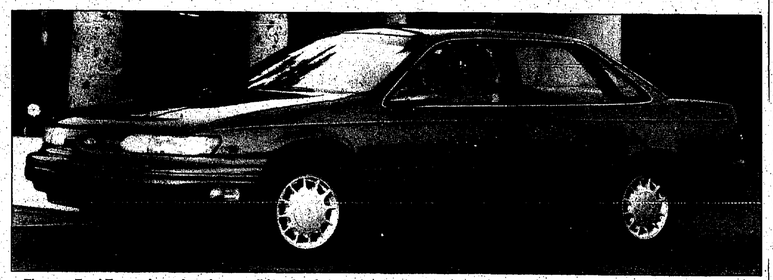
Automotive Guide

Taurus continues a good trend

By BILL RUSS
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

In the mid-80s, Ford Motor Company took a big gamble to the tune of $3 billion in the design, development, engineering, production and marketing of its '86 Ford Taurus and Mercury sable line.

These sleek, aerodynamic models were a radical departure from the three-box styling that was prevalent at that time. Like the Airflow Chryslers of the '30s, there were those who thought that these new Ford products were too radical for American tastes. However, the Taurus became a best seller, as well as a design trend-setter, and many of those who derided the "jelly bean" look came up with new "aero"



The new Ford Taurus is an American tradition that is built for comfort.

designs of their own.

While evolutionary improvements have continually been made to the Taurus, 1992 marks the first year that substantial appearance changes appeared. However, these revisions are so in line with the original styling that one almost has to see the old and new side by side to notice the differences. Although the cost of the 1992 changes came to w 11 over $500 million, most of them are in areas that can not be seen, but that result in better comfort, handling and performance.

APPEARANCE: The new Taurus retains enough of its predecessor to be easily recognizable as the next generation Taurus: that's what is meant by evolution in the automotive business. Even though all of the body panels are new, it still retains its successful image, and has the comfortable look of an old friend who has enjoyed a physical make-over and a hair restyling. The front and rear are slightly longer for an overall increase of four inches, the headlights are slimmer, and the side body cladding is new.

COMFORT: The LX version is a very luxurious and roomy six passenger sedan. When equipped with the many available power options and upgrades it has all of the amenities of the high-end luxo-sedans. All controls driver's use. The trunk is traditionally Ford-large but the remote unlock needs a restraint to keep the deck lid from abruptly flying and instruments are well laid out and easy to use except that the excellent upgrade JBL sound system requires remote controls for the open. The dual front visors are great when the sun is low, and the driver's airbag adds a sense of security.

ROADABILITY: Many of the development dollars went for noise, vibration and harshness improvements. These items add stability to the ride and handling, ride quietness, reduction of wind, engine and road noise. In short, all the things that are not seen, but heard and felt and make a significant difference when driving. The optional anti-lock brakes and four wheel disc brakes are a good investment, and the standard speed sensitive variable assist power steering provides stable handling.

PERFORMANCE: Our Taurus LX was powered by the optional 3.8 liter V-6. A 3.0 liter V-6 is standard, and while both engines are similar in construction (overhead valves, pushrods and fuel injection) and produce identical 140 horsepower, the larger 3.8 has 35 percent more torque. This makes for quicker passing and excellent highway grade climbing ability. Ford's electronically controlled 4-speed automatic transmission is a smooth shifter.

SUGGESTIONS: Add adjustable front shoulder harness. Redesign trunk for lower liftover. Adjust tension on trunk lid so it doesn't fly open.

ECONOMY: EPA averages are 18 city/28 highway. I averaged 19.4 mpg.

CONCLUSIONS: The Taurus continues to be Ford's signature model. It sells well and has a good combination of American, "traditionalism" plus enough originality to attract owners who wanted something a bit "different." This was good enough to make it the largest selling all-American car in '91. Besides its distinctive looks both inside and out, the LX has most of the roominess and luxuries found in more upscale cars, plus more than adequate power with the optional V-6.

PRICE AS TESTED: $22,303 fully optioned.

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Cranford Chronicle

In brief

Board petitions due today at 4 p.m.

Today is the last day to file your petition if you plan to run for a seat on the Board of Education. Petitions must be handed in to the board office by 4 p.m. today.

Mary Kokie wins first in poster contest

Mary Elizabeth Kokie, a sixth grader at Orange Avenue School, recently won first place in the Fourth Annual Burn Awareness and Prevention Poster Contest.

For her efforts, Mary received a $500 savings bond and a luncheon in her honor sponsored by the St. Barnabas Burn Foundation, and her original poster will be framed and professionally reproduced for distribution to schools throughout the state.

Mary was competing against fourth-, fifth- and sixth-grade students from 14 counties throughout New Jersey. The contest was held in celebration of Burn Awareness Week.

In addition, the Board of Education has approved a resolution honoring Mary and Sharon Petrucelli, the teacher who helped Mary with her project.

Local chiropractor promotes heart care

Local chiropractor Dr. Geraldine Barda will sponsor "Have a Healthy Heart Month" at her office at The Mill, 347 Lincoln Ave. East. A free blood pressure screening and heart care class will be held Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. Call for an appointment.

Eighth-graders selling play tickets

The Orange Avenue School eighth-grade is raising money for a trip to Washington, D.C., by selling tickets for the Cranford Dramatic Club production of the Miracle Worker. It will be presented Sunday, Feb. 23 at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $12. Call 272-8271.

Boy Scouts collect recyclables

There will be a newspaper and aluminum can collection by St. Michael's Boy Scout Troop 178 at the Conservation Center this Saturday, from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Newspapers must be tied. Cans and newspapers will be collected at the truck, not at the dumpster.

Cultural arts show will be presented

The staff and students of Orange Avenue School welcome Greg Bufford and Michelle Summers, who will perform "Dance and Drums from Africa to the New World" on Wednesday in the auditorium. The show, sponsored by the PTA Cultural Arts Committee, is a one-hour musical demonstration and workshop about the history and influence of African music and dance on popular music throughout the world.

Mr. Bufford has performed around the world with Sonny Sitti, Della Reese, Dakota Staton, Carol Lawrence, Donald O'Connor and others. As a composer, he claims one gold record: the Brunswick 1980 single "Bounce, Rock, Skate, Roll."

Irish step dancers to perform Sunday

Parishioners of Immaculate Conception Church in Elizabeth announce an Irish cultural program to be held on Sunday, March 8, at 2 p.m. featuring prize-winning step dancers of the Deidre Shea School of Irish Dancing of Cranford. Music and song selections are by William Duddy. Tickets are $7.50 for adults and $5 for children. Reservations: 355-2818.

School board agonizes over staff cuts

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

A special Board of Education meeting will be held Wednesday to further discuss the feasibility of cutting 10 staff positions in the Cranford school district.

After hearing Schools Superintendent Dr. Robert Paul introduce his list of recommended cuts at its Monday night meeting, the board voted to come back next week to expatiate on the effects such action would have on Cranford students.

The board voted at its Jan. 29 meeting to have Dr. Paul list, in priority order, the 10 most expendable positions in the district. That list, according to the resolution, had to contain a minimum of four teaching positions and a minimum of two administrative positions.

The proposed job eliminations come as the board struggles to find ways to make cuts in its 1992-93 school budget.

At the board's regular meeting earlier this week, Dr. Paul announced a partial list of positions which would be eliminated. That list includes an art teacher at Cranford High School, a clerical aide at Hillside School, a classroom aide at Hillside School, a guidance counselor at Cranford High School, a special education aide at Hillside School and a library aide at Cranford High.

In addition, the list calls for a physical education supervisor at the high school to teach one or two classes daily, thereby allowing the district to eliminate a teaching position in that department.

Under state law, the 10 employees whose positions were being questioned had to be notified by letter by the school district. They then had the option to discuss the matter in the public session of last Monday's school meeting or to talk to the board in closed session afterwards.

Consequently, not all of the positions in jeopardy were revealed by Dr. Paul in the public portion of the meeting.

By eliminating 10 positions, it is expected the district could save $241,000.

The board, however, said it would not even consider the proposal until it received a comprehensive study from Dr. Paul outlining the impact such cuts would have on students in the district.

"I see the savings this would have, but not

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District, town hold harmonious meeting on working together

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

In a spirit of joint cooperation, the Cranford Township Committee and the Cranford Board of Education agreed last week to combine their efforts on a number of issues.

The two governing bodies met for longer than two hours last Thursday night to discuss a number of items, such as joint purchasing and 7th-8th grade dances at the Hillside School.

Gathered at the Municipal Building, the two groups reached accord on 10 agenda items in a meeting which could be best described as harmonious.

In fact, the only minor disagreement of the evening came when committee member Dan Aschenbach questioned why the school district was allowing its students to use almost 10-year-old personal computers.

That problem, however, will soon be solved as IBM has given the district a number of personal computers, to be used for a limited period of time on a no-obligation to buy basis.

Mr. Aschenbach raised concerns over the current computers, however, after board member Thomas Bowling said the existing system was 10 years behind in technology.

Stating that he had been to various parts of Minnesota where students had access to new computer systems, Mr. Aschenbach wanted to know why Cranford pupils didn't have the same opportunity.

But Edna Silvey felt that the committee member's comments put Cranford in a negative light and told those gathered that such remarks only served to hurt the township's reputation when compared to its neighbors.

Instead, Ms. Silvey commented that not enough credit was given to Cranford and that more emphasis should be placed on more of the

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Youth robbed of $5 but keeps his jacket

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

A 12-year-old youth was robbed of a small amount of money Thursday afternoon while walking home from Hillside Avenue School, marking the seventh time in recent months that someone had been held up in the township.

The seventh grade student was walking through the pedestrian tunnel under Hillside Avenue when the incident occurred at 3:15 p.m. The boy told police he was approached by a pair of males believed to be between the ages of 18-25.

The two men demanded the youth's money and Starter brand jacket and the child complied by handing over $5. He fled, however, before relinquishing his jacket, which is believed to have "Georgetown" stitched on it.

When last seen, the pair of men were driving away on North Lehigh Avenue in a green car with a black door. The 12-year-old told police he didn't see the pair of men brandishing any weapons at the time of the incident.

Police are investigating.

Hotel could become senior citizen lodge

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

The company owning the Coachman-Days Inn in Cranford has announced plans to change the facility into a senior citizens housing complex.

A.V.R. Realty Company of Yonkers, N.Y. will go before the Zoning Board of Adjustment next month seeking approval to revamp the hotel into what it describes as an "Assisted Living Rental Residence" for senior citizens.

About 180 units will be located at the proposed senior citizens complex, with additional plans calling for a commons building to be constructed at the site.

The proposed commons building would be erected on what is now a parking lot and would contain living room areas, a kitchen and a dining room.

Some things will endure at the Jackson Drive site, however. The Coachman Restaurant, a long-time staple in the area, will remain open for business.

In preparation for the expected change, A.V.R. Realty Company has appointed the Kapson Group of Long Island to manage the property. The Kapson Group currently operates a number of senior citizens complexes in the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area.

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Stuart Green finds success in co-authoring 'Payback'

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

For two decades, Stuart Green has been working with psychiatric patients. It's doubtful, however, if even he could help Willie Reldus.

Mr. Reldus is one of the main characters in Mr. Green's first novel, *Payback*, the story of a sadistic genius bent on protecting his real estate boss's crooked business practices.

A psychiatrist at Overlook Hospital in Summit, and a two-year resident of Cranford, Mr. Green co-authored *Payback* with Jonathan Neumann of *The Philadelphia Inquirer*.

Published by Simon & Schuster, "Payback" was released last October under the pseudonym of Philip Harper. Thus far, the book has been selling well in stores across the nation and especially in the Philadelphia area where the book is set.

And that fact brings a smile to the face of Mr. Green, who used to be a college roommate of Mr. Neumann when the two were undergraduates at the City College of New York.

"We went to school together in the 60's and we remained friends," Mr. Green said. "I went on to do psychology and he went on to be a journalist, where he's now an investigative reporter with The Inquirer.

"We had always talked about someday doing detective books. When you do psychology and reporting you're not only living things, you're watching them as well. A couple of years ago we discussed the frustrating parts of the job and a lot of things that led us to write the book are very real for investigative reporters."

With *Payback* having received stellar reviews since its release, Mr. Green and Mr. Neumann are already at work producing a sequel. In fact, Mr. Green said the books will continue as a series for as long as people continue to read them.

"We have our second book finished and I'm editing it right now," Mr. Green commented. "It's the same character and we're continuing our series. There will be a book out every year for the next five or six and we'll keep going for as long as people like it."

Simon & Schuster have been heavily publicizing the book in the Philadelphia area, where Mr. Green said *Payback* was "selling like hot cakes." Surprisingly, the novel has also sold well in parts of the nation where it hasn't been promoted.

Sterling reviews have much to do with the novel's success.

"The book has been selling in other parts of the country, even though it hasn't been publicized," Mr. Green said. "The Cleveland Plain Dealer wrote that the book was too good to go under a pseudonym.

"The first printing was fairly high and it's had a second printing already. "It will probably take a couple more books before we get a national push."

Actually, it was Simon & Schuster who advised Mr. Green and Mr. Neumann to use the pseudonym because they wanted the novel to be published under just one name.

The best thing to call the authors of *Payback*, however, is successful.

"It's hard work and it's like having a second job, but it's really been fun," Mr. Green said. "John and I get along real well, and this is enjoyable because this is something different than what we do during the day.

"The first book took us a couple of years to write because we were doing it part time. The second book has taken less than a year and I found it gets easier as you go along. I think the second book is better written and better put together and I want them to get better as they go along."

As for *Payback*, Mr. Green said the book is almost based on a true story.

"Reldus is the villain that Gray contends with," Mr. Green explained. "All of the characters in the book, unfortunately, are people that we've encountered. There's a real estate developer driving people out of their homes in Chester County (Pa.) and his assistant is a sick person who does many violent things. Gray tries to drive him out of business."

"The fantasy part of the book is that you have a hero who consistently wins. In real life if you're a whistle blower you usually don't survive. Gray survives."



Stuart Green, co-author of *Payback*, stands a few blocks away from the Philadelphia courthouse, where much of his new novel is set.

Board candidate outlines platform with budget reform as centerpiece

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

Now that he has announced his intention to seek election to the Cranford Board of Education, Richard Salls is beginning to introduce the platform upon which he will run.

Mr. Salls, who is seeking one of three, three-year seats which will be contested in April, said that if elected he would work toward expanding the school district's budget review process.

His suggestion comes as the school board struggles to make cuts in its 1992-93 budget. A $27 million preliminary budget was recently submitted to the Union County Superintendent of Schools, but it is expected the figures will be adjusted pending county approval.

Mr. Salls, who resides at Oneida Place, also introduced a number of other issues he would work toward as a member of the school board.

In addition to an expanded budget review process, Mr. Salls said he would like to include a budget planning calendar which would outline key dates and goals of the board. The candidate also said he would like to see a long-range planning process developed.

Another idea Mr. Salls would like to see implemented is a budget reporting process which, in effect, would give the board "snapshots" of key areas of the budget.

Mr. Salls also supports continued

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Police Report

Monday, Feb. 10

Someone broke into a 1984 Corvette parked on Elizabeth Avenue and stole the vehicle's T-top and rearview mirror. Police said the incident occurred sometime between 6 p.m. on Feb. 10 and 7:30 a.m. on Feb. 10. The items were valued at $1,000.

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A 1990 Chevrolet van was broken into and a small amount of loose change taken in an incident which took place on North Avenue East sometime between Feb. 8 and Feb. 10. A window was shattered to gain access to the money.

Sunday, Feb. 9

A Dorchester Avenue resident, upon leaving the Rustic Mill Diner parking lot between 1-2 a.m., saw that someone had egged his 1992 Oldsmobile Cutlass. When he arrived home, he discovered someone had egged his brother's pick-up truck as well.

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A 19-year-old Cranford resident told police that someone in a two-door black Honda threw eggs at him while he was walking on South Walnut Avenue at 12:20 a.m.

Saturday, Feb. 8

The driver's side front door handle on a 1991 Toyota parked on Springfield Avenue was snapped off sometime between 4 p.m. on Feb. 7 and 12:22 a.m. on Feb. 8. Police said would-be thieves snapped the handle off in an unsuccessful attempt at gaining entrance to the car. The handle was valued at $400.

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Two stepladders and an 8-foot Port-A-Brake were taken from a vehicle parked on Dartmouth Road. The items were valued at $700.

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A Princeton Road resident told police that jewelry had been taken from his home sometime between the hours of 7 p.m. and 10:30 p.m. The homeowner said when he arrived home he discovered a rear door had been smashed to gain entry to the residence. No value of the jewelry was reported.

Friday, Feb. 7

Four rabbits belonging to a Hillcrest Avenue woman were reported missing. The woman told police that someone pulled back the screens on the rabbit cages and when she went outside to see the animals, they were missing.

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A South Union Avenue man told police that someone threw eggs at his office building sometime between 4 p.m. Thursday and 9:50 a.m. Friday. It was the second time the building had been egged.

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Approximately $16,000 in tools were reported stolen from a garage on North Lehigh Avenue sometime between Feb. 4-7. The garage, which was being used to repair cars, had a window smashed and a door broken to gain entrance to the property. Among the items taken was a large Craftsman tool case.

Cop's sharp eye nets Elizabeth pair suspected of committing robberies

A pair of Elizabeth residents have been arrested and charged in connection with a series of robberies in the Cranford area.

Thanks to the sharp eye of Cranford Township Police Officer Pete Graczyk, the two thieves were apprehended Thursday afternoon after their car was spotted on North Avenue and Alden Street.

Odete Rodrigues, 19, and Antonio Guelho, 20, were charged with possession of a stolen vehicle; possession of stolen property, which included a large amount of jewelry; possession of a controlled dangerous substance; and possession of burglary tools.

The Cranford Police Department, along with forces from Elizabeth, Roselle and Roselle Park, had been exchanging information on the case for two weeks.

During that time, Ms. Rodrigues and Mr. Guelho committed about 10 burglaries.

On Thursday, however, Officer Graczyk, a two-year veteran of the Cranford Police Department, spotted the thieves in a 1986 Pontiac Grand Am travelling on North Avenue and Alden Street.

After pulling the car over at 1:17 p.m., Officer Graczyk discovered the car has been stolen from Elizabeth and, as a result, he arested the two occupants.

"Officer Graczyk's alertness and attention to duty and quick thinking led to the apprehension of the perpetrators without incident or injury," said Cranford Police Chief Harry Wilde. "He is to be commended for his efforts."

-BRIAN FLORCZAK

Slide show on West Africa to be shown

The Union County 4-H division of Rutgers Cooperative Extension invites the public to attend the next event planned for the "Global Connections Program," titled "Growing Up in West Africa," tomorrow. Dr. Stanley Kamara will present a colorful slide show illustrating childhood in his native country of Sierra Leone. His topics will be family structure, educational system, language, agriculture and cultural aspects including dress, religion and customs.

Sewage flow problems are probed

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

Tony Smith's hopes of getting his sewerage problems solved aren't going down the drain after all.

The Department of Public Works (DPW) will visit Mr. Smith's Orange Avenue home on a regular basis to try to figure out why sewage keeps backing up into the basement of his residence.

Representatives from the DPW will take regular samples of items flowing through Mr. Smith's sewer line to try and determine what is causing the problem.

In an attempt to correct the problem, the township has been flushing out Mr. Smith's sewer line whenever backups occur. However, the backups continue to occur shortly after workers clean the line.

Mr. Smith recently said he believed the problem was being caused by either tree roots obstructing the line, or possibly cracks in the line.

The most recent theory, however, states that the line is being clogged up by paper towels.

At the Township Committee's Feb. 4 meeting, committee member Bob Hoeffler said he heard the problem is being caused by paper towels getting stuck in the system.

In Mr. Smith's basement is a dance studio and Mr. Hoeffler said it appears children who take classes there are flushing large amounts of paper towels in the toilets.

Another possible solution to Mr. Smith's problem is changing the lateral location of the sewer line so it runs diagonally from his house to the manhole so the line is augmented by flow from other areas.

Cosmological debate scheduled by Trailside Science Center

Trailside Nature and Science Center will host a Cosmological Debate — "Did the Big Bang Really Happen?" on Sunday, Feb. 23 at 2:15 p.m. The debate will highlight the center's third Annual Astronomy Sunday which will feature many space-related demonstrations, displays, children's workshops and talks.

Terry Allen Matilsky, Ph.D. will defend the "Big Bang Theory" of the origin of the universe. Dr. Matilsky is currently an associate professor at Rutger's University and brings to the debate his extensive experience and knowledge in the field of astronomy including a past post on the General Electric Space Shuttle Committee and the NASA Headquarters Satellite Selections Committee. Dr. Matilsky has also published numerous magazine and journal articles.

Debating against Dr. Matilsky will be Eric J. Lerner, author of *The Big Bang Never Happened.* Dr. Lerner will present his newly proposed alternative to the Big Bang Theory. He is a plasma physicist who has published numerous technical papers in the new field of plasma cosmology. Educated at Columbia and the University of Maryland, he is a full member of the American Astronomical Society and heads his own research and consulting firm in Lawrenceville. He is also a prolific science writer, having published over 200 articles in magazines such as *Discover, Science Digest, Spectrum* and *Aerospace America.* Dr. Lerner is a three-time winner of the Award of Excellence of the Aviation/Space Writer's Association.

Other presentations include the following: 1:15-1:45 p.m. "The Sun" with Anne Anderson, Union County College — a slide show and talk about solar features and structures; 1:30 p.m. "Solar Viewing" with Roger Tuthill of Mountainside and the Montclair Telescope Club. Weather permitting; 1:45 p.m. "The Universe Through Artist's Eyes" with Lonny Buinis of Raritan Valley Community College Planetarium; 3:45-4:30 p.m. "The Milky Way By Telescope" with Karl Hricho of Amateur Astronomers Inc. Slide and star show presentation in the Planetarium; 3:45-5 p.m. "Retrorockets" Commemorative films of John Glenn's 30th anniversary orbital flight and 20th anniversary of the last Apollo astronauts on the moon; 3:45-4:15 p.m. "Model Rocket Launch" Garden State Space Modelling Society (GSSMS) Weather permitting.

Children's workshops include: 1:45 p.m. Grades kindergarten through second — rainbow-making sunglasses and 2:45 p.m. Grades three through five — optical illusions. There is a $2 fee per child. For more information call 789-3670.

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School board agonizes

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the impact," said board member Dee Sugalski. "This was kind of shooting from the hip. This is one part of the study, but it doesn't mean it will be acted on."

Fellow board member Andrew Pellicio agreed he wanted more details regarding the proposed cutbacks and maintained that the district should cut staff only as a last resort.

"As far as the cuts go, this board has not looked enough into cutting things such as (awards) dinners or what have you," Mr. Pellicio said. "Before we do this, you have to cut everything in the budget that can be considered frills.

"I want us to dig deeper into the frills that we can cut from the budget."

By cutting a guidance counselor's position at the high school, it is believed the ratio of students to counselors would rise from 35:1 to about 50:1.

"Personnel is the last thing we want to cut," said board member Henry Pavlak. "The Fleischer Report said enrollment in the district was going to go up, so why would we cut a guidance counselor's position?

"This is one of the last cuts I'd like to see."

Of all the positions announced Monday night, it appeared the elimination of a guidance counselor at the high school drew the biggest ire from the school board.

"It's important that each staff person in guidance meets during the year with the students," said board member Loretta Smith. "If you cut back, these students would not be able to meet with the counselors for guidance."

The president of the Cranford Education Association, meanwhile, told the board that by conducting its feasibility study it was creating turmoil in the school district.

"There is a lot of unrest in the school system," Ms. Taylor said. "This is really creating a lot of problems, and I can't explain the unrest that is going on right now in the school system."

"Go back into the budget and cut out the items that can be taken out," added Walnut Avenue resident Susan Healey. "Lower the heat 10 degrees in the schools. Most of the time kids walk around in 'Starter' jackets anyway.

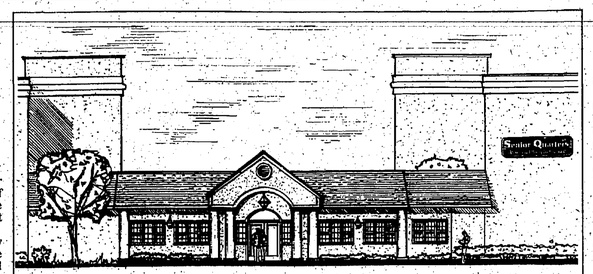
"Don't cut people because it hurts my children. You have been elected as advocates for our children. Please take your responsibility seriously."

Azure to hold dinner

Azure Assembly No. 40 International Order of Rainbow for Girls is holding an Italian Night Dinner between 5 and 7 p.m., Saturday, Feb. 15 at Cranford Masonic Temple on the corner of South Ave. E., Thomas St. The cost is $6.50 for adults and $4.50 for children under 11.

Aid workshop planned

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



Could become senior lodge

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According to Evan Kaplan, the Kapson Group is aiming to open the renovated facility early in 1993, pending Board of Adjustment approval. Construction on the site would begin this fall.

"We've done some demographic studies and we think we'll fill it (the facility) up very quickly," Mr. Kaplan said. "There is a tremendous need for something like this and it's a step up from other senior citizens housing in Cranford.

"The senior citizen housing centers in Cranford are individual where residents do their own cooking and shopping. This one will have a communal dining room where residents can gather," Mr. Kaplan said.

If approved, the new senior citizens complex will face Commerce Street. The monthly rental rate will range from $1,200-$2,500 (all inclusive) and it is expected that the majority of residents at the building will be over 75.

The expected change of the Coachman-Days Inn to senior citizens housing comes in light of low occupancy rates at the hotel. Consequently, A.V.R. Realty teamed up with the Kapson Group in hopes of maintaining the value of the property.

Founded in 1932, the Kapson Group owns and manages several adult residences in the New York-New Jersey metropolitan area. Among the senior citizens housing complexes owned by the group are the North Shore Lodge Home for Adults in Centereach, N.Y. (a former Holiday Inn), and Huntington Lodge, The Adult Residence, also on Long Island.

The group also owns the North Shore Senior Apartments, a two-year-old 99-unit independent living apartment complex for seniors located adjacent the North Shore Lodge.

The company's most recent acquisition is the Larkfield School in East Northport, Long Island which will also be converted into a full-service "assisted living" residence.

If approved the Cranford facility would employ a concierge to attend to entertainment and travel arrangements. The complex would also feature a library, working fireplace and private dining rooms.

A recreation director and 24-hour staff would be on call to arrange various activities such as music, lectures and art classes.

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township's achievements.

Otherwise, the two governing bodies agreed on a number of issues including 7th and 8th grade dances. The February dance for students, which was to be held at the Community Center, was canceled in light of a number of problems with previous events.

There have been reports of minor vandalism at the Community Center during dances, and problems with students from other districts gaining admittance to the gatherings.

One of the solutions to the problem being discussed is supplying students with photo identification cards which would be presented at the door when attempting to gain entrance to the dances.

A point of contention, however, is who will take the photos of the students. The Superintendent of Schools has said the district doesn't have the staff to do so, and supports a recommendation that the Parent Teacher Association handle the matter.

In the meantime, board president James Van Horn said he would ask the Superintendent of Schools to communicate with the recreation department in an attempt at coming up with an equitable solution.

Until then, committee member Carolyn Vollero expressed her concern that the dances have been temporarily discontinued.

"We would like to see children from other communities stay out," Ms. Vollero said, referring to the dances. "We want to keep the dances only for Cranford children.

"Perhaps the PTA can step in if people at the school can't step in and do the I.D.'s. I've gotten phone calls from numerous parents concerned about the dances being canceled and we need to step in to work this situation out," Ms. Vollero said.

Joint purchasing, meanwhile, may become a reality once the township hires a purchasing agent/treasurer.

When asked what was the main stumbling block preventing joint purchasing, Mr. Van Horn said it was the fact the township had no full-time employee to handle such matters.

Plans call for a new purchasing agent/treasurer to begin work by March 15 in a move which could see joint purchasing between the township and school district come to fruition.

And as for the second "Town-Gown" meeting, board member Robert Sintich called it a success.

"This is a positive step tonight and we need to continue this dialogue," he said. "We need to continue this on an ongoing basis quarterly or semi-annually.

"It's important to see who you're dealing with and the issues that you're addressing."

Board candidate

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cooperation between the board and Township Committee. The two governing bodies met last week to discuss a number of issues, including the board's proposed 1992-93 budget.

"One initial concern as a newly-elected board member would be to impart to the school district budget process some of the aspects of a corporate planning process that have proven effective throughout my corporate experience," Mr. Salls said.

Mr. Salls most recently worked for CIBA-GEIGY where he oversaw the budgeting, analysis and performance assessment of the company's $250 million technical operations division.

Currently on a two-to-four year child sabbatical, Mr. Salls is a 1973 graduate of Union High School. He also earned a B.S. from Kean College in 1978 in business administration and accounting, and Mr. Salls also is a graduate of the Seton Hall MBA finance program.

Also to be decided by the voters in April is who will fill the one-year remaining on Henry Pavlak's term. Mr. Pavlak recently announced his resignation from the board, stating he needed to devote more time to his job and family.

Mr. Pavlak, however, will retain a seat on the board until the board reorganizes after the April 7 election.

The only other candidate to have announced his intention to seek a board seat is incumbent Robert Sintich. Other seats up for election in the spring belong to Loretta Smith and Dee Sugalski.

Residents sing in concert in Plainfield

Two choral works by 20th century French composers were featured in the Crescent Concerts presentation of its fifth program of the season Feb. 9 at the Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church in Plainfield. Four Cranford residents participated.

Maurice Duruflé's *Requiem* and Lois Vierne's *Solemn Mass* were sung by the Crescent Singers in a program dedicated to the memory of Walter Swain, former chairman of the Music and Worship committee at the church who died Jan. 6.

Dr. Walter Scherr, the church's interim organist and choir director, conducted the concert which featured Ronald Thayer of Plainfield at the organ. The Crescent Singers, a chamber chorus of 13 singers, includes Debbie Kyle and Sam, Leslie and Lynn Morneweck of Cranford.

Seton Hall offers symposium on 1492

Seton Hall University's Institute of Judaeo-Christian Studies will be the host for a symposium, "1492: Expulsion of Jews from Spain and Voyage of Columbus to the Americas," on Thursday, March 12 from 2-5:30 p.m. in the Student Conference Room located in the Bishop Dougherty Student Center on the South Orange campus. The symposium is open to the public no charge. Call (201) 761- 9463.

Teen festival set for March 17-18

The annual Union County Teen Arts Festival will take place March 17 and 18 at the Cranford campus of Union County College. All students in the county, ages 13-19 are invited to participate. At the festival, students attend workshops in a variety of artistic disciplines, receive critiques of their work by professional artists and view performances by their peers.

County festival participation is a prerequisite to performing or exhibiting at the New Jersey State Teen Arts Festival held in May at Rutgers. Students must preregister through their school. Contact your school's principal for an application and the name of the teen arts coordinator.

Vocal excellence



Cranford High School Madrigal Singers chosen to perform at the National Music Clinic in Philadelphia Feb. 28 include, seated from left: Jenniver Bobrowski, Jessica Higgins, Amy Dubberke. Standing: Dan Czeh, B.J. Goodfellow, Dan Beams, Mary Kate Turowski, Peter Cetera, Aimee Haug, Mathew Lyons, Erica Curren and Jeff Knight. Tom Pedas directs.

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Commentary

That odor on Grove Street deserves official attention

For the residents of Grove Street who reside near a neighbor's home which regularly emanates a foul odor, the situation is no laughing matter.

For months, residents of that area have been attempting to have the problem corrected, but to no avail. They even tried writing to the Channel 9 "Nine On Your Side" reporter Al White, who visited the Grove Street residence last week.

Unfortunately for Mr. White, who made the long trek from Secaucus to Cranford to sniff out the situation, there was no foul-smelling odor the day he visited the area. His situation, arriving in Cranford with a camera crew and having to leave without a story, could be described as humorous.

But the people who live near the aforementioned residence aren't in a laughing mood.

What they want is help from the township in getting this situation resolved.

To his credit, Township Health Officer Warren Hehl has visited the residence on various occasions, but apparently no one answers the door when he arrives.

Perhaps the township needs to take a more aggressive stance in correcting the problem other than having the health officer leave his business card in the door and hope for the best.

And as for those Grove Street residents who are effected by the situation, many of whom called *The Chronicle* last week, it's time to shed your anonymity.

None of those who called *The Chronicle* would give their names. Even the person who wrote to "Nine on Your Side" decided to remain anonymous. Apparently those residents, so eager to have their voices heard by the newspaper, are silent when it comes to complaining to their bad neighbor.

It takes courage to stand in the spotlight. It's easy to hide in the shadows and claim to be afraid of repercussions. But those residents who must live in an often-intolerable situation should remember, there is strength in numbers. The township owes it to the taxpaying residents of Grove Street to find a solution to the problem. Until then, the people of Grove Street have every right to be in a foul mood.

Local school monitoring is like no monitoring at all

To The Chronicle:

Once again, it's time to go out and have a look at the Emperor's new clothes. And when he tells us how warm they are, despite the fact that he's shivering, his teeth are chattering and his skin is turning blue, do we believe him? Or do we believe the evidence of our own eyes?

Once again, statewide monitoring of public schools is under attack and is in the process of being further dismantled. However, since monitoring is a politically popular idea (especially with those school budgets coming up), they're not really getting rid of it. Instead, they intend to replace it with monitoring at the local level.

Having monitoring at the local level is like having no monitoring at all. Who, among us, has the objectivity to assess their own performance? How can the school do it?

Without state monitoring, there is no objective standard by which schools can be assessed. We'll just have to take the word of local educators that the students are doing well. But, knowing how parents and citizens would react if it seemed the children were not doing well, what local educators would tell the unvarnished truth? With local monitoring, they don't have to tell it. Without a single standard for everyone, local districts can "arrange" facts and statistics to back up their assertions. Then, everybody is happy — except, perhaps, for the students, who are the ones who'll suffer in the long run.

This latest study is a marvel of doublethink. For example, it calls for more testing, which, in reality, is less testing. A new fourth-grade test will be added, but annual testing of all students will be done only in "districts that have demonstrable problems." How are you supposed to know which districts have "demonstrable problems" if you do away with mandatory annual testing and other objective standards? And we're to believe that this approach will "foster high student achievement and growth?"

The most horrifying element of this new study is "conditional certification" — meaning that districts can still be certified, even if they fail to meet state standards for three out of seven years. Wait a minute, Mr. Governor. These districts are full of schools which are full of children. Are you saying they're deserving of less than full certification every year? Don't our children have a right to the best education possible?

After reading Robert Braun's article in *The Star Ledger* of Feb. 3, 1992, it's clear that Mr. Corcoran's "T and E — thorough and efficient" system is just as "thorough and efficient" now as it was in 1982. It's time to tell the Emperor to go back inside and put on his clothes. We've seen enough.

LINDA KOENIG
243 4th Ave.
Garwood

Help United Way help others

To The Chronicle:

Every day of our lives, situations arise where we must analyze problems and take prompt action. Such a challenges is present with the 1991-92 United Way campaign. We are now at 85 percent of our $205,000 goal. The challenge is to raise an additional $20,000 by June in order to achieve the goal. Contributions may be sent to the Cranford United Way, P.O. Box 171, Cranford, N.J. 07016.

