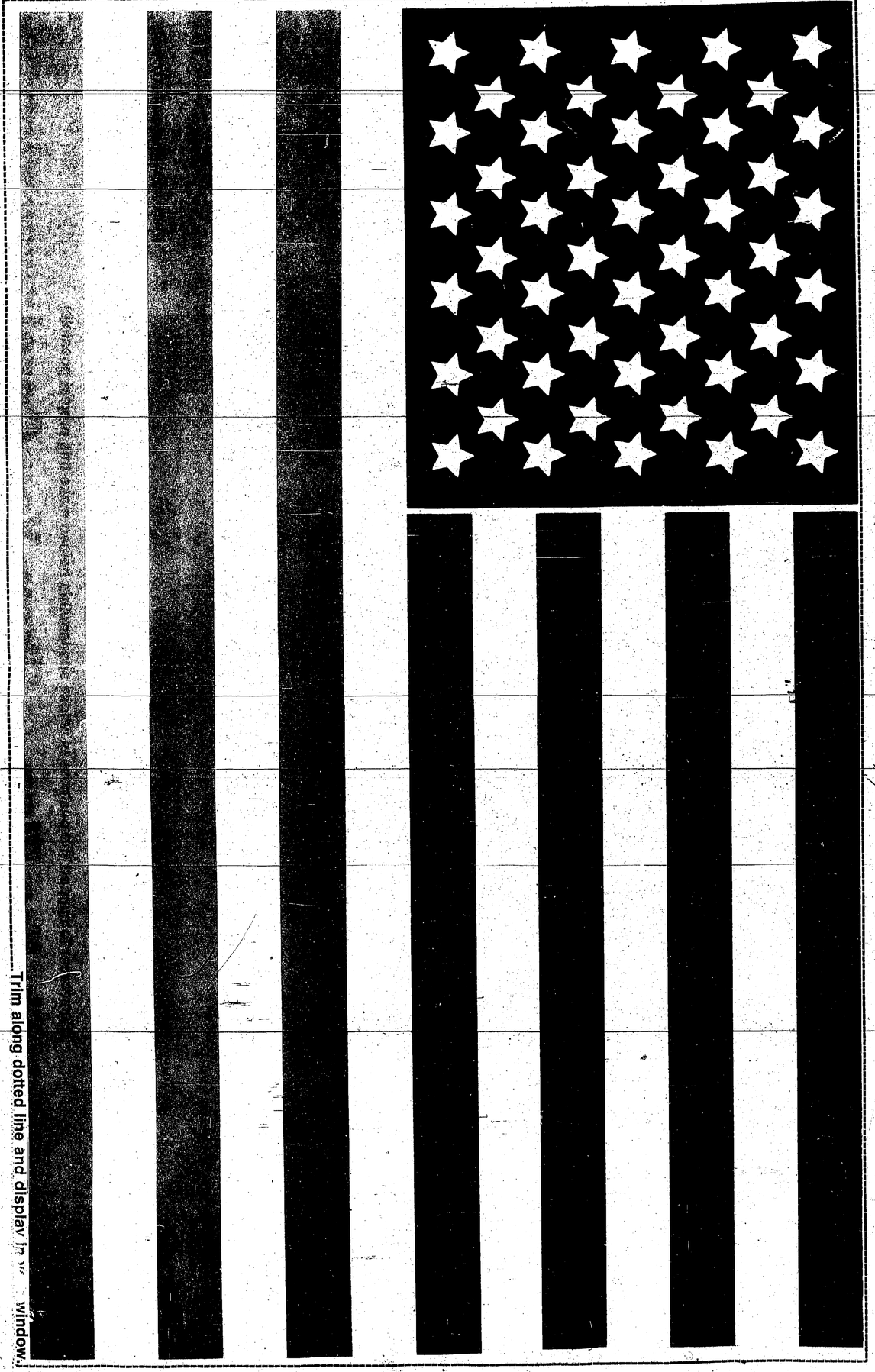

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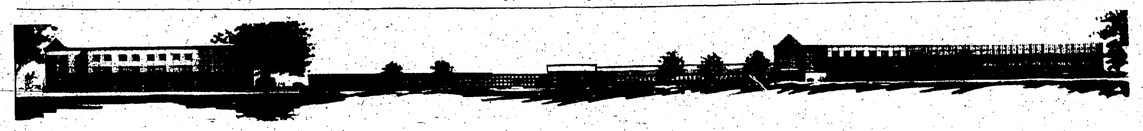

ARTIST'S RENDERING depicts Hartz Mountain Industries' $15-million redevelopment plan for its 31-acre Walnut Avenue property, with construction of a new office building at each end of the existing structure.

Hartz receives go-ahead for $15-million redevelopment

By Cheryl Moulton

Hartz Mountain Industries has received approval to begin a $15-million redevelopment of the 31-acre former Beecham site on Walnut Avenue, ending a two-year struggle to meet resident and township concerns.

The Jan. 30 approval was a milestone for Hartz after overcoming obstacles encountered when a mall was initially proposed. Last year Hartz announced plans to bring in Summit Trust Co. to occupy a portion of the existing 350,000-square-foot building and proposed adjacent a 75,000-square-foot building to be built at a later date. Also proposed at that time was a speculative building of 55,000-square-feet. At that time Hartz executives said they wished to comply with the new ordinance down zoning the southwest gateway and were trying to be sensitive to the residential area adjacent to the site.

Summit Trust will run operational facilities from the Cranford site, eventually employing up to 800 people. The 24-hour operational facility will file and reconcile bank transfers as well as perform other back office functions.

The conclusion of several grueling months of testimony were questioned at the last minute by board member and township tax assessor John Duryee, much to the consternation of fellow board members. The positioning of the driveway and potential future need of a traffic light were the basis of Duryee's 11th hour suggestion, which included closing off Mitchell Place as an access onto Raritan Road.

Board chairman Henry Dreyer said the issue of the driveway had been addressed in December with the "majority of board members feeling the original plan presented by Hartz was the best idea." He further stated he thought it "was a little late in the game to be bringing this up." Board members agreed with Dreyer and seemed confused over why the issue had been brought up at the last minute.

Mayor Ed Force brought the entire subject to a close when he said the "thrust of the application had been sensitivity to the residential area, and to even suggest closing off Mitchell Place is an impact on the residents."

Throughout the presentations, Harry Pozycki (township hired land use attorney) was in attendance, counseling board members and Hartz representatives alike on compliance to the newly adopted ordinance which down-zoned the southwest quadrant of the township. While an occasional disagreement arose over the interpretation of the ordinance and compliance, amicable solutions were sought by both Hartz and the Planning Board.

The new ordinance put limitations on potential adverse redevelopment, safeguarding the residential area from heavy traffic impact. While Pozycki told board members they could approve the application with conditions, it was made clear Hartz had to meet "minimum criteria" and the approval would not be "operative" until the criteria were met. After much discussion by board members, Pozycki interjected his belief the concerns were "not something

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In brief

One in, one out

Thomas E. Bonhag of Orange Avenue is a candidate in the Cranford school board election while president Ellen Heller announced this week she will not run for a third term. She would not elaborate, but said she will make a statement before her term is up.

Bonhag is the second candidate, joining George Young who announced earlier. Incumbents Richard Nicholls and Edna Silvey were still undecided. If Gov. Florio signs a bill passed Monday, as he is expected to do, the school election will be delayed from April 2 to 30, thus moving the candidate filing deadline from today until March 7.

Town and gown

The Township Committee and Board of Education will meet for the third time since the fall at 8 tonight at Lincoln School. Topics on the agenda will include joint bidding for waste removal and lawn services and the proposed school budget.

Blood drive

Cranford Junior Woman's Club will sponsor its annual blood drive Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Community Center. The drive will benefit two hemophiliac teenagers in Cranford.

Garwood

The president of the teachers association responded this week to a school board member who voted against the recent contract settlement. There are four candidates so far in the school election. Page A-8.

Property values

A real estate appraiser testified on the impact on residential property values at Monday's Board of Adjustment hearing on a proposed Waldbaum's market on South Avenue. Page A-3.

Mock trial

Cranford High School's law club will present its annual mock trial before Municipal Court Judge James Bell at 7 p.m. Monday.

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Photo by Cheryl Moulton

TRIBUTE: Fire Chief William Brown, left, and Mayor Ed Force present a plaque to firefighter Wesley Ditzel who is retiring after 35 ½ years of service. Story is on Page B-10.

Area residents object to county realignment of Lenape skeet range

By Cheryl Moulton

Residents of County Park Drive are trying to shoot down a proposed plan by the county to move its trap and skeet shooting facilities in Lenape Park closer to their properties, and township officials are backing them all the way.

At Tuesday's Township Committee meeting the residents filled the small meeting room to appeal for the help and support of governing body members. Mayor Ed Force immediately let the group know the township would stand by their side in fighting the changes the county had proposed. Force suggested the residents attend nest Thursday's county freeholder meeting and volunteered to accompany them.

The issue came to light when residents received legal notification the end of January the county had applied to the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) for a "transition area waiver" and letter of interpretation in an effort to "realign" the 60-year old facility located in Lenape Park, a project which will bring launching stations to within 200 feet of some residences along County Park Drive.

Because the area is within wetlands area, DEP approval is required prior to any reconstruction. The waiver, if approved by the DEP, will allow "certain otherwise prohibited activities," to occur in the transition area, according to the letter sent to residents. A transition area is described as an area adjacent to freshwater wetlands, extending up to 150 feet from the freshwater wetlands boundary.

A petition now circulating among the quiet residential neighborhood bordering the facility claims the expansion and relocation of the trap and skeet launching stations will put an "outrageous infringement on the rights of those living adjacent to the park," and infringe on residents' right to enjoy a normal life. According to Greg Sgroi, spokesman for the objecting residents and resident of Country Park Drive, the proposed realignment will "exacerbate the adverse impact the existing facility has, expanding use from four launching stations to five," and relocating the actual facility from the 600 feet to 200 feet in part.

Sgroi, township engineer during the 1980s, maintains 60 shotgun

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Schools ease children's anxiety about Gulf war

By Rosalie Gross

While school children in Cranford continue to write letters to troops and display yellow ribbons as a sign of support, others are fearful about the impact of the first war in their lives.

The anxiety ranges from the fear expressed by young children at Walnut School that the airplanes they hear over their houses at night will drop bombs on them to the real concerns of pupils who have family members serving in the Gulf and the worry of students and faculty at Solomon Schechter School, many of whom have family or friends in Israel.

Walnut principal Joan Melvin said teachers in the K-3 school are "giving children an opportunity to vent their feelings." Elementary intervention teacher Leesa Barenboim speaks to children about their anxieties about the war at parents' requests. Melvin said a newsletter is being sent home to help parents deal with their youngsters' fears. At the same time, Walnut pupils are painting a 10-foot mural that depicts recent holidays to be sent to the troops.

The atmosphere at Solomon Schechter, a Jewish day school on Orange Avenue for grades K to 12, is tense. Ruth Ritterband, school head, said, "It seems everyone either has relatives or friends in Israel or knows someone who does." She said there are a number of Israeli children and faculty at the school.

She said a radio is on constantly for the latest news and "every phone here can be in touch in a few minutes with Israel." Within minutes of an Iraqi Scud missile attack as the Sabbath started two weeks ago, one teacher called her sister-in-law in Tel Aviv, who reported that her house was shaking as she spoke on the phone. Another teacher immediately contacted a relative who found it difficult to speak on the phone while wearing a gas mask.

Ritterband said additional prayers and psalms are included in the daily morning service while third and fourth graders write prayers for peace. Sensitive sessions have been scheduled to give children an opportunity to "talk it through" and the guidance department is setting up support groups for faculty members.

The Schechter administrator said there is "enormous support and loyalty for American troops." She said the boys' varsity basketball team has affixed American flags to their uniforms as a show of support.

Ritterband said the school has been in touch with Cranford police regarding security. "They've been very supportive and helpful," she said.

Pupils at Brookside School are sending a steady stream of letters to the Gulf, both to troops with a personal connection to persons at school and anonymously. Sixth graders have written more than 200 letters since the term started and all are wearing yellow ribbons that they made. Pupils correspond regularly with Jeff Voorhees, a friend of teacher Dan Callaghan, Capt. Robert C. Dooley of Cranford, and Teresa Hotchkis, a friend of teacher Ruth King. Fourth and fifth graders also write regularly.

Brookside's fifth grade provides a daily newscast each morning over the intercom. The "WBRS" news report gives the latest events in the war plus weather and sports.

Classes at Hillside, Orange and Livingston schools also correspond. Hillside's assistant principal Warren Pinto said pupils held a bake sale in the fall to raise money for postage for letters and packages. Social studies teacher Paul Maloney's fifth period class initiated the drive. Pinto estimates 200 letters have been sent and about 20 responses have been received.

Pinto said several pupils have relatives stationed in the Gulf and teachers have been alerted to look for signs of anxiety. He said crisis intervention staff is available if

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Photographs depict mystery bride of years ago

MYSTERY BRIDE: This wedding picture is one of 14 in a pack found on High Street some 10 years ago.

By Cheryl Moulton

About 10 years ago Hubert Allcock of High Street found a pack of photographs on the rain slicked roadway near his home, and to this day he still does not know to whom they belong.

Mr. Allcock remembers the day he found the pictures lying in the road, wet, sticky and fused together. Later he soaked them in rainwater, laid them on a piece of glass to dry, and used a roller to separate them. Once dry, Allcock realized the finish of each photo was covered with a gray substance and the faces marred by jigsaw puzzle type marks on them. He rubbed his finger across one picture, realizing the more he rubbed the clearer the picture beneath became, the picture of a bride.

Thus he began the tedious process of burnishing each photograph by hand. It was a time consuming process, but little by little the pictures were restored. Allcock came to know the people in each of the pictures, becoming familiar with each face as he completed the burnishing. What unfolded was a story in pictures of the wedding day of a young couple, the family and friends who celebrated with them, and the glow of happiness the celebration of marriage brings to the faces of all who share the day. A story of people Allcock never met but strangely feels he has come to know.

Once the restoration was complete, Allcock took the pictures with him on walks, asked those who live in the area if they know the young couple pictured, to no avail. Someone else might have abandoned the pictures, sticking them in a drawer or throwing them out, but not Allcock. He put them on the top of his dresser and almost weekly continued to pick them up, looking for a familiar scene. The pictures show the church undergoing renovation or some other type of work at the time of the wedding since scaffolding is in place. They were developed by Moto-Photo.

Last August Allcock's wife of almost 50 years died. He could not forget she had told him he should take the pictures down to the Chronicle and see if the owners could be found. One day last week, Allcock put the pictures in his pocket and walked downtown and into the Chronicle office to tell his story.

Would he like to meet the couple? "I sure would," he says, "I feel like I know them after all these years."

Who is the couple in the photographs? Do you know them? If you do, contact the Chronicle at 276-6000.

FAMILY AFFAIR: Chamber of Commerce president Paul LaCorte, right, cuts the ribbon at recent grand opening ceremony for Four Star Pizza, 408 Centennial Ave. Assisting him are Mr. and Mrs. Victor Zalewski, proprietors, and their children, from left, Yvette, Christine and Victor Jr. In rear are employees Martin McGowan and Shirley O'Brien and Jim Parsons of the franchise company.

Chamber retailers plan upcoming events; tokens continue

A disappointing turnout clouded the Jan. 29 meeting of downtown merchants and business owners. Commenting on the poor turnout, Chamber of Commerce president Paul LaCorte asked, "Hats off to those that attended but where are the rest of the retailers?

"The Chamber feels very strongly about those downtown business owners that don't participate," continued LaCorte, "as do the 15 or so retailers funding all promotions going on downtown."

"The same 10 have participated for three years," claimed one merchant in attendance. "Even personal invitations to come out don't get results."

According to LaCorte, "some common excuses are: 'Well, if I remember when I wake up' or 'If I can get the kids to school earlier' or 'I'm mad at so and so' and 'Not on my day off.'"

The meeting, with 38 in attendance, featured guest speaker Gail Lloyd who discussed ways retailers could work together for success. "One would think," LaCorte continued, "such a sad economy would influence people a little to realize the importance of working together. Perhaps they could save some advertising money or get more for their promotional dollar by working together."

Despite the poor turnout, the retail promotions program is still planning a variety of events. "We don't expect to see new things," LaCorte said, "but at least those 10 to 15 retailers are putting together some good downtown events that will be complemented by the Chamber and the DMC."

Scheduled events include an Arts and Crafts Street Festival on June 23, a circus on July 3, the dedication of Eastman Plaza and a summer concert series.

In other downtown news, the Chamber and the DMC stated the parking token program is still in effect, "not just holiday hype." Participating merchants will continue to provide customers and clients with meter tokens which can be used to cover the cost of parking.

Stores and offices offering tokens have a decal in their door or window. "Free parking is a necessity to remain competitive with shopping malls," said Chamber president Paul LaCorte.

DMC committees gear up for spring

The DMC maintenance and clean communities committees are gearing up for spring. Twelve small ashtrays will be installed this week on designated parking meters to offer pedestrians and shoppers a place to discard their cigarettes, instead of on the sidewalk.

To emphasize keeping downtown clean and to introduce the parking meter ashtrays, a red ribbon and balloon will be tied to each equipped meter on Valentine's Day.

More anti-litter campaign ideas are brewing for Earth Day events in April. Also tary a community planting is in the works including garden clubs as well as the horticulture, DMC and river committees. Ideas and volunteers are welcome.

Jeweler to donate portion of sales to military families

Combining the spirit of Valentine's Day with concern for American troops in the Persian Gulf, Martin Jewelers is donating 14 percent of the purchase price of certain jewelry and gift items to the American Red Cross Service to Military Families Fund.

The Valentine bonus is in effect now until Feb. 16.

The Red Cross fund has been reactivated in response to unusual needs created by Operation Desert Storm. Services administered through this fund include financial assistance to spouses and children of military personnel and kin for wounded troops entering veterans hospitals.

In keeping with the significance of yellow ribbons and hearts as a symbol of Valentine's Day, Martin Jewelers will donate to the fund 14 percent of the purchase price of gold bow jewelry, heart-shaped jewelry, amethyst jewelry and heart-shaped or trimmed china. Designated items also include animal jewelry and crystal silver deer figures as symbols of pets.

The store at 12 North Ave. W. traditionally has donated a percentage of sales at Valentine's Day to the American Heart Association. Store manager Ellen Ramer said, "That continues to be a cause of particular consideration to us. This year, however, it seemed important to express our admiration for our service people and their families. We hope that this project will convey our support for them."

Two Boulevard bridges slated for improvements

Construction on two Kenilworth Boulevard bridges in Cranford is currently scheduled to begin in the spring.

Improvements to the substructure and superstructure will made to the two four-lane county bridges which span the Rahway River and Nomahegan Brook. The concrete decks on each of the bridges also will be replaced. Federal funds will finance 80 percent of the project while state funds will finance 20 percent.

In December the N.J. Department of Transportation received 16 bids for the project. F. Gaccione Inc. of Kearny submitted the apparent lowest bid, $992,941.

Union County engineer Frank Petrik said that each of the bridges are 65 years old and outside of basic maintenance have not undergone any major construction for 20 years. Petrik also said that although the construction requires traffic to be trimmed down to one lane in each direction the road's "traffic flow will be maintained."

Since federal funding will be used to finance the project, construction must be completed by Jan. 17, 1992.

From the front

Brookside School sixth graders received the following letter recently from an Air Force pilot who also is a longtime friend of their teacher Dan Callaghan.

Dear Class:

Hello from Saudi Arabia, the big sand box in the East. I received your letters today and want to thank you all for taking the time to write me. We fly almost every day so I am going to write one big letter to try and answer all your questions. With the time I have available, it would be next year before I could answer all of you.

I am 27 years old and fly a KC-135 Stratotanker. I'm sorry to disappoint you but I have not flown in the movie "Top Gun." Thanks for asking though. The KC-135 is like a Boeing 707 (big plane). Our mission is to refuel other air planes in the sky. We've been flying a lot since we got here. So much of our free time is spent sleeping, eating, doing aerobics or running. The temperatures being cooled considerably since I arrived over two months ago, probably three by the time you get this. The daytime temperature averages around 60 degrees and the night time brings us close to 30 degrees. In another month or so it will start warming up again and we'll find temperatures over 120 degrees. We live in a compound here and are lucky to have old dorms. We even have a chow hall with pretty decent food so we really can't complain since the soldiers on the front line are far worse off. Then again, I didn't join the Air Force for nothing.

I have enjoyed the Air Force a lot, especially because I do get to fly. Since I was young, I've always wanted to fly airplanes and the Air Force has allowed me to fulfill my dream. I have seen just about every state in the country and a large part of the world to include Europe, England, France, Germany, Switzerland, Luxembourg and now Saudi Arabia. I've been on active duty for only four years. I imagine that by the time I get out I'll have seen most of God's earth. With my travels so far, I realize each and every time I see a new place, that the United States is the best country in the world, period. Freedom is what our forefathers created and fought for and it is what I will fight for (and all of us over here) and die for if necessary. The war hasn't started yet (less than a week away) so I haven't killed anyone but I will if I have too. Our main threat flying a tanker is getting shot down which is not too likely because of our superior air power. Our compound is near a big city so terrorism is a big player along with chemical Scud missiles. Nothing serious has happened yet but when the war kicks off, I'm sure that will change. We carry guns when we fly (so far) and the ammo is regulated so I don't have any extra bullets—sorry.

On a lighter note, I also enjoy sports. My favorite ones include baseball, fishing, skiing, hunting, swimming and hiking. I also enjoy watching football and basketball when I get a chance. As you have guessed, we all miss our families. Such a long separation is a sacrifice that is unavoidable. I wish I could be home but we have a job to do and I'm glad I'm here to do it. Saddam Hussein must leave. Christmas and New Year's were just like any other day here. We did have a little get together with the crew to open up gifts from home but that was about it. I think most of us are waiting to celebrate with our families when we get home. What did make Christmas so special even in a place like this is that it reminded us of the sacrifice that God made in sending us Jesus. We all realized (those of us who celebrate Christmas) that it is not the gifts we get that make the day but the little present from God that lay in the manger on Christmas morning so long ago.

The desert is a lot of sand. I have trouble understanding why anybody would want to live in a desert. I was allowed to go downtown today and we saw our first camels. The bugs and insects aren't too bad but when it gets hot again, that will definitely change. Some other hobbies I do with what is left over of the spare time is playing guitar, poker (cards) and jigsaw puzzles. I correspond with at least 30 people so letter writing has become a hobby also. I hope that I have answered most of your questions. We are going to kick Hussein's butt and make all of your even prouder to be able to say that you're an American. Thanks again for everything.

Your friend,
Jeff Voorhees

P.S. I have known Dan (Mr. Callaghan) since it was half your age. You guys and girls are very lucky to have a teacher like him, especially if you need a friend, because he can be your friend also. Continue to study hard and you can do anything in life that you want to. Never forget the freedom and the American way of life that we are fighting for. We are not only fighting for our country, but also for each and every one of you. Do the best that you can and remember a smile and a friend go a long, long way.

Thanks again for the letters and please take good care of yourselves.

Project Home exceeds goal for 1990, collects $11,240

At a recent meeting of Project Home treasurer Dorothy DiTulio announced that Cranford's newest charitable agency received $11,240 in contributions in 1990, against a goal of $10,000. This was better than 12 percent increase for the organization's second year of operation. A major contributor was the Cranford Junior Woman's Club, which gave some $4,700.

The purpose of Project Home is to help Cranford residents threatened with eviction from their living quarters because a temporary emergency prevents them from meeting rental or mortgage payments. Project Home channels its funds entirely through Cranford Family Care which has the expertise to identify the legitimacy of requests and also protects the confidentiality of recipients.

During the past year Project Home furnished Family Care with $11,350, as requested by the latter agency. Project Home spent $198.80 for such needs as postage, stationery, etc., which means that more than 98 percent of contributions went to assist those in danger of losing their residences.

Project Home will begin its 1991 appeal for support in late February. However, those who wish to contribute now for 1991 may send contributions to: Project Home, P.O. Box 7124, Cranford 07016.

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*Tim Morley joined the Marine Reserve after high school.
*The U.S. Naval Academy is at Annapolis, Md.
*Irwin Weinberg became Cranford Board of Education attorney in 1979.

SPOTLIGHTING FAMILY: Edythe Lambert of the National Council of Negro Women and First Baptist Church sets up Cranford Library display in honor of Black History Month emphasizing family, education and God.

Waldbaum's appraiser testifies on impact on home values

By Paul Arianas
Chronicle associate

The impact of Waldbaum's on the property values of homes in close proximity to the proposed supermarket site dominated Monday night's hearing before the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Brian Fahey, attorney for Waldbaum's, presented Marc Schachter, a real estate appraiser as an expert witness to describe what impact the proposed 46,000-square-foot market would have on both the industrial/warehouse and residential zones near the 555 South Ave. site. "There should be no adverse impact on any of the neighborhoods from the supermarket," Schachter said. "The impact should be positive."

Schachter said that proximity to shopping areas is a valuable condition which contributes to the market value of a home. "One of the tools of selling," Schachter continued, "is available amenities such as schools. Cranford does not have a supermarket. This could be such an amenity." Schachter supported his argument by displaying real estate advertisements which used proximity to shopping areas as a major selling point.

Richard Matteon of 485 South Ave. E. disputed the relevance of the ads claiming that they pertained to new developments, not established neighborhoods, such as residential areas near the proposed site.

Schachter also felt that a new supermarket would benefit the township by inciting competition among area markets.

Schachter based his conclusions on a study he conducted which compared the assessed value to the selling price of homes located within two blocks of supermarkets in Roselle, Garwood and Westfield. Schachter stated that the majority of the homes sold at prices which were much higher than the assessed value.

Dennis Mahoney, attorney for resident Ronald Ginsberg, who opposes the proposal, challenged Schachter's conclusions claiming that the study was unable to demonstrate that proximity to markets was responsible for the high assessment-sale ratio. He also stated that the houses studied were near existing supermarkets. Nick Montalto of Thomas Street reiterated the point, saying, "It seems that the crux of the matter is really what is going to happen right after a supermarket is built, not 15 years from now."

At the end of the evening, John Rae, traffic consultant for Waldbaum's, testified again on the market's impact on area traffic. Rae repeated his original testimony that any additional traffic would be "easily accommodated" by the surrounding streets. Also he repeated the claim that the market's parking lot would provide adequate parking for both customers and employees.

The hearing will continue Monday at 8:15 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

$1-million 'catch-up' budget proposed for Cranford High

By Rosalie Gross

Saying that the school board is "paying the price of small increases the last two to three years," Cranford High School principal Robert Seyfarth described some $1.1 million in proposed expenditures to the Board of Education at a budget workshop Jan. 28.

The spending requests at CHS for the fiscal year beginning July 1 are 134 percent higher than the current CHS budget of $470,140, a difference of $632,108 for supplies, equipment and services. Salaries are not included.

The school board is completing an initial line-by-line review of a proposed $26 million budget for 1991-92. Token reductions have been made so far with more serious cutting yet to come. As it stands, the spending requests are 22 percent or $5 million higher than the current budget. Principals and supervisors have appeared before the board the last few weeks to explain their priorities to the board before reductions are made. The budget may be discussed again at regular meetings this month on Feb. 11 and 25.

Seyfarth said that some of the anticipated expenditures at CHS relate to the 10-year reaccreditation process by the Middle States Association of Schools and Colleges that will begin next year. He called other expenses "crisis areas."

One priority that can't be cut, said Seyfarth is new textbooks for all subject areas. Some of the texts date to 1963. The total amount budgeted is $92,740, an increase of $44,430 over the amount being spent this year.

The principal has budgeted $97,000 to renovate two lavatories at the school and $70,000 to replace 225 nearly 20-year-old lockers in the boys' gym, which he labeled safety hazards and unusable.

Seyfarth projected $50,000 to correct chronic heat distribution problems, but told the board he could probably correct the most serious problems now for $6,000 and require $25,000 in the upcoming budget.

The principal has asked for $40,000 to fund a recommendation due this spring by a computer study committee. Seyfarth estimates adding eight computers for a total of 24 stations to be used by math classes. Another nine replacement computers are requested for $22,500.

The band wants a new look, too. Director Gerson Horowitz marched two players into the board meeting, one in the 10-year-old Marine style uniform and another in a proposed new uniform, which he said would be more attractive and comfortable. Horowitz said the current uniforms are fading, are ripped and are not flattering.

The uniforms that are proposed have navy blue pants and a medium blue open jacket with a navy border, gold buttons and piping, and a ruffle shirt with blue trim. Horowitz said the price "is very little more than 10 years ago." The estimated cost is $38,000 for 105 band uniforms and 36 band front suits.

As the proposed budget is presented, 75 percent or $19.8 million is earmarked for salaries and employee insurance.

Estimates about the tax impact of the proposed budget are unavailable since the board has not yet made major reductions nor has it been notified by the state about the amount of state aid it will receive. State aid figures had been due Dec. 15, but legislators are considering plans to amend the new Quality Education Act funding formulas. The legislature this week changed the school budget election from April 2 to 30, but has not set a date for releasing state aid figures. As of yesterday, the bill is awaiting the governor's signature.

College lines up programs for Black History Month

Cultural, historical and creative endeavors will be highlighted during February as Union County College commemorates Black History Month.

