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RHS open house will mark end of \$4 million renovation

by Pat DiMaggio
April 5 will be a day of celebration for residents of Rahway, and especially students, when an Open House is held at the High School to mark the end of the almost two-year long renovation project.

Voters approved a \$3,919,000 bond issue to foot the bill for the renovations and the job has been completed ahead of schedule.

Business Administrator/Board Secretary Anthony Rocco said that the project, started in January of 1985, was to be completed by the beginning of the heating season of the 1987-88 school year, no later than November 1. He contributed the nine-month savings to several factors. "The efforts of the major contractors on the job and also the cooperation of the staff and administration helped us do things in a more timely way," said Rocco. "Planning was good all around."

Class was in session throughout the major renovation work and even though students found the work to be disruptive, they felt it was worth it. "They switched classes around a lot," said tenth grader Frank Fuzy. "They would paint the rooms and the next day when we went back into the class it would still smell like paint. In the beginning of the year, when they were putting in the heat, the rooms were cold. And when they were putting in the new windows, they would move us out of the room, but we could still hear them smashing the glass."

"The appearance on the outside, with the new windows, makes the building

look more modern than before," said student Brian Deeds. "Sometimes during tests they made a lot of noise with the pipes. We were late for class, sometimes, because of the workmen and ladders in the hallways. But it makes the school better, it gives us a better atmosphere for learning."

Robert Brown, Principal of the High School, said the biggest problem the administration had during the renovation was the rescheduling of classes because of the work on the heating system. "We rescheduled two classes, at most, per day, to different parts of the building," said Brown. "We were able to use vacant rooms or the cafeteria so instruction could continue."

Brown was quick to point to the cooperation of the staff and students during the project. "The staff and students were super," said Brown. "There was much inconvenience, yet they had an excellent school spirit. They realized the importance of getting the job done as soon as possible."

Major renovation work included the replacement of all windows in the original part of the building, repointing of brick work, all joints on the entire front elevation and north side of the original building were masked, grouted, brick and stone copings were replaced and the front steps at the main entrance were replaced.

Major projects on the interior of the school included the boys' and girls' locker rooms where new gym lockers were installed and toilet, shower and locker room areas were renovated.

The wiring was replaced in the original building's

electrical room, a new 2000 amp service was installed and the existing 1200 amp service was modified. An additional electrical panel was installed which included two new main switchboards with circuit breakers. A new ceiling and lighting was installed in the cafeteria and new lighting was put in the library.

"The heart and soul of the renovation project," said Rocco, "was the replacement of the old steam heating and ventilating system with a hot

water system." Also replaced were three old steam boilers with combination gas and oil burners.

"The auditorium received new seating throughout, and the entire area was updated to include lighting, ventilation, a control board, dimmers, stage lighting, curtains and track and carpeting.

The project is 95 percent complete at this time, with an elevator still to be installed in the main corridor, miscellaneous site work to be done adjacent to the

gymnasium area and miscellaneous electrical and general construction work in the storage area of the boiler room.

"At this point the total cost is \$3.5 million," said Rocco. "A balance of approximately \$419,000 will be utilized to improve the lighting in classrooms and corridors and to install drop ceilings in classrooms. Some site work will be done to the front of the building to make it more attractive. With this bond issue everything we hoped to do was accomplished."

The Open House to celebrate completion of the project will be from 1 to 4 p.m. on April 5 and will include a ribbon cutting ceremony by Mayor Daniel L. Martin. There will be performances by elementary, intermediate and high school music and drama students, exhibits of various academic areas throughout the building and speech and theatre class presentations at the end of the afternoon in the auditorium. Refreshments will be served.

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Rahway Hospital and JFK Medical Center exploring "bond"

Officials at Rahway Hospital and John F. Kennedy Medical Center have announced that representatives of both institutions have begun discussions on establishing some form of corporate relationship.

The announcement was made by Anthony M. Yeleneski, chairman of the board of JFK Medical Center and its parent corporation, Intercare Health Systems, Inc., Edison, and Anthony V. Caruso, chairman of Rahway Hospital and its parent, Recovery Health Systems, Inc. of Rahway.

"We hope to develop a structure that will help us to develop economies of scale, standardized operating practices, an integrated strategic plan and coordinated or combined services for both hospitals," they said.

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ultimate goal of "establishing a long-term relationship that will unify both institutions and provide the kinds of operational and economic benefits single hospitals no longer enjoy."

Michael F. Kornett and John L. Yoder, presidents of JFK and Rahway hospitals, respectively, said that so far there has been no determination of just what form the proposed relationship should take.

But the institutions are performing a feasibility study to determine the strengths of each and to suggest objectives.

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Cocktails will be available at 6:30 p.m., and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. All attorneys and their guests are invited to attend. To make reservations, call Bette Grayson, 467-4040.

CUA selects firms for waste plant financing

The Union County Utilities Authority has named Shearson, Lehman Bros. Inc. of New York to manage the issuance of some \$150 million to \$200 million in revenue bonds that will finance construction of the planned 1,440-ton-per-day resource recovery plant in Rahway.

In its capacity as lead underwriter for the project, Shearson, Lehman Bros. Inc. will be responsible for developing the Authority's permanent financing. UCUA Chairman Kenneth L. MacRitchie pointed out that the preparatory work done by a lead underwriter in connection with a major bond issue often takes a year or more to complete. Therefore, the Authority last week named First Fidelity Bank of Newark to issue bond anticipation notes for approximately \$12 million. Proceeds of these notes, called temporary financing, are used to cover short-term needs and are repaid from the main issue.

Noting that an underwriter is a securities broker who buys securities from an issuer and sells them to investors, MacRitchie explained that Shearson, Lehman Bros.' responsibilities fall into the following five areas:

—Analyzing the legal and economic framework in which the transaction is to take place.

—Drafting of the many documents that form the basis of the transaction.

—Dealing effectively with rating agencies (such as Standard & Poors and Moody's) to assure the highest possible rating for Authority bonds.

—Participating in the preparation of the "official statement" (the legally binding offering statement); and

—Organizing the sale of the bonds. (This entails putting together what is called a "selling syndicate," a large number of brokerage houses to market the bonds.)

MacRitchie noted that the overall goal of the lead underwriter is to obtain the lowest cost financing possible without impairing Union County's triple "A" bond rating.

The UCUA Chairman said that criteria used by the Authority in the selection of its lead underwriter included experience in resource recovery financing, competence of personnel, and acceptability of fees.

Compensation to Shearson, Lehman Bros., according to MacRitchie, will be structured in accordance with accepted practice in the financial community and will total approximately \$12 per \$1,000 of the bond issue total.

Compensation is provided in four ways: 1) a management fee for performance of the five management activities described above; 2) "take-down," a financial industry term meaning commission paid to bond salesman; 3) underwriting fee — a fee designed to protect the underwriting firm against interest rate fluctuations that might occur between the time the bonds are priced and the time (usually two or three days later) that they are sold; and, 4) expense reimbursement for routine out-of-pocket expenses for travel, meals, telephone and other normal business costs incurred during operation of the program.

