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Briefs

Church invites all: get 'Hooked on Jesus'

EDISON — New Dover United Methodist Church invites parents to round up youngsters, age 4 through grade 6, to come and get "Hooked on Jesus."

The Vacation Bible School will be held July 13-17 9 a.m.-noon. Fee $5 per child plus a donation of a bag of cookies.

To register or for more information, call Caroline Beal at (732) 819-4853.

Health center to hold women's clinic

EDISON — A Women's clinic will be held 9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m. June 18 at the Dr. William Toth Health Center, 80 Idlewild Road.

The following services will be offered to eligible women — pap test, breast exam, women's health education materials, self breast exam information, breast/cervical cancer information, and mammograms.

To qualify, women must be 40 or older, and have limited or no health insurance. For information and appointments, call Connie at (732) 494-6742.

The clinic is sponsored by the Middlesex County Health Department's Women's Cancer Screening Program in conjunction with the Edison Department.

Reception to honor former principal

HIGHLAND PARK — A reception will be held 1-4 p.m. Sunday at the Glashausser residence for Robert Terrano, the former principal of Highland Park High School.

The reception is sponsored by the HPHS Parent-Teacher-Student Organization to announce the Robert Terrano Technology Award, which will be presented every year to a senior distinguished in the area of technology. Donations to the award fund will be accepted at the reception.

If you plan to attend, call Suellen at (732) 545-6928.

Strawberry festival set for tonight

METUCHEN — The Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce will sponsor its Strawberry Festival 5:30 p.m. today on the Borough Hall lawn.

Fresh strawberries, cake, ice cream and beverages will be served. There also will be games and music.

Cost is $4 for adults and $2 for children under 6. Rain date is tomorrow.

To our readers:

Due to a technical mishap with our presses, a page covering the Memorial Day Parade from another newspaper was erroneously printed in the May 29 edition of *The Review*. Complete coverage of Metuchen's Memorial Day Parade is on page A-8.

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Democrats seek recount in primary

By DEBRA RUBIN
CORRESPONDENT

HIGHLAND PARK — A larger-than-expected turnout for the Borough Council primary Tuesday brought with it accusations of smear tactics and talk of a recount.

"Seven votes is just too little for it not to be worth taking a second look," candidate Christine Kulikowski said about the margin that separated her from second place and a spot in the general election.

She and Anne Barron were expected to file a motion Wednesday with the New Jersey Superior Court in New Brunswick seeking a recount. Mrs. Kulikowski received 599 votes and Ms. Barron received 544.

Sal Raspa and incumbent Nancy Wolf, who held the Democratic Party line, will have no Republican opposition on the Nov. 3 ballot should the results be upheld.

He tallied 641 votes and she recorded 606.

Not counting absentee ballots, a total of 1,219 Democrats voted in the primary, which prompted municipal Democratic Chairman Dominic Cerminaro to exult about "a huge turnout" for such an election.

"In a normal primary in Highland Park we only get about 400-450 people," he said. "In last year's gubernatorial race we got about 800."

Mrs. Wolf claimed that the Kulikowski-Barron campaign distributed fliers containing what she said were lies about the council's now-scuttled plans to redevelop the former municipal landfill.

"We ran a clean campaign," said the councilwoman, appointed last year to fill an unexpired term.

"We (she and Mr. Raspa) told the truth and worked hard," she said. "They (Mrs. Kulikowski and Ms. Barron) didn't stick to the issues. By talking to people, we could see they spread a lot of misinformation."

Mrs. Kulikowski claimed the Democratic organization tried to smear Ms. Barron by continually associating the latter candidate with the Greater Brunswick Charter School, itself an issue of much contention in Highland Park.

Ms. Barron is no longer involved with the New Brunswick-based charter school.

"The charter school has nothing to do with the borough," Mrs. Kulikowski said.

"In fact, Dominic Cerminaro told me they were going to smear us with the charter school — and they did," the candidate and freelance writer said.

She and Ms. Barron also charged that few residents knew of major issues coming before the council and that the governing body regularly violates the state's "Sunshine Law" by not telling the public why council meetings were going into executive session.

"Everybody is afraid to speak up against the Democratic Party," Mrs. Kulikowski said.

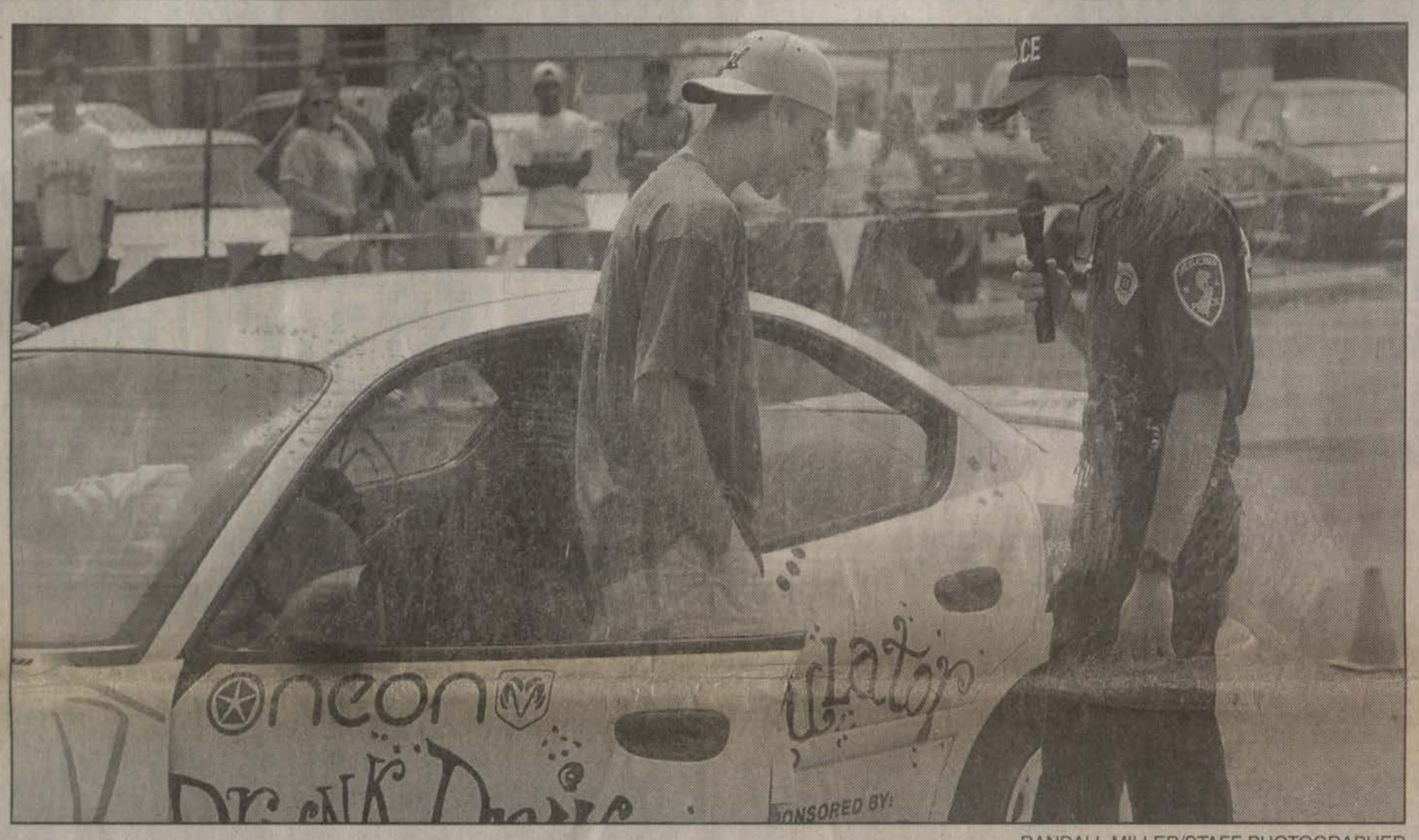
Mr. Cerminaro countered that the "interesting campaign" the Democratic organization ran for Mrs. Wolf and Mr. Raspa "gave our candidates a chance to run on their records."

"The other candidates didn't have a record to run on," the municipal party chairman said. "Their campaign was one of negativism while ours was positive. The voters chose record over controversy."

"To have run this close a campaign and have this many people support us is a victory," Mrs. Kulikowski said.

"Now I can go home and eat," Mr. Raspa, a former Zoning Board of Adjustment member, said of his primary victory.

"I promised my three kids we'd eat together in a victory celebration," he said.



RANDALL MILLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

A tough lesson

Metuchen Police Officer Jeffrey Temple gives Metuchen High School student Joe Terefenko a dose of what would really happen if Joe was a drunken driver. The police had its drunken driving simulator at the school Tuesday to warn students about the dangers of drinking and driving.

Pests to flee pond

By KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

METUCHEN — Mosquitos are being evicted from Tommy's Pond.

The borough is cooperating with the County Mosquito Extermination Committee in a dredging project at the Lake Avenue pond to make it a fresher, more aesthetic water source, Borough Administrator William Boerth said. The work is scheduled to be complete by the end of June.

Commission workers will drill the bottom of the pond to create a well and add a water source. The added depth this will create makes the body more able to sustain types of fish, which are natural predators to mosquito larvae.

"Once we have the pond cleaned up, we have some fish to put in plus we have sources for the borough to buy fish that are mosquito-eating fish," Commission Superintendent Rod Schmidt said. "This should bring the breeding level down to zero."

The mosquito-eating fish are similar to large guppies. Mr. Schmidt said they are live breeders who will begin reproduction immediately. The fish are able to winter in water bodies as shallow as four feet.

This spring's heavy rain falls could precipitate a high mosquito population this summer. The commission missed prime extermination time in May because of continuous rainfall and stagnant water becomes a prime breeding area for mosquitoes.

"Anything that can hold water can produce mosquitoes," Mr. Schmidt said. " "It's very hard for us to inspect for those spots."

Once the dredging is complete, the borough will install the well which will provide a water source for the pond.

National Trails Day set for tomorrow

By KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

EDISON — A group of environment-conscious people is blazing a trail toward the creation of healthy and safe venues tomorrow.

The Middlsex Greenway Coalition is sponsoring a National Trails Day 10 a.m. tomorrow at Dudash Park on May Street to support the Middlsex Greenway Project. It is the third event held in the county.

This year's festivities will include a bike race to Dudash Park, a trash cleanup of a portion of the Middlesex Greenway corridor, painting over graffiti on a bridge, the "Friends of the Greenway" awards and a speech by Craig Della Penna, representative of the Rails-to-Trails Conservancy and author of "Great Rail-Trails of the Northeast."

"Events like this help send a message that trails and greenways are essential to protecting open space, creating healthy and safe venues for family and individual outdoor recreation and as an alternative no-polluting form of transportation," Coordinator Bob Takash said.

National Trails Day is an annual event coordinated by the American Hiking Society. Thousands of events similar to the one at Dudash Park will be held across the country and enjoyed by more than 1 million Americans.

The Middlesex Greenway Coalition was formed six years ago to facilitate the transition for a 45-acre parcel of land from a railway corridor to a hiking trail. The 3.5 mile long 100-foot wide corridor extends from Middlesex Avenue in Metuchen to Crows Mill Road in Fords.

The corridor is being acquired by Middlesex County from Conrail and will be the first rail-trail in the county.

Its proponents have visions of it being a haven for recreational activity while providing a means for non-mechanized transportation when its complete. The trail has been in the works for six years and should be complete at the end of the year.

"I remember mothers and fathers bringing babies to the meetings in little baby baskets and now they're 5 and 6 year old — they're starting school," Walter Stochel, Jr. said. "I would look at them and say this what we're doing this for — for them."

Metuchen police officer is cited for heroism

By KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

METUCHEN — A seven-year police veteran has been commended for his sound judgment in a potentially life-threatening situation.

When facing the eye of a gun, Officer Arthur Flaherty restrained from counter-firing. Instead, he tackled the 15-year-old boy holding the gun and threw it to the ground. The gun, which appeared real from a distance, was a BB style carbon dioxide gun.

"We are trained to use restraint when using deadly force," Police Chief Frederick Hall said. "He did this and it really worked out — especially when there was a 15-year-old kid involved."

The incident occurred 5:30 p.m. May 20 while Officer Flaherty was patrolling the vicinity of the railroad catwalk behind Metuchen Manor with partner Officer Robert Torrisi said. The pair saw two youths acting suspicious by reaching in and out of a backpack.

The officers approached the youths who in turn started to run.

While Officer Flaherty ran after the boys, one pulled a gun from his waistband and continued to run with it in his right hand.

When Officer Flaherty was within five feet of the boy, he turned toward the officer and pointed the gun directly at him. Officer Flaherty lunged at him, disarmed the boy, subdued him and placed him under arrest. Officer Temple grabbed the weapon from the ground.

The armed boy was identified as a 15-year-old at the time of his arrest and was charged with aggravated assault, possession of a weapon, eluding a police officer and criminal trespassing, police said.

The other boy fled the area but was later apprehended. The 16-year-old was charged with criminal trespass.



GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

It's a win!

Edison High School baseball pitcher Bob Brownlie (left), celebrates with first baseman Rob Roma after the team's 2-1 victory over East Brunswick in the Greater Middlesex Conference Title Saturday. For a related story, see page B-1.

Recorder Society gives spritual concert

By JOANNA RABOY
SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

HIGHLAND PARK — The otherworldly sounds of two antiphonal recorders opened the Highland Park Recorder Society's annual concert May 17.

As a round by Oswald von Wolkenstein progressed, the entire ensemble of recorders and strings gradually joined in, bringing listeners back in time to the early Renaissance and Baroque periods.

Ably led by Robert W. Butts, the full consort of recorders and small complement of string players wove a tapestry of ethereal sounds in the lovely setting of the United Methodist Church in New Brunswick.

From the wistful, nostalgically warm rendition of "Innsbruch, ich nuss dich lassen" by Henrich Isaac and the lively dances of Michael Praetorius to the solemn, methodically paced "Missa Brevis" by Dietrich Buxtehude, the Recorder Society displayed solid ensemble work.

When playing music originally meant for the voice, the instrumentalists thought like singers and the result was a performance in which purity of tone, artful phrasing and an emphasis on melodic line took precedence.

Although the recorder section performed admirably throughout the concert, special mention must be made of the string section. Their sure-fingered playing anchored the entire ensemble, particularly during the Canon in D major by Joahnn Pachelbel.

Naomi Shapiro's fine solo cello work was a high point of "Contrapunctus 11," from "The Art of the Fugue" by Johann Sebastian Bach.

The Recorder Society prides itself on providing performance opportunities for musicians of all ages and abilities, and it was wonderful to see a seventh grade boy playing in the violin section.

While the sound of the harpsichord was missed, and it would be good to hear the group demonstrate a little more sensitivity to dynamic changes, the Recorder Society is to be commended for presenting a well unified program of familiar and unusual music.

This was a very ambitious concert for a group which only meets once a month, but it was handled by the conductor and musicians with musical taste, god intonation and high spirits from beginning to end.

Police investigate possible intruder

Police were called to investigate a person possibly living in the basement of the Cedar Arms Apartments on Cedar Lane on June 1 at 2 p.m.

The buildings superintendent said a side basement window had been kicked in and several blankets and pillows were found in a storage room. A partially unraveled cigar was also recovered from the room and the door to the storage room had been possibly kicked in, police said.

The incident is under investigation, officials said.

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Highland Park police log

Terrnace Foendoe of New Brunswick was arrested and charged by New Brunswick Police for possession of stolen property when they recovered a 1994 Suzuki RF600 motorcycle that had been reported stolen from a Montgomery Street residence on May 28, police said,.

The theft occurred between 11:30 p.m. on May 27 and 8 a.m. May 28. The motorcycle had been dragged 20 feet and loaded into another vehicle. The bike was recovered on May 28 at 10:30 a.m., police said.

Mr. Foendoe was held in New Brunswick pending a hearing in Highland Park Municipal Court, officials said.

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Lancelot Curry, 27, of Fords was arrested and charged with obstructing justice when he gave a false name during a motor vehicle stop at the corner of Woodbridge and Meriland Avenues on May 27 at 11:18 a.m., police said.

Mr. Curry, who was driving a 1997 BMW, was also issued a summons for doing 41 mph in a 25 mph zone and careless driving. He was released on his own recognizance pending a hearing in Highland Park Municipal Court, police said.

HPHS to host dedication ceremony

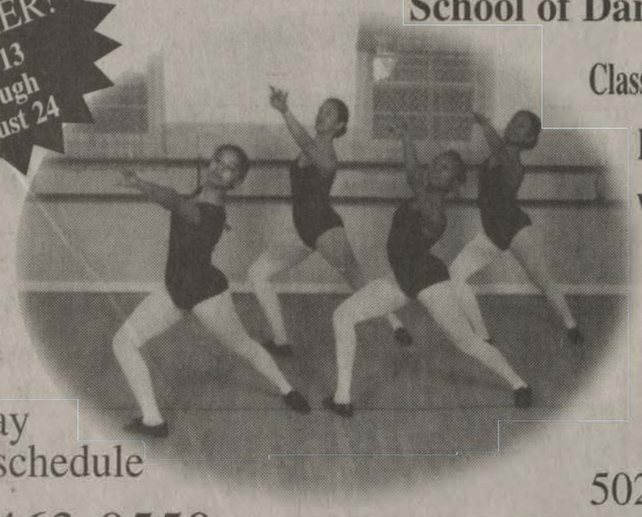
HIGHLAND PARK — A dedication ceremony this weekend will mark the completion of the construction project that expanded the three public schools in the borough.

The public is invited to the ceremony which will begin 4:30 p.m. Sunday in the Highland Park High School dining hall. Highland Park students of all ages will provide entertainment.

Tours of Irving School, Bartle School and HPHS will follow the ceremony.

Funding for the construction came in part through a $15.1 million bond issue approved by borough voters in December 1994.

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Edison officals agree on new PBA contract

By KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

EDISON — Lower starting salaries and modest salary increases have been agreed upon but the police and fire contracts for the years 1996 to 2000 will still cost $3.3 million in retroactive costs and an added $1.2 million in salaries per year.

After two-and-a-half years of negotiations, an arbitrator has come back with a figure both uniform employees and administrators can agree on. The employees will receive a 3.9 percent pay increases yearly for the five-year period but starting pay beginning with employees hired Jan. 1, 1998 will be reduced 17 percent to $27,866 for police and fire fighters.

The new contract also decreases vacation days, bereavement leave and longevity payments, requires stricter reporting on sick days and imposes random drug tests.

The pay increase fares well in comparison to other towns, officials said. Perth Amboy, Woodbridge and Hillsborough have negotiated 4 percent increases and Middlesex County Correctional Officers are seeing 6.5 percent raises.

"The council has been made aware of the numbers and we've been advised by the administration that if we do not go along with this, we'll probably do worse at arbitration," Council President Peter Barnes III said. "Zero percent. That's not possible. Our employees deserve a raise."

Township police and fire employees have not seen a raise since January 1995. Retroactive pay for the first two and a half years of the contract will cost taxpayers some $1.4 million for fire employees and $1.8 million for police officers.

Alan Engel, president of Police Benevolent Association Local 75, called the contract fair for both sides mentioning the entire police department will cost the average tax payer about $160 per year under the new contract.

"It's the best thing money can buy," he said. "We're talking 24 hours a day, seven days a week of being protects."

Eleanore Both spoke against the contracts.

"I have no faith in the arbitrators," she said. "They don't care about the tax payers they just have care for the employees. Three point nine is a little to steep for me."

Edison pays it police and fire employees the fifth highest salaries in the county. The difference between the lowest-paid and the highest-paid is about $5,800.

Little Falls man faces multiple charges in kidnapping, threats

By KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

EDISON — A Little Falls men topped off two months of harassing phone calls by bursting into a former co-workers home, injuring himself and threatening her 12-year-old son with a knife Sunday night, police said.

Anupam Gupta was taken to Middlsex County Adult Corrections Center in North Brunswick on charges of kidnapping, aggravated assaults, making terroristic threats, possession of a weapon for unlawful purposes and burglary, Sgt. Matthew Freeman said. As of Wednesday no bail had been set.

He allegedly called the 40-year-old woman and threatened her a few hours before arriving at the woman's Tower Road home at 11:25 p.m. When the woman refused to let him in, Mr. Gupta, 22, allegedly cut the front door screen, kicked down the back door and confronted the woman in her living room, where she was with her sister and two sons, ages 12 and 15.

Once inside, Mr. Gupta began cutting his own wrists, refusing to stop until he could speak to the woman alone, Sgt. Freeman said. The woman's sister and her two sons, ages 15 and 12, were in the living room with her.

As the sister was trying to get the woman out of the house, Mr. Gupta forced the sister and the 15-year-old son out of the house and locked the door. Meanwhile, the woman's brother had arrived at the scene and was using his cellular phone to call police.

Mr. Gupta saw the brother using the phone and held a 12-inch kitchen knife to the 12-year-old son's neck until the brother gave him the phone. The brother gave up the phone but was able to contact police; Mr. Gupta released the boy but held onto the gun.

The boy was scared but uninjured, Sgt. Freeman said.

Sgt. Joseph Vasta and Officer Robert Leone soon arrived and kicked down the front door to confront Mr. Gupta.

The officers spoke to Mr. Gupta for several minutes before persuading him drop the knife and surrender.

Sgt. Detective Gregory Fromica determined the 40-year-old woman had worked with Mr. Gupta at a Little Fall business. Mr. Gupta had been calling the woman repeatedly since she left the job two months ago. It is uncertain if he had been at her home before.

Mr. Gupta was treated for self-inflicted injuries at JFK Medical Center before being taken to the correctional center, authorities said.

Center offering trip down south

The Metuchen Senior Citizen Center is offering a trip to Atlanta and Chattanooga, Tenn. Oct. 19-25.

The trip will include bus transportation, six nights lodging, six breakfasts (one continental), five dinners, and one dinner cruise.

The trip will feature visits to Duke University Gardens, Stone Mountain, Lookout Mountain, Chattanooga, Rock City and Natural Bridge and a tour of Atlanta.

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Check cashing attempt leads to arrest

A Newark man was charged with forgery and attempted theft after an incident at First Union Bank on Middlesex Avenue Monday morning, Officer Robert Torrisi said.

Matthew Rand, 30, walked into the bank around 11 a.m. and asked to cash a check for $839.44. Bank policy requires non-account holders to place a thumb print on the check and present a driver's license when cashing a check.

Mr. Rand presented his print and a driver's license bearing the name "Robert Coutant," which registered suspect in the bank computer.

The bank teller alerted the manager who subsequently called police to the scene. Upon seeing police officers arrive, Mr. Rand fled and ran into the woods between the bank and JFK Medical Center.

An Edison police officer later apprehended Mr. Rand on James Street in Edison, police said. He was also charged with possession of a fake driver's license, police said.

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Edward Hurtado, 28, of East Chestnut Avenue was charged with possession of a controlled dangerous substance (heroin) and drug paraphernalia and defiant trespassing after an incident on the railroad catwalk behind Metuchen Manor Friday, police said.

He was taken to Middlesex County Adult Correctional Center where he was being held on $5,000 bail.

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Arum Wasserman, 23, of Elizabeth was charged with possession of cocaine with intent to distribute during a motor vehicle stop at the intersection of Main Street and Woodbridge Avenue May 27, police said.

The initial stop was for an unregistered vehicle.

Police noticed a plastic bag when Mr. Wasserman pulled his driver's license out of his pocket. The bag contained five smaller bags filled with suspected cocaine, police said.

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Macsim Ginzberg, 21, of Edison was charged with drunken and careless driving and possession of an open container after an incident in a Central Avenue parking lot Friday, police said. Police saw him drive over a landscape ornament and pulled him over.

Mr. Ginzberg was acting intoxicated and police found an open 1.75 liter of vodka on his front seat, according to police reports.

Metuchen police log

Memorial set for Black

By KAREN BITZ
STAFF WRITER

METUCHEN – A life that touched many will be remembered in a service next weekend.

A Eucharist of Resurrection Memorial Service will celebrate the life of Anthony J. Black 11 a.m. June 13 at St. Luke's Episcopal Church on Middlesex Avenue. All are invited to attend.

Mr. Black's wife, Dianne Tappen is holding the service so her husband's minister, Rev. Zelly, would have the chance to officiate. The Rev. Zelly was on a camping trip at the time of Mr. Black's sudden death last month.

"He was my husband's reverend for 30 years," Ms. Tappen said. "This is how it should be."

Mr. Black died May 17 during the annual bicycle tour of Edison. He collapsed during a brief rest at Dudash Park on May Street and, although, nearby police official rushed to perform cardiopulmonary resuscitation, he died at JFK Medical Center that afternoon.

He was 64.

During his stay in Metuchen, Mr. Black, began playing soccer as a youth in England and Scotland where he lived during World War II, was a pioneer in Metuchen-Edison youth soccer leagues with which he worked for 30 years until his death. In the early 1970s he was instrumental in starting girls and boys soccer programs at Metuchen High School.

