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City Highlights

Hydrant flushing
Mayor James J. Kennedy announced this week that the City of Rahway's Division of Hydrant Flushing Program on April 28.

It is expected that the flushing procedures will take approximately four weeks. Time of flushing will be from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. daily to minimize traffic interruptions and to prevent discolored water to customers during normal daily usage. Customers drawing water during the above time period can expect discolored water if they are in the flushing area. A tentative schedule of the hydrant flushing area is posted at City Hall and the Public Library.

Trips available
The American Association of Retired Persons has announced tickets are on sale for the following trips: May 13-17, "South Pacific," and five days and four nights in Cape Cod. For more information and reservations, call Betty Martin at 388-0202.

Blood pressure
Blood pressure screenings are held on the first Tuesday of each month from 3 to 6 p.m. at the Conference Room adjacent to the circulation desk in the public library, 1175 St. Georges Ave. For additional information, call 388-0701.

Impact on education
The Middle Grades Project is a group of parents working with the middle school faculty and administration to effect policy. Accomplishments include the initiation of parent-teacher conferences, the newsletter, the parent handbook and a more informative back-to-school night. Anyone interested in more information may contact Sandra Barenton at 499-0724 or Richard Vangelanton at 396-1025.

Election time

Bailey, Saryak, Stephens win
By Donna Segal
Managing Editor

Rahway has three new Board of Education members.

By an overwhelming majority, Sandra Bailey, Michael Saryak and David Stephens, were clearly the voters' choice this election.

The three victors defeated Ronald Knox, a firefighter at the Rahway Fire Department who received 893 of the votes. Bailey received 1,483 of the votes, Saryak got 1,283 and Stephens, 1,275.

"We're very pleased with the results," said Saryak, a sales manager for Palwin Plastics of Linden. "We're looking to move things back the way they should be."

Saryak, a graduate of the city's school system, holds a bachelor's degree in marketing management from Ken College of New Jersey. He said he was hopeful in terms of this election but admitted that "it could have gone either way. You never know until it finally comes out."

"I'm looking forward to the next three years and keeping the positive trends going in the district," Saryak said.

"I'm going to Disney World," said Bailey. "I'm just so excited. My numbers are so high and I'm so excited that this many people believe in me."

Bailey said she was not expecting such a turnout. "I was hoping to win and I think that I touched enough people in the community that they would vote for me."

Bailey is a Rahway native and is employed by Union County Department of Human Services. She is active in the community in organizations such as the Rahway YMCA, the PTA-PTO-the Rahway section of the

Voters reject \$29-M budget

By Donna Segal
Managing Editor

The voters here rejected a \$29.5 million budget, proposed by Mayor James J. Kennedy, Tuesday.

If passed, the 1996-97 school budget would have raised a tax levy of \$21.194,330, an increase of \$1,237,850 from this year's budget.

The increase in the tax levy would have raised property taxes in Rahway by seven cents per \$100 of assessed value. The owners of an average home in Rahway, assessed at \$300,000, would have had to pay an additional 96 cents in property taxes.

The "tax and fee" budget, also known as the "tax and fee" budget, was rejected by a vote of 1,275 to 1,483.

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Wards up for grabs

By Donna Segal
Managing Editor

It seems the November elections are shaping up to be quite a battle with all six city ward seats being up for grabs.

However, before the November elections, Democrats might have to play survival of the fittest.

The GOP race is simple. None of the chairs of the Republican Party are contested. On the slate are Robert E. Veezy for election in the 1st Ward; Councilman Francis Janusz for re-election in the 2nd Ward; Councilman William P. Wnuck for re-election in the 3rd Ward; Dirk B. Weber for election in the 4th Ward; Councilman Jeffrey Cohen for re-election in the 5th Ward and Kenneth P. Sear for election in the 6th Ward.

Sear will replace Councilman James Fulcomer on the Republican slate, since Fulcomer has decided not to run for re-election. Fulcomer is also chair-See WARD, Page 2

Storeowners disturbed

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

One storeowner said she often sees seven or eight youths in the alcove next to her business, smoking marijuana and urinating — sometimes through the mail slot in her door.

At least that's what Theresa Grant said she does every day when the schools let out.

During her daily walks on Irving Street, the senior citizen has seen something that has disturbed some storeowners in the downtown business district: youths loitering in front of the stores.

To some, this may not sound like much of a problem, but to the merchants who have counted heads, an appeal to the city was considered in order.

Pasquale Megaro, owner of Gino's Pizzeria, attended a recent City Council meeting with Grant and a number of fellow storeowners and supporters and asked the governing body for help.

The downtown merchants said they fear that the presence of the youths in front of their businesses will scare away customers.

"No one wants to go to our business restaurant because of people sitting on the stoop of the Masonic Temple," Grant said.

But according to some business owners, hanging out is not all these youths do.

One storeowner said the often sees seven or eight youths in the alcove next to her business, smoking marijuana and urinating — sometimes through the mail slot in her door.

Council members and residents agreed a problem exists, but neither group could find a solution.

Megaro has called the police when the youths hang out in front of his store. The police come, and the kids run. "But five minutes later, they return," he said.

He added that he has never seen a police foot-patrol in front of his store after 7 p.m., and he never sees the patrol on some days.

Councilman Jeffrey Cohen said he'd asked Mayor James Kennedy to look into the problem during the last council meeting.

"I believe that if they're loitering, harass the hell out of them," he said. "I'll take them up on any little charge and maybe they'll get the message."

Business Administrator Peter Petisier said he was also "tully aware" of the problem, but did not see an easy solution to it.

"If they're just standing there, I don't know if the police can go up and tell them to move," he said.

Cohen also said neither the council See STOREOWNERS, Page 2

Hard at work

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

City resident Rose G. Henderson, first executive director of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce, center, updates the Rahway Business Directory in the chamber's new office, shared with the Rahway Center Partnership. The office is located on Main Street. Also pictured are Frank Regan, left, economic development coordinator, and Joseph Renna, president of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce. To find out more about the chamber, see our special insert in this week's newspaper.

Local goes above and beyond

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

According to Rahway Police Captain Edward Tilton, some things that Rahway residents do are commendable.

Some, however, said Tilton, go "above and beyond."

Allen Chenoweth, a 36-year-old Rahway resident, was one of those who went above and beyond last year, enough to earn him a commendation from the City Council and an award from the Rahway Police Department.

Chenoweth, who does auto body work, earned the commendation because he helped an officer at a tavern on St. George Avenue.

According to Tilton, a patron of the tavern was acting in a disorderly and "combative" way. An off-duty police officer, who was also at the tavern, recognized that there was a problem and stepped in to try to calm him down.

The officer, whose name was not released, was able to lead the man outside. Once they were outside, however, the man struck the officer and "really dived him to a point" where he was not in control of the situation.

"With the actions of Chenoweth, we felt assured that the officer wouldn't be hurt," said Tilton. "But it also takes a tremendous amount of courage when someone is obviously combative and wants to do harm."

Chenoweth did not have much to say about the commendation, saying only that he was "honored."

"He did well and I commend you for doing it," said Mione.

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1996-97 school budget rejected

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said they had come up with the best
possible plan and urged voters to vote
for the budget. However, since the
budget was not passed, it will now go
before the City Council, which will
have to come up with its own package
of cuts.

Just before the results were tallied,
board Vice President Edward Hender-
son said he voted against the budget
for the past two years. He said he felt

the necessary cuts were not made for
those budgets, however, he said.
"This time, I served on the Finance
committee and personally felt that we
did the best job we could."

He added, "We came up with a
budget that didn't affect the students."
Henderson said that if the budget was
defeated, "it's going to get to the City
Council then." He added, "They can
we'll cut nothing and they can say
we'll cut a million."

"The City Council treated us very
fairly last year, but I don't know if
that's going to be the case this year,"
Henderson said.

In a previous interview with the
Railway Progress, Finance Commis-
sioner and board member Vincenzo Ad-
da, said, "God forbid, if the City
Council gets their hands on it, the cuts
could be more than a million dollars."

This reminder to be seen. In the
meantime, voters have spoken and the
1996-97 school budget has been
rejected.

Robert H. Simon and Jerome D. Scaturro are the party's choices for the 2nd
and 3rd wards, respectively.

The party has selected Councilman Chester Holmes for re-election in the 4th
Ward. Holmes is facing a challenge from David Brown, who will run under the
slogan: "Democrat, New Vision, New Leadership."

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Recycling, collection guidelines announced

The Department of Public Works recently announced the schedule and
guidelines for yard waste collection for the year.

All yard waste will be removed on the first regular garbage collection
day of the week only. Yard waste will not be collected on any other day.

This collection program will end Oct. 30.
Grass must be placed in a sturdy reusable container, such as plastic or
metal. A biodegradable paper bag also can be used. Absolutely no plastic
bags will be accepted. Containers must weigh no more than 50 pounds.

Branches must be cut into four-foot lengths and tied and bundled with
string or wire only. Regular household waste cannot be mixed with yard
waste. In addition, leaves can be mixed with grass clippings until Oct. 30.

Holidays that affect yard waste collection during 1996 are as follows:
May 27, Memorial Day, and Sept. 2, Labor Day. All yard waste normally
scheduled for collection on these holidays will be removed on the follow-
ing work day. For more information call 827-2139.

The Department of Public Works/Office of Recycling also has
announced the expansion of the city's Residential Curbside Recycling
Program effective January.

The expanded program will include the following:

• The ability of all residents to co-mingle paper products, such as
newspapers, magazines and junk mail in tied bundles or paper bags.

• If a scheduled recycling collection day falls on a holiday, the city will
automatically receive a collection the following day.

• All vehicles will receive a recycling collection on a regular basis.

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The American Cancer Society will host its Dogs Walk Against Cancer on May 19 at
Railway Park. Standing, from left, are committee members Gayle Regan, Elizabeth
Bush, Brenda Curtis and Gina Gardner. Sitting are committee members Adrienne Tay-
lor, JoAnne Gareis, Carol Baus, Margaret Londa, Sharon Kolbe, Adam Krone and Ran-
die Blumhagen. Also pictured are committee dogs Ginger, Wally, Muffy, Kingsley and
Roman Holiday.

Dogs to walk against cancer

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

Maybe they should call it a "walk-
the-dog-along."

No matter what you call it, the
American Cancer Society's Dogs
Walk Against Cancer is a good idea.

The event, which will take place on
May 19 at 11 a.m. in Railway Park, is a
non-competitive walking, where
participants are invited to bring their
dogs along. According to members of
the American Cancer Society, it gives
dogs a chance to be involved in the
fight against cancer.

This is the third year that the
Cancer Society has held the event and
the second that it has been at Railway
Park. Last year about 100 people were
involved; that event raised about
\$8,830 for cancer research and education.

According to Liz Bush, Income
Development director for the society,
she is hoping for close to 200 people
to participate this year.

Bush said the Dogs Walk is run
basically like other walks-there's
no fee to participate and no charge
for the walk.

Participants must raise a minimum
of \$40 in pledges from friends and
family and a \$5 registration fee in
order to participate.

The walk is 2 miles long around
Railway Park, beginning at the sta-
dium, but participants do not have to
go the whole way.

"We really can't say how long it
is," said Bush. "Short dogs can't go
too long."

Bush also asked that participants
only bring dogs that are brought other
people and... well, let's just say that cats
and dogs do not mix very well.

In addition to the walk, the day will
include a disc jockey, a Doggy Fast

Food Show, pet adoption and more.
The top fundraiser will receive a color
portrait of themselves and their dog.
The second top fundraiser will get a
free "day of beauty," with the human
going to a beauty salon and the dog
going to a groomer.

This year will also feature business
sponsors, who will buy mile markers
along the Dogs Walk route. One com-
pany will be Inquet, a Florida-based
company that specializes in such
items as water for pets.

