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Cranford Chronicle

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In brief

Ring bells
Sunday is the 200th anniversary of the Bill of Rights. The Crane's Ford Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution encourages all citizens to remember what the Bill of Rights means to everybody. In honor of the event it requests all churches in town to ring their bells at 4 p.m.

Party for kids
The Cranford Jaycees invite all children of Cranford to its annual Christmas party Saturday, Dec. 14, from 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Community Center on Bloomingdale Ave. It's free. Santa will be there.

Open house
The Cranford Historical Society has its annual open house at the museum at 124 N. Union Ave. from 2-4 p.m. See the antique ornaments. The public is invited.

One-act opera
Trinity Episcopal Church sponsors Jim Lenney's production of *Amahl the Night Visitor tomorrow*. See Page A-6.

Buggy rides
Horse and buggy rides are scheduled 11 a.m.-3 p.m. downtown Saturday. St. Michael's Choir performs at 2 p.m. at Eastman Plaza that day.

Pinocchio show
The Cranford Dramatic Club presents *Pinocchio*, a children's musical, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Call 276-7611 for show times.

House tour
The Cranford Junior Woman's Club house tour attracted throngs to four homes Sunday. "Grover the Moose" proved a draw at one of them. See photo on Page A-2. The Green Thumb Garden Club held its annual wreath sale in conjunction with the benefit tour.

A memorial
A memorial to James T. Leonard, Garwood's long-time judge and civic leader, has been dedicated in the borough in a ceremony at the First Aid Squad. See photograph on Page A-7.

Concerts due
A holiday concert is scheduled at 8 p.m. at Cranford High School Dec. 19. Meantime, Orange Avenue School will present its annual winter concert today at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. Seventh- and eighth-grade groups will be among the performers. The public is invited. Another school performance is on tap tonight downtown: the high school's Brass Quartet is scheduled to play at 7 p.m.

Free parking
Free parking is provided downtown starting this week. Meters are scheduled to be decoratively covered through Christmas.

The champs
David Brearley High School is celebrating its latest state championship. See the sports section.

Collect food
The Vincent Lombardi Lodge meets at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garwood at 7:30 p.m. tonight for its annual Christmas celebration. Donations of food will be collected for Cranford Family Care.

Toy donatioins
Harmonia Savings Bank, Kenilworth, will accept toy donations on behalf of the Salvation Army. Unwrapped toys should be dropped off by Dec. 13 at any Harmonia Savings Bank.

School budget committee makes recommendations

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE CHRONICLE

The results and recommendations of the School Budget Advisory Committee (SBAC) were introduced to the Board of Education this week after three months of intensive evaluation. Overall, the report recommended it was time to take a "fresh look" at each school, teachers' salaries, pupil to teacher ratio, and other expenses that could be pared for considerable tax savings.

The SBAC is comprised of residents with extensive private sector experience and knowledge in the areas of accounting, finance and general management. Formed in the same fashion as the Citizens Budget Advisory Committee (CBAC) last year, which analyzed and evaluated the 1991 municipal budget, the SBAC provided the board with cost-saving guidelines without cost to taxpayers.

It was stressed throughout the report that while sound business principles can be applied to a school district, it is important to note a school district is not a business. Also emphasized was the fact that certain areas can be studied further to determine whether a change is advantageous. The SBAC, however, is not recommending any specific action other than a review of the data.

Board of Education members listened intently as four subcommittee chairmen presented a summarized narration of the 108-page report. While the report contained 56 recommendations in four areas, it was made clear that not all of the 28 members of the SBAC and the school board Budget Review Committee supported every recommendation in the report.

The areas examined by the SBAC included district and administrative expenses, high school and athletics, elementary schools, and special services.

Recommendations include:

- A study of custodial tasks and time requirements to establish a basis for contracting specific services and utilizing split shifts. Currently 36 custodians with salary, fringe benefits, tax and other compensations are paid in excess of $1.2 million annually.
- Initiate centralized purchasing and coordinated bidding with the township. A list of 47 items with the potential for joint purchase were listed.
- Review of the current tuition reimbursement program for continuing education for teachers. The $63,500 allocated for this area remains "embarrassingly low." SBAC members recommended a review to determine why the program is underutilized.
- Holding the line on union teacher wage increases. According to the report, "The percentage increases awarded in the recent past are no longer credible given the adverse business and economic environment."
- Starting teacher salaries should be frozen at the current level.
- Non-educational costs should be analyzed by location to identify unusually high costs for more investigation.
- Explore income-generating possibilities through rental, long-term leasing or sale.
- Establish an annual program of community-wide fund raising to solicit funds for specific student activities or projects.
- Re-evaluation of the geographic boundaries and functional capacities of the elementary schools with the goal of verifying an efficient and intensive use of schools.
- A study should be done to determine whether one or more new special services program should be established within the district. The average cost per student when services are delivered within the district is $7,800 as compared to the average cost of

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Town employees warned about layoffs in January

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE CHRONICLE

As the year draws to an end, the township's fiscal outlook appears bleak, with officials saying layoffs may be necessary to weather the "serious and difficult times (which) lay ahead."

Township employees received a letter explaining the cause of the fiscal stress and saying that up to 15 employees could be laid off by Jan. 1 if $664,000 is not cut from the 1992 budget.

The cause, explains the letter from the Township Committee, comes from several sources. First, the township will start 1992 with $402,722 less in revenues. This shortfall is due to less cash at year end and to losses in state and local revenues.

Second, the state legislature adopted a new municipal budget cap law that reimposes the rule that expenditures cannot grow more than 5 percent in any one year and also discontinues most of the exceptions the township used in 1990 and earlier. The township can increase its spending in 1992, subject to caps, by $357,337.

The most significant elimination of exceptions is health insurance. "Prior to 1991 all increases in health insurance were exempted from the cap. For Cranford this exemption was significant. Health insurance costs have increased from $615,950 in 1990 to $912,331 in 1991 to $1.3 million in 1992, an increase $400,517 for 1992.

More significantly, wage increases and other mandatory expenditures outside the control of the township have "imposed substantial additional expenses." In anticipation of the 1992 budget process, the township took an "unprecedented action" by not filling several positions after they were vacated.

Not filled were a secretarial position in the administrative office, the fire captain's position upon promotion of Arthur Kiamie to fire chief, the police captain position upon promotion of Harry Wilde to police chief, and the firefighter and police officer positions upon retirement of Wesley Ditzel Sr. and Peter Vergalla.

The letter states that the township, because of the severity of the fiscal

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Author, author...

Brooksiders add own creations to library

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE CHRONICLE

How are the children taking to the pioneer project of process writing? Very seriously.

At Brookside School fourth-graders already have written books, and copies are available in the school library for all pupils to enjoy. The children's books are of varying lengths, and all are illustrated with drawings.

Books such as *All about Cars and Jets*, by fourth-grader David Richardson, *Prehistoric Monsters* by Ryan Helmstetter, *The Chipmunk in the Library* by Ted Hickey, or a historic piece by Michael Cila titled *George Washington*, are catalogued by school librarian Sylvia Reichman and treated like any other book.

According to Mrs. Reichman the children are intrigued by the work of their peers, checking out these books as frequently as regular ones.

Process writing is an ongoing daily project at Brookside, taken seriously by students who are scheduled for 20-minute segments of reading or creative writing in the lobby of the school. A special table and chairs with a lamp, books and writing supplies create the setting for creative writing and reading.

One story, *Submarines*, by fourth-grader Brian Harnos, was written during one of these periods:

"Submarines are very cool. The good part is that they can stay under water for a very long period of time. The good part is the helicopter can pick up little submarines. Some little subs can come out from a carrier because you can jump off in the water and go diving off a carrier. If you are on a sub you can go diving off a certain part of a sub."

Brian's story was only a rough draft, but he was very proud of his work and was contemplating extending the story.

Teachers were trained in process writing last year by a language arts consultant who returned this fall to train parents. This innovative method of teaching writing encourages an interactive classroom, said Francis Lucash, supervisor of curriculum for the Cranford school system. The program emphasizes the belief that all children can write and that writing is an ever-changing process.

A key ingredient in the implementation of process writing is the development of a classroom climate conducive to writing, sensitivity to students' writing, the need to let students communicate and write spontaneously throughout the day and, finally, publication of students' best works. Also stressed is the importance of literature as a part of writing and the communication arts process.

For kindergarten through sixth-grade the process involves five stages: pre-writing or exploration and expansion of a pupil's knowledge; drafting, when the sequence is developed; revision, when clarification of meaning occurs and interaction with teachers and peers take place; editing stage, when examination of the mechanics of the written work are checked; and finally, the publishing stage when the finished product is shared with teachers and peers. The published document may be presented orally, they can be handwritten or typed

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Horse power



GEORGE PACCIELLO/THE CHRONICLE

Bob Bell chauffered children by horse and buggy last weekend. If you missed your chance, don't despair. The horse and buggy will be out again this Saturday from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Rides start from the Mlln Street parking lot.

Gill janitor accused of sexual assault

An employee of the Gill Apartments has been accused of second degree sexual assault against a 56-year-old resident of the senior citizen unit.

Police said the assault took place in the victim's bedroom at 3 a.m. on a night in late August and that she was afraid to come forward until three weeks ago, when she informed authorities that she had been assaulted.

At that time the police launched an investigation that led to the arrest Tuesday of Pedro Macias, 38, a Cuban who arrived in the United States in the 1980 boatlift and had worked at the Gill units as a maintenance man for about eight years. The authorities believe he had a pass key to the apartment.

The suspect was apprehended at his home on North Avenue in Elizabeth on a warrant served by Detective Sgt. Eric Mason, Detective William Peters and Detective Edward Zarzecki.

Police Chief Harry Wilde said the department is "extremely vigilant when it comes to senior citizens and is sensitive to crimes against our seniors." Older residents are often intimidated by criminals who tell them not to come to the authorities," he said. "If they have problems they want to discuss we will talk to them and preserve their confidentiality," he said.

"I'd like these people to be able to come forward to bridge that intimidation and talk to us in confidence," he said. "We will protect our senior citizens."

Second degree sexual assault is an indictable offense. If convicted, the suspect faces five to 10 years in prison, said Detecytive William O'Donnell.

Forbes group begins weeklies in New Brunswick, Watchung

Forbes Newspapers this week has begun publishing two new weekly newspapers, *The New Brunswick Focus* and *The Warren-Watchung Journal*.

The newest community weeklies bring the group's total to 15 hometown newspapers, in addition to its weekly entertainment guide *WeekendPlus*, and *Somerset* and *Middlesex Guides* which are weekly shopping guides with feature content and photographs. Forbes Newspapers' total weekly circulation now is 180,500 in Somerset, Middlesex and Union counties.

"This expansion addresses opportunities for quality local newspapers to serve people in these three communities, and since that is our mission as an organization, we created the new *Focus* and *Journal* even at this slack point in the region's economy," Forbes Newspapers President and Publisher Chuck Lyons said. "We look forward to full participation in our new weeklies by all readers in all three towns."

The *Journal* will have a circulation of 5,200 and will initially be mailed free to all Warren and Watchung homes. Its news and advertising staffs will be based in the 44 Franklin St. offices in Somerville.

Focus also will be mailed free to each household in New Brunswick, with added copies distributed to the Rutgers University campus and major businesses in the city. Total circulation will be 24,000. News and advertising staffs of *Focus* will also be at the Somerville office, pending negotiations for a New Brunswick office site.

Bergen agrees to send Union its solid waste

By DONALD PIZZI JR.
THE CHRONICLE

Approval of a regional partnership agreement by the Board of Freeholders in Bergen and Union counties has paved the way for a late-December projected start for ground breaking on the Union County resource recovery facility.

The Union County board voted Dec. 5 to amend its solid waste plan to include the partnership. The two counties reached an agreement in October that will have Bergen County sending 150,000 tons of solid waste to the resource recovery facility each year after its completion. The board voted to ap-

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Police blotter

Verbal argument leads to disorderly conduct charge

A 41-year-old Winans Avenue man was charged Friday with disorderly conduct after he allegedly had a verbal dispute with a convenience store manager on South Avenue.

The man, identified as James Cushing, was arrested at 2:36 a.m. by Officer Christopher Chapman at Krauszer's on South Avenue.

Investigators said Mr. Cushing apparently had an argument with the store manager before allegedly climbing on the counter top and knocking items off the shelf. Police said they did not know what the argument was about. No one was hurt. Mr. Cushing was released later on his own recognizance.

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Separately, two Westfield men were charged Friday with the attempted theft of an aluminum ladder.

The men, identified as Michael Sadowski, 22, of Hazel Avenue and Danny Wood, 27, of E. Broad Street, were arrested at 2:47 a.m. by Officer James Switek on Rankin Street near Bessler Avenue.

Police responded to a report from a witness who allegedly saw both men attempt to remove the ladder from on top of a van parked on Burnside Avenue. Three witnesses identified both men before complaints were signed, police said.

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In other police news, police are searching for three men who stole a car parked on Winans Avenue Friday and broke into two cars on Winans and one car on Dermody Street. Investigators said radios were taken from two cars on Wynans while the stolen car, an '89 Ford Mustang, was later recovered in Elizabeth.

Investigators said the suspects were males in their late teens to early 20s. One of the men had facial hair and long sideburns. The other male had a medium build and was wearing a blue baseball jacket with gray lettering, police said. They were last seen early Friday morning in the area of Wynans Avenue.

AARP plans holiday social, trips

The Cranford Chapter of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) will meet at 10 a.m., Dec. 20 at Lincoln School. A social will be held at 9:30 a.m.

The Hillside Avenue School Band directed by Thomas Sicola will perform Christmas and Hanukkah music. They will be accompanied by the school's choral group under the direction of Rodney Somerville.

Members are urged to attend and bring a friend.

The following trips are scheduled: Jan. 22 — Taj Mahal, Atlantic City. Cost is $11 with $10 in coin and $5 deferral; March 13 — Hunterdon Playhouse for dinner and show, "Odd Couple," at a cost of $37. Call Mike Finnegan at 276-0814 for more information and reservations.

On the benefit tour



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Maureen Ray of the Junior Woman's Club, center, introduces Grover the Moose to Ann Procacci at the Dennis residence, one of four houses toured Sunday in benefit for Project Home of Cranford. Other guests to her left include Valerie Lieberman, Diane Del Rey and Julius Procacci.

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Senior housing units one step closer to reality

By STUART AWBREY
THE CHRONICLE

The first step in the construction of a new senior citizen housing structure was taken symbolically with a groundbreaking ceremony last week.

One hundred new units will be created off Lincoln Avenue East adjacent to the 131-unit Gill Apartments, creating a 231-unit complex for older citizens.

The new facility will be called the Cranford-Lincoln Apartments. All units will be identical one-bedroom apartments.

The $7 million project is out for construction bids. Under the financing terms, 10 percent or $700,000 must be spent on the project by the end of this month and the pre-engineered, prefabricated units must be in operation by the end of 1993.

Cranford Housing Board president Roman Chapelsky said the facility "writes another page in the legacy of Ed Gill," the late former mayor who steered the first structure on Meeker Avenue to completion.

"Seeds grow by themselves, but buildings don't," Mr. Chapelsky said in thanking volunteer board members, the township government and attorney Bill Brock who conceived the financial package which included the sale of tax credits to corporations.

"It's a jigsaw puzzle but it seems to work," Mr. Chapelsky said of the tax credit scheme.

Former Mayor Burt Goodman recalled that legislation enabling the new unit was passed in 1970 even as financing for the first structure began. It took 12 years from the completion of the Gill Apartments for the "second seed" to get underway," said Mr. Chapelsky. The land package advanced in 1982. Financing lagged without federal funds through much of the 1980's until the township came up with its own plan.

Committeewoman Barbara Bilger said there is a long waiting list and the new units "are very needed." Under federal regulations, no exact count of applicants has been permitted since 1987. However, housing manager Barbara Anderson said there have been 350 inquiries made over four years.

Groundbreaking participants included Doreen Rivell of Damon Douglas, the local engineering firm, architect Eli Goldstein of James Goldstein Associates and Barry Dunleavy of United Jersey Bank which is financing construction. U.S. Rep. Matthew Rinaldo, who assisted the board in the first and second units, said the groundbreaking is further evidence of the town's commitment to meet the needs of senior citizens and the disabled.



GEORGE PACCIELLO/THE CHRONICLE

Breaking ground for new $7 million 100-unit senior citizen building off Lincoln Avenue East are Cranford Housing Board president Roman Chapelsky, attorney Bill Brock and housing manager Barbara Anderson.

Men's health topic of new support group

A support group under the auspices of the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Program is being formed for men with heart conditions.

A professional nutrition and dietetics consultant will be available to discuss how men can live longer and healthier and avoid heart attacks and strokes. Call 654-9854 to register.

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Holiday handiwork

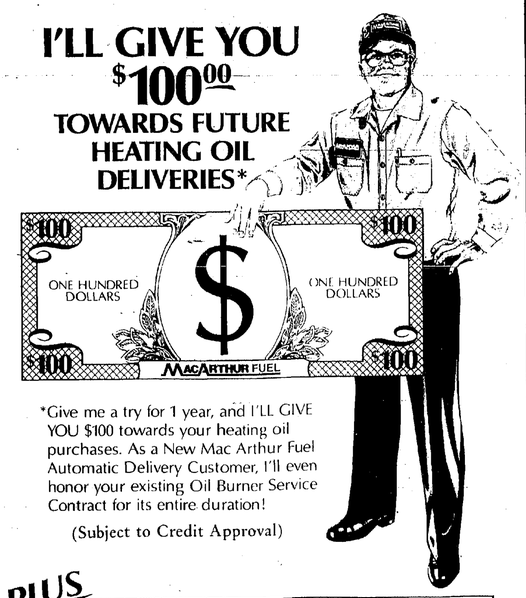


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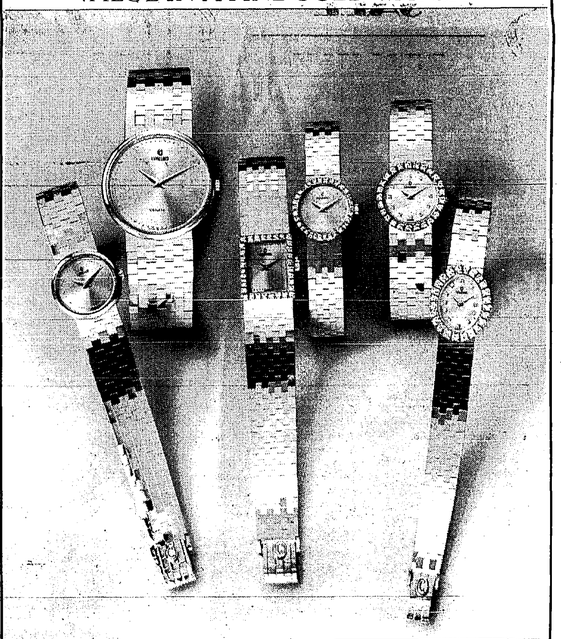
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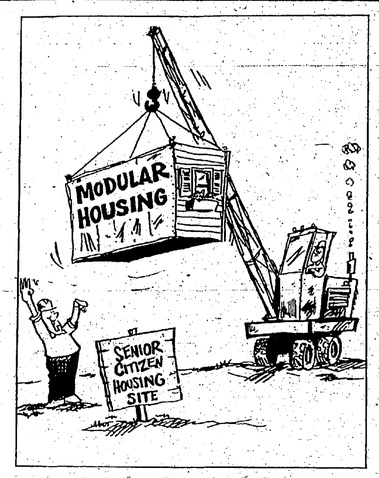
Commentary

A breakthrough on a second senior citizen housing unit

It took nine years to get the first subsidized senior citizen housing structure built in Cranford. The housing board and especially Ed Gill ran bureaucratic gauntlets in Trenton and Washington to get 131 tasteful units built. In retrospect, the first units came relatively easy, at least in comparison with the current second round. The major difference between the 1970s and the 1990s is that federal monies for such housing dried up and the township had to come up with innovative approaches, largely on its own.

Gill and Co. launched the effort for the first units 21 years ago. Former Mayor Burt Goodman recalls that the Township Committee started talking about a second unit even before the first structure was funded and built. When the complex that now bears Gill's name was completed on Meeker Avenue, the board began looking ahead toward the second round. Once again, land acquisition raised some problems but these were resolved. A smaller structure of 100 units was planned adjacent to the original one and received the name of Cranford-Lincoln Apartments. The town lost a lot of time butting up against Reagan Administration antipathy toward housing subsidies for towns like Cranford. The solution: federal tax credits sold to corporations. Amid stops and starts on financing, the waiting list for senior apartments mushroomed to 300 in mid-decade. Federal regulations eliminated waiting lists in 1987 so there's no accurate count, but there have been 350 inquiries for housing over the past four years, and the "greying" of the population makes it a given that the need is there.

Give the housing board credit for persistence. It broke ground for the new facility and is seeking construction bids. The competition for contracts is keen. Bids have come in lower than usual in places like Westfield's Municipal Building renovation, so the housing board-might get a break on its $7 million structure. Board Chairman Roman Chapelsky called the ground breaking an important "first step" and the town's commitment will be confirmed by laying out 10 percent of the estimated cost before year's end. The apartments must be completed within two years. That would be 50 percent more time than it took to finish the Gill units. The housing counts more than the clock. The Cranford-Lincoln Apartments will be a welcome and necessary addition, the sooner the better.



Police contract called fair

To The Chronicle:

In response to John Bury's letter to the editor titled, "Is Cranford Better Off Than Neighbor Kenilworth?" it appears that Mr. Bury has again spoken without knowing the facts. This is not the first time this supposed non-political person has spoken without knowing what he was talking about. It was pointed out by Bury that members of the Police Department were given a 7.5 percent pay raise in these hard financial times. It was also said by Bury that with all the problems Kenilworth faces, the council recently discussed giving the Police Department a better dental plan.

If Bury looked past his nose to learn the facts before he spoke, he would have found out the following: The Kenilworth P.B.A. negotiated in good faith with members of the Borough Council who serve on the Police Committee for a new contract. After many negotiating sessions, with give and take on both sides, an agreement was reached. The agreement provided for a 7.5 percent pay increase for members of the PBA. Bury seems to think this was too much of an increase. If Bury researched this, he would have found out that the Kenilworth Police Department had the lowest salary scale in the entire county, so, 7.5 percent is not at all unreasonable. With this increase we are still in the bottom third of the county in pay.

Bury criticized council for improving our dental plan. Again, if Bury researched this, he would have found out that the Police Department has the lowest grade dental plan available. During negotiations, it was agreed that an upgraded plan would be obtained by Jan. 1, 1992, the second year of the agreement. The PBA did not ask for and receive anything that was out of the ordinary, as Bury suggests. We were asking to be treated fairly by the governing body, which we were, regardless of their party affiliation.

The governing body should be applauded, not attacked and criticized by some self-serving person looking for notoriety. Maybe Mr. Bury should channel his energies into helping the town and not helping to tear it down, like he is attempting to do.

HENRY J. MOLL
Kenilworth PBA State Delegate

Town authorized salary, not arbitrator

To The Chronicle:

This letter, although late in coming, is to inform the misinformed in regard to the contract negotiations of the Cranford Fire Department.

Articles recently printed in local papers reported a 6.5 percent salary increase awarded by arbitration. This figure is correct. However, this amount represents an offer made to us by the Township Committee after numerous meetings with them; it was not an award by arbitration.

Furthermore, at this time, the threat of layoffs to uniformed personnel is becoming louder and louder. Earlier this year, during the creation of the Public Safety Department, promises of no layoffs were made by our mayor.

If the Township of Cranford truly does not have the finances to cover the aforementioned increase and must resort to layoffs, then we must ask why it was offered and, more importantly, who ratified it?

A. MICHAEL VAJDA
Cranford Firefighters
Bargaining Unit Chairman

Just think of the problems without meter enforcement

To The Chronicle:

A popular form of stress relief in Cranford is parking meter enforcement bashing. I guess it beats kicking the cat or smashing dishes.

What would life be like without those cursed, unbeatable one-armed bandits anyway? Free parking! No restrictions! Anywhere you want in the business district! What a great notion!

A bonanza for beleaguered out-of-town commuters. They could park free in front of central business district stores all day long, even for days if they had business out of town. Of course the competition would be stiff from resourceful Cranford commuters and business district employees setting their alarms earlier and earlier to insure the choicest slots. Wait a minute! If the early birds drive in and take up all the free midtown parking, where will the shoppers park? Probably in Westfield.

We have a delightfully charming downtown shopping area complemented by a wide variety of merchants who give personalized service you can't find in cold, sterile and impersonal malls. Managing the parking in downtown Cranford involves striking a fair balance between the competing interests of shoppers, commuters, employees and district residents. The balance is under constant review and adjustment. Unfortunately, enforcement is also necessary to make sure everyone plays by the rules. Meter Enforcement Officer James White has frequently incurred the wrath and tantrums of offending citizens who feel harassed or victimized by yet another governmental intrusion into their pocketbook. *The Chronicle* has been known to take an occasional potshot as well.

Jim White is an impeccably honest, good natured, loyal person who has served his country and community with pride and distinction. He has taken on a necessary but thankless job. If you knew Jim as I know him, you would consider yourself fortunate to have him as a friend. Maybe if we took the time, to understand how difficult but essential Jim's job is, we wouldn't judge him so harshly.

Another great notion! Maybe if we put a little of the same effort into understanding others, their cultures, their religions, their ethnic heritages, we would be more tolerant of our differences. Maybe there would be more respect for all people. Maybe in some small way we would contribute meaningfully to, "Peace on earth, good will toward men." Maybe.

HARRY W. WILDE
Police Chief

CBAC originally suggested moving office to save money

To The Chronicle:

I read with interest the article regarding budget cut suggestions submitted by township department heads. One such suggestion was the relocation of the public safety juvenile division to existing township offices to save the more than $10,000 annual rent. As a member of the CBAC (Citizens Budget Advisory Committee) Public Safety Subcommittee, that recommendation to relocate the juvenile division to existing township-owned property was one of my subcommittee's recommendations made in early 1991 as part of our final report.

It is a hopeful sign to me that a cost-saving recommendation of our early 1991 CBAC subcommittee final report has made it into a township department head's list of possible budget cuts. The true test of whether the volunteer committee's work is well worth the effort is the implementation of these recommendations, and the dollars that they save. Some have been implemented, some still await. Let's continue the progress and implement reasonable, sensible recommendations.

Let's also take a long hard look at the items on the department head budget cuts list. Some propose not initial savings, but require an initial investment to purchase items. Those "cuts" should be scrutinized to insure that if the investment is made, a satisfactory return will be earned as well as the promised cost reductions.

RICHARD J. SALLS
10 Oneida Place

Cranfordians can be proud of the downtown appearance

To The Chronicle:

As Cranford plans to welcome in the holiday season once again, we should all be proud of the way the downtown area looks. The time and effort that the volunteers have put in, plus the dollars that are raised from all the taxpayers, makes the difference between Cranford and many other towns that are trying to upgrade their downtown business center.

The town's newest major project, Eastman Plaza, stands out as a beacon in Union County as well as the state of New Jersey. I am sure there are people who can find a little fault here and a little fault there, but overall everyone has to admit that the town really looks great.

There is much more than just the holiday season that makes Cranford so great. Cranford has two outdoor swimming pools and one indoor, a well-equipped exercise room, an active recreation center, tennis courts, ball fields, an excellent school system, a dedicated police and fire department, a hard working public works staff, dedicated town workers, a senior citizens building, and last but not least a conscientious hard-working group of elected officials.

Christmas decorations and Hanukkah lights for the holiday season with all the improvements will not mean anything unless the residents of Cranford do support the stores and restaurants in the downtown business area. I realize that the country is in a recession or a mild economic downturn. The businessmen and women who support the many events throughout the year are counting on your support. I urge you to shop downtown Cranford and continue to build a better Cranford.

P.S. To our many merchants I can only say, it doesn't cost much to be nice to each other as well as your customers. A smile goes a long way.

JOEL GOODMAN
Alden Street

Accident victim asks witness to provide information

To The Chronicle:

On Tuesday, Dec. 3, at 1:20 p.m. I was involved in an auto accident at the intersection of South Avenue and Center Street in Garwood. My car was struck as I was making a left hand turn from South to Center St.

When I got out of my car a woman standing nearby the scene called out to me that she had seen the accident and asked me if I needed her and her husband as witnesses. Being shaken by the accident, I could only think of finding a phone to cancel an appointment I had that afternoon. I hardly gave any response to the woman and ran up the street to make my call.

After I had given my report to the police officer who arrived at the scene, I went into a couple of stores near the scene of the accident to find out if anyone else witnessed the accident. An employee of the Leather Warehouse told me that the woman who offered her assistance to me had walked around, but then left.

If the woman who saw this accident is reading this, I would like to thank her for speaking out at the accident. Also, I really do need her help and would deeply appreciate her calling me at 908-788-7793.

PATTY CHECCHIO
27 New York Ave.
Flemington, N.J. 08822

Green Thumb Garden Club appreciates support for sale

To The Chronicle:

The members of the Green Thumb Garden Club would like to thank the Cranford community for their support at our eighth annual wreath sale and boutique held in conjunction with the Home For the Holidays tour sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club.

We are proud to be associated with the efforts of this hard-working group of ladies and their worthwhile project. This year the home tour was especially nice and the four homes so generously opened for the tour were all lovely and so full of holiday spirit.

Our sales enable our club to continue our town plantings at the Historical Society Museum and Memorial Park and to further support such a worthwhile venture as Project Home of Cranford.

JEAN K'MEYER
15 Oak Lane

Donors thanked for decorations

To The Chronicle:

I would like to thank the merchants of Kenilworth who so generously gave me donations to help defray the cost of the holiday decorations on the Boulevard.

If there are any establishments that I overlooked, and you care to give, please mail in your donations, or drop them off at the Borough Clerk's office. Happy Holidays to all!

JULIUS ZENGEWALD
President
Beautification Committee

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School budget report

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$26,000 for sending a student out of the district. There are 28 Cranford special services students whose special needs are met in existing programs. These students are transported out of the district at a cost of $730,000 per year.

- The board, through its employees, should actively pursue grants as each grant dollar obtained represents a dollar less raised in local property taxes.
- Relocate the Cranford Alternative Program (CAP).
- The Cranford Alternative Program (CAP) for emotionally disturbed high school students should be studied to investigate four alternatives: expansion, restricting it to Cranford residents only, privatizing it, or "free market" it through legislative change. Of 56 students now in the program, 11 are Cranford students and the balance tuition is paid by students from nearby communities.
- The board should ensure Cranford taxpayers are not burdened by non-resident, non-tuition paying students taking advantage of a Cranford education, i.e. proof of residency requirement with a system of periodic residency checks.
- The board is urged to design and adopt a modern health care plan for its employees targeted at cost control for the benefit of taxpayers.
- The board should re-examine the perks given teachers in the years of non-competitive salaries.
- Blanket purchase order contracts with common vendors should be developed.
- The insurance committee should define areas of flexibility required by the school district to achieve cost efficiencies now prohibited by the state of New Jersey.
- The high school heating system should be changed from oil to gas for cost efficiency.
- A survey of tuition rates charged by various boards in the state should be implemented to determine if tuition rates are equal.
- The design and adoption of a modern health care plan for employees should include a health maintenance option, employee contribution premium cost and co-payment by employees of medical costs.

The SBAC made two requests of the board — to determine what the board expects from the SBAC with respect to the 1992-93 proposed budget, and a formal response to the SBAC's recommendations.

