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Briefs

DAR has exhibit at Cranford library

An exhibit on the Daughters of the American Revolution's annual American history essay contest is now on display through mid-July at Cranford Public Library on Walnut Avenue.

Winning essays and photographs of the students who wrote the essays are featured in the display cases in the front of the library. Copies of the essays are available at the reference desk for the public to read.

The local essay contest is conducted by the Crane's Ford Chapter of the DAR. "Trails West" was the theme of this year's contest.

'Concerts in Park' set in Cranford

The Recreation and Parks Department has scheduled its "Concerts in the Park" for the rear parking lot of the community center, Bloomington Avenue.

Shows will feature Latin jazz, Wednesday; big band music, July 23; bluegrass, July 30; and oldies, Aug. 6. All shows will begin 7:15 p.m.; bring lawn chairs.

Concerts will be held indoors in case of rain. For more information, call 709-7283.

Blood drive set for July 15

A blood drive sponsored by The Blood Center of New Jersey will be 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday, July 15 at the Cranford Post Office.

For more information, call (800) BLOOD NJ.

Breastfeeding group meets July 17

La Leche League of Westfield-Cranford will meet 10:15 a.m. Thursday, July 17 at Cranford Public Library, Walnut Avenue.

For more information, call 709-1261, 757-9928 or 755-3545. The breastfeeding information and support group holds meetings the third Thursday of each month.

Church shop has sale this month

Community United Methodist Church thrift shop in Kenilworth will have a half-price sale on clothing, shoes and handbags during July.

The sale will last the entire month. For more information, call 276-1956.

Cranford West property reopening

The Parks and Recreation Department has announced the reopening of Cranford West Camp in Hope, Warren County.

Cabin rentals, tent sites, swimming, fishing and boating are available to Cranford residents on weekends through Labor Day.

Camp hours are 6 p.m. Friday-3 p.m. Sunday. Cabins and tent sites are \$15 per night.

For more information, call 709-7283.

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Cat owner fined again for odor

Neighbors want ordinance limiting number of cats per household

By SHEA THOMAS
THE CHRONICLE

CRANFORD — Betty Meyer's 76 cats only have eight lives left.

At last week's municipal court hearing, her attorney argued that the case against her was unconstitutional and she was within her

rights because there is no town ordinance limiting the number of cats residents can own, and all of them are licensed.

"I do the very best I can to maintain my animals on my property, and I am not doing anything out of the ordinary," Ms. Meyer testified.

However, her John Street neighbors testified that the odor emanating from her home was so out of the ordinary, they made complaints to Cranford Health Officer Warren J. Hehl between March 22 and April 10 concerning the cat odor.

Ms. Meyer was found guilty of

creating an odor nuisance to her neighbors and must pay a \$100 fine. Ms. Meyer was also found guilty of a similar odor nuisance charge in October 1996.

Although neighbors have won the latest battle, they don't feel they've won the war. They would like for there to be a greater penal-

ty imposed and are rallying for the removal of some of the cats.

"One hundred dollars is not enough, and the municipal case does not take care of this problem," said Michael Henderlong, who lives across the street from Ms. Meyer.

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The crowd is all smiles after a clown pretended to drop eggs on them.

Circus draws big crowd to big top

By SHEA THOMAS
THE CHRONICLE

CRANFORD — Clowns with no frowns, dogs with no fleas and the trampoline queen who flew high in the sky were the main attractions at the eighth annual Vidbel's Olde Tyme Circus held last week at Hillside Avenue School.

Cranford youngsters Alyssa and Stephanie Wall said they loved the show, especially the archery act.

"It was so good and so much fun to watch. The lady shot the apple right off the man's head," Alyssa said.

Their mother, Andrea, said their excitement was for the couple's re-enactment of the William Tell tale where a man shot an apple off a boy's head.

Miss Susan, the acrobat, performed splits and flips that took her high in the air, and the dogs were cute as buttons with their



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Chamber of Commerce officials Kurt Petschow, Michael Radlger and Meryl Layton were responsible for bringing the circus to Cranford.

The event was accessible to many people because there were three shows with performance times of 4, 6 and 8 p.m.

There were also Color the Clown posters handed out countywide to various elementary schools, which helped boost the popularity of the clowns and the overall show, he said.

The performances attracted more than 1,500 people, he said.

"Everything went very well. Actually, better than we expected," Mr. Petschow said.

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Youngsters display art for a good cause

By SHEA THOMAS
THE CHRONICLE

CRANFORD — If your child is a future Vincent Van Gogh, the Children's West End Place Art Fair is the place for them to be.

The fourth annual event was recently held and plans are already in the works for next year.

According to organizers Sharon Sutura and Linda Ryan, the event is special because it allows children to see their artwork matted and displayed.

They said the children enjoyed making spin art, shaping molds of homemade clay, creating sand art, stringing colorfully dyed macaroni, and having their faces painted by profes-

sional artist, Phyllis Perry.

Because the event is held at Mrs. Sutura's West End Place home, the artwork is creatively displayed on her clothesline and is by invitation only.

"The event is wonderful because it encourages creativity. This is so important for our children," Mrs. Sutura said.

It was initially started for this purpose, but she said it has grown to become so much more.

Donations from township businesses such as The Framing Center, Hartig Paint & Wallpaper, Drug Fair and the Sweet and Fancy Emporium for Food were contributed. There were also donations from Kings, Advanced Printing, BYCO Repro and Art, and Lex Plex.

Cranford residents Patti Hackenberg, Joyce O'Malley and Linda Armbruster also donated their time and talents to the event.

"The donations are greatly appreciated; these people do this out of the goodness of their hearts," Mrs. Sutura said.

Aside from encouraging the artistic development of the youngsters, who were 2-12 years old, the event raised money for charity.

The organizers worked directly with Cranford Public Assistance Director Kimberly Irwin and were able to raise nearly \$135 for Cranford's Salvation Army.

"Volunteerism is so critical in the community and it's nice to get the young people involved at an early age while encouraging their artistic growth," Mrs. Irwin said.

Basketball camp offered to youth

CRANFORD — Township boys and girls are invited to take part in the Recreation and Parks Department's annual basketball camp.

The camp will run Aug. 4-8 in Lincoln Park. Hours will be 9-10:30 a.m. for those 7-10 and 10:30 a.m.-noon for those 11-13. Cost is \$15.

Registration will begin Monday, July 21 at the community center.

For more information, call 709-7283.

'Swim' meet spans the globe

By MAUREEN FOYE
CHRONICLE CORRESPONDENT

More than 250 children from three countries and from the Boys and Girls Clubs of Union County recently participated in an international swimming competition, but they never left their home-

lands.

Instead, the meets were held via the Internet.

Children from throughout Union County and from swimming clubs in England, Australia, and Moldova took part in the International Internet Invitational Swim Meet conducted by the Tidal Wave, the swimming team at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Union County.

"We had a total of 52 events worldwide with more than 250 swimmers aged 5-18 years old participating in the swim meets," said Ewart Newton, who serves on the Boys and Girls Clubs Board of Directors.

The Cranford resident was a co-leader for this program and other educational programs at the Boys and Girls Clubs.

The children swam in competitions in their own pools in their own countries and the results were then sent to us by E-mail," Mr. Newton said. "The meets took place during a six-week period between March and late April."

According to Mr. Newton, this event was just one way the Union-based Boys and Girls Clubs are trying to bring out the educational value in activities that may not always be apparent.

"This program helped children develop learning skills through the Internet and other multimedia components," he said.

"Throughout the competition, we encouraged the children to get to know the backgrounds of the children from the other countries, but we also wanted them to develop E-mail relationships and to work on projects with them as well."

"We wanted the children to seek more than just swimming — there is the competition and the international aspect — but we wanted them to partake in other things, too," he said.

The original idea for the international swim meet belongs to Yim Shoykhet, a former Moldova resident who is aquatics director for the Boys and Girls Clubs. He thought children from different swimming clubs could compete in their own swimming meets and the results could then be faxed or

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Cranford senior citizen clubs seek new members

Cranford seniors: If your requirements are to have fun, meet friendly people and stay cool all summer, try the community center on Bloomingdale Avenue.

All senior clubs meet Monday through Friday and are accepting new members. Coffee and cake are available for a small fee. Visiting nurse services are available by appointment.

For more information, call 709-7283.

Tuesday seniors planning events

Upcoming events scheduled by the Cranford Senior Citizens Tuesday Club:

- July 6 — Hot dogs and bingo.
- July 15 — Marge's famous card game (bring wrapped items for prizes).
- July 22 — Birthday buffet luncheon.
- July 29 — Popcorn and lemonade with the British sitcom *Are You Being Served?*

The club is sponsoring a trip Wednesday, July 16 to the Taj Mahal casino in Atlantic City, leaving Cranford 10 a.m. Cost is \$12.

For reservations, call Joan at 376-1104 or Marge at 951-2848. Reservations also are being accepted for a Nov. 6 trip to Radio City Music Hall.

Recent birthdays include Florence Baulius, Stella Jacky, Mildred Pielhau and Lucy Siusis.

Chamra appointed at PartyLite Gifts

Lena Chamra of Cranford has become a senior regional vice president of PartyLite Gifts Inc., a direct marketer of candles and candle accessories.

She has been demonstrating PartyLite products since 1993 and ranks among the top 1 percent of more than 13,000 independent salespeople for the company.

Lincoln School grads announced

The following are graduates of Lincoln School in Garwood:

Jennifer Lynn Anderson, Amanda Rose Bank, Jonathan David Bennett, Richard Robert Berglund, Katherine Elizabeth Boor, Ralph S. Boyd, Michael William Butler, Danielle Castaldo, James H. Cooper, Cindy de los Angeles Darcy, Christine Marie Emers, Robert Steven Faggiano, Sonny Christopher Heyder, Leanne Elizabeth Hoff, Nicole Marie Jackowski, Jillian Ann Kierlin, William Donald Legg, Danielle Leigh Lueddeke, Robert Eric Matos, C. Daniel Melillo, Nicole Marie Murrin, Phillip Anthony Pasquarelli, Rachel Perez, Vanessa Pinto, Lindsey Michelle Poldore, Marc Romanello Jr., April Elizabeth Sherman, Jennifer Ann Strak, Carolyn Rose Smith, Kenneth J. Wall, Gabrielle White.

Briefs

Ted Gavey gets honorary degree

Ted Gavey of Cranford has been awarded an honorary degree from University of Hard Knocks, situated at Alderson-Broadbudd College in Phillips, W.Va.

He is a past president of the Cranford First Aid Squad and a member of the board of directors of the Cranford Methodist Federal Credit Union. Mr. Gavey also serves on the Board of Trustees and the property committee of the Cranford United Methodist Church.

The degree recipient was with New York Telephone Co. (now NYNEX Corp.) for more than 43 years before retiring as an assistant engineer. He served in the Army during the Korean War and also was a night supervisor with New York Telephone.

He and his wife, Mary Frances, have six children.

University of Hard Knocks awards degrees to people who gain knowledge in their life's work.

Space Station UCC planned for children

Young people in grades five through eight may travel to outer space and beyond without leaving their home county thanks to a noncredit enrichment course, "Space Station UCC," to be held this month at Union County College's Sperry Observatory in Cranford.

The course will explore astronomy and space science as students view the heavens through two high-powered telescopes at the observatory.

The course will be held 12:30-3:30 p.m. Monday through Thursday, July 7 through 10.

For more information, call the college's Department of Continuing Education and Community Services at 709-7600.

Cranford residents finish prep school

Four Cranford students graduated June 14 from Oratory Prep School in Summit. The graduates:

Timothy Delgado, recipient of the New Jersey State Inter-scholastic Athletic Association Scholar-Athlete Award. He plans to attend Rider University.

Anthony DiTullo, the son of Ethel DiTullo. He will attend Salve Regina University.

Kevin Knox, a National Honor Society member recognized for his achievement in study of psychology and sociology. He will attend New York University.