The college's Black Organization of Students (BOS), an extracurricular group that works to promote black heritage, has scheduled several events, all to be held at 12:15 p.m. in the Nomahegan Building with the overall theme, "Don't Tell Me What I Can't Do."

The schedule is: Feb. 5, a film, "The Meeting" will be shown; Feb. 7, Sharon Johnson, the college's Educational Opportunity Fund assistant director, will speak on campus racism; Feb. 12, a film highlighting BOS's "Kwanzaa" celebration during the Christmas season; Feb. 14, Vincent Wrice, BOS adviser, to speak on male images; Feb. 19, a rap session on current events dealing with black culture; Feb. 21, performance by gospel singer L.D. Frazier; Feb. 26, presentation on ancient African history by members of BOS; and Feb. 28, presentation by a black journalist.

In addition, BOS will conduct a second rap session featuring students from various colleges throughout the area at 7 p.m. Feb. 22 in the Roy W. Smith Theater on campus.

The Center for Adults Returning to Education (CARE) will feature English professor Lea Crowders at 12:15 p.m. Feb. 5 in MacKay Library. She will present "Montage in Black," an overview of the African-American experience, through music, slides and poetry.

Foreign language proposal resurfaces; response is cool

By Rosalie Gross

A 10-month-old proposal to introduce foreign languages in the sixth and seventh grades in Cranford public schools was dusted off and presented Jan. 22 to the Board of Education for consideration. The reaction was similar to last March when the board felt it could not afford a program costing more than $50,000 in times of budget uncertainty.

The latest proposal, presented by curriculum supervisor Francis Lucash, is essentially the same as introduced last March. French would be taught to sixth graders in the first half of the school year and Spanish in the second half. Classes would meet twice a week for 30 minutes resulting in the equivalent of one month of high school instruction. Both German and Latin would be introduced in the first half of the year for seventh graders. Each would be taught for 47 minutes twice a week, resulting in the equivalent of four high school periods less of instruction than pupils received in French and Spanish.

The time for sixth graders would come from elimination of a weekly period of library instruction and a computer period held with the classroom teacher. Seventh graders would give up two periods of gym a week, but still meet state minumum requirements of 150 minutes per week.

The cost of additional teachers and materials would total $55,700.

Several board members said they they would prefer to wait until they complete budget deliberations for 1991-92 and receive other curriculum proposals from Lucash so that their merits could be judged. The curriculum director said a committee is currently at work on a new computer education plan which he expects to present to the board in May. Lucash also promises proposals for language arts and math curriculum revisions.

"The decisions won't get easier," said Lucash. "They'll only get harder."

The board will consider the foreign language proposal as it continues to discuss the proposed budget for next year. Money for the proposal has not been included in the budget that is being constructed.

Enrollment open for tots' program

Helen K. Baldwin Nursery School at First Presbyterian Church is accepting registration for its fall Play Pal program.

The program, which is for children who will be 2 ½ by October, introduces youngsters to group activities in addition to free play, arts and crafts, music, story time and physical activities. Call Mary Wells, 276-1166.

Seniors' parents asked for photos

Parents of seniors at Cranford High School are asked to contribute photographs of their children that involve any school activities for a "wall of memories" for the class party at the end of the school year.

Pictures are sought of sports, band, choir, club and social activities. The photo display will be used at subsequent class reunions.

Photos, with names on the back, should be sent to Dianne Barrett, 15 Locust Dr., telephone 276-3457, or Birgit Funk, 17 Balmiere Pkwy., 276-8326. Pictures are not returnable.

JACKSON & WALLACH

Anne Jackson and Eli Wallach will appear in a new play, "Sparky and Fritz" at George Street Playhouse, New Brunswick, Feb. 15 to March 3. Call 246-7469.

School board to advertise for attorney

The Cranford Board of Education will begin searching for a new attorney this month by placing an advertisement in the New Jersey Law Journal.

The board decided at a meeting Monday that this would be the most productive source of applicants. The board also will send recruitment letters to attorneys representing other school boards in Union County. The lawyers will be asked to respond by March 20 and the board, acting as a committee of the whole, will review the resumes.

In the meantime, three lawyers have sent the board letters expressing their interest in the position.

The board is looking for a successor to Irwin Weinberg, whose service to the board was terminated Feb. 1.

Literacy tutoring training to begin

Literacy Volunteers of Union County will conduct training workshops at Cranford Library Saturdays beginning this week and running until March 9.

Sessions are scheduled from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Feb. 9 and from 10:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. the remaining Saturdays.

There is a need in Union County for adult volunteers to tutor adults how to read. Volunteers will view Literacy Volunteers of America videotapes, role play and use workbooks and test materials. After volunteers are trained, they will be expected to tutor a resident of Union County. Call 254-6060, ext. 214, to register.

Candidate seeks campaign support

Cranford's first declared school board candidate George B. Young announced this week that his "tax revolt" campaign is under way.

He said financial or other support may be directed to the Tax Revolt Campaign, P.O. Box 162, Cranford. Young said his campaign will be directed against a "well-financed political action committee" and said all contributions will be acknowledged. He also reminded unregistered residents to sign up to vote, saying this April's school board and budget election "will be the most important in years."

GREAT SWAMP

Folklorist Jack Rushing will speak about the Great Swamp at a meeting of Suburban Home Economists at 11:30 a.m. Feb. 8 in Chatham. Call 233-1976 for details.

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Commentary

Meeting of the minds

Hartz Mountain Industries and the township ended a two-year uphill battle last week when they reached a meeting of the minds. The path was fraught with dead ends, detours and many fits and starts, but through it all both Cranford and Hartz worked toward a common end.

Hartz can be congratulated for stepping back, reassessing the needs of town residents, and withdrawing plans for a mall. First impressions on both sides of the fence were not good, but in the end it was obvious Hartz had bent over backwards to work with the township, not against it.

The long road began more than two years ago when Hartz purchased the 31-acre former Beecham site on Walnut Avenue. Like two ships meeting in the night, Hartz knew little about the small town nestled along the river, and the township knew only Hartz was a statewide developer. When Hartz announced plans to build a mall, the news hit residents living near the site and township officials like a brick wall. The township rebounded and took a pro-active position by hiring the Hudson Partnership in July of 1989 to evaluate the area that was to become known as the "southwest gateway." The residents rebounded, forming an opposition group, Residents Against The Mall (RAM). The sides had been drawn, and there seemed little room for meeting in the middle.

Although Hartz withdrew plans to build the mall, town fathers continued working with Hudson in researching the impact redevelopment of the site would have on the community. What followed was a recommendation by Hudson to "down zone" the southwest corner of the township. In the next months town fathers held a town forum to hear residents speak out on the redevelopment and to field growing questions. The initial impact Hartz had made in proposing a mall had left a bitter taste in the mouths of residents. The mind set was one of distrust.

Over the next six months Hudson and a township hired land use attorney worked hand and hand to form a new ordinance. Draft after draft was revised, reviewed and reshashed.

During this period Hartz came back to the township with revised plans for redevelopment and a wish to conform to the draft ordinance in the works. During the summer both Hartz and the township joined together somewhat hesitantly at first to understand the needs of the other. It was a make it or break it period, a testing ground, and both treaded carefully. As in any relationship, trust came slowly.

Last August the new ordinance down zoning the southwest corner of the township was approved. A few months later the Planning Board started hearing the Hartz application for redevelopment.

It was obvious from the start Hartz had endeavored to conform to the newly adopted ordinance. Each facet of the presentation, although long and often technical, showed a desire on the part of the developer to comply. Expert witnesses applied suggestions of board members to the proposed plans, inching along toward a mutually satisfactory site plan.

Throughout several months of meetings, few clashes were evident. What was evident was a major developer who wanted to be a good neighbor and a township that had done its homework and now wanted to see the star on the top of the paper. Planning Board meetings should have been called workshops, such was the form and content. Heads came together for amicable solutions.

Congratulations are in order to both Cranford and Hartz who overcame the stigma of first impressions. Both deserve a hand.

Calendar of meetings

Thursday, Feb. 7
7:30 p.m. Cranford Mayor's Committee on Airplane Noise, Municipal Building
8 p.m. Cranford Board of Education and Township Committee joint meeting, Lincoln School
8 p.m. Kenilworth Planning Board, Borough Hall

Monday, Feb. 11
7 p.m. Kenilworth Borough Council workshop, Borough Hall
8 p.m. Cranford Board of Education workshop, Lincoln School
8 p.m. Kenilworth Board of Education, Harding School

A red satin heart-shaped box

I can remember how important Valentine's Day was when I was in grammar school, and how much I dreaded and anticipated Feb. 14 as it grew closer.

I can still picture Sister Anne standing up in the front of the classroom announcing plans for Valentine's Day. It was not a day I was looking forward to. It was the day your true worth came to light in the form of small white envelopes. It was the day numbers counted and you found out how popular you were by the number of valentines you received.

Despite being a tomboy and enjoying the camaraderie of being "one of the boys," I was haunted by the results of such pursuits on Valentine's Day. The equal opportunity valentine act had yet to be invented and so the evolution of deeply scarred and wounded valentine massacre victims began to slowly creep into society.

I dreaded the day the cardboard box covered with crepe paper and red hearts appeared. It sat there off to the side, a menacing reminder that within a few days the determining factor of my popularity would glaringly stare me in the face.

Three or four days before the big day, kids began to bring in the treasured valentines. The girls would rush to one another, whisper and giggle, pointing to one boy or another as they slipped their valentines into the box. I suppose I didn't fit the mold at the time. Most of the girls came to school neat and stayed neat and clean all day long. Their white socks stayed turned down, their blouses tucked in and their hair within the bounds of clips or a ponytail. Invariably I pulled up my socks so many times they stretched out at the top, and the neat ponytail or braids Mom had fixed in the morning had long wisps of hair hanging loose. I also tripped over everything, including my feet. (Well I still do that but...) I couldn't have cared less except around Valentine's Day...then I cared.

Valentine's Day was a "class party" day. At 2 p.m. Sister Anne would rap on her desk with the wooden pointer, clear her throat and announce who had won the coveted role of "handing out the valentines." The chosen one would deliver each valentine, usually with great fanfare, while the rest of us kids sat at our desks waiting. Some of us waited longer than others.

Once the box was opened, my heart would pound and I would hold up hope some boy secretly admired me from afar and I, unaware, was about to find out who he was. Out of the corner of my eye I would watch the delivery of the valentines, my heart sinking every time my desk was passed by. Meanwhile, I horsed around like the rest of the kids, trying to look nonchalant, but my eye was on the person distributing those valentines. Sister Anne, oblivious to anything but keeping the reins in on the boys who were delivering spit balls behind her back, raced up and down the aisles, shouting, "You think you're a comedian? Stop those shenanigans right now."

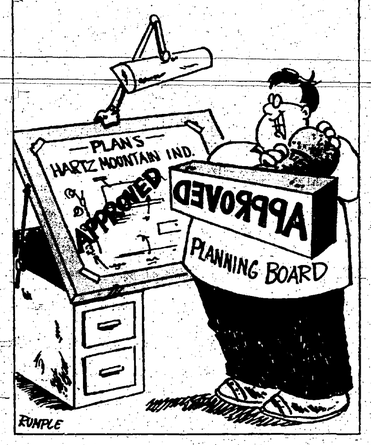
Amidst the cupcakes, candy hearts with sayings and cinnamon red hots, the delivery continued. Several girls had huge piles on their desks, gushing and squealing when another valentine hit their desk. I had practiced gushing in front of the mirror the night before but had yet to put it to use. I managed to live through the humiliating scene of one boy, though, opening a valentine from me and yelling, "Yuck, not Cheryl, she has cooties."

By the time all the valentines were all delivered, I had received eight valentines (all from girls) out of a class of 53. While the other girls continued to rave over the valentines they received from various boys, I pretended I did not care. But I did.

After school let out, I felt the crushing pain of knowing I was not "liked" by any the boys, and even less by some of the girls. The pain of rejection is never easy, especially when you are only 10 years old. I can remember climbing the steps to the back door, and coming into the kitchen. Sitting on the counter were a dozen red roses Dad had sent to Mom. I could not imagine anyone ever caring enough about me to send me roses if I could not even get a lousy valentine from a boy. Head hung low, I sat in my room wishing I was anyone but my old ugly, clumsy, crummy self, and wondering what was wrong with me.

I remember Dad coming home that night and asking, "Where's my valentine?" I walked into the kitchen and Dad (who hated any form of mushiness, kissing or affection) stood there with most beautiful red satin heart shaped box of candy in his hands. "There she is," he said, handing me the box. I kept that box long after the last morsel of candy was gone. For years it held treasures of the times of my life. The top became faded and the edges a little worn, but I kept it anyway. I still have that red satin, heart shaped box because it represents a time when my Dad made a tough time easier. Many a Valentine's Day has passed since then, but to me, a red satin heart shaped box will always spell LOVE.

Shenanigans
By Cheryl Moulton



North Avenue facade falling

To the Editor:
I thought a Scud had hit Cranford as I leisurely shopped on North Avenue today. A large piece of cement crashed to the sidewalk just 20 feet in front of me. I hailed a passing police car. The area in front of the Village Shoe Shop, where the concrete landed, was cordoned off immediately. A fire truck with a hydraulic ladder arrived and firemen knocked off the remaining loose concrete from the facade 25 feet above the store.

I talked to the gathering people and found that this is a recurring problem. A gentleman who lives above Cortina restaurant said a complete six-foot section of the facade fell in front of the entrance to the restaurant a year ago. The section above the shoe store was cracked and repaired a half year ago. The repaired cement work is what had fallen.

Obviously something should be done to safeguard the pedestrians on that portion of North Avenue. Past repairs are not solving the problem.

The purpose of this letter is to inform the townsfolk about this situation and to make it known to the building owners from North Avenue to Eastman Street that the past resolutions to the problem are not working.

I think that the Township Committee should insist, through the building inspector, that required repairs be designed and supervised by a professional engineer, qualified in this field.

Henry B. Koehler
9 Canterbury Place

Appalled at poor attendance

To the Editor:
I was appalled last night at the poor attendance of residents who neglected to attend one of the most important Planning Board meetings of 1991. Our Planning Board memorialized the resolution to grant Hartz Mountain Industries the right to build not one but two office buildings on their property and change the entrance and exit of the existing land.

For the past four years, I have heard and read that Dan Aschenbach, the Democratic Township Committeeman, was extremely interested in the project and its impact on the residents of Walnut area. Where was he last Wednesday night? Why was he too busy to attend this meeting? Is it because the election is over and he isn't running in November?

Well, folks, you really missed a great show. You missed hearing John Duryee suggest that they close Mitchell Place and install a red light to accommodate Hartz, or other Planning Board members show concern about the types of spruce trees that are going to be planted. Everyone seems to consider Walnut Avenue to be a four-lane road and that it will be able to accommodate this influx of traffic. They did require a 30 percent car pool reduction from Hartz, so I guess for that we should be grateful.

A neighbor of mine asked me how was he going to get in and out of his existing driveway. That seems to be a good question that no one seems to be able to answer. Several times during the evening, remarks were made that it only affected one or two houses. Don't we count? We pay taxes, we vote and we care about our homes.

At the end of the evening several board members stated that this is probably the best project that Cranford has ever seen and it will be wonderful for Cranford. Wonderful for whom? Not the residents that live across the street from it. Maybe because of the taxes it will generate or perhaps maybe because it's better than a mall. I don't believe for one minute that Hartz ever intended to build a mall. This was their way of throwing up a smoke screen and getting exactly what they wanted—an office complex.

Lastly, my kudos to Mayor Ed Force who spoke up for us and said you can't barricade Mitchell Place, that residents will go wild. I think he was right and at least he cared enough to attend this meeting.

Lydia A. Allen
751 Walnut Ave.

Viewpoint

Questions Waldbaum's tactics

To the Editor:
At this time I'm neither for nor against the rezoning of the site of the proposed Waldbaum's supermarket, but I do question Waldbaum's representatives' tactics.

As a homeowner in close proximity to the proposed Waldbaum's, site which may affect the value of my home, plus bring more traffic into my street, I thought their representatives would contact my neighbors and myself to arrest any doubts we might have. But no, they bus seniors from Gill housing to and from the township meeting, then serve them refreshments to voice their support for a supermarket. I am a senior myself and many of the Gill residents are my friends. I respect their opinions and they certainly should be heard, but I resent Waldbaum's representatives using them.

Voices that should be heard in support of rezoning the proposed Waldbaum's site are the merchants and new families that have invested in Cranford. A question I'd like to ask is why are we rezoning another area for retail trade when spending thousands of dollars trying to revitalize the downtown shopping area?

Estelle M. Kameika
106 Thomas St.

Change should not bring adversity

To the Editor:
Isn't it strange that today's inner cities are attempting to rebuild and restore themselves at great cost and little hope whereas Cranford is close to doing the opposite?

The ease in point is the inflicting of a large unneeded and unwanted supermarket (Waldbaum's) in close proximity to residential areas whose residents see nothing but detrimental effects to their lives and property values.

The zoning board already upheld the present zoning laws on this abomination last year when it was voted down, much to the relief of the overwhelming majority of taxpayers who attended many of the long zoning board sessions.

Zoning laws are a necessity in any organized community. Change sometimes becomes a fact of life, but it should never cause adversity to the affected residents.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard O. Mattoon
485 South Ave., E.

FAA and the EECP

To the Editor:
Recently there was an article in this paper concerning the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) and the Expanded East Coast Plan (EECP). The article stated that the FAA could be compared to Saddam Hussein in that it is a "bully and a liar." It also stated that the EECP has accomplished "nothing." As an FAA employee, I disagree with these statements.

The EECP was not designed to test the patience of the citizens of Cranford with disturbing and disrupting aircraft noise. It was designed to offer additional aircraft routes for westbound departures. Prior to the plan, all aircraft in this area had only one westbound departure point which caused extensive delays and congestion. This major problem was alleviated with the implementation of the EECP. Now, the routes are spread out to include four main departure points that eliminate the "merging" system of one. The plan has also decreased delays by as much as 8 percent, which considering the volume of traffic, is substantial. Also, fuel consumption is down as well as operational errors. Most importantly, it has increased the efficiency and the safety of air traffic operations.

My experience working with the people in the FAA have been very positive and rewarding. My coworkers are hard working, conscientious, team oriented, and extremely caring about the well-being of the flying public.

Steve Shaw
162 N. Lehigh Ave.

Building the football program

To the Editor:
In reference to Al Lies' Jan. 31 column regarding the hiring of a new football coach for the Cranford football team, I must say that I agree wholeheartedly with his viewpoint. I think it's about time that Cranford stopped crying about the situation it now finds itself in, and start taking steps to improve its program.

The first and most critical step this program must take is the hiring of a new head football coach. I hope that the Board of Education does not take this step lightly and continue to make the mistakes it has made "over the last 15 years." Cranford has attempted to mount winning seasons with coaches that, through no fault of their own, do not possess the experience to turn around a program so deeply troubled. This is in part due to the Board of Education's philosophy that they find a teacher who also coaches, rather than a coach who might also teach.

When making the decision as to who the new Cranford football coach will be in the 1990s, I hope that the board will find someone with some strong head coaching experience or someone who has been an assistant with a winning program for a few years. That kind of experience will prove to be a great addition to the young enthusiastic staff we currently possess.

Whatever or whomever the board chooses, let's just hope that that person can build a winning tradition for Cranford football.

Jerry Eicke
144 N. Lehigh Ave.

Inappropriate reply to complaint

To the Editor:
I find Pat Krayowski's attitude very disturbing and also a perfect example of why most people do not attend Board of Education meetings. It is appalling to suggest to Kerry Zielinski to remove his children from their public school. These are the very concerned residents that support our education system.

I do agree that Harding School has many fine teachers. Perhaps she might consider removing the few inept teachers. I also believe that the other higher paying school systems are not vying for the employ of the unique teacher who was collecting a paycheck for more hours and more students than he actually was teaching. I find that to be highly immoral.

I also feel Bill Chango's issue, concerning window decorations, was not the fact of when or if the teachers were reprimanded, but that such incidents occurred is shocking.

As a board member, elected to manage affairs of a school, the reply Mrs. Krayowski offered was not an appropriate manner in which to handle complaints.

Marlene Lynch
68 Park Dr.
Kenilworth

About letters

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Tug at heart, warm smile

To the Editor:
I am writing to discuss my feelings about war in the Persian Gulf. When war first broke out overseas, my first reaction was fear. I am 22 years old and have never been exposed to such reality. I don't have any family or friends serving overseas now, but I do have potential service members possibly waiting to go serve our country in the Gulf.

Recently while driving home from work through Union County my feeling changed from fear to pride and trust in our nation. The towns of Westfield, Garwood and Cranford looked magnificent. The flags and yellow ribbons are everywhere to support the service members overseas for their safe arrival home. Tears of joy blurred my eyes when I looked up and saw a big beautiful flag waving in the wind at the site of McDowells Oil, Heat and Co. on North Avenue in Westfield. After that big beautiful vision, I had a wonderful feeling that hope, strength and support are being shared by everyone.

Although the flag at McDowells is big and beautiful it wasn't until I turned down my street and looked at my elderly neighbor's house which has a small flag on the porch and a yellow bow from a Christmas package stuck on the house. This is when I got the tug in my heart and a warm smile across my face. I'm glad to see everyone supporting our service members, young and old, we are a united nation.

Robin Parisi
104 Winslow Place
Garwood

Joyful sight in awful time

To the Editor:
If there is anything that can bring joy in this awful time of war, it is the sight of so many American flags flying from homes. Why does it take such a crisis for people to show their patriotism? I love my country in good times and bad, and I fly my flag every day all year long.

Even so, it does my heart good, when driving around the streets of Garwood, to see in some places every other house flying our colors. Come on, everybody, let's make Garwood known as the "borough of flags." And pray that God brings this terrible war to a quick end.

Victor Louis Nemeth
679 Willow Ave.

Full support to the troops

To the Editor:
I hope you can find the space to print one more letter concerning America's involvement in the Persian Gulf War. Our troops deserve and should be given our full support, not only now but also at the conclusion of the war. On the same note, our country should try to rectify the disgraceful way our soldiers were treated following the Vietnam conflict.

Also, while it's all well and good to fly the American flags and tie yellow ribbons on everything in sight, not much of this is visible to the troops in the Persian Gulf. I am therefore suggesting two things that should be taken into consideration.

1. The Cranford Chronicle should provide a column that would list local service people and their addresses overseas and I'm sure they would be inundated with mail. This would do more for their morale than all the flags and yellow ribbons in existence.

2. The utility companies should include a card with each bill that would allow you to have a $1 surcharge added to your bill. This would allow a $1 checkoff (much like the presidential donation check-off on your income tax form) or, if your situation demands, you could say no. The money raised in this manner would be used to give financial assistance to the families of military people in paying their utility bills. The card would be in your bill each month and you could accept it or reject it on a monthly basis.

I despise the very thought of war and nothing would make me happier than the war's ending right this minute. But, being more realistic and not expecting that to happen, I will support our troops and pray for their safe return.

John Hathaway
48 Burnside Ave.

Time to stop ignoring terrorists

To the Editor:
I would like to compliment Herman Lieberman on the eloquent style of writing displayed in his Jan. 31 letter titled "Give peace a chance." I don't wish to be as poetic, preferring to straight and to the point.

As a young man who has gone through Army training, and a man who has a good many friends over in the Middle East, I feel that I can honestly say that there is nothing more that I would like to see than peace. However, when is it time to stop ignoring such terrorist actions? When Iraq takes Kuwait? When they take Saudi Arabia? When, Mr. Lieberman? Maybe instead of "rushing into war," we should have continued to impose sanctions. This way, Iraqi troops could dig deeper more luxurious bunkers to shelter themselves. I don't think that we could have imposed any greater sanctions than the heavy bombing we have given Iraqi supply lines, yet Scud missiles continue to fly.

It's time Mr. Lieberman realizes that we are not dealing with a rational man. In a Utopian society, sanctions work and Saddam Hussein goes home peacefully. However, we do not live in an ideal world. We live in a world where Iraqi troops stormed into another country, raped and killed innocent people and then dug in to defend their "new province," while threatening to use chemical weapons on anyone attempting to take it from them.

I think that Mr. Lieberman's time would be much better spent writing to the troops in the Middle East and giving them words of encouragement, rather than quoting Count Oxenstierne. But, because he likes quotes, here's one from Saddam Hussein: "I would like to thank the Americans sympathetic to our situation."

I think that says it all.

Jerry Eicke
144 N. Lehigh Ave.

Wake up, Mr. Lieberman

To the Editor:
Before I respond to Herman Lieberman's latest white flag waving letter in the Jan. 31 issue of the Chronicle, I would like to extend my sympathy to all those who have a loved one serving in the Persian Gulf. My thoughts and prayers are for a speedy and safe return of all Americans.

Mr. Lieberman's latest entry in a seemingly never ending barrage of pacifism reflects a Pollyanna view of the Gulf situation. Mr. Lieberman accuses the president and Saddam Hussein of wanting the war, protests the censorship of the fighting, and cries for the "innocent" civilians of Iraq. He then launches into an advertisement for the "Peace Movement," declares that sanctions were working, and that diplomacy would work even better. He concludes by comparing Vietnam to the Gulf, and exhorting us to "give peace a chance."

Wake up, Mr. Lieberman, no one wanted the war. Not Hussein, who thought he could get away with his continual brutality, nor Mr. Bush whose Mideast policies led Saddam to believe he would be unopposed in his aggression. No one wants casualties, Iraqi or American. But unlike the Peace Movement, some of us realize that "the only thing needed for evil to flourish is for good people to do nothing." Hussein has gassed his own countrymen, raped the citizens of Kuwait, and bombed civilian targets in a country which is not part of the coalition against him. He has even made war on the planet, causing everlasting environmental damage which has no military value whatsoever. Somehow you and your movement continue to believe he would respond to economic sanctions (which Jordan was violating on a daily basis) and diplomacy (which, from an Iraqi point of view, was merely another diversionary tactic).

Hussein is evil and he has flourished for many years as the "good people" of Iraq did nothing to oppose him, the "good people" in 22 countries (including America) sold him weapons of mass destruction, and the "good people" in the Peace Movement silently condoned his previous brutalities, never calling for our country to stop selling him arms.

The Gulf is not Vietnam. If Hussein isn't stopped, he won't give "peace a chance." He will continue his brutal aggression against other people. Unopposed, like an uncontrolled wildfire which destroys everything in its path, he will eventually become strong enough to attack this country. Getting Saddam out of Kuwait isn't enough. Hussein and his war making capabilities must be destroyed. He must be made to pay for his crimes against humanity. Although I suspect George Bush's motives are more economic than moral, I support his efforts.

The goals of your Peace Movement are as illusionary as they are unrealistic, and the long-term result would be even more Iraqi brutality, and the deaths of more innocents. The short-term result will be to undermine the morale of the thousands of brave Americans who are fighting and dying to bring Hussein to justice. I hope that someday you and others in your movement will wake up and realize that destroying this tyrant and others like him is most often the only way to give "real" peace a chance.

Benjamin Feigenbaum
230 Denman Rd.

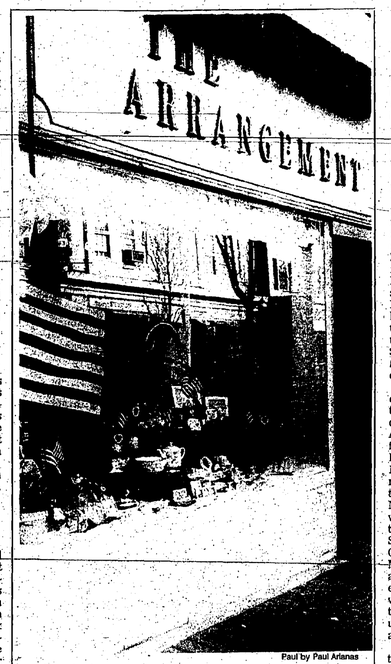
Decision cleared by Congress

To the Editor:
As the war in the Persian Gulf continues into its third week, most Americans will go about their normal activities with much concern and support for our soldiers. However, every day we see and hear anti-war protesters and other individuals denouncing the United States of America's involvement in this conflict. What these people do not seem to realize is that U.S. involvement is no longer an issue. The decision regarding America's use of force in the Persian Gulf was cleared by Congress and put into effect by the man that we elected to make that decision, George Bush.

Now that war has become a horrifying reality to all of us, we must do what we can to support our troops. First, we must send packages and letters of encouragement to help keep morale high. Second, let's fly our American flag with pride at all homes, businesses and schools, as well as in our cars and throughout our town. Now, let's stop second guessing our government's decision to use force against Iraq. Last and most important, we must all pray for a fast and peaceful resolution to this conflict so that we can bring our soldiers home safely. These fine men and women are fighting not only for the rights of the Kuwaitis, but for everything that makes the United States of America the greatest country in the world.

Nobody likes the idea of war, but now is the time that we must all come together and give our troops all of the support that they deserve.

James S. Hathaway
48 Burnside Ave.



Paul by Paul Arianas

RED, WHITE, BLUE AND YELLOW: A patriotic display including flags and yellow ribbons adorns N. Union Avenue's The Arrangement, where yellow bows are available free, but donations will go for items for Gulf troops.

Magnanimous county manager?