Layoffs

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stress, the constraints of the new cap law and the recession influencing the "general public current attitude toward increased taxes," is examining every option, including critical changes in the structure and functions of the township government, size and makeup of the work force, reductions in the high cost of health insurance and freezing of hiring and promotions.

"Layoffs are and will continue to be the option of last resort," the letter states, but unless $664,000 in budget reductions can be found, the township may "have to exercise the option of last resort as early as Jan. 1, 1992.

The governing body has asked township employees for ideas and suggestions to improve operations, reduce costs or curtail or eliminate programs and services without seriously impacting Cranford's quality of life.

Bergen waste

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prove the solid waste plan initially on Nov. 14.

Union County will dispose of ash residue from the facility at a landfill in Taylor, Pa.

On Dec. 4, the Bergen County freeholders voted to endorse the memorandum of understanding between the two counties.

"These steps are the final prerequisites to our receiving long-awaited state approval for the resource recovery project," said Angelo J. Bonanno, chairman of the Union County Utilities Authority (UCUA). "Although both the UCUA and RCUA (Bergen County Utilities Authority) agreed to the regional partnership, state approval hinged upon confirmation by our respective freeholder board."

Officials have said the agreement will allow the county municipalities to save close to $9 million annually in garbage disposal fees. Cranford residents will save an expected $510,000 the first year, while Kenilworth will save $160,000 and Garwood $80,000, according to officials. Mr. Bonnano stated that the facility "will also create much needed jobs, both during construction and, later, in its operation."

Opponents of the resource recovery facility have been vocal, however, going as far as to protest its construction this summer outside the home of Joseph E. Kazar, UCUA executive director.

Gov. James Florio imposed three conditions on approval of the facility: a plan to increase recycling to 60 percent, providing a facility to dispose of ash residue, and finding a regional solution to solid waste management. The agreement with Bergen County meets that final requirement, said Mr. Kazar.

Brookside authors

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Another project just off the ground at Brookside is the "Celebrate with Books" program which began this month. The program was suggested by parent and library volunteer Elaine Traynor, who discovered a way to add books to the school library. Parents or students who wish to purchase a book for the library in celebration of any special event in their lives will be showcased in a special display case near the library. The book, a picture and interesting hobbies and facts about the student are spotlighted in the lighted display case.

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Christmas classic



Gian-Carlo Menotti's classic one-act opera, 'Amahl and the Night Visitors,' will be performed at Whitlock Hall at Trinity Episcopal Church at 7:15 and 8:45 p.m. Friday. Whit Percy plays Amahl and his mother is portrayed by Betsy MacKenzie. Tickets are $10 and available at the door.

Obituaries

Mary Krowicki, 79

Switchboard operator for school board

Mary Krowicki, 79, a long-time employee of the Board of Education who lived here for half a century, died Dec. 10, 1991 at the home of her daughter, Christine Quinn of Linden, after a brief illness.

Born in Perth Amboy, she moved to Cranford 50 years ago.

Mrs. Krowicki was an emergency switchboard operator for the Cranford Board of Education for 15 years, retiring eight years ago.

She was a communicant of St. Michael's Church and a member of Spade and Hoe Garden Club.

Her husband, Joseph, died seven months ago.

In addition to her daughter, she is survived by three grandchildren.

The funeral will be held Friday, Dec. 13, at 8:45 a.m. with a funeral Mass at St. Michael's Church at 9:30 a.m. Interment is at St. Gertrude's Cemetery, Colonia.

Arrangements were by Krowicki Gorny Memorial Home, 211 Westfield Ave., Clark.

UCC students named to honor society

Twenty-five students at Union County College were inducted into the Iota Xi Chapter of Phi Theta kappa, national honor fraternity for two-year colleges. New inductees include Jodi Albanese, Douglas Chieffi and David Wainger, all of Cranford; Steven DeSouza of Kenilworth; Elona Harkins, Brian Mann, Mary Tirrell, and Lilisa Williams, all of Westfield.

May Konegan, 82

Was former resident of Cranford

May Konegan, 82, of Freehold Township, died Tuesday, Dec. 10, at home.

Born in Newark, she lived in Cranford and Howell before moving to Applewood Estates 16 months ago.

Mrs. Konegan was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Freehold and the Freehold Women's Club. She was a member of the Presbyterian Women's Circle and the Daughters of the American Revolution. She also was a member of the Thoroughbred Breeders Association of New Jersey in Bordentown. Mrs. Konegan was a member of the Applewood Singers and a former member of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford.

She was predeceased by her husband, Kurt A., in 1989. Surviving are two sons, Retired Air Force Major Rudolf R. Konegan of Santa Clara, Calif., and Dr. Kenneth K. Konegan of Milford; and nine grandchildren.

Funeral services will be held Friday, Dec. 13, at 11 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church of Freehold, West Main St., Freehold. The Rev. Kenneth J. Matthews will officiate. Interment is at Ardena Baptist Church Cemetery, Howell.

Arrangements were from C.H.T. Clayton and Son Funeral Home, Adelphia.

Donations may be made to the Diabetes Foundation, Central Jersey Chapter, 146 Maple Ave., Red Bank, N.J. 07701.

Mary Appel

Resident since '47

A Mass of Christian burial in St. John the Apostle Church, Clark/Linden, will be offered Friday, Dec. 13, at 10 a.m. for Mary F. Malone Appel, 75. She died Dec. 9, 1991 at St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston, after a brief illness.

Born in County Clare, Ireland, she came to New York in 1925 and moved to Cranford in 1947.

Mrs. Appel was a communicant of St. John the Apostle Church, Clark.

Her husband, Joseph, died in 1979.

Surviving are two sons, Joseph of Cranford, and Gerry of New York; a daughter, Kathy Viso of Cranford; a sister, Teresa Lennon of New York; and two grandchildren.

Arrangements are by Dooley Funeral Home, 218 W. North Ave.

Donations may be made to the St. Barnabas Burn Foundation, 94 Old Short Hills Road, Livingston, N.J. 07039.

Victorian Yuletide

Experience a Victorian holiday with a visit to "Christmas in the Ballantine House" at the Newark Museum. The five first floor rooms of the mansion will be decorated until Jan. 5 with poinsettias, evergreen garlands, wreaths, mistletoe and holiday ornaments of all kinds.

Madeline M. Dixon, 80

Moved to Garwood 12 years ago

Madeline M. Dixon, 80, of Garwood, died Dec. 6, 1991 at her home.

She was born in Brooklyn and lived in Miami, Fla., before moving to Garwood 12 years ago.

Mrs. Dixon was a bookkeeper with the Camelot Cruise Center in Cranford for five years before retiring in 1989.

She is survived by her husband, Kenneth; two sons, Richard of Cranford and Stephen of Framingville, N.Y.; a daughter, Karen Hannon of Cranford; two sisters, Katherine Olsen of Boston, Mass., and Anna Fleckstein of Cold Spring Harbor, N.Y.; 15 grandchildren and one great-granddaughter.

A Mass was offered Dec. 9 at St. Michael's Church in Cranford. Arrangements were by the Dooley Funeral Home, Cranford.

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In brief

Scouts plan dessert auction

There will be a holiday dessert auction at the Wednesday meeting of Garwood Cub Scouts Pack No. 75 at the Lincoln School Gym, Garwood, starting at 7 p.m. Santa and his elf will be on hand to help with the auction. Each boy will create a homemade masterpiece for the auction. Proceeds will be used to buy gifts for needy families.

PTA and first aid sponsor CPR class

The Garwood PTA and First Aid Squad are sponsoring a CPR awareness class on Tuesday, Jan. 14 at 7 p.m. The cost of the class is $10 per person and will cover adult CPR and Heimlich maneuver. Successful completion of the course will result in certification as an American Heart Association Heartsaver.

Enrollment in this class is limited to 40 persons. (If there is a greater demand, the PTA will set up additional classes.) Register either at the First Aid Squad today from 7 to 9 p.m. or during Santa's Photos at Lincoln School tomorrow from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Get luminary candle orders in

Garwood Public Celebration Committee requests that all orders for luminary candles be sent to block captains and all tally sheets sent to area captains.

Knights plan New Year's party

The Del Caprio will be featured at the Garwood Knights of Columbus New Year's Eve party. All featured are a full buffet all night, open bar from 8 p.m. to 2 a.m., party favors and champagne toast. Tickets, $30 each, can be obtained from the Knights at 37 South Ave., Garwood. Phone 789-9809.

Sons of Italy meet today

Vincent Lombardi Lodge 2551 Order Sons of Italy in America will meet today at 7:30 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garwood for their annual Christmas Celebration. Donations of food will be collected for Cranford Family Care Center for Christmas Basket. New members are welcome to join the lodge. Information: Peter at 272-7287 or Vincent at 789-3447.

Youngsters invited to Free Throw

All boys and girls ages 10-14 are invited to participate in the local level of the competition for the 1992 Knights of Columbus International Free Throw Championship. The local competition will be held Friday, Dec. 27 at noon in the gym of Lincoln/Franklin School, corner of Second Avenue and Walnut Street in Garwood.

The International Free Throw Championship is sponsored by the Knights with winners progressing to local, district and state level competitions. International champions are announced by the Knights of Columbus International Headquarters based on scores from the state level competitions. The children will compete in respective age divisions. Last year more than 199,000 sharpshooters participated in 2,990 local competitions.

All contestants are recognized at the local level for their participation. Participants must furnish proof of age and written parental consent. For entry forms or information call 232-0164.

Schools

Students are recognized

The Lincoln, Franklin and Washington schools announce Students of the Month, Citizens of the Month and Special Recognition recipients for November.

Students of the Month are Vanessa Busko, Jennifer Evans, Jennifer Delevante, Melissa Oliveri, Lauren Ricks, Sean Garner, Jennifer Anderson, Thomas DiStefano, Angela Urrico, Angela Marotta, Allison Petronio, Michael Palmisano, Nikki Bordanti, Stephen Sobocinski, Carly Mahon, Jamie Ozemko, John Quattrocchi and Nicole Perperas.

Citizens of the Month are Kevin Bishop, Eileen Berglund, Julie Froat, Jason Semple, Vanessa Lametta, Stephanie Jurewitz, Danielle Lueddeke, Nancy Coito, Billy Ramsay, Roberto Carrillo, Brian Hirth, Crystal O'Reilly, Jason Navarro, Michael Chasanoff, Megan Ferrara, John Ramsay and Mark Koch.

Earning Special Recognition were Carolyn Schmid, Stephen Catino, David Durante, Kimberly Castaldo and Thomas DiStefano.

Students receive honors for posters

Two Garwood students were honored in the Union County Narcotic Advisory Board's 12th annual Drug Poster Contest Awards Ceremony for fifth grade students. Kim Pelusio won second place and Jamielyn Martin collected a third place tie honor category.

Flag presented



Garwood VFW Post 6807, Ladies Auxiliary, presented an American flag to the Garwood Public Schools on Dec. 6. The flag was provided by Peggie Castaldo, whose brother, Joseph Castaldo, served in the United States Air Force during World War II and retired as Master Sergeant in 1968.

The ceremony attended by the Ladies Auxiliary, family and friends included a brief presentation by Randy Pratt, principal of Lincoln-Franklin School, to grades 7 and 8 commemorating the 50th anniversary of the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

Pictured are Beth Farrel, Lucille Varela, Peggie Castaldo, Randy Pratt and Carl Fourre. Missing are Barbara Yutz and Catherine Madara of the VFW Ladies Auxiliary.

Lest we forget



The Garwood First Aid Squad placed a small memorial stone in front of the squad building in memory of James Leonard Sr. Judge Leonard was one of the founders of the squad in 1939, and the first president. Judge Leonard was president for 38 years.

Standing next to the memorial is Ann Leonard, the judge's wife.

Scouts receive awards and badges

Garwood Cub Scouts were awarded badges at two recent meetings.

At the Cub Scout meeting on Oct. 30, Bobcat badges were given to Michael Chasanoff, Michael Hildenbrandt, Billy Hill, Tony McFarlane, Bill Ramsey, Robert Rybeck, Anthony Santilli and Tony Speranza.

At the Cub Scout Pack meeting on Nov. 20, these boys received awards: Billy Harris and Stephen Catino received athletic badges; Nicholas Amicucci, Chris Pasquariello and Dean Russamarto received athletic traveler badges; Robert Faggiano and Christopher Russamano received two silver arrows; and David Trucks, Karl Davis, J.D. Flynn, Lex Hamilton, Ricky McCarrick, Kevin Tucker and Thomas Catalon received fitness badges.

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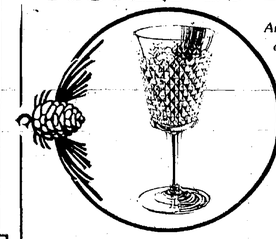
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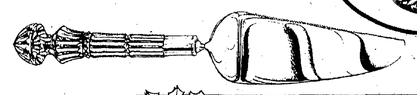
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Warngiris to demonstrate oil painting

Edward Warnagiris, a self-taught oil painter, will demonstrate his oil painting techniques for the Kenilworth Art Association at their meeting on Thursday, Dec. 19, 8 p.m., at Kenilworth Library. All members and friends are invited.

Mr. Warnagiris, born in Pittston, Pa. in 1933, uses his sense of astute observation while painting the landscapes and marine scenes of New Jersey. With a palette knife he uses pigments to create the illusion of depth and detail.

He has received numerous awards in this state and others and has conducted workshops for art groups and civic associations.

Seniors

The Kenilworth Senior Citizen Club held its monthly membership meeting Dec. 4 at the Kenilworth Center. Elected to office for 1992 were: president, Charles Vitale; first vice president, Ruth Masullo; second vice president, Frank Rasinski; recording secretary, Raymond Grunwald; corresponding secretary, Helen Steele; treasurer, Flo Tuozzolo; assistant treasurer, Mary Labrizzi; sergeant at arms, Ann Londino; and trustee (three years), Annette O'Malley.

On Monday, there is a Board of Director's meeting at 9:30 a.m. and food distribution from 1-3 p.m. at the health office. Tuesday is screening with mammography at the health office and the monthly birthday party at the center. On Sunday, Dec. 22, a blood donation drive will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the health office. Monday, Jan. 6 contact May Yohannan for the new exercise class. Thursday, Jan. 9 there will be a luncheon show to see the "Odd Couple" at Hunterdon Hills. June 8-12 is a Cape Cod trip. Contact Betty McCrea at the center.

RSVP: Share Food Program, 108 hours and American Lung Association, 20 hours, volunteered by Kenilworth seniors. Cranford Extended Care Center, 71 hours volunteered for November. Prizes were donated by Helen Bancy, Helena Brunski, Clara Cherence, Elsie Harth, Mary Jarusz, Joann Kraus, Ann LaCosta, Minnie Leikauskas, Lillian Pilat, Stella Rasinski, Marie Stoll, Rose Vitale and Louise Weslock.

The club is open daily.

AARP plans activites

The AARP Union Chapter No. 4028 will hold its executive board meeting on Jan. 2 at 1 p.m. at Kenilworth Library.

The general meeting will be held on Jan. 14 at the Elks Hall in Union at 12:30 p.m. A speaker and slides from PSE&G will be presented.

During November, members volunteered 10 hours at Lyons Veteran Hospital. One member volunteered 132 hours at Union Hospital.

These trips will be taken: Jan. 6 — Lily Langtree in Pennsylvania; Jan. 27 — Trump Plaza in Atlantic City; Feb. 12 — "Three Bakers" in Pennsylvania.

Blood drive planned by PBA

The health department and local Policemen's Benevolent Association, in conjunction with the North Jersey Blood Center, is sponsoring a blood drive on Sunday, Dec. 22, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m., at the Health Department in the Community Center at 575 Boulevard. Bring your social security card and a signed form of ID. Seventeen-year-olds need written permission (on a form provided by the blood center).

Two charged with beating cab fares

Two Kenilworth men were arrested last week for allegedly beating two separate taxi cab fares.

The men, Bernard Coyle, 31, of N. 7th Street, and Michael Purcell, 28, of N. 13th Street, were charged with two counts of theft of services by Kenilworth Det. Scott Phillips. Investigators said Mr. Coyle was arrested after he was found hiding in the backyard of Mr. Purcell's residence by Officer William Hannon. A summons was mailed to Mr. Purcell with a court date slated for both men on Monday before municipal Judge Aldan Markson. Both men were allegedly involved in separate cases of beating cab fares. The first case was reported Nov. 28 by Union Cab Co. at 9 p.m. In that incident, Mr. Coyle and Mr. Purcell were accused of bailing out the cab at Monroe Avenue and N. 8th street at approximately 9 p.m. without paying the fare. The second complaint stemmed from a similar offense reported by a cab company from the Bronx, N.Y. Both men and an unidentified woman were accused of getting out at N. 22nd Street without paying the $68 fare.

Seasonal music



Patricia Hubinger of Kenilworth will play holiday music on the dulcimer at the Miller-Cory House Museum in Westfield from 2 to 5 p.m. Sunday.

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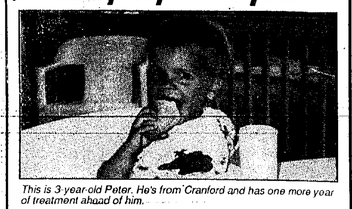
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Community Life

In brief

'Pinocchio' set for stage

The Cranford Dramatic Club will present "Pinocchio" tomorrow, Saturday and Sunday.

The Friday show begins at 7:30 p.m., and the weekend shows are at 1:30 and 4 p.m. Tickets are $4 per person and can be reserved by calling 276-7611. The theater is at 78 Winans Ave.

Christmas party for children

The Cranford Jaycees invite all the children of Cranford to their annual Christmas party on Saturday 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at the Community Center on Bloomingdale Avenue. Admission is free. The event features games, prizes, candy and a visit with Santa Claus.

Realtor collecting toys for tots

In cooperation with the U.S. Marine Corps Reserve, Coldwell Banker offices will be participating as Toys For Tots sponsors.

Coldwell Banker Robert Michael Realty, 21 Brant Ave., Clark, is the local collection center.

Get your tickets to CHS reunion

There is still time to pay for your ticket to the Cranford High School Class of '86 reunion, planned for Saturday, Dec. 21 at the Holiday Inn, Kenilworth. The price is $30 per person. Payments should be received by Monday. Call 272-4128, Miriam at 382-1952 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. from Monday to Friday. Admission for adults is $5; children, $3.

Cranford poet in new anthology

The Authors-Writers' Network of Montclair has announced the publication of "The Connection Collection," an anthology of poetry written by members and associates of the AWN Network. A Cranford resident, Patrick Ahern, is included.

Mr. Ahern, born and raised in New Jersey, was the second of eight children. Now living in Cranford, he shares his writings with his biggest fans, his wife and two sons. At the age of 26, Mr. Ahern discovered that scholastic problems he had experienced in earlier years were caused by dyslexia. Working on his disabilities at the Rutgers Mental Health Center, he was told he was talented and was encouraged to write. He said the encouragement he received and awards he has won from Authors' Writers' Network contests has changed the way he feels about writing.

23 earn nanny degrees at UCC

Twenty-three graduates of Union County College's nanny program have received certificates for successful completion of the 11-week intensive curriculum that qualifies them to work as child care providers.

They include Noelle Lieber and Evangeline Mobley of Scotch Plains; Rosa Appezzato of Garwood; Kathleen Feist and Maryanne Lopez of Cranford; Lilia Alcala-Gadia of Westfield; and Alverta Drewery of Fanwood.

Foundation needs volunteers

The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation is seeking volunteers for projects such as bulk mailings, addressing correspondence, light typing, arts and crafts. ECF is the statewide organization dedicated to providing emotional support and financial and material assistance to New Jersey families who have a child with cancer. To volunteer call 272-2292.

Jack of all trades is Hadassah's Woman of Year

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE CHRONICLE

Adele Shafman considers herself a jack of all trades and a master of none, but the Roselle-Cranford Chapter of Hadassah had a reason for naming her Woman of the Year: she's the best.

As described by friend and colleague Marlene Roth, Adele is a tireless volunteer totally committed to Hadassah. She works all the fund raisers, and is a beautiful woman with an equally radiant inner beauty.

We asked Marlene to tell us about Adele because Adele's modesty kept her from describing her involvement, and prompted her instead to focus attention on other members.

"There are amazing women involved in Hadassah," Adele said proudly, explaining the origin of Hadassah dates back to 1912 when Henrietta Scold and 38 others formed what evolved into an organization of 385,000 in 1991. Worldwide fund raising efforts bring in more than 92 percent of the funds that save lives, heal broken bodies and blaze new trails in cancer and other medical research, she said.

Far from New Jersey, a hospital in Israel provides life-saving services to hundreds of thousands of men, women and children each year. This work is made possible through facilities with more than 60 emergency outpatient clinics and intensive care, neonatal, trauma and burn units. The facilities are staffed by 4,000 doctors, nurses and other specialists. Also funded by Hadassah groups worldwide, and members like Adele locally are a university teaching hospital with 2,000 students of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, nursing, occupational therapy and public health; a research institute; five centers for the prevention of degenerative diseases; and one of the leading cancer institutes in the world. Funds are raised through rummage sales, by canister collections, and next week, through the Youth Campaign, the group's largest fund raiser of the year.

And why the "jack of all trades" title? Well, in addition to serving several terms as co-president of Hadassah, vice president of membership, fund raising and program, and delegate to the 77th national convention in Jerusalem this past summer, Adele finds time for education. She holds bachelors and masters degrees in education, is a licensed residential health care administrator, and a certified teacher of the Suzuki piano method, which is based on "ear training," or "hear and repeat," until a song is learned.

She is also a wife and mother, devoted to husband Frederic, a Hadassah associate, and daughters Lauren 23, and Nicole, 19, who with their mother are life members of Hadassah.



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Adele Shafman, a member of the Cranford/Roselle Chapter of Hadassah, is the most recent winner of the organization's Woman of the Year Award.

A new venture by this local Hadassah group is "Hand in Hand We Heal," an ad journal featuring local advertisers. This effort will coincide with other worldwide endeavors to continue the work started in 1912 by Mrs. Szold.

The Hadassah expression "dor v dor," or "from generation to generation," explains the philosophy of passing down the commitment from young to old, but the Hebrew word Chai expresses best the perspective of this worldwide organization. Chai means "life," and this is symbol of the life-giving qualities of Hadassah.

Adele modestly shies away from the praise and recognition accompanying this distinguished award, preferring instead to aim the spotlight at all who persevere for this humanitarian worldwide effort.

So, where Adele shied away, Marlene stepped forward to provide glowing details.

"She is a very caring individual. She's one of the sweetest people I know. I don't think there's a person who knows her who has an unkind word for her," Marlene said. "She's done an awful lot in her own quiet, unassuming way. She doesn't blow her horn." Hadassah's Woman of the Year is chosen by a committee of past recipients of the honor. Marlene said the choice this year, the first year Adele was eligible, was very easy. Where other meetings ran up to several hours, this one ran about 20 minutes.

The panel chooses someone whose ties are well-known, "someone who has made a commitment to the organization and will always be committed," Marlene explained.

Perhaps the example was learned from Adele's mother and mother-in-law, both of whom were respected past presidents and life members. And perhaps Adele's mother, who died last year, would be proud to know of the honor bestowed on her daughter, for it reflects all she hoped to inspire when she told Adele that to practice Judaism one had to "do something."

Adele's mother also taught her that "you don't have to be Jewish to be in Hadassah," and this rings true today. The women of this organization come from all religious backgrounds, Adele said, but their purpose is the same: to join hands in a mission of healing.

Schools

Breakfast with Santa

The fifth annual Breakfast with Santa will be held Sunday in the Mother Seton Regional High School Cafeteria from 10 a.m. to noon. If you have children who want to visit Santa, call Sister Rita Miriam at 382-1952 between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. from Monday to Friday. Admission for adults is $5; children, $3.

Winter Concert is tonight

Orange Avenue School will present its annual Winter Concert today at 7:30 p.m. in the school auditorium. The seventh and eighth grade groups performing are the orchestra, conducted by Pamela Zimic; the chorus, conducted by Linda Ligas; and the flute ensemble and band, conducted by Henry Babcock. In addition to traditional holiday selections, the orchestra will perform "Contrasts in E minor" by Francis Feese. The chorus will perform "Festive Madrigal" by Dave and Jean Perry, the flute ensemble will play "Largo from Trio in D," by Johann Quantz, and the band will play "Festive Toccata," by Elliot DelBorgo. Admission is free and the public is invited.

Brookside students of the month

James Johnson Jr., principal of Brookside Place School, awarded October Student of the Month Awards to these students:

Art (Mrs. Toth): Matthew Porter.

Physical Education: Kevin O'Donnell, Christopher Flamini, Adriana Taglialavore and Sarah Wieneke.

Mrs. DeVito's class: Tania Lyons.

CHS graduate cited for achievement

The College Board has cited Cranford High School June graduate Amy Morneweck for exceptional achievement on the college-level advanced placement (AP) examinations administered last May. She qualified for their "AP Scholar with Honor" award by earning scores of three or above in four subjects. AP examinations, which students take in May after completing challenging college-level courses, are graded on a 5-point scale. Most of the nation's colleges and universities award credit and/or placement for grades of 3 or higher.

Hillside School concert next week

The elementary music department of Hillside Avenue School will perform their annual holiday program in the auditorium on Thursday, Dec. 19, at 1:30 p.m.

The 4th, 5th and 6th grade chorus, conducted by Rodney Somerville, will present a varied program of traditional holiday music. Included in this repertoire are Christmas Carol Cheer and Light the Candle.

The elementary band, under the direction of Thomas Sicola, will perform Christmas Polka, Twelve Days of Christmas, Hava Nagila and other familiar selections.

The elementary orchestra, Pamela Zimic conducting, will play music by Caponegro, Beethoven and Wieloszynski.

Miss Collins' students of week

Students of the Week at Orange Avenue School attend Miss Collins' second grade class. Mark Jablonski is a very kind and helpful second grader, and an excellent student. His favorite subject is math, and classmates call him "Math Wiz." Mark likes to play football. Amy Snyder is a sweet, hard-working second grader. She loves spelling and writing. We all enjoy listening to Amy's stories. Amy likes to read and swim, and is on the Jersey Gators Swim Team.

Miss Bergin's students of week

Orange Avenue School's Nov. 25 Students of the Week are Miss Bergin's second grade class of super special achievers: Emily Ulanski, "I love the specials like computers;" Gavin Weeks, "Math is fun;" Greg Alvatore, "Math and science are my best subjects;" Pearse McGee-Daily, "I love to do math;" Thomas Cartwright, "Reading is the best;" Meg Payne, "I'm great in math;" Kyle Bern, "I'm great in spelling;" Jenilee Hill, "Math is the best;" Carly DeCotiis, "I love to write stories;" Scott Crawford, "I love reading best;" Rocco Freda, "Math is my best subject;" Libby Patberg, "My best work is in math;" Andrea Buccarelli, "I love to read;" Justin Zach, "I'm a great artist;" George Holan, "Math — I love it;" Ester Fabian, "I'm a very good reader;" Michele Seager, "I just love school;" Emily Pollak, "I'm a good story writer;" Jessica Thomas, "I just love to read;" Nicole Carscadden, "I love to work on science projects."

Local pianists played at recital

Laura Civile and Carly Kaplan of Cranford, and Dina Gordon of Springfield, piano students of Clarisse Kant, were featured performers of solos and duets in the Nov. 17 Student Recital sponsored by the Music Educators' Association of New Jersey. These recitals are open to the public and held five times each year in the Chase Auditorium of the Madison Public Library.

Good citizens at Livingston School

Marie DeStefano, Livingston Avenue School principal, has announced the Good Citizens for the first marking period: Susan Brown, Janice Buccino, Dominic DeRosa, Andrea Garlick, Michelle Garlick, Robert Haber, Cynthia Lawrence, Katherine Mertens, Rachel Seney and Matthew Tyndall.

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Miss Massa's students of week

Students of the Week from Orange Avenue School, week of Dec. 4 are from Miss Massa's second grade class. Jennifer Kelly has joined us this year after moving from Brooklyn, N.Y. She is 7 and her favorite colors are pink and purple. She enjoys playing with her pet fish and board games. She has one brother, Michael, in the fifth grade. She is a very good student. Jordan Berger has joined us this year after moving from Elizabeth. He is 7 and his favorite color is red. He enjoys playing basketball. He has one brother, Justin, in ninth grade. He also has a pet cat named Amber, and a pet bird named Lucy. Jordan is a very eager student.

Riding in style



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For winning a fund raising contest, these students of St. Michael's School were recently treated to a very special lunch at McDonald's, and they traveled in style, as you can see. Standing outside the door to their limousine are Lauren Phillips, Kim Pfirrmann, Liam Ahearn, Paul Herits and Steven Gachko.

Milestones



CHARLES and LAURA LIPSIT

Laura Gindel marries Charles Lipsit

Laura Jean Gindel, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Gindel of Garwood, was married Sept. 1, 1991, to R. Charles Lipsit, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Lipsit of Edison.

Father George Charnley, the groom's uncle, officiated the ceremony at the Church of St. Anne, Garwood. A reception followed at The Westwood, Garwood.

The bride was escorted by her father. Cathy Jones of Edison was matron of honor. Bridesmaids were Jennifer Gindel of Garwood, Donna Legg of Garwood, Lorraine Spina of Moreno Valley, Calif., and Charlene Lenderman of Moscow, Idaho.

Timothy Jones of Edison was best man. Ushers were Michael Kane of Metuchen, Jack McGinniss of Woodbridge, Howard Myers of Edison and Vincent Laraia of Cleveland, Ohio.

The bride is a 1982 graduate of David Brearley Regional High School, Kenilworth, and a 1986 graduate of West Virginia University with a B.S. in elementary education. She is a second grade teacher in Garwood.

The groom is a 1978 graduate of J.P. Stevens High School, Edison, and a 1982 graduate of Seton Hall University with a B.A. in political science and a B.S. in accounting. He is employed by Linden Motor Freight as a senior accountant.

Following a honeymoon trip to Bermuda, the couple resides in Edison.

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Marilyn Silvestro engaged to wed

Dr. and Mrs. Caesar Silvestro of Glen Rock announce the engagement of their daughter, Marilyn, to Joseph DelGrippo, son of Mr. Joseph DelGrippo of Cranford.

Ms. Silvestro is a graduate of Glen Rock High School and Franklin and Marshall College in 1986, where she received a B.A. in chemistry. She is a medical sales representative at Datascope Corporation.

Mr. DelGrippo graduated from Cranford High School and Marietta College in 1986, where he received a B.A. in accounting and marketing. He is a commercial mortgage officer with United Jersey Bank.

The wedding is Oct. 24, 1992.

Amy Ellen Chasnoff is engaged

Susan and Abraham Chasnoff of Cranford announce the engagement of their daughter, Amy Ellen of Greenville, R.I., to Scott McAllister, son of George McAllister Jr. of Riverside, R.I., and the late Althea McAllister.

Ms. Chasnoff graduated from the University of Rhode Island in 1991. She is a lead teacher at Trailside Day Care Center, East Providence, R.I.

Mr. McAllister graduated from the University of Rhode Island in 1991 and is a site biologist with Wildlife International, Ltd., Easton, Maryland.

The couple plan to wed in the fall of 1992.

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Obituaries

Anna D. Scheuerer, 96

Was highly active in civic affairs

Anna D. Scheuerer, member of a prominent Kenilworth family and an active community servant, died Dec. 4, 1991, after a brief illness. She was 96.