Bush herself does not own a dog.
However, the co-chairs, Detective
Ron Malcolm of the Union County
Police K-9 unit and Randie Blumhagen
of the Union County Kennel Club, do own dogs. They and their
dogs, Ashlock and Roman Holiday,
will be running in this year's event.

"Well, actually, their dogs aren't
involved, but they like to think they
are," said Bush with a laugh.

Ashlock, a six-year-old male Beider,
is really Malcolm's partner. He has
two other dogs, a three-and-a-half year
old bloodhound named Leon and an
eight-year-old mixed breed, Niro.

Malcolm got involved with the
program when it was started three
years ago. Actually, he was told to get
involved by Sheriff Ralph Froelich.

"Most people, when they think
'police dog,' they think of a nasty
German shepherd. Mine's a lovable
shepherd," explained Malcolm.

Malcolm will be at the Dogs Walk
with Ashlock, he said, as he has been
for the past three years.

"It's fun. It's a lot of work right up
until the day but after that it's fun," he
said.

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RVSA elects members

Brian P. O'Donnell of Rahway has been elected chairman of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority for a one-year term ending in February 1987. Frank G. Mazzarella of Clark has been elected vice chairman of the authority for the same term.

O'Donnell was first appointed to RVSA in 1982. In 1985, he chaired the authority's engineering committee and served on the sludge management and personnel committees. He is a partner in the firm of Mather and O'Donnell Architects, which serves New York and New Jersey clients.

"I look forward to the year ahead working with the other communities that make up the authority," said O'Donnell.

Mazzarella has served as an RVSA

commissioner since 1982. He chairs the engineering committee and also serves on the personnel committee. He is director of Sewer Utility for the Township of Bridgewater.

The Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority is a wastewater treatment facility serving more than 300,000 residents and 3,500 industrial and commercial customers in 12 communities.

The authority operates a 40-million-gallon-per-day wastewater treatment facility that cleans and releases treated nonhazardous water. The remaining biosolids are processed for beneficial reuse, including land reclamation and agricultural application.



Brian O'Donnell

Anxiety disorders program, screening offered

Elizabeth General Medical Center will participate in National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day, May 1, by offering a free half-day educational program and screening.

The program will take place in two locations: in Spanish and English at Elizabeth General Medical Center, West 925 East Jersey St., in the George F. Billington Conference Center from 1 to 5 p.m.; and in English at the EGMCC Family Resource Center, 300 North Ave. in Cranford from 1 to 5 p.m.

The hallmark symptom of anxiety is a sudden attack of terror that can manifest itself with heart palpitations, dizziness, shortness of breath, or an out-of-control feeling. Anxiety disorders include obsessive compulsive disorder, generalized anxiety disorder, social phobia and post-traumatic stress disorder are the country's most common mental

health illnesses, affecting more than 28 million Americans each year.

The free program held by Elizabeth General Medical Center will be similar to events held across the country on May 1 in recognition of National Anxiety Disorders Screening Day. Participants will be able to help themselves or a loved one learn more about panic disorder and other anxiety disorders. The free, confidential screening program will include an educational presentation, a written self-test, the opportunity to meet with a mental health professional, and a referral if appropriate.

According to Rodger Goddard, chief psychologist at the center and director of the Family Resource Center, "If your heart races every time you try to leave your home, or if you are fearful of social encounters of any kind, or if you are constantly rethinking the same task to be certain you did it

right, then you may be one of the many millions who suffer from an anxiety disorder.

Anxiety disorders cost the United States \$4.6 billion in 1980, nearly one-third of the nation's total mental health bill of \$14.7 billion. These dollars were not spent on effective treatments, but were lost due to social and economic costs, such as worker absenteeism, job loss, and alcohol substance abuse.

To register, or for more information about this free screening program, call 965-1452 or 276-2244.

Civic Calendar

The Civic Calendar is prepared each week by the *Rahway Progress* and *Clark Eagle*. For entries in this column, please mail your schedule to Donna Segal, managing editor, P.O. Box 3109, Union, 07083.

Today

- The American Association of Retired Persons Railway Chapter 607 will hold a meeting at noon at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 80 West Inman Ave., in Rahway.

Monday

- The monthly membership meeting of the Rahway NAACP will take place at 7:30 p.m. at the Second Baptist Church, 378 E. Miller Ave., in Rahway.

Tuesday

- The Rahway Board of Education will hold its regular board meeting at 7 p.m. in the Intermediate School cafeteria.

Wednesday

- The Board of Trustees of the Rahway Center Management Corporation, trading as Rahway Center Partnership, will meet at 7 p.m. in the El Bodegon Restaurant, 160 West Main St., in Rahway. For additional information, call 396-3545.

Thursday

- The Board of Trustees of the Clark Public Library will meet today. For additional information, call the library.

Friday

- The Deutscher Club of Clark Inc., located at 787 Featherbed Lane, will celebrate Bayem Abend starting at 6:30 p.m. Music will be provided by Adler Family. The event is open to the public and admission is \$5.

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thy Council 5593 of 23 Westfield Ave., Clark, will hold its monthly family ham dinner at the hall from 1 to 5 p.m. In addition to the ham, there will be vegetables, potatoes, coffee or tea and dessert, plus a complimentary beverage before the meal.

Prices are \$7.50 for adults, \$3.50 for children. All are welcome.

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Pressman placed on Gettysburg dean's list

Michael K. Pressman of Clark, a Gettysburg College student, has been placed on the dean's honor list for outstanding academic achievement in the fall 1986 term at the college.

Students with a quality point average of 3.60 or higher on a 4.0 scale for a semester's work are placed on the dean's honor list.

Pressman will graduate from the

school in May. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Pressman of Brookside Terrace.

Gettysburg College is ranked among the top 100 most selective institutions of higher learning in the United States. Founded in 1832, the college provides a rigorous program of undergraduate studies in the arts and sciences.

For more information, contact Mary Delheimer, assistant director of Public Relations, at (717) 337-6801.

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COUNTY NEWS

Violet Society

The Union County chapter of the African Violet Society of America will meet today at 1 p.m. in the Scotch Plains Library, 1928 Bartle Ave., Scotch Plains.

The program will be "Home Remedies are Best." Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

The Union County Club, National Association of Negro Business and Professional Women's Clubs Inc., has announced Monica Hillman, a Scotch Plains resident, will receive the club's 1996 Community Service Award.

Hillman attended the Scotch Plains school system. She has been active in the school district presenting projects in the classroom, and starting an after-school reading club for students. The club also will present five scholarships to area graduating seniors.

Lavar Miner, a Scotch Plains High School student, is a recipient of a scholarship. Other awards will be presented to the Rev. Buster Soars, who will receive Man of the Year; Gwen-dolyn Wats, Professional Woman; Cheryl Finley, Business Woman; Raymond Williams, Male Role Model; and the club's highest national award, the Sycamore Truth Award, will be presented to Arlene Presley-Hoskins, an evangelist. The awards will be presented on Saturday at Larkmark Inn, Woodbridge.

For ticket information, call (908) 668-8341.

Lupus group meets

The Union County branch of the Lupus Foundation of America Inc. of New Jersey will hold its monthly meeting on Monday at 7:30 p.m. at Union Hospital, 1060 Gallatin Hill Road, Union.

The topic will be announced at the time of the meeting. Patients, families and friends are invited to attend.

Lupus Erythematosus is a chronic, inflammatory disease which affects an estimated 2 million Americans. Lupus can affect the skin, joints, heart, lungs, kidneys and other parts of the body. Although the disease is controllable in most people, it can be fatal and there is still no known cure or cause.

The Lupus Erythematosus Foundation of America Inc. of New Jersey provides patient and family support services, information and referrals, public education about lupus and funds lupus research projects.

The meeting is free and open to the public. For more information about the meeting or about lupus, contact the foundation office in Elmwood Park at (201) 791-7868.

Board of appeals

There will be special meeting of the Union County Construction Board of Appeals on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. in the Union County Administration Building, Second Floor Meeting Room, 300 North Ave. East, Westfield.

The purpose of the meeting is Construction Board of Appeals hearings.

Solicitations drive

The Ruth Esten Goldberg Memorial for Cancer Research will hold its annual solicitations drive in Union, Essex and Middlesex counties through May 5.

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Fashion show

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Award for her tireless and long-time

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Tickets are \$75 and may be purchased by calling (908) 754-7826.

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Life Jacket & Tie

The Spirit of the Arc of New Jersey will leave from Lincoln Terminal in Westwood at 6:30 p.m. The champagne and dessert cruise will benefit the AIDS Memorial Quilt and help finance its display in October in Washington, D.C. The quilt contains thousands of panels remembering those lost to the disease and covers an area equivalent to 42 football fields.

This event will honor two area women for their work in helping individuals and organizations working with those affected by the AIDS epidemic.

The Names Project helps fund organizations here in New Jersey dealing with those affected by AIDS. Tickets may be purchased by contacting the Special Events Committee c/o Joe Amato, 746 Springfield Ave., Summit, 07901; (908) 273-8444. Tickets are \$60.

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Break the chain

A wallet-sized card listing domestic abuse and rape crisis center phone numbers is being published by the Northern New Jersey Region of Hadassah.

Members of the Northern New Jersey Region of Hadassah, comprised of more than 15,000 women, plan to distribute the domestic violence resource cards to municipal buildings, libraries, hospital waiting rooms, women's Ys and any other location where women are likely to pick up the information and pass it along to someone who might need it.

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Boys of summer

Falcon Summer Baseball Camp for youth ages 11-15 will be held July 15-19 at St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen.

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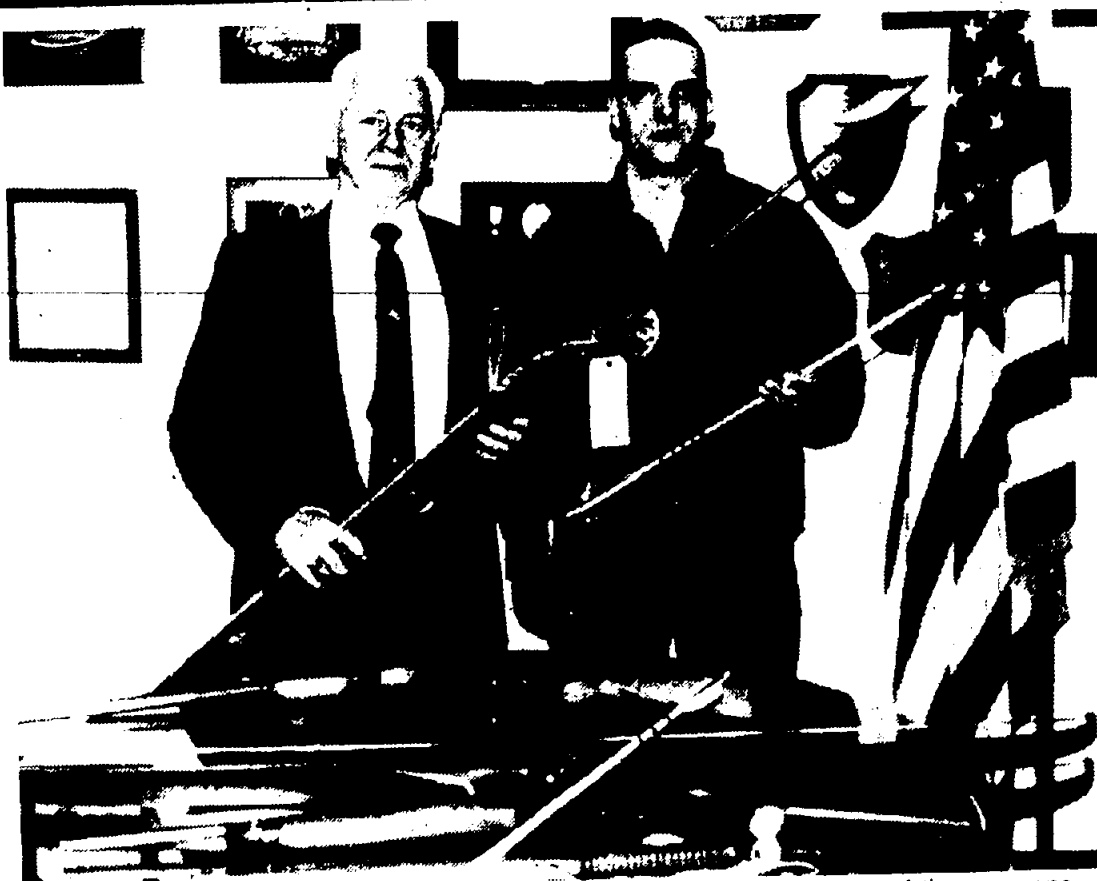
There are times during collective bargaining agreements negotiations that those who sit on the side of management or on the side labor become so entrenched in "winning" that they forget that all of those involved — no matter which side — are human beings and should be treated as such.