To the Editor:
I question the true intentions of county manager Ann Baran for being so magnanimous in announcing that she would not accept a raise in 1991 if the unionized employees in Union County did not accept their raise. It is as though county employee are having a gun put to their heads and told no raise or you will be fired or cause the layoffs of other employees.

For Ms. Baran to ask a $20,000 per year union employee to give up a 6 percent, or $1,200, raise in 1991 after she engineered a $4,700 increase in her salary last December, bringing her salary to $98,700, is insensitive at the very least. Ms. Baran is not as politically naive as she would have one believe. Ann Baran knows that it would be political suicide for any freeholder to vote to increase the salary of the county manager to over $100,000 this year or next year. No freeholder would be that foolish or stupid for that matter.

There is no doubt that the voters and taxpayers paid attention to what the freeholders and the county administration did in 1990. As a result, the voters put three fewer Democrats on the board. Let there be no mistake that the 1990 leadership must accept the responsibility for most of the mess that Union County is in today. Now in 1991, the taxpayers and voters will be looking to and at the actions of the "Team of Seven," Freeholders Welsh, Green, Boright, Ertl, Kowalczyk, McLeod and their county manager, Ann Baran, to see if the voters were truly heard last November. There can be no doubt that should business continue as usual, the voters will clean house again.

It is disheartening to see that the 1990 leadership is back in full charge of Union County again in 1991. They simply played musical chairs on Jan. 1. Freeholder chairman green is now the finance chairman; Freeholder Welsh went from vice chairman to chairman; Freeholder Ertl went from finance chairman to vice chairman and Ann Baran is back doing her duty as manager. In short, look out, here we go again.

It is like a sequel to "Jaws 2," the big bite. With one exception, this year it is dump on the county employee as a way to close a $12-million gap that the "Team of Seven" worked overtime to help create. I do not think they will be successful in fooling the public in 1991.

Within months Freeholders Green and Welsh will announce if they will run again for the freeholder board or opt for the state legislature as a way of getting away from their mess. Freeholder Boright will have to announce his plans as well. Are the Democrats planning another session of musical chairs to help put former Freeholders Suliga or Maccarelli back on the board? Time will tell; however, the voters will be watching them very closely and they all have a long way to go to overcome their action of 1990 and now in 1991. It will be up to county manager Ann Baran to clean house with those who are not needed and that will include her new and bulging staff as well.

I was advised that Lawrence Caroselli, director of finance, issued a very strong and pointed memo to the county manager last fall warning her that Union County would face severe fiscal problems if spending and/or hiring were not checked or curtailed. Were these warnings followed by her and the board? If so, what was done by the board or the county manager? Were his warnings ignored? On Jan. 7 I asked Ms. Baran for the answers and am waiting for her reply. It should prove enlightening at best.

Lastly, I feel that a full review of many of the actions taken last year by the board and the county manager will give the taxpayers a better understanding what could have caused the mess of 1991. An in-depth review of everything from the purchase of certain furniture of $2 million, various building leases and their costs to date, the refusal of the 1990 Board of Freeholders and the "Team of Seven" in 1991 not to place out for public bid the insurance needs of Union County right down to what freeholders' relatives were hired. Stay tuned, this will prove better than any soap opera. At the very least, it will ensure that the voters will not be accused of sleeping in 1991.

Harry Pappas
Former director
County central services
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Kenilworth News

Photos by Donna Hendel

PACKING IT IN: Chris Toma, left, and Jason Parducci prepare SHARE food boxes as part of their confirmation requirements for volunteer work at St. Theresa Church.

Residents 'share' 2 hours monthly in exchange for reduced price food

By Donna Hendel
Chronicle associate

There's a revolution of sorts taking place in Kenilworth under the guise of a non-profit program called World SHARE (Self Help and Resource Exchange). Thanks to Minnie Leikauskas, who has nearly single handedly brought SHARE to the community, residents have the opportunity to purchase boxes of groceries worth $30 to $35 for just $13 a month in exchange for two hours of community service.

On a recent cold Saturday morning, Kenilworth's Civil Defense building was the depot for 41 residents who agreed to try the program for the first time. Many more were already signing up for this month's shipment.

"This program is open for anyone," said Mrs. Leikauskas, "although it is true I know everyone here today. I want to stress that this isn't a government program—it's all volunteering." There are no income restrictions for participants.

The two hours of community service could be almost anything. Some examples of what will be accomplished by those who have already signed up include visiting patients in hospitals, teaching the handicapped or the illiterate, taking people grocery shopping or shopping for those who are unable, visiting shut-ins or those in nursing home. Participants in SHARE also may put in their two hours of work by helping with the program by unpacking boxes and organizing the foodstuffs, going to Newark to pick up the food, or working at program registration.

Accompanying each monthly box of food is a SHARE newsletter that includes the current menu, recipes to use with the food and other organization information. The January menu included five pounds of chicken, more than two pounds of turkey and kielbasa, a nice quantity of fruits and vegetables, pasta, pound cake and more.

Mayor Joseph Rego was on hand the first day to welcome the SHARE program to Kenilworth.

"This program is going to grow and I predict neighboring communities like Cranford and Clark will want to join us," he said. "I think it's great and it will get better as we go on." Rego explained that he and Mrs. Leikauskas first talked about instituting SHARE in October or November. "I thought from the very first that many people in our community could benefit from it," he said. Host coordinator Jeannette Carroll worked with a committee to make the program happen in Kenilworth.

People who would like to participate may sign up at Community United Methodist Church on the Boulevard today and tomorrow from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

"I'm particularly pleased with the way the entire community is responding to this program," said Rego.

Mrs. Leikauskas added, "It's very exciting to watch people getting together and helping each other. They gain inwardly and at the same time receive good food at a good price."

KEEPING WARM: Helen Capinas, right, buttons up Minnie Leikauskas' coat as they prepare to unload SHARE food boxes.

RVSA to determine if borough exceeded flow limit in '88-89

By Peter Wamsteker

Borough attorney Bradford Bury was slated to appear before the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority (RVSA) last night to answer charges that Kenilworth has exceeded its waste water flow rights agreement with the authority in 1988 and 1989.

The hearing in Rahway marks the second time since April that the borough attorney has had to respond to allegations that Kenilworth violated a 1951 agreement which prohibits excess sewerage flow through authority-owned lines.

Under that agreement, member municipalities are allocated a predesignated number of gallons of waste water flow which it may discharge daily into the authority's sewer lines.

But in the case where a member exceeds that number more than 10 times in a given year, RVSA is required to conduct a hearing, according to Dennis Estis, attorney for RVSA.

The agreement also states that if the authority finds that a municipality has exceeded the flow rights agreement it will be fined $5,000 annually per million gallons of excess waste water flow.

But Estis said Tuesday that no determination has yet been made as to whether Kenilworth has exceeded its flow rights for 1988-89. Furthermore, any fines which may be levied have also not been determined, he said.

"The major thrust of RVSA's position is to get Kenilworth to reduce its flow either by reducing its inflow and infiltration or by purchasing additional flow rights from member municipalities who have them available," Estis said.

At the first hearing, Kenilworth provided a memorandum to the authority which detailed the steps it is taking to curb its excess flow.

In that memorandum, dated April 25 and prepared by borough engineer Michael Disko, studies were conducted using television monitors to determine which sewer lines are cracked and broken and which sewers need to be replaced.

In addition, the engineer developed a plan of proposed sewer improvements and has required that all land development applications provide a way to curb the inflow and infiltration of waste water.

More recently Borough Council has passed an ordinance which makes sump pump connections to sewer lines illegal.

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Fact finder's recommendations are expected next month

State-appointed fact finder Joel Weisblatt is expected to deliver his recommendations by March 18 for concluding the 15-month-old negotiations between Harding School teachers and the school board. He heard nearly an hour's worth of testimony from each side Monday and also attempted to mediate the salary impasse without success.

In addition to the oral presentation, Weisblatt is allowing the school board and Kenilworth Education Association to submit post-hearing position statements. These are due by Feb. 15 and the fact finder told the negotiators Monday that he would have his non-binding recommendations within 30 days of receipt of the statements.

The board and association, which represents 60 teachers, have been unable to come to an agreement on a three-year contract to replace a two-year pact that expired June 30. The percentage of raise and formulation of salary guides are at issue.

Board attorney and negotiator James Granello of Little Silver said both parties are obligated to meet within five days of receipt of the fact finder's report to review it and "find possible common ground." Granello said that while he doubts both sides would agree exactly with Weisblatt's recommendations, he said he "hopes and expects that it will form the basis for a settlement."

KEA president Howard Toplansky said that Weisblatt attempted to bring the two sides to an agreement through mediation, but "the fact finder indicated to us the board's position was too inflexible for him to recommend any further attempt." Toplansky said the KEA will use Weisblatt's report as a basis for coming to an agreement. In the meantime, he said, the "association stands ready as always to meet with the board at a moment's notice to resolve the remaining differences in the interim."

The board had offered a three-year salary increase package totaling 24.25 percent while the association's last demand was 27.5 percent over three years. KEA recently filed unfair labor practice charges against the board, claiming the board violated collective bargaining laws by directly discussing its offer with teachers in a letter and the public through newspaper advertisements.

Budget cutting sessions under way in face of 4.5% cap on spending

By Peter Wamsteker

Borough Council members made preliminary reductions to the proposed 1991 municipal operating budget Saturday but were unable to determine the amount of new taxes to be levied this year.

A second hearing in closed session to discuss salaries and the operating budgets of the police and building departments was scheduled last night. At least one more meeting is expected to be held before a final budget is introduced Feb. 26.

Preliminary figures on this year's municipal operating budget are unavailable because councilmen had temporarily declined to make cuts in the police and building departments.

Borough auditor Jim Cerullo told councilmen that they face a 4.5 percent state-imposed "cap" on increased spending this year unless they pass an "index rate" ordinance which would increase the cap to 5 percent. Without the ordinance, the budget would be $66,000 over the cap, he said. With the ordinance the budget would be $46,000 over the cap.

If the ordinance is passed, the government cannot spend more than 5 percent than they spent last year with some exceptions. Certain budget items are not affected by the cap law but those items have not been made available.

Cerullo also said that councilmen must cut $76,393 to reduce one tax point from the budget, compared to $75,509 last year.

He added that Council will work with a budget surplus of $1.1 million thanks in part to two tax sales yielding $290,000 last year. No emergency appropriations were made last year, he said.

Hardest hit this year is the fire department which is seeking more than a 50 percent increase in its operating budget than was spent last year. The department was given a budget of $89,150 last year but only spent $63,805.

The 25-man department proposed a $133,750 budget this year because it anticipates gaining 10 more volunteers, a figure Council found to be unlikely.

Annual stipends paid to volunteers to offset incidental expenses represent the largest line item figure of the fire department's budget.

Last year the department spent $44,250 for 25 volunteers. This year the department asked to spend $83,150 based on a total of 35 volunteers or 10 additional men. Councilmen found this projection inflated and reduced the request to $64,000 with the belief that if the department is lucky, two additional volunteers will join. The annual stipends range from $2,700 for the chief to $1,590 for a firefighter. The final preliminary operating budget was reduced to $89,300.

Minor reductions also were made to other departmental requests with the exception of the police department because public safety commissioner Jeffrey Corcione was not present to explain the department's requests.

The department's operating budget is more than 40 percent higher than was spent last year due to the purchase of two new police cars at nearly $15,000 each.

In attempting to control the legal expenditures portion of the budget, councilmen bandied about the idea of charging a flat annual salary for all legal work performed by the Planning Board and Board of Adjustment attorneys.

The proposal would increase the amount of money each attorney is currently paid but would limit them from charging for additional legal work. An exception would be made in cases of litigation where the borough's insurance carrier would pay the expenses.

Increases are budgeted in areas where Council has no control. For instance, the library automatically gets a state-mandated increase of 15 percent each year or $10,832 more than in 1990.

Another area is insurance premiums. Group health insurance is up $32,000 from last year with a total 1991 figure of $335,000.

Borough briefs

School candidate files

Clifford Rhyner of 8 Brasser Le., who ran for the school board last year, is the first candidate to file a petition for the Board of Education election, which is expected to be delayed until April 30. The governor is expected to sign legislation passed Monday to delay the election from April 2. This would move the filing deadline from today to March 7.

The three seats expiring this year are held by president Carmine Rossetti, who said he would run again, Patricia Fecho and JoAnn Dillon.

Child psychiatrist to speak

Dr. Rosalie Greenberg, director of child and adolescent outpatient services at Fair Oaks Hospital, Summit, will speak about behaviour patterns among children and teenagers at a meeting of the David Brearley High School PTA executive board Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the faculty dining room.

Greenberg, a medical doctor and chief resident in child psychiatry at Columbia University, is co-author of a recent book "When Acting Out Isn't Acting," a study which explains child and adolescent temper, anger and behavior disorders.

Iazzetta heads health board

Michael Iazzetta was elected president of the Kenilworth Board of Health at its reorganization meeting in January.

Other officers are vice president Phyllis Baldacchini and secretary Muriel Galati. Dr. Joel Mendelson is board physician, Kathleen Filippone is school nurse, R.M. Moscaritolo is health inspector and Michael Festa is health officer.

The board will meet at 8 p.m. the third Thursday each month, except July and August, in Borough Hall.

Video rentals at library

Kenilworth Library has adopted new guidelines for the circulation of videocassettes. Patrons can borrow videos for either three or seven days at a cost of $1 per video per loan period. Entertainment films for children and adults can be rented for three days while travelogues and how-to films will circulate for seven days. Videos are rented to card holders over the age of 18.

Little League registration

Registration for Kenilworth Little League will be held Saturday from noon to 3 p.m. at the Recreation Center.

Boys and girls who will be at least 7 years old by July 31 are eligible. Birth certificates are required for first-time applicants. The fee is $30. Applications also will be taken for Little League queen. Girls 7 to 10 years old are eligible.

A T-baill program will be available to children who will be 6 by July 31 at a cost of $10.

Book bingo for children

The next session of book bingo at the Kenilworth Library takes place today from 3:30 to 4:30. Children play bingo with book titles instead of numbers and win prizes. All children who can read can play. Titles will be taken from first to sixth grade books.

Trip to Ellis Island

Residents have until Feb. 22 to sign up for a trip to Ellis Island being sponsored by Friends of the Kenilworth Library April 3. The fee of $35 includes transportation from the S. 21st Street parking lot at 8:30 a.m., boat transportation to Ellis Island and lunch. Call Mrs. Dyer, 709-0038, or president Robin Koerner, 276-4435.

School meeting

Approval of textbooks and a discussion of courses for the 1991-92 school year will be discussed at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday when the regional high school Board of Education meets as a committee of the whole at Jonathan Dayton High School, Springfield.

Schools respond to war

Dear Mr. President...

Fourth grade language arts pupils in Kathryn Ensslin's class at Harding School wasted no time in getting involved in Operation Desert Storm.

On the morning after the first bombs were dropped, children reacted to the news sent their thoughts directly to President Bush in overnight delivery mail.

Reacting to the first war in their lifetimes, pupils wrote straight from their hearts. Here are a sampling of comments:

"When I heard your speech, I was scared...I am sorry we had to go to war...I am proud of you and the soldiers. Are they scared?...I stayed up all night wondering about the war...My family is all behind you...We all wished this had never happened...I am behind you 100 percent...Go for it, President Bush...The troops are devoting their lives. They need support and love from America...My mother cried when she heard we started a war...I hope all the soldiers come home safely and I will pray every night until the war is over."

The class had sent individual letters to servicemen and women in October and several replies have been received from sailors aboard the USS Nassau. As part of a school-wide project in November, pupils designed holiday cards and sent the greetings on a six-foot banner decorated with their pictures. Powdered soft drinks were sent along.

POW/MIA flags for schools

POW/MIA flags will be presented to David Brearley, Harding and St. Theresa's schools and the Kenilworth Library. Money for the flags was donated to Robert J. Wacker, state president of the Korean War Veterans Association, by Mr. and Mrs. Elton Lewis in memory of their son, John D. Lewis.

Wacker said with the four new flags, all public buildings and churches in Kenilworth will have POW/MIA and American flags.

Beginning with a ceremony at 8:15 this morning at St. Theresa's School, the flags will be presented to the schools and library. Joining Wacker in arranging the presentations are American Legion commander Neil Roberts and VFW commander Jack Sturtevant.

The soldiers story

Kindergarten children at Harding School are familiar with the events of the war, too. They're concerned about bad guys taking over good guys, pouring oil into the ocean to kill the fish and birds, bombing missions and gas masks. Daily current events discussions are part of the class.

Their teacher, Bonnie Stender, said that youngsters' eyes have filled with tears as they asked her if the men they wrote to several times since the fall are going to die.

The children wrote a collective story:

"I hope the soldiers come home safely. I hope my cousin doesn't have to go because I don't want him to die. I hope my cousin in Saudi Arabia doesn't die. They live there. I hope our soldiers win. I hope my friend Paul wins. He is in Saudi Arabia. I hope by brother doesn't have to go to the war. My mommy said the bad guys are bombing our soldiers in Saudi Arabia. I hope the soldiers don't die. We love the soldiers."

Schools ease children's fear

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needed.

Orange assistant principal Regina Gavin said the PTA is purchasing yellow ribbons and flags for the children to wear and to display in school windows. She said televisions were available the first day of the war, but "life does go on. It's almost better for the children than to have their attention glued constantly. They get enough at home," Gavin said "a lot of children have family members over there. They're adjusting pretty well."

Livingston School pupils paused for a moment of silence the morning after the first attack and acting principal Marie DeStefano has asked teachers to be alert to pupils' anxiety. The Gulf situaton has been a topic in current events since the term started.

Youngsters at St. Michael's School also have corresponded regularly with servicemen and women and have received responses. A prayer service was held during recent Catholic Schools Week events.

At Cranford High School, social studies classes discuss the war and Karen Shaw's English classes have been writing to the troops for months. The school's AFS chapter will send Valentine gift packages to men and women from Cranford or relatives of residents.

YELLOW RIBBONS: Harding pupils, from left, Erin Murphy, Michael Domenick, Trifon Glynos and Joseph Chango tie yellow ribbon on tree outside school. Classroom windows also bear the symbol of support for American troops.

Realignment of skeet range

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blasts per minute will occur on weekends from noon to 5 p.m. if the proposed project goes through. He further stressed the county proposal of a 54-car parking lot "will further degrade the quality of life in the area by the addition of exhaust and noise pollution."

County parks and recreation director Tom Nolan said the county has had plans to update the trap and skeet facility within Lenape Park since 1984 and presented four proposals over the years to improve the facility prior to the current one. A $1.4-million Green Acres grant from the state has currently encouraged improvements to the facility and Lenape Park. He explained the county request from the DEP is for a delineation (interpretation) of the wetlands area. Nolan indicated the request from the DEP is a preliminary requirement and with noise testings, and county and municipality approvals waiting in the wings.

He stressed the proposed plans will add "flexibility" to the site, which is in a state of disrepair. Commenting on the launching stations, Nolan said the county is not adding an additional station but merely reopening a fifth station which had been closed. County plans show the entire facility moved from one section of the site to the other side, in addition to the removal of a building and rebuilding of one on stilts.

While expressing the county desire to "be a good neighbor," Nolan questioned why residents living on County Park Drive willingly purchased a home adjacent to a trap and skeet shooting area. He stressed the facility "had been there first" and "they (residents of County Park Drive) should not have bought a home that close," if they had a problem with the noise.

Residents, however, maintain they are not objecting to the trap and skeet shooting facility itself, only to its relocation.

Union County Regional Environmental Health Commission noise control ordinance defines excessive sound as a serious hazard to the public health, welfare, safety and quality of life," stressing "people have a right to, and should be ensured an environment free from excessive sound. The ordinance does provide maximum permissible sound levels by a receiving property which indicate a commercial establishment may not emit more than 65 decibels between the hours of 7 a.m. and 10 p.m. To date there have been no noise testings to determine the decibel level of the trap and skeet shooting facility in Lenape Park.

According to the ordinance, "No person shall cause, suffer, allow or permit the operation of any source of sound on a particular category of property or any public place space or right-of-way in such a manner as to create a sound level that exceeds the particular sound level limits..."

Hartz receives site go-ahead

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where we have to reinvent the wheel."

One of the "criteria" concerning board members was the lack of supporting detailed information on van pooling, ride sharing to show more extensive compliance to the 30-percent traffic reduction requirement of the ordinance. This lack of information was the basis for the conditions later attached to the approval. Hartz agreed to provide the requested information within 10 days.

Hartz purchased the former Beecham site in August of 1988. Initially representatives of the company announced plans to use the property as it was then zoned, but by early 1989 plans had changed to a major retail shopping center.

Over the next six months residents living near the site formed a local opposition group, Residents Against the Mall (RAM). Reacting to objecting residents and township officials, Hartz modified the plans, reducing the size of the mall, but the project fell on deaf ears.

In July of 1989 the township hired the Hudson Partnership, to evaluate the impact of redevelopment from a planning standpoint. In August of 1989 Hartz withdrew its application. In January 1990, Hudson recommended down zoning of the southwest quadrant of the township, which encompassed the former Beecham site.

In Feb. 1990 the township held a town forum to hear residential input, and hopefully determine how to proceed. Ultimately the township took a pro-active stand, instructing Hudson and Pozycki to draft an ordinance to down zone the south west quadrant. Months of redrafting the ordinance followed. Last spring Hartz announced plans to build two new office buildings, with Summit Trust occupying one of the new buildings and a portion of the existing building. During this time it became apparent Hartz wished to comply to the proposed ordinance and work with the township toward a mutually satisfactory redevelopment of the site.

The new ordinance down zoning the southwest quadrant of the township was adopted in last August. In October Hartz made formal application to the Planning Board to redevelop the 31-acre site, beginning the arduous path to township approval.

Figuring into the complex development of the southwest quadrant is the future development of the 87-acre Hyatt-Clark site, owned by General Motors. While 67 acres are in Clark, 20 acres are located in Cranford, adjacent to the Hartz site. Although Hartz at one time offered $26 million for the Hyatt-Clark property, it was later abandoned when environmental problems caused by years of manufacturing bearings surfaced. At present the Hyatt-Clark site is undergoing mandatory cleanup ordered by the state. It is anticipated the cleanup could take another two years, but the impact of future use of the site has prompted Clark to initiate a town meeting later this month to discuss potential use of the property. Township officials will attend the meeting in an effort to learn what Clark proposes for the Hyatt site.

Rumors linking Hartz to future ownership of the Hyatt property were negated by the developer last September when vice president of planning and development Michael McNally stated publicly, "We do not want the Hyatt site." Purchase of property adjacent to the Hyatt site fronting Central Avenue in Clark led to speculation of Hartz's intentions. McNally denied the property was bought with an eye toward utilizing the segment as a roadway from the Hyatt site. He explained the purchase as a "good buy," and anticipated selling it at a later date or developing it as a separate parcel, and indicated he wanted to "clear up" the misconception Hartz wishes to buy the Hyatt site "once and for all."

Decorating contest winners awarded

Winners of the annual holiday decorating contest have been awarded $50 savings bond.

They are: district 1, Paul Poliseo, 42 Pembrook Dr.; district 2, Ralph Trentacosta, 215 N. 22nd St.; district 3, Len Tripodi, 727 Clinton Ave.; district 4, Marion Scarlata, 644 Trenton Ave.; district 5, Mr. and Mrs. M. Nimsz, 157 Boulevard, and district 6, Ralph Romeo, 612 Washington Ave.

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YUMMY BREAKFAST: Bryan Harris gobbles his meal at Boy Scout Troop 75's pancake breakfast Sunday. Below, scouts Richard Marko, left, and Robert Tucker prepare to serve.

GTA leader disputes board member comments

Garwood Teachers Association president George Hansen has challenged the motivation and validity of a prepared statement in the Jan. 24 Chronicle by school board member Christine Guerriero. She had explained why she voted against the three-year contract approved by the board Jan. 15 that provides 9 percent pay raises this year and next and 8.5 percent in the third year to 31 borough teachers.

In a letter delivered to the Chronicle last week, Hansen said Guerriero had had "ample opportunity to express her views verbally at that (Jan. 15) public meeting...I'm certain Miss Guerriero would have gotten ample press coverage...Would Miss Guerriero be seeking a personal gain at the expense of the Garwood teachers.?"

Hansen also questioned the "accuracy and validity" of the board member's statement. He disputed Guerriero's contention that the settlement disregards the impact on 90 percent of the borough's population and that residents "sacrifice eating to pay their taxes," move in with children or depend on neighbors.

"I do not question that the economic conditions of this state have brought on a lot of financial hardships for many families," said Hansen, "yet I refuse to believe that nine out of 10 Garwood residents face the type of hardships to survive which Miss Guerriero describes."

He continued, "As for her claim that the Board of Education asked for no sacrifices by the Garwood Teachers Association, how about the sacrifice of working without a contract for what is now five months? If she is referring to givebacks, I can honestly state that we could not afford to give anything back if it were asked of us. As for no sacrifices, how about the sacrifice of giving up our right to a job action in order to insure the uninterrupted education of the students? How about the sacrifices of negotiating with a board which never sent the same two representatives to the negotiating table? How about the sacrifice of knowing that even with the settlement we will still be the lowest paid staff in the county as the board president was quoted as saying in the Jan. 17 edition of the Chronicle? How about the sacrifice of realizing the low priority the board put on settling this contract by taking two months from the time a tentative settlement was reached Aug. 7 to tell the association they had a problem with the settlement? And finally, how about the sacrifice of never receiving a reply from any member of the board to my Nov. 29 request, made on behalf of the staff, to meet with the board to discuss its concerns over the contract before the issue went to mediation?"

Hansen, in addition, said Guerriero's statement is "contrary to many of her actions" as a board member. In listing nine of her actions, he asked, "If Miss Guerriero is so concerned over the Garwood taxpayers' ability to afford the contract settlement, why then did she do the following: Wait until October to voice a concern over the settlement when she knew at least since June that the contract called for a three-year settlement at 9-percent each year; vote to approve a lease-purchase arrangement for a school phone system which will cost $12,154 over two years; vote to approve a $9,000 computer system for school offices; vote to approve the purchase of a copier, paper and maintenance contracts totaling $15,526 over a year; vote to approve the purchase of heat/temperature controls for a boiler, repairs to roofs, replacement of a gutter and exhaust system totaling $13,370; vote to approve paying the board attorney $1,000 a month until the contract is settled, totaling $4,000 since October when the contract could have been settled in August; abstain from voting on the appointment of an individual to the coordinator of elementary education post who will work 57 days at $200, costing $11,400 over the year; vote to approve two individuals as child study team personnel to fill what was a single position at a cost of $63,600 over a year; and vote to approve an individual payment of $10 an hour to what I believe to be a new post, educational programs secretary?"

The GTA president said these votes came during the last six months when the contract was unsettled and after the state increased the income tax and revised school funding formula. He said there are other examples of Guerriero's "inconsistent attitude toward the board's spending and its effect on taxpayers. I am not suggesting that the items listed will not benefit the district. I am not certain if they will or they will not. I am suggesting that to be consistent with the concern Miss Guerriero expresses in her statement, she should have voted no on the items I cited."

In conclusion, Hansen said, "let me assure the taxpayers of Garwood that no teacher is getting rich at your expense and that we as teachers are not immune to the harsh economic conditions which also exist in our personal lives. Depending on the structure of the yet-to-be-completed salary guide, very few teachers, if any, will see an 8.5 or 9 percent raise. The percentages agreed to are added to the total pool of money used for salaries and the money is dispersed at varying percentages to different levels on the guide. The teachers have always been seeking a fair settlement. We and the majority of the board feel we have accomplished just that. That is a fair settlement to the board, to the teachers and to the Garwood taxpayer.

"An article states the settlement will cost the average taxpayer $50 this year. Certainly, no one can argue that the education of the children of Garwood is worth far more than the additional $1 a week the contract will cost the average taxpayer. Garwood teachers have not forgotten that the caring for and education of the students are our main focus and motivation for choosing teaching as our profession. Our main attention is not money or negotiating contracts or making grandstand plays through the newspaper; it is the students. I believe our actions over the last five months have demonstrated this to be true of the Garwood teaching staff. This letter reflects my personal feelings and has the support and approval of the teaching staff."

Firemen gain rescue vehicle at 'bargain basement' price

First Aid Squad president James M. Stewart has a found a perfect and inexpensive solution to the Garwood Fire Department's quest for a rescue vehicle.

When Stewart heard that firefighters were planning to purchase a rescue vehicle for approximately $75,000, he asked squad members to consider turning over the 1977 ambulance, which recently was replaced, to the fire department. The proposed selling price was $1 and first aiders approved. The fire department is converting the ambulance into a rescue vehicle.

Stewart said the move "is a way to help the borough and have the ambulance continue to serve the borough instead of becoming a contractor's vehicle." The ambulance was delivered to fire chief Leonard Spina at the end of December.

The vehicle, once completed, will assist the fire department at fire scenes and will assist the squad as the scene of automobile accidents when needed.

RECYCLED: First Aid Squad president James Stewart, left, presents keys for old ambulance to fire chief Leonard Spina. Firemen will refit rig for use as a rescue vehicle.

Car forces bicyclist off roadway

A Cranford man was treated Sunday for facial injuries he sustained in a bicycle accident on Center Street. He was released later the same day from Union Hospital.