In addition to naming

Shearson, Lehman Bros. as lead underwriter, the UCUA also appointed six well known brokerage houses to serve in the capacity of "co-manager" for the financing program. They are Dillon, Read & Co., Inc. of New York; Smith Barney, Harris Upham & Co., Inc. of New York; Bear, Stearns & Co., Inc. of New York; Ryan, Beck & Co. of West Orange, N.J.; Prinston, Kane & Co., headquartered in Short Hills, N.J.; and

Jersey Capital Markets Group Inc. of Hoboken, N.J. Firms appointed as co-manager will assist in the structuring of the transaction and in the selling of the bonds.

MacRitchie characterized these actions as the most significant steps yet taken by the Authority in the long and complex capital construction program, which has as its central goal the resolution of Union County's rapidly escalating solid waste disposal crisis.



Keith W. Stinger

Stinger named director at Vail-Deane School

Keith W. Stinger of Rahway has been named the Director of Transportation, Buildings, and Grounds by Headmaster Ralph J. Scorzafava of The Vail-Deane School in Mountainside.

His position is to coordinate all transportation to and from the 27 communities which Vail-Deane students come from. He comments, "Among my duties are equipment acquisition and maintenance,

driver employment and training, and even field trips!" Stinger also supervises the Maintenance Department, providing material procurement, scheduling, and budgeting.

Keith is a member of St. Mary's R.C. Church and he is a part of their lay ministry program.

Keith and his wife Theresa live in Rahway. They have two grown children and three grandchildren.

County Planning Board holds awards ceremony

The Union County Planning Board recently held their 1986 Awards Ceremony for outstanding renovation projects, according to Richard S. Muller, Supervising Planner of the Division of Planning and Development of the Union County Department of Engineering and Planning. Plaques were awarded in

three categories, from nominations received from county municipalities, civic groups and developers, Muller said.

Franconia Inc., of Summit, won in the category of "Outstanding Historic Renovation," for the complete renovation and restoration of the Summit Opera House. The building

was restored and renovated to its original architecture by the Ryder family, principles of Franconia Inc, and is located at 210 Kent Place Boulevard.

John Correale, of Elizabeth, was awarded a plaque in the "Outstanding City Renovation" category, for the renovation and addition of retail stores he owns at

119-137 Elmora Ave. and 544-546 Jersey Ave., in Elizabeth.

The 251 North Avenue Partnership, Westfield, won for "Outstanding Commercial Renovation" for renovating a former warehouse building into a building filled with quaint shops, located at 251 North Ave., Westfield.

Women lawyers plan dinner

On Monday evening, March 30, the Women Lawyers in Union County will hold a dinner meeting at The Mansion, South Avenue, Fanwood.

The Honorable Barbara Byrd Wecker, Superior Court Judge in Union County, will speak. She will present a judicial perspective of the practice of law in the courtroom.

Cocktails will be available at 6:30 p.m., and dinner will be served at 7 p.m. All attorneys and their guests are invited to attend. To make reservations, call Bette Grayson, 467-4040.



OUTSTANDING RENOVATORS...Pictured (l-r) during the county's award ceremonies for renovations are Armand A. Fioratti, Director, U.C. Dept. of Engineering and Planning; Henry Burns, board member; Laura Libby, board secretary; Anthony Mahoney, recipient.

"Outstanding Commercial Renovation" award; Robert C. Miller, board chairman; Dennis Mahoney, recipient; George McGuirk and Starks W. Lewis, Jr., board members.

Thirteen from area on President's List at Union County College

Thirteen Rahway and Clark residents are among 162 full-time and part-time students named to the President's List at Union County College for the Fall semester. It was announced by Dr. Derek N. Nunne, UCC president.

The President's List recognizes students who have achieved a minimum of a 3.5 cumulative average based on a 4.0 scale. Dr. Nunne said.

Union County College, the public comprehensive community college of Union County, enrolls 8,500 students, 3,500 full-time and 5,000 part-time, at campuses in Cranford, Elizabeth, Plainfield and Scotch Plains, and at various off-campus sites.

Rahway and Clark residents named to the President's List include: Robert David C. MacGregor,

"Caring For Kids" needs volunteers

"Caring For Kids," a Morris and Union County American Cancer Society support program offers free subsisting services to families where there is a family member with cancer. Volunteers are needed to care for children while parents are unable to visit due to other family responsibilities. The children appreciate and look forward to someone visiting who can give them special attention and company during the day.

Anyone interested in helping with "Caring For Kids" can contact the American Cancer Society at 338-3338 (Morris County) or 354-7733 (Union County). An orientation program will be provided.

Volunteers can also help during the day. Volunteers may choose to help families or around their own community or within either county.

Special help is also needed for children at Overlook Hospital's Valerie Fund Children's Center, a childhood cancer treatment program.

Children with cancer often need to stay in the hospital for a week or several days for their treatments. Volunteers are needed during the week to visit these children while their parents are working or unable to visit due to other family responsibilities. The children appreciate and look forward to someone visiting who can give them special attention and company during the day.

Contact We Care receives gift from Telephone Pioneers

Contact We Care, area 24-hour helpline for the hearing impaired, received a gift from the Telephone Pioneers of America.

The contribution, valued in excess of \$4,000, enhances the helpline's capabilities in facilities such as conference calling, group listening, and call transferring.

It is expected that the innovation will enable the center to serve its callers better, both those needing someone to listen to personal problems, and those of the deaf community with whom Contact We Care communicates by teletype connection for personal messages.

Marking the installation, Telephone Pioneers Administrator R. F. Cutha pre-



KEY CLUB PLANS... At the last weekly meeting of the Kiwanis Club of Rahway, several members of the club's sponsored Rahway High School Key Club were guests for lunch. Shown above from the left are: Bill Clader, faculty advisor; Jackie Garcia, freshman member; Christine Zapotocky, club president; Melanie Ducker, freshman member; and Richard Vossler, Kiwanis Key Club advisor. President Zapotocky said the club is planning a Flea Market for May 9. She also revealed that the Key Club will be assisting in the Annual Pancake Breakfast and Open House at the Rahway High School on Sunday, April 5. The Kiwanis Club of Rahway meets on Wednesdays at 12:15 at the Columbian Club in Rahway.

Trout contest planned at Milton Lake

Charlie Brenner's Sport Shop is sponsoring a trout contest during this spring trout season. Two 25-inch tagged trout will be released 7 a.m. on opening day, April 4, in Milton Lake in Rahway.

The tags will be retrievable only for prizes. All proceeds from this contest will go to the Cranford Rod & Gun Club for the improvement and cleanup of Rahway River.

