. A special Westfield welcome and half-court presentation will take place at the arena the night of the game. Call 789-4080.

Watercolorist has exhibit at hospital

An exhibit of watercolors by Florence MacDowell is on display at Children's Specialized Hospital through the end of March.

The artist, a Westfield resident, has painted exclusively in watercolors for the past 15 years, specializing in wildlife and country and shore scenes. She has studied at the duCret School of the Arts and with prominent area artists.

Ms. MacDowell has had several one-artist shows in New Jersey and New York and has won several awards in local shows, including the recent Rotary Foundation of Westfield's annual print competition. She is a member of the Westfield Art Association and served on its board for an number of years, currently as chairwoman of the member's on-going loan exhibits. She is also an associate member of the New Jersey Watercolor Society.

The display is open to the public Monday through Friday, 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Enter through the hospital's east wing entrance. To view the exhibit on evenings and weekends call 233-3720 ext. 379. The artist's works are for sale, with a portion benefiting the hospital.

Wild plants topic at Miller-Cory

The Miller-Cory House Museum at 614 Mountain Ave. will feature wild edibles on Sunday from 2-4 p.m. The last tour begins at 3:30 p.m.

Nancy Wallace of Westfield will discuss the various types of wild plants and fruits such as berries and apples, gathered by New Jersey's early settlers for their dinner tables. Mrs. Wallace is chairwoman of the museum's board of governors.

Dorothy Garis will be among the docents in period dress guiding visitors through the rooms of the restored farmhouse, a private home until 1972.

Visitors are welcome to browse in the museum shop, stocked with gifts and educational materials. Call 232-1776.

'Jumble' of bargains sustains service programs

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE RECORD

During the Great Depression, the Cranford Junior League opened a tiny thrift shop on Eastman Street to offer residents the necessities of life at reasonable prices. It was an immediate success. Today the Jumble Store continues the tradition of service and growth launched more than a half century ago.

A league member's Scottish maid referred to the shop as a "jumble store" rather than a thrift shop, because that was the name given to such shops in her homeland. The name stuck.

The 1992 version of the Jumble Store, a thriving venture on Walnut Avenue, Cranford, is a far cry from the tiny shop that opened during the depression. In fact, during the early years, a portion of the store's profit was used to provide direct welfare relief to local residents for milk, food, rent and medical bills. Today, revenues from just one month's sales total \$14,000.

In 1950 the store was moved to "the little red house" in the middle of the block on South Avenue East. From there the Jumble Store moved to "the big red house" at 110 Walnut Ave., the present location, formerly the Martin Frank establishment, and earlier Judge William Mendell's home from 1876 until his death in 1930.

In 1964, the Cranford Junior League merged with the Junior League of Elizabeth, and in 1976 the Junior League of Plainfield merged with the Junior League of Elizabeth-Cranford to become the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield. Through all the changes, though, the Jumble Store remained a major fund-raiser for the league. Today the organization boasts 112 active members and 227 sustainer memberships hailing from Plainfield, Scotch Plains, Fanwood, Westfield, Cranford, Kenilworth, Elizabeth and other towns where people want to get involved to help others.

A whole new look greeted customers when the store opened in the fall of 1984 after being closed for the summer. A 2 1/2-story addition was constructed over the summer, which almost doubled the store's square footage. Until 1988, the store operated with the thrift shop on the first floor and the consignment shop upstairs.

September 1988 brought the consolidation of the Junior League headquarters and the Jumble Store under one roof. At this time, both shops were combined on one floor to afford customers one-stop shopping. The league office, meeting room, storage areas and consignment take-in occupied the second floor.

What can you find at the Jumble Store? Everything. From infant's on up to women's and men's clothing, shoppers can find clothes, sleepwear or formal attire, all washed, ironed or dry cleaned. Customers also can purchase jewelry, housewares, antiques, small items of furniture, books and toys. But if that is not enough, browse through the designers collection of clothes — shoppers will find some with original tags priced at one-quarter the original price. But, if you are still not convinced, listen to the accolades of two steady customers who maintain a motto, "There is always room for Jumble clothes."

Cathy Cooper and Helene Goodrich, both employees at Denis Dankosky State Farm Insurance a few doors down from the Jumble Store, have become loyal customers who rave about the bargains they have amassed.

"The greatest part is saving so much money at Jumble, you can turn around and buy two things at retail prices." Recently Ms. Cooper found a 100 percent gray flannel designer dress she knows originally was priced at \$125. Her cost? \$30. Cathy tries to stop in the store at least once or twice every two weeks to see "what has come in."

Ms. Goodrich, however, admits she is "addicted" to the store, confessing she slips off to browse through the racks three days a week, maintaining, "You can purchase designer clothes at one-sixth the price of retail." Ms. Goodrich boasts of having acquired a Adrienne Vittadini jumpsuit for \$20, which now is selling at Lord and Taylor for \$300.

The store continues to serve Cranford and surrounding communities as the Junior League major fund-raiser, with profits going to Cranford Family Care Association, and also to three destitute families to pay for child day care. The center, located in Plainfield, has the ultimate decision of which children qualify for placement under the special program.

Past league projects have included CFMO-

care, a support program for patients undergoing chemotherapy treatment for cancer; N.J. Olympics-Track and Field Event, a project for handicapped athletes, sponsored by the league and District V Special Olympics personnel; and Kids On The Block, a handicap awareness puppet program presented by league volunteers to children and adults throughout Union County.

Although the league's efforts are directed at initiating, funding and staffing community service projects, the organization also has a small community grants program providing assistance to Union County service agencies to meet a variety of needs. Among these are the Lung Association of Central New Jersey's "Marjuana: A Second Look," an elementary school program for Union County schools; Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside; audio-visual equipment for Union County Child Protection Council; bereavement counseling materials for the Center for Hope in Roselle; "safe rides," brochures for Cranford's Common Sense (drug and alcohol abuse prevention) Program; and emergency housing program assistance for Plainfield YMCA.

But for all the Junior League does for others, it still needs help from the community to continue its work. How can you help? By donating merchandise, placing resalable merchandise on consignment, volunteering to work in the shop. But be careful, it's addictive.

\$20 goes a long way at Jumble Store

What can \$20 buy these days? Well, if you're shopping retail, you might not be laden with shopping bags. But take that \$20 to the Jumble Store, and it's a different story.

Scanning the racks — there's a designer rack on the upper level, and racks of dresses, blouses, sweaters and slacks lining the walls — this reporter found an L.L. Bean straight skirt for \$9, a Liz Claiborne soft flannel shirt for \$5, and a Capezio soft brown leather purse for \$5. The skirt had an original tag in it for \$59, the blouse retailed

at \$39, and a similar purse sells at \$45. Total retail cost: about \$143. Total Jumble Store cost: \$19.

In January alone the Jumble Store realized \$14,000 in revenue.

This smoothly run organization has everything down to a science after 58 years in the business, ensuring a smooth turnover of merchandise for customers (there's new merchandise everyday) who rely on the store during hard economic times, and good.

—CHERYL MOULTON HEHL



Gail Eklof arranges jewelry at the Jumble Store in Cranford.

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Club news

Club scholarships available

The Woman's Club of Westfield is announcing that the applications for its annual scholarships and grants are now available at the Westfield High School Guidance Office. Applications are available to all graduating Westfield High School seniors who reside in Westfield. The Scholarship Committee is seeking students who show evidence of financial need and who have been accepted by an accredited college.

The funds for these scholarships and grants are realized from the proceeds of the club's annual scholarship luncheon, donations and other club benefits. Since 1949, the club has awarded 67 four-year scholarships and 98 freshman grants. All applications should be returned to the Guidance office by March 24. Information is held in strict confidence.

Genealogical Society meets today

The next meeting of the Genealogical Society of the West Fields will today at 1 p.m. in the Westfield Memorial Library, 550 East Broad St. Members will discuss their triumphs and frustrations in genealogical research. The discussion, chaired by Joan Smith, a member of the society, will be preceded by a short business meeting and followed by refreshments. Information: 278-5175.

Benefit dinner-auction planned

The Junior Woman's Club of Westfield has its 15th annual Grand Vacation-Dinner Auction Friday, March 6 at L'Affaire Restaurant at Rt. 22 East, Mountainside.

The event will benefit the Westfield Volunteer Rescue Squad. The auction includes dinners at fine New York and suburban restaurants, specialty items including fitness club

memberships, jewelry, landscape design, home decorating packages and local theater tickets. Vacations will also be auctioned for Aruba, Bahamas, Mexico, Puerto Rico, France, Switzerland, Italy, Germany, Virginia, California.

The preview will be at 7 p.m. and the auction is at 8. Tickets are \$5. Information: 889-0981.

Welcome Wagon to meet Friday

The Welcome Wagon Club of Westfield will hold its monthly meeting at the Pagoda Restaurant, Route 22 in Mountainside, at noon Friday, Feb. 14. The club is open to new residents of the Westfield vicinity who would like to meet people of similar interests. For information, write to Welcome Wagon Club of Westfield, P.O. Box 852, Westfield, N.J. 07091.

Talk on 'When Baby Arrives'

The Westfield P.M. group of La Leche League will meet today at 8 p.m. at 2638 Crest Lane, Scotch Plains, and the discussion will focus on "When Baby Arrives" and "The Family and the Breastfed Baby." Information: 233-7363 or 789-8910.

La Leche will also meet on Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., at 9:30 a.m. to discuss "The Art of Breastfeeding and Overcoming Difficulties." Information: 233-2198 or 322-8732.

Na'amat hosts discussion group

The Medina Chapter of Na'amat USA is hosting a discussion group, "Rashes, Scratches, Sniffles and Sneezes" led by Dr. Friedrich Schuller, an allergist from Westfield. The event will be held on Wednesday at 8 p.m. in a local member's home. The Medina Chapter is a charitable organization comprised of young Jewish

women from Westfield and the surrounding communities who enjoy a wide variety of social activities in addition to raising funds to support the needs of women and children in the United States and Israel. If interested in attending the meeting or in learning more about Na'amat, call 232-3195.

Jaycees to raffle 1992 Mercedes

The Westfield Jaycees will raffle a 1992 Mercedes 190E at its upcoming raffle on Friday, March 13. The raffle is limited to 350 tickets and will benefit the Westfield Jaycees Foundation Scholarship Fund. It is a reverse raffle with the owner of the last ticket drawn winning the Mercedes. Ten other prizes include a color television, VCR, CD player, his and her watches, and cellular phone. Each ticket entitles the bearer and guest to attend a gala evening of dancing, entertainment, hors d'oeuvres and champagne. Tickets cost \$150 and are available at Woodfield's, 654-0111. Call Robert Algarin at 232-2225 or Ken Ciarrocca at 654-0566.

Orchestra guild reviews projects

The Westfield Symphony Orchestra Guild recently held its holiday dinner meeting at Echo Lake County Club.

Symphony Guild President Myriam Gabriel proposed that the guild develop a community outreach program involving the orchestra. A progressive dinner for guild members is planned for early March to begin support for this new program.

Plans for the guild's annual spring house tour are under way and meetings have begun co-chaired by Susan McClelland and Judy Phillips, fund-raising vice presidents. Call Roberta Amendola at 755-2689 for more information.

Concert based on book that was gift for director

In 1982, Alice Eve Cohen, the wife of Westfield Symphony Orchestra Music Director Brad Kimach, surprised him with a book written for his birthday, "The Orchestra That Lost The Beat." The book will be brought to life in a family concert on Sunday, March 1 at 3 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving Ave., Rahway. Major funding for the program has been provided by Merck and Company Inc. Additional funding was provided by Burgdorff Realtors and Amelior Foundation in Morristown.

In the book's story, the "Beat" visits the conductor one day to complain that in all the years with the orchestra, the "Beat" has never had any time off, even during the rests. The conductor tells the "Beat" that he will look into the matter, but promptly forgets. The next day, the orchestra and the "Beat" pile into a truck to go on tour. The tuba unknowingly knocks the "Beat" out of the truck. At the next concert, the orchestra sounds terrible because the "Beat" is nowhere to be found.

The "Beat" decides to use this new-found freedom to do some traveling. The "Beat" visits some wonderful places and hears music

that it has never heard before. Needless to say, the "Beat" eventually finds the way home and is warmly welcomed by the conductor and the orchestra.

The program will feature familiar orchestral music by Mozart, Beethoven, Rossini, and Mendelssohn, but, in following the "Beat's" travels, there also will be music from very exotic cultures. In addition to the "Beat," there will be a narrator, and other actors will portray various characters in the book.

The program also will present the winner of the WSO's Young New Jersey Artist Concerto Competition, Christopher Johnson, a 17-year old senior from Warren who will perform Beethoven's Piano Concerto No. 2. Funding for the competition was provided by Burgdorff Realtors and the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts in Westfield.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for children and can be purchased at the Arts Center in Rahway; Camelot Books in Summit; Martine Avenue Bookstore in Fanwood; Cranford Bookstore; and in Westfield at Rorden Realty; Lancasters, Ltd.; Town Bookstore; and Turner World Travel. For information, call the WSO office at 232-9400.

Valentine welcome



Welcome Wagon Club of Westfield craft group made Valentine candy centerpieces. Creators from right include: Gail Charette, Karen Reed, Mary Ann Kent, Gina Lynch, Jane Schoenfeld and Nanette Roina. Next craft night is Feb. 27. Call 232-2450 for membership information.

Roosevelt's Eugene Voll announces retirement

Eugene Voll, principal of Roosevelt Intermediate School, announced his retirement after 42 years in education, 17 of them in Westfield. Mr. Voll's resignation was accepted with regret by the Board of Education at its public meeting Tuesday.

"Of all the schools in which I have taught and worked, without a doubt the most enjoyable years have been in the Westfield Public Schools," he said. "One of the main reasons for this has been the total dedication of the staff and community to providing the best possible program for children."

"Gene Voll has been a leader of the Roosevelt staff, students and parents for 17 years," said Schools Superintendent Mark Smith. "His total dedication to being the best principal possible has paid off handsomely. He will be sorely missed. Selecting a principal is vital to a school. The school principal sets the tone and direction for the school."

Calling the search for a replacement for Mr. Voll "an exciting challenge," the superintendent outlined plans for the search. He said he will appoint an advisory committee composed of three administrators, three teachers (including one department head) and three parents within the next week. The Advisory Committee will work with the superintendent to select a candidate for recommendation to the Board of Education.

Mr. Voll, a United States Navy veteran, began his career in education in 1950, first as an elementary teacher in Detroit, Mich., and then four years later as a principal and teacher in Alexandria, Minn. and Fargo, N.D. He served as superintendent of the Casselton Public Schools in North Dakota for five years and held a one-year fellowship at Teachers College, Columbia University, in 1964-65. He was principal of Robbins Junior High School in Farmington, Conn. for 10 years before coming to Westfield.

Breast Health Center will be dedicated

Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center will dedicate its Breast Health and Mammography Center on Valentine's Day, Friday, Feb. 14 at 2 p.m. in Centennial Hall. The center is designed to provide "one-stop" services for women seeking screening and information about the detection of breast cancer. Women receive a physician's examination and mammogram. Breast reconstruction and education about breast self-examination techniques are other services offered.

Twins, triplets club sets meeting Feb. 19

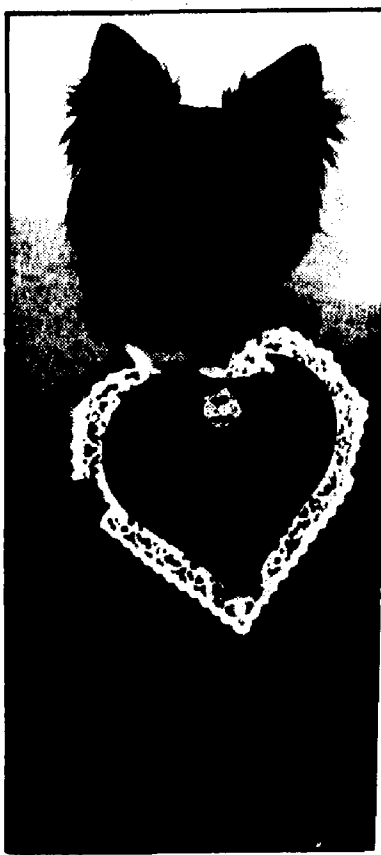
The Suburban Mothers of Twins and Triplets Club will hold a meeting, Wednesday, Feb. 19, 8 p.m. at the National Westminster Bank, 105 East Fourth Ave., Roselle.

Dr. Karen E. Mondrone, a home economist with Rutgers Cooperative Extension will discuss "Family Nutrition." For more information, call Patricia Sutter at 486-2694.

Scholarships available

The Rahway Hospital Auxiliary has full and partial scholarships, worth up to \$4,000, available to those who plan to pursue a health care career. The scholarships are paid directly to the school. All applications must be submitted to the Rahway Hospital Auxiliary by March 20. Call the Rahway Hospital Auxiliary at 498-6068.

Heartfelt



'Ruffian' were a valentine that was offered for adoption by People for Animals which runs spay-neuter clinic in Hillsdale.

Outside resources used for in-service training

Outside resources will be used for inservice training for art and music teachers in the Westfield Public Schools during the period when schools are closed for teacher inservice starting today.

According to Jean McDermott, director of fine arts for the schools, Thomas Wade will serve as clinician at the inservice for kindergarten through twelfth grade music teachers. His topic will be "Music Through the Ages."

Angel Shectman, an art specialist and consultant for special needs students, will present an art department inservice on the topic: "Teaching Art to Special Education Children."

Mr Wade is a graduate of the Oberlin Conservatory and the University of Connecticut. He has been on the faculties of Eastern Illinois University and Glassboro State College where he chairs the music department, which he joined in 1976.

A retired art teacher from Cherry

Hill Township Schools, Mrs. Shectman spent 20 of her 34-year career teaching art solely to special needs students. She has taught preschool through graduate level as well as suburban, urban, rural, migrant and disadvantaged students.

A graduate in art education from Kutztown University, she holds a master's degree from Glassboro State College and has done post-graduate study at the University of Pennsylvania and the University of the Arts at Glassboro and Kean Colleges.

Mrs. Shectman has published a number of articles since 1962, including a National Art Education Association publication: "Art in the Lives of Persons with Special Needs."

All Westfield Public School students were dismissed from school after the state-mandated four hours of instruction on February 12 so that professional staff members can participate in inservice training programs.

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Symposium set to be held at Seton Hall

Seton Hall University's Institute of Judaean-Christian Studies will be the host for a symposium, "1492: Expulsion of Jews from Spain and Voyage of Columbus to the Americas," on Thursday, March 12 from 2:50-3:30 p.m. in the Student Conference Room located in the Bishop Dougherty Student Center on the South Orange campus. The symposium is open to the public no charge. Call (201) 761-9463.

UCC closed Monday for President's Day

Union County College will close its doors on Monday, Feb. 17 to commemorate the President's Day holiday. All campuses will be closed for classes and office activities including locations in Cranford, Elizabeth, Scotch Plains, and the temporary replacement facilities for the Plainfield Center that are being housed at Plainfield High School.

Tuition assistance workshop scheduled

A Financial Aid Workshop aimed at helping the public obtain tuition assistance at New Jersey colleges will be held 6:30 p.m. on Thursday, Feb. 13 in the Union County Room, MacKay Library, Cranford campus.

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

- The Great Mouse Detective (G) Friday: 1:30 p.m., 2:50 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 6:10 p.m., 8 p.m., 9:50 p.m. Late show Friday and Saturday at 11:30 p.m.
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WOODBRIDGE
Routes 1-9 & 35, Woodbridge (908) 636-4566

- Wayne's World (PG-13) Friday: Monday: 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., 10 p.m. Tuesday: Thursday: 8 p.m., 10 p.m.
- My Girl (PG) Friday: Monday: 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m. Tuesday: Thursday: 7:30 p.m.
- The Fisher King (R) Friday: Monday: 7 p.m., 9:40 p.m. Tuesday: Thursday: 9:30 p.m.

KENDALL PARK CINEMAS
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It's National Children's Dental Health Month. Local pediatrician Dr. Philip Graye and orthodontist Dr. Patricia Throver join Mayor Garland "Bud" Boothe at proclamation signing.

Mayor proclaims National Children's Dental Health Month

Mayor Garland "Bud" Boothe officially recognized the importance of oral care for children by proclaiming February as National Children's Dental Health Month.

Mayor Boothe urged the public, community dentists and children's organizations to participate in upcoming activities and events. The mayor stressed the importance of proper oral health care for children, noting that a healthy smile can last a lifetime.

In recognition of National Children's Dental Health Month, the Central Dental Society will sponsor several dental health activities, presentations for parents, and participation at the Dental Health Fair to be held Feb. 23 at the Bridgewater Commons.

The National Children's Dental Health Month was initiated 43 years ago in an effort to promote good oral health for children. Although things are improving, many children still do not receive proper oral care. Consider that one in 10 children ages five to 11 has not visited a dentist, and most cavities in five-year-old children occur by age three. However, with daily brushing and flossing, a healthy diet and regular dental visits, a healthy smile can last a lifetime. Call the Central Dental Society at 232-1231 for more information.

Youngsters can learn crafts-making skills at UCC

Union County College will offer youngsters ages nine through 12 a chance for hands-on instruction preparing craft projects through a non-credit course, "Craft Workshops for Kids."

The workshops are set up so that youngsters may enroll in one or several classes, depending upon their interest in the topic covered. Students will develop skills in design, creative thinking, color combinations, and the feeling of creating something special. Materials are included.

Classes will be held from 10:15 a.m.-12:05 p.m. on selected Saturdays, from Feb. 22 through May 9 on the college's Cranford campus. During each session, a different workshop will be presented. They cover the following areas: Feb. 22, St. Patrick's Day Wreath, during which youngsters will paint wood

shamrocks and a pot-of-gold to decorate a wreath; Feb. 29, Spring Pins, children will paint whiteware figures for pretty pins; March 14, Noon Accessories, making a barrette, wrist purse, and jewelry in jazzy, neon colors; March 28, Ceramic Easter Eggs, children will paint eggs for their Easter baskets; April 25, The Punch, youngsters punching a heart scone and set of coasters; May 2, Fun With Rubber Stamps, children learn stamping techniques, making a set of stationery, and putting together their own rubber stamp to take home; May 9, Victorian Mother's Day Card, putting together a keepsake Mother's Day card using paper doilies, Victorian scrap pictures and fancy trim.

Classes are limited to 12 students. For more information, call 709-7601.

Rotary hears talk on water quality

Byron Miller spoke about water quality to the Westfield Rotary Club Feb. 7. Mr. Miller, a past president of the service club, heads the Portasoft Co. He said that local water, supplied by Elizabethtown

Water Co., is among the best water in the state and that there are ample reserves. He was accompanied by sales manager Carol J. Smith who is a certified water specialist.

Westfield Rotary seeks scholarship applicants

John R. Blasi, president of Westfield Rotary Club Foundation Inc., has announced that applications for the Read Law Scholarship are available at the Westfield High School Guidance Office. The deadline for submitting completed applications to the Guidance Office is March 31 before the close of the school day. To be eligible, applicants must have graduated from either Plainfield or Westfield High

Schools, attending law school full time or be full-time students attending Fordham Law School. Need as well as merit are considered in making the awards.

The Scholarship Fund is administered by the Westfield Foundation and the recipients are chosen by the Westfield Rotary Club Scholarship Committee. Effective this year, and until further notice, two grants of \$500 each will be awarded annually.

Free income tax help offered by AARP, IRS

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) in conjunction with the Internal Revenue Service is offering free income tax preparation, both federal and state forms, to all seniors and low income persons by appointment at the following locations: Scotch Plains Library, 1911 Bartle Ave.,

322-5007; Westfield Community Center, 588 West Broad St., 232-4579; and the Westfield YMCA, Clark St. entrance at 233-2700 ext. 26. Because of new state regulations, everyone is entitled to a rebate; both tenants and homeowners, even if no state tax is filed.

Next 'Global Connections' show focuses on West Africa

The Union County 4-H division of Rutgers Cooperative Extension invites the public to attend the next event planned for the "Global Connections Program," titled "Growing Up in West Africa," on Friday, Feb. 14. Dr. Stanley Ka-

mara will present a colorful slide show illustrating childhood in his native country of Sierra Leone. His topics will be family structure, educational system, language, agriculture and cultural aspects including dress, religion and customs.

Dr. Alan Weisse to talk at Mended Hearts meeting

"It's Great to be Alive and to Help Others" is the slogan of the "Mended Hearts Inc., a support group for men and women who have heart problems. Dr. Alan Weisse, cardiologist, author, and professor of medicine at the University of Medicine and Dentistry

of New Jersey, will speak at the meeting, Feb. 18 at 8 p.m. Meetings are held in the Springfield Rescue Squad Building on North Trivett Avenue, off Mountain Avenue in Springfield on the third Tuesday of the month. For more information call 376-0582 or 376-1603.

Cancer support group to start meeting in March

The Union County Unit of the American Cancer Society and Rahway Hospital are co-sponsoring an "I Can Cope" support group, an educationally oriented support group series which provides individuals with cancer ample opportunity for questions, discussion and sharing.

It will be held at Rahway Hospital each Wednesday, 7-9 p.m. from March 4 to April 8. There is no charge. For more information and registration, call 354-7373.

Seminar scheduled to discuss 'The Disease of Alcoholism'

"The Disease of Alcoholism: What We Know and What We Don't Know" will be the topic of a seminar given on Friday, Feb. 14 from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. by the Union County Council on Alcoholism and Other Drug Addictions, Inc., at its office at 300 North Avenue East in

Westfield. The course will be taught by Daniel K. Flavin, MD, the medical-scientific officer for the National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Inc. in New York. The seminar is \$45 and earns participants six credit hours toward certification or recertification. Call the council at 233-8810.

Himalayan display at Newark Museum

The Newark Museum presents the exhibition, "Where the World Meets the Sky," in the museum's Himalayan galleries. The exhibit will be on view through March 15.

Raffle sale



Mrs. Marilyn McMahon and Mrs. Kathy Curiale at Westfield Newcomers Club dinner selling raffle tickets. Proceeds from dinner raffles are given to local family in need.

Cancer Society plans annual 'Daffodil Festival' for March

The American Cancer Society will celebrate the daffodil, the flower of spring and hope, during its "Daffodil Festival" March 23-28. The festival is a week of events in which offices, hospitals, restaurants, banks, churches and families can spread the hope that cancer can be cured. Last year the "Daffodil Festival" helped to raise over

\$26,000 in Union County to support cancer research, education, and patient services.

This year, the goal is to place a daffodil in every window. An order form can be distributed to friends, families, or co-workers for group contributions and all orders for \$115 or more will be delivered free of charge. Call the Daffodil Hotline at 354-7373.

'Women in Transition' group plans series of meetings

Survivors of personal crisis such as divorce, dysfunctional relationships, or unanticipated career changes, are invited to join a progressive group therapy program sponsored by the Mental Health Association of Union County. "Women in Transition" offers peer support and psychological guidance to individuals who wish to eliminate self-defeating habits and develop healthy coping skills as they adjust to life-style transitions.

Sandra L. Morrow, Ph.D., licensed psychologist, has led these

popular groups with warmth and humor for five years. Dr. Morrow blends her expert knowledge of counseling with familiar examples from popular literature and the media to create a dynamic educational group experience for members.

"The Women in Transition" group will meet 10 Friday evenings, 7:30-9 p.m. beginning Feb. 28 at the Mental Health Association Office, 15 Alden St., Cranford. Call 272-0300 for information on fees and application.

'Coming In On a Wing and a Prayer' to debut

The Seton Hall University Theatre-In-The-Round's production of "Coming In On a Wing and a Prayer" will open on Feb. 27. Call 761-9000 ext. 5094.

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Community calendar

Milestones

Thursday 2/13

- A representative of Merrill Lynch speaks at the meeting of the Old Guard of Westfield at 9:30 a.m. at the YMCA. Call 233-1638.
- The Westfield Area Chapter of NOW meets at 7 p.m. at First Congregational Church, 125 Elmer St.
- Today at 4 p.m. is the deadline for candidates to file nominating petitions for the April 7 school board election. Petitions should be delivered to the board secretary's office, 302 Elm St.
- Watercolors by Florence MacDowell of Westfield are on display at Children's Specialized Hospital through March.
- The museum and archives of the Westfield Historical Society at Tamaques School are open to the public from 9:30 a.m.-noon.

Monday 2/17

- Westfield public schools are closed this week for Presidents Day and winter vacation. The secondary school offices and administration building are closed today only. Union County College is closed for the day.
- The arts and crafts department of the Westfield Woman's Club has a Valentine dessert bridge party from 1-4 p.m. at the clubhouse, 318 S. Euclid Ave. Cost is \$6. Call 889-5033.
- Trailside Nature and Science Center in the Watchung Reservation has a series of programs planned this week for children who are on vacation from school. Science days are planned today and tomorrow. Call 789-3670 for a complete schedule.

Friday 2/14

- Westfield Community Players presents *Death Takes a Holiday* at the theater, 1000 North Ave. W. today and tomorrow at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$10. Call 233-1269.
- The Westfield Y sponsors a family weekend at Frost Valley in the Catskill Preserve in New York today through Monday. Call Alison Tooley, 233-2700 ext. 39.
- The Union County 4-H presents another in its Global Connections programs, "Growing Up in West Africa," from 6:30-8 p.m. at the county administration building, 300 North Ave.
- The Kean College Small Business Development Center presents a workshop 9 a.m.-noon on how to create an effective marketing plan. The fee is \$15. Call 527-2946.
- The travel and antiques departments of the Woman's Club of Westfield meet at 1 p.m. at the Shacklett home on Rutgers Court to see the host's videotapes of Russia and discussion of recent political changes.
- The Westfield Teen Center is open 8 p.m.-midnight. Call 789-4080.

Saturday 2/15

- Assemblyman Richard Bagger's legislative office at 203 Elm St. is open to constituents 9 a.m.-3 p.m. The office also is open to residents every Thursday from 6-9 p.m.
- Westfield Community Players presents its final performance at 8 p.m. of *Death Takes a Holiday* at the theater, 1000 North Ave. W. Tickets are \$10. Call 233-1269.

Sunday 2/16

- The Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., features wild plants that are edible at today's open house from 2-4 p.m.

- A fashion show of the Doncaster line of apparel begins at 2 p.m. at Dreams Come True Bridal Salon, 509 Central Ave. It's a benefit for the American Cancer Society.
- A program about birds that nest in holes is planned at 2 p.m. at the Trailside Nature Center in the Watchung Reservation. Admission is \$2 a family.

- "The Milky Way by Telescope" is the program at 2 and 3:30 p.m. at the Trailside Planetarium. It takes a look at ring nebulae, supernova remnants, and globular star clusters.



Mrs. Nancy Wallace will explain the many wild edibles enjoyed by New Jersey's early families Sunday, Feb. 16 at Miller-Cory House Museum.

Tuesday 2/18

- The Westfield Business and Professional Women organization meets at 6:30 p.m. at B.G. Field's Restaurant. The topic for the dinner meeting is plastic surgery. Call Geraldine Poranski, 276-9502, or Audrey Gottlieb, 755-6833, for reservations.

Wednesday 2/19

- FEMALE (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge), a support network for mothers at home, meets at 7:30 p.m. at the Westfield Y, 220 Clark St. A gynecologist will speak about hormonal changes and their impact on women's lives. Call 272-0231 or 862-7358.

Thursday 2/20

- Registration begins today at Westfield Memorial Library for Toddler Time Story Hour for 2-year-olds to be held Feb. 27 from 1:30-2 p.m. Registration starts Feb. 24 for story hours for 4-year-olds, which begin March 5, and registration opens Feb. 25 for story hours for 3-year-olds, which begin March 3.
- The museum and archives of the Westfield Historical Society at Tamaques School are open to the public 9:30 a.m.-noon.