The man, identified as Martin Sperber of Fairfield Avenue, was riding a bicycle in a southerly direction at 2:28 p.m. with his daughter, Debra, 18, when a blue car, described as a Ford Taurus, made a right hand turn onto South Avenue and forced him into the curb, said Sgt. Dennis Lesak. Sperber's daughter, who was riding a bicycle on the sidewalk, was not harmed.

The car fled the scene but witnesses were able to provide a description of the vehicle. They were, however, unable to get a license plate number.

A suspect has been interviewed and complaints may be filed pending the outcome of the investigation, said Lesak.

Sperber had cuts and scrapes on his face and his daughter later told police that her father required several stitches in his lip and face.

PTA book sale

Garwood PTA will sponsor a book sale Tuesday and Wednesday in both Washington and Lincoln schools and next Thursday in Lincoln School only. Hours are 8:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3:15 p.m. Parents are invited to purchase books.

Coloring contest

Winners in the VFW Ladies Auxiliary recent coloring contest for first grade pupils are Eileen Keegan, Jacqueline Myers and Kristen Hirsch at Washington School and William Ramsay and Emilia Chowra at Franklin School. The contest was coordinated by art teacher Patricia Novy and was chaired by Lottie Sworen of the auxiliary.

Mayor's Saturday

Residents may drop by the Borough Hall Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon to discuss any matters with Mayor Tom Dolly. He plans to hold a Mayor's Saturday the second week of alternating months.

Fire auxiliary

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Garwood Fire Department meets at 8 tonight in the firehouse. Connie Miller, Denise Pelusio and Anne Leonard are hostesses.

Rosarians to view Billy Graham film

A film about this year's Billy Graham crusade will be shown at the monthly meeting of the Rosary Altar Society of the Church of St. Anne next Thursday. The meeting will be held in the school auditorium following rosary and benediction at 7:45 p.m. in the church. Plans will be discussed for the annual card party in March and the nominating committee will be introduced.

Zoners re-elect Tripka chairman

Michael Tripka was elected chairman of the Board of Adjustment for the fourth year at a meeting Jan. 15.

William Petix was elected vice chairman and Michael Blacker of Scotch Plains was appointed attorney.

In a related matter, Deborah Gervase of Roselle was hired as construction department secretary and secretary to the planning and zoning boards to replace Bonnie Hirsch who resigned to take another position.

Two more in school race

Two additional candidates are filing for the Board of Education election while an incumbent announced this week he would not run. New candidates are Mary Ann Kjetsaa, who ran last year, and Peggy Garner, both seeking three-year terms.

Board member Robert McCarrick, who was elected last year, said he is not running again so he can devote more time to his son's Boy Scout troop. "I'd rather work with the kids than for for kids," he said.

Patricia Marseglia and Dean Russamano, board members since last August, also are seeking three-year terms. There are three full terms and a one-year unexpired seat up in the election.

It is anticipated that the election will be delayed from April 2 to 30. The governor is expected to sign legislation passed Monday to that effect. This would delay the filing deadline from today to March 7.

BASKET CHAMPS: Winners of Knights of Columbus recent basketball free throw contest are, from left, front, Anthony Petracca, Bruce Maloney Jr., Carl Papandrea, Katie Knierim, Tara Gallagher; rear, chairman Dennis Lesak, Joseph Pelusio, Lenny Navarro, Jamie Bonfanti and Colleen McHugh. They will compete in district contest Saturday at 2:30 p.m. in Union.

Educator to speak on parenting skills

Richard Carell, director of special services for Garwood schools, will be the guest speaker when Garwood Pre-School Mothers meet at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday in Lincoln School's home economics room.

The topic will be "A Systematic Approach to Assessing Parenting Skills." All mothers of pre-school children are invited. Call 654-8588 for more information.

Planning Board elects Van Natta

Rodney Van Natta was elected chairman of the Planning Board at the Jan. 23 reorganization meeting. He succeeds Frank Spera, who was not reappointed to the board.

New member Craig Greenswalt was elected vice chairman. David Weeks was reappointed attorney and William Nierstedt continues as planning adviser.

Other members this year are Mayor Thomas Dolly, new member Anthony Juliano, John Korky, Deborah McCarthy, John Sherba, Jake Schmidt and Councilman Charles Lombardo.

The board will continue updating zoning ordinances. Nine of 13 are complete and the board plans to present the finished document to Borough Council in June, said Nierstedt. The board also will update the master plan.

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The names, addresses and the positions of Ronald W. Reiss, President
John DeStefano, Vice President
Frank Reilly Jr., Secretary and Treasurer
Objections, if any, should be made by February 26, 1991 in writing, to Doris Polsdorf, Borough Clerk of the Borough of Garwood
Hearing is scheduled for February 26, 1991 at 8:00 p.m. at which time/date as the matter can be heard.
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TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
PUBLIC NOTICE — CORRECTION
Notice of Regular Meetings of the Local Assistance Board of the Township of Cranford for the year 1991 — Dates and time have been changed.
In compliance with Open Public Meetings Act Chapter 231, PL 1975 notice is hereby given by the Local Assistance Board of the Township of Cranford of the following corrections.
DATE: March 27, 1991
June 26, 1991
October 23, 1991
TIME: 5:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Room 6, Municipal Building
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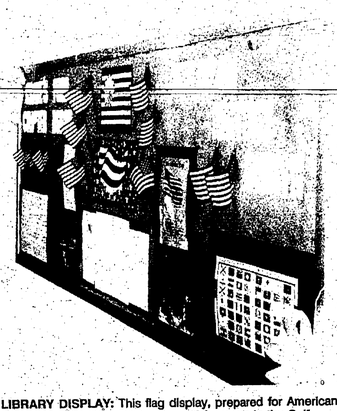

LIBRARY DISPLAY: This flag display, prepared for American History Month by the DAR, honors U.S. troops in the Gulf.

DAR honors troops with flag display at Cranford Library

Crane's Ford chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution is celebrating American History Month with a display at Cranford Library on the American flag in honor of U.S. service men and women in the Persian Gulf. In addition, posters will be placed in township schools and announcements of historical interest will be made there.

The chapter has nominated three local teachers for a state and national DAR competition for their efforts in encouraging interest in history and developing a spirit of patriotism in their students. They are Ronald Spinella of Cranford High School and Kathleen Blechar and Patricia Campos, both of Mother Seton Regional High School, Clark.

A proclamation declaring February American History Month in Cranford has been presented to the chapter regent, Hattie Meyer, by Mayor Ed Force.

The National Society of the DAR, founded October 11, 1890, will continue its 100th anniversary throughout this year with commemorative programs and celebrations.

Crane's Ford chapter was formed March 7, 1944 with 36 women as charter members. Their goals include the advancing the history of the country, patriotism and education. The NSDAR supports seven schools throughout the United States, including contributions to Bacone College, Muskogee, Okla. The chapter will celebrate its 46th anniversary next month.

Five Boy Scouts to receive Eagle pins at dinner tomorrow

Five Cranford youths will receive their Eagle Scout pins at a Court of Honor dinner tomorrow at the Galloping Hill Inn, Union. The five, William Anderson, Brett Dreyer, Scott Kiesling, William Pietrucha and Todd Stender are members of Boy Scout Troop 75, sponsored by Cranford United Methodist Church. Also advancing in rank will be Stephen Pietrucha and David Westhoven to life scout and Forrest Jones to first class.

To qualify for Eagle status each scout was required to earn a number of badges and to complete a council approved service project with assistance from fellow scouts. For his project William Pietrucha, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Pietrucha, refurbished the ceiling and painted the heating unit covers in the religious education center at Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park. He also is a member of Cranford Police Explorer Post 74 and Cranford First Aid Squad. He is a freshman at Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pa., majoring in criminal justice and law enforcement.

Stender, son of Al and Bonnie Stender, also is a college freshman. He attends La Salle University, Philadelphia. His project was to refurbish the youth center at First Presbyterian Church. While at Cranford High School he founded and served as president of the Herptology Club. He also enjoys football, basketball, surfing, swimming and travel.

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Anderson, William cleaned up the stone crib at Droescher's Mill alongside the Rahway River near High Street. His project was funded by the River Heritage Celebration '88 committee. He is a senior at Cranford High School where he is involved with the Photography Club. He is a cadet volunteer with the First Aid Squad and a member of the Cranford Police Explorers. His father is Troop 75 scoutmaster and will present the awards.

Scott, also a senior at Cranford High School, earned his Eagle Scout rank by mapping to scale and identifying roadways, bridle trails and various species of trees and bushes in the arboretum near the Trailside Museum in Watchung Reservation. The results of his project will allow naturalists and the average outdoor enthusiast to enjoy the area. A pamphlet including his map will be available in the near future. The son of Bob and Eileen Kiesling also is a First Aid Squad cadet. He has been employed at the Canoe Club for three years.

EAGLE PROJECTS: William Anderson, left, at Droescher's Mill and Brett Dreyer in Watchung Reservation point out the service projects they completed to earn Eagle Scout status. They are two of five members of Troop 75 who will receive their Eagle pins at tomorrow's Court of Honor.

Brett's project also was in Watchung Reservation. He chose to clean up a three-acre rhododendron garden. The task included removing an old snow fence, digging up dead bushes and planting grass seed. The Cranford High School senior is the son of Henry and Carol Dreyer. He is president of the school's National Honor Society and Spanish Club as well as vice president of the Ushers Club and a member of the Math League, Photography Club and Biology League.

Family science program to run weekly at Walnut

An innovative family approach to science was scheduled to get under way at Walnut School yesterday under a program sponsored by Rutgers University.

Fifteen third graders, their parents and siblings will meet weekly at the school for six consecutive weeks. The program is designed to teach science skills by having children and parents learn and enjoy science together. Family science is being tested in 70 communities across the country including 24 in New Jersey. The program uses imaginative hands-on learning activities to stimulate pupil interest in science, to increase a child's self-image as a learner of science and to demonstrate the relevance of science to a pupil's future.

Walnut third grade teacher Filomena Preuss and elementary school science teacher Linda Madison participated in an extensive training program at Rutgers University. They are conducting the program. In addition, a follow-up family science program will be held for third graders next fall.

NOTICE TO PERSONS DESIRING CIVILIAN ABSENTEE BALLOTS

If you are a qualified and registered voter of the State who expects to be absent outside the State on April 2, 1991, or a qualified and registered voter who will be within the State on April 2, 1991 but because of permanent and total disability, or because of illness or temporary physical disability, or because of the observance of a religious holiday pursuant to the tenets of your religion, or because of resident attendance at a school, college or university, or because of the nature and hours of employment, will be unable to cast your ballot at the polling place in your district on said date, and you desire to vote in the Annual School Election of the Union County Regional High School District No. 1 to be held on April 2, 1991 kindly complete the application form below and send to the undersigned, or write or apply in person to the undersigned at once requesting that a civilian absentee ballot be forwarded to you. Such request must state your home address, and the address to which said ballot should be sent, and must be signed with your signature, and state the reason you will not be able to vote at your usual polling place. No civilian absentee ballot will be furnished or forwarded to any applicant unless request therefor is received not less than seven (7) days prior to the election, and contain the foregoing information. Voters may also apply in person to the County Clerk for an absentee ballot on any day up to 3:00 P.M. of the day before the election, April 1, 1991.

Voters who are permanently and totally disabled shall, after their initial request and without further action on their part, be forwarded an absentee ballot application by the County Clerk for all future elections in which they are eligible to vote. Application forms may be obtained by applying to the undersigned either in writing or by telephone, or the application form provided below may be completed and forwarded to the undersigned.

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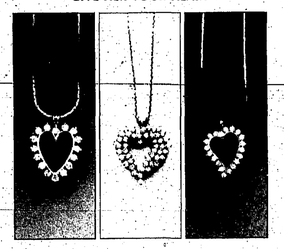
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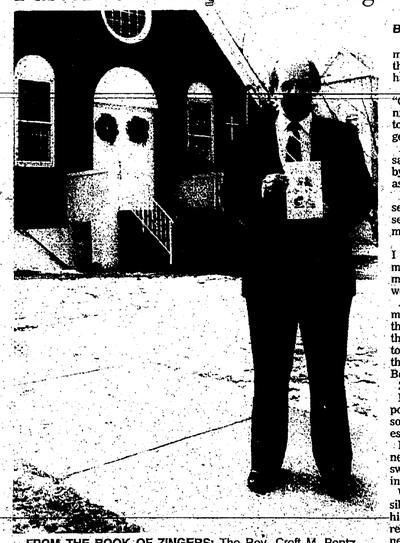
Pastor for deaf delivers 'zingers' as one-sentence sermons



FROM THE BOOK OF ZINGERS: The Rev. Croft M. Pentz, founding pastor of Calvary Chapel of the Deaf, holds his collection of "Zingers" which he recites in his sermons and uses as a counselor and interpreter for the deaf.

By Peter Wamsteker

If you're looking for a quick message, one that packs a punch, the Rev. Croft Pentz would like to have a few words with you.

For those with kids he says, "Children who watch television night and day will go down in history—not to mention mathematics, geography and grammar."

And if you're feeling sick, he says, "Virus is a Latin word used by doctors to mean 'your guess is as good as mine.'"

Pentz calls them one sentence sermons and uses them in his own sermons, church bulletins and monthly church paper.

"Next to God's word and poetry, I personally feel sentence sermons have a greater impact upon mankind than any other spoken word," he says.

After years of collecting pithy maxims and other wise "cracks," the founder of Calvary Chapel of the Deaf, 37 South Ave., decided to assemble more than 6,000 of them in his book, "The Complete Book of Zingers."

Zingers?

Pentz defines the word as a pointed, witty remark or retort; or something meant to cause interest, surprise or shock.

For example: "An hour lost is never found" and "The more you sweat in peace the less you bleed in war."

While he says it's almost impossible to trace exactly from where his zingers have come, he does remember collecting them from newspapers, church bulletins and bulletin boards. Over the years others were taken from public speakers, radio and television.

"I'm only a compiler. I have no intention of using anyone's material for personal gain or profit," he says. "The purpose of the book is to keep alive this material, spreading it far and near, so many may profit from it."

As pastor of Calvary Chapel since 1954, Pentz has traveled far and near—through 47 states, Canada and Mexico in fact, spreading the word of God (and others) to all those who would listen.

Or see.

Because besides being an author, the pastor is also a sign language instructor who has served as state director of the New Jersey Assembly of God Ministry to the Deaf for more than 35 years.

The editor of the "Deaf Evangelist" has proved through time that he is not only a man of words, but a master of sign language in his past roles as interpreter to the deaf at several of the Rev. Billy Graham's crusades and as a counselor to teenagers at the Katzenback School for the Deaf, West Trenton.

Pentz, a native of Waynesboro, Pa., and his wife, Frances, live in Union and have two grown sons. As a result of his journeys as a pastor, educator and preacher, Pentz says, "When people fail to learn from sermons, they later learn from experience."

Dedication slated for new commons

Dedication ceremonies for the new commons building at Union County College will be conducted March 19 at 12:30 p.m.

The $6.8-million project includes a large student life area, an expanded student and faculty dining area, serving area and kitchen, and an expanded book store.

The first phase of the project, the commons building, was opened late in November. Student and faculty dining rooms are scheduled to be completed by the end of February.

The building is the first new construction on the Cranford campus since MacKay Library and humanities building were opened in 1974.

Eugene J. Carmody of Roselle Park and Capt. Harry Wilde of Cranford are co-chairman of a committee to plan the dedication ceremonies. Wilde, an alumnus of the college, is a member of the board of governors and building and grounds committee.

Habitat open house set this Sunday

Habitat for Humanity of Greater Plainfield will hold an open house Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m. to show off its first completed project, a rehabilitated house at 210 Spooner Ave., Plainfield.

After a review of many applications, Habitat's family selection committee has awarded the Spooner Avenue home to Mr. and Mrs. Al Murkey. They will receive a one-year lease with an option to buy the house with no interest payments.

Habitat houses are sold at no profit to the organization. Families are required to work for 500 hours on the house. The area group will begin work on a second house this spring. Prospective volunteers and donors may call 754-0078 for more information. The next meeting is set for Feb. 17 at 8 p.m. at Crescent Presbyterian Church, Plainfield.

Nursery to present parenting course

Helen K. Baldwin Nursery School will sponsor the STEP (Systematic Training for Effective Parenting) course in parenting skills beginning Feb. 26. It will be offered at 7:30 p.m. in the Baldwin Nursery at First Presbyterian Church.

The eight-session course is designed to equip persons who relate to children to do so in an effective manner, according to course leader Karen Murphy.

Topics include understanding children's behavior and misbehavior, building children's confidence and self worth, and effective discipline through natural and logical consequences.

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SERVICE PROJECT: Ann Van Jaeckel of Wednesday Morning Club decorates coffee cans at recent club gathering at Community Center. Cans will be filled with cookies for distribution to hospitalized veterans.

Garden Club to hear talk on Jefferson

Thomas Jefferson as a gardener will the the subject of a slide-illustrated lecture by Irma S. Mirante at Monday's meeting of the Garden Club of Cranford at 1 p.m. at the home of Sharon Marra, 11 Orchard St.

According to Mrs. Mirante, no early American gardener wrote about his garden as extensively as Jefferson. She said this wealth of documentary material unveils much about the character of early American gardens as well as the scientific and creative sensibility of Jefferson himself.

The tea chairman is Dorothy Weeman assisted by Marion Vossler and Frances Wismer.

President Trish McKiddie announced the first workshop for a district flower show in October will be held tomorrow at 9:30 a.m. at the home of Connie Pappas, 27 Princeton Rd.

Four members contributed flower arrangements to the Cranford Library during January.

The club welcomed two new members, Virginia Mitchell and Marsha Montovano.

All about flowers

Two guests will present programs at a meeting of Four Seasons Garden Club at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Nicholas Giordano. Stanley Nowakowski will show slides of wild flowers and Linda Pasmore will speak on planning and planting a garden.

Kings consumer manager talks to WMC on labeling

At its business meeting yesterday, members of Wednesday Morning Club heard Carol Coggi, a certified home economist and manager of consumer affairs for Kings Super Markets, speak about "Label Logic."

The applied arts department meets today in the Community Center for instruction by Doris Taber in the art of pressing appliques onto sweatshirts.

The current affairs department will meet at 10 a.m. Tuesday in the home of Charlotte Swinton, 108 Hampton St. She will lead a discussion of the Middle East situation.

Chris Nelson will present a history of the Metropolitan Opera to the music department at 9:30 a.m. Wednesday in the home of Irma Mirante, 14 Dartmouth Rd.

Mary Giardana has been appointed program committee chairman. Mary Northrup, Florence Paredes and Mrs. Taber continue to serve. New appointees are Dorothy Baldwin, Irene Kowalski and Shirley Raftery. Planning has begun for programs for business meetings and philanthropic teas during the 1991-92 club year.

Monday seniors club names chairmen

Committee chairmen for 1991 have been appointed for the Monday Senior Citizens Club.

The are: county delegate, Meta McLaughlin; editor, Pat Dick; membership, Ruth Belles; nominating, Marieann Kuth; program, Mary Nelson; publicity, Mae Larson; recreation, Frank Grace, Stanley Hrenluk and George Schmidt; refreshments, Lettie Precone and George Schmidt; sunshine, Florence Dow, and trips, Pat Dick.

Attorney Edward Hobbic will discuss power of attorney and living wills at 1 p.m. Monday at the Community Center.

Members celebrating birthdays at February's party are Mary Burkowski, John Eichinger, Mrs. Kuth, Florence Milkiewicz, Gertrude Pargiello, Pearl Tableman, Irene Tomasko and Lee West. Hostesses will be Betty Lawson and Elfrieda Sanford.

Openings are available on a trip March 7 to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse at a cost of $34.50. Call Pat Dick, 233-6159.

PTA HONOR: State PTA president Paula Coover presents award to former Livingston School PTA president Ann Marie Horn at recent convention.

Walnut, Livingston PTAs win awards from state unit

The PTAs of Walnut and Livingston schools have won awards from the state organization. They are the only schools in Union County to receive state PTA awards.

Walnut PTA received a state award for its program on improving parenting skills. It was presented to president Joanne McFadden at a recent state convention.

Livingston PTA received the president's "brass ring" for the State Intergenerational Award. Former PTA president Ann Marie Horn applied for the award and it was presented to her.

As a result of being honored at the PTA national convention in June for winning the Statewide Advocates for Children Award, Mrs. Horn and Livingston School acting principal Marie DeStefano have been asked to address today's conference of N.J. Principals and Supervisors Association in Woodbridge. The subject is "Working Together: Progams that Won the N.J. Advocates for Children Award."

Seventeen seniors to mark birthdays

Wednesday Senior Citizens Club has 17 members celebrating birthdays at this month's party.

They are Nat Amsterdam, Peggy Boros, Sybil Cavalla, Yolanda Collalto, Joseph D'Amato, Frances Fitzsimmons, Frank Cadja, Allison Gaul, Sally Goodwin, Harriet Imus, Eve Janus, Irene Karmen, Evelyn Kennedy, Lucille Kurowski, Rae Kurtzman, Helen Muszynski and Gloria Soullace.

Wes Philo will present a program on plants at 1 p.m. Wednesday at the Community Center.

Nat Amsterdam, trip director, announced the following outings: Feb. 14 and March 11, Taj Mahal Casino; April 1, Neil's New Yorker for lunch and musical revue, "Naughty But Nice;" June 9 to 13, Toronto and Niagara Falls; Sept. 2 to 6, Wildwood Crest Beau Rivage Hotel. Call 276-6178.

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Mr. and Mrs. Armus

Jean Petruccelli, Jeffrey Manhardt marry in Garwood

Jean Petruccelli, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gabriel Petruccelli of Garwood, was married recently to Jeffrey Manhardt, son of Helen Manhardt, formerly of Cranford, and the late Raymond Manhardt.

The ceremony took place at Garwood Presbyterian Church. The bride's uncle, the Rev. Charles Brackbill of Mountainside, performed the ceremony.

The bride's cousin, Lee Capasso of Mountainside, was maid of honor. The bridesmaids included the bride's sister-in-law, Cindy Lasuen-Petruccelli of Kenilworth, the bride's cousin, Sheila Woodard of Knoxville, Tenn., and the bridegroom's niece, Vanessa Manhardt of Palm Dale, Calif.

Matthew Boehm of Cranford was best man. Serving as ushers were the bridegroom's brothers, Ken and Ron Manhardt, both of Budd Lake, and the bridegroom's nephew, Steven Moncelsi of Ormond Beach, Fla.

A reception was held at Gran Centurions, Clark. The couple is residing in Garwood after a honeymoon in Walt Disney World, Fla.

Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey Manhardt

Maura E. Anderson, Jonathan Armus are united in matrimony

Maura Elizabeth Anderson, daughter of Donald and Judith Anderson of Cranford, was married recently to Jonathan Armus, son of Jerome and Sandra Armus, also of Cranford.

Officiating at the ceremony was the bride's father, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, North Arlington, and Rabbi Shimon Berris.

Greta Anderson, sister of the bride, was maid of honor. Bridesmaids were her sisters, Sara-Britt and Katrina Anderson, and Patricia Farrell, sister of the bridegroom. Michael Armus, the bridegroom's brother, was best man. Steven Armus, another brother, Mitchell Siegel and Matthew Farrell were ushers.

Following a reception at the Chanticler Chateau, Warren, the couple honeymooned in Cancun, Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Armus are 1985 graduates of Cranford High School. The bride received a bachelor's degree in psychology from Kean College in 1990 and is employed by Eye Care Inc., Warren. Her husband received a bachelor's degree in accounting from New Haven University in 1990. He is employed by Deloitte & Touche, Parsippany. The couple is residing in Somerville.

Judy Amitrani plans to marry this June

Judy Amitrani and Kevin Fitzmaurice of Flemington are engaged to be married in June. The future bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Amitrani of Princeton Road and her fiance is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Fitzmaurice of Sebastian, Fla.

Miss Amitrani, a graduate of Cranford High School, earned a bachelor's degree, cum laude, in early childhood education at Kean College. She is a systems specialist for Merrill Lynch and a registered representative with the New York Stock Exchange.

Mr. Fitzmaurice, an alumnus of St. Peter's Preparatory School and St. Peter's College, Jersey City, is data processing project manager and an assistant vice president at Merrill Lynch.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. John Jacquin of 7 Wadsworth Ter. announce the birth of twin daughters, Rachel Anastasia and Amanda Muriel, Jan. 21 at University Medical Center, Newark. They are the granddaughters of John Nazimek of Linden and Muriel Jacquin of Elizabeth.

Mr. and Mrs. David Thomson of Cranford are the parents of a daughter, Morgan, born Jan. 22 at Overlook Hospital. Grandparents are Honora McGowan of Summit and Robert and Suzanne Thomson of Murray Hill.

Joseph Michael Gold was born Feb. 2 at home to Julie and Steven Gold of Jackson. He joins a brother, Daniel, 5. Grandparents are Harold and Dorothy Cohen of Cranford and Richard and Sunnie Gold of Mountainside. Paternal great-grandparents are David and Mary Gold of West Orange and Lena Kaufman of Mountainside.

Valentine luncheon on tap for VIA

Village Improvement Association members will attend a "Valentine to ourselves" luncheon Tuesday at noon at the Westwood.

The event is members' way of thanking one another for their fund-raising efforts over the last year. Donations are distributed to several organizations in town at the end of the year.

Three new members were installed recently. They are Marie Knoeller and Irene Johannsen, who were introduced to the club by Josephine D'Arcangelo, and Jean Newmarker, a former member of the defunct Colony Club. Mrs. Newmarker is chairman of the club's bridge tournaments, which are open to members and outsiders. Although there is a full complement of players, interested persons may call her at 276-3820 to be put on a waiting list.

VIA has donated a book, "Stained Glass Craft" by Peter Smith, to Cranford Library in memory of the late member, Helen Hebendahl.

DAR's room is described to chapter

A representative of the state DAR, Imogene Patrick, addressed a recent meeting of Crane's Ford chapter on the New Jersey Room in the Memorial Continental Hall, Washington, D.C. She also showed slides of the furnishings.

Each state has its own room and New Jersey's is furnished as a Jacobean period dining room using oak recovered from the frigate Augusta commanded by British admiral Richard Howe.

The ship was sunk as part of a fleet attempting to capture Philadelphia in 1777 and was salvaged in 1869.

Hostesses for the meeting were Zillah Prophett and Mrs. John Starr.

Plans are under way for the chapter's annual birthday luncheon, awards day and 99th annual state conference, all in March.

Christopher Lehner to wed Amy D. Dafft

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dryscvig of Larchmont, N.Y., announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Darlene Dafft, to Christopher Lehner, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Lehner of Cranford.

Miss Dafft attended Marymount College. Mr. Lehner, a graduate of U.S. Military Academy at West Point, is an officer in the U.S. Army.

A fall wedding is planned.

Social news

The deadline for wedding and engagement announcements is 5 p.m. Friday. An article may be submitted to the Chronicle either by mailing it to P.O. Box 426, Cranford, or dropping it off at the office at 102 Walnut Ave. Forms are available upon request.

Black and white photographs are preferred, but good quality color pictures are acceptable. There is no charge for publishing announcements or pictures.

Birth announcements may be telephoned to the office, 276-6000.

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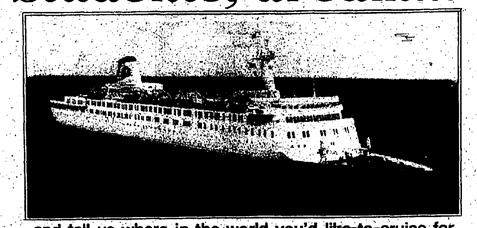

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3. Contest open to students kindergarten through 8th grade, registered at a public, private or parochial school or residing in the communities of Cranford, Garwood, Kenilworth, Scotch Plains, Fanwood or Westfield. Essay must be no more than 100 words. Drawings must not be larger than 21 x 17.
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Mr. and Mrs. William Meehan of 4 Edward Pl. announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Elizabeth, to Michael Alan Harchik, son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Harchik of East Windsor.

The future bride graduated from Cranford High School in 1984. She is employed as a sales assistant at Ramada Hotel, Clark. Mr. Harchik graduated from Hightstown High School in 1983 and Rider College in 1987. A certified public accountant, he is employed as an accounting manager at Innotech in North Brunswick.

The wedding will take place in June.

Miss Rehm is fiance of John K. Waggener

Mr. and Mrs. William Rehm of Kenilworth announce the engagement of their daughter, Yolanda Marie, to John Kerrigan Waggener of Springfield. He is the son of Herbert Waggener of Pottersville and Judith Auge of Chicago. Miss Rehm is also the daughter of the late Anna Marie Francis Rehm.

The bride-elect is a graduate of David Brearley High School. She is employed by Tamburro Realty Co., Kenilworth, as office manager. Her fiance graduated from Adlai E. Stevenson High School, Chicago. He is employed by Springfield Imported Motors as business manager.

The couple will be married in October.

Miss Rehm, Mr. Waggener

Mr. Huck, Miss Flynn

Beth Flynn planning bridal in September

Dr. and Mrs. Clair W. Flynn Jr. of New Vernon, formerly of Cranford, announce the engagement of their daughter, Beth Allyson, to J. Gary Huck of Ardmore, Pa., son of Dr. and Mrs. George F. Huck of Huntington Valley, Pa.

