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City acts to repair storage tank

by Pat DiMaggio
At its November 14 meeting, Rahway's Municipal Council approved a resolution authorizing emergency repairs to a fuel oil storage tank at the City's waterplant.

The Department of Environmental Protection ordered immediate repairs to the tank. The emergency was said to affect the public health, safety and welfare of residents, and the City immediately moved to comply with the DEP directive. Payment of \$40,000 was authorized to Chem Pair, Inc., North Brunswick and Active Waste Transport, Sayreville.

The council also approved a resolution authorizing an agreement with the DEP Clean Communities Program and approved a resolution authorizing the acceptance of a bid from Porcelli Airport Truck Center, Inc., Elizabeth, for the purchase of two dump trucks in the amount of \$58,996.

The appointment of Arthur Gabel as an alternate member of the board of Adjustment was also approved. An ordinance amending an ordinance titled "Flood Damage Prevention" does not change the City's present flood control legislation, but changes the language in the original ordinance as suggested by the state.

Another language change was necessary in the bond ordinance to fund various City improvements and repairs. Business Administrator Joseph Hartnett said there were no new expenditures in the ordinance; that the changes in language were strictly legal technicalities.

All of these ordinances will come before the council for a public hearing and possible final adoption at a special meeting to be held on November 28 at 7:30 p.m. in council chambers.

Tenant group takes case to council

by Pat DiMaggio
A tenants group has approached Rahway's Municipal Council to ask for help in forcing their landlord to do needed repairs at their apartment complex.

Anna Prizzi, 402 Hamilton Street, represented the Shami Apartments tenants association before the council at their regular meeting held Monday night. She said the owner of the complex, who lives in Edison, has failed to properly maintain the property and cited numerous health and safety violations.

"We have inadequate heat, infestation, broken glass, structural defects, holes in the ceilings and exposed pipes," said Prizzi. Tenants were without heat for 20 days and frequently have no hot water, she added. "We are asking you to make this man fix this building."

Other representatives of the tenants association said that their health was endangered by living conditions at the apartment complex. One woman was hospitalized when a section of her bathroom ceiling fell in and she later lost time from work. Her child was treated for infections her physician said were caused by unhealthy living conditions in the apartment.

Ms. Prizzi said the owner has been cited by the Board of Health, but he refuses to make repairs, opting instead to pay a mental fine. Tenants are currently on a rent strike to force necessary repairs. Prizzi also said maintenance people hired to make cosmetic repairs are unqualified and are responsible for the rash of burglaries and robberies suffered by the tenants.

"I've visited these apartments and the word atrocious doesn't begin to describe what I saw," said Councilman George Wagenhoffer. "The owner pays a mental fine and walks away scot-free."

Council President Harvey Williams appointed Councilman Walter McLeod to chair a committee to work with the tenants association to try to alleviate the problems.

Zacek participates in NATO exercise

Army Spec. Frank B. Zacek has participated in the NATO-sponsored exercise, Return of Forces to Germany '88 (REFORGER).

The exercise was designed to evaluate plans and support agreements between NATO member nations, to exercise West Germany's ability to support deploying forces and to test the ability of European-based units to quickly link reinforcing units with their pre-positioned equipment.

Zacek is the son of Frank J. Zacek of Emerson St., Rahway. He is an armor crew member with the 24th Armor in West Germany. His wife, Lisa, is the daughter of Ron Hughes of Lake Ronkonkoma, N.Y. The specialist is a 1983 graduate of Pinelands Regional High School, Little Egg Harbor.

Gilbert & Sullivan at county arts center in Rahway

The Union County Arts Center at Irving and Main Streets in Rahway continues its fall season of entertainment with two one-act musicals, presented by the Ridgewood Gilbert & Sullivan Opera Company, Saturday, November 19 at 8 p.m.

The evening's first act, "The Zoo," is a musical comedy about the British public spending an afternoon at the zoo. The second offering, "Trial by Jury," Gilbert & Sullivan's first huge success, concerns a legal suit for a breach of marriage, involving a very flirtatious "Other Woman."

Tickets are \$10 each for adults, \$8 for students and senior citizens, and are available through the Theatre Box Office by calling 499-8226. Union County Arts Center members get a special discount.