SKIP WINTER
Campaign Chairman
210 Oak Lane



To 'caring' town officials: thank you for the layoffs

To The Chronicle:

"Caring, close-knit community." That's what your local realtor would have you believe about Cranford by reading their ads. Well, if the way the administration and the Township Committee handled the recent layoffs is any indication of their close-knit and caring attitude, this town is in serious trouble.

To find out you are laid off is difficult in the best of situations, but to attend a public meeting and learn it is quite another story. I knew before my department head that I had lost my job.

As I understand the situation from commissioners Vollero and Bilger it was Mr. Murphy, the town administrator who decided to announce a resolution to the public before telling each department head and the individual employee of their layoff. Commissioner Vollero said, "I think it was the right way to handle it, because after all, Jean, no one goes to those meetings anyway and if they did they wouldn't know who a senior clerk typist in the Building Department was." Well, I was there and I knew! Commissioner Bilger thought it could have been handled in a more professional manner.

I would further like the public to know that not one commissioner (not even Mr. Hoeffler, the commissioner for our department) came to the Building Department to see how services to the citizens would be affected. If they did come, they would have learned that elimination of my position would not be a savings because our fees would have to be adjusted to meet state law guidelines.

If more layoffs are forthcoming, will they be handled in the same inconsiderate way?

I ask the citizens of Cranford, "Is this the kind of caring, thoughtful treatment we can expect of the administration and our elected officials in the future?"

JEAN F. JACOBUS
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Cranford

Help Cranford, don't hurt it by cutting wrong positions

To The Chronicle:

The proposal to eliminate three positions each in the police and fire departments is not the thing to do. Public safety should be a prime consideration of the Township Committee, not an area to cut.

A budget review by our officials would turn up items and positions that are nice to have, but are not a necessity. Perhaps we do not need all of the separate departments within the municipal government, and a look taken as to what could be combined.

Is Cranford top-heavy? Take a look at the top. Maybe, the elimination of two at the top will save six at the bottom where they are really needed.

Help Cranford, don't hurt it.

BOB KURZWEIL
AGGIE KURZWEIL
2 Cranford Terrace

Wonderful time had by all at concert for children

To The Chronicle:

I would like both to thank and recognize Kathy Mason and Debbie Schnapf for the very entertaining children's concert they gave at the Cranford Public Library on Saturday, Feb. 1.

As one of the audience, I can truly say that a wonderful time was had by all those who attended.

Ms. Mason and Ms. Schnapf are to be commended for giving both their time and talents to such a worthy endeavor.

JOHN MALAR
Director

Don't lay off more sailors; try laying off some captains

To The Chronicle:

The headline in the Cranford Chronicle during the past several weeks has heralded municipal employee and teacher layoffs.

One does not have to be a rocket scientist to figure out the economy on all levels is in the worst shape that it has been since the Great Depression. In fact the chances are that if you happen to be a rocket scientist you are unemployed or working for less money and fewer benefits than you enjoyed before.

In business and government alike the "in" term these days is "layoffs." "Layoffs" as we know are management's way of cutting costs and increasing the bottom line in order to preserve their own positions. This is a time honored 19th- and 20th-century tradition. It is also a tradition whose time has come and passed.

The new tradition should and must be that those who are in top management, whether they work in the private or public sectors, must be prepared to make cuts starting with themselves. This is unquestionably a strong departure from what we have all come to know and expect. After all, top management is comprised of those individuals who are making top of the scale in terms of money and benefits, and can truly afford not to take a pay increase or in some cases they can readily afford to take pay and benefit cuts.

In today's economic world, middle and top management are making just this kind of economic adjustment. To lay off building department clerks, secretaries, traffic line painters, truck drivers, police officers, firefighters and teachers will certainly make the bottom line and public officials look good, but only for a short time and only at great expense in terms of vital services. The possibility of a top manager, who is making $50,000 to $70,000, typing a letter, driving a truck, handing out a parking ticket, or cleaning a street gutter is just about as great as a snowball fight in the Bahamas.

This is not to say that these people are lazy or do not perform their jobs well; it is to say that they have become accustomed to a certain level of work style. Times have changed and management must change as well.

Anyone, positively anyone who is in business today and wants to be in business tomorrow, has made deep cuts at the top in order to preserve the work force and still provide services that their customers have come to expect. Those top managers or business owners who have not done this will soon find themselves not only laid off or out of business but in for one large dose of culture shock.

Government must do the same. The new tradition in the private sector is to work harder, work longer and work as a team. The time honored tradition of laying off the workers and keeping management's wages inappropriately paid is over or at least on its way out. I would suggest that our local government take a long hard look at the top of their work force before cutting the bottom. Those of us who have been fortunate in the past can certainly live well (it may mean one or two less fancy dinners) enough on a little less than those amongst us who earn less but need every cent of the income that they make.

I would suggest that there be fewer layoffs for the workers and — as unpleasant as it will be — a little more work and creativity at the top. Without such creativity and sacrifice by those who lead Cranford's future will not be as bright as its past.

PAUL T. LaCORTE
102 Walnut Ave.

What's so bad about peace and social justice?

To The Chronicle:

For Benjamin Feigenbaum, as his letter in the Jan. 30 Chronicle makes clear, the words "Peace and Social Justice" are anathema.

Mr. Feigenbaum's response to these basic elements of our creed is rooted in his view of the civil rights movement. From fulminations about black teenage mothers and "third generation welfare families" to allegations of unnamed companies that hire and promote on the basis of race, not merit, he attributes much of our malaise to the movement's "abysmal failures." By specific reference and innuendo, only black Americans appear on Mr. Feigenbaum's hit list. Fortunately, they are not also blamed for the recession, the S&L bailout, or the Oakland earthquake.

Mr. Feigenbaum evidently knows little about the civil rights movement and cares less. Otherwise, he would know that the movement ended a quarter of a century ago with glorious victories, not "abysmal failures." Legal segregation was at long last outlawed. And in the cradle of the Confederacy, African-Americans were no longer compelled to sit in the back of a Jim Crow bus or attend squalid, segregated schools. They were no longer humiliated by "Colored" and "white" drinking fountains and restrooms, or denied the right to vote and equal access to public accommodations. No mean accomplishment.

If he cared to know, Mr. Feigenbaum might also admire the courage and sacrifice of black and white Freedom Riders and sit-ins, who braved terror, imprisonment and even murder by white supremacist police and hooded vigilantes.

Perhaps, too, he would understand that a society that leaves millions of Americans poorly educated, jobless and in poverty will have problems, including a high crime and welfare bill.

Mr. Feigenbaum is right on one point. I certainly do favor a major shift of federal expenditures from the military to critically needed domestic programs. A peace dividend is a must for every American and a better future.

While we spend $3 trillion on arms during the Bush-Reagan years, Japan and Germany invested their resources and skills in building the most efficient economies in the world, driving us out of many markets, including much of our own. Once the world's creditor, we are now its largest debtor.

Significant federal resources needed to encourage investment to rev up the economy, fund domestic programs like affordable health care, reduce the deficit, and assist workers affected by the transition from Cold War to peace can best come from cutbacks in the military. The debate on that issue is already underway. The decision is ours to make.

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Briefs

Cub Scouts to host roller skating

The Garwood Cub Scouts will hold their annual roller skating party on Monday from 6-8 p.m. All are welcome. Tickets will be sold at the door. Call 789-1413.

40th reunion planned by class

Forrester and Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of '51, Springfield, will hold its 40th reunion at the Holiday Inn, Kenilworth, on May 23. Assistance is needed in locating missing classmates. Contact J. Mozarl, 893 Gregory Drive, Brick, N.J. 08723. Phone 477-1577.

Spelling Bee winner announced

The Msgr. John M. Walsh Council No. 5437 Knights of Columbus of Garwood held their annual Spelling Bee at the Lincoln School in Garwood on Feb. 5. Thirty-four sixth, seventh and eighth graders participated.

Denise Wall, 12, a seventh grader, won the title of champion. She was presented with a U.S. $50 savings bond. Damon Conk, also a seventh grader, won a second place prize of $10.

Knights to hold monthly meeting

The Vincent Lombardi Lodge No. 2551 will hold their regular meeting today at 8 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall in Garwood. New officers will be elected for two years at this meeting. Call 272-7287 or 789-0914.

Screening set for pre-K students

The Garwood public school's office of special services will screen children entering pre-kindergarten and kindergarten for instructional readiness.

Pre-kindergarten screening will be held March 2 and 4 from 8:30-11:30 a.m. and March 5 from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. in the home economics room at Lincoln School.

Kindergarten screening will be held March 12 from 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. at the same location.

Children eligible for pre-kindergarten and kindergarten programs must be residents of Garwood. Pre-kindergarten children must be 4 years old by Dec. 31, 1992. Kindergarten screening will be conducted for children who will turn 5 by Dec. 31. Children who have not previously attended Garwood's pre-kindergarten class must be screened. Parents should register their children prior to the screening.

The purpose of the screening is to obtain information regarding readiness skills. The areas to be assessed include motor skills, basic concepts, and language development.

Parents should call the office of special services, 789-0333, to make an appointment for screening.

$2.9 million school budget for '92-93 to raise taxes $90 a year

By CRISTINA DE ISASI
THE CHRONICLE

Garwood school board members approved Tuesday a revised version of the tentative 1992-93 budget that cuts teachers' supplies, educational materials, the lunch subsidy and school maintenance.

The $2.9 million budget meets the 6.49 percent cap limit on increases imposed by the state for the district this year. Board members cut a half million dollars from the $3.4 million first draft.

The cap limits the percentage by which the school budget can increase. A 6.49 percent cap translates into a 9.44 percent increase in property taxes. A home assessed at $100,000 would pay an additional $90.44 per year or approximately $8 more per month.

"Still, it would only amount to an actual effective budget increase of 2.4 percent because state transition aid was cut 25 percent, said Superintendent Walter E. Boright.

"We feel we need another $68,000," he added. "I don't think that's much to ask for the kids of this town."

This year, property taxes covered $2.1 million of the budget. Next year property taxes will be responsible for $2.3 million. State transition aid will continue to be cut by the same percentage for the next three years until it is phased out.

"When next year's budget is up and we lose another $40,000 in aid, we'll have to cut $40,000 from our current budget and our tax cap will be about 5 percent," said Mr. Boright.

"If we want to continue programs, the taxpayers will have to pay for them," said Business Administrator Louis J. Cirangle.

The approval of this draft also rules out any possibility of a cap waiver.

A drop in transportation costs helped reduce expenses because fewer special education students will need to be bused out of district. The reduction in education materials cuts microscopes, kindergarten toys, an overhead projector and some text books, keeping instuctional cost increases at 7.6 percent, despite teachers' raises that are locked in at 8.5 percent.

Eliminating the lunch subsidy will save the district 10.8 percent in food service costs and raise lunch prices to $1.75, the full cost of what the district pays for the food, but not the labor. Approximately 20 percent of borough students purchase hot lunches at the reduced cost.

"It's a philosophical matter. If (some students) choose to buy a hot lunch over a bag lunch they should not be supplemented by the other 75 percent," said board President Stephen Lefebvre.

Although the approval limits the budget's size, the board can still revise the allocation of funds within in until March 25, when the final version is due.

Some board members said they favor postponing the second half of an oil-to-gas heating conversion project the schools are undertaking, and perhaps funding it through a referendum instead of through budget money to avoid the cuts in educational materials.

Members also are considering consolidating the two schools, bringing special education students back into the district, which would save aboout $31,000 in tuition and transportation costs, according to Mr. Boright, and cutting or shortening some field trips. Field trips could run between $9,960 and $14,960, depending on the cuts.

In other news, board members appointed two candidates, Glenn Sutko and Linda Koenig, to fill empty spots left by the resignations of previous members Sharon Legg and Dean Russamano.

They also announced the names of the Teachers' Recognition Award recipients: vocal and instrumental music teacher Marguerite Modero and fifth-grade teacher Teresa Cahill.

Strahlendorf chosen mayor until election

By BRIAN P. DUNLEAVY
THE CHRONICLE

The Borough Council appointed Republican Councilman Fred Strahlendorf as the new mayor of the borough Tuesday night. He replaces Tom Dolly, who resigned earlier this year because of health and work-related reasons after serving only one year of his four-year term.

"I am very excited at the challenge that this new job has to offer," said Mr. Strahlendorf. "I plan to work in harmony with the council to provide a good government and improve the quality of life in the borough."

Mr. Strahlendorf, who was voted to his second term on the council in November, will serve in borough's top position until the November general election. He has lived in Garwood with his wife Dottie for 27 years. He retired from the New Jersey State Police in 1984 after a 26-year career in which he held several supervisory positions in regulating the casino and liquor industries.

Since his retirement from the state police force, Mr. Strahlendorf has served as the director of security and loss prevention for Marriott Corp. at Newark Airport. He is a Korean War veteran, having served with Army Special Services.

Looking ahead to the coming year, the new mayor said, "Presently, we are involved in contract negotiations with the police department and that is both time consuming and sometimes frustrating. We also want to insure that our brook project is completed without any obstacles and that our municipal budget keeps tax rates as low as possible while still providing services to the community."

In order to take the mayoral post, Mr. Strahlendorf resigned from his council seat effective Tuesday night. The Garwood Republican Municipal Committee has been notified and it will find a replacement in the coming weeks, he said.

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Response to European trip creates second tour

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

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

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

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

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

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

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'Next Step' employment seminars set

Dismal forecasts for the employment sector have sent Cranford Business Sponsor Meryl Layton, Program Coordinator John Gillespie and members of the Cranford United Methodist Church into high gear. "We've assembled a diverse team of experienced professionals that can help job seekers in all components of an employment campaign for our Feb. 15 'Next Step' Employment Assistance Seminar," said Mr. Gillespie.

The seminar will feature executives, consultants and recently successful job hunters who will work with individuals in focus groups. "We want to give participants personalized input so we're deviating from our usual lecture format to offer small group programming. We encourage individuals to bring their resume and a list of questions."

The seminar will run from 7:30-11:30 a.m. at the Cranford United Methodist Church. Participants will work with consultants in small focus groups such as: resume preparation, interview skills, marketing, strategies and resources, self assessment and career counseling. The cost of $5 includes a continental breakfast. Call the church at 276-0936 Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. for preregistration.

"There are only a handful of self help and support programs like Next Step in New Jersey, so we attract individuals from Cranford in addition to those who travel more than 50 miles. Since our inception a year ago, about 250 persons have benefited from speakers whose clients are generally executives earning six digit salaries," explained Mr. Gillespie. He emphasized that the information and guidance presented at the seminars are applicable to individuals seeking employment in any industry or salary level.

Providing this service isn't enough for Mr. Gillespie. He would like to see the program take it's own 'next step' by expanding it's support base beyond the Cranford United Methodist Church and a few community and business sponsors. "My vision is to see 'Next Step' involve a large consortium of community organizations and houses of worship so that biweekly support groups can be added to our monthly skill seminars," he said.

According to E. Thomas Behr, author and president of the Horizons Training and Consulting Firm, "many job hunters are overwhelmed by the feeling of helplessness." He believes that what 'sells' a person is not a description of your past, but the potential employer's experience of you in the present.

That 'experience,' contends Mr. Gillespie, is dramatically altered by the person's self image and awareness of his or her value. "At first a job search can be revitalizing, but gradually frustration affects self esteem and one's ability to present yourself as the best candidate. In short, conventional methods of job hunting don't work in the 1990's. Individuals who are successful have proven the necessity of a multi-prong approach coupled with regular involvement in a support or feedback group," he said.

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Community Life

School notes

SEEC to hold workshop

Special Educated and Exceptional Child (SEEC), a support group for parents of all special needs children, will meet Wednesday, Feb. 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the Orange Avenue School cafeteria. A workshop will be held to prepare for children's Individual Education Program (IEP). Call 276-2601 or 276-6173.

Rutgers Club offers scholarships

The Rutgers Club of Cranford announced that it will be accepting applications for its scholarship in conjunction with the Cranford Scholarship Clearing House. Application forms will be available at the Cranford High School guidance office and the Cranford Library.

The Cranford Scholarship Clearing House enables students who are applying to various civic groups in town to apply simultaneously to all groups from whom they desire financial aid.

The Rutgers Club of Cranford offers a $400 per year scholarship to an outstanding graduate of Cranford High School who will be attending Rutgers University. This year marks the 36th year of the Rutgers Club of Cranford Scholarship Program. Call Bernard Flashberg at the high school for information.

PTA plans fashion show

Livingston School PTA is sponsoring a fashion show Thursday, Feb. 27, at 6:30 p.m. at The Westwood in Garwood. The show will feature clothing from Geiger's Fine Women's Apparel in Cranford. Tickets at $20 include dinner, door prizes and raffles. Proceeds will benefit the students.

Models will be faculty from Livingston School: Adele Lombardo, Linda Madison, Beverly Miller, Barbara Murphy, Tracey Neimeth, Rosemary Reilly and Ann Warhatig. For tickets, call 272-9137 or 272-4790.

OAS Students of the Week

Students of the Week from Orange Avenue School are from Mrs. Carlson's fourth-grade.

"The Heartbeats of 4C: Striving Toward the Future" are: Allyson Aimone, Kenneth Ballin, Kevin Bostel, Lisa Cavicchioli, Lauren Goldstein, Fiona Griffin, Erica Holan, Matthew Kabel, Lisa Kardos, Sean Klempa, Patrick Martin, Shauna McCormick, Benjamin Moldave, Meaghan Oliver, Natalie Ponsoda, Christopher Renaud, Elizabeth Sowa, Michael Splain, Joseph Unish, William Volkmann and Lena Trainor.

Brooksiders singled out

James Johnson Jr., principal of Brookside School, presented January Student of the Month awards to the following:

Andrew Bausch, Heather Boesgaard, Benjamin Brown, Ryan Connor, Alison Cuzzolino, Ashley Daubert, Erik Donohue, Nicholas Flamini, Susan Flamini, Christopher Furino, Kara Giannecchini, Keith Gilbertson, William Harnett, David Heuer, Dennis Kaelin, Jed Markham, Kyle Markham, Allson Martines, Meghan Meise, Tony Montovano, Thomas Murray, Lauren O'Donnell, Mark Petito, Michael Porter, Lori Prodeline, Mark Saad, Kaitlyn Sands, D'Arcy Samelle, Cullen Samelle, Christopher Sbaratta, Billy Simpson, Thomas Sinnott, Anne-Marie Spricigo, Janet Spricigo, Regan Stempniewicz, Thomas Stratton, Emily Taylor, Erin Traynor, Daniel Vaupel, Raymond Weigle, Matthew Zanes.

Teachers to attend workshop

Assemblyman Bob Franks recently invited elementary and secondary science teachers from public and private schools in his legislative district to participate in a science facility workshop at New Jersey Institute of Technology. They included Cranford teachers Harvey Weinstock and Tom Stagich.

The purpose of the workshop was to allow science teachers to receive hands-on training from the science staff at NJIT in order for them to carry new knowledge and teaching techniques directly into their classrooms. The science teachers also had an opportunity to visit the campus and become familiar with the many programs available at NJIT.

Battin grads plan reunion

The Battin High School class of 1957 in Elizabeth is planning a 35th year reunion Oct. 11 in Union. Former classmates are being sought. For information call 686-0392 or 571-1406 or write: Battin 1957 Class Reunion, P.O. Box 441, Elizabeth, N.J. 07207.

St. Michael honor roll

Eighty-three students achieved honors for the second marking period at St. Michael's School.

First honors:

Grade 8: Jason Buenaventura and Tamsen deRaat; Grade 6: Rui Fernandes, Jenny Jedlny, Donald Mahoney and Samantha Scutieri; Grade 5: Michael Dela Torri and Melissa Scotti; Grade 4: Nita Colaco, Ryan McGlynn and Anne Patrone; Grade 3: Liam Ahearn, Bridget Bosch, Michael Brady, Jason Concepcion, Lindsay Fontana, Heather Ann Gachko, Christopher Gessner, Laura Navarro, Tanya Spampinato, Mary Elizabeth Zanko and Nancy Provod.

Second honors:

Grade 8: Paul Borja, Heather Jenkins, Meghan Kavalus, Sweta Patel, Katie Provod, Jackie Schmidt and Christina Weakland.

Grade 7: Colleen Carney, Melanie Chu, Brian Jean-Joseph, Lauralyn Kricks, Kerianne McGuire, Cheryl O'Donnell and Edward Vallejo.

Grade 6: Christopher Chu, Rebecca Dolan, Matthew Evans, Steven Gachko and Tage Haun.

Grade 5: Gwen Clapps, Carmine DeNicola, Kevin Fontana, Elizabeth Gallagher, Nicholas Jenkins, Noreen Mahoney, John Micclo, Dustin Monlez, William Provod and Edwin Vallejo.

Grade 4: John Anthes, Katie Carney, Kimberly Castellano, Margaret Cunningham, John Curry, Nina DeMoyd, Susan Foster, Kathryn Harlow, Brian Kovolisky and Michelle Scutieri.

Grade 3: Dana Caruso, Ryan Curry, Erin Herits, Daniel Higgins, Michael Kavalus, Stephen Masterson, Mary Kate O'Donnell, Edward Palumbo and Jennifer Sult.

Honorable mention:

Grade 7: Kevin Douglass and Maxwell Hormilla; Grade 6: Paul Herits; Grade 5, Robert Bland, Olga Cotos, Keeja Dobson, Terence Donovan, Cheryl Kennedy and Dawn Lanz; Grade 4: Ginger Clapps and Kimberly Pfirrmann; Grade 3: Bryan Muscatello and Christine O'Donnell.

Third-graders honored

Students of the Week from Orange Avenue School in Mrs. Grunberg's third-grade class are: Barbara Baer, Kathryn Baran, Jeffrey Baumann, David Coughlin, Joseph DeAngelis, Jeffrey Gawley, Erin Hulton, Lauren Hynes, Daniel Katsikis, David Krauter, Jonathan Martin, Christopher Notarile, Philip Oriochio, Joshua Polsky, Matthew Renaud, Stephanie Ruscansky, Lauren Signorella, Elizabeth Sweeney, Daniel Swider, Andrea Szymona, Matthew Wiener, James Woglom and Anna Carvalho.

More honorees at OAS

Students of the Week of Jan. 20 from Orange Avenue School include Mrs. Roth's third grade class: James Baken, Kevin Cahill, David Criscitiello, Gerald Cuozzo, Craig Gorczyca, Jill Hayeck, Joseph Jones, Shannon Klempa, Angela Lanzafama, Allison, Marks, Kenneth Martz, Keith McDougall, Laurel Patterson, Jacqueline Pellicclo, Javier Perez, Victoria Ply, Meryl Smyth, Michael Snyder, Stuart Stanzione, Christopher Thomas, Robert Wise and Anna Carvalho.

Comedy at Kent Place

Daisy Pulls It Off, a comedy first produced by Andrew Lloyd Webber in London's West End, will be presented by the award-winning Kent Place School drama department on Thursday and Friday, Feb. 27 and 28, at 8 p.m. in the Kent Place Arts Center Theater, 42 Norwood Ave., Summit.

Karey Kessler of Cranford will portray title character Daisy Meredith's efforts to become a "real Grangewood girl," even though she is the first scholarship student ever at the Grangewood School for Girls, circa 1927. Maria Dizzia of Cranford portrays Daisy's friend Trixie.

Junior Achievement at HAS

Hillside Avenue School is the first elementary-middle public school in the tri-county area to conduct the three Junior Achievement economic education and career orientation programs simultaneously: the new K-6 program, Business Basics, and Project Business.

Since educators are able to identify potential dropouts during the primary years, K-6 was developed as a critical stop in dropout prevention for younger school children. The aim of K-6 is to show elementary school students, kindergarten through sixth-grade, the relevance of education to the workplace. Like other Junior Achievement programs, it will feature volunteers from business and professional organizations, called consultants, who will serve in the classroom with the teacher as a team to conduct the Junior Achievement programs. Its systems approach will help students to enter the middle grades and high school prepared for academic learning and life-long achievement.

The following teachers from Hillside Avenue School will participate in Junior Achievement programs: Deborah Close and Pat Planer, second-grade; Janet Labracio and Barbara Craney, fifth-grade; Paul Maloney, eighth-grade.

The following volunteer consultants and their companies for Hillside Avenue School are: Debbie Karpinski, IBM; Marge Milgram, IBM; Diane Butler, IBM; and Karen Runice, Allstate Legal Supply.

According to Dr. M.J. Kalm, Schering-Plough J.A. representative and chairman of the J.A. board of directors, the Cranford School System has been actively involved in Junior Achievement for more than 20 years.

He said, "We, in Junior Achievement, are most grateful for the patience and dedication of Irwin J. Figman, principal of Hillside Avenue School, who worked diligently in planning and coordinating schedules with the Junior Achievement staff which brought the programs to fruition."

Write down a fish tale

The N.J. Department of Environmental Protection and Energy's (DEPE) Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife is sponsoring its sixth annual fishing essay contest statewide for pupils in grades 1-8. This year's theme is titled "My Favorite Fishing Trip."

Essays need not be about a trip to a distant location; a local pond or stream is acceptable, as is a fictional story.

There will be first, second and third-place winners in each of these four categories: grades 1-2, 3-4, 5-6 and 7-8. Essays are limited to 200 words and will be judged on originality, style, expression of ideas and proper use of English grammar.

The deadline for submitting essays is Saturday, Feb. 29. Entries must include name, address, telephone number, grade and school name and submitted to: Essay Contest, Pequest Trout Hatchery and Natural Resource Education Center, RR1, Box 389, Oxford, N.J. 07863. Information: 637-4125.

'Jumble' of bargains sustains Junior League service projects

By CHERYL MOULTON HEHL
THE CHRONICLE

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

$20 goes far at Jumble Store

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

Scanning the racks — there's a designer rack on the upper level, and racks of dresses, blouses, sweaters and slacks lining the walls — this reporter found an L.L. Bean straight skirt for $9, a Liz Claiborne soft flannel shirt for $5, and a Capezio soft brown leather purse for $5. The skirt had an original tag in it for $59; the blouse retailed at $39, and a similar purse sells at $45. Total retail cost: about $143. Total Jumble Store cost: $19.

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

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

-CHERYL MOULTON HEHL



Gail Eklof arranging jewelry at the Jumble Store in Cranford. DIANE MATFLERD/THE CHRONICLE

Scholarships offered to photojournalism students

The Bob Baxter Scholarship Foundation offers two $1,000 scholarships annually to students who reside in New Jersey and wish to become press photographers. To qualify, the student must have been accepted by or attending a recognized college, university or institution teaching photography, submit a portfolio of photographs showing a cross-section of work and two letters of recommendation from someone who knows about his or her photographic ability and interest.

The scholarships are open to high school seniors who have been accepted for study or to college freshmen, sophomores or juniors who are already studying. The deadline for applying for the scholarship is April 30. Application blanks may be obtained from Jean-Rae Turner, the foundation's administrator, at New Jersey Newsphotos, Hemisphere Center, Route 1, Newark, N.J. 07114.

The scholarship is named for the late Bob Baxter of Union Township, a press photographer, who was employed by the *Union Leader* and its sister papers. Mr. Baxter suffered a spinal cord injury and was paralyzed for 11 years before he died.

Campus notes

Linda Black of Cranford and **Valerie Scardilli Conley** of Westfield were among 22 graduates receiving nursing pins and diplomas from the Blizzard of General Medical Center School of Nursing during convocation exercises held recently at Union County College. The Class of January 1992 is the School of Nursing's 107th graduating class. Ms. Black received the Alumni Award, and Ms. Conley received the Gerontology Award and attained the dean's list honors.

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Cranford resident **Susan Ruegamer** was employed at Fort Monmouth through the fall cooperative education program of Stevens Institute of Technology. She is a member of the class of 1995.

The co-op program is an optional five-year program open to all students. The first and fifth years are spent at Stevens, while the middle three years involve alternating semesters of work in industry and study at Stevens. No additional course work is required and students are able to gain on-the-job experience while pursuing a degree and earning a portion of their tuition costs.

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Karen Dixon of Cranford, College of Arts and Sciences, and **Teresa Londino** of Kenilworth, College of Business Administration, have been named to the dean's list for the fall quarter at Northeastern University in Boston.

To achieve this honor, students must carry a full program, have a quality point average of 3.25 or greater out of a possible 4.0 and no grade lower than C.

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Michelle Meade of Cranford has been named to the dean's list at Loyola College in Maryland. At the end of each semester, Loyola students who have earned a minimum grade point average of 3.5 are recognized on the dean's list.

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Eugenia Xarhoulakos, a 1991 Cranford High School graduate, has been named to the dean's list for academic achievement at Cazenovia College in Cazenovia, N.Y. Majoring in early childhood education, she achieved a 3.6 cumulative grade point for the fall trimester. Miss Xarhoulakos was also co-captain of the college varsity volleyball team.

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Twenty-three Cranford residents are among 305 full-time and part-time students named to the president's list at Union County College for the fall semester.

They are **Carol Hartner**, accounting/data processing; **Bronwyn Glor**, biology; **Steven Folla**, **David Wainger** and **Nicholas Welsh**, business/computer information systems; **Rita Kempson**, **Jodi Albanese**, **Ilona Bentkowski** and **George Lenondis**, business; **James Wozniak**, criminal justice; **Scott Haykin**, engineering/architecture; **Douglas Chieff**, electronic engineering technology; **Veronica Clinton**, **John Flanigan**, **Catherine Moloney**, **Robert Sherry**, liberal arts/communication; **Susan Maguire** and **Karen Viola**, liberal arts/education; **Marilyn Macksound** and **Constance Sullivan**, liberal arts; **Rosemary Boehm**, liberal arts/urban studies; **George Mertens**, mechanical engineering technology.

The president's list recognized students who have achieved a minimum of a 3.5 cumulative average based on a 4.0 scale.

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Michael Merola of 125 Centennial Ave. has been named to the dean's list at Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., for the fall semester.

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Kathleen Bolanowski, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Paul Bolanowski of 105 Denman Road, was named to the dean's list for the fall semester at the Southampton campus of Long Island University. She is a senior majoring in English-secondary education, and is a 1988 graduate of Union Catholic Regional High School.

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Nancy Conrad, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Conrad of Cranford, was named to the dean's list for the fall term at University of Delaware.

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Brett Dreyer, son of Henry and Carol Dreyer of 315 Prospect Ave., made the fall semester dean's list at Bucknell University.

Births

Robert and Janet Tudor of Roselle announce the birth of their daughter, Brittany Lynn, on Jan. 20, 1992. The baby weighed 6 pounds. Maternal grandparents are Otto and Florence Hawkins of East Orange. Paternal grandparents are Rowland and Carol Tudor of Cranford.

Linda and Mark Freeman of Cranford announce the birth of their daughter, Kristen Rosemary, on Dec. 28, 1991 at Dover General Hospital. Kristen joins a brother, Steven Thomas, 21 months. Her maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Buontempo of Cranford and her paternal grandparents are John Freeman of Mount Arlington and Roselyn Damen of Dallas.

David Novello and Marcia Sprague of Silver Spring, Md., announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Chase, on Jan. 14, 1992.

Rebecca weighed 9 pounds 14 ounces and measured 22 1/2 inches. She joins a brother, Michael David, 2 1/2. Maternal grandparents are Edward and Barbara Sprague of Vernon, Vt. Paternal grandparents are Rudolph and Frances Novello of Cranford.

Robert and Cathy Amberg of Fanwood announce the birth of their daughter, Rebecca Joan, on Dec. 17, 1991 at Overlook Hospital in Summit. Rebecca weighed 8 pounds 11 ounces. The baby's maternal grandparents are Geraldine Aagaard of Cranford and the late Peter Aagaard. Her paternal grandparents are Don and Joan Amberg of Westfield.

Nick and Patty Welsh of Linden Place announce the birth of their son, Philip Martin, on Jan. 25, 1992. He weighed in at 9 pounds 2 ounces and is 21 1/4 inches long.

Mr. and Mrs. David Barmak of Franklin Park announce the birth of a son, Joshua Lane, on Dec. 30, 1991. Paternal grandmother is Phyllis Barmak of Cranford and maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Chinich of Edison.

A son, Dylan Christian, was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Ricany of Edison. He weighed 6 pounds 8 ounces and was 18 1/2 inches long. Dylan joins brother, Alexander, 2 1/2. Maternal grandparents are Leni Bruck of Edison and Harry Bruck of Florida. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Michael Ricany of Cranford. The father is a former resident of Cranford.

Jerry and Ann McGovern of Cranford announce the birth of their daughter, Colleen Mae, on Jan. 2, 1992 at Rahway Hospital. She weighed 7 pounds 4 ounces and measured 20 inches. She joins two sisters, Erin and Kerry. Maternal grandparents are the late Rosemary and Francis Sloan of Cranford. Paternal grandparents are Phyllis and Owen Roe McGovern of Elizabeth.

Anthony Novak and Geraldine Rogers Novak of South Plainfield announce the birth of their daughter, Adrienne Shay Novak, on Jan. 30, 1992 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center. The baby weighed 8 pounds 15 ounces and measured 21 inches.

The baby's father is a former Cranford resident. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Rogers of Linden. Paternal grandparents are Betty Novak of Garwood and Paul Novak of Red Bank.

Christopher Land Maria Andrus of Jamesburg announce the birth of their daughter, Catherine Rose, on Oct. 13, 1991. Maternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph DeRosa of Cranford. Paternal grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Edward Andrus of New Castle, Del., formerly of Cranford.

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MOVIE TIMES

FEBRUARY 14 THROUGH FEBRUARY 20

CAPSULE REVIEWS OF CURRENT FILMS

IN THIS WEEK'S Weekend Plus

Schedules are subject to last-minute changes.

MIDDLESEX

CINEPLEX ODEON
MENLO PARK MALL
Route 1 South, Edison
(908) 321-1412
*Call theater for showtimes.

GENERAL CINEMA
BRUNSWICK SQUARE
Brunswick Square Mall
Route 18, East Brunswick
(908) 238-2998
*Fried Green Tomatoes (PG-13) Friday, Tuesday-Thursday: 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 1 p.m., 3:45 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
*Father of the Bride (PG) Friday, Tuesday-Thursday: 7:15 p.m., 9:40 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 2 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:40 p.m.

GENERAL CINEMA
WOODBRIDGE
Routes 1 S & 35
Woodbridge
(908) 636-4566
•Wayne's World (PG-13) Friday-Monday: 2 p.m., 4 p.m., 6 p.m., 8 p.m., 10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 8 p.m., 10 p.m.
•My Girl (PG) Friday-Monday: 1:30 p.m., 3:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 7:30 p.m.
•The Fisher King (R) Friday-Monday: 7 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 9:30 p.m.