The bride-to-be is a graduate of Oak Knoll School and Rosemont (Pa.) College. She is working toward a master's degree in education at Seton Hall University and is employed by the Bridgewater-Raritan school district as a second grade teacher. Mr. Huck, a graduate of LaSalle High School and Drexel University, Philadelphia, is an accountant with the firm of Rudolph/Plitz/Plymouth Meeting, Pa.

A September wedding is planned.

Interfaith dating to be topic

Interfaith dating and mixed marriages will be the topic of a study group meeting of Roselle-Cranford Hadassah at 8 p.m. Tuesday at the home of Libby Lulinski. The discussion, which will be drawn from the book, "Jewish Marital Status," will be preceded by a short meeting. Persons planning to attend are asked to call 276-8558.

Early valentines to be featured

St. Valentine's Day will be celebrated at Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, Sunday from 2 to 4 p.m.

Evie Kennelly of Westfield will demonstrate techniques used in making early valentines and examples will be on display. The museum's cooking committee will explain how farm families such as the Millers and Corys preserved and used apples throughout the winter. Tours will be conducted through the 18th century farmhouse. Valentine gifts will be featured in the museum shop.

FLEA MARKET

An indoor flea market will be held Saturday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Roselle Catholic High School, Raritan Road.

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READY FOR SALE: Junior League members, from left, Dorothy Douglas, Judy Shumway, Kathy Vinegra, and Elaine Callaghan are ready for sale at the Jumble Store.

Winter items to go on sale Monday at Jumble Store

The Jumble Store, a thrift and consignment shop at 110 Walnut Ave., will begin its winter sale Monday. Selected merchandise in both thrift and consignment will be reduced in price.

The store is owned and operated by the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield. The consignment and thrift departments feature fine jewelry, luxury items, household merchandise, toys, books and quality items for the entire family. Store hours are Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., Thursday, 7 to 9 p.m., and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

The store will begin accepting spring articles Monday for consignment. Anyone wishing to consign is asked a pay registration fee. Items should be in style, freshly cleaned, pressed and on hangers. New and nearly new housewares items, jewelry, sports equipment, china, silver, books and toys also are welcome. Call 276-0222.

Proceeds from the winter sale will fund league community service projects and programs throughout Union County. Current projects include Kids on the Block puppet troupe) a renovation of the Discovery Room at Trailside Museum, and a project providing daycare for homeless children. A portion of the funds also are donated to Cranford Family Care Association.

Naturalist to talk on species in peril

Echo Lake Naturalists Club will meet Tuesday at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church, Westfield. A representative of American Alliance for Wildlife Education will discuss "Vanishing Species."

Membership in the club is open to persons interested in the conservation, preservation and enjoyment of nature. Call 233-3814.

A birding trip is planned Saturday to Liberty State Park with plans to see the Eurasian Widgeon.

OES to sponsor lasagna dinner

Azure Chapter 87, Order of the Eastern Star, will sponsor a lasagna dinner from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Saturday at the Masonic Lodge, South Avenue and Thomas Street.

The cost is $6.50 for adults and $3.50 for children. Take-out orders will be available. Tickets may be purchased at the door or call Arlene King, 272-0582.

Newcomers' lunch

Cranford Newcomers Club will sponsor a luncheon Feb. 24 at Giovanna's Restaurant in Plainfield. Call 272-6360 to reserve tickets at $20. The luncheon is in place of the club's annual fashion show.

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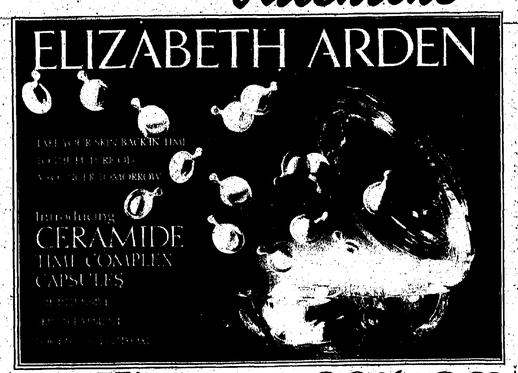

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Obituaries

Meta Porcella

A memorial service will be held Sunday at noon in Calvary Tabernacle Church, Elizabeth, for Meta Weldon Porcella, 97, of Cranford who died in her home last Thursday. She left 97 survivors.

Born in Bonham, Texas, Mrs. Porcella had lived in Cranford since 1914. She was a member of the Women's Club of Calvary Tabernacle Church where memorial contributions may be sent.

Her husband, Santiago, died in 1959. Surviving are five sons, Santiago III of Pennington, Brewster of Vernon Hills, Ill., James L. of Dallas, John David of Denver and George A. of Cranford; a daughter, Nina P. Steward of Providence, R.I.; a sister, Ruth W. Hill of Arlington, Va.; 39 grandchildren and 48 great-grandchildren. Two sons have died: Filipe V. in 1975 and Guy R. in 1977; and a daughter, Mafalda Gray, died in 1989.

Arrangements were by Gray Memorial Funeral Home.

Angelo LaBracio

Funeral services are being held today at 9:30 a.m. at Mastapeter Suburban, Roselle Park, for former Cranford resident Angelo LaBracio, 52, who died Sunday at Salem Memorial Hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. LaBracio was the owner and operator of the Country Peddler Deli, Salem, for five years.

Born in Elizabeth, he was reared in Cranford and lived in Lantana, Fla., and Middlesex before moving to Mannington five years ago.

Surviving are his wife, the former Lottie Hentschel; two sons, Michael at home and David of Texas; his mother, Elizabeth of Toms River; two brothers, Joseph of Cranford and Arthur of Belle Meade; a sister, Bette-Jo Tarnowski of Aberdeen; and a granddaughter.

Ruth Moore

Former Cranford resident Ruth Turk Moore died Jan. 29 in her Clark home.

Mrs. Moore had been a secretary at R.S.R. Electronics, Rahway, for the past five years. She had also been a waitress at the Chanticler, Millburn for many years.

Born in New York City, Mrs. Moore lived in Cranford for eight years before she moved to Clark in 1980. She was a member of Deborah, Rahway.

Surviving are her husband, Gregory; a son Michael Dugan of Colonia; two daughters, Sharlys Crisafulli of Atlanta, Ga., and Nancy Dugan of Montclair; a brother, Buddy Turk of Wayne; two sisters Margaret Neilson and Ethel Sheridan both of Dunedin, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

A funeral service was held Friday at Walter J. Johnson Funeral Home, Clark.

Anna Yatkowsky

Former Cranford resident Anna Chyll Yatkowsky, 92, died Saturday at Hartwyck Nursing Home, Plainfield.

Mrs. Yatkowsky had been a cafeteria worker for the New York City public schools for seven years before retiring in 1968. Prior to that, she owned a grocery store in New York City for 45 years.

Born in New York City, she lived in Cranford for two years before moving to Plainfield in 1973. While here she was a member of the Tuesday Senior Citizens Club.

Her husband, Joseph, died in 1952. Surviving are two daughters, Olga Ferrari of Rivervale and Lillian Sodomora of Cranford; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday at Dooley Funeral Home.

Zuzanna Reeves

Zuzanna M. Reeves, 88, of Cranford died Saturday at Elizabeth General Medical Center-West after a brief illness.

Born in Budapest, Hungary, Mrs. Reeves was reared in Bloomfield and had lived in Cranford since 1962. She was a member of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church, Union, its Ladies Guild and Cranford Senior Citizens Club.

Her husband, Robert J., died in 1968, and a son, Robert J. Jr., died in 1962. Surviving are a son, Ernest J. of Cranford and a grandson.

Services were held yesterday at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Arrangements were by Gray Memorial Funeral Home.

Frank Drummond

Frank G. Drummond, 70, of Cranford died Saturday at Rahway Hospital after a brief illness.

Mr. Drummond had been a boiler fireman at the Bayway Terminals, Elizabeth, for 15 years before retiring in 1980. An Army Air Force veteran of World War II, he was a member of Disabled American Veterans.

Born in Newark, Mr. Drummond had lived in Cranford since 1947. He was a parishioner of St. Michael Church, where a funeral Mass was offered yesterday.

Surviving are his wife, the former Florence Horn; two daughters, Janice Saam of Hampton, and Nancy Ditzel of Cranford; two sisters, Clara Feuerschwenger of Hillside and Doris Bott of Toms River; and four grandsons.

Memorial donations may be made to the Alzheimer's Association, Parsippany. Arrangements were by Dooley Funeral Home.

Robert Tarantino

Robert N. Tarantino, 50, of Garwood died last Thursday in John E. Runnells Hospital, Berkeley Heights, after a brief illness.

Mr. Tarantino had been an inspector for the Division of Motor Vehicles, Westfield, for eight years.

Born in Elizabeth, he had lived in Cranford for most of his life before moving to Garwood 10 years ago. He was a parishioner of St. Michael Church where a funeral Mass was offered Monday.

Surviving are a son, Robert Jr. of Westfield; a daughter Cheryl Barese of Saugerties, N.Y.; and his mother, Marian of Cranford.

Arrangements were by Dooley Funeral Home.

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
NOTICE

The following list is compiled by the Cranford Planning Board. See the following:

Education
130 — Hertz Mountain Inc. Applicant, 750 Walnut Avenue Block 547, Lot 2 for preliminary and major final site plan approval, variance relief, subdivision and any and all waivers that may be required to allow the construction of a two story addition to existing office building and a new two story office building on property known as the above address. Variance relief is sought for the following: insufficient side yard setback, insufficient number of parking spaces, insufficient number of loading zones, insufficient parking area setback and buffering. Approved with conditions.

Robert W. McArthur
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Florence Carney

Services are being held today at 10 a.m. at Shook's Cedar Grove Funeral Home for former Cranford resident, Florence Smith Carney, 74, who died Monday in Montclair Community Hospital.

Mrs. Carney had been a stenotypist and secretary for Bell Laboratories, Murray Hill, for 42 years before she retired in 1980. She was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Born in New York City, she had lived in Cranford, Garden City and Jamaica, N.Y., before moving to Cedar Grove seven years ago.

Survivors include her husband, Clayton; three stepdaughters, Judy Dixon, Rose Meusel and Nancy Dillman; two stepsons, Michael and John; and five grandchildren.

Jeros Jackson

Jeros Litwin Jackson, 63, of Cranford died at home Jan. 30 after a brief illness.

Mrs. Jackson had been a clerk with N.J. Bell, Cranford, for 20 years before retiring in 1988. She was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America.

Born in Elizabeth, she had lived in Cranford for more than 50 years.

Her husband, John A., died in 1987. Surviving are two sons, William of Cranford and Mark of Union; a daughter, Linda Sallee of Cranford; her mother, Anna Litwin of Cranford; a brother, Theodore Litwin of Bel Haven, N.C.; and six grandchildren.

Funeral services were held Saturday at Gray Memorial Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Center for Hope Hospice, Linden.

Paul Canevari

Paul G. Canevari, 34, of Cranford, died after a long illness Jan. 29 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Mr. Canevari, a 1980 graduate of Rutgers University, New Brunswick, had been an accountant with Paychex of Kenilworth for four years.

Born in New Brunswick, Mr. Canevari had lived in Cranford for the last 30 years.

Surviving are his parents, Gerard P. and the former Elizabeth McCorry of Cranford; two brothers, Peter of Wausau, Wis., and Mark of Hoboken; and two sisters, Elizabeth Sullebarger of Westfield and Linda Sowa of Cranford.

A funeral Mass was offered last Thursday at St. Michael Church. Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society. Arrangements were by Gray Memorial Funeral Home.

Julia Testa

Julia DelGiudice Testa, 80, died last Thursday in her Garwood home after a brief illness.

Born in Madison, Mrs. Testa had lived in Garwood for the last 40 years. A funeral Mass was offered Monday at the Church of St. Anne where she was a parishioner.

Her husband, Frank, died in 1973. Surviving are three daughters, Julia Wohlman of Rahway, Marie Mastrocola of Belleville and Phyllis Schmal of Kenilworth; three sons, Joseph of New Lisbon, Philip and James, both of Garwood; two sisters Pauline Oliveri and Anna Papa, both of Madison; three brothers, Jack, Joseph and Anthony DelGiudice, all of Madison; 11 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Dooley Colonial Home, Westfield.

Betty Paluk

Former Kenilworth resident Betty Plummer Paluk, 63, died Saturday in her Roselle Park home.

Mrs. Paluk had been a varitype composer for Berry Business Inc., Cranford, for 17 years before she retired in 1990.

Born in Ashland, Ky., she resided in Elizabeth and then had lived in Kenilworth for 20 years before moving to Roselle Park six years ago. She was a member of the Union County chapter of Deborah.

Surviving are her husband, Andrew; a son, George of Roselle Park; three daughters, Carol Gilfin of Middlesex, Linda Galluppo Brzozowski of Garwood and Irene Palmer of Guam; two brothers, Frank and Frederick Plummer, both of Kenilworth; three sisters, Alberta Amoroso of Tobyhanna, Pa., Ruth Wood and Patricia Rica, both of Kenilworth; and seven grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday at Mastapeter Suburban, Roselle Park.

Ethel Doss

Former Cranford resident Ethel Kruger Doss, 94, died last Thursday at Bayview Nursing Home, Beaufort, S.C., after a short illness.

Born in Chicago, Mrs. Doss had lived in Cranford for many years before moving to Savannah, Ga. She was a charter member of Calvary Lutheran Church.

Before retiring she was an office worker for the Township of Cranford.

Survivors include a daughter, Virginia Butts of Savannah; a son, Glenn of Bullard, Texas; seven grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

Lillian Davis

Lillian Sinkowitz Davis, 87, of Cranford and Point Pleasant died Friday in Elizabeth General Medical Center.

Born in Passaic, Mrs. Davis had lived in Bloomfield before moving to Cranford five years ago. She also maintained a residence in Point Pleasant.

Her husband, Frank, died in 1978. Surviving are a daughter, Barbara L. Downey of Cranford, and two granddaughters.

A funeral Mass was offered Monday at St. Michael Church. Arrangements were by Dooley Funeral Home.

Lillian Hinkeldey

Former Cranford resident Lillian M. Hinkeldey, 90, died Friday at Claremont Nursing Home, Point Pleasant.

Born and reared in Cranford, Miss Hinkeldey moved to Spring Lake 15 years ago. While living in Cranford she was a member of First Presbyterian Church.

There are no immediate survivors. Graveside services were held Tuesday at Fairview Cemetery. Arrangements were by Gray Memorial Funeral Home.

Eleanor Kirkpatrick

Services are being held today at 11 a.m. at All Saints Episcopal Church, Scotch Plains, for Eleanor Herbert Kirkpatrick, 80, of Cranford who died Monday in Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Plainfield.

Mrs. Kirkpatrick was a member of the Bible Study Group at All Saints Church, the Elizabeth Women's Club and Contact We Care, an outreach club. She was also a member of the Stamp Club, the Friends of the Library and the Senior Citizens Club, all of Cranford.

Born in New York City, she lived in Kingston, N.Y., and Elizabeth before moving to Cranford 40 years ago.

Her husband, Alton, died in 1973. Surviving are a son, John of Mendham, a daughter, Eleanor J. McCollum of Cranford; three grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Memorial contributions may be made to All Saints Episcopal Church. Arrangements are by Gray Memorial Funeral Home.

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, the Chief Financial Officer has certified to the availability of funds in the specified budget account or ordinance 10-91-1101-11-2-31.

Thomas J. Grady
Director of Finance

WHEREAS, it is the opinion of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford that the services need to engage an expert with forensic professional services to analyze, evaluate and verify accuracy of Railway Valley Sewerage Authority 1991 charges.

WHEREAS, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5) requires that a resolution of the governing body authorizing the award of contracts for "Professional Services" without competitive bids must be publicly advertised.

BE IT RESOLVED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, New Jersey:

1. That the proper officials of the Township of Cranford be, and hereby are, authorized and directed to execute an agreement with Camp, Dresser & McKee, Raritan Plaza 1, Raritan Center, Edison, N.J. 08818.
2. Camp, Dresser & McKee shall receive a set fee not to exceed $10,000.00 to cover their services as set forth in said agreement and said fee shall be payable upon satisfactory completion of said services.
3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" under the provisions of the Local Public Contracts Law because the professional services contemplated are of such a nature that it does not lend itself to competitive bidding; and
4. A copy of this resolution shall be published in the Cranford Chronicle as required by law within ten (10) days of its adoption.

Edwin H. Foltz
Chairman, Township Committee

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Diggin
Township Clerk
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Securities 640,55
Federal funds sold and securities purchased under agreements to resell 56,286
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Loans and leases, net of unearned income $477,570
Less: Allowance for loan and lease losses 7,722
Loans and leases, net of unearned income, allowance and reserve 469,848
Premises and fixed assets 13,334
Intangible assets 2,113
Other assets 26,952
Total assets $1,298,375

LIABILITIES
Deposits in domestic offices:
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602,083
Federal funds purchased and securities sold under agreements to repurchase 28,845
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Mortgage indebtedness and obligations under capitalized leases 4,401
Other liabilities 21,330
Total liabilities 1,187,435

EQUITY CAPITAL
Common Stock (No. of Shares Authorized 1,420,000
Surplus 12,150
Undivided profits and capital reserves 10,952
Total equity capital 67,969
Total liabilities and equity capital 110,939
$1,298,375

MEMORANDA Amounts outstanding as of Report Date
Standby letters of credit (SBLC) 5,079

We, the undersigned directors, attest the correctness of this Report of Condition and declare that it has been examined by us and to the best of our knowledge and belief has been prepared in conformance with official instructions and is true and correct

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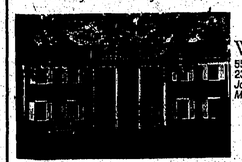

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RELIGION

Methodist church sponsors seminars on employment

In response to a growing need in the community for employment assistance and career guidance, Cranford United Methodist Church is sponsoring, "The Next Step," a series of monthly seminars open to the public. The first seminar will take place Feb. 16 from 7:30 a.m. to noon in the church education building.

Professional speakers will address a spectrum of issues concerning individuals seeking a job for the first time, those unemployed or persons at risk of layoff, demotion or termination.

Presentations will include job search skills and strategies, employment and outplacement agencies, financial planning, and the psychological and emotional response to employment changes.

"Our goal is to assist individuals so that they can reposition themselves and rebuild their self esteem. Information will be applicable to those seeking employment at any level including blue and white collar professions, in all industries, said John Gillespie, program coordinator and church member.

"Resume Preparation and Job Search Strategies" is the title of the first seminar to be led by Lloyd Feinstein, president of Career Marketing Associates, New Providence.

A $5 fee will be charged at the door to defray program expenses. A continental breakfast including baked goods donated by Bagel America and the Buttery Bake Shop will be served.

Child care will be provided for those who pre-register by Feb. 11.

Prison chaplain to preach at Methodist church Sunday

The Rev. Florence Ridley, chaplain of the Edna Mahan Correctional Facility for Women, formerly Clinton Farms, will be the guest preacher at 10 a.m. Sunday at Cranford United Methodist Church.

In her sermon, "Uprooted: Women in Prison," Ridley will share her experiences during the past nine years at the prison.

"My greatest challenge is to enable the 843 residents of Edna Mahan to identify their gifts and to encourage them to use these gifts in the community," said Ridley.

Prior to her current position, Ridley served as pastor of the United Methodist Church of Orange. She graduated from Princeton Theological Seminary.

The public is invited to participate in Communion services at 7 a.m., noon and 7:30 p.m. in the church sanctuary on Ash Wednesday, Feb. 13. Ash Wednesday.

Ministry with gays is topic for forum

"Ministry with Gays and Lesbians in the Church" will be the topic at the adult forum of First Presbyterian Church at 9:30 a.m. Sunday in the youth center.

James Anderson, associate dean and professor at Rutgers University School of Communications, Information and Library Studies, will be guest speaker. He is a graduate of Harvard College and earned his doctorate in library science at Columbia University.

Anderson is secretary-treasurer of communications of Presbyterians for Lesbian and Gay Concerns, a nationwide organization of ministers, elders, deacons and church members. He is editor and publisher of "More Light Update," a monthly newsletter of PLGC.

Proceeds of CROP Walk fall short of council expectations

Final figures for the 16th annual CROP Walk for Hunger, sponsored by Cranford Clergy Council, were released last week to the disappointment of its organizers.

The $12,207.09 raised was nearly $3,000 short of a projected goal of $15,000, and nearly $1,000 short of the amount raised last year, according to Fran Huckel, co-chairman of the fund-raising committee.

"With over 200 walkers and a potential of 1,000 sponsors, the economy played a huge part in denying the goal to these committed persons. Add to this the great increase in requests received daily for the homeless and other forms of relief it was a formidable task to take on such a large goal," she said.

Along with co-chairman Audrey Smithers, Huckel organized last October more than 200 walkers who walked an average of six miles and enlisted nearly 1,000 sponsors to raise money for Church World Services, a worldwide relief organization. Twenty percent of the funds raised will go to Cranford Family Care.

CROP-CWS has a hotline, 1-800-456-1310, which provides weekly information about how the living needs of distressed people are being met, especially in the desert areas of Africa and the Middle East, said Huckel.

While the committee does plan to reassess its goals for 1991, Huckel said that the shortfall should not diminish the significance of the amount of money raised. She praised all who participated in the program and said that their assistance was appreciated.

In another Clergy Council sponsored program, organizers of the Martin Luther King Jr. award service were pleased to announced that $595 was contributed in the offering; $67 less than what was received in 1990. Ten percent or $60 was placed in the council's emergency fund and $535 went to the Dahlquist Fund for the advancement for human rights, according the Rev. Arnold Dahlquist.

Alliance Church to focus on goals for dads

"God's Goals for Dads and other Males" is the title of Sunday's sermon at Cranford Alliance Church. Focusing on what God says about men in Timothy 1, the Rev. Robert Bashioum, pastor, will point out that home is a frustrating place for men because in many instances they are not equipped to function in that role.

The sermon is a part of the family emphasis program at the church. The congregation will look at how important the home is, the roles of mothers and fathers and how God supplies for the financial needs of families.

Part of the week's morning worship services will be a children's sermon focusing on Valentine's Day. Two morning worship services, a contemporary music service at 9 a.m. and a traditional service at 11:15 a.m. will be held each Sunday. A staffed nursery, toddler church program and junior church program will be available during each service.

On Sunday evenings through March 3, the video series, "The Hurried Family," will be shown. The series features Tim Kimmel, author of the book, "Little House on the Freeway." The segment, "The Lure of the Hurried Lifestyle," will be shown at 6:30 p.m. Sunday in the sanctuary. Free child care is available for children age 4 and under.

The public is welcome. For additional information, call the church office, 276-1617.

ENVIRONMENTAL TIP

When shopping, think twice about accepting a bag if your purchase is small.

Baptist pastor to preach for Lent

The Rev. Alfred Brown, pastor of First Baptist Church, will preach at this week's Ash Wednesday Lenten service at 7:30 p.m. at Osceola Presbyterian Church. The Baptist choir will sing.

The Rev. S. Timothy Pretz, Osceola pastor, will preach at Sunday's 10 a.m. worship service at his church. Fellowship hour will follow.

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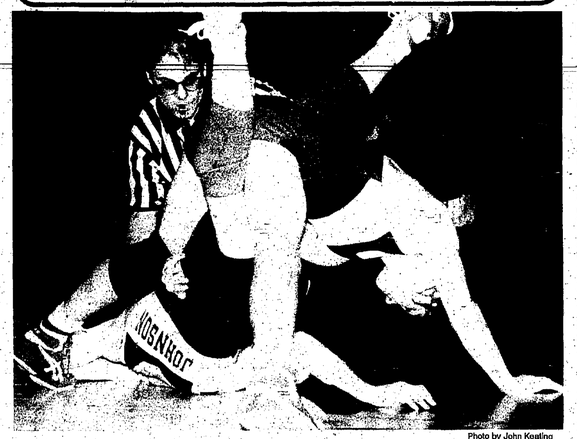

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MAT MANEUVERS: Bear Chris Sapienza, at 119 pounds, works his way toward a decision over A.L. Johnson's Craig Mahon. Brearley defeated Johnson 45-14 Saturday.

Bear wrestlers clinch playoff berth with 2 decisive victories last week

By Bob Taylor Jr.
Team correspondent

The 1991 Brearley wrestling team clinched a berth in the Group 1 playoffs with two decisive victories last week. Jan. 30 the 9-1-1 Bears defeated Bound Brook 38-24. They also defeated sister school A.L. Johnson 45-14 Saturday. Both matches were team efforts, as the Bears won key bouts up and down the line.

Bound Brook came into Kenilworth riding the momentum of a big victory over Johnson. The Crusaders won at the first three weights to take a 12-0 lead. At 125 Bob Cox put the Bears on the scoreboard with a 13-1 win.

Two key victories came at 135 and 140. Junior Ron Cagno defeated Dave Parisi 7-3 to cut the lead to 18-7. Captain Clint Kaminski was also victorious, securing a pin at 140. Cagno has been a standout at 135, going 8-0 at the weight and 10-4 overall.

At 152, senior Deomid Rappoport won his first varsity match of the year, defeating Greg Beatty 10-0. Brearley proceeded to win its last four matches and secured the team victory.

Against Johnson, the Bears dominated the whole match. Dom Tripodi began the match at 103 with a pin. Joe Dillon won at 112 by forfeit. Chris Sapienza defeated Craig Mahon 9-4 at 119. Johnson finally broke through at 125 when Cox drew with Johnson's Tim Hoerle 4-4. The Bears won at 135 with Cagno and the last five matches for its ninth victory.

Individually, the Bears have fared well this season. They have seven wrestlers with 10 victories or more. Leading the way is senior captain Vic Verno with 13. He is followed by Bob Taylor with 12; Jose Rodriguez and Scott DuBeau, 11; Kaminski, Tripodi and Cagno, 10.

The Bears most likely will receive the second seed in the Group 1 sectionals. Before the sectionals, which will start next week, they were set to meet Elizabeth away yesterday. Brearley also will compete in the Union County Tournament, which will take place tomorrow and Saturday.

Runners place second for Group 1

By Jim McMenamin
Team correspondent

Bear runners placed second with 19 points at the Group 1 state championships Sunday in Princeton.

Brearley was tied with champion Saddle Brook until the last event, the 400-meter run. The Bears were unable to enter a runner while Saddle Brook's runner placed second, breaking the tie and pushing the Bears into second place. Saddle Brook won with 23. Brearley was followed by Metuchen with 18; Haddon Township, 12; Haddonfield, 9; Whippany Park, 8; Montclair Immaculate and New Providence, 7; Highland Park, Secaucus and Spotswood, 4; Bernards and South Hunterdon, 3; Good Counsel, New Brunswick and Pitman, 2; Point Pleasant Beach, 1.

Bear Jason Fennes earned a first place medal in the high jump with a 6-2 leap. Fennes also placed fourth in the 55-meter high hurdle with a time of eight seconds. Matt O'Donnell, boosted the Bears with a six-second, first-place finish in the 55 dash and Mark Fajardo hurled a 45-3 shot put throw for third place. Jon Strahlendorf finished fourth with a 45-2 throw.

The Bears were scheduled to finish their regular season yesterday at the Mountain Valley Conference meet in Elizabeth. O'Donnell, Fennes and Fajardo will compete in the Meet of Champions Feb. 18.

Dual meet changes to developmental event

By Al Lies
Sports writer

What was originally scheduled to be a dual track meet Jan. 30 between Cranford and Westfield at Cranford, turned out to be a four-team developmental competition among Cranford, Westfield, Millburn and Scotch Plains, at Westfield.

According to Cranford coach Ray White, "The purpose of a developmental meet is to have speed work-outs for each event. It gives me a chance to let the entire team participate and to evaluate their individual performances."

He added, "Among our boys, I was particularly impressed with Ryan Stempniewicz in the 600-meter race and Chris Pankiewitz at 300 meters. Carolyn Gardner in the 60-meter dash and Jennifer Schulze in the 600-meter race also showed great improvement."

Top Cranford performances were recorded by: Casey Drexler, Keith Sheara and Kamruz Saifi in the boys' 60; Gardner, Denise Pechillo and Elissa Cagan in the girls' 60; Scott Laidlaw and Franco Montalto in the boys' 1,000; Christine Pipchick in the girls' 1,000; Dave Burg, Mark Chandros and Mike Isaaeman in the boys' 300; Carolyn Gardner, Pechillo and Kelly Quigley in the girls' 300; Montalto in the 2,400; Stempniewicz in the boys' 600; and Schulze, Meredith Baumann and Kieran Healey in the girls' 600.

In field events, Drexler was the Cougars' top performer in the boys' shot put. Laurie Androff and Joyelle Johnson scored for the girls.

Kristi White and Michele Charney led Cranford in the girls' high jump. Mike Prodeline jumped for the boys.

Sports matter

By Al Lies

Senior Maggie Morrow is one of the premier long distance runners ever to attend Cranford High School.

Her varsity coach, Ray White, says, "I believe Maggie is a tremendous college prospect for long distance running. I have already been contacted by a number of colleges, including Rutgers, Columbia and the University of Pennsylvania, who are definitely interested in her academic and athletic achievements."

