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You can do it



Eric Alfaro, 12, awaits requests from his friends to successfully complete a dive at the Ulrich pool in Rahway.

Drive-in movies bring back memories of past

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able to attend, either, even though he had a ticket.

"I really wanted to see 'Casablanca,' but I forgot," he admitted with a laugh.

"If I'd known, I would have whatever I had gone to," he added.

But the movie on July 17, the Disney cartoon "Pocahontas," was jammed, with children sitting on the hoods and roofs of cars to watch.

"These were kids that had never seen a drive-in movie," said Kennedy. "He was explaining to his daughter about drive-ins and she asked if that was before TV."

The drive-in was the idea of Ralph Dunham. According to Kennedy, Dunham took his idea for a Mayor's Concert Series and "ran with it." Dunham could not be reached for comment.

Kennedy said that the drive-in is part of a city effort to bring more

Repairs force closing of Ulrich pool

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

Anyone who went to Rahway River Park last week to beat the heat got a rude surprise.

County officials were forced to close the pool at the park for emergency repairs. The closing ran through one of the hottest days this summer.

According to William Goltman, repairs had to be made to a stainless steel gutter system in the pool. The gutter system is part of a mechanism for backflushing and cleaning the water in the pool.

Goltman said a split in the gutter was found on Tuesday during a daily inspection. This split had allowed the water to seep behind the gutter and the pool's vinyl liner. As a result, the liner had started to float.

"Don't ask me how it happened," said Goltman. He said the gutter system was about five to six years old. Goltman said there was never any danger to bathers using the pool. However, the county had to close the pool.

Repairs were complicated by the fact that the gutter system was covered in concrete, so pinpointing the split in the gutter became a "guessing game," according to Goltman.

Workers finally removed a section of concrete approximately 15 feet long. The split required a welder with experience in working with stainless steel. This welder was not able to come until Friday, when he welded a one-foot section of the gutter. The vinyl liner was repaired with the aid of heat guns.

Goltman said the pool could not be re-opened immediately on Friday or early Saturday because the water, which had been drained out of the pool, had to be rechlorinated and have its pH level balanced.

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Law Department expenses sent to arbitration

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This is separate from the line item in the budget for the department's salaries, meaning that the department's employees will still be paid.

Fulmer had been able to amend the appropriation, which would have put the money in an "ad hoc" case format — that is, the appropriation would be broken up to fund the individual cases that the department was working on. In this format, money for one case could not be transferred to another.

Fulmer gave his reason by saying, "The fact is that the City Council or most of us up here tonight did not want to appropriate money for a lawsuit against the City Council while the City Council's side is not represented."

The council is already locked in a lawsuit against the Democratic mayor, or, as Kennedy jokingly said, "the city's adult entertainment ordinance, with fees \$5,000, and a lawsuit against the Rahway Police Department — an extremely acrimonious lawsuit pending that the city is involved in."

Holmes, who voted against the amendment resolution, said, "I'm totally convinced that the maker of the amendment does not know what he is talking about."

After the meeting, Cohen said, "We only wanted some fiscal controls, not that we wanted to play it fast and loose with the taxpayers' money."

He added, "The city attorney did not say that anything was improper. Someone else jumped in."

Janusz agreed.

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Councilmen charge mayor with nepotism

By Sean Dally
Staff Writer

"I have a concern over taxpayers' money," said City Councilman Jerry Coleman. "We can't get any answers to our questions."

It is this concern, according to Coleman, that led him to make charges of nepotism against Mayor James Kennedy last week.

Coleman charged last week that Kennedy has hired a number of members of state Senator Raymond Lesniak's staff and Kennedy's own family to positions in the city government.

"I'm not saying that these employees should be let go. I'm just making an analysis," said Coleman.

The charges, which Coleman made along with Councilman Frank Janusz, a Republican, comes in the midst of layoffs in the city government. These layoffs, some of them for long-time city employees, are being made because Kennedy, a Democrat, wants to cut the city budget by about \$300,000 to make up for less-than-anticipated cuts in the defeated 1996-97 school budget.

These city employees have already received their layoff notices and Kennedy has said that more layoffs will come when this year's budget is completed.

Coleman, also a Democrat, charged Kennedy with hiring two people who have worked for Lesniak, Jeffrey Jozz and James Devine, and a secretary, Brigitte Anderson, whose fiancée, Adam Zellner, has worked for Lesniak and is working for Frank Torricelli, Anderson is one of two confidential secretaries to Kennedy. Janusz said the town has never had more than one confidential secretary in the mayor's office.

But Polisier said that Ruggieri has completed everything necessary for the position and that he has gone through the civil service process. He added that there was no one else in Rahway for the job.