The Union County Arts Center (former Rahway Theatre) is located at the junction of Irving and Main Streets, and Central Avenue in Rahway. Patrons are asked not to be shocked by the lack of a marquee. The old one was just torn down to make way for installation of a brand new one — part of an ongoing restoration project.

AARP sets fall-winter events

Chapter #607 of the American Ass'n. of Retired Persons (AARP) held a business meeting on Nov. 10, at which future events were discussed.

GAF honors employees for long service

Fifteen employees of GAF Corporation's Chemicals plant in Linden were recently honored for long company service at a dinner held at the Landmark Inn Woodbridge. The recipients represent 505 years of service with GAF. Robert F. McCarthy, works manager, Linden and director of manufacturing, surfactants, commanded the employees for their contributions to company growth.

Book donations needed for sale

Friends of the Clark Public Library will hold a book sale at the library on Friday, Nov. 18, Saturday, Nov. 19, and Monday, Nov. 21. Book donations will be appreciated.

Leaf collection in Rahway

The Rahway Public Works Department is now collecting leaves at curbside with a leaf collection machine.

PTA slates craft, flea mart

The Madison School P.T.A. of Rahway is holding its annual craft and flea market on Saturday, November 19.

Recycling program sees 500-ton growth

The latest figures released by the Union County Utilities Authority (UCUA) show that the Regional Recycling Program currently collects an average of 1,250 tons of recyclables per month. These figures, announced by Joan Buhendorf, district recycling coordinator, are up from a previous average of 750 tons of recyclable materials per month when the program began in September 1987.

Garay's football jersey retired

by Pat DiMaggio
Football jersey #85, worn by the late Francisco Garay,

a former Rahway High School athlete, was retired during half-time activities at

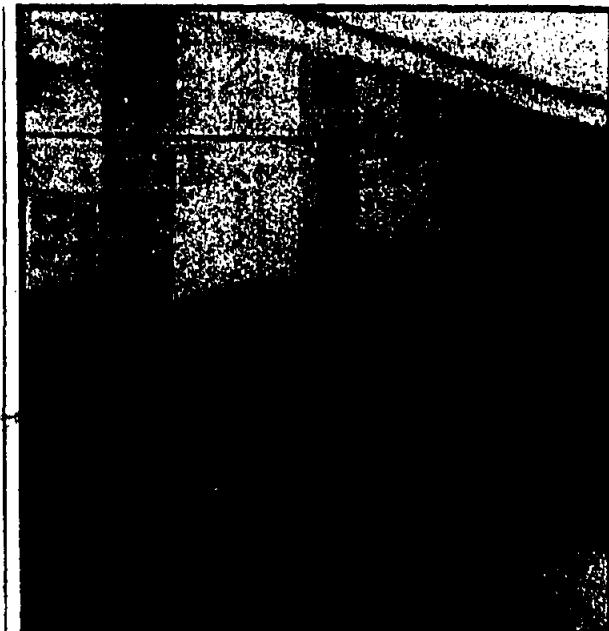
Saturday's game at Veterans Field between the Indians and the Elizabeth Minutemen.



TONY GARAY addressed the crowd during the half-time ceremony to retire jersey #85, worn by his brother, "Cisco."

"Francisco Garay was quite an athlete in Rahway," said Superintendent of Schools Frank Brurcette in presenting the jersey to Mr. Garay's widow Mary Ellen. "He showed that he not only knew how to play the game of football, but that he also knew how to play the game of life. He showed concern for his teammates, respect for his opponents and a devotion to his community, school and family. Francisco showed that he played well and fair and brought honor to all of us."

"On behalf of my family, I'd like to thank the community of Rahway for paying this respect to us," said Carlos Garay, Francisco's elder brother. "This is a very proud day for me," she said. "Mary Ellen Garay, surrounded by her family, thanked the Board of Education. 'This is a very proud day for me,' she said. 'On behalf of my family, I'd like to thank the community of Rahway for paying this respect to us,' said Carlos Garay, Francisco's elder brother."



"ATROCIOUS" doesn't begin to describe it," said Rahway Councilman George Wagenhoffer, describing conditions at this apartment complex on Hamilton St.

Sideliners list activities

The Sideliners, boosters of sports in Rahway for over 40 years, will meet tonight (Thursday, November 17, at 8 p.m. in the Louis R. Rizzo Meeting Room in the Intermediate School.