Most recently, just last week, Morrow won two events, the mile in 5:24.5 and the two-mile in 12:43.2, in the Union County Girls Track and Field Championships at Dunn Center in Elizabeth.

During the last three years she has been named to the first team All Union County cross country team. She's also first team all county in winter and summer track for both the mile and two-mile and qualified for the Group III state finals in cross country, the mile and two-mile. This season she was the only Union County girl who qualified to compete in the prestigious cross country Meet of Champions, at which she finished 12th in a field of more than 250 of the top runners in the state.

Academically, she ranks seventh in her class and has high SAT's. She plans to study political science or foreign service in college.

Her other extra-curricular activities include: four years as a member of the high school band and participation as a senator in student government, member of the Math League, the Spanish Club, Spanish Honor Society and the Ushers Club.

Morrow's interest in running began in her freshman year. Her brother, Matt, a 1984 Cranford High graduate, was a member of both the cross country and track teams.

She says, "Matt got me started. It was tough at first, then I began running every day and I got better. Also, my father encouraged me. He actually started to run with me whenever he had time."

Her father, Michael, ran in high school and college and currently is a member of the Hash House Harriers, a local "run for fun" club.

She adds, "Coach White brought me along slowly and made me aware that I need to concentrate on what I need to do in a race, and that is to be as competitive as possible. Once that clicked in my mind, I began to believe in my ability to achieve greater success."

Coach White says, "Maggie now exhibits quiet confidence. She had to work at being competitive, but now she's moving in the right direction, up to the front of the pack."

CHS grapplers upset Roselle Park, also beat Summit, Scotch Plains

By Robyn Frank
Team correspondent

Cranford varsity grapplers proved their ability, capturing three wins this past week by overpowering Roselle Park, Summit and Scotch Plains-Fanwood. Leading the way in all three matches were the Carpenter brothers, George Ennesser, Brian Nordstrom and Pete Scholz.

The first of their victories was a 31-21 match over the Scotch Plains-Fanwood Raiders, away Jan. 29.

Patrick Bartels won the 103-pound match for the Raiders 4-0 over freshman John Cuccolo; however, Cranford came back winning the next four matches.

Mike Carpenter pinned 112-pound Raider Jorge Mendez in 1:26 and his 119-pound brother, Willie, put Marc Bonnedio on his back in 3:15. Junior Scholz beat Mike Marcovecchio 12-5 and sophomore Eric Nowicki won his match over Andy Brown 12-11, on the 125-pound and 130-pound weight classes respectively.

The 135-pound and 140-pound bouts were won by Raiders Peter Sanguilano 9-5 over senior Jason Alvator, and Ralph Sanguilano 9-6 over senior Luke Lucash.

Cranford's 145-pound sophomore Nick Lettieri decisioned Mike Kane 12-4. The 152-pounder from Scotch Plains, Scott Rosander downed senior Brian Lettieri in a tough 10-4 match.

Raider David Oslislo, 160 pounds, won by a 4-3 decision over junior Cougar Wayne Bender. In the 171-pound division, senior Nordstrom beat Mark Dambaugh of Scotch Plains 2-0. Fellow senior Ennesser concluded Cranford's scoring for the day with a fall in 1:48 over Mark Gollick. Scotch Plains heavyweight Al Spana pinned Rich Pinto in 1:32.

In Cranford's second victory of the week the Summit Hilltoppers lost to the Cougars 37-15 Jan. 30.

Cranford's scoring began in the 103-pound bout as Cuccolo pinned Charlie Daly in 2:37. Mike Carpenter decisioned Summit's Brian Klein 10-0.

Hilltopper Kevin Logue put his team on the board with a fall in 1:29 over freshman Ken Hartmann.

Cougar freshman Chris Sullivan at 125 pounds won by forfeit. In the 130-pound division Willie Carpenter put Joe Pier on his back in 1:33. Scholz continued the streak by winning with a technical fall over John Barnes in 4:15.

In the 140-pound bout, Hilltopper Mcgel-McGraw decisioned Lucash 8-2. Brian Lettieri pinned Bob Bickel in 53 seconds. Jason Evers of Summit pinned Scott Miller in a similar time of 52 seconds.

Bender accepted a forfeit and set the tone for the final three matches of the day, all Cranford victories. Nordstrom won by a fall in 53 seconds over Eugene Costa, Ennesser pinned Paul Newell in 2:51. In the heavyweight division, Pinto topped it all off with an 18-second pin over Nick Curiale.

Saturday the Cougars upset long-time rivals, the Roselle Park Panthers, 34-21 at home.

After Panther Mike Dimaio at 103 decisioned Cuccolo 5-4, Mike Carpenter put Cranford in the contest, pinning Mike King in 1:59, just before the buzzer. Brother Willie decisioned Bob McCafferty 12-2. Scholz beat Panther John Petrosky 11-3.

Just when things were looking down for Park, 130-pound Keith Appello decisioned Cougar senior Dan Clancy in a tough 6-5 match. In the 135-pound bout, Pat McCafferty of Roselle Park downed Alvator 5-4.

The 140-pound match resulted in a 1-1 tie between Lucash and Panther Anthony Barra. Brian Lettieri decisioned Chris Powers 6-4 and brother Nick held his ground but fell short of Park's John Ranieri 10-2.

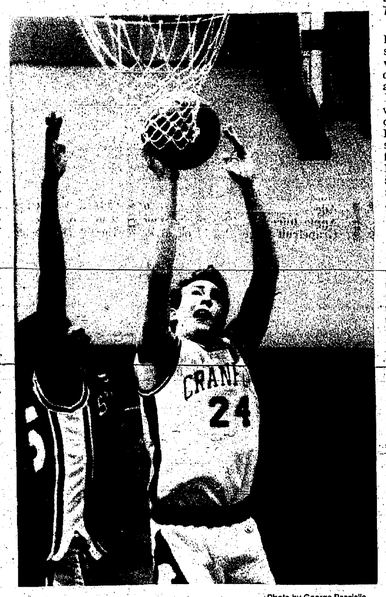
A fall in 1:41 by Bender over Paul Mooney was all it took to build the excitement in the crowd. The Panthers never let up. Their 171-pounder pinned Cougar junior Greg Williams in 21 seconds.

It came down to the 189-pound match. Nordstrom showed his determination, decisioned Chris Foy 3-0 with the Cougar crowded behind him all the way. Ennesser finished the evening with a 2:28 fall over Panther Ryan Dwyer.

Cranford, with a record of 10-2, will travel to Elizabeth tomorrow and Saturday for the Union County Tournament. The Cougars' next dual meet will be at Irvington Wednesday at 4 p.m.

Cranford defeats Rahway, drops 2

By Tanja Funk
Team correspondent



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UP FOR TWO: Cougar hoopster Brad Wagner attempts to score during Cranford's 72-53 loss Tuesday to Scotch Plains.

The Cougars soundly defeated Rahway 74-59 Saturday for their second win of the season. But the varsity boys lost two other hoop contests last week, against Linden and Newark's Shabazz.

The Cougars played extremely well throughout all four quarters during their victory over Linden. Both teams displayed equal strength in the first quarter which finished in Rahway's favor, 10-9. Each team also played a powerful second quarter, with Cranford scoring 22 points and Rahway 19. At the half, the Cougars were leading by two.

The Cougars continued to dominate the game during the second half and gained a comfortable lead as they scored twice as many points as the Linden team during the third quarter. Rahway soon narrowed the Cranford lead to two by dropping three consecutive three-point goals. Cranford remained tough, scored 29 points in the final quarter and won the game.

Ken Majors and Adam Lightcap tied in leading the Cougar scoring. Lightcap accumulated most his 19 points on the offense while Majors scored most of his points through foul shots. Joe Cassidy and Sean Slattery, who played a strong offensive game in the first half, each scored 13 points and Brad Wagner scored 10. Mike Burke also played an important part in helping the Cougars with their solid defense.

Cranford had a rough time breaking through the Linden defense during last Thursday's game. Cassidy was Cranford's high scorer with 12 points, followed by Lightcap with 11 and Slattery with eight. Pete Perillo, who played nicely during the third quarter, scored six points, Dumont Alnutt, who substituted into the game in the fourth quarter, scored three and Majors scored two. Chris Polito, Kris Bender and Sean Hannon, who played only a portion of the game, also helped the team in both offense and defense. The game ended with Linden defeating the Cougars 66-42.

The Cougars played another tough game against Shabazz on Jan. 29, losing by only four points.

At halftime, the game was tied at 29. However, the Cougars showed inconsistency during the third quarter and allowed Shabazz to outscore them by three points. The Cranford team came back in the fourth quarter and was one point shy of a tie with 30 seconds left to play. The Cougars unsuccessfully attempted a layup and Shabazz gained possession of the ball. Cranford's defense was so aggressive that they accidentally fouled, giving Shabazz the chance to score. The Shabazz player scored the first foul shot in the one-and-one situation, won the rebound and scored again at the sound of the buzzer, ending the game at 61-67.

Slattery played a very aggressive game to lead the Cranford scorers with 18 points; Lightcap followed with 16 points. Cassidy scored eight points, while both Wagner and Majors scored six. Burke also helped the Cougars by scoring three.

The Cougars were scheduled to face Scotch Plains this past Tuesday.

Lady Cougars run third in county invitationals

By Maggie Morrow
Team correspondent

The Cranford girls' winter track team came in third in the Union County Girls Individual Championships Jan. 29, finishing two points behind second-place Elizabeth and 12 points behind first-place Plainfield.

"We were very close," said coach Ray White. "All we really needed was a place in another event in order to steal points from Plainfield and win the meet."

The girls did score in six events that evening. Maggie Morrow won the mile run with a time of 5:24 and won the two-mile run in 12:39. Sophomore Leah Hunt came in third in the two-mile run with 13:23. Kristi White came in second in the high jump, leaping 5-2, followed by teammate Michele Charney, who came in fifth place with a 4-8 jump.

Cranford's mile-relay team composed of Carolyn Gardner, Jennifer Schulze, Elissa Cagan and Denise Pechillo came in fourth place, missing third by only a few seconds. Pechillo then ran the 440-yard run in 67.9, coming in eighth.

Senior Meredith Baumann finished eighth in the half-mile with a time of 2:47. Sophomore Audra Dziki also ran the half-mile in a time of 2:57. Christine Pipchick ran the two-mile for Cougars, crossing the line in 14:38. Throwing shot put for Cranford was Joyelle Johnson who threw 20-9, a personal best.

Cranford also scored in many novice events that evening. Kieran Healey became the half-mile novice champ, winning the race with a time of 2:51. Liza Buenaventura came in fifth in the novice 60-yard run with 7.4 seconds and came in third in the novice 440-yard run, finishing in 72 seconds. Kelly Quigley also competed in the novice 60 and 440-yard runs, finishing in 8.2 and 76 seconds respectively.

The girls were scheduled to have a double dual meet against Linden and Irvington this past Tuesday. They will travel to Rockland County, N.Y., to compete in an invitational meet today and to to Princeton Sunday for the state individuals.

Photo by John Keating

SKATING PARTY: Gerry Richards and son David don their skates at Brookside School PTA's Jan. 26 family ice skating party at Warinanco Park rink.

Brearley boy hoopsters lose to Oratory and Bound Brook

Bear boy hoopsters lost two games last week, against Oratory and Bound Brook, and saw their season record drop to 3-14.

The first defeat for the Bears came Jan. 30 as the Bears lost to Oratory 61-53. Despite 20 points and nine rebounds from John Anglim and 15 points from Chad Rudzion, the Bears could not overcome the Oratory team. Oratory was led by Jason Birdsall who scored 22 points.

Friday the Bears traveled to Bound Brook. Though the Bears were able to reduce a 19-point deficit to seven points through the fourth period, they eventually fell short 63-51. Once again Anglim led the Bears with 16 points while Steve Gaeta had 10 and Matt Voorhees had nine. Walt Thompson led the Bound Brook team with 22 points while Shaun Mangal had 18.

The Bears were scheduled to face Middlesex this past Tuesday and Oratory once again yesterday. Highlight of this week will be Parents Night during tomorrow's 7 p.m. home game against Manville. Participants in the boys' recreational hoop program may attend the game as guests of the team by wearing their recreation T-shirts. Brearley boys will play their last game of the season Tuesday, hosting New Providence at 4 p.m.

Hoop clinic set

Kenilworth Recreation Department and the Brearley High School basketball coaching staff will hold a basketball clinic Saturday at 10:30 a.m. at Brearley.

Garwood and Kenilworth pupils in grades 3 to 8 are invited to attend. Emphasis will be placed on the basics of the game.

Bear-Cougar scoreboard

Scores from Jan. 29 to Feb. 4

BOYS' BASKETBALL
Oratory 61, Brearley 53
Bound Brook 63, Brearley 53
Shabazz 61, Cranford 57
Linden 66, Cranford 42
Cranford 74, Rahway 59

GIRLS' BASKETBALL
Brearley 66, Dayton 42
Brearley 60, Bound Brook 41
Shabazz 50, Cranford 25
Linden 51, Cranford 34
Rahway 50, Cranford 36

BOWLING
Cranford 5, Rahway 2
Cranford 5, Kearny 2
Brearley (W), New Providence (L)
Brearley (W), Gov. Livingston (L)
Brearley (W), St. Mary's (L)

SWIMMING
Cranford 102, Rahway 64

WRESTLING
Brearley 38, Bound Brook 23
Brearley 45, A.L. Johnson 14
Cranford 31, Scotch Plains 22
Cranford 57, Summit 15
Cranford 34, Roselle Park 21

Dave Hegna defends county crown; CHS boys swim eighth, girls sixth

By Tess Finnegan
Team correspondent

Cougar Dave Hegna won his second straight county 100-yard freestyle title at Saturday's Union County Swimming and Diving Championships at Dunn Center in Elizabeth. Overall Cranford High School girl swimmers placed sixth while the boys came in eighth in the tournament.

In the girls' contest Gov. Livingston and Scotch Plains-Fanwood tied to upset seven-year champion Westfield for first place.

Medalling for Cranford were Kim Smith with a bronze in the 200-yard freestyle with a time of 2:06.44 and Dave's younger sister Amy also with a bronze in the 100-yard butterfly with a time of 1:10.27. Smith and A. Hegna continued their dominance by placing fifth in the 100 free and ninth in the 500-yard free, respectively. They combined efforts to place fifth in the 400-yard free relay with Kelly Imus and Karla Williams, and seventh in the 200 medley relay with Krysia Cierkowski and Williams. Imus placed ninth in the 200 free relay with Tess Finnegan, Aileen Bracuto and Aimee Niemsyk, and 10th in both the 200 individual medley and the 100 breaststroke.

Coach Sally Kleeman was "happy to see every girl in at least one event" and "pleased to see the team's overall rank increased from ninth to sixth" this year.

For the boys Westfield placed first overall. Dave Hegna successfully defended his 1990 title in the 100 free with his personal best time of 48.64, two seconds faster than his previous record. Co-captain Finnegan congratulated him for "bringing back that winning feeling" from last year. Hegna also won a silver medal for the 200 free in 1:46.60 and placed sixth in the 400 free relay with Anthony Muccia, Jeff Knight and Jason Sciarrone, and eighth in the 200 free relay with Marc Skarecki, Jesse Evans and Dan Beams.

Muccia, a senior, also had a great day in what he called "his first and last high school county meet." He shattered his personal 50 free record and placed eighth in 24.9, 10th in the 200 medley relay with Beams, Evans and Knight, and 11th in the 100 free. Sciarrone took 11th in the 200 free and 12th in the 500 free, beat out by teammate Knight who placed 11th.

Kleeman said she was "very glad to see everyone on the entire Cranford team do their best times."

In regular dual meets last week, Cranford came out even by beating Rahway 102-64 but dropping to Scotch Plains 98-72.

Against Rahway Jan. 30 Dave Hegna won the 200 IM, the 100 fly, the 200 free relay with Evans, Beams and Scott Acampora and the 400 free relay with Muccia, Sciarrone and Knight. Muccia also won the 50 free and placed second in the 200 medley relay with Beams, Evans and Amy Hegna. Knight won the 200 free, placed second in the 500 free behind Cranford's Imus, and third in the 200 free relay with Cierkowski, Imus and Skarecki.

Also winning for Cranford were Sciarrone in the 100 breast and Beams in the 100 free. Amy Hegna placed second in the 100 fly and third in the 400 free relay with Finnegan, Bracuto and Smith.

Rounding out the scoring was Cierkowski who placed third in the 200 IM, the 100 breast and with Finnegan, Imus and Smith in the 200 medley relay.

Unfortunately, the Cougars didn't fare as well against a tough Scotch Plains team Jan. 28. Placing first was Dave Hegna in the 200 free, the 100 free, in the 200 free relay with Evans, Beams and Keith Fossella and again in the 400 free relay with Smith, Fossella and Sciarrone. Smith also won the 100 backstroke and finished third in the 100 fly.

Muccia placed second in both the 50 free and the 400 free relay with Amy Hegna, Knight and Williams and placed third in the 200 medley relay with Williams, Evans and Amy Hegna. In third place spots were Evans in the 50 free and the 100 breast, Sciarrone in the 200 free, and Acampora, Bracuto, Imus and Knight in the 200 free relay.

Swimming well for Cranford were Niemsyk, Jennie Aracе, Mariah Bock, Nicole Maguire and Maggie Marreale.

The team was scheduled to travel to Springfield yesterday. The swimming Cougars will host Union Catholic today and New Providence Tuesday. Both meets will begin at 4 p.m.

Bowl-a-thon aids diabetes research

The American Diabetes Association will hold a "Strike Against Diabetes" bowl-a-thon during the weeks of Feb. 18 and 25 and March 4.

The association is currently looking for league teams to participate in challenge matches at area lanes. The grand finale will take place March 16 at Garden State Bowl, Union.

Proceeds from the event will help to fund diabetes research and education programs. Area residents of all ages and skill levels are invited to take part. For more information call 815-7838.

CHS athletes of the week

Cranford High School athletes of the week are Adam Lightcap, boys' basketball; Lisa Dunkerton and Jessica Dreyer, girls' basketball; Pete Scholz, wrestling; Dave Hegna and Kim Smith, swimming; Elissa Cagan, Leah Hunt, Chris Pankiewitz and Casey Drexler, winter track; and Scott Heywood, bowling.

SINGLES TENNIS

The Single Players Group will hold a Valentine tennis party for single adults Feb. 9 at the Inman Avenue Tennis Club, Edison. The cost, which includes a catered buffet, is $22. For details call 725-5523.

Bowling

CRANFORD BOWLING

D&M Meats	68	49
Cranford Elks	69	56
Meeker Sharkey	68	59
Seney Electric	66	61
Phoenix Jewelers	85	62
Reel-Strong Fuel	84	63
Hall Vicci	80	67
Clark Lanes	80	67
Cranford Hotel	78	69
Cranford Sunoco	77	70
Cathy's Ceramics	77	70
Modern Barber	75	72
Reynolds Plumbing	74	73
Mason Limo	72	75
Tall Engel	70	77
Cap-Cadecs	69	78
Global Carpet	69	78
Rowe's Sunoco	69	78
Victor Dennis	66	81
Robbins & Allison	66	81
Horan Lumber	62	85
Dutchy's Landscape	58	89
Cranford Barber	52	95
Just for Kicks	40	107

Those shooting 600 hundred series were Jim Heywood, 216, 200, 248; Pat Topetro, 212, 244, 202; Peter Mastrostefan, 207, 228, 201; Chick O'Hanlon, 207, 228, 201; Tony Lopez, 194, 172, 240; and Ron Phillips, 180, 228, 197. Those bowling 200 or more include Paul Degenhardt, John Tinler, Bob Mason, Rich Sorge, Mike Ruggiano, Nick Ruggiano, Jim Chelland, John Byrne Jr., Art Daquino, Jim Beadly, Dave Merrill, Jim Deldone, Lou Rizzo, Ray Seney, Carmen Spinnazzo, Ed Stoerger, Mike Brinker, Ray Hensel Jr., Paul Toth, Kevin Forrestal, Hank Holland and Kensteiner.

GARWOOD WOMEN

Garwood Rest	96	44
Garwood Lanes	78	62
SZ Sockets	75	65
Lucky Girls	68	72
Dittrick's	68	72
Jo Nik Carpets	64	76
The New Girls	57	83
K&B Welding	54	86

High series were bowled by Janet Malko, 521; Mary Zebrowski, 504; Marge Kennedy, 485; Lois Gloss, 476; Patty Wall, 472; Mary Ann Boyle, 465; Marie Hartung, 461; Elinor Barry, 458; Edith Guerriero, 455. High games were bowled by Belle McMillan, 189; Jerry Chinchar, 168; Lori Lutter, 184; Diane Guertin, 162; Evelyn Lawler, 161, Anne Kaider, 160; Angie Simonet, 158; Patty Yutz, 157; Jeanne McComb, 154; Ellen Boyle, 153; Linda Kaiser, 150; and Edna Oliver, 150.

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Marano & Sons	25	35

High series were bowled by David Spera, 417; Gregory Rybeck, 384; Glen Evans, 357; Michael Lueddeke, 325, Cheryl Spera, 427; Jennifer Evans, 359; Kelle Kolsem, 248. High games were bowled by Gregory Rybeck, 159; Anthony Goodell, 157; David Spera, 143; Michael Lueddeke, 135, Cheryl Spera, 156; Jennifer Evans, 138, Danielle Lueddeke, 127. The Knights of Columbus bowled the high team game of 729 while Marano & Sons bowled the high team series of 2,061.

MONDAY A.M. SENIORS

Go Getters	76	50
Boys	69.5	56.5
Right Aimers	68	58
Who	67	59
Three C's	67	59
Three Tops	66	60
Go Get 'Em	58	68
Three of Us	54.5	71.5
Hey You	54	72
Sharpshooters	51	75

High series were bowled by F. Mininov, 560; Joe Savage, 558; Sal LaPlaca, 540; Don Widdows, 532; Chuck Dlakon, 526; Al Judd, 517; Bob Bisho, 517; Woody Silker, 508; Carol Capodice, 416; Julie Weiner, 414. High games were bowled by F. Mininov, 212; Sal LaPlaca, 201; Chuck Dlakon, 198; Joe Savage, 192; F. Mazzeo, 187; Don Widdows, 185; Carl Kluge, 180; Woody Silker, 179; Al Judd, 178; Al Kutilowski, 176; Bob Bisho, 174; Jack K., 173; Eleanor Richonsky, 168; and Julie Weiner, 167.

LIVINGSTON-WALNUT

Cadavers	91	28
Bypasses	85	34
Psychos	80	39
Pinacellan	69	50
Ophers	68.5	50.5
Athletes Foot	68	53
Walking Wounded	62	57
Bowl-Legged	58	61
Split Personalities	57.5	61.5
Sprained Ankles	53	66
The Digits	50	69
Ecchomatics	43	76
Scrubs	41	78
Handicapped	41	78
Ineds	40	79
Pins & Needles	38	81

High series were bowled by Rosanne Garcia, 569; Marie Evaristo, 504; Marianne Cuccolo, 503; Pat Elkoury, 500; Sue Mikotaczyk, 490; Donna Peddie, 474; Marilyn Rimli, 467; Kay Samowski, 470; Karen Plowcha, 466; Barbara Holywood, 465; Joyce Pinkava, 455; Maureen Mundy, 452; Joanne McFadden, 449; Ann Marie Horn, 447. High games were bowled by Garcia, 202; Cuccolo, 201; Heywood, 192; Evaristo, 191; McFadden, 176; Mundy, 176; Mikotaczyk, 172; Elkoury, 178; Samowski, 172; Della Serra, 165; Pedde, 160; Rimli, 167; Horn, 167; Montgomery, 162; Chisnski, 161; Plowcha, 162; Pinkava, 160; Faraone, 160; Janice Alban, 159; Nycz, 157.

BROOKSIDE PTA

Ambush	28.5	18.5
Shalimar	27.5	19.5
Obsession	25	22
Tatiana	23	25
Passion	22.5	24.5
Heaven Scent	22.5	24.5
Liz Claiborne	21	26
Lauren	18	29

High series were bowled by Barbara Harnett, 438; Linda Bribiesca, 445; Ribby Kleesples, 420; Donna O'Donnell, 430; Jodee Newman, 407; Francine Leddy, 405; and Natalie Mahoney, 389. High games were bowled by Mahoney, 155; Leddy, 176; O'Donnell, 167; Linda Bribiesca, 159; Kleesples, 145; Connie Drimonies, 142; Grace Creanza, 148; Newman, 147; Harnett, 148. Liz Claiborne rolled the high team game of 400 and the high team series, 1,137.

HILLSIDE AVE. PTA

Newcomers	38	21
Hillside Angels	33	24
Rowdies	28	29
Pinottes	28	29
Misfits	26	31
Rascals	20	37

High series and high games were bowled by Rita Stiles, 407, 166; and Cathy Massoni, 401, 154.

EFINGER'S — HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

JASON FENNES
Brearley Regional High School

Jason Fennes, a track team member and junior at Brearley Regional High School, took first place in the high jump with a 6-2 at Sunday's Group 1 state championships in Princeton. He also placed fourth in the 55-meter high hurdle with a time of 8.0 seconds.

EFINGER'S — ATHLETE OF THE MONTH

KIM EAGAN
Senior — Brearley Regional

Kim, a quick 5-foot-3 guard on the girls basketball squad at Brearley (Kenilworth), surpassed the school career scoring record last month and entered this week with 1367 points. During January, she averaged 24.1 points per game, including a 36-point total during the Lady Bears' 66-42 triumph over Dayton. Kim is averaging nine assists, seven rebounds and six steals per outing. She's also the No. 6-ranked student in the senior class and a superb field hockey player during the fall.

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MIDGET GRAPPLER Craig Frost works on pinning an opponent in Sunday's PAL wrestling tournament at Cranford High School.

PAL wrestlers place third in Roselle Park tournament

The Cranford Police Athletic League (PAL) Central Jersey team placed third at the recent Roselle Park Dads' Wrestling Tournament. The team tallied 98 points, one of its best showings in years.

Finishing in first place in the sophomore division was Joey Crecca. Crecca also won a trophy for the most and fastest pins in the bantam division.

Taking first place for the third year in a row was 75-pound midget division wrestler Craig Frost. Midget heavyweight Nick Feketta went home with the first place trophy for the second year in a row.

Sam Richardson placed second among seventh and eighth grade heavyweights. Devin Klehar won fourth place in the 70-pound division and Sean Fitzpatrick took second in the 90-pound weight class.

In other play last week the Cranford traveling team trounced Middlesex 75-6 and was victorious in two close matches, against Middlesex 36-33 and Berkeley Heights 36-30.

Area recreation basketball

Cranford boys

Grades 7 and 8

VILLANOVA 78, ST. JOHN'S 70

Having jumped out to a comfortable halftime lead, Villanova had to stave off a spirited St. John's comeback to register its fourth victory of the season.

Adam Leftridge had his best game of the year, scoring 12 points and contributing to the victory with numerous steals and assists. Mike Freeley continued his hot scoring, pouring in 24 points with a strong inside and perimeter game. Dave Cronby tallied 24 as he often keyed the Wildcats fastbreak. Danny Martin came through with a vital 20-footer late in the game to seal the win as he chipped in with six points, while Randy Weeden played a tough inside game scoring two points and pulling down several crucial rebounds.

The Redmen received a gallant effort from an inspired Jason Michaels, as he came off the bench to score 26 points, combining a soft shooting touch from the outside with a powerful game from underneath. Brian Wilson was deadly from long range as he accurately shot over the Villanova zone, ending up with 16 points. Vince Curcio duplicated Wilson's effort by displaying excellent scoring ability from inside the paint. Mike Hammer had a fine game with four points on a pair of 10 footers, while Jon Haug ran the offense and, along with teammate Phil Mucksavage, contributed a bucket apiece. Robert Lee complimented his teams effort with several rebounds and a strong defensive performance.

VILLANOVA 49, GEORGETOWN 38

Playing their best all-around game of the season, Villanova was able to shut down the high powered Georgetown offense and cruise to a 49-38 victory.

The Wildcats received solid performances from Mike Feeley who scored 24 points, and Dave Crosby who poured in 18. Danny Martin and Adam Loffredo showed some offensive pinch, scoring four and three respectively, while Chris Siano and Randy Weeden consistently got back on defense to turn back numerous scoring opportunities by the opposition.

The Hoyas showed good offensive balance as five players hit for basket. Chris Wojcick was high with 16 points, followed by Joe Sobon with 12, Todd Prutzman and Chris Oliver four, and Steve Dettmyer two. Max Demsak did a fine job defending the Villanova guards while Kenny Van Jaekel contributed to the team effort with strong offensive and defensive rebounding

STANDINGS

Syracuse	7	0
Connecticut	6	1
Providence	4	3
Villanova	4	4
Georgetown	3	4
Pittsburgh	3	4
Boston College	2	5
Seton Hall	2	5
St. John's	1	6

Also during last week's play, Syracuse defeated Pittsburgh 46-43, Seton Hall squeaked by Boston College 56-54, and Connecticut beat Providence 61-54.

Grades 5 and 6

NETS 46, JAZZ 22

The Nets extended their unbeaten streak to eight games by defeating the Jazz 46-22. The Nets were led by the sharp shooting of Chris Sands who scored a game high of 18 points and the strong rebounding of Greg Bazilus with 13 points. The strong overall defensive play of the Nets, led by Chris Thies, Dave Eurell and Brian Turowski, forced the Jazz into many turnovers leading to several easy baskets. Also contributing to the Nets scoring were Thies with five points, Eurell and Kevin O'Donnell with four each and Steve Skordinski with two.