Unfortunately, it became apparent last week that the ongoing dispute between Farmland Dairies and its workers has reached the aforementioned stage.

Members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters union,

County Seat

By Chris Gatto
Regional Editor



Sheriff Ralph Froehlich and Investigator Bob DeMeyer display some of the weapons seized during domestic violence disputes in the county. Among them are a harpoon, a shotgun, a BB gun, a night stick, a bow and arrows.

Sheriff's Office places emphasis on domestic violence programs

Domestic violence is the pervasive disease of the 90s. It is a nightmare that stalks its victims in silence and behind the veil of family privacy.

Its victims are predominantly women and children or the elderly. Domestic violence is not a socio-economic issue. It plagues both the rich and poor, the professional and the laborer, the young and the old.

Violence comes in many forms. For years society defined violence as a physical assault against a person.

Unfortunately, many victims have been emotionally traumatized by their experience. This form of injury is not as readily apparent as a black eye or swollen lip. It may take years to manifest itself, sadly when it finally

becomes apparent the victim already may have experienced irreparable emotional or physical injury.

Union County Sheriff Ralph Froehlich, an advocate for the rights of domestic violence victims, in response to the growing concern, in 1991, established a specialized Domestic Violence Unit with the primary responsibility of removing domestic violence offenders from the home.

"Our unit started serving five restraining orders a week. Today they serve more than five a day," he said.

The members of this unit have experienced an unkind number of heart-breaking experiences as they reach

into the private world of the domestic violence family unit.

Investigator Bob DeMeyer has been a member of this unit for the past three years. He and fellow officers have seen it all and like the battle-weary soldier prefer not to talk about their experiences.

DeMeyer states that the toughest part of his job is removing an offender from a household when children are present. "The kids don't understand. They love their parents and have learned to accept life in the dysfunctional family," he said. "We become the 'bad guys' because we are removing a member of the family from the home. Some kids have even run away."

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UCUA celebrates burner recognition

The Union County Utilities Authority's Ramway-based solid waste disposal facility has received the "Facility Recognition Award for Composting Process," a designation made by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers' Solid Waste Processing Division.

The facility was in competition with plants located throughout the country for the award, which was presented to UCUA Chairman William Rocco and the authority's executive director, Jeffrey Callahan, during the association's 17th Biennial Waste Processing Conference held last week in Atlantic City.

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probably many others — were unaware that there was even a problem with negotiations with dairy workers. Now that I know, and see the image of children's faces bleeding — an image so vile it brings forth images of hemorrhaging, perhaps due to an Ebola outbreak or a nuclear holocaust. Not something you'd associate with a healthy body.

Will I buy Farmland milk? Well, I was in the grocery store on Saturday morning, and I did purchase milk. Was it Farmland? No. It was Welch Farms. Will I ever buy from Farmland again? Honestly, probably not. No matter what happens, the association I now have of Farmland and children with bloody noses can never be erased.

With the Teamsters reputation of rough-housing tactics, I am surprised they would want to evoke the image of blood at all, especially when the blood is meant to be that of children. But it is a Teamsters member and have no say as to what the organization spends its money on, I think it could be wiser with its finances than to erect a billboard. Perhaps that money could instead go to the families of striking workers, who have been waiting picket lines for about five months. It sounds logical, doesn't it?

It may still be early enough in this latest regulations play to salvage something, but if too much time is allowed to pass, then damage control may be what workers and management should be concentrating on. I still refuse to board a Greyhound bus. There's something about the thought of stepping foot on a bus whose company employed someone who was demoted enough to shoot at a passing school-bus driver from an overpass bridge that makes me a little leery. Unions have played a tremendous role in the history of this dairy company, but extremism that rivals that of the PLO is unwarranted. To the Teamsters I say, please rethink what you're doing.



Detective Steven D. McDonald, who was shot and paralyzed in 1986, will speak during the Two Hundred Club of Union County's Annual Valor Awards Luncheon.

Paralyzed cop to speak of valor

The Two Hundred Club of Union County's Annual Valor Awards Luncheon will be held on May 10 from 11:30 a.m. to noon at L'Maine Restaurant, Route 52 in Mountainside. This year's keynote speaker will be Detective Steven D. McDonald, who was shot and paralyzed in July 1986.

More than 450 guests are expected to attend the luncheon. Police and firefighters from Union County will be presented with the Two Hundred Club Valor Award for acts of heroism above and beyond the call of duty.

The Two Hundred Club also will be awarding scholarships to children of police and firefighters about to enter college.

Tickets at \$45 per person are available to the public, by calling the Two Hundred Club office at (908) 322-2422.

Whitman to address women's concerns

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The Junior League is an organization of women committed to improving their communities through the effective action and leadership of trained volunteers. The eight Junior Leagues in New Jersey are as follows: Bergen County, Elizabeth-Plainfield, Greater Princeton, Montclair-Newark, Monmouth County, Morristown, Orangeburg Hills, and Somerset. There are more than 290 chapters in the Association of Junior Leagues International, Inc.

Founded in 1923, the Junior League of Elizabeth-Plainfield serves children in need throughout greater Union County. Membership is open to all women over 21 who are interested in volunteerism. No referrals or recommendations are necessary. For information, call (908) 709-1177.

Interviews slated

The Union County Rape Crisis Center is interviewing for the following groups:

- a group for teenage female survivors of rape age 13 to 17.
- a group for adult female survivors age 19 to 30 addressing different sexual assaults.

The Union County Rape Crisis Center is located at 300 North Avenue East, Westfield, 07090. Those interested should call (908) 233-RAPE for information or an interview. These groups will meet weekly when filled.

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Uggams triumphs as a player on the international stage

Theater View

By Ben Smith
Staff Writer

party-giver, Pearl Mesa, has, in the history of the theater, moved over permanently to make ample room for the versatile Broadway and television veteran, Uggams, one of the most

Paper Mill continues work with foundation

With its production of "Call Me Madam," Paper Mill Playhouse marks the fifth anniversary of a collaboration with the Blanche and Irving Laurie Foundation.

This production of the classic musical comedy is being presented at the playhouse, thanks to a \$60,000 grant from the foundation.

Beginning with the production of "Oklahoma!" in 1992, the annual Laurie Foundation grant has allowed Paper Mill to present a classic musical each season. Other productions funded with this grant include "My Fair Lady," "South Pacific," and "Bridgerton."

With the ever-changing climate of arts funding, a relationship such as this allows the playhouse to continue the high level of artistic quality which audiences have come to associate with New Jersey's "state theater."

Gene R. Korf, executive director and trustee of the Laurie Foundation, has funded the foundation in its grant-making process.

Founded in 1983 by New Brunswick philanthropist Irving Laurie, the foundation has forged partnerships with a number of cultural organizations. In addition to Paper Mill, the foundation has supported George Street Playhouse, The State Theatre and McCarter Theatre in New Jersey, as well as the Kennedy Center in Washington and City Center's "Encores" series in New York City. The foundation also maintains a national awards program designed to encourage the development of new American plays.

Handel and Gershwin in the program Sunday

Andi Curtin and Friends will perform a program of vocal selections Sunday at 4 p.m. at the Calvary Episcopal Church in Summit.

Curtin and this group of musicians will perform solo and ensemble works by Vivaldi, Mozart, Puccini and Menotti, plus highlights from Handel's "Messiah" and Gershwin's "Porgy and Bess."

Curtin, a soprano, also is a pianist and former oboist. She has been soloist with many churches, including St. John's of Livingston and Community Congregational of Short Hills, and has been a guest performer with many temples throughout New Jersey.

She now is a professional soloist with Calvary Church and is a choir member and frequent soloist with the Summit Choral.

Her "Friends" are James S. Little, who will accompany on harpsichord, organ and piano; baritone Dale Livingston, soprano Christine Noble and tenor Charles Sanford.

Little has been organist and choir-master at Calvary Church since 1993, having held a similar position at Mountaintop's Community Presbyterian Church for 20 years. He was director of the Men's Glee Club at Pingry School for 21 years. Little is a professional soloist at the Presbyterian Church in Madison, and regularly performs as a guest with Calvary.

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The 45-member, professional ensemble will return to Westfield with a new program. The concert will be held at 8 p.m. in the Church of St. Helen, located at the corner of Rahway Avenue and Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield.

Stephenson founded the orchestra in 1986, while serving in St. Maloney's parish in New York City. For several years previously, he was conductor and musical director on Broadway for the smash hit, "A Chorus Line," at the Shubert Theatre.

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 Professional black female, age 30, 150 pounds. Seeking a non-smoking, professional white male age 33 to 37. Must be active and working for a possible long-term relationship. BOX 14721

SINCERE FEMALE
 Single white female, 5'8", 120 lbs. looking for a man who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 14718

WHERE ARE YOU?
 Looking for a lady white male, 5'10", 130 lbs. Looking for a man who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 14718

I'VE BEEN BLESSED
 Looking for a male 25-30 years old. Single, white, 5'10", 130 lbs. I am very independent. Not looking for a father just a man to spend some quality time with. BOX 15013

RICKER GUY WANTED
 36 year old single white male, 5'10", 130 lbs. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 14718

MOTHER OF TWO
 Single white female, 5'6", 120 lbs. Looking for a man who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 14718

OUT ON THE TOWN
 42 year old divorced Spanish female, 5'10", 130 lbs. Looking for a Christian man, 40 to 55 who is honest, kind, and easy going. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

FRIENDSHIP & DATING
 48 year old professional white female, 5'10", 130 lbs. Looking for a professional man, 40 to 55 who is honest, kind, and easy going. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

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NO HEAD GAMES
 Beautiful, successful, platinum blonde, 5'3", female. Seeking a mature, single, white male, 35 to 45, who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

QUICK WITTED
 Very sensitive and caring female. Medium build and 40 years old. Seeking an attractive, non-smoking male, between 35 and 45. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

SOUL MATE WANTED
 Attractive white female, early 60's, 5'2", and 120 pounds. Seeking a white male, 5'10", 130 lbs. and a non-smoker. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

LET'S MEET
 Attractive, 34 year old, black female, 5'3", 120 lbs. Looking for a single white male, 30 to 35, who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

HONEY BROWN...
 40 year old, 5'2", female. Seeking a tall black male between 18 and 25. Must be laid back, employed, and have a good sense of humor. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

TALL MAN WANTED!
 Black female, 5'10", 130 lbs. and 45 years old. Must be employed, have a good sense of humor, and be a non-smoker and drug free. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

PROFESSIONAL FEMALE
 Single, white, Catholic female, 39, 5'6", 120 lbs. Looking for a man who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

HONESTY
 Upbeat, warm, attractive, single, 40 year old white female. Seeking a man who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

HOPE WE CAN TALK
 Attractive, single white female, 31, 5'7", and a non-smoker. Looking for a single white male, 25 to 30, who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

WANTED: SINGLE MALE
 30 year old black single female. Energetic, outgoing, fun loving and more. BOX 15013

ONE-MAN WOMAN

Beautiful, in late 40's, female. Seeking a mature, non-smoking, financially and emotionally secure. No games please! A one woman man. BOX 15013