Roberto Perez, recipient of a number of scholarships. He plans to attend Johns Hopkins University.

Men charged with drunken driving

Joseph Schodowski, 34, of Burnside Avenue, was charged with both drunken and careless driving at 9:30 a.m. June 27, police said.

Police said Mr. Schodowski was involved in an accident at the intersection of North Avenue and Alden Street.

Archer Venable, 55, of Plainfield, was charged with drunken driving and speeding at 1 a.m. June 28, police said.

Police said Mr. Venable was stopped at South Avenue and Elise Street for speeding.

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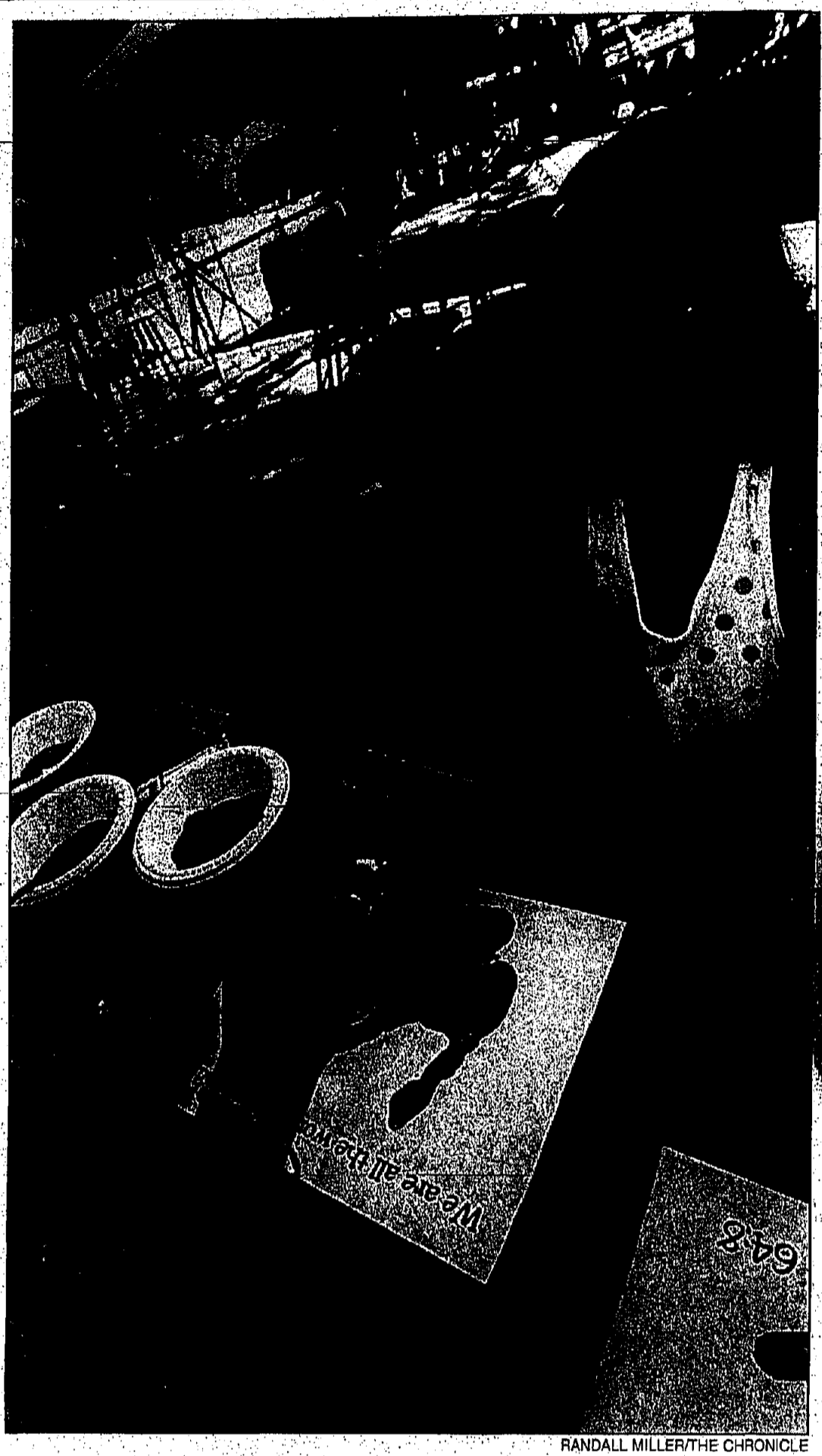
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Making her mark
Lindsay Rusche, 8, is about to make her hand print on a sheet of paper already marked with a palm and the Bible quote, "We are all the work of his hand." The quote is from Isaiah 64:8. Lindsay was attending the "Community Fun Fair" at Cranford Alliance Church on Saturday.

Township fines woman for cat odor

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In his testimony, Mr. Henderlong said the odor coming from every day Ms. Meyer's home was so strong he could smell it from his yard.

Other neighbors testified against Ms. Meyer concerning the stench reportedly coming from her home.

Randi Peterson, who has lived three doors from Ms. Meyer for the past seven years, does not own any pets and has two small children she takes on daily walks. According to Ms. Peterson's testimony, she smells the strong cat odor every time she passes the Meyer home.

"I know I don't own pets, but this odor is incredibly offensive," she testified.

Aside from the odor being a nuisance, neighbors are concerned about potential health hazards.

"We've researched the potential health hazards through veterinarians and pathologists and our research suggests the possibilities of airborne parasites," Mr. Henderlong said.

Strong testimony of inconvenience to the lives of Ms. Meyer's neighbors was also a key factor in Judge James Bell's decision.

Francis Rastinski, Ms. Meyer's next-door neighbor, testified that the urine and feces odor was so bad, it sometimes remained in her clothing once she reached her destination.

According to Judge Bell, the most compelling testimony was from neighbors who said they were prisoners in their own households.

"We would not like to take this approach, but if no action is taken we will have a strong case against Betty Meyer and the township of Cranford for breach of duty and for disrupting our lives and keeping us from enjoying our property," Mr. Henderlong said.

Judge Bell said Ms. Meyer did have a right to enjoy her house and her pets, but it did not outweigh the happiness and livelihood of her neighbors.

'Swim' meet spans the globe

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malated. Mr. Newton offered the idea of using the Internet because of the club's large site on the World Wide Web. From there the competition was born.

Because of different measuring systems among the United States and the other countries, all meets were evaluated and grouped according to the U.S. swimming jurisdiction and also by age and event.

Awards for the Internet swimming meet were presented June 19 at the Boys and Girls Clubs. The top six finishers in each competition received medals and all swimmers receive a patch for participating. United Parcel Service, an event sponsor, will deliver the medals and patches to the children in the other countries and will have a representative on hand at their awards ceremonies.

The Tidal Wave, coached by former Olympic swimmer Nadia Stavko, took the most awards.

"This was a really big deal for the children who participated in this competition," Mr. Newton said. "The children got a lot out of it."

Another international Internet swimming meet is being planned for late this year or early 1998. The same teams have committed to participating along with another team from England and one from New Zealand.

For additional information, access Internet site www.natural.com/UCYOUTH or call 687-7976.

Organization giving animals a chance at finding a home

By SHEA THOMAS

Bow-wow, pet adoptions, are the cat's meow.

Advocates for finding homes for pets are pleased with a recent increase in pet adoptions, as animal lovers are jumping at the opportunity to give a new pet a home or an old pet a second chance.

"This is an important and wonderful thing because many animals would be put to sleep if there were no adoptions," said Eve Killmett of the Wag-N-Bark animal adoption volunteer organization, which is based in Hillsdale.

The organization holds adoption clinics all over Union County. The most recent was held a couple of weeks ago in Kenilworth.

"You have some people who just feel they can no longer properly care for an animal; that's where we come in," she said.

According to Ms. Killmett, her volunteers are foster "parents" and supply food and shelter for the animals that are up for adoption.

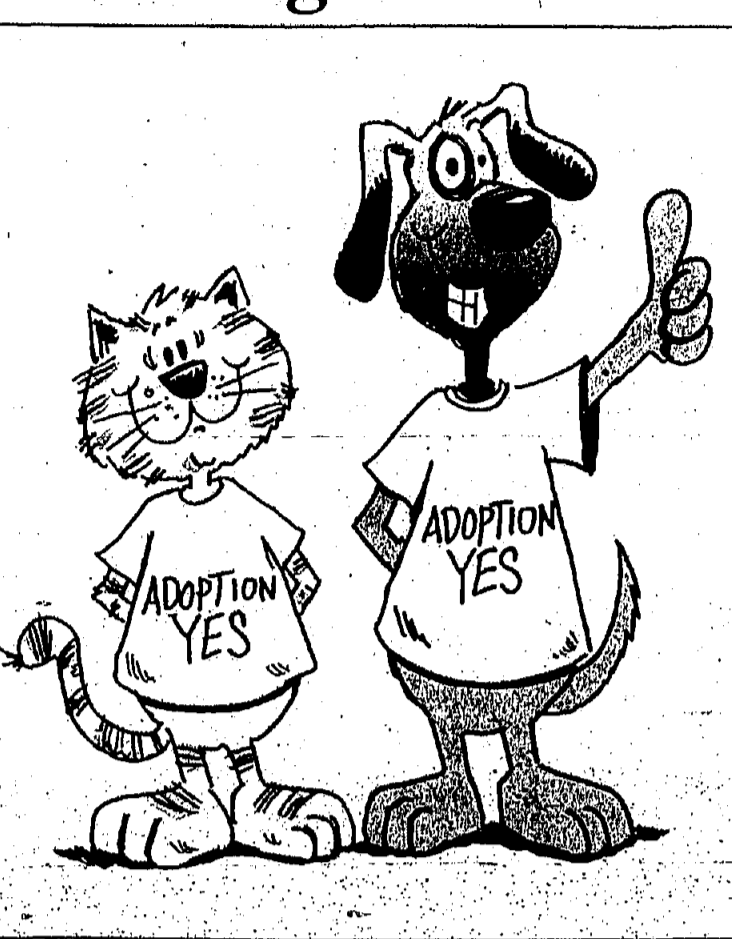
"Sometimes there are many animals and not enough volunteers. Luckily, there are rescue squads—vet clinics and dog groomers that allow us afternoon space to hold adoptions twice a month," she said.

Contrary to what most people believe, pet adoptions aren't just for families.

All sorts of people adopt animals, she said, including singles and people who simply want companions.

"People who basically want to give a dog a second chance without traveling to a mall."

Convenience may not be the only reason why some may not prefer purchasing a pet from the mall.



For one, pet adoptions are often much cheaper than purchasing a pet from a pet store. Adoption donations range from \$25 to \$250, depending on the age and breed of the pets.

"This money goes to the maintenance and care of the other pets. Purchasing a pet from the mall is more expensive. Ms. Killmett said. The price ranges from \$400 to \$1,500.

The adoption donation includes vet visitation with all necessary shots, and having the animal spayed or neutered," she said.

"Secondly, we do followup calls on our animals with their new families. If a dog or cat does not fit in with the lifestyle of a family, they are allowed to return to the pet. Most pet stores will not do this, Ms. Killmett said.

"We obviously try to avoid this awkward situation by pre-screening people. If it's pretty obvious that enough time can't be put into caring for an animal, I will not allow an adoption," she said.

The organization tries to place the animal with the appropriate family, she concluded.

For more information on pet adoptions, call Wag-N-Bark at 245-5949.

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Aim and throw

By SHEA THOMAS



Aim and throw
Cullen Sainelli, Brian Woglom, Kurt Olsen, Dan Lordan, Noelle Zelenbach and Nick Conte watch as teammate Alex Callif tosses a bean bag. The activity was part of the Orange Avenue School Olympics, which was sponsored by the PTA.

Cranford resident McConnell aids deaf preschoolers

Cranford — Playing "to fish" and "don't spill the beans" may sound like child's play, but for Cheryl McConnell it's serious business.