He added that Kennedy had a nephew, David Mack, who was employed in the city Water Department and placed in the position of plant manager. An entry level salary in the Water Department is \$11 to \$12 per hour, said Coleman, but Mack was employed at a salary of \$17 to \$18 per hour, something that Kennedy flatly denies.

According to Coleman, these people have been hired in order to help Kennedy should he run for the Assembly. Coleman said that if President Bill Clinton is re-elected, Lesniak would take a position in Washington, D.C. Assemblyman Joseph Suliga, D-Union, would

The water is fine



'Come on in, the water is fine,' seems to be what Jwanza Rosendy, 3, of Hart Street Park from Union to Monmouth Avenue, Rahway, says to his friends who are waiting for him to jump in the pool at Rahway River Park.

Merck forms community advisory panel

To enhance communication with neighbors surrounding its facility as well as government and community organizations in Rahway and Linden, Merck formed a Community Advisory Panel in partnership with the two municipalities.

This organization is comprised of 22 members reflecting the diversity of interests and cultures within these communities.

In addition to providing a forum for communication, the CAP assists with projects benefiting these communities. For that reason, the CAP has established a Mini-Grant Program to assist local organizations by providing seed money for selected community projects.

Merck has provided the CAP \$5,000 annually for this Mini-Grant Program. Earlier this year, \$2,500 was distributed within the community for environmental and safety projects.

The remaining \$2,500 is now available for distribution by the CAP and will be distributed through the Rahway and Linden Communities the maximum grant per organization is \$1,000.

If you are interested in obtaining an application for the Mini-Grant Program or if you would like more information regarding the CAP, please contact Donna Norbury, Manager, Rahway Public Affairs with Merck at 594-1424.

All applications must be submitted to Merck by July 30. For selected recipient organizations, funds will be available October 1 and must be expended by December 15.

Annual fishing derby scheduled

The Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation will hold its annual fishing derby on July 31, with a raffle of Aug. 1, at Rahway River Park, St. Georges Avenue, Rahway.

Open to Rahway residents 14 years and younger, fishing poles, worms and soda will be given out while they last. Supplies are limited and are on a first come, first served basis.

Registration is from 5:15 to 7 p.m. Fishing will begin upon registration and will continue until 7:15 p.m. Prizes will be awarded as soon as the results are tallied.

For more information, contact the division at 827-2045.

Candidate sets plans for 4th Ward

On July 16, 4th Ward Council candidate Dave Brown announced the formation of the first Rahway 4th Ward Block Captain Association. Brown explained that block captains are essential to the 4th Ward in order to produce more unity and communication within the neighborhood.

Block captains will be responsible for the welfare of the citizens in the 4th Ward. For example, he said, their duties might involve reporting to Brown the cases of tree roots which have caused uneven sidewalks. Upon inspection, the City of Rahway would repair the sidewalks, he said.

Block captains also must attend district meetings to discuss their grievances with officials to meet the needs of the community.

Brown said, "Where there is unity, there is strength. Where there is strength there is hope," and he continued to outline the upcoming events for the 4th Ward community.

John Doumer is the chairman of Rahway's first National Night Out block party which is scheduled for Aug. 6 on E. Albert St., from 6 to 9 p.m.

National Night Out is designed to improve the relations between the police and citizens. This event will give people of all ages the opportunity to socialize with each other in a alcohol/drug free setting, Brown said.

Kid Care ID pictures will be taken of children during the event. The purpose of the ID's will be to provide parents or guardians with information concerning their children if they become missing or lost.

Finally, Brown, along with the 4th Ward Block Captain Association, the Masons of Craftsmen, Club 70 and the Neighborhood Leadership Initiative, will participate in the first "Mr. Rogers" picnic on Aug. 3 at Hart Street Park from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The NAACP, Mr. Rogers and the Masons will be recruiting youth members for their organizations.

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Left and wrong

Proving yet again that he is so far left that he has left the country, Rahway's congressman, Rep. Donald Payne, made sure he was on the wrong side of the same-sex marriage debate.

On July 12, the House of Representatives voted 342-67 to pass a bill that would define marriage as the union of one man and one woman, and gives states the right not to recognize other states' same-sex marriages.

That's a margin of more than 5-to-1, and we're not certain that even that completely represents the public's wants on this issue. Somehow, even ultra-liberal Bob Torricelli, the Bergen County congressman who is seeking Bill Bradley's seat in the Senate, voted for this bill.

In case Payne doesn't understand his role in our country, we offer the following, condensed, explanation:

In a free society, private citizens make an agreement among themselves to form a government that will protect the rights and values prescribed by those citizens. As a means of ensuring that the government stays on course, those private citizens elect representatives to do their bidding.