Planned agenda items include a final report on total sales from the refreshment stand and football program at the five home games, distribution of the "sports package" raffle books, a report on membership and the fall sports awards night.

Peter D. Kowal, sideline president, has been very pleased with the outstanding turnout at recent meetings. "We have been averaging over 20 members in attendance at our last three meetings, however we need the contribution of all of our membership in order to make the booster club a fine working organization."

The fall sports awards night will be held on Thursday, December 8 at 7:30 p.m. in the Rahway High School auditorium. The fall sports awards night will be held in the high school for the first time in many years, according to William M. Roesch, 2nd Vice President.

Previously the affair was held in the Intermediate School, however, with the high school auditorium renovated, the club felt it was time to "show off" the facility.

The 7th/8th grade boys and girls soccer teams, varsity boys and girls soccer teams, varsity girls tennis and the freshmen, junior varsity and varsity football teams will be honored by their respective coaches, the Rahway High School athletic department and "The Sideliners."

(NED help me!)



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ALJ Band & boosters set flea market

The Arthur L. Johnson High School Band & Boosters will be having another Indoor Craft & Flea Market on Saturday, November 19, in the cafeteria of the high school on Westfield Ave., Clark, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. In addition to the tables, there will be food available.

Holiday art show in Rahway

The Art Studio/Fine Art Gallery at 1605 Irving St., Rahway, will present a Holiday Art Show from Nov. 18 (tomorrow) to Dec. 31. A reception will be held tomorrow from 4 to 8 p.m. N.J. artists to be featured include: Janice DiGiorgio, Clark... instructor for the Rahway Recreation Dept. and Adult Education courses - Oil paintings.



THE CLASS OF 1992 at the Arthur L. Johnson Regional High School recently elected class officers for the 1988-89 school year. Pictured, from left, are Danny Reznick, president; Jodi Jordan, secretary; Mike Pressman, vice president; and Eric Moraso, treasurer.

Area student pursues studies at Caribbean lab

Michelle Sabo of Clark is spending the fall semester on a coral reef. The West Indies Laboratory, a teaching and research facility of Fairleigh Dickinson University, is a unique study center for marine and environmental science.

SOCIAL SCENE



Deborah Calvin and Michael Walsh



Christine Anderson and Gary Kuyat

Deborah Calvin engaged to Michael Walsh

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Calvin of Clark announce the engagement of their daughter Deborah Calvin to Michael Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Walsh of Edison. The engagement was announced on May 12, 1988.

Jill Gualtieri to wed Dominic DeCaro

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Bus tour offered to Christmas at Wanamaker's

The Union County Regional Adult School has planned a bus tour to Christmas at John Wanamaker's, Philadelphia, Pa. on Saturday, December 3.



Have To Let The Leaves Lie Till Spring, Dear; The Brewer's Leaking Oil

Ah, the smell of burning leaves in the fall. It's only a memory now, but a precious one. Sad to think that my generation may be the last to have experienced that most subtle of autumn rituals.

Kenilworth Train Show

Electric trains may be bought, sold, swapped or observed at the annual non-affiliated Kenilworth Train Show. Veteran's Hall on South 21st Street in Kenilworth, Sunday, Nov. 20, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

District to sponsor parent workshops on drug and alcohol abuse prevention

A series of Parent Workshops, dealing with drug and alcohol abuse prevention, is being sponsored by the Union County Regional High School District No. 1 during late November and early December.

Auxiliary selling Entertainment books

The Ladies Auxiliary of Rahway Elks Lodge #1075 is selling Entertainment '89 books for North Jersey (Union, Morris, and Essex counties). The cost of this book is \$30.

Watercolorists

Watercolorists at the Westfield Art Association. Adult Admission is \$2. Children are admitted free. For more information, call 322-6240 or 561-8863.

Protect our children... DRIVE SAFELY... DRIVING DRUNK... KILLS

On Monday evening, December 5, Janis Mayer, Director of Educational Services at the New Beginning Center in Carlisle, Pa., will present a workshop called "Natural High Positive Alternatives" at Jonathan Dayton Regional High School in Springfield.