"He said there was nobody to pay soccer with so he created some players," Ms. Tappen said.

Ms. Tappen said friends and colleagues of her husband will be able to speak about her husband at the memorial service.

Donations in memory of Mr. Black can be made to the Metuchen Public Library.

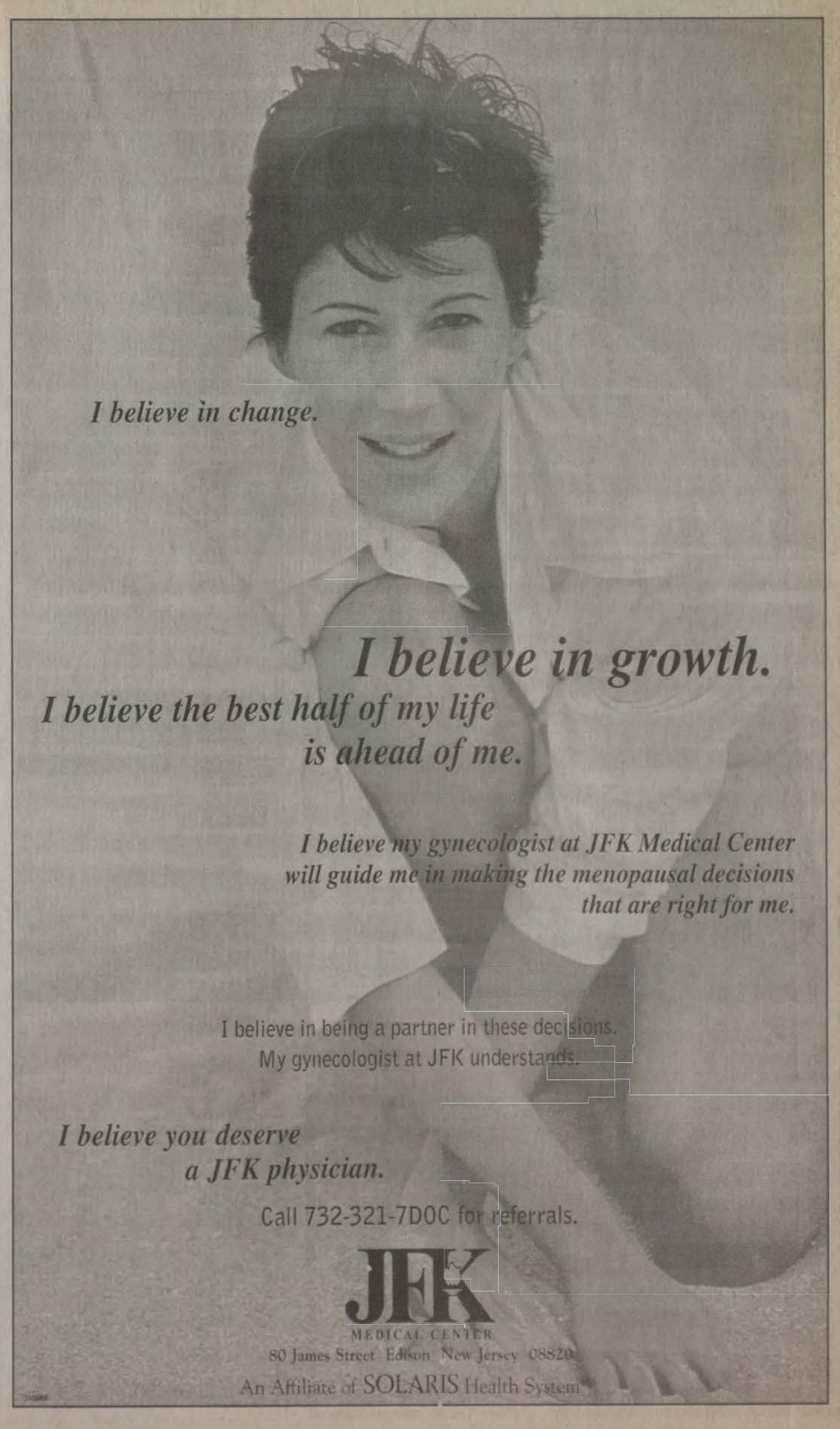
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County to host joint Fourth of July party

Middlesex County officials are planning the first joint sponsored waterfront Fourth of July celebration.

The event will feature live, musical entertainment on both sides of the Raritan River and a fireworks extravaganza after dark.

Highland Park Mayor H. James Polos, who is also a Middlesex County Freeholder, and New Brunswick Mayor Jim Cahill announced plans for the celebration last week.

PNC Bank, New Brunswick tomorrow, Summit Bank and potentially, First Union Bank are the corporate sponsors of the event.

"We hope this will become an annual tradition for families in New Brunswick and Highland Park," Mayor Polos said. "Our program is a celebration of our American heritage, but it is also a celebration of community and neighbors. It's very appropriate that we share the event with our neighbors on both sides of the Raritan."

The fireworks display will begin about 9 p.m. and is expected to last about thirty minutes. The fireworks are being provided by Garden State Fireworks and sponsored by PNC Bank. They will be launched from Marty's Marina in Highland Park to give spectators on both banks an extraordinary view.

The celebration on the New Brunswick side of the river will begin at 7:30 p.m. at Boyd Park. The New Brunswick Chamber Orchestra, sponsored by New Brunswick Tomorrow, will perform a concert and will provide the musical accompaniment for the fireworks display.

In Highland Park, entertainment begins 7 p.m. in Donaldson Park. The evening will begin with musical entertainment and an antique car show. Entertainment is being sponsored by Summit Bank and by CoreStates Bank.

"We've planned an event that highlights the very best of our communities," said Highland Park Councilwoman Nancy Wolf, co-chair of the event. "We are inviting everyone to bring picnic baskets and lawn chairs for a relaxing and family-oriented celebration."

Admission and parking at Boyd Park and Donaldson Park will be free.

Sign up now for music program

The children's department of the Edison Public Library will hold registration for a Kindermusick program which will be presented by township resident Michelle Labieniec.

The program is open to children ages 2-4 and their parents and/or caregivers.

Registration may be done in person or by the telephone.

* 1:30 p.m. June 6 at Main Library, 340 Plainfield Ave., (732) 287-2351.
* 1:30 p.m. July 7 at North Edison Library, 777 Grove Ave., (732) 548-47-59.
* 1:30 p.m. July 9 at Clara Barton Library, 141 Hoover Ave., (732) 738-0748.

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All Edison children in preschool-fifth grade are invited to help Baby Rattlesnack find the rattle he lost in the library.

Entry ballots are now available at the children's room circulation desks and the contest ends June 30. The contest is based on the story of the same title and will be held at all library branches. For more information, call (732) 287-2351, ext. 3.

Use hypnosis to stop smoking

EDISON — Two programs Wednesday at Middlesex County College will use hypnosis to help people stop smoking and lose weight. The stop-smoking program will run 6:30-8 p.m. and the weight loss program will run 8-9:30 p.m. Barry Wolfson, from the Hypnosis Counseling Center in Flemington, will run both programs. Cost for each program is $38. Registration is required; call Marilyn Kirby at (732) 906-7740.

School seeks crafters for craft fair

METUCHEN — Crafters are wanted for the annual craft fair of St. Francis Cathedral School.

The craft fair will be Nov. 7 in the school's CYO building, which has no stairs. For more information, call Ann at (732) 494-4547.

Religion

The Sisterhood of **Temple Neve Shalom**, 250 Grove Ave., Metuchen, will hold a breakfast meeting 10 a.m. Sunday with Rabbi Gerald Zelizer as guest speaker.

Prospective members are welcome. For more information, call (732) 548-2238.

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Congregation Etz Ahaim, 230 Dennison St., Highland Park, is holding a "Friend Day" service 8:45 a.m. Saturday, June 13.

Members are asked to bring at least one friend. The Sephardic service includes prayers in Ladino, a language that combines elements of Hebrew and old Spanish. Etz Ahaim is the only Sephardic synagogue in Middlesex County.

All people in the Jewish community are invited. A Sabbath luncheon will follow the service.

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The Jewish Federation of Greater Middlesex County will hold its meeting 8:30 p.m. Monday, June 15 at the **Highland Park Conservative Temple and Center**, 201 S. Third Ave. For more information, call (732) 432-7711.

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Commentary

Let's keep children safe this summer

June is here which means the end of another school year, graduations and summer fun for all.

Most students, who are old enough, will spend the next few months working, hanging out with friends and preparing for college.

Other students, who are too young to hold a part-time job, will have plenty of free time for swimming, hanging out with their friends, attending summer camp, or vacationing with their family.

All too often we hear of children who are hurt or even die as the result of accidents. The accidents are sometimes caused by carelessness or just because they are bored or because no one was keeping a watchful eye on them.

We know it's difficult for working parents to plan and monitor their child's activities all day during the summer, but let's hope they take advantage of all the summer programs our communities offer.

Those programs include day camps, reading programs, and day trips. These activities are sponsored by our local recreation centers, the YMCA and the schools.

Let's hope parents take extra steps to ensure their child's safety during the summer months.

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OFT TOLD TALES



By Gary Introne

The craziness of mass media

The tenor of life has changed to such a degree that I have difficulty any more sorting it out. There used to be a time when the variables and inconsistencies of life as we know it did not exist. The line and list of each and every item that went into the makeup of a town's place and presence was so secure and self-evident that there was little doubt about where things stood. A pecking order of sorts existed, one in which people knew, by common belief and credo, what values and places various individuals and activities represented. Life was, perhaps, as secure as a church bell ringing in the glade, or the sure-footed scattering of the geese and ducks in the field. An agrarian and bucolic underpinning yet existed beneath life and community. Home and hearth yet bore the fullness of those beliefs.

In the common parlor of living back then, even the measured tones of Franklin Roosevelt soothed. The radio voice that came across the room carried its stentorian messages of problems and uncertainties, of bad times and understanding. Deep in the midst of a gloomy preoccupation with seemingly ordained hardships, people sought answers and solutions as best as they could. They undertook, each, their own singular solutions — and they listened to the radio voice of a president whose then strikingly novel message was to "pull together" and communalize the common good for the benefit of all. Nowadays it is easy for us to gloss over and ignore how daring such a solution then must have seemed. The growling and contempt of so many grandparents back then had to do with this interloper deigning to meddle in their lives.

By contrast, in today's world a communalization of belief and attitude has occurred that is so overwhelming as to be ignored. It has become common — through mass media, presidential televised appearances, huge media events, advertising — to become caught up in the intended societal upheaval which is swirling all around us. It has become common but, alas, I feel, still wrong and misdirected and off-center. Once the only V that people knew was the "V for victory" effort of Churchill and all those millions of others whose wartime pursuits were aimed to saving the world and perfecting the spirit. Now, sadly, we and our children are more precisely aware of the V in V-chip — a means sought out to control the crudities and blasphemies and untruths bandied about in the media (our new secular church). Our vaster electronic world is now composed of the figments and degrees of anarchy and contempt for values which would have never been tolerated before. A facade of religiosity and false rightness is cast over everything, all in the name of diversity. People are not asked — they just accept. This world has been transformed around us so deliriously that, even now, I am probably the culprit and not the preacher by just saying these things and bringing up for discussion such items.

I still seek a clean and pristine world, one which embodies the spirit and ethos of those older days, now long gone by, which we are being deigned to forget about by the new, ever-tolerant, mass man. I want out.

JFVS to mark 18th anniversary

The Jewish Family and Vocational Service will hold "A Celebration of Life" June 14 at the Martinsville Inn in Bridgewater to mark the agency's 18th anniversary.

Scheduled to be honored are a number of people who have been involved with the agency: are Paul Berman, Sherrill Bressman, Julius Feinson, Rhoda and Jerry Grossman, Beverly Jacobson, Linda Goldberger, Re and Steve Kaplan, Mark Mandell, Evelyn Nebel, Adele Oppenheim, Len Roseman, Rhoda Rosenblatt, Elliot and Sandra Rudnitzky, Frumet Sachs, Linda Shear, Irene Stolzenberg, Mabel Street, Roberta and Burt Sutker.

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Letters to the editor

All invited to join commission

To The Editor:

I want to invite you to join the newly established Metuchen Centennial Commission which will hold its first meeting on June 11 at 8 p.m. in the Metuchen Public Library.

The Centennial Organizing Committee was established almost a year ago to develop a citizens group in order to evolve a program for Metuchen's centennial celebration in the year 2000. It was determined that the group should be an arm of borough government. To this end, Mayor O'Brien and the Borough Council have seen fit to establish the Metuchen Centennial Commission.

The Centennial Organizing Committee has developed a proposal for an organizational framework and a list of possible activities to be held in celebration of our 100th birthday. This information will be part of the report that will be presented for consideration by the general membership at the meeting on June 11.

The following people have already made a commitment to the Metuchen Centennial Commission: Reidun Anderson, Eric Berger, Robert Beringer, Rick Bertheaud, Phyllis Boeddinghaus, Eleanor Brennan, Pam Brown, Barbara Buono, Chris Crane, Harriet Derman, Rich Desimone, Charles Eisenstein, Claire Eisenstein, Peggy Farrell, Robert Fla'herty, Stephanie Gibbons, Richard Hale, Carolyn Hamming, Estelle Hassenberg, Elias Holtzman, Marcia Holtzman, Michael Hronich, Cecil Jackson, Marty Jessen, David Katz, Rose Kermendy, Melody Kokola, Gene Lepre, Katherine Liseno, Peter Loewy, Ed Logue, Tom Lombardi, Bill Lovett, S. Elliott Mayo, William McDuffie, Suzanne Colitre Nann, Edmund O'Brien, Ronald Owens, Marcia Pennyfeather, Harry Pozycki, Marion Price, Michelle Pryslak, Susan Reeves, Len Roseman, Marcia Salton, Fred Schmitt, Betsy Robin Schwartz, Grace Shackney, Judy Steinhardt, Ralph Steinhardt, Gus Thompson, Kive Weinstein, John Wiley.

We hope you will join the commission and add your name to the growing list of citizens who, in the tradition of our community, are volunteering their skills, talent and time to make Metuchen's centennial celebration a success. We look forward to greeting you at the inaugural meeting of the Metuchen Centennial Commission on June 11 at 8 p.m. in the Metuchen Public Library.

DON WERNIK
Centennial Organizing Committee
Metuchen

Safety busing is needed for students

To The Editor:

In municipalities across our state, young school children are being forced to walk along hazardous routes, risking injury simply to get to school.

State law allows school districts to transport students to and from school based on the distance between their home and the school — at least two miles for elementary students and two and one half miles for secondary students. Unfortunately, no distinction is made for the safety of the route.

In the past, some school districts have accommondated those students who live too close to school but are forced to walk along hazardous routes. Since these costs are not state mandated, districts have been constrained to fund this practice without exceeding the state's permissible budget cap.

Our state failed to make "safety busing" a part of the education funding discussion recently but other options exist to alleviate this growing problem.

We have introduced legistration which would comprehensively address the safety busing situation. Our bill, A-610, would direct the Education and Transportation Departments, in conjuction with municipalities, to develop uniform statewide criteria for defining "hazardous routes." The state would then reimburse school district for 100 percent of the costs associated with transporting students along these routes.

Our legislation would also address the root cause of this problem, the safety of our roads, by requiring municipalties to place the highest priority on projects aimed at correcting these hazards, or lose state fundiing for other transportation efforts.

The hardest part of a child's day ar school should be math or science class, not getting there. A statewide solution to the problem of safety busing is needed now, before another child is placed in harm's way.

BARBARA BUONO
PETER J. BARNES JR.
The writters serve in the state Assembly

We need to protect air quality

To The Editor:

New Jersey has a serious problem, that needs attention. Pollution!

The air quality in New Jersey is the second worst in the nation. Gov. (Christie) Whitman and the Assembly have the opportunity to protect our health and environment as they write energy policies for our state. I urge them to ensure that New Jersey customers only buy electricity from the power plants that meet modern pollution standards. New Jersey should also invest in energy efficiency programs and renewable energy programs to reduce energy consumption and encourage sustainable energy production.

Problems related to the lack of clean air and clean power are already visible. Studies at Rutgers University show that between 1982 and 1994, the number of children with asthma increased 72 percent.

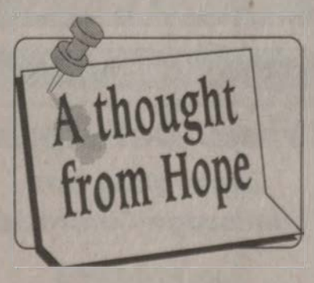
Since 1980, the number of people dying from asthma each year has doubled. Also, the number of infant deaths from respiratory illness increase 40 percent in areas of high pollution.

Our representatives must put public health in first place when you craft the energy policies for New Jersey. We must do something now, we cannot wait to take action, otherwise we may face the extinction of the human race. By then it will be too late to correct all the wrong that has been done. Together we can save the future of our race and give our next generation a chance to enjoy all the things we have.

MOHAMMAD ALI SHA
Edison

Do you know where your children are?

By HOPE BLEECHER SASS



It's 10 p.m. Do you know where your children are?

That's a nightly question from channel 5, and it should be a question at every household. But I am not trying to be an alarmist, just practical and concerned. Parents and caretakers need to be responsible for the where youngsters are from birth through adulthood, and that might not be an easy task, although it is a necessary one.

Knowing where a person is doesn't mean never letting that person out of sight. The fear of a child being kidnapped is so overwhelming that the child isn't allowed to play outside. I have taught children like this. The parents mean well but the kids suffer in a different way. These children don't know their neighbors, might not know how to ride a bicycle, play running base or hopscotch and how to socialize with others.

As the nice weather approaches, let's use it to go outside and explore. Yes, keep an eye on the children; even adolescents need to be supervised and accountable for what they are doing. But, allow for some time to swing at the park, wave to passerby's and enjoy activities away from computers and televisions. Before or after the homework is done, talk, explore, enjoy a bit of freedom, but know where your children are. And while you're at it, you can keep an eye on your neighborhood who lives where, who to greet and yea, keep an eye out for strangers.

We'll keep each other safe.

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AARP Chapter 3446

The installation dinner will be at noon Monday, June 15 at the Victorian Manor, 2863 Woodbridge Ave., instead of the general meeting. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Trips planned by the AARP chapter are Sept. 7-11, Rocking Horse Ranch in New York; and Sept. 16, country and Western hoedown in the Poconos with Mickey Barnett and other acts. All trips leave from the Our Lady of Peace annex in Fords. For more information, call Helen Rader at (732) 738-7411.

Learning Through Life

Registration is being accepted for two "Learning through Life" trips sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County:

Tuesday, June 16 (new date) — Guided walking tour of "Jewish Revolutionary New York." Includes ferry from Port Liberty to Wall Street; also lunch at Second Avenue Deli.

Bus will leave 8:15 a.m. from JCC, 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison, and return 3 p.m. Cost is $50 for members and $55 for non-members; seating is limited. Deadline for registration is June 8.

Wednesday, July 8 — Guided tour of Kykuit, the Rockefeller mansion, and the Union Church of Pocantico Hills, N.Y. Includes box lunch at Philipsburg Manor. Bus will leave 9 a.m. from JCC and return 5 p.m. Cost is $50 for members and $55 for non-members; seating is limited. Deadline for registration is June 12.

For registration, call Sue Horwitz at (732) 494-3232.

JCC Senior Adult Club

Activities for the Senior Adult Club at the Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County, 1775 Oak Tree Road:

Thursday, June 18 — Luncheon plus entertainment with Norman Leder, noon. Cost is $1.75 for members and $3 for non-members. Registration is required.

For more information or reservations, call (732) 494-3232.

JFK Advantage

Activities sponsored by the Advantage program of JFK Medical Center:

Thursday, June 11 — Lunch at Hofbrauhaus, Atlantic Highlands, followed by cruise on Navesink River and Sandy Hook Bay.

Cost $42. Bus will leave 9:45 a.m. from JFK Medical Center, 65 James St., Edison.

June 19-23 — Vacation in Montreal and Quebec City.

For membership information and program registration, call (800) 222-3116.

Highland Park National Council of Senior Citizens

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Senior Citizens Club

The club meets 1 p.m. the first and third Monday of the month at the Senior/Youth Center, 220 S. Sixth Ave. Birthdays are celebrated the third Monday.

Bingo is 1 p.m. the second and fourth Monday of the month at the Senior/Youth Center.

Senior/Youth Center

The Senior/Youth Center, 220 S. Sixth Ave., is open 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m. Monday-Friday, 11 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Saturday, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday.

Anyone 60 or older is welcome.

For more information, call (732) 819-0052.

James Smith featured in law reference

Metuchen resident James B. Smith is listed in "Who's Who in American Law 1998-1999."

To be selected for inclusion, candidates must have held a position of responsibility or have attained a significant achievement in their field. Mr. Smith is a former municipal court judge and U.S. Army trial judge.

He is currently serving as Metuchen's School Board Attorney and has served as president of the Middlesex County Bar Association and president of the Middlesex County Municipal Judges' Association.

He maintains a private law practice in Metuchen. Who's Who in American Law, published by Marquis Who's Who, is recognized as the premier reference guide to the most important names in today's legal community. Nearly 21,000 notables are profiled in the 10th Edition.

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Singer to perform show tunes

The Friends of the Edison Public Library will sponsor a musical evening 7 p.m. Wednesday at the North Edison branch library, 777 Grove Ave.

Ellen Young, soprano, will sing works of Rodgers and Hammerstein with accompaniment by Carol Binkowski, piano.

Library to highlight gardening this month

The Edison Garden Club will feature a display at the Edison Public Library during June.

The exhibit is in honor of National Gardening Week and will highlight gardening books and dolls, posters and drawings of sample gardens. The library is at 340 Plainfield Ave.

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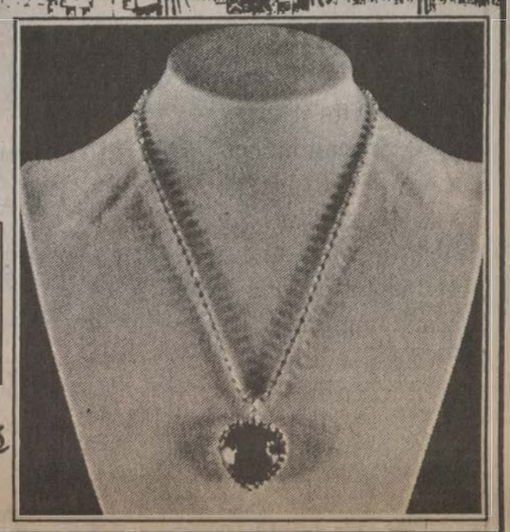
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Community Life

Mrs. Steingart wants to be Mrs. New Jersey

By CRAIG TURPIN
STAFF WRITER

SOUTH PLAINFIELD – It's not all about beauty.

That's what borough resident Karen Steingart, 34, will tell you about a modern day beauty pageant. A veteran of two beauty pageants, Mrs. Steingart is entering her third year as Mrs. South Plainfield.

"People think pageants are about beauty and looking good and big hair and all that, but, it's more than that," Mrs. Steingart said. "Many women are more beautiful on the inside. We have doctors and ministers in this pageant. For most of us this is a vehicle to do other things in life."

Mrs. Steingart, a resident of the borough for 10 years, will participate in the Mrs. New Jersey International Pageant Sunday at the Hyatt Regency in New Brunswick.

"The pageant is really nice for married women because it showcases our achievements and accomplishments," Mrs. Steingart said.

Aside from working two part-time jobs and volunteer work, Mrs. Steingart has four children; Sam, 4, Lauren, 16, Jason, 18, and Adam, 20.

Mrs. Steingart said her husband of nine years, Simon, has been very supportive of her competing.

Although in the 1990s marriage is more involved because many households have both parents working, Mrs. Steingart said she doesn't feel marriage is harder than it used to be.

"It's more responsibility," Mrs. Steingart said. "Now every household needs two incomes. The challenges that go along with a marriage is harder. It's also more difficult finding time for yourself in addition to finding time for your children and husband.

"It's all about working together to make a marriage strong. Every marriage has its ups and downs. You can't be selfish in a marriage."

Mrs. Steingart first learned about the Mrs. New Jersey pageant in 1996 when she heard an advertisement for it on the radio. In her first year competing she placed 13th out of more than 40 women. Last year she was in the top 10. This years competition will have 25 participants.

"I just decided to do it because I wanted to try something different," Mrs. Steingart said. "I can use the pageant as a vehicle to attain other goals in life.



KAREN STEINGART

Something keeps me coming back to the pageant.

"I've gotten better at expressing myself. I was able to use my title to better myself and to the community, to show people I really cared. Every time I do (the pageant) I do better. That's what keeps me going back."

The pageant fosters some basic family values. For example, it focuses on marriage, family commitment and community involvement.

This year a major goal she wanted to accomplish was to use her title to foster a charity to help children. What she champions through her efforts as Mrs. South Plainfield is the Everybody Wins program, a one-on-one reading program for second and third grade children. Once a week Mrs. Steingart goes to Plainfield where she has lunch and reads a book with a student.