KENDALL PARK CINEMAS
Route 27, Kendall Park
(908) 422-2444
•The Great Mouse Detective (G) Friday-Tuesday: 1:35 p.m., 3:25 p.m., 5:10 p.m., 7 p.m. Wednesday-Thursday: 7 p.m.
•Wayne's World (PG-13) Friday-Sunday: 1 p.m., 2:55 p.m., 4:50 p.m., 6:50 p.m., 8:45 p.m., 10:45 p.m. Monday, Tuesday: 1 p.m., 3 p.m., 5:20 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
•Final Analysis (R) Friday-Tuesday: 2:40 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 8:40 p.m.
•The Hand That Rocks the Cradle (R) Friday-Tuesday: 1:10 p.m., 3:20 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 10 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 7:15 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
•Medicine Man (PG-13) Friday-Sunday: 2:05 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:15 p.m., 8:20 p.m., 10:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday: 1:20 p.m., 3:20 p.m., 5:30 p.m., 7:35 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 7:20 p.m., 9:15 p.m.
•Grand Canyon (R) Friday-Tuesday: 1:40 p.m., 6:40 p.m., 9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 8 p.m.
•Shining Through (R) Friday-Sunday: 1:50 p.m., 4:25 p.m., 6:55 p.m., 9:30 p.m. Monday, Tuesday: 1:35 p.m., 4:10 p.m., 6:40 p.m., 9:15 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 8 p.m.
•Beauty and the Beast (G) Friday-Tuesday: 1 p.m., 4:15 p.m., 6 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 7 p.m.
•The Prince of Tides (R) Friday-Tuesday: 8:45 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday: 8:40 p.m.

LOEWS ROUTE 18
East Brunswick
(908) 254-0000
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MOVIE CITY 5
EAST BRUNSWICK
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MOVIE CITY 5
WOODBRIDGE
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MOVIE CITY 6
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UA MIDDLESEX MALL
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SOMERSET

BERNARDSVILLE CINEMA
Route 202, Bernardsville
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•Bugsy (R) Friday: 7:20 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Saturday, Sunday: 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:20 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Monday: 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7:20 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 8 p.m.

BROOK THEATRE
10 Hamilton St., Bound Brook
(908) 469-9665
•JFK (R) Friday, Tuesday-Thursday: 7:30 p.m. Saturday: 3:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. Sunday: 1:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. Monday: 5:30 p.m.

GENERAL CINEMA
BRIDGEWATER COMMONS
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Bridgewater
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CINEMA PLAZA FIVEPLEX
Route 202-31, Flemington
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•Hook (PG) Friday-Monday: 2 p.m., 7 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 7 p.m.
•Wayne's World (PG-13) Friday-Monday: 2:10 p.m., 7:15 p.m., 9:10 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 7:15 p.m., 9:10 p.m.

HUNTERDON THEATER
Route 31, Flemington
(908) 782-4815
•Final Analysis (R) Friday-Thursday: 7 p.m., 9:15 p.m.

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•Wayne's World (PG-13) Friday: 7:25 p.m., 9:40 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 1:15 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 5:15 p.m., 7:25 p.m., 9:40 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 7:25 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
•Final Analysis (R) Friday: 7:30 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 1 p.m., 3:05 p.m., 5:05 p.m., 7:30 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 7:25 p.m., 9:30 p.m.
•The Hand That Rocks the Cradle (R) Friday: 7:30 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 1 p.m., 3:05 p.m., 5:05 p.m., 7:35 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 7:30 p.m., 9:35 p.m.
•Beauty and the Beast (G) Friday, Tuesday-Thursday: 7 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 1 p.m., 2:40 p.m., 4:20 p.m., 6 p.m.
•JFK (R) Friday: 8:30 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 7:35 p.m., 8:25 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 8:25 p.m.
•Shining Through (R) Friday: 7 p.m., 9:35 p.m. Saturday-Monday: 2 p.m., 4:30 p.m., 7 p.m., 9:35 p.m. Tuesday-Thursday: 7 p.m., 9:25 p.m.

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250 East Broad St.
Westfield
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•Mortime Man (PG-13) Friday: 7:45 p.m., 9:45 p.m. Saturday-Thursday: 1 p.m., 3:25 p.m., 5:35 p.m., 7:45 p.m., 9:45 p.m.
•The Great Mouse Detective (G) Friday: 7:15 p.m. Saturday-Thursday: 1:30 p.m., 3:15 p.m., 5 p.m., 7:15 p.m.
•Father of the Bride (PG) Friday-Thursday: 9:30 p.m.

Cranford Chronicle

Club news

'Presidential Trivia' is topic for WMC

The antiques department of the Wednesday Morning Club of Cranford will meet Monday, Feb. 17, at 1 p.m. at the Cranford Historical Society Museum on N. Union Avenue. Pat Pavlak, curator and archivist, will discuss the new accommodations in the Hanson House. Larry Fuhro, president of the Historical Society, will talk on "Presidential Trivia." New members are invited to attend. Hostesses will be Margaret Coe, Blanche Creighton, Edna Patton, Evelyn Selby, Doris Taber, Marion Vossler and Barbara Walker.

The drama department will meet Tuesday, Feb. 18, at 1 p.m. at the home of Ellen Hunt, 102 Park Ave. Ann Mann will report on "Life and Death of the Theater" and Dorothy Baldwin will review "Romance of the American Theater."

VIA to celebrate Valentine's Day

Members of the Cranford Village Improvement Association literature department, under the direction of chairwoman Mary Kiley, meets today, Feb. 13, at 10:30 a.m. at the home of Vera Green. There will be a discussion of *In a Child's Name* by Peter Maas.

VIA, member of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs, will celebrate its February membership meeting with a "Valentine to Ourselves" luncheon at noon at The Westwood in Garwood. In charge of the arrangements are Lynn MacWhirter and Julie Plenciak.

Marion Braun and Fran Scaturo were installed as members.

In memory of two honorary members of VIA, a donation of two reference books was made to the Cranford Library: *Christmas Crafts* for Margaret McCollough and *Patricia Smith's Doll Values: Antique to Modern* for Irene Larsen. Mrs. Larsen was club president from 1964 to 1968.

Junior Women organize food drive

The Cranford Junior Woman's Club has organized a food drive in conjunction with the Community FoodBank of New Jersey and 20 Union County libraries, including Mackay Library at Union County College.

Contributions of non-perishable food may be placed in designated boxes at the libraries from Friday, Feb. 14, through Friday, March 6. The Community FoodBank (CFB) of New Jersey, the largest source of donated food in New Jersey, will distribute the food to its member agencies and charities serving the needy in Union county. Food drive items needed include: canned meat, fish and nuts; peanut butter; macaroni and cheese; evaporated milk; canned and powdered cheese, pudding and custards; canned fruits, juices, vegetables, soups and spaghetti sauce; dried fruits; dry cereal and oatmeal, cornmeal, spaghetti, rice cakes, and muffin, baking and cornbread mixes. For further information, call 815-9312 or (201) 643-FOOD ext. 3663.

DAR prepares Indian display

Crane's Ford Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution held its February meeting at the Municipal Building. Regent, Mrs. Sigmund Serafin, presided. Refreshment hostesses were Mrs. Wilson Rath, Mrs. Armand Van Gelder and Mrs. John Starr.

Historian Mrs. William Matreyek, announced that members have a display at Cranford Library honoring native American Indians in observance of American History Month.

Mrs. John Cantel, chairwoman, introduced three students who will receive Good Citizen awards at DAR Awards Day March 17 at Rutgers University. They are Ann Rivera, Cranford High School; Vivian Lopez, Mother Seton Regional High School; and James McMenamin, David Brearley Regional High School.

Three cadets with Major Eugene Pierson of the 821st Air Force Jr. R.O.T.C. Cadet Squadron from Scotch Plains-Fanwood High School were present at the program on national defense. A video they made titled, *Grandparenting* received a national award.

CHS honor roll announced for second quarter

Robert Seyfarth, principal of Cranford High School, has announced that the following students earned honor roll grades for the second quarter of the 1991-92 school year.

Twelfth-grade:

All A honor roll: Charles Baldwin, Donald Clay, Dominick D'Antonio, Daniel Delmonaco, Michael Delmonaco, Cori Flamingo, Sylvia Haller, Jean Ann Harris, Sarah Johnston, Mai Qaraman, Jennifer Slocum and Johnny Zajac.

All A or B honor roll: Andrea Ballman, Michelle Bergin, Jennifer Bobrowski, Kevin Cassidy, Joanne Catalano, Victor Catalano, Christine Debernardis, Kathleen Demyer, Joseph Depa, Jesse Evans, Jeffrey Gittlin, Jennifer Harper, Aimee Haug, Kieran Healey, Amy Hegna, Jessica Higgins, Carolyn Hofseth, Danielle Jacques, Linda Jones, Kimberly Kupka, Matthew Lyons, Kenneth Majors, Michelle Marcelo, Jennifer Martin, Jill Matz, Meghan Murphy, Christine Pipchick, Christopher Polito, Karen Richmond, Leonardo Rinaldi, Francine Saad, Kari Scher, Gregory Shannon, Sharon Sharp, Julian Slavinsky, Carrie Smith, Richard Smith, Denise Telerico, Jeremy Tumbokon, Mary Katherine Turowski, Adriane Weingart, Thera Wherrity, Donna White, John White, Kristi White, Gregory Williams, Sybil Young and Carole Ann Zahumeny.

Eleventh-grade:

All A honor roll: Liza Buenaventura, Theresa Eickman, Erica Greulich, Chamblin Johnson, Donna Louizides, Amish Pandya, Kathy Reicoon, Peter Semen and James Smith.

All A or B honor roll: Jessica Anderson, Edward Billson, Danielle Buttell, Karen Cardell, Michelle Casciano, Krystina Cierkowski, Karen Cirillo, John Colarusso, Elizabeth Conroy, Melissa Cudworth, Patricia Dellafera, Dana Denaro, Adam Dipaolo, Christopher Dorsett, William Finnegan, Rachel Frankel, Tanja Funk, Kristen Gall, Billie Jean Goodfellow, Frank Halter, Lauren Janish, Robert Jones, Jacek Kallmann, Heather Kusiv, Nicholas Lettieri, Ron Chai Lipsky, Nicole Malfetti, Donna Mason, Michele McGuire, Danielle Miller, Jennifer Moldave, Eric Nowicki, Laurie Ondrof, Michael O'Neill, Thomas O'Reilly, Kendra Owings, Janett Pateiro, Alaina Reed, William Ryan, Eric Shera, Michael Simon, Kimberly Smith, Neil Stelzner, Joseph Stokes, Andrew Trodden, Josephine Truglio, Eric Weiss, Eric Williams and Kari Ann Zalinkanskas.

Tenth-grade:

All A honor roll: Cristian Brotea, Karen McFadden and Jaime Saladino.

All A or B honor roll: Deena Brozek, Geoffrey Clay, Robert Coakley, Amy DeAngelis, Cara Degenhardt, Ellen Eichenlaub, Alana Fredericks, Stanley Garbowski, Bonnie Gittlin, Rachel Illing, Glen Jacob, Christopher Jenkins, Su Young Kim, Jana Labracio, Sarah Lindermann, Nicole Maguire, Bernadette Matten, Andrew Murphy, Julie Newman, Pratik Patel, Hiba Qaraman, Ailynne SanJuan, Lorraine Scanlon, Amy Schlapak, Laurie Shackell, Brian Sharp, Jason Stein, Ayal Steinberg, Kiersten Stiansen, Kimberly Swenson, Matthew Taglialavore, Raymond Wallin and Daniel Wilkin.

Ninth-grade:

All A honor roll: Caroline Brady.

All A or B honor roll: Justin Berger, Daniel Bombaci, Andrew Bostrom, Kathryn Conroy, Nicole Criscitiello, Jennifer DiFabio, Melanie Dinsmore, Laurie Dunkerton, Michele Eickman, Gina Elkoury, Valerie Eurell, Michael Feeley, Bridget Garrity, Melissa Guthrie, Margot Iglesias, Christopher Kaltreider, Suzanne Kessler, Justin Majors, Michael Margitich, Nicole Maron, Jessica Mattis, Frank McCarthy, Amanda Mertens, Adam Morreale, Gregory Oriscello, Steven Patton, Jeremy Platt, Tricia Polito, Jose-Luis Riera, Jessica Sanzo, Rachel Severs, Christopher Silvern, Courtney Silvern, Joseph Sobon, Christopher Soltis, Adrienne Stelzner, Lauren Weiss, Mindy Weiss and Alison Zakrzewski.

'Miracle Worker' billed at CDC

The Cranford Dramatic Club will present *The Miracle Worker* by William Gibson starting Friday, Feb. 21.

This drama tells the story of Helen Keller's rescue from her dark tortured silence with the help of teacher Annie Sullivan. The play will be directed by Michael Marcus with Sandi Pells as assistant director. Valerie Eurell, a Cranford High School student, will play Helen Keller, and Janice Lynn will appear as Annie Sullivan. Included in the cast are John Duryee, Theresa Nist, Eric Zipf, Terri Weinstein, Rodney Belle, Leslie Schrieber, Becky Dolan, Kaitlyn Boyle, Kim Schrieber, Kaitlyn Brady and Elizabeth Zakrewski.

The dress rehearsal is Thursday, Feb. 20, at 7:30 p.m. and is open to students at Orange Avenue and Hillside Avenue schools, who are studying the play as a part of their curriculum. They are invited to see the performance free of charge and participate in a discussion of the play. Performances will be held at the Cranford Dramatic Club, 78 Winans Ave., Fridays and Saturdays, Feb. 21 to March 7. Call 276-7611 for tickets.



ALEXANDRA NOWAK

6-year-old is finalist in pageant

Alexandra Louise Nowak, 6, daughter of Krzysztof and Ursula Nowak of Cranford, is a state finalist in the Miss American Princess Pageant to be held May 29-30 at the Hyatt Cherry Hill, Cherry Hill.

Contestants are judged on poise, personality, stage appearance, personal interview and achievements. Her hobbies include ballet, tap dance and daisies. Alexandra is sponsored by Krzysztof L. Nowak, an Old Bridge attorney.

Fabriele named vice principal

Peter Fabriele of Cranford, a long-time director of guidance and guidance counselor in the Union County Regional High School District, has been named assistant principal at Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School in Clark. The appointment was approved at a recent meeting of the Union County Regional Board of Education.

Mr. Fabriele has served as the director of guidance at Arthur L. Johnson for 13 years, and took over the leadership role in the guidance department at Johnson. Seton Hall University, on Jan. 29. Prior to that, he served as a guidance counselor at David Brearley Regional High School in Kenilworth for 11 1/2 years.

Mr. Fabriele began his career as a teacher of science and English at Webster Junior High School, Newark, from 1965-67.

A native of Bayonne, Mr. Fabriele he earned a bachelor's degree in biology, with a minor in English, from Villanova University in 1964. Three years later, he received a master's degree in counseling from Seton Hall University.

Pushcart Players coming to Walnut

The Walnut School PTA will present Pushcart Players, a professional theater troupe in Verona, in a performance of its most recent musical hit, *Are We There, Yet, Mr. Columbus?* The performance will take place at 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 25, at the school.

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Obituaries

Jack Schmidt, 61

Was council, school board member

Jack Schmidt, 61, of Garwood, who had served on the Borough Council and the Board of Education, died Feb. 9, 1992 in St. Peter's Medical Center, New Brunswick.

Services were held Feb. 10 in the chapel of Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth, after the funeral from the Dooley Funeral Home, 218 W. North Ave., Cranford.

Mr. Schmidt, who was known to his friends and political colleagues as "Jake," was a borough councilman in Garwood from 1982 to 1987, serving as council president in 1986 and as fire commissioner in 1987. He helped celebrate the new Municipal Building in 1983. Before his municipal service, Mr. Schmidt was a member of the Garwood Board of Education from 1971 to 1975.

He was a member of the Shade Tree Commission, the planning board and the zoning board, all in Garwood. He also had been the Republican municipal chairman in Garwood since 1988, president of the borough's Republican Club and Little League and a member of the Garwood First Aid Squad.

Mr. Schmidt was a shop steward at the Meadowlands Arena in East Rutherford for the past 10 years. Prior to that, he was a truck driver for 29 years with the Elizabeth Daily Journal. He belonged to Local 734 of the AFL-CIO in East Rutherford.

Born in Newark, he lived in Union before moving to Garwood 31 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Mary E.; a son, Michael; two daughters, Mrs. Joanne Corcodilos and Marianne; his mother, Mrs. Beatrice Schmidt; a brother, Ronald, and three grandchildren.



JACK SCHMIDT

Raymond G. Dowd, 60

Head of UAW local from 1968 to 1971

A Mass for Raymond G. Dowd, 60, of Cranford was offered Feb. 10 in the St. Joseph Church, Roselle, following the funeral from the Sullivan Funeral Home, 146 E. Second Ave., Roselle.

Mr. Dowd died Wednesday, Feb. 5, 1992 in the John F. Kennedy Medical Center, Edison.

He was the assistant director of security for the John F. Kennedy Medical Center for 14 years, retiring six years ago. Earlier, he was the inspector for the Alcoa Casting Corp., Garwood and Edison, for 18 years. Mr. Dowd had been president of a United Auto Workers local from 1968 to 1971. He also served in the Navy.

Born in Elizabeth, he moved to Cranford 30 years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret A.; a daughter, Mrs. Denise Rogaski; a sister, Mrs. Mary Brant, and two grandchildren.

Joseph Grande, 57

Garwood man was born in Italy

A Mass was held Feb. 10 at St. Anne's Church, Garwood, for Joseph Grande, 57, of Garwood, who died Feb. 7, 1992 at Union Hospital, Union.

Born in Italy, Mr. Grande came to the United States in 1958 and settled in Westfield before moving to Garwood 31 years ago.

Mr. Grande was a tailor for Concentral Tailoring, Westfield, for over 20 years. He was a member of St. Anne's Church, Garwood and the Italian-American Club of Westfield.

Surviving are his wife, Maria Bongiovanni Grande; a son, Frank of Garwood; three daughters, Adele Lewis, Lisa Califano and Julie Grande, all of Garwood; three sisters, Giovannina Camillo of Italy, Ubaldina DiSarro and Elvira DiSarro, both of Garwood, and two grandchildren, Jessica and Bianca.

Robert Silverman, once of Cranford, dies in York, Pa.

Dr. Robert Bruce Silverman, a pathologist and physician who once resided in Cranford, died Feb. 6, 1992, at home.

Dr. Silverman was born in Elizabeth and lived in Cranford before moving to York, Pa., 11 years ago, where he worked for York Hospital.

He graduated in 1968 from Penn State University and received his medical degree from the University of Miami in 1972. He served his residency at the University of Kentucky in 1974 and at the Harvard Hospital in 1976.

Surviving are his mother, Ruth; a son, Steven Mark; a daughter, Carly Michelle; and two brothers, Dr. Jim and Dr. Burt.

Services were held Feb. 11 in the Menorah Chapels at Millburn, Union.

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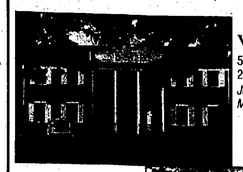
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Religion

Rosary Society sets benefit Pasta Night

St. Michael's Rosary Society will host a benefit Pasta Night Dinner Saturday, from 6-8:30 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Proceeds benefit Raphael House, Elizabeth, which will soon be operational as a transitional home for homeless pregnant women. Adult tickets are $6, children under 12, $3. Tickets will be available at the rectory, 276-0350, or from Rosemary Kissane, 276-4806. A barbershop quartet will entertain and a raffle will be held.

Sephardic history musical voyage

Temple Beth El Sisterhood, 338 Walnut Ave. in Cranford will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Yehoram Gaon, one of Israel's foremost male vocalists, will take a musical videotape voyage through 500 years of Sephardic history following the expulsion from Spain in 1492. Gaon travels from Toledo to Jerusalem; from Salonika to Sarajevo, to Amsterdam, Venice, and Istanbul, weaving a tapestry of history through a heart-felt rendering of melodic Ladino songs.

Alice Katcher and Edythe Finston, program vice presidents, are in charge of the program. Co-presidents, Linda Flaxman and Marlene Oslick, will preside at a short business meeting. The Judaica Shop, under the direction of Harriet Scheiner and Dottie Schalef will open prior to the meeting.

Refugees the subject of two forums

Esther Chavez, director of the Center for Central American Refugees in Plainfield, will speak at the Adult Forum at the Presbyterian Church, 9:30 a.m. on Sunday, Feb. 16 and 23.

'New Member Tea' in Springfield

Temple Sha'arey Shalom, Springfield, will hold a "New Member Tea" on Monday, Feb. 24 at 7:30 p.m. Individuals and families interested in affiliating with a congregation and interested in learning more about Temple Sha'arey Shalom are invited to attend. Call 273-1137.

Rev. Pretz speaks at Osceola

Rev. S. Timothy Pretz of Osceola Presbyterian Church will speak at the morning worship service on Sunday at 10 a.m. Sunday School classes will begin at 9 a.m. and the Fellowship Hour will be at 11 a.m. Junior Choir is at 11:15 a.m.

Congregation honors Muriel Wallner

Muriel Wallner, the executive secretary for the First Presbyterian Church for 20 years, was honored by the congregation with a reception Feb. 9. In Sunday's service she was recognized as a lifelong resident of Cranford "who is sitting in the seat her mother occupied when Muriel was a child." Mrs. Wallner has retired to Rossmoor. Rev. Bruce Williams thanked her "for the wonderful job she has done for the church." She replied that each morning in the past 20 years she "woke grateful each morning that she was going to a job she loved, in a place she loved."

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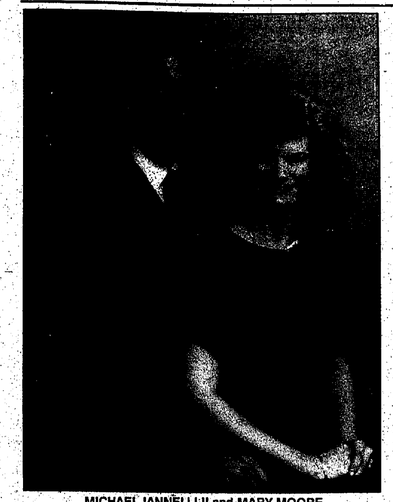
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Milestones



MICHAEL IANNELLI II and MARY MOORE

Mary Clarene Moore to wed Michael Iannelli II

Mr. and Mrs. C. Donald Moore of Simpsonville, S.C., announce the engagement of their daughter, Mary Clarene, to Michael Louis Iannelli II, son of Mr. and Mrs. Michael Iannelli of Cranford.

Ms. Moore will graduate in May from Clemson University, Clemson, S.C., with a B.S. degree in nursing.

Mr. Iannelli is a 1988 graduate of Cranford High School and will graduate in May from Clemson University with a B.S. degree in packaging science.

An Oct. 24 wedding is planned in Simpsonville, S.C.



GREGORY PIETSCH and LAURA YOUNG

Laura Young engaged to wed Gregory Pietsch

Mr. and Mrs. George Bartholomew Young of Cranford announce the engagement of their daughter, Laura Carroll Young, to Gregory Kenneth Pietsch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Howard Pietsch of Crosswicks.

The future bride is a 1986 graduate of Cranford High School. She earned an associate degree in liberal arts from Union County College and a bachelors degree sociology from Glassboro State College.

Miss Young made her debut at the 1987 Colonial Debutante Ball at the Pierre Hotel, New York City, through the N.Y. Sons of the American Revolution, and is a member of Crane's Ford DAR and a local New Jersey chapter of Colonial Dames of 17th Century.

She is the granddaughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Chandlee Hopkins Hickok of Cranford, and the great granddaughter of the late Dr. and Mrs. Bernard James Byrne, formerly of Ellicott City, Maryland.

Mr. Pietsch is a graduate of Steinert High School, Hamilton Township. He earned a B.S. degree in computer science at Glassboro State College.

The couple will marry in October.

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Amy Dafft exchanges vows with Christopher Lehner

Amy Darlene Dafft and Christopher Lehner were married Aug. 3, 1991 at the First Presbyterian Church in Cranford. The Rev. Bruce Williams officiated.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Krysevig of Miami, Fla. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Lehner of Cranford.

The maid of honor was Laura Friedman of New York. Bridesmaids were Linda Lehner, the groom's sister, and Meredith Koos of Texas.

Jonathan Lehner, the groom's brother, was best man. Jeffrey Metz of Cranford and Marc Olivieri of Arizona were ushers.

The groom graduated from Cranford High School and the Military Academy, West Point, N.Y. and is a second lieutenant in the Army. The bride attended Marymount College in New York.

The couple resides in Germany.



AMY and CHRISTOPHER LEHNER



SUZANNE BROWN and STEVEN BUCHHOLZ

Suzanne Brown engaged to wed Dr. Steven Buchholz

Mrs. Constance Brown of Cranford announces the engagement of her daughter, Suzanne, to Dr. Steven Buchholz, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Buchholz of Mystic, Conn.

Miss Brown, daughter of the late Roger Brown, is a graduate of Cranford High School. She received a bachelor of arts degree in psychology from Montclair State College, and is the director of social services at Cedar Grove Manor Convalescent Center in Cedar Grove.

Her fiance is a graduate of Fitch Senior High School and received a bachelor of science degree in biological sciences from the University of Connecticut. He also received a Phd in microbiology from Rutgers University in New Brunswick. He is a senior scientist at Hoffmann-La Roche in Nutley and lives in West Caldwell.

The couple is planning a Sept. 26 wedding at the Immaculate Conception Church, Montclair.

Pack 75 awarded Bobcat badges

Cub Scout Pack 75 has awarded Bobcat Badges, the first badge earned in the scouting program for the attainment of seven skills, to Anthony Burisch, Jamie Clark, Joseph DeAngelis, William Keeman, Michael Riddleberger, Patrick Romeo, James Seeman and Nicholas Seeman. These boys can now progress to the Wolf Badge, for which they must demonstrate 44 individual skills. Cub Pack 75, sponsored by Cranford United Methodist Church, welcomes Cranford boys ages 8-11. A Tiger Cub program is available for 7-year-olds. Call 276-0936.

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Business

DiFrancesco wants better government in New Jersey

By LORIE RUSSO
THE CHRONICLE



State Senate President Donald DiFrancesco talked about streamlining government at a recent Fifth Friday Friar's Club meeting in Bedminster.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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>
> —Donald DiFrancesco
> N.J. Senate president

Business notes

Trade committee meets Tuesday

The International Trade Committee of the Union County Chamber of Commerce in Elizabeth will meet 8:30 a.m. Tuesday at the chamber office, 135 Jefferson Ave. (rear), Elizabeth.

The speaker is Eugene Bukowski, director of finance for the New Jersey State Economic Development Authority, whose presentation will be "Export Working Capital Loan Program." Reservations: 352-0900.

Free coffee highlights celebration

In celebration of the second anniversary of Ahrre's Coffee Roastery, owner and roast master Ahrre Marps invites residents to stop in as often as they wish and enjoy a cup of coffee on the house. This offer extends through Saturday, Feb. 15. The store is at 106 No. Union Ave.

Constellation Bancorp restructures

As part of its strategic plan to strengthen the company and provide a foundation for profitability, Constellation Bancorp said it took restructuring and special charges of $12.4 million during the fourth quarter of 1991. For the three months ended Dec. 31, 1991 Constellation recorded a loss of $13.9 million, or $1.70 per share. A year ago, Constellation reported a loss of $60.8 million, or $7.52 per share for the fourth quarter of 1990.

In the fourth quarter 1991, excluding special charges and reserves as well as the provision for loan losses, the company realized core earnings from basic banking operations. The special charges and reserves in the quarter include the costs for the consolidation of banking offices; reductions in staff and related severance costs; the write-down of certain equity securities to market value; the write-down of other real estate owned (ORE) to market values, and the establishment of additional ORE reserves as a prudent measure against any further deterioration in real estate values.

Women in Management series is ongoing

Managerial and professional women can attend the "Women in Management" series, designed to provide a support forum for personal and professional development and common business concerns. The ongoing series is sponsored by the Career Options Center, funded by the Tribute to Women and Industry (TWIN) Program of Central New Jersey, a project of the Plainfield-North Plainfield and Summit YWCA's. Facilitators and advisers are recipients of the TWIN Award, given to women who have made outstanding achievements in their fields, and are members of the TWIN Management Forum, a professional network for TWIN Honorees.

There are two locations for the series. Meetings will be held at BASF Corporation, 100 Cherry Hill Road, Parsippany, Feb. 19 and March 18 from 6-8 p.m. with Carol A. Dechert, director of internal audit, as facilitator. In Edison, the group will meet at Sea-land Service Inc., 379 Thornal St. on Feb. 26 and March 19 from 6-8 p.m. Robin Staubach-Shaw, director of human resources, North America, will facilitate these meetings.

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TWIN scholarships

The TWIN Management Forum (TMF) of Central New Jersey, a network of executive and professional women who have received the Tribute to Women and Industry (TWIN) Award, announces its 1992 Scholarship Program. At least two awards of up to $1,000 each for educational-related expenses will be given.

Scholarship candidates must be women and must demonstrate financial need and realistic goals. College work, or vocational and technical school training, must be at an undergraduate level and needed for entry or reentry into the work place. The award is not for new high school graduates.

Candidates must be citizens or permanent residents of the United States. Women living in an area served by the Central N.J. TWIN project are eligible to apply.

To obtain an application, contact Janet Korba, director, TWIN Program, 232 East Front St., Plainfield, N.J. 07060 or phone 756-3836. Applications must be submitted by March 16.

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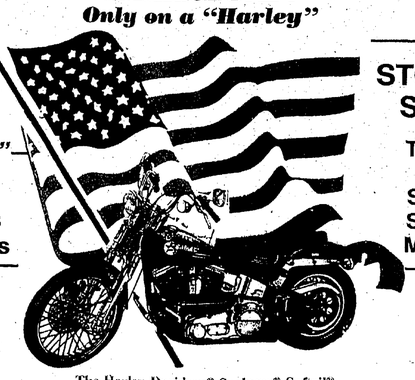
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'It was really scary being at Penn, all these fast guys were there and then there was me.'
Jason Fennes, David Brearley track star



JASON FENNES

Fennes lifts Bears track to pinnacle

By JESSICA BROOKS
THE CHRONICLE

Webster's Dictionary defines a champion as one who is a winner of first place in a competition, excelling all others. Jason Fennes definitely lives up to Webster's standard.

Fennes, a senior, is a four-year member of the David Brearley Regional High School track program. Head Coach James Hagan had nothing but praise for Fennes.

"He's outstanding. Ever since his freshman year, he showed potential. He has continued to grow, and the culmination of his competitiveness was displayed yesterday at the state meet."

On Sunday, Fennes captured the state title in the 55-meter high hurdles and the high jump, and a second place finish in the 400 dash, to add to his already enormous collection of awards, plaques, medals, and trophies (over 100 at last count).

"Fennes is in events that not only require strength and speed, but technique and discipline," said Hagan. "He came back after running the quarter, and in less than 10 minutes, jumped 6-4, to win the high jump."

Fennes' scoring led Brearley to the NJSIAA 1992 State Indoor Championship Sunday, the first in the school's history. Fennes' teammates followed his lead as the Bears outpaced Whippany Park and Metuchen for the title.

Senior shotputter Mike Fajardo placed second, with a throw of 48-7, his best throw ever, and senior Matt O'Donnell took second with a time of 6.8 seconds in the 55 dash. Hagan couldn't hide his excitement at winning the championship and in regard to Brearley's effort.

"The team ran the best that I would ever expect them to run," said Hagan. "Their focus concerned each other, not themselves. They really pulled together Sunday."

Fennes, a major part of Brearley's current success, credits a race he ran his freshman year with providing him with the inspiration to continue running. He referred to the sprint medley relay at the Blue Devil Classic in Westfield. He, along with classmates, Ken O'Conner, Joe Trentacosta and Jon Chango finished third at the Westfield track. The meet sparked Fennes' interest, and made him wonder what he was capable of.

Fennes recalled various highlights of his career at Brearley. He spoke of his performance at the state sectional meet in his freshman year, high jumping 5-8 and placing third. He reflected on the Penn Relays of his sophomore year, where he was a part of the 4 x 400m relay. That team included three of Brearley's best remembered former athletes: James Carrea, Devang Muchala, and Victor Verno. The quartet placed first in their heat and in their division.

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Smith is golden for Cranford swimmers

By SCOTT ZUCKER
THE CHRONICLE

The Cranford High School swim team entered Saturday's Union County Swim Championships with some modest goals. Hoping to make a splash and looking to make more than a ripple, the Cougars finished somewhere in between.

The Scotch Plains-Fanwood girls swam to a first-place finish over Westfield, while the powerful Blue Devil boys won big in Elizabeth Saturday. Governor Livingston finished third for girls and Union took second for the boys. The Cranford girls finished fifth, while the boys placed ninth.

"That's an improvement over last year for the girls," said Coach Sally Kleeman. "The boys slipped down a place."

Kim Smith gave the Cougars their only gold medal when she won the 200 yard freestyle in 2:01.05. Smith later took second in the 100 free behind Scotch Plains-Fanwood's Caroline Faraldo with a time of 56.87.

"Kim had a very good day, she took a first and a second," said Kleeman.

Cranford garnered a fifth place finish in the 200 medley relay with the team of Amy Hegna, Krysia Cierkowski, Jen Phalen and Smith. The 400 free relay team of Hegna, Phalen, Williams and Smith also finished fifth. Hegna added a fourth-place in the 100 butterfly to increase the Cougars point total. Her time of 1:07.78 was a personal best.

Kleeman was not surprised by the outcome of the girls' competition.

"It seemed to be pretty much Scotch Plains or Governor Livingston. Westfield is usually pretty strong but they often take a back seat to the boys."

The boys' squad, handicapped by small numbers, was not able put on a strong enough showing, as Westfield ran up 392 points. The Blue Devils took first place in every event except the 400 free relay. The 400 free relay team was disqualified when one of the swimmers jumped out of the blocks early.

"The boys were a little disappointed," said Kleeman. "They shouldn't be because they all did their best times of the season."

Westfield captured the top three spots in three individual events and two of the top spots in another three events. The boys did not finish in the money in any event, but senior Jeff Knight set a personal best with a 5:58 in the 500

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Cranford PAL wrestler Steve DiMarco (bottom) battles North Plainfield youngster Ryan Beltz last weekend in North Plainfield. DiMarco, wrestling at 49 pounds, took second in Cranford's 4th Annual P.A.L. Youth Wrestling Tournament last weekend. The Cranford team won.

Cranford PAL team wins wrestling tourney

By SCOTT ZUCKER
THE CHRONICLE

Much of the success of the Cranford High School wrestling program can be tied to the early exposure the sport is given among the township's youth.

The Cranford Police Athletic League has a very strong program and last Sunday won the annual tournament that they host. Cranford took first place in the Fourth Annual Invitational Youth Wrestling Tournament.

The tournament features 300 youngsters, from teams throughout Northern New Jersey and Connecticut, competing in four different divisions. Those divisions include bantam, midget, junior and intermediate.

"Hosting a tournament can be a tremendous amount of work," said Tournament Director Vic Gorman. "But the kids really enjoy it so it's become an annual labor of love.

"When we started several years ago, we decided to sponsor a highly competitive tournament. Each year we've invited team to provide that."

Cranford scored six first place finishes for a total of 247 points. A team from Danbury, Conn. finished second in the double elimination tournament with 218 points. The double-elimination format is unique to Cranford.