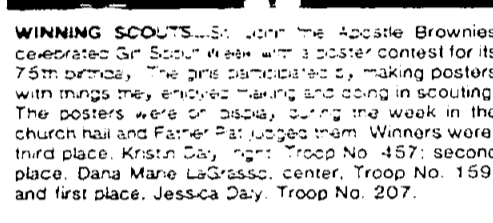
Register at Charlie Brenner's Sport Shop, 344 St. George Ave., Rahway, or at Milton Lake, 7 a.m., April 4. There is no age limit.

BROWNIE TROOP NO. 159 of St. John the Apostle Church had an enjoyable and informative visit from the Clark First Aid Squad recently. The squad members gave a tour of the ambulance, demonstrated equipment, and showed them different first aid techniques. The girls got a better understanding of what goes on in the ambulance. Pictured (l-r) are top row, squad member, Kristin LaGrasso, Lorraine Kowalewski, Sage Seaton, Christine Sauer, Heather Moore, Jennifer Zavilla, Kate Ford, Dana Marie LaGrasso, Tracy Crane, Lisa Insalaco, Melissa Wade, Colleen McKenna, bottom row, Kelly Thompson, Jacky Fourchwinger, spectator Anthony LaGrasso, Elizabeth Durner, and squad members.

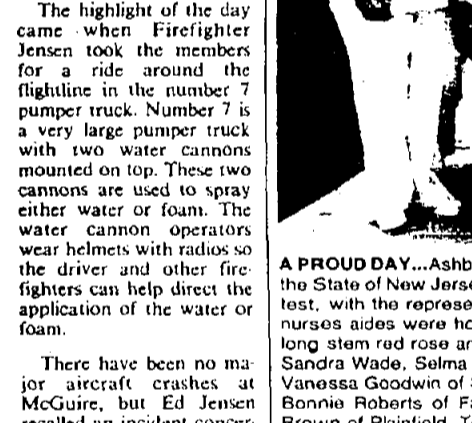
Chuck Yeager Fan Club visits McGuire AFB

Members of the Chuck Yeager Fan Club, Inc., recently paid a visit to the McGuire Air Force Base Firehouse. It was truly an educational field finding trip for the fan club members, reported Leonard F. Grant, Jr., President of the club.

Dr. Jensen, Sr., a firefighter at McGuire AFB, demonstrated the tower and the question and answer period. There were demonstrations of various crash and rescue equipment, including JAWS, a hydraulic hoist used to enlarge openings in the metal structures of motor vehicles and aircraft, and a tool used for snipping tubular objects such as auto steering columns.



WINNING SCOUTS... St. John the Apostle Brownies celebrated St. John's week with a poster contest for its 75th anniversary. The posters were on display during the week in the church hall and the first place winner was Kristin LaGrasso, age 10, of 457 second place, Dana Marie LaGrasso, center, Troop No. 159; and first place, Jessica Day, Troop No. 207.



The highlight of the day came when Firefighter Jesse took the members for a ride around the firehouse in the number 7 pumper truck. Number 7 is a very large pumper truck with two water cannons mounted on top. These two cannons are used to spray either water or foam. The water cannon operates by hand levers with radios so the driver and other firefighters can help direct application of the water or foam.

There have been no major aircraft crashes at McGuire AFB, but a recent incident occurred.



A PROUD DAY... Ashbrook Nursing Home, located in Scotch Plains, in conjunction with the State of New Jersey Department of Health, recently held a nurses aide certification test, with the representatives from Ashbrook all successfully passing the exam. The nurses aides were honored with a printing ceremony at the home, each receiving a long stem red rose and a pin for their efforts. Those honored included (standing l-r): Sandra Wade, Solima Cato, Catherine Alder, all of Plainfield; Sandra Cody of Linden; Vanessa Goodwin of Scotch Plains; Gloria Grubis of Edison; Pat Harper of Plainfield; Barbara Roberts of Roseland; and Alesia Robinson of Elizabeth (Seated l-r): Mary Brown of Plainfield, Tonya Henderson and Dora Brisby, both of Scotch Plains.

Home Health Aide training starting in Union County

A Home Health Aide Training Program sponsored by the Union County Department of Human Services, Division on Aging, the Union County College Department of Continuing Education and the Home Health Aide Training Consortium of Union County is recruiting individuals to train who are interested in providing home health aide services to elderly and disabled clients in their home settings.

The 60-hour training program will provide state certification to participants who complete training. Participants must be sponsored by a member agency of the Home Health Care Training Consortium of Union County. An Agency listing is available by calling the College's Continuing Education Office, 276-7301.

The Consortium agencies include the Visiting Nurse Association of Plainfield and North Plainfield, SAGE Inc., Summit, Overlook Hospital Home Care, Summit Visiting Home Nurses of Central Union County, and Jewish Family Service, Elizabeth.

Persons interested in enrolling in the training should call the College's Department of Continuing Education (276-7301) or Joann Mastin at the Union County Division on Aging (257-8870). Training should commence in April.

Disabled adults offered job opportunities

Disabled adults from throughout the area are invited to attend the Fourth Annual Career Options Day to be held on Wednesday, April 29, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Mid-Hess County College Center in Edison.

The event is sponsored by the Vocational Rehabilitation Department at the Robert Wood Johnson Jr. Rehabilitation Institute at John F. Kennedy Medical Center in Edison and it is open to the public.

Representatives from more than 20 corporations and other employers are expected to participate in the program. IBM, Johnson & Johnson, Schering-Plough, Public Service Electric & Gas Co., First Fidelity Bank are among those who have been invited.

Those who attend will have a chance to discuss present and future job opportunities with the company representatives. To learn more about the educational and other requirements for various careers, workshops on such topics as career role models and interviewing techniques will be offered during the day.

Club 1050 is held in Union

The Boys & Girls Club of Union, Inc. in cooperation with the Union Recreation Department will be scheduling a Teen Night "Club 1050".

This will take place every Friday from 7:30-10:30 p.m.

Area of the Boys & Girls Club of Union, Inc. for the will include the gymnasium, swimming pool and game room. All participants must be age 13-18. The club will be closed to all other members.