Through the course of working with the student, Mrs. Steingart has seen a change in his attitude.

"I've seen him really starting to talk more about what we're reading about," Mrs. Steingart said. "He's opening up. He has this really proud look about him, more than he did when we started, now that he's doing this.

My intention is to really get people to learn about the program. When I told (Everybody Wins) I was going to be participating in this competition and they would be my platform they were just thrilled."

The pageant, which is split into three phases, begins Friday night. Saturday will be an interview portion of the competition and Sunday night will be the competition including an aerobic wear competition (replacing the swimsuit competition) and an evening gown competition.

"The husband walks out during the evening gown portion," Mrs. Steingart said. "Because this is all about marriage they want the husbands to be involved too."

After this the top 10 finalists will be called back to compete again, including the chance to answer a question about an issue or cause they are championing. From these 10 finalists, a group of top five are chosen. From this small group a winner is crowned and she will be able to go to Texas to compete in the national finals. The future Mrs. USA will then be able to go to South Africa to compete in the international finals this year.

To compete at the pageant Mrs. Steingart had to get sponsors and raise money for the Special Olympics. Her sponsors include Peter Pan Pharmacy in South Plainfield, Unique Touch Skin Care of Piscataway, The Spa at Piscataway, Sara's Boutique in Branchburg and THUL Machine Works in Plainfield.

Officials thank vo-tech students with a barbecue

By CRAIG TURPIN
STAFF WRITER

It was perfect barbecue weather.

Dark suited officials mingled with high school students dressed in baggy jeans and T-shirt's under a yellow tent next to the old railroad car that has a fresh coat of white paint.

Those gathered may have been from different worlds, but, these groups, joined by local business leaders, had come together, united in what has been a year long project to restore an old, dilapidating railroad car that will someday house the borough's first historic museum.

On May 28 students from the Middlesex County Vocational-Technical High School in Piscataway, who worked on the car assembled, joined together with the business and community leaders to celebrate the end of a long school year spent restoring the railroad car and to thank the students for their hard work.

The luncheon was sponsored by the South Plainfield Business Association.

Vo-Tech Junior Ryan Hoffman of Piscataway said when he started on the railroad car there were long hours of tedious work spent before some of the more exciting jobs on the restoration began.

"It was all boarded up," he said.

"There were no windows and we were stuck inside, we stained the inside and fixed up the trim."

Mr. Hoffman said he was proud to see the way the car has turned out, even if its still not done yet.

"I've never worked on anything like this," Mr. Hoffman said.

"This has been an experience."

He said he plans to come back next year to continue to work on the project.

"When the car first came down I didn't think you could do it," Mayor Daniel Gallagher told the students.

"Now I look at this and see what you've accomplished. I know that those of you who are not seniors will be back next year. I've got your names and I know where you live so you'd better come back and finish the job."

John Ujobai, a carpenter teacher who supervised the students, said he plans to continue this for two more years if needed.

Councilman Vincent Buttiglieri said he was in disbelief when he saw the car for the first time.

"I kept thinking how are we going to do this," Mr. Buttiglieri said.

"The students have done such a good job. The business association worked hard on this. This project was a combination of the mayor and the business district. It was a good partnership."

Former Councilwoman Mary Anne Kochut stood inside the railroad car for the first time on May 28.

"This is the first time I've been inside the car," she said.



RANDALL MILLER/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Vo-tech students pose inside the railroad car that they helped refurbish during the school year.

"I saw it the first time they brought it down but I knew it's going to be great. They did a great job cleaning it up."

Students from the vocational and technical school have been working since last fall to restore the old car.

Last fall it was full of junk, had no windows and was rusting away.

During the past school year the students have cleaned the inside and out, have installed new windows and painted.



Honoring teachers

Seven teachers were recently honored as winners in the 1997-98 Governor's Teacher Recognition Program. The teachers are (seated, left to right) Sharon Perez, Roosevelt School; Joan Wysochansky, John F. Kennedy; Janet Errico, Grant; Victoria Molnar, Franklin. (standing, left to right) William Nothnagel, John E. Riley; Donald Panzarella, middle school; Michael English, high school; Lillian A. DeSimon, assistant superintendent of schools.

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Piscataway Tri-County Senior Citizens

The Tri-County Senior Citizens Center is at 450 New Market Road, Piscataway.

Anyone 55 and older is welcome.

Activities take place at the center unless otherwise noted.

For information, call (732) 752-1142.

Activities for the Tri-County Senior Citizens:

Monday – Bowling at Strike N' Spare Lanes, Green Brook, 1 p.m.

The cost is $5 for 3 games and shoe rental.

Tuesdays – Fashion painting, 10 a.m.

Cards and bridge, 12:30 p.m.

Pinochle, 12:45 p.m.

Mah-jongg, 1 p.m.

Thursdays – Arts and crafts, 10 a.m.

Wood carving, 10 a.m.

Fridays – Line dancing, 10 a.m.; call (908) 756-1747.

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Jeanie Olsson weds Eric Schuhrer

Jeanie Patricia Olsson exchanged wedding vows with Eric Alois Schuhrer Feb. 14, 1998 at Sacred Heart Chuch in South Plainfield.

Jeanie is the daughter of George and Sheila Olsson of South Plainfield and Eric is the son of Alois and Anna Schuhrer of Edison.

The bride was given away in marriage by her father. Father Anthony Dandry officiated the Roman Catholic ceremony.

The reception was at Shadow Brook in Shrewsbury.

The bride wore a raw silk gown, adorn with raw silk buttons down the back of the dress. The neckline and sleeves were trimmed in white fox fur. The bride wore a chapel length train with a an Austrian crystal crown.

The bride carried a bouquet of white roses, gardenias and ivy with white stephonotis.

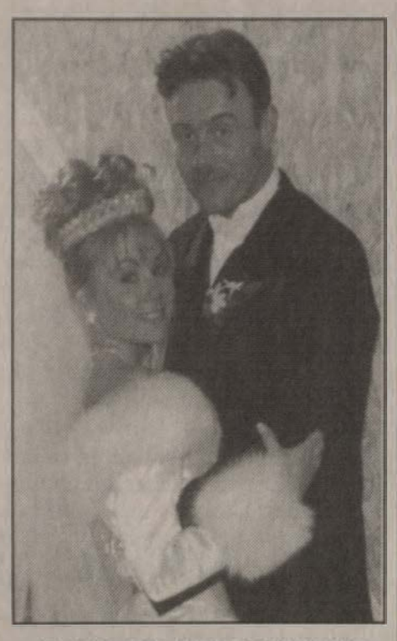
The maid of honor was Jennifer Olsson of South Plainfield, sister of the bride. She wore a two-piece gown with a raw silk top and a full-length wine colored velvet skirt.She carried a bouquet of burgandy roses, fuscia snapdragons and ivy.

The bridesmaids were Paula Lando of Staten Island, N.Y., sister of the bride; Eileen Oldroyd of Dunellen, sister of the bride; Chris Menrella of Scotch Plains, the bridegroom's sister; Mary Jo Schuhrer of Edison, the bridegroom's sister-in-law; Kaitly Gregory of South Plainfield, a friend of the bride; Lee Ann Gregory of South Plainfield, a friend of the bride; Jennifer Rodriguez of Jackson, friend of the bride.

The flower girl was Sandy Mehring of Germany, the bride's cousin. She wore a white satin gown, trimmed in fox fur, with a matching cape.

The bestman was Gary Schuhrer of Edison, brother of the bridegroom.

The ushers were Mike Lando of Staten Island, N.Y., the bride's brother-in-law; Kevin Oldroyd of Dunellen, the bride's brother-in-law; Frank Mennella of Scotch Plains, the bridegroom's brother-in-law; Larry Menrella of Scotch Plains, the bridegroom's nephew; Al Mennella of Scotch Plains, a nephew; Joey Schuhrer of Edison, a nephew; Mikey Schuhrer of Edison, a nephew; Mike Collins of Edison, a friend.



JEANIE AND ERIC SCHUHRER

The ring bearer was Frankie Mennella of Scotch Plains, nephew of the bridegroom.

The couple took a honeymoon cruise to San Juan, Puerto Rico, St Croix and St. Thomas.

The bride is a graduate of St. Pius in Piscataway and attended Capri Cosmotology School for Hair Design.

She is a hair designer at Hair Company in Highland Park.

The bridegroom is a graduate of J.P. Stevens High School in Edison and is continuing his education in trade school for mechanical engineering.

He is employed at Barclay and Brand in South Plainfield.

The couple will reside in Piscataway.

Christina DeCicco weds James Capriotti

Christina DeCicco exchanged wedding vows with James Capriotti Oct. 25, 1997 in New York. The bride is the daughter of Frank and Nancy DeCicco of New York. The bridegroom is the son of John and Florence Capriotti of Edison.

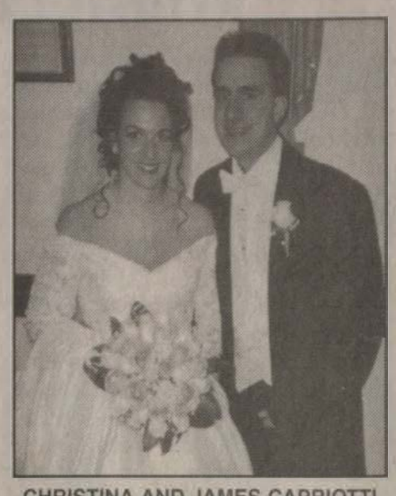
The wedding Mass took place at St. Augustine's Church in New York with Father James Hynes officiating. Nancy Harle was the soloist. The bride was given away in marriage by her father.

The reception was at The Park Savoy in Florham Park.

The bride wore a Victorian style silk, off the shoulder gown, with long sleeves. The dress featured a long train and a large bustle. The waist long veil had an unfinished end with a small floral piece.

The maid of honor was Stephanie DeCicco of New York, sister of the bride. She wore a wine colored dress with an empire waist and a crushed velvet top with a satin bottom.

The bridesmaids were Diana DeCicco of White Plains, N.Y., the bride's cousin; Lisa Schneit of New York, the bride's friend; Michelle Interdonati of East Meadow, N.Y., the bride's friend; Laura Fishman of Plainview, N.Y., the bride's friend; Susan Capriotti of Pittsburgh, the bridegroom's sister; Karen Capriotti of Edison, the bridegroom's sister; Lori Lederman of New York, the bride's friend; and Nicole Pilla of Tampa, Fla., the bride's friend.



CHRISTINA AND JAMES CAPRIOTTI

The bestman was John Capriotti of Cherry Hill, the bridegroom's brother. The ushers were Jeff Daly of Woodbridge, the bridegroom's friend; Richard Foster of Piscataway, the bridegroom's friend; Paul Campos of Edison, the bridegroom's friend; and Frank D. DeCicco of New York, the bride's brother.

The couple spent their honeymoon in Maui, Hawaii.

The bride is a graduate of Clarkstown South High School and St. Joseph's University. She is the director of systems for DeCicco Food Corp.

The bridegroom is a graduate of St. Joseph's High School and St. Joseph's University. He is a manager of C-town Supermarkets.

The couple will live in Congers, N.Y.

Stephanie Anderson weds Mohamed Abdel in Egypt

Stephanie R. Anderson, the daughter of Anne and the late Richard James Anderson of Edison was married Feb. 2, 1998 to Mohamed Raafat Abdel Aziem Ahmed of Minia, Egypt.

The bridegroom is the son of Raafat Abdel Aziem Ahmed and Hossneya Mohamed of Egypt.

The wedding took place in Cairo, Egypt. A wedding reception was held at The Westwood in Garwood May 22.

The bride is a graduate of Stockton State College and is the accounts manager of Personal Education Music Service in Garwood. The bridegroom is a graduate of Minia University and is employed by Viking Travel in Luxor, Egypt. The couple will live in Egypt and Cranford.

Jody Lee Sorrentino engaged to marry Joseph Jackson

JoAnn Sorrentino of Middlesex and Ralph J. Sorrentino of Hillsborough have announced the engagement of their daughter Jody Lee Sorrentino to Joseph W. Jackson, son of Patricia Jackson of Florida and the late Ralph Jackson of Liberty Corner.

The future bride is a graduate of Piscataway High School. She is employed with Priority Medical Care in Bridgewater.

Her fiance, a graduate of Dunellen High School, is employed with Gabriel Tire of Scotch Plains.

A fall 1999 wedding is planned.

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Obituaries

Michael E. Finnerty

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Michael E. Finnerty, 45, died May 27, 1998 at the Hunterdon Care Center in Flemington. A sales engineer, he designed printing machines for Quad Tech of Somerset.

Mr. Finnerty was born in Margaretville, N.Y., and lived in South Plainfield before moving to High Bridge in 1977. He had resided in Pittstown since 1991.

He graduated from Salem College in 1975 and coached youth soccer in Kingwood. Mr. Finnerty was a member of the Technical Committee and booster club at Delaware Valley Regional High School, in Frenchtown, and Epsilon Tau Tau fraternity at Salem College. He was a parishioner of St. Catherine's Roman Catholic Church in Pittstown.

Surviving are his wife of 22 years, Joyce Ogonowski Finnerty; a son, Michael Jr., and a daughter, Corinne, both at home; his father, Joseph of South Plainfield; two brothers, William of South Plainfield and Joseph of Spotswood; and many nieces, nephews and cousins.

Services were held Saturday at the Douglas D. Martin Funeral Home in Clinton. Burial was in Musconetcong Valley Cemetery, Hampton. Memorial contributions may be made to the Finnerty Children's Education Trust Fund, c/o First Union Bank, Route 173 and Bank Street, Clinton, N.J. 08809.

Peter Furmick

EDISON — Peter Furmick, 77, died May 30, 1998 at the Birchwood Nursing and Convalescent Center. He once owned a number of taverns in Edison and New Brunswick.

A native of Rossiter, Pa., he lived in New Brunswick before moving to Edison.

Mr. Furmick also was a master machinist with Johnson & Johnson at its New Brunswick plant and with Westinghouse Corp. at its former Edison plant. He served in the Army during World War II and was a member of the Disabled American Veterans.

Surviving are two sons, Peter R. of Lexington, Va., and Thomas of Jamesburg; three daughters, Gail Gibbs of Canton, Ga., Janice Chavis of Apopka, Fla., and Lois Bockman of Jackson; a brother, Samuel of Milltown; three sisters, Rose DeSalvo of New Brunswick, Grace Leppert and Genevieve Calapa, both of Somerset; and nine grandchildren.Services were held Tuesday at the Gleason Funeral Home in Somerset.

Garry C. Mundy

METUCHEN — Garry C. Mundy, 43, died May 30, 1998 at JFK Medical Center in Edison. He had been a construction worker for 2 1/2 years with the LJD Construction Co. of Metuchen.

A lifelong Metuchen resident, Mr. Mundy was a member of the Sunrise Field and Stream Club as well as the Loyal Order of Moose lodge in Toms River. He served in the Army during peacetime and was a parishioner of St. Luke's Episcopal Church.

Surviving are his wife, Kathleen Breen Mundy; two sons, Todd and Jesse, and two daughters, Ashley and Melissa, all at home; his mother, Vivian Latham Mundy of Toms River; a brother, Ross of Metuchen; and two sisters, Doris Lund of Florida and Margaret Wells of Edison.

His father, Ross, and another sister, Carol Bruno, are deceased.

Services were held Tuesday at the Costello-Runyon Funeral Home.

Lucille Panick

EDISON — Lucille L. Panick, 54, died May 29, 1998 at JFK Medical Center. She joined Herman's World of Sporting Goods in 1980 and was a scanner at its Carteret warehouse when she retired in 1995.

Mrs. Panick was born in Brooklyn and lived in Perth Amboy before moving to Edison in 1994. She was a member of Loyal Order of Moose Lodge 1360 and a parishioner of Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, both in Perth Amboy.

Her father, Charles Kirchgessner, is deceased. Surviving are her husband, Ronald; a son, Hector Jones of Fords; her mother, Marie Kirchgessner of Jersey City; a sister, Joan Marie Aubrey of Bridgeport, Ohio; a brother, Thomas Williamson of Matamoras, Pa.; and a grandchild.

Services were held Monday at the Flynn & Son Funeral Home in Fords. Burial was in Holy Trinity Cemetery, Hopelawn.

William D. Kistler

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — William D. Kistler, 76, died May 30, 1998 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield. He had been vice president of the Association of National Advertisers, a trade organization. A native of Wilkes-Barre, Pa., he lived in East Orange and Newark before moving to South Plainfield in 1951.

Mr. Kistler joined the association in 1951 and worked at its Manhattan office until his retirement in 1985. He received a bachelor's degree from Colgate University in 1943 and a master of business administration degree from the Harvard University business school in 1947.

He was a Sunday school teacher, usher for services and member of the finance committee at the Covenant United Methodist Church in Plainfield.

Surviving are his wife, Helen Oliver Kistler; a son, Kenneth of Stanfordville, N.Y.; a daughter, Carol Levandowski of Pennington; a brother, Dr. David Walter Kistler of Wilkes-Barre; a sister, Florence Reynolds of Wilmington, Del.; and four grandchildren.

Another daughter, Barbara Clark, died in 1996.

Services were held Tuesday at the McCriskin Home for Funerals. Memorial contributions may be made to South Plainfield Rescue Squad, 2506 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.

Harry Snyder III

METUCHEN — Harry Snyder III, 38, died May 23, 1998 at Rahway Hospital. He had been self-employed as a construction worker in the Metuchen area.

A native of Bethesda, Md., Mr. Snyder lived in South Orange and Maplewood before moving to Metuchen in 1993.

He worked for automobile body shops in Westfield and Irvington before becoming a construction worker.

Surviving are a companion, Chevonna Edwards; two daughters, Jessica and Jolene; his mother, Jeanann Cimino; his father, Harry Jr.; two brothers, Jon Buchanan and Christopher; two sisters, Susan Langston and Merrilee; and his paternal grandfather, Harry Sr.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday at Our Lady of Sorrows Roman Catholic Church, South Orange, following services at the Joseph W. Preston Funeral Home in South Orange.

Burial was in Holy Cross Cemetery, North Arlington.

Frank G. Varga

EDISON — Frank G. Varga, 74, died May 29, 1998 at Presbyterian Medical Center in Philadelphia. He had been a past grand knight of St. Francis Council 3272, Knights of Columbus, in Metuchen.

Mr. Varga was born in New Brunswick. He lived in Edison and Hollidaysburg, Pa., before moving to Barnegat in 1997.

He also was an industrial engineer with Smith Inc. in Duncansville, Pa., and a member of the Heritage Bay Planning Committee in Barnegat. Mr. Vargan received a master's degree in engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology.

He was a parishioner of St. Mary's Roman Catholic Church in Barnegat and a former member of the Elks lodge in Tyrone, Pa. He was taken prisoner while serving in the Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Marguerita Drosdik Varga; a daughter, Frances A.I. of Middlebush; and a grandchild.

Services were held Tuesday at the Gleason Funeral Home in Somerset. Entombment was private.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Hospital, P.O. Box 3704, Memphis, Tenn. 38173.

Frederick Sampson

METUCHEN — Frederick Arthur Sampson, 79, died May 29, 1998 at the Roosevelt Care Center in Edison. He founded the Ace Coil and Electronic Corp. of Metuchen in 1950 and owned the firm until his retirement in 1983.

He was born in the Bronx and had lived in Metuchen since 1949. Mr. Sampson also was an amateur radio operator, a professional hypnotist, a certified hypnotechnician and the author of a published novel. He was a chief radioman in the Navy during World War II.

Surviving are his wife, Margaret Toth Sampson; and a brother, Charles Haight of Stockton, Calif.

Private arrangements were by the Costello-Runyon Funeral Home. Memorial contributions may be made to Alzheimer's Association, 299 Cherry Hill Road, Parsippany, N.J. 07054.

Doreen Pickett

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Doreen J. Pickett, 44, died May 29, 1998 at the Memorial Medical Center at South Amboy. She had been a homemaker.

Mrs. Pickett was born in Plainfield and lived in South Plainfield before moving to South River in 1995. She had resided in Sayreville since 1997.

Her husband, Bernard, died in 1995. Her father, John Helbo Jr., died May 9, 1998.

Surviving are a son, James B., and her mother, Jean M. Helbo, both of South Plainfield; a sister, Deborah Helbo of Basking Ridge; and a brother, Gary Helbo of East Stroudsburg, Pa.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, following services at the James W. Conroy Funeral Home. Burial was in Resurrection Burial Park, Piscataway.

Fay L. Peace

METUCHEN — Fay L. Peace, 86, died May 30, 1998 at the Ashbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Scotch Plains. She had been a homemaker. A native of Harrisburg, Pa., Mrs. Peace lived in Newark before moving to Metuchen in 1996.

Her husband, Edward, died in 1978. Surviving are three sons, Edward M. of Anchorage, Alaska, Stephen D. of Metuchen and David J. of Cincinnati, Ohio; a brother, David Hite of Levittown, Pa.; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were held Monday at Hollywood Memorial Park in Union. Arrangements were by the Costello-Runyon Funeral Home.

Stephen Eastman

METUCHEN — Stephen Eastman, 84, died May 26, 1998 at Rahway Hospital. He had been self-employed as a truck driver.

A native of Bethlehem, Pa., Mr. Eastman lived in Irvington before moving to Metuchen in 1948. He was a member of the Metuchen Senior Citizens Club and the National Slovak Society.

His wife, Mary, is deceased.

Surviving are a daughter, Mary Haber of Edison; and four grandchildren.

Services were held Friday at the Koyen Funeral Home. Burial was in Holy Rosary Cemetery, Hopelawn.

Michael E. Saydek

PISCATAWAY — Michael Edward Saydek, 57, died May 30, 1998 at his home in Branchburg.

A glassblower, he owned the Crown Glass Co. of Branchburg from 1967 until his retirement in 1997.

He was born in Elizabeth and lived in Piscataway before moving to Branchburg in 1972.

Mr. Saydek served in the Merchant Marine and at one time was a fireman with the Readington Volunteer Fire Company.

He formerly was a member of the Piscataway Lions Club.

Surviving are three sons, Michael Robert of Finesville, Charles Joseph of Raleigh, N.C., and James Casmire of Phillipsburg; two daughters, Erika at home and Erin Adams of Branchburg; a brother, James of Piscataway; four sisters, Erna Dickman and Barbara DiGrazia, both of Piscataway, Joan Ambrose of Stafford, Va., and Elizabeth Attala of Bradenton, Fla.; four grandchildren; and a companion, Betsy Haines of Lambertville.

Services were held Tuesday at the Branchburg Funeral Home. Burial was in St. Bernard Cemetery, Bridgewater.

Memorial contributions may be made to Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, Box E, 1275 York Ave., New York, N.Y. 10131-0112.

Michael J. Koruda

PISCATAWAY — Michael J. "Boomsickle Mike" Koruda, 75, died May 30, 1998 at Columbia Regional Medical Center in Brooksville, Fla. He had been the municipal Republican Party chairman in Piscataway from 1964-67.

Mr. Koruda was born in South Fork, Pa. He served in the Army during World War II and lived in Piscataway before moving in 1988 to Spring Hill, Fla.

He also was a building manager for the 99 John St. building and the Woolworth Building in Manhattan prior to his retirement. Mr. Koruda played the boombass, a percussion instrument.

He was a member of B.P.O. Elks Lodge 2414, American Legion Post 261 and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7504, all in Piscataway, plus the Fraternal Order of Eagles aerie and Lions Club in Spring Hill.

A former parishioner of St. Andrew's Ukrainian Orthodox Church in South Bound Brook, Mr. Koruda more recently was a parishioner of St. Frances Cabrini Roman Catholic Church in Brooksville.

Surviving are his wife, Ann; two daughters, Kathy Aiello of Piscataway and Mary Ellen Hanntz of Middlesex; a son, Dennis of Middletown; a sister, Mary Wisowaty of Matawan; a brother, John of Hasbrouck Heights; and five grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Wednesday in Brooksville.

Geraldine Brennan

PISCATAWAY — Geraldine A. Brennan, 72, died May 29, 1998 at the Barbara E. Cheung Memorial Hospice in Edison. She retired in 1991 after 20 years as a telephone switchboard operator at what is now JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Mrs. Brennan was born in Brooklyn and lived in Newark before moving to Piscataway in 1963.

Surviving are her husband of 49 years, Arthur; four sons, Arthur J. Jr. of Topeka, Kan., Bob of San Antonio, N.M., Chris of Albuquerque, N.M., and Timothy of Piscataway; a brother, George Laoghrain of Spokane, Wash.; a sister, Ruth Baskis of Brick; five grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday at Our Lady of Fatima Roman Catholic Church, following services at the Piscataway Funeral Home. Burial was in Resurrection Burial Park.