The township resident and speech-language pathologist spends five days a week at the Summit Speech School in New Providence helping deaf preschool children learn to listen and speak. Through her efforts, the children learn to use their residual hearing to communicate verbally instead of with sign language.

"The first five years of life are critical to the development of speech and language," said Mrs. McConnell, who holds a master's degree from New York University. "With verbal skills, hearing-impaired children get to make choices in their lives," she said. "They can function independently in our hearing world and have the opportunity to reach their highest potential."

Working with very young children is a lot of fun for me and I try to make it just as fun for the kids. The more engaged they are, the more they learn. For the children, the best therapy doesn't seem like therapy at all. Mrs. McConnell said. The Summit Speech School has helped deaf babies and preschool children from around the state for 30 years. For more information, call 508-0011.

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Commentary

Responsibilities of independence

Millions of Americans are looking forward this week to a long three-day weekend of fun. We will barbecue, play softball, get sunburned and watch glorious fireworks displays. Yet, in the midst of all these distractions, few of us will take the time to think about the meaning of Independence Day.

July 4, 1776, was not only a turning point in the history of this country, but also a momentous day in the history of the world. On that historic day was laid the political foundation for a government respecting and protecting the inalienable rights of man.

The document signed on that day in Philadelphia has proven to be one of the most revolutionary manifestos in the history of western civilization; it is as relevant today to the infant democracies of Eastern Europe as it was to a brave band of colonists more than 200 years ago. It is also relevant to the citizens of Hong Kong who are facing an uncertain future in the grip of authoritarian rulers.

The rights outlined in the Declaration of Independence are precious and must be preserved. But they can be threatened if we become apathetic and take them for granted. The continued health of our democracy depends on all of us taking an active role. If we do not exercise our rights as active citizens, our democracy will atrophy and wither like a muscle that's never used.

That's why it is important for us to take a few moments of time this fun-filled weekend and read the Declaration of Independence. It's a homework assignment all citizens should complete; for extra credit we should also read the Bill of Rights this weekend.

A reading of these documents will give you understanding into the recent rulings of the Supreme Court. In declaring the 1996 Communications Decency Act to be unconstitutional, the Supreme Court once again made it clear that our rights must be preserved at all costs, even if legislation is popular and supported by an overwhelming majority of citizens.

The Supreme Court knows how easy it is for a wave of cheap populism can erode our basic liberties. It was politically expedient for the Congress and president to approve a law prohibiting adult-oriented material on the Internet where children have access for it. Nobody is in favor of pornography, yet the Supreme Court ruled that law poses a serious threat to our rights. It may not be a popular decision, but it does protect our rights.

The Supreme Court ruling also highlights why it is important we take more responsibility in these matters. The government should not be called upon to solve every one of our social ills.

It is ironic that many conservatives who believe the government plays too large a role in our lives were also the biggest boosters of this legislation. By exercising the proper amount of oversight, parents can regulate what their children see on the Internet.

To live in a free and open society carries the burden of responsibility for the normal citizen. Yet there are too many people in our country who shirk that responsibility. They do not vote, they don't keep up with current events and they do not become involved in their communities.

On Independence Day we should make a resolution to be active members of our democracy. It could be as simple as promising to vote in the November general election. In this simple way we can guarantee the continued strength of our democracy and we can keep alive the Spirit of '76 as we approach a new century.

Correction policy

The Cranford Chronicle will correct errors of fact, context or presentation and clarify any news content that confuses or misleads readers. Corrections will appear on this page. Please report errors to Mr. Simpson at 722-3000.

A headline in last week's edition incorrectly stated the years Carter Porter has been with the Cranford Auxiliary Police Department. He has served 49 years.

Daina Lieberman's name was misspelled in a list of Cranford High School graduates last week.

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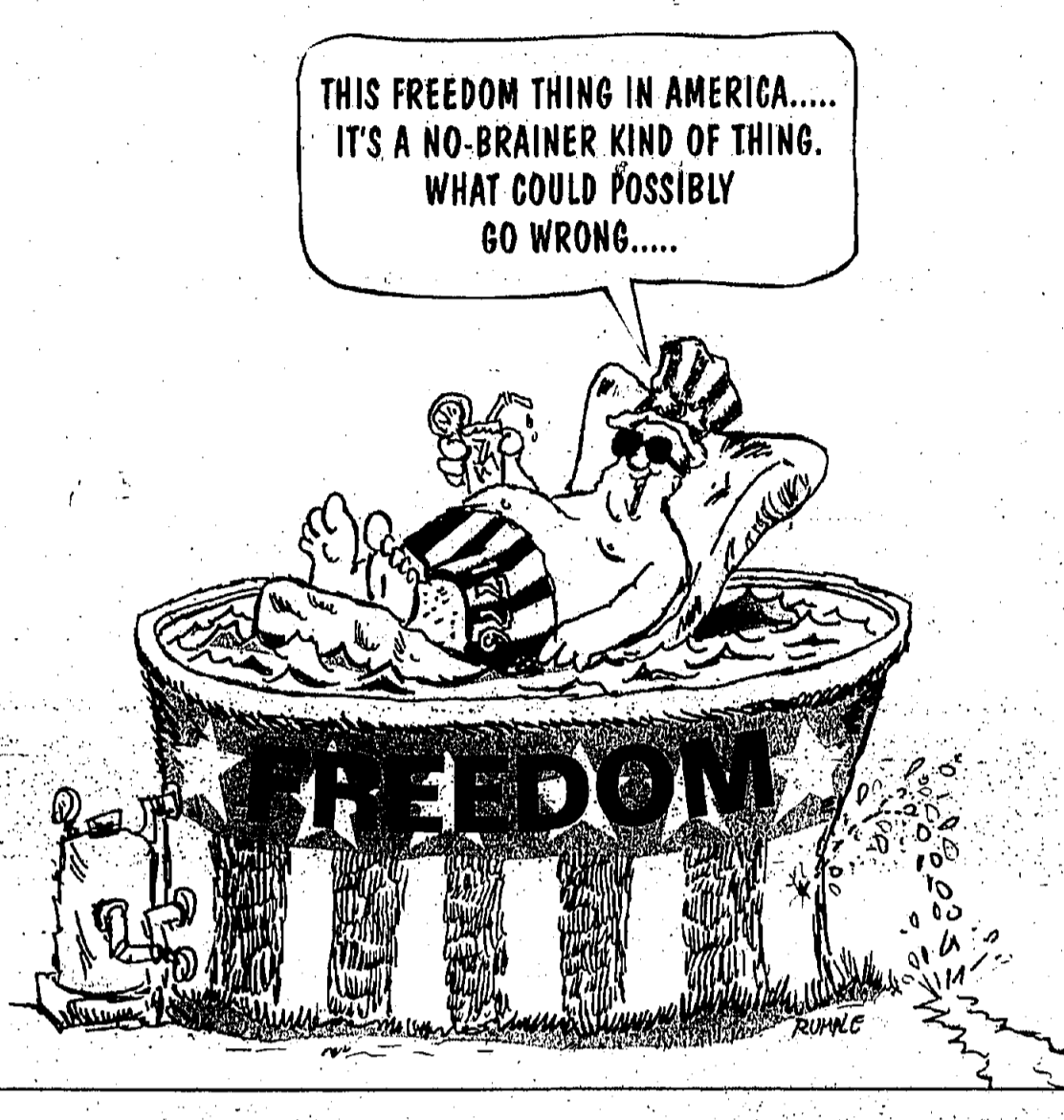
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Letters to the editor

NIMBY is not a dirty word

To The Chronicle: I am writing regarding recent letters to The Cranford Chronicle which deride local residents concerned with development in their neighborhoods, as NIMBYs.

The letters ridicule those residents, many of whom are members of the Lincoln Heights Association, and who oppose the Edwards Super Food Store proposed for 555 South Ave. in Cranford.

Let's acknowledge an important point: NIMBY is not a dirty word. I have the right, as do my neighbors, to reject a generator of toxic waste, pollution, all-night noise, increased crime and poor planning from locating literally in my back yard.

This is especially true in the current case of a commercial development, which has no links to the public good. The proposal is to develop a superstore, not a hospital.

The Cranford Planning Board is charged by the state of New Jersey to examine those very issues: Will a prospective large development negatively affect a neighborhood? If the Planning Board finds evi-

dence of that negative influence, then the Planning Board is required by law to prevent the proposal from going forward.

In the case of the Edwards Super Food Store proposal, it ignored those issues, although community members presented evidence to the board and pleaded with board members to evaluate the information.

There is little question, then, why the Lincoln Heights Association was left with no choice but to sue the township and the Planning Board, in pursuit of every citizen's constitutional right to redress the government.

Cranford's government and agencies should complete their duties and examine the facts. In the meantime, I call upon Mayor Hoeller, the Township Committee and the Cranford Police Department to enforce the law: force the owner of 555 South Ave. to clean up the horrible mess sitting on the site!

ROGER S. COHEN
Cranford

Edwards foe sets Mr. Wright straight

To The Chronicle: Mr. Wright's financial concerns (letter, June 26) are misplaced. If the 46,000-square-foot Edwards Super Food Store is built, the cost to Cranford will be far greater in economic, social and environmental terms than the cost of any overtime spent on the case by its salaried township attorney.

Besides, Edwards's attorney is doing the bulk of the defense and, as far as I know, Cranford is not paying his bill. Additionally, when asked about the legal cost to Cranford recently, Mayor Hoeller could not provide a figure. Perhaps that is because there is no additional legal cost to Cranford.

I think it would clarify the debate if Union County officials publicized their plans for the South Avenue corridor. But more important, the handsome new office space on North Avenue mentioned by Mr. Wright is not likely to produce a large amount of additional traffic on North Avenue.

If an Edwards store is built on the South Avenue

site, however, it will be just the opposite, bringing in an additional 27,000 cars per week. Personally, I would welcome an office building, like the new one on North Avenue, at the South Avenue site — a building that would attract companies with good jobs, few cars and little crime, and that would bring in tax-revenues. Mr. Wright also states that supermarkets "seldom generate traffic for nearby service stores." Exactly my point.

Mr. Wright suggests that a majority of Cranford residents desire a supermarket. No majority exists on this issue, as no referendum has been held. However, let us remember that the Planning Board is mandated by law to protect neighborhoods from development that would hurt them.

Public sentiment for or against Edwards aside, the Planning Board failed to do what it is mandated to do.

ANDY LANSET
Cranford

Is Chronicle really the hometown paper?

To The Chronicle: On page A-6 of last week's Cranford Chronicle you state, "We're here for you. The Cranford Chronicle is here to serve you. Because we're your hometown paper, we invite you to participate..."

I'm taking you up on your kind invitation with a few deeply felt comments about The Chronicle. Although The Chronicle is a multi-section newspaper, only the first of the sections has content about Cranford, Garwood and Kenilworth.

And with such limited space for local content, much of this space is often devoted to out-of-area advertising and in last week's paper nearly three-fourths of a page of local ordinance advertising for such remote towns as South Bound Brook, Bound Brook and Middlesex.

I wonder whether The Chronicle is really sincere about being our local hometown newspaper when

local news is being kept to a very bare minimum.

I would much prefer news of Cranford and the neighboring communities of Garwood and Kenilworth to paid notices in the front local news section about an ordinance creating a historical commission within the borough of South Bound Brook. Please consider giving more attention to local interest news (and advertising of local area merchants) instead of out-of-area fillers from remote areas of no local interest or concern.

You say "We're here for you." Let us see how you can live up to this promise through more local news coverage in The Chronicle. With new ownership of the paper, here is a great opportunity to show that you are really sincere in serving our community as our truly hometown paper.

NAT BODIAN
Cranford

Kenilworth Heritage Week was a success

To The Chronicle: What makes an event such as Kenilworth Heritage Week a success? It's the people. Every event for the last three years has grown bigger and better with more involvement by the citizens of Kenilworth.