Sometimes it's difficult to tell from looking at the size of our federal government, but the principle really is that simple.

To tell that rule down to the issue at hand is to see that the overwhelming majority of Americans want the institution of marriage preserved as a foundation of what we so dearly prize in our Western civilization.

It's disgraceful that this country needs to make a federal case of ensuring that marriage remains the union of one man and one woman — as opposed to a man and five women, to offer another example — but that's what it has come to. Payne's vote did not surprise us. What is consistent about the congressman is his bad legislative judgment.

During this congressional term alone, Payne has voted against the bills for a balanced budget, term limits, tax relief, welfare reform, eliminating midnight basketball, cutting federal red tape, and many other anti-bureaucracy measures.

We're not sure who Payne thinks his constituents are, and it is sad that Payne wouldn't call a cease-fire in his war on them long enough to support this bill.

What is even more regrettable is the one-party rule of the 10th Congressional District that guarantees Payne a congressional seat. But we still can dream of the day when the voters decide themselves from Rep. Payne.

Come on out

Rahway residents may be noticing the activity. There has been a swell of activity throughout the city during the last several weeks that will spill into next week and all of August, and all residents are invited to participate.

The city's Division of Parks and Recreation has been keeping children busy with its summer playground, and the Rahway Center Partnership has lured the Farmer's Market, back into the city every Saturday through October. Next week begins another activity that should have all residents dancing in the streets.

The Mayor's Concert Series begins Aug. 1 and continues for the five Thursdays in August, each offering a variety of music for all residents.

The concert series is co-sponsored by the Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation, the Union County Arts Center, and the Rahway Center Partnership, and we encourage all residents flock to Irving and West Main streets on Thursdays in August for a good time with neighbors.

The series will feature:

• Aug. 1: The Duggies will kick off the concert series performing their pure "live" songs of the past, coupled with classic rock and roll tunes of the '50s and '60s, along with their personal interpretations of today's music.

• Aug. 8: Jesse Morrison will bring his Jesse Morrison Trio to the series, performing a diverse assortment of jazz selections.

• Aug. 15: The Tim Gillis Band will perform. The seven-piece group features pedal steel, fiddle, guitar, bass, drums and keyboard as well as two highly talented female vocalists.

• Aug. 22: Rahway's own Warren Vache Sr., will lead his Syncopatin' Seven Dixieland Band. The band will play in the traditional styles handed down from the glory days of New Orleans and Chicago. The Syncopatin' Seven evokes the spirit of such jazz masters as Eddie Condon, Jelly Roll Morton and Louis Armstrong, to name a few.

• Aug. 29: Flashback will take listeners through a fascinating re-creation of the Motown sound of the Temptations, Four Tops and many more. Flashback breathes new life into those favorite, fondly remembered songs, widely regarded as the unsalable cornerstones from a richly creative musical era.

"To communicate, put your thoughts in order; give them a purpose; use them to persuade, to instruct, to discover, to seduce."

—William Safire
writer, columnist
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OPINION

The top employee



Olga Schilling of Rahway, third from left, of the Union County Clerk's Office's Recording Division, was named 'Employee of the Month' for May. She was chosen for her suggestion to design a new assignment stamp that made the procedure of real estate recording more efficient and less time consuming for the staff and clients, and also impacts on the public in costs, since little searches conduct their business on behalf of the home buyer. From left are Freeholder Chairman Ed Force, County Clerk Joanne Raloppi, Schilling and County Manager Ann Baran.

Home revealed in angels' memory

The narrow attic steps climbed from my grandfather's Cass' bedroom to a barely improved second story with two rooms separated by a curtain doorway. A few feet above the floor, the walls sloped inward to the roof peak. It was a tight space. My brother and I shared a bed in the far room, beneath a small window. In the other room, my grandmother Nana slept with Aunt Bella. These were our accommodations for summer vacation in Sumner Point, a bay town near Ocean City.

Nana was on vacation, too. She and Bella loved each other, but didn't like each other. The causes of this dislike were unknown to me at the time. I later concluded that Bella had never felt comfortable with Nana's claim to the marital home, and had been angry about it ever since. Even so, the two of them standing one atop the other couldn't put a basketball through a net.

At bedtime, Nana pulled the chair on the overhead light and went into the front room. Bella came creaking up the steps, lit the light in their room, and we heard them taking off their clothes and hanging them on the hooks. Then they said perfunctory little prayers and went to bed.