Janet M. Rooney

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Janet M. Rooney, 51, died May 31, 1998 at the Barbara E. Cheung Memorial Hospice in Edison. She owned Heavenly Rides, a limousine company in South Plainfield, and taught classes in the Sayreville school system.

Ms. Rooney was born in New Brunswick and lived in East Brunswick before moving to South Plainfield. She graduated from Georgian Court College in 1968.

Surviving is a daughter, Jane E. Haag of South Plainfield.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Tuesday at St. Peter's Roman Catholic Church in New Brunswick.

Arrangements were by the Rezem Funeral Home in East Brunswick. Memorial contributions may be made to Cancer Institute of New Jersey, 195 Little Albany St., New Brunswick, N.J. 08901.

Bertha Fritz Brown

EDISON — Bertha Fritz Brown, 84, died May 30, 1998 at the Franklin Convalescent Center in Franklin Park. She had been a volunteer at JFK Medical Center in Edison.

A native of Pleasantville, N.Y., Mrs. Brown lived in Edison from 1951 until she moved to Franklin Park in 1996. She was a member of the Edison Senior Citizens Club and a parishioner of St. John's Episcopal Church in Fords.

Her husband, Edmund C., died in 1988. Two brothers, George Fritz and Herbert Fritz, and a sister, Olga Fritz, also are deceased.Surviving is a son, Thomas M. of Kendall Park.

Services were held Tuesday at the Flynn & Son Funeral Home in Fords. Burial was in Van Liew Cemetery, North Brunswick.

Mary Jane Werner

PISCATAWAY — Mary Jane Ward Werner, 74, died May 27, 1998 at Harborside Healthcare-Woods Edge in Bridgewater. She had been a librarian at Rutgers University from 1968 until her retirement in 1988.

Mrs. Werner was born in Brooklyn and lived in Bound Brook before moving to Piscataway in 1960.

Surviving are her husband, Jack R.; four sons, Richard W. Kapp of Toronto, Ontario, Canada, John S. Kapp of Somerset, James R. Kapp of Jackson and Craig of Belle Mead; and five grandchildren.

Services were held Friday at the Costello-Runyon Funeral Home in Metuchen. Burial was in Resurrection Burial Park.

Lillian Cairns

EDISON — Lillian K. Cairns, 73, died May 30, 1998 at her home. A homemaker, she was born in Caldwell and had lived in Edison since 1955.

Mrs. Cairns was a member of the nutritional program for Edison senior citizens.

Surviving are her husband, David S.; two daughters, Judith Costello of Kendall Park and Debra Meyer of Piscataway; and three grandchildren.

Services were held Tuesday at the Boylan Funeral Home.

Burial was in Franklin Memorial Park, North Brunswick.

Hannah Nelson

EDISON — Hannah Nelson, 106, died June 1, 1998 at Warren Hospital in Phillipsburg. A homemaker, she was born in Perth Amboy and lived in that city for 30 years before moving to Edison.

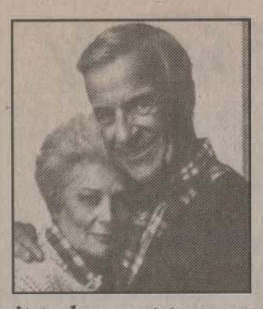
Her husband, William, died in 1961. A son, August, died in 1970.

Mrs. Nelson is survived by a daughter, Ada Nagy of Edison; two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Services were held Wednesday at the Boylan Funeral Home. Burial was in the White Church Cemetery.

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Henry E. Apgar
Former South Plainfield mayor

SOUTH PLAINFIELD – Henry E. Apgar, 91, the longtime "Voice of Hadley Airport" and borough mayor from 1952-56, died Monday at Genesis Eldercare-The Woodlands in Plainfield. Mr. Apgar was born in South Plainfield and was a life long resident.

He was the public address announcer for air shows and aviation demonstrations at Hadley Airport from 1935-52. The airport was off Stelton Road near the present sites of the Days Inn, Holiday Inn and Middlesex Mall. A plaque at the Holiday Inn denotes the historical significance of the airfield, where the first air mail service in the United States originated. Mr. Apgar learned to fly small aircraft during those years and tried to have a museum of airport memorabilia built on the Hadley Airport site.

As mayor, Mr. Apgar helped establish the Youth Guidance Council and South Plainfield Industrial Commission. He served on the Borough Council from 1946-52, served a second term on the Youth Guidance Council from 1959-62 and was a state representative to the South Plainfield Redevelopment Agency from 1963-68.

In his later years Mr. Apgar became prominent in local senior citizen matters, even testifying before a U.S. Senate select committee on senior citizens. He was the president of the South Plainfield Senior Citizens Club in 1980 and vice-president in 1979.

He was chairman of the Senior Citizen Housing Finance Committee from 1983-85 and vice president of the Tri-County Senior Citizens Center in Piscataway in 1985-86.

He served on an advisory council for the Mayor's Committee on Senior Housing in 1977-78 and appointed by then-Mayor Richard Kennedy to serve on the steering committee of the South Plainfield Senior Citizens Center in 1984.

He was honorary grand marshal of the Labor Day parade in South Plainfield in 1979 and president of the South Plainfield Historical Society in 1983. He was also a director of the South Plainfield Community Fund, Middlesex County Mental Health Board and American Red Cross.

The Knights of Columbus Council 6203 in South Plainfield honored Mr. Apgar as its outstanding senior citizen for 1979. As president of the Apgar Asso-ciation he worked to have a commemorative U.S. postage stamp issued for Virginia Apgar, a second cousin of Mr. Apgar. The stamp was presented to him in 1994.

Apart from South Plainfield he was a state government employee for 23 years, retiring in 1977 as district supervisor of building and construction de-partments. He was a member of the Westminster Historical Society and of the Trinity Reformed Church in North Plainfield.

He is preceded in death by his sister Mary H.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth E. Lawrence Apgar; two daughters, Darlene Sidie of Collegeville, Pa., and Virginia Henry of Neptune City; a son, Henry Jr. of Thousand Oaks, Calif.; a sister, Mary H. of Harwich, Mass.; a brother, Robert H. of De Land, Fla.; and six grandchildren.

Services will be 10 a.m. today at the McCriskin Home for Funerals, 2425 Plainfield Ave. Burial will be in Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains.

Memorial contributions may be made to Trinity Reformed Church, 401 Greenbrook Road, North Plainfield, N.J. 07063.

Samuel Gross

HIGHLAND PARK – Samuel Gross died June 1, 1998 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick. He retired in 1990 after more than 50 years as a dentist in Springfield.

A native of Antwerp, Belgium, Dr. Gross lived in Newark and Springfield before moving to Highland Park in 1994.

He graduated from the City College of New York and the Temple University School of Dentistry.

He is preced in death by his wife, Leesa Mendelson Gross.

Surviving are three sons, Bernard, Fred and Jacob; a brother, Mort; nine grandchildren and 11 great-grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at the Menorah Chapels at Millburn, in Union. Burial was in King Solomon Cemetery, Clifton.

Emma Brunson

HIGHLAND PARK – Emma Brunson, 82, died May 29, 1998 at her home. She founded the chorus and was a past president of the Mothers Board at the First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens, in Somerset.

She was born in Hartwell, Ga., and had lived in Highland Park since 1934. Mrs. Brunson also was a presser with the Cheerio Frock Co. of Bound Brook from 1958 until her retirement in 1970. She once served on the usher board at her church.

Surviving are her husband, George W. Sr.; three sons, John L. of South Orange, Robert T. and George "Bill" Jr., both of Somerset; a daughter, Marie Cephers of Tucson, Ariz.; a brother, Robert Hardy of Somerset; 15 grandchildren and 15 great-grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday at the First Baptist Church of Lincoln Gardens. Burial was in Van Liew Ceme-tery, North Brunswick. Arrange-ments were by the Anderson Funeral Service in New Brunswick.

Bertha Konopka

EDISON – Bertha Konopka, 72, died June 1, 1998 at JFK Medical Center. A homemaker, she was born in Brooklyn and had lived in Edison since 1953.

Her husband, Stanley M., died in 1986.

Mrs. Konopka is survived by a daughter, Jeanne of Edison.

Services will be 10 a.m. today at the Boylan Funeral Home, 10 Wooding Ave. Entombment will be in the mausoleum at Franklin Memorial Park, North Brunswick.

Seminar to focus on Alzheimers

PISCATAWAY – "Alzheimer's Disease: Current and Future Treatments" will be covered in a seminar 6:30 p.m. June 18 at University Behavioral HealthCare-UMDNJ, 667 Hoes Lane. Presenters are Dr. Michael Goldman, an instructor on the clinical faculty of the UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School, and Julie Grofsik, coordinator of clinical drug trials at the COPSA Institute for Alzheimer's Disease and Related Disorders. Registration is required; call Judy Harris at (732) 235-5730. The seminar is sponsored by COPSA.

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NOTICE TO BIDDERS
TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY
MIDDLESEX COUNTY NEW JERSEY

Sealed Proposals will be received by the Township of Piscataway, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, at the Council Chambers, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey, on Monday, June 15, 1998, at 10:30 a.m. prevailing time and place publicly opened and read for:

1998 STREET SWEEPING

NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT TIME AND DATE, AND ANY BIDS RECEIVED AFTER SUCH TIME AND DATE WILL BE RETURNED UNOPENED TO THE BIDDER, SEALED BIDS WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ ALOUD AT THE ADDRESS SET FORTH ABOVE AT THAT TIME.

Detailed information Form of Bid, Non-Collusion Affidavit and the Instructions to Bidders, Specifications and other information may be obtained at the Office of Administration between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Each bid must be submitted on the standard proposal form accompanied by the requisite bond(s), deposits, questionnaire and affidavits as set forth in the Instructions to Bidders.

Each Proposal must be enclosed in a sealed envelope bearing the name and address of the bidder endorsed with the words **"BID FOR 1998 STREET SWEEPING"**, and sent to the Honorable Mayor and Township Council, using the label attached.

Each Proposal must be accompanied by a bid guarantee in the form of a certified check or bid bond in the amount not less than ten percent (10%) of the full amount of the bid but not in excess of $20,000.00 and made payable to the Township of Piscataway.

All bidders shall comply with the provisions of the Affirmative Action requirements as amended per Chapter 127, P.L. 1975 (NJAC 17:27) including all regulations promulgated to same.

Bidders must also comply with the requirements of P.L. 1973, c. 33, regarding the submission of a list of all stockholders or partners owning more than 10% stock or interest in their corporation or partnership.

The Township reserves the right to waive any informalities and to reject any or all bids when the action is deemed to be in the best interest of the Township of Piscataway.

By resolution of the Council of the Township of Piscataway, dated March 3, 1998.
Date June 1, 1998
Ann Nolan
TOWNSHIP CLERK

Sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Piscataway, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, at the Council Chambers, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey on June 23, 2998 at 10:00 a.m., prevailing time and place publicly opened and read for the construction of improvements known as **"RECONSTRUCTION OF ETHEL ROAD WEST"** and for the furnishing of the following estimated materials and services.

Standard Items-Bid Prices

1.	Lump sum	Maintenance and Protection of Traffic
2.	2645 C.Y.	Roadway Excavation, 3" thick & variable
3.	4720 Tons	Bituminous Stabilized Base, Mix I-2, 3" thick
4.	2849 Tons	FABC Overlay Course, Mix I-5, 2" thick
5.	13 Units	Reset Manhole Castings
6.	256 S.Y.	Topsoil, Fertilize, Seed, and Mulch
7.	9300 L.F.	Pavement Markings, 4" Solid White Line (Reflectorized)
8.	9300 L.F.	Pavement Markings, 4" Solid Yellow Line (Reflectorized)
9.	150 L.F.	Pavement Markings, 8" Solid White Line (Reflectorized)
10.	50 L.F.	Pavement Markings, 24" Solid White Line (Reflectorized)
11.	6 Units	Pavement Markings, White Arrows
12.	755 L.F.	Remove and Replace Concrete Curb
13.	600 C.Y.	Subbase Repair

Bidding documents may be obtained at the Engineering Office upon deposit of fifty dollars ($50.00) which sum is a non-refundable charge payable to "The Township of Piscataway".

Each Proposal must be enclosed in a sealed envelope endorsed with the name of the Project **"RECONSTRUCTION OF ETHEL ROAD WEST"** and addressed to the Honorable Mayor and Township Council, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854.

Each Proposal must be accompanied by either a certified check, cashier's check, or bid bond for an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the full amount of the bid and made payable to the Township of Piscataway as a Proposal Guaranty, provided, however, that if the said bid amount is greater than $200,000 the amount of the said check or bid bond need not exceed $20,000.

Bids shall be accompanied by certificates from Surety Companies licensed to do business in New Jersey, stating that they will provide the successful bidder with bonds in such sums as are required in the specifications. Said certificate shall provide that bonds shall be furnished for the faithful performance of all provisions of the specifications or for all matters which may be contained in the Notice to Bidders relating to the performance of the Contract or Agreement and for the faithful payment of all persons performing labor, or furnishing materials in connection therewith.

This project is subject to Labor Standards Provisions and Federal Wage Decision no. NJ 97-0003.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127.

The Township of Piscataway reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to award the Contract to any bidder whose proposal, in its' judgement, best serves its' interests.

By order of the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway, New Jersey, dated May 19, 1998.
Dated: June 1, 1998

Ann Nolan
Township Clerk
$63.94 PR124 1T 6/5/98

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Borough of South Plainfield at its meeting held on May 19, 1998.

CASE No. 11-98–Nicholas Tufaro–Block 110; Lot 23; Eleanor Street–Applicant's request for rear yard lot width, lot area, side, rear and front yard setback variances, are hereby APPROVED, subject to the condition that the applicant constructs the home exactly as shown on the plans presented to the Board.

Janice Muccilli
Secretary Zoning Bd of Adjustment
$6.44 R121 1T 6/5/98

PUBLIC NOTICE

SEALED BIDS will be received from bidders classified under N.J.S.A. 27:7-35.1 et seq., in the Multipurpose room, First Floor of the Engineering and Operations Building, New Jersey Department of Transportation, 1035 Parkway Avenue, Trenton, New Jersey, until 10:00 a.m. 06/16/98 and opened and read for:

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Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c. 127, NJAC 17:27.

Drawings, specifications, and bid documents may be inspected or obtained for a fee $ 15.00, for full size drawings, at the NJDOT Plans Distribution Building #8 Thiokol PO Box 600, Trenton, New Jersey 08625 during business hours. Names and addresses of prospective bidders for this project may be acquired by telephoning (609) 530-8584 or (609) 530-8585 during business hours. Their fax number is (609) 530-8347.

Drawings, supplementary specifications, and boring logs may also be inspected (BUT NOT OBTAINED) by contracting organizations at our various Design Field Offices at the following locations:

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PISCATAWAY TOWNSHIP

TAKE NOTICE THAT Shujat and Helene Hussain of 71 Stratton Street, North, Piscataway, NJ has requested the granting of Variance, Application #98-ZB-20V to appeal/permit/seek relief from the Piscataway Township Zoning Code, Chapter 21, Section 617, where required is Swimming Pool in Back Yard, and proposed is Pool in Front Yard, for the purpose of 21-501 Required-100 foot lot width, Proposed-80 foot lot width, 21-617 Required-Swimming pool in rear yard-Proposed-Swimming pool in front yard-Required-100 lot frontage/Proposed-80 foot lot frontage at premises located at 71 Stratton Street North listed as Block 445, Lot 13.01 on the Tax Map Number 34.

The Zoning Board will conduct a public hearing to obtain testimony on the application. The hearing will take place during a meeting of the board which will be called to order at 7:30 P.M. on the 16th day of June, 1998, in the Meeting Room of the Public Works Center, 505 Sidney Road, Piscataway, N.J.

Maps and documents pertaining to this application are available to the public for inspection Monday through Friday, 8:30 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. at the Public Works Center, Municipal Complex, 505 Sidney Road, Piscataway, New Jersey.

Note to the property owners:

Letters and petitions presented to the Board may not be considered unless the persons who sign such letters or petitions appear at the hearing.

$15.64 PR123 1T 6/5/98

LEGAL NOTICE

Please take notice that Premier Environmental Services, Inc. a New Jersey Corporation has requested the granting of several variances in connection with application #97 ZB 57V pertaining to property located at 711 South Avenue, known as lots 43-48 in block 164 on the Piscataway Township Tax Map, to seek relief from the Piscataway Township Zoning Code in the following areas:

Chapter 21, Section 501, which requires a fifty (50) foot front yard set back and the applicant proposes as 41.5 foot yard set-back on Howard Street and a 40.5 foot front yard set back on South Avenue and which requires a square foot lot area of 43,000 square feet and the applicant is proposing a square foot area of 25,566 square feet.

Chapter 21, Section 3 requires a lot depth of 150 feet and the applicant proposes a lot depth of 141.66 feet.

Chapter 21, Section 613 requires 150 foot frontage and th applicant is proposing 127.8 feet frontage.

Chapter 21, Section 1010.3 prohibits outside storage and the applicant is proposing outside storage. A use variance is being required for this violation.

Chapter 21, Section 1101.2 requires that less than one half of the parking be located in the front yard and the applicant is proposing more than one have of the parking be located in the front yard.

The applicant proposes to demolish the existing house on the property to remove the underground fuel oil tank and to close the cesspool and the applicant proposes to erect a new building on the site which will be used for office space and warehouse space.

Variances will be required because the applicant proposes to do outside storage in the M1 Zone and in the event the Board determines that the proposed use of the property is for a hazardous activity.

Because of the size and shape of the property, it will be necessary for the applicant to request variances for front yard and side yard setbacks since there is insufficient area. The applicant is an environmental remediation firm that performs hazardous regulated clean ups of both residential and industrial sites in the tri-state area. The applicant proposes to erect a 4,800 square foot pre-fabricated steel building as a warehouse for equipment and supplies with a two(2) story pre-fabricated office of 1,266 square feet per floor which would have 6,026 feet of building coverage. The property has insufficient area to meet the requirements of the zoned district and the applicant is unable to acquire any additional land from adjacent property owners so there is a hardship inherent in the property which precludes compliance with the area requirements of the Zoning Ordinance. Also, the setback requirements in this district make it impossible for the applicant to construct the size and shape building needed for its use without violating the setback requirements.

The Piscataway Township Zoning Board will conduct a public hearing to obtain testimony on the application. The hearing will take place on June 24, 1998 at 7:30 p.m. in the Public works Center Meeting Room, 505 Sidney Road, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854.

Maps and documents pertaining to this application are available to the public for inspection Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Letters and petitions presented to the Board may not be considered unless the persons who sign such letters or petitions appear at the hearing.

Edward J. Johnson, Jr.
Attorney for Premier Environmental Services, Inc.
$36.80 PR125 1T 6/5/98

PUBLIC NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Clarence Janiszak requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the 8' X 8' deck extension, proposed extension lacks the required 20' rear setback requirement, 11'6" is being proposed (and site plan approval and subdivision approval)* said property being located on Block(s) 437, Lot(s) 7.02 on the South Plainfield Tax Map.

For the purposes of hearing objections to or protests against the granting of said appeal, the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, June 16, 1998 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

The maps and documents pertaining to this appeal are available for public inspection in the Building Inspector's Office, South Plainfield Borough Hall, Monday through Thursday, between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

$9.20 R122 1T 6/5/98

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by James Pyne requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the the erection of a 20' x 12' Wood Deck, proposed Deck exceeds maximum Lot Coverage by 119 SF, 1375 SF allowed and 1494 SF proposed said property being located on Block(s) 314, Lot(s) 7 on the South Plainfield Tax Map.

For the purposes of hearing objections to or protests against the granting of said appeal, the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, July 7, 1998 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

The maps and documents pertaining to this appeal are available for public inspection in the Building Inspector's Office, South Plainfield Borough Hall, Monday through Thursday, between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

$10.12 R125 1T 6/5/98

TOWNSHIP OF PISCATAWAY
LEGAL NOTICE
ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE

TAKE NOTICE that applicationi has been made to the Township Council of the Township of Piscataway for a new license to the Briad Restaurant Group, L.L.C. for a premises to be determined at a later date. The persons who will hold an interest in this license are Bradford L. Honigfeld, 6 Argyle Court, Livingston, New Jersey 07032 and Brian M. Stolar, 24 Mountain Ridge Drive, Livingston, New Jersey 07039. Objections, if any, should be made immediately in writing to Ann Nolan, Clerk, Township of Piscataway, Municipal Complex, Piscataway, New Jersey 08854.

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$19.32 PR127 1T 6/5,12/98

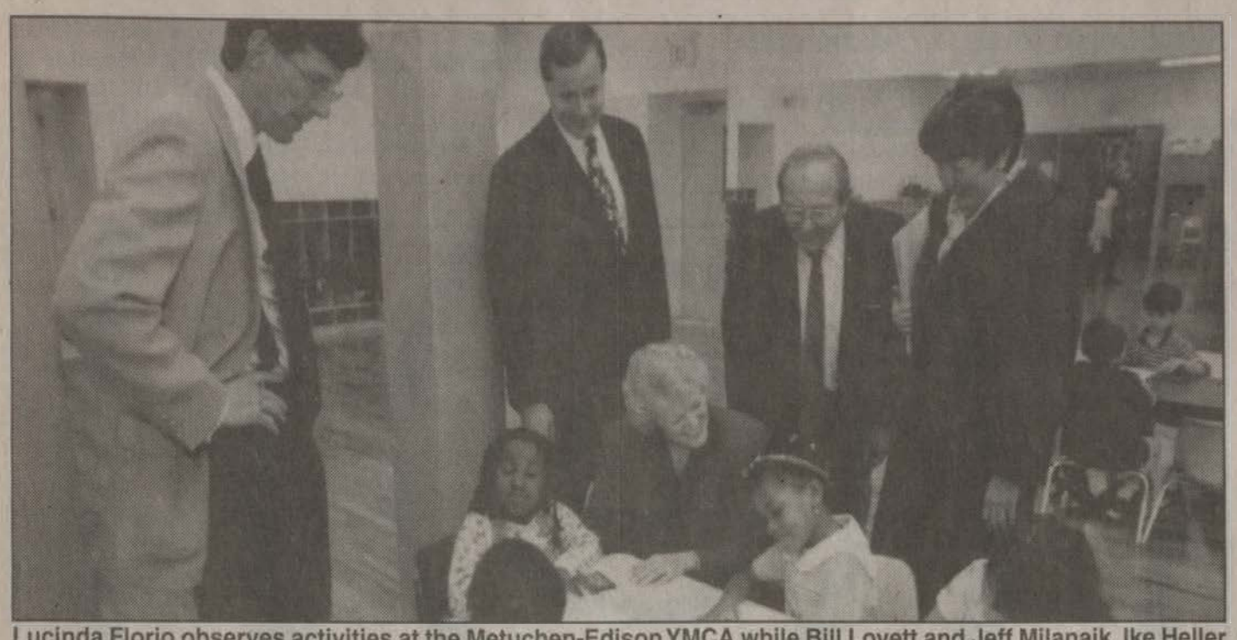
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Heller gives boost to community spirit



Lucinda Florio observes activities at the Metuchen-Edison YMCA while Bill Lovett and Jeff Milanaik, Ike Heller and Donna Lambdin of Heller Industrial Parks look on.

Isaac ("Ike") Heller is an extraordinary builder. He helps build communities as well as industrial distribution centers.

Mr. Heller, chairman and founder of Heller Industrial Parks, Inc., recently contributed $10,000 to the Metuchen-Edison YMCA's fund raising campaign to finance the renovation and expansion of their building on High Street in Metuchen. At the same time, he's building a new 1.3 million square foot warehouse project in his Edison Industrial Park.

"The Ike Hellers' of the world are the glue that holds communities together," said Bill Lovett, the Y's executive director.

"We truly appreciate Mr. Heller's support," added Lucinda Florio, wife of former Gov. Jim Florio. Mrs. Florio is vice chairwoman of the Fund for Tomorrow, which is the fund-raising arm of the Metuchen-Edison YMCA. She is also an active volunteer in the YMCA's child care center as well as a leading spokeswoman for the YMCA.

In 1996, both Mrs. Florio and Mr. Heller received Humanitarian Awards from the Central Jersey Chapter of the National Conference for their contributions to New Jersey communities.

"I have the same concerns as the people who live in a town and the same goal of making a community the best possible place to work, live and raise a family," Heller said.

The renovations to the Metuchen-Edison YMCA, which should be completed by late summer, have allowed the YMCA to expand its services to meet the demand of its ever growing membership. Mr. Lovett noted that membership had grown to 8,000, from about 2,000 in 1989.

Last year, Heller completed a 1 million square foot speculative warehouse on a 52-acre parcel in Edison's Heller Industrial Park. The project, which is completely leased, generated jobs and increased tax revenues without requiring additional township services.

Heller is now looking for companies to lease space in his brand new 1.3 million square foot speculative warehouse project now under construction in his Edison-based park.

The $40 million three-building project is being constructed on a 59-acre parcel in his 6.5 million square foot industrial park and is scheduled for completion before the third quarter of 1999.