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SOCIAL SCENE



Stephen E. Vill and Patricia M. Donohue

Miss Donohue to wed Stephen E. Vill

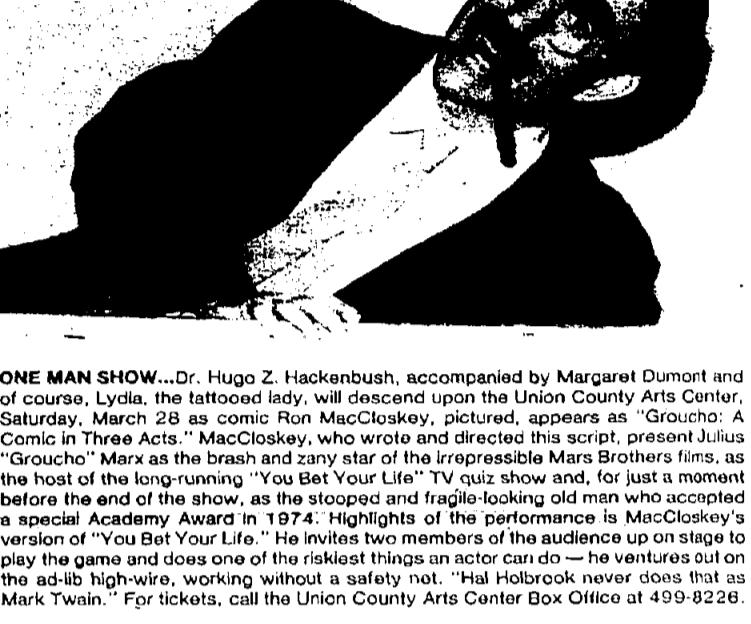
John and Barbara Donohue of Morse St., Cranford, announce the engagement of their daughter Patricia Mary to Stephen Edward Vill, son of Frances Vill of Elm Ave., Rahway, and the late Albert C. Vill.

Patricia is a graduate of Cranford High School and is attending Union County College. She is employed by Prudential Insurance Company of America as a claims examiner.

Stephen is a graduate of Union County College. He is employed by Industrial Rubber Co. as a store manager.

The couple plan to be married on September 12, 1987.

Berkeley plans alumni cruise



ONE MAN SHOW...Dr. Hugo Z. Hackenbusch, accompanied by Margaret Dumort and of course, Lydia, the tattooed lady, will descend upon the Union County Arts Center, Saturday, March 28 as comic Ron MacClaskey, pictured, appears as "Groucho" A. Comie in "Three Acts."

A cruise around New York harbor is planned for the annual alumni party for graduates of The Berkeley Schools.

The event on the Spirit of New York is slated for Friday, May 1. Boarding at Pier 11, South Street Seaport, Manhattan, is scheduled for 6 p.m., with the cruise slated for 7:10 p.m.

Reservations may be made with the placement offices of the Berkeley campuses.

MISS DONOHUE TO WED... Stephen E. Vill and Patricia M. Donohue are engaged. Vill is a graduate of Union County College and works for Industrial Rubber Co. Donohue is a graduate of Cranford High School and works for Prudential Insurance Co. The wedding is set for September 12, 1987.

Central Jersey ORT slates dinner/fashion show

The Central Jersey Region of Women's American ORT will hold a dinner/fashion show on Wednesday, April 1, at 6:30 p.m. at L'Affaire Restaurant, 1099 Route 22 East, Mountaineer. The fashion show will be presented by Bernadette of Highland Park. The cost of the dinner-fashion show is \$30; profits from the sale of tickets will benefit ORT vocational schools around the state. The dinner-fashion show is open to the public; reservations may be obtained by calling 494-5833. Featured in the picture are from left to right: Ann Lerman, Door Prize Chairwoman; Marilyn Davidoff, Fashion Show Chairwoman; Maria Lind, Chairwoman of the Executive Board of the Central Jersey ORT Region.

NOW to host dinner/auction

Members of the Westfield Chapter of the National Organization of Women will be at Kean College on Saturday, March 28, at 7:30 p.m., to sponsor their annual dinner and service auction.

Tickets ranging from the arts of calligraphy and piano lessons to the practicalities of pie baking, garden wedding and typing to mysterious tarot card reading are only a few of the services to be auctioned off to the highest bidder.

The R.C.A.O. was formed under the direction of Mrs. Brown. Scheduled to speak on his behalf are Dr. James Cowan, former State Dept. of Health Commissioner, Robert "Bob" Lee, former Boxing Commissioner, Sidney Hicks, Deputy Commissioner of Corrections for the State of N.J., J.F.K., Center on March 29, at 7:30 p.m.

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Jazz concert set at UCC

"The Classic Jazz Quartet," an ensemble featuring four musicians, will perform at Union County College's Jazz in the Afternoon Concert on Sunday, April 12, at 3 p.m.

The event is the annual benefit concert sponsored by the Friends of the College of Union County College, according to Mrs. April John of Cranford, president of the group.

Proceeds from last year's benefit concert were used to sponsor a scholar in the College's Honors Program.

General admission tickets are \$10 and can be purchased by calling the College at 276-2600, ext. 409. Tickets can also be purchased at the door the day of the performance. Seating is on a first-come basis and doors open at 2 p.m.

Refreshments will be served.

Community mothers list activities

The Community Mothers' Club will host its annual Father's Day Luncheon at the Westwood in Garwood on Tuesday, March 31, 12:30 p.m.

During the Open House at Rahway High School on April 5, the club will donate \$50 toward prizes for winners of the Home Economics project.

Opera friends slate concert

On Sunday, March 29, the Union County Chapter of the Friends of the N.J. State Opera will present their fifth annual concert at the First Congregational Church, 125 Elmer Street, Westfield, at 3 p.m. Refreshments will be served. Donations \$12.50 per person.

Byrne Show planned at Mother Seton

Mother Seton Parents' Guild of Clark will present the Bobby Byrne Show, Friday, April 3, at 8 p.m. at the school.

Tickets are \$15 per person and include beer, soda, snacks, coffee and cake.

Mother Seton is located off the Garden State Parkway, Exit 135, opposite the Ramada Inn.

Additional information and reservations can be obtained by calling 964-8832.

RCOA to honor Charles Brown

Charles P. Brown, founder and former Chairman of the Rahway Community Action Organization (RCOA), is being honored at a Salutory Dinner at the J.F.K. Center on March 29, at 7:30 p.m.

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Tickets may be ordered by phoning the J.F.K. Center at 382-3311.

In memory of an old friend

My Acme has found greener pastures, My Acme has just ceased to be, My Acme has fled Rahway's borders, Oh, bring back my Acme to me, Bring back, bring back, Oh bring back by Acme to me.

'Twas there that I met the retired men, 'Twas there my old friends I would see, 'Twas there I would wink at the ladies, The ladies from the A.A.R.P. Bring back, bring back, Oh bring back my Acme to me.

From there I would get empty boxes, From there all the boxes were free, But now when I need empty boxes, It seems they all come for a fee, Bring back, bring back, Oh bring back my Acme to me.

Today as I cherish my visions, My visions of what used to be, From there I would fill up with sadness, My Acme's fond memory, Bring back, bring back, Oh bring back my Acme to me.

By Sam Gasaway

Member of the Rahway Golden "K" Kiwanis, the Rahway Retired Men's Club, and the Rahway A.A.R.P.



AUXILIARY WELCOME...On Saturday, March 28, the American Legion Auxiliary Dept. of N.J. will welcome Mrs. James Starr (Evelyn), the National President of the American Legion Auxiliary with a luncheon and reception in her honor at the Ram's Head Inn, Absecon. Mrs. Starr's program for the year is "Child Abuse." She hopes to reach children with the distribution of the comic book, "The Secret of Animal Island." Also the National President's Commemorative Plate entitled, "America - Land of the Free," emphasizes child abuse. Proceeds from the sale of plates will help defray the expenses of sending a Junior Member to the 1987 National Junior Meeting in Texas and of sending two Girls State Citizens from each Department to Texas to participate in the Girls State National Chorus.