"Most of the tournaments we travel to are single elimination," said Gorman. "We've found the two-match minimum to be very positive."

Joshua Zulick started things off for Cranford with a first-place finish in the 49-pound bantam division match. Teammate Steven DiMarco took second. Gregory Donoforio scored Cranford's next bantam win with a first place finish in the 65-pound weight class. Later Cranford's Thomas Pacchina and Gregory Alvator took second and third respectively in the 75-pound class. Heavyweight William Bennett supplied Cranford's final first place finish in the bantams.

In the intermediate division, 114-pounder David Lettieri had a third place finish and heavyweight Vincent Grillo took second for Cranford's highest finishes.

Youth wrestling standout Craig Frost won the 95-pound junior division crown and teammate Nicholas Fekete, a heavyweight, supplied Cranford with two victories in the junior division. Joshua Evans, at 80 pounds, and 85-pound junior William Crecca posted consecutive second place finishes. Patrick Gorman took third as a 90-pound junior.

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Bears boys win

By JESSICA BROOKS
THE CHRONICLE

The Brearley Boys' Basketball claimed their first win of the season, but Jonathan Dayton High School made the thrill of victory short lived. The 0-17 Bears earned their first win of the season at the expense of Oratory Prep School Thursday afternoon, 46-42, mainly due to Brearley's determmination.

"We finally came together," said junior center Lou Kruk. "We picked up our game to a higher level."

Junior forward Jeff Velez lead the scoring with 14 points. Joe Sibilia and Chris Hogan added 10 and six points respectively. Kruk controlled the boards at key times in the game and finished the afternoon with seven points.

"I did well rebounding," said Kruk. "I played pretty well offensively also."

Senior point guard Matt Voorhees pumped in five points, and displayed quick passing and impressive ball-handling down the stretch. Victor Gomez added a basket and two foul shots to round out Brearley's scoring in the team's first win since the summer.

The Bears could not keep the streak going however and lost at home Tuesday to Bound Brook, 75-39. Kruk led the scoring with 14 points, followed by Sibilia and Victor Gomez, who had eight each. Hogan and Voorhees added five and four points.

Cranford girls take two more, now 14-5 overall

By CARA DEGENHARDT
THE CHRONICLE

The Cranford girls' basketball team improved to 14-5 on the season with consecutive victories over Johnson Regional and Irvington. The Cougars are now preparing for next week's Union County Tournament.

Cranford rallied to defeat Johnson 39-37 Tuesday night. The Cougars were down by 11 in the second quarter and came back to take a one-point lead at halftime. Anna Blaszcyk scored 13 points for the 11-6 Crusanders, who rallied in the second half before faltering.

Sophomore Jessica Dreyer scored 17 points and pulled down 12 rebounds to lead the 'baby Cougars.' Senior Lisa Dunkerton added 14 points, 13 rebounds and four assists. Point guard Katie Hopkins added four assists.

Cranford defeated Elizabeth 59-48 Thursday. Dunkerton topped all scorers with 26 points and 15 rebounds in the come-from-behind victory. Dreyer added 22 points and five assists for the Cougars. Eileen Doherty led the Minutemen with 21 points.

Cougar boys finish with win

The Cranford High School boys' basketball came up with a big victory entering the Union County Tournament this weekend. The Cougars defeated Arthur Johnson Regional 48-28 Tuesday night. The win lifted Cranford to 7-12 on the season.

"I though everybody gave a real good effort rebounding, that really helped us," said Coach Joe Lafferty. 'We are doing a much better job rebounding."

Lawrence Thomas scored 20 points to lead powerhouse Elizabeth to a 63-35 victory over Cranford Thursday. Thomas had nine first-half points to spark the 16-4 Minutemen to a 31-14 halftime lead. Senior forward Sean Slattery led the (6-12) Cougars with 12 points.

Lafferty is pleased with his team's efforts as he looks toward the tournament.

"We have been improving throughout the year and hopefully will continue to improve as the year goes along. Dumont Alnutt is a player that has improved real well the last couple of games. We are playing more and more as a team."

Cranford swimmers crush Rahway

By JEFF KNIGHT
THE CHRONICLE

The Cranford High School swim team raised its record to 8-5 with a total team effort in a 103-56 victory over Rahway. The Cougars started off slowly and were down at the break, before coming back strong in the second half.

The first event was the 200 medley relay in which the team of Jen Phalen, Daichi Iada, Amy Hegna and Jesse Evans placed second. Jeff Knight won the 200 freestyle with Jason Sciarrone taking third. Kim Smith dominated in the 200 individual medley with Lauren Genevose and Aileen Bracuto swimming strong.

Jesse Evans was barely touched out in the 50 free and had to settle for second while Dan Beams took third. Amy Hegna won the 100 butterfly and Krysia Cierkowski followed up with third. The Cougars swept the 100 free with Smith winning her second event and Evans and Sciarrone taking second and third respectively.

In the 500 free, Knight took second and Kelly Imus placed third. The Cougars won the 200 free relay, which turned out to be the most exciting event of the day. The team of Marc Grunberg, Justin Evans, Marc Skarecki and Beams were tied with Rahway after the first three swimmers, but Beams

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5040 Employment-Domestic

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Forbes Newspapers Heart To Heart

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

♥

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

♥

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

♥

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

♥

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

♥

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

♥

NASTY FRIENDLY,
Happy Valentine's Day!
Boots

♥

VIVIAN,
You are and always will be **My Girl.** I Believe In Love I Believe In You And Me. I'll never stop loving you.
Happy Valentine's Day Sweetheart! I Love You!
Johnny

♥

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

♥

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

♥

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

♥

'LAINE
You are my friend, my buddy, my sweetheart. I'll Love You Always. Happy Valentine's Day. **Peanut**

ALFRED MY LOVE,
You are all the special things a husband ought to be, and that is why my love belongs to you & you alone always & forever.
Happy 12th Anniversary
Sharon

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

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

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

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

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

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

♥

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

DARA,
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Ray

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

♥

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

♥

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

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

JERRY YERPAY,
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Aunt Kathy

JILL, I love your laugh,
I love your smile,
I love your hair,
I love your face,
I love your eyes,
I love the way you make me laugh,
I love the way you make me smile. Guess What!
I-L-O-V-E-Y-O-U!!
Love Always, LEE

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

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

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

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

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

JOHNNY CZERNIKOWSKI
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Aunt Kathy

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

LISA CZERNIKOWSKI,
Happy Valentines Day
Love,
Aunt Kathy

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

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

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

♥

My Dearest Karen,
You walked into my life & stole my heart. **Love Carl**

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

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

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

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

O MY POUPI, Dearest cat, big warm sweet & fat, Copper eyes, golden fur, loving soul, Yummy purr!

OUIE, Come here I want to tell you *something,* our love will last until the stars grow cold. I love you. Happy Valentine's Day. **YOUR HONEYPUFF**

OUR MOST PRECIOUS VALENTINES— Bobby, Nicholas, Brian, Patrick, Christina & 7. All our love always, Nana & Pa XXXXX

Paul & Linda,
Won't be long!!!
Happy Valentines Day
Love always,
Mom & Dad

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Sevmek en guzelini Sevgililerin, Yasamak bana en yucesini mutlulukların oyasıya.
Nice yilara birtanem.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

TO OUR VALENTINE,
We love you so very much even when we are not so loveable.
3TJ VALENTINES

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

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

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

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

Happy Valentine's Day

CRANFORD

Downtowner



Retailers celebrate President's Day with Silver Dollar Sale

Store owners in Cranford will offer first-quality winter merchandise at popular prices during its week-long celebration of George Washington and Abraham Lincoln's birthdays beginning Tuesday, Feb. 11. During Cranford's Presidents Day Sales, shoppers will still receive the personalized service that characterizes Cranford businesses and sets the downtown district apart from department stores and malls.

The birthday of the United States' first national hero was celebrated publicly beginning in the 1780s and became an annual occasion during his presidency from 1789 to 1796. After President Washington's death in 1800, a national day of mourning on Feb. 22 replaced the celebration of his birth. From then up until the Civil War when citizens began to look to Lincoln as a hero, too, Washington was widely revered as something akin to a saint, not only on his birthday but throughout the year.

Today, the patriotic oratory of those years has been replaced by more mercantile celebrations, as store owners increasingly transform the date into an opportunity to purchase the winter season's stock in mid-winter at bargain prices. In advertising for these events, they take the most enduring legends of Washington's life like the cherry tree story and use it as an advertising slogan, "We chop our prices for you." Likewise, Lincoln's "I can not tell a lie" phrase is used in "Honest Abe" promotions.

Grand Openings

The downtown shopping area has undergone a renaissance over the past few weeks with some grand openings successfully completed and others promised.

The new stores include a clothing boutique specializing in hand-painted clothing for infants, children and women; a restaurant serving both pizza and frozen yogurt; an eye care center; and a full-service beauty salon. Look inside for information on each and look on Cranford's Victorian streetscapes for their new facades.

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Walk through Cranford history...

The Washington and Lincoln connections

Cranford's proud history includes footnotes from both presidents honored during the month of February — George Washington and Abraham Lincoln.

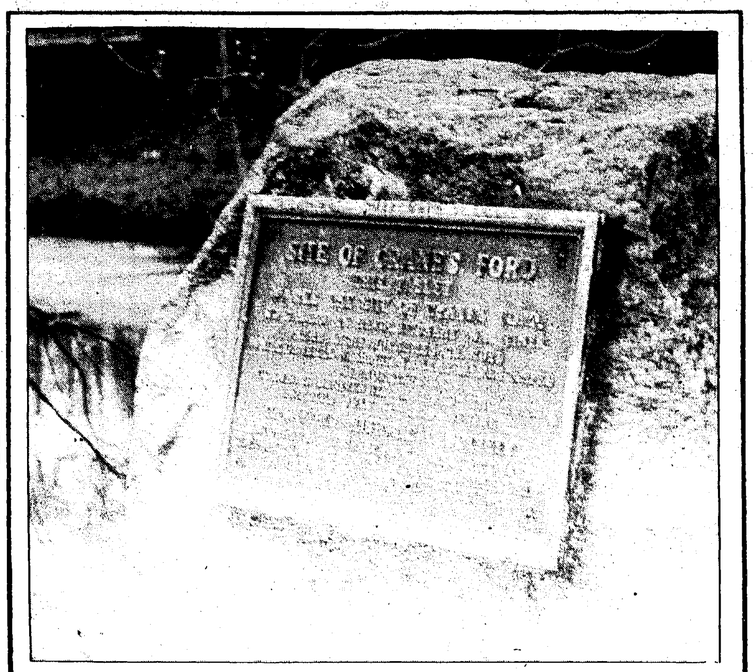
Cranford was the scene of great activity during the Revolutionary War as the site of a cantonment and a field hospital. Grain was ground at Crane's Mills to feed George Washington's Morristown army. Woolen blankets for the soldiers were produced at William's Mill, later renamed Droescher's Mill, which still stands on the river near Lincoln Avenue and High Streets.

A troop of light horse raiders was stationed at the ford in the river near the Crane house on Riverside Drive. They were on the alert, especially when the river was frozen, to warn Washington at Morristown of raiding parties from the main body of the British army stationed on Staten Island. A bronze tablet on a boulder at Springfield Avenue and Riverside Drive marks the location.

At the old Cory House, which stood on North Avenue E, American soldiers were quartered. They evaded the British by escaping through a trapdoor in the closet under the stairs. A secret tunnel in the cellar led them to the barn from which they made their way out through the woods. This same escape route helped many slaves on their way to freedom when the Cory House was a stop along the Underground Railroad during the Civil War.

The Civil War changed political alignments completely. The old Whig party had fallen, and there was tremendous enthusiasm for Abraham Lincoln and his new Republican Party. Rallies were held, and Lincoln was given Cranford's vote in the presidential election. It was also during this period that Cranford's name became law, the area previously having been known as Craneville.

Presidents continued to play a role in politics and the history of Cranford. Certainly, the climax took place during the presidential campaign of 1912 when on two successive days in May, President William Howard Taft and ex-President Theodore Roosevelt addressed crowds from the front porch of the Munoz House at the corner of N. Union and Alden streets. Cranford instead backed its own Gov. Woodrow Wilson as President. And the rest is history...



George Washington's troops slept here...and a bronze tablet at Springfield Avenue and Riverside Drive marks the spot where a troop of light horse raiders was stationed.

Cranford Pizza and Yogurt offers healthy alternative for meals

Residents should look forward to the opening of Cranford Pizza and Yogurt later this month for good food at an affordable price.

"We're going to offer Cranford residents, shoppers and movie-goers a good deal," states co-owner John O'Leary. "We will offer a lot for their money...we'll cater to anyone watching their dollar," he adds.

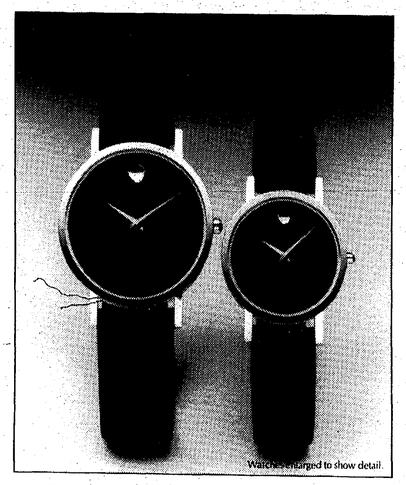
Cranford Pizza and Yogurt will feature just that...pizza and frozen yogurt. In addition, a salad and soup bar, Italian dishes, cold and hot Italian sandwiches, desserts, cappuccino and espresso will be available. Customers will be welcomed into the newly decorated and refurbished restaurant at 101-103 Miln St. It features decorations imported from Italy, including unique floor and wall tiles, where patrons can enjoy sit-down dinners in pleasant surroundings.

Co-owner Geraro Budetti is highly experienced as a chef of fine Italian foods, as well as with the restaurant business. "We decided to combine and mix the two most affordable and popular menu items and to offer them in a friendly and wholesome setting where everyone is welcome," states Mr. O'Leary. "We will offer a healthy alternative for the lunch crowd, the after-school crowd, the family dinner and the movie-goers," he states.

"We chose to set up business in Cranford because we like the direction that the downtown was heading. It was important to locate in a town that was only going to get better, and we are looking forward to becoming a part of the community," he adds.

The restaurant will be open from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. Monday through Thursday; 11 a.m. to midnight Friday and Saturday; and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Sunday. Customers are invited to bring their own wine or beer.

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Booster Club gets breakfast boost from downtown businesses

The Boosters Club annual pancake breakfast will get a boost from several downtown merchants including Linda Eberling, owner of Linda's Book Exchange, who serves as co-chairwoman with Cynthia Hegna. Both Mrs. Eberling and Mrs. Hegna also serve as co-vice-presidents of the organization, which is charged with helping maintain the quality of the high school sports program.

The pancake breakfast will be held on Saturday, March 28, from 8 a.m.-1 p.m. at the high school cafeteria. The price of admission is $4 for adults, $3.50 for children, and will include unlimited pancakes, sausage, juice, milk and coffee for all. Tickets will be available at the door, from all Booster Club members, or by calling Linda's Book Exchange, 276-1814, or Mrs. Hegna, 276-4620.

The Cranford Booster Club was founded in 1946, and since then has played an important role in the lives of the high school athletes. It takes pride in the number of athletic scholarships it has been able to award each year. The Booster Club also donates athletic equipment when and where it may be needed, such as scoreboards, stop watches, swimming lane guides, batting cage and pitching machine, flags in the high school gym, and volleyball nets. The club also is responsible for the purchase and distribution of Booster Club sweatshirts that each first-time letter winner receives. In addition, the Booster Club also honors senior athletes at its senior awards dinner in the spring.

Fund-raisers consist of the football program, the refreshment stand and the pancake breakfast. Monthly meetings are held the second Wednesday of each month at the Community Center at 8 p.m.

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An Irish love story results in Claddagh tradition at Hynes Jewelers

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He returned to his native country and settled down in the ancient village of Claddagh, just outside Galway. There he shaped a unique ring for his betrothed who had never married.

The design was simple. At the center of the ring is a heart that symbolizes their love; on top, a crown that symbolizes loyalty, and two hands holding the heart, which symbolize friendship. He gave the ring to her, and they married soon afterwards, never to be separated again.

Today, the Irish Claddagh ring, because of its tradition and design, grows in popularity, and is being used as an international token of great friendship and love.

Arthur Hynes, owner of Hynes Jewelers on Eastman Street, and an Irish native, knows the story of the Claddagh well. Born in County Down, Mr. Hynes immigrated to this country in 1973, "because it was such a great opportunity." His business has consistently grown over the past 10 years and has developed a reputation as an outlet for Irish gifts. In addition to its fine selection of Claddagh items including jewelry, desk accessories, ornaments, decorations and door knockers, the store offers Beleek china, Galway crystal and Royal Tara china. Irish landscape prints by Edmund Sullivan and wood carving by Puckane are displayed on the walls and available for purchase. Irish marble clocks and desk accessories also are featured. Mr. Hynes also shares his expertise in jewelry remodeling and repair. Store hours are weekdays and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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Cranford businesses help celebrate Girl Scout Week

Cranford businesses will sponsor a full-page information section in the March 12 edition of the *Cranford Chronicle* that will honor the 80th anniversary of Girl Scouting and the 35th anniversary of the Washington Rock Council, which serves Cranford Girl Scouts.

Girl Scout Week is March 8 through 14. Cranford scouts will begin the celebration with an ecumenical service at Calvary Lutheran Church at 3 p.m. March 8. All houses of worship will be represented. The week will conclude with a father-daughter square dance Friday, March 13.

At present, there are more than 600 Cranford youths involved in Girl Scouting, and while they are best known for the annual cookie sales, scouting is much more. Individual troops participate in a number of organized service projects such as the river clean-up, the town-wide litter day clean-up, and the annual tree decorating project. Cranford scouts also worked with the Chamber of Commerce to reinstate a Movie Matinee Saturday in December when parents could shop in the downtown district, while scouts took care of their children at no charge.

In addition, individual troops create their own service projects. For example, many troops visit senior citizen homes, nursing homes and specialized care facilities bringing hand-made gifts for the shut-ins. Other troops are responsible for local food drives and blood drives.

Over the years, Girl Scout badges have evolved to reflect the interest of the scouts. While scouts still may earn cooking, sewing and art badges, new areas of interest include science, mechanics, and careers.

The highlight of any scout's year is the annual camping spree in the spring. This year's theme is the "Wild West Wahoo." Scouts will participate in eight games with western themes.

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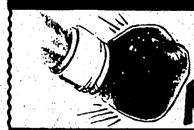
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New store brings some hand-painted "Classy Creations" to the downtown

Suzanne Lanzafama began designing hand-painted clothing for infants, children and women for herself and her own family several years ago.

"People began telling me that it was good, and asking me to personalize items," she explains. She developed her craft through her own "good eye" and through craft classes at local studios. It was the beginning of something big. This January, Suzanne's daughter Brenda, who learned the craft from her mother, opened Classy Creations on N. Union Avenue.

The scent of romantic potpourri welcomes you into the store filled with bright red offerings for Valentine's Day. Consider a very fashionable hand-painted sweater, or a "Be My Valentine" basket filled with novelties. For the children in your life, Classy Creations can create personalized Teddy bears complete with dress outfit and jewelry. Choose from ballerina bears, sports bears, old-fashioned tea party bears, or ask Brenda to help create your own theme.

In addition to clothing, the store's selection includes hand-painted shoes, wicker decoration items, designer stiffy bow baskets, wreaths and fans, personalizable items, and Valentine gifts galore. Select from a design on display, bring your own, or use a cartoon figure from Sesame Street, the Ninja Turtles, Little Mermaid or Precious Moments. There is an unlimited amount of designs to choose from and the best is the one that most reflects your own personality and tastes.

Store hours are Monday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursday to 9 p.m.



Suzanne Lanzafama of Classy Creations on N. Union Avenue can hand-paint just about any design on just about any item of clothing or fabric. Bring her your ideas and she'll customize a garment or other gift item.

A sweetheart of a guide for Valentine's Day gifts

The feast of St. Valentine on Feb. 14 seems to be intended to commemorate two saints of the same name. According to legend, one was a Roman priest who suffered martyrdom during the time of the reign of Emperor Claudius. The other was a bishop of Interamma, who was martyred in Rome.

St. Valentine's Day as a lovers' festival, the choice of a valentine, and the modern development of sending valentine cards has no relation to either saint. Rather, these customs seem to be connected either with the pagan Roman festival of the Lupercalia, which took place in the middle of February, or with the spring season in general.

For whatever reason, St. Valentine's Day is a day of romance. And Cranford store owners offer a variety of gifts – surely one is just right for the sweetheart in your life.



Greeting Cards

The valentine is regarded as a forerunner of the greeting card. Its history is related to pre-Christian Rome when boys drew the names of girls from a love urn on the feast of the Lupercalia, Feb. 15. The paper valentine with inscribed sentiment dates from the 16th century. With the introduction of penny postage and envelopes in England in 1840, the exchange of valentines increased and the use of lace paper, delicately ornamented became popular.

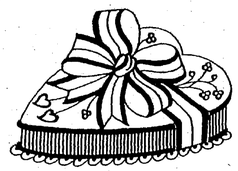
Cranford's speciality card stores include Baron Drugs, and Town & Country Gifts on Eastman Street; Harrison's Card and Gift Shop, Bell's Pharmacy, Brown's Hallmark Shop, and Plaza Pharmacy on N. Union Avenue; and Personally Yours Gift Baskets on South Avenue.

Flowers

The conventional way to celebrate Valentine's Day is with flowers. Cranford shops offer a variety of ways to use them in unexpected arrangements that offer an alternative to simply placing them in a vase. Both Rekemeier's Flowers on North Avenue E and Cranford Florist on N. Union Avenue offer FTD and Teleflorist selections and will assist customers in designing fresh and silk flower arrangements for a particular room or decor.

Chocolate

In 1765, an Irish immigrant John Hannon arrived in America and persuaded a Dr. James Baker to finance the setting up of a chocolate factory, the first in the



United States. When Mr. Hannon was lost at sea in 1777 while on a buying trip to the West Indies, Dr. Baker took over the business, and an American institution was born. But it wasn't until 1900, when 43-year-old Milton Hershey sold his caramel factory for $1 million and started a chocolate factory and model town, later to be called Hersheyville, that the American chocolate industry boomed and the product became competitive with the imported brands.

In 1905, Cadbury's Dairy Milk entered the market as the richest taste in chocolate and then came the Hershey Kiss in 1907. Milky Way was invented in 1923 and was followed by the Mars Bar in 1932. Today, chocolate remains a favorite gift, and in Cranford you will find a selection that includes imported varieties, homemade delicacies, and the Russell Stover line.

In Cranford, look to Sweet 'n Fancy Emporium at 17 North Ave. W for homemade chocolate and novelty shaped candies. Personally Yours Gift Baskets on South Avenue, offer imported selections including truffles. Russell Stover candies can be purchased at Bell's Pharmacy and Brown's Hallmark stores on N. Union Avenue.

Jewelry

The history of wearing jewels is as old as the history of mankind. Apart from their decorative value, ornaments have been worn as charms, amulets, and declarations of love from very ancient times. Cranford store owners offer craftsmanship in their designs and selections in both rare and precious gems and tastefully designed costume jewelry.

Cranford has a plethora of jewelry stores including Hynes Jewelers on Eastman Street, Martin Jewelers on N. Avenue W, Phoenix Jewelers on N. Avenue E, Golden Touch Jewelers on N. Union Avenue, and The Ticker Shop on Walnut Avenue.

A Day of Beauty

Rejuvenating the soul can be as easy as rejuvenating the body. Start with a full body massage, move on to a manicure and pedicure, and finish up with a facial, make-up lesson and new hair style. A day of pampering is every women's dream. Cranford's full service salons can help you fulfill it. Both Whair It's At on South Avenue and Louis Coiffures on North Avenue offer gift certificates for a complete day of beauty or selected services.

Chamber appoints four new members to board of directors

The Cranford Chamber of Commerce is a non-profit volunteer organization created as a working partnership of individuals and businesses. The mission of the Cranford Chamber of Commerce is to promote the commercial, mercantile, financial, manufacturing and civic interests of its members and the Cranford community.

In addition, the chamber acts as a clearing house, legislative representative, and public relations counselor. The chamber supports and sponsors educational programs, collecting and disseminating valuable information and rendering services for the economic development of Cranford.

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In January, new board members Sandy Hamaydi, Peter Milwicz, Kurt Petschow and Vita Zoltak joined the returning members of the board, Paul LaCorte, president; Owen Daly, vice president; Gene Matics, treasurer; Dan Hadrava, membership chairman; Marta Person, executive director, and Anne Santulli, secretary. At-large members Teresa Tinnirella, Meryl Layton, Jack Millar, Jerry Dobbins, Joe LaBracio, Linda Lefer, Gary Goodman and Al Stender also were reappointed.

Ms. Hamaydi, co-owner of Geiger's Fine Women's Apparel on N. Union Ave., began her retailing career at the age of 16 as a part-time worker at Robinson's Clothing Store in Cranford. A life-long resident, Ms. Hamaydi bought out Robinson's in 1987 with the help of her mother, Gerda, and sister, Joanne. She is a graduate of the Berkeley Fashion Institute and serves as chairman of the Retail Division of the Chamber of Commerce for a two-year term beginning 1990.

Mr. Milwicz, a resident of Cranford, is a certified public accountant with the firm of Freedman, Milwicz and Morrison in Clark where he is responsible for insuring that the firm adheres to accounting and auditing standards in order to pass the quality review program, administration and new client development, single audits for non-profit organizations and tax return preparation. His firm has been recognized as one of the top 50 small firms in the country. Mr. Milwicz serves as president of the Cranford Rotary Club and is a board member of the Union County Chapter of the N.J. Society of Certified Public Accountants. He is an active member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. A sports enthusiast, Mr. Milwicz is a member of the Cranford Rotary Bowling League. He and his wife, Janet, have two children, Matthew, 5, and Steven, 3.

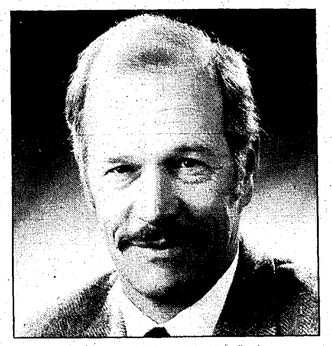
Ms. Zoltak has been a resident of Cranford the past 26 years. She has been in the real estate business locally for 22 years, serving Cranford and the surrounding areas. In 1983, Ms. Zoltak received her broker's license and established Meeker-Sharkey, Realtors at 124 South Ave. E. She is a member of the N.J. Association of Realtors, the Westfield Board of Realtors (WBR) and Greater Eastern Union County Board of Realtors. S he serves on the WBR's grievance committee and has served on the professional standards committee. She has qualified numerous times for membership in the N.J. Association of Realtors Million Dollar Sales Club. Ms. Zoltak has earned the designation GRI, graduate realtor institute, and CRB, certified real estate broker. She was one of the first women to be asked to join the Cranford Rotary Club.



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Parking Committee invites participation by residents

Increasing parking availability as well as public safety are two of the reasons that the Downtown Management Corporation continues to maintain its parking committee. Chaired by Robert O'Sullivan and Bob Greco, the committee is charged with re-evaluating the parking plan to ensure the proper allocation of shopper, in-bound commuter and out-bound commuter parking ratios.

Their goals this year are to promote the parking token program and to install change and token machines in several of the lots. The committee is looking for resident and shopper input. If you are interested in serving, please contact Mr. O'Sullivan, at 272-5350, or the DMC office at 709-7208.



Victorian renovations are nearing completion on the Greco Professional Building at 115 North Ave. W. Tenants include Environmental Tactics, Letter Perfect, Kemco, and Sister Susan.

Cranford optometrist offers advice on eye care and eye fashion

If one of your New Year's resolutions was to take better care of yourself, don't forget one of your most valuable assets...your eyes.

Dr. Alan Glickman, optometrist/ optician with offices at 23 North Avenue W, reminds residents that an annual eye exam can be preventative medicine.

"For people over 40, the increase of glaucoma and other eye problems rises dramatically," said Dr. Glickman, "and sometimes the disease is silent and may not affect vision."

Children, too, need an annual eye check-up. "Their vision changes from year to year, and it's important to make sure they can see as good as they should and can," he advises. "If your child squints a lot, or sits closer to the television and holds books up to his head; if they often complain of headaches, these are signs of vision problems."

Plastic lenses have gained in popularity too, said Dr. Glickman, because they are impact resistant. "While glass lenses don't scratch as easy, plastic lenses are more advantageous because of the weight factor and less danger of splinter in an impact. In higher prescriptions, plastic lenses can be made in thinner forms than glass and are much more cosmetically appealing," said Dr. Glickman.

Progress has been made in the contact lens field as well. "Disposable contact lenses are advantageous because they are better for your health. They require less care, there are no deposits of dirt, and there is less chance of eye infection. As a result, vision remains stable, and the lenses are more comfortable," he explains.

Office hours are 9 a.m.-6 p.m. weekdays, Thursday till 8 p.m., and Saturday to 3 p.m. Dr. Glickman offers emergency same-day service; otherwise glasses can be delivered in two business days. He accepts walk-in patients.

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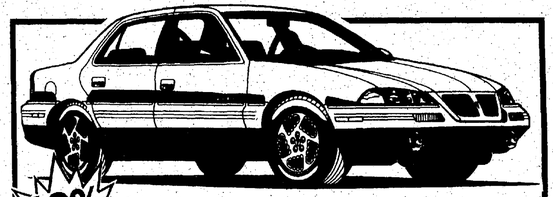
Retail Division of Chamber of Commerce seeks members

The Cranford Chamber of Commerce Retail Division has continued to offer downtown businesses the opportunity to participate in annual sales and promotions for almost two decades now. The special events calendar includes the Mother's Day flower giveaway, sidewalk sales, Halloween window painting contest, bagging the parking meters for the holidays, and the ever popular Santa Stipends.

The Retail Division has experienced a decrease in participation by the individual retailers and is having difficulty in generating adequate funding for these promotions. Typically, eight stores have paid graduated membership fees that have covered the expenses for all shops, even those that do not advertise or participate. And it is those same store owners who work diligently to bring these events to their successful conclusion.

To be a participant in the Retail Division, a store owner must be a member of the Chamber of Commerce. Based on gross volume sales, the fees range from $200 to $500, and include participation and advertisements for the "Spring Fling" direct mail coupon promotion, the Easter promotion, Mother's Day special events, and the sidewalk sales.

The Chamber of Commerce also sponsored many successful promotions during 1991 including an arts and craft street festival, circus, summer concerts, and the Italian street festival. In addition, the chamber is responsible for the annual holiday special events calendar in December, which features the annual tree lighting, horse and buggy rides, photos with Santa, holiday music, and the kiddie movie matinee (free babysitting for shoppers).


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Campaign Chairperson Skip Winter had some further comments, "What makes the situation more difficult, is that the majority of our annual donations and pledges are already accounted for. The remaining $20,000 must come from "new" money. With the current state of the economy, prospects look slim."

Winter noted that the needs of the agencies the United Way serves continues to grow. "In 1988, we helped meet the needs of our agencies by making our $177,000 goal. In 1992 $177,000 would put us some $30,000 short. Our participating agencies help people in Cranford by providing essential services in our community. That's what the United Way is all about — people helping people."

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Recipe rack

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Chocolate Souffle

1 1/2 ounces unsweetened chocolate
5 Tbsp. sugar
2 Tbsp. butter
2 Tbsp. flour
1/8 tsp. salt
3/4 cup milk
3 eggs, separated
1 tsp. vanilla

Preheat the oven to 325 degrees. Butter a 1 1/2 quart souffle dish and sprinkle it with sugar. Put the chocolate, 2 Tbsp. of the sugar and 2 Tbsp. hot water in a small pan and heat slowly, stirring occasionally, until the chocolate is melted and smooth. Remove from the heat and set aside. Melt the butter in a skillet, then add the flour and salt. Cook over low heat, stirring, for several minutes, then gradually stir in the milk. Cook to the boiling point, stirring; the sauce will become smooth and thick. Blend in the chocolate mixture. Beat the egg yolks well. Stir a little of the hot sauce into the yolks, then add the yolks to the remaining sauce. Stir well, then set aside to cool. Beat the egg whites until foamy, slowly add the remaining 3 Tbsp. of sugar, and continue beating until stiff, but not dry. Stir a fourth of the whites into the chocolate mixture, then fold in the remaining whites. Stir in vanilla. Spoon into souffle dish; bake for 35-40 minutes. Serve with whipped cream.



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"The Chamber of Commerce and Retail Division's promotions were very successful in highlighting the strength of the downtown district," said Marta Person, executive director and downtown manager.

Shoppers found that Cranford retailers offer popularly priced goods with the added touch of personal services.

"In fact, their service is far superior than department or mall stores, and their prices are comparable and in some cases even lower than those stores," she adds.

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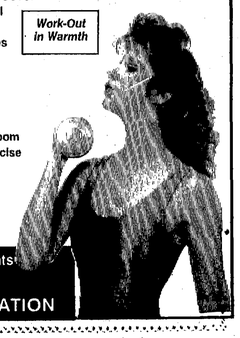
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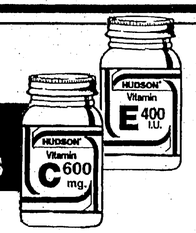


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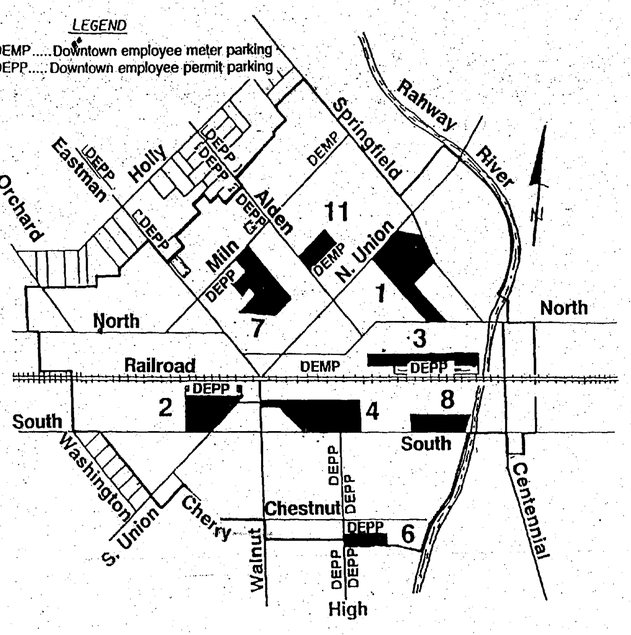
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Valentine's Day
Chamber board meeting, The Office, 8 a.m.
Feb. 19
Chamber planning session, Municipal Building, 5:30- 9:30 p.m.
March 1
Spring Fling direct mailing coupon
March 13
Chamber of Commerce luncheon, Cortina Restaurant, noon
March 18
Cranford and Westfield Area Chambers of Commerce,
"Meet Your '92 Legislators," The Westwood, 5:30 p.m.
March 20
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Create your own Valentine basket at Personally Yours

Dean Russo, owner of Personally Yours Gift Baskets, chose the township of Cranford to do business in because he knew the residents would appreciate the quality of his products and the uniqueness of the gift. The unlimited choices for creating corporate and personal gift baskets can be seen in the hundreds of items that can be selected individually and added to theme baskets.