Jeff Milanaik, president of Heller Industrial parks, Inc., noted that the new project includes three large buildings under construction totaling 1,263,944-square-feet.

"The first (250,272-square-feet) is scheduled for completion in September, 1998," Mr. Milanaik said. "The second (474,949-square-feet) should be completed by mid-1999, and the third (538,723-square-feet) should be ready before the third quarter of 1999."

The project will give Edison the prospect of economic gain through increased tax revenues. It will also add employment, both in the construction phase and in its ongoing operation by Heller's customers: thus contributing to the economic well being of the community.

More than 500 people, including iron workers, carpenters and laborers, are involved in the project's construction. When completed, it will continues to employ hundreds of people.

The project will also generate almost $1 million in tax revenues per year. This is good for Edison because Heller has already put in the roads and sewer lines, so there are no additional costs to the township for its gain in tax revenues.

The Metuchen-Edison YMCA is just one of the many community projects that have benefited tremendously from Heller's generosity. In addition to his contribution to this cause, he has always supported his communities on a personal basis.

In Edison, he has "adopted" 350 girls - the Edison Angels Girls' Softball League. He has paid for air transportation to send two teams from the league out West to the national championships.

He has been a supporter of the Edison Senior Citizens Center, The Catholic Charities Fund, St. Peter's Hospital, and the Edison-based Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County.

In Harrison, where Heller began his construction business, he has donated money to the Harrison Senior Citizens Center.

In addition to supporting his communities, Heller also recognizes the importance of children and their need for quality child care in today's society where both parents frequently need to work.

He built and equipped a day care center in 1987 to serve parents who work at Heller Industrial Park or live in Edison. The John Kenny Child Care Center, located in Heller Industrial Park, Edison, serves 99 children from the age 18 months through kindergarten. The center has gained worldwide recognition as a model corporate day care facility. Thirty percent of the youngsters are children of parents who work in the park, and 70 percent are children who reside in Edison.

Heller continues to personally subsidize the center, in order to maintain affordable tuition without sacrificing quality. He also sponsors a summer high school work/study program where five high school students have the opportunity to work and learn at the day care center during the summertime.

Heller Industrial Parks owns and leases over 12 million square feet of state-of-the-art distribution buildings nationwide. Its three largest industrial parks are located in central New Jersey: Edison, South Brunswick, and Franklin Township. Heller also owns and leases buildings in Woodbridge and Harrison-Kearny.

Heller's sites are strategically located with good truck access to main highways. They also provide utilities, rail service, market accessibility and an abundant labor force.

Mattress Factory to hold balloon event

The Mattress Factory is going to have a Balloon Bust Savings event at the Garwood Showroom, 518 North Ave. and the East Hanover Showroom, 319 Route 10 East.

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Networking group seeks new members

METUCHEN — The "P.E.P." networking group of business owners is looking for new members.

Meetings are 8:30 a.m. the second Tuesday of every month at the Brewed Awakening Coffeehouse, 417 Main St. The group's mission "is to empower others in business through a lead generated system," according to a press release.

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Sports

Brownlie hurls Eagles to GMCT championship

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

EAST BRUNSWICK — The way Bob Brownlie was pitching, a 1-0 lead seemed rather safe, but Edison High's baseball Head Coach Jim Muldowney preaches against complacency.

So, when East Brunswick pitcher Ryan Cosentino handed Brownlie a two-out walk in the bottom of the sixth in Saturday's championship game of the Greater Middlesex Conference baseball tournament, he probably didn't think much of it.

After Muldowney kindly asked cleanup hitter Rob Roma to look to hit something in the gap, his senior first baseman kindly obliged. On the very first pitch he saw, he drilled a run-scoring double into the gap in right-center.

That turned out to be just enough because the Bears responded with a run in the top of the seventh before Brownlie held them off for the 2-1 victory and the Eagles first GMCT championship since 1995.

"This feels better than the perfect game I had," said Brownlie, who hurled that perfect game in the quarterfinals of the tourney against Woodbridge. "It's pretty much the same feeling. I'm just happy we won the game. It's a great feeling to get the championship back in Edison's pocket."

Brownlie actually had a no-hitter through the first six innings, allowing just a fourth-inning walk to Cosentino. With one out in the seventh, Cosentino reached base on an error on third baseman Jerry Lithgow and Joe Giacomiazzio followed with an RBI double into the gap in right-center.

Brownlie settled down to strike out Doug Szukics and induced Steve Petercsak into a groundout to third base to preserve the championship for Edison.

"We told him (Brownlie)," said Roma of the no-hitter. "Coming in, me and (Josh) Schuck said, `Hey Bobby' because that's what we said to him during the perfect game. He just looked at us and he was like, `Come on, how are you going to do that to me?' It was great."

Brownlie (9-3) finished with eight strikeouts while hurling the complete game one-hitter, throwing a total of just 92 pitches on the day. He fanned six batters over the final three innings as he had plenty left in the final frame. Of his eight strikeouts, five of them were called third strikes on East Brunswick's batters.

"Sometimes, you coach teams and they don't peak but this team's been peaking," said Muldowney.

"The last week and a half to two weeks, they've been peaking. I've never coached a team that has been involved in this many close games and found ways to win."

It was a tournament that threw Brownlie in the spotlight. He threw a perfect game in the quarterfinals against Woodbridge and nearly had a no-hitter in the finals.

"He's awesome," said Muldowney of Brownlie. "It's got to be one of the best conference tournaments in its history for a pitcher. It's amazing he even had the opportunity to throw a no-hitter."

Offensively, the Eagles (20-6) were having trouble putting any runs on the scoreboard against Ryan Cosentino of East Brunswick. Edison finally broke through with one in the fifth.

Jim Luongo singled, Jerry Lithgow walked and Jayson Bullock laid down a bunt single to load the bases.

After Chris Toth grounded out with the runner being gunned down at home, Lithgow scored on a passed ball.

"You've got two championships," said Muldowney of the county and state tournaments. "This is always a big deal to me. You hear other coaches in the state say it, like when Cranford won the state title last year but they were disappointed they didn't win in their county. You always feel like you want to take care of business in your own backyard. We played great in this tournament."



GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Jerry Lithgow of Edison slides home safely during the Eagles 2-1 victory over East Brunswick in the finals of the Greater Middlesex Conference Tournament Saturday afternoon.



GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
J.P. Stevens centerfielder Joanne DiMuzio makes the catch in the Hawks 2-1 defeat to South Plainfield in the finals of the Greater Middlesex Conference Tournament Saturday.

Hawks come up short in GMCT

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — With the two best pitchers in Middlesex County taking to the circle, something had to give in Saturday's Greater Middlesex Conference softball tournament championship tilt between first-seeded South Plainfield and second-seeded J.P. Stevens.

That something turned out to be the Hawks defense which committed a costly fourth-inning error which opened the floodgates for two runs and a 2-1 Tigers victory. It was South Plainfield's first GMCT title since 1995.

"It hasn't hit home yet," said South Plainfield Head Coach Don Panzarella of the county title. "They deserve it. They played well all year. They fell short the other day (a 3-0 loss in the CJ Group 3 finals to Middletown South May 27). I'm just proud they came away with something. This is more important to them right now. It's at home. It's local. They play all the county teams. They look at like they're playing some big schools and they are. They picked a good time to come back and win a game."

Amanda Bremer began the fourth inning with a single up the middle, South Plainfield's first hit of the game. She advanced to second on a wild pitch. After Christine Smalley struck out, Tigers pitcher Joy Walter walked, putting runners at first and second with one out.

Laura Walter followed with a grounder in the hole to shortstop Lori George who overthrew third baseman Michelle Hish, plating Bremer and moving runners to second and third with one out.

After Cheryl Thimons struck out, No. 7 hitter Dana Curcio followed with a bloop single, just past the outstretched glove of second baseman Lauren Feeley for the game-winning run.

That turned out to be all the offense the Tigers (22-3) would need. Joy Walter did the rest, tossing a one-hitter with five strikeouts and no walks, retiring 19 consecutive batters to end the game.

Her drop was working as she recorded 12 groundouts, including 7 of the last 8 to finish the game off. The senior, who was in the circle as a freshman when the Tigers won in `95, certainly came full-circle.

"You have to rely on that," said Walter of her drop.

"When it's a close game, I don't want to bring it up where people can get around on it. I really started to rely on it as the season went on."

The only offense the Hawks (19-4) could muster was in the first inning. Joanne DiMuzio began the frame with an infield single and Randi Gladstone sacrificed her to second. Lisa DeMartini followed with a shot in the hole and shortstop Christine Smalley fired the ball to third, but DiMuzio was called safe on a close play.

Lauren Feeley followed with a squeeze attempt back to the mound which Walter fired home and Thimons seemed to apply the tag on DiMuzio before she could touch the plate, but she was called safe.

"We couldn't even put a ball out of the infield after the first inning," said Hawks Head Coach Pete Catenacci, whose team had won seven consecutive one-run games.

"We didn't come ready to play and we haven't been ready to hit all year-long. I don't know what the problem is. I'm at a loss right now. We've done everything we know to try to develop some hitters. Today to boot, not only didn't we hit, but the costly error — we gave it away."

The Tigers seemed a little down after allowing that first-inning run, but Bremer made a great defensive play at second that ignited South Plainfield. Lauren Kobren drilled a shot between first and second and Bremer came up with a diving stab and crawled over to the ball before firing to first for the out.

"Amanda's play at second, crawling around on the ground to get the out pumped them up," said Panzarella of Bremer, who had eight assists on the day. "She's a senior. She played great all year. Amanda was voted first team All-Conference and she showed you why here today."

Petty was brilliant once again for the Hawks, tossing a two-hitter, walking one and striking out six. Both runs she allowed were unearned. She set down the last 10 batters in order.

Edison's Pasley captures state discus title once again

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Another day, another championship for Edison High senior Krystal Pasley.

Pasley, who hasn't lost in a dual meet in the past two seasons, defended her Group 4 title in the discus with a heave of 128-5, outdistancing the competition by nearly five feet.

"Nobody's come close to her locally," said Eagles Head Coach Tom Stasik. "We knew she'd have to throw decent to win. To see her throw her second personal-record best is a good sign."

Pasley's main goal this year is to improve on last season's fourth-place finish in the Meet of Champions. Her competition figures to come from Group 2 champion Sarah Herskee of West Morris (130-6) and Group 3 champion Angie Rosamilla of Parsippany Hills (128-5).

Pasley's personal-best this season was a toss of 129-3 in a dual meet against Sayreville. Other titles for Edison's senior include the Greater Middlesex Conference and Central Jersey Group 4 championships.

"She's a very low-key kid," said Stasik of Pasley. "She doesn't show a lot of excitement. She doesn't gloat over herself. She works hard. She listens. Anything somebody will tell her, she'll listen."

Pacing the Hawks of J.P. Stevens was Candice Steele, who took fourth in the high hurdles with a time of 15.99. Steele was seeded ninth in the high hurdles in Wednesday's Meet of Champions.

AS FOR THE BOYS

Dan Babich, who will run at Princeton University in the fall, represented the Hawks of J.P. Stevens by taking fifth-place in the 1,600-meter run with a time of 4:22.01.

"This is no surprise," said J.P. Stevens Head Coach Frank Zarro of Babich's performance.

"He was a good basketball player as a freshman. He decided he'd run track all-year round. I think he'll only get better (in the future). He has the work ethic for it."

Piscataway High runners Tyshawn Huff and Larry Lester Jr. have both benefited from the switch.

As the season progressed, Lester Jr. was taken off the 4 x 400 relay squad so he could focus his energy on the 100 and 200-meter runs. Huff replaced him in the relay.

Saturday afternoon at the Group 4 Championships, both athletes made Head Coach Larry Lester proud of his decision. Lester Jr., who's just a freshman, took sixth in the 200 (22.21) and Huff helped the relay squad take fourth overall (3:21.54) in the Group Meet.

Joining Huff (49.38) in the relay were Harold Reid (50.54), Himyo Green (51.02) and Wilbur Carmon (50.24). Carmon also took fourth in the intermediate hurdles (55.76). All athletes who placed in the top-six qualified for Wednesday's Meet of Champions.

"I think the big thing is the 4 x 400 advancing with the fourth-place finish," said Lester.

"We're a minute within the school-record. It's the fastest we've run in the past five seasons. We knew we were capable. We've been slowly gradually getting the times down. We wanted to run 3:21."

That 4 x 400 relay is seeded fifth in the Meet of Champions and Lester is hopeful the quartet can get that time under 3:20. There's no question that Huff has added a definite toughness to the relay squad.

"I think we're capable of running faster," said Lester of the 4 x 400 relay squad.

"If we get in the teens, that'd be an exceptional time."

After winning the sectional title a week earlier, it might seem that scoring just nine points in the Group 4 Championships would be a disappointment for the Chiefs, especially Reid, who didn't place in his specialty, the long jump.

"We have quality kids and we spread them out," said Lester. "Harold for example, he was in four different events. He usually medals in some events. I could've pulled him out in one of the events. He wouldn't let me."

Part of the problem for Reid was that due to some rain Friday, he had to run the 4 x 400 and compete in the long jump, almost simultaneously.

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Dogs' Akey leaps to new bounds

Senior helps Metuchen take second at Group 1 Championships

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

Track and Field

SOUTH PLAINFIELD – Even without Ugochi Okorie and Princess Winfree, Metuchen High's girls track and field team almost pulled off the unthinkable.

The Lady Bulldogs took second overall at Saturday's Group 1 Championships without the servies of Okorie, who could have placed in at least three events and Winfree, who had a chance of getting some points in the shot put.

Metuchen scored 49 points, 17 behind Haddonfield. Luckily, the Bulldogs have Jessica Akey and Kaci Redding on their side.

Akey won the high jump (5-3), high hurdles (15.25) and took sixth in the intermediate hurdles (1:08.18) while Redding won the intermediate hurdles (1:06.13) and was second in the high hurdles (15.53).

"Considering we were missing two kids, I was very pleased," said Metuchen Head Coach Tony Maselli.

"We had a good shot at winning with those two there. We had a very outstanding day overall."

Stephanie Baran came through with a fifth-place finish in the 400 (1:00.65) while Vanessa Picone was fifth in the intermediate hurdles (1:08.0). The 4 x 400 relay of Picone, Jessica Locke, Christine Scarfuto and Baran came through with a third-place finish (4:10.04).

All of the athletes who placed in the top six in the Group Championships qualified for Wednesday's Meet of Champions.

Akey's performance was a historic one at Metuchen. She became only the second Lady Bulldog to win two events in the Group Championships and the first to ever capture the high jump.

The high hurdles are Akey's bread and butter, but the high jump was a bit of a surprise. After four of the jumpers cleared 5-2, Akey just missed out on 5-4, before clearing 5-3 in a jump-off.

"I wasn't expecting the high jump at all," said Akey.

"I really wanted to get top-three. I wasn't sure of the competition. I was kind of nervous. We each jumped 5-4. I was getting tired and aggravated. I kept thinking the last jump was 5-4. It was real easy when I got over it."

Akey was pretty confident in the high hurdles, but still went out and posted a new personal-best time of 15.25.

Of course, just placing in the Meet of Champions will be quite a daunting task. Six girls clocked under 15 seconds in the high hurdles including Group 2 champion Sheresse Price of Pleasantville who had a time of 14.07.

Akey also placed sixth in the intermediate hurdles and watched teammate Redding, just a sophomore, win that event.

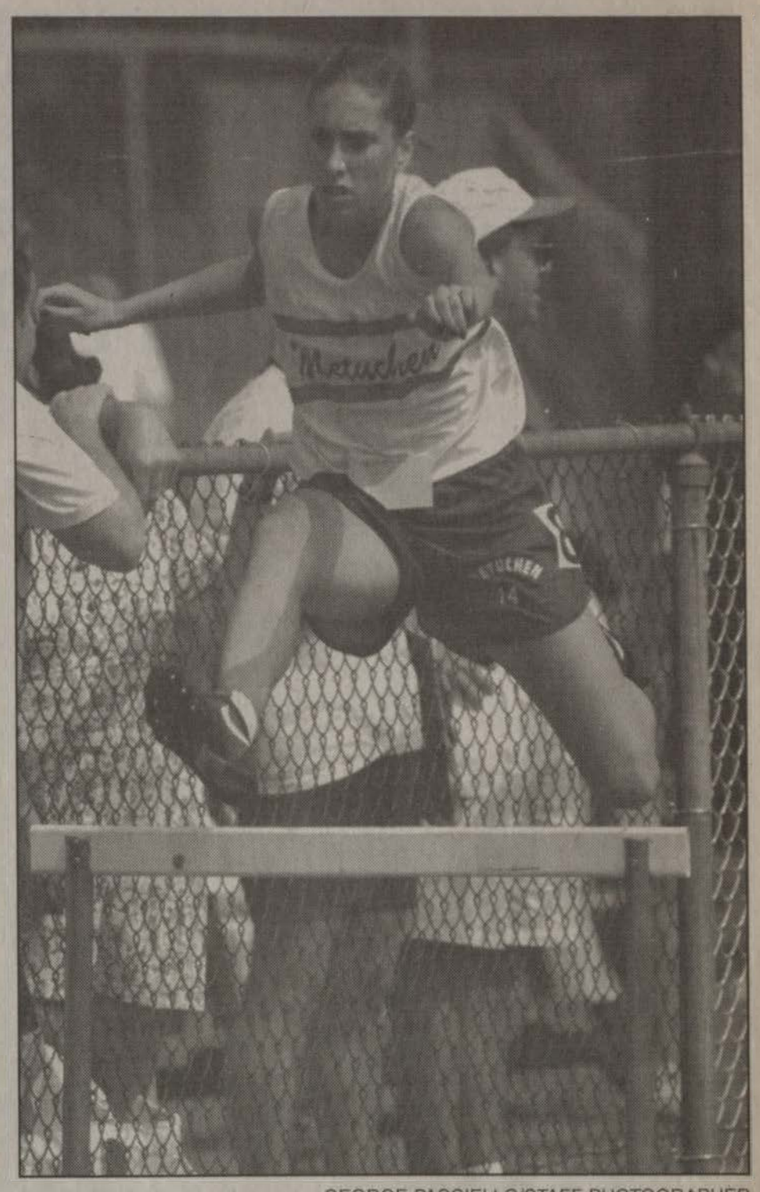
"I have the high hurdles," said Akey.

"Her main event is the intermediates. I wanted to break a personal-best there. I got the eighth lane. I didn't know how to pace it. It's not my favorite event."

Akey will also get the chance to join the 4 x 400 relay Wednesday in the Meet of Champions, replacing Locke. After running 4:03 during the season, Metuchen ran just a 4:10.04 Saturday.

"They were disappointed as much as I was," said Maselli. "We've run 4:03 this year. They weren't pleased with their performance."

The Bulldogs relay unit will have their hands full attempting to place at the Meet of Champions in the 4 x 400. Three schools timed under four minutes in Saturday's races.



GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Metuchen High senior Jessica Akey placed first in the high jump (5-3) and high hurdles (15.25) while taking sixth in the intermediate hurdles (1:08.18) as the Bulldogs took second overall at Saturday's Group 1 Championships.

Dogs control 400 in Group Meet

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

SOUTH PLAINFIELD – Metuchen High's boys track and field team may not have won the Group 1 championship, but the Bulldogs proved once again, they have one of the best group of 400-meter runners in the state.

Metuchen went 3-4-6 in the open 400 and also captured the 4 x 400 relay as the Bulldogs placed sixth overall in the Group 1 Championships, 21.50 points behind champion Paulsboro Saturday afternoon.

Steve Deppe (3, 400, 50.17), Jordan Melograno (4, 400, 50.95) and Brian Fish (6, 400, 51.17) paved the way in the open 400 and the three combined with Dan Washington to win the relay (3:25.94).

"We ran well in the 400," said Metuchen Head Coach Marty Holleran. "It was a very good field. I had no idea that we'd be able to get three in there."

Metuchen's 4 x 400 has run 3:18.5 this season, but got no help from the competition in Group 1, posting just a time of 3:25.94. The Bulldogs were expecting a battle from Newark Arts, who came in second, but with a time of 3:30.1.

"I was very surprised," said Holleran of the lack of competition in Group 1. "We won by five seconds. We weren't going to run any faster by ourselves."

Metuchen's quartet was set to see how it matched up in Wednesday's Meet of Champions. To win there, the Bulldogs will face a stiff test from Plainfield (3:17.13) and Trenton (3:19.25).

"I think we'll be in the first three or four," said Holleran. "That in itself would certainly be an accomplishment. We'll certainly be in there. To win it, you have to have some luck."

Ben Spector also came through in Saturday's Group Championships with a sixth-place finish in the 800-meter run (1:59.65).

Spector had also ran well in the 1,600 this season, but he ended up with some more consistent times in the 800.

"That was a great performance from Ben." said Holleran. "He ran a great race. I wasn't expecting him to do what he did in the 800 this season. He can also run a pretty good mile."

Les Woodgett, who leaped a 6-4 in the high jump at the sectional meet the week before, posted a mark of 6-2 for a sixth-place finish Saturday in the Group Championships.

"High jump is a funny event," said Holleran.

"You're not going to jump 6-4 every time. That's a good jump for him. High jump is a failure event. It's the only event like that except the pole vault. I was glad he was able to place and move on."

Although the Bulldogs were hopeful of a state title, this is an extremely young team. Fish was the only senior to place in Saturday's race.

"Even the kids who didn't score ran well," said Holleran. "We're basically underclassmen. We're a year away."

SportScene

HP RACE

The Raritan Valley Road Runners are hosting the 1998 Youth Development Running Series with four races at Donaldson Park in Highland Park. The races will be held June 23, July 14 and Aug. 4 starting at 6 p.m. every night with registration from 5-5:45 p.m. The runs are open to children ages 14 and younger. The distance of the races are 1/4 mile, 1/2 mile or 1 mile. Each child may run in one event per evening.

SP CHEERLEADING CAMP

Feigley's School of Gymnastics in South Plainfield will be holding a cheerleading camp on Mondays and Tuesday's from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. beginning June 29. The cost is $80 per month for two hours and $140 for four hours per month. For information, call 561-8888.

GARDEN STATE BASEBALL

The Garden State Independent Baseball Conference is now in its third season and accepting team ages from 10-and-under to 19-and-under to play in July and August. Divisons will be seperated by age and competitiveness. For further details, please call Frank Bacchetta at 732-750-5506.

JERSEY KNIGHTS SOCCER

The Jersey Knights Soccer Club will be holding tryouts for the fall season from June 9-11 from 6-8 p.m. at Rutgers University Soccer Fields. Under-13 and 14 girls and under-11 and 15 boys are encouraged to attend. For information, call 732-418-5678.

HP TRAVELING SOCCER

There will be tryouts for the Highland Park fall traveling soccer team Sunday at 10:30 a.m. at Donaldson Park in Highland Park. Players who are born between August 1984 and July 1990 are eligible for the team. For information, call Marty Friedman at 732-985-8847.

MCC RAKES IN HONORS

The Middlesex County College coaching staff of Head Coach Ilene Cohen and assistant coach Krissi Kressler earned 1998 East Region coaching staff of the year honors among their peers of the National Fastpitch Coaches Association. The 1998 Lady Colts finished the season with a 22-11 record and finished third in the Region XIX Tournament. Along with the coaching staff honorees a number of the players earned recognition from the NFCA. All-Region honors were earned by: Sherry Brkal (second team NFCA All-East), Michelle White (second team NFCA All-East), Susan Campbell (first team All-East), Toni Milito (first team All-East) and Tara Coon (first team All-East). In addition to making the All-East Region Team, Toni Milito, Susan Campbell and Tara Coon went on to make the NFCA All-American Team. The coaches association also named Tara Coon the JC "Catcher of the Year" for 1998. The Lady Colts went on to earn National Junior College Athletic Association honors as well, winning the Garden State Athletic Conference for the second consecutive year. The following players made the All-Conference team: Michele White, Tara Coon, Toni Milito, Susan Campbell and Kristen Giuliano. The conference championship title earned Head Coach Ilene Cohen GSAC Coach of the Year honors and boosted her nine-year career coaching record to 180-108. The Colts kept the recognitcn coming in for the NJCAA All-Region XIX team hacing Toni Milito, Susan Campbell, Tara Coon and Leah Spahr all earning a spot for the Middlesex CC softball team. And after picking off runners and leading the team from behind the plate Tara Coon earned NJCAA All-American honors along with Susan Campbell, who was ranked among the top-10 batters in the nation finishing with a .538 batting average.

Hawks' bats shut down in CJ final

By GLEN KURZ
CORRESPONDENT

WATCHUNG HILLS – J.P. Stevens High's softball team has had a successful season which has included a Greater Middlesex Conference-Red Division championship and trips to the finals of both the GMC and sectional tournaments.

The Hawks have mostly pitcher Krystle Petty to thank for that. They hadn't been setting the world on fire with their bats all season long and it finally caught up to them in the finals of the Central Jersey Group 4 Tournament against Hunterdon Central May 28.