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Bank promotes Clark woman

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DRIVING DRUNK KILLS

On Tuesday evening, November 20, Peter Strub, Clinical Coordinator at Monmouth Chemical Dependency Center in Long Branch, will conduct a workshop entitled "Adolescents at Risk" to be held at the David Brearley Regional High School in Kenilworth.

Interested parents may attend

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Pierre is a four-year-old miniature poodle who was found at 1 a.m. in a supermarket lot. He is housebroken, playful, and well-behaved in a car.



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Carteret 'Dames' met in home of chapter president

The Lady Elizabeth Carteret Chapter of the National Society, Colonial Dames XVII Century, held its first fall meeting and luncheon at the home of the President, Mrs. John D. Markley...

Christine Anderson to wed Gary Kuyat

Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Kuyat of Loser Ave., Clark, announce the engagement of their son, Gary, to Christine Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. Anderson of Oaklyn, N.J.

Singles dance

"Cloud Nine Singles" is holding a singles dance Friday, Nov. 18, 8:30 p.m. to 1:30 a.m. at Howard Johnson's Red Baron Lounge on Central Ave. off GSP at 1351 in Clark.

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SPORTS

COACH'S CORNER

By V. Theodoros



Minutemen overcome Indians 26-0

The Minutemen of the Rahway Regional Crusaders overcame the Indians of the North Plainfield Canucks 26-0 on Saturday, November 12.

Junior quarterback John Pozanski ignited the Crusaders' air attack by completing 17 of 19 passes for 253 yards and touchdowns.

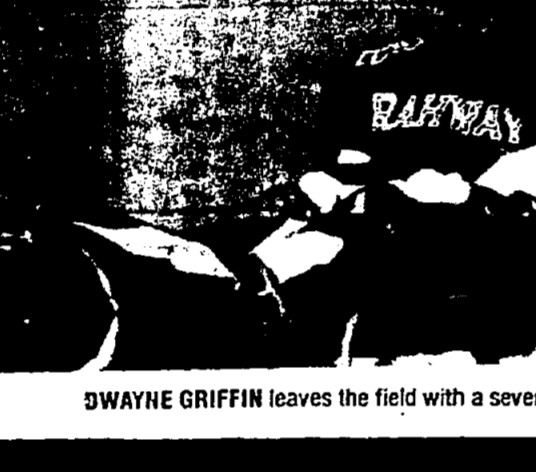
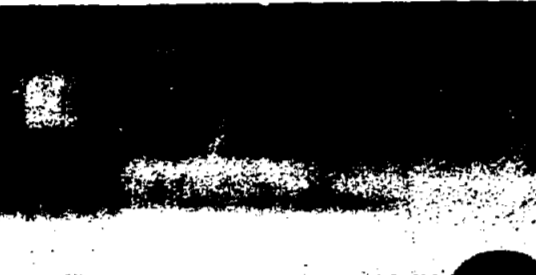
The Crusaders took the opening kick-off and drove the ball down the field, allowing Dave Peterson to score from the 9 yard line. Johnson struck again in the first quarter on a 10-yard reception by Greg Schubert. On the ensuing kick-off, the Canucks scampered 92 yards for their only score of the first half.

In the second quarter, the Crusaders dominated North Plainfield by scoring four unanswered touchdowns.

The first score came on a 54-yard pass from Pozanski to Mike Grossman. Next, Pozanski connected with Schubert on a



Scenes from the RHS varsity game



DWAYNE GRIFFIN leaves the field with a severely dislocated left ankle.



TERRY WILLIAMSON shakes off a big hit on the sidelines.

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Poznanski leads Crusaders to victory over North Plainfield

by Chris Lindquist

The Johnson Regional Crusaders cruised to their fourth victory of the season when they defeated the North Plainfield Canucks 49-21, on Saturday, November 12.

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State title eludes Crusaders' soccer team

by Umberto Iannone and Ryan Conley

Last season, the Johnson Crusaders were defeated in the North Jersey, Section II, Group II final by the Millburn Millers. This week the Crusaders avenged the loss to Millburn by winning 2-0 in the semi-finals but had their hopes of a state title dashed by Chatham in the sectional final, 1-0. The Crusader season record is 18-2-1.

Against Millburn, senior wing Yanni Provel quickly opened up the scoring for Johnson 18 second into the first quarter in the Nov. 8 game held in Clark.