"It's a great gift for Valentine's Day," states Mr. Russo, "because it can be tailored to the individual likes of the recipient. It's an alternative to buying flowers and people enjoy it because there is something left to remind you of the giver and the gift."

For more traditional Valentine offerings, consider giving your sweetheart a basket of imported chocolates and cookies to enjoy. Choose from white wicker baskets, hand-painted wooden baskets, and novelty items. For the more adventurous, consider giving a chocolate record which states, "Just for the record...I love you," a dozen all-chocolate roses, or an all-chocolate key to the heart. Make your selection from gift baskets in stock, or order one personalized for your sweetheart.

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Up until the grand opening of his store two years ago, Mr. Russo worked as an accountant with a firm in New York City. "I saw some ideas of this type of shop in Manhattan and it peaked my interest," says the Fanwood resident who investigated the business for three years before opening. During the holiday season, Mr. Russo also operated another store, Personally Yours, in South Plainfield.

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Dean Russo of Personally Yours is stocked with Valentine candy, stuffed animals, balloons and other gift ideas for creating a personalized greeting of love.

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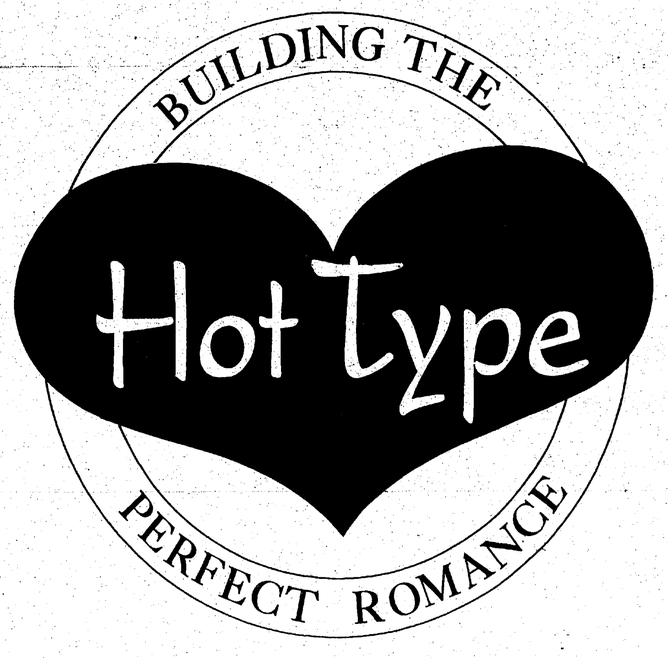
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The bloom is off America's love affair with romance fiction but the thrill is far from gone

By STEVEN HART

These are the sort of valentines publishers love to get:

•According to a survey in this past summer's *Publishers Weekly*, romance fiction — "pink ink" as the magazine calls it — accounts for 40 percent of all paperback book sales.

•The Toronto-based Harlequin Books, the acknowledged ruler of what are known in the trade as "category romances," reported worldwide sales of 200 million in 1990; together with its American imprint, Silhouette, it turns out 56 new titles a month under various brand names.

•Though nowhere near as popular as it was in the late '70s and early '80s, romance fiction scored a commercial breakthrough last year when Judith McNaught's *Paradise* became the first out-and-out romance title to be picked up by the Book-of-the-Month Club.

What is this thing called romance fiction? Obviously, it is fiction in which a love story supersedes all other aspects of the plot, though there are genres and divisions within the romance field that add elements of "mainstream" fiction — secondary characters, subplots, etc. — in measures as carefully graded as laboratory chemicals.

Still, the basic formula is simple enough: man meets woman, man parts from woman (or something keeps them from getting together), man and woman reunite and pledge eternal devotion. A cover illustration showing a brawny man crushing a woman to his chest doesn't hurt, either.

"We try to meet readers' expectations," said Laura Swift, editorial director of the Silhouette line. "One of those is that she be reading a love story. The other is that there be a happy ending."

Middletown resident Marie Tracy, who has published three Silhouette titles under the pen name Audra Kelly, bridled at the idea of a formula for romance fiction.

"If you call a happy ending 'formula' then I'd have to agree," she said. "The reader who reads a romance expects one. But there's plenty of difference besides that.

"The old nurse-doctor romances of the '50s gave the genre a bad rap, I think," she continued. "The editors today are a much younger generation. They want more complex characters, more assertive women. The stories are very different."

The New Age has come to romance writing. Time travel, reincarnation and even science fiction motifs are cropping up.

Still, the romance market is full of books with almost identical covers, where readers tend to go for books with recognizable brand names as opposed to favorite authors. They look for a known quanitity.

While a big part of what romance fiction offers is familiarity, there are differences within the field that should be noted. What holds for rap and heavy metal music or abstract painting holds to a certain extent for romance fiction: those who say it's all the same aren't paying attention.

With its emphasis on demographic research, Harlequin Books has targeted specific audiences with several different brand names, each with a particular . . . well, thrust. The "Harlequin Temptation" and "Silhouette Desire" labels signal a higher spice level, while "Silhouette Intimate Moments" offers greater length and a tad more depth in the characterization. "Second Chance at Love" features heroines on the rebound from divorce, widowhood or simply romantic disappointment.

Other publishers have nothing like this degree of specialization. They do, however, work to find gimmicks that will make their titles stand out from the romance pack: foils, embossed covers, "step backs" in which the outer cover partially conceals a color illustration. For its "Lovegram" imprint, Zebra Books even uses a hologram.

Some of the differences go beyond packaging. Where Harlequin and Silhouette authors are required to use pseudonyms, Bantam's nine-year-old "Loveswept" line emphasizes writers over product: each title includes a picture of the author and a brief biographical note on the inside covers. This coincides with a long-building trend among romance writers to use given names, thus ensuring that an author won't lose valuable name-recognition if she jumps ship for another publisher.

Some sub-genres of romance writing have impressive lineages. Just as Gothics trace their family line back to the Bronte sisters, Regencies — romances set in England between 1810 and 1820, when George, Prince of Wales, acted as regent to the English throne — can be described as the underachieving children of Jane Austen. Readers also look for such sub-genres as western and Indian romances. A small market has appeared with stories tailored for black women: Odyssey Books, a company started in 1988 by Leticia Peoples, a housewife in Silver Springs, Md., is being watched closely by other romance publishers, who have yet to follow suit.

Considering the popularity of *Ghost* and Shirley MacLaine's accounts of her past lives, it's no surprise to see the New Age making its influence felt in romance fiction. Time travel, reincarnation and even science fiction motifs are cropping up in the field. Constance O'Day-Flannery's *A Time for Love* whisked a 20th century heroine from her

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The rules of attraction

When do they kiss? How far should they go? When do they go all the way? Category romance writers just starting out needn't fly blind. Here is the tipsheet the Silhouette line sends to tyro writers looking to break into the ranks:

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dentist's chair and set her down on an 1876 Texas ranch. *Warrior's Woman*, a title from Johanna Lindsey, is set on the planet Kystran in the year 2139; the cover, with its blond barbarian clutching a woman dolled up in a purple gown, brings to mind a kinder, gentler version of John Norman's misogynistic "Gor" novels.

As the genre gets older, certain trends die out and are replaced; signs of a sort of maturity appear. For one thing, there has been a marked retreat from the kind of stuff published in the late '70s and early '80s, when the success of a novel called *The Flame and the Flower* produced a glut of historical romances ("bodice rippers," as they became known) in which heroines served as the passive sex toys of various highwaymen, barons and buccaneers.

"The publishers to a certain extent shoved that down people's throats," Ms. Tracy said. "The writers who resisted it are the writers who tended to last."

Though historicals remain a popular category for many publishers ("Only Zebra Historical Romances 'Burn with the Fire of History'," the jacket writers announce), the bread and butter of romance fiction is a story with a contemporary setting.

As the romance market matures, publishers are looking for ways to establish beachheads in mainstream fiction. Bestselling author Danielle Steel got her start as a romance writer, and with an eye to matching her success some houses are giving their top-selling authors an initial hardcover printing. This accomplishes two things: it increases the chances of a book being reviewed in a prestigious publication (something that almost never happens to paperback originals); and if the book is successful, it may draw readers to the author's soft-cover backlist, and thence to other romance titles.

Another mark of an established author is a cover that eschews the standard "clinch" illustration for a more subdued picture using lace or gloves. Though this would be considered commercial suicide for a newcomer — without the name recognition or cover formula to go by, romance fans pass the book by — it gives books by established writers a classy aura that edges them closer to mainstream fiction.

As the covers of some romances cool down, the contents have heated up. Incest and wife beating have crept into the pastel world of romance fiction. The heroine of LaVyrle Spencer's *Forgiving* becomes a prostitute after fleeing a sexually abusive father; Nancy Martin's Silhouette title *Showdown* even has a safe sex lecture, though AIDS and condoms are still considered pretty much verboten in the world of romantic fantasy. Constance O'Day-Flannery told *Publishers Weekly* she had contemplated making the heroine of *A Time for Love* undergo an abortion. "I am pro-choice and I just wanted to show what happens emotionally when a girl is faced with this," she told *PW*. "The more I thought about it, the more I thought I had to recognize mu audience." The heroine instead suffered a miscarriage.

Romance fiction is a genre remarkably open to newcomers.

"A lot of our authors started out as readers," Ms. Swift explained. "It's difficult to satisfy the expectations of readers unless you've been one yourself."

Ms. Tracy's career as a romance writer started when she entered a Harlequin-sponsored short story contest. "An editor at Silhouette asked me if I had a book done, and it turned out I had," she said. That book, *Blue Chip Bride*, came out in 1989 and rode the Waldenbooks bestseller list for romantic fiction, giving Ms. Tracy and her alter ego "Audra Kelly" a good commercial track record.

Even though she disdained the idea of a formula, Ms. Tracy was happy to point out the common plot elements of any romance.

As always, it takes two to tango, and every romance needs its partners. First, since these books are aimed at women, the heroine:

Her eyes were the color of budding leaves, veiled by a sooty forest of impudently curling lashes. Thick, mutiny-brown hair shot through with copper highlights tumbled about a lovely, small-shaped face. If she were a couple of inches taller, she could earn a hefty living as a model . . . As his hand closed around hers, he realized her skin was as soft and tantalizing as her voice. For a split second he allowed his shameless eyes, her delicate perfume to mesmerize him.
"Heartbreak" by Nancy Bennett (Bantam Loveswept)

> *Romance writers have a bit more leeway in coming up with disreputable heroes, but there are limits. You wouldn't want Jeffrey Dahmer for a hero."*



These days romance writers have more options in creating a heroine, Ms. Tracy noted. In times past, an unmarried mother would have been considered unacceptably trampy; bowing to reality, the genre now regularly features unattached women with children.

What is a heroine without a hero to pine for and, eventually, embrace?

The rest of the sentence froze on her lips as the moon broke through the barrier of cloud, and for the first time she could see the face of the man she was addressing . . . This was certainly not the Alexis of her imagination! For a start, the horseman who gazed down pensively at her stunned expression was no young student. The face was a man's face, late twenties, early thirties maybe, high-cheekboned, firm-chinned — a chiselled mouth, its purity of line heightened by the deep shadows beneath the lower lip and in the indented corners.
His nose was classically straight, adding to the arrogant cast of his countenance . . .
Entranced, Sable took a step further towards him until she was able to satisfy her curiosity. Deep set beneath straight black brows, dark jet pits surrounded by irises of similar hue regarded her with a mocking unawareness that did nothing for her peace of mind.
"Errant Daughter" by Anjelica Wells (Harlequin Presents)

According to Ms. Tracy, heroes can now be a little more disreputable — bad boys that are not beyond redemption remain attractive. As always, their chins are firm and their eyes are filled with mocking knowledge of the heroine's hidden desires. "As long as you haven't killed anybody, anything goes," she explained. "You wouldn't want Jeffrey Dahmer for a hero, unless you were writing a very different kind of book. They can even have been framed on something.

"There was a trend a while back about ex-police officers and CIA men," she noted. "Now we've gotten back to the basics."

Having brought man and woman together, the romance writer has to provide a spark to set their hearts ablaze:

Warm. Soft. That's how his lips felt. If his kiss had been forceful she might have pulled back — fought him — but it was gentle and persuasive and Dana found nothing to fight, only pleasure. Her blood went singing through her arteries, warming her body and weakening her limbs. Her pulse doubled and her heartbeat grew erratic. And then it was over. Just as quickly as it had started, it ended, and Earth stopped back.
"You thank you has been accepted," he said, his voice husky.
"The Best of Everything," by Marie Saule (Harlequin Temptation)

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Kid stuff

ANIMAL TALES AND DINOSAUR SCALES
Sunday, March 1, 2 p.m.
N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6310
•Stories about animals, written by children and developed by the Child's Play Touring Theatre. Admission $3.50 in advance, $4 at the door.

THE ART MUSEUM
Princeton University
(609) 258-3762
Gallery talks for children 6-12, Saturdays at 11 a.m. through May 9. Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult. Free admission.
•"Cupid, Jupiter, Hebe, and the Eagle," Sandi Thompson, Feb. 15.
•A visit to Nassau Hall, Clarieanne Ganssle, Feb. 22.
•Painter and materials, Betty Read, Feb. 29.

CHARLOTTE'S WEB
Sunday, Feb. 16, 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., 6:30 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lamington Rd.
Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•The E.B. White classic, brought to the stage by the California Theatre Center. Admission $5.

COLUMBUS
Monday, Feb. 24, 10 a.m.
State Theatre
453 Northampton St.
Easton, Pa.
(215) 252-3132
•Musical adventure on the high seas with Christopher Columbus and his younger brother. Admission $7, $4.

FOOLSPROOF FOLLIES
Sunday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m.
YM-YWHA of Raritan Valley
2 South Adelaide Ave.
Highland Park
(908) 249-2221
•Featuring Rob and Linda Peck, comedians and jugglers who "aim to tease!" Admission $4 in advance, $5 at the door.

THE LEGEND OF SLEEPY HOLLOW
Feb. 18 and 19, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Morris Museum
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
Morristown
(201) 538-0454
•Washington Irving's tale of Ichabod Crane and his fate with the headless horseman. Museum members $5, non-members $6.25.

THE LION, THE WITCH AND THE WARDROBE
Saturday, Feb. 29, 11 a.m. and 1:30 p.m.
Morris Museum
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
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(201) 538-0454
•C.S. Lewis' tale of three children and their journey into Narnia, performed by the Marionette Players. Admission $6.25.

SWAN LAKE
Sunday, Feb. 23, 3 p.m.
County College of Morris
Route 10, Randolph
(201) 328-5225
•The classic fairy tale performed by the National Marionette Theatre. Admission $5, group rates available.

Casinos

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Boardwalk & Providence Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 340-7111
•Gladys Knight, Feb. 15, 16.

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Boardwalk & Park Pl.
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(609) 340-2000

CAESARS ATLANTIC CITY
Boardwalk & Missouri Ave.
Atlantic City
1-800-677-SHOW
•Buddy Hackett, Feb. 14-16.

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Boardwalk & Indiana Ave.
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HARRAH'S MARINA
1725 Brigantine Ave.
Atlantic City
1-800-2-HARRAH
•*Fiddler on the Roof*, the long-running musical set in Czarist Russia, through March 22.

MERV GRIFFIN'S RESORTS
Boardwalk & North Carolina Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 344-6000
•*Fascinatin' Rhythms*, revue, ongoing.
•Orquestra de la Luz (salsa), Feb. 14.

THE SANDS
Boardwalk & Illinois Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 441-4000
•Debbie Gibson, Feb. 14-16.

SHOWBOAT
Boardwalk & Delaware Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 343-4000
•Good Times Variety Show, ongoing.

TAJ MAHAL
Boardwalk & Virginia Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 449-1000

TROPWORLD
Boardwalk & Brighton Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 340-4000

TRUMP CASTLE
Brigantine Blvd. & Huron Ave.
Atlantic City
1-800-284-TRUMP
•Dionne Warwick, Burt Bacharach, Feb. 14-16.
•Connie Francis, Feb. 28, 29.
•Pat Cooper, March 13, 14.

TRUMP PLAZA
Boardwalk & Mississippi Ave.
Atlantic City
1-800-759-TRUMP

Singles

CATHOLIC ALUMNI CLUB OF CENTRAL N.J.
Call phone number in each listing for information.
•"Long Live the Beatles" concert at Union County Arts Center, Rahway, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 14. Cost $10. (908) 218-3749.
•Valentine's dance at Knights of Columbus hall, Edison, 9 p.m. Feb. 15. Cost $10. (908) 756-0940.
•Mass at St. Cecilia's Church, Iselin, 11 a.m. Feb. 16. Brunch follows at Parsonage Diner, Edison. (908) 750-5648.
•Dinner at Chili's, Edison, 7 p.m. Feb. 21. (908) 756-0940.
•Excursion at Zimmerli Art Museum, New Brunswick, 2:45 p.m. Feb. 22. (908) 218-3749.
•Bowling at Brunswick Edison Bowl-a-Mat, 3 p.m. Feb. 23. (908) 245-5136.
•TGIS party at Hilton hotel, Woodbridge, 8:30 p.m. Feb. 29. (908) 754-3344.

CENTRAL JERSEY TALL SINGLE FRIENDS
(women 5'10" and over, men 6'2" and over; ages 21-over)
Call phone number in each listing for information.
•Happy hour at Wurlitzer's, Piscataway, 5:30 p.m. Feb. 19. (908) 704-8480.
•Country-and-Western dance at Yellow Rose, Manville, 7:15 p.m. Feb. 20. (908) 422-3492.
•Dance party at Red Cafe, Bridgewater, 8 p.m. Feb. 23. Members $5, non-members $7. (908) 704-8480.

FORUM FOR SINGLES
First Presbyterian Church
320 North Main St.
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JERSEY JEWISH SINGLES
(ages 30-55)
(908) 753-0263, 283-0779
•Dinner at Flame and Ale restaurant, Edison, 6:30 p.m. Wednesdays.
•Italian buffet, game night, and social at Holiday Inn, Raritan Center, Edison, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 22. Cost $15.
•Dance at Red Cafe, Bridgewater, 8 p.m. Feb. 29. Cost $7.

MUSTARD SEED SINGLES
(908) 359-4493, 214-0432, 968-3161
•Dinner at Costa del Sol restaurant, 600 West Union Ave., Bound Brook, 6:30 p.m. Feb. 15.

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•Happy hour at Wurlitzer's, Piscataway, 5:30 p.m. Feb. 26.

SHORE SINGLES
Call phone number in each listing for information.
•Hike at Allaire State Park, Wall, 11 a.m. Feb. 15. Meet in commuter lot at Garden State Parkway Exit 105. Members $3, non-members $4. (908) 741-2090.
•Skate night at South Amboy Roller Rink, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20. Cost $5, skate rental $2 additional. (908) 291-2763.

SINGLE FRIENDS
(ages 30-over)
(908) 704-8480
•Oldies dance at McAteers, 1714 Easton Ave., Somerset, 7:30 p.m. Feb. 20, 27. Cost $6.

SOLO SINGLES
(40-plus)
(908) 665-2686, 766-1839 between 6-9 p.m.
Events held at Central Presbyterian Church, 70 Maple St., Summit.
•Rap or bridge, 6:30 p.m. Sundays. Donation $2.
•Bridge night, 7:15 p.m. Feb. 20. Donation $3.

WOODBRIDGE WOWs
(widows and widowers)
(908) 634-0297
•Valentine's dance at VFW post, 465 Route 27, Iselin, 7 p.m. Feb. 16. Members $6, non-members $7.

Speakers

ART AT NOON
Somerset County Administration Complex
North Bridge St., Somerville
(908) 231-7110
Lecture series Fridays at noon in the jury holding room (church building). Free admission.
•Zoltan Buki, Cubism into abstract expressionism, Feb. 14.
•Judith Brodsky, Pop and Op into contemporary art, Feb. 21.

THE ART MUSEUM
Princeton University
(609) 258-3788
Gallery talks Fridays at 12:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. through May 17. Free admission.
•Enea Tiemo, "An African Tale," Feb. 14, 16.
•Holly W. Ross on sculpture from the historic kingdoms of Africa, Feb. 21, 23.
•Joanne Scott on techniques of Cezanne, Feb. 28, March 1.
•Dorothy M. Shepard on why there is an oriental rug in *The Four Evangelists*, March 6, 8.

DOUGLASS COLLEGE COLLOQUIUM
Room 200, Art History Hall
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•Mark Lapping, "Paradise Lost?

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Sustainability in Agriculture," Feb. 17.
•Sheila Jasanoff on uncertainty and agreement in the global environment, March 9.
•Brivael Holcomb and Susan Cutter, "Who Bears the Burdens of Environmental Change?" March 30.
•William B. Wood, "Eco-Migrants: Where To Next?" April 13.

MEET THE AUTHORS
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Books signed by area authors, Sundays at 1 p.m. Free admission.
•Carole Walter, *Great Cakes*, Feb. 16.
•Denise Lang, books on family relationships, Feb. 23.
•Gary and Susan Benson, *Rolling Thunder*, March 8.
•Barbara Hudgins, *New Jersey Day Trips*, March 15.
•Robert Byrd, illustrator of children's books, March 22.

NATURAL HISTORY LECTURE SERIES
N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6308
All programs begin at 2 p.m. Free admission.
•Hedy Bauer on wildflowers of the Pine Barrens, Feb. 16.

LIZA SAVORY
Sunday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m.
Interweave Center
31 Woodland Ave., Summit
(201) 763-8312
•Survivor of molestation will lead a workshop on recovery from childhood sexual abuse. Admission $30.

LEAH SLOSHBERG
Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m.
N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6308
•Museum's director will talk about African-American art in the museum's collection. Free admission.

ARLINE ZATZ
Sunday, March 1, 3 p.m.
Clinton Historical Museum
56 Main St., Clinton
(908) 735-4101
•Travel writer crisscrosses the Garden State and its travel destinations. Admission $10.

Dance

DANCEWORKS '92
Feb. 27 and 29, 8 p.m.
Feb. 28, 2 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Memorial Auditorium
Montclair State College
Upper Montclair
(201) 893-5112
•Choreographed by Montclair State students and faculty. Adults $7.50, senior citizens $6, students $3.50.

NEW ENGLAND CONTRA DANCING
Saturday, Feb. 29, 8 p.m.
Reformed Church
23 South Second Ave.
Highland Park
(908) 828-8776, 873-1228
•For new and experienced dancers; no partner needed. Instruction precedes program at 7:30 p.m. Admission $8.

N.J. COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION
Friday, Feb. 14, 7 p.m.
VFW post
600 Washington St., Manville
(908) 233-8490



Author and cooking teacher Carole Walter will autograph copies of her new book Feb. 16 at the Warren bookstore Words And. . .

•Valentine's Day dance with a live C&W band and DJ. Dance lessons from 7:45-9 p.m. Admission $6, discounts available.

SWING DANCE WORKSHOP
Saturday, Feb. 29, 4 p.m.
Reformed Church
23 South Second Ave.
Highland Park
(908) 828-8776, 873-1228
•For new and experienced dancers; no partner needed. Basics taught at beginning of program. Admission $8.

Auditions

COUNTY COLLEGE OF MORRIS
Feb. 12, 19 at 6:30 p.m.
Student-Community Center Auditorium
214 Center Grove Road
Randolph
(201) 328-5434
•Casting call for *The Grapes of Wrath* with parts for 30 actors: 21 men and seven women. Performances will be May 1, 2, 7, 8, 9.

TANGLEWOOD INSTITUTE
Tuesday, Feb. 25, 1-9 p.m.
United Methodist Church
17 Kent Place Blvd., Summit
(617) 353-3386
•For this summer's program at Tanglewood in the Berkshires. Open to high school and college-age musicians; call for an appointment.

Rehearsals

N.J. SCHOLA CANTORUM
Tuesdays, 8-10 p.m.
Wilson Memorial Church
7 Valley Rd., Watchung
(908) 464-1437
•For May performance of Verdi's *Requiem* w/soloists and orchestra. All voice parts welcome.

RARITAN VALLEY SYMPHONIC BAND
Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Hillsborough High School
Raider Blvd., Hillsborough
(908) 359-7485
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SOMERSET VALLEY ORCHESTRA
Thursdays, 7:30-9:30 p.m.
Bound Brook High School
West Union Ave., Bound Brook
(908) 721-2122
•Community orchestra w/60 musicians, all amateur.

SUMMIT CHORALE
Tuesdays, 7:45 p.m.
Christ Church
561 Springfield Ave.
Summit
(201) 635-5548
•For all-Bach concert in March, *Aida* w/the Westfield Symphony in April, and concert of part-songs in May. Call for information.

SWEET ADELINES

Piscataway Chorus
Tuesdays, 7:30 p.m.
Reformed Church
Main St., South Bound Brook
(908) 572-6959, 287-0161
•For women who enjoy singing. New members welcome; no experience necessary.

VOICES
Sundays, 7-9 p.m.
United Methodist Church
160 Nassau St., Princeton
(609) 737-9383
•For March concert of classical works by community chorale. Call for information.

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THE ART MUSEUM
Princeton University
(609) 258-3787
Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Museum shop closes 4 p.m. Western European paintings, sculpture and decorative art from 19th and 20th centuries; also pre-Columbian art and art of the Americas.
•*Paesaggio*, Italian landscape photographs by Mario Giacomelli, through Feb. 23.
•Pastoral landscapes, through March 1.
•Works by Paul Cezanne, through April 5.

CLINTON HISTORICAL MUSEUM
56 Main St., Clinton
(908) 735-4101
Daily (except Monday) from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Adults $3, senior citizens $1.50, children $1.

DRAKE HOUSE MUSEUM
602 West Front St., Plainfield
(908) 755-5831
House built in 1746 and furnished with articles of the period. Saturday from 2-4 p.m. Donation $1 for adults, free to children.

EAST BRUNSWICK MUSEUM
16 Maple St., East Brunswick
(908) 254-7329
Saturday and Sunday from 1:30-4 p.m. Free admission.

EAST JERSEY OLDE TOWNE
River Rd. and Hoes Lane
Johnson Park, Piscataway
(908) 463-9077
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MACCULLOCH HALL HISTORICAL MUSEUM
45 Macculloch Ave.
Morristown
(201) 538-2404
Saturday, Sunday, and Tuesday from 1-4 p.m. Adults $3, senior citizens $2, students $1.

METLAR HOUSE
1281 River Rd., Piscataway
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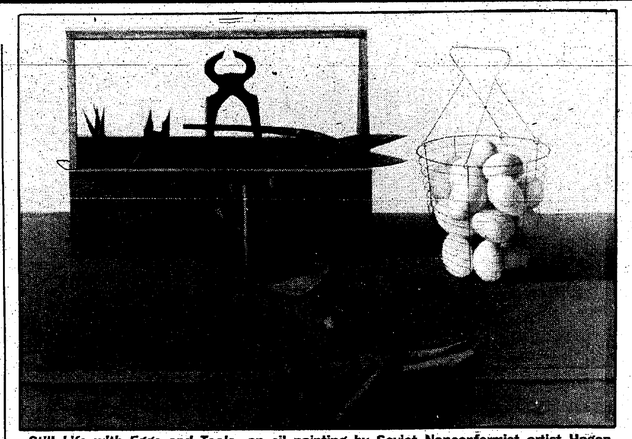
MIDDLESEX COUNTY MUSEUM
Cornelius Low House
1225 River Rd., Piscataway
(908) 745-4177
Daily (except Monday) from 1-4 p.m. Free admission.
•"Home Front USA," life in New Jersey during World War II, through July 14.

MILLER-CORY HOUSE MUSEUM
614 Mountain Ave., Westfield
(908) 232-1776
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MINIATURE KINGDOM
Route 31 South, Washington
(908) 689-6866
Closed for the winter; reopens March 15.

MONMOUTH MUSEUM
Newman Springs Rd.
Lincroft
(908) 747-2266
Main gallery open Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Becker Children's Wing open to the public Tuesday through Friday from 2-4:30 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Adults $2, senior citizens and children $1.
•Juried show of Monmouth County Arts Council, through Feb. 23.

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***Still Life with Eggs and Tools*, an oil painting by Soviet Nonconformist artist Hagop Hagopian, is among the works on display in "New Directions," a 25th anniversary exhibition running through Feb. 28 at the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Museum in New Brunswick.**

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STAGE

'Oak and Ivy': Poets and uneasy pioneers

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor





Above, Robert Jason and Scott Whitehurst in *Oak and Ivy*; at right, the real life Paul Dunbar and Alice Ruth Moore.

There are problems with **Oak and Ivy**, the current production at the Crossroads Theatre in New Brunswick, but they are problems arising from ambition, rather than the terminal cutesiness that made the season opener *Black Orpheus* such a trial.

Kathleen McGhee-Anderson's play focuses on the courtship and brief marriage of Paul Laurence Dunbar, a black poet who achieved some measure of fame before dying of tuberculosis in 1906 at the age of 34, and Alice Ruth Moore, the writer and pamphleteer who left him after a few years of marriage to pursue her dual careers with great vigor.

The most touching thing about *Oak and Ivy* is the sense that Paul and Alice are uncomfortably aware of themselves as social pioneers whose status and ambitions shake barriers of class as well as race. Barely a generation removed from slavery — both of Paul's parents grew up on plantations — they are very much feeling their way around, sometimes proudly working out new identities, other times falling back on what the society around them considers the proper way to behave. Alice, an ardent suffragist, cannot or will not find a way to combine her wifely duties with her writerly ambitions. Paul, though contemptuous of white society's preference for "dialect" verse over his more ambitious poetry (and angry with himself for the ease with which he produces it), insists on the standard male prerogatives — notably that he be the sole breadwinner in the house. Like any couple, they scramble for the brass rings of life and end up wondering what all the effort has earned them; unlike other couples, they have racial doubts and resentments that give each disappointment an added sting.

At its weakest — and at times the play seems rough and underimagined, despite years of workshopping — *Oak and Ivy* simply covers the facts of the Dunbar marriage. Once is becomes clear that Paul Dunbar is doomed by illness and alcoholism, the play has nowhere to go but down; too many scenes dawdle and we find ourselves counting coughs, wondering if the next scene will bring Paul's demise.

But at its strongest, *Oak and Ivy* (the title comes from Paul's first published collection) conveys the eloquent passion of two articulate, thoughtful people through the best means available: their own words. Though their writing and speech can sound purplish to modern ears, their respective styles can come across with great power and expressiveness, particularly during the scene in which Paul, asked to recite a poem, responds with the fierce "We Wear the Mask."

Robert Jason and Melissa Fontes are utterly right as the poets. As Matilda, Paul's plantation-reared mother — still haunted by memories of slave life and bewildered by the sense of how little many things have changed — Joy Moss occasionally breaks out of her assigned role as Alice's in-house antagonist and stakes some emotional ground of her own.

As restrained in its production as *Black Orpheus* was overblown, *Oak and Ivy* benefits from the presence of cellist Melvin Greenwich, who performs music ranging from Joplin rags to Dvorak melodies.

OAK AND IVY, through Feb. 16 at the Crossroads Theatre, 7 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. (908) 249-5560, 5561.

Stage right

U.S. premiere of Albee play

The American premiere of Edward Albee's *Marriage Play* opens Friday, Feb. 14, and continues through March 1 at the McCarter Theatre, 91 University Place in Princeton.

The first new Albee work to be seen in this country in nine years, *Marriage Play* explores what happens when a man comes home to his wife of 30 years and announces he's leaving her. Tony Award-winner Shirley Knight and New York Shakespeare Festival veteran Tom Klunis will perform the lead roles in this play, written by the author of *Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?* and *A Delicate Balance*.

Ticket for previews running through Feb. 13 are priced from $20 to $12. Tickets for regular performances are priced from $35 to $23.

For more information, call (609) 683-8000.

Philathalians set 'Diviners'

The Diviners, a drama set in 1930s Indiana, will be performed by the Philathalians Feb. 14 through Feb. 29 at the Carriage House, Watson Road in Fanwood.

Written by James Leonards Jr., *The Diviners* is about a disillusioned preacher who comes into a small town seeking a new life.

Performances wil be Fridays and Saturdays at 8:30 p.m., with a SUnday metinee Feb. 23 at 2:30 p.m.

Tickets are $6. Group rates are available. For more information, call (908) 322-8686.

Curtain times

NOW PLAYING

COMFORT SUITES
3712 Hamilton Blvd.
Allentown, Pa.
(215) 437-9100
•*Rock Till You Drop*, murder mystery in a dinner-theater setting. Feb. 15 and alternate Saturdays through May 23. Admission $28.50, includes dinner.

CROSSROADS THEATRE
7 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 249-5560
•*Oak and Ivy*, world premiere of Kathleen McGhee-Anderson's drama about the romance of poets Paul Laurence Dunbar and Alice Dunbar-Nelson. Through Feb. 16. Admission $30-$14, group rates available.

FORUM THEATRE
314 Main St., Metuchen
(908) 548-0582
•*Luv*, a satire of the avant-garde as conceived by Murray Schisgal. Through Feb. 16. Admission $24-$18, discounts available.

GEORGE STREET PLAYHOUSE
9 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-7717
•*Sarah & Abraham*, world premiere of a Marsha Norman drama about the parallels between a theatre troupe and the Bible characters in the troupe's play. Through Feb. 23. Admission $29-$18.

HUNTERDON HILLS PLAYHOUSE
Route 173, Clinton
1-800-HHP-7313
•*The Odd Couple*, Neil Simon's comedy about sloppy Oscar Madison and fussy Felix Ungar. Through March 28. Admission $36.50 weekends, $29.50 weekdays, includes dinner. Group rates available.

INTERWEAVE CENTER
31 Woodland Ave., Summit
(201) 763-8312
•*Masks and Mirrors*, a one-woman drama performed by Roberta Nobleman. 7:30 p.m. Feb. 15. Admission $12.

IRONBOUND THEATER
Edison Valley Playhouse
2196 Oak Tree Rd., Edison
(908) 755-4654
•*Coming Attractions*, Ted Talley's musical comedy about a hood repackaged by a Broadway agent. Feb. 14 through Feb. 29. Adults $15, senior citizens and students $12.50.

McATEERS DINNER THEATRE
1714 Easton Ave., Somerset
(908) 469-2522
•*The Music Man*, Meredith Willson's musical on the doings of the good people of River City. Through March 1. Admission $37 Saturday evenings w/dinner, $30 Sunday afternoons w/ lunch.

McCARTER THEATRE
91 University Pl., Princeton
(609) 683-8000
•*Marriage Play*, American premiere of the Edward Albee play. Through March 1. Admission $35-$12.

OFF-BROADSTREET THEATRE
5 South Greenwood Ave.
Hopewell
(609) 466-2766
•"Broadway at Off-Broadstreet," show tunes performed in a dinner-theatre setting. Through March 7. Admission $17.25 Saturday evenings, $15.75 Friday evenings

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Curtain times

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and Sunday afternoons.