The first-seeded Hawks never came through with that big clutch hit and fell to the second-seeded Red Devils 3-0 in the sectional finals.

"We had one bad inning," said J.P. Stevens Head Coach Pete Catenacci. "I told the girls going into the game that this game would not be one with pitching and we couldn't expect Krystle (Petty) to do it all. The difference was we did not produce at the plate. Our bats were flat. You can only walk the tightrope so long without expecting to fall."

The tightrope Catenacci is speaking of is the Hawks seven games prior to the sectional finals, which were all won by one run.

In five innings of play, neither team threatened to reach home plate, in part due to the pitching of Petty and Jenny Bender of Hunterdon Central. Petty was assisted defensively by the stellar play of centerfielder JoAnne Dimuzio.

However, in the top of the sixth, the Red Devils took advantage of a rare J.P. Stevens error and did all the damage they would need to collect their first-ever sectional title.

Prior to the sixth, Petty fanned five, walked three and allowed just two hits, but Bender, the Devils leadoff batter in the sixth, singled to left. Dayna Egan attempted a sacrifice bunt in hopes of advancing Bender, but third baseman Michelle Hish overthrew first base, sending Bender to third and Egan to second.

After a brief meeting in the circle, Petty's next pitch was sent deep into left field by Nicole Gacos, whose three-run homer proved to be the difference in the game.

"When we went out to talk, we discussed what to do and how we're going to try to make the play at the plate and hoped not to allow more than one run," said Catenacci. "But when the girl creams the ball like she did, the point is moot."

Despite the late three-run surge, the game did not end without sparks. In the bottom of the sixth, DiMuzio was hit by the pitch and the umpire awarded her first base.

Stevens fans became optimistic as Bender had allowed just one hit and two walks throughout the game, but by the time DiMuzio reached first base, the third-base umpire volunteered un-requested assistance and said that DiMuzio was hit by the ball outside the batter's box.

After a few minutes of deliberation, the Hawks leadoff hitter was forced back to the plate where she eventually became Bender's fifth strikeout victim of the seven she would claim on the day.

Glowacki helps SP take 4th in GMCT

By DAN ARKANS
STAFF WRITER

EAST BRUNSWICK – Most years, a 408 would win the Greater Middlesex Conference golf tournament.

But it turns out this isn't most years. Behind a second-place finish from Joey Glowacki, South Plainfield High's golf team shot a 408 which was good enough for fourth place at the GMC golf tournament at Tamarack Golf Course Friday.

East Brunswick won the competition with 394 points behind county champion Steve Petercsak (72). Glowacki trailed by three strokes after the first nine holes while shooting a 39. He responded with a county-best 35 over the final nine holes in shooting a three-over-par 74.

"I just think East Brunswick played super," said Tigers Head Coach Mike Kavka, whose team finished the season with a record of 20-3 and another GMC White Division title. "They certainly deserved to win it. The first four played well enough to win it most years. The conditions were favorable. The greens were easy to putt. The pins were not in hard spots. I think the course played easy. They set it up for high school kids and that's the way it should be."

Keith Palmer took 11th overall (80) and Mike Przybowski was 14th (81) for the Tigers. Jason Bataille chipped in with an 83 and Mike Maina shot a 90. South Plainfield's 408 would've been good enough to win last year's competition which St. Joseph's won with a score of 420.

"The course was in better shape," said Kavka of this year's competition. "Those people who play Tamarack will find out the course is in better shape. The grounds crew has done a real nice job. The problem is we only have one Tamarack. We need another one."

This year, the Falcons took third overall with 403. Sparking St. Joseph's were Mike Wendell with a third-place finish (74) and Corey Zogg (76), who took sixth overall. Also scoring for the Falcons were Nick Sinato (83), Frank Vitelli (83) and John Lay (87).

Rob Leuthold shot an 83 as Piscataway came away with a seventh-place finish (450). Also scoring for the Chiefs were Ryan Marosy (90), Tim Yowpa (90), Tim Chang (92) and Jerome Graham (95).

"I was real happy," said Piscataway Head Coach Henry Kieblock. "I've been wanting the kids to do half that well. The sophomores really came through."

The Chiefs seventh-place finish was their highest since they've been a member of the Greater Middlesex Conference. It was a fitting way to cap off what was a very exciting season at Piscataway.

"We have a bunch of kids who like to play golf," said Kieblock. "We've had two or three before. All of the five plus Tim Ward and Michael Porozek absolutely love to play. I'm really pleased. We've moved to a different level this year. Our scores were on average 20 to 25 lower per match than any other year."

Jason Brauth carded a 43 to help the Hawks of J.P. Stevens take eighth overall (458). Also scoring for J.P. Stevens were Jason Forman (87), Matt Seidner (88), Eric An (96) and Tom George (104).

Edison came through with an 11th-place finish overall. Scoring for the Eagles were Jim McCourt (90), Ian Horniacek (92), Chaiyasit Chujarane (99), Anthony Brusca (109) and Lou Marchitto (110).

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YOUTH SPORTS

BASEBALL

Metuchen 10's wins tourney

Near-perfect defense and solid pitching carried Metuchen's 10 year-old all-star team to a first-place finish in the Sayreville Little League Memorial Day Tournament. Metuchen defeated Franklin Township 9-1 in the first came and then came through with a come-from-behind 5-4 victory over Sayreville in the championship game.

Michael Brislin's two-run home run, double and single sparked Metuchen's hitting against Franklin. Michael Huntress pitched all six innings, striking out 10 while allowing just one walk. First base was the end of the line for most of Franklin's hitters as Metuchen's fielders put up a solid, error-free defense.

Game two put Metuchen under pressure as they lost Brislin to an injury and Dan Gibson was thrust into pitching his second-ever game for the Metuchen 10's. Gibson held the strike zone throughout the game and his fielders once again gave solid support, including a dramatic third-base pickoff by catcher Michael Carco to third baseman Kyle DePew. Nick Storts also made a fine running grab in deep center field. First baseman Gerard Mongiardini's fine glove and clutch hitting earned him the tournament MVP award.

N.Edison Minors heating up

North Edison's Minor League has begun a new season with a record 15 teams of 9 and 10 year-old boys. Totaling over 190 players, the minor league is the largest division in North Edison, growing over 15% from last season.

After the April 18th opener, the early part of the season saw three teams jump to a 3-0 start. Wayne Morrison's Expos, led by the pitching duo of Andrew Adams and James Zinno, seem to be running ahead of the pack.

The Rockies, managed by Don Whiteford, also are a team to be reckoned with. The hard-throwing Gary Turner, along with D.J. Whiteford and Paul Triola, give Whiteford's Rockies an edge over most pitching staffs in their division.

Another team in the running for the top spot is the Devil Rays. Under the watchful eye of manager Rich Marguiles, the team comprised mostly of nine year-old players is serving notice that it has come to play. Glenn Smith, Adam Kramen and Josh Marguiles lead this band of overachievers.

Just as the season was getting into high gear, a 12-day rain storm blew into North Edison, resulting in 15 games lost to horrendous field conditions. As the storm clouds gave way to sunny skies, other teams started to roll out their bats and pitching arms.

Ed Brown saw his Marlins go on a four-game winning streak. Two pitchers from last year's tournament team, Jason Anderson and Eddie Brown, have been mowing down opponents withj regularity, using pinpoint accuracy and consistent control.

Not to be outdone, the Orioles have been picking up victories with good pitching and solid hitting. Skipper John Lantieri has great pitching in the arms of Nick Triano and Jeremy Butterman. Kyle McCormick and Tommy DeLorenzo have paced the O's this season.

The Phillies, coming off a three-game winning streak, are sparked by pitchers Frank Cuzzolina, Chris Whitemore, Doug Wallner and Doug Steinbach. Backing them up in the field are John Sharbach and Michael Cannone.

As the season continues, these teams and the other nine squads prepare for the playoffs or June Madness. This double elimination tournament will pit the teams against each other with the winners going to the finals.

"The regular season is for the managers to get to know their players," said coordinator Pete Triano. "They teach the players the game and how to play different positions and how to play in different game situations. June Madness is the showcase of the season. These games allow the players the chance to perform on a more competitive level."

Piscataway LL

Mike Granski and Joseph Naccarato pitched well as the Yankees slipped past the Rangers 14-13 in American Minor League action of the Piscataway Little League. The Yankees' offensive attack was led by A.J. Hrabar with three hits and Jessica Scherlacher and Michael Williamson with two apiece. The Rangers were led by a strong bat attack from Jeremy Sacco.

Twins 17, Yankees 8 — Jonathan Mesler and Mark Riccardi scattered in 10 hits in pacing the Twins to their first victory of the season. Jovan Barber drove in two runs and Ian Premak scored four more to help the Twins. Avery Brown laced his first two hits of the season for the Yanks.

Royals 13, Mets 1 — Marcus Wright pitched six innings, allowing two hits and striking out 11 for the Royals. A single by Chris Campopiano, a walk by Dan Velazquez and a double by Chris Pruss started the Royals off to a three-run lead. The Mets scored in the fourth when Ross Gerhardy legged out an infield single and then stole second, third and home.

Twins 19, Yankees 12 — Mark Riccardi had three hits and drove in two runs while Jacob Bank singled twice and drove in three runs for the Twins. Sam Centino scored four runs while Steve Strazzulla and Riccardi scored three times each in the victory. Mike Williamson had three hits and scored twice and Joe Naccarato had two hits for the Yankees.

Twins 14, White Sox 11 — Jason Naselli had three hits and scored twice while Ian Premak had two hits and scored three times for the Twins, who scored nine times in the second inning. Mark Riccardi and Jonathan Meslar combined on the mound for the victory. Heradia Gonzalez clubbed a three-run homer for the White Sox. Keith Hopkins added two hits for the Sox.

Rangers 21, White Sox 1 — Alex Munroig pitched the Rangers to the victory over the White Sox. Pacing the Rangers were Jeremy Sacco (two doubles), Joey Rosenberg (single, triple, home run), Rocco Lombardi (single), Joseph Liverpool (single) and Yale Lin (single). Keith Hopkins and Mike Yunos both had hits for the White Sox.

Rangers 8, Twins 3 — Jeremy Sacco pitched four scoreless innings with only one hit for the Rangers victory. The Rangers got hits from Sacco, Rocco Lombardi, Anthony Mennella, Joseph Rosenberg and Joey Liverpool. Mark Riccardi and Jason Naselli both had hits for the Twins.

Rangers 20, Yankees 11 — Sacco pitched the Rangers to the victory over the Yankees. Joey Liverpool, Sacco, Joey Rosenberg and Rocco Lombardi had three hits apiece. Johnny Tremark, Allen Hudson, Anthony Mennella and Jim Keeney also had hits for the Rangers. Mike Granski had four hits for the Yankees.

Rangers 24, Twins 10 — Allen Hudson pitched the Rangers to the victory against the Twins. The Rangers' hitting attack was led by Yale Lin, Jeremy Sacco and Rocco Lombardi with four hits each. Joey Rosenberg had three hits while David Liverpool, Pinank Mashruwala and Alex Munroig had one hit apiece. Ian Premak had two hits for the Twins.

Rangers 10, Mets 8 — The Rangers rallied to defeat the Mets with Alex Munroig getting the win. Joey Liverpool, David Liverpool, Jeremy Sacco, Joey Rosenberg and Allen Hudson led the Rangers in hitting. Ross Gerhardt and Chris Novak paced the Mets' offense.

Royals 23, Rangers 8 — Robert Shallo pitched his first complete game of the season, striking out seven. Following walks to Jonathan Pettus and Dan Velazquez, Chris Pruss hit a single that scored two runs in the first for the Royals. Following a single by Matt Coburger, Pettus hit his first homer of the year to give the Royals an eight-run lead. A home run by Marcus Wright (his second of the year) added to the Royals score. Singles by Joseph Liverpool, Jeremy Sacco and a two-run double by Joey Rosenberg helped get the Rangers on the scoreboard.

Royals 14, White Sox 5 — Marcus Wright pitched five innings, allowing four hits and striking out 14 for the Royals. The Royals scored in the first with hitting from Chris Campopiano, Jonathan Pettus and a three-run single from Chris Pruss. The White Sox scored with singles from Keith Hopkins, Dean Masters and Mike Chevalier, which scored three runs.

Yankees 19, White Sox 8 — The Yankees received solid pitching from Michael Williamson and Nick Bardzilowski. The Yankee bats were led once again by A.J. Hrabar and Michael Williamson. The White Sox received good pitching from Kevin Wallace and a three-hit attack from Mike Yumos.

NATIONAL MINORS

In a matchup of the top two teams in the league, Rodney Freeney tossed a two-hitter with 13 strikeouts as the Astros slipped past the Red Sox 5-3. Brian Cesare pitched four strong innings and was relieved by Andrew Yeager for the Red Sox. Danny Guarneri led the Astros with three hits and drove in three runs. The Astros also received timely hitting from Rodney Freeney and Matt Bennison while Andrew Yeager and Rocco Contessa had hits for the Red Sox.

Astros 25, Angels 9 — The Astros were victorious behind the pitching efforts of Steve Connors, Kashan May and Brian Wiggins. William Proctor pitched for the Angels with Josh Hatten pitching three innings of relief. Astros offensive duties were handled by Matt Bennison, Danny Guarneri, Rodney Freeney, Eddie Fitzgerald and Ryan Lynch. Feliz Ramos played well for the Angels.

Astros 24, Padres 13 — Eddie Fitzgerald, Danny Guarneri and Steve Connors combined for nine of the Astros' 13 hits and 11 RBI. Steve Connors of the Astros and Bryan Mohan of the Padres were the pitchers. Kyle Walker, Bryan Mohan and Noto turned in multiple-hit performances for the Padres.

Astros 32, Pirates 2 — A season-high 17 hits against three Pirate pitchers proved to be the difference in this contest. Leading the hit barrage for the Astros were Rodney Freeney, Marcus McGriff, Ryan Lynch, Danny Guarneri and Matt Bennison. Freeney provided the muscle by belting two home runs while James White tripled for the Astros. The Pirate hits were provided by Jason Rolo and Mark Perez. Steve Connors won his fourth game of the season for the Astros.

AMERICAN MAJORS

Brian Millard hurled a two-hit complete game shutout as the Twins coasted past the Tigers 9-0 in American Major League action. Millard struck out nine and didn't walk a batter. Millard added two hits and drove in two runs. Terrance McClain doubled and walked twice for the Twins. Tiger shortstop Kenny Walker was 1 for 3 and pitched the last three innings. Curt Metrokotsas had the other Tiger hits.

Twins 9, Dodgers 7 — Twins starting pitcher Nick Caroccia allowed just three runs on three hits. Catcher Mike McDermott had two hits and drove in two runs for the winners. The Twins held off a late inning rally from the Dodgers. Jason Thomas had three hits and four RBI and pitched the last three innings for the Dodgers.

Twins 9, White Sox 8 — The Twins scored four runs in the bottom of the sixth to record the victory. Sox pitcher Reggie See had loaded the bases but held the Twins scoreless in the fourth and fifth innings. Mike McDermott delivered a run-scoring single in the sixth for the Twins. Brian Millard pitched a complete game, walking three and striking out 12 for the Twins. Millard also went 2 for 2 at the plate with one RBI and two walks. Scott Miller went 4 for 4 and scored three times for the White Sox.

Twins 17, Tigers 0 — Twins starting pitcher Lou Chippendale threw a complete game shutout, allowing six hits while striking out four and walking three. The Twins offensive attack was paced by right fielder Andy Jelinski, center fielder Jack Harkins and Chippendale with three hits each. Chippendale also drove in four runs while first baseman Mike McDermott drove in two runs on two hits. Second baseman James Johnson was 2 for 3 with a run batted in. Tigers center fielder Anthony Casale doubled for the Tigers while second baseman Ayman Edwards was 1 for 1 with a walk. Kenny Walker played solid offense for the Tigers, going 1 for 3 at the plate. Walker held the Twins to two runs over the final two innings.

Reds 6, Twins 5 — Robert Rose had 12 strikeouts in four innings as well as contributing two doubles with two runs batted in for the Reds. Mark Weisman's game-winning RBI single in the bottom of the seventh handed the Reds the victory. Lou Chippendale's double and triple, along with Brian Millard's double kept the Twins in the game and forced extra innings.

Reds 11, White Sox 8 — Kyle Gurkovich, Robert Rose and Chris Sokolowski combined for seven hits and drove in seven runs to lead the offense for the Reds. Two double plays and Tyree Cooper's relief pitching was the key in shutting down the White Sox offense. Travis Poulsen provided pitching and defense to keep the White Sox in the game.

Reds 6, Cardinals 5 — Robert McQuone, Matt Weisman and Mark Weisman played well defensively for the Reds. The hot bats of Tyree Cooper with three RBI as well as two doubles by Robert Rose put the Reds ahead in the scoring column. Pitchers Stan Lepski and Spenser Keats kept the Cardinals in the game until the last out.

Reds 11, Dodgers 3 — Robert Rose went 3 for 4 with two RBI as well as pitching eight strikeouts in three innings to lead the Reds. He had a lot of offensive support from Kyle Gurkovich, Robert McQuone and Chris Sokolowski, who all went 2 for 3. Nick Fallivene and Mark Weisman added extra-base hits to help the cause. For the Dodgers, Jason Thomas went 2 for 3 with a double. Nick Recine had an RBI double while James Galambos tripled.

SOCCER

Shooting Stars blast Cranford

The Edison Shooting Stars had their best game of the season in a 6-1 victory over the Cranford Angels Saturday in under-nine girls soccer action. Shikha Sharma and Nicole Mayer each scored on penalty kicks. Amanda Sanzone added two goals. Dana Kohut scored the fifth goal. Christine Salavarani also tallied a score. Assists were credited to Karema Moheisen, Christine Salvarani and Sarah Nadler. Also playing well for the Stars were Nadia Moheisen, Wendy Schiffman, Morgan Finkel and Alexandra Gaudio. The goalies were Raquel Dittel, Nicole Mayer and Shikha Sharma.

Rahway Thunder 4, Edison Shooting Stars 1 — Nicole Mayer scored on an assist from Shikha Sharma but the Stars came up short to the flight champion. Shots on goal were provided by Nicole Mayer, Morgan Finkel, Raquel Dittel and Dana Kohut. Great defense came from Christine Salvarani, Sarah Nadler, Amanda Sanzone and Alexandra Gaudio. Playing in goal for Edison were Raquel Dittel and Shikha Sharma.

Clark Magic 2, Edison Sharks 1 — Craig Toncic scored for the Sharks off a pass from Robert Bertucci. Evan Weiss and Frank Faleski played an especially strong game.

Edison Sharks 2, Flemington Fireballs 1 — Scoring for the Sharks were Khadhir Griffith and Craig Toncic. George Savulich, Franco Mastrapasqua and Tommy Waid played excellent defense. David Levy was outstanding in goal.

Edison Sharks 5, Montgomery 2 — Khadhir Griffith recorded a hat trick for Edison off passes from Cliff Rieder and Ross Schwarzber. Craig Toncic and Howard Bar-Eli also scored unassisted breakaway goals. Sean Kenny and Erik Frosten played strong game and helped goalie David Levy record the victory.

Edison Quest 3, Monroe 2 — The Quest capped off their third straight winning season with an exciting victory against a tough opponent. After falling behind 2-0, the team rallied, then held on as second-half goalkeeper Obed Espada and defenders Nihal Shah, Juss Rosengart, Roger Schiffman and Arinze Nwadiogbu rose to the occasion. Espada also had netted the first goal for the Quest, a thirty-yard blast. Tallies by Luis Lopez and Damani Aaron followed to round out the scoring. Chris James, Michael Birch, Brian Smith, Seth Horwitz and Steven Esposito also had fine games, while striker Ram Ananthakrishnan pressured the Monroe defense relentlessly.

Edison Cobras 4, Princeton 1 — The Cobras were defeated by a strong Princeton team in Division 5 action. The Cobras took an early lead on an Andy Dudas shot into the goal off an assist from Lee Guray. The Cobras held tough in the first half which ended in a 1-1 tie. The Cobras received strong all-around play from Robert Hala, Garrett Chavez, Kevin Ryan and strong defense from Garrett Seigler. Billy Iafe was outstanding in goal, stopping numerous shots on the net.

Orsogna sparks Eagles to victory

The host Eagles scored two in the first inning and held on for a 4-1 victory over Sayreville May 28 in softball action. Marisa Orsogna tripled and drove in a run to pace Edison (16-11). Also collecting RBI for the Eagles were Jaime Harkins, Crystal Sweeney and Shannon Tofte. Mandy Schenck picked up the win in the circle for Edison.

BASEBALL

The host Eagles erupted for six runs in the third en route to a 6-2 victory over St. Joseph's May 28. The victory avenged an earlier defeat to the Falcons for Edison. Josh Schuck doubled and Jayson Bullock drove in two runs for Edison. Nick Cerulo homered, Matt Cleary doubled and Anthony Priolo tripled to spark St. Joseph's.

Edison 6, Sayreville 0 — Chris Toth pitched five shutout innings, striking out seven as the Eagles clinched the Greater Middlesex Conference-Red Division title with the victory May 27. Dan Kralich had three hits, including a pair of doubles and drove in a run for Edison. Josh Schuck and Lee Moskowitz each doubled and collected an RBI for the Eagles.

BOYS TENNIS

The Eagles were swept in singles action in falling to Old Bridge 3-2 May 27. Winning for Edison were the No. 1 doubles team of Adam Novick-Song Kim (6-4, 6-2) and the No. 2 duo of Mark Tamayo-Eric Klein (6-4, 2-6, 7-5). Dropping matches for Edison were Chris Johnson (6-2, 6-1), Jim Ayotte (6-2, 6-1) and Vic Chandrasekaran (6-1, 7-6).

GOLF

Jim McCourt's 43 at par-36 Tamarack White helped the Eagles win in the preliminary round of the Greater Middlesex Conference Tournament over Sayreville (246-252) and Metuchen (246-263) May 27. Also scoring for Edison were Ian Horniacek (45), Anthony Brusca (50), Chaiyasit Chjujarane (50) and Lou Marchitto (58). Pacing the Bulldogs were Ryan Hale (48), Dan Zaneto (52), Chris Donnan (54), Mark VanDzura (54) and Josh Barkan (55).

BOYS TRACK

Josh White placed first in the 800 (2:10) and 1600 (4:54.6) but the Eagles dropped the meet May 27 to Sayreville 80-51. Also winning for Edison (0-6) were Kriston Pasley (100, 11.8), Chinobi Odunoku (long jump, 20-4.50) and Dave Burke (javelin, 140-6). The 4 x 400 relay of Odunoku, Emanuel Ware, Pasley and Steve Meyer also placed first (3:49.9).

Potter helps SJ's capture state title

Ed Potter took first in the 400 (48.80), second in the 100 (11.33), second in the 200 (22.13) and second in the long jump (21-8) as the Falcons captured the NJSIAA Parochial A boys track and field championship Saturday afternoon. Also placing for St. Joseph's were Mike McCabe (4, 800, 1:59.01), Rob Mateicka (5, 800, 1:59.64), Ray Driscoll (1, 1600, 4:21.65; 3, 3200, 9:31.77), Jeff Key (3, intermediate hurdles, 57.06; 5, high hurdles, 15.53), Ken Zampella (5, intermediate hurdles, 57.57), Keith Rzewuski (1, shot put, 58-1; 2, discus, 152-2), Jon Andes (3, shot, 50-1), Paul Volosin (4, discus, 144-0) and Declan Mulcahy (6, discus, 138-4). The Falcons 4 x 400 relay also placed second with a time of 3:24.41.

BOYS VOLLEYBALL

The first-seeded Falcons dropped the final six points in game three and were shocked in the semifinals of the NJSIAA Tournament May 27 15-7, 8-15, 15-9 to fourth-seeded East Brunswick. The third game was tied at 9-9 before the Bears took control. The Falcons had a record of 21-0 entering the match. Pacing St. Joseph's were Justin Kazmark (11 kills, 6 blocks), Paul Bocage (6 kills, 2 1/2 blocks), Nick Romanak (8 kills) and Jens Madsen (10 kills).

BASEBALL

The Falcons grabbed a 4-1 lead but it didn't stand up in a 6-4 loss to Holy Cross in the semifinals of the NJSIAA South Jersey Parochial A Tournament Friday. Despite stranding seven runners, the 10th-seeded Falcons (11-12) had a shot to win the game in the seventh. Nick Giampiono walked and after the next two batters were retired, Matt Cleary flew out to deep left.

Palumbo homers twice in Dogs' victory

METUCHEN — H.S. Roundup

Tim Palumbo hit a pair of homers, driving in four runs as the host Bulldogs routed Highland Park 13-2 in a five-inning baseball contest May 28. Brian Stio also tripled and drove in a run while teammate Steve Garcia also collected an RBI for Metuchen (9-11). Gideon Thompson drove in a run for Highland Park (5-12).