Friday 2/21

- The Westfield Teen Center is open 8 p.m.-midnight for all high school age Westfield youth. Call 789-4080.
- A planetary geologist talks about results of the Magellan mission to Venus at the monthly meeting of Amateur Astronomers Inc. at 8 p.m. at Union County College.

Saturday 2/22

- The Westfield Stamp Club's annual show opens today from 10 a.m.-5 p.m. at the recreation center of St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 414 E. Broad St. Show hours Sunday are 11 a.m.-4 p.m.

Coming up

- Registration for the Westfield Adult School's spring term will be held Monday from 7:30-8:30 p.m. at Westfield High School.



CHRISTINE and BRUCE SCHUVART

Schuvart nuptials are held in Manchester, Conn., church

Christine Marie Cote, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Del Cote of Manchester, Conn., was married to Bruce Michael Schuvart, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Schuvart of Westfield, at St. James R.C. Church in Manchester on Oct. 5, 1991.

The Rev. John Gwozdz officiated.

Lori Montes of Orlando, Fla., was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Joy Shaffer, Judi Cote and Pam Karch.

Brian Schuvart of Boston, Mass., served as best man. Ushers were Paul Gibson, Michael Schuvart and Rick Cote. Cory Cote was junior usher.

The bride wore a gown trimmed with pearls and sequins. She carried a bouquet of calla-lilies interspersed with ivy and tied with a

satin ribbon. The maid of honor and bridesmaids' gowns were plum-colored iridescent taffeta with a tapestry bodice of green, plum and silver design.

The wedding reception was held at the Radison Hotel in Cromwell, Conn.

The groom's parents hosted the rehearsal dinner at The Blacksmith's Tavern, Glastonbury, Conn.

Both the bride and groom are employed by First Brands Corp. of East Hartford, Conn. Mr. Schuvart is a graduate of Westfield High School and New Jersey Institute of Technology with a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering.

After a wedding trip to St. Lucia in the Caribbean, the couple resides in East Hartford.



MIMMA DOMENICA and MARK RICHARD REILLY

Reilly nuptials celebrated at Holy Trinity Church

Mimma Domenica Romeo, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Romeo of Westfield, was married to Mark Richard Reilly, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Reilly of Kenilworth, Nov. 9, 1991, 3 p.m. at Holy Trinity Church, Westfield. A reception was held at The Cameo in Garfield. The Rev. Richard J. Kelly officiated.

Rosemarie Romeo of Westfield, sister of the bride, served as maid of honor. Bridesmaids were Jane Romeo of Westfield, sister of the bride; Rosalie Romeo of Garwood, Mimma M. Romeo of Norwalk, Conn.; Lina Romano of Garwood, all cousins of the bride; and Vicki Priscoe of Westfield.

Flower girls were Joanna Romeo of Mahwah, and Marisa Romeo of Westfield, cousins of the bride.

Michael Reilly of Kenilworth, brother of the groom, served as

best man. Ushers were Rocco J. Romeo of Westfield, brother of the bride; Joseph Miceli of Redding Court and Rocco Romeo, cousins of the bride; Jerry Marko of Kenilworth; and Dave Chemidlin of Clinton.

The bride graduated from Westfield High School, Westfield, and Taylor Business Institute, Bridgewater, with a certificate in computer programming. She is a data analyst at Crum and Forster Corporation in Morristown.

Her husband graduated from David Brearley High School, Kenilworth and Seton Hall University, South Orange. He is an account executive with Pomerantz Inc., Watchung.

After a wedding trip to the Hawaiian Islands and San Francisco, Calif., the couple resides in Cranford.

Former Westfield resident marries Mary Fernandez

Mary Fernandez and Adam Buchsbaum, both of West Windsor, were married Oct. 27, 1991. Ms. Fernandez is the daughter of Evangelina Fernandez, formerly of Tatum, Cameroon, and Francisco Fernandez of Logrono, Spain.

Mr. Buchsbaum is the son of Dr. and Mrs. Solomon Buchsbaum of Westfield, and a grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Manuel Isenman of Boca Raton, Fla., and the late of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Buchsbaum of Stryj, Poland.

Officiating at the ceremony at Fiddler's Elbow Country Club in Bedminster, was Rabbi Joseph Goldman of Temple Beth Miriam, Elberon.

Joan Hiltz Sloan, cousin of the bride, was the matron of honor. David Buchsbaum, brother of the groom, was the best man. Attendants were Rachel Buchsbaum, Deborah Polansky and Paul Hiltz.

The bride is a graduate of Fox Lane High School, Bedford, N.Y., and holds an A.B. magna cum laude and Sc.M. in computer science from Brown University.

The groom, a graduate of Westfield High School, holds a Sc. B. magna cum laude in mathematics and computer science from Brown University and an M.S. in computer science from Princeton University. Both are doctoral candidates in computer science at Princeton University.



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Religion

Fellowship Time held by church

The First United Methodist Church has a Fellowship Time, an informal gathering of the community and visitors, in the Fellowship Room at 10:15 a.m. Morning worship is at 10:45 a.m. with child care. This Sunday, Dr. Ernest Lyght, superintendent of the Raritan District, will preach. His sermon is titled, "Life With Christ: Upside Down."

Trinity Catholic church activities

The Parish Community of Holy Trinity Catholic Church had a mission-retreat this week with Phillip O'Shea and Emmet Murphy, both friars of the Holy Name Ministry of the word. They spoke at all masses this week, and visited with the children in the CCD programs and in the grammar school, and also held meetings with the youth ministry. The two Franciscans were transported to their visits to the sick by members of the parish family.

Each morning at 9 a.m. the friars celebrated a Eucharistic liturgy and each day at 8 p.m. they conducted services that included opportunity for reconciliation on Tuesday and anointing of the sick on Wednesday evening.

Cantor Martha Novick presents Sephardic music

Cantor Martha Novick will perform a program of Sephardic music in commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the expulsion of Jews from Spain at 8:15 p.m. services, Friday, Feb. 21 at Temple Emanu-El, Westfield.

The expulsion took place in 1492 and was decreed by Ferdinand and Isabella. Before that time, Jewish culture flourished in areas of education, science and the arts. The music, composed mostly for the synagogue and have been integrated into the realm of standard

Jewish repertoire, was written in Ladino, the language spoken by Sephardic Jews, a combination of Castilian Spanish and Hebrew.

Geoffrey Peterson will accompany Cantor Novick, who will perform *Trois Melodies Sephardique* by Castel Nuovo, Tedesco and some more well-known folk melodies.

Rev. D. Chesebro will give sermon

The Rev. D. Chesebro will preach at the 8 and 10:30 a.m. services Sunday at The Presbyterian Church in Westfield. Music leadership at the 10:30 a.m. service will be provided by the Chancel Choir. Christian education classes for all ages will meet at 9:15 a.m. The Lay Ministry team will meet at 7 p.m.

Rabbinic Center plans Judaism course

The Rabbinic Center Synagogue in Westfield will sponsor a "Course in Judaism for Intermarried Couples" for nine consecutive weeks beginning Tuesday, from 8-9:30 p.m. The oldest, continuous program of Jewish studies in New Jersey specifically designed to meet the needs of intermarrying and intermarried couples, the course teaches the fundamentals of Jewish tradition — beliefs, values, ideals, the festival, life cycle events and history — in a warm and informal atmosphere. Come and hear biblical stories not taught in Sunday school and enjoy the intimacy afforded by a small group learning experience. All classes are limited to five couples.

In addition to the weekly classes, the course also includes a one-day workshop on "Raising Children in the Intermarried Home." While all married couples face a challenge in bridging the different behaviors, feelings and expectations each mate brings to the relationship, working through religious differences can be particularly taxing for intermarried couples. Call 233-0419.

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Den 12 of Pack 79 of Tamaques School visited the Westfield Memorial Library to complete a Bear Scout achievement. From left: den leader Janet Wilson, reference librarian Susan Cohen, cubs Jeff Gabriel, Steve Wilson, Kevin Buckland, Jonathan Miller, Scott Triola, Brett Tozzo, Daniel Vezza and Dan Weinberg.

14 new courses added for Westfield Adult School

The Westfield Adult School announced that 14 new courses will be added beginning Monday, March 9 through May 11. Classes will be held at Westfield High School, 550 Dorian Road. Offered is a seven-session "The Changing Face of History in the 20th Century," single-session travelogues on "China and Hong Kong;" and "Egypt and Its Treasures," or a semester course in "Beginning Japanese," as well as a three-session course "Building Peak Immunity." Also offered is a semester course in "Emily Dickinson: The Poetry and the Poet," a four-session "Journaling: Creative Diary Writing Techniques," "A Look at Multiple Personality" and "Introduction to the Ancient Art and Current Use of Dowsing."

For self improvement, a two-session course, "Stress: The Productive Use of It" has been added. The creative crafts department offers two new workshops for spring projects: "Spring Swag" and "A Wild Wreath."

For information, call may Furstner at 232-4050.

Lupus Foundation sets meeting

The Union County Branch Group of the Lupus Foundation of New Jersey will hold its monthly meeting on Monday, Feb. 24, 7:30 p.m. at Union Hospital, 1000 Gal-

loping Hill Road, Union. David Worth, M.D., Rheumatologist, will be the guest speaker. His topic will be "Diagnosing Lupus," followed by a question and answer period.

Obituaries

Margaret Wilson, 70

A Mass for Mrs. Margaret Wilson, 70, was offered Feb. 10 in the Holy Trinity Church, Westfield. Arrangements were by the Dooley Colonial Home, Westfield.

Mrs. Wilson, who died Feb. 6, 1992 at home, had been an assembler for the Diehl Manufacturing Co. in Elizabeth and Findeme for 20 years before her retirement in 1959.

She was a member of the Catholic Golden Age Club in Scotch Plains and the Senior Citizens Club of the Holy Trinity Church.

Born in Madison, Mrs. Wilson lived in Elizabeth before moving to Westfield 36 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Charles E., and two sisters, Mrs. Pamie Tocco and Mrs. Irene Staskevich.

Paula W. Frey Tucker, 78

Paula W. Frey Tucker, 78, died Feb. 9, 1992 at Somerset Medical Center, Somerville. She was born in Germany and lived in Westfield from 1947 to 1971 before moving to Plainfield.

Her husband, Thomas E. Tucker,

died Nov. 11, 1989. Surviving are two daughters, Linda A. Boyd of Budd Lake and Barbara L. Clafin of Providence, R.I.

Funeral services are private under the direction of Memorial Funeral Home, Fanwood.

Dalton elected chairman of hospital's trustee board

John Dalton of Westfield has been elected chairman of the Children's Specialized Hospital Board of Trustees.

As chairman, Mr. Dalton will preside over the activities of New Jersey's only comprehensive pediatric rehabilitation hospital.

Other board officers are: Richard B. Ahfeld of Mountainside, president; John W. Fox of Westfield, first vice president; W. Peter Metz of Mountainside, second vice president; Charles J. Mattes of Westfield,

treasurer; Sandra Jackson of Westfield, secretary; Ilana Zarafu, M.D., of South Orange, medical director; and Robert Zicht, D.D.S., of Summit, president of the medical staff.

Children's Specialized Hospital, located in Mountainside, provides inpatient rehabilitation treatment to children and adolescents, with outpatient and community services provided at the hospital's Outpatient Center in Fanwood. In the spring, 1992, Children's Specialized will open a 30-bed unit in Toms River.

Watercolors and acrylics to be on display

An exhibit of watercolors and acrylics by Christina Keating is on display at Children's Specialized Hospital throughout February. The

artist, a resident of Hoboken, has received awards in area arts festivals for her works. She has exhibited and competed in shows in New Jersey and New York.

Presbyterian women to meet

The Presbyterian Women will meet Thursday, Feb. 27 in the Assembly Hall of the Presbyterian Church at 140 Mountain Ave. Coffee will be served at 9:30 a.m. At 10 a.m., a workshop on "Highways to Better Communication" will be conducted by Elaine Dooman of Summit. Members of the church and community are invited.

Ms. Dooman graduated with a B.A. degree from Smith College. She is a counselor in Newark Beth Israel and Elizabeth General hospitals, is a licensed marriage and family counselor, and holds an M.A. psychology and teaching certificate in special education from Kean College. Her workshop will focus on actual situations and dialogues.

Scout Sunday celebrated

The First United Methodist Church of Westfield celebrated Scout Sunday Feb. 9. Scouts planning the event included Nicholas Clark, Douglas Keeton, and Richard Hatfield, Joseph Keeton, Tim

Dougherty, Sean Dougherty, and David Hatfield. All boys who are affiliated with any Cub Scout Pack or Boy Scout Troop were invited to attend.

Cholesterol talk is planned

Dr. Michael Chen, a staff cardiologist and medical director of Rahway Hospital's Healthy Heart Center, is the featured speaker at a

free community education program, "Good and Bad Cholesterol: How They Affect Your Health," to be held at the hospital on Wednesday, Feb. 19 at 7 p.m. Call 499-6193.

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Business

DiFrancesco wants better government in New Jersey

By LORIE RUSSO
THE RECORD

State Senate President Donald DiFrancesco on Jan. 31 sharpened his political wit before 300 or so luncheon guests the way he plans to sharpen and streamline Senate politics during his tenure.

Sen. DiFrancesco, a Republican, addressed a Fifth Friday Friar's luncheon meeting, held at the Fiddler's Elbow County Club in Bedminster.

"So this is the Fifth Friday Friar's Club?" Sen. DiFrancesco began, "Isn't Governor Florio scheduled for February?"

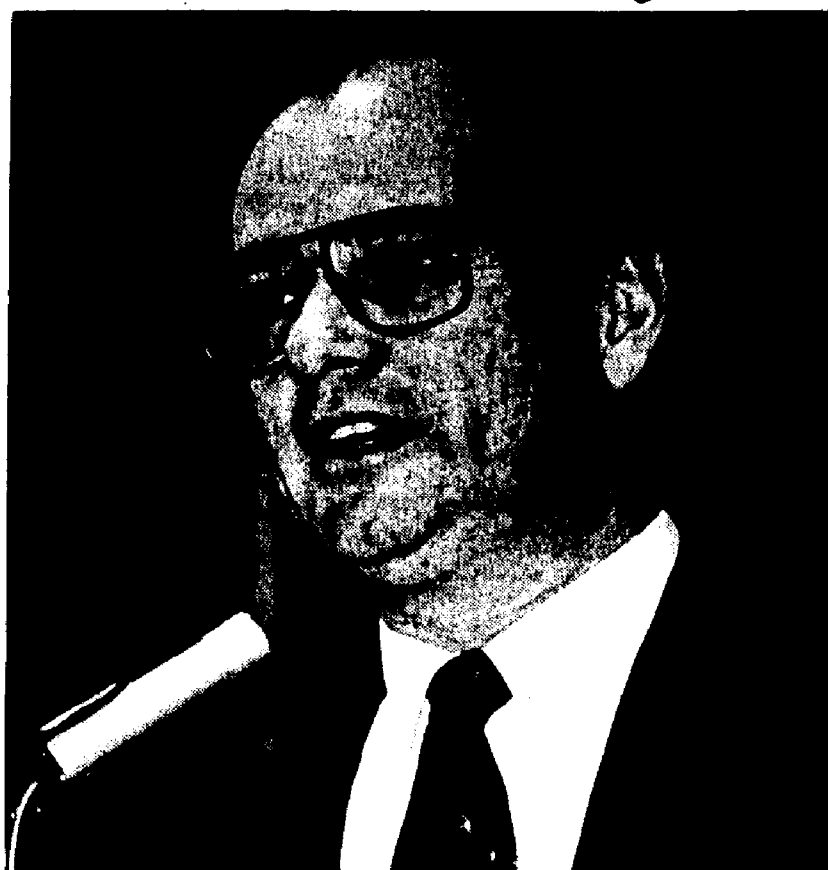
But seriously, folks, there is business to attend to in New Jersey politics. Sen. DiFrancesco, who says he's as sick of bureaucracy as the next guy, aims to curb a lot of bill-passing in the Senate in favor of pro-active government.

Originally from Scotch Plains, and elected to the state Senate in 1975, Mr. DiFrancesco is no stranger to passing laws. Among the bills he has sponsored are the Lemon Law, entitling car buyers to refunds if they purchase a malfunctioning automobile; tougher regulations on aircraft noise pollution; and legislation on child pornography.

But Sen. DiFrancesco said that in 1992 he plans to take steps to cut down on the introduction of bills. Last year, he said, there were 12,000 bills introduced through the legislature.

"We want to stop seeing a bill processing factory," Sen. DiFrancesco said, adding that there is "too much regulation in government. We want to get a hold on state government."

Sen. DiFrancesco also talked about education and the Quality Education Act (QEA), which has become the favorite target among Republicans, especially Sen. John Ewing, chairman of the Education Commission. The QEA was the result of a Supreme Court ruling that requires government to supply all students the same educational opportunities, and seeks to end a disparity between wealthy and poor school districts by re-routing funds to urban schools. The QEA has taken the brunt of criticism not only because of the speed with which it passed through the legislature, but because government officials and educators, even those in urban districts, say money is not the problem.



Senate President Donald DiFrancesco talked about streamlining politics at a recent meeting of the Fifth Friday Friar's Club.

Sen. DiFrancesco said the Senate will do a study of education regulations to see if the regulations correspond with the law and to find out if the regulations are overtaxing "and too burdensome for school districts."

"We've got to streamline government — we've got to hold the government accountable," he said. "We will communicate before we craft an initiative on policy, like the QEA, which has nothing to do with quality. It was a bill to distribute money."

In the area of burdensome regulations, Sen. DiFrancesco said, the state Department of Environmental Protection and Energy (DEPE) will get a closer look. Municipalities often complain that DEPE mandates require more money out of the budget every year.

"People say we'll never get government under control," said Sen. DiFrancesco. "I say we're committed to that." The governor, he added, has realized that people

"are fed up with government.

"They're overtaxed. They feel government has no credibility," he said. The Democrats, he said, lost their majority positions in the legislature because the voters were disillusioned.

The audience, however, would not let Sen. DiFrancesco forget about the crisis of rising health care costs. The Senator fielded one question on how the legislature plans to tackle this situation. One solution to curbing rising costs, the Senator replied, is to get more resi-

"We want to stop seeing a bill processing factory"

—Donald DiFrancesco
N.J. State Senate president

dents insured.

"This is a very complex problem," Sen. DiFrancesco said. "It deals with a lot of groups that won't make concessions. We're going to try to deal with an alternative system of health care."

The Fifth Friday Friar's Club meets about four times a year on the fifth Friday of the month. The next meeting is in May.

Fine crafts exhibition to be held

An exhibition of fine crafts by nationally known artists will be displayed through the end of the month at Ken Marcotte Restaurant. The exhibition is a project of Molloy and Moriarty, Fine Craft Consulting, art consultants in Westfield. The exhibition is an example of how fine craft can enhance a business environment and add individuality to an elegant home. All the work in the exhibition is for sale. In addition, Molloy and Moriarty is available to locate artwork for one's specific needs by an unlimited number of artists throughout the country.

The exhibition highlights the work of Carol Herd, Heather Gary, Sissi Siska, Logan Fry, Allen Noska and Carnita Tuomela, Cyndy Saul, Marcel Forbes, Tom Phinney, Paula Womack and Eve Fleck.

Heather Gary designed a painted canvas triptych especially for the space which hangs on a rounded wall in the spacious front room.

Also in the front room is the work of Carol Herd, one of the country's most accomplished artists working in hand cast paper.

Two oil paintings by Carnita Tuomela are brilliant scenes of her Moroccan homeland. Vibrant indigo and turquoise colors tunnel into glimmering white stuccoed architecture, adding depth to the room.

Three platters are by mid-western ceramist Tom Phinney.

Paula Womack has two robust oval platters done in entirely different styles. Rabbits lounging amid hydrangeas, violets, and posies.

Two platters by Eve Fleck complement the restaurant decor — seafoam green earthenware, deeply grouted with glaze.

A striking painted silk piece by Sissi Siska grabs the viewer on the landing of the stairs.

At the top are four brightly colored wooden assemblages. Allen Noska and Carnita Tuomela, a husband and wife team collaborate to create these hand-built wooden dioramas.

Cyndy Saul, a Westfield artist, created a tromp l'oeil floor canvas of a fallen cachepot of fringed tulips spilling onto a faux marble floor.

The restaurant, at 115 Elm St., will host the exhibit through Feb. 28. The restaurant is open for lunch Monday through Friday and dinner Monday through Sunday. For reservations, call 233-2309.

Those interested in the sale can call Molloy and Moriarty directly at 322-4180 or inquire at the restaurant. Additional work by the same artists is available through Molloy and Moriarty. As consultants, they can also help select artwork by other artists.

Business notes

Valentines Day celebration set

Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce retailers have planned a Valentine's Day celebration with flowers and a drawing for dinner for two at Ferraro's Restaurant, 8-14 Elm St., on Wednesday, Feb. 26. It will include limousine transportation courtesy of Gemini Limousine Ltd., a box of chocolates courtesy of Brummer's Chocolates, a bottle of champagne courtesy of Brunner Opticians, photographs courtesy of Classic Studio, and a corsage courtesy of The Flower Basket.

Participating retailers will give red carnations to their customers today in appreciation for their patronage. Through today, shoppers are invited to enter the drawing by filling out entry blanks at these Intown member stores: Adler's, A to Z Travel, Auster's, Baron's Drug Store, B. Kubick Opticians, Brummer's Chocolates, Brunner Opticians, Camera One, Central Jersey Bank and Trust Company, Classic Studio, Consignment Galleries of Westfield, Cosimo's Pizza, Epstein's Bootery, Ferraro's Restaurant, Fifty Five Elm, First nationwide Bank, The Flower Basket, Health Nutrition Center, Hudson City Savings Bank, La Petite, The Leader Store, Michael Kohn Jewelers, Milady's, Pickwick Village, Randal's Shoes, Summit Trust Company, Town Book Store, Video Video, The Westfield Leader, Woodfield's, and F.W. Woolworth. The winner will be randomly picked from among all the entries on Valentine's Day.

William Moore and Susan Auer are co-chairing this promotion, sponsored by the Intown group.

CPA's available to talk about taxes

The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA) offers highly-qualified CPA's at no charge to address diverse audiences on basic tax rules and how to uncover tax deductions that might be overlooked. To schedule a speaker for your group, contact Pam Iovino of the society's Speakers Bureau at (201) 226-4494 at least four weeks prior to your meeting.

Summit Bancorporation reports net income

The Summit Bancorporation reported a net income of \$21.2 million for the year ending Dec. 31, 1991, compared to a loss of \$12.8 million in 1990, and reported net income of \$5.4 million for the fourth quarter. Per share, Summit posted income of \$1 for the year and 26 cents for the fourth quarter.

Marketing seminar

"How To Create an Effective Marketing Plan" will be the topic tomorrow, 9 a.m.-noon, at a workshop presented by the Kean College Small Business Development Center (SBDC).

Paul Belliveau, president of Paul Belliveau Associates in Westfield, will cover the following topics: Developing a marketing plan outline, creating a message strategy, establishing key goals and how to reach them, and how to measure your activities and results.

Registration will take place in Room 120 at the college's East campus. The fee is \$15 per company (limit two attendees). Information: 527-2946.

Career group meets on Wednesdays

An on-going career enhancement support group is held every Wednesday from 8:30-10 a.m. in Room 209 at the First United Methodist Church, 1 East Broad St., Westfield. Members meet to discuss their concerns, ask questions and network in a supportive atmosphere. Dr. Roger Plantikow, associate minister of the Parish Nurture and Pastoral Care, will facilitate. New members are welcome.

Image, bridal show

Doreen Binkiewicz, Westfield area image consult-

ant and owner of Add the Finishing Touch, in collaboration with Suzan Dunlavy, bridal consultant and owner of Dreams Come True Bridal Salon, will host a showing of the exclusive Doncaster line of apparel Sunday at 2 p.m. at Dreams Come True, 509 Central Ave., Westfield.

Investing workshop set by Merrill Lynch

Merrill Lynch will hold a free seminar on "Investing in the 1990's" at L'Affaire Restaurant, 1099 Route 22 East, Mountainside, today at 7:30 p.m. Call 232-4454.

Faith in Westfield honorees sought

The Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce seeks nominations for recipients of 1992 Faith in Westfield awards from the public-at-large. Awards Selection Committee Chairman Russell Evans requests that nominations be mailed to him at Print Tech, 361 South Avenue East, Westfield, N.J. 07090 by Friday, Feb. 28.

Faith in Westfield awards recognize those who have made outstanding contributions to the positive image of the Westfield community. People are invited to send in a nomination for any or all of the following categories: Merchant of the year, for retail business acumen; Business Person of the Year, for non-retail business acumen; Employee of the Year, for excellence in any type of business; Community Service, for individual, group, or organization commitment.

Each nomination (typed or printed legibly) must contain the award category, name of nominee, business address and phone, reason for nomination, and be signed by the nominator. Recipients will be chosen by the Awards Selection Committee. Honors will be announced in this newspaper.

Westfield businesswomen plan dinner meeting

The Westfield Business and Professional Women Inc., will hold their monthly dinner meeting on Tuesday at B.G. Fields Restaurant in Westfield. A speaker from the Union County Hospital Speaker's Bureau will present a program on "What's New in Plastic Surgery?" Networking is at 6:30 p.m., dinner at 7 p.m. and the program follows at 8 p.m. Reservations: 276-9502 or 755-6833.

At this meeting, the organization will celebrate "Foundation Month." Foundation is the national scholarship program offered by BPW/USA. Since 1970, more than 6,000 scholarships totaling over \$3 million have been awarded through the BPW Foundation.

Dental Society sets free presentation

February is National Children's Dental Health Month and was initiated 43 years ago to promote the importance of good oral health care for children. The Central Dental Society will celebrate with a free presentation on children's dental care, Sunday, Feb. 23 at The Bridgewater Mall from 2-4 p.m. Dr. Joseph DeMaio is president of the society.

Parents will receive information about preventing baby bottle tooth decay, brushing and flossing techniques for children, protective sealants for teeth, smart snacks, and mouth guards for children's sports. Call 725-7640.

Tax Facts brochure

The New Jersey Society of Certified Public Accountants (NJSCPA) is offering a free brochure titled "32 Tax Facts: A 1991 Tax-Preparation Checklist." The key to a trimmer tax bill is taking the time to organize financial records and understanding the basic tax rules. For a free copy, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Tax Facts, NJSCPA, 425 Eagle Rock Ave., Roseland, N.J. 07068.

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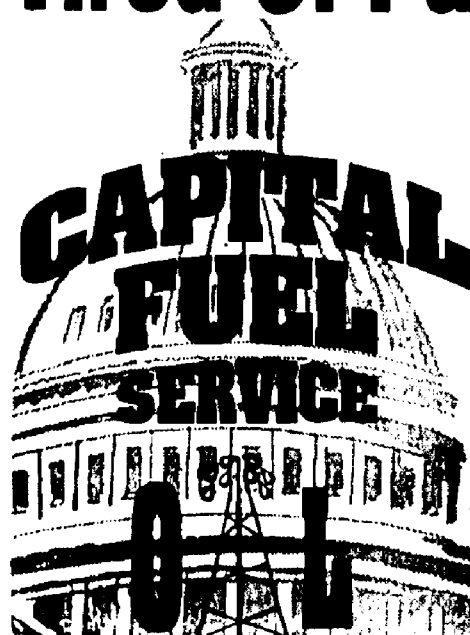
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Sports

You said it:

"I've been coaching for 23 years and I've never had a worse game than this. This is horrible."
Stewart Carey, Westfield boys basketball coach, following the loss to Union Catholic.

Sports Matter

by
Al Lies



Devils are in good hands with Mamary

Editor's Note: Sports Matter is a new, monthly feature column focusing on Westfield's sports, people and programs.

Writer Al Lies was most recently sports editor for the *Suburban News*. He is a published novelist and served in the U.S. Marine Corps in the Korean War as a war correspondent.

If you have an idea for a story you'd like to see covered in Sports Matter, The Westfield Record, 102 Walnut Ave., Cranford 07016.

Westfield High School athletics are in good hands, the good hands of athletic trainer Sandra Mamary.

Mamary is in her fifth year at Westfield. A graduate of East Stroudsburg University, Mamary has a teaching certificate in physical education and health, with a concentration in athletic training. She is also certified by the National Athletic Trainers Association and registered by the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners.

Westfield Athletic Director Gary Kehler had glowing praise for the work his athletic trainer does at the school.

"Sandy's doing a super job," said Kehler. "We're really fortunate to have someone with her experience and capabilities as an integral part of our sports program."

Mamary's responsibilities include the immediate care of all high school athletes, grades 9-12, who may be injured during practice or competition. Foremost to that care is working together with all the coaches to ensure proper conditioning to help avoid injuries, and after injuries occur, to help rehabilitate injured athletes in cooperation with physicians and physical therapists.

"I start off each year by sending a letter to the parents of all 9th grade athletes, introducing myself and telling them I'm here to help their children," she said.

According to Mamary, the most common injury involves ankles, mostly sprains. Swimming, soccer and gymnastics garner the most injuries with injuries such as muscle strains, stress fractures and shin splints. Although is fluctuates, in recent years, girls soccer has led all sports in injuries.

"Injuries are generally not a matter of conditioning and not closely connected to contact sports. They just happen. Sometimes athletes just try to do more than they are capable of doing," said Mamary.

Also among her tasks is monitoring several sporting events in different areas of the school at the same time. To accomplish this task, Mamary utilizes a group of 10-15 student athletic trainers each equipped with walkie-talkies. All student trainees are taught basic first aid and use the walkie talkies to alert Mamary if any medical assistance is needed.

Westfield has a new, state-of-the-art fitness facility located at the high school recreation field. The equipment includes hydro-therapy whirlpools, a special treatment and evaluation room and a rehab room with life cycles, weight machines and other rehab-related equipment. (Please turn to page B-2)

Westfield swimmers clear major hurdle

Rout St. Joe's on eve of state title drive

By **WILLIAM WESTHOVEN**
 THE RECORD

First the Berlin wall. Then it was the Soviets. And now this.

Is the king dead? The St. Joseph's High School swimming team, unprecedented winners of 12 straight state championships, met Westfield Tuesday afternoon in the annual showdown of Central Jersey's finest schoolboy teams at the Westfield YMCA pool.

But the meet had barely gotten underway when the partisan Westfield crowd realized that not only would the Falcons lose here for the second straight year (Westfield won last year's meeting, 96-90), they would lose without even putting up much of a fight.

In the end, the unbeaten, unblemished Blue Devils (10-0) remained the team to beat, while the Falcons' stock sank like a stone after enduring a brutal 132-53 thrashing.

"There were rumors during the warmups that they wouldn't be putting their best lineup out, and they didn't," said Westfield ace Darren Hertel, a four-time winner in the 200-meter individual medley, 100 backstroke, 200 medley relay and 400-freestyle relay. "I wouldn't say they didn't try, but they didn't have a good meet."



Westfield standout Darren Hertel had his hand in four victories Tuesday in the Devils' 132-53 rout over St. Joseph's. He won the 200 IM and 100 backstroke, and led off the winning 200 medley relay and swam a leg in the 400 free relay.

St. Joe's Head Coach John Scheirman confirmed Hertel's observations.