My brother and I always had trouble getting to sleep on the first night of our vacation, what with the excite, heat of the sun, and the strange bed and the uncomfortable heat in the attic. Sometimes we had our first turns of the summer and were excited with Nana. The house was so silent that it was pointless to talk. We just

lay there thinking our eyes in the dark. About 10 minutes after Nana and Bella got into bed, the war began with a skinnish of falling arms and bumping old lady tips. "For Love of Mary and Joseph, Bella, give me some room to breathe!"

"So it's not the grand hotel like you're used to?"

"I've got so little bed I'm going to fall onto this dirty floor!"

"My dirty floor, you say. And if you fall, I'll be all the way to the devil with no saint to pick you up!"

My brother and I giggled at the groans and curses of old, acety bones and Nana's shouting for us to stop and stop. After a while, Nana and Bella seemed to fall asleep and we could hear the tree trunks and the breeze that went away to a wonderful island across the bay. By now, I was fully myself — a half-hungry, but not to collect marsh pinks and poison ivy, and eager to roam a beach and boardwalk.

As children, we are tested by black nights, when we're too tired to know the names of our angels. And when we grew up, the location of our true home is revealed to us in a memory of angels and of a time and place that we never left.

Bob Rixon is a resident of Rahway.

Be Our Guest

By Joe Suliga

State should not be forced to pay for their defense. Maybe it's me, but whose rights are being violated here? The public defenders may argue that Martin's rights were in jeopardy if they did not proceed with his appeal. Perhaps, but the part that bothers me, who is protecting the rights of the taxpayers? A case of this kind can take at least months, more likely through years, to come to closure. The court costs, the legal fees, the cost in manpower through research and labor are staggering. And all this to defend someone who has been found guilty, admits the crime and willingly accepts his punishment. Who pays for all this? We do. We the taxpayers are forced to hire an attorney whose sole responsibility is to appeal his sentence. I'm struck by the absurdity of this process.

There's someone else's rights that are violated by this decision as well — the victims. You see, there was a second part to the decision handed down by the state Supreme Court. The

Letter writers

Readers are encouraged to write letters to the editor expressing views on topics of interest. Letters should be typed, double spaced or legibly handwritten and no longer than 225 pages. When necessary, letters will be edited for length, clarity and fairness.

Cavanna was a top educator

I first met Anthony Cavanna in the fall of 1992, shortly before I became managing editor of the Progress. As a young reporter fresh out of school, the paper's managing editor, whom I would be replacing took me on a ride around the city to meet many of the major "players." I'd be dealing with my new job.

I had heard positive things about Cavanna before we met, and upon entering his office, I was surprised by how he playfully arranged the goodies he had accumulated over the years around his office. What struck me was that the office did not appear to be the

realm of some faceless bureaucrat who cares more about abstract political theories than the irrefutable urge to learn. It reminded me more and more of a typical school classroom, with students' works adorning the walls, yearbooks scattered about and charming teachers giving testimony to the fruits of one's labors as an educator on desks, tables and shelves. Yes, Cavanna was an educator first and foremost. His office spoke volumes about his zeal for learning and teaching.

Shortly after the new members of the Board of Education assumed office in the spring of 1993, I accompanied Cavanna and a freshman board member to Liberty Science Center to kick off the establishment of the Merck Institute for Science Education. The program had handed some simple scientific experiments to the mostly adult audience and encouraged us to join in a group experiment, quizzing our knowledge as we went along. Cavanna eagerly dove into the experiment, discussing the results with the two of us and eagerly awaiting more information from the host on stage. It was refreshing to see a nationally known educator with a delectate degree revealing his true self as a kid opening a new chemistry set on Christmas morning.

A third encounter I recall was while I was completing a story on the district's Reading Recovery teaching classroom (profiled in "Recovering the Classroom"). The classroom was the first of its kind in New Jersey to instruct teachers on the skills needed to teach Reading Recovery, which is targeted to primary students lagging behind their peers in reading ability. Cavanna was beaming as we quietly observed a reading recovery teacher encourage a troubled student now to master the art of reading while visiting teachers from other school districts took notes.

To Cavanna, this classroom was more than an extra source of income for the district. It was more than a place to tell teachers from across the state that Rahway's schools would no longer be followers but leaders in improving education. I really felt that he was concentrating on that one individual student, concerned more with his progress than with the reputation of the entire program.

I enjoyed a professional and personal appreciation for Cavanna since then, always glad to hear his voice on the phone, providing me with the needed information while asking input from me on a variety of issues. Even when we were discussing mundane administrative affairs, he was always an active participant in the exchange of information.

Like many Rahway residents, I was deeply saddened when new members of the Board of Education turned against him and drove him out of the district a few months ago. In the sometimes puzzling game of egos and politics, a reputable educator was squashed by the Machine, the network of good ol' boys which thrives on stifling innovation and upholding the status quo.