The Nets were once again without the assistance of Joey McComb and also Chris Gilbertson who is out with a knee injury.

The Jazz were led by the fine overall play of Ryan Mellozz who scored eight points, followed by Jeff Tierney with six. Also scoring for their team were Todd Daniels with four points and Mike D'Agostino and Steve Gachko with two apiece. Mark Saad and Tom Unish played well for the Jazz.

BULLETS 27, 76ers 24

This matchup between the Bullets and 76ers was an all-around well played game. The lead changed hands many times before the Bullets recorded their win. The leading scorer for the Bullets was Kevin Feeley with 18 points followed by Finn McKenna with six. Contributing two each were Andrew Schmitt, Billy Hansen and Michael Gordon. Outstanding defense by Jeff Bergan, Jimmy Schmitt and Brian Harley helped to secure the win.

Leading scorer for the 76ers was Paul Whitehurst pounding in 16. Mark Ivory added eight. Tough defense by Dave Pean, Tyler Ward, Rich Bruger, Andrew Ruple, Brian Reppert and Adam Williams kept the game very close.

CELTICS 26, ROCKETS 15

The Celtics, led by Eric Messner's 10 points and Mark Starson's strong rebounding and six points beat a tough Rockets team. The Rockets were in the lead as late as the beginning of the fourth quarter when the Celtics defense, led by Tom LoGiudice and Ray Johnson, stopped the Rockets' scoring. The rest of the scorers for the Celtics were Robby Hubbuck with four points, Beau Mashoud and Mike Venditti two apiece, Chris Faltoute and Kevin Knight one.

Rocket scoring was well balanced. Chris Baran had five points and was followed by Ken Lutz and Mark Evans with four and Shaun Weeden with two. Dave Paulick and Matt Evans used their defensive skills to help keep the Celtics in check.

PISTONS 35, BULLS 15

The Pistons improved their record to a perfect 8-0 with a 35-15 victory over the Bulls. Using a blistering, fast-paced attack combined with tight man-to-man defense, the Pistons ran to a 20-4 halftime lead and never looked back. The overmatched Bulls played hard throughout the contest and improved considerably in the second half.

Matt Porter led the Bulls with eight points scoring several from long range. Chris Flamini shook off the effects of a cold to score three points. The rest of the Bull's points were scored by Eddie Bombaci and Ryan Olesky each with two. Matt Walsh and James Walgia played good defenses and Matt Hillier, Billy Hunt and Todd Mariano led in rebounding.

The Pistons featured a well-balanced attack and great foul shooting. They were led in scoring by Andy Nordstrom with 14 points and Kevin Pernoulle with eight. Dave Feder had five, Danny Springer four, Richie Horn and Kevin Reilly two apiece. Donnie Mahoney helped run the offense.

Cranford girls

Grades 6,7 and 8

LIONS 38, SCARLET KNIGHTS 34

The Lions evened their record at 3-3 with an exciting 38-34 victory over the Knights. The game was close throughout with neither team leading by more than four points. The first half saw the Knights pattern offense battle the Lions fast break style to a 22-22 tie. With a minute to go in the game, Noreen Reilly stole the ball, dribbled the length of the court and sank a 15-foot jump shot to put the Lions ahead for good.

Reilly led the Lions with 20 points followed by Beth Koehler, six points, Adrienne Petrino four points, Amy Driscello two and Lisa Pedde anchored the defense by rejecting and altering many clear Michigan State shots.

Exceptional fourth-quarter defense and passing finally made the difference in the game. Ryan Schmitt, Robert Sands and Patrick Maher shut down the Spartan offense with steals and deflections. Sands scored seven points and seemed to grab every rebound and Maher finished with eight points and always fed the open man for high-percentage shots.

Mike Bazilus scored eight of his game-high 10 points in the second half and Marc Polito scored six to keep Michigan State in the game to the end. Kevin DeSimone scored two points and combined with Robbie Schipper and Scott Ivory on tenacious half-court defense and Mike D'Arcy, Kevin Bostel and Brett Gurnee made solid contributions to the all-out Michigan State effort.

Grades 3 and 4

ILLINOIS 35, OHIO STATE 13

Ryan McGlynn and Chris Percy, the Fighting Illinois guards, each scored 12 points to lead Illinois past Ohio State 36-13. Ian Gillespie with eight points provided good rebounding and scored on two breakaways. Terry Franklin made two baskets to complete the scoring. With only six players, Alan Trzuskoski and Courtney Reynolds were required to play a lot and were strong on defense.

Ohio State was led by their excellent rebounder, guard and scorer, Rob Orolini, who had seven points. Tommy Arthur scored five points and Jay Richardella sank a foul shot to complete their scoring. Evan Gilzen, Brian Kellerman, Leon Schusterman, Mike Spain and Joey Unish all played well.

PURDUE 26, INDIANA 24

Spectators were treated to a brilliantly played game between Purdue and Indiana featuring offensive magic and sparkling defense from both teams. Dave Becerra with 11 points, Jeff O'Donnell seven, Tim Bombaci and Jeff Rood four apiece were the scorers for Purdue and each were magnificent on defense. Tom Connelly and Matt Venditti turned in strong defensive efforts hauling in clutch rebounds for the Boilermakers.

For Indiana, Andy Kinsler with 10 points and Kevin Fontana with seven played a superb game and they were assisted by fine performances from John Antes with two, Erio Schreiber four, and Greg Winters one plus the good defensive work of Mike Galluccl. The outcome was in doubt right up to the final second of play and it was one of those contests in which it was a shame that one team had to lose.

MINNESOTA 27, MICHIGAN 18

Minnesota played its finest game of the year in defeating a tough Michigan team.

Billy Provod was the leader for Minnesota scoring 13 points and dishing out several assists. Provod received scoring help from Carmine DeNicola with six points, Billy Simpson four, James Doty and John Miccio two each.

In order to neutralize an aggressive Michigan team, Joe Viola, Keith Gilbertson and Peter Epple pounded the boards and dove after every loose ball.

Michigan received fine efforts from all of its players. Jason Harris scored eight points, Shaun Johnson and Jeff Baer four apiece, and Matt Rausch two. John Pabst, Frank Buonvino and Chris Shaw kept Michigan close by playing a tenacious defense and keeping the ball alive on the offensive boards.

NORTHWESTERN 24, MICHIGAN STATE 18

In this exciting, low-scoring contest that was dominated by defense, every shot and rebound was significant and every member of both teams played a valuable role. The game was tied at the end of the first two quarters and Northwestern edged ahead by one point at the end of the third quarter. The Wildcats took turns making big plays to keep Northwestern in the game for three quarters. Tim Styler swished a bucket from the right corner while Jared Bashioum banked one home from the left and added a pressure free throw. Jeff Feeley slid through the defense in the fourth quarter for two critical buckets and John Keogh Reilly two apiece. Donnie Mahoney helped run the offense.

Lady Cougar hoopsters lose to Rahway, Shabazz, Linden

By Anne Degenhardt
Team correspondent

The Lady Cougars had a disappointing week, losing three games, against Rahway, Shabazz and Linden.

They lost 50-36 Saturday to Rahway. Jessica Dreyer led the Cranford team in scoring with 13 points. Other local high scorers included Katie Hopkins with seven points, Anne Degenhardt who had six and Sue Goldberg and Lisa Dunkerton four apiece. Dreyer also led the team defensively with 11 rebounds and five steals.

Last Thursday the Lady Cougars lost 51-34 to a strong Linden team. Dreyer once again was the Cranford high scorer with 14 points. Dunkerton, close behind, contributed 12. Other Cranford scorers included Degenhardt who had six points and Fran Litterio with two.

The Cougar girls played a strong defensive game. Dreyer had eight rebounds and Degenhardt had seven.

On Jan. 29 Newark's Shabazz beat the visiting Cougars 50-25. Terry Spricigo led the Cranford scoring team with five points. Other Cougar high scorers were Dreyer, Hopkins and Erin Malkowski with four points each and Degenhardt, Dunkerton and Erica Greulich who scored two points apiece.

Dreyer led the defensive game with eight rebounds while Dunkerton had five.

The Lady Cougars were scheduled to face Scotch Plains this past Tuesday. They will play their last home game today at 4 p.m. against Summit and conclude regular season play Saturday with a 6 p.m. tilt at Fort Lee.

Hogan wins state title in tennis

Patty Hogan, who was the No. 1 singles player for the Cranford High School girls' tennis team in the late 1970s, won the N.J. State Mixed Doubles Platform Tennis Championship Jan. 27 at the Montclair Golf Club. Her partner was David Ohlmuller of Montclair. They won the finals 6-2, 6-2, defeating Sara Krieger of Summit and Steve Nycum of Chatham.

Last year Hogan won the National Mixed Doubles Platform Tennis Championship. She graduated in 1982 from Rutgers University where she played tennis first singles and first doubles, winning the state tennis doubles title three time.

Hogan teaches both tennis and platform tennis at the Beacon Hill Club, Summit.

St. Michael's

Grades 7 and 8

ST. MICHAEL'S 62, HOLY TRINITY 39

Coming back from a two-point loss earlier in the season, the Warriors continued to put it all together, routing Holy Trinity of Westfield 62-39. The defensive plays led to scoring opportunities for the Warriors, with Joe Carney leading the way with 28 points, followed by Luke Hannon at 20. Greg Dorsett had six points, Brian Wilson four, Chris McComb two, and Joe Cannone one, as well as Mac Foster, who took over point guard duties in the fourth quarter.

Smart passing and shot selection has made this team look good in the past three games. Strong rebounding remains the Warriors' trademark, being led in this category by Phillip Lanz, closely followed by Carney, Hannon and Marjoe Aquilino. If the Warriors can maintain this level of play throughout the remainder of the season, coaches Rob Bhend and Dan McCarthy are hopeful of a playoff berth, but there's some strong competition before that becomes a reality.

Grades 5 and 6

	E.M.E.	
Frenchy's	5	2
Sports Section	5	3
Mackevich & Burke	4	3
Just Rite Equipment	4	2
Royals	2	6
Riverside Bombers	1	6
Cranford Hotel	1	6
Suns	0	7

During last week's games, E.M.E. squeaked by Just Rite Equipment 45-43, Pegasus beat Frenchy's 54-47; Sports Section trounced the Riverside Bombers 89-51; Mulcahy's Tavern beat the Royals 50-34; and Mackevich & Burke defeated the Suns 60-41.

Grades 3 and 4

ST. MICHAEL'S 28, ST. PATRICK'S 22

St. Michael's held off a tough St. Patrick's team to earn a hard-fought victory.

The swarming ball-hawking defense of St. Michael's held St. Pat's in check for most of the game. The Warriors defense was led by Beth Gallagher, James Pugaczewski and Noreen Mahoney. A fine rebounding job was done by Cheryl Kennedy, Melissa Scotti and Terry Donovan.

Warrior offense was directed by Billy Provod and Kevin Fontana. Provod scored one point while Fontana had six. The front line of John Miccio, Carmine Di Nicola and Terry Donovan scored heavily. Miccio had six points, Donovan seven and DeNicola a team-high eight.

In the first year of the program the combined record of the third and fourth grade team was an impressive one.

Cranford men

STANDINGS		
Pegasus	8	0
Mulcahy's Tavern	5	2

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LEISURE

Dinner-mystery production billed March 2 at Beth-El

Residents will have a chance to dine with a murderer March 2 at 7:30 p.m. when Play Dead Productions will present an original show, "Kindred Spirit Killings," at Temple Beth-El, 338 Walnut Ave.

Over hors d'oeuvres early arrivals will speculate on each other and each new addition to the group. As guests are seated for dinner, six to nine actors begin the play. In full view of the audience, the murder occurs. But, who did it, how was the deed accomplished, and what was the motive? All are suspect.

At each table, guests take notes on plot twists and speculate. Actors circulate throughout the room, throwing out clues and possible "red herrings" while answering questions from the group.

As the meal and performance conclude, guests turn in ballots with votes for the murderer, motive and method. Prizes will be given for the answer closest to correct and for the worst answer.

"Kindred Spirit Killings" was written by Jon Alan, director of Play Dead Productions.

Tickets are $30 a person including dinner. Call 276-6196 or 272-4930 for reservations.

CDC theater party to benefit schools

The PTAs of Brookside and Walnut schools will sponsor a theater party Feb. 24 at 8 p.m. at Cranford Dramatic Club.

An hors d'oeuvre hour will precede the presentation of "Inherit the Wind," a true story set in 1925 about a biology teacher in Tennessee who was arrested for violating state law by teaching Darwin's theory of evolution in the classroom. Known as the "Monkey Trial," this courtroom drama examines the battle between science and fundamental religion.

Proceeds from the event will support Brookside and Walnut's cultural arts program. Tickets at $15 may be purchased at Cranford Book Store or by calling 272-5662 or 276-2766.

Nine handbell choirs to perform

Handbell choirs from nine central New Jersey churches will be heard individually and together when Crescent Concerts presents its annual Handbell Festival at 7:30 p.m. Saturday in the sanctuary of Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church, Plainfield.

Gourmet dinner at Throckmorton

Throckmorton's American Grill, Westfield, will sponsor a gourmet food and wine dinner Tuesday at 7 p.m.

The menu will include salmon scalloppine, sauteed oysters saffron, roast quail, sauteed medallions of veal and beef marchand du vin, all with appropriate wine. The menu was developed by executive chef Gary Loftus in concert with H. Earl Evans III, vice president of Inglenook Napa Valley Winery, who will introduce the wines and answer guests' questions.

The price is $65, including wines, tax and gratuity. Call 654-9700.

Camera Club

A videocassette, "Mountain Light," will be shown at a meeting of the Cranford Camera Club at 7:30 p.m. Monday at the Community Center. In addition, members will discuss their favorite photo gadget.

Guest conductor will be Raymond Lowther, accordion and gifted education in Vincent, Ohio, and choirmaster of the Trinity Episcopal Church in Parkersburg, W. Va. He will conduct bell choirs from seven area churches, including the host church and First Presbyterian Church of Cranford.

Admission is free, but a free will offering will be taken.

Historian to talk on Aaron Burr

A presentation on Aaron Burr and the Burr family will be given by Suzanne B. Geissler at a meeting of the Genealogical Society of the West Fields next Thursday at 1 p.m. in Westfield Library, 550 E. Broad St. The public is invited.

Geissler is a Burr scholar, having written her doctoral dissertation on "The Burr Family, 1716-1836" and has since written several books and articles about Burr and his family. She is an adjunct lecturer at Upsala College, specializing in American colonial, religious, naval and early national history. She has degrees from Syracuse, Rutgers and Drew universities.

Children's show

Theatreworks-USA will present a musical adaptation of "Rapunzel" at 2 p.m. Feb. 10 at Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway. Tickets are $5. Call 499-8226.

Kreskin to appear on Rahway stage

The mentalist, Kreskin, will appear at 8 p.m. Feb. 9 at Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway.

The New Jersey native appeared in Rahway in 1982 in a fund raiser to help a non-profit corporation purchase the old Rahway Theater for restoration as an arts center. The 1,400-seat former vaudeville-movie palace has been reopened under its new name.

Tickets for Kreskin's performance are $8 and $10. Call 499-8226.

Photos on display

Black and white and color photographs by members of Cranford Camera Club are on display through Saturday at South Photo and Frame, 16 South Ave. W. Store hours ae 8:30 a.m. to 7 p.m Monday to Saturday.

The display was coordinated by club member Frank Murphy.

MARDI GRAS

The Office Restaurant in Cranford will celebrate Mardi Gras with a New Orleans style menu, decorations and entertainment through Feb. 12.

Bridge winners

Winners of last Thursday's bridge tournament at the Community Center were Doris Goldsmith, Charlotte Bluhm, Betty Butler, Lois Fingerlin and Dorothy Woglom for the morning group. The afternoon group winners were Evelyn Engel and Charles Weber tied for first, Ed Marek, Edith Marek and Mildred Iversen.

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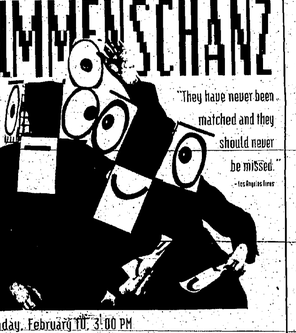

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First Place, in the Bridgewater Commons Mall, is one of the busiest restaurants that I have ever been to. My husband and I dined there one cold and windy Friday night. Upon entering, the hostess took our names and told us they would call when a table was ready. No sooner did we find a seat at the bar than we heard our name over the loud speaker (even before ordering a drink).

First Place has several dining areas, including a non-smoking level. We ate in an area overlooking the bar. There are other rooms away from the bar that are more appropriate to family dining or intimacy. Except for the fact that one enters via the mall, one would never know that it is a mall restaurant.

The restaurant is known as a sports bar; it has 22 televisions, and the walls are filled with pictures of sporting events. And, because it is a sports bar, the menu features a bevy of appetizers, salads and sandwiches (three pages).

Prices for appetizers (12 in all) range from $2.75 for a basket of French fries to $5.95 for barbecued baby back ribs. One lunch time, several months back, I ordered the vegetable platter ($5.95), and it was too much for one person.

There are 14 sandwiches, from roast beef ($5.95) to the blackened cajun chicken ($6.85), and 16 types of burgers ($5.95 plain to $6.50 with toppings). Regular sandwiches are served with French fries and cole slaw, while burgers include the same as well as lettuce, tomato and a Kosher pickle slice.

The menu also features salads: five, from $3.95 to $6.50), salad platters, pizza and a few Mexican specialties ($7.95 to $9.95). One can also order omelettes ($5.95 to $6.45), three different soups or a combination of soup and a half-sandwich (5.95) or a fresh fruit platter or vegetable melt ($5.95)

The entree selection is small (12 items and three pasta dishes), but this is usually complemented with nightly specials: Entrees include barbecued baby back ribs ($13.95), six choices of chicken ($9.95 to $12.95), three steaks ($9.95 to $14.95) and two seafood choices. All entrees come with a house salad, Italian bread, sauteed vegetables and a choice of baked potato or French fries.

Because the night was cold and windy, the two of us started the meal with a cup of broccoli cheese soup ($2.75). Our friendly waitress Linda informed us that all of their soups were homemade. The hot soup was topped with shredded cheddar cheese. It was outstanding, with a rich creamy taste.

Our house salads consisted of mixed greens, tomatoes, Bermuda onion and cucumbers, served with the dressing on the side, the way I like it.

Our choices of entrees were one from the special menu and one from the regular menu. My husband ordered a 12 oz. New York strip steak ($12.95). The steak was an excellent quality of beef charbroiled medium rare.

My choice, from the special menu, was chicken and broccoli in an herb sauce served over bow tie pasta. This was served in a large platter, filled with pieces of sauteed chicken and broccoli in an exquisite creamy sauce. I would go back to **First Place** just to have this again.

Our waitress brought over the dessert tray, but we opted for cups of coffee instead. The dessert menu includes choices of cakes, pies, and Haagen-Dazs ice cream at prices from $1.95 to $3.75.

The **First Place Restaurant** is well worth the stop if you're shopping at the mall or just interested in good food at reasonable prices.

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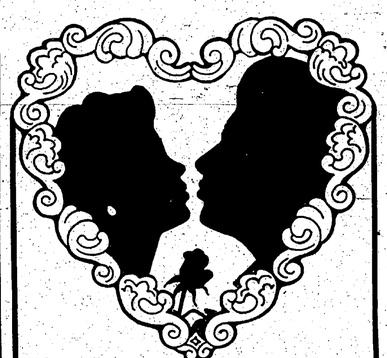

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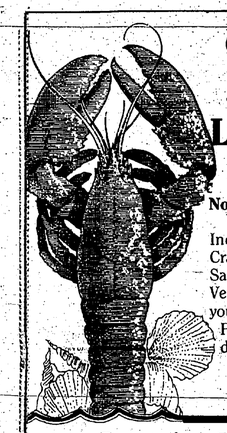

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Wesley Ditzel retires from Fire Department after 35 years

By Peter Wamsteker

After 35 ½ years of service with Cranford Fire Department veteran firefighter Wesley Ditzel retired Friday with mixed emotions.

Recalling his "many wonderful years" with the department, first as a volunteer in April 1954 and then a year and half later as a paid firefighter, Ditzel, 59, said he would have remained with the department if not for his declining health.

"It's been a love affair," he said. "I was really reluctant to let go because I've really loved this job and I loved helping this community but I'll be around to remind the guys I'm still here."

According to Chief William "Bucky" Brown, Ditzel has served longer than any firefighter in the department's history.

"It was a pleasure to work with Wesley. As a rookie firefighter I found him quite helpful and instructive and he has remained that way throughout his career. In my opinion, Wesley will be missed because he bridged the generations," he said.

Capt. Kent Kirkman, recent leader of Ditzel's platoon, said, "Sure, I'll miss him. He has been a good friend for many years. With his son now on my crew the Ditzel tradition will carry on."

Firefighting has been a family tradition for three generations. Ditzel remembers his grandfather responding to fires with a horse and wagon and his brothers, Walter and Russell, having served as well. His son, Wesley Jr., has been with the department for a decade and his daughter, Kathy, is a police dispatcher.

"I never realized how much he taught me about the department from getting along with the other men to the little tricks needed to make life easier as a firefighter," said Wesley Jr.

When not fighting fires during his career, Ditzel worked for the former Hyatt Roller Bearing Co., Clark, as a security guard. He served with the National Guard for 15 years.

Besides his current activities with the American Legion, Ditzel plans to continue hunting and fishing now that he is retired.

But to get an idea of the feeling Ditzel had for his firefighting career, one has only to hear what he said upon accepting a plaque of recognition presented to him last week at the Township Committee meeting.

"It was a pleasure," he said.

Medal, 11 citations, 2 life-saving awards go to policemen

By Peter Wamsteker

Eleven department citations, two life-saving awards and the Police Chief's Medal of Merit were presented last week at the annual Cranford Police Department awards ceremony. The citations and two awards for exceptional civilian service were made at the Jan. 29 Township Committee meeting.

The Chief's Medal of Merit went to patrolman Charles Hoeffler whose life had been threatened last October as he attempted to arrest a suspected car thief in the area of Parkway Village and the Garden State Parkway.

Hoeffler, along with officer Paul Cymbaluk, was given a life-saving award for their efforts last December in administering first aid to a stroke victim. And for his persistence leading to the arrest of four car thieves on Carol Court and Bloomingdale Avenue last March, Hoeffler also received a departmental citation.

The other life saving award was given to Capt. Harry Wilde who saved a man from choking to death at the Coachman Inn nearly three years ago. Chief Robert Guertin said that while at a social function Feb. 12, 1988, Wilde successfully applied the Heimlich maneuver on a man who was choking on a piece of meat.

Cymbaluk, along with patrolman John Stamler, was cited for their investigation in the theft of jewelry worth more than $6,000 which led to the arrest of a suspect. Cymbaluk also was cited for his efforts in apprehending a suspected car thief who had fled to Plainfield.

Department citations were presented to Lt. Jerome Andrews, Detective William Peters and Hoeffler for their investigative efforts after the arrest of a man who was accused of torching a church in Lacey Township.

Hoeffler had arrested the man for a motor vehicle violation before finding a newspaper article which referred to the fire, according to Guertin. Following their investigation, the man signed a statement and pleaded guilty to burglary and setting fire to the church.

Peters was cited for his investigation into the aggravated sexual assault on a young female in a local park which eventually led to the arrest of a suspect. And along with Detective Russell Wilde and officer John Baer, he was cited also for his investigative efforts leading to the arrest of a suspect for several burglaries in the township.

Peters and officer Stephen Wilde were cited for their efforts in arresting a suspect accused last September of aggravated sexual assault of a female in the industrial park. And Baer was cited separately for averting a possible robbery after he arrested two suspects for possession of handcuffs and a weapon.

Crime Prevention Unit officer Robert Segear was cited for his diligence in the arrest of two suspects who had been breaking and stealing from motor vehicles on Herning Avenue and Brookdale Road. And officer James Switek was cited for his arrest last November of an armed man who allegedly robbed a store in Plainfield.

Detective Sgt. Eric Mason was cited for his efforts leading to the arrest last December of three men who were in possession of a semi-automatic handgun. He was commended for his "astute observations and quick assessment of the situation upon seeing the weapon in the vehicle. His immediate actions prevented the suspects from reaching the weapon and possibly inflicting serious injury to himself and others," said Guertin. It was also believed Mason may have prevented an armed robbery.

Awards for exceptional civilian service were made to parking enforcement officer James White for his efforts last April in cornering a suspected robber until police arrived and dispatcher Barbara Herrington for her assistance last March in locating an abandoned motor vehicle.

Russell Wilde and Baer were presented with belated citations for their arrest of suspected car thieves in Parkway Village.

Photo by Peter Wamsteker

FMBA DONATION: Eastman Plaza committeemen Charles Stevens, left, and Paul LaCorte accept $500 check from FMBA president Helge Nordvelt for renovations on Eastman Street.

Woman, two youths charged with possession of stolen car

A 22-year-old Newark woman and two juveniles were charged with possession of a stolen motor vehicle and theft 1st Thursday on Raritan Road.

The woman, identified as Cynthia Lindsay, was seen driving a stolen '87 Nissan station wagon on North Avenue at 12:08 p.m. with an inspection sticker which had been taped onto the windshield, according to Detective Sgt. Eric Mason.

She was arrested along with two juveniles, ages 14 and 15, on Raritan Road near Moen Street after headquarters told officer James Switek that the car had been earlier reported stolen in Newark.

Switek found burglary tools and a stolen check book inside the car, said Mason.

"Through the officer's investigation, it was later determined that they cashed a check for $150 at First Atlantic Bank on Raritan Road," he said.

As a result police charged the three also with forgery, possession of burglary tools, attempted theft by deception and conspiracy.

The car's owner, identified as Philomena Louisjeans of Newark, was notified of the recovery, said Mason.

Lindsay was in the county jail Monday in lieu of $10,000 bail. The youths were in the county detention center.

Firemen respond to 14 calls, no major fires

Last week Cranford firefighters responded to 14 calls which did not involve major fires. Firemen also performed various services and determined that calls boxes had been mistakenly activated.

Firemen responded to flooding at the Coachman Inn due to a broken water pipe; Dietz and Ludlow streets on a report of a blown transformer; 11 Willow St. for fallen telephone wires; 216 Centennial Ave. to clean up minor oil spill; 52 Nomahegan Ct. for a leaking propane gas tank; and 701 Springfield Ave. for a smoke condition caused by a faulty oil burner.

Firemen extinguished burning scrap wood at 176 Baltimore Ave. False alarms occurred at 227 Columbia Ave., Solomon Schechter School on Orange Avenue, W. Holly and Greaves streets and Cranford High School. A malicious false alarm occurred at Retford and Livingston avenues.

Firemen provided lighting and cleaned roadway after a motor vehicle accident on the Garden State Parkway.

Victim of car-truck accident dies after week in hospital

A 72-year-old Roselle Park man died last Thursday from injuries he sustained when his car collided Jan. 24 with an on-coming tractor trailer on South Avenue, according to a spokesman at Newark's University Hospital.

Victor DeGruttola of Seaton Avenue suffered severe trauma to his head and legs after his car went partially under the tractor trailer. He was taken to the trauma center at University Hospital where he was listed in poor condition for nearly a week. He was pronounced dead at 6:10 p.m., said Roger Ramsey, a hospital spokesman.

According to the traffic report, DeGruttola, a retired designer draftsman, had been driving in an easterly direction on South Avenue when he unexplainably lost control of his '85 Buick Electra, swerved into the opposite lane near Burchfield Avenue, and struck the left rear portion of the rig driven by Kevin Hannah, 34, of Canada.

No summonses were issued and the exact cause of the accident had not been determined by Tuesday, according to authorities.

DeGruttola is survived by his wife, the former Stella Hafner; two sons, Victor of Farmingdale and Ronald of Cranford; a brother, Joseph of Newark; two sisters, Dora of Roselle Park and Betty Terlizzi of Middletown; and five grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was offered Monday at Church of the Assumption, Roselle Park.

Marines not soliciting for donations

Telephone solicitors who are asking for cash donations to send care packages to the Middle East are not sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps, according to a Marine Corps spokesman.

A township resident reported this week someone claiming to be a Marine Corps representative had called him asking for a $25 donation for the purchase of "care packages" to be sent to troops in the Middle East.

But the program is not sponsored by the Marine Corps, said Sgt. Mark Williams of the Marines' public affairs office. "The Marines don't get involved in that kind of thing as a general rule. There are some programs which we are authorized to get involved in but not something like that," he said.

He added that individuals shouldn't be discouraged from sending packages to troops in the Middle East but cautioned that the Corps is not sponsoring a specific care package program.

Students to send packages to Gulf

Cranford High School's AFS chapter will send Valentine packages to men and women from Cranford who are serving in the Persian Gulf.

Persons are asked to send the names and addresses of family members or friends who are stationed there to AFS. Students will take care of sending packages. Write to Missy Layton, Cranford Book Store, 32 North Ave. W, Cranford, or contact adviser Judy Podbelski at Cranford High School.