Carteret 15, Metuchen 0 — The visiting Bulldogs were outhit 13-3 in dropping the five-inning contest May 27. Terry Dean took the loss on the mound for Metuchen. Mike Crilley tripled twice and drove in four runs for Carteret.

SOFTBALL

Senior Kristin Kinelski hurled a one-hit shutout as the Bulldogs ended Carteret's 49-game Blue Division win streak with a 1-0 victory Friday. Metuchen and Carteret ended up in a tie for the divisional crown. The shutout was Kinelski's 12th on the season. Carrie Stevens had three hits and Theresa Sprunger doubled, singled and drove in a run for Metuchen (18-4). Kim Penny and Kim Tinker also had RBI for the Bulldogs.

Metuchen 1, John F. Kennedy 0 — The host Bulldogs got some revenge against the team that knocked them out of the Greater Middlesex Conference Tournament and remained in contention for the GMC-Blue Division title with the victory May 27. Kristin Kinelski tossed a two-hitter, fanning nine for Metuchen. Melissa Collins tripled and scored on a Kim Penny single in the fourth.

BOYS TENNIS

The Bulldogs did not drop a set in routing South River 5-0 Monday. Winning for Metuchen (17-3) were Dave Stein (6-1, 6-3), Mark Slobodien (6-0, 6-1), Adam Mertz (6-0, 7-5), the No. 1 doubles team of Matt Maliel-Joe Thi (6-2, 6-0) and the No. 2 duo of Jake Maliel-DeWitt Oliver (6-0, 6-0).

Metuchen 5, St. Mary 0 — The Bulldogs didn't drop a set in recording the victory May 28. Winning for Metuchen were Jason Pack (6-2, 6-4), Jon Black (6-0, 6-1), Jake Maliel (forfeit), the No. 1 doubles team of Bill Bolton-DeWitt Oliver (6-0, 6-1) and the No. 2 duo of Mukan Murahdharan-David Scott (6-3, 6-4).

Metuchen 3, Highland Park 2 — Metuchen's No. 2 doubles team of Matt Maliel and Joe Thi brought home the victory May 27 with a 6-4, 6-3 triumph over Dan McCarthy and Miles Diener-Bennett. Dave Stein coasted past Christian Miyagishima 6-0, 6-0 at No. 1 singles and Adam Mertz posted a 6-4, 6-1 victory over Suhaib Tarique at No. 3 singles for the Bulldogs. Highland Park's Matt Schiff outlasted Mark Slobodien 2-6, 6-2, 6-2 at No. 2 singles while the Owls' No. 1 doubles team of Carrie Sherman-Will Jacobowitz defeated Jason Pack-Mitch Goldstein 7-5, 6-2.

GOLF

Chris Donnan carded a 44 at par-33 West Nine but the Bulldogs fell to South Plainfield (184-244) May 28. Also scoring for Metuchen (3-15) were Josh Barkan (46), Ryan Hale (48), Dan Zaneto (51) and Simon Nortunan (55).

METUCHEN ATHLETES OF THE WEEK

Baseball: Rob Keller and Tim Palumbo; Golf: Chris Donnan; Softball: Kristin Kinelski and Carrie Stevens; Boys Track: Ben Spector: Girls Track: Jessica Akey; Boys Tennis: Adam Mertz.

Bier, Hodes, sparkle for Hawks

JP STEVENS — H.S. Roundup

The Hawks only lost at No. 1 singles in recording a 4-1 victory over Old Bridge May 28 in boys tennis action. Winning matches for J.P. Stevens (14-3) were Evan Hodes at No. 2 singles (6-0, 6-0), Justin Bier at No. 3 singles (6-0, 6-0), the No. 1 doubles team of Jason Martucci-Alan Winegarden (6-0, 6-2) and the No. 2 doubles duo of Thushan Kottahachchi-Ramprassad Hegde (6-1, 6-0).

East Brunswick 3, J.P. Stevens 2 — Alex Lopathnyuk outlasted Jeff Braverman 6-1, 3-6, 6-2 at No. 1 singles and the Hawks dropped the match May 27, thus finishing in second place in the Greater Middlesex Conference-Red Division. Winning for J.P. Stevens were the No. 1 doubles team of Alan Winegarden-Jason Martucci (6-4, 6-4) and the No. 2 duo of Thushan Kottahachchi-Ramprassad Hegde (4-6, 6-2, 6-2). Evan Hodes fell 6-1, 6-4 at No. 2 singles and Justin Bier lost 6-0, 7-5 at third singles for the Hawks.

GOLF

Jason Form shot a four-over-par 40 at Quail Brook Monday as the Hawks slipped past Franklin 218-226.

Also scoring for J.P. Stevens were John Kim (42), Eric An (42), Matt Seidner (46) and Tom George (48).

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Mr. Nagengast, a resident of Bridgewater, studied art at Kean College and Union County College. He has also studied with James Carlin, Henry Gasser, John Grobock and Hans Weingartner. Mr. Nagengast taught at the Newark School of Fine and Industrial Arts for 15 years.

Somerville ready to host its 15th Annual Street Fair Sunday

Downtown Somerville is the place to be this Sunday as the 15th Annual Somerville Street Fair comes to Main Street from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m.

A craft marketplace, three great jazz bands, Bluegrass music and entertainment for kids are just some of the goodies planned for this year. This extravaganza brings 50,000 people to the downtown area to see the hundreds of craft, food and retail exhibitors.

The Somerville Business and Professional Association sponsor the event that began in 1984 as the borough's Seventy-fifth Birthday Party. The Somerville Street Fair is now one of the East Coast's largest craft showcases.

Several artists are new to this year's event. A&E Goldfarb from Livingston are showing their batiks and original lithographs. Colorfully hand-painted tiles for the home are sold by artist Amy Scudese of Hardwick. Ed Stoney of Keyport does fine cut-outs on coins to make dazzling an unique jewelry pieces. Some are enameled and plated with gold.

Fairgoers can feast from a complete International menu from more than 22 different food vendors. You can eat your way down Main Street by sampling authentic Greek, Italian and Mexican specialties. Grilled kabobs, fajitas and assorted fried veggies will be cooked and served along Main Street.

Somerville's own Alfonso's, Cafe Picasso, House of Wong, Ferraro of Somerville and Central Pizzeria will serve specialties from their menus. Bobby B's on Main Street will cook up some of their famous barbecue ribs and chicken. Central Hook and Ladder will again serve their popular hot roast beef sandwiches. Strawberry Dan makes the most delicious combo of grilled tomatoes, seared with basil and oil known as "The Jersey Devil" sandwich. Gyros and other Greek favorites are the specialty of Athens Delite of N.Y. Scardino's authentic Italian Ice and Pennsylvania Dutch Funnel cakes top off a meal.

The Stage, located near the PM Bookstore on Main Street, will offer a diverse and exciting schedule of entertainment throughout the day.

Some of the featured performers include Risky Business Bluegrass Band from Bergenfield and three great jazz bands: Perception of Piscataway, One More Once of Morristown and Positive Rhyth-mic Forces from New Brunswick.

Kathryn Weidener of Raritan will weave some wonderfully wild tales for children at noon and 2:30 p.m. at the Stage.

There will be a Moonwalk, a petting zoo and pony rides for the kids. Face-painting, removable tattoos and the popular sand art are all part of the day's activities. Unreal of Main Street will have skateboard demonstrations on South Bridge Street.

Main Street will be detoured of traffic for the event. Downtown Somerville is easily reached from the Grove Street exit off of Route 22.

Admission and parking are free. Raindate is June 14.

For more information, call the event's promoter, The Advertising Alliance at (908) 996-3036.

CJSO to play works of local NJ composer

NORTH BRANCH – The Central Jersey Symphony Orchestra (CJSO), resident ensemble of Raritan Valley Community College, will close its 13th season with their annual "Pops Extravaganza" at 8 p.m. this Saturday, in the Edward Nash Theatre on campus. This year's edition of the popular program of lighter musical fare from Europe and America will be conducted by music director Roger Briscoe and will feature two works by prominent New Jersey composer Mario Lombardo of Cranford.

Mario Lombardo's "Spectrum" for orchestra will be performed by the CJSO and Mr. Lombardo will appear as pianist in his arrangement of the Harold Arlen "Wizard of Oz" classic "Over the Rainbow." Mr. Lombardo has composed over 200 songs, four musicals, and many works for piano, chorus, concert band, and orchestra. The composer, born in Elizabeth, has had his compositions performed by the symphony orchestras of Chicago, Boston, Detroit, and Cincinnati, as well as by the New Jersey Symphony and other orchestras in the United States and Europe.

On the European portion of the concert, the orchestra will perform an overture by Donizetti; the "Emperor Waltz" and "Pizzicato Polka" by Johann Strauss, Jr.; the "Meditation" from "Thais" by Massenet, with concertmaster Mark Giannini of West Orange performing the violin solo made famous by Fritz Kreisler; and the symphonic poem "Capriccio Italien" by Tchaikovsky.

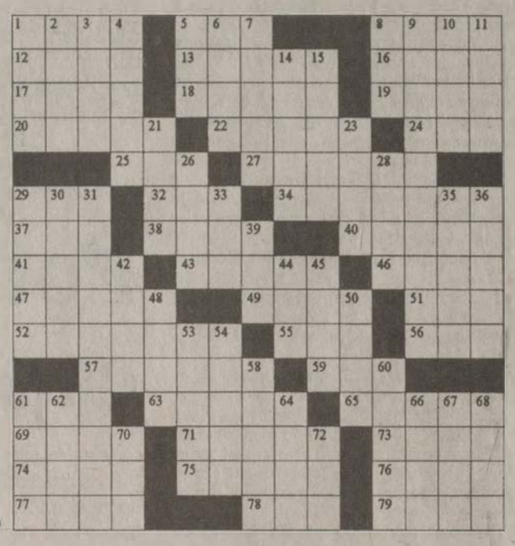
In addition to the two Lombardo works, the American part of the program will include the "January February March" by Don Gillis; "Jazz Pizzicato" by Leroy Anderson; Morton Gould's "Pavanne," featuring principal trumpet Gary Ross of Stewartsville; and selections from "My Fair Lady" arranged by Robert Russell Bennett. The audience can also expect the orchestra's traditional encore performance of John Philip Sousa's "Stars and Stripes Forever" march. Dr. Briscoe will introduce each piece with "verbal program notes."

Maestro Briscoe earned M.M. and Ph.D. degrees from Indiana University. He is professor of music and chairperson of the College's performing arts programs in music, theatre, and dance. Dr. Briscoe is a resident of Scotch Plains.

Tickets for the concert are $12 general public, $9.50 for seniors, and $5 for students and children. Information and tickets are available by phone (908) 725-3420, fax (908) 5267890, or on-line at: *www.raritanval.edu/theatre.*

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Singles

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Tennis (intermediate level) at Wardlaw-Hartridge School, 10 a.m. Saturday, Sunday.

SINGLEFACES
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Dance at Doubletree Hotel, Somerset, 9 p.m. June 5. Cost $12.
Dance at Sheraton hotel, Iselin, 9 p.m. June 6. Cost $12.
Dance at Hilton hotel, Iselin, 8 p.m. June 7. Cost $12.
Two dances (25-39, 40-older) at Hilton hotel, Iselin, 9 p.m. June 13. Cost $12.
Dance at Clarion Hotel, Edison, 8 p.m. June 14. Cost $12.

SOLO SINGLES
(908) 766-1839 (7-9 p.m.)
Bridge at Central Presbyterian Church, Summit, 6:45 p.m. Sunday. Cost $2.

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Hike along Patriots Path, Morristown, 10 a.m. June 7. Meet in lot across from Willie's Taverne, Bedminster. Cost $5; bring water, lunch.

SOMERSET SINGLES
(30-older)
(732) 341-4576 (after noon)
Dance at Bridgewater Manor, 8:30 p.m. Wednesday. Cost $7 before 9 p.m., $9 after.

YOUNG SINGLES' SOCIAL CLUB
(908) 221-1182
Lobster dinner (30-49; sports jacket required) at Cuisine's, Basking Ridge, 7 p.m. June 13. Cost $50; must reserve by noon that day.
Brunch (26-45; sports jacket required) at Cuisine's, Basking Ridge, noon June 14. Cost $30. Must reserve by 5 p.m. June 13.

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MAKE ME LAUGH
SWF, 27, blond hair, blue eyes. Enjoys bowling, softball, quiet walks. Seeking D/SWM, 25-33, educated, funny, down-to-earth, sincere, Must like kids. Ad# 7513

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SW mom, 35, enjoys the outdoors, traveling, arts and crafts, poetry, music, conversation. ISO D/SM, 35-45, honest, respectful. Ad# 1462

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Attractive, independent, energetic SWF, 47, 5'4", 148lbs., great personality, loves traveling, skiing. ISO SWM, 45-55, for communication and quality realtionship. Ad# 1129

SEE WHERE IT GOES
Quiet SWF, 40, 5'2", moderate build, brown hair/eyes. ISO artistic SWM, 35-48, N/S, who enjoys theatre, movies, exploring new things. Ad# 2338

FLOWERS ON HILLSIDE
DWPF, 5'5", 125lbs., pretty, sexy, N/S. Enjoys nature, sports, conversations. ISO educated D/SWPM, 43-50, fit, sincere, well-groomed, for possible LTR. Ad# 7215

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To come let's find it together. Attractive SWPF, wants to enjoy life with SWM, 28-35, who is financially stable, fun-loving. Ad# 7212

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DWF, sexy brunette belle, 48. ISO extremely handsome M, clean cut, 5'10"-6', 38-48, for dating, possible LTR. Ad# 7213

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SWF, 37, attractive, looking for devoted man, attractive and romantic. Ad# 7115

CLASSY LADY
DWF, very young 46, attractive, 5'9", shapely, blue-eyed, redhead, outgoing, likes dancing, shore, hiking, theater. Seeking D/SWM, 35-48, similar interests. Ad# 7119

TRADITIONAL VALUES
WWWCF, Somerset area, 54, 5'3", 110lbs., blond hair, green eyes, attractive. Seeking SWM, friendship first, possible LTR. Ad# 7016

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FIRST TIME AD
SWF, 25, looking for tall, honest, intelligent M, for a LTR, 25-32. No head games. Ad# 6924

LIFE IS ROMANTIC
DWPF, 41, Flemington. Enjoys music, the arts, nature, travel, home. N/S, drug-free, voluptuous brunette. ISO WPM, honest, humor, secure, similar interests. LTR. Ad# 6925

LET'S HAVE FUN
SWF, 49, 5'9", 130lbs., blue-eyed blond, attractive, fit. Enjoys various interests. ISO SWM, 49-58, N/S. Ad# 2326

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SWF, 5'6", 125lbs., comfortable in jeans or an evening gown. ISO WM, 39-49, romantic, enjoys life and living. Ad# 6823

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Beautiful, considerate, loving, honest, affectionate SWF, 33, slim, 5'7", blue-eyed blond, enjoys quiet evenings alone. ISO SWM, 28-33, for fun and laughter. Ad# 1858

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SWPF, 30s, attractive, friendly, confident, articulate, fine upbringing. ISO handsome, cultured, interesting, charming D/SW gentleman, 35-45, financially secure, well-mannered, marriage-minded. Ad# 8136

ARE YOU FOR REAL?
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SBF, 19, 5'7", Seeks handsome, tall, light-skinned SW/BM, 19-27. Ad# 1840

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SWF, 28, 5'6", green-eyed brunette, enjoys dining out, beaches, long walks/drives, quiet nights. ISO SWPM, 28-34, to spend quality time with. Ad# 1430

FUN TO BE WITH
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SWF, 23, brown hair/eyes, 5'4", affectionate, caring, loves the outdoors, beaches. Seeks SWM, 23-28, N/S, with similar interests, for possible LTR. Ad# 6528

NO DUMB BLOND
Wanted: SWCPM, 45-55, to share life's ups and downs. Hardworking, vibrant SWCPF, 50, varied interests. Seeking LTR with right man. Ad# 6622

LET'S GET-TOGETHER
SBF, 35, 5'1", 112lbs., attractive, fun-loving. ISO SM, 30-39, 5'10"+, in good-shape, for fun and possible LTR. Ad# 6624

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BUTTA LOVE
SWF, 19, big & beautiful, brown hair/eyes, enjoys clubs, New York City, concerts. ISO M, 20-30, who likes to chill. Please no players. Ad# 6526

SOMEONE SPECIAL
SBF, 21, mom, smoker, 5'9", long hair, medium build, likes action movies, jazz music. ISO outgoing, down-to-earth SBM, 23-28. Ad# 3091

CALL FOR DETAILS
SBF, 18, outgoing, N/S, no children. ISO compatible SHM, 18-26, for dating. Ad# 2010

PICTURE THIS
SWF, 49, 5'9", caring, educated. Enjoys dining out, movies, conversations, music, comedy, photography. ISO tall D/SWM, 45-58, honest, N/S, N/D. Ad# 2528

LOOKING FOR FUN
SWF, 21, 5'4", enjoys classic rock, stock car racing, having fun. ISO SWM, 21-29, long hair, motorhead-type, childless. Ad# 6427

INTO THE SUNSET
DWF, 46, 5'8", 170lbs., blue-eyed brunette, enjoys outdoors, NASCAR, laughing, movies, sports, animals, Harleys. Seeks D/SWM, 35-55, with similar interests. Ad# 3986

BEAUTIFUL EYES
And a great smile. Very attractive SWF, 5'3", 125lbs., great smile, romantic, neat, intelligent. Seeks SWM, confident, handsome, N/S, 6'+, 36-43. Ad# 6421

TEACH ME SPANISH
Pretty, blue-eyed SWCF, 5'7", 116lbs. ISO SHCM, 5'10"+, outgoing, educated, fluent in Spanish, 27-42. Ad# 6424

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DWF, 50, sense of humor, attractive, shapely. Enjoys movies, 50s music, cuddling. ISO DWM, 50+, warm, loving and honest, seeking LTR. Ad# 6323

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SWF, 39, N/S, warm, witty, intelligent, enjoys film, music, quiet evenings, good conversation. ISO tall SWM, 36-43, with similar qualities. Ad# 6229

LADY SEEKS GENTLEMAN
SBPF, 34, 5'5", 110lbs. Seeks SWPM, handsome, 30-36, 5'10"-6'2", 170-210lbs., drug/disease-free, emotionally/financially secure, for LTR. Ad# 6320

FROM HERE 2 ETERNITY
SWPF, 46, 5'2", enjoys dining out, movies, outdoors. Seeking honest friendship and loving relationship with SWPM. Ad# 6321

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DWPF, 43, mom. ISO outgoing, caring, fun, sincere, warm, fun-loving, honest D/SWPM, 40-55, N/S, for hugs, walks, talks, snuggles. Ad# 1321

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Very attractive, Italian lady, 38, hazel-eyed, 5'4", 116lbs., creative imagination, upbeat personality. ISO LTR with tall, ruggedly attractive, quality SWM, 36+. Ad# 8124

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SWF, 30, 5'1", 120lbs., enjoys dancing, the beach, skiing, movies. ISO caring, honest SWM, 27-37, N/S. Ad# 2524

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Very attractive SWF, 23, 5'7", full-figured, enjoys outdoors, walks, hiking, picnics, movies, bowling, laughing. ISO outgoing SM, 20-30. Ad# 2456

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WWW Catholic F, late 50s, blond, 5'5", N/S, social drinker, likes walks, movies, dining out. ISO tall, romantic gentleman, 58-65. Ad# 6123

LOOKING FOR LOVE
SWF, 31, N/S, 5'1", pretty, enjoys movies, New York City, nature, walks, picnics. ISO SW/H/Italian M, 30-35, enjoys sports, cooking, LTR. Ad# 6027

ALWAYS AN ADVENTURE
SWF, 38, 5'5", adventurous, spontaneous. Enjoys motorcycles, the outdoors, laughter, quiet, romantic evenings. Seeks classy SW gentleman, 35-43, honest, sincere. Ad# 3668

DREAMS DO COME TRUE!
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SBF, 18, 5'5", 147lbs., down-to-earth, fun-loving, enjoys movies, dining, clubs, parties, ISO SM, 18-26, N/S, fun, loves me for me. Ad# 2695

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DWF, 50s, attractive, fun-loving, petite, easygoing, sincere, likes walks, outdoors, dining. ISO nice D/SM, N/S, with similar interests. LTR. Ad# 8508

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SBF, 33, full-figured, enjoys conversation, dining, movies, quiet times. Seeking SWM, 29-50, humorous, intelligent, similar interests, friendship first. No games. Ad# 8503

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DWF, 50s, pretty, slim, blond, Atlantic City, beach lover. ISO M, 50s, tall, stable, thin, well-groomed, active, fun-loving. Ad# 8414

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DO I INTEREST YOU?
Attractive DWPF, 51, educated, honest, sincere, down-to-earth, good conversationalist, humorous, varied interests. ISO D/SWPM, 51-60, for honest, sincere, monogamous relationship. Ad# 2513

SEEKING REAL LOVE
SBF, 35, 5'7", 130lbs. Enjoys working out, movies, cooking. ISO tall, dark, handsome D/SBM, 34-45, for serious LTR. Ad# 1409

SEXY ITALIAN
SWF, 35, pretty, slim, green-eyed blond, who enjoys life. Seeking ideal mate in attractive, intelligent, funny M. Ad# 8055

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WF, 29, 5', 105-110lbs., dark hair/eyes, fit, fun-loving, attentive. ISO WM, 28-38, N/S, attractive, fit, honest, fun-loving, outgoing, supportive, attentive, childless. Ad# 1627

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SBF, 35, 5'7", 130lbs. ISO D/SBM, 34-45, tall, dark, handsome. Tired of disappointments. Serious LTR. Enjoys workouts, movies, loves cooking. Ad# 8319

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SWPF, 31, 5'3", slim, brunette. ISO attractive SWPM, 31-42, financially secure, ambitious, honest and sincere, to make me laugh. Ad# 8400

IF YOU ARE...
DPM, N/S, who lives in Somerset County, 45-60, no children at home, looking for companionship, communication, possible LTR. Ad# 8054

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Outgoing SWF, 45, smoker, enjoys Elvis, movies, casinos, Atlantic City. ISO D/SBM, 25-80, very outgoing, for friendship, possible LTR. Ad# 2762

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Dangerously delicious, petite 26, SF, financially secure, sensitive, happy, spontaneous, adventurous. ISO financially secure, monsieur, who enjoys life, adventures/mysteries. Ad# 8049

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DWF, 42, outgoing, caring, romantic, enjoys country music, horseback riding, the outdoors. ISO D/SWM to share good times, kids okay. Ad# 8218

NUBIAN QUEEN
BF, 18. Seeking B/HM, under 21, for friendship, possible serious relationship. Ad# 8303

ALWAYS SMILING
SWF, 27, 5'4", brown hair/eyes, outgoing, good sense of humor, spontaneous, fun. Seeking D/SWM, 25-37, for fun, friendship, possibly more. Ad# 8473

NO DITZY BIMBO
Brunette, with golden highlights, tall, trim, stylish, self-employed P, 39, diverse interests. ISO sincere, attractive, good-natured SWM, for friendship, LTR. Ad# 8474

NUBIAN PRINCESS
SBPF, 40+, attractive, classy. ISO SBPM, 37-50, secure, physically fit gentleman, handsome. Ad# 8475

LET'S TRY
SW mom, 37, smoker, 5'3", 150lbs., brunette. ISO SWM, 35-42, who's sincere, outgoing and seeking a LTR. Ad# 8476

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SBF, 23, 5'10", medium-built, enjoys quiet evenings, intelligent conversation. ISO SBF, 21-30, outgoing, communicative, intelligent, for possible LTR. Ad# 3558

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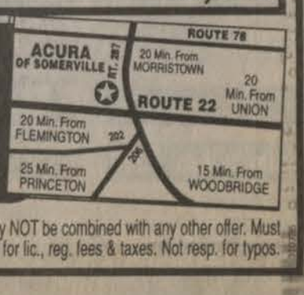
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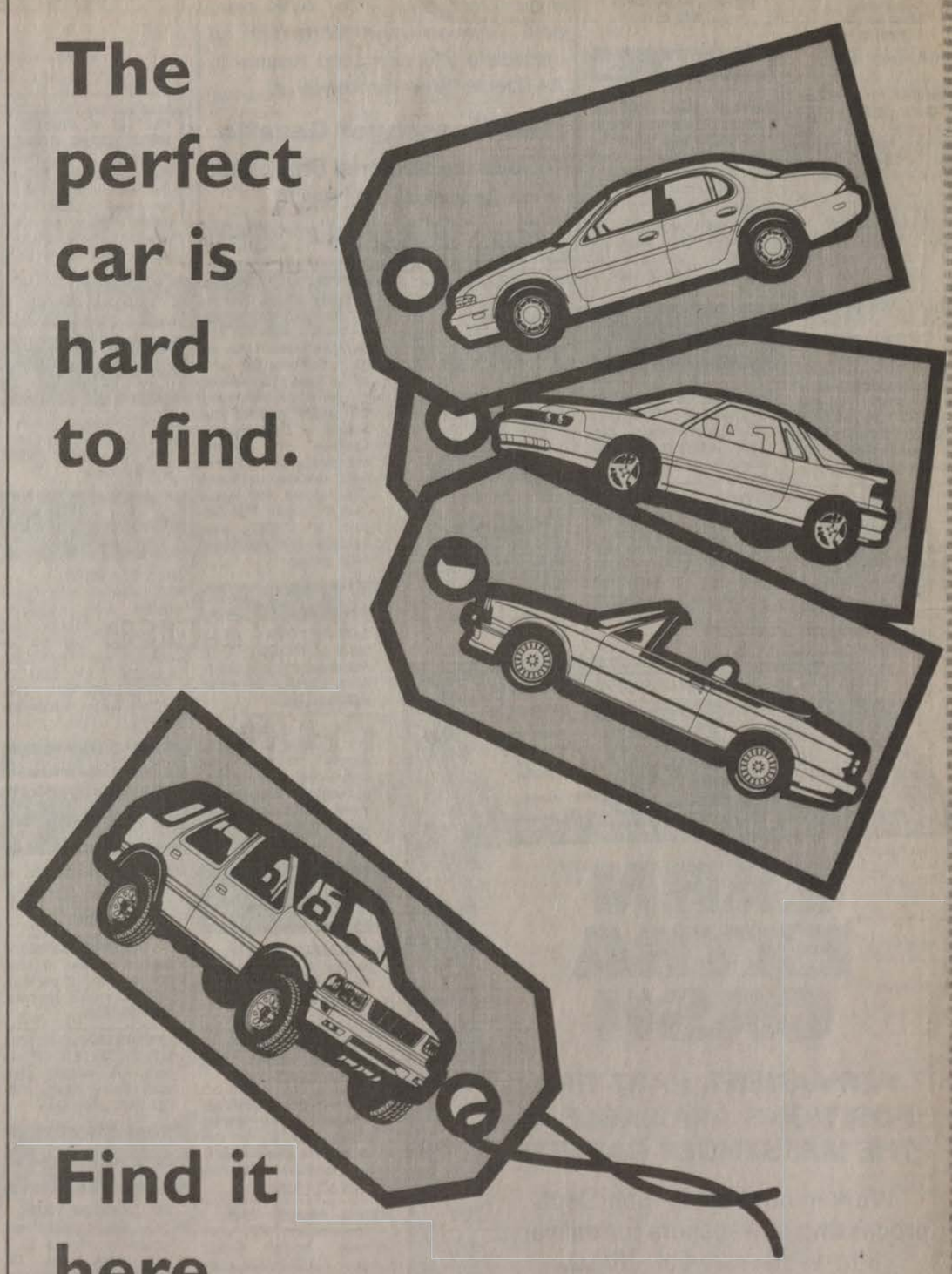
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Housing affordability index rises, boosts ownership opportunities

Housing affordability conditions improved during the first quarter of 1998 and contributed to record home sales, according to the National Association of Realtors.