"As soon as it became apparent they couldn't win, they just gave up," said Scheirman. "I'm pretty disgusted, because we wanted to

use this as a test. We knew we couldn't beat them, but the idea was to come in and hopefully lose by about 30. That way, we could go back and say that with a great swim in March, we might be able to beat them (in the state tourna-

ment). But how can you do that when you don't try?"

Westfield Head Coach Chris McGiffin was equally perplexed by the Falcons' poor outing, but took enough time to enjoy the victory. "It's sweet," said McGiffin. "I

Host of hopefuls take aim on UCT wrestling titles

By **KIP KUDUK**
 THE RECORD

After beating every area team on its schedule and winning the Watchung Conference regular season title, many people would tab Westfield as favorites in this week-end's Union County Wrestling Tournament.

PREVIEW

However, a closer look at Union County's squads will reveal there is no genuine front runner.

Cranford (9-5-1), Scotch Plains-Fanwood (8-3-1), Union (10-1-1) and Rahway (8-3-1), all from the Watchung Conference, have solid squads and a few individuals would be capable of winning a title. The Mountain Valley Conference schools, Roselle Park (10-2), Governor Livingston (8-2) and Brearley Regional (3-7) have shots as well.

"It's totally up in the air. There's no clear cut favorite," said Westfield Coach Don MacDonald. "Usually, there are one or two dominant teams. This year a bunch of teams can win and I think we're one of them. But I don't see anyone walking away from this."

"It's pretty wide open," said Blue Devil Paul Jordan, who is 17-1 this year with 12 pins and is also defending county champion. "Brearley has some tough individuals and so does Cranford and Scotch Plains. We don't want to put too much pressure on ourselves, so we don't want to take it too seriously. If each individual does well, then the team will do well."

Fortunately, Westfield has a horde of talented wrestlers. At 160 pounds, Paul Jordan will probably be the No. 1 seed in his weight bracket. Senior Paco Gonzalez, third last year at 112, has lost just

once in 16 bouts and should be one of the top three seeds at 119.

Heavyweight Seth Coren, an eighth-place finisher at 171 in last year's UCT, is 13-3-1 this season and will definitely be a factor in his weight class. Other solid contributors to Westfield's 12-1 dual meet record are Brian Buldo (112), George Lasky (103, 12-5-1), Chris Posey (130) and 145-pounder Chris Edling, who is 8-6 and has come on strong lately.

There will be plenty of competition for the Blue Devils, though. Pat Bartels (112, 13-1), Mark DiNoddio (125, 13-1), Mike Marcovecchio (135, 12-2), Peter Sanguliano (140, 10-3), Scott Rosander (160, 13-2) and David Oslislo (171, 13-2) lead neighborhood rival Scotch Plains-Fanwood.

Cranford has Wayne Bender (171), John Cuccolo (112) and Nick Lettieri (152) leading the way. Johnson Regional will bring District 11 champion Len Rothbard (152) and third place finisher Justin LaSala (171).

Roselle Park boasts District 10 titlist Dave Paterson (171) and Brearley Regional standouts include Bob Taylor (171, 16-0), heavyweight Scott DeBeau (8-0) and Jose Rodriguez (189, 10-2). And Rahway heavyweight Daryl Furr-Bell has only one loss in the Watchung Conference this year.

"I've been nervous since last week," said Westfield's Buldo, a junior. "I don't think there's too much pressure on us. Maybe there's more toward our fans because we're having a good season. It's up for grabs, but we have a good chance."

"You can't expect everyone to win a championship," said MacDonald. "Even fifth and sixth place finishes will get us points. You can only expect each individual to do the best they can."

Jump ball



Westfield's Matt Comandini tries to out-reach a Union Catholic foe during the Devils' 53-40 loss Tuesday afternoon. Comandini scored four points in the setback which dropped the Blue Devils to 10-11 overall.

Youth soccer clinics thrive despite cold

By **KIP KUDUK**
 THE RECORD

After starting the program from scratch a little more than two years ago, Tom Turnbull's Soccer Skills and Drills, Incorporated is thriving, even in the dead of winter.

Turnbull instructs several indoor classes a week at either the Westfield Community Center, the Scotch Plains Jewish Community Center or the Scotch Plains YMCA. When the weather gets warmer he can be seen holding class on the fields around these places.

The program runs year-round and includes players of all ages, from walking age (a three-year-old is enrolled) through high school. Most of the youngsters involved with the program live in Westfield, while many more reside in Scotch Plains, where Turnbull graduated from high school.

"I came up with the idea back when I went to college, but the interest in this area wasn't enough at the time," said Turnbull, who played on two Final Four teams during his stay at Brown University. "After college I didn't have enough time. Now, I figured at 33, I could try it since I'm still able to outrun the kids."

Classes are separated into age groups with the younger ones learning the fundamentals and the older ones practicing more advanced techniques.

"With the four- and five-year-olds, we help them identify the right foot from the left foot and teach them to understand how different parts of the foot work," said Turnbull. "At that age the main thing is to be fluid with the ball and understand the big picture of what soccer is all about."

"Soccer Skills and Drills is all about making the soccer ball talk, sing and dance. It remains a thrill to experiment with the ball and try to master it. If the Lord gives me strength, I intend to be having fun (Please turn to page B-2)

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Ho hum: Westfield breezes to 36th county title

In retrospect, it was probably the ultimate in melodrama. After all, everyone and their cousin knew Westfield was head and shoulders above all else in Union County as far as boys swimming was concerned.



Fittingly, the Blue Devils set the tone quickly, breaking a record in the first race of the day — the 200-yard medley relay. The foursome of Darren Hertell, Dave Schwartz, Tom Mann and Scott Kaslusky showed all the spectators at Elizabeth's Dunn Arena on Saturday that Westfield wasn't there to mess around.

The foursome finished the race in 1:39.75, nine seconds ahead of the nearest competitor and two and a half seconds better than anyone in meet history (1:42.34, set by Westfield in 1988).

Westfield went on to win every other event of the day except for the 400-yard freestyle relay, which it was disqualified from because one of the swimmers left the block too early (Note: Westfield actually ended up winning the race by 16 seconds even though it didn't count).

What it all added up to was a record-setting point total of 392, which bettered the old mark set by Westfield in 1975 by 10 points. For the record, Union finished second with 193 points.

"We had very good swims," said coach Chris McGiffin. "On the whole, we accomplished everything we wanted. I'm real happy with the

medley relay. It's the first time we broke 1:40 in at least four years."

Dave Schwartz broke both school and meet records in the 100-yard breast stroke. His time of 59.03 broke the meet record of 1:00.99, set by Summit's Summer Anderson in 1988, and eclipsed the school mark of 59.52, established by Rich Andrews six years ago.

Ed Pretre set a couple of personal best times while competing for the high school in winning the 200 and 500 free. The senior's times of 1:49.30 (200 free) and 4:57.35 (500 free) also qualified him for this year's Meet of Champions.

Sean Schafer won the 50 (22.58) and 100 free (50.44) titles and teammate Tom Mann captured the 100-yard butterfly crown (54.47). Hertell also won the 200-yard individual medley (1:58.88) and the 100-yard backstroke (54.59).

Stout-less girls team places second to SP-F

Even with senior Aimee Stout in the lineup, Westfield probably didn't stand much of a chance against Scotch Plains-Fanwood in Saturday's Union County Meet, as the Raiders used their tremendous depth to win the meet by a wide margin, proving to all they are the best team in the county.

Without Stout, who was ill, the Blue Devils still performed extremely well, finishing second with 236 points, 82 points behind Scotch Plains-Fanwood, which was led by Christine Knudsen and Caroline Faraldo.

"I think emotionally, they were looking forward to having everyone

there," said girls coach Cindy Schaefer. "But Jen O'Brien, Tara Swersie and Katie Teitlebaum all filled in well for Aimee."

Westfield was led by sophomore Bronwyn Hay, who won the team's only individual title — the 500 free (5:36.88). Hay also turned in a personal best time of 2:07.5 in the 200 free, good enough for second.

Hay swam on the 200 and 400 free relay teams, both of which finished second. The 200 relay team of Lisa Olden, O'Brien, Hay and Jill Smith finished in 1:47.17, a time fast enough to break the existing record by four-tenths of a second, but not quick enough to beat out the foursome of Governor Livingston's.

Olden swam to an individual best 2:26.23 in the 200 IM, which placed her in second, and in the 100 free (59.92, fifth). Smith (50 free, 25.87) and Sarah Showfety (100 breast) both had third place finishes.

"We're thrilled to be second," said Schaefer. "We wanted to do as well as last year (third). When we saw it was possible to stay ahead of G.L. and stay with Scotch Plains, the girls really picked it up."

In the diving competition the night before, Dana McMillan placed third (115.30 points), Sarah Rosenblatt finished fifth (114.05) and Adrian Diaz placed 11th to get some valuable points for Westfield.

Bowlers close in on Watchung Conf. title

By virtue of two 7-0 wins this week, Westfield all but clinched its third regular season Watchung

Conference title in a row. With only one match remaining (against Summit today) the Blue Devils (71-6) held a four point lead over second place Linden (67-10), which hurt its chances by dropping two points to Kearny on Tuesday. Needing only a win in one game, it would take a total disaster to prevent Westfield from taking home the conference crown.

The Blue Devils once again bowled steadily in their methodical win over Elizabeth on Tuesday. The first game was decided early, as the Blue Devils poured it on in the first three frames and held on to win the first game, 930-827. Westfield was paced by Bob Slesman (201), Dan Broughton (185) and Jeff Hemer (194) in the opening game.

The second game saw much of the same, as it seemed every time Elizabeth got close, the Blue Devils would go about their business, making strikes and spares to maintain its margin. Hemer's 214 game sparked Westfield to a 902-848 win.

The final game proved to be another showcase for Hemer, who bowled a 203 in Westfield's 869-821 win. Hemer finished with a team-high 611 series. Dan Broughton checked in with a 539 series.

"It was a big win for us because with seven points we would take at least a three point lead over Linden, no matter how they did," said Westfield Coach Mike Tirone.

Grapplers capture conference title

The Westfield wrestling team rebounded from its only dual meet

loss of the season (32-24 to Hunt-erdon Central) with victories over two Watchung Conference foes — Linden and Elizabeth. The victories gave the Blue Devils a 12-1 regular season record and assured them of another conference championship.

Last Wednesday, the Blue Devils defeated the improved Linden Tigers, 56-12. Falls were recorded by George Lasky (103) at 5:09, Brian Buldo (112) at 1:21, Paco Gonzalez (119) at 5:55, Kurt Duchek (152) at 1:33, Paul Jordan (160) at 1:09, Dan Rinaldo (189) at 5:21 and Seth Coren (HWT) at 1:43. Scott Goldberg (140) and Chris Edling (145) scored decision wins.

On Friday, Westfield journeyed to Elizabeth to face the Minutemen (6-6) at Dunn Arena, and, thanks to another strong finish, came home with a 41-21 victory. With only a Brian Buldo (112, 13-3) fall at 1:14, a Paco Gonzalez (119, 16-1) major decision, 9-1, and Chris Posey's 12-4 major decision at 130 pounds, Westfield trailed 15-14 after the 140 pound bout.

But, once again, senior Chris Edling (145) started the Blue Devil charge when he recorded a fall at 1:41. Kurt Duchek (152) followed with a fall of his own at 4:56. Co-captain Paul Jordan (17-1) took a forfeit win at 160 pounds and Westfield led 32-15.

With the Minutemen (6-6) needing three pins in a row to win, Tim Martin (171) clinched the match for Westfield with a grueling 10-9 win over tough Ron Chilsom. After a loss at 189 pounds, heavyweight Seth Coren (13-3-1) closed out the match with a pin at 48 seconds.

Boys team falls from grace, loses two

Westfield lost two games and won once during the week and Tuesday's 53-40 loss at home to Union Catholic left coach Stewart Carey miffed.

"I've been coaching for 23 years and this is the worst game I've ever had. This is horrible. It feels

worse than the beginning of the year," said Carey.

Against UC, Westfield was really never in the game. The Blue Devils shot poorly (19 of 48, 39 percent), turned the ball over too much (18 times) and allowed Viking big man Jamie Dec to run wild (24 points). Westfield trailed, 14-6, after one and 25-13 after two quarters. It never recovered.

"After the loss to Shabazz it seems we have a different set of kids," said Carey. "We're not working together on the floor. We're rushing our shots. They forgot what it takes to win. At this rate, we're going to play two more games and get knocked off in the county's and state's."

On Saturday Westfield came up short — literally — against a taller Plainfield team. Despite having two opportunities to tie the game with three pointers in the last seconds, the Blue Devils lost, 63-58. Last Thursday, the Blue Devils toyed with winless Summit, 65-36.

Girls hoops breaks nine-game losing streak

Last Thursday, Westfield got back on the winning track by edging Summit, 36-33. Katie McEvily led the way for Westfield with 20 points. Amy Gallagher tossed in 11. On Tuesday, Westfield lost to Union Catholic, 40-20, and on Saturday it dropped a 42-30 decision to Plainfield.

"I was hoping for a better season, but we killed ourselves by passing the ball carelessly on the floor," said Lady Devils Head Coach Linda Kay. "The girls got away with it in JV, but not in the varsity. It was like a rude awakening. Welcome to the varsity."

"I'm glad that the girls took it on the chin this year because we only lose one starting senior. Now the girls know how to play good, fast basketball and hopefully they're getting used to it. I think Westfield will turn it around; I see some potential coming up."

SCOREBOARD

REC NEWS

The Westfield Recreation Commission and the New Jersey Nets are sponsoring a Westfield Town Night at the Meadowlands Arena. Residents are invited to buy a ticket to the March 1 game between the Knicks and the Nets. For every ticket purchased there will be a contribution to the Recreation Commission to benefit Teen Drug and Alcohol Programs. The purchase of a ticket also entitles you to a free Nets cap. To order tickets, or for more information, call Gina Cook at the New Jersey Nets Office at (201) 935-8888.

The Westfield Recreation Commission has begun registration for a ski trip to the Camelback Ski Area in Tannersville, PA. The trip will take place on Sunday, March 1 and registration will last until Feb. 27. There will be a \$39 fee for transportation and lift ticket. Ski rental and a lesson is optional at a total of \$24. Buses for the trip will leave the Municipal Building at 425 E. Broad St. at 6:30 a.m. and will return at approximately 6 p.m. There will be a maximum of 47 seats per trip and children under 12 years of age must be accompanied by someone 18 years or older. For additional information call the Recreation Department at 799-4080.

The Westfield Recreation Commission has begun a Co-Ed After School Program which will run until March 27. It includes supervised after school activities at the local Elementary Schools for 3rd through 6th grade students from 3-4:30 p.m. Activities will include indoor soccer, basketball, volleyball and roller skating. Flyers will be distributed throughout the schools.

Open gym time to residents of all ages for pick up basketball is currently available at the Edison gym on Thursday evenings 7-8:30 p.m. Pick up basketball is also available at the Roosevelt gym on Tuesday evenings 7-9:30 p.m.

USTA TENNIS

Do you love to play tennis and enjoy fun competition with other players at your skill level? If so, United States Tennis Association (USTA) leagues are now forming for 1992. Spring-summer leagues begin in mid-May and run through mid-July. For more information, call your local USTA League Coordinator: Gail Burley, USTA, Westfield, NJ 07090, (908) 232-2427.

COLLEGE SCENE

On Jan. 26, Westfield High School graduate (1991), Jesse Anzelone won one of her first races at the University of Pennsylvania. While it may not be a surprise to those who know of her, the freshman won the 800-meter run with a time of 2:19.73 at the Quakers second indoor meet of the year at the University of Delaware. Anzelone's first place finish helped Penn win the team title at the Delaware Invitational.

Last week, Anzelone continued to leave an impression on the rest of the Ivy League, as she was a member of the second place distance medley relay team (12:12.7) and ran a leg on the fourth place 4x800-meter relay team.

MISCELLANY

The New Jersey Football Official's Association (NJFOA) is now accepting applications for admittance in its 1992 training program. Successful completion of the program will certify applicants to officiate high school varsity football contests in the State of New Jersey.

Applicants must be physically fit, 18 years of age or older, and residents of Northern New Jersey. For further information and an application, please reply in writing to: Carmine Picardo, Membership Chairman, 3 Henning Drive, Fairfield, NJ 07004. Completed applications must be returned by April 4, 1992.

The Mountainside Recreation Commission is seeking to fill several openings in its Men's High Arc Softball League. The games are scheduled during the week and on Sundays and run from mid-April to the beginning of August. Call the Mountainside Rec Com-

mission, (908) 232-0015.

YOUTH BASKETBALL

W.B.A. IN-TOWN 4TH GRADE BOYS

The Knicks kept their unbeaten streak alive with this victory over a determined Bulls team. The Knicks took the lead for good in the second quarter on spectacular outside shooting by Brian Gallagher, who scored his first four points of the year on two 18-foot jumpers, and the tenacious defense of Eric Zimak, Ralph Rapuano, Chris Chella and Derek Lataud. The Bulls made it tough on the Knicks by holding an early rebounding advantage until Nicky Clark, Howard Monroe-Gray and Lataud began to control the boards in the third period. The Knicks put the game away with their usual balanced scoring by Rapuano (six points), Travis Russo (four), Zimak, Lataud and Chris Chella, who got his first basket of the season.

SENIOR BOYS LEAGUE

Capt. Matt Dupis (10 points) led the Light Blue Team (4-3) to a slim 39-38 victory over the Red Team (4-3), which was led by Chris Rogosa's 16 points.

The Gray Team (5-2) and the Green Team (1-6) engaged in a shootout, with the Gray Team coming out on top, 66-60. Tom Oravecz's 28 points, Brian Wischusen's 20, Hal Connelly's 19 and Capt. Jeff Weisslitz's 13 led the victors.

The Gold Team (5-3) defeated the Brown Team (2-6), 57-35. Matt Jessup had 13 points and David Forlander added 10 to lead the balanced attack for the Gold Team. Matt McCall pumped in 17 and collected 15 rebounds for the Brown Team.

The Dark Blue Team (5-2) held off a determined Orange Team (3-4) for a 45-40 triumph. Capt. Jim Charlesworth tossed in 13, but Drew Keehn led the Dark Blue Team with 18 points. Capt. Matt Devlin had a dozen and Brendan O'Donnell scored 11 to pace the Orange attack.

POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE

6TH GRADE GIRLS

The Westfield girls P.A.L. team defeated previously unbeaten New Providence, 38-37, to move into second place in the very competitive Tri-County League. Meghan Cusimano's diving left-handed layup with 10 seconds remaining provided the final margin of victory.

Tenacious rebounding and defense by Eric Zielenbach and Jana Zelkovic aided the Westfield cause. Smooth ball handling and outside shooting by Anne Lutkenhouse, along with steady play by Gretchen Mansfield rounded out the team effort. Cusimano led the scoring with 14 points. Valuable help off the bench was furnished by Lesley Hill, Nicole DeSantis, Katie Henkel and Amy Williams.

In the season opener, Westfield defeated Chatham, 43-30, as Cusimano scored 17 points. Lutkenhouse added eight and Mansfield and DeSantis contributed with six apiece.

The Florham Park team was crushed, 41-16, in the season's second game. Zielenbach tossed in a game-high 17 points, which was followed up by Cusimano's 14. Margie O'Connell scored her first basket of the season and Jen Kemps and Amelia Handley made valuable contributions.

The Glen Ridge game saw Westfield blow a nine point fourth quarter lead and lose, 34-32, in the final seconds on clutch free throw shooting by their opponents. Cusimano's 10 first half points were followed by Zelkovic's seven. Katie Henkel sank a key basket and Lutkenhouse added six points before fouling out.

Bouncing back from this tough defeat, Westfield came back the following week and defeated Madison, 36-22. Zielenbach led the way with 12 points and Cusimano added 10. Including two important free throws which resulted from a technical foul call on Madison.

Currently, the girls record stands at a very respectable 4-1. The strengths of the team have been the tenacious defense and controlled passing game, and the exploitation of every available fast break opportunity. As the second half of the season gets underway with tough opponents like Cedar Ridge and Berkeley Heights lurking on the horizon, Westfield will have to turn up its game a notch, while maintaining their poise and composure in tough situations.

Soccer

(Continued from page B-1) with the soccer ball when I'm 80 years old. Now, through my business, I strive to impart this same enjoyment and work ethic to our students."

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"The first thing we want is for the kids to have fun," said Turnbull, who moved to Plainfield with

his wife, Ann, in late November. "I believe the things we teach them makes a difference in how they play, both in their skill level and their confidence level on the field."

Tom is dutifully accompanied in this venture by Ann, who takes care of the newsletters, scheduling, mailings and interaction with parents.

"I'm very pleased with how it's gone so far," said Ann, a graduate of Abilene Christian University, who met Tom at Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School. It was a great idea from the beginning and I thought it'd go real well. When I grew up I didn't know any girls who played soccer, so I never thought about it."

Those interested in joining the program can call either 889-2339 or 753-8240 to leave a message so either Ann or Tom can get back to you with the proper information.

Swimming

(Continued from page B-1) events (St. Joe's only win came in the diving event) with a first place in the 100 breaststroke. Tim Smith finished second in the 100 breast while swimming for the first time against his former team.

Smith, who participated on three state championship teams during his tenure at St. Joe's before transferring this year to Westfield, had a unique perspective on the big meet.

"It was very wierd. I still have a lot of friends on that team," said Smith. "But it was fun beating them. I just wish it was a better meet."

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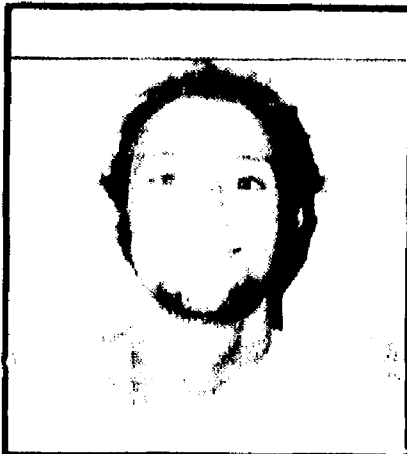
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DAVE SCHWARTZ



As one of the lesser known Westfield swimmers, one who operates in the shadow of Darren Hertell, Schwartz made a name for himself in the Union county Swim Meet on Saturday. He opened the meet by swimming the second leg of the record breaking 200-yard medley relay team and finished it by setting an individual and school record in the 100-yard breast stroke with a time of 59.03. Schwartz played a big part in Westfield's drubbing of St. Joe's-Metuchen on Tuesday, winning the 100 breast and helping set a school record on the 200 medley relay.

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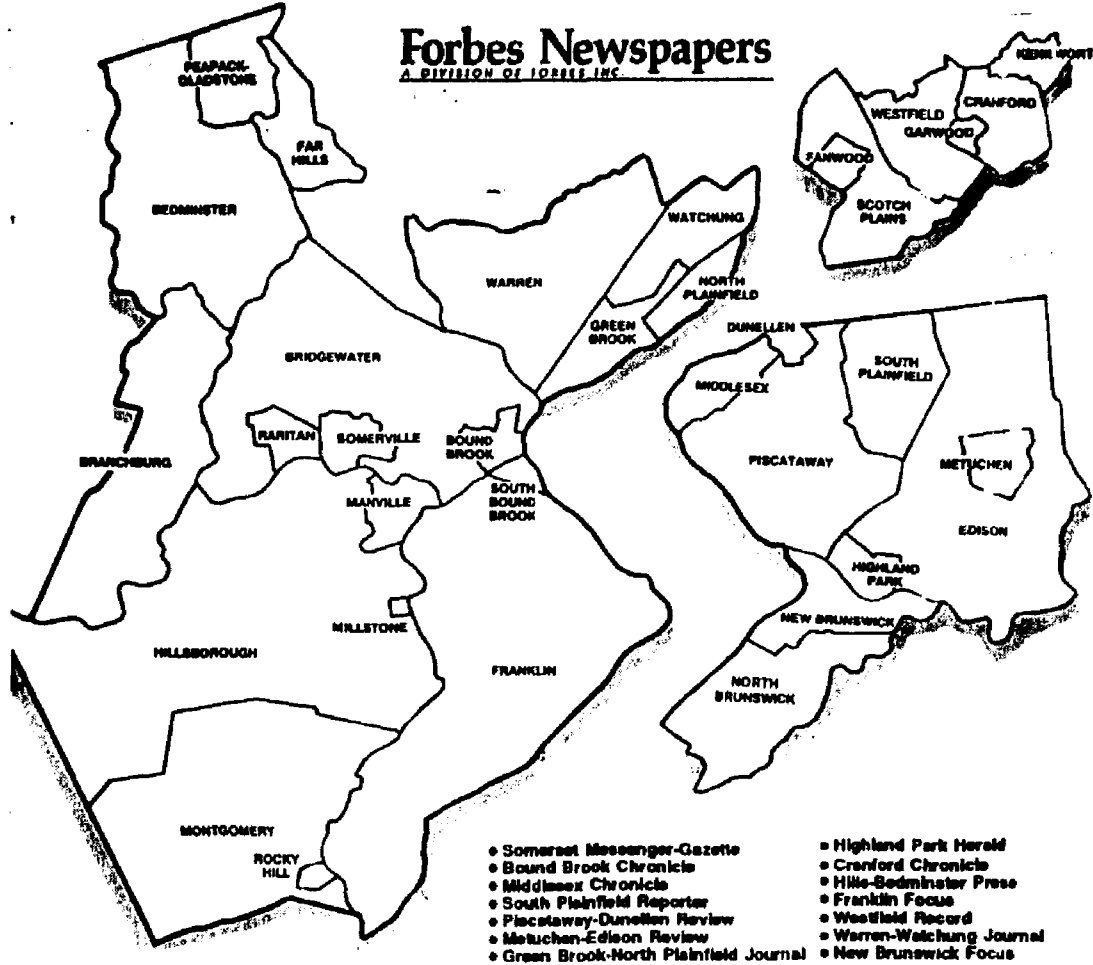
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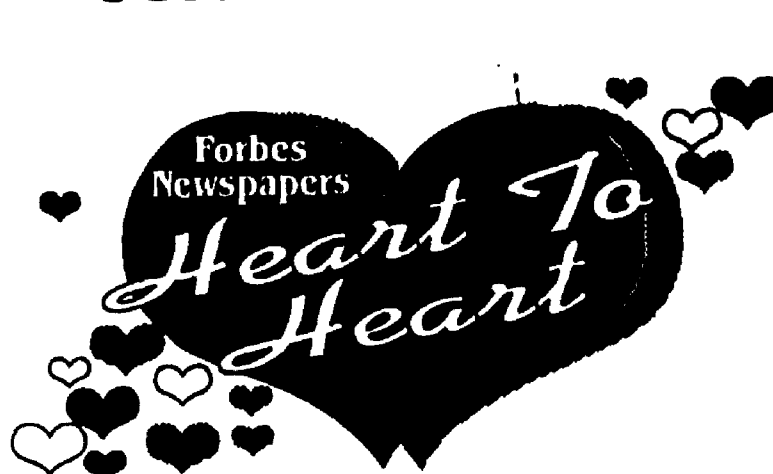
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DWF - 35 5'3 blonde hair, greenish blue eyes, medium build, attractive, non-smoker, no drugs, no children, a little shy at first. I like dining out, flea markets, trips, clubs & enjoying life. Work 5PM-11PM WKNDS off. Would love to meet a down to earth S/DWM gentleman preferably non-smoker, a night person who is honest & fun w/good values. Looking for friendship w/ possible relationship. No longer open to marriage men. Please reply ext. 3380

DWF - 38 years old, looking for honest, caring, S/DWM; with a sense of humor. Reply Ext. 3248

DWF - 45 blonde hair blue eyes, 5'4 non-smoker. I like golf, hiking, skiing, movies, the shore & the City. Looking for attractive professional man, late 40's to mid 50's who also has the same interest. Please call me, we can share & enjoy. Reply ext. 3712

DWF - 46, intelligent, articulate, professional woman looking for a man with similar qualities. For Friendship & hopefully Romance. I'm particularly interested in someone who enjoys being outdoors. Please call Ext. 3187.

DWF - A young 35, attractive, 5'4 1/2", into board games (not head games). Interest include acting/theater, gourmet cooking, movies, dining, dancing, and long moonlit walks with stimulating conversation. Looking for a mature, but useful, man between 29-40, who has a good sense of humor, has an open mind, and is a good conversationalist, who enjoys an active life and is looking for fun with a possibility of a deep and lasting relationship. Non-smokers only please. The challenge; must like children. Reply to ext. 3446

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DWF - Brown hair, green eyes, 5'4, petite & attractive. 60 yrs. young, good sense of humor. I like sports, movies, travel, music & dancing, quiet times at home. Looking for tall attractive man 50-60yrs. with similar interests. Please call Ext. 3191.

DWF - young, attractive, 30 year old, 5'3", 118 lbs., seeking relationship with attractive, financially secure funloving D/SWM between the ages of 32 and 36, height between 5'10" and 6'2", no fannies or skinnies, no beards or mustaches, no children. I like a dry, witty sense of humor, but not arrogant or obnoxious. Young at heart, good values, likes the outdoors, dancing, likes giving and receiving affection and romance, likes adventure and non-smoker. Ext. 3182.

DWM, 32 - I enjoy Sports, movies & I love kids. Looking for SF for friendship & good times. Reply ext. 3719

DWM, 35 - 5'4", 160 lbs., financially secure, looking for S/DWF, 25-33, for friendship or possible relationship. Reply ext. 3479

DWM, EARLY 50s - highly spirited and energetic, successful business executive, smoker, short in stature, high in energy. Many interests and activities including golf, photography, fishing, theater, dining out & dancing. Seeking attractive, slim, D/WWWF with high energy level and similar interests for sincere, honest, open, frank relationship. Reply ext. 3247

DWM - 46, very affectionate & honest, knows how to treat a woman, smoker loves the outdoors, dining out. Looking for a good-hearted female for friendship first. Reply to Ext 3512

DWM - 50ish, 5'10 seeks liberated Grandma with good figure, nice legs & wears dresses above the knee. A little champagne or wine & a lot of love. Why not give me a call & we could talk. Reply ext. 3702

DWM - 54, prof., college grad, 5'11", trim, some of my favorite things are big band & 50's & 60's music, tennis, reading (loves Steven King), dining out & in with the right person, the beach. Looking for honest, one-man-woman to share life's ups & downs. Reply to Ext. 3528

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GWM - 26, down to earth, cute, 5'7, 145lbs, blonde hair blue eyes, tired of bar scene. Into movies, camping & travel. Looking for All American guy 22-30, to share good times. reply 3706

HANDSOME SWM - 19, brown eyes & brown hair, seeking that beautiful, special girl. Into music, candlelight, slow dancing, partying & romance. Reply to ext 3501

HANDSOME SWM - 29 5'10, brown hair, caring, funloving w/great sense of humor, who enjoys dancing, sports, rock & roll & quiet evenings at home. Seeking attractive female 21-35 who is vivacious & a little bit on the wild side to share romance fun times & adventure. Reply ext. 3198

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IN SEARCH OF - G Hispanic M who is in search of GWM, myself, 6'1", 175, brown/hazel, looking for friendship, possible relationship. "Into" the outdoors. If you're between 19 & 35 please reply Ext. 3476

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NAMASTE - SWF, 37, health professional. Seeks an Indian SM professional, 35-45, to enjoy Indian cultural events, movies & food with. Ext. 3397

NICE GENTLEMAN - Seeks to meet down to earth SWF from Somerset County between the ages of 35-45, who enjoys movies, biking, flea markets, and going to car races. Looking for friendship possibly leading to relationship. Respond to 3447.