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UP CLOSE & PERSONAL
 25 year old, 6'1", male. Love exercising, going out, blockbuster nights, etc. Looking for an attractive, single white female age 18 to 25, for a possible relationship. BOX 14601

WHERE ARE YOU?
 50 year old, 5'11", male. Looking for a lady who is interested in having a relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

FULL FIGURED FUN
 25 year old black female, 5'8", 120 lbs. Looking for a man who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

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 A long term relationship with someone special. I'm a single white female, 35, 5'6", 120 lbs. Looking for a man who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

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 30 year old black single female. Energetic, outgoing, fun loving and more. BOX 15013

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5'9", 240 pound attractive male. Looking for females, 20 to 25, all ages and all personalities for fun and love. Enjoy the above, quiet evenings, movies, parties and more. BOX 15490

JUST FOR FUN
 43 year old male, healthy, athletic, 5'11", 180 pounds. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

THE REAL THING
 Honest white male, age 35, 5'11", 180 pounds. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

YOUNG WOMAN WANTED
 20 year old male, 5'9", 160 lbs. Looking for a single white female, 18 to 24, who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

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GOOD CONVERSATION
 Widowed professional Jewish male, 67, 6'0", 180 lbs. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

LIKE TO TRAVEL
 Single white male, 40, 5'11", and 210 pounds. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

UNION COUNTY MALE
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MEDIUM BUILD MALE

26 year old Gay white male, inner city, active sports, come home, alternative music. Seeking a white female, 25 to 35, who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN
 Dominant, good looking gay white male, 30, 5'9", 165 pounds. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

LOOKING FOR ROMANCE
 Gay white professional male, age 39, 5'9", 165 pounds. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

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 38 year old male, 5'7", 165 pounds, and in shape. Looking for an active, single white female, 20 to 25, who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

HOME OWNER
 Single professional white, 47 year old male. Non-smoker. Non-drinker. Sensitive, health conscious, and athletic. Enjoying driving out, conversation, tennis, and the arts. Would like to meet an attractive, fit, single white female, non-smoker. BOX 11072

FIRE FIGHTER
 34 year old black male. Interests in music, movies, walking on the beach, etc. Seeking a single female, preferably a blonde, between 22 and 36 who wants to have lots of fun. BOX 11123

NEVER BEEN MARRIED
 Single professional male, age 30, 5'8", 160 pounds. Looking for a woman who is a non-smoker and easy going for a long-term relationship. Please call and leave a message. Look forward to talking with you. BOX 15013

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HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

UCC professor authors biology text

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Ronald R. Tarrillo Jr. et al. sold property at 9 Janie Lane to Kevin Heller for \$165,000 on Jan. 1.

Mary J. Laise sold property at 161 Meadow Road to Robert Marino for \$185,000 on Jan. 10.

Raymond T. Stone et al. sold property at 440 Willow Way to Edward Sawicki for \$265,000 on Jan. 11.

Frederic B. and Christina Boyer sold property at 29 Midland Terrace to Francis P. Armstrong for \$240,000 on Jan. 11.

Mary A. Fettweis et al. sold property at 68 Colonial Drive to Steven Siro for \$150,000 on Jan. 15.

Robert R. Vici et al. sold property at 86 Fairview Road to Joseph Braccione for \$250,000 on Jan. 16.

Chaim and Sonia Ash sold property at 36 Wendell Place to David W. Eckman for \$215,000 on Jan. 17.

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Intercounty Mortgage 800-332-4455	350.78 2.50 8.16	7.13 3.00 7.75	8.75 3.00 7.39 C
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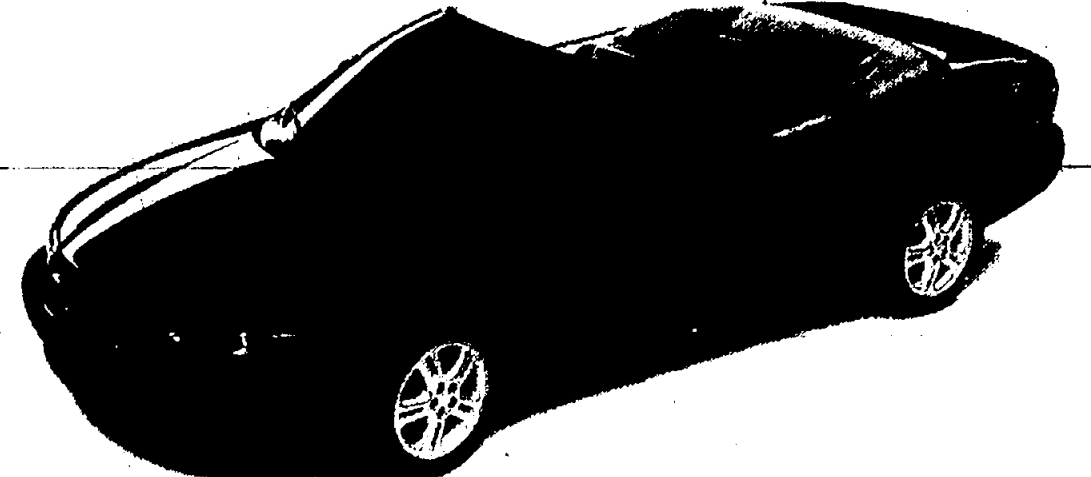
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Droptop Sebring JXI provides comfort, speed and luxury

Some people reading this might remember the late '50s through the early '70s before the "energy crisis." During that time period, Detroit made some phenomenal advances in horsepower and their design studios produced great looking automobiles. That was an era of grills and fins that grew year by year. Convertibles were big deal then also and we got away from that until now.

Enter the Chrysler Sebring JXI Convertible, a new and exciting addition to an already very popular line of automobiles. It has the modern style of today though the grill reminds me of those powerful machines of yesterday. It is a big convertible like the ones Detroit made back then with Hilltop Chrysler/Plymouth. Springfield Avenue in Summit had it all too. Candy Apple Red with tan leather interior, power everything including the driver's seat which made it very easy to fit my six-foot-eight-inch frame into the automobile comfortably. The power



The Chrysler Sebring JXI Convertible is a new addition to an already popular line of automobiles.

There are few things up front to assist you if you must drive in inclement weather. Safety features include dual airbags which work best when you use the belts that are an integral part of the seats. The brakes are exceptional primarily because of Chrysler's antilock power assisted system that helps prevent skidding.

I cruised through the center of town on that sunny day and could not help but notice the sound of the car. It was reminiscent of those big block Chrysler's with names like "Road Runner," "Charger" or "Baracuda." It is a good feeling car just like the ones from over twenty-five years ago.

I drove out onto Route 24 and headed toward Morristown. I notice the growl of the engine as I powered smoothly through the four-speed automatic transmission up to highway speed. The car handles quite nicely around the turns and the suspension system makes the ride very smooth. With the top down you have a little noise but the all-season touring tires

Hyundai unveils the all-new 1996 Elantra to many area showrooms

Buyers in the market for a new subcompact sedan should set up and take notice as Hyundai Motors announces the arrival of the all-new 1996 Elantra. Available in both sedan and wagon models, the Elantra includes a variety of fantastic new features and comes in a palette of exciting eye-catching colors.

Delivering class leading comfort and outstanding handling and performance, the Elantra offers an overall driving experience that parallels that of a much more expensive car. The addition of a whole complement of safety features, including dual air bags, steel side door beams designed

An impressive addition to the Hyundai family is the all-new, sleekly styled 1996 Elantra subcompact wagon. Engineered and designed with the contemporary American family in mind, the Elantra wagon includes all the styling, safety and comfort features that one would want in a multifunctional family vehicle, yet a price that won't break the bank or the children's college fund.

Achieving an exceptional level of comfort and overall driving pleasure were the primary objectives of Hyundai engineers when designing the new wagon. The spaciousness of the wagon's interior cabin, which seats five persons with room to spare, provides an exceptional level of comfort for both driver and passengers. Like the sedan, the Elantra wagon also surpasses most of its key competitors in front and rear leg, hip and shoulder room, and has the largest overall interior in its class.

Head restraints and front seat belt anchors have also been made adjustable for maximum comfort. All wagon's also feature a double folding, 60/40 split rear seat, providing a flat loading area as well as an extra degree of cargo carrying versatility.

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Maplecrest earns 1996 Union Chamber award

Maplecrest Lincoln Mercury is the proud recipient of this year's Union Township Chamber of Commerce President's Award. Stephen and Tom Giordano, President and Vice President of Maplecrest, accepted the prestigious award at the annual Dinner Danced held at Gullwing Hill Caterers in Union on April 11th. The award is presented to members of the Chamber who have made outstanding contributions to the community and have supported the various events sponsored by the Chamber. Maplecrest Lincoln Mercury is one of the recipients of the President's Award this year and has lent its facilities support to golf outings, Boys and Girls clubs, Cancer Society, Cancer Care, Rotary Club, Festival on the Green, the New Car Show and the Union Township Recycling program to name a few.

Maplecrest has been a member of the Union Township Chamber since September of 1972 when the late Fred Giordano, Sr., Stephen and Tom's father, first became involved. He believed it was important to "give something back" to the community in which he did business. "Our philosophy has always been to be supportive of the community that has helped Maplecrest to grow. Our customers often become our friends," states Stephen. In appreciation, Tom and Stephen have dedicated this special award to their late father.

Maplecrest's other professional affiliations include the National Automobile Dealers Association, NJ Car, Union County Automobile Dealers Association and the Better Business Bureau. The dealership prides itself on outstanding customer satisfaction ratings which have earned them Ford Motor Company's prestigious Chairman's Award four times. Tom adds, "Our father always put emphasis on customer service, and as we continue that tradition today, much of our business comes from repeat customers and referrals." Through the dealership's growth, Maplecrest continues to offer customers a comfortable, hassle-free, home environment where they can purchase or lease a new or pre-owned vehicle. More information call (908) 964-7000.



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New tips for driving safely

By Bill Curtis
There's this new law many New Jersey motorists don't know about, but it is one that just might keep you out of difficulty. The just of it is that when you put your windshield wipers on, you need to put your hand on the wheel. The reasoning for it is pretty obvious and there are some other driving tips you might employ before driving in inclement weather.
Check your tires. Do they have enough tread or are they worn out? A good rule of thumb is you need at least an eighth of an inch to be safe. Why? When you are driving on rain slicked roads the tire treads channel the water away so that the rubber can literally meet the road. If you have balded tires, most that have very little or no tread, then the tires have a tendency to hydroplane.
Most tires will hydroplane even new ones if the water cannot be

channeled effectively away. It all depends on how fast the car is going and how much water is on the surface of the road. So slow down and take it easy in the roads.
Oh, one other thing. When was the last time you had your dealer check the windshield wipers. This has been a hard winter on your car and I know you are probably not like this guy who uses his windshield wipers for an ice scraper. He runs them back and forth, and back and forth on low, then the same on high until he can see out the windshield. Well this guy has to replace his wiper blades every spring because when those April showers come he can't see anything but streaks.
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Windows affect beauty, energy efficiency

If plans for spring cleaning include washing windows, you may want to take the process one step further this year.

The ravages of the harsh winter may have taken a toll on your windows. A simple inspection now will tell you whether they are working properly.

Weather taking a toll on windows? Windows working properly?

Most definitely, said Daniel Reinbold, an expert in window retail.

"Windows are more than just cut glass in a frame that lets you see the outside," he added. "They are carefully engineered building components. They suffer damage over time, and if they don't work properly, they cost you money and potentially cause age to your home and its contents."

Reinbold recommended a number of things to inspect to determine whether your windows may need repair or replacement.

Cracks This winter's extreme temperatures may have caused the glass to crack, particularly in the lower corners. Aside from being unsightly, cracks reduce the energy efficiency of the window. A reputable glass dealer can help with replacement of cracked panes.