Born on Nov. 3, 1895 in Godefry, N.Y., she lived in Kenilworth since 1897. She was the daughter of the late Retta Conklin and former Judge and Mayor Anthony Grippo.



ANNA SCHEUERER

Mrs. Scheuerer, a wife, mother and grandmother, has given more than 50 years of community service to Kenilworth. She was choir chairwoman and Sunday School teacher at the Kenilworth Methodist Church and also president of the Breezy Point Church Fund Raising Association.

She was a founder and mainstay of the Kenilworth Historical Society, serving 17 years as treasurer. She was a member of the 4-H Club and spent many years working with young people.

She was a member of the local Bicentennial Committee and made a major contribution to its success. She had been extremely active in the Kenilworth Senior Citizen Club since its organization. She helped to formulate procedure and was an active member of all the following committees during the past 20 years: trip committee, by-laws, entertainment program, volunteer work, health and welfare, crafts, and building committee.

In addition, she served continuously for 20 years as club secretary and continued to serve the Senior Citizens Club in whatever capacity she was needed. She was honored by New Jersey State Division on Aging, Governor Kean, Congressman Rinaldo and Kenilworth Mayor and Council as the most outstanding senior citizen of New Jersey in 1988.

Mrs. Scheuerer at age 96 was bright, alert and energetic, and had a rare sense of humor. She was truly a model and inspiration to all senior citizens. She was completely without malice or prejudice and maintained a beautiful and caring relationship with every member of Kenilworth Senior Citizen Club.

She is survived by a brother, Raymond Grippo; two sons, Walter and Raymond; six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

Matilda Jackson, 86

Cranford-Westfield senior group

Matilda Jackson, 86, died Dec. 8, 1991, at Edison Estates Nursing and Convalescent Home after a long illness.

She was born in New Brunswick and moved to Cranford 40 years ago.

Mrs. Jackson was a member of St. Mark A.M.E. Church, where she was a steward and member of the Usher Board and Missionary Society.

She was a member of Cranford-Westfield Senior Citizens Group.

Her husband, Philip, died in 1973, and a son, Wilfred Fletcher, died in 1985.

Surviving are four grandchildren, nine great-grandchildren, and four great-great-grandchildren.

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Father Mark J. Dooley

Was assistant pastor of St. Michael's

Father Mark J. Dooley, a former assistant pastor of St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Cranford, died Dec. 5, 1991, at McCarrick Care Center, Somerset.

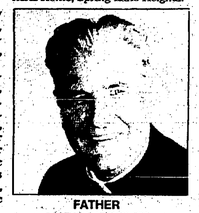
Fr. Dooley was born in Somerville and lived in Cranford and Kearny most of his life before moving to Sea Girt in 1984.

He graduated in 1935 from Holy Trinity High School in Westfield, and was ordained from Immaculate Conception Seminary, Darlington in 1939.

Fr. Dooley retired pastor emeritus from St. Stephen's Parish, Kearny, in 1984, after 12 years. Prior to that, he was pastor at St. Bridget's Roman Catholic Church, North Bergen; Our Lady of Mother of the Church; and assistant pastor at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church, Cranford, St. Henry's Roman Catholic Church, Bayonne, and St. Francis Roman Catholic Church, Ridge Park.

He was spiritual director of Newman Club at Union County College and chaplain at the Cranford Police Department.

Surviving are a brother, Frank Dooley of Rosmoore; and a sister, Rita Kramer West of Sea Girt. Arrangements were by Meehan Funeral Home, Spring Lake Heights.



FATHER MARK J. DOOLEY

Christine M. Reusch, 97

Owned Cranford Bakery for years

Christine M. Reusch died Dec. 5, 1991, at Ashbrook Nursing Home in Scotch Plains after a long illness. She was 97.

Born in Elizabeth, she lived in Cranford most of her life before moving to Scotch Plains.

Mrs. Reusch and her husband, Edward, who died in 1963, owned the Cranford Bakery in Cranford for many years.

She was a member of Trinity Episcopal Church, Cranford.

Her son, Dr. George Reusch, died in 1982.

Surviving are three grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements were by Gray Memorial Funeral Home, 12 Springfield Ave., Cranford.

Services were private.

Isabelle M. Stahl, 82

Lived in Kenilworth 49 years

Isabelle M. Stahl of Kenilworth died Dec. 5, 1991. She was 82.

Born in Philadelphia, Pa., Mrs. Stahl lived in Kenilworth for 49 years. She was a member of the Evangel Baptist Church in Springfield.

The funeral service was held on Saturday, Dec. 7 by Rev. Joseph J. Lombardi at the Opacity Funeral Home, 511 Washington Ave., Kenilworth.

Entombment was at the Graceland Memorial Park in Kenilworth.

Catherine Hall Rae, 76

Former Cranford resident

Catherine Sandes Hall Rae, a former Cranford resident, died Dec. 2, 1991, at Transylvania County Hospital, Brevard, N.C. She was 76.

Born in Maryland, she was a 1932 graduate of Tracys Landing Public Schools and received a B.A. from Western Maryland College in 1936. She worked as a teacher in Glen Burnie, Md. into the late 1930's, when she moved out of state.

Mrs. Rae was an Episcopalian and an annual volunteer for the Transylvania County Hospital yearly gift and craft show. She helped make many of the articles offered and was interested in oil and ceramic painting.

Her husband, James Alexander Rae, died in 1985. Surviving are two sons, Douglas Allen of Needham, Mass. and James Paterson of Northampton, Mass.; a sister-in-law, Nancy Ellen Rae of Sharon, Mass.; and two sisters, Mary Esther Cox Dyes and Francis Barton Loney Hall of Stevensville, Md.

Funeral services were held Dec. 6 in St. James Episcopal Church, Lothian, Md. Arrangements were by Hardesty Funeral Home, Galesville, Md. Interment was at the church cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Transylvania County Hospital, Brevard, N.C. 28712.

Muriel Cusator Bauer, 79

Was active with several service groups

Muriel Cusator Bauer, 79, of Westfield, died at her home Dec. 6, 1991, after a short illness.

Mrs. Bauer was born in Liberty, N.Y. and has lived in Westfield since 1937.

Mrs. Bauer retired at the time of her wedding as an elementary school teacher and music teacher for the town of Westfield. She was a graduate of Potsdam State College, Crane School of Music. She also attended Columbia University.

For many years she was an active member of Westfield Service League, the Children's Service Committee, Westfield Garden Club and the Echo Lake Country Club. Mrs. Bauer was also a member of the Beaverkill Chapter of the DAR in Beaverkill, N.Y.

Mrs. Bauer is survived by her husband, George; a son, James of Colorado, and a daughter, Linda Putnam of Shelburne, Mass.; four grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Memorial services were held Dec. 9 at the Chapel of the Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

Arrangements were by the Gray Funeral Home, Westfield.

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Business

Coffee 'roastery' owner talks about daily grind

By PETER J. WAMSTEKER
THE CHRONICLE

Ahrre's Coffee Roastery on N. Union Avenue will celebrate its second anniversary in February and according to its owner, Ahrre Maros, this first name is pronounced "R") the coffee business is getting stronger as more people discover the pleasure of drinking coffee made from freshly roasted beans.

The Chronicle spoke recently with Mr. Maros about his business and the fascinating world of coffee.

What gave you the idea to open a coffee roastery?

I lived in the San Francisco Bay area for six years after graduating from UC-Santa Cruz. Coffee drinking and cafe-hopping are very prevalent out there. In fact, quite a culture has developed around it; fresh roasted coffee is beyond popular, it is the norm. People out there are so used to a certain standard of quality and freshness that certain small towns, like Cranford, have several roasteries — much bigger than mine — and they are flourishing.

I was amazed at how something so "standard" in one part of the country can be virtually non-existent in another. But, as with most trends originating in the West Coast, I believe that it's just a matter of time until coffee roasteries and fresh roasted coffee take hold out here! I simply wanted to be a part of that. The Metropolitan New York area is a frontier of sorts and I fancy myself as the Java missionary!

Tell me about the roasting process.

'Fresh-roasted coffee is beyond popular — it is the norm'

The roasting process is really very simple. I buy large bags of dried, raw green coffee beans from an importer. This stuff, much like rice or lentils, can sit around for ever in this form if kept dry. As needed, I measure out 12 pounds of a certain type of the raw green coffee, pour it into my roaster — which is like a large, hot-air, popcorn popper — and I heat the beans to a certain temperature. The heat browns and expands the beans, and brings some of the inherent oils to the surface. Now, the longer I roast the beans, the hotter they get, and the hotter the beans get, the darker, larger and oilier they become. All my coffees are roasted to 400 degrees F. except the Italian Espresso roast which is roasted to 450 degrees F. The Espresso Roast is puffy, black and shiny and has a strong bitter, almost burnt, taste.

How many different kinds of coffees do you roast?

That's hard to answer. I stock "regular" coffee beans grown in 10 different countries, and decaffeinated coffee beans from five of those 10 countries. I roast these coffees individually and I also roast particular blends of the different coffees. So, considering just these coffees and blends I have 28 different fresh roasted coffees on hand at all times. But it doesn't end there; I have 21 "flavored" coffees available in both regular and decaf at all times. So, I start out with only 10 regulars and five decafs, but ultimately sell 89 regulars and 31 decafs. That's a total of 70 coffees!

What are some of the secrets to keeping coffee fresh?

The qualities we appreciate in coffee, such as flavor and aroma, are deteriorated by exposure to oxygen and moisture. So, be sure to store your coffee in an air-tight moisture resistant container in your freezer (yes, your freezer and not your refrigerator.) Here are my freshness tips:

A. Never buy coffee if it's displayed in an open container because chances are it is already stale.

B. The fresher it is when you buy it, the longer it will stay fresh in your freezer.

'People tend to zero in on a particular coffee and stick with it..most all of my coffees have a certain, devoted following'

C. Coffee is always best when freshground just before brewing.

D. Drink right after brewing, do not leave coffee on a warming coil, because it will quickly become bitter.

What do you offer people who don't like the caffeine rush?

I carry 31 different Swiss Water Process decaffeinated coffees. These coffees are naturally decaffeinated before roasting with the use of pure water. No chemicals are used in this process at all, unlike other decaffeination methods. Unfortunately this process is time-consuming and the resulting coffee beans are a bit more expensive.

What are your best-selling coffees?

People tend to zero in on a particular coffee and stick with it, therefore, most all of my coffees have a certain, devoted following. However, I have two coffee blends that are very popular: Farid's Exotic blend, which is a blend of six different full-bodied coffees and the Morning Blend, which is basically a blend of Farid's Exotic and Italian Espresso. I recommend Farid's Exotic for people who like a rich, smooth coffee and the Morning Blend for people who like their coffee to have a slight bitter edge.

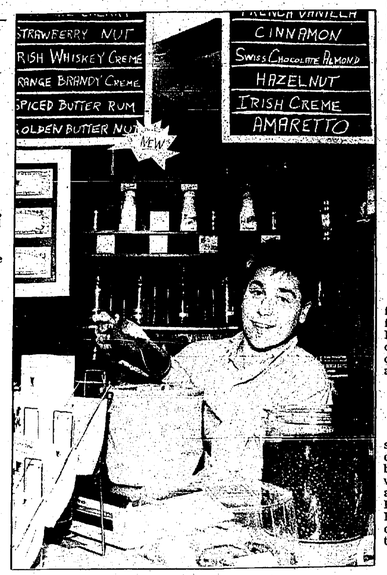
What kind of food goes best with coffee?

Pastries, croissants, cakes, pies, ice cream, breakfast, lunch and dinner.

Where are the best places to drink coffee?

I really enjoy sitting in a cafe on a Sunday morning, reading the comics, nibbling on a some pastry and sipping a good rich cup of coffee. There are certain places in this country where this is a regular ritual for a lot of people. I've experienced it in Berkeley, Calif., Madison, Wis., Amherst and Northampton, Mass., Portsmouth, N.H., Boulder, Colo., and Santa Fe, N.M., to name a few. The elements these places seem to have in common are a major university, young Bohemian intellectuals, political activists and artists.

When I take a vacation I don't go and lie out on the beach. I visit places that have a strong cafe culture, eat great pastries, sip great coffee, read the local funnies and mingle with the natives!



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Ahrre Maros, proprietor of Ahrre's Coffee Roastery, is offering ready-made gifts for the holidays. Among the treats are mugs filled with hazelnut coffee and chocolate covered coffee beans, made-to-order gift baskets, and two-pound rum cakes. The store is on North Union Avenue.

In brief

Tax saving seminar set

Merrill Lynch will hold a free seminar on "89 Tax Saving Strategies for Investors" at the Westfield office, 192 Elm St., on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Reservations and information: Dave Rehrer, 788-4335.

The seminar will highlight major 1991 tax changes and personal investment strategies to minimize taxes in 1992.

Boyle joins financial firm

Gerard "Jay" Boyle of Westfield has joined Meeker Sharkey Financial Services, 21 Commerce Drive, Cranford, as an associate in insurance and financial planning.

Mr. Boyle was formerly the deputy executive director of the New Jersey Commission for the Blind and Visually Impaired.

Rudkin to chair annual campaign

Donald Rudkin of Cranford, a retired executive for the Mobil Oil Corp. and member of the Union County College Board of Governors, will serve as the 1991-92 chairman of the college's Alumni Annual Giving Campaign.

Holiday ornament ready

This year the Cranford Chamber offers its fifth limited edition of the Cranford holiday ornament.

The ornament bears the new town clock in a hunter green on a shimmering gold ball, as designed by chamber member Larry Fuhro.

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Brearley wins football title game with late rally, 14-13

By ANDY LUKAC
THE CHRONICLE

All football season, David Brearley Regional flirted with destiny.

Last Saturday, in a game which will be talked about for years, destiny became legend as the Kenilworth school staged a dramatic fourth quarter comeback to garner a state championship.

The Bears, trailing an undefeated and favored Mountain Lakes on the Thundering Herd's own muddy turf 13-0 with less than five minutes to play, wowed the overflow crowd at Wildwood Field with two touchdowns in dramatic fashion to capture the North Jersey, Group I, Section 2 title with 14-13 win.

The state crown was the fourth in the school's gridiron history and Brearley now owns a 2-1 record over the Morris County team in state football playoff action.

Mountain Lakes, champs of the Colonial Hills Conference, was looking for their sixth state title.

The win was a combination of good football mixed with some lucky breaks for the Bears who finished the season at 8-2-1.

As it turned out, however, some proven Brearley traits were all the Bears really had to count on.

"Conditioning and stamina have always been our pride," beamed Brearley Head Coach Bob Taylor after the game. "You really have to put a stake through our heart."

Taylor continued.

"We're going to hang in there. This team goes down swinging."

Brearley certainly did hang in the game waiting for an opening to do some swinging. When the Bears got one, they pounced and "pooched" their way to victory.

Pure and simple. Brearley outblocked, outhustled, and outmuscled The Herd when the game was on the line.

More importantly, the Bears outmaneuvered the hosts, as well.

"You can play only for so long with your backs to the wall," commented Mountain Lakes' 26-year Head Coach Doug Wilkins. "They just wore us down."

The Bears certainly did.

Opening the fourth quarter with the ball on the Mountain Lakes' 14-yard line, the Mountain Valley Conference-Valley Division team put together a 18-play scoring drive highlighted by some clutch running from junior running back Jamie King and some alert ballhawking by wide receiver Dan Russoniello.

King, who finished the day with 25 yards on the ground, furnished 18 of them on the thrust including key third and fourth down rushes for first down yardage.

Russoniello, who caught a 21-yard pass from quarterback Jonathan Chango on the 10th play on the drive, preceded the play by thwarting a possible Brearley disaster when he pounced on a Steve Miceli fumble on a fourth down play giving the Bears two extra yards and another first down.

Miceli, a junior, redeemed himself nine plays later, taking a Chango pitch out from the six and steaming around the left side of the line of scrimmage for the Bears first score.

Senior placekicker Mark Scuderi, who had failed on a 26-yard field goal attempt in the second quarter, booted the extra point with 4:48 left in the game to close the gap to 13-7.

Scuderi was just getting started.

On the ensuing kickoff, Scuderi

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Cranford Chronicle

1991 Fall Season Awards

Outstanding High School Athletes

WAYNE BENDER
Senior
Football



WAYNE BENDER

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

Call it coincidence, but whenever Cranford High running back Wayne Bender had a good game, it seemed as though the Cougars would come away a winner.

A powerful back with breakaway speed, Bender headed up a Cranford ground game which helped the Cougars finish the year with a surprising 4-5 record.

Cranford was in line to end its campaign with a winning mark, but the Cougars were upset by Plainfield in the season's eighth week, and fell to powerful Elizabeth in their season finale.

Those losses, however, didn't deter from a fine Cranford season which saw Bender score eight touchdowns and rush for 1,008 yards. Those statistics helped erase some of the bad memories of a 1990 season which saw the Cougars go winless in nine outings.

For his accomplishments, Bender has been selected as the Cranford Chronicle's 1991 Fall Season Outstanding Male High School Athlete.

"It was a surprising year," Bender admitted. "I knew going into the year that we had the ability to do well: This year was a lot more fun for us and we were more dedicated than we were in the past."

Under first-year coach Nick Brown, the Cranford offense centered around Bender

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KIM KUPKA
Senior
Gymnastics



KIM KUPKA

By SCOTT ZUCKER
THE CHRONICLE

Cranford's Kim Kupka has vaulted her way to the top of the Union County gymnastics scene.

Kupka, a senior at Cranford High School, won the county tournament in early November and was named the Cranford Chronicle's 1991 Fall Season Outstanding High School Female Athlete this week.

Her long journey to the county title began over 13 years ago. Although neither her mother Cheryl nor her father John had any gymnastic experience, she was just five years old when she enrolled in her first class.

"I was just watching it (a meet) on T.V. and I asked my dad if I could try it," said Kupka.

Kupka, who feels the bars are her best event, led Cranford to a 11-2 record this past season. The Cougars made a strong bid but finished behind gymnastics-powerhouse Scotch Plains-Fanwood in the Watchung Conference. Kupka, herself, finished second for All-County honors to Roselle Catholic's Karen Maurer. Despite all her personal accomplishments, she seems to enjoy the team atmosphere in a sport usually dominated by individual effort

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DARYL STONE/THE CHRONICLE

Brearley defenders Bill Picone and Jose Rodriquez close in for the kill on a Mountain Lakes ball carrier during the Bears' 14-13 comeback victory last weekend.

LaBarca Day opens doors for college-bound football players

By DENNIS WILSON
THE CHRONICLE

Many young men who toil on the scholastic gridirons of the Garden State do not possess the physical size nor speed that is necessary to earn football scholarships from NCAA Division I powerhouses like Penn State, Notre Dame, Miami, Rutgers, Syracuse and the other members of the CFA which are viewed weekly on the television screen.

Frank LaBarca, who coached at Cedar Ridge High School before succumbing to a heart attack several years ago, decided to institute a college day for the other seniors with talent but lacking in the Division I requirements and reached into his own pocket to finance a day for high school football players.

With his passing, many of his peers including his brother Chip LaBarca, the head coach at Toms River South, got together and have continued not only the original project, which is now called the LaBarca College Day, but have also added a clinic to raise funds for five scholarships.

This year's affair will again be held at David Brearley High School in Kenilworth, about five minutes off the Garden State Parkway at Exit 139. The date is Sunday, December 15 between Noon and 3:00 PM and admission is free for the kids and their parents. Refreshments provided by the Bears booster club will also be free.

"The intent of the program is to help the high school football players in their search for the right college to continue their student/athlete careers," said Bob Taylor, Brearley's head coach who has been a dedicated motivator in the annual college days.

LaBarca originally designed his annual college day for the players who might continue competing at the Division II or III level. Now, Division I-AA schools such as Dartmouth and Holy Cross as well as junior colleges and prep schools send representatives to the affair.

Last year, more than 450 seniors and juniors participated in the program, meeting head coaches such as Frank Bender (Jersey City State), Jim Miceli (Ramapo), Eric Hamilton (Trenton State) and Gerry Gallagher (William Paterson) of the New Jersey Athletic Conference, Bill Klicka (FDU-Madison) and Mike Walsh of Upsala as well as out-of-staters such as Jeff Sparagana (Albright).

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Wayne Bender

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and his slashing runs. Given the chance to go outside on a defense, the senior would often leave defensive backs in his wake.

"I'm looking into West Virginia Wesleyan, Montclair State, and Rochester," Bender said. "I'm trying to get a scholarship, but I'm not sure what's going to happen. I know I'm interested in playing for a small school."

Bender's impact on the Cranford football program, however, will not soon be forgotten. "I'm a straight runner," Bender said, when asked about his running style. "I try to get in a hole and cut up the field. I just try to go out there and run over people.

Certainly Bender's parents, Wayne and Susan, would agree that their son has turned into one of the county's top running backs.

YOUTH SPORTS

BASKETBALL

Cranford Recreation League

3rd-4th Grade Division

Minnesota 20, Ohio State 12

Strong rebounding and aggressive defense highlighted both sides of the court as Minnesota topped Ohio State in the season-opening contest for both teams. Skip Schipper led all scorers with 14 points, while Craig Gorczyca and Tim Mamrak added four and two points, respectively. Jon Martin set up many scoring opportunities, while Joey Unish and Mike Gallucci combined to shutdown numerous Ohio State drives. The offensive punch for Ohio State was supplied by Jeff Baer, with eight points, and Brian Styfer, with four.

6th-7th-8th Grade Division

Penn State 27, UCLA 26

Two free throws by Donna Polito in the fourth quarter gave Penn State a lead it would never surrender against a tough UCLA squad. Lauren MacSouth and Heather White led UCLA with six points each, while Amy Blitz and and Mara Goodgold added four points apiece. Amy Grobe, Michele Ponto and Erin Sharkey sank baskets in the first half to give Penn State a 12-8 halftime lead. UCLA came back behind Blitz and White to take a 20-19, lead; Chanel Curtis and Julie Kiamie helped secure the victory with their outstanding defense as Lori Polito scored four points and Donna Polito added four of her game-high 13. Melissa Murray played well on defense as well as scoring two points for Penn State. Mary Ellen Wilson, Diana Dollard, and Elizabeth Payne played a great game on both ends of the court.

6th-7th-8th Grade Division

Penn State 31, Rutgers 24

A 14-point performance by Donna Polito helped lead Penn State past Rutgers. Melissa Murray added 11 points as Penn State opened its season in impressive fashion. Ginny Colarusso led Rutgers with eight points, while Lauren Porter and Sheryl Colarusso added six points apiece. The game was tied at halftime, but Lori Polito scored six points in the third quarter to put Penn State in front for good. Erin Sharkey, Amy Grobe, and Chanel Curtis played an outstanding game on both ends of the court for Penn State. Heather Simpson and Kelly Schroeck turned in fine performances for Rutgers. Regan Stempniewicz added four points to round out the Rutgers scoring.

Seton Hall 52, Pittsburgh 44

Seton Hall opened its season with a total team effort against a spirited Pitt team. Every member of the Seton Hall squad scored as the Pirates were never threatened. Mike Bailey had 20 points for Seton Hall, while Eric Mosner added 14. Others lighting up the nets were Jon Haug with 12 points, Luke Weeks with six, Billy Hunt with four, and Andy Jobe, Tom LoGiudice, and Mike Venditti tossing in two points apiece. Pitt's Brian Mahar led all scorers with 23 points, while teammate Brian Williams scored 11. Also playing well in the contest were Chuck O'Neil, Mike D'Agostino, Kevin Halupka and Todd Mariano.

6th-7th-8th Grade Division

Penn State 22, Princeton 17

With Donna Polito scoring 10 points and Melissa Murray adding eight, Penn State was able to edge Princeton. Starring on defense for the winners were Amy Grobe, Julie Kiamie and Erin Sharkey. Murray scored six of her eight points in the first half, but the play of Kelley Farrell and Kelly Coughlin enabled Princeton to tie the score at 12-12. Lori Polito and Chanel Curtis sank free throws just before halftime to tie the score. Rebecca Sevare and Jacqueline Babo scored six points each enabling Princeton to forge a short-lived 16-14 lead in the final quarter. Donna Polito dropped in six points in the fourth quarter to spark the Lions' comeback effort. Michele Ponto rounded out the scoring for Penn State with two points. Donna Barrett scored three points in the game, while Megan Weiss added two. Eileen Garrity had a good defensive game for Princeton.

3rd-4th Grade Division

Michigan 29, Illinois 16

A balanced attack helped Michigan edge Illinois. Kelli Gilbertson scored nine points for the winners, while Tom Arthur added six. Also putting their names in the scoring column with four points each were Jeremy White, Matt Venditti, and Andy Bausch. Vince Desiderio added two points. Also playing well in the contest were Sean Longo, Jeff O'Donnell, John Pabst, Jerry Tobin, Eric Olson, Jim Baker, Alana Rosencrans, Jon Decker and Frank Buonvino.

7th-8th Grade Division

Syracuse 41, Miami 36

In a game marked by lead changes, Syracuse held on to defeat Miami. Rich Piatkowski scored 19 points for the winners. Also contributing to the victory were Gregory Bazilus, Danny Martin, Tapan Parikh, Matt Wilbur, Edward Bombard and Richard Horn. Chris Oliver was the leading rebounder for Miami and scored 12 points. Other Miami players were Jeff Weber, Kevin Famoulle, Geoff Hayeck, Ryan Malloaz, Rich Winter and J.R. Mamrak.

5th-6th Grade Division

Nets 22, Jazz 19

In a hard-fought game, the Nets outlasted the Jazz. High scorer for the Nets was Mark Ivory with 10 points. Matt Porter added four markers, while Jim Phisfer, Rob Oralni, Pat Burke, Derrick Brooks, and Scott Ivory added two points apiece. For the Jazz, Chris Famini led the way with seven points. Also playing well were Jay Harris, Mike D'Arcy, Dave Becera, Scott Weeden, Tom Sinnott, Mike Tretola and Dave Mahoney.

5th-6th Grade Division

Knicks 51, Rockets 21

The Knicks jumped out to a quick lead and went on to defeat the Rockets in the season-opener for both teams. The Knicks used a balanced attack with Patrick Maher and Kevin O'Donnell scoring 16 and 12 points, respectively. Kevin Knight pumped in 11 points and center Mark Stiansen netted 10 points while controlling the rebounding. Adam Williams added two points to round out the Knicks scoring. John Peddis and Mark Saad contributed fine all-around play and grabbed numerous rebounds to help the Knicks cause. The Rockets were led by the hot shooting of Mike Bazilus who scored 11 points. Ian Gillaspia added four points, while Andy Nordstrom, Jeff Bargin, and Kevin Reilly each scored two points. Whit Parcy and Billy Provod contributed great defense in the game. The Rockets played without the services of Chris Faltoute who was sidelined with a sprained ankle.

5th-6th Grade Division

Pistons 38, Lakers 27

The Pistons captured their season-opener by downing the Lakers. Joey McComb scored 12 points and teammate Tom Lucash added 10 for the Pistons. Other scorers for the Pistons were Chris Thee, Billy Harned, Tom Unish, Brian Golden, and Dan Vaupel. Jason Colasneri and Brian Sullivan sparkled on defense. The Lakers received 16 points from Bobby Haber, while Brian Harley addes seven markers.

6th-7th-8th Grade Division

Rutgers 42, UCLA 19

Rutgers crushed a UCLA squad that was missing several team members due to illness. Leading the Rutgers attack was Adrienne Patino who scored 18 points. Adding to the Knights' success were Kelly Schroeck (nine points), Lauren Porter (6), Regan Stempniewicz (4), Ginny Colorusso (4), and Sheryl Colorusso (4). Janny Lee Smith and Heather Simpson contributed strong defense and excellent ball handling. For UCLA, Lauren Mackasoud scored eight points, while Amy Blitz added seven. Also playing well were Diane Dollard, Meghan Koralus, and Mary Ellen Wilson.

4th-5th Grade Division

Purdue 31, Wisconsin 23

A hustling Purdue team held off an aggressive Wisconsin squad in its first game of the year. Scoring was spread amongst three players for the Boilermakers as Robert Sands tallied 12 points, and teammate Ed Feeley added 10. Ryan Schmidt added nine points to the Purdue attack. Craig Karpinski and Mark Sebauclus hit the boards hard, while Jeff Bauman and Mark Bonczek hustled on defense. Injured Kevin Bostol cheered his teammates from the sideline. The Wisconsin squad was led by Mack Muntz who tallied seven points. Chris Percy (6 points), Chris Shaw (4), Buddy Roach (4), and Joe Ucla (2) also played well, as did Ken Matz and Robert Levonas.

HOCKEY

The Cranford Hockey Club Mites maintained their first place lead in the New Jersey Youth Hockey League with a 2-0 victory over Brick last weekend at Watnanco Park. The game-winning goal came when Will Kayhart placed a perfect pass onto Max Langford's stick in front of the Brick net. Defensemen Patrick Higgins, Will Humphries, and Langford played a near-flawless game allowing just six shots on net. Goalie Chris Stopero stopped everything thrown at him, including a point blank shot on a spectacular save to maintain the shutout. The first line of center Brian Smith and wings Louie Guglielmetti and John Felix kept offensive pressure on throughout the game. Also playing well for the winners were Ryan Adler, Steven Catone, Steve Spinelli and Ben Vachta. The Mites now sport an overall record of 9-2-1.

Kim Kupka

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"It's fun and everyone supports each other," Kupka said in her role on the team.

Kupka and the Cranford squad began the season with an impressive 91.85-88.06 victory over Columbia of South Orange and never looked back. She set the tone for her season by winning three events en route to all-around honors. On that night, she outdistanced the competition on the bars, the balance beam and in the floor exercise.

Kupka sights Karen Maurer, a specialist on the balance beam, as her top rival. There was some concern when the Cougars lost Michele Charney to graduation last spring, but Kupka was more than up to the challenge of assuming the mantle of leadership. She takes her competition seriously and credits her competitiveness for much of her success this year.

"I had to hit my routines and the meets that counted, I did."

Kupka, who's family moved to Cranford from Edison, her freshman year, plans to pursue gymnastics in college, but doesn't know where yet.

"I want to do it (gymnastics) in college, but not with all the pressure," said Kupka. "I just want to have fun."

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Bears win

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used his size 10 ½ cleats to perfection by pooching the football, like a golfer would hit a wedge, just the right amount in an onside effort.

The ball did not touch the muddy field and landed perfectly in front of the waiting arms or Bears' player Joe Corbo. Corbo recovered the free kick on the Mountain Lakes 49-yard line and Brearley continued the attack.

Nine plays later, with only 1:16 left on the clock, Chango hurled a perfect spiral to a waiting Corbo in the Herd's end zone for the tying six points.

Scuderi, with the help of a perfect snap from center Bob Taylor (Jr.) and placement from holder Chango, then drove the throng of Brearley fans into a frenzy with his second conversion of the game.

The Thundering Herd had two more possessions with both ending in turnovers.

Steve DuPont, the Mountain Lakes senior quarterback, had tallied two touchdowns on 1-yard plunges in the second and third quarters.

Ironically, it was after the first score that the tide slowly turned against the home team.

While attempting an ill-fated extra point, holder Mark Ahlmeyer bobbled the ball and placekicker Jon LeBlanc tried advancing the loose ball, but was injured and was forced to leave the game.

Meanwhile, Brearley was forced to play an entire different style of offense due to the poor field conditions.

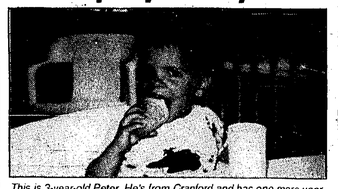
The entire season, the Bears had depended on senior Ron Cagno along with Joe Tripodi, Miceli, and King for an extensive ground game.