Perhaps the Machine that now runs the Board of Education was right in some respects. Perhaps Cavanna had no roots in Rahway and didn't intend to settle here too deeply. But something also tells me that these intangibles, so important to a few individuals, were not important to Cavanna.

Good luck on Long Island, Dr. Cavanna. I'd also like to wish good luck to the reporters and editors of the weekly newspapers out there. With the great thing I've seen in Rahway, Jersey, they're in for a great ride.

Jeff Jotz is a former managing editor of the Rahway Progress.

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Hatch fails in his homework

To the Editor:
Lyle Hatch has a problem. In a recent letter by Hatch, he said that Councilman Kuchar failed to mention facts. In fact, Hatch has again failed to do his homework.

Lyle Hatch does more "about faces" than my drill sergeant when I was in the Army.

Only two months ago, Hatch said publicly that he would not vote for the town budget unless there was a 10 percent reduction.

Only two weeks ago, Hatch said he would not vote for the budget unless there was a 1 percent reduction.

Hatch was spinning in place. Then one month ago, Lyle Hatch asked the council for two weeks so he could get tank manifests from the Department of Environmental Protection. Then, four weeks later, another spin in place and Hatch did not produce the manifests.

Now to add insult to injury, Hatch wants the public to believe that he can produce the manifests for only 75 cents per copy.

At our council meeting on July 15, while Hatch was spinning in place, professional engineer Harry Elias explained that copies of the manifests were not available, and therefore, could not be copied.

Councilman Hatch said in the same article that Kuchar's costly solution to this issue closely parallels Kuchar's actions on the Planning Board in which he proposed other costly answers.

"You gotta be kidding," Hatch. You don't even know how the town government operates. The Planning Board cannot spend money.

He went on to say that Ellenport's administration spends and spends, but fails to mention the \$10 million debt left to Ellenport's administration from the Republicans' prior administration.

I do believe that Hatch has a severe credibility problem, Councilman Bill Kuchar.

How to the will of the people

To the Editor:

Rahway Councilman Jerry Coleman's comments in the July 11 Rahway Progress article, "Fight for King street continues," offended me.

Having that "reaction" could be behind citizen opposition to changing the name of my street, E. Milton Avenue, to "Reverend Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Boulevard" and that nobody would object if he wanted to name it "Elvis Presley Boulevard" is a cheap and childish attempt to muster support for something that is obviously unpopular with African Americans as well as European Americans.

According to the aforementioned article, large numbers of residents opposed Coleman's earlier attempts to name East Millot Avenue and Lawrence Street after King. And that was only because Councilmen Holmes and Cohen alerted them to the attempted name change via mail. Why wasn't Mr. Coleman

enough to send out a mailer of his own? Doing so might have opened his mind to the fact that people's reasons for not wanting to change the long-established name of their street make a lot of sense.

If Councilman Coleman truly believes that God instructed him to name a street after King, as stated in the Rahway Progress article, I suggest he resign from the Rahway City Council, buy a long robe, grow a beard and become a prophet. But while on the Rahway City Council, he should bow to the will of the people he is elected to serve.

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The investors who speculated on making money from garbage by purchasing these bonds should part of the loss. The rest of the money should be reclaimed by using Ogden Martin for fraud and misrepresentation, as well as some of the players who were in on this scheme from the beginning.

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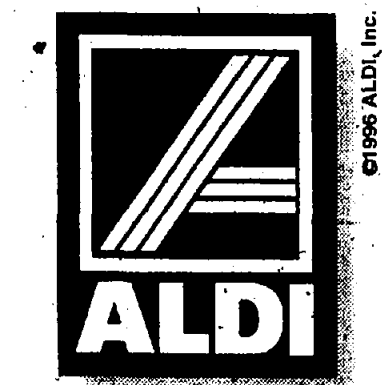
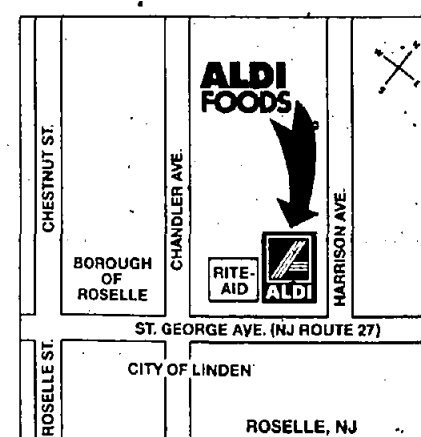
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Amar named banking manager at CoreStates' Rahway branch

Angela Amar, a member of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce, has been named Community Banking Manager of the Rahway branch of CoreStates New Jersey National Bank, replacing Karen Myers.