Drafts or leaks If cold air is getting in, warm air is getting out, making your home drafty and more costly to heat and cool. Caulking or weatherstripping may help.

Faded drapes and furniture Fabrics may fade naturally over time, but your windows may be largely to blame, especially if they are older. Newer windows are made with specially coated glass, called Low-E

glass, to reduce the amount of damaging ultraviolet light that passes through, not only protecting fabrics but also reducing heat build-up in the summer. Low-E glass also helps reflect radiant heat back into the home during the winter.

Broken latches These may provide an insider's access to your home. Your local home center or window manufacturer can help you find replacement parts.

Difficult to open windows If you can't open them easily, they won't give you fresh air this spring, particularly if your house has been closed up in a cold climate all winter. And perhaps more importantly, they won't serve as an exit in case of fire.

Dried, frayed or damaged ropes The condition of the ropes in old-style, double-hung windows has an important effect on how well the window opens and stays open. Repair services can be found in the Yellow Pages, or you can check with a window manufacturer.

Damaged storm window screens Screens should be secure in their frames and have no holes to serve their intended purpose. To be sure they move easily on the track, clean away grime with a steel-wool pad and apply petroleum jelly.

Damaged drywall Condensation and ice from the window, especially on metal-framed windows, can cause damage to the surrounding drywall. The drywall can be replaced, but the source of the problem — condensation from the windows — can be eliminated only by replacing the window.

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When cleaning the windows this spring, check for damage caused during the harsh weather of the winter of 1996. Cold temperatures may have resulted in cracks. If drafts or leaks are evident, caulking or weatherstripping may be needed. Older windows may be allowing ultraviolet light into the home, resulting in faded drapes and upholstery. Modern windows are made with specially coated glass, called Low-E glass, that reduces UV light and heat build-up.

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Steel garage doors offer added options

Your garage doors deserve extra attention when you build or remodel your home; they can contribute as much as 40 percent to its overall appearance.

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One of the most significant decisions homeowners make is the choice of construction materials. Generally speaking, the choices are steel and wood.

Wood has been the traditional choice for millions of homes over the years. But for most homeowners, today's state-of-the-art steel garage doors offer many advantages that are hard to beat.

Appearance Some homeowners still prefer the look of genuine wood garage doors. But today's steel doors offer the widest selection of panel styles, pre-painted colors, windows and window design options to accent and enhance any home's exterior.

Maintenance Modern steel doors are available pre-painted with permanent, dur-

able, rust-inhibitive paints to match or coordinate with exterior house colors.

Insulation Steel doors are available with insulation in a variety of thicknesses bonded to exterior and interior steel skins for rigidity, durability, noise reduction, energy efficiency and comfort. Wood doors generally are sold without added insulation.

Durability Steel garage doors are built to last. Wood doors require periodic preventive

maintenance to avoid rot and deterioration.

Economy Because steel doors last longer, with less maintenance, they offer the lowest cost over the life of the door. And insulated steel doors can increase a home's energy efficiency.

For most homeowners, steel garage doors offer the best solutions to their needs. For your home, consider all variables, including aesthetics, the climate where you live and how you expect to use your garage.

For more information on garage doors and on choosing, buying and installing them call (800) 2CLO-PAY and ask for your copy of a brochure called "A Guide To Garage Doors."

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New door lock features audio, visual warnings

A growing number of homeowners are opening their homes and their hearts to an innovative door-lock designed to warn of a possible break-in when entry is attempted.

Unlike conventional alert systems, which are activated only after a break-in, the door-lock, called Alert-Lock, sounds a 130-decibel alarm that commands attention to the protected entrance at the first attempt of a forced entry.

Homeowners can determine how sensitive Alert-Lock is by adjusting a simple dial concealed in the battery compartment. The lock, which is made by leading lock manufacturer, Pease Industries, is equipped with a visual deterrent also.

When locked, a small but highly powered red light warns potential intruders of additional security. When unlocked, the Annunciator signals a door was opened. This benefits households with small children.

The technologically advanced, self-contained door lock is offered in component packages with Pease doors. It is also available to be installed separately.

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Add clean water to the concrete mix and mix until you achieve a workable consistency. Don't get concrete too wet. Place the concrete mold level on the ground. Fill the

cavities of the mold with pre-mixed concrete.

Once the cavities are filled with concrete, smooth the surface on all edges with a trowel until even. When cavities of the mold are smoothed, pat the surface to prevent any air bubbles.

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Bark protection doesn't just grow on trees

A tree is a tree is a tree? Maybe — maybe not.

Some trees look better than others. Some are healthier than others. And there's a reason why: It's all in the way the tree was cared for over the years.

Lush foliage and a strong, straight, and upright trunk don't just happen; someone made it happen. In years past, it was a landscape professional or a tree care expert who handled such tasks as planting, staking, pruning, and the like. These days, however, more homeowners than ever before are becoming do-it-yourself gardeners and tackling yard and garden chores themselves.

As a result, companies that manufacture lawn and garden equipment are developing new products to make yard care quick, easy, efficient, and, of course, as effective as possible. In the case of tree care, the result is a wide range of newly introduced and useful products found at hardware stores and home and garden centers.

Staking
Freshly planted trees, as well as relatively young trees, are ideal for staking. Simply put, staking lets a tree firmly establish roots by helping them stay steady and upright despite the elements. For example, a properly staked tree is unlikely to be damaged by strong winds that can bend it and cause it to grow misshapen. A new product called a

TreeStakKit is a complete staking package that features 21 feet of rope, reusable stakes, and a tree tube that makes anchoring a tree up to three inches in diameter a simple process.

Remember there are a variety of ways to stake a tree, so asking a local garden supplier's assistance in choosing the right method for you and your tree would be a good idea. Tree experts note that a young tree benefits most from staking staked for about two years, whatever the method of staking selected. After two years, most trees are ready to stand tall on their own.

Bark Protection
What's the single most prevalent cause of young tree death? Believe it or not, the answer is the damage inflicted by string trimmers and lawn mowers. Trees just a year or two old or those freshly planted in the soil, simply do not have a thick enough layer of bark to protect them. As a result, a gash caused by a string trimmer cord slicing into it, or a cut made by a mower blade slicing into it, can leave a tree extremely susceptible to the often deadly onset of fungal diseases and unwanted insects.

One solution is about as simple as it gets. A new product called Bark Guard is a plastic shield, approximately eight inches high, that can be installed in seconds by just coiling it around the base of a tree. The result is a

physical barrier between the tree and mowers and trimmers. The product comes in a natural brown color that blends with a tree's bark and also serves to reflect light away from the tree's trunk. Further, the product's manufacturers have made Bark Guard, with punched-out holes, to allow the tree to "breathe." It is priced at approximately \$2.99.

Wrapping Trees
Some homeowners find wrapping trees



As big and strong as trees appear, they're really fragile — especially when they are young. To protect them from lawn mowers and string trimmers, durable plastic tree shields are recommended.

Effective bark protection doesn't grow on trees

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wrapped around the base of a tree in overlapping spirals.

Once secured around a tree, it will moderate the temperature around the trunk, which lessens the chance of bark splitting caused by seasonal weather extremes. Further, Tree Wrap is designed to stretch as the tree grows, and stay loose in material enable air and water to reach the bark's surface. Lastly, the product serves as a basic physical barrier to rodents and insects that may want to claw at or eat the bark. Many homeowners have discovered that using Bark Guard and Tree Wrap in tandem does the trick of protecting a young tree from the elements and

Furnishings show planned

The Home Furnishings Show, the nation's largest home furnishings show, is expanding this year to include a show May 3-5 at the New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center in Edison.

The Home Furnishings Show is the nation's largest consumer show offering an array of furniture, merchandise and accessories. The show will focus on home furnishings, including a variety of furniture, artwork, floor coverings and more.

More than 87,000 square feet will house thousands of pieces of furniture and accessories, from modern to traditional, elegant to eclectic, and cottage to casual.

Since most exhibitors will allow consumers to place orders for furniture and accessories, the show offers consumers a one-stop shopping opportunity as they view new styles and see what is available in the home furnishings market.

Tickets are \$7 at the door, and \$3 for children under 12.

Hours are 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on May 3 and 4; and 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. on May 5. The center is located at 97 Sunfield Ave., in Edison.

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Museum of Agriculture plans workshop, auction

On May 4, the New Jersey Museum of Agriculture will hold a day-long event celebrating spring in the Garden State.

Tom Cipplinski, a master gardener of Middlesex County will be conducting a free workshop on "How to Choose and Plant the Perfect Home Landscape." The workshop will begin at 9 a.m. in the museum theater.

Master gardeners also will offer advice to plant owners regarding bug infestation, unknown blights and other ailments.

Following the workshop, from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m., the museum will hold its fourth annual Plant and Landscape Auction. The auction will feature New Jersey grown nursery stock and landscape materials. Selections will include a wide array of trees, shrubs, bedding plants and ground covers, hanging baskets, and vegetable seedlings.

The live auction will be conducted by auctioneer Harrie Copland, III of Stockton. Proceeds from the auction will support the museum's statewide school programs which serve more than 11,000 children annually.

Bidding on the items will be accepted from 11 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. For more information, call 249-2077. The museum is located on College Farm Road off Route 1 in North Brunswick.

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There's a need for privacy in the bedroom, but for the sake of wellness, there should also be some natural light, said Barnard, with the option of darkening the bedroom during the day for naps.

If a computer or work space needs to be in the bedroom, Barnard suggested using a multi-purpose screen to hide clutter and help psychologically separate work from relaxing space. Another option might be putting the work space in a closet where it can be hidden behind folding doors.

Rutgers group offers classes in Westfield

- Tonight at 7:30, master gardener Ray Sobers will discuss the production of maple syrup, and the equipment and tools used.

Questions are welcome.

- On May 6 at 7:30 p.m., Ed Petz, Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County master gardener, will teach how to identify and protect yourself from Lyme Disease as well as what to do if you suspect you've been bitten by a tick. Questions welcome.

- On June 3 at 7:30 p.m., master gardener Eric Hamberg will show how flower dahlias enhance the beauty of a yard, and how to protect tubers so you can enjoy them year after year from spring to fall.

The Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County Auditorium is located at North Ave. East in Westfield.

New wallpapers, fabrics now available for kids' bedrooms

Children need their own space, experts say, even when they share a room. Careful decorating can help each child feel at home there. To help parents create great children's rooms that can be customized for each child and can grow with the youngsters, a collection of coordinated wallpapers and fabrics is available. Each pattern in Gramercy's Treasure Chest collection comes in an array of colors, from pale pastels to deep jewel tones. The wallpaper can provide beauty — as well as visual stimulation — which is so important for a child's senses and imagination. To learn which stores carry these products, call (800) 332-3384.

Free booklet available for bath, kitchen fixing

If your home is like most, the rooms that get the greatest use — the kitchen and bathroom — also are the most likely targets for remodeling. Because some think it's tough to redo these rooms without breaking the bank, Sterling — a company specializing in kitchen and bath fixtures — offers a free booklet suggesting quick, easy and economical tips. For example:

- Anti-scald tub and shower faucets assure constant water temperature regardless of water pressure changes, and are a must if you have children.
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- Those concerned about water purity should consider a new, lead-free faucet design, which is highly corrosion-resistant.
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Programmable thermostats save energy and money

The programmable thermostat, introduced to consumers about 10 years ago, has developed a reputation as a real money saver. According to the Department of Energy, it can cut home heating bills by up to 30 percent, and cooling bills by up to 25 percent. Not a bad return for an investment of just \$50-\$100. It can easily pay for itself in just one season. Yet, despite all these advantages, only one in five American homes has a programmable thermostat.

"A lot of people are intimidated by the thought of installing and programming them," explained David Underhill of Hunter Fan Co., a manufacturer of programmable thermostats. "The word 'program' often makes people think of VCRs and similar devices which are perceived as complicated and hard to use."