Saturday, Chango went to the air with a splendor. Known as an adept option quarterback, the smooth senior turned in a Joe Montana-type air performance with 13 completions in only 19 attempts including the game winner to Corbo.

"The time the line (co-captain Mike Ring, co-captain Jim McMenamin, Jose Rodriguez, Dave Egurrola, and Taylor) gave for me to throw was the key," credited Chango. "That's where most of the credit should go."

Be it field position, opportunistic play, or just some good, hard-hitting football, Taylor and his Bears went home to Union County with a bus full of smiles, a state title, and memories to last lifetimes.

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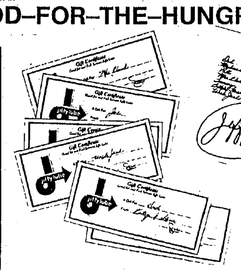
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MISCELLANY

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BOWLING

Cranford Bowling League

Team standings:

Cranford Sunoco	62-36
Phoenix Jewelers	60-38
Jersey Enterprises	59-39
Victor Dennis	56-42
Hall Strong Fuel	55-43
Just For Kicks	55-43
Cranford Elks	52-46
Clark Lanes	52-46
Reynolds Plumbing	51-47
D&M Meats	50-48
Horan Lumber	50-48
Toll Engel	46-52
Hull Vicci	46-52
Modern Barber Shop	44-54
Mason Limo	44-54
Cathy's Ceramics	44-54
Cap-Cadecas	44-54
Rowe's Suriaco	39-59
Painting Plus	38-60
Meakor Sharkey	33-65

600 series: Mike Armus (234-202-234, 670), George Colburn (246-257-167, 660), Tom Rotella (198-235-216, 649), Jim Callander (234-191-191=616 632), Ed Stoerger (196-190-238, 624), Bob Mason (234-183-193, 610), Rich Sorge (209-210-183, 606).

200 games: Joe Bovine (201), Al Oppel (201), Scott Heywood (217), Bob Nardelli (223), Marty McEvoy (205), Tim Schlichting (214), Don Smith (221), Thom Komer (201), Jim Dixon (204), Jim Murphy (212), Tony Bonito (216), Lou Ritzzo (218), Bob Motola (205), Pete Mastrandrea (216, 207), Jim Mason (211), Jim Chelland (219), Mike Byrne (226), Tony Lopez (209), Ray Hensel, Sr. (221, 202), Pat Topetro (234, 206), Joe Weber (200), Joe Ilg (219), Ed Pawlowski (221).

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Brookside P.T.A. League

Team Standings

Lucky Charms	16.5-10.5
Nut n' Honey	15.5-11.5
Just Right	15-12
Trix	14-13
Froot Loops	14-13
Kix	14-13
Cheerios	11-16
Rice Krispies	8-19

High Games: Linda Briblesca (189, 175, 154), Natalie Mahoney (181, 161), Jackie D'Arcy (178, 163, 156), Donna O'Donnell (177, 145), Barbara Harnett (154), Barbara Sands (152), Irene Weise (152), Ruby Kleespies (140), Mary Venditti (140).

High Series: Linda Briblesca (518), Jackie D'Arcy (497), Natalie Mahoney (465), Donna O'Donnell (434), Barbara Harnett (409).

Notes: Linda Briblesca and Natalie Mahoney bowled turkeys.

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Monday Senior League

Team Standings:

3 C's and 1 D	58-28
Who	50-34
Bubblas	50-34
Polish Power	45-39
Ball Bisters'	43-41
Straight Arrow	40-44
Super Six	40-44
Hey You	39-45
We Don't Care	38-46
Hookers	29-65
Pluggers	27-57
Lucky Strike	25-59

High Games: Don Widdows (237), Al Kulukowski (222), Bob Bishe (176, 212), Al Fablo (203), Al Judd (182, 201), Bill Simpson (197), Woody Silker (176, 191), John Hollerback (176, 188), Jo Kulukowski (178), Tom Conway (178), George Baer (178), Sal LePaca (175).

High Series: Bishe (559), Judd (551), Widdowa (544), Fablo (528), Hollerback (524), A. Kulukowski (517), Silker (522), Simpson (510).

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Livingston-Walnut PTA Bowling League

Team Standings

Crisp-X	57-20
Maple Stars	51-26
Fruits Looped	50-27
Triples	47-30
Fruity Pebbles	46-31
Mini Buns	46-31
Frosted Flakes	38-39
Boo Berries	33-44
Kbc	29-48
Nut N' Honey	28-51
Honey Nuts	25-52
Lucky Charms	14-63

High Games: M. Chlinski (214), K. Nycz (188, 176, 173), A. Sofranko (188), J. Maloney (191), C. Montgomery (181, 180), B. Heywood (180, 168), D. Wojciak (177, 168, 164), N. Donnelly (175), E. Palmer (172, 163), K. Sarnowski (172), M. Rimili (171).

High Series: M. Chlinski (511), D. Wojciak (507), B. Heywood (491), C. Montgomery (484), E. Palmer (474).

Notes: Star of the week was K. Nycz (plus 48), while the Skunk of the week was T. Koellner (minus 26).

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Hillside Avenue P.T.A

Team Standings

Hillside Angels	22.5-10.5
Rowdies	19-14
Newcomers	16.5-16.5
Misfits	16-17
Mighty Mas	13-20
High Rollers	12-21
Woody Silker (176, 191), John Hollerback (176, 188), Jo Kulukowski (176), Rita Stiles (164), Debbie Quinn (159), Donna Melstrell (159), Mary Stolte (157), Nancy Alexo (154), Marguerite Manos (153).

High Series: Mary Carvalho (461), Linda Vultaggio (445), Mary Stolte (428), Nancy Alexo (424), Marguerite Manos (423), Rita Stiles (423), Barbara DaQuino (419), Debbie Quinn (412), Donna Melstrell (405).

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Garwood Women's League

Team Standings

Jo Nik Carpets	61.5-29.5
Marano Motors	60-31
E.Z. Sockets	57.5-33.5
Garwood Rest.	54-37
K&S Welding	39.5-51.5
Lucky Girls	32-59
Odds N Ends	32-59
Garwood Lasers	27.5-63.5

High Games-High Games: Elinor Barry (227, 201, 188, 616), Lisa Frazier (203, 203, 555), Dawn DiNucci (500; 197, 171), Edith Guerriero (499; 182, 168), Janet Malko (495; 180, 159, 156), Carol Marano (488; 172, 157, 159), Patricia Wall (480; 168, 172), Jean Barbini (478, 195), Debbie Appezzato (476; 180, 160) Mary Ann Boyle (476; 175, 151, 150), Patty Hotz (474; 175, 174), Joanne Howes (470; 167, 160), Jeanne McComb (456; 183), Margaret Sudnik (452; 160), Margaret Berkovich (453; 160), Gina Guerriero (484), June Patten (171), Marie Hartung (161), Ellen Boyle (153).

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Garwood Young American Bowling Alliance

Team Standings

Garwood Columbus	27-12
Petro Plastics	25-14
Garwood Fire Dept.	21-18
Bilenkoe Brothers	20-19
Rustys	18-21
VFW	18-21
Garwood Parts	14-25
Marano & Sons	13-26

High Games: Randy Banic (210, 183), Glen Evans (206, 161), Christopher Lefebvre (166), Gregory Rybock (159), Michael Laddeo (155), Jennifer Evans (109), Denise Wall (107), Nicole Dodge (106).

High Series: Randy Banic (512), Glenn Evans (498), Gregory Rybock (488), Denise Wall (298), Jennifer Evans (278), Nicole Dodge (293).

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High Team Game: Rusty's (729).

High Team Series: Rusty's (2048).

UNION COUNTY COLLEGE

The Union County College Annual Owl Classic, featuring men's and women's basketball tournaments, will be played on Dec. 27-28. The tourney will offer eight exciting games over a two-day period.

The schedule for Dec. 27 calls for the men to open play at 1 p.m. and for the second game to tip-off at 5 p.m. The women's competition will open at 3:30 p.m., followed by a second contest at 7 p.m.

On Dec. 28, the women's consolation game will be played at 1 p.m., with the title contest starting at 3 p.m. The men's consolation game is slated for 5 p.m., with the championship battle scheduled for 7 p.m.

Coach Fred Perry will take his Lady Owls into the tournament with a 3-0 record, while the Union County College men's team is 2-2 on the season. All games of the Owl Classic will be held in the Campus Center on the Cranford campus and are open to the public free of charge.

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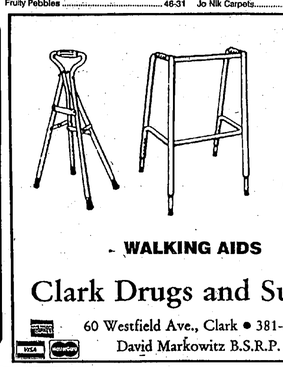
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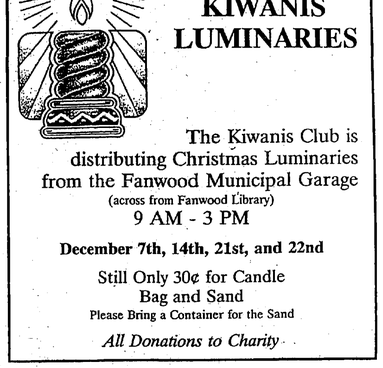
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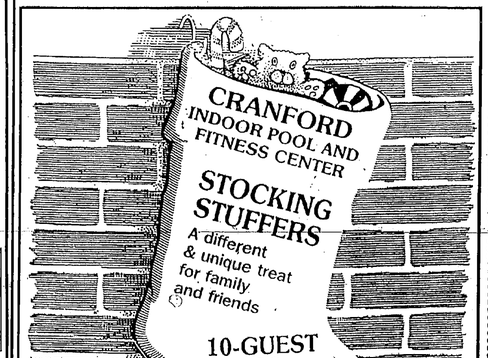
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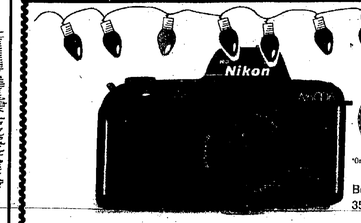
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Calls for community input

Budget committee recommends elementary school consolidation

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE CHRONICLE

The recommendations of the School Budget Advisory Committee (SBAC) directly affecting the schools, students and teachers include consolidation of the elementary schools, leasing or renting out Lincoln school, relocating the CAP program and board offices, moving 7th and 8th grade classes to the high school, regionalizing the high school with nearby communities, and modifying administration, teacher and class configuration.

The SBACs report stresses that the group was not charged with assessing the impact of their recommendations on the curriculum or the sociological effects on the community. The SBAC function was to "identify and quantify" opportunities, make recommendations impacting school finances and reduce "wasteful practices." They recommended the board seek community input before assessing the impact of the proposed re-balancing.

Although they call administrative and supervisory staffing a "sensitive area," and the issues raised elicited "strong debate" among the committee, the SBAC report indicates it is "representative of the feelings of the entire Cranford community."

A report by Fleischer Management Associates is expected to be released at the board's public meeting Monday.

Some suggestions in the SBAC report include:

- A rebalancing of the school district to distribute students evenly through the district. This would include moving the 7th and 8th grade classes from all elementary schools to the high school, since it is operating below capacity.
- Consolidate Hillside, Walnut and Livingston schools into two facilities.
- A study of the Cranford Alternative Program (CAP) should be undertaken to investigate whether the program should be expanded, confined to Cranford or given other consideration since out of 56 CAP students only 11 are from Cranford and the rest are tuition-paying students from other communities.
- Move Lincoln School operations to either Walnut or Livingston Avenue school. Lincoln school is valued at $6.3 million. Approximately $300,000 could be realized in lease or investment income.
- Regionalize the high school with nearby communities, or consider rebalancing students. This would determine if it is feasible to reduce the number of schools and consolidate some grades or activities at the high school. Savings of up to $250,000 could result if fewer schools are operating.
- Reduce number of classes at the high school from eight periods of 40 minutes each to seven periods of 50 minutes each by eliminating one free elective each year, resulting in an 8- to 12-percent staff reduction.
- Increase instruction load by increasing high school class sizes. Average class size would move from 18.5 to between 20.4 and 22.2, with 80 percent of teachers instructing 120 or fewer students a day. Currently the teaching load is between 80 to 90 students per day, with .25 percent of teachers instructing 80 or fewer students a day, or a student-teacher ratio of 10 to one. This would provide an additional five to 10 percent in staff reduction. Implementing this could save up to $700,000 a year.
- The positions of supervisor of physical education and athletic director should be combined for a savings of up to $50,000.
- Establish a user fee drivers education.
- Eliminate minimal participation sports, such as bowling, which has 14 students involved at a cost of $7,000, or $500 per student.

PUBLIC NOTICE PUBLIC NOTICE

BOROUGH OF GARWOOD
NOTICE
ORDINANCE NO. 91-07
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR DRAINAGE IMPROVEMENTS AND INTERSECTION IMPROVEMENTS ON CENTER STREET FROM MYRTLE AVENUE TO LOCUST AVENUE IN THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD, COUNTY OF UNION, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING AN AMOUNT THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $104,500.00 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH OF GARWOOD TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDERED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, as it is general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of $110,000.00. Including the sum of $5,500.00 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision by down payment or capital improvement budget heretofore made or hereby adopted budget.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by the application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of $104, 500.00 pursuant to Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds and to temporarily finance said improvements or purpose, negotiable bond anticipation notes may be authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3.

(a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the obligations are to be issued is for drainage improvements and intersection improvements on Center Street from Myrtle Avenue to Locust Avenue in the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation made therefor.

Section 4. The capital budget of the Borough of Garwood is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. The resolution in the form promulgated by the Local Finance Board showing full detail of the amended capital budget and capital program as approved by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services is on file with the Clerk and is available for there for public inspection.

Section 5. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(a) The improvement described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance are not current expenses. They are improvements or purposes that the Borough may lawfully authorize as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefited thereby.

(b) The average period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, taking into consideration the respective amounts of obligations authorized for the said purposes, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this bond ordinance, is twenty (20) years.

(c) The supplemental debt statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the Office of the Clerk and a complete and executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the Office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by $104,500.00, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding $10,000.00 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A.40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the improvements or purposes.

Section 6. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or purposes or to the payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this bond ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

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Section 7. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations for the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 8. All bond ordinances or parts of bond ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 9. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication of the title hereof and adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

STATEMENT

"The bond ordinance published herewith has been finally adopted by the Council on December 10, 1991 and the twenty days period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced as provided in the local bond law has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement."

Doris Policina
Borough Clerk
$47.93 CC2523,267 11 Dec. 12, 1991

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BOROUGH OF CRANFORD
NOTICE OF AWARD
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Cranford has authorized the following contract pursuant to the Local Public Contracts Law of the State of New Jersey.

Contractor: Certified Valuations, Inc., Plaza 447, Suite 8, Route 10, Randolph, New Jersey 07869
Nature of Services: Provision of appraisal services with respect to real estate tax appeals.
Term of Contract: Indefinite
Amount of Contract: Not to exceed fifteen thousand ($15,000.00) dollars.

A copy of the Resolution and Contract are on file and available for public inspection in the office of the Borough Clerk of the Borough of Garwood.

Doris Policina
Borough Clerk
$10.20 CC2270 11 Dec. 12, 1991

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ORDINANCE NO. 91-40
An Ordinance Amending Capital Fund Balance Ordinance No. 91-38 and appropriating 3,583.00 from the Capital Fund Balance of the General Capital Fund to defray the costs of the acquisitions of various equipment and improvements thereof.

Edwin H. Force, Chairman
Township Committee

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Gigon
Municipal Clerk

STATEMENT

The foregoing ordinance was finally passed at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, N.J. on Monday, December 10, 1991.

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Gigon
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$9.18 CC275 11 Dec. 12, 1991

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*The Last Boy Scout (R) Friday through Thursday: Noon, 12:50 p.m., 2:15 p.m., 3:10 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 5:20 p.m., 7:50 p.m., 9:25 p.m., 10:15 p.m. Late shows Friday and Saturday at 11:50 p.m., 12:35 a.m.
*Hook (PG) Friday through Thursday: 12:45 p.m., 1 p.m., 3:40 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 7 p.m., 7:35 p.m., 9:55 p.m., 10:25 p.m. Late shows Friday and Saturday at 12:30 a.m.
*The Addams Family (PG-13) Friday through Thursday: Noon, 12:45 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 3 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 5:15 p.m., 7 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 9:25 p.m., 9:55 p.m. Late shows Friday and Saturday at 11:50 p.m., 12:15 a.m.
*Cape Fear (R) Friday through Thursday: 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:50 p.m. Late show Friday and Saturday at 12:30 a.m.
*An American Tail: Fievel Goes West (G) Friday through Thursday: 12:10 p.m., 2 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6 p.m.
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*Hook (PG) Friday, Saturday: 1:40 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 6:55 p.m., 9:20 p.m. Sunday: 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:35 p.m., 9:10 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 6:35 p.m., 9:10 p.m.
*For the Boys (R) Friday, Saturday: 2:30 p.m., 6:15 p.m., 9:05 p.m. Sunday: 2 p.m., 5 p.m., 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 8:10 p.m.
*An American Tail: Fievel Goes West (G) Friday through Thursday: Noon, 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., 10 p.m. Late show Friday and Saturday at midnight.
*Other People's Money (R) Friday, Monday through Thursday: 7:10 p.m., 9:40 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: 2 p.m., 4:35 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 9:40 p.m.
*Cape Fear (R) Friday, Saturday: 2:05 p.m., 4:35 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 9:35 p.m. Sunday: 1:30 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:55 p.m., 9:20 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 7:10 p.m., 9:40 p.m.
*My Girl (PG) Friday, Saturday: 1:35 p.m., 3:40 p.m., 5:45 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 9:50 p.m. Sunday: 1:20 p.m., 3:20 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:35 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 7:20 p.m., 9:25 p.m.
*Rambling Rose (R) Friday, Saturday: 5 p.m., 9:35 p.m. Sunday: 4:25 p.m., 8:55 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 8:55 p.m.
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*Beauty and the Beast (G) Early show Saturday and Sunday at 11 a.m. Friday, Sunday through Thursday: 12:30 p.m., 2:45 p.m., 5 p.m., 7 p.m., 8:50 p.m. Saturday: 12:30 p.m., 2:45 p.m., 5 p.m., 8:50 p.m.
*The Addams Family (PG-13) Friday through Thursday: 1:40 p.m., 3:10 p.m., 5:40 p.m., 6:15 p.m., 8:10 p.m., 8:30 p.m., 10:40 p.m.
*For the Boys (R) Friday through Thursday: 1 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 6:45 p.m., 9:50 p.m.
*Cape Fear (R) Friday through Thursday: 2:15 p.m., 4:45 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10:30 p.m.
*All I Want for Christmas (G) Friday through Thursday: 12:45 p.m.
*Sneak preview: Father of the Bride (PG) Saturday at 7 p.m.

GENERAL CINEMA
RUTGERS PLAZA SIX
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MONTGOMERY
*All I Want for Christmas (G) Saturday, Sunday: 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m.
*Homicide (R) Friday, Monday through Thursday: 7:45 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Saturday: 7:50 p.m., 9:50 p.m.
*Sneak preview: Father of the Bride (PG) Saturday at 7:30 p.m.

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Route 202-31, Flemington
(908) 782-2777
*Hook (PG) Friday, Monday through Thursday: 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: 2 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
*The Addams Family (PG-13) Friday, Monday through Thursday: 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: 2:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
*Beauty and the Beast (G) Friday, Monday through Thursday: 7 p.m., 8:45 p.m. Saturday: 2 p.m., 7 p.m. Sunday: 2 p.m., 7 p.m., 8:45 p.m.
*For the Boys (R) Friday, Monday through Thursday: 8 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: 2 p.m., 8 p.m.
*My Girl (PG) Friday, Monday through Thursday: 7:10 p.m., 9:10 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: 2:10 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 9:10 p.m.
*Sneak preview: Father of the Bride (PG) Saturday at 8:35 p.m.

HUNTERDON THEATRE
Route 31, Flemington
(908) 782-4815
*Cape Fear (R) Friday through Thursday: 7 p.m., 9:15 p.m.

MORRIS

AMC HEADQUARTERS 10
72 Headquarters Plaza
Morristown
(201) 292-0606
*The Last Boy Scout (R) Friday: 5:10 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:10 p.m. Saturday: 1:50 p.m., 5:10 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:10 p.m. Sunday: 1 p.m., 3:20 p.m., 5:40 p.m., 8:10 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 5:40 p.m., 8:10 p.m.
*Hook (PG) Friday: 4:50 p.m., 7:10 p.m., 10 p.m. Saturday: 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m. Sunday: 1 p.m., 3:20 p.m., 5:10 p.m., 8 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 5:20 p.m., 8 p.m.
*For the Boys (R) Friday: 5 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 10 p.m. Saturday: 1 p.m., 4 p.m., 7 p.m., 10 p.m. Sunday: 1:40 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:50 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 5:30 p.m., 7:50 p.m.
*My Girl (PG) Friday: 5 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:10 p.m. Saturday: 1:40 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 10:10 p.m. Sunday: 1:10 p.m., 3:40 p.m., 6 p.m., 8:10 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 6 p.m., 8:10 p.m.
*The Addams Family (PG-13) Friday: 5:10 p.m., 7:50 p.m., 10:20 p.m. Saturday: 1 p.m., 3:10 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:50 p.m., 10:20 p.m. Sunday: 1:20 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:50 p.m., 8:10 p.m. Monday through Thursday: 5:40 p.m., 8:10 p.m.
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Cranford
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(908) 654-4721
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*All I Want for Christmas (G) Saturday, Sunday: 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m.

BOROUGH OF KENILWORTH
ORDINANCE NO. 91-24
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE PROCEDURE FOR APPOINTMENTS AND PROMOTIONS WITHIN THE POLICE DEPARTMENT."

STATEMENT

Take notice that the above Ordinance was passed on the final reading after public hearing at a regular meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Kenilworth on the 9th day of December, 1991.

Margaret Gigon
Borough Clerk
$6.83 CC272 11 Dec. 12, 1991

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ORDINANCE NO. 91-41
AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR AND TOWNSHIP CLERK TO CONTRACT WITH THE UNION COUNTY UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR THE PICKUP OF RECYCLABLE MATERIALS.

WHEREAS the Township of Cranford has called as the services of the Union County Utilities Authority for the curbside pickup of mandatory recyclable material and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford is desirous of entering into a contract with the Union Counties Utilities Authority to continue the pickup of recyclable materials for the year 1992.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford in the County of Union and State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. That the Mayor and Township Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement with the Union County Utilities Authority, respectively, containing the curbside pickup of recyclable material for the year 1992.

SECTION 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon publication after final passage as provided by law.

Edwin H. Force, Chairman
Township Committee

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Gigon
Municipal Clerk

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The foregoing ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, N.J. on Tuesday, December 10, 1991 and will be considered for final passage after public hearing at the Municipal Building, Cranford, N.J. on Tuesday, December 23, 1991 at 8:00 P.M. (prevailing time).

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Gigon
Municipal Clerk
$18.97 CC330 11 Dec. 12, 1991

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ORDINANCE NO. 91-37
AN ORDINANCE CONCERNING ORDINANCE NO. 79-33 KNOWN AS THE LAND DEVELOPMENT ORDINANCE, AS AMENDED, TO ESTABLISH REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ERECTION AND INSTALLATION OF FENCES.

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford has recommended changes to the Land Development Ordinance as it pertains to the erection and installation of fences and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford has reviewed these recommendations and feels that they have merit and

WHEREAS, the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford feels that the recommendations of the Cranford Planning Board need refinement as to the height of rear yard fences on properties fronting on more than one side yard of properties facing on another street.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford:

Section 1. That Article V, Section C, Paragraph 9(b) is amended to read as follows:

b. Maximum Height and Location

Yard	Maximum Fence Height (ft)	Permitted Fence Type
Front	4 feet	Open
Side	6 feet	Open and Semi-open
Rear	6 feet	Open and Semi-open

(c) On corner lots fences over 4 feet in height shall be set back from any street right-of-way line a distance equal to not less than the setback distance of the principal building on the lot.

(e) Fences running along the rear lot line of properties fronting on one street, which lot line forms the side lot line of a property fronting along another street, shall not exceed 4 feet in height between the street right-of-way line a distance which is not less than the setback distance of the principal building on the abutting lot.

Section 2. This ordinance shall take effect upon publication after final passage as provided by law.

Edwin H. Force, Chairman
Township Committee

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Gigon, Township Clerk

STATEMENT

The foregoing ordinance was finally passed at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, N.J. on Tuesday, December 10, 1991.

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Gigon, Municipal Clerk
$25.50 CC255,274 11 Dec. 12, 1991

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ORDINANCE NO. 91-44
AN ORDINANCE TO ESTABLISH THE SALARY POLICY AND TO FIX THE BASE WAGE FOR THE SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF POLICE FOR THE YEAR 1991.

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

SECTION 1. SCHOOL CROSSING GUARDS

The base wages for the hourly rated School Crossing Guards, for calendar year 1991 shall be as hereinafter set forth.

(a) For School Crossing Guards hired on or after January 1, 1991 — $5.75 per hour.

*(b) For School Crossing Guards with less than one (1) year of continuous service as of January 1, 1991 — $6.00 per hour.

(c) For School Crossing Guards with more than one (1) year but less than two (2) years of continuous service as of January 1, 1991 — $6.25 per hour.

(d) For School Crossing Guards with two (2) or more years of continuous service as of January 1, 1991 — $6.50 per hour.

SECTION 2

All Ordinances and parts of Ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

SECTION 3

This Ordinance shall be retroactive to January 1, 1991 and shall take effect immediately upon passage or approval in the manner provided by law.

The foregoing Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Township Committee of the Township of Cranford, N.J. on Tuesday, December 10, 1991 and will be considered for final passage after public hearing at the Municipal Building, Cranford, N.J. on Monday, December 23, 1991, prevailing time.

ATTEST:
Arlene M. Gigon
Municipal Clerk
$18.36 CC269 11 Dec. 12, 1991

BOROUGH OF GARWOOD
NOTICE

Public notice is hereby given that the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, New Jersey will hold a Site Development Meeting at 11:30 A.M., January 1, 1992 in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 403 South Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey.

The Re-Organization Meeting of the Mayor and Council of 1992 will be held on January 1, 1992 at 12:00 o'clock Noon in the Municipal Building, Council Chambers, 403 South Avenue, Garwood, New Jersey.

Doris Policina
Borough Clerk
$7.14 CC262 9 Dec. 12, 1991

BOROUGH OF GARWOOD
LEGAL STATEMENT
ORDINANCE NO. 91-33

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE PREPARATION OF A STREAM ENCROACHMENT PERMIT APPLICATION FOR STREAM IMPROVEMENTS FOR THE GARWOOD BROOK AND APPROPRIATING THE SUM OF $20,300.00 TO PAY THE COST THEREOF.
$6.12 CC268 11 Dec. 12, 1991

BOROUGH OF GARWOOD
RESOLUTION NO. 91-310

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Garwood, County of Union, State of New Jersey, that the regular scheduled meeting of the Governing Body of December 24, is hereby cancelled.

Adopted: November 26, 1991

Approved: Thomas J. Doyle
Mayor

ATTEST:
Doris Policone, Borough Clerk
$12.24 CC271 2t Dec. 12,19, 1991

TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ORDINANCE NO. 91-42
BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO COLUMBIA AVENUE IN AND BY THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING $1,000,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF $952,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE TOWNSHIP TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF AND DIRECTING THE SPECIAL ASSESSMENT OF PART OF THE COST THEREOF.

BE IT ORDAINED THE TOWNSHIP COMMITTEE OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all members thereof affirmatively concurring), as follows:

Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Township of Cranford, New Jersey. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of $1,000,000, including the sum of $47,500 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment in budgets heretofore made and hereby adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of $952,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is (i) drainage improvements for Columbia Avenue including the installation of a new storm sewer system and the repair and roadway of Hanley Avenue and Dunham Avenue from Rahway River to Locust Avenue and related Hillsdale Avenue between Brookside and the Columbia Avenue storm sewer project; the extension of additional storm sewers as deemed necessary and where necessary; the construction of the outlet structure consisting of the installation of a new concrete headwall and gabion outlet protection; and the relocation of utilities and the acquisition of utilities and including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, all in accordance with the plans and specifications and the list and block numbers therefor on file in the office of the Township Clerk.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation made therefor.

Section 4. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All such notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40A:2-8(b). The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchasers.

Section 5. The full faith and credit of the Township are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Township, and the Township shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Township for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section 6. All bond ordinances or parts of bond ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

Section 7. This ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication of the title hereof and adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

STATEMENT

"The bond ordinance published herewith has been finally adopted by the Council on December 10, 1991 and the twenty days period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced as provided in the local bond law has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement."

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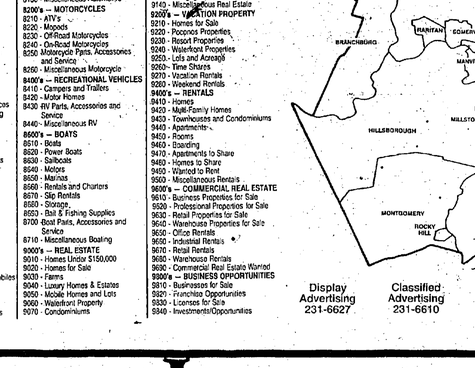
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SBM— 29 yrs. old, 5'8", professional, sincere & shy, but very loving. Love long walks, candlelight dinners, football & boxing. Seeking compatible, attractive female. Race not important. Reply ext. 3305.

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SWF— 31, 5'6", 118 lbs., professional. I enjoy dining out, movies, theater, bike riding, traveling. May enjoyments are intelligent, spontaneous SM professional with a sense of humor, social smoker, drug free please. Reply ext. 3097.