CoreStates, a commercial bank with many branches throughout New Jersey, has recently restructured its branches to develop strong community relations and business development, according to Amar.

"CoreStates has always encouraged community involvement," Amar said, "but the new restructuring gives greater focus and confirmation to what has always been the bank's underlying attitude and philosophy."

Amar comes to the Rahway branch with 10 years of banking experience, which began in North Brunswick when she was in high school. Starting as a teller, she continued to progress throughout the banking branch system, working at one point in human resources as a training analyst for more than a year. She then returned to the branch as a teller, soon became a supervisor, then assistant manager and was named branch manager in East Brunswick in July 1992.

Since then, she has worked in various branches of CoreStates throughout Central New Jersey, before being assigned to the Rahway branch this past June.

"I find Rahway surprisingly quaint," Amar said. "Before coming here, I had an urban view of Rahway, but it's very 'homey' and comfortable. The residential areas are picturesque, with beautiful old trees and homes, and so many flowers. When I ride home at night, I just look at all the flowers planted around the homes — and all of them are different."

The Rahway branch of CoreStates is located on Irving Street, next to the railroad embankment opposite Cherry Street. A member of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce, CoreStates is a commercial bank that offers a wide variety of services to commercial and retail customers.

"The chamber is the ideal place to be to serve the business community," Amar said. "It provides a network where we can help local businesses and smaller businesses to grow, as well as to provide superior service."

"Warm and easy herself, Amar seems well-suited to the 'homey' lifestyle she has found in Rahway. Young, slight of build, long reddish hair falling gently to her shoulders, and a ready laugh and smile make Amar seem little more than the high school girl who started as teller in CoreStates 10 years ago."

"Banking was very easy for me from the beginning. It was fun. At first it was just a job, but it is a profession," Amar said. "It's become a home — and extended family. I've met a lot of nice people along the way and it's surprising how often I run into an old customer and we recognize each other."

In addition to the chamber, Amar is also a trustee for the Rahway Foundation for Excellence in Education.

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Angela Amar

which she said is a wonderful organization of people who care about the children of Rahway.

"I'm looking forward to becoming more involved with Rahway," Amar said. "The people have been extremely nice and warm and helpful to me. They've made me feel welcome. I want to let them know that I'm here and want to get involved with the community to make a name for the bank in the community of Rahway."

It seems only natural that people would be warm and friendly to Amar, since she is so warm and friendly to them.

"Working with the community, with the public, is my favorite part of my job," she said. "The bottom line is customer satisfaction and we celebrate that every month with a Customer Appreciation Day."

CoreStates' "Customer Appreciation Day" this month will be held on July 26 with a theme called "Take Me Out to the Ball Game." The Rahway branch will be serving popcorn and peanuts and the employees will be wearing baseball caps. There will be a banner announcing the day, and new and existing customers will be greeted and welcomed to the bank, according to Amar.

"It will be a day to say thank you to the customer," Amar said.

According to Amar, CoreStates is a "phenomenal place to work." She finds that they care about their employees and appreciate dedication and hard work. And when you need them, "they come through for you," she said.

"A bank that treats its employees and customers right can only prosper and grow," Amar said. "That's what makes CoreStates so special to me."

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Pee Wee exercises



The Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation's Monday Pee Wee Exercise class meets Monday and Wednesday for children ages 3 to 5 from September to June at the Claude Reed Center. With teacher April Clay are, from left, Tiffany Cummings, Michael Murray, Siobhan Ford and Maria Vargas.

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Council meetings

The City Council holds its regular monthly meetings on the first Tuesday and on the first Monday after the Tuesday meeting of each month at 8 p.m.

Regular meetings are open to the public and are held at the council chambers located at City Hall, 1 City Hall Plaza.

For more information or to find out about special meetings, call the clerk's office at 927-2100.

AARP meeting

The American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) Chapter 607 is located at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 80 West Juniper Ave. Trips to the Taj Mahal are held the first Thursday of the month.

For more information and reservations, call Betty Martin at 388-0202.

Environment meetings

The Railway Environmental Commission has announced its meeting schedule for the year. Meetings will be held at 7 p.m. at the Railway Public Library on Aug. 8, Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14 and Dec. 12.

Parking meetings

The Parking Authority of the City of Newark will hold its regular meeting at 18 Poplar St. on the following dates and times: Aug. 7, Sept. 4, Oct. 2, Nov. 6 and Dec. 4, all at 7:30 p.m.