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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

EDITOR'S NOTE: In order for us to adequately prepare the Community Calendar, all events for the following week should be submitted by 5 p.m. on the Friday before you would like them to appear.

RAHWAY

THURSDAY, MARCH 26 — Rahway AARP Chapter 607, Senior Citizen Center, 12:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, MARCH 28 — Smorgasbord '87, Trinity U.M. Church, E. Milton Ave. and Main St., Rahway. Seatings at 5, 6, and 7 p.m. by reservation only, 388-0779.

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 — Rahway Retired Men's Club, meeting, 1 p.m., Senior Citizens Center.

TUESDAY, MARCH 31 — Friends of Rahway Public Library, lecture on Holy Land by Rev. J. Gauvin, 7:30 p.m. Open to public. Refreshments.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1 — Parking Authority meeting, 7:30 p.m., City Council Chambers.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 1 — Rahway Board of Education, special meeting, Louis R. Rizzo Board Meeting Room, 7 p.m., to discuss personnel matter, closed session.

SATURDAY, APRIL 4 — Retired Railroaders Group No. 2, meeting, 11 a.m., Senior Citizen Center, Esterbrook Ave., Rahway.

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 — Rahway Historical Society, Open House, 2:5 p.m., Merchant's & Driver's Tavern.

MONDAY, APRIL 6 — Rahway Democratic Club, meeting, 2:15 p.m., American Legion Post Home, Maple Ave.

TUESDAY, APRIL 7 — Rahway Historical Society, board meeting, 7:30 p.m., Merchant's & Driver's Tavern.

CLARK

MONDAY, APRIL 6 — Municipal Council, special meeting, 7:45 p.m., Room 16, former Brewer School, 430 Westfield Ave., public hearing on ordinance.

MONDAY, APRIL 20 — Clark Public Library Book Club, 2:30 p.m., to discuss Ann Tyler's "Accidental Tourist."

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Park sale criticized

The following letter was sent to the Rahway Municipal Council from the Rahway Library Board of Trustees:

Gentlemen:

The Library Board of Trustees has asked me to inform you of their position regarding the sale of the property adjacent to the library on the corner of Central and Perrott Avenues. At their regular meeting on February 17, 1987, the members present were unanimously agreed on their opposition to this sale.

They recognize that the construction of homes on this site would reduce the ground area available for water run-off. As you know, the library building was subject to frequent flooding from 1968 to 1975. Although we have not had floods since 1975, it should be noted that we are still required by the City of Rahway to retain the flood prevention measures installed in and around the building during that earlier period. We have had to continue the purchase of flood insurance. Furthermore, the water does back up along Central Avenue, sometimes as far as the entrance and exit to the library parking lot, during periods of heavy rain.

The Board also felt that the elimination of this attractive open space would negatively affect the aesthetic setting of the library building. The commercial development of this property would mean the loss of this space for informal recreational purposes by both young people and adults.

The Board asks that you give strong consideration to these objections. They recommend that you reject any and all bids for the purchase of this property.

Arthur D. Sudall
Library Director

The Trial Lawyers Notebook

Tort Reform

There has been a tremendous amount of publicity in recent months focusing on what has been termed "tort reform," which some people feel is necessary to curb the escalating cost of insurance in New Jersey. An increasing large segment of the population is beginning to realize that to limit an individual's right to bring suit for another's negligence is not only going to lessen the insurance premium burden, but is a dangerous limitation of precious rights which have been guaranteed to us through the Constitution.

It is terribly easy to scoff and say that there is nothing precious about the rights of hundreds of individuals to bring suit for nonexigent injuries that cost all of us millions of dollars. An attorney who does a largely personal injury practice, such as I do, will be the first to admit that these people do exist. However, there are any number of ways that our system of law has to weed these people out. One of them is trial by jury, for I have never seen a more realistic or practical group of people than a jury of their peers. They are very hard to fool, and any good trial attorney knows it.

But labeling all lawsuits as catastrophic injuries as frivolous claims, thus the Courtroom doors to legitimately injured people who have gotten that way under any number of aggravating circumstances. The majority of my clients are just these people. They are lovely, normal citizens who can't believe how one small trip in their car can change their lifestyle the way it does.

I have examples too numerous to mention. One case, however, that really caught my attention was settled recently. My client is a young professional woman who was married at the time. Driving home to her apartment one evening, she came to a stop at a red traffic light on a major New Jersey highway. As she sat waiting to continue, there was an impact to the rear of her car that felt like an explosion. The police report showed that the car had been hit in the rear by a sixteen-year-old driver, who witnesses estimated was traveling 55 mph at impact, and throwing her 104 feet up the road. Her six-month-old car was totaled. She experienced three months of insurance squabbling before the company paid on the collision claim, and during that time she had to make car payments and rent a car.

Following the accident, my client felt like a truck had rammed her, and fortunately no bones were broken, and she was reassured that what she would heal. She was stiff, and in so much pain that going to work was such a struggle it became her only activity for about nine months. Her back and neck were sprained so badly that every movement caused stabbing pain, and every day was sure to produce an incapacitating headache. Her sexual relationship with her husband came to a complete halt. For about two weeks following the accident my client's husband was very sympathetic and loving, wanting to help her in any way he could. Just like any normal healthy person, however, after a short time he wanted his happy, active, healthy wife back. He didn't wait the year and half it took, however, and the marriage broke up five months after the accident due to the strain from her inability to take care of herself.

Two years later this case settled, after a lawsuit, my client still has pain from this accident which she has been told may never go away. She is, however, much better. I don't know if that boy will ever know the pain, inconvenience, and grief he caused, however unintentionally. To have limped this woman into a category of frivolousness, would have been in my mind an injustice that we could never correct.

Homeowners to be protected from repair ripoffs

Legislation sponsored by Senate President John F. Russo that would protect homeowners from home repair ripoffs was passed by the Assembly on Thursday, March 25, 1987.

The bill, S. 805, under final legislative approval by a vote of 72 to 0 and now goes to the governor for consideration.

The American Dream of owning and improving a home should be protected from unscrupulous ripoff artists, said Senator Russo.

The bill would empower prosecutors to actively pursue home repair contractors who deceive their customers. The legislation would impose criminal sanctions for the failure to complete contracted work and would improve criminal penalties for those who fail to complete a job before payment could be denied. Under current law, the failure to complete a contracted job can go unprosecuted.

"Too often the victims of home repair ripoffs are senior citizens because they rely on others for domestic repairs," Senator Russo said. "Those who prey on the unsuspecting seniors will now be subject to penalties of up to five years in jail and \$25,000 in fines."