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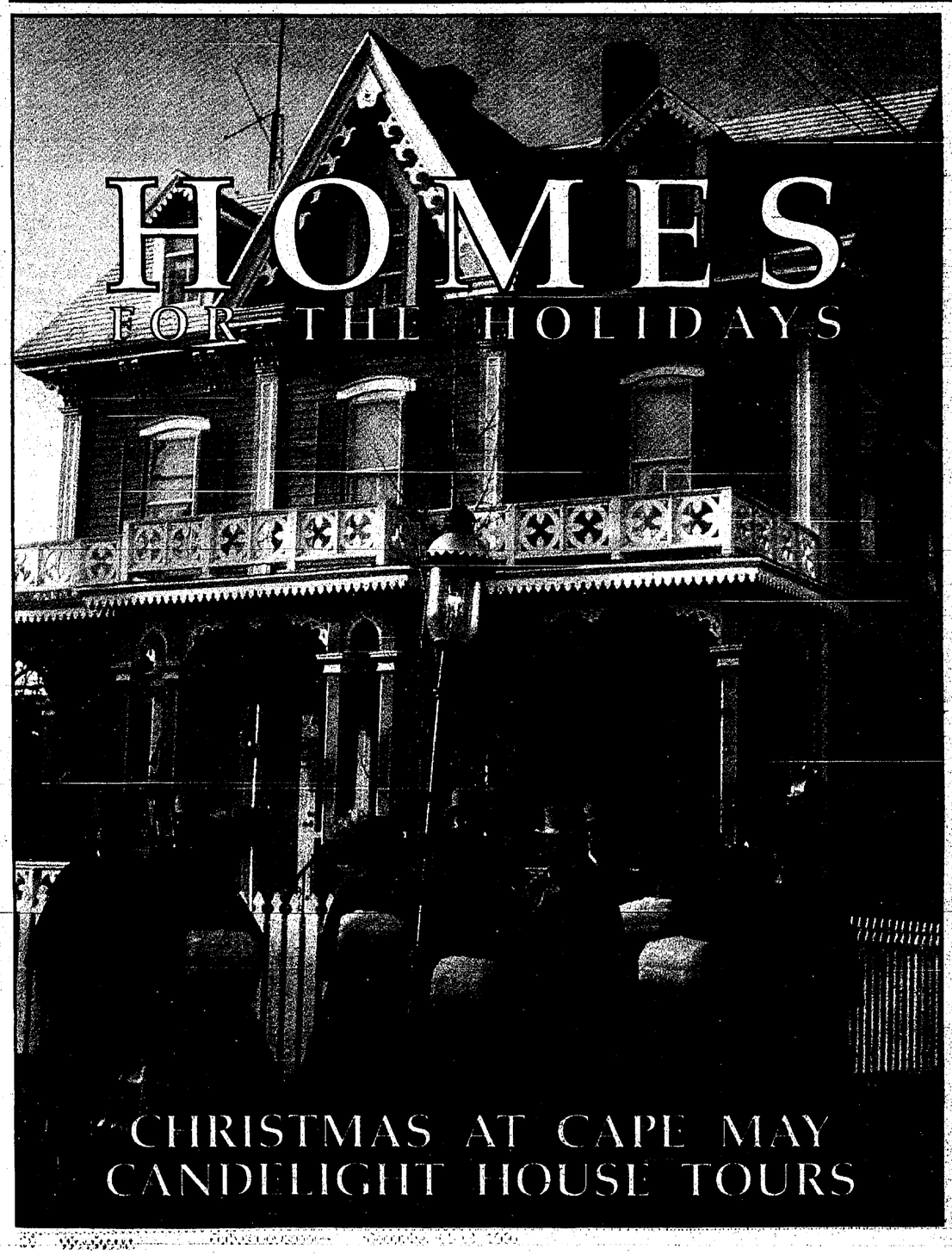
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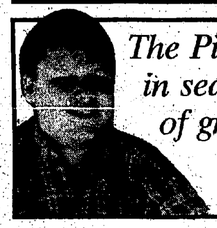
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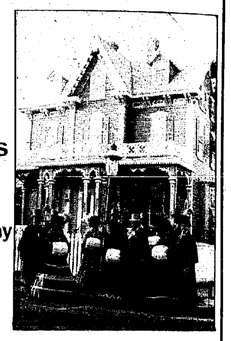
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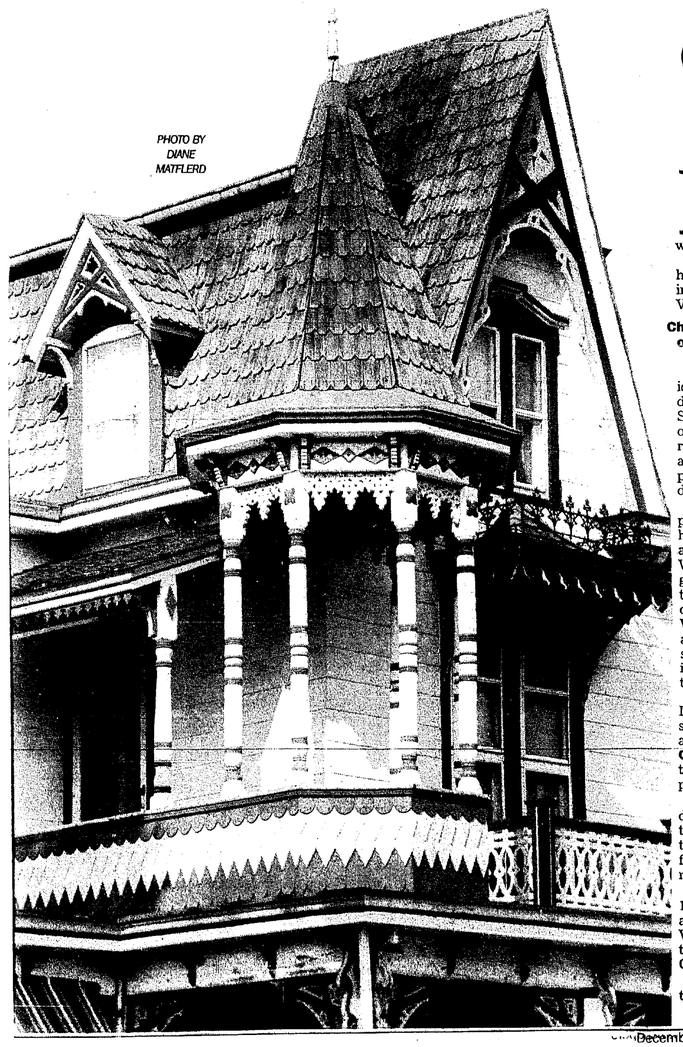


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CHRISTMAS AT THE CAPE

If gingerbread-rich Victorian houses by the sea are your image of Christmas, then head south to Cape May, where the local Christmas celebration is now in full swing.

Until Jan. 1 the seaside report's beautifully restored Victorian homes, bed and breakfast inns, guesthouses, hotels and churches will be wrapped in holiday trimmings.

The Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts (MAC), Cape May's leader in historic preservation and the performing arts, provides several charming and informative tours through Cape May's gaslit streets and grand Victorian inns.

Christmas candlelight house tour opens 20 decorated Victorian buildings

The highlight of Cape May's holiday season is the Christmas Candlelight House Tour, Friday and Saturday, Dec. 27 and 28. This tour opens 10 specially decorated Victorian homes along with inns, hotels and churches from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. each night, for a total of 20 different buildings.

Cape May's innkeepers take pride in showing off their dazzling holiday trimmings. Captain John and Rita Tice decorate their John Wesley Inn with exquisite evergreens trimmed in white satin and twinkling lights through laced windows. Rose and Pat Downes of the Wilbraham Mansion and Inn recreate Christmas circa 1900 based on society page accounts, as the house is host to five 12-foot Christmas trees.

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THE DEC. 28 CANDLELIGHT WEEKEND CRAFTS SHOW WILL FEATURE MANY OF THE NORTHEAST'S BEST CRAFTSMEN

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ous loop. You can warm up with hot beverages and cookies at a free hospitality center in the First Presbyterian Church.

Holiday Handshakes and lunch with Santa

For the children, the Cape May Kids Playhouse presents Creative Theatre Company of Princeton in its holiday program, **Holiday Handshakes**, Saturday, Dec. 14, at 10 a.m. in Cape May Convention Hall. After the show, the kids will enjoy eating lunch and talking with Santa Claus. The Cape May Kids Playhouse is co-sponsored by MAC and the City of Cape May. *Holiday Handshakes* is also sponsored by Historic Accommodations of Cape May and the Washington Mall Merchants Association.

Holiday Handshakes adapts holiday themes from several different cultures, including Hanukkah, Kwanzaa, Divali and Christmas, telling a story about people who strive to make the world a better place. Creative Theatre thrilled more than 600 kids and parents during MAC's Victorian Week in October with their adaptation of *The Legend of Sleepy Hollow*.

Admission to the show and lunch with Santa is $4 per person. Seating is limited. Call the MAC office at (609) 884-5404 for advance tickets.

Physick House opens for free Community Wassail Party

MAC is a non-profit organization with its roots in the community, formed in 1970 by Cape May residents to prevent the destruction of the 1897 Physick Estate, so it welcomes the community and visitors each year into the Physick House for a free Community Wassail Party, Wednesday, Dec. 18, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m.

MAC serves wassail punches and goodies from its cookbook of local favorites, *Cape May Fare*, as guests roam from room to room learning the history of this elegant 18-room Victorian house museum. The Court Madrigal Voices, a local 12-member singing group will perform holiday music from the Renaissance to the present. Admission, refreshments and parking are all free.

The Physick House Museum Shop will be open during the community Wassail Party so visitors can browse through a variety of splendid Victorian holiday items, as well as books, toys, jewelry, cards, posters and decorations.

Candlelight weekend crafts, antiques

As it does throughout the year, MAC is hosting top quality crafts and antiques shows during the last weekend in December.

The **Candlelight Weekend Crafts Show** — set for Saturday, Dec. 28, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., at the Star of the Sea Parish Hall on Ocean Street near the Washington Street Mall — will feature many of the Northeast's most skilled crafts people demonstrating and selling their work. Admission is $2.50.

The Candlelight Weekend Antiques Show, the following day, brings some of the region's most sought after antiques dealers to the parish hall between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Admission is $3.



The decorated interiors of Cape May mansions are part of the attraction during Christmas house tours.

Evening wassail tours

Take in the spectacle of Cape May's elegant Victorian buildings, brilliantly lighted for the holidays, aboard MAC's heated trolley-bus, the tour the "gaslit" 1879 Emlen Physick House Museum on Evening Wassail Tours, offered many evenings in December. Wassail punch and a holiday treat are served in the Physick House, and tourgoers receive a gift from MAC.

You can see the dazzling holiday lights on Cape May's outstanding Victorian homes as you ride in heated comfort aboard MAC's trolley-bus during Christmas Lights Trolley Tours, also offered many evenings in December.

The tours begins at the Washington Street Mall Information Booth at Ocean Street. Admission to the Physick House tour is $10 for adults, $5 for children ages 3 to 12. Tickets for the Christmas lights tour are $3.50 for adults, $1 for children ages 3 to 12. Call the MAC office for the tour schedules.

Physick House architect named one of the greatest

One of Cape May's best-known landmarks is the 1879 Emlen Physick House, an 18-room Stick Style mansion designed by renowned architect Frank Furness of Philadelphia, now Cape May's own Victorian house museum.

In a survey of architects conducted this past summer by the American Institute of Architects, Furness was named one of the top 10 American architects of all time.

Furness, who also designed the Pennsylvania Academy of Fine Arts and the Furness Library of the University of Pennsylvania, placed at No. 10 on a list featuring Thomas Jefferson (No. 5), Ludwig Mies van der Rohe (No. 7) and Bernard Meybeck (No. 9). Furness' influence is felt higher on the list: his employee Louis Henri Sullivan (No. 2) went on to become the mentor of Frank Lloyd Wright, named the greatest of all American architects in the survey.

Walking and riding tours show off the historic district

MAC provides a variety of tours through Cape May's charming historic district. **Combination Trolley/ Physick Estate Tours** begin with a guided trolley tour, followed by an interior tour of the Emlen Physick House Museum. It begins at the Washington Mall information booth at Ocean Street. Admission is $10 for adults, $5 for children (ages 3-12) which includes a $2 coupon good towards merchandise in the Museum Shop in the Physick House. In the walking tour, an entertaining close-up look at history and architecture, your guide provides detailed descriptions of the customs and traditions of the Victorian era, plus history and legends about the Victorian homes and their owners. They also begin at the Washington Mall information booth and last about 90 minutes. Tickets are $4 for adults,

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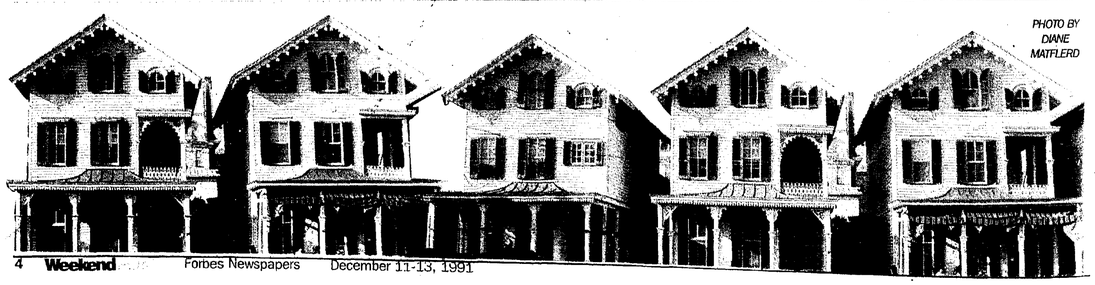


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The light that didn't fail

Cape May's most popular tourist attraction is the **Cape May Point Lighthouse**. MAC is restoring the lighthouse and opens it to the public on weekends during the holiday season. As you climb the 199-step spiral staircase for the panoramic view from the top, you'll see exhibits throughout the tower explaining its history and the duties of a lighthouse keeper.

If you can't climb to the top, there is a fully accessible visitors orientation center in the restored Oil House on the grounds where you'll see a photo mural of the view from the watchroom gallery and reproductions of each display in the lighthouse, plus an informative video.

Admission to the orientation center and the ground floor of the lighthouse is free. Tower admission is $3.50 for adults, $1 for children ages 3-12.

Tour and events information available

For more information about any other Mid-Atlantic Center for the Arts event, contact the MAC office on the Emlen Physick Estate office, 1048 Washington St., Cape May, N.J., or call (609) 884-5404.

For more information on Cape May's many Yuletide events throughout the month of December, write or call the Chamber of Commerce of Greater Cape May, P.O. Box 109, Cape May, N.J. 08204; (609) 884-5508. Request *Christmas in Victorian Cape May — A Yuletide Calendar of Events* which lists dates and times for Christmas season events plus information on many shops, restaurants, Victorian inns and modern hotels available to visitors.

OTHER HOUSE TOURS

Drumthwacket, the Kuser Farm and other notable sites

Another Victorian-style Christmas tour is being offered a little closer to home, in Mercer County. **The Kuser Farm Mansion** in Hamilton Township is open for tours through Sunday, Dec. 15.

Built in 1892, the house was originally a summer getaway for the Kuser family , which converted it into a year-round residence in 1926. The family frequently hosted parties and social events at the house, which was sold to Hamilton in 1977.

One of the unusual features of the Victorian mansion is an 18-foot curved Cinemascope movie screen covering one side of the 45-foot-long dining room. The screen was installed in 1953 and is served by a separate projection room; reminders that for many years the Kusers were investors in the Fox Film Corporation. (They surrendered their shares for the 1935 merger that created 20th Century Fox.) Between the 1930s and the mid '70s the Kusers often hosted pre-release film parties.

The mansion will be gussied-up with live Christmas trees along with handmade decorations and copies of period pieces, such as the cotton-wrapped sassafras trees and goosefeather trees popular at the turn of the century.

Starting Wednesday, Dec. 11, with a tree-lighting at 6 p.m. the house will be the subject of evening tours, with guides providing narration. The tours will be held Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Sunday from 5:30 p.m. to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Santa Claus will drop by each day.

Admission is free. The mansion can be reached from New Jersey Turnpike Exit 7A. For more information, call (609) 890-3630.

At **Drumthwacket**, the New Jersey governor's mansion in Princeton, there will be a general open house on two Wednesdays, Dec. 11 and Dec. 18, from noon to 2 p.m. Christmas decorations and postcards from the first annual Drumthwacket collection will be part of the attraction. For more information, call (609) 924-3044.

In Union County there will be **Christmas in the Ballentine House**, open through Jan. 5 at the Newark Museum, 49 Washington St., Newark. Call (201) 596-6550 for more information.

In Clifton, the **Justice Brennan Court House** will be open for tourists Dec. 27 at 2 p.m. The court house is at 114 Clifton Place: for more information, call (201) 915-1212.

Glenmont, the West Orange mansion where Thomas Edison and his family celebrated Christmas from 1887 until the inventor's death in 1931, is open for special tours through Jan. 5.

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The tours will be open Wednesday through Sunday from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m., except on Christmas and New Year's Day.

Visitor passes are available at the nearby Edison Laboratory Visitor Center at Main Street and Lakeside Avenue. The $2 fee includes a tour of Edison's laboratory. Visitors under 17 and over 61 are admitted free.

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Return to agony

The Pixies leave the mainstream in search of grace

By BILL MILLARD
WeekendPlus Music Critic

All over the Pixies' new disc **Trompe le Monde** (4AD/Elektra) Black Francis proves that he has one of the great accidental rock'n'roll voices you can still find in a record store. He's frequently in agony — yes, it's OK, you can relax, the last album was a poppity-pop hey-wait-we're-on-a-major-label anomaly; there's once again a decent amount of agony. But agony's common currency these days (heavy metal guys always sound cheaply and theatrically agonized, but that's just because their contracts require them all to record with a Victor rat trap in their shorts; rap guys, most of 'em at least, put up such an absurd monster-stud front that you've got to suspect they're in some sort of deep psychic agony, fear of women most likely, and you can count the ones who have whipped that particular demon on the fingers of about a hand and a half; guys who do "alternative," or what usually passes for punk, post-Sonic Youth, either submerge the agony in 1-D thrash-gloom or duck away from it in wryness and glibness and 'tude). Agony's not enough any more: the agony's got to be unforced, random, a byproduct of maneuvers toward grace. And Francis, like a lucky handful of odd bandleaders who exist in the margins between industry pigeonholes, has a natural tropism toward grace.



The Pixies: Kim Deal, Black Francis, Joey Santiago and David Lovering.

There are melodies here, graceful ones, huge ones. There's a chord shift on "Motorway to Roswell," a song about a UFO pilot on holiday who got lost and crashed on Earth, that'll catch you at an unguarded moment and mess with your cardiac rhythm. There are guitar textures so harsh you can't believe they're on the same track with delicate, cottony vocals (the title tune, the second half of the uniquely structured "The Sad Punk") or B-52 synth lines constructed of pure cumulonimbus ("Alec Eiffel"). There are things any Replacements fan would recognize as anthemic ("Subbacultcha," "Palace of the Brine"). And there are offhand snarls from the bowels of hell, animal-shrieks off the *Island of Dr. Moreau*, sounds you've never conjured unless you're prone to bad dreams about surgery without anesthesia.

Singing about his old school in "U Mass" ("the west of the woody east") above a rather furry version of a Kinks riff, he lurks on a single nonchalant note for what seems like forever, tossing off wiseapple skeltonics about undergrad states of mind, then bellows the loony refrain ("It's educational!") in a voice that obviously knows more adult pain than any undergrad ever has. The contrast is alarming. This isn't Young Werther; it might be young Peter Laughner on vodka and Romilar, or young Pol Pot developing a grudge against Westerners while doing college time in Paris.

Francis has an instant affinity for outsiders of all sorts — it's no accident that so many of his characters are quadrupeds, aliens and freaks — and he can very suddenly modulate his voice from normal twangy garage guy to unspeakable monster. It's the *suddenness* that makes these moves effective. Listening to him vocalizing raw psychedelic dread, seconds after coming off like somebody you'd be comfortable watching football with, you quickly grasp that the wall between Normal and Otherwise is paper-thin. The guitar arrangements are customized to highlight the same quality: lead picker Joey Santiago will move between familiar-sounding counterpoint and free jazz brain-puree without giving much sense of having crossed a border.

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This is art-punk the way your Fearless Reporter has always liked it, with the edges rough and the concepts close enough to impenetrable that there's little danger the songs will turn Significant on us. The rhythm section (Kim Deal on huge fat metallic bass and David Lovering splattering all over the place on drums) is prominent, even beneath all that hairy guitarism; I'd still like to hear more of Deal's backing voice, a wispy haunting secret weapon the band hasn't used much for a couple years, but I suppose you can't have everything.

What you can have is a broad palette of strange ideas — voices and guitars both channeled through fast Leslies so they sound like you're hearing them underwater, under rapidly flowing water ("Planet of Sound"). Metallic guitars as unyielding as prison walls, surrounding nearly Beach Boyish vocal hooks ("Alec Eiffel" again). A hilarious two-line Bowie baritone parody in the middle of "Space (I Believe In)." Double-tracked vocals, out of sync, defamiliarizing the hip pose spilling out of lyrics like "I was looking handsome, she was looking like an erotic vulture . . . She's like Jelly Roll, like sculpture . . . I was wearing red eyeliner, she was wearing red eyeliner . . . It's so good down here, down down down in this subbacultcha" ("Subbacultcha," a song that catches the mixture of hey-this-is-great-fun and hey-this-is-a-gallery-of-posers on view in rock clubs). What you have here is a very weird band, a band perfectly at home in weird places, a great smart dangerous band.

Music notes

German group sets concert

One of the oldest German-American associations in the state, the Plainfield gesang-und Turn-verein, presents its 105th Christmas concert Saturday, Dec. 14, at 7:30 p.m. in Saenger Halle, 220 Somerset St. in North Plainfield.

Bach's *Festchor: Freut euch alle*, Humperdinck's *Evening Prayer* and *Dream Pantomime* and *Christmas Joy*, a medley of carols, will be among the selections performed by the group's 45-voice chorus and dual trumpets.

The $6 donation includes coffee and holiday stollen. Proceeds will benefit the German Evangelical Church, where the concerts were once held.

For more information, call (908) 356-0477.

Carols by candlelight

The 25th annual "Carols by Candlelight" program is set for Sunday, Dec. 15, at 5:30 p.m. in the sanctuary of Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church, Watchung Avenue and West Seventh Street in Plainfield.

The church's professional choir will offer a program of familiar and lesser-known carols, including "The Holly and the Ivy," "The Shepherd's Cradle Song" and "We Wish You a Merry Christmas" in new arrangements.

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Members of the audience may join in the chorus of Handel's *Messiah*, to be performed by the Central Jersey Symphony Orchestra and Master Chorale this Sunday, Dec. 15, at 3 p.m. in the Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College, Route 28 and Lamington Road in Branchburg.

Those wishing to sing should bring their own copy of the vocal score or buy one at the performance for $6.

Soloists include sopranos Leona Adams of Scotch Plains and Barbara Eaton of Bridgewater, mezzo-soprano Diantha Clark of South Plainfield and bass Donald Eaton of Bridgewater.

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Keith Clark will lead the Cathedral Symphony Orchestra in two performances this weekend at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart in Newark.

Sacred Heart's Christmas glory

The Cathedral Concert Series presents two performances of *The Glory of Christmas* on Saturday, Dec. 14, at 8 p.m. and again on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 3 p.m.

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Internationally acclaimed music director Keith Clark leads the Cathedral Symphony Orchestra and the Pro Arte Chorale, with soloists soprano Elizabeth Comeaux, mezzo soprano Brenda Winnick, tenor Stanley Cornett and bass Ed White.

The program opens with a candlelight processional and the chorale singing the haunting Gregorian chant "Hodie Christus Natus Est."

Also on the program is Renaissance music by Gabrieli, Monteverdi's "Magnificat for Six Voices" and the Christmas portion of Handel's *Messiah*.

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STAGE

Trinidad or bust

'Black Orpheus' a poor start for Crossroads

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor

With a big new theater space in downtown New Brunswick to fill and its status as one of the nation's leading black theater groups to live up to, the Crossroads Theatre Company is entering its 14th season with a lot to prove. It needs a production that will banish the memory of last year's weak, badly focused plays while building on the adventurous spirit that makes it virtually the only professional theater in the area with a claim to seriousness.

Black Orpheus is not that production. Subtitled "A Mythical Musical Story," it is a recasting of the myth of Orpheus and Eurydice that never lays off smirking at its own paltry cleverness, that mars its flashes of energy and ingenuity by constantly nudging the viewer in the ribs over its dumb, obvious jokes. It is in fact one of the worst Crossroads productions in recent memory, and the best one can hope for is that the theater will put this thing behind it as quickly as possible.



Kim Weston-Moran, Jesse Moore and Carol Jean-Lewis in *Black Orpheus*.

Though derived from Greek mythology, *Black Orpheus* is directly modeled on Marcel Camus' 1959 film, which transplanted the figures to Rio de Janeiro during Carnival. The Crossroads version keeps the Carnival theme but moves the setting north to Trinidad, where the musician Orpheus gets his new guitar and falls for the luthier's niece Eurydice, just off the boat from Tobago and living in fear of a spectral man who has pursued her all the way from home. The rest of the tale is followed more or less faithfully: Eurydice is claimed by death, here called Tityus; Orpheus follows and manages to win her back, only to lose her again at the last possible moment when he turns to look at her — breaking the rule laid down by the lords of the underworld.

Calypso in the underworld is one thing, but Mel Brooks?

The film, already adapted from an earlier play, has been further reshaped by a Michigan academic who styles himself OyamO — "An American malapropism that means 'Black man with typewriter'," the playbill announces, setting a standard of coyness the rest of the production works hard to match. Oyamo's notable contribution is to have the story narrated by Sweet Mout' Virgil who fills in the lulls between the several false starts that mar the first act (or "Movement I" as the playwright calls it) with jokes and asides that tax the patience while slowing the action to an agonizing crawl.

The main problem with *Black Orpheus*, whether on stage or on film, is that shoehorning Greek myth into an exotic milieu results in something neither fish nor fowl, just forced. The classical framework eliminates the possibility of surprises from the characters while the overly familiar story undercuts the novelty of the setting. The film responded to this challenge with pretty cinematography and exciting glimpses of Carnival in full roar; the play, which must condense the action into a crowded set and a catwalk, fails to meet the technical challenges posed by the new Crossroads space.

The Crossroads staff has yet to master the acoustics of the new theater: the miking and sound of "Movement I" were so poor that the dialogue, all of it in hard-to-follow patois, was reduced to aural pate. Perhaps to compensate, "Movement II" was miked far too loud: in each movement, the actors had to compete (often unsuccessfully) with the background music.

The literal nadir comes in the second act, when Orpheus journeys into the underworld to reclaim his love. Instead of a passion that will not rest until it has shattered the very bonds of death, the play gives us . . . one-liners. "We got to get you a bookin' on Johnny Carson before he retire," Charon tells Orpheus as they cross the River Styx, but that's only a prelude to the grating spectacle of the underwor'd characters trading jokes that might be written off as youthful high spirits in a high school drama club production. "I be goin' ta New Jersey, mon. Dey be endangerin' de wetlands. Development, dey call it." The reply: "If ya be needin' help when you're in New Jersey — *fax* me." It all brings to mind Dick "Heil, Baby!" Shawn jiving his way through *Springtime for Hitler*, which you will recall was conceived as a lousy play. Calypso in the underworld is one thing, but Mel Brooks?

As Orpheus, the man whose music moves the underworld to tears and almost rescues his lover from death, director Ricardo Khan has cast Jesse Moore, a man of uncertain voice and untutored guitar playing: his music would barely open the door of an agent's office, let alone the gates of Hades. Sandra Daley is pretty and appealing as Eurydice but the hokey living-for-your-dreams speeches she's been saddled with would defeat any actress. As Tityus, Akwesi Asante fails to generate any sense of menace, though a full evaluation of his performance will have to wait until the Crossroads staff figures out how to make his big second-movement speech audible. Asante does, however, double as an impressively agile stilt-walker. Dan Proett's set, which represents the ruins of a West Indies sugar plantation, looks like an aquarium decoration built on a large scale; it's also so unwieldy that Orpheus' fate at the hands of his jilted fiancee is relegated to one of the wings, where it becomes a fleeting, almost subliminal moment. The costumes by Toni-Leslie James are bright and attractive; more so than the choreography of Dianne McIntyre, which recalls every tired "choreopoem" you've been subjected to over the past 20 years. One benefit of this production is the music, though the pleasant soca ("soul" and "calypso") would be more appropriate to a featherweight musical like *Once On This Island* than an austere Greek myth, whatever its setting. "When you mix up a book story and real life, you get mash-a between de pages," Sweet Mout' Virgil says at the end. I and I say: Amen, brudder.

BLACK ORPHEUS Through Jan. 5 at the Crossroads Theatre, 7 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. Tickets $32 to $22. (908) 249-5560.

Stage right

Yellow press musical at FDU

White Lies, a satirical musical about supermarket tabloids for "inquiring minds," continues through Dec. 22 at the Becton Theatre of the Teaneck campus of Farleigh Dickinson University.

Written by Douglas Carter Beane, whose first play *Advice From a Caterpillar* opened last year Off-Broadway, *White Lies* covers Elvis, Liz Taylor, Princess Di and other obsessions of the tabloids.

Tickets are priced from $22 to $14. For more information, call (201) 692-7744.

Holiday treats at Villagers

Two holiday treats for children and adults are being staged at the Villagers Theatre, 475 DeMott Lane in the Franklin Township Municipal Complex.

The Adventures of the Country Mouse, a children's musical by Feather Schwartz, starts a two-weekend run Saturday, Dec. 21.

The musical will be performed Dec. 21, 22, 28 and 19 at 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. each day. Tickets are $6, $5 for children under 12.

Drop Dead, a comedy by William Van Zandt and Jane Millmore, opens Dec. 20 and continues through Dec. 31. The play-within-a-play centers on a group of actors rehearsing a pretentious murder-mystery who find real-life murders taking place off stage.

Performances will be Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m., Sundays at 7:30 p.m.

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(908) 249-5581
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These actors find their murder-mystery rehearsals are coming uncomfortably close to real-life in *Drop Dead*, a farce opening Dec. 20 at the Villagers Theatre in Franklin Township.

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EVENTS

Present at the creations

'Friz' Freleng to be at a show of his cartoons

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor



Isadore "Friz" Freleng and one of his pals from the Warner Brothers animation studio.

Even if you don't recognize the name Isadore "Friz" Freleng, you're certainly familiar with the names of his buddies.

Sylvester the Cat, Yosemite Sam, Speedy Gonzales and the Pink Panther are four characters Freleng introduced to the world, and this master animator was on intimate terms with several others: Bugs Bunny, Porky Pig, Elmer Fudd and Tweety Pie.

But after 33 years with Warner Brothers, where he helped produce hundreds of the best short cartoons ever made, Mr. Freleng finds that recognition is not a problem. It certainly won't be this Saturday, Dec. 14, when the man himself will be on hand at the Circle Gallery in Woodbridge Center for the opening day of an exhibition of his original animation "cels" — the sheets of celluloid on which animators draw their foreground action.

Original cels have become collectors' items among baby boomers, who grew up on shorts produced during the heyday of the Warners cartoon operation (roughly speaking, from the late '30s to the early '60s), who mourned the death of Mel Blanc (the source of the voices for most of the Warners characters), snapped up copies of the recent album devoted to the background music of Carl Stalling, turned *Who Framed Roger Rabbit* into a hit and consider Mr. Freleng and his colleagues little short of deities.

"It pleases me when I hear that," the animator said during a telephone interview from his Los Angeles home, "but when a gray-haired old man says he grew up on my stuff — that makes me feel pretty old."

At 85, Mr. Freleng is pretty old, though his schedule belies that fact. After retiring in 1979 from DePatie-Freleng, the animation company he co-founded with David DePatie after the Warner Brothers cartoon operation was shut down in 1963, Mr. Freleng went back to his old company to work on three compilation films. Nowadays he spends several hours each day producing sketches to be inked and painted by his assistants and sold as original animation cels.

'When a gray-haired old man tells me he grew up on my stuff — that makes me feel pretty old.'

It's a well-deserved payoff for a career that started in 1927, when a young man from Kansas went to work for Walt Disney, who at that point was trying to make a go of it with a series about Oswald the Lucky Rabbit. Mr. Freleng worked for Disney less than a year before jumping ship for the nascent Warners Brothers cartoon shop.

"Genius is hard to work for," Mr. Freleng said. "I didn't like Walt Disney personally but I would say that I admired him, because he was a genius. I moved to Warner Brothers because that was the opportunity to be a director.

"Years later, in the '40s, I know Walt would tell his people 'I don't want any of that Warner Brothers stuff in my pictures'," Mr. Freleng added. "His features were great but his shorts were flat. There was action but no gags. We had all the gags."