Impact on education

The Middle Grades Project is a group of parents working with the middle school faculty and administration to affect 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.

Lifesaving course

Railway Hospital is an accredited basic life-support training center of the American Heart Association.

The hospital offers a wide range of courses, including adult and pediatric heart/breath, cardiopulmonary resuscitation for health-care providers, instructor-level and renewal courses.

Courses are in the evening at the hospital. Registration is required for all courses and space is limited. To obtain scheduling information and to register, contact the hospital's education department at 499-6193.

Coping with split

Visions, a support group for divorced, separated and widowed individuals, meets the second and fourth Sundays of each month at St. Helen's Parish Center, 1000 Rahway Ave., Westfield, at 7 p.m.

For details, call Gloria Ryan at 518-2946.

Sharing the work

Home Share program of Union County is looking for volunteers to do light office work on a weekly or monthly basis. Training is provided. Home Share is a service that helps match home owners who wish to share their homes with people who need housing.

For more information, contact Sophia Smith, coordinator of the program, at 80 West Grand St., Elizabeth, or call 354-3040.

Site needed

The Railway Valley Jersseites, Union County's outstanding Barbershop Chorus needs a new rehearsal site for every Monday evening from 7:30 p.m. until approximately 11:30 p.m.

The Jersseites, an all male chorus, are affiliated with the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, and assemble for one purpose only: to harmonize old, new, and unforgettable tunes that form American musical heritage.

They require one large hall for the complete chorus, a few smaller

Gran Centurios

During the past 30 years, the Gran Centurios has changed and grown substantially. What originally started as an Italian-American Club in 1966 has evolved into a private swim club with multi-national members who reside in Clark as well as many surrounding communities from as far as Essex to Ocean counties.

The Gran Centurios was founded on strong family and community involvement and continues to do so. Many organizations have benefited from the Gran Centurios' extensive banquet facilities such as the Girl Scouts, charitable fund-raisers and community events.

Clark

Arline Galush, chairwoman of the Clark Rent Monitoring Board, announced the remaining dates for the 1996 rent monitoring meetings: Aug. 20, Sept. 17 and Oct. 15. All meetings will start at 7 p.m. and will be held in room 16 of the Westfield Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave.

Rent meetings

For more information, contact Arline Galush, chairwoman of the Board, at 382-1664.

Senior bus

The Clark senior citizens bus has expanded its services by making a weekly trip to K-Mart on Route 1 in the Linden Plaza.

The trip will be made every Friday. Reservations for the bus will be taken by phone on a first-come basis. Since seating is limited, people who are on the waiting list will be first in line for the following week.

For reservations, call 388-3600, Ext. 3001.

Calendar

The Township of Clark is putting out a quarterly calendar of events. This enables residents to become aware of the various activities that are occurring. It also helps to alleviate scheduling problems, such as events occurring on the same day or weekend.

The free brochure is available at

local stores, businesses, the library and the Municipal Building.

The first brochure covers the period from June 1 through Aug. 31. All organizations in town have been sent a letter inviting them to participate. For more information, contact Robin Mack at 396-0606 or 815-1682 or Henry Varrano at 388-4397.

Student Update

Wayne D'Angelo of Clark was named to the dean's list at the University of Scranton for the spring semester.

Pressman graduates

Michael K. Pressman of Brookside Terrace in Clark graduated in May from Gettysburg College. He received a bachelor of arts cum laude in history. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Pressman of Clark.

Library news

Summer hours will be in effect at the Clark Public Library through Labor Day, Sept. 2. Summer hours are as follows: Mondays and Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Wednesdays and Thursdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library will be closed on Saturdays and Sundays.

For more information, call the library at 388-5999.

Van Vleet nets degree

Christopher Van Vleet of Rahway was one of more than 1,000 undergraduates receiving a bachelor of arts degree during commencement exercises at Dartmouth College June 9.

Van Vleet, the son of Wallace and

Resident attends Elks convention

Richard W. Kirsten of Rahway attended the 132nd National Convention of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks in Las Vegas, July 14 to 18. Kirsten is the current exalted ruler of the local Elks Lodge 2282.

While in Las Vegas, Kirsten was commended for the lodge's dedication to the organization's philanthropic endeavors, which included youth athletic and drug education programs, aid for people with disabilities, scholarships and veterans services.

"This year's convention was the first since the organization's historic vote last year to delete the word 'male' from its membership requirements. More than 1,000 women have been invited to join and are now members of the organization. There are now 1.3 million Elks in lodges throughout the country."

D'Angelo on dean's list

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Students named to the dean's list are recognized for academic excellence. A student must have a Quality Point Index of 3.5 or better with a minimum number of credit hours to make the dean's list. The list includes students from the College of Arts and Sciences, School of Management, College of Health, Education and Human Resources, and Dexter Hanley College.