The fact is, Underhill continued, "programming a modern thermostat is as easy as setting a digital alarm clock. And installing one is almost as easy."

According to manufacturers, programmable thermostats have been improved and simplified since they were introduced 10 years ago. These days you can program your HVAC system for maximum energy savings, without any loss in comfort. You can create a program based on your daily schedule, with different settings for each day or for weekdays and weekends.

Programmed properly, the new thermostat controls your HVAC system so that your indoor temperature is most comfortable when you are awake and at home. When you are asleep or away, energy consumption is reduced, based on your temperature settings. It's a painless way to save. Your system runs only when you need it.

While programming is simple, installation is only slightly more challenging. Most homeowners can install a programmable thermostat in as little as 30 minutes, and it usually takes only a screwdriver.

Most standard thermostats are connected with 2-7 low-voltage wires, similar to those connected to your telephone. The wires are usually color-coded. All the leading programmable thermostats come with installation instructions and are extremely simple to follow.

Hunter's programmable thermostats have been named among the easiest to install. They come with a simple four-step installation instruction guide and self-adhesive tabs to label the various electrical and ground wires.

A note of caution: Be sure to turn off the power to the furnace at the main power panel or breaker box before disconnecting your old thermostat.

For more information about Hunter programmable thermostats, call (800) 971-3267 or write to Hunter Fan Co., P.O. Box 3900, Peoria, Ill. 61614.

Windows affect beauty and energy efficiency

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Peeling paint. Peeling paint inside or outside the window indicates moisture around the window. Leaving the wood beneath the paint unprotected will lead to warping of the frame.

Dual-pane replacement windows made with Low-E glass and argon gas to insulate between the panes are available in a variety of styles. The real test used in the window unit is one of the most important aspects of its construction.

Windows are more than just cut glass in a frame. They are carefully engineered building components that suffer damage over time. If they don't work properly, they cost money and potentially cause age to a home and its contents.

Warped frame If the wooden frame is warped, the window has been exposed to excess moisture in the form of condensation, which results when cold air outside leaks into your warm home, or from activities such as cooking, bathing and showering. "Once you've noticed the signs of excess condensation, such as peeling paint, rotting wood and warping, you may need to consider replacing the window itself," Reinhold said. "Some people try to prolong replacement by repainting or restaining the frame, but the underlying problem can be corrected only by replacing the entire unit."

It's important to select windows designed to correct the problems of the win-

Burglary can be prevented

Lights, alarms, good neighbors are recommended

Homes are especially vulnerable to break-ins when their owners are away. The Justice Department reported 25 percent of burglaries occur when owners are engaged in leisure activity away from home. Fortunately, most Americans are taking action to protect their homes, according to a new national survey conducted by Brink's Home Security on crime preparedness. The survey found since 1991 nearly 99 percent of homeowners have taken steps to help prevent being victims. Most have purchased exterior home lighting as well as new home and door window locks.

Here are some tips from the experts at Brink's to help keep your property safe:

- Make sure the streets around your home are well lit. While it is always a good idea to install your own exterior lighting, this may have little impact on a dimly lit street. If you live in a poorly lit neighborhood, ask authorities to install street lights or replace existing bulbs with those of higher wattage.
- Use timers on indoor and outdoor lighting fixtures when you're away.
- Install security or break-resistant glass in windows. These often prevent burglars from breaking or unhooking windows.
- Use natural barriers, such as shrubs with prickly thorns or leaves, to deter break-ins. Check with a local nursery to find out which plants fit the bill and grow well in your area.
- Permanently mark your valuables with a personal identification number. Call your local police to inquire about Operation I.D., a national program that involves inscribing a personal number on your key possessions.
- Notify police when you will be away on vacation and let them know if you have a security system. That way, police have notice that you are out of town should your system be activated.
- Many local departments provide residential security checks. At a minimum, let your friends in the neighborhood know when you will leave and when you will return.
- Park in the driveway. When you are away from home, park another car or ask a neighbor to park in your driveway. This gives the appearance someone is home.
- Install a home security system.

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Calendar of Events

Today
• Noon - Ground-breaking ceremony at the Rahway Rail Station. A formal welcome at the Union County Arts Center followed by a ceremony at the train station.

Saturday
• Rahway Health Department - "Clean Communities Program" at various sites (also Sunday); call 827-2085 for more information.
• Merck and Co., Inc. - Earth Day: tree plantings at Roosevelt School; call 594-6427 for more information.

Sunday
• Rahway Public Library - 11 a.m.: Yvonne Caesar, storyweaver, "Tales of a Different Drum"; 3-5 p.m.: Children's author Marge Palatini will be signing copies of her book "Pig Y' Pig!"; 7-9 p.m.: Unwinding of the nursery rhyme quilt. All week: a display of postcards; 1175 St. George's Ave., 388-1010.

Monday
• Rahway Recreation Department - Various programs; call 827-2045.

April 25
• Union County Arts Center - Open house and dance lessons; 1601 Irving St., 499-8226.

April 26
• Rahway public schools - Open house at all sites; demonstration at new technology lab at high school; call 396-1152 for more information.

April 27
• Rahway Hospital - Blood pressure screening; other programs on Stone and Jefferson Avenues; call 499-5193 for more information.
• Rahway YMCA - Karate, water safety demos, face painting, family swim, mini-basketball tournament; call 388-0057 for more information.
• Bridges Book Store - 25th anniversary celebration; call 381-2040 for more information.

April 28
• Rahway Arts and Antiques Association - Antiques fair at various locations; call 827-0409 for more information.



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Chamber of Commerce opens office, hires staff

The Chamber of Commerce announced the opening of its first office and the hiring of its first employee position, according to Joseph Renna, president of the chamber.

The office is located in the Rahway Center Partnership building on Main Street. Rose Henderson, the chamber's first part-time executive director, will assist in carrying out its mission.

"This is a significant leap for us," Renna said. "With our new office space and first employee, we have stepped up the chamber's marketing and public relations efforts, and given a consistency to our cause of stimulating the economy of Rahway's business community."

The Chamber of Commerce office had been the chamber president's place of business, with his employees piecing in as the "staff," according to Renna. Additionally, the chamber's directors would volunteer time and resources toward projects and programs.

"It's not hard to see this method of operation would be okay, up to a certain level of productivity," Renna added. "But the inconsistency of available resources, human and otherwise, makes scheduling very difficult."

The Chamber of Commerce always has been a volunteer organization. There are more than 150 businesses on the 1985-86 membership roster, with a 12-member board of directors. The daily operations and projects have been carried out by a few individuals, usually at the expense of their businesses and families, Renna said.

In the past two years, the Chamber of Commerce has developed a newsletter, "The Rahway Business Connection," as well as the "Rahway Business Directory." It has increased its membership and formed partnerships with other institutions and organizations throughout the city.

"The positive public relations generated by a successful chamber results in attracting more construction to Rahway businesses, thereby stimulating interest in commercial and residential real estate," Renna said. "All this, in turn, means higher property values, lower taxes, a thriving business community, and an overall better quality of life."

Anyone interested in joining the Chamber of Commerce can contact Rose G. Henderson executive director, at P.O. Box 595, Rahway, N.J. 07065, or by calling 499-0210. The next general membership meeting will be held at Robby's Banquet Center, The Line house Restaurant, St. George Ave., on May 7, at 5 p.m.

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Partnership discovers city

A driving force in revitalization of Rahway

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

Nothing about Discovery Week would be any good without a mention of one of the groups that made it possible: the Rahway Center Partnership.

The partnership has been a driving force in the revitalization of Rahway businesses and was a founder last year of the precursor to Discovery Week, which was called Discovery Day.

"You may remember Discovery Day. It was a street fair that was held on Irving Street. The partnership — with a lot of help from the Rahway Board of Education, the Rahway YMCA, the Union County Arts Center and others, according to partnership President Bob Markey — organized that event."

"The theme of Discovery Day was to discover things about your town that you might not have known about," he said.

These included the Rahway Yacht Club and pizzeria from the Bramhall Riding & Driving Club. "Not many people knew that Rahway had a yacht club or a stable," said Markey.

The same holds true for Discovery Week. He added, only the partnership does not have enough staff to pull it off this year. So the participants — Rahway Hospital, Rahway Public Library, the Union County Arts Center, Merck & Co., the Rahway YMCA and others — are going at it on their own this year, with one day dedicated to each.

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"RAHWAY'S EXPERTS"

Ground breaking ceremony to be held at rail station

By Donna Segal
Managing Editor
To kick-off Rahway Discovery Week, the Rahway Center Partnership will sponsor a ground breaking ceremony at the Rahway Rail Station today at 12:30 p.m.

The ceremony will celebrate New Jersey Transit's \$12.6 million renovation of one of the county's most historic structures — Rahway's train station. The day will start at the Union County Arts Center at noon with an introduction by Mayor James Kennedy. "He will be talking a little bit about the impact of the train station on the city," said George Volk of Block Advertising and Marketing. In addition, Bob Markey, president of the Rahway Center Partnership, will be speaking about the partnership's activities. "The year of 1995 has been a year of great progress and a lot of reinvestment in the town. A lot of things are really starting to happen, so Bob will focus a little on that."

Volk said the event will then be moved to the Rahway Rail Station, where NJ Transit will be hosting a ground breaking ceremony for the station.

Volk added that the ceremony was scheduled for today and not earlier when the project started, because "we were holding off for better weather, because the winter was a little bit unpredictable."

The project officially began in January with the closing of the station's pedestrian tunnel. It is estimated to take three years to complete.

Involved in the project is the demolition of the existing building and construction of a new building, new waiting rooms on the platform level and inside the station, restrooms, as well as renovations to platforms and canopies. Also included in the project will be a new ticket office and a concession and taxi area at street level.

The project also will make the station fully accessible by providing two elevators between street level and the boarding platforms. As part of the accessibility improvements, the undertrack tunnel connecting the New York-bound and Trenton-bound platforms will be configured from its elevated position to street level.

According to NJ Transit officials, the new station was specifically designed to unite the station building with the surrounding area with local plans for revitalization of downtown Rahway. Plans also include street level kiosks for passengers and community information, attractive landscaping, and sidewalk and street improvements that will integrate the station into Rahway's central business district.

The station is located in the southwest corner of the city. It serves the critical role as the transfer between the Northeast Corridor and the North Jersey coast lines, allowing passengers to travel to all points throughout the northern and southern parts of the state. Every day 2,300 commuters pass through the station, many of whom are bound for

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Clean Communities programs, various sites
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Mon, April 22
Merck and Co., Inc./Earth Day tree plantings; program at Roosevelt School
contact Donna Norbury, 594-6427

Tue, April 23
Rahway Public Library
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-display of postcards of libraries (all week)
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Wed, April 24
City of Rahway-Recreation Dept.
various programs
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Thu, April 25
Union County Arts Center/Open House, dance lessons
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contact Sharon Surber, 499-8226

Fri, April 26
Rahway Public Schools/Open House at all sites, demo. at new Technology Lab at high school
contact Lorraine Akonis 396-1152

Sat, April 27
Rahway Hospital/blood pressure

screening, other programs Stone and Jefferson Avenue
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Merck celebrates Earth Day

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

One of the biggest companies in Rahway will be having one of the biggest roles in making Discovery Week happen.

Merck & Co. will be having activities all through Discovery Week, all of them aimed at improving the environment and Rahway.

According to Donna Norbury, Merck's manager of Rahway's public affairs, it comes quite naturally to the company. Merck, which was established in Rahway in 1903, has been a major contributor to the city.

Merck has contributed to the Union County Arts Center, the PAL and United Way. They also have sponsored disease awareness seminars and provided technical assistance for streetscape improvements in Rahway and formed a Community Advisory Panel, the first at any Merck facility, in 1994.

In addition, Merck has poured money into the Board of Education. They also have made Rahway schools a part of the Merck Institute for Science Education, a program of educational reform.