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REBEL WITH A CAUSE - active SWM, 33, non-smoker, professional who shuns neckties. Into sailing, skiing, scuba, softball, theatre, music, movies, dancing, motorcycling & volleyball. I have an active life & I'm looking for someone who also has a life but wants to share some of it & keep some of it, don't be jealous. Reply to Ext 3526

SWF - 25, 5'5 attractive, attending college. Enjoys traveling, sports, movies, theatres & quiet evenings at home with that special person. Also enjoy trying new & exciting ideas. Seeks M 24-28, non-smoker & disease free preferred. Reply ext 3197

SWM - 23 college student, loves movies & sports. Looking for an intelligent single female 20-30. To go out & have loads of fun. Reply ext. 3718

SWM - 28, 5'11", honest, yuppy, fun-loving, romantic, caring with great sense of humor. Enjoys dinner, dancing, music, movies, traveling, long walks, reading, sports & ready to learn about hobbies. Seeks female 21-38, with similar interest. Reply to Ext. 3518

SEEKING PROF MALE - 37-41 who is kind, trustworthy, generous, sincere & a romantic. I'm intelligent, I'm 39, petite, attractive who enjoys traveling, dining out, comedy shows & romantic evenings. Please reply to extension 3295.

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SWM - 25, 6' 160lbs, Libra, looking for a slim, attractive, SH or SW female 20-25, preferred Libra or Aries or just someone who loves to laugh & have a good time. Must be sincere honest, intelligent & as romantic as I am. Substance abuse need not apply. Love to discover new romantic evening spots for friendship, then maybe a date relationship. Please reply Ext 3707

STRAWBERRY - 25 5'10" strawberry blonde hair, muscular build, with easy going personality. Enjoys New York City, the shore, and romantic dinners. Looking for SWF 21-26 with similar qualities and interest for friendship and possible relationship. Ext. 3523.

SJF - 32, Petite, attractive, fun seeks attractive intellectual, educated, financially secure, outgoing S/DWM 30-40 who appreciates the beauty of nature, can lose himself in a good book, enjoys foreign films, is politically aware & athletically inclined, romantic, nurturing, whole de vivre. Please call Ext. 3192.

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SJM - 28, 5'6", non-religious looking for a fun, 30 female for friendship & romance. Reply to Ext 3522

SJM - 29 5'11 still searching for his soul mate, she is a SWF 25-32 who is mature yet silly, smart but not boring, competent but not self centered. If you have an optimistic energetic & life - Give me a call. Ext 3388

SLIM, FIT, ACTIVE, 5'8" 35, SJM. I You are a cute, slim, SJF 27-33, who enjoys movies, music, dining, dancing sports, and is seeking fun, friendship and a meaningful relationship, let's find out if there is any chemistry between us. Reply to box 3450.

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SWF - no I'm not over-weight, on drugs, a smoker or drinker, but I am petite, trim, cute & cuddly. Tender gracious, spontaneous passionate & ready for a serious relationship with a SWM 40-55 who knows how to treat a lady & isn't into head games. So give me a call & lets talk. Reply ext. 7030

SWF - seeks SWM 30-40, I am a professional fun loving, caring & cute woman. Seeking a professional man with a positive outlook who enjoys football, music & movies. Friendship or possibly more. Ext. 3391

SWM 23 - likes going shopping, going out to dinner, sports & the shore. Looking for SWF 18-26, non-smoker preferred. Who enjoys the same. Ext. 3394

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SWM, 27, Cuddly, life-sized teddy bear, professional, good-looking, sensitive, vibrant, intelligent, with a heart of gold. Longs for a woman looking to share, explore and experience the wonders of life's adventures. If you are between 22 and 29 and are attractive, fun-loving, with two feet on the ground, please respond to ext. 3241.

SWM, 29, 5' 11", 180 solid lbs, Professional, financially secure, funny guy. Interests include: skiing, working out, playing and watching all sports, reading Tom Clancy and watching The Seinfeld Show. Looking for friendship, possibly leading to relationship. Reply Ext. 3244.

SWM, 29 - professional, down-to-earth, likes sports, music, outdoors, cooking. Seeking fun, energetic SWF, 23-33, for friendship & relationship. Reply Ext. 3358

SWM, 30 YRS OLD - 5' 10", 170 lbs., self-employed, tall, seeking WF age 22-30, for friendship or lasting relationship. Must be in shape, good-looking, affectionate & have CLASSY Smokers OK. No drugs. Call ext. 3465

SWM, 33, 5' 6", slim, fun to be with. Enjoys music, concerts and dancing. Seeks petite, SWF, 24-32, who is intelligent, fun-loving, and sincere. If you want to meet this nice guy please call. Reply ext. 3242.

SWM, 34, enjoys movies, dancing, swimming. Looking for SWF 20-30, non-smoker for friendship & possible relationship. Please reply ext. 3233

SWM, 37 TALL STOCKY good sense of humor, honest, sincere, trustworthy. Enjoy dancing, sports & classic rock which includes 50's & 60's. Looking for S/DW woman 35-45, preferably tall, stocky, who occasionally wears high heels, enjoys sports & classic rock. Must be talkative. Kids ok. Reply ext 3708

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SWM - 37, dark hair, green eyes, Italian, 6' 175lbs, in shape, good looking. Who likes dining out, movies, outdoors, owns own business so doesn't have time for bar scenes, but will make time for honest & sincere S/DWF, (kids ok), between 33-44, reasonably attractive, slim & fit. Reply to Ext 3520

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SWM, 37, Christian, Art. St., not exactly starving, but not looking for a fast horse and slow dame. Reply ext. 3238.

SWM, 6', 33, 200 LBS. - In shape, enjoys many outdoor activities, semi-professional looking for female with similar interests between the ages of 25 & 35. Reply ext. 3466

SWM, CATHOLIC, 33 - non-drinker, non-smoker, seeks honest, sincere, practicing Catholic woman. Reply ext. 3475

SWM - This handsome college grad is 22 yrs. old 5'9", 160 lbs. with brown hair & eyes. I enjoy exercise & love to travel. I'm seeking a SWF age 18-32 who is attractive, likes to dance & enjoys romantic time. If you have similar interests just give me a call & we can start the New Year off together. Please call Ext. 3177.

SWM - 21, 5'11, college student, Sylvester Stallone look alike, non-drinker, wishing to meet a non-drinking woman. I enjoy baseball, football, jogging, the beach & quiet evenings at home. I would like to meet a down to earth SWF, 18-22 who enjoys working out & keeping in shape, preferably a redhead. Please call Ext. 3651.

SWM - 23, 5'9" attractive. Looking to meet woman 21-35 years old for daytime adventure. Please call ext. 3467 and leave number.

SWM - 24, 6ft, dark hair, blue eyes, professional, financially stable. Sick of bar scene. Looking for a SWF 22-28. Who likes going to movies, traveling and is interested in friendship possibly leading to romance. Respond to ext. 3448.

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Heart To Heart

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Words cannot describe my feelings for you. Thanks for being everything, especially my Valentine! Love always & forever.
DWP

ALOHA!!!
Dad, Mom, John, Michelle, Ron, Suzanne & Erin! We love & miss you lots! Happy Valentines Day! With love from Hawaii,
JOHN & SANDRA

CAITLAN ANN PETKO
HAPPY 1ST VALENTINES DAY
Love Aunt Lee Lee

EWV
Though together fifteen years, you still see me thru the eyes of love—that's why I love you so!!
DKB

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY
To the best & brightest part of my life.
I love you Jeff!!

Joey
I love love love you!!
Lots snuggle
Happy Valentines Day
Love, Lee

NASTY FRIENDLY,
Happy Valentine's Day!
Beets

VIVIAN,
You are and always will be my girl. I believe in Love I believe in You And Me. I'll never stop loving you. Happy Valentine's Day Sweetheart! I Love You! Johnny

Woo Woo,
I'd walk the line, if you'd be mine. I'd undermine to share some wine, I'd even eat twine, if you'd think me fine. So may I define you as my Valentine?
BD

YOU threw your socks upon the floor for over 30 years. I've even thrown them out the door they've driven me to tears. You continue to throw them on the floor night after night you great big bore. And you, my darling, are not ashamed, you are well known as yet, not named. I'm sick of your socks, Chief! Tony, I'm fed up with you, but I'll always care for you.
Your loving wife, Dot.

ALLYSON, You'll always be my baby & my "Morning Glory". Stay sweet. Love,
MOM

'LAINE
You are my friend, my buddy, my sweetheart. I'll Love You Always. Happy Valentine's Day. Peanut
ALFRED MY LOVE,
You are all the special things a husband ought to be, and that is why my love belongs to you & you alone always & forever. Happy 12th Anniversary Sharon

AMY LIANNE,
A romantic evening with me, you & Mr. Johnson would be excellent.
YOURS TRULY

Andrea-
When I gaze into your eyes, I become speechless. When we kiss I feel a warm sensation inside my body. When we are together I know for sure that I love you. Happy Valentine's Day.
Love, Frank

BDC,
As soon as forever is through, I'll be over you. I love you more than words can say. Love AAB.

BEAN HEAD, you're a breath of fresh air when the world around me stinks. **MUSH FACE**

BILLY,
Sometimes I don't realize how lucky I am to have a boyfriend as wonderful as you. I'll always love you!
Dawn

BOBBI, Being your daughter is the thing I do best. I guess you make it easy. Thank you for loving me.
THE MOOSE MATE

BOBZILLA
DID YOU LEAVE TOKYO, OR ARE YOU HIDING IN THE HARBOR? LOVE KEL

BULLDOZER BUTT,
Being with you the last few months has been a lot of fun, an adventure you might say. I realized in a short time just how special you really are and how much you mean to me. I care about you a lot more than you know. Thanks for all the good times—hope we have more. See ya, gotta go, bye!
LOVE KOMATSU

CHILLY WILLY
BUCKET-HEAD BILLY
I love you "more than words can say"
Love always
Jennifer (thumper)

CHUCK,
Love is more than just a 4 letter word, I know I don't say it often enough but I hope you know how much I really do love you.
M.L.

CLIFFY,
Hey, Buddy will you be my valentine? Cause I feel all OOGY!
Love, Stacy

CORI,
Roses are Red
Violets are blue
When you move
I'll sure MISS YOU
HAPPY HAPPY VALENTINES DAY!
Love Aunt Lee Lee

DADDY-DADDY, Please be mine, say you'll be my one and only Valentine! Hugs & Kisses, hold me tight, I Love You Daddy, with all my might!
Love, BRYANNA '92

DAVE, Love may be blind, but I have 20/20 and only have eyes for you after 16 years. **LOVE, ROE**

DANO,
When I was little I used to dream about a prince who was handsome, caring & loving. As I got older I thought the dream was over until I fell in love with you, my Special Prince Charming!
LISA

DARA,
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Ray

DEAR BOB & DADDY, you are the #1 man in all our lives. You are the best. We love you lots. **LOVE ALL THE GIRLS IN YOUR LIFE.**

DEAR CELESTE,
"If I can spend only one tomorrow, it's a lifetime if I knew I could spend that day with you."
Happy 2nd Valentine's Day!
I love you!
JOEY

DEAR DADDY,
Always remember that we are best buddies!
Love your son Jonathan

DEAR DADDY,
Roses are red
Violets are blue
you're the sweetest
Dad in world
& I love you
LOVE WORM

DEAR ERNIE,
All of your effort to improve & strengthen our marriage & family, is outstanding! I Love You.
Bebe

DEAR JEFF,
Happy Anniversary & Happy Valentines Day! I Love You Always. **DAWN**

DEAR MARILYN,
At 2 years, 4 days, grow old along with me, the best is yet to be.
I Love You, **BILL**

DEAR MOMMA, When they want to see how true love should be, they'll just look at us. **MR. MANN**

DEAR MOMMY
Roses are red
Violets are blue
your the sweetest
mom in the world
and I love you
Happy Valentines Day
Love Cori

DEAR TOMMY... my Staten Island sweetie. I will always be your Jersey girl. Love will never do without you. I love you with all my heart. My love always,
Dawn

DEBBIE & JOANN, We really hope you know that this valentine is not for show! With all our love. **ALBERT & ALEX JR.**

DEBORAH & RACHEL—
Happy Valentines, to my 2 biggest sweethearts, & a pat for Baba too. Lets all have a happy year growing as a family
Love,
Pups

DESIREE & NICHOLAS
Roses are red
Violets are blue
Make sure you eat
All of your STEW!!
Love,
You know who!!

EILEEN
I love you truly
truly dear your the BEST!
Love Steve

GALE, I first smiled in September. Beautiful eyes I'll remember. You are unique as a snowflake. Thank you for bringing a lifetime of happiness into such a short time. I truly love you with all of my heart. Please be my Valentine?
BERT

GOMEZ, "I'm glad to give my love to you, I know you feel the way I do!"
ALL MY LOVE MORTISHA

FOR MY WIFE
Rita—the one I'll always love. With all my Love. Happy Valentines Day.
Love, Ed

GRANDMA & GRANDPA
We love you very much
Happy Valentine's Day!
ALLYSON & SHELBY

GRANDMOM & GRANDPOP
We love you so much. Thanks for all you do for us.
Love Nicole & Michael

HALLO SCHATTIG SNOETJE— IK HOU MEER VAN JOU DAN VAN WIE OOK, VERGEET DAT NOOIT. DIKKE KNUFFELS EN VELE KUSJES.
JE SCHATJE.

HAPPY 1ST VALENTINES DAY
DEVIN THOMAS
(Mom & Daddy too!)
Lots of XXX & OOO
Grammy & Grandpa

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY
To my Husband & Son, Eugene Thomas. You both are my whole world.
LOVE, TAMMY D

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY
PATRICK
We Love You Very Much! (Mom & Dad too!) Counting the days until May!!
XXXXXXX
Pacci & Grandma

HAPPY VALENTINES DAY
ANDY, CRYSTAL & RENEE
I LOVE YOU MOMMY

ERC,
Happy Valentine's Day!
We Love You.
Buntie & Pink Nose

IRA,
I waited for you to come into my life, and 3 months ago you made me your wife. So here is to us, may our love always grow. For I'll love you forever & just want you to know.
ANDREA

JERRY TERPAY,
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Aunt Kathy

JILL, I love your laugh, I love your smile, I love your hair, I love your face, I love your eyes, I love the way you make me laugh, I love the way you make me smile. Guess What!
I - LOVE - YO U!!
Love Always, **LEE**

JIM, Thanks for Everything!!
Happy Valentines Day!
Love
Star Reporter

JOEY, and to think it all started something like this. Who knew? We will make it. We have to, I don't want to grow old with anyone else, and besides, who would answer you in your sleep? I love you. You make me happy.
BOBBY

JOHN, to my hubby (& daddy too!) just wanted to say, we wuv you!
Cathy & Chris

JOHN, Everything I want U have. Everything I need is what you are. All that I have is yours. I will love you 4 ever.
Love, Beth

JOHN, You're just as great, From the morning until seven, But things get even better, When I see you at eleven.
Love, Jan

JOHNNY CZERNIKOWSKI
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Aunt Kathy

JOLENE, I'm writing this to you from my heart to yours. Love from lots.
Yours forever Chris

KATHERINE ROSE,
You're a very special little girl. I love you so much!
YOUR AUNT JENN

KENNY, Our love is like a painting. We started with an empty canvas but with each stroke we've created a beautiful picture. Remember Kathy Brown loves Kenny Van Hooser!!
Love, KAT

KIMBERLY,
Happy 1st Valentines Day!
We love you,
Mommy & Daddy

KRISTIN,
Love that's too legit to quit!
LARRY

L.L., You warm my heart with just a touch, this is why I love you so much!
D.P.

LEE LEE,
Could it be any better than last year? You bet, even greater!
BOO BOO

LISA CZERNIKOWSKI,
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Aunt Kathy

MICHAEL, MY SWEET
It's such a treat when we meet, you make my heart flutter, there could be no other.
LOVE, YOUR HOT VALENTINE

MO MO,
I still love you more than the whole wide solar system!
SHMOOIE

MUCHEN— It's no wonder I wouldn't trade what we have for anything in the world!! All my love, **Wain**

MICHAEL, MY SWEET
It's such a treat when we meet, you make my heart flutter, there could be no other.
LOVE, YOUR HOT VALENTINE

MY LIGHT
The moon followed me to a dark place
The light was there I saw no trace
You found me dark you touched my soul
You brought me light with you I'm whole
YOUR LOVE

My Little Boobie (LES)—
If I'm good, will you tell me another story?
Forever, Honey (KMB)

NANCY,
Wherever the path may lead us, you will dwell in my heart and mind forever with love...
Dennis

NICK-A-DOMMIE,
With you as my husband, I know I'll always have love in my heart, joy in my life and oil in my car too!
Love, Joyce

O MY POUPI, Dearest cat, big warm sweet & fat, Copper eyes, golden fur, loving soul, Yummy purr!
OUIE, Come here I want to tell you something, our love will last until the stars grow cold. I love you. Happy Valentine's Day.
YOUR HONEYPUFF

OUR MOST PRECIOUS VALENTINES— Bobby, Nicholas, Brian, Patrick, Christina & ? All our love always, Nana & Pa XXXXX
Paul & Linda,
Won't be long!!
Happy Valentines Day
Love always,
Mom & Dad

PEBBY KING
Valentines Day 1976 is forever & always in my heart. I still love you!
Charlie

PETER, having you as my friend, lover & husband, how could I ever be homesick. "I love you"
Caroline

PTO, Being married to you has made me so happy. To me every day is V-Day with you!
I Love You,
REG

RAY, TAVIS & KYLENE,
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Mom & Dad

RICHARD, To my one & only Valentine! Looking forward to 7/3, Alaska & forever with you! Julie

ROGER,
Roses are Red
Violets are blue
Just to let you know
I still care too!!
Dora

ROSEBUD
Someone like you happens once in a lifetime. I'm so glad you happened in mine.
Love, Laura

Seymek en guzellini Sevgiliirini, Yasamak bana en yucusini mutluluklarin doyasi.
Nice yillara birtanem.

SNOOGIE,
Happy Day #3. I love you more than M&M's! Get psyched for Boston.
Love,
SNOOGIE.

SQUARE FOOT DADA
We made beautiful babies together! As our family grows, so does my love.
Rachel's mom-mom.

SWAMIE, my everything, a wonderful husband, a terrific lover, a great father. But most of all my very best friend!
All my love, Big Red

SWEET PEA
I'll be betting everything on my wedding ring & I'll be giving you the best that I've got.
Love,
your little junior

SWEETHEART, You have made me THE happiest girl in the world. You're the Greatest! All My Love,
MICHELE

TO BOOZER, Roses are red, Violets are blue, I'm so glad, I fell in love with you. Happy Valentines Day!
LOVE, SMELLY

TO MY ENDLESS LOVE WALT... After all these years we're finally together to celebrate our 1st Valentines Day. I Love You...**YOUR ENDLESS LOVE, SHARON**

TO MY BOOBIE—
Looking forward to starting the rest of our lives today in the Caldwell Manor. Thanks for making anything possible.
OLIVE EWE, TOOTS

HON— You're my dream come true, my one & only you. **ANTHONY—** you're my Special Angel, Mommy loves you. Happy Valentines Day to both my men.
LOVE, NON/MOMMY

TO MY CUPID, Together Yesterday, Today, Tomorrow, and Forever! Hugs and Kisses. **LOVE YOUR OTHER HALF.**

TO MY DARLING SWEET-HEART PATRICIA, When I'm lonely I think of love, & when I think of love, I think of you. Love you, and always will. **STEPHEN**

TO MY DAWNLESS SUSPENCE
The nite has lost its Dawn with out you.
For beside your presence time is breathless.
My whole being craves you as addiction.
Only the nectar of your love can satisfy me.
Laying at nite swooned in your sensual proclamation.
Those foudroyant eyes impassion my soul.
A mouth so avid I yearn for its moistness.
The flame of your lips liberating me ablaze.
Sensing the silkiness of your skin warm & erotic, ignites vibrant heat enchanting my fever.
Pondering your graceful and balmly form, dissipates me adrift in Quantum's pleasure.
There is no searching for the animal in each other, when we are together we set each other free.
These penchant feelings are meant for the gods, this divine gift, a mystery, arousing our desire.
Till next time we rendezvous At loves cache,
Your forever a veiled woman, half dreamed in my heart. '92 is for you.
Love, RJD

TO MY ENDLESS LOVE SHARON ON OUR FIRST VALENTINE'S DAY—
we're now one love & soon will be man & wife, just look at us now, forever together, your endless love
Wait.

TO DANNY, Once upon a time, somewhere in the back of my mind I fell in love with you. **LOVE MARITZA**

TO MY FAVORITE BLONDE— I wish our life and love will never end. You are the center of my life.
The Husband

TO MY KNIGHT IN SHINING ARMOR, Every minute of every day with you is more wonderful than the last. **MONICA**

TO MY #1 DADDY, I Love You. Happy Valentines Day with Love, Your Little Peanut **Wende and Puffin**

TO OUR 3 DAUGHTERS
Lynda, Lisa & Jennifer
We Love You Very Much!
Love Mom & Dad

TO OUR VALENTINE,
We love you so very much even when we are not so loveable.
STJ VALENTINES

TO STEPHANIE,
Thank you for all the great times. I hope there will be more in the future. I love you very much.
LOVE ALWAYS, DARREC

TO THE GREATEST MOMMY IN THE WORLD— I love you very much. Happy Valentine's Day.
Your Poo bear **Wende.**

TO THE MOST IMPORTANT MEN IN MY LIFE,
Joe, Roy & Joseph. I love you all so much. You guys are The Best!
LOVE, MOMMY

TO VALENE & RYE,
My 2 special Valentines, my only 2 loves, I need you both. I love you 2 very much.
LOVE ALWAYS, MOMMY, DEBBIE

Happy Valentine's Day

Real Estate Guide

Soak up luxurious living with this Scotch Plains offering

SCOTCH PLAINS — A winding tree-line road is the setting for this four-bedroom, two-and-one-half bath split level home at 2008 Dogwood Drive. The house is set on over one-half acre of well-landscaped land and boasts a private fenced yard.

Some of the exterior highlights of this house include a 40-foot free form heated pool, professionally landscaped gardens and rock beds, and an in-laid brick patio.

The interior is of contemporary design, a design updated and decorated by current owners. It also offers numerous custom built-in cabinets and furnishings, as well as other amenities. The master bedroom has its own private balcony and spiral staircase descending to the pool area.

The updated kitchen was designed for gourmet cooking. The first floor family room, with raised hearth fireplace, built-in bar, and access to the pool, can serve as a central gathering area for a variety of occasions.

Specifically, the entry foyer has a ceramic tile floor, wall shelf, guest closet, decorator lighting fixture and custom mirrored wall. Painted wrought-iron gates lead to the living room, which features built-in platforms for modular furniture, a large bay window with window seat, wall-to-wall carpeting, linen wall coverings, and recessed lighting.

The dining room has two lighted built-in curio cabinets, mulberry bark wall covering, and a picture window overlooking the pool area.

The kitchen features custom cabinetry, breakfast bar, built-in microwave and side-by-side refrigerator, stainless steel sink with garbage disposal, new double wall oven, ceramic tile floor, and entrance from the pool area.

The family room has a built-in cabinetry and recessed and track lighting, custom window treatments, wall-to-wall carpeting, and ceramic tile flooring.

On the second floor is the master bedroom with built-in platform bed and upholstered headboard, custom built-in dressing table and cabinetry, recessed lighting, walk-in closet plus double closet with mirrored doors, and a window wall with



This well-appointed house is located at 2008 Dogwood Drive in Scotch Plains.

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doors leading to the wrought iron balcony with canopy and spiral staircase to the pool. The master bath has a double vanity sink, glass-enclosed shower, custom mirrored walls, ceramic tile floor, heat lamp and exhaust fan, along with custom storage cabinetry.

UNION HOUSE TOURS

The other two bedrooms feature wall-to-wall carpeting, double closets, wall coverings, and shuttered windows. There is an additional full bath on the second floor that has a shower over the tub, wall coverings with coordinating window treatments, and a vanity sink with lighting fixture.

TIPSHEET

Address: 2008 Dogwood Drive, Scotch Plains
Asking price: \$374,900
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2.5
Amenities: Two-car attached garage with automatic door opener, basement with utility and storage, walk-up attic, fire and security systems, water softener, perimeter ground lighting
Heating/cooling: gas fuel, forced air heat, central air conditioning
Lot size: Approximately a half-acre
Age: Built in 1955
Taxes: \$7,190 (1991)
Schools: Scotch Plains-Fanwood regional schools
Open houses: Through Ruth C. Tate, Coldwell Banker-Schott, Realtors, 284 E. Broad St., Westfield, 233-5555

The third floor features another bedroom with a single closet, wall-to-wall carpeting and wall coverings.

The grade level features a recreation room with built-in sofas, two closets with built ins, and wall coverings with paneling and wall-to-wall carpeting. The laundry room has a washer, dryer, wall-to-wall carpeting, and separate entrance from the pool. The powder room has a ceramic tile floor and wall coverings.

The third largest town in Union County, Scotch Plains contains a mix of pre- and post-World War II homes and townhouses. The largest employer in the town is the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Board of Education, which encompasses both Scotch Plains and neighboring Fanwood Borough. The school district consists of elementary schools, covering grades K-6, middle schools covering grades 7-9, and the high school covering grades 10-12.

Property sales

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SCOTCH PLAINS

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Automotive Guide

More Pontiac excitement with 1992 Grand Am

By **BILL RUSS**
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

The Grand Am is Pontiac's best seller, and to keep it that way, it has been redesigned and upgraded for 1992. It continues Pontiac's "Excitement" theme by offering two body styles, a coupe and a 4-door sedan, in two trim levels, SE and GT. Also four powerplants are available, three 2.3 liter 4-cylinder variations and one 3.3 liter V-6 engine mated to either a 3-speed automatic or 5-speed manual transmission.

The Grand Am celebrates its 20th anniversary in 1993, enjoying sales of 1.5 million during that time. A major reason for the success is that it has been available in many styling and powertrain combinations that appealed to the "excitement" attitude of a broad range of owners and potential buyers.

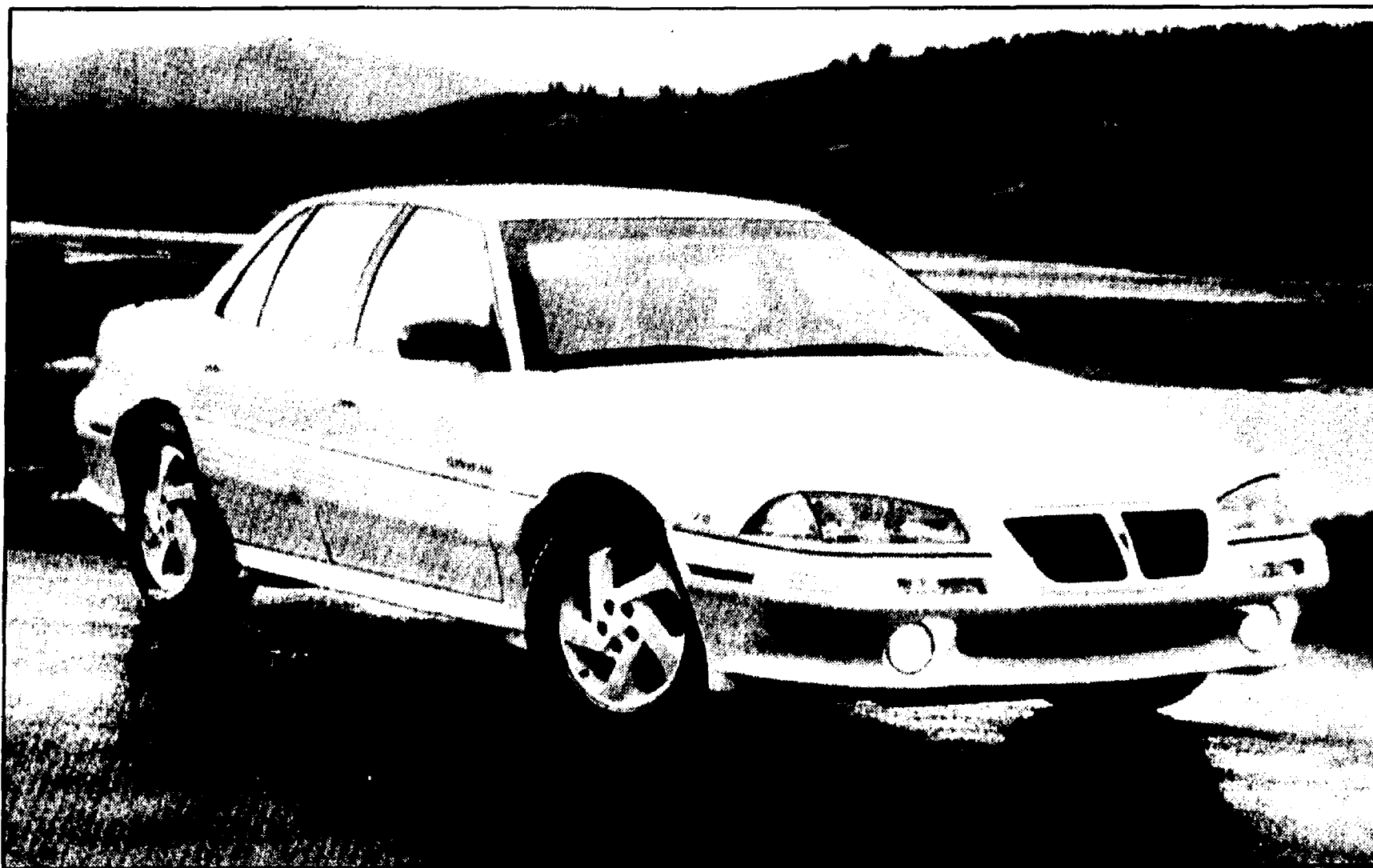
This newest Grand Am emphasizes Pontiac's positive attitude towards broadening the scope of its model offerings to maintain its strong position in the compact car market. Pontiac's recent design, engineering and marketing stance had its beginning just over 10 years ago when it held a conference to redefine its organization and chart its role in the auto industry. This "image statement" now reads: "Pontiac is a car company known for innovative design and engineering that results in exciting products with outstanding

performance and roadability." Here's the objective word on the latest offering under this program:

APPEARANCE: The new Grand Am GT sedan sports an assertive look from its low slope nose to its short rounded rear deck. All glass and door handles are flush, while the side body lines are well-rounded. Also prominent are the wide body side moldings and plastic cladding. Smooth contours,

TEST DRIVE: 1992 PONTIAC GRAND AM GT SEDAN

Specifications
Base price - \$13,799
Price as tested - \$17,707
Engine type - V-6, 160 pushrods, mpi
Engine size - 3.3 liter/204 cid
Horsepower - 160 at 6500 rpm
Torque (ft/lbs) - 185 at 5200 rpm
Wheelbase/length - 103 inches/ 167 inches
Transmission - 3-speed automatic
Curb weight - 2850 lbs.
Pounds/Hp - 18
Fuel capacity - 15 gal.
Fuel requirement - unleaded regular (87 oct)
Tires - Goodyear Eagle GA P205/ 55R16
Brakes - anti-lock standard, disc/drum
Drive train - front engine/front drive
Performance - 0-60 mph - 8.9 sec., 1/4 mile
E.T. - 17.0 sec.
EPA economy, mpg city/ highway/observed - 19/29/ 21.4
Drag coefficient (Cd) - .33



The Pontiac Grand Am name is 20 years old and the newest recipient of the name is smaller and more family-oriented.

alloy wheels and Goodyear sports tires add to its GT look.