The early cartoons, however, were very imitative of Disney: even the name of the initial series, "Looney Tunes," was a knockoff of Disney's "Silly Symphonies." It wasn't until the late '30s when the Warners crew hit its stride, creating a string of characters as vivid as any real-life movie star.

Though as a director he had a hand in shaping Bugs, Porky and the other mainstays of the Warners lineup, Mr. Freleng made his biggest contributions while trying to come up with new straight-men for the established characters. Bugs Bunny's invincible cool required a strong villain to play the patsy, and with this in mind Mr. Freleng dreamed up Yosemite Sam, the hot-tempered cowboy with an ankle-length mustache, for the 1944 short "Hare Trigger."

"I wanted to do a spoof of a western and I wanted a cowboy, a small guy with a loud voice," Mr. Freleng recalled. "I knew Mel could do a really big voice so I just had him yell into the mike. I used Sam instead of Elmer Fudd because all Elmer could be was a hunter. Yosemite wasn't only a cowboy — over the years he was a pirate, a sheik and a gladiator."

Sylvester, the durable cat with the epic saliva-retention problem, has a similar genesis.

"I needed a cat and I wanted something a little different," Mr. Freleng recalled. "So I gave him a big clown nose and kind of a baggy pants look. He worked so well with Tweetie that I kept him."

Tweetie Pie and Speedy Gonzales, were created by others but refined by Mr. Freleng. In the early '40s Bob Clampett had used a talking canary in a few cartoons — even coining the catchphrase " I tawt I taw a puddy tat" — but Tweetie as we know him appeared for the first time in 1947, paired with Sylvester in the Oscar-winning "Tweetie Pie."

Speedy Gonzales, the last addition to the Warners stable, was first dreamed up by Robert McKimson for a 1953 short called "Cat Tails for Two."

"Bob McKimson came up with Speedy from a dirty joke about a guy called Speedy Gonzales," Mr. Freleng said. "I cuted him up and used a lot of speed." Speedy's 1955 debut with Sylvester earned Mr. Freleng another Oscar.

After years of working in almost complete freedom, one would think Mr. Freleng would mourn the closing of the animation department in 1963.

"It was the best thing that happened to me," he said. "At the time I thought it was the death-knell."

Leasing space on the Warners lot, Mr. Freleng and his partner David DePatie took on lucrative commercial contracts. In a satisfying twist of fate, they were even hired by Warner Brothers to produce a new series of cartoons, though the resulting shorts — most of them using Road Runner and Speedy Gonzales — are dreadful. The real moneymaker for DePatie-Freleng arrived when filmmaker Blake Edwards asked them to produce an animated opening sequence for his 1964 farce *The Pink Panther*.

The unflappable panther is inextricably linked with Henry Mancini's jazzy theme music, but Mr. Freleng said there wasn't even a scrap of a tune when he went to work on the character.

"There wasn't any music," Mr. Freleng swears. "I asked Mancini what music he was going to do and he didn't even have a melody. So I asked him for a beat. He just snapped his fingers and walked out. I did the whole picture to that beat."

The beat worked so well that United Artists commissioned a series of Pink Panther shorts. It's also a beat that nowadays works better for Mr. Freleng than the frenetic Warner Brothers pace — unhurried, laid-back but still moving on his own career track.

CIRCLE GALLERY, 284 Woodbridge Center (upper level), Woodbridge. Mr. Freleng is scheduled to be on hand Saturday, Dec. 14, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. The show runs from Dec. 14 to Jan. 5. For more information, call (908) 636-7710.

Mark your calendar

Winter fest in Westfield

An ice-sculpting contest and a trolley-ride with Santa Claus will be highlights of the Westfield Winter Festival, set for Sunday, Dec. 15, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. in the central business district.

Along with holiday music and free refreshments, the festival will offer a drawing for $1,000-worth of prizes.

For more information, call (908) 233-3021.

Stained glass subject of talk

The making and history of stained glass windows will be demonstrated by third-generation craftsman Gordon Henderson this Saturday, Dec. 14, at 1:30 p.m. in the Zimmerli Art Museum, George and Hamilton streets in New Brunswick.

The talk, to be presented as part of the Zimmerli's *New Directions* exhibition (which includes several late-19th and early-20th century windows), includes a walking tour of New Brunswick windows, followed by a visit to the Hungarian Heritage Center at 300 Somerset St.

Admission to both the demonstration and the tour is free. For more information, call (908) 932-7237.

Currier & Ives works on view

A collection of 12 lithographs produced by the famed Currier & Ives company is now on view at the Monmouth Art Museum, 3 South Mountain Ave.

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Admission is free to museum members, with a $4 donation suggested for general admission. The museum is open Tuesday through Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. For more information, call (908) 747-2200.

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***Portrait of Paul Gaugin* is among the works on display through Dec. 25 at A.J. Lederman Fine Art in Hoboken.**

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•Lecture by Janet Cooke at 6 p.m. Dec. 14 (see Speakers).
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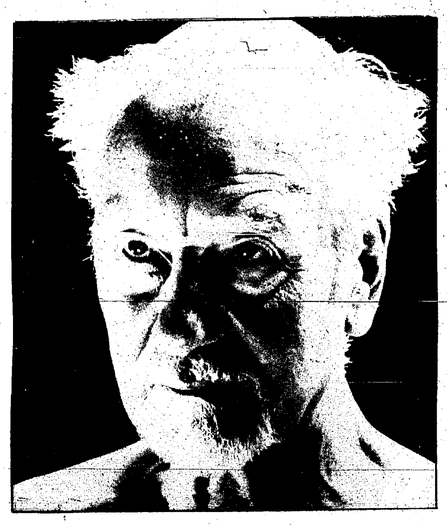
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MOVIES

'Tempest' tossed

'Prospero's Books' is a waste of time and John Gielgud

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor



John Gielgud in *Prospero's Books*, Peter Greenaway's artsy take on Shakespeare's *The Tempest*.

In **Prospero's Books,** John Gielgud does slow, stately marches through rooms full of nude and semi-clothed figures, all of them prancing, dancing, cartwheeling and writhing to beat the band. This is supposed to be Peter Greenaway's take on *The Tempest* and Gielgud is supposed to be playing Prospero, the exiled magician who is Shakespeare's last great character, but the island Prospero has transformed with his magic resembles nothing so much as an *Oh, Calcutta!* casting call, or a Fellini whorehouse.

As with all of Greenaway's movies, only a flip through the production notes makes anything clear: the cavorters are resident spirits of the island, forced by magic to "impersonate classical mythological figures." Whether Prospero's innocent daughter Miranda, raised on the island with no knowledge of men or worldly matters, can see these spirits is not made clear: if so, growing up among all these pendulous paunches, bouncing buttocks and jiggling genitalia would have made her a very jaded young woman indeed by the time Ferdinand washed ashore.

What can be done about Peter Greenaway? An intellectual who wears his learning like a concrete overcoat, a trained artist with a penchant for inscrutable, sometimes striking imagery, Greenaway might have stayed a maker of boring, little-seen art house pictures had it not been for the MPAA, which started a minor controversy in 1989 when it threatened to slap an X-rating on his fifth movie, *The Cook, The Thief, His Wife & Her Lover*. The film's combination of excrement, bile and anti-Thatcher propaganda (capitalism equals cannibalism, how profound!) wowed enough rubes to give it relatively wide audience — wide for Greenaway, most of whose films have never received much in the way of distribution. It also guaranteed a relatively wide release for *Prospero's Books*, which has even turned up in local multiplexes — venues not usually interested in recastings of Shakespeare's plays.

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The only straight screen adaptation of *The Tempest* I know of is Derek Jarman's decidedly unstraight 1980 travesty, though variations on the play's situation and characters were used in a 1948 Gregory Peck western called *Yellow Sky* and the clever 1956 science fiction film *Forbidden Planet*. It would have made up for an awful lot on Greenaway's part — even *The Cook, The Thief, His Wife & Her Lover* — had *Prospero's Books* been an honest-to-God opportunity to see, captured on film, John Gielgud's performance of the last great Shakespearean role. But acting as such does not interest Greenaway: his grip on the material leaves no room for juicy, idiosyncratic performances; were it not for the credits you'd hardly know there were actors such as Erland Josephson wandering through the overstuffed sets.

Greenaway dotes not on character, narrative or dialogue but on organizing principles — the more arbitrary and inscrutable, the better. Like the tyrannical artist in *The Draughtsman's Contract*, his first and most watchable feature, Greenaway imposes rigid grids on everything he sees: e.g., pairings in *A Zed and Two Noughts*, numerals appearing on random objects in *Drowning by Numbers*. Rather than approach *The Tempest* out of respect for its language, Greenaway tosses off the play and concentrates on the 24 books Prospero took with him into exile. To his credit, he does come up with some nifty entries: I especially liked the book of mirrors, some of which reflect the way the reader has looked, others how he will look. But this obsession with trivia is typical of Greenaway's perversity. Were he adapting *Romeo and Juliet*, Greenaway would spend his time cataloguing Friar Laurence's potions and sideline the romance.

It is Greenaway's conceit to show Prospero imagining and writing down the play's story of revenge and forgiveness even as it is shown on the screen, with the magician speaking every character's lines for much of the film. The fact that it's Gielgud's voice holds your interest much longer than this device warrants, but after a while even that wonderful oboe-like sound starts to pall. You want the interaction of characters, actors capable of holding their own in scenes. . .anything but this airless, show-offy conceptual piece. The only other true actor in the cast, Erland Josephson, is essentially invisible, his head scrunched between a wide-brimmed hat and a huge frilled collar. The rest of the cast is all too visible: the overweight cavorting "spirits," indistinguishable supporting players and, as Caliban, Michael Clark, who sports a brightly colored codpiece and spends his time twisting himself into various modern dance poses. Isabelle Pasco, who plays Miranda, spends a lot of her time in see-through gowns but this, like Gielgud's voice, is surprisingly not enough to sustain interest.

Another surprising thing about *Prospero's Books* is how cheesy it looks. Allowed free access to brand-new Japanese high definition video equipment, Greenaway superimposes images, shows illustrations coming alive on the pages of books, cuts past and future events into the middle of the frame. It sounds nifty, but the finished product is as awkward and gimmicky as experimental videos from the '70s, which at least were made with the limited technology of the period. Greenaway obsessives had better see this one in a good movie theater. With its wide shots of murky rooms packed with adipose flesh and ugly gewgaws, *Prospero's Books* will be an unwatchable hash on a small screen. That should be reason enough to avoid the video release; there are plenty of reasons to avoid the theatrical release as well.

Video rewind

Santa's killer cyborg

As part of an out-of-court settlement with Harlan Ellison, who claimed *The Terminator* bore a plagiaristically close resemblance to one of his old *Outer Limits* teleplays, James Cameron reportedly had to write "I will not steal from my betters" 100 times. Though the megabucks success of Terminator 2: Judgment Day (Carolco/LIVE), released on videocassette just in time for Christmas, has doubtless rinsed away the briny taste of his last picture, the abysmal *The Abyss*, Cameron ought to write "I will not put hypocritical anti-violence preachments into violent big-budget action pictures" at least once for every ticket the picture sold. Time and again Cameron seems to think he's making a real movie, instead of a slam-bang science fiction action flick. When not leaning on his messages, Cameron remains a peerless action director with a knack for surprising twists. Among the best of them is bringing back Arnold Schwarzenegger's killer-cyborg-from-the-future and making him the underdog — with Robert Patrick's shape-shifting deluxe model cyborg providing an extremely credible heavy.

—Steven Hart

America's most rented

1. The Silence of the Lambs (1 last week)
2. Backdraft (4)
3. Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves (2)
4. What About Bob? (8)
5. Fantasia (3)
6. Mortal Thoughts (12)
7. Class Action (6)
8. The Godfather Part III (5)
9. Dances with Wolves (7)
10. Madonna: Truth or Dare (10)
11. One Good Cop (11)
12. Switch (9)
13. Defending Your Life (13)
14. V.I. Warshawski (38)
15. The Hard Way (15)

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Film capsules

CURRENT FILMS

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

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

AN AMERICAN TAIL: FIEVEL GOES WEST
•The further animated adventures of Fievel Mouskewitz. With the voices of James Stewart, Dom DeLuise and John Cleese. (G)

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

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

BLACK ROBE
•During the 17th century, a young priest making his way from Quebec to a Huron missionary post in northern Canada must make his way past various tribes while dealing with his own doubts about his assignment. Screenplay by Brian Moore, from his novel; directed by Bruce Beresford ("Breaker" Morant, *Driving Miss Daisy*). With Lothaire Bluteau, August Schellenberg and Sandrine Holt. (R)

CAPE FEAR
•A maniacal ex-convict (Robert De Niro), fresh out of prison on a rape charge, prepares to take revenge on the lawyer who buried evidence to put him behind bars. Martin Scorsese's first remake, based on the thriller that was itself drawn from John D. MacDonald's novel *The Executioners*. With Nick Nolte, Jessica Lange and Joe Don Baker; cameo appearances by Robert Mitchum and Gregory Peck, who played the antagonists in the original film. (R)

CURLY SUE
•A pint-sized con artist (Alisan Porter) connives her way into a family in this latest slob-comedy from John Hughes. (PG)

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

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

HOUSE PARTY 2
•Kid'N Play (a.k.a. Chris Reid and Christopher Martin) reprise their roles from the original: this time Kid is pursuing college while Play chases fame as a rapper. With Full Force and Queen Latifah. (R)

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

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

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

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

PROSPERO'S BOOKS
•Peter Greenaway (*The Cook, The Thief, His Wife & Her Lover*) does a Fellinlesque take on Shakespeare's *The Tempest*. With John Gielgud as Prospero.

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



Above, Max Cady (Robert De Niro) and Sam Bowden (Nick Nolte) talk about old times in *Cape Fear*; at right, what's little Wednesday (Christina Ricci) up to in *The Addams Family*?

THEATERS

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

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AMBOY MULTIPLEX
Routes 9 & 35, Sayreville
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Brunswick Square Mall
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GENERAL CINEMA
BRIDGEWATER COMMONS
Routes 22 & 202-206
Bridgewater
(908) 725-1161
GENERAL CINEMA
RUTGERS PLAZA SIX
Easton Ave., Somerset
(908) 828-8787
GENERAL CINEMA
SOMERVILLE CIRCLE
Routes 28 & 202, Raritan
(908) 526-0101
MONTGOMERY CENTER THEATER
Routes 206 & 518, Rocky Hill
(609) 924-7444

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25 North Ave. West
Cranford
(908) 276-9120
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327 Chestnut St., Union
(908) 964-9633
GENERAL CINEMA
BLUE STAR
Route 22 West, Watchung
(908) 322-7007
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NEW PARK CINEMA
23 West Westfield Ave.
Roselle Park
(908) 241-2525
RIALTO TRIPLEX
250 East Broad St.
Westfield
(908) 232-1288
WESTFIELD TWIN CINEMA
138 Central Ave., Westfield
(908) 654-4721

HUNTERDON

CINEMA PLAZA FIVEPLEX
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(908) 782-2777
HUNTERDON THEATER
Route 31, Flemington
(908) 782-4815

MORRIS

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Morristown
(201) 292-0606

SOMERSET

BERNARDSVILLE CINEMA
Route 202, Bernardsville
(908) 766-0357
BROOK THEATRE
10 Hamilton St., Bound Brook
Route 18, East Brunswick
(908) 238-2998
GENERAL CINEMA
WOODBRIDGE
Caldor Shopping Center
Routes 1-9 & 35
Woodbridge
(908) 636-4566
KENDALL PARK CINEMA
Route 27, Kendall Park
(908) 422-2444
MOVIE CITY 6
Oak Tree Center
1665 Oak Tree Rd., Edison
(908) 549-6666
UA MIDDLESEX MALL CINEMA
Hadley & Stelton roads
South Plainfield
(908) 753-2246

See your local Forbes Newspaper for movie theater times



Review revue

The filmmaker, the critics, his movie & their reactions

Until the controversy surrounding *The Cook, The Thief, His Wife & Her Lover*, Peter Greenaway's films were seldom often seen or reviewed. With the debate over the earlier film still fresh in everyone's mind, the release of **Prospero's Books** received attention in the mainstream press — the first time this has happened for him since the release of his first feature, *The Draughtsman's COntract*, in 1982.

Philadelphia Inquirer

Desmond Ryan gave the film a flat-out rave, saying it "redefines the boundaries and reinvents the filming of Shakespeare by creating a unique bridge between his world and ours." By presenting Prospero as both character and author, writing the play as he imagines the course of events, Greenaway "deeply enriches the last play in the canon."

Village Voice

"At once underwhelming and overwrought" is how **Georgia Brown** summed up *Prospero's Books*, describing it as "basically one long graceless crowd scene layered with ham-fisted video efects and confined to a hideously garish set." Though she allowed that Greenaway's production notes raise intriguing possibilities, the film is shocking for "how awful it is — no shot complete without a nude dancer klutzily cartwheeling through the proceedings."



John Gielgud writes *the Tempest* while you watch it in *Prospero's Books*.

New York Times

In a review that could be considered damning with faint praise, **Vincent Canby** called the film "too much for mortal eye and ear." As a spectacle and a curiosity, though, Canby said he "wouldn't want to miss it."

People

"It looks as if poor Prospero and his beloved books had been banished not to a distant isle but to Hugh Hefner's mansion," write **Mark Goodman.** He found the film redeemed only by Gielgud, "in splendid form" and "playing Prospero as an imperious imp." Stooping to the inevitable joke, Goodman called *Prospero's Books* "a tall full of sound and fury, signifying nothing but ornate pretension."

DINING

Success formula

Cuisine at Verdi's will make you sing

By MICKI PULSINELLI
Culinary Correspondent

Did you ever walk into a restaurant and comment on the aroma and say, "I think I'm going to like this place"?

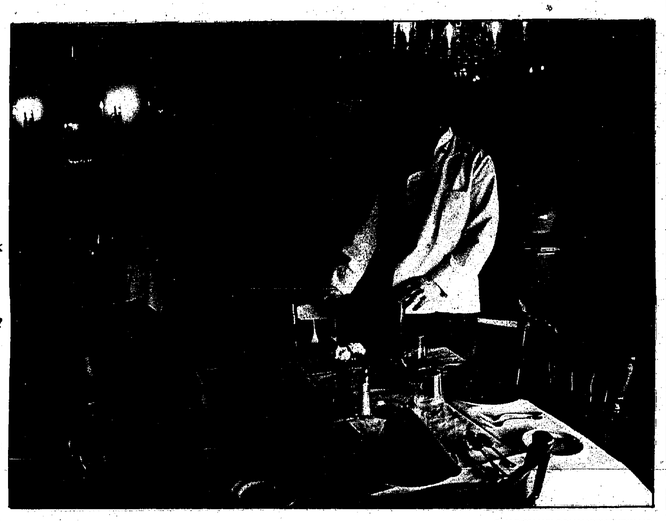
And, after eating, further comment that you couldn't wait to tell your friends about that restaurant?

Well, I have — most recently when I ate at **Verdi's** in Warren.

I liked everything about the place: the building, the decor, the service and, of course, the food. Especially the food!

I ordered a stuffed artichoke appetizer ($5.50) that was every bit as good as the way my mother-in-law used to make it.

My husband had broccoli raab with homemade sausage as an appetizer. He said it was outstanding. The sausage came from co-owner Sal Gramaglia's Italian specialty shop.



SHARON WILSON/WEEKENDPLUS

Alfonso Ingenito, owner of Cafe Verdi in Warren, works with the finest Italian ingredients.

This is probably the first time I started an article by talking about the food. I usually comment about the decor and the service first, and then tell about the menu. However, as I said before, my first impression was the aroma from the kitchen as we entered the restaurant, hence my comments about the food first.

My husband's entree was veal buttafuoco ($12.75), which consisted of three large pieces of veal smothered in a spicy red sauce with gaeta olives and capers. The veal was tender, and the sauce was quite tasty.

My entree, one of the specials, was breast of chicken fiorentina with fucillia ($11.75). The tender chicken was served in a light dijon mustard sauce with asparagus on top. The vegetables served with both our meals were French fried zucchini and potato croquettes.

Verdi's menu has seven cold appetizers ($4.75 to $7.50) and seven hot appetizers ($5.25 to $5.75). Some of the more interesting appetizers are smoked salmon with Bermuda onions ($7.50), steamed mussels in a white or red garlic and herb sauce ($5.75) and asparagus au gratin ($6.50).

There are six soups to choose from ($4.50) and 18 pasta choices ($9.50 to $11.50). Half portions for $2 less are available as appetizers. In addition to lasagna, baked ziti and stuffed shells, you can order linguine with arugula, fresh mozzarella and tomatoes ($9.50), rigatoni in a pink creamy vodka sauce ($9.75), or cavatelli with shrimp, broccoli, tomatoes and shallots in a cognac sauce ($11.50). If we didn't order the appetizer specials I'm sure we would have tried one of the pasta.

Included on the menu are 13 seafood choices ($12.50 to $17.50), 10 chicken dishes ($10.50 to $12.50) and 10 veal entrees ($12.75 to $14). But that's not all. There are also house specialties for two, such as Maine lobster fradiavolo ($45), or steak poivre and veal francese ($34.50), as well as 6 grilled items ($13.50 for pork chops and $17.50 for filet mignon). In addition, there are several nightly specials, both in appetizers and entrees. As you can see, there is a lot to choose from.

Whenever you can supply a good chef, such as owner Alfonso Ingenito, with the freshest of ingredients, provided by co-owner owner Salvatore Gramaglia's Italian specialty store, you have the formula for success.

My article would not be complete if I didn't tell you about the decor. The surroundings include a fireplace, a piano, dark wood and exposed beams, large front windows and French doors at the entrance. Fresh flowers are at each table. It is a comfortable establishment.

And last, but not least, a word about our waiter. Luciano, was the consummate professional. He was low-keyed but knowledgeable. He knew the menu and had answers to all of our questions. When my husband and I were discussing certain pastas, Luciano brought us samples to see. When I mentioned that I never had Sicilian ice cream, he brought us a dish to try. As I said, very competent and professional.We really enjoyed eating at Verdi's. The food was exceptionally good. In fact, we didn't leave any on our plate. It is a restaurant that I wouldn't hesitate to recommend.

VERDI'S, 63 Mountain Boulevard, Warren. (908) 755-7086.

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

Side orders



At Branches in the North Branch section of Branchburg, singer Vie Tabsac will perform Dec. 14, Dec. 21, Dec. 28 and New Year's Eve. Call (908) 725-7632 for more information.

Remember the old Clinton Point Inn? It's now **El Ranchero** and serves authentic Mexican food. Open seven days a week from 11 a.m.-11 p.m.; Fiesta time is from 4-7 p.m.; live music begins 6:30-10:30 p.m. El Ranchero offers family dining at affordable prices ($5.95-$18.95). New games keep the kids as well as the adults entertained. A new package store and plenty of banquet facilities for any occasion are available. (908) 735-8679.

Saverio's, Route 22 in Green Brook, now has a liquor license. (908) 424-0087.

The **Exchange** Restaurant in Bridgewater offers Happy Hour Monday-Friday from 4:30-6:30 p.m. Also check out Sunday and Monday specials and entertainment.

Monday, Dec. 9 and 16, the **Bridgewater Diner** hosts a singles night. Meet at the bar and enjoy open mike, karaoke and free hors d'oeuvres. Wednesday, Dec. 11, and 18, the Diner hosts a ladies night. Drink specials and free hors d'oeuvres all night and dinner.

Bradley and Barry's in Piscataway is featuring a pasta fest Monday and Tuesday. Lunch and dinner, all you can eat pasta, $4.95 adults, $3.50 children under 12. (908) 752-4474.

Shogun 27, Kendall Park has a regular comedy show. Buy one admission, get one free (Friday night only). (908) 422-1117. Check ad in WeekendPlus for coupon.

—Micki Pulsinelli

Places to go

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Ilams, through Feb. 23, 1992.
•Bronze sculpture by Jonathan Scott Hartley, through March 8, 1992.
•Prints from Currier & Ives, through April 12, 1992.
•"Highlights from the Native American Collection," through June 7, 1992.

MORRIS MUSEUM
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
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(201) 538-0454
Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Admission free for museum members. Non-member admission: adults $4, senior citizens and children $2.
•Holiday Festival of Trees, through Dec. 15. Adults $5, children $3, includes museum admission.
•"Evolution to Revolution," ongoing exhibition of lamps and lamp accessories from 19th-century America.
•Sculpture by Michael Malpass, through Jan. 5, 1992.
•Abstract sculpture by Alvaro Garda, through Jan. 19, 1992.

MUSEUM OF EARLY TRADES AND CRAFTS
Main St. and Green Village Rd., Madison
(201) 377-2982
Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 2-5 p.m. Adults $1, children 50 cents.

N.J. HISTORICAL SOCIETY
230 Broadway, Newark
(201) 483-3939
Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Guided tours by appointment. Admission free for society members, $3 for non-members.
•"Tender in Years: Childhood in 19th-Century New Jersey," ongoing.
•Holiday reception, 1 p.m. Dec. 14. Call to reserve a place; bring a new unwrapped toy.

N.J. MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE
College Farm Rd. near Route 1 New Brunswick
(908) 249-2077
Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Adults $3, children 4-12 $1, children under 4 free.
•Holiday crafts day for kids in grades 3-6, 11:30 a.m.-5 p.m. Dec. 14. Members $10, non-members $20; seating limited.

N.J. STATE MUSEUM
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6464
Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.
Planetarium shows Saturdays and Sundays, admission $1; call (609) 292-6333 for times.
Kaleidoscope Kids, 10 a.m. and 11:30 a.m. Dec. 14 (see Kid Stuff).
•Early porcelains by Edward Marshall Boehm, through December.
•"American Abstract Art: 1930s to the Present," through December.
•Ink drawings by Allan Rohan Crite w/a Christmas theme, through Jan. 5, 1992.

NEWARK MUSEUM
49 Washington St., Newark
(201) 596-6550
Tuesday through Sunday from noon-4:45 p.m. Donation. Largest museum complex in the state. Permanent exhibits include "Africa-The Americas-The Pacific," "Design in Native American life," "American Painting and Sculpture," Numismatic Gallery, Asian Galleries, Ballantine House and the Mini-Zoo.
•"Teapots and Coffeepots," through Jan. 19, 1992.

OLD BARRACKS MUSEUM
Barrack St. (next to State House complex)
Trenton
(609) 396-1776
Revolutionary War museum. Tuesday through Saturday from 11 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Donation $2 for adults, $1 for students and senior citizens, 50 cents for children under 12.
•"Hail the Conquering Hero Comes: George Washington's Triumphant Entry into Trenton," through March 31, 1992.

REEVES-REED ARBORETUM
165 Hobart Ave., Summit
(908) 273-8787
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RUTGERS GEOLOGY MUSEUM
Hamilton St. between College Ave. and George St. (Old Queens Campus)
Rutgers University
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7243
Monday through Friday from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free admission.

La Fontana: A bit of New York in Hub City

By MICKI PULSINELLI
Culinary Correspondent

When my husband was young his parents used to take him to Seaside Heights on Sunday. No matter how late it was, or how much food they ate on the boardwalk, he and his parents always stopped in New Brunswick to buy Texas weiners at the Crystal Diner on Albany Street, next to the New Brunswick train station.

In those days New Brunswick was like a little city. There was always activity at all hours of the night and the streets were crowded with soldiers from nearby Camp Kilmer. The Crystal Diner was an old fashioned place where they did all the cooking right in the front. You could watch the food being prepared while you were standing on the side walk.

Well the Crystal Diner is gone and so are all those buildings on both sides of Albany Street. In its place on the city's "Golden Triangle" is a large office building. Across the street, in another new building, is La Fontana Ristorante. You won't get hot dogs in here, nor any other kind of diner food.

New Brunswick is in its renaissance period and a slice of New York City has been transported to Albany Street, a la La Fontana. I haven't seen service, or decor, quite like this in years.



The opulent interior of La Fontana Ristorante in New Brunswick. If you go this month, check out the holiday display in the front window.

When you arrive at the restaurant, you pull up to the curbside where there is valet parking waiting for you. Once inside they take your coat, usher you to a table and return with your coat check.

Before you have a chance to view the place, a busboy serves you three different kinds of homemade bread and leaves at your table a large parmesan cheese, cut out in the middle into small slices for you to pick from. You don't help yourself, they serve it for you.

When you are finally settled in for an evening of dining, you can scrutinize the rest of the restaurant. And scrutinize you must! There are mirrors on the walls, a fountain at the entrance, glass c handeliers, Mauve velour drapes and imported wallpaper.

There is an etched glass divider separating tables for two next to outside window. If you get a chance, please look over the Christmas display in the front window. The holiday scene was designed by owner Carmine Cabell, and baked by the Gingerbread House Bakery in East Brunswick and the restaurant's staff, headed by executive chef Sebastian Russo.

In the middle of the dining room are large tables spaced evenly apart for intimate dining. We dined there on a Tuesday evening, considered the loneliest night of a restaurateur's week by the New Jersey Restaurant Association. That may be true in most restaurants, but not at La Fontana. Most of the tables were occupied.

The table setting consist of wine glasses, water goblets, a crystal and silver swan, crystal knife holders and a wine decanter. There is a silver serving for butter, white china with a gold rim and a tiny mauve lamp with tassels. It is a formal, full place setting.

The menu consist of 12 appetizers ($7 to $10), but not what you usually see in an Italian restaurant. Choices such as half-braised eggplant hollowed and filled with angel hair pasta and summer vegetable mousse ($8), or tender young calamari in a champagne casserole ($8) are some of the choices.

My husband had the carpaccio of beef layered over a green herb sauce, draped with hearts of palm, parmigian, black olives and sun-dried tomatoes ($8).

Pasta, offered as an appetizer or first course only, cost $7.50. There are 12 choices. You can order fettuccine in a smoked salmon and fresh cream sauce, or black angel hair pasta in a Mediterranean seafood sauce. I ordered the rigatoni lightly tossed with fresh seasonal tomatoes. The sauce was outstanding.

There are four choices of salads ($6 to $8.50), but we passed on them and ordered our entrees.

There were 28 entree choices ($18 to $30) with most of the choices in the $18 to $20 range. The choices are seafood, chicken, veal and beef, served in delightful combinations with other food. For example, they have veal scaloppine served with figs, prunes and fresh grapes in an apricot brandy demi-glaze ($20). Another example is rosettes of white veal topped with jumbo Boston sea scallops, laced with smoked salmon and topped with caviar ($20).

The items are too numerous for me to list, so I'll tell you what we ordered. My husband had the filet mignon, sausage and chicken pan-seared, accented with fresh shallots, mushrooms, pimento, cherry peppers and potatoes in a veal glaze reduction ($20). The beef and chicken were excellent, while the sauce was tasty and tangy but not overpowering. It was a good choice.

I ordered tournedo of beef marinated, grilled, then poached in Pinot Grigio wine, fresh plum tomato, gaeta olives, capers, shallots and julienne of prosciutto ($19). I know that both of us shouldn't ordering beef if we are reviewing a restaurant, but it sounded and was so good that I couldn't resist. For desserts ($7.50 each) my husband had the zabaglione with fresh strawberries and I ordered the chocolate Gateau (the French word for cake) St. Thomas.

All in all, it was a memorable evening. I can't remember being pampered so much, not even on Mother's Day. I can see why La Fontana always receives a four-star rating from other newspapers. The menu is interesting and exciting, but more important, the taste won't disappoint you.