This year was no exception. The walking tour of our town featured an all-new route, the highlight of which was the circumnavigation of the 2nd New Jersey Brigade at Black Brook Park. This brigade is comprised of volunteers who depict life

in Revolutionary times and was especially appealing to the young children present during their re-enactment.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of the members of the Kenilworth Historical Society who contributed their time and effort into making Heritage Week a success, as well as keeping history alive!

JERRY RAMOS
Activity chairman
Kenilworth Historical Society

Phylosophies

Phyllis Reckel



The Fourth crosses all dividers

Would the Fourth of July be the same if it were the Second of July?

We could just as easily be celebrating the Second of July.

The Continental Congress meeting in Philadelphia in 1776 signed the Declaration of Independence in a secret meeting on July 2.

However, the document took effect only when it was signed; that was July 4.

It would be better if we called the holiday Independence Day more often than its numerical name because it would remind us of what a really wonderful day it is — a celebration of America. A real honest-to-goodness jubilee commemorating a real honest-to-goodness spectacular event.

John Adams, in a letter to his wife, said the signing of the Declaration would be celebrated by succeeding generations as a great anniversary festival. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parades, with shows, games, sports ... and illuminations ...

It is difficult to imagine the said John Adams could see such revelry at that moment.

The significance of the colonies seceding from England was a monumental undertaking that could well call for fear and trepidation rather than celebration.

Obviously England would object; obviously some loyalists in the colonies would object; obviously they were bringing about a major confrontation.

However right they believed they were, however compelled to free themselves from tyranny, there must have been grave concern about the consequences.

Yet they spoke, even then, of continued celebrations through the ages, convinced that right, debarring about aspic might, would succeed.

However brave or foolhardy they were then, we can say now: Hoory for them!

And that's what makes the Fourth of July or Independence Day such a wonderful holiday.

We can — all of us, of different sizes and shapes and ages and faiths and colors and cultures — celebrate together.

We don't have to go to our individual religious buildings to worship. We don't have to go to our individual families for a protocol meal.

We can go all of us together to a picnic or a fireworks display and be glad that we have this day to celebrate freedom no matter where we came from or how long we've been here.

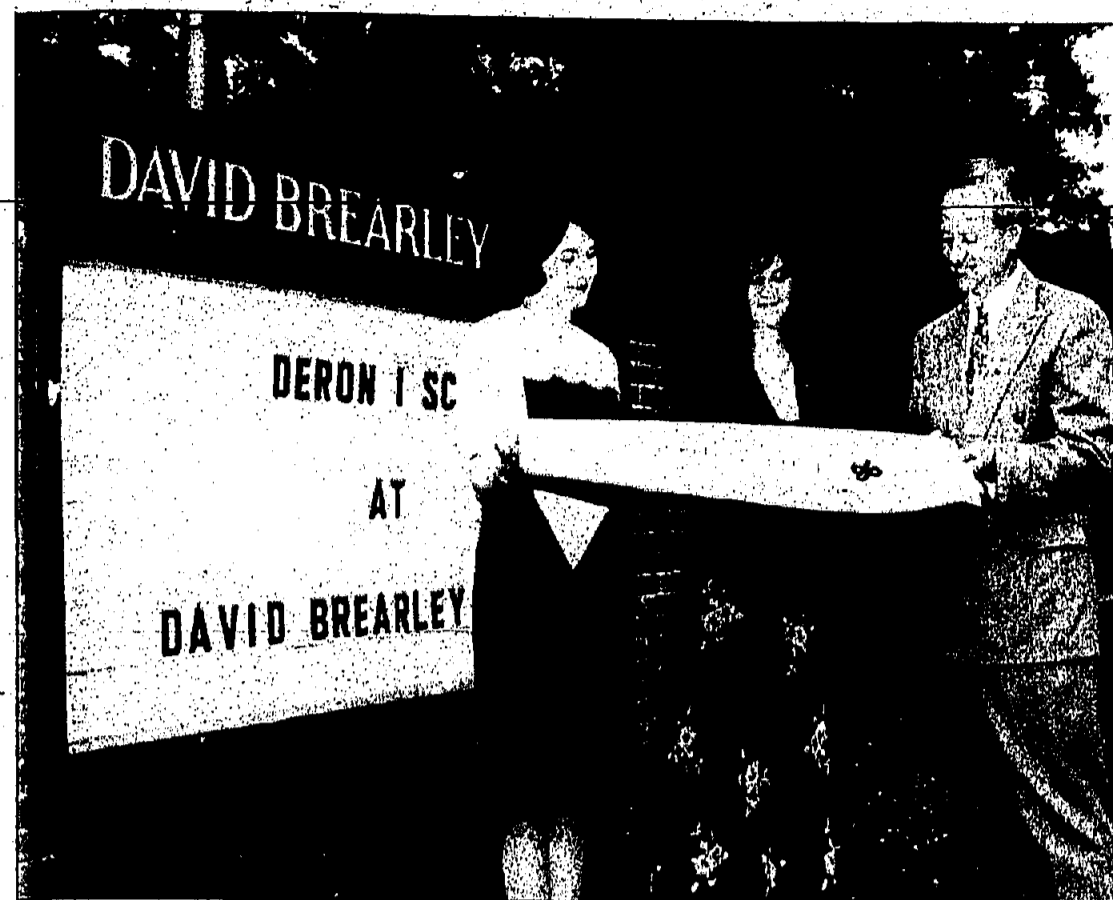
Some Americans feel they, through a long heritage, have been here forever, so the day is special to them. But no one in this country has been here forever.

Somewhere way down the line, someone in every family came here from some place else to escape something.

Somewhere down the line — or even during present day — someone in every family fled the famine in Ireland, the tyranny of Hitler, the cruelty of Castro, the killing fields of Asia, the totalitarianism of China.

Or they fled persecution because they were Catholics, Protestants or Jews or something other than the majority in their country. Or they had the talent, the desire, or the need to be a doctor or dancer, or just the need to be free to make a living whatever the opportunity, or practice a religion whatever its source.

So we thank the Founding Fathers for the Declaration of Independence that gave us a country where, centuries later, we are still celebrating freedom — and can share the celebration with those who have declared their own independence from countries around the globe.



Looking over the renovation plans are Brearley Principal Nancy Eaton; Amella Batres, design drafter with the Schering-Plough engineering department; and Lloyd Leschuk, Kenilworth superintendent of schools.

Schering funding \$350,000 renovation to science labs

KENILWORTH — The pharmaceutical division of Schering-Plough Corp. is providing money for renovations to science laboratories at David Brearley High School.

The \$350,000 corporate grant will help students prepare for the 21st Century, according to a press release from Schering-Plough corporate offices in Midtown.

Brearley, scheduled to reopen in September, will school Kenilworth students in the seventh through 12th grades.

"We are able to totally renovate the school's science laboratories and bring 21st century science technology to our students," said Superintendent of Schools Lloyd Leschuk.

"This sends a message to our students that science is very important."

"We want to make an investment in a project that would be important and provide value," said David E. Cesan, president of Kenilworth-based Schering-Plough Pharmaceuticals.

"Brearley students will be equipped with some of the best science facilities available as we enter an era that is expected to be full of scientific discovery and research breakthroughs," Mr. Cesan said.

Biology, chemistry, physics and earth science laboratories are being renovated. General science laboratories for use by the seventh- and eighth-grades are included as part of the renovations. The renovations are expected to be completed by late August.

The laboratories had never been updated since they were built in 1967, Dr. Leschuk said. "The new facilities will reflect the

current teaching of science with a focus on multi-student cooperative working groups and hands-on learning. Kenilworth students will have greater science literacy, especially in the areas of chemistry and biology, because of the major improvements of the labs."

The Board of Education had been exploring the possibility of corporate assistance to help reopen Brearley, which was operated by Union County Regional High School District No. 1 before the school was closed in 1993.

The district was officially dissolved Monday, the result of a public referendum conducted in May 1996.

"As a research-based company, Schering-Plough is most interested in helping to improve the quality of science education," Mr. Cesan said.

"It makes good sense to invest in the science education of young people right here in our local community."

"We are very appreciative of the support that Schering-Plough is giving our community," Board of

Education President Cathleen Cohen said. "These labs could not have been renovated at this time without the company's help. Our students will really benefit."

Schering-Plough and school officials view the laboratory renovations as "another facet of an ongoing partnership the company and the school district have forged," according to the press release.

Scientists employed by the multinational have visited elementary school science classes in Kenilworth for a number of years.

Schering-Plough researchers were part of a "visiting scientist" program when Brearley was a regional high school.

Last summer Richard Paerleto, a teacher at Harding School, worked with scientists in Schering-Plough facilities in Kenilworth under an internship from the company. Many of his science lessons in the 1988-89 school year were based on what he learned in company laboratories.

Ark renovation is completed at Cranford's Temple Beth-El

CRANFORD — A June 8 ceremony marked the complete renovation of the ark, which ended the second part of renovations at Temple Beth-El on Walnut Avenue.

The ark is where Torah scrolls are stored when they are not read. The ceremony included a solemn procession of the Torah from the chapel to outside the synagogue building, where the procession circled around and re-entered the sanctuary. To symbolize the relationship between Jews and the Torah, a wedding canopy covered the procession.

Rabbi Ronald Hoffberg led the procession, accompanied by the shofar, normally sounded on the High Holy Days. Cantor Richard Berlin and the synagogue's choir performed selected hymns from the liturgy.

Cranford Mayor J. Robert Hoeller, Westfield Mayor Thomas Jardim and the Cranford Interfaith Clergy Council were among those in attendance.

The wall around the ark is covered with Jerusalem stone to appear similar to the Western Wall of the Temple in Jerusalem. Before the larger stones were mounted on the wall, they were inscribed with prayers in a ritual reminiscent of prayers stuck between the stones of the Western Wall.



The Torah scrolls are carried into their new home at Temple Beth-El by Cantor Richard Berlin and Rabbi Ronald Hoffberg.

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An arch of small stones surrounding the ark continues the Western Wall motif with an illuminated stained glass window in the arch depicting a scene from Jerusalem. The doors to the ark are decorated with the Ten Commandments in etched glass.

The new ark was designed by Marsha Drechsler, a professional designer and a member of the synagogue.

Nomahegan Park footbridge repaired

By SHEA THOMAS

THE CHRONICLE

CRANFORD — Walkers, runners and bikers will be happy to learn the Nomahegan Park footbridge is back in action.

According to Union County Parks and Recreation Director Charles Sigmund Jr., the temporary shutdown of the footbridge came after last week's incident when a tree fell on the bridge.

The tree knocked off railing, causing about \$1,700 worth of damage, which was repaired by county personnel. An outside contractor did not have to be contacted for the job, Mr. Sigmund said.

"We were very happy we were able to address the problem as soon as we found out," Mr. Sigmund said.

The bridge was down for about a day and a half and the office of Parks and Recreation, received phone calls from worried residents who use the popular bridge.

Organizers for the annual Fourth of July race were also concerned because the bridge is used by about 500 runners for the four-mile race.

"We apologize for any minor inconvenience the shutdown may have caused, but the damage caused by the accident was clearly a safety hazard. We didn't want anyone to be hurt," Mr. Sigmund said.

Union County Summer Arts Festival schedule listed

The Union County Summer Arts Festival has issued its schedule of concerts.

Performances begin 7:30 p.m. Wednesdays at the Springfield Avenue end of Echo Lake Park, along the Westfield-Mountainside border. In case of rain, concerts will be in the Cranford High School auditorium. The schedule:

July 9 — Mahoney Brothers ("Jukebox Heroes").

July 15 — Vertice (reggae/calypso).

July 23 — Wooster Street Trolley (Dixieland).

July 30 — A.J. & The Hearts (oldies).

Aug. 6 — Eagle Creek (country).

Aug. 13 — Sensational Soul Cruisers (Motown tribute).