COMFORT: A complete set of analog gauges and supportive front bucket seats attest to the sport theme. Our test car was replete with such items as power mirrors, locks and windows, tilt steering, cruise control, heater/air conditioner and upgrade sound. Except for the window and mirror controls, all switches are well-located. The radio is an AM/FM cassette unit that has excellent sound and is easy to set and tune. The large

trunk has a low liftover and the tires add to its GT look. All doors open quite wide (80 degrees) for easy access, and lock automatically when the transmission is engaged.

ROADABILITY: The handling of the Grand Am GT leans towards the firm side, and particularly on cement pavement tends to deliver a somewhat choppy ride. Generally speaking it's easy to steer positively thanks to variable assist power steering, easy to stop safely due to anti-lock brakes, easy to

hold the road with Goodyear's Eagle GA touring tires and the dual tuned exhaust pipes give it a great sound.

PERFORMANCE: Pontiac's vintage 3.3 liter V-6 powers the GT with 160 horsepower. This veteran design utilized overhead valves and pushrods, along with multiport fuel injection. A 3-speed automatic transmission without overdrive (also an antique design) provides easy shifting and adequate power for getting through traffic and onto freeway on-ramps. However, an

overdrive gear for highway cruising is needed to add both quietness and fuel economy.

SUGGESTIONS: Revise design of glove box from pull-out drawer to door opening for easier access. Re-engineer fit of top of rear doors with roof line. Design automatic door lock to unlock automatically when transmission is placed in "park."

ECONOMY: EPA ratings are 19 city/ 29 highway. I averaged 21.4 mpg.

CONCLUSIONS: The Grand Am

GT demonstrates that Pontiac's "we build excitement" theme makes a statement that a compact 4-door family sedan can be both sporty and fun to drive. It offers excellent vision, roomy seating, good storage space, plus adequate power and performance.

PRICE AS TESTED: \$17,707 including option package 1SC.

BASE PRICE: \$13,799.

'92 Mazda MX-3 features distinctive styling

By **BILL RUSS**
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

Mazda's current theme, "It just feels right," really applies to its newest model, the MX-3. This small sports coupe is loaded with sharp looks, excellent power, nimble handling and a purposeful interior, and whether driving in town or on the open road. "It just feels right."

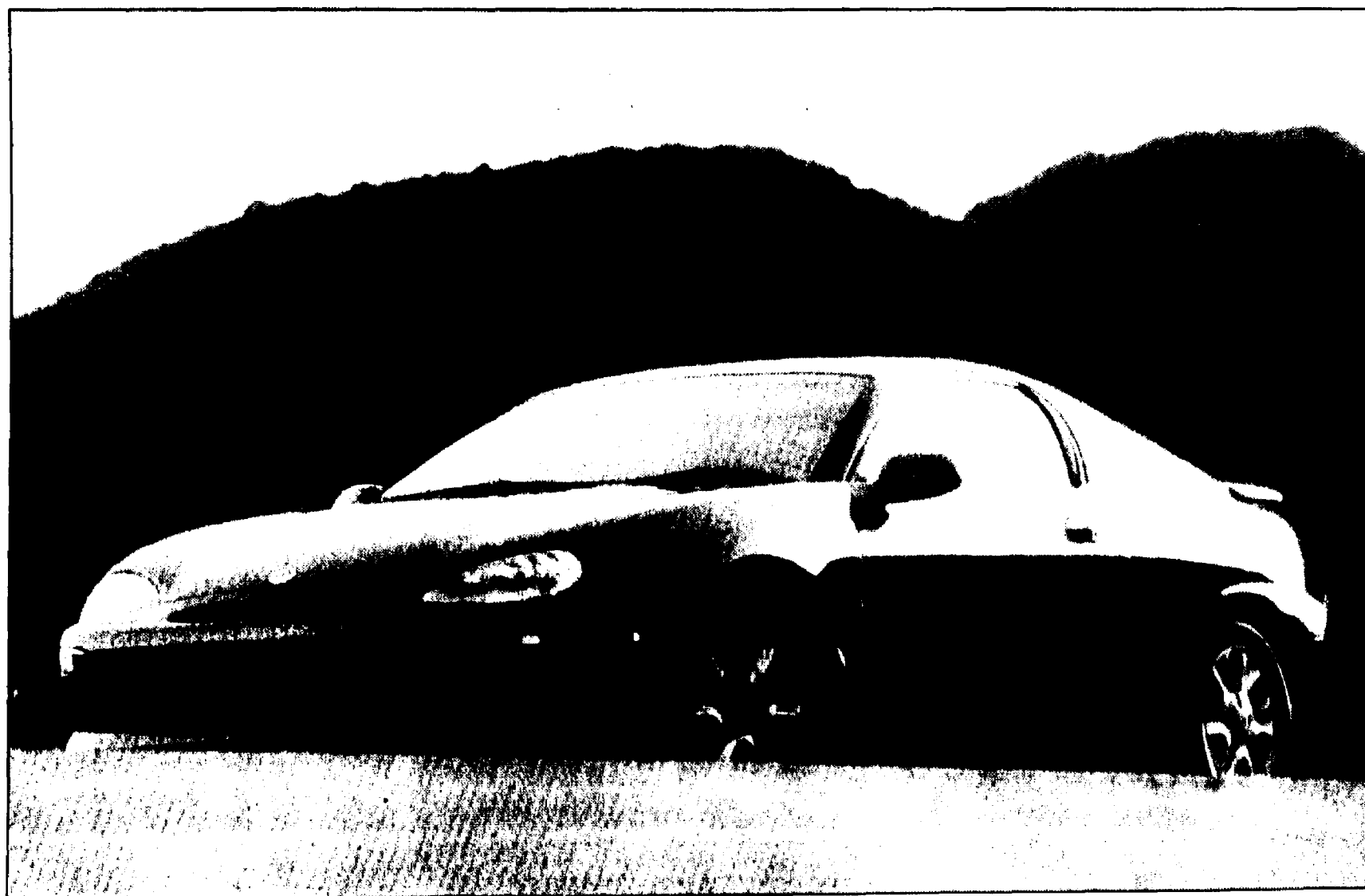
The MX-3 continues Mazda's commitment to the sports and sporty car segment, and particularly those in the youth bracket. It started with the rotary powered RX-7, continued with the US built MX-6 and expanded with the popular MX-5 Miata. The also-new 929 luxury sedan and the MX-3 are the 1992 entries in the Mazda program, and in the near future at least three more models — a new family sedan, a new sports car and a new luxury sports coupe — will be revealed.

Looking back, recent successful entries have been the MPV van, the Navajo SUV, the Protege sedan and the Miata. A new and stronger Mazda has arisen from the ashes of its original disastrous rotary engined cars.

From design to showroom the MX-3 took about three years. Its design demonstrates Mazda's international presence as the exterior is the result of joint sessions between design studios in Japan and California while the interior and some trim was the work of its European research center. The MX-3 is available in two power and trim levels: a base 4-cylinder model, and the V-6 powered GS.

APPEARANCE: The new MX-3 GS is an eye-catcher. It's a small sports car with distinctive styling. What really stands out are the almond-oval headlamps with the slit air intake in between. Other styling features are the low nose, sharply slanted front and rear windows and the obligatory rear spoiler. Alloy wheels, low profile sports tires, flush glass and door handles are plus factors.

COMFORT: In the GS mode the only options are air conditioning, an upgrade radio/cassette sound



The Mazda MX-3 is a swoopy new sports coupe that features the smallest V-6 in the business — only 1.8 liters.

system and the power package. The latter includes the ever-present power windows, locks and cruise control. This modern sports car is far from Spartan, with tilt steering, motorized front seat belts, fold down rear seats, and a rear hatch defogger. Other nuances include supportive front bucket seats, fairly roomy rear jump seats, a good size trunk and appropriate instrumentation.

ROADABILITY: In the GS trim, the MX-3 has a low, wide stance,

enhanced by Yokohama P205/ 55R15 V-rated tires. Fully independent suspension with stabilizer bars keeps it on an even keel on twisty roads. Engine-speed sensitive power steering allows for positive but sometimes light road feel on most road surfaces. This is a fun to drive car, with lots of safety built in.

PERFORMANCE: Mazda's new 1.8 liter, V-6, 24-valve, dual overhead cam, multi-port fuel injected engine is what really separates the

GS from the rest of the nameplates in this category. While most small sports cars have a 4-cylinder under the hood, this MX-3 has the smallest large production V-6 nestled up front. What fun it would be to see the dismantled innards of this little jewel with its silver dollar sized pistons. This high-revver puts out 130 horsepower with a minimum of fuss across a wide power band. The 5-speed manual shifter is slick, but long in the throw. There's sufficient power to climb fairly steep

grades over a wide range of altitudes without excessive downshifting.

SUGGESTIONS: Add height adjustment to driver's seat. Replace the motorized shoulder harness with an air-bag. Make ABS standard.

ECONOMY: EPA ratings are 23 city/28 highway. I averaged 29.1 mpg.

CONCLUSIONS: Mazda has worked its way up to Number Four among the major Japanese auto

manufacturers, but it's not content in this position and is striving to move up a notch. Several new models have been announced recently, and more are on the way. They cover the broad spectrum from mini-sports to luxury sedans and they are Mazda's way of stating that they intend to remain aggressive and provide quality cars.

PRICE AS TESTED: \$15,785 with almost everything except ABS.

BASE PRICE: \$13,800 including the V-6 engine.

TEST DRIVE: MAZDA MX-3 GS

Specifications
Base price - \$13,800
Price as tested - \$15,785
Engine type - V-6, 24 valve, mpi
Engine size - 1.8 liter/113 cid
Horsepower - 130 at 6500 rpm
Torque (ft/lbs) - 115 at 4500 rpm
Wheelbase/length - 96 inches/ 166 inches
Transmission - 5-speed manual w/ od
Curb weight - 2580 lbs.
Pounds/Hp - 20
Fuel capacity - 13 gal.
Fuel requirement - unleaded regular
Tires - Yokohama A022A P205/ 55R15 87V
Brakes - anti-lock optional, disc/disc
Drive train - front engine/ front drive
Performance - 0-60 mph - 8.4 sec., 1/4 mile (E.T.) - 16.6 sec.
EPA economy, mpg city/ highway/observed - 23/28/ 29.1
Drag coefficient (Cd) - .32

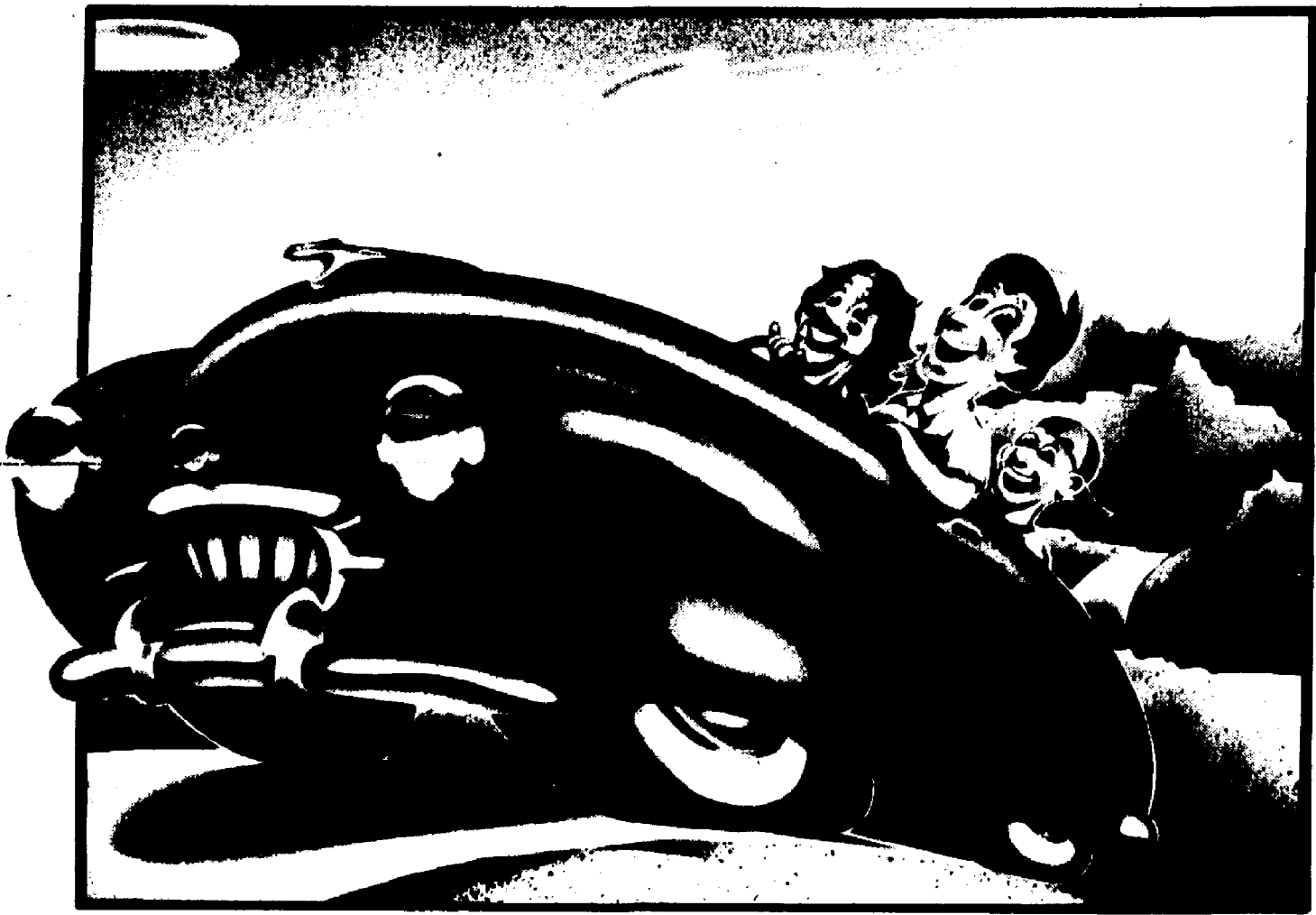
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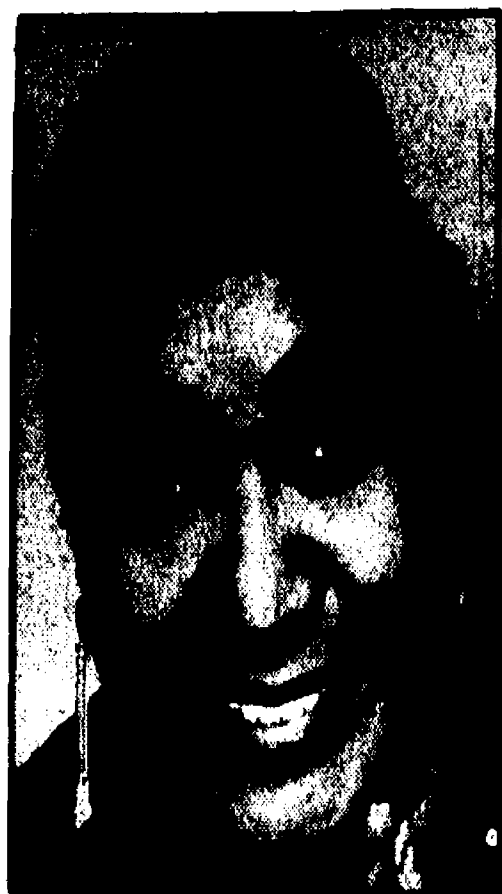
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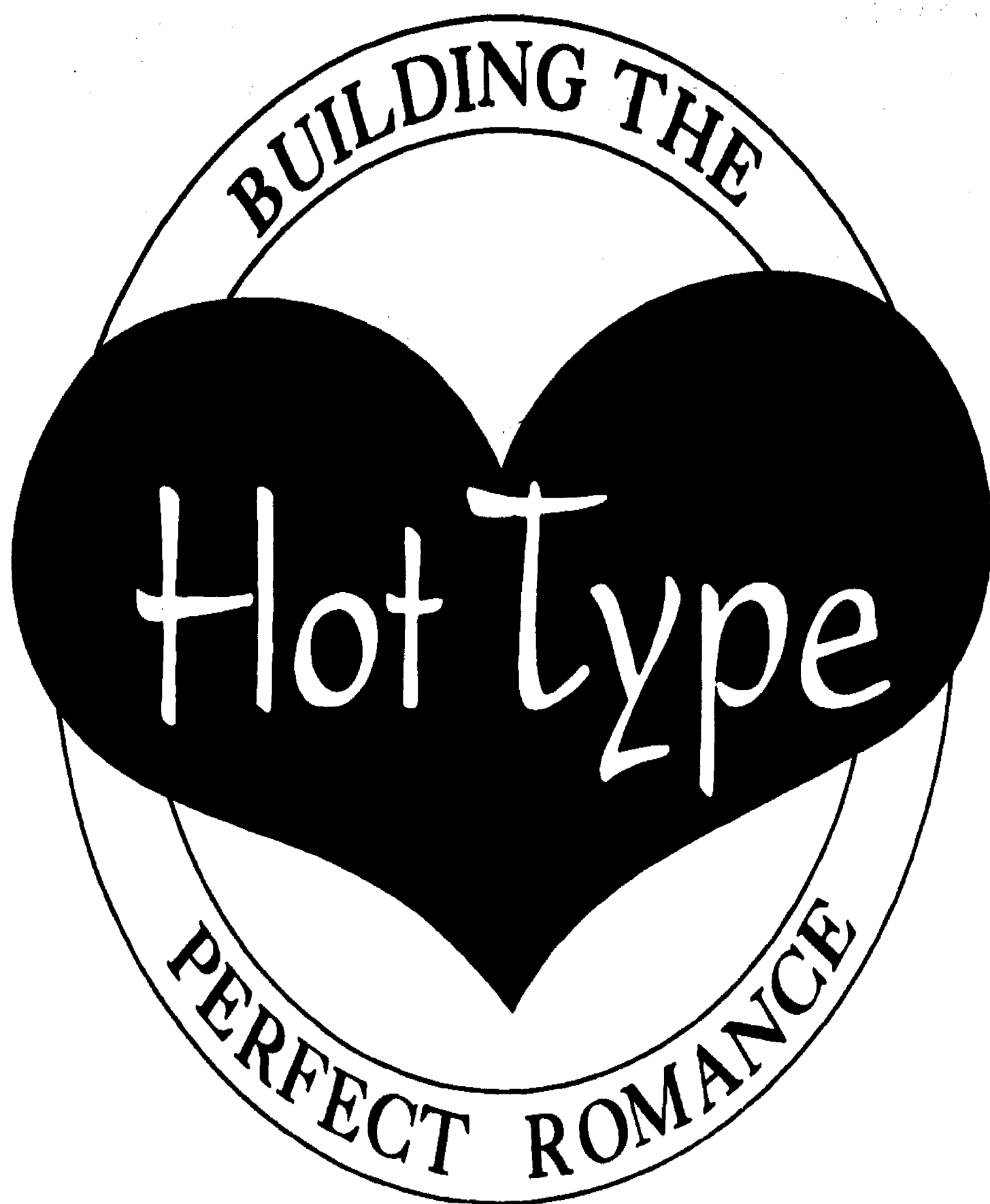
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By STEVEN HART

These are the sort of valentines publishers love to get: According to a survey in this past summer's *Publishers Weekly*, romance fiction — "pink ink" as the magazine calls it — accounts for 40 percent of all paperback book sales.

The Toronto-based Harlequin Books, the acknowledged ruler of what are known in the trade as "category romances," reported worldwide sales of 200 million in 1990; together with its American imprint, Silhouette, it turns out 56 new titles a month under various brand names.

Though nowhere near as popular as it was in the late '70s and early '80s, romance fiction scored a commercial breakthrough last year when Judith McNaught's *Paradise* became the first out-and-out romance title to be picked up by the Book-of-the-Month Club.

What is this thing called romance fiction? Obviously, it is fiction in which a love story supersedes all other aspects of the plot, though there are genres and divisions within the romance field that add elements of "mainstream" fiction — secondary characters, subplots, etc. — in measures as carefully graded as laboratory chemicals.

Still, the basic formula is simple enough: man meets woman, man parts from woman (or something keeps them from getting together), man and woman reunite and pledge eternal devotion. A cover illustration showing a brawny man crushing a woman to his chest doesn't hurt, either.

"We try to meet readers' expectations," said Laura Swift, editorial director of the Silhouette line. "One of those is that she be reading a love story. The other is that there be a happy ending."

Middletown resident Marie Tracy, who has published three Silhouette titles under the pen name Audra Kelly, bridled at the idea of a formula for romance fiction.

"If you call a happy ending 'formula' then I'd have to agree," she said. "The reader who reads a romance expects one. But there's plenty of difference besides that."

"The old nurse-doctor romances of the '50s gave the genre a bad rap, I think," she continued. "The editors today are a much younger generation. They want more complex characters, more assertive women. The stories are very different."

Still, the romance market is full of books with almost identical covers, where readers tend to go for books with recognizable brand names as opposed to favorite authors. They look for a known quantity.

While a big part of what romance fiction offers is familiarity, there are differences within the field that should be noted. What holds for rap and heavy metal music or abstract painting holds to a certain extent for romance fiction: those who say it's all the same aren't paying attention.

With its emphasis on demographic research, Harlequin Books has targeted specific audiences with several different brand names, each with a particular... well, thrust. The "Harlequin Temptation" and "Silhouette Desire" labels signal a higher spice level, while "Silhouette Intimate Moments" offers greater length and a tad more depth in the characterization. "Second Chance at Love" features heroines on the rebound from divorce, widowhood or simply romantic disappointment.

Other publishers have nothing like this degree of specialization. They do, however, work to find gimmicks that will make their titles stand out from the romance pack: foils, embossed covers, "step backs" in which the outer cover partially conceals a color illustration. For its "Lovegram" imprint, Zebra Books even uses a hologram.

Some of the differences go beyond packaging. Where Harlequin and Silhouette authors are required to use pseudonyms, Bantam's nine-year-old "Loveswept" line emphasizes writers over product: each title includes a picture of the author and a brief biographical note on the inside covers. This coincides with a long-building trend among romance writers to use given names, thus ensuring that an author won't lose valuable name-recognition if she jumps ship for another publisher.

Some sub-genres of romance writing have impressive lineages. Just as Gothics trace their family line back to the Bronte sisters, Regencies — romances set in England between 1810 and 1820, when George, Prince of Wales, acted as regent to the English throne — can be described as the underachieving children of Jane Austen. Readers also look for such sub-genres as western and Indian romances. A small market has appeared with stories tailored for black women: Odyssey Books, a company started in 1988 by Leticia Peoples, a housewife in Silver Springs, Md., is being watched closely by other romance publishers, who have yet to follow suit.

Considering the popularity of *Ghost* and Shirley MacLaine's accounts of her past lives, it's no surprise to see the New Age making its influence felt in romance fiction. Time travel, reincarnation and even science fiction motifs are cropping up in the field. Constance O'Day-Flannery's *A Time for Love* whisked a 20th century heroine from her

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The rules of attraction

When do they kiss? How far should they go? When do they go all the way? Category romance writers just starting out needn't fly blind. Here is the tipsheet the Silhouette line sends to tyro writers looking to break into the ranks:

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dentist's chair and set her down on an 1876 Texas ranch. *Warrior's Woman*, a title from Johanna Lindsey, is set on the planet Kystran in the year 2139; the cover, with its blond barbarian clutching a woman dolled up in a purple gown, brings to mind a kinder, gentler version of John Norman's misogynistic "Gor" novels.

As the genre gets older, certain trends die out and are replaced; signs of a sort of maturity appear. For one thing, there has been a marked retreat from the kind of stuff published in the late '70s and early '80s, when the success of a novel called *The Flame and the Flower* produced a glut of historical romances ("bodice rippers," as they became known) in which heroines served as the passive sex toys of various highwaymen, barons and buccaneers.

"The publishers to a certain extent shoved that down people's throats," Ms. Tracy said. "The writers who resisted it are the writers who tended to last."

Though historicals remain a popular category for many publishers ("Only Zebra Historical Romances 'Burn with the Fire of History,'" the jacket writers announce), the bread and butter of romance fiction is a story with a contemporary setting.

As the romance market matures, publishers are looking for ways to establish beachheads in mainstream fiction. Bestselling author Danielle Steel got her start as a romance writer, and with an eye to matching her success some houses are giving their top-selling authors an initial hardcover printing. This accomplishes two things: it increases the chances of a book being reviewed in a prestigious publication (something that almost never happens to paperback originals); and if the book is successful, it may draw readers to the author's soft-cover backlist, and thence to other romance titles.

Another mark of an established author is a cover that eschews the standard "clinch" illustration for a more subdued picture using lace or gloves. Though this would be considered commercial suicide for a newcomer — without the name recognition or cover formula to go by, romance fans pass the book by — it gives books by established writers a classy aura that edges them closer to mainstream fiction.

As the covers of some romances cool down, the contents have heated up. Incest and wife beating have crept into the pastel world of romance fiction. The heroine of LaVyrle Spencer's *Forgiving* becomes a prostitute after fleeing a sexually abusive father; Nancy Martin's Silhouette title *Showdown* even has a safe sex lecture, though AIDS and condoms are still considered pretty much verboten in the world of romantic fantasy. Constance O'Day-Flannery, told *Publishers Weekly* she had contemplated making the heroine of *A Time for Love* undergo an abortion. "I am pro-choice and I just wanted to show what happens emotionally when a girl is faced with this," she told PW. "The more I thought about it, the more I thought I had to recognize my audience." The heroine instead suffered a miscarriage.

Romance fiction is a genre remarkably open to newcomers.

"A lot of our authors started out as readers," Ms. Swift explained. "It's difficult to satisfy the expectations of readers unless you've been one yourself."

Ms. Tracy's career as a romance writer started when she entered a Harlequin-sponsored short story contest. "An editor at Silhouette asked me if I had a book done, and it turned out I had," she said. That book, *Blue Chip Bride*, came out in 1989 and rode the Waldenbooks bestseller list for romantic fiction, giving Ms. Tracy and her alter ego "Audra Kelly" a good commercial track record.

Even though she disdained the idea of a formula, Ms. Tracy was happy to point out the common plot elements of any romance.

As always, it takes two to tango, and every romance needs its partners. First, since these books are aimed at women, the heroine:

Her eyes were the color of budding leaves, veiled by a smoky forest of impudently curling lashes. Thick, nutmeg-brown hair shot through with copper highlights tumbled about a lonely, oval-shaped face. If she were a couple of inches taller, she could earn a hefty living as a model. . . . In his hand clasped around hers, he realized her skin was as soft as tantalizing as her voice. For a split second he allowed her: "mindless eyes, her delicate perfume to measure: . . ."

"Heartbreak" by Nancy Burnett (Bantam Linemaster)

These days romance writers have more options in creating a heroine, Ms. Tracy noted. In times past, an unmarried mother would have been considered unacceptably trampy; bowing to reality, the genre now regularly features unattached women with children.

What is a heroine without a hero to pine for and, eventually, embrace?

The rest of the ten times froze on her lips as the man broke through the barrier of sound, and for the first time she could see the face of the man she was addressing. . . . This was certainly not the . . . (having of her imagination! For a start, the handsome man gazed down pensively at her stunned expression with no young student. The face was a man's face, late thirties, early forties maybe, high cheekbones, firm-chinned — a chiseled mouth, its purity of line heightened by the deep shadows beneath the lower lip and in the indented corners.

His nose was classically straight, adding to the arrogant cast of his countenance. . . .

Entranced, Noble took a step further towards him until she was able to satisfy her curiosity. Deep set beneath straight black brows, dark pupils surrounded by irises of similar hue regarded her with a mocking awareness that did nothing for her peace of mind.

"Cruel Daughter" by Angela Wells (Harlequin Desires)

According to Ms. Tracy, heroes can now be a little more disreputable — bad boys that are not beyond redemption remain attractive. As always, their chins are firm and their eyes are filled with mocking knowledge of the heroine's hidden

desires. "As long as you haven't killed anybody, anything goes," she explained. "You wouldn't want Jeffrey Dahmer for a hero, unless you were writing a very different kind of book. They can even have been in prison, as long as it's for white collar crime or having been framed on something."

"There was a trend a while back about ex-police officers and CIA men," she noted. "Now we've gotten back to the basics." Having brought man and woman together, the romance writer has to provide a spark to set their hearts ablaze:

Warm. Soft. That's how his lips felt. If his kiss had been forceful she might have pulled back — fought him — but it was gentle and persuasive and Dana found nothing to fight, only pleasure. Her blood went singing through her arteries, warming her body and weakening her limbs. Her pulse doubled and her heartbeat grew erratic, but then it was over. Just as quickly as it had started, it ended, and Sarah stepped back.

"Your thank-you has been accepted," he said, his voice husky.

"The Best of Everything," by Doris Jude (Harlequin Temptation)

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Kid stuff

ANIMAL TALES

AND DINOSAUR SCALES

Sunday, March 1, 2 p.m.
N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6310
•Stories about animals, written by children and developed by the Child's Play Touring Theatre. Admission \$3.50 in advance, \$4 at the door.

THE ART MUSEUM

Princeton University
(609) 258-3762
Gallery talks for children 6-12, Saturdays at 11 a.m. through May 9. Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult. Free admission.
•"Cupid, Jupiter, Hebe, and the Eagle," Sandi Thompson, Feb. 15.
•A visit to Nassau Hall, Claireanne Ganesse, Feb. 22.
•Painter and materials, Betty Reed, Feb. 29.

CHARLOTTE'S WEB

Sunday, Feb. 16, 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lammington Rd. Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•The E.B. White classic, brought to the stage by the Cal-Hornia Theatre Center. Admission \$5.

COLUMBUS

Monday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m.
State Theatre
453 Northampton St. Easton, Pa.
(215) 252-3132
•Musical adventure on the high seas with Christopher Columbus and his younger brother. Admission \$7, \$4.

FOOLPROOF FOLLIES

Sunday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m.
YM-YWHA of Raritan Valley
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(908) 249-2221
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THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW

Feb. 18 and 19, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Morris Museum
6 Normandy Heights Rd. Morristown
(201) 538-0454
•Washington Irving's tale of Ichabod Crane and his fate with the headless horseman. Museum members \$5, non-members \$6.25.

THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE

Saturday, Feb. 29, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Morris Museum
6 Normandy Heights Rd. Morristown
(201) 538-0454
•C.S. Lewis' tale of three children and their journey into Narnia, performed by the Marionette Players. Admission \$6.25.

SWAN LAKE

Sunday, Feb. 23, 3 p.m.
County College of Morris
Route 10, Randolph
(201) 328-5225
•The classic fairy tale performed by the National Marionette Theatre. Admission \$5, group rates available.

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Boardwalk & Virginia Ave. Atlantic City
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Singles

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB OF CENTRAL N.J.

Call phone number in each listing for information.
•"Long Live the Beatles" concert at Union County Arts Center, Rahway, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 14. Cost \$10. (908) 218-3749.

•Valentine's dance at Knights of Columbus hall, Edison, 9 p.m. Feb. 15. Cost \$10. (908) 756-0940.

•Mass at St. Cecilia's Church, Iselin, 11 a.m. Feb. 16. Brunch follows at Parsonage Diner, Edison. (908) 750-5648.

•Dinner at Chili's, Edison, 7 p.m. Feb. 21. (908) 756-0940.

•Excursion at Zimmerli Art Museum, New Brunswick, 2:45 p.m. Feb. 22. (908) 218-

3749.

•Bowling at Brunswick Edison Bowl-a-Mat, 3 p.m. Feb. 23. (908) 245-5136.

•TGIS party at Hilton hotel, Woodbridge, 8:30 p.m. Feb. 29. (908) 754-3344.