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE
Brookside Dr., Millburn
(201) 376-4343
•*Great Expectations*, Charles Dickens' literary standard adapted for the stage and directed by Robert Johanson. Through March 21. Admission $38-$24.

PHILATHALIANS
Carriage House
Watson Rd., Fanwood
(908) 322-8686
•*The Diviners*, a drama by James Leonard Jr. set in 1930s Indiana. Feb. 14 through Feb. 29. Admission $6.

PLAYHOUSE 22
210 Dunhams Corner Rd.
East Brunswick
(908) 254-3939
•*Broadway Bound*, the third part of Neil Simon's autobiographical trilogy. Through March 1. Admission $13 for opening night, $11 other times.

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE OF NEW JERSEY
33 Green Village Rd., Madison
(201) 514-1940
•*In a Kingdom by the Sea*, staged reading of a Karen Sunde play about a fictitious hostage negotiation in the Middle East. 8 p.m. Feb. 14, 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. Feb. 15. Admission $7.

RUTGERS ARTS CENTER
Levin Theater
George St. and Route 18
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
•*The Millionairess*, a rare presentation of the George Bernard Shaw comedy. Through Feb. 23. Admission $14.

TECHNIQUES THEATRE
Middlesex County Vocational & Technical High School
112 Rues Lane
East Brunswick
(908) 769-8173
•*Final Curtain*, an original murder mystery. 8 p.m. Feb. 15, 22, and 23. Adults $8, $5 for children and the elderly.

THEATRE AT RARITAN VALLEY COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Route 28 & Lamington Rd.
Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•*Imago*, mime, acrobatics and puppetry. 8 p.m. Feb. 22. Adults $12.50; students, children and the elderly $10.

WESTFIELD COMMUNITY PLAYERS
1000 North Ave. West
Westfield
(908) 232-1221
•*Death Takes a Holiday*, the Alberto Casella drama adapted for American audiences by Walter Ferris. Through Feb. 15. Admission $10.

COMING UP

CENTENNIAL HALL Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center
Park Ave., Plainfield
(908) 755-5831
•*His Father's Daughter*, New Jersey premiere of the Diana Howle play about Shakespeare's daughter Susanna. 8 p.m. Feb. 29. Admission $25. Benefit tickets $45, includes dinner and reception.

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Nothing shall be missed

New York-based G&S Players stage 'The Mikado'

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor



The New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players in a scene from *The Mikado*, which they will perform Feb. 15 at the State Theatre in New Brunswick.

When it was first performed on the stage of London's Savoy Theatre in 1885, Gilbert & Sullivan's *The Mikado* was a gently satiric, genially condescending look at Japan from the comfortable perspective of the world-girdling British empire.

Today, almost a century later, the Japanese have a global economic empire of their own to which England has contributed more than a few acres, and if condescending to them was ever really a good idea, it isn't now.

Yet *The Mikado* retains its charms, and when the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players arrive in New Brunswick to perform it at the State Theatre on Saturday, Feb. 15, you can see it out of nostalgia for the Victorian Age or simply appreciation for one of the most amusing operettas in the G&S canon.

Set in the fictional Japanese town of Titipu, *The Mikado* shows the preparations of the local officials for the imminent arrival of their ruler, the Mikado. Anxious because they have not had an execution in the past year, Ko-Ko the Lord High Executioner and Pooh-Bah the Lord High Everything Else seize a wandering minstrel and announce he will be executed. Little do they know that the monstrel is none other than Nanki-Poo, the Mikado's son, who has fled an arranged marriage with the ugly Katisha and has arrived at the village in disguise to visit his beloved Yum-Yum.

The Mikado is the ninth collaboration of W.S. Gilbert and Arthur Sullivan, whose other light operas include *The Pirates of Penzance*, *H.M.S. Pinafore* and *The Sorceror.*

A master of light comic verse, Gilbert met Sullivan in 1869 and collaborated with him on *Thespis* in 1871, but the series of operettas that secured their fame (while permanently linking their names in the public mind) began in 1874, when Gilbert met D'Oyly Carte. For him, Gilbert and Sullivan wrote *Trial by Jury*, which was first performed in 1875, and they continued working together for the next 20 years, interrupted only by a four-year falling-out over a business transaction.

Over the past 15 years the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players troupe has staged over 1,000 performances of G&S operettas up and down the East Coast, often adapting productions for children. They are currently expanding their repertoire to include seldom-produced American plays: in 1990 they performed the Gershwin-Kaufman-Riskind musical *Of Thee I Sing*.

Based in Symphony Space on the West Side of Manhattan, the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players also stage educational programs in schools and are looking for a home for their planned summer Gilbert & Sullivan Institute.

THE MIKADO performed by the New York Gilbert & Sullivan Players. Saturday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m. in the State Theatre, 19 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick. Tickets $24, $22, $18. (908) 246-7469.

Music notes

Stompin' at the Hyatt

The 23rd annual Pee Wee Russell Memorial Stomp, the New Jersey Jazz Society's tribute to the nonpareil clarinetist, is set for Sunday, Feb. 16, at 1 p.m. in the Hyatt Regency Hotel, Albany Street in New Brunswick.

Featured performers in this years Stomp are the Bearcats Jazz Band, Herb Gardner's New Royal Garden Six, Frank Vignola's All Stars and Joe Muranyi's Gut Bucket Six.

The society will also pay tribute to two jazz personalities: producer Charles Bourgeois and bassist Jack Lesberg.

Tickets are $15, $2 for students, and may be purchased at the door.

Piano, cello and actor

A unique concert combining a piano-cello duo with an actor and reader will be held Saturday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m. in the Watchung Arts Center, 18 Stirling Road in Watchung.

The Lyrica Chamber Music Ensemble, a group that expands or contracts as the music requires, will this time strip down to pianist Mariel Bossert and cellist Arthur Cook. They will be joined by actor Bodde Bower for a piece written especially for cello and reader.

Tickets are $10, which includes light refreshments. For reservations, call (908) 753-0190.

Soundings

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AIDA
Sunday, Feb. 23, 6:30 p.m.
Symphony Hall
1020 Broad St., Newark
(201) 623-5775
•Verdi's operatic standard, performed by the N.J. State Opera. Admission $65-$15.

ARBORETUM CHAMBER PLAYERS
Sunday, March 1, 7:30 p.m.
Reeves-Reed Arboretum
165 Hobart Ave., Summit
(908) 232-1116
•Debussy's Sonata for flute, viola, and harp; *Quatre sonnets a Cassandra* by Frank Martin; and other works. Adults $15, $13; senior citizens and students $10, $9.

CABARET NIGHT
Friday, Feb. 14, 8:30 p.m.
State Theatre
453 Northampton St.
Easton, Pa.
(215) 252-3132
•Broadway tunes and saloon songs performed by The Twi-Liters and The David Group. Admission $21.

CALLIOPE
Sunday, Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
St. Francis Cathedral
Main St., Metuchen
(908) 548-0100
•Renaissance-era ensemble. Donation $12.

CENTRAL JERSEY SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Sunday, March 1, 3 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lamington Rd.
Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•The William Tell overture by Rossini; the *Elvira Madigan* theme and the Piano Concerto in C major, K.467, both by Mozart; *Les Preludes*, a tone poem, and the Piano Concerto No. 1 in E flat major, both by Liszt. Adults $5, senior citizens and students $4.

ARTHUR COOK/ DEBORAH GILWOOD
Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m.
Mirsky residence
341 Hartshorn Dr., Short Hills
(201) 762-8449
•Cellist and pianist perform works by Brahms, Faure, and others. Admission $25.

DR. JOHN
Saturday, Feb. 22, 8 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre
99 Monmouth St., Red Bank
(908) 842-9000
•An early Mardi Gras celebration with "The Night Tripper" from New Orleans. Admission $20.

AN EVENING OF ROSSINI SONGS
Sunday, Feb. 23, 8 p.m.
Westminster Choir College
Bristol Chapel, Princeton
(609) 921-2663
•Arias, One Cat Duet; and other selections, sung by members of the college's voice faculty. Adults $10, senior citizens and students $8.

EUGENIO FERNANDI MEMORIAL RECITAL
Saturday, Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Dreyfuss Theatre, Madison
(201) 593-8620
•Arias performed by 11 singers in tribute to the late tenor. Adults $22, senior citizens $17.

GREENWOOD
Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m.
Old Main at Delbarton
270 Mendham Rd.
Morristown
(201) 538-3231
•Ensemble performs works by Beynon, Jean Michel Damase; and other composers. Admission $6.

LAURA BELL GREGG
Friday, Feb. 21, 8 p.m.
Somerset County Library
North Bridge St. & Vogt Dr.
Bridgewater
(908) 526-4016 ext. 119
•Pianist performs in a solo recital. Free admission.

INTERWEAVE
Sunday, Feb. 16, 7 p.m.
Scanticon-Princeton
Route 1 & College Rd.
Princeton
(609) 924-0770
•Jazz trio. Admission $10, discounts available.

THE LADIES WITH TALENT, TASTE, AND CHUTZPAH
Sunday, March 1, 2:30 p.m.
Forum Theatre
314 Main St., Metuchen
(908) 548-4670
•Tribute to Fanny Brice, Molly Picon, Sophie Tucker, and Barbra Streisand, performed by Ann Dawson. Admission $16, discounts available.

ELLEN LANG
Sunday, Feb. 16, 4 p.m.
Westminster Choir College
Bristol Chapel, Princeton
(609) 921-2663
•Soprano performs works by Strauss, Rachmaninoff, Samuel Barber, and Gian-Carlo Menotti. Free admission.

LYRICA CHAMBER MUSIC ENSEMBLE
Saturday, Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Watchung Arts Center
18 Stirling Rd., Watchung
(908) 753-0190
•Piano and cello duo, accompanied by a reader, perform in a gallery setting. Admission $10.

LYRICA TRIO
Friday, Feb. 21, 8 p.m.
Petronko residence
Longview Rd., Mountainville
(908) 832-9770
•Chamber ensemble performs in a living-room setting. Adults $15, senior citizens $7.50, students $5.

HERBIE MANN
Saturday, Feb. 15, 8 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre
99 Monmouth St., Red Bank
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•Jazz flautist whose career has ranged from bossa nova to disco. Admission $20.

MASON GROSS SCHOOL OF THE ARTS IN CONCERT
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(908) 932-7511
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BOBBY McFERRIN
Sunday, Feb. 23, 8 p.m.
State Theatre
453 Northampton St.
Easton, Pa.
(215) 252-3132
•Singer famous for "Don't Worry, Be Happy" performs with an a capella Volcestra. Admission $25, $23.

A MUSICAL VALENTINE
Friday, Feb. 14, 8 p.m.
United Methodist Church
160 Nassau St., Princeton
(609) 737-9383
•Love songs performed by Dian Dames, vocals; and Craig Bailey, saxophone. Adults $18, $12; senior citizens and students $8.

NEW BRUNSWICK CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
Sunday, March 1, 3 p.m.
United Methodist Church
George and Liberty streets
New Brunswick
(609) 924-6287
•Brahms' Sonata No. 1 for clarinet and piano; *Still Falls the Rain* by Benjamin Britten. Adults $8, senior citizens and students $6; includes reception.

N.J. PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE
Saturday, Feb. 22, 8 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center,
Rutgers Arts Center

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Friday, Feb. 14, 8:30 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre, Red Bank
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War Memorial, Trenton
Sunday, Feb. 16, 3 p.m.
Symphony Hall, Newark
1-800-ALLEGRO
•Mozart's Symphony No. 26 in E flat major; Bartok's Viola Concerto; the *Dances of Marosszek* by Kodaly; Beethoven's Symphony No. 4 in B flat major. Admission $35-$10, discounts available.

ODETTA
Friday, Feb. 21, 8 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lamington Rd.
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•Singer with a repertoire from gospel to folk. Admission $12.50.

OH, BEAUTIFUL CALABRIA TREE COVERED WITH DIAMONDS
Saturday, Feb. 15, 7:30 p.m.
North Brunswick High School
Route 130, North Brunswick
(908) 745-4489
•Folk music from southern Italy, performed by Calabria Belle and the DeFranco Family Folk Musicians. Free admission.

PEE WEE RUSSELL MEMORIAL STOMP
Sunday, Feb. 16, 1 p.m.
Hyatt Regency hotel
2 Albany St., New Brunswick
(201) 887-3167
•Jazz concert w/ The Bearcats, Herb Gardner's New Royal Six, Frank Vignola's All-Stars, and Joe Muranyi's Gut Bucket Six. Admission $15.

PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA OF N.J.
Sunday, Feb. 23, 2 p.m.
Pingry School
Liberty Corner Rd., Martinsville
(908) 356-6165
•Fifth-anniversary concert featuring the finale of Beethoven's Symphony No. 5, Brahms' *Hungarian Dance No. 5*, the fugue from Boyce's Symphony No. 5, and other works. Admission $5.

PLAINFIELD COMMUNITY GIRLCHOIR
Sunday, Feb. 23, 4 p.m.
First Unitarian Society
724 Park Ave., Plainfield
(908) 754-0783
•All-female chorale whose members range from 9-14. Adults $6, senior citizens $3, children free; includes reception.

PUERTO RICO, PUERTO RICO MI TIERRA NATAL
Saturday, Feb. 22, 7:30 p.m.
Perth Amboy High School
Eagle & Francis streets
Perth Amboy
(908) 745-4489
•*Bomba* and *plena* from the Caribbean island, featuring Los Pleneros de la 21. Free admission.

ROMANCES FOR TUBA
Friday, Feb. 14, 8 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center,
Rutgers Arts Center
George St. & Route 18
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
•Scott Mendoka, tuba, and Gregg Pauley, piano, perform works by Ralph Vaughan Williams and Rachmaninoff. Admission $8, discounts available.

ROXBURY CHAMBER PLAYERS
Sunday, Feb. 23, 2 p.m.
N.J. State Museum
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6310
•Ensemble performs works by George Walker, William Grant Still, and other New Jersey composers. Free admission.

JAMES SCOTT
Friday, Feb. 28, 8 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center,
Rutgers Arts Center
George St. & Route 18
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
•Flautist performs works by J.S. Bach, Beethoven, Gabriel Pierne, and other composers. Admission $8, discounts available.

THE STARS OF BLACK AND BLUE
Friday, Feb. 14, 8 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28 & Lamington Rd.
Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•Jazz works performed by Sir Roland Hanna and Carrie Smith. Adults $12.50, senior citizens and students $10.

MEL TORME/ MAUREEN McGOVERN
Thursday, Feb. 27, 8 p.m.
State Theatre
19 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-7469
•Jazz selections performed by the author of "The Christmas Song" and the singer best known for "The Morning After." Admission $32-$22.

VOICES FAMILY FEST
Sunday, Feb. 23, 3:30 p.m.
Unitarian Church of Princeton
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(609) 737-9383
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Local pianist to perform in Bridgewater Library



LAURA BELL

Pianist Laura Bell will perform the works of Percy Grainger, Maurice Ravel and Ludwig van Beethoven at the Somerset County/Bridgewater Library on Friday, Feb. 21 at 8 p.m.

Ms. Bell, a Somerville resident, is an adjunct assistant professor of music at Raritan Valley Community College where she teaches music appreciation and keyboard classes, accompanies the Master Chorale, and plays keyboards with the Central Jersey Symphony Orchestra.

Recently, she performed the Ravel *Piano Concerto in G* and the Mozart *Piano Concerto K.488* with the Central Jersey Symphony Orchestra. She received her bachelor's degree of music in piano performance from the New England Conservatory with academic honor, and her master's degree of music in piano performance from the University of Southern California.

Ms. Bell has performed at the Aspen Music Festival and the Eastern Music Festival where she was awarded the Baldwin scholarship for best piano student.

She is a specialist in both the classical repertoire and contemporary music, premiering new piano works in Boston and at the Schoenberg Institute in Los Angeles. Ms. Bell is currently preparing to record several piano works of Percy Grainger.

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MOVIES

Green thoughts

Ecology, Connery and one-liners in 'Medicine Man'

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor



Sean Connery and Lorraine Bracco bicker, banter and search for the cure for cancer in *Medicine Man*.

Hollywood has always been our most environmentally sensitive industry: its endless recycling of stories, characters and even whole movies makes it an example to landfill operators the world over. So it's unsurprising — downright laudable, in fact — to find chunks of *The African Queen* embedded in the ecology-minded pulp of **Medicine Man**, a thoroughly pleasant little time-waster about love, banter and cancer research in the jungles of the Amazon. Talk about form following function! By turning Charlie into Dr. Robert Campbell, transforming Rosie into Dr. Rae Crane and substituting tumors for the Germans, scenarists Tom Schulman and Sally Robinson have concocted a movie that's as simple as a bumper sticker and as sweet as a pint of Rain Forest Crunch.

You want characters that meet cute? Dr. Crane, a pharmaceutical researcher sent to find out what the reclusive Dr. Campbell's been doing in the rain forest for the last few years, finds her man in the middle of a native festival wearing a toucan headpiece and grass robe. You want the rain forest situation wrapped up in a viewer-friendly package? Campbell's found a cure for cancer in the forest but there's one missing element he has to identify before a road crew comes through his patch of jungle, displacing the natives and maybe destroying some never-again-to-be-found flower with unknown medicinal properties. (The film offers two billboard-size clues as to what that element is.) The scenarists deliver their environmental message with great seriousness but stop short of endorsing Earth First! guerrilla tactics: in fact, the worst disaster comes about in large part because of Campbell's hot-headedness.

John McTiernan, a highly successful director of big time action flicks — *Predator*, the first *Die Hard* and *The Hunt for Red October* — is an odd choice for the notoriously stingy Disney operation: no doubt he wanted to prove he could do something inexpensive and human-scaled, without a lot of explosions, and Disney (in its Hollywood Pictures guise) was there for him. When his stars are standing nose to nose, trading Neil Simonesque one-liners, McTiernan's work is no better and no worse than that of a hundred other clock-punching directors. His hand is mainly evident when Crane and Campbell explore the rain forest canopy in swivel-mounted harnesses; the sight of these two floating, seemingly weightless, among ropy branches and nameless flowers is a delight undermined only by Don McAlpine's junky cinematography.

The two leads are pleasant enough to look at: certainly Sean Connery's grumpy, authoritative presence is all that saves the hard-drinking, sloppy-living Campbell from turning into Oscar Madison in the jungle. However, you might want to bring earplugs for those moments when Lorraine Bracco's Rae Crane really ups the volume: a Marge Simpson sound-alike in her quiet moments, when she yells at Connery her Bronx-inflected screech is the kind of sound that sets dogs to howling and sends every tapir, spider monkey and capybara within a 50-mile radius fleeing in terror. "I'm not a girl!" she yowls when casually dissed by one of Campbell's helpers. "The hell you're not!" Campbell bellows back. "I'm your research assistant!" she shrieks. "The hell you are!" he roars. No, the dialogue is not one of the strong suits in *Medicine Man*.

Video rewind

No regard for 'Henry'

For sustained idiocy on every imaginable level — plotting, morality, acting — you could hardly do better than **Regarding Henry** (Paramount). An early entry in last year's sleazy-yuppies-rediscover-their-souls wave that built with *The Doctor* and crested with *Hook*, *Regarding Henry* offers Harrison Ford as a lawyer who walks in on a holdup, takes a bullet in the brain and wakes up all the better for it. There's a good black comedy premise in this (just imagine what the Ealing Studios people would have done with it) but director Mike Nichols goes for wormy moralizing and phony uplift. Sure, Henry has to relearn little things like walking and knotting shoelaces — never has the agonizing process of recovery been so trivialized — but he eventually mends his corporate pond scum ways, rescues his daughter from her snooty prep school and bring his old firm to heel.

—Steven Hart

America's most rented

1. Terminator 2: Judgment Day (1 last week)
2. City Slickers (2)
3. Thelma & Louise (5)
4. The Naked Gun 2 1/2: The Smell of Fear (3)

Source: *Billboard*, Feb. 8 issue

Film Capsules

OPENINGS

THE ADVENTURES OF THE GREAT MOUSE DETECTIVE
•Disney animated feature about a rodent investigating the kidnapping of a toy maker. With the voices of Vincent Price, Barrie Ingham and Val Bettin. (G)

WAYNE'S WORLD
•The big screen adventures of Wayne and Garth; a *Saturday Night Live* skit writ large. With Mike Myers, Dana Carvey and Rob Lowe. Directed by Penelope Spheeris (both parts of *The Decline of Western Civilization*). (PG-13)

CURRENT FILMS

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

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

FINAL ANALYSIS
•Richard Gere, Kim Basinger and Uma Thurman star in a hot and heavy thriller about a psychotherapist who gets involved with the sister of a patient. (R)

FREEJACK
•Science fiction adventure, drawn from a story by Robert Sheckley, about a racer (Emilio Estevez) catapulted into the future after a car crash. With Mick Jagger and Anthony Hopkins. (R)

FRIED GREEN TOMATOES
•A nursing-home resident (Jessica Tandy) looks back at her life. With Kathy Bates, Mary Stuart Masterson, Cicely Tyson, and Mary-Louise Parker. (PG-13)

GRAND CANYON
•L.A. yuppies and their friends face the world and find it a scary place. With Danny Glover, Kevin Kline, Steve Martin, Mary McDonnell, Mary-Louise Parker, and Alfre Woodard. Directed by Lawrence Kasdan; written by Kasdan and his wife Meg. (R)

GUILTY AS CHARGED
•Rod Steiger and Lauren Hutton in a black comedy thriller. With Heather Graham and Isaac Hayes. (R)

THE HAND THAT ROCKS THE CRADLE
•Suspense film starring Annabella Sciorra as a woman who has it all and Rebecca De-Mornay as a woman who wants to take it all away from her. Directed by Curtis Hanson (*Bad Influence*, *The Bedroom Window*). (R)

HARD PROMISES
•Sissy Spacek in a comedy about a woman who secretly divorces her husband and then tries to marry. With William L. Petersen. (PG)

HOOK
•A ton o' fun, coming right down on your head. This singularly unappetizing idea for a children's fantasy — Peter Pan grows up and becomes a corporate sleaze — manages to be expensive-looking and cheesy at the same time. This $80 million paen to the joys of childhood is the best advertisement for adulthood money can buy. The Lost Boys, assigned the task of reviving Peter's childlike spirit so he can rescue his kids from Captain Hook, are the most obnoxious bunch of louts since *The Goonies*. Only Dustin Hoffman, playing Hook as William F. Buckley Jr., seems to be enjoying himself; the rest of the actors, like harried parents

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Tom Frost (Ian Holm) and William Lee (Peter Lee) walk the decadent streets of Interzone in *Naked Lunch*.

Film capsules

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trying to quiet their kids; strain and heave to convey the impression of childlike delight. With Robin Williams, Bob Hoskins, and (as Tinkerbell) a badly-used Julia Roberts. (PG)

INTO THE SUN
•Preparing for a role in a movie about a fighter pilot, a Hollywood superstar (Anthony Michael Hall, in a prime bit of wish fulfillment) comes under the tutelage of a hard-nosed commander. With Michael Pare. (R)

JFK
•Imagine being locked in a Port Authority men's room for three hours with a raving bum and you have an idea of what *JFK* is like. Oliver Stone's reimagining of the assassination of John Kennedy uses a blend of fiction, distortion and pure rant to attack the Warren Commission report. Your response to this three-hour-plus film will depend on your patience with Stone's charges about CIA-military cabals and his laughable assertion that Kennedy was gunned down because he was about to metamorphose into a charismatic George McGovern. With Kevin Costner, Sissy Spacek, Tommy Lee Jones, and, in a series of cameo roles, just about every big-name actor who had nothing to do while the film was being shot. (R)

JUICE
•Cinematographer Ernest Dickerson (*Do the Right Thing*) makes his directorial debut with this coming-of-age drama set in Harlem. With Omar Epps and rap star Queen Latifah. (R)

KUFFS
•Christian Slater as a wise-cracking tad who inherits a security agency. (PG-13)

MEDICINE MAN
•Two hot-tempered scientists — one a crusty ol' Scot (Sean Connery), the other a Bronx gal (Lorraine Braccho) — bicker, bluster and search for the cure to cancer in the Amazon rain forest. (PG-13)

NAKED LUNCH
•Not so much an adaptation of William S. Burroughs' 1959 book as David Cronenberg's reimagining of the circumstances under which it was written, laced with surrealistic interludes and episodes from other Burroughs titles (notably *Junky* and *Exterminator!*). As Burroughs stand-in Bill Lee, Peter Weller is fine; his lean face and blossoming lips have never been used to better effect, and he even speaks in a warmer version of the man's dry gulch, sarcastic monotone. But there's little of Burroughs' lashing, anarchic anger and humor on the screen: Cronenberg turns the drugs into bug juice and centipede meat, ducks out on the homosexuality and dotes entirely too much on his animatronic beasties. A wild filmmaker has taken a wilder novel and made it into a rather tame little flick. With Judy Davis, Ian Holm and Roy Scheider, whose brief appearances as Dr. Benway leave you hungry for a lot more. (R)

THE PRINCE OF TIDES
•If you've ever wondered what *Ordinary People* would have been like written by Flannery O'Connor, this is the movie for you. Based on Pat Conroy's novel, the film chronicles the budding romance between Tom Wingo (Nick Nolte), a South Carolina teacher brought to New York by his sister's suicide attempt, and Susan Lowenstein (Barbra Streisand), the shrink who delves into Tom's haunted past as a way of helping his sister. The blend of Southern Gothic plotting and Psychology Ute dialogue is pretty flat; the film is about raising demons and then dispatching them with platitudes. Nolte is good and Kate Nelligan is very good as his mother, a Cruella DeVil type whose machinations lie at the core of the family's troubles, but star-director-coproducer Streisand brings the movie to a halt whenever she appears on screen. With Melinda Dillon and Jeroen Krabbe. (R)

SHINING THROUGH
•Melanie Griffith as a Queens secretary who becomes an Allied spy during World War II. With John Gielgud. (R)

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



Orson Welles portrays John Falstaff, Shakespeare's great comic character, in *Chimes at Midnight*, to be shown Feb. 14 at Rutgers University in New Brunswick.

REVIVALS

CHIMES AT MIDNIGHT (1966)
•Drawing on five of Shakespeare's plays — both parts of *Henry IV*, *The Merry Wives of Windsor*, *Richard II* and *Henry V* — Welles came up with a film centered on the Bard's greatest comic character, Sir John Falstaff. Though marred by the technical glitches arising from Welles' constant financial troubles — the botched, grimy soundtrack is sometimes infuriating — this film was Welles' own favorite, arguably his best work after *Citizen Kane* and *The Magnificent Ambersons*. Narrated by Ralph Richardson. **Friday, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m. in Milledoler Hall Room 100, College Avenue campus of Rutgers University, New Brunswick. Admission $3. (908) 932-8482. or (908) 249-9623.**

TAXI BLUES (1990)
•Pavel Lounguine's acid-etched look at the old and the new Russia, embodied in the relationship between a thuggish Moscow cabdriver and a Jewish saxophonist. A Franco-Russian production; winner of the Best Director award at that year's Cannes Film Festival. With Piotr Mamonov, Piotr Zaitchenko and Vladimir Katchpour. **Friday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m. in the Student/Community Center, County College of Morris, 214 Center Grove Road, Randolph. Admission $3. (201) 328-5024.**

Review revue

'Medicine Man': Critics have a rain forest brunch

Philadelphia Inquirer

"*Medicine Man* is a movie with its heart in the right place and its head somewhere upriver," wrote **Desmond Ryan**. "If it were any more politically correct, it would be required showing for freshmen at Berkeley." Calling the film an "unabashed and occasionally amusing" knockoff of *The African Queen*, Mr. Ryan said the premise, while durable, "erupts in a profoundly disturbing context" of ecological calamity. Noting that the director John McTiernan made his name with high-tech thrillers, he said: "It's always nice to see a talented filmmaker stretch and choose the high road instead of the easy buck, but finding the right balance between humor and the surrounding horror eludes him."

New York Times

"*Medicine Man*, a rain forest romp. . .does indeed hinge on the disovery of an anti-cancer serum," wrote **Janet Maslin**. "But it suggests that other maladies, like cute casting and glib, wisecrack-laden writing, are beyond the reach of medical science." Ms. Maslin found the script laden with "the singsong rhythms of the most synthetic Moviespeak" and the characters stuck with "the kind of mock-contentious repartee that reminds some people of Tracy and Hepburn, if their memories are sufficiently short." She also found fault with the "substandard, grainy and pale" cinematography and called the conflict between the two leads "as annoying as it is false."

New York Post

"The movie is so cute you'll need to steady yourself with a swig of the peach pernod the natives keep spitting in," wrote **Jami Bernard**. "When the natives aren't spitting into the vat, they are being used mostly as scenery." Allowing that the film has "snappy" performances from its two stars, Ms. Bernard complained that they are set "loose too often; if they're not chewing scenery they're chewing caffeinated tree bark . . . Bracco and Connery are both delightful, but the whimsy is so thick it'll give you a hangover that even a potion of tree bark, peach pernod and spit can't cure."

New York Daily News

"Ultimately, where the film really works is when it drops its lofty pursuits and simply plays," wrote **Harry Haun**. "There is one lyrical sequence in which the two scientists travel from tree to tree, by means of cables and pulleys, to pluck the 'sky flowers' they believe is (sic) needed for the serum." Though he find other things to enjoy about the movie — he even cited a shot of lined-up backsides as an instance of wit — Mr. Haun found the attempt to blend political consciousness with loight entertainment yielded a "pretty insoluble mix of oil and water."

EVENTS

Musical mosaic

Four-part series of ethnic concerts opens this weekend



The De Franco Family Folk Musicians will perform the music of southern Italy as the opener for an ethnic folk and dance series Saturday, Feb. 15, at North Brunswick High School.

A four-part program devoted to the traditional music and dance of ethnic groups in Middlesex County starts Saturday, Feb. 15, at 8 p.m. in North Brunswick High School on Raider Road.

In a celebration of the music traditions of Calabria in southern Italy, the De Franco Family Folk Musicians with Francesco Cofone and the Calabria Bella ensemble will present *Oh, Beautiful Calabria Tree Covered with Diamonds.*

Calabria Bella and the De Franco Family perform in the authentic southern Italian folk tradition.

Originally from the ancient mountain town of Acri in Calabria's Cosenza province, the De Francos, Cofone and the members of Calabria Bella traveled to the United States in the 1960s and '70s, settling in Belleville, N.J., and in Westerly, R.I.

The groups offer a rich variety of dance tunes and songs, including tarantellas, mazurkas and waltzes played on the organetto (button accordion) or the chitarra battente (a 16th century ancestor of the modern guitar) accompanied by the tambourine, *cantastorie* (ballads), lullabies, love songs, serenades, and the unique *villanelle* — rare *a cappella* choral songs sung in an old Mediterranean style.

Starting with the songs of southern Italy, the series will cover music from Puerto Rico and Portugal along with American gospel.

The De Francos with Cofone and Calabria Bella have been featured in concerts, festivals, workshops and private events. Their music can be heard on record, television and public radio. Guiseppe and Raffaela De Franco were the recipients of the National Endowment for the Arts 1990 National Heritage Fellowship, America's highest honor in the traditional arts.

Puerto Rico, Puerto Rico Mi Tierra Natal, featuring Los Pleneros de la 21, explores Puerto Rico's bomba and plena musical styles on Saturday, Feb. 22, at Perth Amboy High School on Eagle and Frances streets.

Bomba and plena evolved in Puerto Rico's north, south and west coasts. In the 17th and 18th centuries, the bomba flourished among African plantation workers. Whenever festivities took place, food and drink were served, and bomba — a complex of song, music and dance — was the central activity.

Plena emerged in "poor" neighborhoods and outlying districts of coastal towns around the turn-of-the-century. As a form of music, dance and song, plena bears strong resemblance to other traditions in the Caribbean and Latin America (such as calypso), all of which provide commentaries on events of daily life.

Los Pleneros de la 21 is named for the Bus Stop No. 21 section of Santurce, Puerto Rico, a neighborhood once known for its outstanding performers of bomba and plena. One of Stop 21's founding members, Juan Guiterrez, moved to New York from his native Puerto Rico in 1976.

Working with Marcial Reyes Arvelo, the two introduced several musicians from the Stop 21 area to younger musicians active on the New York scene. The group that materialized, Los Pleneros de la 21, devotes its time to giving workshops, performing at community celebrations and at concerts and festivals.

Both performances begin at 7:30 p.m. and are offered free of charge. Call immediately to reserve space for Feb. 15 or Feb. 22, and to receive a free, informative brochure for each event: (908) 745-4489, 745-3888 (TDD).

The New Jersey Folklife Project presents subsequent performance on March 15: an evening of Gospel music with Sister Sadie and the Famous Biblettes, at the Sharon Baptist Church, 25 Howard St., New Brunswick; and in April, Portuguese Fado musicians, singers and more.

Mark your calendar

Let them read 'Cakes'

Renowned cooking teacher Carole Walter will autograph copies of her new book *Great Cakes* Sunday, Feb. 16, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. at the Warren bookstore Words And. . .

Ms. Walter, currently president of the New York Association of Cooking Teachers, teaches baking at the Kings Cooking Studios, Cooktique in Tenafly and the New School Culinary Arts Center in New York City.

The bookstore is in the Pheasant Run Plaza, 117 Washington Valley Road in Warren. For more information, call (908) 302-0032.

Globetrotters hit Jersey

The Harlem Globetrotters, basketball's most dazzling showmen, will perform Monday, Feb. 17, at 1 p.m. in the Meadowlands Arena, East Rutherford.

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Tickets are $28, $18, $15 and $11. A $2 discount is available for kids ages 12 and younger.

For more information, call (201) 507-8900 or Ticketmaster at (212) 307-7171.

Happenings

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Garden State Parkway
Exit 159, Saddle Brook
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•Stamp show and sale, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Feb. 29, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. March 1. Adults $1.50, children free.

CHATHAM ANTIQUES SHOW AND SALE
United Methodist Church
460 Main St., Chatham
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HORSE MANAGEMENT SEMINAR
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Morris Museum
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•Children's workshop filled with dinosaur-related activities and excitement. Feb. 21 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Morris Museum. Free with museum admission.

JERSEY COAST BOAT SHOW
Monmouth Park
Garden State Parkway
Exit 105, Oceanport
(908) 776-6260
•Mariner's delight for the 39th year. 11 a.m.-10 p.m. Feb. 15, 17, 21, 22; 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Feb. 16, 23. Adults $6, children 6-12 $2, children under 6 free.

NEW JERSEY FLOWER AND GARDEN SHOW
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200 Atrium Dr., Somerset
(908) 560-9020
•Known by its backers as "The Greatest Show in Earth," Feb. 21 through March 1. Admission $9, discounts available; call for each day's hours.

NORTH JERSEY WOODWORKING SHOW
Westfield Armory
500 Rahway Ave., Westfield
1-800-826-8257
•Machinery, tools, supplies, and workshops, 4-9 p.m. Feb. 28, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Feb. 29, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 1. Adults $6, children under 12 free.

WESTFIELD STAMP SHOW
St. Paul's Episcopal Church
414 East Broad St., Westfield
(908) 233-9318
•Show and sale from the area's oldest stamp club, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Feb. 22, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 23. Free admission.