The Crystal Diner may be gone and New Brunswick will be forever changed, but additions like La Fontana are always welcomed.

LA FONTANA RISTORANTE, 120 Albany St., New Brunswick. (908) 249-7500.

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Club mix

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•Leftovers, Dec. 21.
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•Lady Blue & The Tramps, Dec. 19.
•Neighborhood Blues, Dec. 20.
•Far Cry, Dec. 21.
•Barbecue Bob & The Spare Ribs, Dec. 26.
•The Fairlanes, Dec. 27.
•Dog Eat Dog, Dec. 28.

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Second & Kingsley
Asbury Park
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•Call for details, Dec. 21.
•Third Party, Dec. 28.

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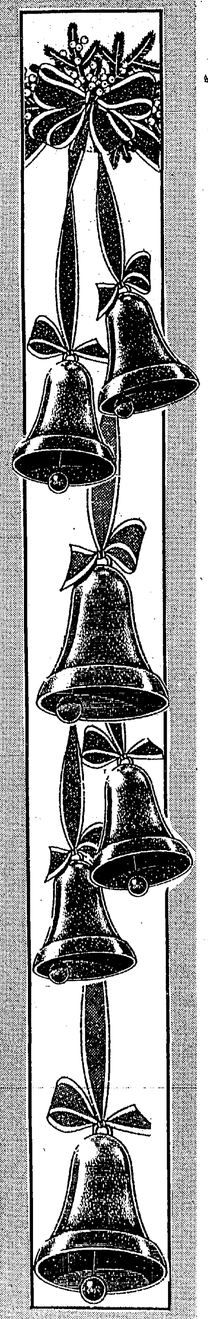
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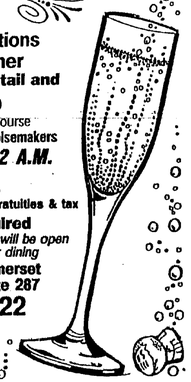
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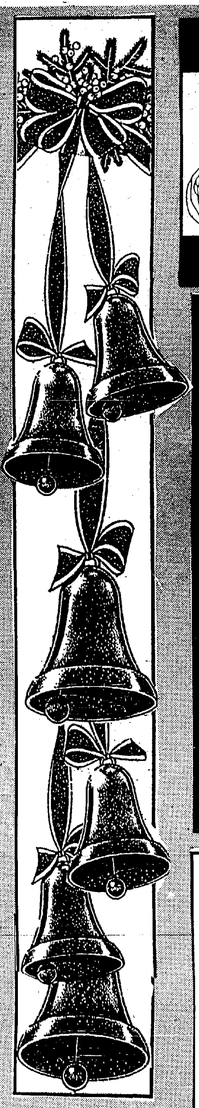
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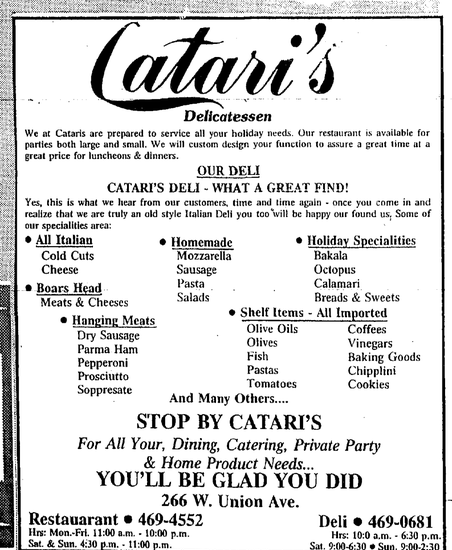

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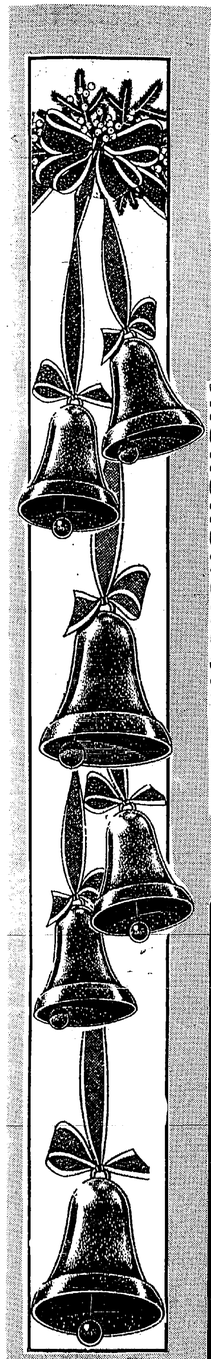

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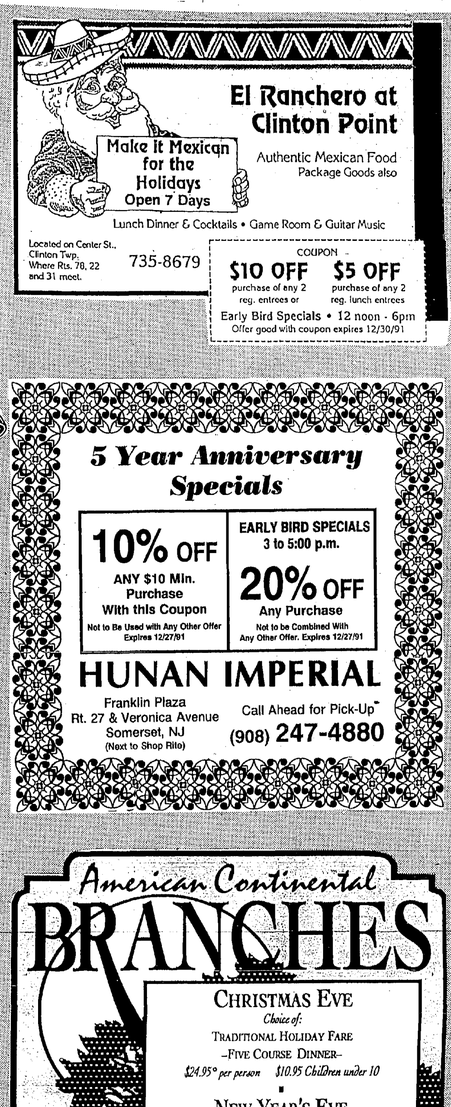
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Specifically, the house was built in 1935 and has eight rooms including three bedrooms and one and a half baths. The living room with fireplace measures 22-by-12 feet, the dining room with French doors leading to the deck is 15-by-10 feet, the den off the living room is 6-by-10, the galley kitchen with ceramic tiled floor and Michael's custom cabinets is 8-by-16.

There is a new family room, added in 1988, that is 19-by-16 feet. The new room contains vaulted ceilings, skylights, wood beams, bow windows and sliding doors to the deck.

On the second floor, there is a 13-by-14 foot master bedroom, 13-by-10 foot second bedroom, and 11-by-14-foot third bedroom.

The house is located on a 55-by-148 foot lot and is conveniently located near schools, the library, and transportation to both downtown Cranford and New York City. It is listed by Meeker Sharkey, Realtors of 124 S. Ave. E., Cranford.

Cranford is a suburban community located in north Central New Jersey. The five-square mile township is strategically located for business and personal travel. There is convenient commuter rail transportation to Newark and New York city and excellent bus service to Newark and the New York Port Authority Terminal.

Careful maintenance of its wide variety of shade and flowering trees on private, community and county properties has helped Cranford retain its suburban appeal. The Pepperidge Tree, Cranford's official tree, is more than two centuries old and has always been admired for its beauty, rarity and historic value.

The public school system features a strong and diverse curriculum at all levels, along with more than 40 athletic programs. The 40-acre campus of Union College, located on Springfield Ave., adds even more educational appeal to the town.

Although primarily a residential town, Cranford has a vibrant retail center. Recent additions to the town are new sidewalks, flower receptacles, and light stanchions which are a part of the Cranford beautification project sponsored by the town and business community.



This English colonial style home at 332 Walnut Ave. was recently enhanced through the addition of a new den.





Meeker Sharkey, Realtors of Cranford is participating in the annual Toys for Tots campaign sponsored by the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves. Meeker Sharkey President Vita Zoltak is urging area residents to bring in new, unwrapped toys for the children to Meeker Sharkey's offices at 124 South Ave., E. in Cranford through Dec. 15.

Marines; Meeker-Sharkey team up in 'Toys for Tots'

The Marine Corps Reserve "Toys for Tots" program is designed to provide Christmas joy for needy children through the collection of new toys.

For 44 years, the program has continued to grow in impact and scope. During 1990, Marines from nearly 200 Reserve Centers collected approxdmately 8 million new toys for almost 4 million children.

Vita Zoltak, president of Meeker Sharkey, Realtors, and all of the sales associates of the company take great pleasure once again by participating in the "Toys for Tots" campaign for the holiday season.

Bring new, unwrapped toys for the children to Meeker Sharkey, Realtors, 124 South Ave., E., Cranford, now through Dec. 15.

Coldwell Banker Schlott sponsoring toy drive

In keeping with the holiday spirit, the Westfield office of Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, is now collecting new and nearly new toys and books to be distributed to needy children this Christmas.

"We want every child to experience happiness during the holidays," said Marilyn Kelly, manager of the Westfield office. "Unfortunately, these are tough times for a lot of families and we don't want to see children deprived because there isn't enough money for toys and books."

All gifts collected at the Coldwell Banker Schlott, Westfield office will be distributed to The Family and Children's Counseling and Testing Center of Elizabeth. This center, a private, non-profit social service agency, provides help to physically and emotionally abused children as well as children of families in crisis.

Patti Pomeroy, chairwoman of the project, said, "The Coldwell Banker Schlott, Westfield has been the company's number one office in sales for the last five years. Now they would like to be number one for collecting 'Toys for Tots' in our area."

The types of toys can include stuffed toys, puzzles, games, coloring books or whatever one feels that a child would enjoy.

Residents may leave their donations of toys or books at the C.B. Schlott, Westfield office, 264 East Broad St., near Central Avenue. Deadline to leave gifts is Tuesday, Dec. 17.

Conditions favorable for home buying

The outlook is positive for those seeking to purchase a home within the next six months to take advantage of the abundance of homes still available and the excellent rates and buyer programs being offered by lending institutions, according to Kiamie Agency, Inc. of Cranford.

Yvonne Kiamie stated, "Although homeownership remains 'The American Dream' for most of us, we tend to allow it to assume a fallback position to those things we can and need to satisfy immediately. With the holidays almost here and those all-important pre-festivity preparations well under way, homeownership plummets to the bottom of our priority list, resulting in the biggest and best gift of all getting 'put on hold' until we can give it the kind of attention it deserves.

"The current housing situation has created the best buying market since the early 1980s. Well-designed, well-planned neighborhoods are the first areas showing signs of recovery. The basic philosophy of homeownership which focuses on neighborhoods, lifestyle and long-term investment is again at the forefront."

Ms. Kiamie continued, "Although the industry's initial recuperative period may appear to be slow, activity is good and runaway prices have given way to a more realistic annual return on investment; 1991 was an improvement over 1990 and the ensuing years should continue to show growth. The high-priced, high-yield, short-term investments of the '80s are definitely out.

"A healthy real estate market is a good indicator of a healthy economy. Affordability is the key to that resolution; it is what drives the market place, resulting in first time buyers as well as their repeat-and upscale counterparts buying better for less. Everyone benefits when first-time buyers are able to purchase a home, because movement on other buying levels is a natural result. It stimulates activity and the economy, and we need that positive stimulation."

CORRECTION: Due to incorrect information given to the paper, the price of a home at 1015 Oak Lane in Plainfield and featured in the Nov. 26-28 issue of the Realty Guide was listed at ~~$269,000~~. The correct price is ~~$175,000~~.

Realty notes

Lois Berger has earned the distinction of Salesperson of the Month for July and October with **Burgdorff, Realtors'** Westfield office. Mrs. Berger holds a broker's license and has earned the Certified Residential Specialist designation. She has been a consistent member of the New Jersey Realtors' Million Dollar Sales Club since 1981 and serves as co-director of sales training for the corporation.


LOIS BERGER

Mrs. Berger serves on the Westfield Board of Realtors' Grievance Committee and the Million Dollar Review Committee. She has lived in Westfield for 18 years.

Leon Thomas Hughes has joined **Weichert, Realtors'** Warren office as a sales associate. An experience real estate salesperson, Mr. Hughes has been listing and selling homes for three years. He also has been manager of Bridgewater Oaks condominiums. He is a member of the Somerset County Board of Realtors.


LEON THOMAS HUGHES

A resident of Somerset County for seven years, Mr. Hughes is active in the Warren chapter of the March of Dimes.

Property sales

CRANFORD

Richard & Bernice Gray to Donald Truss, **202 E. North Ave.**, $250,000

Richard & Bernice Gray to Richard E. Silvestri, **202 E. North Ave.**, $250,000

K & O Enterprises to Schering Emp. Fed. Credit Union, **310 E. North Ave.**, $1,725,000

Republic Mortgage Inc. Co. to David & Patricia Wagner, **31 Spruce Street**, $170,000

Tad A. & Randi E. Perlman to Mark W. & Jennifer S. Reiser, **8 Wadsworth Terrace**, $190,000

David S. & Julie D. Hersh to Allen J. & Julie R. Barkin, **614 Willow St.**, $347,200

FANWOOD

Frank & Diane Todd to Charles M. & Terry Boyda, **92 Tillotson Road**, $235,000

Mary V. Comtess to Virginia H. Cuzzolino, **36-A Second St.**, $194,000

SCOTCH PLAINS

Theodore P. Eggert & Juan J. & Sandra Canto, **2010 Hilltop Road**, Scotch Plains, $192,500

Stanley & Cynthia Glasser to Keith & Sandra Gordon, **10 Laurie Court**, Scotch Plains, $377,500

David & Judith Zane to Robert C. & Candace Vandervilt, **1831 Quimby Lane**, Westfield, $175,000

John Sidorakis to Georgianne Johnson, **1860 Raritan Road**, Scotch Plains, $168,000

Homestead Associates Inc. to John F. & Debra A. Verga, **43 Winchester Drive**, Scotch Plains, $370,000

WESTFIELD

Adam Anderson to E Grove Common Condo Assn, **810 Grandview Ave.**, $91,000

Andrew & Amy Horowitz to Williams D. and Maureen Higgins, **526 Hanford Place**, $240,000

Jeffrey C. Pollock *et al.* to Kevin & Miriam Tedesco, **621 Hanford Place**, $200,000

Althea W. Dello Russo to Daniel Prevoznak & Gallagher, **539 Hort St.**, $165,000

Abraham & Toby Rothbard to Jeffrey A. & Barbara Feldman, **940 Minisink Way**, $490,000

Anna M. Graham to Giovanni S. & Josephine Bruno, **1091 Rahway Ave**, $130,000 Warren D. & Janet Rankin to Andrew & Amy Horowitz, **302 Wychwood Road**, $380,000

First Fidelity Bank NA NJ to Cardo Group, **152 E. Broad St.**, $200,000

Joel Wolfson & Sheila Lenga to Charles C. & Susan N. Palma, **74 N. Cottage Place**, $171,000

William J. & Arlene Keenan to Peter D. Ritter & J. Kurtzer, **132 N. Euclid Ave.**, $339,600

Donald E. & Susan M. Broughton to Susan M. Broughton, **550 Hillcrest Ave.**, $49,000

Robert L. & Marilyn P. Bunting to Kevin W. & Judy H. Bunnting, **761 Marcellus Drive**, $190,000

EDISON

Jack & Laureen Caravanos to William Brownlie *et ux.*, **54 Chestnut St.**, $130,000

Charles & Young Lee to Hong & Yun-Chou Li, **4 Corrine St.**, $223,000

Donald & Elizabeth Walp to Harold & Patricia Nevins, **729 Denver Boulevard**, $217,500

Vincent & Loretta Masella to Robert & Donna Pianucci, **56 Edgegrove St.**, $120,000

Edison Glen Assoc. to Yu Jin Jyung & Heung Lye, **1616 Edison Glen Terrace**, $136,000

Barbara Peters to Raymond & Marisa Annun, **34 Fairhaven Ave.**, $138,000

KTC R/E Corp. to Durga Sakamuri, **1 Genova Court**, $190,000

Georgio Francisco to Dhanesh Motiani, **2 Hearthstone Drive**, $197,000

Gary & Victoria Poedubicky to Scott & Jenny Fischblen, **51 Hillsdale Road**, $240,000

John Carroll to Dominick Russo *et ux.*, **42 Kenlen Drive**, $139,000

David & Linda Ryglelski to Joseph Roenbeck *et ux.*, **20 Lahlere Ave.**, $124,900

Katherine Vitello *et ux.* to Maxim & Irina Semyonov, **7 Lily Court**, $132,000

Charles & Elaine Tatz to Renee Romano, **46 Linda Lane**, $158,000

Westgate II Dev. to Joseph & Concetta Casey, **75 Linda Lane**, $159,990

Audrey Kelly to Frank & Gloria Patterson, **25 S. Locust Ave.**, $154,000

Jon & Jody Hansen to Leo & Elizabeth Wlazlowski, **111 Loring Ave.**, $133,000

Rocco Paternostro *et ux.* to Syed Sajjad, **4 Louis Court**, $450,000

Peter & Valarie Tam to Jih-Tsang & Sujean-Chan Hung, **53 Lynnwood Road**, $201,000

Paparatto Const. to Soohee Oh, **8 Lyons Lane**, $285,000

Home Investors Mtg. to Zonda Fulwood, **16 Malvern Way**, $105,300

Daniel Properties to To & Rose Choy, **346 McKinley St.**, $360,000

Sherman & Janice Barry to James & Virginia Taylor, **45 Merker Drive**, $205,000

Robert & Florence Pasteur to Igor Vinokur, **203 Monroe Ave.**, $210,000

Dime S/B NY to Sayyaparaju Mudhusudana Raju, **2303 Merrywood Drive**, $105,677

John & Patricia Mulkerin to David & Elizabeth Karpf, **20 Mulberry Lane**, $595,000

Lillan Merlo to Szu Fu Wu *et al.*, **116 Mundy Ave.**, $218,500

David & Jeanette Mannis to Ronald Lipson *et ux.*, **154 Mundy Ave.**, $237,500

Francis & Lorraine Lutz to John & Patricia Mulkerin, **6 Oak Grove Lane**, $360,000

Anthony & Ethel SanTangelo to Stathi Afendoulis, **24 Oak Grove Lane**, $375,000

Antonio Barrientos to Ishaq Nadim, **174 Parsonage Road**, $125,000

James McCabe *et ux.* to Tse Hokeze *et ux.*, **3 Periwinkle Lane**, $170,000

John & Stella Dipple to Gerry & Judy Guerriero, **71 Plainfield Ave.**, $125,000

Frank & Gloria Patterson to Richard & Deborah Howley, **18 Raleigh Road**, $135,000

George & Robyn DeMattia to Chia Ho Cho & Chiou Ling Chi, **13 Ridge Road**, $175,100

Dominick & Sandra DeLaura to Brian Zychoswski *et al.*, **5 Rinear Drive**, $167,000

John & Judith Matyi to John Donnelly, **20 Rosewood Road**, $110,000

David & Mary Troland to Martin & Angela Henry, **7 Sanders Road**, $128,000

Glenn & Lisa Jacobson to Howard Garson, **3605 Springbrook Drive**, $195,000

Property sales

CRANFORD

Robert L. Bachman *et al.* to Dominic J. & Theresa Pertose, **13 Blake Ave.**, $220,000
Jerome S. & Dora-Anne Kessler to Peter H. & Diane I. Johnson, **30 Canterbury Place**, $290,000
Sue R. Volage to Keith Schafer, **20 Grove St.**, $172,500
Daniel A. & Karen M. Nadeau to Gerald & Carmella Kitzhoffer, **2 Oneida Place**, $161,670
Victor & Eleanor Dennis to Andrew & Jane Crane, **5 Spring Garden St.**, $60,000
Richard & Bernice Gray to Donald Truss, **202 E. North Ave.**, $250,000
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FANWOOD

Ariel J. & Maria J. Marin to Louis & Arlene C. Dodge, **67 Glenwood Road**, $170,000
Linda J. & Lewis M. McFarland to John N. & Deborah A. Mains, **81 Russell Road**, $227,500
Frank & Diane Todd to Charles M. & Terry Boyda, **92 Tillotson Road**, $235,000
Mary V. Comtess to Virginia H. Cuzzolino, **36-A Second St.**, $194,000

GARWOOD

Ralph J. & Adeline P. Marano to Dennis M. & Anne J. Napolitano, **350 Hazel Ave.**, $195,000

SCOTCH PLAINS

Louis T. & Margaret Bartiromo to Roop & Lisa A. Sonpar, **2132 Algonquin Drive**, Westfield, $216,000
Lawrence H. & Ronnie Ozarow to Mary Ann Duffy, **582 Birch St.**, Scotch Plains, $154,000
Jerold S. & Francine L. Grupp to Jayendra N. & Sushma J. Patel, **1261 Maple Hill Road**, Westfield, $194,000
Elizabeth L. Jackson to Carolyn Reeves, **2280 North Ave.**, Westfield, $138,000
Estate of Horace Westbrook to Horace & Jacqueline Westbrook, **2658 Plainfield Ave.**, Scotch Plains, $35,000
John & Kazzmarek Urda to Jean Samuels, **854 Sims Ave.**, Scotch Plains, $140,250
Floral Builders to Gerald & Charles Infantino, **864 Sims Ave.**, Scotch Plains, $24,560
Robert J. & J.C. Rosheter to Joseph & Jennifer Marazzo, **564 Stirling Place**, Scotch Plains, $169,900
Ruth Harris to Jose R. Coit *et al.*, **1552 E. Second St.**, Scotch Plains, $127,000
Theodore P. Eggert & Juan J. & Sandra Canto, **2010 Hilltop Road**, Scotch Plains, $192,500
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WESTFIELD

Paul M. & Marie G. McLarty to Stanley E. Pendlum, **649 Arlington Ave.**, $240,000
Richard A. & Patricia Warren to John & Maria Cimino, **920 Carleton Road**, $200,000
James M. & Donna M. Coyle to Enrique Chang *et al.*, **723 Castleman Drive**, $275,000
John G. Jr. & Cynthia Fechter to John T. & Maryann Nason, **1016 Columbus Ave.**, $175,000
Mary A. Talbott to John G. & Cynthia Fechter, **791 Cranford Ave.**, $305,000
Mac General Contractors Inc. to Gerald O. Stabenow, **600 Downer St.**, $120,000
Catherine M. McGale to Daniel A. & Karen M. Nadeau, **655 Fairfield Circle**, $203,400
Brian G. & Candice L. Steller to Thomas P. & Nancy K. Hanley, **120 Harrow Road**, $220,000
Bernard P. & Linda C. Gawley to John T. & Jane Ann Sheehan, **853 Knollwood Terrace**, $395,000
Michael & Caroline Tischbein to Mark Swingle & Mary McCourt, **716 Oak Ave.**, $162,000
Frank & Donna Mastrocco to Kichul & Aekyuy Kim, **1160 Wychwood Road**, $335,000
Adam Anderson to E Grove Common Condo Assn, **810 Grandview Ave.**, $91,000
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BEDMINSTER

Robert Thomas *et ux.* to Hsu Shingbang *et ux.*, **70 Autumn Ridge Road**, $285,000
Harold C. Sheads *et ux.* to Margaret M. Vayo & C. Marinez, **7 Brightwood Lane**, $273,500
Samuel S. Robinson Jr. to Tomas A. Cohan *et ux.*, **5 Brookside Lane**, $147,500
Robert Egan *et ux.* to Jeffrey E. Pillinger *et ux.*, **28 Cambridge Road**, $140,000
Robert T. Harmon *et ux.* to Wayne T. Parker *et ux.*, **485 Cedar Ridge Road**, $525,000
Hills Dev. Corp. to Lisa DeMarlin, **179 Cortland Lane**, $45,000
Hills Dev. Corp. to Debra A. Policastro, **186 Cortland Lane**, $78,000
Raymond F. Tonkel *et ux.* to Chung-Nien Chen *et ux.*, **2 Drummers Log Lane**, $281,000
Joseph A. Sanguedolce *et ux.* to Thomas B. Weaver, **16 Encampment Echo.**, $123,500
Tomas Cohan A. *et ux.* to Eric J. Cohan, **51 Hyde Court**, $69,302
Joselito Calagui *et ux.* to Maura E. McGeary, **14 Larkspur Court**, $75,253
Hills Dev. Co. to Michael Epple, **272 Long Meadow Road**, $140,000
Andrew G. McFadden IV *et ux.* to Lauren C. Vroom, **76 Parkside Road**, $43,179
Hills Dev. Co. to Mark I. Pearlstein, **17 Quail Brook Court**, $177,940
Steven Dumbroff *et ux.* to Mae E. Belfatto, **1 Ray Court**, $118,000
Dennis Angelo *et ux.* to Cheryl J. Seiferheid, **3 Spencer Lane**, $171,000
Citicorp Mtg. Inc. to Dennis R. Hafferkamp *et al.*, **50 Spruce Court**, $182,500
James A. Wells *et ux.* to Citicorp Mtg. Inc., **50 Spruce Court**, $175,000
Patrice N. Painter Barger to Terry E. Switzer, **20 Stone Run Road**, $153,000
Dennis M. Matyus *et ux.* to Timothy Devlin *et ux.*, **60 Village Green Road**, $76,182
Hills Dev. Co. to Danielle Nicole Martelle, **42 Wescott Road**, $124,000
Julie Saxe to Jeffrey Pearse, **25 Academy Court**, $118,000
Douglas A. Engelbert to Frances M. Chuhinko, **69 High Pond Lane**, $120,000
Bruce A. Thompson *et al.* to Midlantic Nat'l. Bank, **Main St.**, $383,662
Estate of Eleanor S. Todd to John R. Whitman *et ux.*, **Rattlesnake Bridge Road**, $2,220,000

BOUND BROOK

John E. Costa to Christopher John Knors *et ux.*, **934 W. Meadow Dr.**, $199,900
Warren M. Harris *et ux.* to Louis Marc Rosenbaum, **336 W. Second St.**, $167,000

BOUND BROOK

Alfonso C. Coccorese to Louis L. Grube, **305 Park Place**, $124,500
Lorraine Cirello to Clifford Thorpe *et ux.*, **706 Tea St.**, $148,500
Jennie Zaniewski to Rose Shovlin, **571 W. Second St.**, $120,000

BRANCHBURG

Anthony J. Capawana *et ux.* to Bradford B. Gardner *et ux.*, **11 Oak Hill Road**, Neshanic Station, $310,000
Joseph Jay Lee *et ux.* to Stephen R. Indelicato *et ux.*, **29 Preston Dr.**, Somerville, $172,000
Muriel G. Hindmarch to Louis Appezzato *et ux.*, **53 Robbins Road**, Somerville, 195,000
Peter Karis *et ux.* to Joseph A. Sanguedolce, **16 Vail Terrace**, $291,500

BRIDGEWATER

Michael F. Sikora *et ux.* to Sharlene Cirilio, **2002 Ackman Court**, $157,000
Edward A. Imperiale *et ux.* to Frank J. Biely, **101 Ardmaer Drive**, $155,000
Beatrice Bilancia to Angel Velarde Marcisano, **322 Ascot Lane**, $174,000
Francis L. Swinick *et ux.* to Wen-Hwa Sun Moun *et ux.*, **22 Braemar Place**, $335,000
Joseph J. Lanikin to Steven M. Loshin & A.M. Brooks, **704 Brokaw Court**, $123,500
Kevin J. Halloran *et ux.* to Steven Olivetti, **76 Chelsea Way**, $111,000
William Gilluly *et ux.* to Mary McClintock, **29 Deerhead Drive**, Bound Brook, $194,000
Mark L. Salandra *et ux.* to Patricia A. Kiefer & B. Warner, **2107 Doolittle Drive**, $108,000
Donald P.Traponese *et ux.* to Danny F. Reinberg & L.D. Vales, **525 Emerald Trail**, Martinsville, $290,000
Narragansett Builders Inc. to Thomas A. Edmonds *et ux.*, **3 Falracres Drive**, $500,000
Chatham SLA to Peter J. Quinn & Barbara Matus, **214 Finderne Ave.**, $165,000 Morel & Segal Inc. to Ronald A. Lichtenberger Jr. *et al.*, **312 Greenfield Road**, $168,110
Morel & Segal Inc. to Doris Baldy, **330 Greenfield Road**, $166,374
Morel & Segal Inc. to John I Leonard *et ux.*, **331 Greenfield Road**, $167,490
Morel & Segal Inc. to George L Sopko *et ux.*, **332 Greenfield Road**, $167,378
Morel & Segal Inc. to Andrew S. Turkish *et al.*, **334 Greenfield Road**, $164,900
James Gordon Favier *et ux.* to Deborah Ann Jaeger *et al.*, **109 Hickory Drive**, $160,000
Stonington Assoc. to Dominick A. Deangelo *et ux.*, **14 McKay Dr.**, $811,473
Stanley H. Gulbin *et ux.* to Donald L. Doyle *et ux.*, **61 Muirfield Lane**, $339,000
George Velcheck *et ux.* to Nancy S. Kent & S. Kalteris, **215 Orchard St.**, $170,000
James C. Rohland *et ux.* to David B. Hendry *et ux.*, **184 Riverview Drive**, $230,000

FRANKLIN

John Sian *et ux.* to Karen A. Hahn, **71 Cherrywood Dr.**, Somerset, $113,000
Shirley Baker to Hugo Baker, **183 Churchill Ave.**, Somerset, $155,000
Daisy Construction Inc. to Tommy G. Stalford *et ux.*, **17 Clifton St.**, Franklin, $129,900
Charles D. O'Loughlin *et ux.* to Kevin Danowski *et ux.*, **22 Conerly Road**, Somerset, $173,000
Richard John Mazur *et ux.* to Donald Graves *et ux.*, **26 Dayton Ave.**, Somerset, $151,000
Robert M. Weyand *et ux.* to Donna F. De Gaetano, **79 Eton Way**, Somerset, $83,250
Walter Pogorzelski to Kurt Schmidt *et ux.*, **34 Home St.**, Somerset, $75,000
David Baglish to Pipco Carlstadt Inc., **650 Howard Ave.**, Franklin, $2,556,754
William J. Morea to Carl A. Hingle & C. Dancsecs, **27 Hughes Road**, Somerset, $178,000
Norman Levitt *et ux.* to Gary Hartgrove & Grandberry, **7 Indiana Road**, Franklin, $135,000
Joseph J. Kulbacky *et ux.* to Meher M. Daruwalla, **230 Kingsberry Drive**, Franklin, $122,000
Michael McLaughlin *et ux.* to Donald C. Dacosta *et ux.*, **455 Lewis St.**, Somerset, $98,000
Rodger T. Gaglione *et ux.* to Chyang-Fung Liang *et al.*, **183 Picadilly Place**, Somerset, $110,000
John C. Davis to Michael Corrao & L. Mulligan, **37 Sapphire Lane**, Franklin Park, $120,000
Edward W. Muller *et ux.* to Melvin Keldo *et ux.*, **11 Shelly Drive**, Somerset, $158,000
Alberta Yoson to Kenneth J. Sweeney *et ux.*, **51 Smith Road**, Somerset, $161,500
Stephanie Lesiga Carr to Terry To-Fang Ma, **32 Steeplechase Court**, Somerset, $76,000
Richard Hill *et ux.* to Ira A. Messer *et ux.*, **26 Stratford Court**, Somerset, $235,000
Peter J. Hahn to Andrew Mutchler *et ux.*, **33 Stratford Drive**, Somerset, $222,500
Z & Z Realty to 56 Veronica Assoc. LP, **56 Veronica Ave.**, Somerset, $1,375,000
Sondra Robicheau to Michael Lacorte *et ux.*, **31 Wilson Road**, Somerset, $187,150
K Hovnanian Real Est. Inv. Inc. to Joseph Dangiolillo *et ux.*, **Parcel 00020-0000-00058**, $134,000
Benjamin Okroghy to Francine M. Ammiano, **18 Steeple Chase Court**, Somerset, $84,000
Janene Finger to Jean A. Kaufmann, **26 Steeplechase Court**, Somerset, $85,000
Kingston Assoc. to Timothy Altaffer *et ux.*, **36 Union St.**, Kingston, $210,000
Martin D. Smith *et ux.* to Daniel A. Lauer *et ux.*, **37 Winston Drive**, Somerset, $162,000