CENTRAL JERSEY TALL SINGLE FRIENDS

(women 5'10" and over, men 6'2" and over; ages 21-over)

Call phone number in each listing for information.
•Happy hour at Wuritzer's, Piscataway, 5:30 p.m. Feb. 19. (908) 704-8480.

•Country-and-Western dance at Yellow Rose, Manville, 7:15 p.m. Feb. 20. (908) 422-3492.

•Dance party at Red Cafe, Bridgewater, 8 p.m. Feb. 23. Members \$5, non-members \$7. (908) 704-8480.

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First Presbyterian Church
320 North Main St. Hightstown
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(908) 448-8225

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•Dance at Red Cafe, Bridgewater, 8 p.m. Feb. 29. Cost \$7.

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SHORE SINGLES

Call phone number in each listing for information.
•Hike at Allaire State Park, Wall, 11 a.m. Feb. 15. Meet in commuter lot at Garden State Parkway Exit 105. Members \$3, non-members \$4. (908) 741-2090.

•Skate night at South Amboy Roller Rink, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20. Cost \$5, skate rental \$2 additional. (908) 291-2763.

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•Oldies dance at McAters, 1714 Easton Ave., Somerset, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20, 27. Cost \$6.

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Events held at Central Presbyterian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit.

•Rap or bridge, 6:30 p.m. Sundays. Donation \$2.

•Bridge night, 7:15 p.m. Feb. 20. Donation \$3.

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•Valentine's dance at VFW post, 465 Route 27, Iselin, 7 p.m. Feb. 16. Members \$6,

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Speakers

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Somerset County Administration Complex
North Bridge St., Somerville
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•Zoltan Buki, Cubism into abstract expressionism, Feb. 14.
•Judith Brodsky, Pop and Op into contemporary art, Feb. 21.

THE ART MUSEUM

Princeton University
(609) 258-3788
Gallery talks Fridays at 12:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. through May 17. Free admission.

•Enee Tierno, "An African Tale," Feb. 14, 16.

•Holly W. Ross on sculpture from the historic kingdoms of Africa, Feb. 21, 23.

•Joanne Scott on techniques of Cezanne, Feb. 28, March 1.

•Dorothy M. Shepard on why there is an oriental rug in The Four Evangelists, March 6, 8.

DOUGLASS COLLEGE COLLOQUIUM

Room 200, Art History Hall
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•Mark Lapping, "Paradise Lost? Please turn to page 6

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- Sheila Jasanoff on uncertainty and agreement in the global environment, March 9.
- Bravel Holcomb and Susan Cutter, "Who Bears the Burdens of Environmental Change?" March 30.
- William B. Wood, "Eco-Migrants: Where To Next?" April 13.

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- Carole Walter, *Great Cakes*, Feb. 16.
 - Denise Lang, books on family relationships, Feb. 23.
 - Gary and Susan Benson, *Rolling Thunder*, March 8.
 - Barbara Huddins, *New Jersey Day Trips*, March 15.
 - Robert Byrd, illustrator of children's books, March 22.

NATURAL HISTORY LECTURE SERIES

- N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6308
All programs begin at 2 p.m.
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- Hedy Bauer on wildflowers of the Pine Barrens, Feb. 16.

LIZA SAVORY

- Sunday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m.
Interweave Center
31 Woodland Ave., Summit
(201) 763-8312
•Survivor of molestation will lead a workshop on recovery from childhood sexual abuse. Admission \$30.

LEAH SLOSHBERG

- Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m.
N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6308
•Museum's director will talk about African-American art in the museum's collection. Free admission.

ARLINE ZATZ

- Sunday, March 1, 3 p.m.
Clinton Historical Museum
56 Main St., Clinton
(908) 735-4101
•Travel writer crisscrosses the Garden State and its travel destinations. Admission \$10.

Dance

DANCEWORKS '92

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CONTRA DANCING

- Saturday, Feb. 29, 8 p.m.
Reformed Church
23 South Second Ave.
Highland Park
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•For new and experienced dancers; no partner needed.
Instruction precedes program at 7:30 p.m. Admission \$8.

N.J. COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION

- Friday, Feb. 14, 7 p.m.
VFW post
600 Washington St., Manville
(908) 233-8490



Author and cooking teacher Carole Walter will autograph copies of her new book Feb. 16 at the Warren bookstore Words And. . .

- Valentine's Day dance with a live C&W band and DJ. Dance lessons from 7:45-9 p.m. Admission \$6, discounts available.

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- Saturday, Feb. 29, 4 p.m.
Reformed Church
23 South Second Ave.
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Basics taught at beginning of program. Admission \$8.

Auditions

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- Feb. 12, 19 at 6:30 p.m.
Student-Community Center Auditorium
214 Center Grove Road
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(201) 328-5434
•Casting call for *The Grapes of Wrath* with parts for 30 actors: 21 men and seven women.
Performances will be May 1, 2, 7, 8, 9.

TANGLEWOOD INSTITUTE

- Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1-9 p.m.
United Methodist Church
17 Kent Place Blvd., Summit
(617) 353-3386

- For this summer's program at Tanglewood in the Berkshires. Open to high school and college-age musicians; call for an appointment.

Rehearsals

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- Tuesdays, 8-10 p.m.
Wilson Memorial Church
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SUMMIT CHORALE

- Tuesdays, 7:45 p.m.
Christ Church
561 Springfield Ave.
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(201) 635-5548

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SWEET ADELINES

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Reformed Church

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•Paesaggio, Italian landscape photographs by Mario Giacomelli, through Feb. 23.

•Pastoral landscapes, through March 1.

•Works by Paul Cezanne, through April 5.

CLINTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM

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1281 River Rd., Piscataway
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Piscataway Township historic museum. Weekday tours by appointment.

MIDDLESEX COUNTY MUSEUM

Cornelius Low House
1225 River Rd., Piscataway

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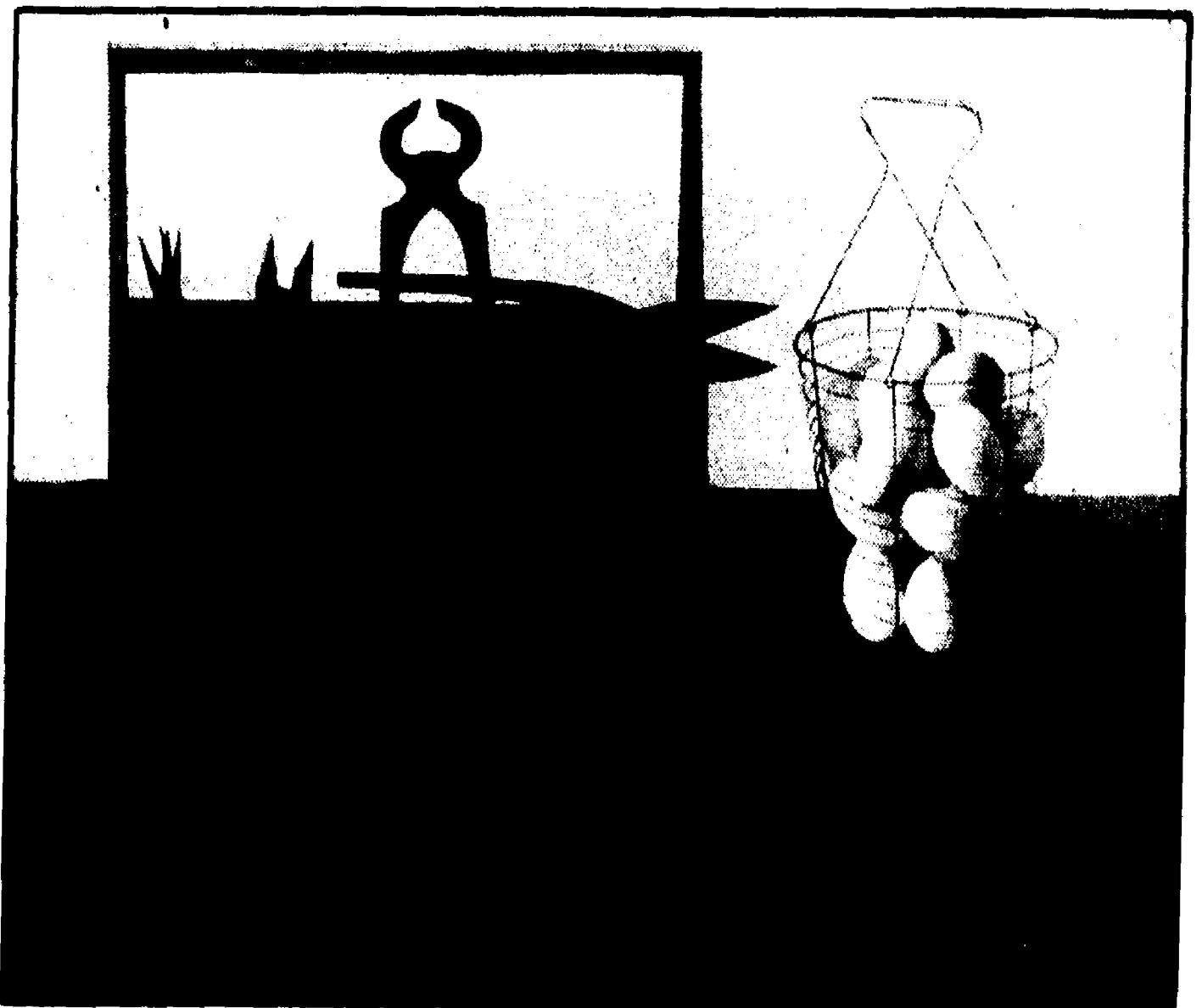
MONMOUTH MUSEUM

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Main gallery open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Becker Children's Wing open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 2-4:30 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Adults \$2, senior citizens and children \$1.

•Juried show of Monmouth County Arts Council, through Feb. 23.

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Still Life with Eggs and Tools, an oil painting by Soviet Nonconformist artist Hagop Hagopian, is among the works on display in "New Directions," a 25th anniversary exhibition running through Feb. 28 at the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Museum in New Brunswick.

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'Oak and Ivy': Poets and uneasy pioneers

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor



Above, Robert Jason and Scott Whitehurst in *Oak and Ivy*; at right, the real life Paul Dunbar and Alice Ruth Moore.

There are problems with *Oak and Ivy*, the current production at the Crossroads Theatre in New Brunswick, but they are problems arising from ambition, rather than the terminal cutesiness that made the season opener *Black Orpheus* such a trial.

Kathleen McGhee-Anderson's play focuses on the courtship and brief marriage of Paul Laurence Dunbar, a black poet who achieved some measure of fame before dying of tuberculosis in 1906 at the age of 34, and Alice Ruth Moore, the writer and pamphleteer who left him after a few years of marriage to pursue her dual careers with great vigor.

The most touching thing about *Oak and Ivy* is the sense that Paul and Alice are uncomfortably aware of themselves as social pioneers whose status and ambitions shake barriers of class as well as race. Barely a generation removed from slavery — both of Paul's parents grew up on plantations — they are very much feeling their way around, sometimes proudly working out new identities, other times falling back on what the society around them considers the proper way to behave. Alice, an ardent suffragist, cannot or will not find a way to combine her wifely duties with her writerly ambitions. Paul, though contemptuous of white society's preference for "dia-

lect" verse over his more ambitious poetry (and angry with himself for the ease with which he produces it), insists on the standard male prerogatives — notably that he be the sole breadwinner in the house. Like any couple, they scramble for the brass rings of life and end up wondering what all the effort has earned them; unlike other couples, they have racial doubts and resentments that give each disappointment an added sting.

At its weakest — and at times the play seems rough and underimagined, despite years of workshopping — *Oak and Ivy* simply covers the facts of the Dunbar marriage. Once it becomes clear that Paul Dunbar is doomed by illness and alcoholism, the play has nowhere to go but down; too many scenes dawdle and we find ourselves counting coughs, wondering if the next scene will bring Paul's demise.

But at its strongest, *Oak and Ivy* (the title comes from Paul's first published collection) conveys the eloquent passion of two articulate, thoughtful people through the best means avail-

able: their own words. Though their writing and speech can sound purplish to modern ears, their respective styles can come across with great power and expressiveness, particularly during the scene in which Paul, asked to recite a poem, responds with the fierce "We Wear the Mask."

Robert Jason and Melissa Fontes are utterly right as the poets. As Matilda, Paul's plantation-reared mother — still haunted by memories of slave life and bewildered by the sense of how little many things have changed — Joy Moss occasionally breaks out of her assigned role as Alice's in-house antagonist and stakes some emotional ground of her own.

As restrained in its production as *Black Orpheus* was overblown, *Oak and Ivy* benefits from the presence of cellist Melvin Greenwich, who performs music ranging from Joplin rags to Dvorak melodies.

OAK AND IVY, through Feb. 16 at the Crossroads Theatre, 7 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. (908) 249-5560, 5561.

Stage right

U.S. premiere of Albee play

The American premiere of Edward Albee's *Marriage Play* opens Friday, Feb. 14, and continues through March 1 at the McCarter Theatre, 91 University Place in Princeton.

The first new Albee work to be seen in this country in nine years, *Marriage Play* explores what happens when a man comes home to his wife of 30 years and announces he's leaving her. Tony Award-winner Shirley Knight and New York Shakespeare Festival veteran Tom Munk will perform the lead roles in this play, written by the author of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* and *A Delicate Balance*.

Ticket for previews running through Feb. 13 are priced from \$20 to \$12. Tickets for regular performances are priced from \$35 to \$23.

For more information, call (609) 683-8000.

Philathallians set 'Diviners'

The *Diviners*, a drama set in 1930s Indiana, will be performed by the Philathallians Feb. 14 through Feb. 29 at the Carriage House, Watson Road in Farmwood.

Written by James Leonard Jr., *The Diviners* is about a disillusioned preacher who comes into a small town seeking a new life.

Performances will be Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m., with a Sunday matinee Feb. 23 at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$6. Group rates are available. For more information, call (908) 322-8686.

Curtain times

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•*Rock Till You Drop*, murder mystery in a dinner-theater setting. Feb. 15 and alternate Saturdays through May 23. Admission \$28.50, includes dinner.

CROSSROADS THEATRE

7 Livingston Ave.
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(908) 249-5560

•*Oak and Ivy*, world premiere of Kathleen McGhee-Anderson's drama about the romance of poets Paul Laurence Dunbar and Alice Dunbar-Nelson. Through Feb. 16. Admission \$30-\$14, group rates available.

FORUM THEATRE

314 Main St., Metuchen
(908) 548-0582
•*Luv*, a satire of the avant-garde as conceived by Murray Schisgal. Through Feb. 16. Ad-

mission \$24-\$18, discounts available.

GEORGE STREET PLAYHOUSE

9 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-7717
•*Sarah & Abraham*, world premiere of a Marsha Norman drama about the parallels between a theatre troupe and the Bible characters in the troupe's play. Through Feb. 23. Admission \$29-\$18.

HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE

Route 173, Clinton
1-800-HHP-7313
•*The Odd Couple*, Neil Simon's comedy about sloppy Oscar Madison and fussy Felix Ungar. Through March 28. Admission \$36.50 weekends, \$29.50 weekdays, includes dinner. Group rates available.

INTERWEAVE CENTER

31 Woodland Ave., Summit
(201) 763-8312

•*Masks and Mirrors*, a one-woman drama performed by Roberta Nobleman. 7:30 p.m. Feb. 15. Admission \$12.

IRONBOUND THEATER

Edison Valley Playhouse
2196 Oak Tree Rd., Edison
(908) 755-4654
•*Coming Attractions*, Ted Talley's musical comedy about a hood repackaged by a Broadway agent. Feb. 14 through Feb. 29. Adults \$15, senior citizens and students \$12.50.

McATEERS DINNER THEATRE

1714 Easton Ave., Somerset
(908) 469-2522
•*The Music Man*, Meredith Willson's musical on the doings of the good people of River City. Through March 1. Admission \$37 Saturday evenings w/dinner, \$30 Sunday afternoons w/lunch.

McCARTER THEATRE

91 University Pl., Princeton
(609) 683-8000
•*Marriage Play*, American pre-

miere of the Edward Albee play. Through March 1. Admission \$35-\$12.

OFF-BROADSTREET THEATRE

5 South Greenwood Ave.
Hopewell
(609) 466-2766
•"Broadway at Off-Broadstreet," show tunes performed in a dinner-theatre setting. Through March 7. Admission \$17.25 Saturday evenings, \$15.75 Friday evenings. Please turn to page 9

Curtain times

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and Sunday afternoons.
PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE
Brookside Dr., Millburn
(201) 376-4343
•Great Expectations, Charles Dickens' literary standard adapted for the stage and directed by Robert Johanson. Through March 21. Admission \$38-\$24.
PHILATHALIANS
Carriage House

Watson Rd., Fanwood
(908) 322-8686
•The Diviners, a drama by James Leonard Jr. set in 1930s Indiana. Feb. 14 through Feb. 29. Admission \$6.
PLAYHOUSE 22
210 Dunhams Corner Rd.
East Brunswick
(908) 254-3939
•Broadway Bound, the third part of Neil Simon's autobiographical trilogy. Through March

1. Admission \$13 for opening night, \$11 other times.
PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE OF NEW JERSEY
33 Green Village Rd., Madison
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•In a Kingdom by the Sea, staged reading of a Karen Sundt play about a fictitious hostage negotiation in the Middle East. 8 p.m. Feb. 14, 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 15. Admission \$7.

RUTGERS ARTS CENTER
Levin Theater
George St. and Route 18
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•The Millionairess, a rare presentation of the George Bernard Shaw comedy. Through Feb. 23. Admission \$14.
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Middlesex County Vocational & Technical High School
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1000 North Ave. West
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•Death Takes a Holiday, the Alberto Casella drama adapted for American audiences by Walter Ferris. Through Feb. 15. Admission \$10.
COMING UP

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Park Ave., Plainfield
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New York-based G&S Players stage 'The Mikado'

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor

When it was first performed on the stage of London's Savoy Theatre in 1885, Gilbert & Sullivan's *The Mikado* was a gently satiric, genially condescending look at Japan from the comfortable perspective of the world-girdling British empire.

Today, almost a century later, the Japanese have a global economic empire of their own to which England has contributed more than a few acres, and if condescending to them was ever really a good idea, it isn't now.

Yet *The Mikado* retains its charms, and when the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players arrive in New Brunswick to perform it at the State Theatre on Saturday, Feb. 15, you can see it out of nostalgia for the Victorian Age or simply appreciation for one of the most amusing operettas in the G&S canon.

Set in the fictional Japanese town of Titipu, *The Mikado* shows the preparations of the local officials for the imminent arrival of their ruler, the Mikado. Anxious because they have not had an execution in the past year, Ko-Ko the Lord High Executioner and Pooh-Bah the Lord High Everything Else seize a wandering minstrel and announce he will be executed. Little do they know that the minstrel is none other than Nanki-Poo, the Mikado's son, who has fled an arranged marriage with the ugly Katisha and has arrived at the village in disguise to visit his beloved Yum-Yum.

The Mikado is the ninth collaboration of W.S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan, whose other light operas include *The Pirates of Penzance*, *H.M.S. Pinafore* and *The Sorcerer*.



The New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players in a scene from *The Mikado*, which they will perform Feb. 15 at the State Theatre in New Brunswick.

A master of light comic verse, Gilbert met Sullivan in 1869 and collaborated with him on *Theophrastus* in 1871, but the series of operettas that secured their fame (while permanently linking their names in the public mind) began in 1874, when Gilbert met D'Oyly Carte. For him, Gilbert and Sullivan wrote *Trial by Jury*, which was first performed in 1875, and they continued working together for the next 20 years, interrupted only by a four-year falling-out over a business transaction.

Over the past 15 years the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players troupe has staged over 1,000 performances of G&S operettas up and down the East Coast, often adapting productions for children. They are currently expanding their repertoire to include seldom-produced American plays: in 1990 they performed the Gershwin-Kaufman-Riskind musical *Of Thee I Sing*.

Based in Symphony Space on the West Side of Manhattan, the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players also stage educational programs in schools and are looking for a home for their planned summer Gilbert & Sullivan Institute.

THE MIKADO performed by the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players. Saturday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m. in the State Theatre, 19 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. Tickets \$24, \$22, \$18. (908) 246-7469.

Music notes

Stompin' at the Hyatt

The 23rd annual Pee Wee Russell Memorial Stomp, the New Jersey Jazz Society's tribute to the nonpareil clarinetist, is set for Sunday, Feb. 16, at 1 p.m. in the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Albany Street in New Brunswick.

Featured performers in this years Stomp are the Boarcats Jazz Band, Herb Gardner's New Royal Garden Six, Frank Vignola's All Stars and Joe Muranyi's Out Bucket Six.

The society will also pay tribute to two jazz personalities: producer Charles Bourgeois and bassist Jack Lesberg.

Tickets are \$15, \$2 for students, and may be purchased at the door.

Piano, cello and actor

A unique concert combining a piano-cello duo with an actor and reader will be held Saturday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m. in the Watchung Arts Center, 38 Stirling Road in Watchung.

The Lyric Chamber Music Ensemble, a group that expands or contracts as the music requires, will this time step down to pianist Maril Bonser and cellist Arthur Cook. They will be joined by actor Rodde Bower for a piece written especially for cello and reader.

Tickets are \$10, which includes light refreshments. For reservations, call (908) 753-0190.

Soundings

MUSIC

AIDA

Sunday, Feb. 23, 6:30 p.m.
Symphony Hall
1020 Broad St., Newark
(201) 623-5775
*Verdi's operatic standard, performed by the N.J. State Opera. Admission \$65-\$15.

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CHAMBER PLAYERS

Sunday, March 1, 7:30 p.m.
Reeves-Reed Arboretum
165 Hobart Ave., Summit
(908) 232-1116
*Debussy's Sonata for flute, viola, and harp; Quatre sonnets a Cassandra by Frank Martin; and other works. Adults \$15, \$13; senior citizens and students \$10, \$9.

CABARET NIGHT

Friday, Feb. 14, 8:30 p.m.
State Theatre
453 Northampton St.
Easton, Pa.
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*Broadway tunes and saloon songs performed by The Twilites and The David Group. Admission \$21.

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Sunday, Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
St. Francis Cathedral
Main St., Metuchen
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SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Sunday, March 1, 3 p.m.
Theatre at Ranney Valley
Community College
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*The William Tell overture by Rossini; the Elvira Madigan theme and the Piano Concerto in C major, K.467, both by Mozart; Les Preludes, a tone poem, and the Piano Concerto No. 1 in E flat major, both by Liszt. Adults \$6, senior citizens and students \$4.

ARTHUR COOK/

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Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m.
Mirsky residence
341 Hartshorn Dr., Short Hills
(201) 762-8449
*Cellist and pianist perform

works by Brahms, Faure, and others. Admission \$25.

DR. JOHN

Saturday, Feb. 22, 8 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre
99 Monmouth St., Red Bank
(908) 842-9000
*An early Mardi Gras celebration with "The Night Tripper" from New Orleans. Admission \$20.

AN EVENING OF

ROSSINI SONGS

Sunday, Feb. 23, 8 p.m.
Westminster Choir College
Bristol Chapel, Princeton
(609) 921-2663
*Arias, the Cat Duet, and other selections, sung by members of the college's voice faculty. Adults \$10, senior citizens and students \$8.

EUGENIO FERNANDI

MEMORIAL RECITAL

Saturday, Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Dreyfuss Theatre, Madison
(201) 593-8620
*Arias performed by 11 singers in tribute to the late tenor. Adults \$22, senior citizens

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GREENWOOD

Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m.
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270 Mendham Rd.
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*Ensemble performs works by Beynon, Jean Michel Damase, and other composers. Admission \$6.

LAURA BELL GREGG

Friday, Feb. 21, 8 p.m.
Somerset County Library
North Bridge St. & Vogt Dr.
Bridgewater
(908) 526-4016 ext. 119
*Pianist performs in a solo recital. Free admission.

INTERWEAVE

Sunday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
Scanticon-Princeton
Route 1 & College Rd.
Princeton
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*Jazz trio. Admission \$10, discounts available.

THE LADIES WITH TALENT,

TASTE, AND CHUTZPAH

Sunday, March 1, 2:30 p.m.
Forum Theatre

314 Main St., Metuchen
(908) 548-4670
*Tribute to Fanny Brice, Molly Picon, Sophie Tucker, and Barbara Streisand, performed by Ann Dawson. Admission \$16, discounts available.

ELLEN LANG

Sunday, Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Westminster Choir College
Bristol Chapel, Princeton
(609) 921-2663
*Soprano performs works by Strauss, Rachmaninoff, Samuel Barber, and Gian-Carlo Menotti. Free admission.

LYRICA CHAMBER

MUSIC ENSEMBLE

Saturday, Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Watchung Arts Center
18 Stirling Rd., Watchung
(908) 753-0190
*Piano and cello duo, accompanied by a reader, perform in a gallery setting. Admission \$10.

LYRICA TRIO

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State Theatre
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*Singer famous for "Don't

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*Love songs performed by Dian Dames, vocals, and Craig Bailey, saxophone. Adults \$18, \$12; senior citizens and students \$8.

NEW BRUNSWICK

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA

Sunday, March 1, 3 p.m.
United Methodist Church
George and Liberty streets
New Brunswick
(609) 924-6287
*Brahms' Sonata No. 1 for clarinet and piano; Still Falls the Rain by Benjamin Britten. Adults \$8, senior citizens and students \$6; includes reception.

N.J. PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE

Saturday, Feb. 22, 8 p.m.
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Symphony Hall, Newark
1-800-ALLEGRO
•Mozart's Symphony No. 26 in E flat major; Bartok's Viola Concerto; the Dances of Marosszak by Kodaly; Beethoven's Symphony No. 4 in B flat major. Admission \$35-\$10, discounts available.
ODETTA
Friday, Feb. 21, 8 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lammington Rd. Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•Singer with a repertoire from gospel to folk. Admission \$12.50.
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PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA OF N.J.
Sunday, Feb. 23, 2 p.m.
Pinky School
Liberty Corner Rd., Martinville
(908) 356-6165
•Fifth-anniversary concert featuring the finale of Beethoven's Symphony No. 5, Brahms' Hungarian Dance No. 5, the Rhapsody from Boyce's Symphony No. 5, and other works. Admission \$5.
PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY CHORUS
Sunday, Feb. 23, 4 p.m.
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Perth Amboy
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ROMANCES FOR TUBA
Friday, Feb. 14, 8 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center,
Rutgers Arts Center
George St. & Route 18
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(908) 932-7511
•Scott Mendoka, tuba, and Gregg Pauley, piano, perform works by Ralph Vaughan Williams and Rachmaninoff. Admission \$8,

discounts available.
ROXBURY CHAMBER PLAYERS
Sunday, Feb. 23, 2 p.m.
N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6310
•Ensemble performs works by George Walker, William Grant Still, and other New Jersey composers. Free admission.
JAMES SCOTT
Friday, Feb. 28, 8 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center,
Rutgers Arts Center
George St. & Route 18
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
•Flautist performs works by J.S. Bach, Beethoven, Gabriel Piarre, and other composers. Admission \$8, discounts available.
THE STARS OF BLACK AND BLUE
Friday, Feb. 14, 8 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lammington Rd. Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•Jazz works performed by Sir Roland Hanna and Carrie Smith. Adults \$12.50, senior citizens and students \$10.
MEL TORRE/ MAUREEN MCGOVERN
Thursday, Feb. 27, 8 p.m.
State Theatre
19 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-7460
•Jazz selections performed by the author of "The Christmas Song" and the singer best known for "The Morning After." Admission \$32-\$22.
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Saturday, Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Unitarian Church of Princeton
Route 206 & Cherry Hill Rd. Princeton
(609) 921-7100 ext. 260
•Mendelssohn's "Reformation" Symphony No. 5; Mozart's Sinfonia Concertante in E flat major, K.297b; the overture to Candide by Leonard Bernstein. Adults \$5, senior citizens and students \$3.
CHRIS WHITE TRIO
Sunday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
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Pianist Laura Bell will perform the works of Percy Grainger, Maurice Ravel and Ludwig van Beethoven at the Somerset County/Bridgewater Library on Friday, Feb. 21 at 8 p.m.

Ms. Bell, a Somerville resident, is an adjunct assistant professor of music at Raritan Valley Community College where she teaches music appreciation and keyboard classes, accompanies the Master Chorus, and plays keyboards with the Central Jersey Symphony Orchestra.

Recently, she performed the Ravel Piano Concerto in G and the Mozart Piano Concerto K.488 with the Central Jersey Symphony Orchestra.

She received her bachelor's degree of music in piano performance from the New England Conservatory with academic honor, and her master's degree of music in piano performance from the University of Southern California.

Ms. Bell has performed at the Aspen Music Festival and the Eastern Music Festival where she was awarded the Baldwin scholarship for best piano student.

She is a specialist in both the classical repertoire and contemporary music, premiering new piano works in Boston and at the Schoenberg Institute in Los Angeles. Ms. Bell is currently preparing to record several piano works of Percy Grainger.

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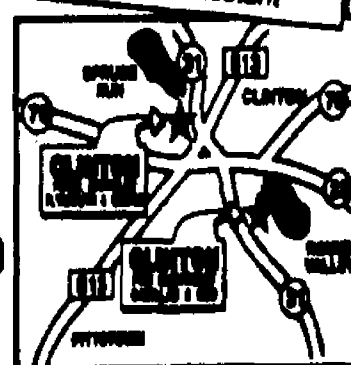
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THE GREAT AMERICAN INVESTMENT

Green thoughts

Ecology, Connery and one-liners in 'Medicine Man'

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor

Hollywood has always been our most environmentally sensitive industry: its endless recycling of stories, characters and even whole movies makes it an example to landfill operators the world over. So it's unsurprising — downright laudable, in fact — to find chunks of *The African Queen* embedded in the ecology-minded pulp of *Medicine Man*, a thoroughly pleasant little time-waster about love, banter and cancer research in the jungles of the Amazon. Talk about form following function! By turning Charlie into Dr. Robert Campbell, transforming Rosie into Dr. Rae Crane and substituting tumors for the Germans, scenarists Tom Schulman and Sally Robinson have concocted a movie that's as simple as a bumper sticker and as sweet as a pint of Rain Forest Crunch.

You want characters that meet cute? Dr. Crane, a pharmaceutical researcher sent to find out what the reclusive Dr. Campbell's been doing in the rain forest for the last few years, finds her man in the middle of a native festival wearing a toucan headpiece and grass robe. You want the rain forest situation wrapped up in a viewer-friendly package? Campbell's found a cure for cancer in the forest but there's one missing element he has to identify before a road crew comes through his patch of jungle, displacing the natives and maybe destroying some never-again-to-be-found flower with unknown medicinal properties. (The film offers two billboard-size clues as to what that element is.) The scenarists deliver their environmental message with great seriousness but stop short of endorsing Earth First! guerrilla tactics: in fact, the worst disaster comes about in large part because of Campbell's hot-headedness.

John McTiernan, a highly successful director of big time action flicks — *Predator*, the first *Die Hard* and *The Hunt for Red October* — is an odd choice for the notoriously stingy Disney operation: no doubt he wanted to prove he could do something inexpensive and human-scaled,



Sean Connery and Lorraine Bracco bicker, banter and search for the cure for cancer in *Medicine Man*.

without a lot of explosions, and Disney (in its Hollywood Pictures guise) was there for him. When his stars are standing nose to nose, trading Neil Simonesque one-liners, McTiernan's work is no better and no worse than that of a hundred other clock-punching directors. His hand is mainly evident when Crane and Campbell explore the rain forest canopy in swivel-mounted harnesses; the sight of these two floating, seemingly weightless, among rosy branches and nameless flowers is a delight undermined only by Don McAlpine's junky cinematography.