Aug. 20 — Sunny Kaye Orchestra (Big Band).

Aug. 27 — The Party Dolls (oldies).

For more information, call 527-4500. For updates in case of rain, call 522-8410 after 3 p.m. the day of any concert.

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M, W, F 11:45-12:30 p.m. - Cost: \$95
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M, W, F 11-11:45a.m. - Cost: \$95

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Mirante elected
Irma S. Mirante of Cranford was recently elected president of Ec Club of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs at the organization's 103rd annual convention in Cherry Hill.

Nicole's Yoga Center to begin classes
GARWOOD — Nicole's Yoga Center, 94 North Ave., will begin its summer session of yoga classes the week of July 21. The session will include 20 yoga classes a week for beginner and advanced levels. Meditation classes also are provided. Registration will take place 4-7 p.m. Monday, July 14 and 21; 2-4 p.m. Thursday, July 17 and 1-4 p.m. Saturday, July 19. For a brochure or more information, call 788-6426. Early registration is recommended. Private therapeutic yoga sessions for stress-related conditions are available by appointment only.

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F.E.M.A.L.E. brings women together

By SHEA THOMAS
THE IRVINGTON

Cranford—The most wonderful thing about feminism is the freedom of choice. This is the attitude employed by the 10-year-old women's group F.E.M.A.L.E. (Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge).

F.E.M.A.L.E. is a national support group for women who have decided to temporarily leave the work force to care for their young children at home. The group was founded by Joan Brundage in Chicago, where she gathered with a few women to her home.

The group now has 5,000 members nationwide and is still growing.

"We try to express the freedom of choice. The biggest misconception is that we feel all women should be at home with their children and this is not true at all," said Evelyn Cushman, co-leader of the 5-year-old North-Central New Jersey chapter of

F.E.M.A.L.E.

Mrs. Cushman, 38, has a bachelor's degree in economics and an MBA in marketing, both from Fordham (N.Y.) University. She decided to stay home when she got downsized from Equitable Life Insurance Co., where she worked as a financial analyst and learned she was pregnant with her first child, now age 5.

"The decision to stay home was sort of made for me, but I definitely do not regret it," Mrs. Cushman said.

Now that her second child is 14 months old, she is looking forward to returning to the work force to a career in marketing research within the next year.

"People assume you stay at home because you are stupid and just could not handle a professional environment. This is definitely not the case," she said.

Mrs. Cushman recalled a friend who was working toward an MBA who could not believe her decision to stay at home.

Milestones

"She tried to encourage me to go back to work and even made suggestions of how I could work at home. I don't get that type of judgment at the support group. That's why it's so special," she said.

To those who don't understand why educated women stay home to take care of their children, she has adapted a quote from a friend: "Educate your daughters because you don't want your grandchildren being raised-by-dummies."

Many stay-at-home moms are faced with other judgments as well. They are criticized from their working counterparts who can't understand how they are fulfilled.

"Although my career in sales was very fulfilling, my children are even more fulfilling," said Fran Bazaueca, 36, co-leader of the support group.

"My friends don't understand what I do all day long. They think I bake cookies and watch soap operas all day, and this is not the case," she added.

Milestones

Raising a 3-1/2-year old daughter and a 4-month-old son keeps her busy.

Tending to their different needs and being involved with their daily activities is a joy. There is no time to get bored and I do find time for myself during the day while the kids are sleeping," Mrs. Bazaueca said.

She does plan to return to the work force full-time in a few years, but for now is focusing on taking care of her children.

Other women are deciding to return to their careers much sooner. Attorney Andrea Goodwin, 44, who received her law degree from Brooklyn Law School, will be returning to work full time in the fall.

"I worked as a clerk for the New York State Supreme Court Justice since 1982 and took the last year off after giving birth to my daughter. My boss was very supportive of my decision," she said.

Many of her peers took only three months off, but she was not faced with any criticism from them. "Many of my peers congratulated me on my decision to stay home with my child," she said.

Mrs. Goodwin said taking a year off was not her initial choice. "I had only planned to take three months off but I wanted to bond with her and see her develop," Mrs. Goodwin said.

She said she has mixed feelings about returning to work. "I'm happy because of the intellectual stimulation and financial independence, but I worry about finding adequate child care and missing some of my daughter's growth," she said.

Mrs. Goodwin also believes her age was a factor in her decision to return to work.

"If I took off five or six years I would be 50 and it would be harder for me to get my career back into gear. It's much easier for younger women," she said.

For more information on F.E.M.A.L.E., call 381-7912.



Karen Harmsen engaged to marry Robert Woods

Ronald and Jean Harmsen of West Patux, Vt., formerly of Westfield, has announced the engagement of their daughter, Karen Elaine Harmsen, to Robert G. Woods, son of the late Gerver G. Woods and Gertrude L. Woods of Kenilworth.

The future bride, a graduate of Douglass College of Rutgers University, is an employment recruiter with Kirk Resources, Inc., Parsippany.

Her fiancé, a graduate of Douglass College, is a realtor with Carri Realty in Kenilworth.

A September 1997 wedding is planned.

Lynn Lubeski to marry Mr. Toner

Mr. and Mrs. Edward T. Lubeski of Cranford have announced the engagement of their daughter, Lynn Ann Lubeski, to Richard P. Toner, son of Kathleen M. Toner of Stamford, Conn., and the late Redmond F. Toner.

The future bride is a graduate of Cranford High School and holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Rutgers University.

Bodians celebrate 50th anniversary

Ruth and Nat Bodian of Cranford celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary last month. To mark the anniversary, the Bodians spent a vacation in Hamilton, Bermuda, with their sons, Mark of Rowayton, Conn., and Lester of Silver Spring, Md. They also were joined by their daughters-in-law, Debra of Rowayton and Melanie of Silver Spring.



Oak Knoll graduates

Cranford residents Mary Ellen Sweeney, Maryellen Wilson and Amy Pidgeon are among the recent graduates at Oak Knoll School of the Holy Child in Summit. Mary Ellen will attend Mount Holyoke College, Maryellen will attend Notre Dame University and Amy will attend Bucknell University.

Poetry night planned for Tuesday

Cranford — The Cranford Book Store, 32 North Ave. West, has scheduled a poetry night on Tuesday with Penny Harter and William J. Higginson.

Mrs. Harter's 14th volume of poetry, "Turle Blessing," was published last year by La Alameda/ University of New Mexico Press. Mr. Higginson is the author of "The Haku Seasons: Poetry of the Natural World" and "Haku Work: An International Poetry Almanac," published last year by Kodansha Press as part of his 10-year haiku project.

Both poets lived in New Jersey before moving in 1981 to Santa Fe, N.M. They will read from the volumes listed as well as from new works.

An open reading will follow. To take part, sign up by 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

For more information, call 276-0390.

Bosnian native making it at college and in America

Blasting rockets of firecrackers at last year's Independence Day celebration in her new hometown of North Plainfield dashed back terrifying memories of mortar fire she heard constantly during her native town of Gorazde, Bosnia.

It was only a few months since Bosna Blagojevic, 20, had left the war-torn nation. While life in the United States has been nothing but positive, occasionally it is difficult for her to make the transition. "I miss the English and French, and wrote poetry," said the young woman, matured beyond her years. "I was unhappy because I couldn't go to school, so I wanted to do something useful to survive psychologically."

Her mother, who had spoken French, helped her with her pronunciation, while her own recollections of basic English pronunciation in a high school class of that language helped Ms. Blagojevic to speak with little trace of an accent.

Ms. Blagojevic then offered her services to the International Red Cross, which set up a station in the Serbian town of Palja where she lived. Representatives were seeking local people to help with the translation effort from English to Serbo-Croatian, and back again. It was a great opportunity to practice her lingual skills, while mixing with people of many cultures. She took on the challenge, and rapidly improved her English-speaking abilities as she then used the language daily.

Taking and passing exams to qualify her for future school attendance was a ray of hope for Ms. Blagojevic. A female friend whom she had met through the



BOJANA BLAGOJEVIC

Red Cross expressed interest in her poetry. The friend shared the poems with members of North Plainfield Presbyterian Church, with whom she had been acquainted, in an effort to secure for Ms. Blagojevic a fast family-to sponsor her in the United States as a study opportunity.

"I adapted quickly because the change was only positive," says Ms. Blagojevic, who spent the fall 1996 semester studying toward, and obtaining, a General Educational Development (GED) high school equivalency diploma that would pave the way for college entrance this spring semester. "After everything I had been through, it's like a miracle."

Upon graduation from Union County College, Ms. Blagojevic said she plans to pursue a bachelor's degree at a four-year college or university, preferably with an international relations major and subsequent career.

"I like this college a lot," she

Cranford to mark nation's birthday

Cranford — A traditional fireworks show will be the highlight of the township's Independence Day celebration tomorrow.

The day-long festival includes canoe races, a 1-mile fun run, a 4-mile run, a bicycle decorating contest and field games.

Activities will begin 8 a.m. with canoe races scheduled at the Cranford Canoe Club. Trophies will be awarded for top finishers in seven categories. To register for the canoe races, visit the community center, Bloomingdale Avenue. Late registration will be accepted at the Canoe Club beginning 7:30 a.m. July 4.

The Firecracker Run sponsored by the Cranford Jaycees will feature a 1-mile fun run 9 a.m. and a 4-mile race 9:30 a.m. Both events will begin from Nomahegan Park. The bicycle decorating contest in Nomahegan Park will begin 2 p.m. Ribbons will be awarded.

Games beginning 2:30 p.m. will include egg toss, sack race and (for parent and child) backward race. Ribbons will be awarded for top finishers in each race.

Food vendors in Nomahegan Park will serve apples, hot pretzels, barbecue, Italian sausage, pizza, Italian ice and soda 2-10 p.m. Novelties, face painting and balloon art will be for the children during those hours as well.

The Cranford Police Department has challenged the Fire Department to a tug of war and canoe races. Both events will take place tomorrow at 10:30 a.m. in Girl Scout Park on Springfield Avenue. Fireworks will begin 9:15 p.m. In case of rain, the fireworks will be at the same time Saturday.

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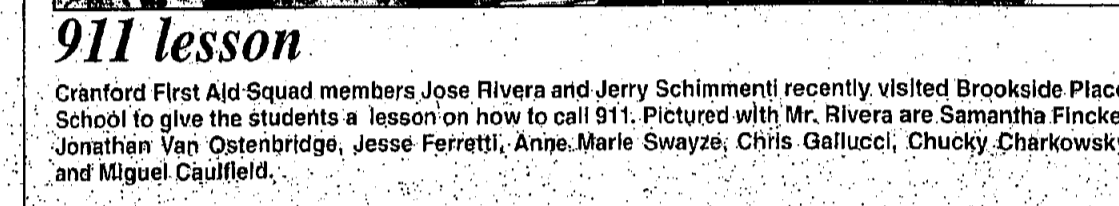
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Orange Avenue School students receive awards

CRANFORD — Orange Avenue School held its awards assembly June 18. Awards and their recipients: Daughters of the American Revolution Award — Katherine Swan and David Kramer; Peverley Awards — Nicole Caputo, Katherine Swan, Barbara Bauer, Stephanie Ruscusky, Kenneth Matz, James Wagner, Lauren Deuse, Diana Torres, Kathleen Fuller, Allison Landiglo, Ashley Latina, Thomas Newman and Kimberly Schreier; American History Essay Contest, Grade 6 — Kimberly Argon; first: Jacqueline Cuzco, second: Teresa Van Horn and Jessica Berkowitz; American History Essay Contest, Grade 7 — Diana Kaus, first: Elizabeth Casciana, third; American History Essay Contest, Grade 8 — Robert Vahonov, first: Charles Muckenthaler, second; Presidential Awards, Grade 6 — Kimberly Argon, Kenneth Dolan, Justin Lanskay, Lauren McCarthy, Ryan Smith, Susan Swan, Catherine Sawyer, Steven Albert, Jessica Bore, Michael Beck, Squared Chubb, Jacqueline Cuzco, Erin Kibler, Jeremy Martin, Alexandra Orm, Stephen Becken, Alexander Brown, Brandon Smith, Carol Sawyer, Theresa Van Horn, Stephanie Vahonov, Samantha Brown, Christina Chismonte, Ryan Farrell, Thomas Flanagan, Matthew Lavaglio and Juliana Mniak; Presidential Awards, Grade 8 — Dalton Barr, Robert Berke, Nicole Caputo, Javier Catarino, Crystal DiCesno, Jacqueline Fenichel, Susan Flannit, Sarah Glassman, Kevin



911 lesson
Cranford First Aid Squad members Jose Rivera and Jerry Schimmenti recently visited Brookside Place School to give the students a lesson on how to call 911. Pictured with Mr. Rivera are Samantha Flinnke, Jonathan Van Oostenbridge, Jesse Ferretti, Anne Marie Swayze, Chris Gallucci, Chucky Charkowsky and Miguel Caville.