WORLD OF CARDS AND COMICS
Hillsborough firehouse
375 Route 206, Hillsborough
(908) 968-3886
•Comic book and trading-card show, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Feb. 15. Admission $1.50.

Places to go



This and other paintings by Janet Fish will be on display Feb. 14 through March 22 at the State Theatre Center for the Arts in Easton, Pa.

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•*Indian Art of the Pueblos* and *Indian Artists of the Southwest*, films at 3 p.m. March 1.
•Paintings by William T. Williams, through Feb. 23.
•Bronze sculpture by Jonathan Scott Hartley, through March 8.
•Drawings from the Morgan Russell Archives, through April 5.
•Prints from Currier & Ives, through April 12.
•"A Moody Light: Romanticism in the American Landscape," Feb. 23 through April 26. Lecture by Dr. Clement A. Price at 3 p.m. Feb. 23.
•"Highlights from the Native American Collection," through June 7.
•"From the Collection: Realism," through June 28. Gallery talk by Olya Shevchenko at 3 p.m. Feb. 16.

MORRIS MUSEUM
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
Morristown
(201) 538-0454
Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Free admission for members. Non-member admission: adults $4, senior citizens and children $2.
•"Evolution to Revolution," ongoing exhibition of lamps and lamp accessories from 19th-century America.
•"Imagination Week!" Feb. 17 through Feb. 21.
•Abstract sculpture by Marion Held, through March 11.
•Works on loan from area companies, through March 15.
•Paintings by Kay WalkingStick, through March 29.

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

N.J. HISTORICAL SOCIETY
230 Broadway, Newark
(201) 483-3939
Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-4 p.m., third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Guided tours by appointment. Admission free for society members, $3 for non-members.
•"Tender in Years: Childhood in 19th-Century New Jersey," ongoing.

N.J. MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE
College Farm Rd. near Route 1
New Brunswick
(908) 249-2077
Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Adults $3, children 4-12 $1, children under 4 free.

N.J. STATE MUSEUM
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6464
Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.
•Puzzles inspired by Native Americans, 1 p.m. Feb. 16.
•"Nature and the Decorative Arts," ongoing.
•Exhibition of works acquired in 1991, ongoing.
•"God Bless America, Part IV," multimedia installation by Ted Victoria, through March 15.
•"Christopher Columbus and the Age of Exploration," through Jan. 3, 1993.

NEWARK MUSEUM
49 Washington St., Newark
(201) 596-6550
Tuesday through Sunday from noon-4:45 p.m. Donation. Largest museum complex in the state. Permanent exhibits 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.
•Jewelry from the permanent collection, through Feb. 29.
•Art of the Himalayas, through March 1.
•Works from the permanent collection, through March 15.
•Retrospective of "Bob Stocksdale, Woodturner," through March 22.

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

REEVES-REED ARBORETUM
165 Hobart Ave., Summit
(908) 273-8787
Gardens open daily from dawn to dusk.

RUTGERS GEOLOGY MUSEUM
Hamilton St. near College Ave.
Rutgers University
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7243
Monday from 1-4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m.-noon. Free admission.

TRAILSIDE NATURE AND SCIENCE CENTER
New Providence Rd.
& Coles Ave.
Mountainside
(908) 789-3670
Visitors center open every day from 1-5 p.m. Museum open Saturday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. through March. Registration required for programs.
•"Make-and-Take Days" for kids to make a science project, Feb. 17, 18. Cost $6 per child.
•"A Walk Through the Rainforest" of Panama, 1:30 p.m. Feb. 19. Donation $1 per family.
•Owl Prowl, 6:30 p.m. Feb. 19. Cost $2.
•*The Lorax* and other family films, 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. Feb. 20. Donation $1 per family.
•*Whitetails: Creatures of the Woods*, nature documentary at 1 p.m. Feb. 21. Cost $4 per family.
•Astronomy Sunday, Feb. 23.

JANE VOORHEES ZIMMERLI ART MUSEUM
Rutgers University
George and Hamilton streets
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7237
Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.
•"New Directions" in Russian and Soviet art, through Feb. 25.

GALLERIES

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2 Monument Square
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(908) 828-2920
Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday from 1-5 p.m. Also by appointment.
•Cels, pencil drawings, and other original works from the Walt Disney studios, Feb. 23 through March 23. Reception from 1-9 p.m. Feb. 23.

ROBERT BAUM GALLERY
600 Sea Girt Ave., Sea Girt
(908) 449-3366
Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Sunday hours by appointment. Free admission.
•Serigraphs by Eyvind Earle, Feb. 25 through March 21.

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NIGHTLIFE

Hearts and soul

RVCC schedules a Valentine's Day all-star jazz concert

An all-star lineup of jazz performers makes its way to the Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College in Branchburg for a special Valentine's Day concert.

The performance, set for Friday, Feb. 14, at 8 p.m., features pianist Sir Roland Hanna and songstress Carrie Smith, star of the Broadway musical *Black and Blue*.

Roland Hanna is ranked among the major artists in jazz and is viewed as one of the most flexible pianists of any generation. The Detroit native's career has taken him to concert halls and nightclubs around the world and has even seen him knighted for humanitarian service by the late President William Tolber Tubman of Liberia in 1970.

As an accompanist, Mr. Hanna has performed with the legendary Sarah Vaughn and Carmen McRae, while during his countless solo stints his finely-tuned sense of time and steady left hand enable him to create performances of melodic, harmonic and rhythmic excitement. His experience has included almost every aspect of jazz, and his skills have been honed playing with the Benny Goodman Bid Band, Charles Mingus' experimental groups, The Thad Jones-Mel Lewis Orchestra and the New York Jazz Quartet.

With some 40-plus albums to his credit, Mr. Hanna has written nearly 400 musical compositions, ranging from the background score of the first Japanese musical to orchestral and piano concerto-like compositions for full orchestra.



Singer Carrie Smith will be part of an all-star Valentine's Day jazz concert at Raritan Valley Community College in Branchburg.

Carrie Smith has a growing reputation as an exponent of the blues in the tradition of the great blues singers of the '20s and '30s. Playing music houses from Moscow to New York's Carnegie Hall, she is also a fixture of the famous Kool Jazz Festival.

"Just as the guys have been keeping the names of the great jazz players alive, I look at what I do as a way of keeping the ladies' names alive," commented Ms. Smith from her house in Orange.

The ladies she's speaking of are the great blues singers that came before — from Bessie Smith and Mildred Bailey, pioneers of blues, to Billie Holiday and contemporaries like Dinah Washington.

"Since I was a child I recall listening to the music of Mildred Bailey," Ms. Smith said. "There was something in her voice, a real hurt, that let me know what the blues were all about. The blues can be happy or sad. It depends on what the words say and how you sing them."

"Carrie Smith is a singer with something special to offer," said *New York Times* critic John S. Wilson. "Miss Smith is no longer just a singer. She is a showman."

The evening's program will include a first act Chamber Jazz Trio performance, featuring Frank Perowsky on flute, Bob Johnson on french horn and Hanna on cello; and the Sir Roland Hanna Quartet, with Bill Easely on tenor and alto saxophone, Jon Burr on bass, Ronnie Burrage on drums and Hanna on piano. The second act lineup brings them all together with Carrie Smith for an hour of entertainment that will guarantee to rock the theater.

VALENTINE'S DAY JAZZ CONCERT, Feb. 14 at the Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College, Branchburg. Tickets are $12.50, $10 for students and the elderly. (908) 725-3420.

Listen up

Bullfrog blues and Bromberg

Folk music stalwart David Bromberg, a virtuoso on guitar, mandolin, fiddle and virtually anything else with strings, will perform Wednesday, Feb. 19, at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

The Philadelphia-born musician plays an eclectic blend of folk, bluegrass, country and jazz, a mix that reflects years of playing with everyone from Bob Dylan and Chubby Checker to Carly Simon and Phoebe Snow.

For ticket information, call (908) 727-3000.

O.G. at C.G.

West Coast rapper Ice-T, one of the best and most inventive of the L.A. "gangsta" rap stars, will perform Wednesday, Feb. 26, at the City Gardens, 1701 Calhoun St. in Trenton.

Ice-T, whose career started when one of his raps was used in the film *Colors*, joined in this past summer's "Lollapalooza" tour with Jane's Addiction, Living Colour and Henry Rollins. His performance in the film *New Jack City* was highly praised, and he will appear with fellow gangsta rapper Ice Cube in Walter Hill's upcoming film *Looters*.

He will be joined by Body Count, the hardcore band he unveiled on his recent album *O.G. — Original Gangster*, and the opening act Hard Corps.

For ticket information, call (609) 392-8887.

Club mix

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ARGYLE'S
217 South St., Morristown
(201) 538-2766
•La Bamba, Feb. 14.
•Backstreets, Feb. 15, 27.
•Pandora's Box, Feb. 19.
•Reverend Sole, Feb. 20.
•Soul Sisters, Feb. 21.
•Johnnie Johnson, March 6.
BINGO'S
Regal Inn
Kingsbridge Rd., Piscataway
(908) 469-5700
BIRCH HILL NIGHT CLUB
Route 9 South, Old Bridge
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Dance party, Saturdays.
Male revue, Thursdays.
•Edgar Cayce, Mark Thompson Smith, Feb. 14.
•Nas-T Boyz, Feb. 22.
BLACK SWAN
Scanticon-Princeton
Route 1 & College Rd.
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(609) 452-7800
•Maria Castro-Nieves (piano), Feb. 14, 15.
BOURBON STREET CAFE
Old Bay Restaurant
61-63 Church St.
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(908) 246-3111
•Call for details, Feb. 14.
•Blue Plate Special, Feb. 15, 26.
•Full Circle (blues), Feb. 19.
•Willi Bobo & The Meat Men, Feb. 20.
•Night Train, Feb. 21.
•Interweave, Feb. 22.
•Solar, Feb. 27.
•The Blue Zombies, Feb. 28.
•Johnny Charles Blues Band, Feb. 29.
BRIGHTON BAR
121 Brighton Ave.
Long Branch
(908) 222-9684
•Belle Skye, Eve's Plumb, Baby Seal Club, Charlie McIntosh, Feb. 14.
•Monster Magnet, Ripping Corpse, afternoon and evening shows Feb. 15.
•Sector 6, afternoon Feb. 16.
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CATCH A RISING STAR
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West Windsor
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Headline comedy Tuesday through Thursday and Sunday at 8:30 p.m., Friday at 8:30 and 11 p.m., Saturday at 7, 9:15, and 11:30 p.m. College Night every Sunday and Tuesday.
•Gary DeLena, through Feb. 16.
CHARLEY'S UNCLE
415 Route 18, East Brunswick
(908) 254-4226
Live comedy Friday and Saturday starting 10 p.m.
CHATFIELDS
273 Main St., Gladstone
(908) 234-2080
•Johnny Charles Blues Band, Feb. 14, 28.
CITY GARDENS
1701 Calhoun St., Trenton
(609) 392-8887
All-ages dance party, Fridays. 95-cent dance night, Saturdays, Thursdays.
•Hyperactive, Bouncing Souls, Digger Thomas, Feb. 16.
•The Cramps, Rev. Horton Heat, Feb. 22.

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The Dixie Dregs will bring their "reunion tour" through New Jersey Feb. 20 when they perform at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

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•Ice-T, Body Count, The Hard Corps, Feb. 26.
•Dinosaur Jr., My Bloody Valentine, Babes in Toyland, Feb. 28.
•Solar Circus, Feb. 29.
•The Psychdelic Furs, March 8.
CLUB BENE
Route 35, Sayreville
(908) 727-3000
•David Bromberg, Feb. 19.
•The Dixie Dregs, Steve Morse, Feb. 20.
•David Benoit, Feb. 28.
•'til tuesday, Feb. 29.
THE CLUBHOUSE
116 Watchung Ave., Plainfield
(908) 769-9267
Rave night, Thursdays.
•Hyperactive, Feb. 20.
COCKTAILS
51 Main St., South River
(908) 257-8325
•Backstreets (w/Glen Stewart), Feb. 14.
•Turnstyles, Feb. 15.
•The Nerds, Feb. 20.
•The Party Dolls, Feb. 28.
•Rich Meyer, Feb. 29.
COPENHAGEN
Scanticon-Princeton
Route 1 & College Rd.
Princeton
(609) 452-7800
Piano brunch w/Sandy Maxwell, Sundays.
CORNERSTONE
25 New St., Metuchen
(908) 549-5306
•Larry Ham Quartet w/Dave Glasser (alto sax), Feb. 14, 15.
•Kenny Davern Quartet w/ Frank Vignola (guitar), Feb. 19, 21, 22.
•Bill Mays, piano w/trio, Feb. 26.
•Harry Allen Quartet, Feb. 28, 29.
CORNER TAVERN
113 Somerset St.
New Brunswick
(908) 247-7677
COURT TAVERN
124 Church St.
New Brunswick
(908) 545-7265
Reggae night, Tuesdays.
"Love Shack" dance party, Thursdays.
THE COVE
108 Chestnut St., Roselle
(908) 241-1226
Dave LaRue, Mondays.
Open coffeehouse, Tuesdays.
CRICKET CLUB
415 16th Ave., Irvington
(201) 374-1062
Main room: Live dance bands, Fridays. International rock acts, Saturdays.
Basement: Alternative rock.
•Gang Box, Fuzzy Logic, Ing, 44 Sunset, Feb. 14.
•Broken Wings, Feb. 27.
ESSEX MANOR
41 Broughton Ave., Bloomfield
(201) 748-6590
Jam session w/Third Degree, Tuesdays.
•Eve's Plum, Feb. 19.
•Ing, Feb. 26.



Singer Keith Washington will perform Feb. 14 at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

THE EXCHANGE
Routes 202-206, Bridgewater
(908) 526-7090
Open blues jam, Tuesdays.
THE FAR SIDE
789 Jersey Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 247-2995
Open-mike night, Mondays.
FAST LANE II
207 Fourth Ave., Asbury Park
(908) 988-3205
The Outcry, Wednesdays.
99-cent dance night, Thursdays.
•Hyperactive, Feb. 15.
•Overkill, Feb. 21.
•Dead Milkmen, Feb. 22.
•Tommy Conwell & The Young Rumblers, Feb. 28.
FRONT ROW
Howard Johnson Hotel
10 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 214-1717
All shows from 4:30-8:30 p.m.
•The D.C. Project, Feb. 14.
•Noah Haldu Duo, Feb. 21.
•Alan Adler, Feb. 27.
GIGGLES 'N BITS
Clarion Hotel
2055 Route 27, Edison
(908) 287-3500
Live comedy Friday and Saturday starting 10 p.m.
GOLDEN SADDLE
Route 522, Jamesburg
(908) 246-9028
Hub City Jam, Sundays — bring an instrument and sit in w/ house band.
Gary T'To (guitar), Mondays.
•Stolen Moments, Feb. 19.
•The Voodudes, Feb. 20.
•Mosaic the Quartet, Feb. 26.
•The Resonators, Feb. 27.
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Kevin McArdle, Tuesdays.
Willie Lynch Trio (Irish), Thursdays.
•Vinnie D. Swing Band, Feb. 15.
•Raised On Blues Band, Feb. 21, 28.
•Zalre, Feb. 29.
JASON'S
1604 Main St., Belmar
(908) 681-9782
•"Seeing Through New Glasses," independent music and media, Feb. 16.
JOHN & PETER'S
96 South Main St.
New Hope, Pa.
(215) 862-0823
Free admission Saturday and Sunday afternoons.
Open-mike night, Mondays (except Feb. 17).
Liberty Blues Jam, Tuesdays.
•Flamin' Harry, Feb. 14.
•Cross Cut Saw, afternoon Feb. 15.
•Combo Holiday, evening Feb. 15.
•The Razorbacks, afternoon Feb. 16.
•Jamie Brockett, evening Feb. 16.
•Mountain John, Feb. 17, 19, 26.
•Preston Harrison's Raggedy Band, Feb. 20.
•One Night Stand w/Tony Juliano, Feb. 21.
•Trimm & Larsen, afternoon Feb. 22.
•Paul Plumeri, evening Feb. 22.
•The Horizontals, afternoon Feb. 23.
•Floyd Hunter Band, evening Feb. 23.
•Amy Torchia, Jenny Avila, Feb. 27.
•Raucous Brothers, Feb. 28.
•Blue Midnight, afternoon Feb. 29.
•The Fairlanes, evening Feb. 29.
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•The Nerds, Feb. 19.
•Public Notice, Feb. 29.
MAXWELL'S
1039 Washington St.
Hoboken
(201) 798-4064
•Die Kreuzen, Bewitched, Sugarshock, Feb. 14.
•Dance concert w/Bo Dollis & The Wild Magnolias, The Voodoo Rhythm Kings, Feb. 15.
•Barrence Whitfield & The Savages, The Supertones, Feb. 16.
•Luna, Hypnolovewheel, Feb. 22.
•The Dead Milkmen, Feb. 23.
•The Fluid, March 6.
•Shudder to Think, Jawbox, March 15.
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(908) 249-3784
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Neilson and Bayard streets
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•Ralph Litwin (banjo), Feb. 15.
•Bernice Lewis (singer-songwriter), Feb. 22
•Bruce Pratt (singer-songwriter), Feb. 29.
NEST AT PHEASANTS' LANDING
Amwell Rd., Hillsborough
(908) 359-4700
•Elan, Feb. 14.
•Home Brew, Feb. 15.
•Mirage, Feb. 21, 22.
•Stolen Hearts, Feb. 28.
•Delivery Boys, Feb. 29.
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•The Great Unknowns, Feb. 14.
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•The Undertakers, Feb. 21.
•Aziz, Feb. 22.
•Dog Eat Dog, Feb. 27.
•CC&G, Feb. 28.
•Cruzin' for a Bruzin', Feb. 29.
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•Hugh Blumenfeld, Gail Weisman, Feb. 14.
•Rod MacDonald, Richard Meyer, Feb. 28.
•Bob McParland, Debbie Hendrickson, March 6.
•Cheryl Wheeler, March 27.
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Jazz pianist, singer and all-around nice person Diane Schuur will perform Feb. 15 at the Club Bene in Sayreville.



David Bromberg, folk musician and luthier, performs Feb. 19 at the Club Bene in Sayreville.

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J. AUGUST'S
19 Dennis St., New Brunswick

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Wednesdays, Sundays.
•Iowa Beef Experience, The Thing, Feb. 20.
•The Radicts, Into Another, Feb. 27.

PLAYPEN LOUNGE
Route 35, Sayreville
(908) 721-0100
D.J. dance night, Fridays.
•Civilles & Cole (of C&C Music Factory), Feb. 14.

POOR BILLY'S
Route 9, Woodbridge
(908) 634-5454
Live comedy every Sunday starting 8:30 p.m.

THE RIVERFRONT
11 Main St., South River
(908) 390-4438

THE ROCK HORSE
Second & Kingsley
Asbury Park
(908) 988-9811
•Chase Her, Feb. 14.
•Aleister Crowley, Feb. 15.
•Lipstik, Feb. 22.
•Edgar Cayce, Feb. 29.

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95 French St.
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SOMERSET SIDELINE
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North Plainfield
(908) 757-1020
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SOUTH RIVER PUB
66 Main St., South River
(908) 257-0330
Backstreets Duo, Wednesdays.

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

STUDIO 1
88-89 Verona Ave., Newark
(201) 482-1150
•Where's the Love, Feb. 14.
•Leeway, Feb. 15.
•Kashmir (Led Zeppelin tribute), Feb. 21.
•Savatage, Feb. 22.
•Non-Fiction, Feb. 28.
•Kix, Feb. 29.

T-BIRDS CAFE
707 Main St., Asbury Park
(908) 502-0217
Audition night, Wednesdays.
•The Marbles, Schnitzel, The Unemployed, Feb. 15.

TAPAS CAFE
Route 53, Denville
(201) 625-1677
Grover Kemble, Wednesdays.
West End Review, Thursdays.
•Johnny Charles Blues Band, Feb. 21..

TIVOLI GARDENS
Scantlcon-Princeton
Route 1 & College Rd.
Princeton
(609) 452-7800
Tony DiNicola Quintet, Saturdays.
Jeanne Bryson Duo, Sundays.
•Dave Posmontier Quartet w/ Jim Mate, Feb. 14.
•Smooth Sallen, Feb. 21, 28.

TRADE WINDS
1331 Ocean Ave., Sea Bright
(908) 842-4466
•Plymouth Rock, Feb. 15.
•The Band, Feb. 21.
•The Party Dolls, Feb. 22.
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ARIES (March 21-April 19) You may shake your head at the power plays that go on this week. Let them pass you by, and you will be a lot happier. Plan on a cozy Valentine's Day with your heartbrob...champagne and a wonderful dinner at home hits the spot. Count on a long and cuddly weekend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) When you write your memoirs, this week will stand out as one of your favorites. You are personality-plus all week long. Your sensitive communicating has what you want (whatever that is) tumbling into your lap as the weekend comes. You know the greenest of the green pastures.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20) Take a deep breath before you energize. Your magnetic field is quite powerful this week. Just be careful where, and at whom, you toss it. You are master of your own fate right now. Let go of a difficult situation where another must have it 'their way'.

CANCER (June 21-July 22) You climb the highest peak, but you also travel the lowest abyss this week. You may feel as if you're at the mercy of another's whims. Take command of your ship and, even if there is s standoff, you come out the winner. Besides, you find out how lovable you are — all weekend long.

LEO (July 23-August 22) Count on really being noticed this week, and you'll be ready for what goes on. Leo is the sign of the lover and no one is surprised by all the attention and adulation you receive. Make the most out of the moment, you big pussycat. You'll be curled up and warm all weekend long.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) Catch what's going on behind the scenes this week before you launch into action. Tune into your higher values and more loving side. Follow through on the pursuit of happiness all week long, and you are in for a dynamite Valentine's Day, and day after, and day after and...

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) Togetherness is the name of the game this Valentine's week. You get the full meaning as you play Romeo (or Juliet) and delight those who cherish and adore you. Take a risk, jump through the fiery hoop before the weekend, and you'll have a wonderful Valentine's weekend.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Though you're a 'tough' sign (and can do quite well alone), this isn't the case this week. Others seek you out and want to be with you. You discover just how popular you really are. Now your biggest jost is to choose among all those Valentines. For best results — fell it like it is.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December 21) You just may opt for an early'weekend as opportunity arises. If you're willing to be less dominating and go with another's program, you may actually get a glimpse of nirvana. The real question is, Sag, can you let go of your need to control? Hope so...for you.

CAPRICORN (December 22-January 19) Your amorous ways keep coming out all week long at the most inopportune moments. Get back to your old practical self and take care of the 'musts' before the weekend, when you launch into a very special and loving period. The initiation starts on Valentine's Day.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) You're slow getting started this week, but once you do, you're a force to be dealt with. Choose to share your wildest thoughts with a loved one. Imagine the results and you understand why you're so exhausted this weekend. Never fear, you come back again, in even better form.

PISCES (February 19-March 20) You can talk a blue streak this week. If you expect changes, you are likely to find yourself glum as the weekend appears. Why not accept what is and give another the space to move the grow? You can kindle romance to its true passionate levels that way.


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Taking a walk on the wild side in Westfield

By BRIAN P. DUNLEAVY
WeekendPlus Writer

The Westfield Cinema is doing the "Time Warp" again.

After a nine-year absence, the Saturday midnight showing of the cult movie classic, *The Rocky Horror Picture Show*, has returned to the Central Avenue theater.

According to the theater's manager, Tony Yannetelli, the film was first shown at the Cinema in 1982, but was soon canceled because of problems with the live production.

Fans of the movie know the production is the essence of the film because *Rocky Horror* is not only on the screen, it is in the orchestra pit of the theater, with a cast of live players performing in conjunction with the action on the screen.

The management of the theater felt showing the film was important for the area, so they began the midnight Saturday showings again in February 1991, with the "Somerville cast" providing the live performance.

Mr. Yannetelli, coincidentally, is the founder of the Somerville troupe.

"I started the Somerville cast after a show I was in on Broadway was canceled," he said. "I was really down and so I started doing *Rocky Horror* at the Somerville Circle Cinema. We've taken it on tour all over, but it is nothing like Westfield."

Rocky Horror was written and directed by Richard O'Brien, who also plays the character of Riff-Raff. According to Mr. Yannetelli, Mr. O'Brien is already working on a sequel to the film called *Rocky Horror Part II: Revenge of the Old Queen.*

For years now, the showing of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* has been more than going to see a cult film, it has been a live theater experience relying heavily on audience participation. The tradition of audience interaction with the film was started in 1975 at the Waverly Theater in New York City. "When it was originally shown as a feature film it bombed," said Mr. Yannetelli. "For some reason it was brought back in a midnight showing and Sal had seen it so many times he started yelling back at it."


DIANE MATFLERD/WEEKENDPLUS
Joe Hanley, Sal Brown and Erin Ruddy get set for their regular dose of *The Rocky Horror Picture Show* at the Westfield Twin Cinema.

These days at the Cinema, the standing room only audience is greatly involved, at times overwhelming the movie. They scream traditional responses to the film's dialogue and provide in-theater rain with water pistols when it rains on the screen. The most impressive scene occurs when the crowd stands as one, leaves their seats and dances in the aisles to the film's most popular soundtrack song, "The Time Warp."

Even though the film has been in circulation since 1975, its popularity continues to grow because the audience's contribution to the production is always changing.

Because of this, most of the audience has seen *Rocky Horror* several times.

"I've seen it 239 times," boasts David Shaw, a 21-year-old film student from Scotch Plains. "That's not an exaggeration, it's a count."

Many of the film's fans go out of their way to see the show at the Cinema.

"They closed down our other theater," said Kelly Applegate, a 19-year-old from Keyport who has seen the film more than 50 times. "I came all the way here to see it because I love it. I've even been to Boston to see *Rocky Horror*."

The regulars are not the only viewers who make the film's showing interesting, however.

There are several people who have never been to *Rocky Horror* before — "virgins," the regulars call them — and are given a special welcome by the regulars.

Bob Stubbs and Debbie Sturn, until recently, had never seen *Rocky Horror*.

Mr. Stubbs is an employee for a film manufacturer and Ms. Sturn is a postmaster. Both are from Somerville.

"We came with friends who have been here before," says Ms. Sturn. "They said it was a blast and lots of fun."

Added Mr. Stubbs, "This is the first time I've been to anything like this."

According to Mr. Yannetelli, fans of the film keep coming back because of the togetherness involved in being part of the audience. "Some people like to see everyone dress up or they come to meet new friends," said Mr. Yannetelli. "It gives them something to do. At the Cinema, we're not doing it for money. We're doing it for them."

Hot Type: America's love affair with romance fiction

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When do do they go all the way? This varies depending on what line you're writing for. Many romances no longer even end with marriage.

"Sometimes they just end with the understanding that marriage is going to happen," Ms. Tracy said. "The key is commitment. You do not have a hero who's promiscuous or goes out a lot — that's not considered appealing."

Since commitment is the bottom line in romance fiction, it is impossible to start a continuing character. In the thriller line, a John D. MacDonald can involve a Travis McGee in over 20 adventures, but a romance heroine who had the same number of love affairs is, by definition, unacceptable.

Some writers have gotten around this with trilogies involving siblings. Berkeley Books, which had its heart broken in the romance fiction glut of the early '80s, has edged back into the field with "Charleston Women," Kristie Knight's mini-series set in Revolutionary War-era South Carolina.

Still, commitment is the thing, and the First Big Night for the hero and heroine is the natural high point of any romance:

He was going out of his mind, throbbing with urgency. "Hannah," he gasped, his hands reaching under her shoulders. Impatiently he dragged her up to shower her with kisses. Her mouth was swollen from his demands, his passion, his devotion.

For a moment he loomed over her, his dark hair damp, his eyes heavy-lidded, looking at the woman who in all in all the world was made for him. . .Hannah cried out his name, arching her body upward. . . "Darling," he whispered. "My sweet, sweet darling."

A star burned and formed, taking shape, hurtling them outward, away from their earthly confines. For month closed over here as he exulted in the creation of their making. Hannah lost all track of self: He had shown her the universe and created a new world, wiping out all her past unhappiness. She was new.

Breathy they floated back to earth, reveling in their discovery, murmuring secrets, words of praise. They slept, content and sated.

"Heartthrob" by Doris Burnett (Loveswept)

Astronomical metaphors aside — the passage quoted above needs only *Also Sprach Zarathustra* to go into orbit — romance writers have the opportunity to exercise a bit more license in their descriptions of sex scenes. How toasty things get depends on the squeamishness of the author.

One iron-clad rule remains. There has to be a happy ending.

"We're selling fantasy, after all," Ms. Swift observed. So this article, too, will have a happy ending.

He kissed her again and time was forgotten. Melissa had no doubt now that he loved her, and her future looked happy and secure. No matter what happened, because life was never one smooth passage — she had found that out already — he would be beside her, and they would weather the storms together.

"Feelings" by Margaret Moya (Harlequin Romance)

Sweet sounds for sweethearts

If you like romance with a comic twist, watch *Garrison Keillor's Hello Love* Friday, Feb. 14, at 10 p.m. on New Jersey Network (NJN).

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•Paintings by Joshua Perschetti, Sprague Library Gallery, through Feb. 15.
•"The Storyville Series," scenes from New Orleans' red-light district by Joe Overstreet, College Art Gallery, Life Hall, through Feb. 26.
•Paintings by Myrtle Pierson, Gallery One, Life Hall annex, through Feb. 27.

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•Bead-stringing with pearls, in two parts at 9:15 a.m. and 1 p.m. Feb. 29. Cost for each part $32, materials fee for each part $10.
•Collage by Rosemary Kane, through Feb. 20.
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•Color photographs by Sally Stubbs, Feb. 21 through March 26.
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DINING

Jewel box restaurant

Don't be put off by Valentino's strip mall setting

By MICKI PULSINELLI
Culinary Correspondent

Why do restaurant critics downplay establishments in strip malls? Whether or not they like them, strip malls are here to stay. They are a part of the suburban scene, just as larger malls are everywhere else.

Granted, some of the old ones are not as aesthetically pleasing as the large malls but some, like the one on Washington Valley Road in Martinsville, are nicely done and fit in with the surroundings. Besides, who among us enjoys the crowds at large malls or the search for a parking space?

Situated in a corner of the strip mall I just mentioned is a jewel box of a restaurant called **Valentino's**. It reminds me of a jewel box because it is small and filled with valuables. Valentino's is a family-run business with the mother, father and one son taking care of the dining room, while the other son, a culinary graduate, works in the kitchen with two other fellow graduates.



DIANE MATFLERD/WEEKENDPLUS

Robert Valentino, co-owner of Valentino's, holds some hot antipasto while his maitre d' Ahmed Aboushadi displays the dessert tray.

Service was professional and accommodating. Our waiter, Ahmed, went out of his way to make our evening an enjoyable one. He always appeared at the right moment to fill our wine glasses and replace dishes and silverware. Choosing selections from the extensive menu and typed specials inserted in the menu can be a problem, but by dining with another couple, our son and daughter-in-law, we were able to select a variety of items.

Valentino's menu includes 12 hot and cold appetizers ($4.95 to $7.95), two salads ($6.95) three vegetables ($5.95) and two soups ($2.95). Pasta dishes, 15 in all ($7.95 to $10.95), are served with a salad, bread and butter.

Entrees include five chicken ($12.95), six veal ($13.95 to $15.95), four seafood ($12.95 to $$18.95), and five steak and chops choices ($14.95 to $18.95). There is usually an assortment of special appetizers and dinners to accompany the main menu.

We started the evening by ordering four different appetizers. One was from the regular menu, clams casino ($6.95), and the other three were specials. Our selections were broccoli raab sauteed in oil and garlic ($5.95), stuffed artichoke ($5.95), and marinated grilled portobello mushrooms ($5.95). The artichoke was sliced in half and covered the plate, while the mushroom appetizer was large enough to be considered an entree of its own. Although all four received high marks, the portobello mushroom won out as the favorite at our table. Our next selection was a sampling of three different pasta dishes. We ordered rigatoni alla vodka ($8.95), lobster ravioli sauteed in a bisque sauce ($10.95) and tortellini in a cream sauce ($8.95).

We only wanted to sample each for our research, but they were so good we ate more than we should have. Each sauce was distinctive and savory, but, never the less, filling. The lobster ravioli won out as the best, but the rigatoni vodka was a close second.

For our entrees we selected one pasta, two chicken dishes and one veal. The fettucini Alfredo ($8.95), served in a rich cream sauce, was from the menu. So was the chicken Milano ($12.95), consisting of boneless breast of chicken sauteed with roasted peppers, fresh mushrooms and artichoke hearts, and served in a white wine and lemon sauce.

Whoever said you couldn't have a good time in a strip mall?

The chicken arugula ($12.95), one of the specials, was a combination of chicken, arugula, tomatoes, onions and garlic, served in a rich demi-glaze sauce.

The other menu selection, veal saltimbocca for $15.95 (medallions of veal sauteed in shallots, sherry wine and sage, then baked with prosciutto and mozzarella cheese and served over spinach) was different then others we tried because the spinach was sauteed in garlic. It was delicious.

Despite all the food we had eaten (I didn't even mention the fresh green salad that came with our meal), our young couple still had room for desserts. One ordered the lemon sorbet ($3.50), while the other had the amaretto cheese cake ($3.95).

Valentino's does not have a license to serve alcohol, but there is a wonderful package goods store, Spirits of the Valley, in that same mall with a wide selection of wines to choose from. Whoever said you couldn't have a good time in a strip mall?

VALENTINO'S RISTORANTE, 1982 Washington Valley Road, Martinsville. (908) 271-0440.

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

Side orders



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—Micki Pulsinelli

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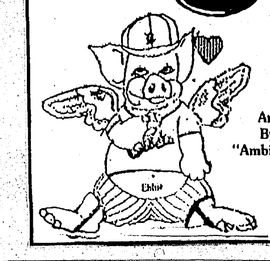
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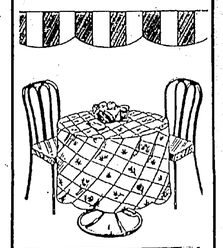
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When I meet a true wine snob, they're usually quite tolerable people, unless they do two things: purposely try to find fault with a rather remarkable wine or abuse WineSpeak. Y'know, WineSpeak, that descriptive language that vino lovers bandy back and forth when discussing the quality of wine. For instance, what's the difference between **aroma, bouquet** and **nose?** The aroma is any smell derived from the grape variety being used to make the wine. The bouquet relates to smells produced by the method of fermentation, tank or barrel aging or bottle aging. I call it the "winemaker's thumb-print". The nose is the combination of the two, and the best word to use when you're not sure what your smelling! So, if you are with someone who starts going on about how "the bouquet reminds me of violets.", you can have a T-shirt made for them.