Under terms of the bill, theft by deception would also be presumed if the contractor for home repairs removes himself from his business location without the ability of the homeowner to locate him by "reasonable means." The measure further states that a contractor who fails to respond to at least three properly addressed written inquiries concerning contracted work would be guilty of repair contracts of at least \$5,000.

Rinaldo takes aim at "notch" problem

The senior Republican on the House Aging Committee, Rep. Matthew Rinaldo, said he has again sponsored legislation to eliminate the Social Security "notch" and to remove the limit on the outside earnings of Social Security beneficiaries.

"These are two issues of great concern to older Americans," according to Rinaldo, who said he has received thousands of letters from constituents who feel they are being deprived of earned benefits and want the laws changed.

The "notch" problem has resulted in some beneficiaries receiving benefit only monthly. Social Security checks that their counterparts, according to the Congressman, explained that the "notch" had its beginnings in 1972 when Congress amended the Social Security Act to link benefits to fluctuations in the cost of living. He noted that actuararies later discovered that the benefit formula was flawed by compounding beneficiaries twice for inflation. To correct the error, Congress approved a new benefit schedule in 1977 that cut benefits for retirees born after 1916. A special five-year phase-in plan was put in place for people born from 1917 to 1921, the so-called "notch" years. People born in those years reached retirement age between 1982 and 1986.

The effect of the change, Rinaldo said, is that beneficiaries born after 1916 receive benefits computed under the old formula, while those born from 1917 to 1921, the so-called "notch" years, receive benefits computed under the 1977 formula. The scale-back in benefits has the greatest impact on recipients born between 1917 and 1921, or the so-called "notch" babies. The average benefit for 1986 retirees is \$583 a month while those who reached retirement age in 1981 received an average of \$600 a month.

My background and experience of over 20 years as a Personnel Professional has provided me with a broad range of sound business and management skills. These skills will help me deal effectively and responsibly with the financial and budgetary considerations inherent in our educational program, as well as the many employee relations matters requiring Board consideration.

As a member of the Board of Education, I will work hard to develop sound policies that will serve as the guidelines that our educators will use to provide the opportunities our children need at all levels to reach out and stretch their abilities and achievements.

I ask for your support and your vote in this election on April 7.

Bob Niemiec

Cuts in services addressed to County Freeholders

For the past several weeks the Union County Human Services Advisory Council has been making presentations before the County's Human Services Committee. The majority of these presentations have been made at a critical stage, and any loss of funding would be devastating.

Mr. Ahfeld explained that in 1987 the system will be facing a shortfall of approximately \$100,000. The loss of funds translates into the reduction of 14,000 trips for those currently using the programs. In addition, vehicle replacement and maintenance of older vans are at a critical stage, and any loss of funding would be devastating.

Job layoffs and cutbacks in services were averted three months ago when the Freeholders voted to grant an extension of 1986 funding.

In summation, Mr. Brande asked the Freeholders to remain committed to this vital County service and provide the necessary funding to keep the system operational.

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County on Tuesday, March 31, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

James Nichandowicz, Program Associate in Agriculture, will discuss how vegetables absorb fertilizer from the soil and how to fertilize for highest yields.

The talk will be held at the Union County Administration and Service Building, 300 North Avenue, East, Westfield in the auditorium. For more information call 233-9366.



Homeless Task Force releases report

The Union County Human Services Planning Advisory Council Task Force on the Homeless, released its comprehensive plan of action service report regarding the homeless, at a press conference held March 11 at the Union County Administration Building in Elizabeth.

The report states that there are 2,000 homeless people in the county, and possibly as many as 4,000, according to the Task Force members, with children comprising over 50 percent of the figures.

Michael Fabricant, President of the Elizabeth Coalition for the Homeless and Chairman of the Task Force, stated that "the state has responded to the homeless problem in the most random, low-level funding ways, regarding the allocation of public assistance."

For example, state welfare grants range from \$13 to \$20 per month, and the average monthly rent in Elizabeth boarding house is \$265.

The report cites a "critical" long-term housing shortage in the county, and Task Force members noted at the conference that more middle-class people are becoming homeless, due in part to losing their jobs, in most instances due to factory closings.

The 34-page report, which took five months to complete, lists state officials, including the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, and state officials to follow through with the 1983 Governor's Commission on the Homeless, which the Union County Task Force members said was forgotten after it was completed. The Union County Freeholders were presented with the county report.

The members also told the audience of the misconception of homeless people, that they are not all "big people," or mentally disabled, or drug addicts. In fact, 60 percent of the homeless are families, the members said.

Also present at the conference were members Marc Snyder, Managing Attorney for the Commission on Health Law Project, Richard Bennett, Executive Director of the State Office of Legal Services, Michael Galuppo, Director of the Union County Department of Social Services, Donald F. Anderson, Union County Manager, Director of Planning of the U.C. Department of Human Services, and many others.

Republicans Convention planned Saturday

The Union County Republican Chairman, Alfonso I. Pisano, and the 1987 Republican Convention Chairman, Bill Riley, have announced that the annual Union County Republican Nominating Convention will be held on Saturday, March 28, at the site of the convention will be the Roelle Park Middle School located at 27 West Grant Ave. The Convention will be called to order at 10 a.m. The doors will be open to the delegates and the public at 9 a.m.

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Union Hospital announces perfect attendance winners

Union Hospital recently honored employees who have demonstrated dedication to their jobs and the hospital by maintaining perfect attendance during 1986.

The "Have a Day Off On Us" program, initiated in 1986, creates a day off with one free holiday, two complimentary movie passes, and a complimentary dinner for two coupon at a local restaurant. It was designed to reward perfect attendance and provide an extra incentive for employees of the 201-bed hospital.

Rahway residents honored were: Augustina Dinitz, Lorie Esposito, Doris Musacchio and Marie O'Connor. Clark residents honored were: Donald Leonard and Dr. Howard Stein.

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Yes vote urged on school budget

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Our schools are the backbone of our community and they must be supported in these critical times. By voting against the outcome of the budget, there will be an increase in your tax bill. However, I urge all of the registered voters in Rahway to support the 1987-88 budget.

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Papers set deadline

The deadline for submission of stories and pictures for events taking place during the week to The Rahway News Record and The Clark Patriot is 5 p.m. on the Thursday preceding the Thursday event. All items submitted after this deadline will not appear in the newspaper.

ONLY stories and pictures which occur over the weekend will be accepted on Monday and ONLY to the Editor.

Articles NOT submitted in time for the deadlines will automatically be transferred to the following week's newspaper.

Gardening lecture

A free lecture entitled "Vegetable Gardening for Experts" will be offered by the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County on Tuesday, March 31, from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m.

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SERVICES ADDRESSED... Florence Blume, Consumer of the Para-Transit System gives presentation at the March 12 County Freeholders meeting.