NAR's composite Housing Affordability Index rose 3.4 percentage points during the first quarter to 134.9, the highest reading in two years. The index stood at 131.5 in the fourth quarter of last year and was at 130.4 in the first quarter of 1997.

This relative index measures affordability factors for all home buyers, with 100 defined as the point where a median-income family has the exact amount needed to purchase a median-priced existing home.

NAR President R. Layne Morrill explained the index is a general gauge of housing affability, and that conditions vary widely from one area to another.

"Overall, rising income and lower interest rates offset modest increases in home prices, permitting more families to become homeowners, or trade up to a larger home to meet growing family needs," he said. "This was an important factor in record levels of existing-home sales in both February and March."

The affordability index shows half the nation's households had 134.9 percent of the income needed to purchase a median-priced resale home during the first quarter, which was $125,900. Under these conditions, a family earning the median income of $44,374 could afford a home costing $169,800.

The association's consulting economist, John A. Tuccillo, expects excellent affordability conditions to prevail for the rest of the year.

"Given low inflation and interest rates fluctuating in a narrow range, our forecast is for the Housing Affordability Index to stay in the range of 134-138 for the balance of 1998," he said.

According to the Federal Housing Finance Board, the average effective mortgage interest rate for existing homes was 7.22 percent during the first quarter, down from 7.47 percent in the fourth quarter of 1997 and 7.72 percent from the same quarter a year ago. This is a weighed average interest rate between fixed and adjustable loans, including the cost of points, and represents a bottom-line mortgage cost.

At the same time, the association's First-Time Homebuyer Affordability Index rose 2.1 percentage points to 82.8 in the first quarter.

This index shows a typical first-time buyer household, aged 25-44, had 82.8 percent of the income needed to purchase a typical starter home, which costs $107,000.

"What this means is that during the first quarter, the median-income first-time buyer, earning nearly $26,700 could afford a home costing $88,600," Mr. Morrill explained. "In high-cost housing markets, many first-time buyers have to start out in a condo or townhouse before they can trade up to a single-family home."

First-time buyers have always been at a disadvantage. The discrepancy in buying power goes beyond income, because trade-up buyers have equity in their existing home to use for a downpayment on a more expensive property, he noted.

"However, today's housing affordability conditions mean people are in a much better position to make the transition from renting to owning," he said.

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In addition, inflation fell to 1.7 percent, employment grew at an annual rate of 2.2 percent, and the Consumer Expectations Index reached a nine-year high in September 1997. The rate of economic expansion is expected to drop off slightly but remain positive this year. The housing market should also slow down slightly, but demand will remain high.

There is a good chance that the Federal Housing Administration (FHA) will again be insuring adjustable-rate mortgages (ARMs) before Oct. 1, the date scheduled for resumption of such activity. The House Banking Subcommittee is working on a proposal that would raise the FHA's current limit on the number of mortgages it may insure as ARMs from 30 percent of the total to 40 percent.

Fannie Mae will soon feature a new program that offers mortgages with a 3 percent down payment to homebuyers with good credit but insufficient funds for the typical down payment.

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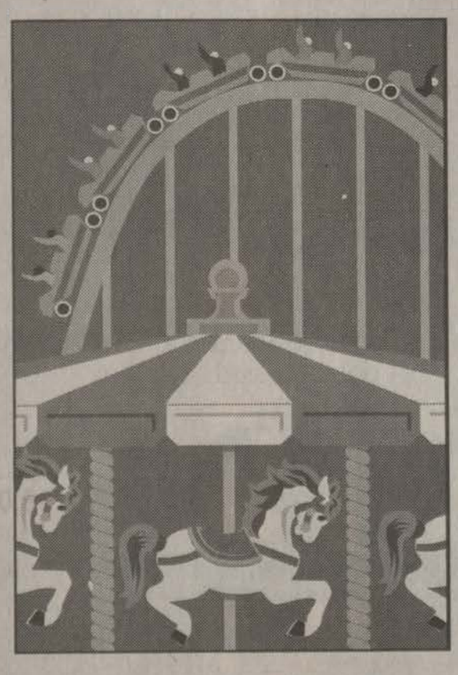
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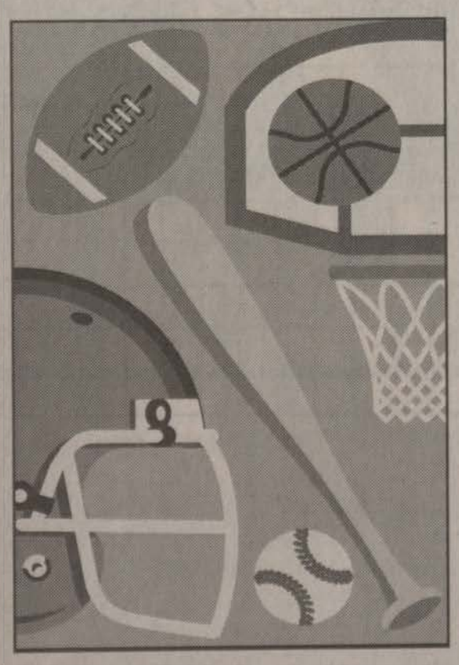
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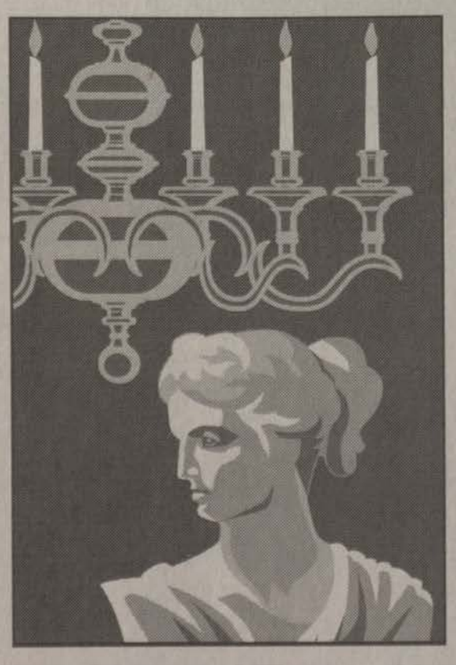
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In Today's Paper

More fun set at Windy Hills

The grand opening of Windy Hills in Raritan Township was such a big success last weekend that they're doing it again!

This new home community in Hunterdon County will be open noon-5 p.m. Sunday with plenty of fun for all. The hot air balloon that was not able to fly last Sunday because of windy weather will be on hand again Sunday, offering hot air balloon rides and much more.

To get to Windy Hills from Somerville, take Route 202 South to the Three Bridges jughandle. Cross over Route 202 through the town of Three Bridges about 2 miles to the stop sign. Continue straight on Old York Road for about 2.5 miles to Windy Hills sign on right.

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$161,000
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69 Ashley Road from Thomas & Gloria Chambers to Stanley Szaranowski et. al. for $125,000.

36 Calvert Ave. West from Bob T. & Julia Wang to Jyotirmoy & Tracey Dev for $435,000.

17 Eastlick Road from Martin Goldstone to James & Tama Waldron for $136,000.

4 Gallo Way from Robert Engel to Anthony & Mickelina Chillemi for $30,000.

13 Joel Ave. from Marie Billis to Mira Bhatt for $140,000.

870 New Dover Road from Man S. Chun & Leem Ja to Lakshminarasimha I. Nagananda for $160,000.

2 Ped Place from Zenon & Alina Kowalski to Mylene Javier for $185,000.

16 Woodruff Road from Anthony & Paula Tobey to Steven & Lisa Schneider for $310,000.

PISCATAWAY

1515 Division Ave. from Michael Romanski to Joyce Boone for $112,000.

331 Lancaster Court from Robert Bannon to Karyn Yancey for $80,000.

192 Middlesex Ave. from Richard & Ruth Kurtz to Mark & Janet Wilson for $216,000.

413 Willow Ave. from Phyllis Martin to Thomas & Valerie Zgorzynski for $158,000.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD

1110 Tompkins Ave. from Mark & Carol A. Thiel to Glenn R. & Donna L. Miller for $160,000.

1035 Clinto Ave. from Nicholas and Albina Catello to Nicholas Catello for $75,000.

412 Cotton St. from James and Lenita Cannon to Robert and Paula Breslau for $240,500.

267 Fairlamb Ave. from Antonio and Deborah Randazzo to Rosa and Carol E. Williams for $225,000.

814 Kenneth Ave. from Lawrence J. Massaro to Karen Glowacki for $149,900.

CRANFORD

29 Arlington Road from Stanley F. & Barbara Marszalek to Joann A. Muller & K.J. Muller for $345,000.

465 Brookside Place from Howard W. Currid et. al. to Michael & Lori Moonan for $262,000.

309 Casino Ave. from Linda H. Herman to Jack & Jude Zimmerman for $300,000.

312 Casino Ave. from Kevin M. & Arline McCloskey to Paul R. & Karyn L. Ellwood for $285,000.

499 Casino Ave. from Thomas E. & Cornelia L. Bonhag to Gene & Ruth G. Marino for $13,000.

4 Cedar St. from Robert J. & Patricia Espuga to Donald M. & Kathi P. McGuire for $191,500.

219 Centennial Ave. from Michael L. & Elisa J. Sananman to Alexis M. Collazo for $92,000.

12 Central Ave. from Moshe & Hanne H. Shtrauch to Tania D. Piazza for $290,000.

512 Claremont Place from Joseph P. Baumann Jr. & Kathleen Baumann to Charles M. & Lynne Shatinsky for $270,000.

115 Columbia Ave. from Michael P. & Lori Moonan to Christopher R. & Susan Trojan for $200,000.

4 Estelle Place from William S.J. & Karen LaCorte to Joseph P. Baumann Jr. & Kathleen Baumann for $350,000.

27 John St. from P. Irene Leib to Glenn & Mary E. Smith for $160,000.

32 John St. from Scott M. & Lois J. Kraus to Stephen G. & Tammy J. Van Pelt for $215,000.

40 Manor Ave. from Andrew & Jacqueline Raffeto to Kevin M. & Arline H. McCloskey for $390,000.

421 Manor Ave. from Robert J. Alvator & C. Alvator to Mark & Julie Powasnik for $300,000.

6 Nomahegan Court from Donald M. & Kathleen McGuire to Philip & Donna Mazzola for $245,000.

114 North Ave. West from Frank J. & Adele T. Ballman to Cosimo & Angela Loia for $300,000.

607 Orange Ave. from Sheriff/County of Union to Federal National Mortgage Association for $100.

12-A Parkway Village from Michael E. & Donna M. Berardi to Kirsten Beck for $106,000.

207 Rankin Ave. from Bronwyn H. Glor & B.L. Stewart to Carole Brucato for $250,000.

127 Roosevelt Ave. from Cecelia Illing & Karen Ring to Cecelia Illing for $50,000.

27 Spruce St. from Herman J. & Mary L. Occi to Andrew M. & Mary I. Acton for $170,000.

4 Wadsworth Terrace from Victoria R. Serafin to Robert C. & Laura Lipsit for $225,000.

397 Walnut Ave. from Richard W. & Agnes K. Mattis to Harold B. & Jaclyn D.G. Brooks for $218,500.

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166 Belvidere Ave. from James A. & Katherine Lahren to William E. & Sarah J. Skelton for $196,000.

140 Forest Road from Bruce Dodds to John Ritter & Aimee McNelis for $182,000.

393 Midway Ave. from Mark & Rosalba Van Ness to Daryl & Jane Butler for $170,000.

107 Second St. from David & Linda Kreps to Robert T. & Margaret Neilson for $195,000.

185 Westfield Road from Greg & Jill P. McMillan to Michael & Angela Szuch for $185,000.

118 Woodland Ave. from Yigal & Esther Marom to Ira J. & Marjorie R. Feinman for $192,500.

GARWOOD

306 New St. from Michele A. Burke to Christopher A. & Patricia Maynes for $164,000.

315 South Ave. from Rosalie Frey et. al. to Sonny Adoni for $60,000.

KENILWORTH

637 Clinton Ave. from Rosa A. Clark to Evelyn B. Hagedorn for $140,000.

611 Cranford Ave. from Joseph & Marilyn Pinder to Joseph Pinder for $6,800.

355 Maplewood Ave. from Northeast Recovery Systems Inc. to Barritt Homes Inc. for $102,500.

334 Oakwood Ave. from Hildegard Steimle to Frank A. Napolitano et. al. for $147,000.

26 Tulip Court from Patricia A. Loers to Robert & Willis C. Kanterman for $146,500.

660 Union Ave. from Natalie Westervelt et. al. to Natalie Westervelt et. al. for $10,000.

46 S. 19th St. from Rev. R.E. Witt Jr. to Assunta N. D'Innocenzio et. al. for $142,500.

234 N. 20th St. from V&R Realty Co. Inc. to Avelino & Maria F. Figueria for $280,000.

215 N. 21st St. from Mark & Mary B. LoBello to David M. & Jennifer Steinruck for $154,000.

SCOTCH PLAINS

1928 Bartle Ave. from Michael & Susan Curren et. al. to Louis N. Cerchio for $130,000.

13 Burnham Court from East Coast Property Liquidation to Elliot S. Salzman for $185,000.

1017 Cellar Ave. from Gene G. Manza to Michael J. Pedalino for $70,000.

21 Donsen Lane from Michael J. & Lucille Masciale to Brian M. & Elizabeth D. Dowd for $280,000.

2064 Elizabeth Ave. from Wendy Masters et. al. to William J. & Melissa Sirchio for $57,500.

825 Everts Ave. from Teresa Migay & W. Pokropski to Eufemio Yantin Jr. & Sonia M. Yantin for $134,000.

524 Farley Ave. from Calvin W. & Barbara Bey to James J. & Karen Mortarulo for $141,000.

1610 Front St. from Janet C. Andreola to William & Katherine Moore for $154,000.

582 Forest Road from Five/Forest Construction L.L.C. to Robert & Judith Rybka for $60,000.

1558 Frank St. from Jack & Nancy Lazarowitz to Walter & Anna Babich for $267,500.

2344 Gales Court from Helena S. Beach to Helena S. Beach/JT et. al. for $175,000.

107 Glenside Ave. from Marion C. Bass to Paul & Dorothy Kritsch for $320,000.

1407 Golf St. from Marie Walsh to Patrick R. & Alane Griffin for $320,000.

215 Harding Road from David A. & Shelley Rothenberg to Lance & Brooke Abramowitz for $210,000.

1478 Lamberts Mill Road from Walter J. Baliko & D. Moccia to David & Linda Kreps for $252,500.

1587 Lamberts Mill Road from Gary N. & Patricia Nussenbaum to Craig A. & Deborah Underhill for $229,000.

2064 Maple View Court from Theresa B. Acton to Patricia Reardon for $170,000.

2096 Maple View Court from Gary J. & Karen L. Hom to Atul M. & Mohana A. Athalye for $240,200.

23 Marion Lane from Ernest & Ida Zito to Ralph & Linda DiNizo for $750,000.

1165 Martine Ave. from Jean A. Small to Joan Allen for $150,000.

1639 Mountain Ave. from Albert & Jennie L. Holliday to Sandy & Ruth Rivera for $154,000.

2258 Mountain Ave. from Thomas & Lorraine Massimino to Michael A. Rinaldo Jr. & Jennifer Rinaldo for $158,000.

1890 Quimby Lane from James P. & Sarah B. Dillon to Roger D. & Michelle Love for $277,500.

4 Shirewood Drive from Messercola Bros. Building Co. to Nicola & Laura Vacca for $365,000.

2236 Westfield Ave. from Hamir L. Vadi to Rajashekharayya C. Vaidyamath for $282,500.

432 William St. from William G. Wilkins Jr. & Jessica Wilkins to Mark A. & Ann E. Stratton for $205,000.

1915 Winding Brook Way from Robert M. & Tanya E. Peduto to Peter & Darraugh Valli for $348,000.

15 Yarmouth Court from Janet C. Kameros to Richard E. & Janet C. Kameros for $200,000.

WESTFIELD

53 Barchester Way from Jay A. & Deborah T. Berez to Steven & Marilyn Blum for $358,000.

133 Belmar Terrace from Anthony R. & Maria E. Jennette to Alicia K. Sacco et. al. for $155,000.

124 Cacciola Place from Schuyler Savings Bank to Samuel Boyarsky for $96,900.

532 Carleton Road from Carmela Valles to Gino Valles & Anthony Valles for $230,000.

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715 Carleton Road from Dorothy A. O'Brien to Darrin L. & Margaret Coy for $225,000.

862 Carleton Road from Robert G. & Joan M. Denman to Donald & Deborah W. Im for $233,000.

229 Charles St. from Ralph W. Besho to S. Christian Real Estate Co. L.P. for $240,000.

719 Clarence St. from William Wallace Associates to Michael Mahoney for $170,000.

560 Colonial Ave. from Bruce W. & Genevieve Jeffreys to Scott & Teresa Pavlak for $600,000.

437 E. Dudley Ave. from Paul E. & Dorothy M. Kritsch to E. Brendan & Christa J. Magrab for $446,000.

206 Florence Ave. from Bankers Trust Co. to Sonia Newman for $200,000.

2 Folkstone Drive from Richard W. Walsh to Michael & Jacqueline Costello for $235,000.

932 Grandview Ave. from Jeffrey D. & Marti B. Irving to John C. Molinelli & D. Varano for $210,000.

400 Grove St. from Brian B. & Melissa M. Ruttle to Michael G. & Melissa M. Maher for $66,000.

159 Harrison Ave. from Alfred J. & Joan E. Pakenham to Robert & Patricia Bechtloff for $438,000.

118 Nelson Place from Jill F. Moscowitz to David H. & Leslie D.B. Zucker for $275,000.

629 Norwood Drive from Robert J. & Soohoo M.J. Pang to Margaret A. Payne for $177,500.

257 Orchard St. from Gloria O'Donnell 1995 Trust to Roger C. Carroll & D. Martine for $265,000.

552 Pierson St. from Kenneth W. & Vicki A. Hoffman to Luigi Carchia & E.K. Bolander for $190,000.

6 Pine Court from Burton M. & Seena L. Feinsmith to Richard W. & Lynn C. Landau for $355,000.

1101 Prospect St. from Ichiro & Yoshiko Shinkai to Joseph & Linda Shea for $395,000.

616 N. Scotch Plains Ave. from Elizabeth T. Fogerty to Neil S. & Cindy Schwartz for $158,000.

207 Sinclair Place from Michael L. Hertz et. al. to David & Joanne Womelsdorf for $443,000.

368 South Ave. East from Bruce R. Rust to Kevin Coughlin & Judy Bell for $125,000.

712 Standish Ave. from Kavark & Ruth O. Bournazian to John A. & Katherine Capperella for $340,000.

511 Topping Hill Road from Dorothy H. Dughi et. al. to Edward Dulinski for $273,000.

260-4 Walnut St. from Raymond J. & Lisa B. Mikovits to Kathryn A. Specht for $189,000.

231 Windsor Ave. from Joseph F. Sinisi Jr. to James S. & Lugenia G. Barden for $67,000.

121 Wyoming St. from Eloise H. Furch to Andrew J. & SusanE. Gibbs for $156,000.

BEDMINSTER

96 Birchwood Road from Michael P. & Kathleen LaNeve to Justine A. Christiansen for $115,000.

BRIDGEWATER

8 Joanne Court from K. Hovnanian at Bridgewater to Sudhakar & Shalini S. Menon for $299,296.

24 Villa Drive from East Hill Partnership to Tai S. Yu et. al. for $264,900.

HILLSBOROUGH

21 Hughey Lane from Brentwood Hills Inc. to Richard G. & Cathleen A. Shaw for $214,246.

20 Prall Road from Vizco I L.L.C. to Lynn Babchak for $250,482.

51 Woods Road from National Credit Union Admin. to Van Cleef Family L.P. for $100,000.

MANVILLE

10 Griggs Place from Jose J. & Nilda M. Ayala to Patricia Lewis for $115,000.

NORTH PLAINFIELD

239 Brook Ave. from Carol Bronio to Ryan & Terrence Feeley for $134,900.

29 Somerset Place from Sheriff of Somerset County to NatWest Home Mortgage Corp. for $100.

SOMERVILLE

75 N. Auten Ave. from Sheriff of Somerset County to Fleet Mortgage Corp. for $100.

448 Bartine St. from Thomas Patterson to William M. Patterson for $20,000.

203 N. Bridge St. from Mavahurd & Leonard J. Izzo to Aly Tall & Davis Sangenetta for $123,000.

44 Mechanic St. from Mechanic Street Assoc. to Pankaj & Kirtikumari Amin for $117,500.

12 N. Middaugh St. from Andrew & Timothy Kavanagh to Salvatore Rannazzisi et. al. for $115,000.

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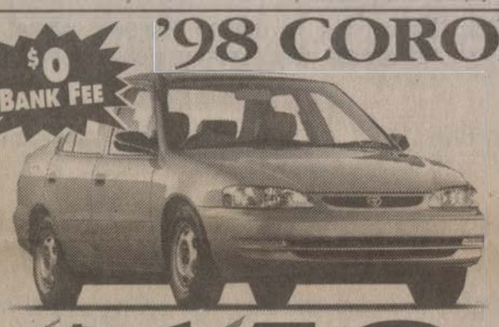
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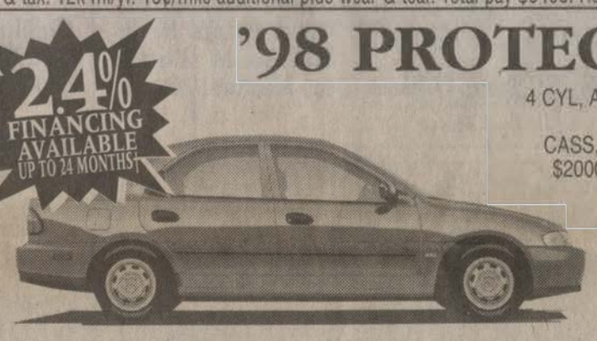
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