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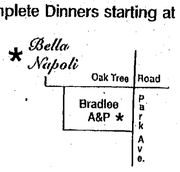
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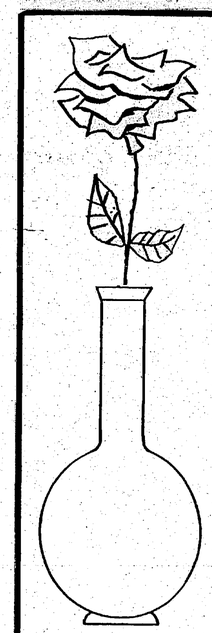
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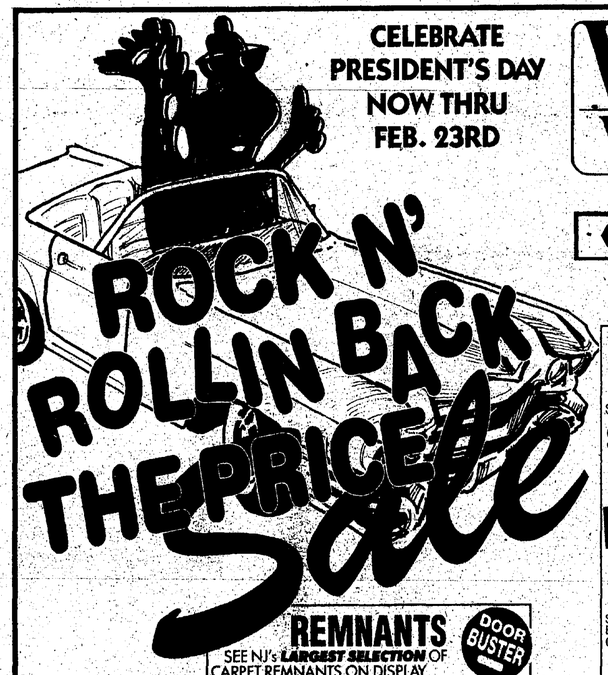
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Automotive Guide

More Pontiac excitement with 1992 Grand Am

By BILL RUSS
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

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

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

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

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

COMFORT: A complete set of analog gauges and supportive front bucket seats attest to the sport theme. Our test car was replete with such items as power mirrors, locks and windows, tilt steering, cruise control, heater/air conditioner and upgrade sound. Except for the window and mirror controls, all switches are well-located. The radio is an AM/FM cassette unit that has excellent sound and is easy to set and tune. The large trunk has a low liftover and the roomy rear seats fold down. All doors open quite wide (80 degrees) for easy access, and lock automatically when the transmission is engaged.

ROADABILITY: The handling of the Grand Am GT leans towards the firm side, and particularly on cement pavement tends to deliver a somewhat choppy ride. Generally speaking it's easy to steer positively thanks to variable assist power steering, easy to stop safely due to anti-lock brakes, easy to hold the road with Goodyear's Eagle GA touring tires and the dual tuned exhaust pipes give it a great sound.

PERFORMANCE: Pontiac's vintage 3.3 liter V-6 powers the GT with 160 horsepower. This veteran design utilized overhead valves and pushrods, along with multiport fuel injection. A 3-speed automatic transmission without overdrive (also an antique design) provides easy shifting and adequate power for getting through traffic and onto freeway on-ramps. However, an overdrive gear for highway cruising is needed to add both quietness and fuel economy.

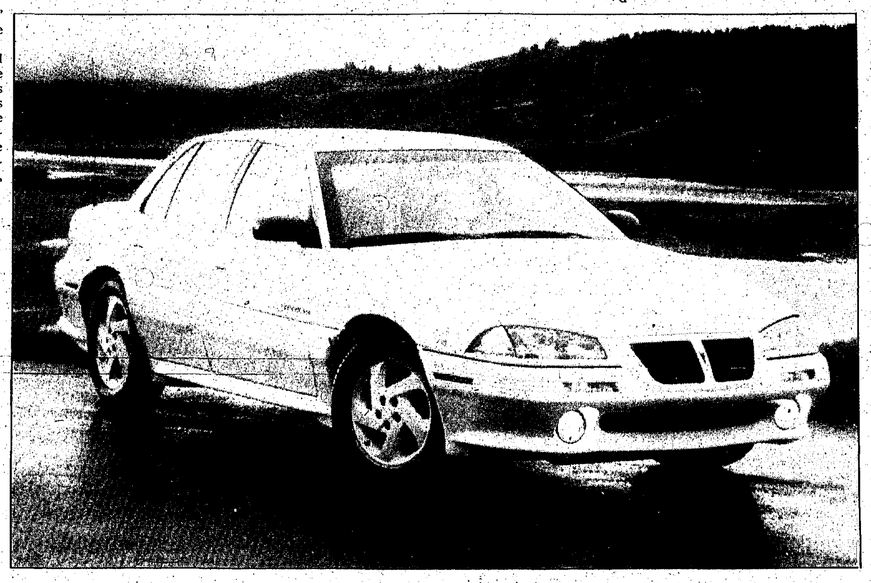
SUGGESTIONS: Revise design of glove box from pull-out drawer to door opening for easier access. Re-engineer fit of top of rear doors with roof line. Design automatic door lock to unlock automatically when transmission is placed in "park."

ECONOMY: EPA ratings are 19 city/ 29 highway. I averaged 21.4 mpg.

CONCLUSIONS: The Grand Am GT demonstrates that Pontiac's "we build excitement" theme makes a statement that a compact 4-door family sedan can be both sporty and fun to drive. It offers excellent vision, roomy seating, good storage space, plus adequate power and performance.

PRICE AS TESTED: $17,707 including option package 1SC.

BASE PRICE: $13,799.



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

TEST DRIVE:
1992 PONTIAC GRAND AM GT SEDAN

Specifications
Base price - $13,799
Price as tested - $17,707
Engine type - V-6, ohv pushrods, mpfi
Engine Size - 3.3 liter/204 cid
Horsepower - 160 at 5200 rpm
Torque (ft/lbs) - 185 at 3200 rpm
Wheelbase/length - 103 inches/ 187 inches
Transmission - three-speed automatic
Curb weight - 2960 lbs.
Pounds/HP - 18
Fuel capacity - 15 gal.
Fuel requirement - unleaded regular (87 oct)
Tires - Goodyear Eagle GA P205/ 55R16
Brakes - anti-lock standard, disc/ drum
Drive train - front engine/front drive
Performance - 0-60 mph - 8.9 sec., 1/4 mile (E.T.) - 17.0 sec.
EPA economy, mpg city/ highway/observed - 19/29/ 21.4
Drag coefficient (Cd) - .33

'92 Mazda MX-3 features distinctive styling

By BILL RUSS
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

Mazda's current theme, "It just feels right," really applies to its newest model, the MX-3. This small sports coupe is loaded with sharp looks, excellent power, nimble handling and a purposeful interior, and whether driving in town or on the open road. "It just feels right."

The MX-3 continues Mazda's commitment to the sports and sporty car segment, and particularly those in the youth bracket. It started with the rotary powered RX-7, continued with the US built MX-6 and expanded with the popular MX-5 Miata. The also-new 929 luxury sedan and the MX-3 are the 1992 entries in the Mazda program, and in the near future at least three more models — a new family sedan, a new sports car and a new luxury sports coupe — will be revealed.

Looking back, recent successful entries have been the MPV van, the Navajo SUV, the Protege sedan and the Miata. A new and stronger Mazda has arisen from the ashes of its original disastrous rotary engined cars.

From design to showroom the MX-3 took about three years. Its design demonstrates Mazda's international presence as the exterior is the result of joint sessions between design studios in Japan and California while the interior and some trim was the work of its European research center. The MX-3 is available in two power and trim levels: a base 4-cylinder model, and the V-6 powered GS.

APPEARANCE: The new MX-3 GS is an eye-catcher. It's a small sports car with distinctive styling. What really stands out are the almond-oval headlamps with the slit air intake in between. Other styling features are the low ndse, sharply slanted front and rear windows and the obligatory rear spoiler. Alloy wheels, low profile sports tires, flush glass and door handles are plus factors.

COMFORT: In the GS mode the only options are air conditioning, an upgrade radio/cassette sound system and the power package. The latter includes the ever-present power windows, locks and cruise control. This modern sports car is far from Spartan, with tilt steering, motorized front seat belts, fold down rear seats, and a rear hatch defogger. Other nuances include supportive front bucket seats, fairly roomy rear jump seats, a good size trunk and appropriate instrumentation.

ROADABILITY: In the GS trim, the MX-3 has a low, wide stance, enhanced by Yokohama P205/ 55R15 V-rated tires. Fully independent suspension with stabilizer bars keeps it on an even keel on twisty roads. Engine-speed sensitive power steering allows for positive but sometimes light road feel on most road surfaces. This is a fun to drive car, with lots of safety built in.

PERFORMANCE: Mazda's new 1.8 liter, V-6, 24-valve, dual overhead cam, multi-port fuel injected engine is what really separates the GS from the rest of the nameplates in this category. While most small sports cars have a 4-cylinder under the hood, this MX-3 has the smallest large production V-6 nestled up front. What fun it would be to see the dismantled innards of this little jewel with its silver-dollar sized pistons. This high-revver puts out 130 horsepower with a minimum of fuss across a wide power band. The 5-speed manual shifter is slick, but long in the throw. There's sufficient power to climb fairly steep grades over a wide range of altitudes without excessive downshifting.

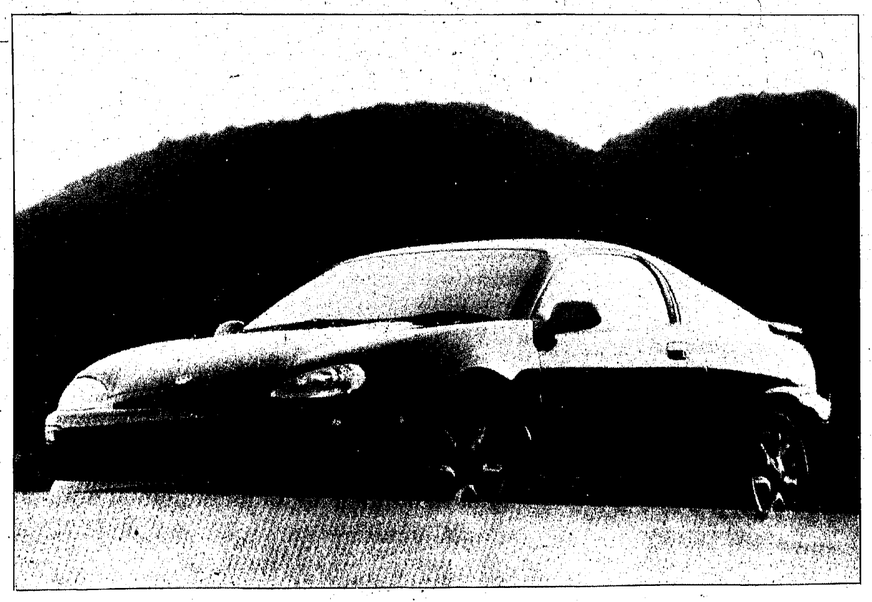
SUGGESTIONS: Add height adjustment to driver's seat. Replace the motorized shoulder harness with an air-bag. Make ABS standard.

ECONOMY: EPA ratings are 23 city/28 highway. I averaged 29.1 mpg.

CONCLUSIONS: Mazda has worked its way up to Number Four among the major Japanese auto manufacturers, but it's not content in this position and is striving to move up a notch. Several new models have been announced recently, and more are on the way. They cover the broad spectrum from mini-sports to luxury sedans and they are Mazda's way of stating that they intend to remain aggressive and provide quality cars.

PRICE AS TESTED: $15,785 with almost everything except ABS.

BASE PRICE: $13,800 including the V-6 engine.



The Mazda MX-3 is a swoopy new sports coupe that features the smallest V-6 in the business — only 1.8 liters.

TEST DRIVE:
MAZDA MX-3 GS

Specifications
Base price - $13,800
Price as tested - $15,785
Engine type - V-6, dohc 24 valve, mpfi
Engine Size - 1.8 liter/113 cid
Horsepower - 130 at 6500 rpm
Torque (ft/lbs) - 115 at 4500 rpm
Wheelbase/length - 96 inches/ 166 inches
Transmission - 5-speed manual w/ od
Curb weight - 2580 lbs.
Pounds/HP - 20
Fuel capacity - 13 gal.
Fuel requirement - unleaded regular
Tires - Yokohama A022A P205/ 55r15 87V
Brakes - anti-lock optional, disc/disc
Drive train - front engine/ front drive
Performance - 0-60 mph - 8.4 sec., 1/4 mile (E.T.) - 16.6 sec.
EPA economy, mpg city/ highway/observed - 23/28/ 29.1
Drag coefficient (Cd) - .32

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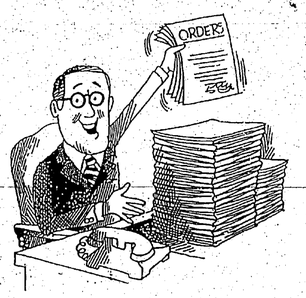
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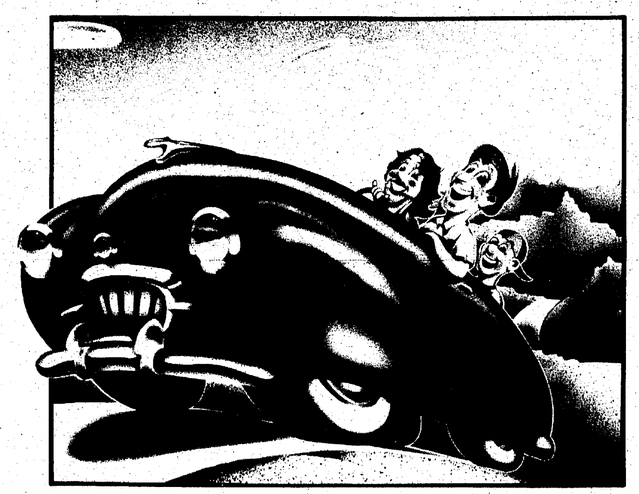
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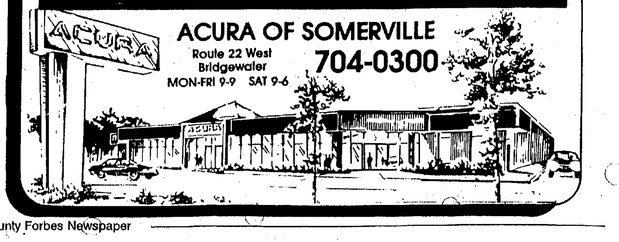
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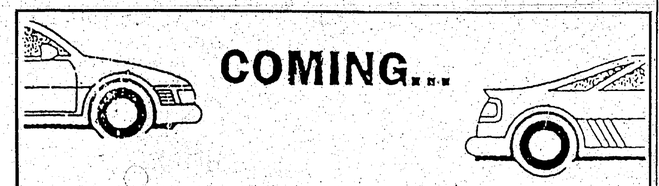
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Soak up luxurious living with this Scotch Plains offering

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

On the second floor is the master bedroom with built-in platform bed and upholstered headboard, custom built-in dressing table and cabinetry, recessed lighting, walk-in closet plus double closet with mirrored doors, and a window wall with doors leading to the wrought iron balcony with canopy and spiral staircase to the pool. The master bath has a double vanity sink, glass-enclosed shower, custom mirrored walls, ceramic tile floor, heat lamp and exhaust fan, along with custom storage cabinetry.



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

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

TIPSHEET

Address: 2008 Dogwood Drive, Scotch Plains
Asking price: $274,000
Bedrooms: 4
Baths: 2.5
Amenities: Two-car attached garage with automatic door openers, basement with utility storage, walk-up attic, fire and security systems, underground sprinkler, perimeter ground lighting
Heating/cooling: gas hot forced air heating/central air conditioning
Lot size: Approximately a half-acre
Ages: Built in 1965
Taxes: $7,160 (1991)
Schools: Scotch Plains-Fanwood regional schools
Open houses: Through Feb 9. Tate, Cunningham Banker-Schlott, Realtors, 204 E. Broad St., Westfield, 233-5555

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

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

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

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BRIDGEWATER ONLY $153,000 OPEN HOUSE Sun, Feb. 16, 1-4PM At 169 Linden St.

Fall in love with this Super Ranch home featuring 3-BRs, custom Oak Kit., DR, LR, Master BR w/French doors to a cedar sunroom, & a big full bsmt. on a deep fenced lot. Central Air, maintenance-free exterior & lots more too!

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BRANCHBURG— BY OWNER. Top cond, center hall Colonial on 2+ acres, 4-5 BR, LR, DR, beamed E-I-K, 12x24 sun rm, outside deck, CAC, prof landscaped, mini orchard, volley/badminton ct, tool shed, zoned prof use. Priced $289,900. Pls call 908-369-7142

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BRANCHBURG— GREAT VALUE! 4-BR Bi-Level, on picturesque 1AC lot. 2 baths, big Family Room, 1 car garage. 1 yr. old Gas heating system. $180,000. **CENTURY 21 McGee Realtors 908-526-4440**

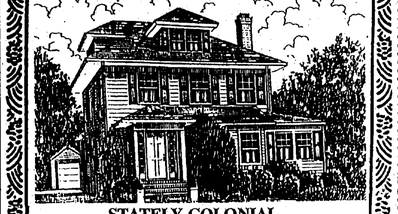
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BRIDGEWATER— 4 bedroom, 2½ bath, 1+ acre on river, CAC, deck, fireplace, cul-de-sac. Available July 1. By owner $230,000. **Call 908-685-2139**

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This gracious home offers a fireplace, built-in bookshelves and a bow window in the living room, a den with built-in desk and bookshelf, a center-isle kitchen, a family room with floor-to-ceiling fireplace and built-in bookshelf, four bedrooms, plus an additional room on the third floor. Sliding glass doors lead from the family room to a deck and patio, all within walking distance of town, transportation, parks and schools. Low $200's.

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BRIDGEWATER— GREAT BUY! 3-BR Cape, full basement, 1 car garage, 100x160 deep lot. $139,900. Make offer. Call **CENTURY 21, McGee Realtors, 908-526-4440**

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MIDDLESEX— 3 BR, big FR w/ frplc, deck, beautiful neighborhood. $165,000. Call 469-6365

MONTGOMERY TWP.— Spacious 3 BR Ranch, fin. bsmt., screened porch. 1.3 ac, move-in cond. Bridgepoint Historic Dist. $225,000. 874-7659

MOUNTAINSIDE— Expanded custom Cape, Park-like lot, 3 bedrooms, 2 baths, family room, living room, dining room, jalousie porch, hardwood floors, full basement. Lots of storage. Move in condition. Call 908-654-1479.

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NESHANIC— Best buy in town. 8 rooms plus, super clean Ranch, 1+ acre. Low, low taxes. Under $200,000/negotiable. Call Linda 908-968-3765 or 908-754-1600.

NESHANIC— By Owner. Large Ranch on 1 + country acre. 3 bedrooms, dining room, family room, 2 baths, 2 fireplaces, full basement, large 2 car garage. $199,500. Realtors 3%. Call 908-369-7996.

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NO. EDISON— 3 BR colonial with FR, large lot, 2 zone heat, immaculate. $192,000. Buyers only. 396-0037.

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Move in & enjoy this SPOTLESS home! New kit, bath, C/A, Fam Rm w/ woodburning stove. Park-like grounds! DON'T DELAY! Just reduced & priced to sell. Asking $132,900.
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SO. PLAINFIELD— By Owner. 4 yr. old 4 BR, 2½ bath, lg. kit., spacious FR, 2-car gar., fenced yd., patio, 100x100 wooded corner lot, vinyl siding, CAC, quiet neighborhood, great location. $184,000. 908-668-4928.

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9050 Mobile Homes and Lots

NO. BRUNSWICK— double wide 2 br, 2 FULL bath, garden tub in master bath, walk in closet, cac, all appl. breakfast bar in kit. front deck, rear patio & shed, landscaped. no closing costs or fees. $85,000 neg. Call 422-7815

9070 Condominiums

BEDMINSTER— Wood Duck Pond A unit, 2 BR, 1 bath, garage, skylights, end unit and excellent location. Price $149,000. Call 234-1260.

BRANCHBURG— 2 bedrooms, 2 baths, upgrades, prime location. $109,000. Please call 908-725-1034.

HOUSE OF THE WEEK
SCOTCH PLAINS
$235,900



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WESTFIELD • 3 BR, 2 BA Cape has a LR fireplace, formal DR, family rm + new carpet, a porch, patio & deck. Newer roof, furnace, HWH & central air. Private backyard, double garage. Close to schools, transportation, town & THE PARK! $214,500.



UNION • Stained glass windows flank the decorative LR fireplace. FDR, EIK w/oak cabinets. 1st fl powder rm. 3 2nd fl BRs + 1 BR on the 3rd. Chestnut woodwork + refinished diagonal oak firs framed by inlaid borders. 3-zone heat, double garage. $169,000.

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WESTFIELD, NJ

Coldwell Banker Schlott Congratulates Arleen Daprile

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DON'T MISS THIS ONE!
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BEDMINSTER 781-1000



GREEN BROOK
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Green Brook's 3 BR, 1½ bath, LR, DR, full basement, 2 car garage, CAC. Wood burning stove and much more. $199,900. WA2554.
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PERFECT HOME TO START
Family, three bedroom Colonial, new siding, furnace, walk-to schools and backyard set up to entertain. $128,900. WA2554.
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FRANKLIN
$129,900
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BRANCHBURG $169,900
Newly renovated charming older colonial with great location for office/research. Use it as your home, your office, or both! B003-3266.
BRANCHBURG 908-526-5444

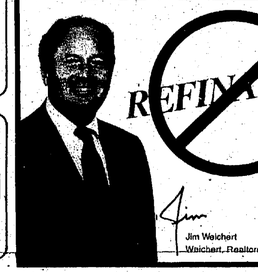


HOLLAND TWP.
...Stone Cape on 1+ acres. Country living in rural Hunterdon, low taxes, great location, within minutes of Rt. 78. Just relaxing area. $185,900. 096-4171.
OLDWICK OFFICE 908-439-2777



READINGTON TWP.
...Vinyl sided Cape with 3 bedrooms, third bedroom with separate entrance, and bath, easy access to Rte. 78 and 22, hardwood floors, laundry room. $148,000. 096-4136.
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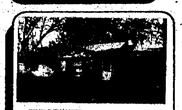
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CONTEMPORARY FLAIR
Totally updated, maintenance free, four bedroom Split with central cooling, spacious kitchen, private yard. Walk to train and school.
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MORE FOR LESS
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908-494-6800



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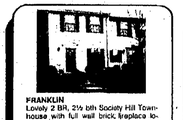
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One of a kind, recently decorated, 3 bdrm, 2½ bath home with full basement. Designer kitchen, dining room, skylight entry, & fenced yard. Asking $198,900. SB-2498.
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9070 Condominiums

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CRANFORD TOWERS CONDOMINIUM— 2 Springfield Ave. Luxury 2 BRs w/1 & 2 baths from $139,900. Spacious rooms + the finest amenities. Model open Fri. to Sun. 11AM-5PM. Office #272-1143 or B/K Realtors, 908-686-1800.

CRANFORD— $40K below cost. Modern lg 2 BR, 2 bath, elevator, prog walk RR. Adj. park, Deluxe bldg. Sacrifice $139K or best offer. 908-709-1540

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EDISON— Great location, 1 BR co-op, new wall to wall, track lighting, remodled EIK, space saver closets, CAC, pool/tennis. Walk to Menlo Park, near Metropark. By owner Asking $47,500. Call 908-548-7142

Manville
ADULT COMMUNITY
(Min. age 52) beautiful, 1st flr. 3 rm. Condo. Big, modern kit., full basement, lg. private work room, CAC. $76,900 **Century 21, McGee Realtors, 908-526-4440**

MIDDLESEX— Look no more. Roomy prime condition, 2 BR plus extras. Must see. Only $82,500. Call 908-968-4467.

NO. BRUNSWICK— Gov. Pt. afforable housing. 3 bdrm., AC, pool/tennis, $28 maintance fee. $89,900. Call 572-9448.

NO. PLAINFIELD— Regency Village, 1 bedroom Condo. Hardwood floors & pool. $62,000. Call 908-789-9423.

READINGTON— Immac. 2nd floor Condo has den w/skylights, sliders to balcony, full size Washer/Dryer. $99,900. **ERA AMERICAN DREAM, REALTORS, 908-253-9000.**

ROSELLE— Sacrifice $39,900. Heat & hot water included, maintenance free 6 months! Why rent? Own this cozy 3 room Condo on the park. Option to rent. Call Alice 908-687-0856 or 908-709-7283.

SOMERSET
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SOMERSET— Quailbrook 2 BR Condo, all appliances, upgrades throughout, low taxes & maintenance. $89,500. Call 908-873-0514.

9080 Townhouses

BOUND BROOK— SUPER BUY! BELOW COST! 2 bedrooms w/basement. $105,750. **RANALD C. BROWN, Realtor, 908-469-2333.**

BRIDGEWATER— Beacon Hill, Vanderhaven Farms. Luxury 3 BR, 2½ bath townhouse, w/upgrades, master BR w/balcony & luxury bath, enclosed patio, garage, pool, tennis, clubhouse. Sale/Rent. Avail rate: 5.625% to 7.5%. Call 201-763-1233.

FRANKLIN PARK— by owner. 3 BR, 2½ baths, fplc., ceiling fans, upgrades galore! Wooded private back, pool & tennis. $119,900. 821-3168

Hillsborough
SOUTHERN EXPOSURE
Immaculate 2-BR Townhome offers finished bsmt. w/bar, neutral carpeting & 2½ baths. $104,850.
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HUNTERDON COUNTY
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NO. BRUNSWICK— Park Terrace, unique 10 unit complex, builders close out, 3BR, 2½ bath, garage. Act now for best deal. No down Vets welcome. Call Louise 254-6300 or builder direct 297-1825

PISCATAWAY— 2 BR, 2½ baths, end unit, fplc., ceramic tile (kit. & foyer), dead-end street. By Owner, $109,900/LETS TALK! 908-699-0395

SCOTCH PLAINS— by owner. 3 yr. young very priv. twnhse. 2 BR, 1½ bath, CAC, EIK, LR, modern appl. Backyard & patio. $117,500. 908-322-4531

SOMERSET—LAKEWOOD TOWNHOUSE. By Owner. 2 BR, 2½ baths, LR w/ fplc, DR, large kit w/home center, sliders to deck, full bsmt, large master BR, CAC. Premium location. $135,900. Pls call 908-469-7644

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9080 Townhouses

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ROSELLE PARK— 2 family house. Presently one half is furnished rooms. Excellent income. Live on 1 floor, rent the others. Very low downpayment & assumable mortgage. Call 908-298-8152.

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9100 Lots and Acreage

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BRIDGEWATER— Commercial/Residential 100x400, fully approved, city sewers & water, builder's terms. Engineering included. By owner 908-725-0020

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9100 Lots and Acreage

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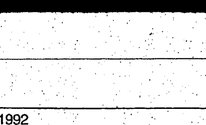
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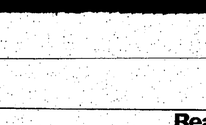
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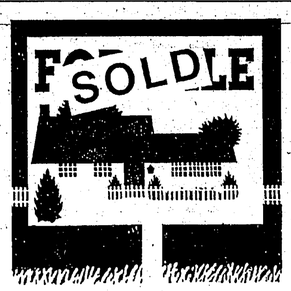
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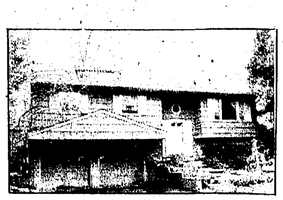
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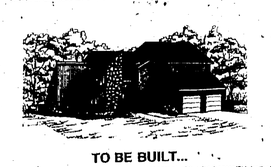
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In brief

VFW ladies to host spaghetti dinner

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 338 will hold their annual spaghetti dinner on Sunday at the post home, 478 South Ave. East, Cranford. Dinner will be served from 4-7 p.m. Tickets are $5 for adults and $2 for children 10 and under. Tickets: 276-8021, or at the door.

Call in your air noise complaints

Local residents with jet noise problems are urged to telephone noise complaints to the FAA: 1-800-FAA-SURE, or to the Port Authority, (201) 961-6026.

Rotary Club discusses jobs

The Rotary Clubs of Cranford, Garwood-Scotch Plains and Westfield held a joint luncheon meeting at the Westwood last week. Three present included Union County Freeholder director Patricia Walker, Democratic representative Byron Miller, District Governor-elect James Simmons, Westfield president Richard Maus, Cranford president Peter Milwicz, District Governor Dave Linnet and Fanwood-Scotch Plains president-elect Robert Kraus. Kenneth Kind of the Mennen Co. spoke on Employment in the 1990's.

Orange School play is Sunday

The Orange Avenue School eighth-graders is raising funds for a trip to Washington, D.C., by selling tickets for the Cranford Dramatic Club production of the Magic Worker. It will be presented Sunday at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are $12. Call 272-8271.

Hospital plans free health fair

The public is invited to attend the 12th annual free health fair at Union Hospital on Sunday, March 15, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The health fair is sponsored by the Lions and Lionesses of District 15-E in conjunction with the hospital. Call 851-7014.

Discount price for bike helmets

The Union County Coalition for Prevention of Developmental Disabilities is offering discount coupons for helmets at local bicycle shops.

In 1990, New Jersey had 27 bicycle deaths. In children under 14 there were eight deaths and one in age 14. There were 19 deaths.

Barbara Repetti, coordinator of the Union County Coalition for Prevention — Project of the Association for Retarded Citizens, can be reached at 1225 South Ave., Plainfield, NJ. 07062. Phone 754-7052.

Vets' number changed

The telephone number for the U.S. Department of Veterans' Affairs changed as of Jan. 30 to 1-800-827-2006, for veterans' information.

Cranford United Way still taking donations

The Cranford United Way Campaign has reached 85 percent of its goal for 1991-92, reports chairman Skip Winter. The goal is $205,000. Another $20,000 is necessary to meet the goal, he said. Contributions are still being accepted in care of Cranford United Way, P.O. Box 171, Cranford NJ 07016.

Recycling schedule

Here's the 1992 recycling schedule for Cranford residents: Glass bottles and jars, aluminium cans and newspapers will still be collected at curbside every other Wednesday. Materials must be placed outside by 7:30 a.m. Dates are March 4 and 18, April 1, 15, and 29, May 13 and 27, June 10 and 24, July 8 and 22, Aug. 5 and 19, Sept. 2, 16, and 30, Oct. 14 and 28, Nov. 11 and 25, and Dec. 9 and 23.

Public library returns to extended hours

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

For supporters of the Cranford Public Library, the Township Committee's decision to reinstate the facility's former hours was long overdue.

The committee agreed Tuesday night that the library should return to its policy of remaining open until 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

In order to pay for the extended hours, the committee decided to use monies put aside into the township's recycling trust fund, a move which is believed would not impact on taxes.

Before the change becomes official, library Director John Malar will consult with the library board to inform them of the township committee's decision. If the board approves, and it is expected it will, the library could return to its former hours in about a month.

The library had its hours cut late last year as the township committee struggled to make monetary cuts in the hope of meeting its 1992-93 municipal budget goals.

But public outcry over the decision sent the committee back to the drawing board and it agreed on Tuesday to reverse its earlier decision.

"I definitely feel happy over the decision," Mr. Malar said. "One of the library's obligations is to be accessible to the public, and the more hours it's open, the better."

The Township Committee had previously cut $19,000 from the library's budget, and had approved the shortening of hours from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday and Friday, and from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday.

Those hours will most likely soon change.

"I'm sure the residents of Cranford will be happy that we're going back to the old hours," said Township Committee member Carolyn Vollero. "People enjoy going to the library, and if you have the time, it's a great form of relaxation.

"A lot of time people need a lot of hours to do research in the library, and it's something they can't accomplish in the library's current period of time."

Committee member Dan Aschenbach agreed that the library's hours should be returned.

"I just can't accept cutting hours like this at the library," Mr. Aschenbach said. "I'd rather see us look for something else to have to cut from the budget."

When asked what effect the reduced hours had on the library, Mr. Malar said the facility was more congested than usual, sometimes leading to overcrowding when people attempted to check out books.

"We're busy all the time," Mr. Malar told the committee. "It's incredible how busy the library has become during those four hours on Saturday.

"We have four terminals to check books out and on Saturday the larger crowds have resulted in longer lines for our patrons. Peo-

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Seven candidates vie for four school seats

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

Thomas Franklin, a frequent visitor to Board of Education meetings, has announced his intention to seek a board seat.

Mr. Franklin joins Christine Barr, Richard Salls, and Bohdan Lukaschewsky as newcomers hoping to win three-year terms on the board. Incumbent Robert Sintich, meanwhile, will attempt to capture another three-year term.

Another incumbent, Dee Sugalski, has decided not to seek a three-year term. Instead, she will vie with newcomer Wayne Orshak for the

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Loretta Smith won't seek board re-election

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

A familiar face will be stepping down from the Cranford Township Board of Education this spring.

Loretta Smith has announced she will not seek re-election to the board, leaving incumbent Robert Sintich as the only incumbent attempting to retain a three-year seat.



LORETTA SMITH

Dee Sugalski will seek re-election to the board, but not for a three-year term. Instead, Ms. Sugalski will run against Wayne Orshak for the one-year remaining on Henry Pavlak's term. Mr. Pavlak announced earlier this month that he would step down from the board due to family and work commitments.

"I needed to devote more time for myself and to personal time," Ms. Smith said. "There used to be an unwritten rule, six years and out and then you bring in new blood. Eventually, ...I will make a formal statement in regards to what I wanted accomplished."

Her sons are now in college. As a result, Ms. Smith said she has been devoting more time to her occupation, which is one

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Police continuing burglary investigations

By BRIAN FLORCZAK
THE CHRONICLE

Police are continuing to investigate a series of burglaries which have plagued the township over the past two weeks.

In one of the more recent incidents, at least $3,000 in items were stolen from a Wadsworth Terrace residence.

According to police, someone broke into a Wadsworth Terrace home on Feb. 11 and took a VCR, jewelry, a computer, an AT&T cordless phone, luggage, a Sony Walkman and a small amount of cash.

Apparently, the thief gained entry to the residence by forcing open a basement window and then prying open a door leading to the rest of the house.

The break-in was one of six burglaries to occur in the township during a seven-day period.

On Feb. 15, burglars ransacked a Springfield Avenue residence sometime between 5:55-6:15 p.m. A basement window again was smashed in, and a door was forced open from the basement to a den.

A full listing of items taken from the Springfield Avenue home has yet to be reported by police.

Another home on Springfield Avenue was broken into, this time on Feb. 14. Thieves used a ladder at the site to climb onto the roof of the residence and smashed a skylight to gain entry to the house.

Once inside, the burglars took a number of Norman Rockwell figurines and some jewelry. The value of the goods taken in the incident, which occurred between 4-9 p.m., has yet to be reported.

A Blake Avenue home was burglarized on Feb. 13 sometime between 6:15-7 p.m. Someone gained entry to the house by climbing through a basement window and then breaking open a kitchen door.

Among the goods stolen were a VCR, a television and some jewelry.

Related story on A-3 on how neighbors can help thwart crime disappointed

"There's a good possibility that it's the same person who has been doing this," said William O'Donnell, lieutenant of detectives for the Cranford Police Department. "Whomever has been doing this is awf