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PICK-IT-NUMBERS FOR THE WEEK OF: March 16 thru March 21

PICK-IT DATE	STRAIGHT NUMBERS PAID OFF	BOX	PAIR	
MONDAY	243	254	42	25
TUESDAY	962	261	43	26
WEDNESDAY	788	216	72	21
THURSDAY	299	342	114	34
FRIDAY	977	402	134	40
SATURDAY	778	264	88	26

Library Friends plan awards ceremony

The Rahway Public Library Young Adult Arts and Crafts Contest Awards Ceremony and Reception will be held on Saturday, April 4 at 2 p.m. in the Library. Prizes and certificates will be awarded and the entries will be on display. The event will be videotaped.

The Friends of the Library will serve refreshments and the public is invited to attend.

Access for the handicapped may be arranged if the Adult Department is contacted at 388-0761 by Wednesday, April 1.

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SPORTS

RAY'S ROUND

By Ray Hoagland

In the City Hall Employees Bowling League at the Roselle Lanes, Team No. 6 scored a sweep over the Strikers to move into a six game lead over the Ball-busters who lost to the Royals 3-0. The Alley Cats won 2 to 1 over the Main Breaks.

Bill Walton of the Boston Celtics appeared before Massachusetts State legislators to tell them high school athletes should be allowed to work as hard as they want at their sport. Walton urged lawmakers to pass a bill eliminating a policy that prohibits students from practicing a sport more than once a day.

The Golden Flyers of Nazareth College of Rochester, New York won the Eastern College Athletic Conference Division III title for the third time in four years. The Golden Flyers of Nazareth added 10 points and seven rebounds, Barnes led the team in scoring.

On Saturday, Nazareth overcame a seven point deficit time disadvantage to defeat Albany State 65 to 63. The Golden Flyers won 8 of the first 10 games to finish 17-9.

Clark Soccer Club begins new season. The Clark Soccer Club's spring season is underway. Up Jewellers shut out Quality Auto 1-0. Greg Hallock scored the only goal. Excellent goalkeeping was displayed by John Krysniak.

188 lbs. Kevin Murphy, an 11th grader, with a record of 8-12-0, was sixth in the Woodbridge tournament. Coach Fred Steuber won three awards this season; he was elected the Coach of the Year by the Union County Conference, District II Coach of the Year, and Region II Coach of the Year.

Other members of the Rahway Indians were Duke Washington, Scott Dooden, Mike Ondovic, Bill Long, Barry Madden, Anthony Smith, Robert Jackson, Ron Rivers, Aubin Severin, and Jerry Sharpe.

122 lbs. Captain Dave Pitts, 11th grader, had a season mark of 18 to 7. He was fifth in the Woodbridge tournament, third in the Union County and first in the District tournament.

The National Basketball Association veteran and others testified that they would support a bill that would allow high school athletes to work as hard as they want at their sport.

158 lbs. Tony Dalmacio, 11th grader, had an 8 to 5 record, and was one of the top scorers in the Woodbridge tournament, finishing with 322 points.

On Friday they won over Alfred University 69-60 in overtime. On Saturday, Nazareth overcame a seven point deficit time disadvantage to defeat Albany State 65 to 63.

When will the state legislators help run the government, not amateur sports? Clark Soccer Club begins new season.

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SCHEDULES

RHS Baseball

Table with columns: Date, School, Place, Time. Lists games for RHS Baseball from March 26 to April 1.

RIS Baseball

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RHS Boys Tennis

Table with columns: Date, School, Place, Time. Lists tennis matches for RHS Boys Tennis from March 26 to April 1.

ALJ Girls Track

Table with columns: Date, School, Place, Time. Lists track events for ALJ Girls Track from March 26 to April 1.

RHS Freshman Track

Table with columns: Date, School, Place, Time. Lists track events for RHS Freshman Track from March 26 to April 1.



KUMPF BASKETBALL AT ITS BEST... The Cougars from Clark's Kumpf Middle School turned in a final record of 5-7 for the '87 basketball season.

ALJ Varsity Baseball

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ALJ Varsity Softball

Table with columns: Date, School, Place, Time. Lists softball games for ALJ Varsity Softball from March 26 to April 1.

ALJ Boys' Track

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Religious News

SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH OF RAHWAY

On Saturday, March 28 at 8 a.m., till 3 p.m., the Senior Usher Board will hold a Workshop. The instructor will be Mrs. Lucia Ford of New Salem Baptist Church.

OSCEOLA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF RAHWAY

The Rev. S. Timothy Pretz will preach at the Osceola Presbyterian Church on Sunday, Mar. 29 at the 10 a.m. worship service.

TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH OF RAHWAY

Sunday, March 29, 4th Sunday in Lent: The 11 o'clock Family Worship Service will be conducted by the Pastor, the Rev. Donald B. Jones.

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Religious News

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Archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee formed

Most Rev. Theodore E. McCarrick has announced the formation of an Archdiocesan Pro-Life Committee to initiate, coordinate, and expand pro-life activities in Bergen, Essex, Hudson and Union counties.

Jewish Federation speaker's bureau aims to help elderly

Mrs. Goldberg's 65-year-old husband is retiring next year. Because of his modest social security benefits, they're looking for some extra income.

Osceola to host Gospelfest Concert

Osceola Presbyterian Church of 1689 Raritan Road, Clark, will be hosting a Gospelfest Concert on Friday, April 3.

Rev. Gauvin to speak at library

A slide presentation and lecture on the Holy Land by Rev. Fr. Joseph Gauvin will be given at the Rahway Public Library.

Synagogue council sets dinner-meeting

The President's Council of the United Synagogue of New Jersey Region will hold its second dinner-meeting of the year on Thursday, March 26 at the Clinton Manor in Union.

Church women plan rummage/cake sale

A Rummage and Cake Sale will be held on Saturday, April 4, at the United Methodist Church from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

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Program to focus on depression, dementia

The Adult Day Care Consortium of Union County will present, as part of its monthly program of information and support for the care givers and families of the frail elderly, a program entitled "Depression or Dementia?"

Joseph Klein, A.C.S.W., Clinical Chief, Geropsychiatric Services, Elizabeth General Medical Center, will discuss diagnostic assessment in determining whether a person is depressed or suffering from dementia. The presence of disorientation, anxiety and complaints of difficulty in concentration or of memory loss, make dementia difficult to distinguish from a major depressive episode occurring in the elderly.

Call Joann Maslin, 527-4870, at the Division on Aging to register.

The program will be presented on Thursday, March 26, from 7:30-9 p.m. at the Elizabethtown Gas Company, Elizabethtown Plaza. Ample parking in a well lighted lot will be available next to the gas company. The Consortium will present monthly seminars on the last Thursday of each month.

The Adult Day Care Consortium is an association of non-profit social and medical adult day care centers serving the elderly of Union County. The Associated Members are Spend-a-Day in New Providence, Mühlenberg Med-

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"Lethal Weapon"

"Lethal Weapon" is a high voltage police thriller that blends nail biting suspense with death defying feats of bravado.