The two leads are pleasant enough to look at: certainly Sean Connery's grumpy, authoritative presence is all that saves the hard-drinking, sloppy-living Campbell from turning into Oscar Madison in the jungle. However, you might want to bring earplugs for those moments when Lorraine Bracco's Rae Crane really ups the volume: a Marge Simpson sound-alike in her quiet moments, when she yells at Connery her Bronx-inflected screech is the kind of sound that sets dogs to howling and sends every tapir, spider monkey and capybara within a 50-mile radius fleeing in terror. "I'm not a girl!" she yowls when casually dissed by one of Campbell's helpers. "The hell you're not!" Campbell bellows back. "I'm your research assistant!" she shrieks. "The hell you are!" he roars. No, the dialogue is not one of the strong suits in *Medicine Man*.

Video rewind

No regard for 'Henry'

For sustained lacy on every imaginable level — plotting, morally, acting — you could hardly do better than *Regarding Henry* (Paramount). An early entry in last year's sleazy-yuppies-rediscovers-their-souls wave that built with *The Doctor* and created with *Hook*, *Regarding Henry* offers Harrison Ford as a lawyer who wakes in on a holdup, takes a bullet in the brain and wakes up all the better for it. There's a good black comedy premise in this (just imagine what the Eating Studios people would have done with it) but director Mike Nichols goes for worry monitoring and phony uplift. Sure, Henry has to relearn little things like walking and knitting shortsies — never has the agonizing process of recovery been so stylized — but he eventually marks his comeback with some nice, precious little scenes that make his old film look like a bad dream.

— Andrew Sarris

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Film Capsules

OPENINGS

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• Disney animated feature about a rodent investigating the kidnapping of a toy maker. With the voices of Vincent Price, Barrie Ingham and Val Bettin. (G)

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• The big screen adventures of Wayne and Garth; a *Saturday Night Live* skit writ large. With Mike Myers, Dana Carvey and Rob Lowe. Directed by Penelope Spheeris (both parts of *The Decline of Western Civilization*). (PG-13)

CURRENT FILMS

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*, *Avaton*). (R)

FATHER OF THE BRIDE

• Steve Martin stars in a remake of the 1950 comedy about a

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man trying to organize a lavish wedding. With Diane Keaton and Martin Short. (PG)

FINAL ANALYSIS

• Richard Gere, Kim Basinger and Uma Thurman star in a hot and heavy thriller about a psychotherapist who gets involved with the sister of a patient. (R)

FREEJACK

• Science fiction adventure, drawn from a story by Robert Shekley, about a racer (Emilio Estevez) catapulted into the future after a car crash. With Mick Jagger and Anthony Hopkins. (R)

FRIED GREEN TOMATOES

• A nursing-home resident (Jessica Tandy) looks back at her life. With Kathy Bates, Mary Stuart Masterson, Cicely Tyson, and Mary-Louise Parker. (PG-13)

GRAND CANYON

• L.A. yuppies and their friends

face the world and find it a scary place. With Danny Glover, Kevin Kline, Steve Martin, Mary McDonnell, Mary-Louise Parker, and Alfre Woodard. Directed by Lawrence Kasdan; written by Kasdan and his wife Meg. (R)

GUILTY AS CHARGED

• Rod Stelger and Lauren Hutton in a black comedy thriller. With Heather Graham and Isaac Hayes. (R)

THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE

• Suspense film starring Annabella Sciorra as a woman who has it all and Rebecca DeMornay as a woman who wants to take it all away from her. Directed by Curtis Hanson (*Bad Influence*, *The Bedroom Window*). (R)

HARD PROMISES

• Sissy Spacek in a comedy about a woman who secretly divorces her husband and then

tries to marry. With William L. Petersen. (PG)

HOOK

• A ton o' fun, coming right down on your head. This singularly unappetizing idea for a children's fantasy — Peter Pan grows up and becomes a corporate sleaze — manages to be expensive-looking and cheesy at the same time. This \$80 million paen to the joys of childhood is the best advertisement for adulthood money can buy. The *Lost Boys*, assigned the task of reviving Peter's childlike spirit so he can rescue his kids from Captain Hook, are the most obnoxious bunch of louts since *The Goonies*. Only Dustin Hoffman, playing Hook as William F. Buckley Jr., seems to be enjoying himself; the rest of the actors, like harried parents. Please turn to page 13



Tom Frost (Ian Holm) and William Lee (Peter Lee) walk the decadent streets of Interzone in *Naked Lunch*.

Film capsules

Continued from page 12
trying to quiet their kids, strain and have to convey the impression of childlike delight. With Robin Williams, Bob Odenkirk, and (as Tinkerbell) a badly-used Julia Roberts. (PG)

INTO THE SUN

•Preparing for a role in a movie about a fighter pilot, a Hollywood superstar (Anthony Michael Hall, in a prime bit of wish fulfillment) comes under the tutelage of a hard-nosed commander. With Michael Pare. (R)

JFK

•Imagine being locked in a Port Authority men's room for three hours with a raving bum and you have an idea of what JFK is like. Oliver Stone's reimagining of the assassination of John Kennedy uses a blend of fiction, distortion and pure rant to attack the Warren Commission report. Your response to this three-hour-plus film will depend on your patience with Stone's charges about CIA-military cabals and his laughable assertion that Kennedy was gunned down because he was about to metamorphose into a charismatic George McGovern. With Kevin Costner, Sissy Spacek, Tommy Lee Jones, and, in a series of cameo roles, just about every big-name actor who had nothing to do while the film was being shot. (R)

JUICE

•Cinematographer Ernest Dickerson (*Do the Right Thing*) makes his directorial debut with this coming-of-age drama set in Harlem. With Omar Epps and rap star Queen Latifah. (R)

KUFFS

•Christian Slater as a wise-cracking lad who inherits a security agency. (PG-13)

MEDICINE MAN

•Two hot-tempered scientists — one a crusty ol' Scot (Sean Connery), the other a Bronx gal (Lorraine Bracco) — bicker, bluster and search for the cure to cancer in the Amazon rain forest. (PG-13)

NAKED LUNCH

•Not so much an adaptation of William S. Burroughs' 1959 book as David Cronenberg's re-

imagining of the circumstances under which it was written, laced with surrealist interludes and episodes from other Burroughs titles (notably *Jurly* and *Exterminator*). As Burroughs stand-in Bill Lee, Peter Weller is fine; his lean face and blossoming lips have never been used to better effect, and he even speaks in a warmer version of the man's dry gulch, sarcastic monotone. But there's little of Burroughs' lashing, anarchic anger and humor on the screen: Cronenberg turns the drugs into bug juice and centipede meat, ducks out on the homosexuality and dotes entirely too much on his animatronic beasts. A wild filmmaker has taken a wilder novel and made it into a rather tame little flick. With Judy Davis, Ian Holm and Roy Scheider, whose brief appearances as Dr. Benway leave you hungry for a lot more. (R)

THE PRINCE OF TIDES

•If you've ever wondered what *Ordinary People* would have been like written by Flannery O'Connor, this is the movie for you. Based on Pat Conroy's novel, the film chronicles the budding romance between Tom Wingo (Nick Nolte), a South Carolina teacher brought to New York by his sister's suicide attempt, and Susan Lowenstein (Barbra Streisand), the shrink who delves into Tom's haunted past as a way of helping his sister. The blend of Southern Gothic plotting and Psychology Lite dialogue is pretty flat; the film is about raising demons and then dispatching them with platitudes. Nolte is good and Kate Nelligan is very good as his mother, a Cruella DeVil type whose machinations lie at the core of the family's troubles, but star-director-coproducer Streisand brings the movie to a halt whenever she appears on screen. With Melinda Dillon and Jerroen Krabbe. (R)

SHINING THROUGH

•Melanie Griffith as a Queens secretary who becomes an Allied spy during World War II. With John Gielgud. (R)

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 protege — 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*. (PG)

REVIVALS

CHIMES AT MIDNIGHT (1966)

•Drawing on five of Shakespeare's plays — both parts of *Henry IV*, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, *Richard II*

and *Henry V* — Welles came up with a film centered on the Bard's greatest comic character, Sir John Falstaff. Though marred by the technical glitches arising from Welles' constant financial troubles — the botched, gummy soundtrack is sometimes infuriating — this film was Welles' own favorite, arguably his best work after *Citizen Kane* and *The Magnificent Ambersons*. Narrated by Ralph Richardson. Friday, Feb. 14,

at 7 p.m. in Milledoler Hall Room 100, College Avenue campus of Rutgers University, New Brunswick. Admission \$3. (908) 932-8482 or (908) 249-9623.

TAXI BLUES (1990)

•Pavel Lounguine's acid-etched look at the old and the new Russia, embodied in the relationship between a thuggish Moscow cabdriver and a Jewish saxophonist. A Franco-Russian

production; winner of the Best Director award at that year's Cannes Film Festival. With Piotr Mamonov, Piotr Zaitchenko and Vladimir Katchpour. Friday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. in the Student/Community Center, County College of Morris, 214 Center Grove Road, Randolph. Admission \$3. (201) 328-5024.



Orson Welles portrays John Falstaff, Shakespeare's great comic character, in *Chimes at Midnight*, to be shown Feb. 14 at Rutgers University in New Brunswick.

Review revue

'Medicine Man': Critics have a rain forest brunch

Philadelphia Inquirer

"*Medicine Man* is a movie with its heart in the right place and its head somewhere upriver," wrote Desmond Ryan. "If it were any more politically correct, it would be required showing for freshmen at Berkeley." Calling the film an "unabashed and occasionally amusing" knockoff of *The African Queen*, Mr. Ryan said the premise, while durable, "erupts in a profoundly disturbing context" of ecological calamity. Noting that the director John McTiernan made his name with high-tech thrillers, he said: "It's always nice to see a talented filmmaker stretch and choose the high road instead of the easy buck, but finding the right balance between humor and the surrounding horror eludes him."

New York Times

"*Medicine Man*, a rain forest romp... does indeed hinge on the discovery of an anti-cancer serum," wrote Janet Maslin. "But

it suggests that other maladies, like cute casting and glib, wisecrack-laden writing, are beyond the reach of medical science." Ms. Maslin found the script laden with "the singsong rhythms of the most synthetic Moviespeak" and the characters stuck with "the kind of mock-contentious repartee that reminds some people of Tracy and Hepburn, if their memories are sufficiently short." She also found fault with the "substandard, grainy and pale" cinematography and called the conflict between the two leads "as annoying as it is false."

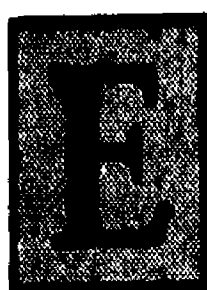
New York Post

"The movie is so cute you'll need to steady yourself with a swig of the peach pemed the natives keep spitting in," wrote Jami Bernard. "When the natives aren't spitting into the vat, they are being used mostly as scenery." Allowing that the film has "snappy" performances from its two stars, Ms. Bernard complained that they are set "loose too often; if they're not

chewing scenery they're chewing caffeinated tree bark... Bracco and Connery are both delightful, but the whimsy is so thick it'll give you a hangover that even a potion of tree bark, peach pemed and spit can't cure."

New York Daily News

"Ultimately, where the film really works is when it drops its lofty pursuits and simply plays," wrote Harry Haun. "There is one lyrical sequence in which the two scientists travel from tree to tree, by means of cables and pulleys, to pluck the 'sky flowers' they believe is (sic) needed for the serum." Though he found other things to enjoy about the movie — he even cited a shot of lined-up backsides as an instance of wit — Mr. Haun found the attempt to blend political consciousness with light entertainment yielded a "pretty insoluble mix of oil and water."



V E N T S

Musical mosaic

Four-part series of ethnic concerts opens this weekend

A four-part program devoted to the traditional music and dance of ethnic groups in Middlesex County starts Saturday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m. in North Brunswick High School on Raider Road.

In a celebration of the music traditions of Calabria in southern Italy, the De Franco Family Folk Musicians with Francesco Cofone and the Calabria Bella ensemble will present *Oh, Beautiful Calabria Tree Covered with Diamonds*.

Calabria Bella and the De Franco Family perform in the authentic southern Italian folk tradition.

Originally from the ancient mountain town of Aciri in Calabria's Cosenza province, the De Francos, Cofone and the members of Calabria Bella traveled to the United States in the 1960s and '70s, settling in Belleville, N.J., and in Westerly, R.I.

The groups offer a rich variety of dance tunes and songs, including tarantellas, mazurkas and waltzes played on the organetto (button accordion) or the chitarra battente (a 16th century ancestor of the modern guitar) accompanied by the tambourine, cantastorie (ballads), lullabies, love songs, serenades, and the unique villanelle — rare a cappella choral songs sung in an old Mediterranean style.

The De Francos with Cofone and Calabria Bella have been featured in concerts, festivals, workshops and private events. Their music can be heard on record, television and public radio. Guiseppe and Raffaella De Franco were the recipients of the National Endowment for the Arts 1990 National Heritage Fellowship, America's highest honor in the traditional arts.

Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico Mi Tierra Natal, featuring Los Pleneros de la 21, explores Puerto Rico's bomba and plena musical styles on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Perth Amboy High School on Eagle and Frances streets.

Bomba and plena evolved in Puerto Rico's north, south and west coasts. In the 17th and 18th centuries, the bomba flourished among African plantation workers. Whenever festivities took place, food and drink were served, and bomba — a complex of song, music and dance



The De Franco Family Folk Musicians will perform the music of southern Italy as the opener for an ethnic folk and dance series Saturday, Feb. 15, at North Brunswick High School.

Starting with the songs of southern Italy, the series will cover music from Puerto Rico and Portugal along with American gospel.

— was the central activity.

Plena emerged in "poor" neighborhoods and outlying districts of coastal towns around the turn-of-the-century. As a form of music, dance and song, plena bears strong resemblance to other traditions in the Caribbean and Latin America (such as calypso), all of which provide commentaries on events of daily life.

Los Pleneros de la 21 is named for the Bus Stop No. 21 section of Santurce, Puerto Rico, a neighborhood once known for its outstanding performers of bomba and plena. One of Stop 21's founding members, Juan Guiterrez, moved to New York from his native Puerto Rico in 1976.

Working with Marcial Reyes Arvelo, the two introduced several musicians from the Stop 21 area to younger musicians active on the New York scene. The group that materialized, Los Pleneros de la 21, devotes its time to giving workshops, performing at community celebrations and at concerts and festivals.

Both performances begin at 7:30 p.m. and are offered free of charge. Call immediately to reserve space for Feb. 15 or Feb. 22, and to receive a free, informative brochure for each event: (908) 745-4489, 745-3888 (TDD).

The New Jersey Folklife Project presents subsequent performance on March 15: an evening of Gospel music with Sister Sadie and the Famous Bibletttes, at the Sharon Baptist Church, 25 Howard St., New Brunswick; and in April, Portuguese Fado musicians, singers and more.

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WESTFIELD STAMP SHOW

St. Paul's Episcopal Church

414 East Broad St., Westfield
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•Show and sale from the area's oldest stamp club, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 22, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 23. Free admission.

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•Indian Art of the Pueblos and Indian Artists of the Southwest, films at 3 p.m. March 1.

•Paintings by William T. Williams, through Feb. 23.

•Bronze sculpture by Jonathan Scott Hartley, through March 8.

•Drawings from the Morgan Russell Archives, through April 5.

•Prints from Currier & Ives, through April 12.

•"A Moody Light: Romanticism in the American Landscape," Feb. 23 through April 26. Lecture by Dr. Clement A. Price at 3 p.m. Feb. 23.

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 (201) 538-0454

Monday through Saturday from 10 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 accessories from 19th-century America.

•"Imagination Week!" Feb. 17 through Feb. 21.

•Abstract sculpture by Marion Held, through March 11.

•Works on loan from area companies, through March 15.

•Paintings by Kay WalkingStick, through March 29.

MUSEUM OF EARLY TRADES AND CRAFTS

Main St. and Green Village Rd.
 Madison
 (201) 377-2982

Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 2-5 p.m. Adults \$1, children 50 cents.

N.J. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

230 Broadway, Newark
 (201) 483-3939

Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Guided tours by appointment. Admission free for society members, \$3 for non-members.

•"Tender in Years: Childhood in 19th-Century New Jersey," ongoing.

N.J. MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE

College Farm Rd. near Route 1
 New Brunswick
 (908) 249-2077

Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Adults \$3, children 4-12 \$1, children under 4 free.

N.J. STATE MUSEUM

205 West State St., Trenton
 (609) 292-6464

Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.

•Puzzles inspired by Native Americans, 1 p.m. Feb. 16.

•"Nature and the Decorative Arts," ongoing.

•Exhibition of works acquired in 1991, ongoing.

•"God Bless America, Part IV," multimedia installation by Ted Victoria, through March 15.

•"Christopher Columbus and the Age of Exploration," through Jan. 3, 1993.

NEWARK MUSEUM

49 Washington St., Newark
 (201) 596-6550

Tuesday through Sunday from noon-4:45 p.m. Donation. Largest museum complex in the state. Permanent exhibits in-

clude "Africa-The Americas-The Pacific," "Design in Native American life," "American Painting and Sculpture," Numismatic Gallery, Asian Galleries, Ballantine House and the Mini-Zoo.

•Jewelry from the permanent collection, through Feb. 29.

•Art of the Himalayas, through March 1.

•Works from the permanent collection, through March 15.

•Retrospective of "Bob Stockdale, Woodturner," through March 22.

OLD BARRACKS MUSEUM

Barrack St. (next to State House complex)
 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 Comes: George Washington's Triumphant Entry into Trenton," through March 31.

•"Of War, Law and the Third Amendment," through June 1.

•"Hospitable Quarters: The Building of the Barracks at Trenton," through June 1.

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Hamilton St. near College Ave.
 Rutgers University
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 (908) 932-7243

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New Providence Rd.
 & Coles Ave.
 Mountainside
 (908) 789-3670

Visitors center open every day from 1-5 p.m. Museum open Saturday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. through March.

Registration required for programs.

•"Make-and-Take Days" for kids to make a science project, Feb. 17, 18. Cost \$6 per child.

•"A Walk Through the Rainforest" of Panama, 1:30 p.m. Feb. 19. Donation \$1 per family.

•Owl Prowl, 6:30 p.m. Feb. 19. Cost \$2.

•The Lorax and other family films, 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Feb. 20. Donation \$1 per family.

•Whitetails: Creatures of the Woods, nature documentary at 1 p.m. Feb. 21. Cost \$4 per family.

•Astronomy Sunday, Feb. 23.

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 George and Hamilton streets
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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.

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

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 (908) 449-3366

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Hearts and soul

RVCC schedules a Valentine's Day all-star jazz concert

An all-star lineup of jazz performers makes its way to the Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College in Branchburg for a special Valentine's Day concert.

The performance, set for Friday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m., features pianist Sir Roland Hanna and songstress Carrie Smith, star of the Broadway musical *Black and Blue*.

Roland Hanna is ranked among the major artists in jazz and is viewed as one of the most flexible pianists of any generation. The Detroit native's career has taken him to concert halls and nightclubs around the world and has even seen him knighted for humanitarian service by the late President William Tolber Tubman of Liberia in 1970.

As an accompanist, Mr. Hanna has performed with the legendary Sarah Vaughn and Carmen McRae, while during his countless solo stints his finely-tuned sense of time and steady left hand enable him to create performances of melodic, harmonic and rhythmic

excitement. His experience has included almost every aspect of jazz, and his skills have been honed playing with the Benny Goodman Big Band, Charles Mingus' experimental groups, The Thad Jones-Mel Lewis Orchestra and the New York Jazz Quartet.

With some 40-plus albums to his credit, Mr. Hanna has written nearly 400 musical compositions, ranging from the background score of the first Japanese musical to orchestral and piano concerto-like com-

owsky on flute, Bob Johnson on french horn and Hanna on cello; and the Sir Roland Hanna Quartet, with Bill Easley on tenor and alto saxophone, Jon Burr on bass, Ronnie Burrage on drums and Hanna on piano. The second act lineup brings them all together with Carrie Smith for an hour of entertainment that will guarantee to rock the theater.

VALENTINE'S DAY JAZZ CONCERT, Feb. 14 at the Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College, Branchburg. Tickets are \$12.50, \$10 for students and the elderly. (908) 725-3420.



Singer Carrie Smith will be part of an all-star Valentine's Day jazz concert at Raritan Valley Community College in Branchburg.

positions for full orchestra.

Carrie Smith has a growing reputation as an exponent of the blues in the tradition of the great blues singers of the '20s and '30s. Playing music houses from Moscow to New York's Carnegie Hall, she is also a fixture of the famous Kool Jazz Festival.

"Just as the guys have been keeping the names of the great jazz players alive, I look at what I do as a way of keeping the ladies' names alive," commented Ms. Smith from her house in Orange.

The ladies she's speaking of are the great blues singers that came before — from Bessie Smith and Mildred Bailey, pioneers of blues, to Billie Holiday and contemporaries like Dinah Washington.

"Since I was a child I recall listening to the music of Mildred Bailey," Ms. Smith said. "There was something in her voice, a real hurt, that let me know what the blues were all about. The blues can be happy or sad. It depends on what the words say and how you sing them."

"Carrie Smith is a singer with something special to offer," said New York Times critic John S. Wilson. "Miss Smith is no longer just a singer. She is a showman."

The evening's program will include a first act Chamber Jazz Trio performance, featuring Frank Per-

Listen up

Bullfrog blues and Bromberg

Folk music stalwart David Bromberg, a virtuoso on guitar, mandolin, fiddle and virtually anything else with strings, will perform Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

The Philadelphia-born musician plays an eclectic blend of folk, bluegrass, country and jazz, a mix that reflects years of playing with everyone from Bob Dylan and Chubby Checker to Carly Simon and Phoebe Snow.

For ticket information, call (908) 727-3000.

O.G. at C.G.

West Coast rapper Ice-T, one of the best and most inventive of the L.A. "gangsta" rap stars, will perform Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the City Gardens, 1701 Calhoun St. in Trenton.

Ice-T, whose career started when one of his raps was used in the film *Colors*, joined in this past summer's "Lollapalooza" tour with Jane's Addiction, Living Colour and Henry Rollins. His performance in the film *New Jack City* was highly praised, and he will appear with fellow gangsta rapper Ice Cube in Walter Hill's upcoming film *Looters*.

He will be joined by Body Count, the hardcore band he unveiled on his recent album *O.G. — Original Gangster*, and the opening act *Hard Corps*.

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Club mix

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•Backstreets, Feb. 15, 27.
•Pandora's Box, Feb. 19.
•Reverend Sole, Feb. 20.
•Soul Sisters, Feb. 21.
•Johnnie Johnson, March 6.

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•Edgar Cayce, Mark Thompson Smith, Feb. 14.
•Nas-T Boyz, Feb. 22.

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Scanticon-Princeton
Route 1 & College Rd.
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(609) 452-7800
•Mario Castro-Nieves (piano), Feb. 14, 15.

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Old Bay Restaurant
61-63 Church St.
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(908) 246-3111
•Call for details, Feb. 14.
•Blue Plate Special, Feb. 15, 26.
•Full Circle (blues), Feb. 19.
•Willi Bobo & The Meat Men, Feb. 20.
•Night Train, Feb. 21.
•Interweave, Feb. 22.
•Solar, Feb. 27.
•The Blue Zombies, Feb. 28.
•Johnny Charles Blues Band, Feb. 29.

BRIGHTON BAR
121 Brighton Ave.
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•Hyperactive, Bouncing Souls, Biggie Thomas, Feb. 16.
•The Cramps, Rev. Horton Heat, Feb. 22.



The Dixie Dregs will bring their "reunion tour" through New Jersey Feb. 20 when they perform at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

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 •Ice-T, Body Count, The Hard Corps, Feb. 26.
 •Dinosaur Jr., My Bloody Valentine, Babes in Toyland, Feb. 28.
 •Solar Circus, Feb. 29.
 •The Psychotic Furs, March 8.

CLUB BENE
 Route 35, Sayreville
 (908) 727-3000
 •David Bromberg, Feb. 19.
 •The Duke Dregs, Steve Morse, Feb. 20.
 •David Benoit, Feb. 28.
 •'til Tuesday, Feb. 29.

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 •Hyperactive, Feb. 20.

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 51 Main St., South River
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 •Backstreets (w/Glen Stewart), Feb. 14.
 •Turnstyles, Feb. 15.
 •The Nerds, Feb. 20.
 •The Party Dolls, Feb. 28.
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 •Bill Mays, piano w/trio, Feb. 26.
 •Harry Allen Quartet, Feb. 28, 29.

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THE COVE
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Singer Keith Washington will perform Feb. 14 at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

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Sunset, Feb. 14.
 •Broken Wings, Feb. 27.
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 Jam session w/Third Degree, Tuesdays.
 •Eve's Plum, Feb. 19.
 •Ing, Feb. 26.

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 Open blues jam, Tuesdays.

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 The Outcry, Wednesdays.
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 •Hyperactive, Feb. 15.
 •Overkill, Feb. 21.
 •Dead Milkmen, Feb. 22.
 •Tommy Conwell & The Young Rumblers, Feb. 28.

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 •The D.C. Project, Feb. 14.
 •Noah Haidu Duo, Feb. 21.
 •Alan Adler, Feb. 27.

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 •Raised On Blues Band, Feb. 21, 28.
 •Zaire, Feb. 29.

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 •Paul Plumeri, evening Feb. 22.
 •The Horizontals, afternoon Feb. 23.
 •Floyd Hunter Band, evening Feb. 23.
 •Amy Torchia, Jenny Avila, Feb. 27.
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 •Public Notice, Feb. 29.

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 •Dance concert w/Bo Diddis & The Wild Magnolias, The Voodoo Rhythm Kings, Feb. 15.
 •Barrence Whitfield & The Savages, The Supertones, Feb. 15.
 •Luna, Hypnolovewheel, Feb. 22.

•The Dead Milkmen, Feb. 23.
 •The Fluid, March 6.
 •Shudder to Think, Jawbox, March 15.

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 106 French St.
 New Brunswick
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 •Ralph Litwin (banjo), Feb. 15.
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 •Bruce Pratt (singer-songwriter), Feb. 29.

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 Amwell Rd., Hillsborough
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 •Elan, Feb. 14.
 •Home Brew, Feb. 15.
 •Mirage, Feb. 21, 22.
 •Stolen Hearts, Feb. 28.
 •Delivery Boys, Feb. 29.

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David Bromberg, folk musician and luthier, performs Feb. 19 at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

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 •The Razorbacks, afternoon Feb. 16.
 •Jamie Brockett, evening Feb. 16.
 •Mountain John, Feb. 17, 19, 26.
 •Preston Harrison's Raggedy



Jazz pianist, singer and all-around nice person Diane Schuur will perform Feb. 15 at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

Club mix

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Wednesdays, Sundays.
•Iowa Beef Experience, The Thing, Feb. 20.
•The Radicks, Into Another, Feb. 27.

PLAYPEN LOUNGE
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•Savetage, Feb. 22.
•Non-Fiction, Feb. 28.
•Kix, Feb. 29.

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(908) 502-0217
Audition night, Wednesdays.
•The Marbles, Schnitzel, The Unemployed, Feb. 15.

TAPAS CAFE
Route 53, Denville
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West End Review, Thursdays.
•Johnny Charles Blues Band, Feb. 21.

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Princeton
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•Smooth Sallen, Feb. 21, 28.

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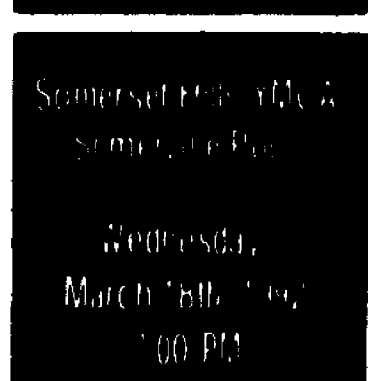
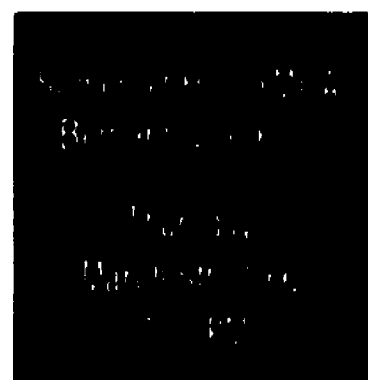
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TAURUS (April 20-May 20) When you write your memoirs, this week will stand out as one of your favorites. You are personality-plus all week long. Your sensitive communicating has what you want (whatever that is) tumbling into your lap as the weekend comes. You know the greenest of the green pastures.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Take a deep breath before you energize. Your magnetic field is quite powerful this week. Just be careful where, and at whom, you toss it. You are master of your own fate right now. Let go of a difficult situation where another must have it 'their way'.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You climb the highest peak, but you also travel the lowest abyss this week. You may feel as if you're at the mercy of another's whims. Take command of your ship and, even if there is a standoff, you come out the winner. Besides, you find out how lovable you are — all weekend long.

LEO (July 23-August 22) Count on really being noticed this week, and you'll be ready for what goes on. Leo is the sign of the lover and no one is surprised by all the attention and adulation you receive. Make the most out of the moment, you big pussycat. You'll be curled up and warm all weekend long.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) Catch what's going on behind the scenes this week before you launch into action. Tune into your higher values and more loving side. Follow through on the pursuit of happiness all week long, and you are in for a dynamite Valentine's Day, and day after, and day after and...

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) Togetherness is the name of the game this Valentine's week. You get the full meaning as you play Romeo (or Juliet) and delight those who cherish and adore you. Take a risk, jump through the fiery hoop before the weekend, and you'll have a wonderful Valentine's weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Though you're a 'tough' sign (and can do quite well alone), this isn't the case this week. Others seek you out and want to be with you. You discover just how popular you really are. Now your biggest job is to choose among all those Valentines. For best results — tell it like it is.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) You just may opt for an early weekend as opportunity arises. If you're willing to be less dominating and go with another's program, you may actually get a glimpse of nirvana. The real question is, Sag, can you let go of your need to control? Hope so...for you.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) Your amorous ways keep coming out all week long at the most inopportune moments. Get back to your old practical self and take care of the 'musts' before the weekend, when you launch into a very special and loving period. The initiation starts on Valentine's Day.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) You're slow getting started this week, but once you do, you're a force to be dealt with. Choose to share your wildest thoughts with a loved one. Imagine the results and you understand why you're so exhausted this weekend. Never fear, you come back again, in even better form.

PISCES (February 19-March 20) You can talk a blue streak this week. If you expect changes, you are likely to find yourself glib as the weekend appears. Why not accept what is and give another the space to move the grow? You can kindle romance to its true passionate levels that way.

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Taking a walk on the wild side in Westfield

By BRIAN P. DUNLEAVY
WeekendPlus Writer

The Westfield Cinema is doing the "Time Warp" again.

After a nine-year absence, the Saturday midnight showing of the cult movie classic, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, has returned to the Central Avenue theater.

According to the theater's manager, Tony Yannetelli, the film was first shown at the Cinema in 1982, but was soon canceled because of problems with the live production.

Fans of the movie know the production is the essence of the film because *Rocky Horror* is not only on the screen, it is in the orchestra pit of the theater, with a cast of live players performing in conjunction with the action on the screen.

The management of the theater felt showing the film was important for the area, so they began the midnight Saturday showings again in February 1991, with the "Somerville cast" providing the live performance.

Mr. Yannetelli, coincidentally, is the founder of the Somerville troupe.