Provel rocketed a shot inside the left post after receiving a cross from senior wing Howard Austrager and gave the Crusaders a 1-0 lead over the Millers.

The first period would then see senior wing Howard Austrager, convert a pass from teammate Provel into a goal for the Crusaders at 11:58 increasing their advantage to 2-0.

The rest of the match proved to be a midfield defensive battle with Johnson unable to break through a solid defense.

Crusader goalie Mike Mulberry would end the day with seven saves.

The Crusaders would post a 2-0 win over Millburn propelling them into the sectional final against Chatham.

On Nov. 12, the Crusaders faced their ultimate challenge against Chatham in the North Jersey, Section II, Group II final held in Cranford. The Crusaders hoped to capture a sectional championship for Johnson but had their dreams crushed when they fell 1-0 in a dramatic overtime match against the Chatham Cougars.

The match remained scoreless in regular game play and it would take an overtime goal by Chatham with 1:39 remaining in the second overtime to decide the issue.

Johnson's dominating defense of junior center fullback John Heller and wing fullbacks John Chirico and Paul Yorovi rarely allowed the Cougars an open shot at Mulberry, who finished the day with nine saves.

The Crusaders will end their season this week when they face arch-rival Ridge in the Mountain Valley Conference championship. When these teams met previously the result was a Johnson dominated game which, however, ended in a 2-2 tie.



MIKE GROSSMAN, #65, runs for the touchdown.



GREG SCHUBERT, #24, scored two touchdowns for ALJ at Saturday's game against North Plainfield.

ALJ girls' soccer ends successful season

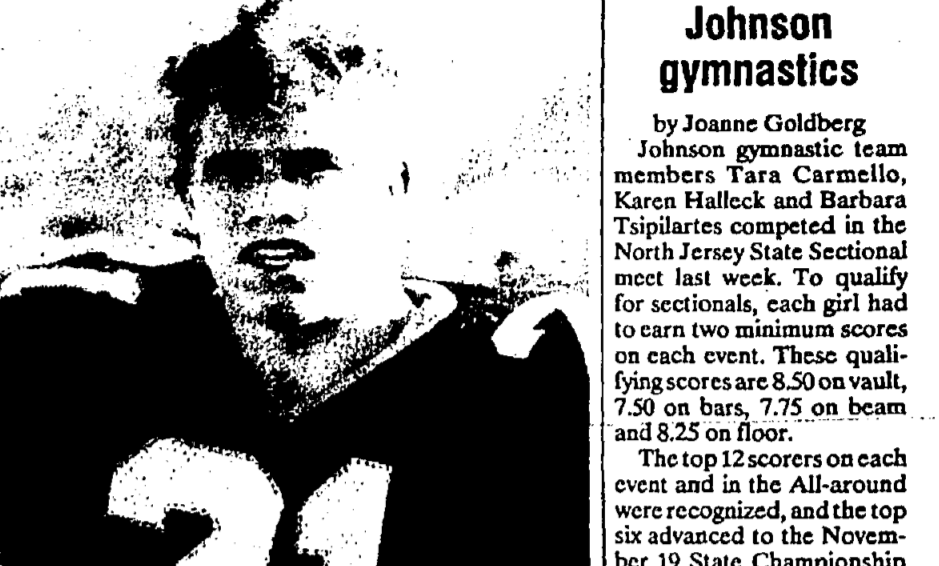
by Shannon Grady

The 1988 Johnson Regional Girls soccer team ended their season this past week losing 7-1 in a tough match against Chatham on Nov. 8 in the second round of the state tournament.