"In line with this thinking, we are dedicated to community involvement and environmental stewardship," said Norbury.

Merck's activities start, appropriately, on Monday, the 20th anniversary of Earth Day. According to Norbury, Merck has held activities on Earth Day in the past.

"They're all partnerships, and they're wonderful," said Norbury, "providing opportunities for children and volunteers."

The activities on Monday start at 1:30 p.m. at Roosevelt School. Volunteers from the Merck Institute for Science Education will be working with students to help beautify the school courtyard and with hands-on science activities.

The Roosevelt School activities will be paid for with a grant from the Merck Champions for the Environment Award, said Norbury. This is a \$2,500 grant which was started in 1994 and given to each Merck facility in the United States and Puerto Rico. The Rahway facility will be using all of its grant at Roosevelt School.

On Tuesday and Wednesday, the Merck facilities and greenhouse will be open to Rahway children for after-school activities. Children from the John F. Kennedy Community Center and the Rahway Housing Tenants Association will be there on Tuesday and Rahway Girl and Boy Scouts will be there on Thursday.

Merck volunteers will be helping the children off of the Merck grounds also on April 25 and 26.

On April 25, they will be on the grounds of the elementary schools at 3:30 p.m. to help plant flowers and replace shrubs around the school. Flagpoles "One student was injured playing around a flagpole recently," said Norbury, which is one of the reasons behind this day's activities.

They will doing the same thing on the 26th, at the Library Park and in front of the town library.

"It's a lot of fun," she said. "It's a lot of hard work, but you can tell that the children benefit from this."

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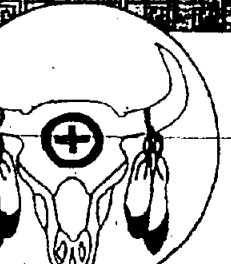
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Arts Center offers opportunities to aspiring actors

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

Do you have a young actor in your family?

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If you do, then come to the Union County Arts Center's Open House on April 25.

The open house, which is part Rahway's Discovery Week, will be open between 3 and 5 p.m. and feature a number of workshops for aspiring actors.

"Basically, it's opening the doors to the community," said Sharon Surber, center business administrator.

The center held a similar event at the precursor to Discovery Week — called Discovery Day — last year, said Surber.

One of the features of the open house will be a preview of two of the center's summer programs for children, Summerstage and the Missoula Children's Theater.

Summerstage will begin its second year at the center on July 1. It is a program of voice, dance and acting workshops for children eight to 18 years old, from beginners to the very experienced.

Missoula Children's Theater is a nationally-recognized theater workshop for children. Begun in Missoula, Montana, the program will swing by the center on July 15 for the first time.

A company of directors will work with local children on five days on creative, dramatic and improvisational workshops. The program will culminate in a production of the musical "Cinderella."

"I think it's our obligation as a community

arts association to reach out to children," said Artistic Director Marsha Watson. "I think it's our obligation as a community arts center to build future audiences and future artists."

The open house also will feature demonstrations of and free workshops in jazz, tap and ballet dance. It also will feature a demonstration of the center's Warlitzer theater pipe organ, a vintage musical instrument.

Warlitzer organs, designed in the 19th century, are some of the mightiest musical instruments ever made. Some of them have the power of a small car and were among the first instruments to use electricity.

The one at the center was built in 1928, when the center was built as a Vaudeville theater.

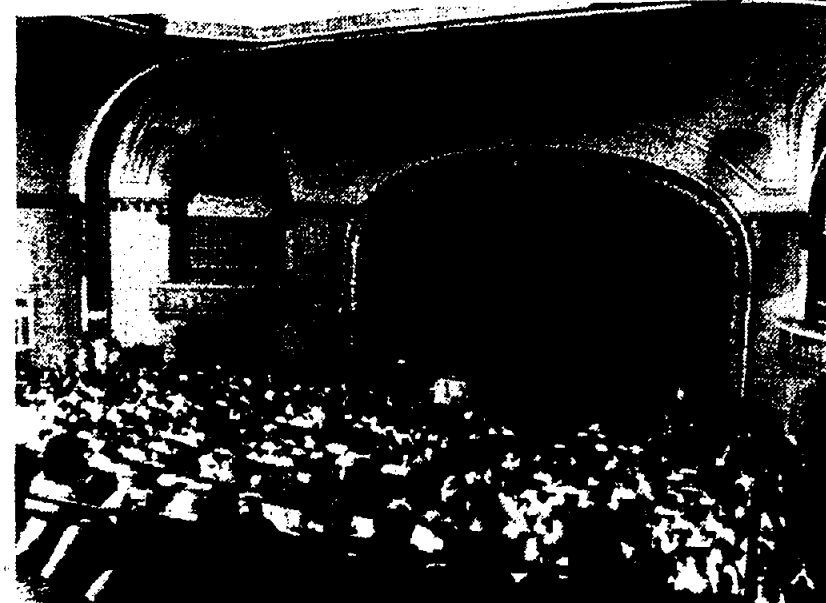
In fact, the organ is one of the reasons the center is still standing, said Surber.

The center fell into disuse and disrepair as the years wore on. By 1985, the center was closed and it, along with its organ, was crumbling into decay.

This was a "plus too eloquent to ignore," according to local records at the time.

According to Surber, the organ was restored first by a band of theater organ buffs. While they were at it, they restored the arts center around it. Hundreds of hours of volunteer work and thousands of dollars were poured into the restoration.

This year is the 10th anniversary of the center's facelift and the fourth anniversary of its official reopening. A 1,300-seat cultural center in Union County, it is supported by,



The Union County Arts Center will be holding an open house April 25, as part of its contribution to Rahway Discovery Week.

among others, the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, the New Jersey Urban Development Corporation and the New Jersey Historic Trust.

The center also has received funds from Merck & Co., Rahway Savings Institution and the city and county governments.

Its shows, including concerts, plays, one-man shows and musicals, reportedly have drawn patrons from as far as Manhattan; shows have sold out repeatedly at the center. The center is also a home for children's

theater and shows vintage films, holds a county-wide talent show and puts on workshops, like Summerstage and the Missoula Children's Theater. Its theater season this year will wrap up on April 20 with "The Pirates of Penzance."

On April 25, people will get a glimpse — and an earful — of the Warlitzer organ and all the other programs offered at the center.

"It's an ongoing effort on our part to have an educational side to our theater," said Surber.

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Hospital van to be on call during hospital day

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

Rahway Hospital will be joining in the festivities during Discovery Week. The hospital's Community Healthcare Transportation Vehicle and paramedics will be in front of the Rahway Savings Institution on April 27 from 9 a.m. to noon.

The hospital will be providing free blood pressure screenings from its nurse clinicians. People who take the screening will receive a personal blood pressure monitoring card and free educational material for the prevention of cardiovascular disease.

In addition, the paramedics and members of the hospital's Mobile Intensive Care units will be on hand with free cardio-pulmonary resuscitation and safety demonstrations.

According to Howard Klein, public relations coordinator for the hospital, this is just a part of what they do.

"Community outreach plays a major role in our mission," he said.



The Rahway Hospital Community Healthcare Transportation Vehicle, above, will be stationed in front of the Rahway Savings Institution April 27. As part of its contribution to Discovery Week, the hospital will be offering free blood pressure screenings, among other services.

Not only will the hospital be giving out free blood pressure screenings, it will be spreading the word about its outpatient services, he added.

Rahway Hospital is a 297-bed hospital on Stone Street. It employs more than 1,200 health-care workers and serves, not only Union, but also southeastern Union and northern Middlesex counties with a total population of almost 250,000.

Its services include physical and occupational therapy, lab services, cardiac rehabilitation at the hospital's Healthy Heart Center and x-rays. The hospital also has pre-

admission testing for patients and same-day surgery.

"That's one reason we decided to have the vehicle there," said Klein.

The Community Healthcare Transportation Vehicle is a 14-seat extended Ford van that the hospital purchased in 1994. The vehicle is driven by a member of the security staff at the hospital who also knows CPR.

The money to operate it comes through the Rahway Hospital Foundation.

According to Klein, there was a need for the hospital to transport its patients, many of

them, senior citizens, to their appointments.

"We were finding that when they were scheduling their appointments, they had no transportation," he said. Klein explained that any of the senior citizens, in addition to this, had relatives who worked during the day and could not drive them.

"The main focus is really reaching out to the community," said Klein.

The hospital has done similar screenings and events like this in the past, he added. One was at the precursor last year to Discovery Week, which was called Discovery Day.

"The hospital is pleased to participate in the activities of Discovery Week in Rahway," said President Kirk C. Tice. "Our community has many benefits for its residents and commercial businesses — it's important for us to 'discover,' or should I say 'rediscover,' our hometown in this unique way."

"One of the great things about Rahway is its primary location and accessibility which is enhanced by its excellent rail service," he said. "Congratulations are also accorded to the Rahway Center Partnership for its fine work on the behalf of Rahway."

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Local author to sign books during Library Day

By Donna Segal
Managing Editor

As part of Rahway Discovery Week, the Rahway Public Library has scheduled a few activities geared to children and parents for April 23. The free programs on "Library Discovery Day" will be held morning, afternoon and evening to accommodate all schedules and interests.

According to Library Director Keith McCoy, by 11 a.m., Storyweaver Yvonne Ceaser will present "Tales from a Different Drum" — an entertaining and informative performance of stories for a variety of world cultures. Ceaser, a librarian in Somerset, has brought her talents and knowledge to a large number of libraries throughout New Jersey. The program will be held in the meeting room, so seating will be limited to the first 160 people who arrive. This will replace the regularly scheduled story hours normally held on Tuesdays.



The Rahway Public Library has scheduled many activities for its day during Discovery Week. Among the activities is a book sale, such as the one pictured above. From left are library staff members Gary Jack, Geri Singleton-Holmes, Karen Kean, Liz Iovino, Carrie Marlowe and Roberta Smath.

In the afternoon, McCoy said, children's book author Margie Palatini will be at the library to autograph copies of her new children's book, "Foggy Pie." He said "the books are here waiting for Discovery Day." Palatini is a Plainfield resident who has previously written a number of young adult novels. Her first effort for a younger audience is about a witch who has a craving for a particular delicacy, but can't find the major ingredients. The book will be on sale at the library from 3 to 5 p.m. that day, when the author will be available in the conference room.

In the evening, everyone who was

impressed with last year's library quilt may want to return for the unveiling of the Nursery Rhyme Quilt, which will be hung over the service desk in the Children's Department. Organized by the library's resident quilter, reference librarian Julie Doel, the banner-style artwork will feature such well-known children's characters as Little Boy Blue, The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe, Humpty Dumpty and more than 20 others. The unveiling will take place at 7:30 p.m. in the circulation area, and refreshments will be served.

Last year's quilt was a landmark quilt, 50 square feet in size. It was constructed of 21 panels, each of which captures a different view of the city, past and present. This quilt was also pictured in a recent addition of the event.

As was the case with the first quilt, each volunteer received a piece of fabric and a copy of a Mother Goose Nursery Rhyme, and was asked to depict that rhyme on the fabric. When it was all said and done, the different pieces were put together and the final product will be unveiled Tuesday.

McCoy added that the library also will be putting up a display of library book-cards. "I'll be putting some of those up on display with some explanatory material," he said.

McCoy said he was looking forward to the event. "We're looking to introduce more people to the library," he said.

The library will be open from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Discovery Day, as it is every Monday, Tuesday and Thursday. It is also open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. For information about programs at the library, call 381-4110.

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RCP dedicated to revitalizing

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This is done through recruiting new businesses and acting as a business advocate for the downtown area. The partnership also brings in the customers by improving the safety of the area and making it more attractive.

"They have also put on a number of events to bring people into the downtown area. Discovery Week is just one of them. The partnership has arranged concerts in the past and will have, among other things, a fresh market over the summer. The market will feature produce straight from the farmers' fields."