GREEN BROOK

Salvatore De Palma *et ux.* to Robert Yankevicz *et ux.*, **46 Brandywine Rise**, $252,500
Dale W. Harris to Fredrick Sulovski, **5 Highland St.**, $58,000
George A. Pastushok to Divyang A. Shah *et ux.*, **40 Longview Drive**, $205,000
John & Cressar Showalter to Douglas E. Kreis & M. Mammola, **383 Warrenville Road**, $277,000

HILLSBOROUGH

Anita M. Tecce to Edward L. Felts *et ux.*, **9 Alpine Court**, Belle Mead, $123,000
Peter J. Baligian *et ux.* to David K. O'Hara *et ux.*, **774 Amwell Road**, Neshanic, $290,000
Nick Valerlani *et ux.* to Shiraz Sidi *et ux.*, **14 Apple Hill Road**, Belle Mead, $295,000
Anna M. Martin to Ann Woodard, **490 Auten Road**, Somerville, $100,000
US West Relocation Serv. to Michael K. Regan, **589-3 Auten Road**, Hillsborough, $77,000
Majestic Knolls Inc. to Sarah A. Verdone, trustee, **23 Baker Circle**, Somerville, $232,900
Rohill Village Inc. to Michael J. Lynch *et ux.*, **14 Bennet Road**, Somerville, $229,900
Glen Meadows Inc. to Olumide O. Emuleomo, **28-14 Bloomingdale Drive**, Hillsborough, $120,990
Glen Meadows Inc. to Karl Baker *et ux.*, **33-31 Bloomingdale Drive**, Hillsborough, $120,990
Gregg R. Alexander *et ux.* to John J. Ball *et ux.*, **124-3B Bluebird Drive**, Somerville, $112,100
Scott P. York *et ux.* to Charles J. Vinicombe, **73 Cricklellow Court**, Belle Mead, $116,250
Richard M. West *et ux.* to Steven F. Gibson, **3118 Cromwell Court**, Somerville, $69,000
Padam Maheshwari *et ux.* to Timothy J. Jordan *et ux.*, **65 Devonshire Court**, Somerville, $102,000
Harold Wexler *et ux.* to Chung-Hsuan & Hsieh Tsui Jan, **85 Devonshire Court**, Somerville, $110,000
Michael L. Stanlick *et ux.* to Douglas W. Tipton *et ux.*, **101 Eastwick Court**, Somerville, $168,500
Frank J. Asclone *et ux.* to Mark L. Salandra *et ux.*, **16 Emendorf Circle**, Somerville, $210,000
Hummel Sherwood Forest Inc. to Gary J. Schwarz *et ux.*, **18 Elmendorf Circle**, Somerville, $200,000
Michael S. Sheffield *et ux.* to Rodney E. Williams, **101 Everett Close**, Somerville, $184,000
Joshua Margolin to Dolores H. Bendix, **806 Eves Drive**, Hillsborough, $57,500
David N. Andersen to Richard Felauer & D. Andersen, **126 Flanders Drive**, Somerville, $95,500
Kevin E. King *et ux.* to Dominick A. Colotti, **128 Long Acre Court**, Belle Mead, $104,000
Patrick Richardson *et ux.* to Frank Mondoro & P. Mosavitz, **76 Marshall Road**, Neshanic, $178,000
Mark Stevenson to Robert E. Perhach, **203 Barnard St.**, Somerville, $134,000
Dominick A. DeAngelo *et ux.* to Stonington Assoc., **50 Edgewood Road**, Neshanic Station, $325,000
Hampton Assoc. at Branchburg to Michael L. Raimondo *et al.*, **44 Kingswood Road**, Somerville, $132,590
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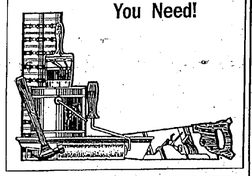
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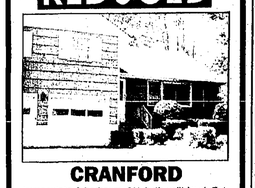
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MANVILLE— 1 rm. eff., w/bath, all utils incl. $475 per mo. Call after 6pm. 725-2867.

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MIDDLESEX— 1 bdrm, 2nd floor, CAC, heat & hot water inc. Private deck, entrance & parking. Attic storage, W&D. $650/ mo sec. Avail. Jan. 1. Call between 6 & 9PM 908-469-6633.

9440 Apartments

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RARITAN— 4 rms. & bath. 1st floor, w/bsmt. & parking. $690/mo. Security & refs. req. Avail. now. 369-6481

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SOMERVILLE— Main St. 5 rms., heat furnished, $725/mo. Call 908-526-5785 or 722-2553

SOMERVILLE— Spacious 1 bdrm. apt. close to public trans. & shopping. Off street parking, cent. AC & heat, balcony, laundry room. for info 526-5128

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WESTFIELD— Private home in quiet area with separate entrance. 1 BR, LR, kitchenette, bathroom. Single non-smoking person preferred. $600/ mo. Includes all util. Call 908-233-1183.

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PLAINFIELD— 1 BR apartment next hospital. New kitchen, bath & carpet. $625 includes heat & hot water. Off-st-parking. Call 908-647-3613.

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SO. BOUND BROOK— 2nd floor, 4 rooms w/ bath, avail. now. $575/ mo. ½ util. 1 mo. security, credit check; couples preferred. No pets. Please call 356-9193.

9450 Rooms

GREENBROOK— extra large furnished room w/ private bath in charming 18th centruy home. $475/mo. Call 968-9838.

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MANVILLE— Large furnished room, walk-in closets, private entrance. $300/mo. incl. utilities. Call 908-725-7208

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PISCATAWAY— Room in private home. Avail. immed. Kit. privileges. Non-smoker. Call 752-0463 after 5PM

SO. BOUND BROOK— furnished room in private home. Kitchen privileges included. Avail. immed. 908-356-0457.

SO. PLAINFIELD— Single or couple. Quiet area, prkg. Call Mary at 908-289-4700.

WESTFIELD— Furn. Rooms $80-up. Sm. apts. $135/wk. Call manager 908-722-2107 5-7PM.

SOMERVILLE— Nicely furnished room w/refrig. Non-smoker, male pref. Sec. $75/up. 725-6470

9470 Apartments to Share

BASKING RIDGE— professional male, non-smoker to share 3 BR 2½ bath modern home, pool, tennis, all appliances. $550/mo. ½ util. Call 908-647-8320 after 7PM & wknds.

WESTFIELD— Professional male to share 2 BR, 2 bath apartment with same. $400/mo. Eves. & weekends 908-232-4192.

9480 Homes to Share

DUNELLEN— share 3 BR house, W&D, in-ground pool, single mom w/1 child OK. $450/mo. 752-2105.

EDISON— 2 BR townhouse, with many extras. $550/mo. util. 908-668-4386 lv. msg

HILLSBOROUGH— Prof. F to share 3BR twnhse; private bath & bdrm, many extras. $115/wk. 908-281-7098; 281-9896, lv. msg.

PLAINFIELD— Female wanted to share house, outside Sleepy Hollow area. Large yard. $350/ mo. plus half utils. Call Barbara 908-756-8539

ROSELLE PARK— Prof. male to share 2 BR Twnhse, with same. W&D, 1½ bath, kit., LR, storage & parking. $450/mo. util. Call Bob Dorer, 908-241-6605 or 908-688-9430.

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LINDEN— 3 prof. females, non-smokers. Has all modern conveniences. Must seel $395/ mo. share util. 1½ mo. sec. 725-6685

9490 Wanted to Rent

REFINED BUSINESS COUPLE desires 2BR spacious apt. w/use of garage or driveway, Cranford, Westfield, Clark or Scotch Plains. Reasonable only. Call collect 718-966-6788.

9490 Wanted to Rent

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SOMERVILLE/ BRIDGEWATER AREA— looking for an apt? So am I! Willing to share w/responsible, professional female. Call Elaine 719-7992 9AM-5PM.

9500 Miscellaneous Rentals

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9600 COMMERCIAL REAL ESTATE

9620 Professional Properties for Sale

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9650 Office Rentals

CLARK— Offices for Rent. Near Post Office & Garden State Pkwy. Rent Incls. utils. Call 908-382-6070

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CRANFORD— 1000-1500 sq. ft. in well-known building. Parking available. Utilities supplied, reasonable.
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Ample Parking
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HILLSBOROUGH— Professional office building. 2200 sq. ft. Rt. 206 & Triangle Rd. at traffic light. Available immediately. 908-218-1100

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WESTFIELD— South Ave. 3 rooms, lavatory & storage. $600/mo. includes heat. Call 908-232-2057 after 5pm.

9660 Industrial Rentals

PLAINFIELD— in Urban Enterprize Zone, tax advantages, 1350 sq. shop, office, 1/2 bath, drive-in door, fenced in parking. $600/mo plus util. 908-549-1829

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9670 Retail Rentals

CRANFORD— Ground flr. store and/or 3 rm. office suite, center of town, North Union Ave. near municipal bldg. & lot. Store $800/mo., office $525/mo. Call 201-822-2475.

NORTH BRUNSWICK— 1st floor, 600 sq. ft. $10/ ft. Ample parking. Please call 908-297-8686 or 908-246-8510.

SOMERSET— Route 27. 1400 sq. ft., fenced-in-yard, ideal for store or office. Call 908-846-4983.

9680 Warehouse Rentals

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9800 BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES

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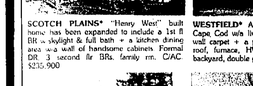


HOUSE OF THE WEEK
CRANFORD
$198,900

This three bedroom ranch style home has new oak kitchen cabinets, a new driveway, newer wall to wall carpeting & a freshly painted interior. There's a handsome fireplace with dentate molding in the living room, a formal dining room, double closets, breezeway, fenced backyard & a garage door opener. Set on large property on a quiet dead end street! Call today for your tour!



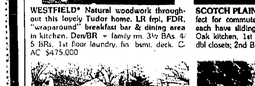
SCOTCH PLAINS* "Henry West" built home has been expanded to include a 1st fl BR + skylight & full bath + a kitchen dining area + a wall of handsome cabinets. Formal DR + 3 second flr BRs, family rm. CAC $235,900



WESTFIELD* A three bedroom, two bath Cape Cod w/a living room fireplace, wall to wall carpet + a porch, patio & deck. Newer roof, furnace, HWH & central air. Private backyard, double garage. $219,800.



WESTFIELD* Natural woodwork throughout this lovely Tudor home. LR frpl, FDR, "wraparound" breakfast bar & dining area in kitchen. Den/BR + family rm. 3½ BAs. 4-5 BRs. 1st floor laundry. fin. bsmt. deck. C AC $475,000



SCOTCH PLAINS* Terrific Townhouse! Perfect for commuters. The LR & dining area each have sliding drs to the PRIVATE deck. Oak kitchen, 1st fl bdrm/hall bath. MBR w/2 dbl closets; 2nd BR has skylight. $148,000.



MOUNTAINSIDE* Cozy fireplace in the LR formal DR, eat-in kitchen w/picture windows overlooking park-like property. 4 BRs, 2 BAs, enclosed side porch. Call now! Owners want to sell and close quickly! $239,900.



PLAINFIELD* There's a stone fireplace in the LR + a formal DR w/French doors to a relaxing deck overlooking the beautifully landscaped & fenced property. Family room. 3 bedrooms, garage. $149,500.



WESTFIELD* Totally remodeled! The family room has a pic wood, wet bar & sliders to the heated pool, hot tub & landscaped property. Many other fantastic cabinets & ceramic tile in new kitchen & new 3½ baths. $325,600



WESTFIELD* 1906- Victorian Colonial. Quality craftsmanship, classic columns, majestic living room fireplace, beveled glass French doors. 9 BRs, 4½ baths. Total: 14 rooms! A memorable home! $769,000

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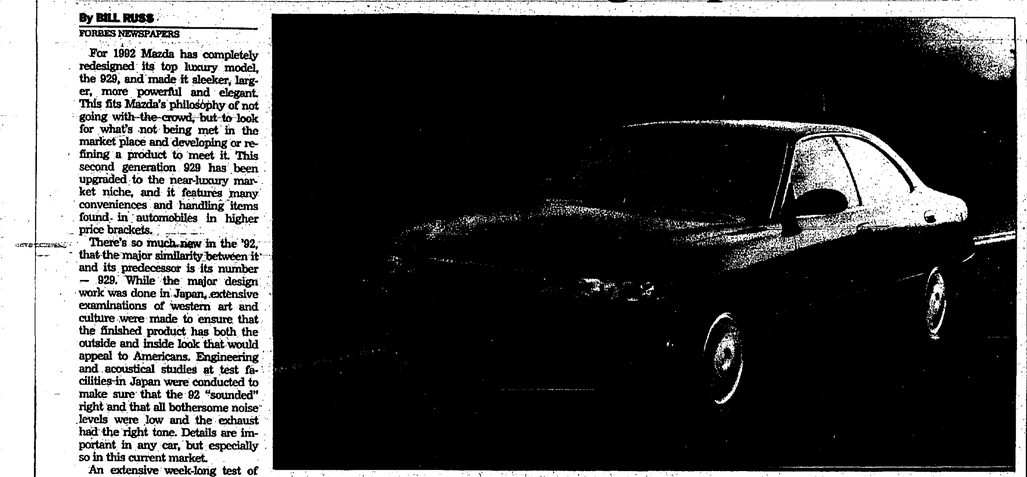
Automotive Guide

Mazda showcases 'flagship model' for 1992

By BILL RUSS
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

For 1992 Mazda has completely redesigned its top luxury model, the 929, and made it sleeker, larger, more powerful and elegant. This fits Mazda's philosophy of not going with the crowd, but to look for what's not being met in the market place and developing or refining a product to meet it. This second generation 929 has been upgraded to the near-luxury market niche, and it features many conveniences and handling items found in automobiles in higher price brackets.

There's so much new in the '92, that the major similarity between it and its predecessor is its number — 929. While the major design work was done in Japan, extensive examinations of western art and culture were made to ensure that the finished product has both the outside and inside look that would appeal to Americans. Engineering and acoustical studies at test facilities in Japan were conducted to make sure that the 92 "sounded" right and that all bothersome noise levels were low and the exhaust had the right tone. Details are important in any car, but especially so in this current market.



The new Mazda 929 is a bold departure from its predecessor in styling, size, convenience, power and performance.

An extensive week-long test of the 929, including a round-trip drive to southern California, leaves me with these comments:

APPEARANCE: The 929 is new from bumper to bumper, from the new logo on its small grille to the low-liftover trunk lid. What had been slightly boxy is now seductively curved and the coefficient of drag is lowered to .32. There's a wide expanse of head and driving lights, a sculptured hood, a short curved rear deck, frameless windows with flush glass, large streamlined side mirrors and cast alloy wheels.

COMFORT: The convenience and comfort built into the 929 comes to the fore on a long trip. Well-contoured seats, with power adjustments for the driver, steering wheel-mounted thumb switches for radio tuning and cruise control setting, effective and sensitive sound and climate control systems that are easy to set and use, a power sunroof, power windows, door locks and heated side mirrors. Both the driver and front passenger have air bags, but the lockable front console takes the place of a glove box. Interior passenger space is excellent, but the trunk size doesn't match the car and there's no pass-through.

ROADABILITY: A long highway trip with some high-desert twisting roads thrown in for variety gave me a real appreciation of the 929's nimbleness in a wide variety of driving situations. For stability and safety, there's a new four-wheel multi-link suspension system plus four-wheel disc brakes with an anti-lock system, and variable assist power steering. Also new is the computerized cruise control arrangement which, simply put, stores the driving habits of the various drivers to better react to changing driving conditions. The overall ride is very quiet and vision is exceptional.

PERFORMANCE: The V-6 engine size is the same as earlier models, but it has been extensively made over for increased efficiency and power: two miles per gallon and five horsepower. Modifications include variable intake and exhaust cam timing devices. This 3.0 liter powerplant has four valves per cylinder, dual overhead cams; multi port fuel injection, and now develops 195 hp. What adds to its smooth operation is the also new four-speed electronically controlled automatic transmission that automatically selects power or normal mode depending on throttle pressure. It also has a "hold" button that allows the driver to manually shift, or hold a gear when needed.

SUGGESTIONS: Add rear seat heater ducting. Make the trunk larger.

ECONOMY: EPA averages are 19 city/24 highway. I averaged 23.5 mpg.

CONCLUSIONS: The new 929 is a bold departure from its predecessor in styling, size and convenience, as well as power and performance. As the largest and most luxurious Mazda it does provide the smoothness, quietness and comfort that is expected of a flagship model.

PRICE AS TESTED: $27,970
BASE PRICE: 27,800

TEST DRIVE: '92 MAZDA 929

Specifications
Base price - $27,800
Price as tested - $27,970
Engine type - V-6, dohc 24-v, mpfi
Engine Size - 3.0 liter/180 cid
Horsepower - 195 at 5750 rpm
Torque (ft/lbs) - 200 at 3,500 rpm
Wheelbase/length - 112 inches/ 194 inches
Transmission - 4-speed auto w/od
Curb weight - 3340 lbs.
Pounds/HP - 19
Fuel capacity - 18 gal.
Fuel requirement - regular unleaded
Tires - Toyo P205/65R15
Brakes - anti-lock standard disc/ disc
Drive train - front engine/ rear drive
Performance - 0-60 mph - 9.5 sec. 1/4 mile (E.T.) - 17.1
EPA economy, mpg city/ highway/observed - 19/24/ 23.5
Drag coefficient (Cd) - .32

Automotive Q&A

By BOB HAGIN
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Q: I have a 1978 Chevrolet Impala V8 350 cubic inch with an automatic transmission and 69,000 miles on it. The car runs beautifully except for the starting. It doesn't always have a problem but it does so with increasing regularity. Very often when I try to start it, the starter makes a sound like I'm trying to start the car while the engine is already running. It's a high-pitched screech. The mechanics that I've taken it too have told me that the problem is in the starter itself and so in the past two years I have replaced the starter motor three times. In spite of this, it seems to be worse than ever. What is the problem?

J.H.
SAN DIEGO, CA

A: The small-block Chevy V8 has a somewhat unusual method of mounting the starter: it bolts vertically to the block and its gear mesh to the drive plate ring gear is adjustable by the use of shims of a predetermined thickness. If the depth is wrong, it can eventually grind up the teeth on the ring gear. When this happens, the only cure is to remove and replace it. Unfortunately this is a pretty expensive operation. It requires removing the transmission and torque converter before the mechanic can get to the drive plate to which the ring gear is welded. The drive plate is expensive and so is the labor. There's an outside chance that the ring gear is OK and a mechanic can check this out by dropping the starter and checking out the gear teeth all around its perimeter. Without the starter to turn it over, the mechanic has to rotate the engine by levering over the drive plate tooth by tooth.

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In brief

Aid police
Members of Cranford B'nai B'rith will volunteer their time to the police department. The program is called Operation Friendship and is now in its 20th year. This year's coordinator is David Cutler, president of the lodge. See photo on page A-3.

Paper drive
Newspapers and aluminum cans will be collected by Boy Scout Troop 178 Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Newspapers must be tied. Papers and cans will be collected at trucks parked at the Conservation Center.

Rides re-scheduled
Because of the rain last Saturday horse and buggy rides have been rescheduled for Saturday, Dec. 21 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m. Board and drop off will be on Main Street at the end of the Park and Shop lot and costs $1.

Doll exhibit
Dolls from around the world will be exhibited at Cranford Library through the end of December. The exhibit is courtesy of Melanie Sordill, who collected the dolls during travels with her family in the United States and abroad. The dolls range in age from five to 40 years old.

PTA honors
Cranford PTA's won many awards at the New Jersey state PTA convention. See page A-10 for details.

Girls roundball
It's Cranford Girls Basketball Night as the Lady Cougars host Kearny Friday.

Fund at 60%
Cranford's United Way Campaign has reached 60 percent of its $205,000 goal. See page A-5.

Raised $4,000
The Cranford Junior Woman's Club which sponsored the house tour benefit, will present $4,000 to Project Home.

Scout project
John Ondrey of Troop 178 has taken on an ambitious Eagle Scout Project. He's distributing Vials of Life to Cranford senior citizens. See story and photo on the Community Life Page, A-6.

Many services
Many Christmas services are in the offing. See page A-8.

Stores open
Stores in Cranford will be open Christmas Eve Day, Dec. 24, from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Short term parking meters are hooded for the rest of the shopping season.

No pickups
There will be no curbside pickups of recyclables in Cranford Wednesday, Dec. 25, because of Christmas. Next pickup: Jan. 8.

A concert
A Holiday concert is scheduled at Cranford High School at 8 p.m. today.

Early deadline
This is the last newspaper before Christmas. The next paper will be printed Christmas Eve and distributed Thursday, Dec. 26. This means an earlier deadline. Please deliver news items before noon Friday.

Recreation may feel the pinch of budget cuts

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

Cranford Township residents could be getting a lot less bang for their bucks (literally) under the proposed 1991-92 municipal budget.

The Township Committee heard a number of budget presentations Tuesday night, including one from the recreation department which would eliminate the annual July 4th fireworks display.

In addition, the township committee heard budget reports calling for a cutback on library hours and the closing of the township's clay tennis courts on Springfield Avenue. Another program which could be discontinued under the new budget is Volunteer Recognition Night.

By cutting funding for the annual fireworks display, the township would save an estimated $7,000. Township committee members agreed that the fireworks exhibition was benefiting not only Cranford residents, but hundreds of spectators from other towns as well.

According to Frank D'Antonio, director of recreation and parks, the township would continue its July 4th tradition of holding picnics and other holiday festivities at the park.

Among the activities to be continued would be the Jaycees Firecracker Run, children's races, canoe races and the annual July 4th parade, which concludes at Memorial Park.

The fireworks display, according to Mr. D'Antonio, draws 9,000-12,000 spectators an-

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Consultants suggest switching back to seven-period day

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

The elimination of six teaching positions and changing the school day at Cranford High from eight periods to seven were among the recommendations made to the Cranford Board of Education Monday night.

See related story on page A-5

Fleischer Management Associates, Inc. told the board that it could save $210,000 by eliminating six teaching positions at the high school. The recommendations were made in a staffing study released to the board by the Fogelsville, Pa. consulting firm.

In addition, Dr. Robert Fleischer suggested to the board that it eliminate one period per day at the high school and lengthen the remaining classes by seven minutes.

By doing so, Dr. Fleischer told the board that a high school teacher's "daily contact time" with their pupils would be increased by almost 10 percent.

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Will Family Care be able to reach out far enough?

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE CHRONICLE

With just a few days to Christmas, Silvia Sidoti is wondering how she will provide 96 families and 112 children with presents.

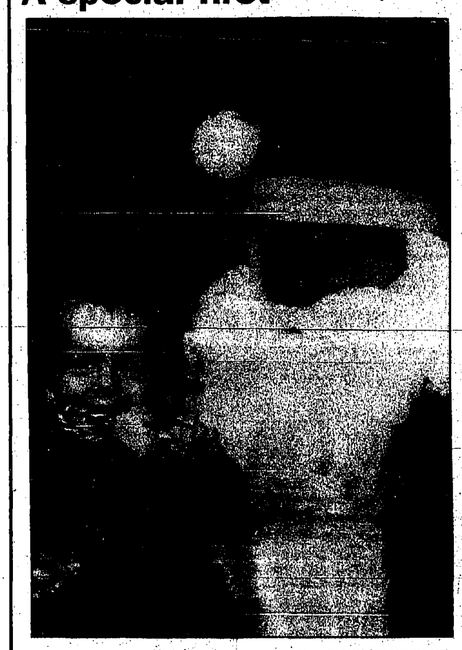
But each year, despite the odds, she somehow does it. She is hoping the ghost of miracles past returns.

It is hard to imagine children not having presents to open on Christmas morning, but this year Cranford Family Care is struggling to stretch the neatly wrapped gifts that have been donated by the more fortunate. Mrs. Sidoti sighs as she gazes around the two tiny rooms in the basement of the municipal building and wonders if this year will be the year the gifts do not stretch. Will there be a child or family without presents under the tree? Without a tree?

Some 56 years ago the Family Care Association was established by caring and interested residents who had the foresight to know

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Ryan Albert, 7 months, met Santa for the first time when the big man took time off from his toy making duties to visit Cranford. Santa, a guest of the Cranford Jaycees, was spotted at the Community Center on Saturday.

Shoppers receive holiday gift

The red bags covering the township's parking meters are designed to save Cranford shoppers some green.

Continuing an almost two-decade tradition, the retail division of the Cranford Chamber of Commerce is offering two-hour free parking to those visiting the township.

Approximately 320 street meters, plus 87 meters in Lot Seven (behind Gentlemen's Corner on Miln Street) will be covered until Christmas.

The bags are purchased by township retailers at a cost of $1.75 each. Then, two weeks before Dec. 25, the meters throughout Cranford are covered by store owners.

"It's a gift to the shoppers," said Marta Person, assistant township administrator, when asked about the free parking.

"We've gotten calls from Westfield residents telling us they have even more of an abominable parking situation than we have. They've been telling us how nice the parking situation in Cranford is and how Westfield is now covering their meters," Ms. Person said.

The red bags are inscribed with the holiday message "Seasons Greetings. Two Hours Free Parking."

-BRIAN FLORCZAK

Eastman Plaza earns accolades for design

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
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The refurbished Eastman Plaza has been recognized for design excellence by a pair of New Jersey organizations.

The Union County Economic Development Corporation and the Downtown New Jersey Inc. organizations recently visited Cranford to present awards to a number of township officials.

Bordering North Avenue and Eastman Street, Eastman Plaza was refurbished at a cost of $150,000. Work on the project began in October 1990 and was completed last summer.

Officials from the Union County Economic Organization gathered at the Cranford Business Park last Wednesday (Dec. 11) to present their award to Brian Leddy of the Downtown Management Corporation; Marta Person, downtown manager; and Claire Vecchio, junior engineer.

According to Ms. Person, the award was a tribute to all those who helped make the refurbishing of Eastman Plaza a reality.

"From a dilapidated park area in disrepair, we now have a gem of an area to work with," Ms. Person said. "I'm really proud that we were able to win such an award."

This is the first year that the Union County Economic Development Corporation has recognized municipalities which it feels have conducted noteworthy renovation projects. It presented township officials with a plaque Dec. 11.

That plaque will now be displayed in room 108 of the Municipal Building.

"I think the improvement of the Plaza alone makes a major difference in one's impression when going through the Cranford downtown area," said Adam Farrah, director of financial programs for the Union County Economic Development Corporation.

"A renovation like this one makes a difference when you ask people what they think of Cranford," Mr. Farrah said.

The Downtown New Jersey Inc. organization presented its award to township officials Dec. 5. at its annual fall conference at the Gateway Hilton in Newark.

Less than a week later, Meryl Leyton of the organization made a formal presentation at the township committee's Dec. 10 meeting.

The criteria used to select Eastman Plaza were: favorable contribution to pedestrian and retail activities; contribution to a positive downtown image, physical appearance or use; adding or restoring downtown activities; economic success; and ability to stimulate downtown growth.

Public safety concept remains 'viable'

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
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Public Safety Director Robert Guertin said last week that $344,000 worth of cuts would strongly impact his department and the level of service police and fire personnel provide to residents.

At a special budget hearing Dec. 11, Mr. Guertin delivered his first budget presentation since the public safety concept was implemented in September, offering two budget options to the governing body for review. The first option would require a $5 million budget and keep the police and fire departments "as is."

The second option encompasses $342,000 in cuts, as requested by the Township Committee several weeks ago.

The governing body had asked all 14 municipal department heads to cut a total of $664,000 from the 1992 budget to ward off potential layoffs.

He placed strong emphasis on the fact that he and the chiefs are committed to the public safety concept despite the fact "we have (been) preached the doom and gloom story." He remained "confident" the idea was viable and "will work," but does not work "with a flick of light switch." He said, however, "we have just touched the tip of the iceberg."

He said consolidation had so far resulted in a $145,323 savings for the township, with the deletion of three police and fire personnel through advancement without replacement as the basis for the savings. He said the department is now staffed below prevailing standards, with "no built-in cushion against emergency circumstances such as sick leave, sudden resignations or the impact of major crimes, fires or emergency management situations."

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*—**Robert Guertin***
Public Safety Director

Police Chief Harry Wilde and Fire Chief Arthur Kinmie provided additional details to substantiate Mr. Guertin's claims, and provide a clearer understanding of how resources are allocated.

Chief Wilde used statistics to support keeping staffing levels the same, alluding to the fact the township "has been visited by the crime which is evident in surrounding communities." The loss of six uniformed personnel will have an adverse effect on the delivery of services to residents, Chief Wilde said. Reassignments could eliminate such programs as crime prevention, narcotic enforcement and P.A.L.

In 1990, a police staff of 47 responded to twice as many calls as in 1974, when the staffing level was at 56 officers. He said the police department was reactive rather than proactive and said there was too much police work and not enough officers.

In 1990, the police patrol received 110,000 calls, responding to 3,429 offenses, including homicide, rape and robbery, and making 946 arrests. Of the 110,000 calls, 980 were medical assist, 1,002 traffic accidents, 1,463 alarms, 365 fire calls, 246 hazardous conditions, 315 animal complaints, 170 domestic violence complaints, 7,896 moving violations, and 19 weapons offenses.

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Tree decked with classic ornaments

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The Christmas tree at the Cranford Historical Society Museum is attractive, but it's the ornaments on it that make it unique.

For the 11th consecutive year, the society is spotlighting its annual tree, which is decorated with ornaments, some of which are over 100 years old.

No ornaments which say "Baby's First Christmas" here. Don't visit the museum if you want to look at decorations with Charlie Brown and Snoopy on them.

But if you would enjoy seeing the first-ever glass Christmas ornaments to be brought to the United States, the Cranford Historical Society tree is for you.

If decorations made of real rooster feathers are more important to you than plastic balls with "State College, Class of 1981," inscribed on them, visit the museum at 124 North Union Ave.

Open Sundays from 2-4 p.m., the museum will have its tree on display until the second week of January. For those who might like to visit, but are unable to do so on Sunday, weekday appointments are available.

Time is running out, however, to see the tree which was unveiled to the public last Sunday at the Cranford Historical Society's open house.

"Some of the ornaments here are 4-inch high snow babies which are made of cotton batting and plaster and they come from Germnny," explained Larry Fuhro, president of the society.

"There is a 7-inch-long rooster made out of real rooster feathers and 'Kugels,' which are 6-inch diameter balls which weigh almost one pound. They were the first-ever glass Christmas ornaments to come to the United States.'

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