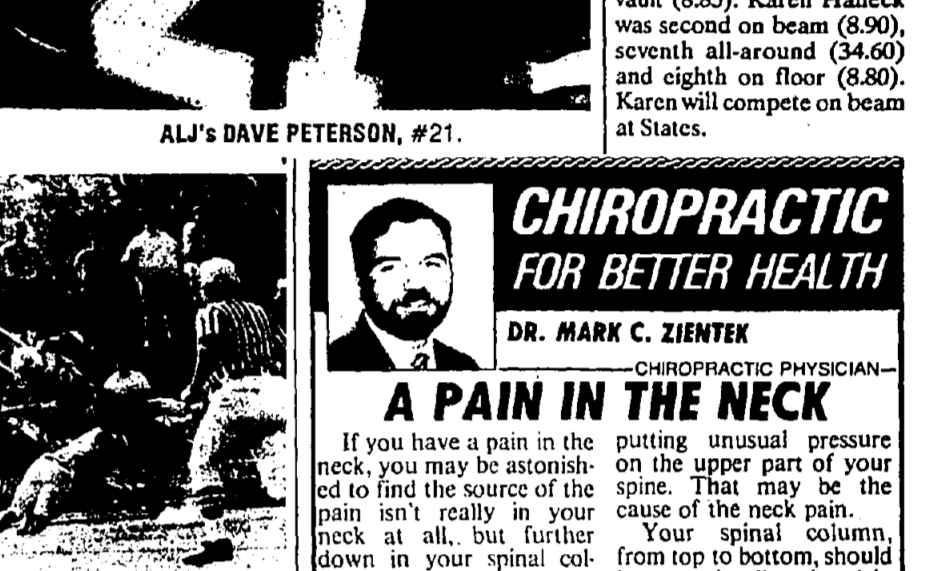
Johnson's only goal was scored by Kelly Bongiovanni with the assist coming from Karrie Bongiovanni.

On Thursday, Nov. 10, the girls met Ridge in a game which determined whether Governor Livingston or Ridge would clinch the Mountain Valley Conference championship.

Senior Randi Sheps opened up the scoring early in the second quarter to give the Crusaders a 1-0 lead at



ALJ'S DAVE PETERSON, #21.



Key defensemen included senior Kelly Bongiovanni, sophomores Stacey Mahon and Stephanie Canzone and freshmen Carol Haines and Yolanda Urbanski.

Johnston gymnastics

by Joanne Goldberg

Johnson gymnastic team members Tara Carnello, Karen Halleck and Barbara Trapiarates competed in the North Jersey State Sectional meet last week. To qualify for sectionals, each girl had to earn two minimum scores on each event. These qualifying scores are 8.50 on vault, 7.50 on bars, 7.75 on beam and 8.25 on floor.

The top 12 scorers on each event and in the all-around were recognized, and the top six advanced to the November 19 State Championship meet in Somerville. Barbara Trapiarates placed 12th on vault (8.85), Karen Halleck was second on beam (8.90), seventh all-around (84.60) and eighth on floor (8.80). Karen will compete on beam at States.

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HEROES HONORED... Fall 1988 200 Club of Union County Valior Award winners were top, left to right: Peter Vergalla, Cranford PD.; Russell Wilde, Cranford PD.; Frederic Fretz, Union FD.; and bottom, left to right: Wayne Masiello, Springfield FD.; Gary Marshall, Union FD.; and Timothy Wirkus, Union FD.

Local heroes honored by 200 Club of Union County

The 200 Club of Union County recently held its annual Fall Valior Awards Luncheon at L'Affaire Restaurant in Mountaintop. This annual event, which in recent years has grown in size and popularity, has become a tradition in Union County, this year it attracted over 400 people.

Six uniformed protectors from both local police and fire departments were honored for their courageous actions above and beyond the call of duty. They were recognized for their heroic deeds while protecting the citizens of Union County. The recipients were awarded the distinguished Medal of Valor, and were also presented with a beautifully inscribed plaque.

Matthew Byrne, father of slain New York City police officer Edward Byrne, was this year's guest speaker. Mr. Byrne, an ardent and outspoken proponent of tougher criminal laws, served in the New York City Police Department for 21 years, and retired in 1976 as the Director of the Legal Division. An accomplished attorney, Mr. Byrne is a member of the Nassau County, New York State, and American Bar Associations.

Receiving Awards were Captain Frederic Fretz, Firefighter Timothy Wirkus, and Firefighter Gary Marshall, all of the Union Fire Department. They responded to an alarm on Stuyvesant Avenue on December 30, 1987. Encountering a three-story wooden multiple dwelling home, with the third floor engulfed in flames and believing there could be victims trapped inside, a search and rescue team consisting of these three firefighters was ordered into the burning building.

The third floor was filled with dense black smoke, leaving visibility at zero. Without the aid and protection of advance hose lines to try and contain the fire, the three firefighters continued their search. They found an unconscious victim in a room adjacent to the fire. The three men rescued the victim from the room, and carried him down the stairs to safety. All of this was accomplished through heavy smoke, intense heat, and the ever-increasing chance of a "flash-over" throughout the third floor.