Conservation Center enacts summer hours

CRANFORD — Summer hours are now in effect for the Cranford Conservation Center on Brookside Avenue. The center is open 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday; 8:30 a.m. to 3:50 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. The center will be closed Independence Day. Township residents can purchase yard waste permits for \$30 at the conservation center. Permits are required to drop off branches, grass and yard trimmings. Proof of vehicle registration is required. No permit is necessary to drop off any items which are accept-

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John Lee, Dave Samuels, Chuck Lobb, Marlon Meadows, George Jinda, Lionel Cordew and Christoph Spindel are some of the musicians from The Fantasy Band, scheduled to perform Fridays, July 11 through Aug. 29 at Club Bena.

Fantasy Band is a reality this week

By CATHERINE ADAMS GASKIN
WEEKEND PLUS

Ready to live out a fantasy? Do you believe in all that jazz? Club Bena, Route 35, Sayreville, will blend jazz and fantasy Saturday when it presents The Fantasy Band.

The group — including guitarist Chuck Lobb, vibist Dave Samuels, soprano saxophonist Marlon Meadows, bassist John Lee, keyboardist George Lobb and drummer Jerry Brown — was founded in the late 1980s by band manager Rich Egan.

The Fantasy Band was born on a boat," Mr. Egan said. "Somebody canceled on a CD101.9 Cool Jazz Cruise I still run at the South Street Seaport, and I called up some of the headliners from the cruise and put together this all-star band. We sold out, and now we're on our third album," he said.

The band's latest recording, "The Kiss," was released about 13 weeks ago.

Showtime is 8 p.m. with optional dinner 7 p.m. Tickets are \$15 for the show only. Dinner is an additional \$12.50. Call for reservations.

Friday nights in July and August will also be more jazz at Club Bena. Route 35, Sayreville, will blend jazz and fantasy Saturday when it presents The Fantasy Band.

CD101.9 joins the club in presenting Smooth Friday Concerts. Every Friday, July 11 through Aug. 29, a top jazz artist will be featured at the club.

Keyboardist Alex Duggan will ignite the series July 11. Tom Grant will be featured July 25, followed by jazz vocalist Jon Lucien July 25.

The August line-up includes Bobby Caldwell and band Aug. 1; contemporary saxophonist George Howard on Aug. 8; the vocal stylings of Angela Hoff on Aug. 15; Grammy-nominated saxophonist Najee on Aug. 22 and jazz guitarist Jonathan Butler Aug. 29.

CD101.9 radio personalities will host many of the concerts. Showtimes and prices vary.

Call Club Bena at (908) 727-3000 for information and reservations.

You may also visit the club at its Internet address: <http://www.clubbena.com>.

Petunias burst into many varieties

By CLARE S. LIPTAK
SPECIAL TO WEEKEND PLUS

The National Garden Bureau has chosen the petunia as the flower of the year for 1997. There are many new types, including some that grow so low to the ground they produce a carpet of color in the landscape.

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Grandifloras are available in single- and double-flowering types. They're best for mass plantings in flower beds or containers. The plants, which are normally compact, stretch and get lanky in hot weather.

Multifloras are basically improved multicolors but with larger flowers. Single- and double-flowering types are available. They're early flowering and weather-tolerant — they pick up quickly after a rain. These are good for mass plantings, hanging baskets and containers. Space them 10 inches apart. They also get 12-14 inches high.

Floribundas are basically improved multicolors but with larger flowers. Single- and double-flowering types are available. They're early flowering and weather-tolerant — they pick up quickly after a rain. These are good for mass plantings, hanging baskets and containers. Space them 10 inches apart. They also get 12-14 inches high.

Spreading petunias produce flowers 2-4 inches in diameter, along the length of each stem. They don't require pruning and they tolerate heat and humidity. Use them as flowering ground covers, since they get only about 6 inches high. Space plants 15-20 inches apart. The range of colors is limited to a purplish magenta and a pink.

Millifloras are early bloomers. They have smaller flowers — only 4-11/2 inches across — but the plant is completely covered with them. These are used for hanging baskets and containers. No pruning is required to keep them blooming.

If you would like a fact sheet on petunias published by the National Garden Bureau, send a self-addressed stamped envelope to Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Somerset County, P.O. Box 3000, Somerville, N.J. 08876.

The writer is an agricultural agent with Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Somerset County. For answers to your gardening questions, E-mail answers to csliptak@rces.edu or call (908) 526-2265.

Making a to-do about Much Ado

By DAVID LEARN
WEEKEND PLUS

The old saying has it that "All's fair in love and war."

This is especially true when love is a war, as is the case in William Shakespeare's *Much Ado About Nothing*, now being performed as part of New Jersey Shakespeare Festival's 35th season.

As has often been observed, Shakespeare's plays transcend barriers of time and culture. So it should come as no surprise to see the action unfold at a beach house in the 1950s. Don Pedro (Mark Elliot Wilson) and his soldiers are ordered to take the island of Leonato (Ken Kilham), a retired one. The mood is finished by the addition of the 1950s songs that mark the start of each scene.

Ken Kilham also presents strong a performer as Leonato and Dugberry's half-witted assistant, the sexton. His Leonato is very human, greatly pleased to see his military friends and even rejoins their ranks and torn apart when those friends accuse his daughter of promiscuity.

The only unremarkable performance was William Greville's Antonio. Although Greville does well as Claudio, he seems genuinely uncertain on how to conduct himself in his other role, particularly when Claudio makes his scene. While the other actors show a gamut of emotion, ranging from disbelief to anger to approval, Greville stands still and looks on, disinterested.

Chris Miller's set adapted to the different scenes fairly easily. Most scenes were easily set outside the villa, on the beach. When extra help is needed for setting, it comes in the form of a changing booth that, by spinning, becomes Dugberry's liquor stand, a courtroom or Hero's "booth."

Costumes were designed by Jacqueline Fikins. Choreographer was John Evans. Sound was by Johanna Doty, and light-



Benedick (James Michael Reilly) consoles Hero (Meg DeFeo) after her aborted wedding to Count Claudio in New Jersey Shakespeare Festival's Much Ado About Nothing.

More to parades than banging a drum

By GEORGE SALIBA
SPECIAL TO WEEKEND PLUS

Everyone loves a parade, some people, enough to help organize one.

Such is the case for Eileen Parker, who has served as co-chairperson of the Central Jersey Fourth of July Parade Committee for the past three years. Mrs. Parker became involved with the parade in 1991.

Originally, Mrs. Parker had planned to help her mother, who was already involved with the Fourth of July parade, only on the day of the actual parade.

"Then one thing led to another, because I found that there is enough money. Everyone needs to be paid," Mr. Iovando said.

To cover costs, the committee holds various fund-raisers during the 11 months between parades. Fund-raisers have included an annual journal and even a benefit basketball game against members of the New York Giants this year.

Then there's always the risk the weather will decide to rain on everyone's parade.

If this happens, Mrs. Parker, Mr. Iovando and their staff need to notify the paid bands by 6 a.m. the day of the parade that they will not perform. Otherwise, the bands have to be paid even if they don't perform.

"Fortunately, we have never been in a need to cancel the parade like this," Mrs. Parker said.

"We've been rained on, but never canceled out," said Mr. Iovando.

Despite the luck the parade has had, Mr. Iovando said it can always use a little more help.

"We are always in need of volunteers and financial support," he said, adding, "if every family in the area contributed one dollar, we'd have the best parade ever."

The parade includes participant pants from Plainfield, North Plainfield, Green Brook, Donnelton, Scotch Plains, Sayreville, Watchung, Warren and Westfield. It has an estimated 115 participant units from the region and attracts about 80,000 spectators.

Honorary Grand Marshal this year is George King, who worked in the Watchung Police Department for more than 40 years, including time as police chief. Watchung Mayor Anthony Aulicino is Grand Marshal. Grand Marshal's car is Norma Seward, a fourth-grader from East End School in North Plainfield whose theme "Our nation's people are brothers and sisters" was chosen for the parade this year.

The Central Jersey Fourth of July Parade begins 10 a.m. Friday at the corner of Johnson and Front Street in Plainfield. It runs times west to Somerset Street, where it proceeds north into North Plainfield, concluding at the corner of Somerset and Grandview Street. The entire route is 1 1/2 miles long.

"I think the parade is around to show the patriotism of all the people in the area," said Mrs. Parker.

This is the parade's 74th anniversary.

For more information or to contribute to the parade effort, call the Planning and Recreation Office at 753-3037.

Weekly Crossword

By Gerry Fry

"Show Biz"

1. Star
2. Sign of the Zodiac
3. Sign
4. Tradition
5. Easy to see
6. Present
7. Actress in 'Gumpy' film
8. Bucks
9. Marriage vow
10. Ebb
11. Collier
12. Go bad
13. Black eye
14. Confusions
15. Definition
16. Precedes America or across
17. Bucks
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107. Collier
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117. Black eye
118. Confusions
119. Definition
120. Precedes America or across

4. Clergy training pt.

5. Biggie

6. Picnic author

7. Dullness

8. Across Charlot

9. Road and drive

10. Table

11. Get Shony across

12. God of war

13. Actor Best

14. To be abolished

15. Top Curt actor

16. Simpson's star

17. Woody's role

18. Bassett's hair...

19. Fibromyalgia

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Kids
PINOCHIO
3 p.m. July 5, 6, 11, 12
Circle Playhouse
416 Victoria Ave., Piscataway

citizens and students \$8.
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*Laundry & Bourbon and "Lone Star"

*Dance at Sheraton hotel, Iselin, 9 p.m.
July 5, Cost \$12.
*Dance at Landmark Inn, Woodbridge, 8 p.m., July 6, Cost \$12.