Essentially, the film is a "buddy" movie that pits two mismatched homicide cops against a gang of vicious drug dealers in L.A.

Mel Gibson is the "lethal weapon" of the title. He's a wild-eyed, unbalanced cop who's been on the verge of suicide ever since his wife died. Since then, his only true moments of happiness come when chasing down punks or blasting away bad guys. Gibson attacks his role and laces it with a reckless sense of abandon that makes his famous "Mad Max" character a patsy by comparison.

Danny Glover plays the other cop. He's a complacent family man approaching retirement whose only desire now is to not make any waves and collect his full pension. His dream is shattered after meeting his crazy partner who offers nothing more than a bumpy ride!

What separates "Lethal Weapon" from the usual, hackneyed cops and robbers flicks is that it's extremely well written. The screenplay by Shane Black shows a human side to the two cop heroes. They are presented as real people showing real emotions.

The film also refreshingly displays a sense of humor which serves as a partial relief from the carnage being levied at the audience by Director Richard Donner.

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I believe that in order to have an effective system of education it is necessary to maintain a communication link between the Board of Education and our taxpayers. Only then can we make responsible and justified decisions that will enhance our school system. Education is a promise for our children, a promise that they will be equipped to meet the many challenges of tomorrow.

My background is a staff nurse at Overlook Hospital for the past 10 years has made me particularly receptive to meeting the goals of a demanding organization, within its budget, without compromising the level of care it renders. I realize the importance of offering a cost effective, quality service.

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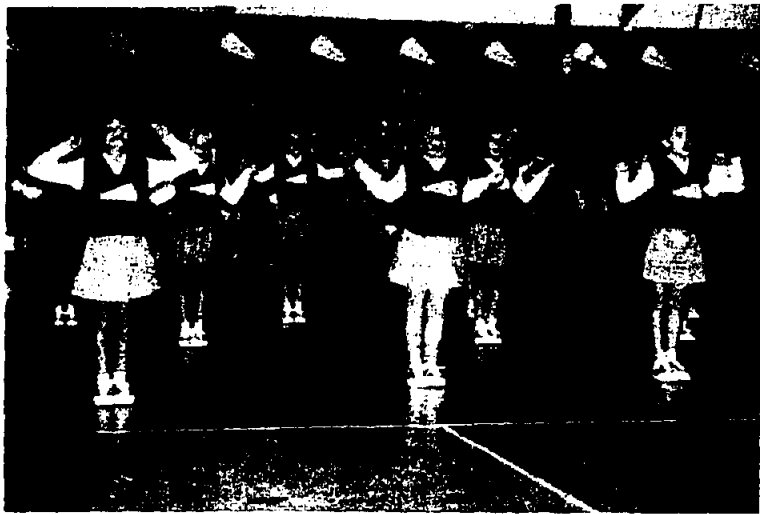
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FOOTBALL CHEERLEADERS... Registration for the Clark Pop Warner Cheerleaders will be held on April 7 and 9 at 7 p.m. at the Clark Crusaders Clubhouse (behind Friendly's). Girls entering 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, and 8th grades in September are eligible to register. All girls must register even if they have been a cheerleader in the past. It is requested that a parent or guardian be present at registration and a copy of registrant's birth certificate be submitted. Call Mrs. Perrelli at 574-2163 for further information.

AL Post 5 inducts 14 new members

At initiation ceremonies held at the American Legion Post Headquarters on Sunday, March 8, the following new members were inducted into the American Legion:

Joseph Ryan, William Sekerak, Chester R. Kosiba, John J. Macey, Richard Swisstack, Ray C. Graham, William L. Petrusko, Gary F. Weicker, David Bothwell, Salvatore Mione and Preston A. Smith.

The installation was under the direction of Harry S. Greenwald, Post Adjutant, and Edward S. Cwirko, Post Commander. Post No. 5, located on Maple Ave., has one of the largest memberships in the state.

A large turnout of members and friends of the inductees attended the ceremonies.



COLOR US PROUD... Susan Lee (Grade 6) and Kasey Patroski (Grade 1) are congratulated by Franklin School Principal, A. Wade Likins, who presented them with two free tickets to the "Up With People" concert, which was held March 13. They were winners in "Up With People" coloring contest, sponsored by Union County Arts Center. One winner was chosen from each grade (K-6), system wide. Mr. Likins expressed great pride on behalf of Franklin School, which had two winners.

Junior bowlers compete for state and national scholarships

Junior bowlers at Clark Lanes recently bowled in the Coca-Cola National Junior Bowling Championship Qualifying Tournament. The youngsters were competing for the privilege of representing Clark Lanes in the State Tournament and the possibility of winning a State level scholarship. Two boys and two girls will eventually be the State Champions and represent New Jersey in the National finals in Memphis, Tennessee this summer where they will compete for \$44,000 in scholarships.

The 1987 winners who will represent Clark Lanes in the State finals to be held in May are: Boys Scatch Division-Alan Frederick of Winfield (589 series); Grades 9 to 12 Handicap-Edward Webb of Clark (666 series); Steven Korba of Cranford (665 series);

Joseph Piacenza of Maplewood (660 series).

The following children will be representing Clark Lanes in the State finals and will be competing for State scholarships only: 12 and 13 year olds handicap division-Donald Dayton of Clark (669 series); and Abbie Feibush of Clark (617 series).

Nine, 10 and 11 year olds handicap division-Daniel Broughton of Clark (686 series); Stacey Westerlund of Clark (676 series); John Hudak of Clark (653 series); Ricky Molinaro of Westfield and Donald G. Stiles of Cranford (646 series); Christine Yelenovsky of Clark (629 series); and Jennifer Allen of Cranford (618 series).

Eight years and under handicap division-Michael Muringer of Rahway (636 series); Christine Stiles of Cranford (610 series).

Pro-gun group selects local citizen for award

The Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms announced that Jeffrey A. Smith of Rahway has been selected to receive a Citizen of the Year Award.

Smith has been selected to receive this award because of a dedication to the efforts to preserve the right of the people to keep and bear arms as guaranteed by the Second Amendment to the United States Constitution, according to a spokesperson.

"If it weren't for people like Jeffrey Smith our Constitutional rights would have been eroded years ago," stated Alan Gottlieb, chairman of the Citizens Committee.

The Citizens Committee for the Right to Keep and Bear Arms is a national organization with nearly one-half million members as well as more than 130 members of Congress serving on their National Advisory Council.

Did You Know?

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PATRIOTIC SKATERS...Rahway Recreation Department roller skaters are pictured at "USA" day on March 7 at Franklin School. The patriotic skaters wore clothing of red, white and blue.

Aerobic instructor needed

The Rahway Recreation Department is seeking a part time aerobic instructor. The applicant should be a resident of Rahway and have previous experience teaching either modified aerobics or regular aerobics. For additional information, contact Recreation Department Sports Director Sue Bauman at the Claude Reed Center, 1670 Irving St., Rahway or phone 381-8000, ext. 322.

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