Is it working?
Markey points to one of the "yardsticks" that the partnership is using to measure its

NJ Transit celebrates \$12M project

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Manhattan which is 35 minutes away. With these connections, it is the sixth busiest station in the state.

The station has been dubbed the "depot of dreams." According to Mayor James Kennedy, the proximity of the train station to the retail station makes its rehabilitation essential to downtown revival. NJ Transit Executive Director Shirley DelBello is equally enthusiastic. "Just as the station is a key for Rahway, Rahway is a key for us," she said. "Our riders and residents of Rahway will soon have the first-class train station that they deserve."

Joe Renna, Rahway Chamber of Com-

merce president and local business owner, who also serves as a RCP board member, describes attracting commuters to Rahway's shops and restaurants as a goal of the RCP.

The plan provided by NJ Transit has helped the RCP to identify designs to integrate the station with the surrounding area and with plans for downtown revitalization. Under the direction of Frank Regan, the city's director of economic development, RCP's maintenance and security committee has worked with NJ Transit and city government to install new lighting and mirrored windows and platform call boxes to increase security at the station.

progress store occupancy. According to Markey, there are 182 ground floor stores and real-estate units in the SID. When they first started keeping track of them, in April 1995, the occupancy rate of these was 85 percent — 17 percent of the stores and other units in the SID were vacant.

On Jan. 1, the occupancy rate was up to 88 percent. This month, a year after they started keeping track, that was up to 90 percent, and their goal is to reach an occupancy rate of 95 percent in the SID by the end of the year.

You'd expect Markey to be crowing over this. He doesn't. "It's the beginning," he said. "We still have a long way to go."

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UCVT will sponsor after-school activities for JFK Center/Rahway Housing Tenants Assoc. students & Merck volunteers will assist children with fun activities. Students are invited back to Merck for hands-on planting experience in May.

Wednesday, April 24: Union County Vo-Tech

UCVT will sponsor after-school activities for Rahway Girl/Boy Scouts & Merck volunteers will assist children with fun activities. Students are invited back to Merck for hands-on planting experience in May.

Thursday, April 25: Rahway Elementary School Flagpole Projects

Merck volunteers, Rahway Girl/Boy Scouts & JFK Center/Rahway Housing Tenants Assoc. students will mulch grounds, replace shrubs, & plant annual flowers around flagpoles at Rahway Elementary schools as a safety measure for children who play in these areas.

Friday, April 26: Rahway Library Park Beautification Project

Merck volunteers, Rahway Girl/Boy Scouts & JFK Center/Rahway Housing Tenants Assoc. students will mulch grounds, replace shrubs, & plant annual flowers in Library Park.

Saturday, May 4: Park Clean-Up & Beautification Projects

Merck volunteers, Rahway Girl/Boy Scouts & JFK Center/Rahway Housing Tenants Assoc. students will perform clean-up efforts, mulching, shrub replacement, & plant annual flowers at Brennan & Tully Parks. Picnic lunches will be provided.

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A county merger

Offices of county clerk, register may be merged under new law, Page B1.

Earth Day

Merck & Co. celebrated Earth Day planting with students at Roosevelt School, Page 3.

Open art house

The Union County Arts Center will hold an open house today for its Discovery Week, Page B4.

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Free clinic

The city will hold its annual free anti-rabies clinic for dogs and cats May 14-15 at the Main Street firehouse and May 16 at the Maple Avenue firehouse. The hours will be 6-7 p.m. Dogs must be on leashes and cats must be brought in carriers. A donation of \$1 for each animal is requested.

Flea market

Boy Scout Troop 47 will hold a craft/market May 18 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. with a rain date of May 19. The event will be held at Roosevelt School, St. George's Avenue. For more information call 381-8692 or 388-7268.

Hydrant flushing

Mayor James J. Kennedy announced that the Division of Water will start its spring hydrant flushing program on Sunday.

It is expected that the flushing will take approximately four weeks. Time of flushing will be from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. daily to minimize traffic interruptions and to prevent discolored water to customers during normal daily usage. Customers drawing water during the time period can expect discolored water if they are in the flushing area. A tentative schedule of the hydrant flushing areas is posted at City Hall and the Public Library.

Trips available

The American Association of Retired Persons has announced tickets are on sale for the following trips: May 13-17, "South Pacific," and five days and four nights in Cape Cod. For more information and reservations, call Betty Martin at 388-0202.

Blood pressure

Blood-pressure screenings are held on the first Tuesday of each month from 3-6 p.m. at the conference room adjacent to the circulation desk in the public library, 1175 St. Georges Ave. For additional information, call 388-0761.

Impact on education

The Middle Grades Project is a group of parents working with the middle school faculty and administration to effect policy. Accomplishments include the initiation of parent-teacher conferences, the newsletter, the parent handbook and a more informative back-to-school night. Anyone interested in more information may contact Sandra Bailey at 499-0724 or Edward Yergolis at 396-1025.

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Mayor vs. board member

Hartnett complains of Kennedy's 'attack'

By Donna Segal
Managing Editor

Is it animosity or simply a difference of opinion? Well, whatever it is, both parties have had enough. Following the distribution of campaign literature by Mayor James Kennedy, board member Joseph Hartnett said he'd had enough of the mayor's "personal attacks" against him. In a letter, paid for and distributed by Kennedy before the elections April 16, the mayor said, "In just three years, school taxes have increased by over \$1.5 million! Part of that has been caused by state aid cuts and fixed contractual obligations, but some is due only to poor priorities and failed leadership." It goes on to say, "The responsibility for this rests with just one person: Joe Hartnett. As city business administrator, Hartnett caused financial problems that took me years to clean up when I became mayor. Just as we were making real progress to stabilize taxes, Hartnett took over the school board. Hartnett, the city's former business administrator, said he is requesting that the mayor "lay down his sword and try to work with all people for the good of the community."

Hartnett said that the personal animosity exhibited toward him by the mayor "has reached the point of being ridiculous." He added, "It seems that the mayor has spend much of his nearly six years in office attacking me, either directly or through surrogates and family members."

Hartnett added, "I have and will work with Jimmy Kennedy or anyone else on anything for the good of the community. I appeal to the mayor to adopt the same cooperative attitude."

Kennedy, however, said all his accusations are backed by facts.

"I am holding him accountable for his action, that's what I'm doing," Kennedy said. "For instance, had budget practicing, it took him 14 years to get the city into the position where it was devastating for the city; he's accomplished that in two years on the school board."

See MAYOR, Page 2

Board of Education may be re-elected

Downtown Rahway is undergoing a revitalization. But it is not only new stores and a new look for downtown Rahway. On April 18, NJ Transit executives joined city officials and residents for groundbreaking ceremonies for the \$12.6 million rehabilitation project at the Rahway rail station.

The station serves 2,500 passengers daily and more than 1,000 trains are said to stop there every week. According to NJ Transit Executive Director Shirley A. DeLiberio, it is ranked among the top 10 of NJ Transit's busiest stations.

"The train station has always played an important part of Rahway," said Mayor James Kennedy. "It is an important theme that we have tried to build around," Kennedy added that the train station project is only the



The city celebrated the ground-breaking at the Rahway Rail Station April 18. Pictured from left: John Bowen, president of Axia Federal Savings Bank and vice chairman of the Rahway Center Partnership; NJ Transit Executive Director Shirley A. DeLiberio; Mayor James Kennedy and Rahway Center Partnership Chairman Bob Markey.

Train station rehabilitation starts rebirth of downtown

beginning of a series of serious investments in the community. John Bowen, president of Axia Federal Savings Bank and vice chairman of the Rahway Center Partnership agreed. "This station's renovation is the beacon of Rahway's future," Bowen said. "I've seen the decline in our downtown over the years," said chairman See GROUND, Page 2

Author visits library

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

It's really something to watch a storyteller who knows what she's doing. "It's a real testament to her skills that they were listening and enthralled," said Mary Pritting, the Children's Librarian at the Rahway Public Library.

Pritting was talking about her friend of 18 years, Yvonne Ceaser of Franklin Township.

Ceaser, who also is a children's librarian in Franklin, entertained 19 children, all under 6, and 14 adults on Tuesday with stories like "Rainbow Crow," by Nancy Van Lan, "Gunny-will," by Wilmina Harper and "Baby Rattlemaker," by Te Ata.

Ceaser's visit was part of the library's celebration of Rahway's Discovery Week.

"I like telling stories," said Ceaser. See AUTHOR, Page 3

Debate continues over street name

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

"If you look at what's happened in the Civil Rights movement — and it's helped everyone — and to say 'I don't want to honor this' because of an address change is pitiful."

Those were the words of Councilman Jerry Coleman, who spoke at a press conference at City Hall on Tuesday.

Coleman has been pushing for a Rahway street to be named after Martin Luther King, Jr. for about a year. He used the conference to unveil a new renaming attempt to rename Milton Avenue, between Main Street to Wall Street.

The three streets that Coleman has suggested for the name change in the past, Main Street, Lawrence Street and the entire stretch of Milton Avenue, have been withdrawn, partly because of the costs residents and business owners say will come with a change of address.

The residents and business owners on these streets have said they would have to change the addresses on their stationery, letterheads and official documents, which would cost too much.

Coleman repeated his assertions that the name change would not cost the residents and businesses of Milton Street and that they would not lose mail.

"Just like your stationery," he said. "If you change your address, you don't run out and get new stationery. You put on a strip that says 'please note address change.'"

He added that Rahway identifies properties by the block on the town zoning map and that the post office keeps a record of all street names changes in the city.

"If mail comes in five years, and it says 'Milton Avenue,' it will get to you," he added.

Coleman noted at the press conference that businesses, which have been among those opposed to the name change, have benefited the most from the Civil Rights movement.

The movement, he said, let blacker buy houses where they wanted to, improving the real estate industry, and gave them better access to jobs, which increased their spending power.

The council had approved a name change for a small part of Broad Street at its last meeting.

This section, by the recently erected bust of King and the NJ Transit railroad station, is to be named Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza.

"I have problems with that," he said. "That doesn't represent Rahway. That's just one space."

The roads that have been selected by Coleman in the past were chosen because they include a cross-section of residents and businesses, he said.

A number of councilmen, including Coleman, have wanted to delay the official renaming of Martin Luther King, Jr. Plaza.

Coleman said he wants to make it significant by waiting until renovations are completed in the train station, which should take about two years.

Other councilmen, including Sal Moore, have wanted to hold off passing any ordinance changing the street name until John Robinson of the Martin Luther King Memorial Society has had a chance to speak to the City Council.

Coleman said he'd talked to Robinson after the meeting. "He had no objection to renaming the street," he said.

City youth to get mentors

'Men in the Hood' members to teach responsibility to teens

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

A new community group is to be formed for teenagers in Rahway. Called Men in the Hood, its formation was announced by Councilman Jerry Coleman at a press conference on Tuesday.

According to Coleman, the group is to be based on the Big Brother program at Second Baptist Church in Perth Amboy, of which he is a member.

Coleman described the program as a "continuation of the Mister Rogers Program." The Mister Rogers "Say No" Club is a program for minority boys up to age 10 and has a branch at

the John F. Kennedy Community Center.

The club helps young people with their schoolwork and promotes citizenship by using volunteers, mostly men, to serve as role models.

"Men are in charge of the household. They should take responsibility," he said.

"That doesn't mean that men shouldn't wash dishes and do laundry," he added. "I did and I still do." The first program is to be based in the neighborhood around Grover Cleveland School and to take in the teenagers that hang out there as its first members. Youth hanging out

have been a complaint of local businesses, who say they scare away customers, and residents.

The first meeting is to take place at the school on May 20 at 7 p.m.

Coleman said that the strategy of the program is to team one man with one teenager. The man would then devote at least three hours a week to his teenager.

"Three hours isn't a lot to take out of your schedule to make a better man or woman in the community," he said.

"All kids don't need a major crisis," he added. "They just need someone to talk to."

See MENTOR, Page 2