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NOW PLAYING:
CHESTER THEATRE GROUP
Black River Playhouse

COMING UP
CIRCLE PLAYERS
416 Victoria Ave., Piscataway

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Happenings
COMPUTER GARAGE SALE
North Branch Reformed Church, Route 28, Bridgewater

Galleries
BARRON ARTS CENTER
522 Parkway Ave., Woodbridge

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The Oak Ridge Boys
Friday, August 8, 1997 - 8 pm
Felician Theater, Lodi, NJ

Coach N' Paddock
Friday Night Dance
July 11th - Gary Dee
July 18th - Jimmy Ray Band

A Kid's Forum
Summer Children's Theatre Festival
Beauty and the Beast
Charlotte's Web

NASCAR
Winston Racing Series
Thursday **July 3rd
Saturday **July 5th
Trico Night

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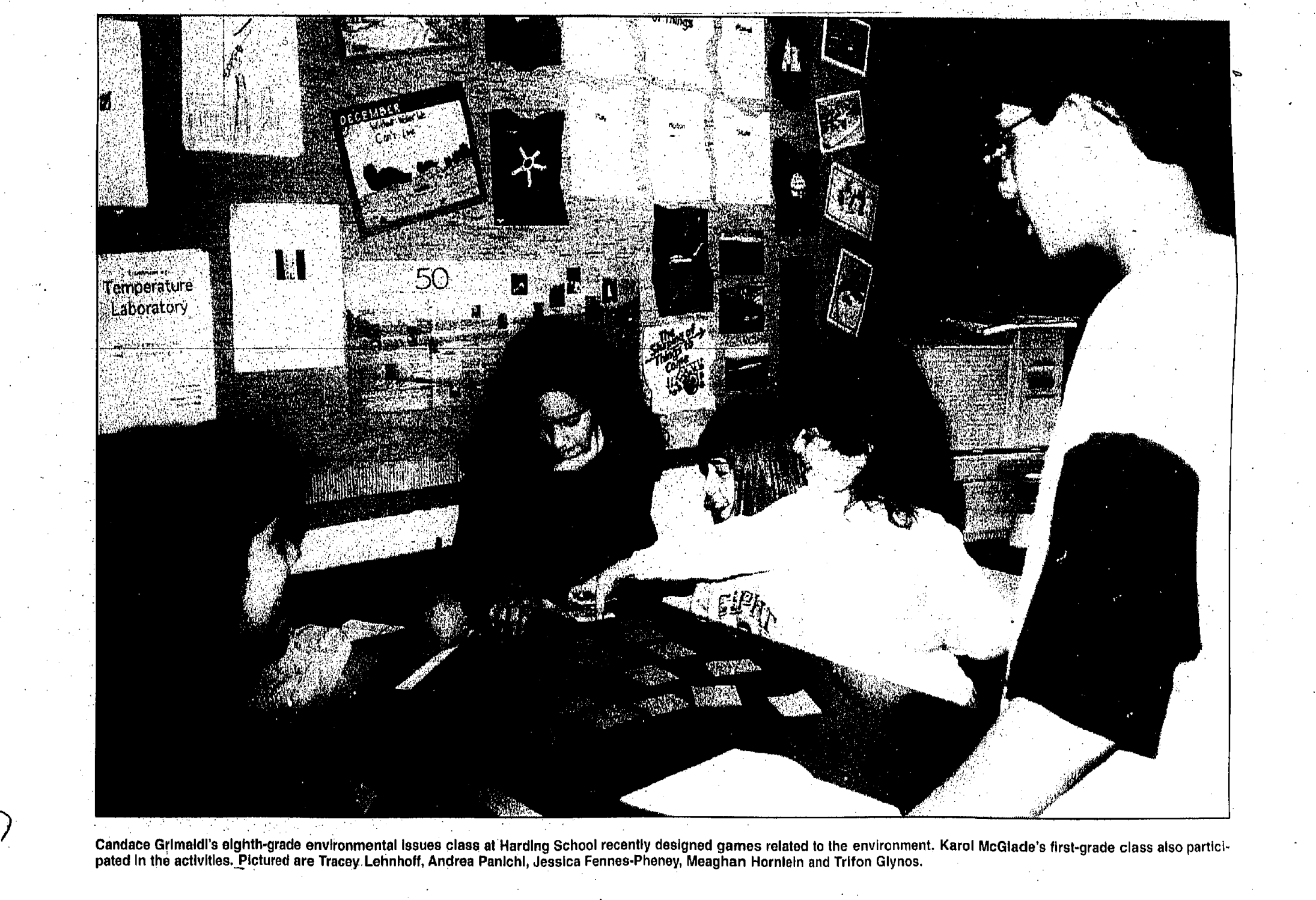


Fred Jacman, a student at Harding School, tests a solar cell.



Harding School teachers Candace Grimaldi and Cindy Zemel recently brought their classes together for an afternoon of environmental activities.

Scenes from Kenilworth school



Candace Grimaldi's eighth-grade environmental issues class at Harding School recently designed games related to the environment.

It's wonderful when people make an effort to get in touch

Sometimes when I approach people to ask if I can write about them in my column it really doesn't bother me when they decline. I always tell them that if they ever change their mind they can call or write to me at the paper.



Cranford connections By Carol White

My son Kevin returned the beginning of June after taking the exact same trip through England and Scotland on the railway.

husband Walter have lived in Cranford for 24 years, so I'm sure many of you know them. For those of you who don't know, Nancy has been the Republican municipal chairwoman in Cranford since 1984 and has served as a commissioner on the Union County Board of Elections.

Her father and I are extremely proud of her and we know she will succeed in whatever she undertakes," says Nancy.

Charlotte C. Conover, 90

Teacher; active in her church
Charlotte C. Conover, 90, died June 30, 1997 at the Dorothy Love Retirement Community in Sidney, Ohio. A substitute teacher in Cranford and Linden schools for many years, she once taught English classes at Ramsey High School. Mrs. Conover was born in Brooklyn and lived in Ramsey before moving to Cranford in 1934. She had resided in Sidney since 1987. She graduated from the New Jersey College for Women (now Douglass College of Rutgers University) in 1929. Mrs. Conover was commissioned a Stephen minister to assist shut-ins at the Dorothy Love Retirement Community, where she served on the governing council and sang in the choir. She organized the chapter of the First Presbyterian Church of Cranford. Memorial contributions may be made to the Dorothy Love Retirement Community, 3023 W. Creso Road, Sidney, Ohio 45365.

Patricia Ann Vance, 75

Lived in Cranford for 40 years
Patricia Ann Vance, 75, died at home June 26, 1997 in Orlando, Fla. Mrs. Vance had lived for 40 years in Cranford before moving to North Carolina and then to Florida. She was the daughter of Ruth Wiseman and William Sprague and attended school in North Carolina, Pennsylvania and New York. She was active for the past six years in the Burnsville, N.C. Senior Citizen's Meals on Wheels program. She was an ordained deaconess in the First Presbyterian Church and a Key Woman of the Church Women United of Cranford. Mrs. Vance patterned special needs troops and was a Girl Scout troop leader during her 40 years in Cranford.

Frank R. Illing

Owner of industrial maintenance firm
FRANFORD — Frank R. Illing, 77, died June 27, 1997 at his home. He had been the owner and president of the Plymouth Industrial Maintenance Co. in Cranford until 1975, then became the head custodian at Cranford High School until his retirement in 1983. Mr. Illing was born in Brooklyn. He served in the Army during World War II and lived in Utica, N.Y., before moving to Cranford in 1951. He was a member of Capt. Newell Rodney Finkel Post 235, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Azare Lodge 129, Free & Accepted Masons, and H.F.O. Elks Lodge 2006, all in Cranford. Surviving are his wife of 53 years, Anna Onlarico Illing; a son, James of Cranford; three daughters, Kathleen Stokes of Stroudsburg, Pa.; Rosemary Schultz of Cranford and Maureen Collins of Rahway; 12 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren. Another son, Richard, is deceased. Services were held Sunday at the Dooley Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Cranford Family Care, 61 Myrtle St., Cranford, N.J. 07018, or the Center for Hope Hospital.

Joseph F. Calabrese, 84

Was driver at Busch brewery
FRANFORD — Joseph F. Calabrese, 84, died June 23, 1997 at Rahway Hospital. He had been a driver with Anheuser-Busch Inc. at its Newark brewery from 1947 until his retirement in 1977. Mr. Calabrese was born in Newark and lived in Cranford before moving to Cranford in 1994. His wife, Clara Ventre Calabrese, is deceased. Surviving are two daughters, Nilda Meehan and Barbara

Margaret L. Cobb, 79

Formerly a secretary with the FAA
FRANFORD — Margaret L. Cobb, 79, died June 4, 1997 at the DeLatre Nursing and Convalescent Center in Linden. She had been a secretary with the Federal Aviation Administration in San Diego, Calif., prior to her retirement. Mrs. Cobb was born in Mount N.D. She lived in San Diego before moving to Cranford in 1984. Surviving are a daughter, Kathleen Cobb Cannon, and a son-in-law, Kevin Cannon, with whom Mrs. Cobb lived; a stepson, Charles W. Jr. of Perth, Calif.; a sister, Catherine North of Newport Beach, Calif.; a grand son, Andrew John Cannon, and a granddaughter, Michelle Helene Cannon, both of Cranford. A memorial service was held June 6 at the Higgins & Bonner Echo Lake Funeral Home in Westfield. The old salt box house was built in 1799 and is maintained

Obituaries

Jeremy Nestor Adams, 27

Graphics designer with apparel firm
FRANFORD — Jeremy Nestor Adams, 27, died June 26, 1997 at Overlook Hospital in Summit. He was a graphics designer with the Tabini Apparel Co. of New York City. Mr. Adams was born in Detroit, Mich., and had lived in Cranford since 1992. He graduated from the Parsons School of Design in Manhattan. Surviving are his wife, Margaret Mary Martin Adams; his mother, Kathryn Jane Kline of Brooks, Calif.; his father, Larry Richard Nestor of Denver, Colo.; Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Jacqueline L. Moody, 71

Active in her church; French native
FRANFORD — Jacqueline L. Moody, 71, died June 24, 1997 at her home in Whitehouse Station. She had been active in women's organizations of the Trinity Episcopal Church. Mrs. Moody was born in Paris, France. She lived in Cranford, Clinton and Springfield before moving to Whitehouse Station in 1994. She was a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution and also of Family & Children's Services of Elizabeth. Her husband, Jack M., died in 1985. Surviving are two sons, Steven S. of Millard and Doug P. of Whitehouse Station; and three grandchildren. Arrangements were by the Gray Memorial Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Marion E. Sachs, 74

Secretary, court clerk; a CHS alumna
FRANFORD — A memorial service will be held for Marion E. Sachs, 74, who died June 23, 1997 at the Plaza Nursing and Convalescent Center in Elizabeth. She had been a secretary with the former Western Electric and from 1965-85 was a court clerk in the city courts of Miami, Fla. She was born in Chicago, Ill., and lived in Cranford before moving to Miami in 1957. Mrs. Sachs also worked in the hotel field in Miami before becoming a court clerk. She graduated from Cranford High School in 1938 and the Katharine Gibbs School in 1940. Surviving are a stepdaughter, Bernice Fine of North Miami Beach, Fla.; her mother, Esther Baldwin Jemison; a sister, Neva L. Bibby of Turkeston; two step-grandchildren, three nieces and a nephew. Arrangements are by the Gray Memorial Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to the Alzheimer's Association.

Parenting workshops set for this month

The Union County Municipal Alliance will conduct parenting workshops at the Resolve Community Counseling Center, 1830 E. Front St. in Scotch Plains. Each workshop will run 7:30-9 p.m. Wednesday from July 9-30. Discipline, sibling rivalry, positive communication and self-esteem are among the subjects. Parents may attend any or all workshops. Seating is limited and registration is required; call 322-9180.

Christian men meet in Westfield Thursday

The Christian Business Men's Committee of Central Jersey will hold a men's business luncheon 12:15 p.m. Thursday at Sorrento's Restaurant, 631 Central Ave. in Westfield. Attorney and judge Ted Hubbard from London, England, will be the speaker. Guests and other attendees are welcome. Reservations are required; call Bob Winston at 869-7888 or George Dick at 232-1762 by Tuesday.

Caregivers support available Monday

A support group for people caring for elderly or chronically ill people will meet 8 p.m. Monday at the St. Helen's Church parish center on Lamberts Mill Road. For more information, call Marilyn Ryan at 233-8757. Meetings are held the first, monthly Monday of each month.

Group plans flirting program

The "Art of Flirting," a workshop sponsored by the Westfield-based Marriage Connection, is being held at the Somerset Hills Hotel, 200 Liberty Court Road in Warren, Saturday evening July 12. Dave Mueller, director of Family Life at the Westfield Y and a counselor and marriage-family therapist for more than 12 years will be the flirting instructor. The workshop will conclude with participants going into the clubhouse atmosphere of the Polo Lounge to practice their newly acquired (or refined) flirting talents. The workshop is designed for the newly single and shy singles are encouraged to attend. The cost is \$20 for members, \$25 for nonmembers, and includes and presentation and refreshments in the lounge. Reservations are recommended. For more information, call the Marriage Connection at 232-8827.