"I started the Somerville cast after a show I was in on Broadway was canceled," he said. "I was really down and so I started doing *Rocky Horror* at the Somerville Circle Cinema. We've taken it on tour all over, but it is nothing like Westfield."

Rocky Horror was written and directed by Richard O'Brien, who also plays the character of Riff-Raff. According to Mr. Yannetelli, Mr. O'Brien is already working on a sequel to the film called *Rocky Horror Part II: Revenge of the Old Queen*.

For years now, the showing of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* has been more than going to see a cult film, it has been a live theater experience relying heavily on audience participation. The tradition of audience interaction with the film was started in 1975 at the Waverly Theater in New York City. "When it was originally shown as a feature film



Joe Hanley, Sal Brown and Erin Ruddy get set for their regular dose of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* at the Westfield Twin Cinema.

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it bombed," said Mr. Yannetelli. "For some reason it was brought back in a midnight showing and Sal had seen it so many times he started yelling back at it."

These days at the Cinema, the standing room only audience is greatly involved, at times overwhelming the movie. They scream traditional responses to the film's dialogue and provide in-theater rain with water pistols when it

rains on the screen. The most impressive scene occurs when the crowd stands as one, leaves their seats and dances in the aisles to the film's most popular soundtrack song, "The Time Warp."

Even though the film has been in circulation since 1975, its popularity continues to grow because the audience's contribution to the production is always changing.

Because of this, most of the audience has seen *Rocky Horror* several times.

"I've seen it 239 times," boasts David Shaw, a 21-year-old film student from Scotch Plains. "That's not an exaggeration, it's a count."

Many of the film's fans go out of their way to see the show at the Cinema.

"They closed down our other theater," said Kelly Applegate, a 19-year-old from Keyport who has seen the film more than 50 times. "I came all the way here to see it because I love it. I've even been to Boston to see *Rocky Horror*."

The regulars are not the only viewers who make the film's showing interesting, however.

There are several people who have never been to *Rocky Horror* before — "virgins," the regulars call them — and are given a special welcome by the regulars.

Bob Stubbs and Debbie Sturn, until recently, had never seen *Rocky Horror*.

Mr. Stubbs is an employee for a film manufacturer and Ms. Sturn is a postmaster. Both are from Somerville.

"We came with friends who have been here before," says Ms. Sturn. "They said it was a blast and lots of fun."

Added Mr. Stubbs, "This is the first time I've been to anything like this."

According to Mr. Yannetelli, fans of the film keep coming back because of the togetherness involved in being part of the audience. "Some people like to see everyone dress up or they come to meet new friends," said Mr. Yannetelli. "It gives them something to do. At the Cinema, we're not doing it for money. We're doing it for them."

Hot Type: America's love affair with romance fiction

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When do they go all the way? This varies depending on what line you're writing for. Many romances no longer even end with marriage.

"Sometimes they just end with the understanding that marriage is going to happen," Ms. Tracy said. "The key is commitment. You do not have a hero who's promiscuous or goes out a lot — that's not considered appealing."

Since commitment is the bottom line in romance fiction, it is impossible to start a continuing character. In the thriller line, a John D. MacDonald can involve a Travis McGee in over 20 adventures, but a romance heroine who had the same number of love affairs is, by definition, unacceptable.

Some writers have gotten around this with trilogies involving siblings. Berkeley Books, which had its heart broken in the romance fiction glut of the early '80s, has edged back into the field with "Charleston Women," Kristie Knight's mini-series set in Revolutionary War-era South Carolina.

Still, commitment is the thing, and the First Big Night for the hero and heroine is the natural high point of any romance:

He was yanking out of his mind, thrumming with urgency. "Mmmh," he gasped, his hands reaching under her sundress. Impulsively he dragged her up to answer her with kisses. Her mouth was molten from his demands, his passion, his devotion.

For a moment he looked over her, his dark hair damp, his eyes heavy-lidded, looking at the woman who in all in all the world was made for him. . . Mmmh cried out his name, arching her body upward. . . "Darling," he whispered. "My sweet,

sweet darling."

I star burned and fused, taking shape, hurtling them outward, away from their earthly confines. His mouth closed over hers as he exulted in the creation of their making. Mmmh lost all track of self. He had shown her the universe and created a new world, wiping out all her past unhappiness. She was new.

Droently they floated back to earth, reveling in their discovery, murmuring secrets, words of praise. They slept, content and satiated.

"Heartbreak" by Davis Barnett (Lovesmelt)

Astronomical metaphors aside — the passage quoted above needs only Also Sprach Zarathustra to go into orbit — romance writers have the opportunity to exercise a bit more license in their descriptions of sex scenes. How toasty things get depends on the squeamishness of the author.

One iron-clad rule remains. There has to be a happy ending. "We're selling fantasy, after all," Ms. Swift observed. So this article, too, will have a happy ending.

He kissed her again and time was forgotten. . . She had no doubt now that he loved her, and her future looked happy and secure. No matter what happened, because life was never one smooth passage — she had found that out already — he would be beside her, and they would weather the storm together.

"Feelings" by Margaret Mayo
(Marlequin Romance)

Sweet sounds for sweethearts

If you like romance with a comic twist, watch Garrison Keillor's *Hello Love Friday*, Feb. 14, at 10 p.m. on New Jersey Network (NJN).

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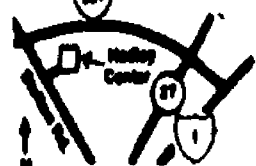
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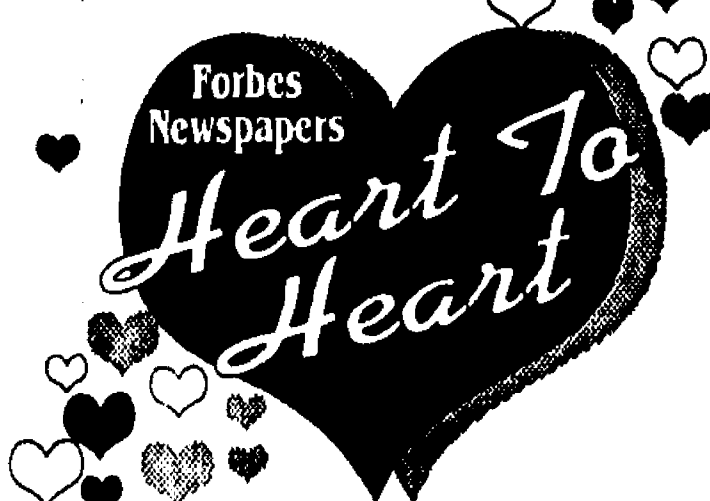
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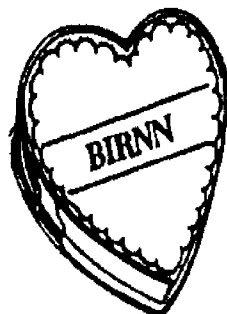
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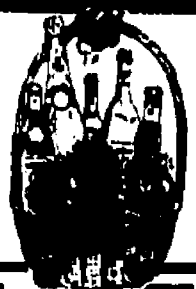
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Don't be put off by Valentino's strip mall setting

By MICKI PULSINELLI
Culinary Correspondent

Why do restaurant critics downplay establishments in strip malls? Whether or not they like them, strip malls are here to stay. They are a part of the suburban scene, just as larger malls are everywhere else.

Granted, some of the old ones are not as aesthetically pleasing as the large malls but some, like the one on Washington Valley Road in Martinsville, are nicely done and fit in with the surroundings. Besides, who among us enjoys the crowds at large malls or the search for a parking space?

Situated in a corner of the strip mall I just mentioned is a jewel box of a restaurant called **Valentino's**. It reminds me of a jewel box because it is small and filled with valuables. Valentino's is a family-run business with the mother, father and one son taking care of the dining room, while the other son, a culinary graduate, works in the kitchen with two other fellow graduates.

Service was professional and accommodating. Our waiter, Ahmed, went out of his way to make our evening an enjoyable one. He always appeared at the right moment to fill our wine glasses and replace dishes and silverware. Choosing selections from the extensive menu and typed specials inserted in the menu can be a problem, but by dining with another couple, our son and daughter-in-law, we were able to select a variety of items.

Valentino's menu includes 12 hot and cold appetizers (\$4.95 to \$7.95), two salads (\$6.95) three vegetables (\$5.95) and two soups (\$2.95). Pasta dishes, 15 in all (\$7.95 to \$10.95), are served with a salad, bread and butter.

Entrees include five chicken (\$12.95), six veal (\$13.95 to \$15.95), four seafood (\$12.95 to \$18.95), and five steak and chops choices (\$14.95 to \$18.95). There is usually an assortment of special appetizers and dinners to accompany the main menu.

We started the evening by ordering four different appetizers. One was from the regular menu, clams casino (\$6.95), and the other three were specials. Our selections were broccoli raab sauteed in oil and garlic (\$5.95), stuffed artichoke (\$5.95), and marinated grilled portobello mushrooms (\$5.95). The artichoke was sliced in half and covered the plate, while the mushroom appetizer was large enough to be considered an entree of its own. Although all four received high marks, the portobello mushroom won out as the favorite at our table. Our next selection was a sampling of three different pasta dishes. We ordered rigatoni alla vodka (\$8.95), lobster ravioli sauteed in a bisque sauce (\$10.95) and tortellini in



Robert Valentino, co-owner of Valentino's, holds some hot antipasto while his maitre d' Ahmed Aboushadi displays the dessert tray.

DIANE MATFLERO/WEEKENDPLUS

a cream sauce (\$8.95).

We only wanted to sample each for our research, but they were so good we ate more than we should have. Each sauce was distinctive and savory, but, never the less, filling. The lobster ravioli won out as the best, but the rigatoni vodka was a close second.

For our entrees we selected one pasta, two chicken dishes and one veal. The fettucini Alfredo (\$8.95), served in a rich cream sauce, was from the menu. So was the chicken Milano (\$12.95), consisting of boneless breast of chicken sauteed with roasted peppers, fresh mushrooms and artichoke hearts, and served in a white wine and lemon sauce.

The chicken arugula (\$12.95), one of the specials, was a combination of chicken, arugula, tomatoes, onions and garlic, served in a rich demi-glaze sauce.

The other menu selection, veal saltimbocca for \$15.95 (medallions

of veal sauteed in shallots, sherry wine and sage, then baked with prosciutto and mozzarella cheese and served over spinach) was different than others we tried because the spinach was sauteed in garlic. It was delicious.

Despite all the food we had eaten (I didn't even mention the fresh green salad that came with our meal), our young couple still had room for desserts. One ordered the lemon sorbet (\$3.50), while the other had the amaretto cheese cake (\$3.95).

Valentino's does not have a license to serve alcohol, but there is a wonderful package goods store, Spirits of the Valley, in that same mall with a wide selection of wines to choose from. Whoever said you couldn't have a good time in a strip mall?

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

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Side orders



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—Micki Pulsinelli

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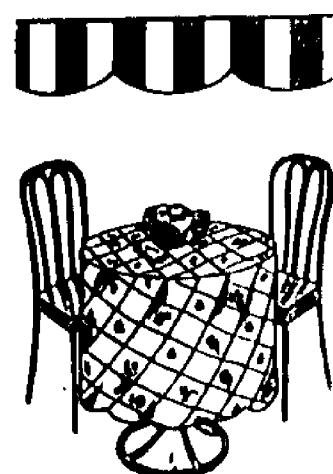
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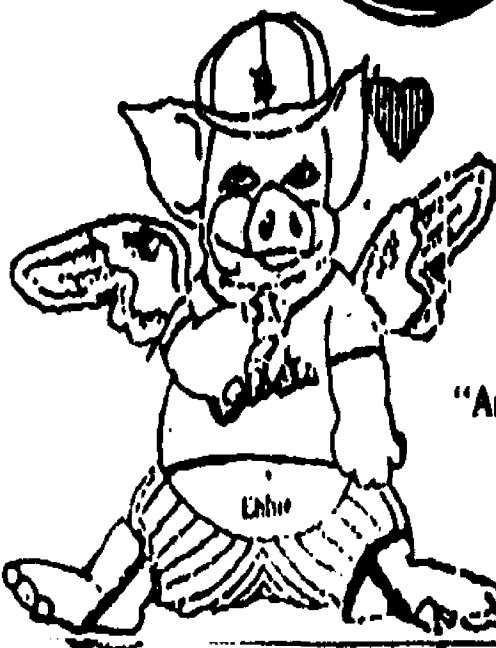
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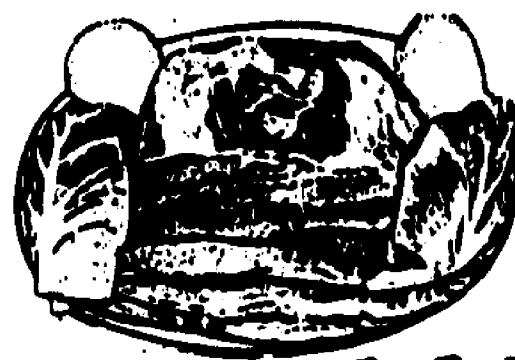
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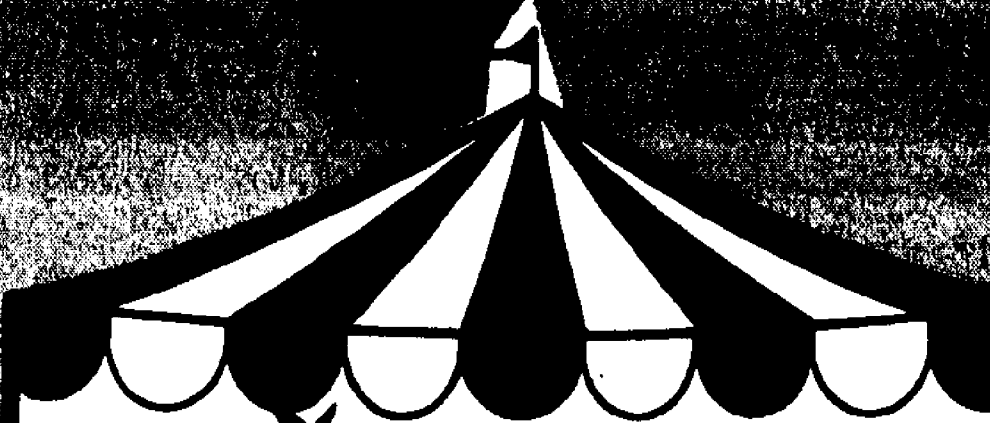
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When I meet a true wine snob, they're usually quite tolerable people, unless they do two things: purposely try to find fault with a rather remarkable wine or abuse WineSpeak. Y'know, WineSpeak, that descriptive language that vino lovers bandy back and forth when discussing the quality of wine. For instance, what's the difference between *aroma*, *bouquet* and *nose*? The *aroma* is any smell derived from the grape variety being used to make the wine. The *bouquet* relates to smells produced by the method of fermentation, tank or barrel aging or bottle aging. I call it the "winemaker's thumb-print". The *nose* is the combination of the two, and the best word to use when you're not sure what your smelling! So, if you are with someone who starts going on about how "the bouquet reminds me of violets", you can have a T-shirt made for them.

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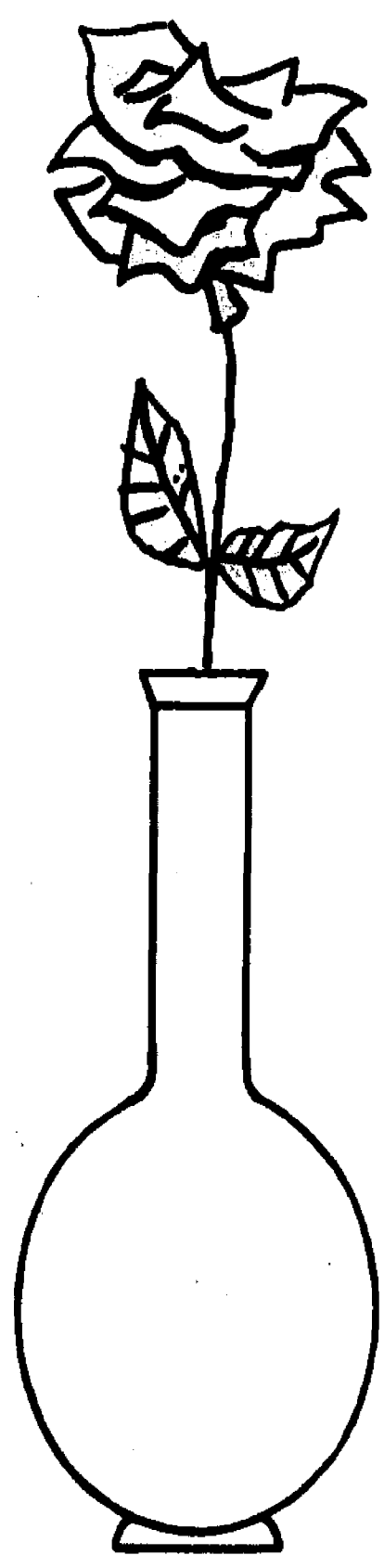
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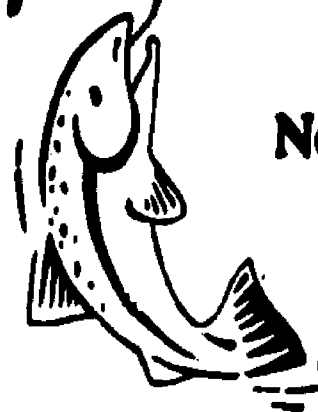
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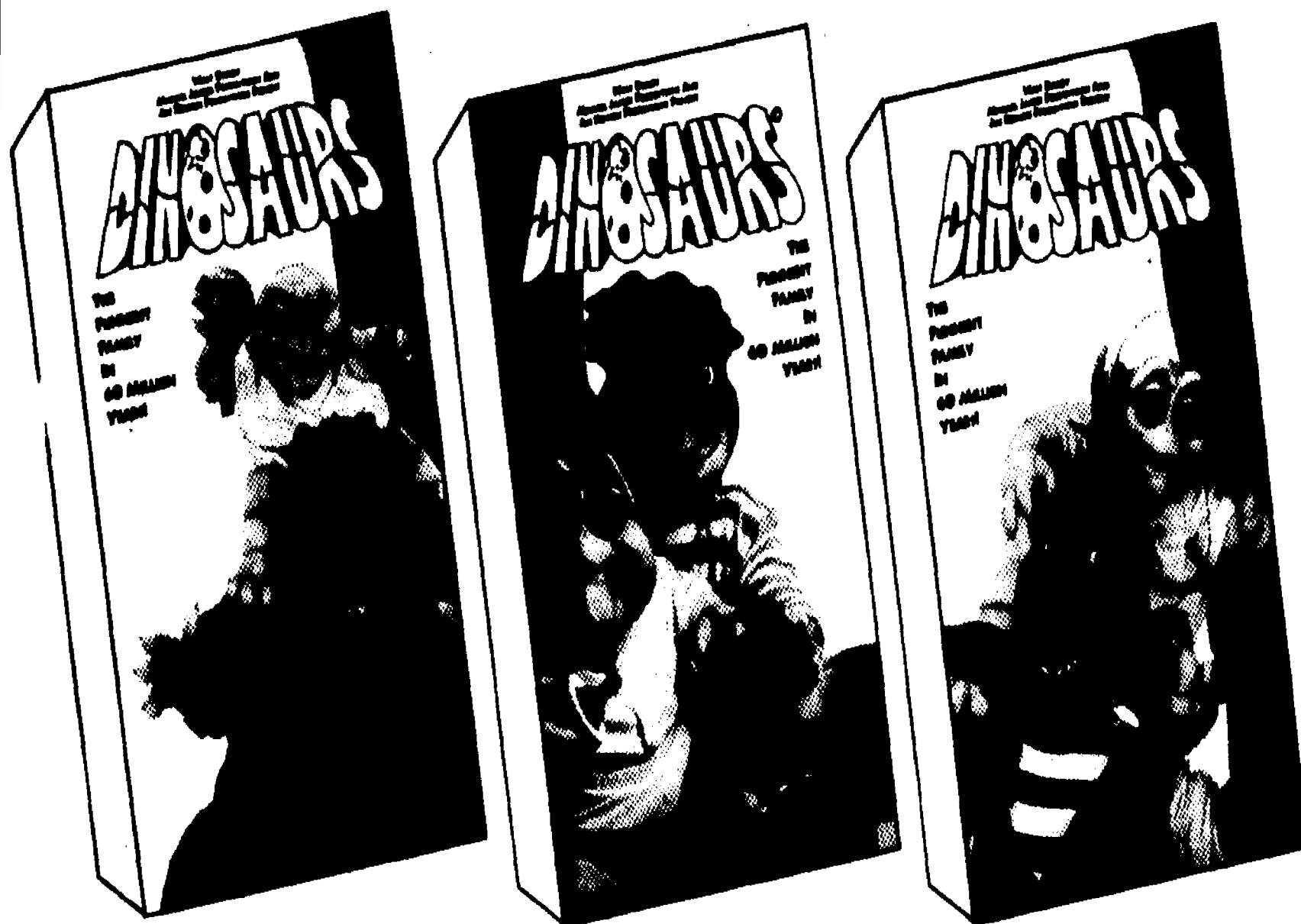
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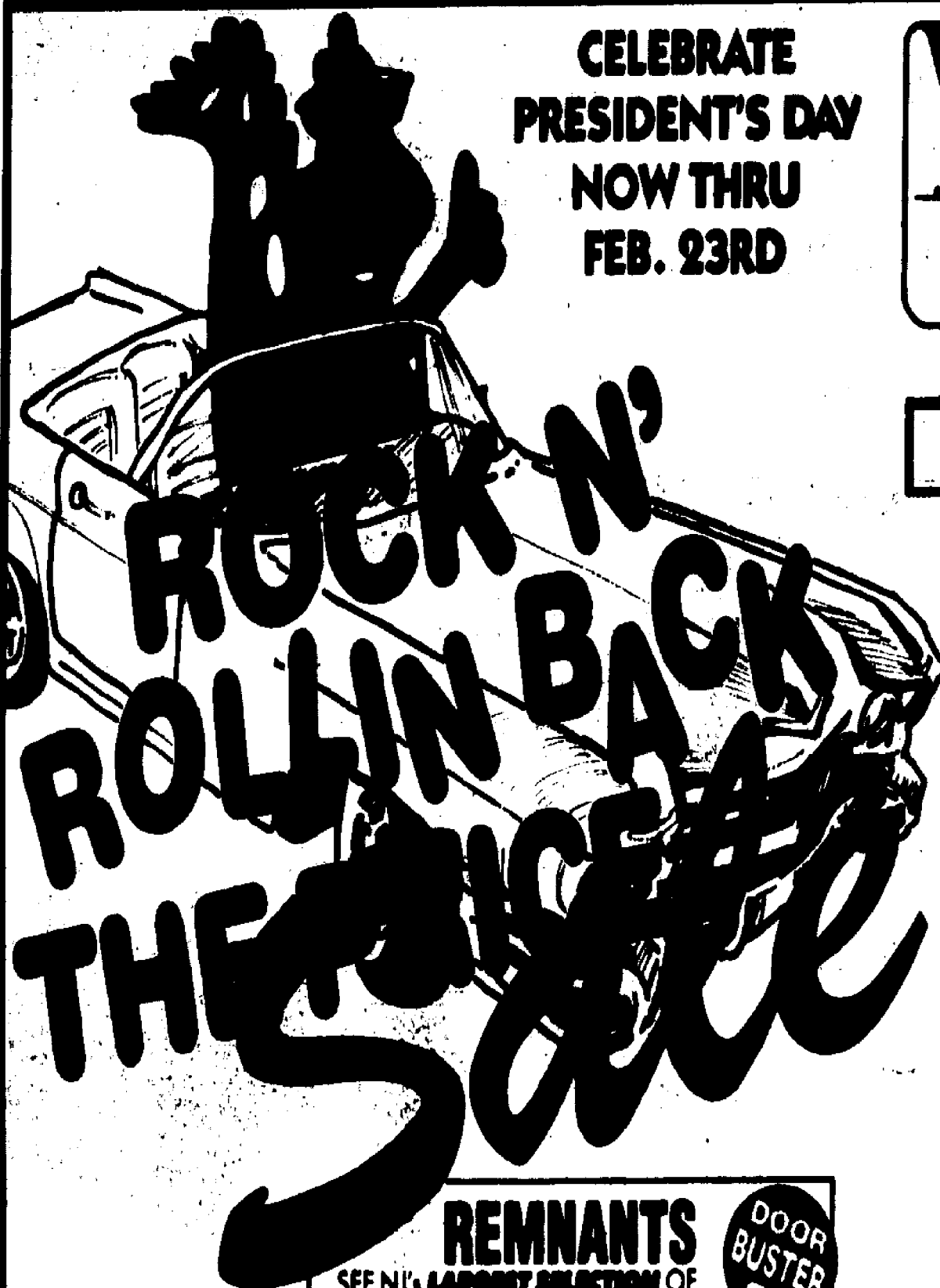
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\$19.50 EACH
COMP. RETAIL TO \$200.
PERFECT FOR LAUNDRY ROOMS, KITCHENS, BATHROOMS

PRESIDENTS SPECIAL 4" x 4" IMPORTED WALL TILE
9¢
SOLID BEIGE OR WHITE
COMP. RETAIL \$1.00
WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT 12¢

PRESIDENTS SPECIAL 12" x 12" NO-WAX VINYL PEEL N' STICK FOR "DO-IT-YOURSELF"
25¢ EA.
COMP. RETAIL \$99 EA.
WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT 49¢ EA.

REMNANTS
SEE NJ'S LARGEST SELECTION OF CARPET REMNANTS ON DISPLAY UNDER ONE ROOF
THOUSANDS TO CHOOSE FROM
\$3.33 SQ. YD.
200 COMMERCIAL QUALITY REMNANTS VALUES TO \$21" SQ. YD.
PRICED AT
FIRST COME — FIRST SERVE! *LIMITED QUANTITIES!!

EXAMPLES:
9 x 12 \$39.00
12 x 12 \$53.00
12 x 15 \$66.00
12 x 18 \$79.00

HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN!

80% OFF COMP. RETAIL ON TOP QUALITY FLOORING

LUXURIOUS ORIENTALS

100% WOOL HANDMADE MING ORIENTAL RUGS
EMERALD, NAVY, GREY
6 x 9 8 x 10
\$199 \$399

ORIENTAL RUGS HANDMADE IN CHINA
SPECIAL PURCHASE
SAVE UP TO **\$400**
6 x 9 8 x 11
\$149 \$298
SLIGHT IRREGULARITIES

90 LINE 100% WOOL HANDMADE CHINESE RUGS
6 x 9 FROM **\$599**
OTHER SIZES AT SIMILAR SAVINGS

CONTEMPORARY AREA RUGS
4 x 6 BORDER RUGS IN MANY BEAUTIFUL COLOR COMBINATIONS
FROM **\$75** EA. **SAVE \$100**

27" ORIENTAL DESIGN STAIR RUNNERS
\$4.49 PER LIN. FT.

CARPET OFF-THE-ROLL SAVINGS!

HEAVY DUTY COMMERCIAL DUTY LOOP PILE
PERF. 20' x 30' x 1/2" THICK
\$4.44 SQ. YD.
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

100% DUPONT NYLON PLUSH PILE CARPET
WILL BEAUTIFY ANY ROOM IN YOUR HOME
\$5.95 SQ. YD.
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

100% DUPONT STAMMASTER THICK PILE PLUSH
MANY FASHIONABLE COLORS
\$8.75 SQ. YD.
\$2.00 ELSEWHERE
\$3.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

DESIGNER CHOICE
PATTERNED BORDER LOOP
A GREAT LOOK FOR YOUR DEN, PLAYROOM, ETC.
\$8.95 SQ. YD.
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

100% WOOL BERBER
WHY SPEND \$75 SQ. YD. ELSEWHERE ON THIS AUTHENTIC PURE WOOL BERBER?
\$13.95 SQ. YD.
SAVE \$60.00 SQ. YD.

WORLD'S BEST PLUSH
MOST DENSE LUXURIOUS PILE EVER MADE
\$19.00 SQ. YD.
\$3.00 ELSEWHERE
\$4.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

SHEET VINYL

NO-WAX VINYL LINOLEUM OVER 200 REMNANTS
PERFECT FOR LAUNDRY ROOMS, KITCHENS, BATHROOMS
\$19.50 EA.
DOOR BUSTER

ARMSTRONG "ROYELLE" NO-WAX VINYL
EASY TO INSTALL
\$3.33 SQ. YD.
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

CONGOLEUM "VINYL CREST" NO-WAX VINYL
PERFECT FOR LAUNDRY ROOMS, KITCHENS, BATHROOMS
\$3.33 SQ. YD.
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

"BRIGHT LIFE" FROM CONGOLEUM - SUPER SHINY NO-WAX FLOOR
\$5.99 SQ. YD.
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

"COOL" CERAMIC TILE

4 x 4 WALL TILE IMPORTED SOLID BEIGE OR WHITE
9¢ EACH
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

8 x 8 ITALIAN CERAMIC FLOOR TILE
BEST QUALITY - RATED 4
55¢ EACH
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

2" x 2" MOSAIC TILE
PERFECT FOR FLOOR OR WALL
CHOOSE FROM GREY, WHITE OR ROSE
\$1.79 EACH
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

12 x 12 ABSOLUTE BLACK CERAMIC FLOOR TILE
TRULY A FRACTION OF THE COST
\$1.95 EACH
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

VINYL FLOOR TILES

AMTICO "SUNBRITE" NO-WAX VINYL FLOOR TILE
NO-WAX PEEL N' STICK
49¢ EACH
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

"CREATE A FLOOR" NO-WAX PEEL N' STICK DO IT YOURSELF 12" x 12" VINYL TILE IN SEVEN GRANITE "LOOK" COLORS
49¢ 1/2 OFF
DOOR BUSTER

ARMSTRONG "STYLISTIC" NO-WAX FLOOR TILES
PLACE N' PRESS
69¢ EACH
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

FAMOUS KENTILE "INFINITY" 12 x 12 NO-WAX VINYL FLOOR
79¢ EACH
FINAL CLOSEOUT!
\$1.00 ELSEWHERE
\$2.50 WORLDWIDE DAY IN/DAY OUT

KENTILE ORIGINS - "OUR BEST NO-WAX VINYL TILE"
HANDCRAFTED IN USA - 12 x 12 FLOOR TILE
\$1.95 EACH

WOOD FLOORING

FAMOUS Hartco 12 x 12 HARDWOOD FLOOR TILE
1st QUALITY - EASY TO INSTALL
\$1.89 EACH

ANDERSON 1st QUALITY HARDWOOD PLANKS
AVAILABLE IN 3", 5" & 7" PLANKS
Many COLORS TO CHOOSE FROM
\$3.50 SQ. FT.

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STORE HOURS: MONDAY-THURSDAY 10 AM-9 PM
FRI. 10 AM-6 PM, SAT. 10 AM-6 PM
& SUN. 12 PM-5 PM

LOOK FOR THE HUGE BLUE WAREHOUSE
1 MILE SOUTH OF MENLO PARK MALL

WORLDWIDE IS 1/4 MILE SOUTH OF RT. 287
INTERSECTION. FROM RT. 287 EXIT AT RT. 1 SOUTH.
WORLDWIDE IS THE 1ST BLUE BLDG. ON THE RIGHT.

FROM N.J. TURNPIKE:
EXIT 10 TO RT. 287N. EXIT AT RT. 1 SOUTH. WORLDWIDE
IS THE 1ST BLUE BLDG. ON THE RIGHT.



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