On June 25, 1987, Officer Russell Wilde, of the Cranford Police Department was vacationing on Long Beach Island. He was on the beach with two friends, when he heard cries for help from two young girls who had been swept from shore 100 yards into the ocean by a treacherous undertow. There were no life guards on duty be-

cause their assignments didn't start until July 1.

Without hesitation and full knowledge of the dangerous undertow, he entered the water followed by his two companions. He reached an 11-year-old who was exhausted and in a panic. For ten to fifteen minutes he held her above water while trying to swim to shore against the undertow. Meanwhile, his friends were aiding the eighteen-year-old sister. Officer Wilde observed and signaled a surfer for his surfboard upon which he placed the two girls and pulled the victims to the beach where he and the others collapsed from exhaustion.

On the morning of December 29, 1987, Officer Peter Vergalla of the Cranford Police Department was the first to arrive at a reported house fire on Osage Drive in Cranford. Upon entering the house, Officer Vergalla encountered a 97-year-old man sitting in his living room chair, which was totally engulfed in flames, and the room filled with smoke.

Seeing the victim was still alive, Officer Vergalla crawled into the room with a foot and a half of air space between the floor and the heavy smoke to rescue the senior citizen. He sprayed the chair with his fire extinguisher, then grabbed the man by the ankles and dragged him to the front

door. Once to safety, the victim was still breathing, but was burned so severely that he later died as a result of his injuries.

Officer Vergalla suffered first and second degree burns on his hands during the rescue.

On Friday, October 30, close to midnight, the Springfield Fire Department responded to a phone call from a woman screaming "she was on fire" in a frantic tone. Responding to Kew Drive in the township, Firefighter Wayne Masiello and another set up the first attack line. The front porch of the home was piled with debris and the firefighters were unable to enter the house without first clearing the front entrance.

The firefighters were able to clear a path into the doorway, and enter the burning structure. The firefighters were stopped only ten feet inside by the enormous amount of clutter blocking the hallway. Firefighter Masiello left the line and went in further to search for the victim. About ten more feet in Masiello found the victim unconscious amid an extremely cluttered narrow hallway. Amid rolling fire and dense smoke, Firefighter Masiello managed to work the victim back to the front door. With the help of others, they extricated the woman to find her in respira-

tory arrest. She was resuscitated and transported to the hospital by paramedics.

Created in 1968 by a concerned group of business people, the 200 Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to provide aid and support to the survivors and dependents of those who served as police officers and firefighters in Union County who were killed in the line of duty. The 200 Club also provides scholarship funding for continuing education for qualified uniformed protectors, and seeks to recognize these men and women who have performed services above and beyond the call of duty.

All of these men, in the face of danger, displayed courage and valor above and beyond the call of duty. Their value for human life and the safety of others outweighed their concern for their own personal safety. The 200 Club recognizes their achievements.

Mother Seton's 'B'way Memories' opens tonite

Mother Seton Regional High, Clark, will present "Broadway Memories" as this year's annual musical. In honor of the school's silver anniversary, the play will include scenes from the various productions held at Mother Seton during the past 25 years. Performances will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, November 17; Friday, November 18; and Saturday, November 19 in the school auditorium. The Play is under the direction of Jack Duffoy of Cranford and Sister Theo Furniss as coordinator.

Joseph Guenther of Clark will be featured in scenes from "The Sound of Music" and "Fiddler on the Roof." The chorus is under the direction of Sister Rita Miniam. Colleen Kelly of Rahway is stage manager for the production and is assisted by Keir Howland of South Orange. Choreography is under the direction of Donna Bartolotti of Cranford.

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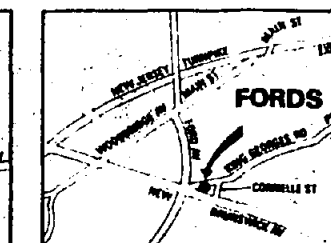
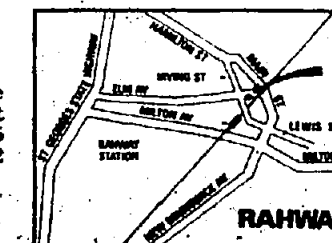
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