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Barbara M. Mason, 58

Bell Telephone accounting clerk
FRANFORD — Barbara A. McIntyre Mason, 58, died June 27, 1997 at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center. She had been an accounting clerk with New Jersey Bell Telephone Co. and its successor, Bell Atlantic-New Jersey. Mrs. Mason was born in New York City. She lived in Newark, Irvington, Cranford, and since 1996 in Hawley, Pa. She retired in 1995 after 27 years with New Jersey Bell and Bell Atlantic at its Cranford offices. Mrs. Mason was a member of the Telephone Pioneers of America. Surviving are a son, John R. Jr.; two daughters, Patricia Tierney and Donna Argovart; a brother, Rodney McIntyre; and seven grandchildren. Services were held Tuesday at the Mastapeter Funeral Home in Roselle Park. Burial was in Gate of Heaven Cemetery, East Hanover.

Project Graduation Committee thankful for community support

FRANFORD — The 1997 Cranford High School Project Graduation Committee wishes to thank the entire community for making this, the ninth annual post-graduation celebration for CHS senior class, such an overwhelming success. As a result of the generosity of so many individuals, community organizations, groups, clubs, individuals and businesses, each graduate received a gift worth at least \$30. Continuing its annual support of the event, Continental Airlines supplied the grand prize of two round-trip tickets to any location within the continental United States. A Chinese auction was also held for which each attendee received 30 tickets to be used as chances to win a laptop computer, telephone (with answering machine), dorm refrigerator, television (with videocassette recorder), tickets for the David Letterman show, Meis and Yankers baseball games; and more. Entertainment for the evening included a live jazz trio, caricatures, palm reader, hypnotist, karaoke, Vclero wall jumping for the first time, swimming and volleyball. The committee would like to give special thanks to the mayor and Township Committee, Ron Marotta, Pat Plesella, Bob Beltracchi and the staff of the Cranford Fire Department, Cranford First Aid Squad, Cranford Florist, Cranford High School Student Government, Cranford Jaycees, Cranford Junior Women's Club, Cranford Municipal Alliance, Cranford Police Department, Cranford Public Works Department, Cranford Swim Club, Cranford Township Committee, Cranford United Methodist Church, Cranford Veterans of Foreign Wars, Crescent Golf Range, Crisanti Shoe Hospital, Crown Trophy Inc., Dairy Queen of Cranford, Dezza Dankosky Insurance, Disco Electronics, Dennis's Plaza, Dooley Funeral Home, John and Martha Dreyer, Drug Fair of Cranford, Eastern Beverage, Eastern Gymnastic Academy, Elliot Hot Dogs, First Presbyterian Church, Al Forsyth, Francine LeVidy, Friendly's of Clark, The Gap, Grigori's, Tom and Jane Gilbertson, Gold Medal Fitness, Hartig's, Paints, Hillside School PTA, Howard Controls, Il Giordano Restaurant, Gary L. 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Special thanks are extended to all the senior class parents and guardians for their generous donations and to all the senior and underclass parents and guardians who helped in so many different ways. Event organizers are indebted to the following individuals, groups, clubs, organizations and businesses for their contributions which allowed the 1997 Project Graduation to be the town-wide success that it truly was: Abby's Shell, Dr. Mark Ardona, Advanced Physical Therapy Associates, All-State International Inc., Arizona Level Test, AT&T, Bagel America, Bell's Pharmacy, Dr. C. Berwitz, Blockbuster Video, Ray and Linda Brubaker, Brookside Place School PTA, Broswers, Bryer Insurance Agency, Battery Bible Shoppe, Joseph P. Calderone Jr., M.D., Calvary Lutheran Church, Capobianco Electric, Ray and Amy Cavalliboli, Centennial Avenue Pool and Staff, Century 21 D.S. 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Briefs

Send us your old photographs

As most locals know, the Cranford area is rich in history. The Cranford Chronicle would like to bring a little bit of history back to the newspaper by inviting readers to submit their old photos. The photos will be published, and the person submitting the shot will receive credit in the newspaper. If you have a photo from the past you believe would interest your neighbors, send it to the Cranford Chronicle at P.O. Box 699, Somerville, N.J. 08876. Make sure you tell us as much about the photo as you can and include your phone number in case we have any questions. Each photo will be returned. For more information, call Editor Andrew Simpson at 722-3000, Ext. 6322.

Blood drives set in Cranford

The Blood Center of New Jersey is urging people to "Keep the Best Going - Be a Blood Buddy" this summer. Two blood drives have been scheduled: 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Cranford post office, 3 Min St., and 1-7 p.m. Thursday, July 31 at the Cranford Dairy Queen, 337 North Ave. East. Donors must be older than 17, provide a Social Security number and a signed form of identification. Those who are 17 may be donors with written consent of a parent. There is no upper age limit provided donors have donated within the last two years or have a note from their physician. For more information, registration or other requirements, call (800) BLOOD NJ.

Preschool program openings available

Openings are still available for the second session of the "Tiny Tots" preschool program at the community center, Bloomingdale Avenue in Cranford. Class will meet 9-11:30 a.m. Monday and Wednesday from July 14-30. The program is open to Cranford children who are toilet-trained. Cost is \$55; a birth certificate is required. For more information, call 709-7283 or visit the community center.

Brearley PTO to hold meeting

The David Brearley High School Parent-Teacher Organization will hold a special meeting 7:30 p.m. Thursday, July 24 in the school cafeteria, Monroe Avenue in Kenilworth.

Newspaper seeks free-lance writers

The Cranford Chronicle is looking for free-lance writers to cover Garwood and Kenilworth meetings. If you're interested in writing for the newspaper and making some extra money, call Editor Andrew Simpson at 722-3000, Ext. 6322.

Volunteers to give Brearley fresh coat of paint

Superintendent of Schools Lloyd M. Leschuk said the school district will hold a "Paint the School Day" Saturday. Beginning at 9 a.m., co-sponsors Schering-Plough and members of the Kenilworth community will focus on lining the school's hallways and classrooms with a fresh coat of paint. The participation of Schering-Plough follows a \$350,000 donation for the renovation of the science labs. This allows employees of Schering-Plough to do something hands-on for residents," he said. Parents, community members, and other interested individuals are invited to join in on the festivities. "We need all the help we can get," Dr. Leschuk said. "Just bring a paint brush, roller and joint clothes." By sometime "we'll have a better school for Kenilworth children," he said. For more information, call Dr. Leschuk at 276-1644.

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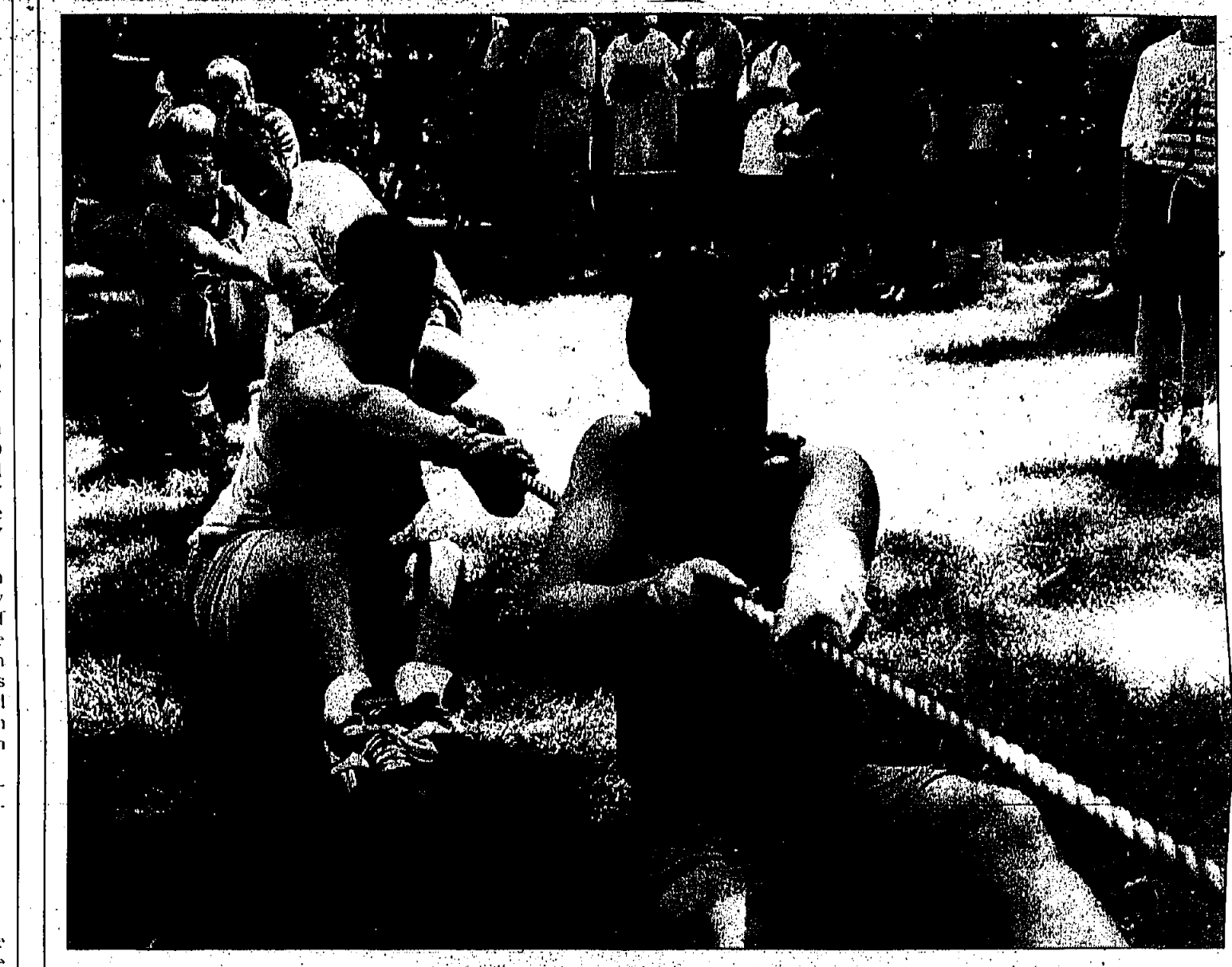
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Cranford residents pumped up Don't want another gas station on North Avenue West site

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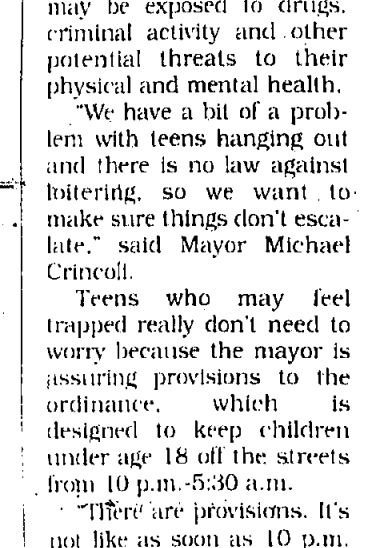
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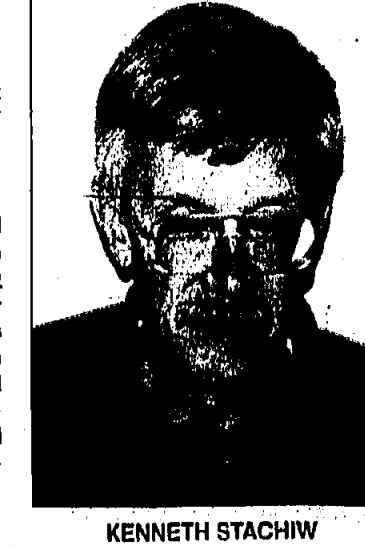
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