Boosters to meet

Cranford Booster Club will hold its monthly meeting at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Cranford High School cafeteria. The meeting will precede the winter sports awards program which is slated to begin at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium. The Booster Club will provide refreshments following the awards program.

Plans for the Club's annual pancake breakfast scheduled for March 23 will be discussed. Parents are needed to help make this event a success. Those unable to attend the meeting, but willing to help at the breakfast, may contact Mary Ellen Burke, 276-4408.

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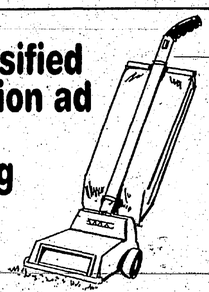

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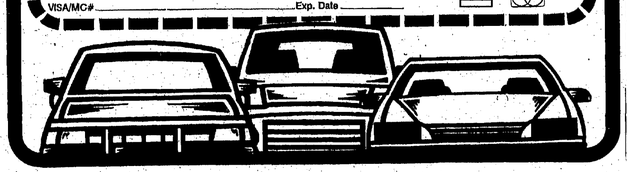

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Floor plan is critical in choosing a home

Preparing to purchase a new home includes looking at many lifestyle aspects. One of the most overlooked aspects of home selection is attention to the floorplan — the layout of the home separating basic areas for living, working, social activities and sleeping.

"In many older homes, the floorplan is often quite formal. The kitchen may have a separate pantry and may be designed for meals to be taken in the dining room. On the other hand, newer homes often feature built-in benches or breakfast nooks in the kitchen itself, providing the family with a more casual atmosphere," says John Clinedinst of Booth Agency in Bernardsville.

"The living area is probably the most important part of the house. Homeowners who collect antiques may opt for an older home with many small nooks and decorative features to set off their furniture, while younger families many want a less-formal living room or a family room for relaxation. In either case, the prospective homeowner should make sure that the homes' design easily allows for the placement of furniture," Clinedinst notes.

Utility and storage areas are as important as other parts of the house. "Laundry and storage areas are vital parts of the home. They are designed not to be seen, but are heavily used," says Clinedinst.

He adds, "Bedrooms should be set apart from the living area to ensure privacy of the family. Features such as hallways and stairways also block sound, making it more delsrable for family members. Also be sure to check that ample closet space is available for storage of both in and out-of-season clothing.

"Families with special needs will need to take an even closer look at prospective homes and their floorplans. For instance, users of wheelchairs and walkers will require wider hallways and doorframes, cupboards and cabinets that are easy to reach and easy accessibility outside. A single-story ranch house is usually the easiest to modify and use since living and sleeping areas are located on the same floor.

"Also be sure to look for the not-so-obvious considerations such as an area where pets can stay during the daytime hours when no one is home. It's important to imagine using the home every day and weighing your findings against the needs and desires of each family member," Clinedinst concludes.

He emphasizes that floorplans need to be studied carefully because they provide a logical transition from one area of a home to another.

Ownership advantages remain 'hard to beat'

During the 1980s many people found that buying a home, waiting a year or so and then selling it was the best "get rich quick" strtegy around due to skyrocketing home prices. At the very least, real estate has always been a good, safe investment, but with the slowing economy and sluggish markets in many areas of the country, some potential home buyers ar asking if it still pays to own a home.

A recent article in Fortune magazine, however, states that the economic advantages of home ownership remain "hard to beat."

Real estate is still a respectable shelter for savings," concurs Maurice Hoffman, president of the New Jersey Association of Realtors®. "Add the rent you would pay if you din't own--plus the generous tax breaks still allowed under federal and some state laws for mortgage interest payments and property taxes--and the family home looks pretty good."

The monetary value of home ownership is measured by both the equity built over the years and the tax benefits. "These are tangible benefits realized from the time you buy until you close on a sale," says Hoffman. "In addition, prospective home owners should consider the less tangible benefits such as privacy, independence and establishing roots in the community."

Many economists predict that in the 1990s home prices will stabilize and rise slightly faster than inflation, continuing to make home ownership a good investment. Further, the forecast is that incomes will rise faster than home prices. "This is good news for renters," says Hoffman. "Buying and selling homes in the 1990s will probably not make you rich, but the purchase of a home will provide a strong base from which your net worth can borrow."

"Prospective home owners should view paying off a mortgage as a forced savings plan," Hoffman says. "Your equity then gives you extra borrowing power—important to consider if you're planning on sending children to college. In addition, you'll probably own a paid-up home when retirement rolls around which will greatly lower your housing costs. When you trade down to a smaller home, you may walk away with a sizeable amount of cash besides."

The NJAR will be offering more information about the benefits of real estate, as well as the 'dos and don'ts' of buying a home come Spring 1991. Through its Yes You Can Buy A Home In New Jersey public awareness campaign, the trade organization will offer a free videotape on home buying through its 1-800-YES-IN-NJ number and its Realtor members. The video will go into specific questions and answers on real estate and how to find the right home.

Realtors offering the videotape will display "Home Information Center" that the public can visit to receive details on home buying and selling.

As to the question of housing stability in the 90s, Hoffman says, "the best way to hedge the uncertainty of future housing costs is to pay them in advance....become a home owner now."

YES YOU CAN BUY A HOME IN NEW JERSEY

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The Yes You Can campaign features a toll-free number, 1-800-YES-IN-NJ. New Jersey residents who call that number will receive a free copy of the New Jersey Home Guide, a 32-page booklet that explains how to buy a home—from saving for the down payment to choosing the right style home.

Transactions

KENILWORTH

Janet I Svihra to Rita Pallante, property at 365 Lincoln Dr., $145,000

Girolamo & Rosa Stucci to Gerard & Aiden Holmes, property at 22 n 24th St., $155,650

Dufek Inc to 585 Associates, property at 585 N Michigan Ave., $900,000

John Jr & Diane Olock to Neomi & John Howe, property at 339 N 16th St., $155,000

S & W Company to JMC Tool & Mfg Co Inc Profit, property at 210 S 31st St., $325,000

CRANFORD

Akira & Shizuko Tamaka to John A & patrice M Jennette, property at 2 Brown Terr., $215,000

35 Inc to Erica Weller, property at 14 Crane Pkwy, $171,500

Michael J & Janice D Hryda, property at 311 Lincoln Ave., $170,000

Robert A & Sandra Kale, property at 21 Tulip St., $185,500

Elizabeth Manfredo to Nicholas R Manfredo, property at 305 S Union Ave., $150,000

Joanne B Brown to Ramkumar & Hemwati Panhani, property at 125-127 Benjamin St., $167,500

William E & Gloria Hoffman to Kenilworth Gospel Chapel Inc, property at 112 Cranford Ave., $230,000

English Village Associates to Than & Barbara Nguyen, property at 217 Prospect Ave #12A-4A, $98,500

Gilbert E Jr & Mary Howland to Robert A & Sandra L Kale, property at 8 Wood Pl., $300,000

FANWOOD

David S D & Helen H N Kang, property at 32 Glenwood Rd., $148,000

Joseph A Decara to John A Muscianisi, property at 234 N Martine Ave., $65,000

GARWOOD

Ada J Cowell to Michael & Alison Dooley, property at 319 Spruce Ave., $139,000

Borough of Garwood to George Kilday, property at 117 Anchor Pl., $5,950

Elaine Cadlen Engelstein to Lynda A Wellet, property at 328 Willow Ave., $110,000

SCOTCH PLAINS

Louis R & Catherine DeFeleo to Fritz & Nancy Bayer, property at 35 Canterbury Dr., $215,000

Fanis Glaninopoulos to Antonio & Marcia Marino, property at 2063 Church St., $149,000

John N & Josephine P Bruno to Douglas S Lessing, property at 345 Cook Ave., $149,000

1540 Front Street Inc to Barbara A Search, property at 517 Malanga Ct., $137,000

Patrick & Janine Corcoran to Lisa A Mayo, property at 2228 Paff Pl., $150,000

Malcolm W West Jr to Patrick M & Gloria Lonergan, property at 12 Edgemont Ln., $295,000

James F & Huan L Campbell to Nancy A Bush, property at 88 N Edgewood Rd., $240,000

Melinda W & Brian A Smith to Colleen Sanders, property at 52 Fieldstone Rd., $145,000

Arthur S & Marlene M Hicks to George H & Sharon Kerckove, property at 31 Gatehouse Rd., $551,000

Dennis M & Lisa Cashmere to Terry C & Heather Hudson, property at 98 Hyde Ct., $34,340

Kenneth J & Cynthia Stabile to Donald V Morgan Sr, property at 85 Larkspur Ct., $46,453

Howard G Kenthack to Haig A Sarkisslan, property at 28 Morgan Ct., $137,000

Maria Marconi to Victoria Nelson, property at 59 Parkside Rd., $31,286

Meyer Rosen to Jack & Marie G Altoro, property at 33 Ray Ct., $133,000

Matthew L & Jay Y Staples to The Hills Development Co, property at 44 Sage Ct., $129,000

Gerard & Ester Trolanello to David L Brown, property at 60 Sage Ct., $100,000

Hills Development Co to Gary Siskowski, property at 16 Wood Duck Pond Rd., $181,795

BOUND BROOK

Gilbert S Boroski to David C Cozza, property at 217 W Franklin St., $125,000

BRANCHBURG

Thomas & Marilyn Rutishauser to William J Murphy, property at 435 Brookview Ct., $245,000

Susan Ann Brand to Douglas & Angela Helmacy, property at 1 Cedar Grove Rd., $155,000

Felicia Corp to Michael J & Martha Martin, property at 19 Cheyenne Trl., $162,368

Felicia Corp to Mary C Camty, property at 21 Cheyenne Trl., $171,000

National State Bank to Walter A Brygler Jr, property at 14 Forest Ln., $100,000

T M G LP to William M & Elaine Thompson, property at 537 Horizon Way, $602,572

William H-Finne to Dennis & Joanne J Scully, property at 327 Miller Ave., $245,000

Felipe A & Phyllis Remolador to Stephen Keith, property at 855 Princeton Ct., $205,000

Jian & Shih May Ong to Michael D & Anne H Bolton, property at 541 Wren Way, $235,000

BRIDGEWATER

Angelo & Mary H Scala to Kevin & Susan McCallen, property at 318 Ascot Ln., $175,000

Robert H & Doris M Moller to John J Kennedy, property at 1 Bond St., $159,999

Running Brook Development Co to Elissa J Santoro, property at W Brook Ct., $999,999

Enrick Briceno to William C & Tani P Patrick, property at 1000 Carteret Rd., $89,000

David B Pearson to John K & Barbara J Coccia, property at 162 Chestnut St., $144,900

Paul Dennis Todd to Thomas F Palillo, property at 427 Country Club Rd., $170,000

Janet Kugler to David & Paula Aitken, property at 2602 Doolittle Dr., $75,000

Michael D & Carol M Snyder to Christopher C Graves, property at 4 Fairway Ct., $226,000

John J & June D Malach to Timothy M & Wendy M Galloway, property at 18 Galway Ln., $232,500

Matthew Carlomagno to Hector A Magno, property at Jamestown Rd., $154,000

David B & Julie A Pituk to James & Deborah Petties, property at 548 E Main St., $170,000

Mountview Inc to David & Colette Yankowitz, property at 1380 Plymouth Rd., $510,000

Calton Homes Inc to Sean E & Isabella Francis, property at 613 W Porter Way, $39,900

Calton Homes Inc to Sandra E Escala, property at 603 W Porter Way, $117,490

Joseph F Corbo to Joseph F Corbo, property at 25 Rambler Dr., $60,000

William J Murphy to Patrick M & Kathleen A Kuhn, property at 1034 Rector Rd., $232,000

Bridgewater Office Center to Bridgewater Chiropratic Assoc, property at 678 Route 202, 206, $209,852

Washington Valley to Robert A & Christine J Ruff, property at 26 Solomon Dr., $350,000

Barry S & Lisa Anstandig to Yeai Shan & Mei Chu Lin, property at 537 Spring Valley Dr., $186,000

Robert R & Mary I Larsau to Ping Hung & Jean Lu, property at 473 Steeplechase Ln., $248,000

Hark J & Anita J Schau to Robert D Jr & Joy Larsen, property at 17 Sylvan Dr., $275,000

Calton Homes Inc to John H & Larissa Critelli, property at 1806 Vroom Dr., $130,940

Calton Homes Inc to Donald R Gamble, property at 1808 Vroom Dr., $134,525

Calton Homes Inc to Carol S Jacobs, property at 1905 Vroom Dr., $170,000

David Stone to Paolo & Mary Caporferi, property at 2212 Washington Valley Rd., $208,000

FRANKLIN

Jeffrey S & Colleen Purvis to Port Lawrence Title & Trust, property at 42 Bridington Ln., $119,250

Clifford C Earl Jr. to Frank P Resta, property at 623 Cedar Grove Ln., $176,000

Kenneth Mickelsen to Alan & Elizabeth Moryan, property at 60 Charles St., $183,000

Office Condominium to Mark J Milillo, property at 17 Clyde Rd., $100,000

Theresa E Martinez to Angela Sica, property at 56 Croyden Ct., $115,000

Thomas M & Ellen Barcellona to Alan A Brinton, property at 49 Eton Way, $84,000

Robert J Pellegrino to Daniel L Garrow, property at 65 Freemont Ct., $132,500

Linda Harris to Andrew J Cleland, property at 192 Girard Ave., $500,000

Stephen W Obermeier to Nancy & Carole Patterson, property at 84 Haverill Pl., $120,250

Laura J Jones to Robert Heff Sackerson, 81 Marlowe Ct., $83,000

Nancy Y Harris to Alex Jr & Jessie M Bolton, property at 8 Robert C Kerl Ct., $152,500

Richard A & Eve Nurse to Sachs & Eve Remsen, property at 31 Tamarack Rd., $10,000

Burgdorff in Westfield a three-time winner

The Westfield office of Burgdorff Realtors has earned the company's Office Production Award for the top unit transaction for the seventh time this year and the Office Production Award for the top dollar volume for the sixth time this year. In November, Westfield also took the Per Capita Unit Production Award for the greatest number of transactions per salesperson.

The awards are given in relation to Burgdorff's 33 sales offices located throughout New Jersey and parts of eastern Pennsylvania. The steadiness of the Westfield office's top ranking is even more impressive since Burgdorff has been in the town for only five years.

Jean Massard, a 20-year professional and well-known area Realtor, is the manager. Among the sales staff are the Westfield Board of Realtors' 1990 Realtor Associate of the Year, Pinky Luerssen and Joan Van Bergen respectively, and Greg Young, past President of NJ Chapter of Certified Residential Specialists and 1990 NJ CRS of the Year.

Of the 37 associates on staff, 14 hold a broker's license, 15 have the GRI designation, and four have the CRS desnigation. Jean Massard holds the CRB, the highest residential designation attainable.

People in real estate

JOAN KOENIG

Vita Zoltak, Broker/President of Meeker Sharkey, Realtors proudly announces that Joan Koenig has joined forces with the Cranford real estate firm. A 20-year professional Realtor, Joan operated and owned Alliance Realty, with offices in Clark and Westfield.

"Joan will be a valuable asset to the company and to our clients, who will benefit by her expertise. In the sales of residential and commercial properties, as well as land development, new home construction and appraisals," states Thomas J. Sharkey, Chairman of the board of Meeker Sharkey Financial Group, Inc.

Koenig has earned the GRI (Graduate Realtor Institute) designation of advanced real estate education, from Middlesex College. She is a former director of The Greater Eastern Union County Board of Realtor's multiple listing committee. She's an active member of The Westfield Board of Realtors. She has held the office of 1st Vice President, Director and Secretary.

Joan resides in Garwood.

LORETTA WILSON

Loretta Wilson of Westfield has joined Burgdorff Realtors as a broker associate in the Westfield office.

Licensed since 1971, Wilson has been active in real estate on a part-time basis, serving the Westfield, Fanwood, Mountainside, and Scotch Plains areas. A third-generation Westfield resident, she brings to Burgdorff a lifelong knowledge of the area. Her grandfather, C.F. Monaco, built many homes in Westfield.

Before entering real estate sales, Wilson had an active career in advertising and public relations. She has served on many committees for PTO, scouting, and civic endeavors. She is a member of Central Jersey Roadrunners Club, NJ Romance Writers Association and Romance Writers of America.

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SOMERSET— By Owner. 2,000 sq. ft., 4 yr. old, 8 room Colonial. 4 bdrms., 2½ baths, gar. $176,500. House is SELL P,FT,M,Bkr. 469-2800. New Mgte. Sponsored Fund-9 %%-30 Yr. Easy Qualifying Formulas

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215 TOWNH OUSES & CONDOMINIUMS FOR SALE

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FRANKLIN PARK— Townhouse. 2 bdrms., 2½ baths, kit., DR, LR, appliances, deck. Excel. cond. asking $125,000. 635-4261 (Rental avail.)

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SOMERSET— 2 bdrms., Qualibrook Condo. Largest end unit. W/W carpet, dishwasher, air conditioner, W & D, upgrades. Wooded lot. $96,900. Call 873-8370.

SOMERSET— By Owner. 873-1137. Qualibrook Condo, end unit, sunburst window. $109,900. HELP-U-SELL P,FT,M,Bkr. 469-2800. 8.88% 30 Yr. Mtge. Only $5495 Down if Qual.

SOMERSET— By Owner. OPEN HOUSE, Sun. 1-4. 256 Resnik Court. 3 bdrm Townhouse, air, walk to bus, shopping. End Unit. $129,900. HELP-U-SELL P,FT,M,Bkr. 469-2800. Our Bank Now Pays All Closing Costs, Except Prepays, If Qual.

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HILLSBOROUGH— 8 room, split level, 1 ½ bath, $950/ month + 1 ¼mo security. 722-8214

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SCOTCH PLAINS— North side, 3/4 bedroom Cape. $2000/mo. References. 215-957-5348

WESTFIELD— Good for business couple, no pets, available immediately. $725/month, 1½ months security, + util. Near train & schools. Refs. 233-9326

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WESTFIELD, 520 COLEMAN PL— 2/9 & 2/10, 10-4. Basement Sale. Tools, frames, furn., household goods.

WESTFIELD, 591 Terrace Place— (off N. Chestnut/Belvedere) Sat. Feb. 16th, 10AM-4PM. Moving; electrical appliances, furniture & more.

312 BAZAARS & SALES

FLEA MARKET— Dunellen Methodist Church, 150 Dunellen Ave. Sat. Feb. 9, 10AM-4PM. Antiques, collectibles, junk, lunch counter.

314 ANTIQUES

ANTIQUE IRISH PINE HUTCH— This beautiful 17th century Welsh cabinet is 7' high x 5' long. $2000. 234-2060.

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BEDROOM SET— cream with gold trim-$350; Girls bedroom set by Henry Link, 9 pieces-$850. Console mode & mirror-$150. Call 233-1683

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COMPUTERS— (1) IBM, rebuilt. 40 MB hard drive. Like new. $800. (1) new 386 SX loaded. Color VGA. American made $1750. 788-3667

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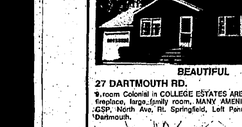

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126 RIVERSIDE DR. $169,900
BY OWNER 233-5209
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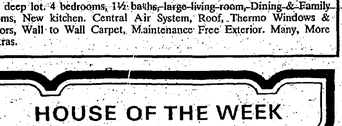
On deep lot. 4 bedrooms, 1½ baths, large living room, Dining & Family rooms, New kitchen, Central Air System, Roof, Thermo Windows & Doors, Wall to Wall Carpet, Maintenance Free Exterior. Many, More Extras.



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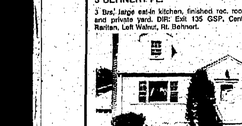

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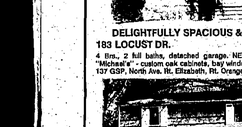

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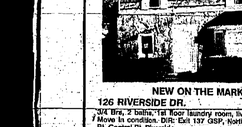
2nd Floor Condo - Mint Condition. 2 Brs, New oak kitchen; new tile bath. Maintenance Includes: Heat, hot water, insurance, PLUS. Dir: Exit 138 GSP, Centennial Ave., Left Cranford Hall, Rt. Lincoln Park East.



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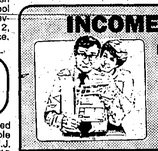

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In brief

Holiday

Municipal offices, libraries, banks and Post Offices in Cranford, Garwood and Kenilworth will be closed Monday in observance of Presidents Day. Cranford and Garwood public schools will be closed Monday and Tuesday while Union County College will be closed Monday only. All Motor Vehicle Services agencies will close Monday.

The Chronicle office will be open and regular deadlines will be observed.

Troop support

National VFW headquarters has announced that troops participating in Operation Desert Storm are eligible for membership. Members of Captain Newell Rodney Cooke Post 335 of Cranford will call families of local troops serving in the Persian Gulf war.

Out of work

Cranford United Methodist Church will sponsor a series of workshops for the unemployed. Several local merchants are offering discounts on job related items. Page A-13.

Garwood

Parents of eighth graders are invited to discuss options for the annual class trip this spring at a school board meeting in two weeks. There are a few candidates so far in the Board of Education election. Page A-8.

Championships

For the first time in 11 years, the Cougar basketball team advanced to the second round of the county tournament. Wrestlers grappled to a fifth place finish in the county tourney. Page B-1.

Be aware

Cranford Police are issuing substance abuse prevention booklets in an effort to educate parents about drugs and drug abuse. Page A-3.

Fourth of July

Cranford Fourth of July Committee is asking for donations to purchase flag poles and a sound system for ceremonies held at Memorial Park. Contributions can be sent to P.O. Box 211, Cranford.

Monkey trial

"Inherit the Wind" will open tomorrow at the Cranford Dramatic Club. Page B-4.

Paper drive

Boy Scout Troop 178 of St Michael School will collect recyclables from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday at the Conservation Center. Tied newspapers and aluminum cans should be brought to the truck not the dumpsters.

Recycling

Residents should place newspapers, glass and aluminum at curbside Wednesday for collection for recycling.

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PUT IT IN WRITING: Cynthia Nordstrom as Ma'am tells Chrissy Rae as Missy to "Put It In the Book." They're rehearsing for Cranford High School's production of "The Roar of the Grease-paint, The Smell of the Crowd." Story is on Page B-4.

School leaders allay molester fears

School administrators took steps this week to allay parental concerns following published reports last Thursday that the county prosecutor's office is investigating a Cranford teacher on allegations of sexual abuse.

Officials reported that the investigation involves a substitute teacher at Hillside Avenue School several weeks ago on his third day of employment in the district. "The person has not been employed by the district since," said the prepared statement read at Monday's school board meeting and mailed to all parents of children attending Hillside Avenue School.

According to the statement by schools superintendent Robert Paul and Hillside principal Irwin Figman, four pupils claimed they were touched in a manner they considered inappropriate."

The allegation is under investigation by assistant prosecutor Regina Caulfield, who declined to comment on details of the probe. She said Monday that the investigation should be completed by next week when a determination will be made on whether to take legal action.

According to procedures developed by the state attorney general's office several years ago, allegations involving children are turned over to the county prosecutor's office and the Division of Youth and Family Services. This is the procedure used by the school staff here.

The statement, which also was sent to all PTA presidents and town school principals, said, "We are confident that law enforcement officials will make the appropriate disposition of this case. In the meantime, you can rest assured that our school district staff will be certain to take steps that are necessary, now or in the future, to provide for the safety of your children."

No other details were provided so "the confidentiality of all parties involved can remain protected."

School board weighing cutbacks in personnel ranging up to $.5M

A management study completed recently by schools superintendent Robert D. Paul lists a total of $550,000 in potential staff reductions ranging from non-controversial cutbacks to "Draconian" ideas that would "seriously affect the quality of education."

The report is in the hands of school board members who will decide when to make it public. Since the proposals will affect school employees, the board will discuss the report first in closed session. Any official action stemming from the management study will be taken in public prior to the board's final adoption of the proposed 1991-92 school budget at a public hearing. The school election was postponed last week until April 30 and school boards in New Jersey must approve a final budget for voters by April 16.

Paul discussed the management study at last Thursday's joint meeting of the Township Committee and school board. This was the third meeting between the two bodies since October to explore joint endeavors for saving tax dollars and to discuss matters of mutual concern. The next meeting will be May 16.

The Township Committee recommended after last April's school budget defeat that the board hire a professional management study firm. Commissioners had felt the school system's administrative staff was "top heavy." The board agreed to the study and in the fall hired University Consultants on Education of Jamesburg. Paul said the report issued in December was "extremely preliminary in nature and not as specific as the board wanted." Before a more detailed study could be completed, said Paul, one of the firm's two partners was hospitalized and the other took a long-term assignment with a school district.

He said the board's contract with the consultants was severed at no cost and Paul undertook completion of the study. Paul said his proposals range from "things everyone can agree to to some things that no one will agree to."

Commissioner Carolyn Vollero said the idea of the study was "to get an unbiased opinion" while her colleague Dan Aschenbach said he "appreciated the initiative you (Paul) took." Paul said he used the same process as the consultants.

School board president Ellen Heller said she is "personally disappointed because I would have liked an outside opinion for once and for all to settle the uneasy feeling in the community."

Photo by John Keating

FLAGS AND RIBBONS: Residents of Elmora Avenue show support for the troops by lining their street with flags and yellow ribbons.

Town sewerage bill increases by 64.9%, edging cost near $1M

By Cheryl Moulton

Cranford residents flushed four times more in 1990 than they did in 1989, increasing the township sewerage bill by 64.9 percent and edging the yearly bill close to $1 million.

Township officials are reeling under Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority's (RVSA) latest assessment which slapped the township with a $394,000 increase for 1991, or a final bill of $962,405. The increase was added to a mounting stack of township bills, but not before raising the eyebrows and ire of more than a few township officials. Questing the rational behind the increase, governing body members approved the allocation of up to $10,000 in funds to hire a consultant to find out if a mistake has been made somewhere along the line.

Township administrator Edward Murphy doubted residential suspended solid waste could have increased 400 percent in one year, despite the 44 samplings taken by RVSA last year, backing up their claim. According to Murphy, township population has decreased significantly and industrial plants producing a high concentration of solid waste are no longer based in town, which should significantly decrease the bill not increase it.

Governing body members gave an immediate nod early in February to passing a resolution allocating up to $10,000 to the engineering firm of Camp Dresser and McKee to "analyze, evaluate and verify the accuracy" of RVSA 1991 charges. Meanwhile the township faces an April 1 deadline for the first payment to RVSA of $445,347, and another on July 1.

The last time solid waste became headline news in Cranford was 1987 when it was discovered Cranford was putting proportionately less into sanitary sewers for seven years than the other nine communities sharing the bill, but paying more. What transpired was a complete evaluation into the daily flow rate and the installation of new meters to compute the

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Four candidates in race for Board of Education

Four candidates so far are in the race for three seats on the Cranford Board of Education following last Thursday's initial election deadline. Others interested in running in the April 30 election have another three weeks to decide. The new filing deadline is March 7.

Incumbents Edna Silvey and Richard Nicholls are running for re-election along with newcomer Thomas Bonhag and previously announced candidate George Young. President Ellen Heller announced last week that she will not seek a third term.

Thomas Bonhag

Bonhag, a chartered financial consultant and certified financial planner, is senior vice president with the Kornreich Organization, an insurance brokerage firm in New York. His 18 years of financial experience include five years as an employee relations officer with Chase Manhattan Bank and 12 years with Equitable Life Assurance Society where he was vice president of marketing for the northeastern region.

He serves on the township Citizens Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC).

Bonhag is a graduate of Fordham University and received an MBA at St. John's University with a concentration in executive management. He has completed postgraduate work in finance, marketing and management. He and his wife, Cornelia, an attorney for a Manhattan law firm, reside at 706 Orange Ave.

The new candidate said, "Our work on the CBAC has shown the need for professionals among our citizens to step forward and assist in the complex financial realities of government. The Cranford taxpayer writes one property tax check which feeds three systems: the municipality, the schools and the county. Every citizen is concerned at the amount of that check right now and is fearful of the check he or she will be obligated to write in the future. The CBAC only deals with 22 cents of every tax dollar. It is now time to extend the CBAC concept to study the 50-cent component of that tax dollar which is dedicated to the school system. This concept will be a key ingredient in my platform.

"It is important for my fellow citizens to understand that I am not an 'anti-candidate.' Our school budget is suffering from a severe credibility problem. Voters have a difficult time understanding the need for $20 million to support the educational system of a township with only 22,632 citizens."

Bonhag continued, "The priority challenge to our Board of Education is to balance our desire for quality education for our children with the concept of value for every dollar spent. My work on the board, if elected, will be focused on using my financial experience to scrutinize our expenses, challenge them and either validate or eliminate them.

"The third leg in my platform will be based on my belief that the board must be part of the Cranford community and not apart from our community. Last year when our citizens rejected the budget, the board failed to resolve the issues with our Township Committee and appealed the budget to the state. I find it reprehensible that 14 elected officials could not resolve that budget once the votets had spoken. Instead, thousands of taxpayer dollars were unnecessarily squandered on legal fees in the process. My commitment is to ensure that all future budgets be decided within township boundaries."

Bonhag concluded, "Cranford is very fortunate to have many dedi-

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