Solensko on dean's list

Ronald S. Solensko of Rahway was named to the dean's list at the University of Scranton for the spring semester.

Van Vleet nets degree

Christopher Van Vleet of Rahway was one of more than 1,000 undergraduates receiving a bachelor of arts degree during commencement exercises at Dartmouth College June 9.

Van Vleet, the son of Wallace and

Applications accepted for master gardeners

Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County is accepting applications for the 1996-97 volunteer Master Gardener Program.

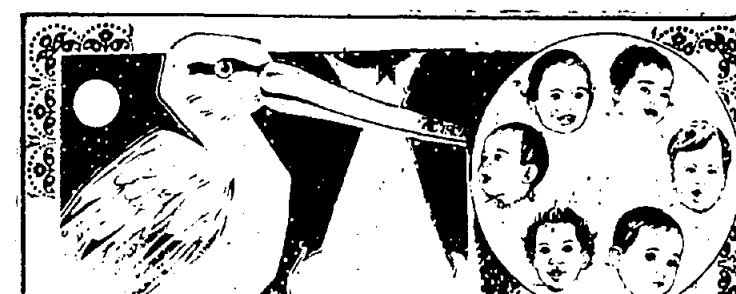
The program features weekly lectures on entomology, integrated pest management, lawn care, flower and vegetable gardening and landscaping. The lectures will be given by Rutgers University faculty and staff.

The classes will be held Fridays from 10 a.m. to noon at the Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County Office at 300 North Ave. East in Westfield. Classes will begin Sept. 27 and run through May 1997.

Participants will work on a Union County Park Beautification Project, complete a training manual and final exam. The center also provides information and referral to both professionals and the general public. All services are free and confidential.

For more information on becoming a volunteer at the Rape Crisis Center or to schedule an interview, call (908) 233-7273 between 8 a.m. and 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

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SECTION B

From The Editor's Notebook
By Tom Canavan
Editor in Chief

A topic of discussion among

government leaders today seems to be whether or not to impose curfew on minors.

Many elected officials believe that by requiring a minor to be indoors by a certain hour each night, juvenile crime rates will be reduced and the youth will perform better in school. The argument is that if the children are in the house, they should have the time to study and prepare for the next day's lessons.

I don't believe in government establishing a curfew for minors unless under horrendous circumstances, such as a series of kidnappings occurring and the perpetrator of the crime not having been apprehended.

The imposition of curfew should not be the responsibility of government. It should be the responsibility of the parent, one who is responsible for the well-being of their child.

But if a governing body feels the need to impose a curfew, perhaps because of late-night loitering among youth or an increase in the number of juvenile arrests, isn't government saying that parents cannot control their children and they are forced to take steps for them?

If so, this is an example of how we as a society have lost control of many of our freedoms. As far-fetched as it may sound, I believe our society is headed for barbarism, to a day when people will have no regard for neighbors, family, friends or the average person on the street.

Look at the trends and patterns. Compare life in the 1950s to life in the 1990s. Look at politics and how it has destroyed our faith in government. Look at our criminal justice system and see, right before your eyes, how criminals are given more rights than victims.

My brother, Steve, and I never had a curfew imposed on us — even by our parents. But we know that at a certain time in the evening, we had to be back in our apartment, either to get our baths and get ready for bed, to do homework, or sit in front of the television until it was time to go to bed. As we grew older, we were given the freedom to stay out later in the night, and although we knew we had that freedom, we didn't take advantage of it. We came home at a reasonable hour because we had respect for our parents and knew that they had placed their trust in us.

Of course, there were the nights when we would come home and mom would be in the living room holding a phone book in her hand ready to throw it at us the minute we opened the door, but those nights were few and far between. Even during those times, we could account for where we were, and I assure you, it was not committing crimes or loitering on the property of an all-night convenience store, which today seems to be the favorite hangout of teens.

Even when we became of driving age, but still a year away from officially being an adult, we had the respect and courtesy to call home if we were going to be out late on any given night.

We didn't need a curfew because we were taught responsibility. And that responsibility was not taught by anyone on the municipal council in Livingston, where I grew up. That should not have to be the case in any other municipality in this state. Responsibility should begin at home, with the parents, who perhaps need to use more discipline with their children.

These 18-hour, stroke play tournaments are intended for players aged 12-16 who are residents of Union County. If the number of players enrolled in the tournament permits, boys will be placed into one of two age divisions, either 12-14 or 15-17.

Girls will be placed in one age group. There must be a minimum of four players to stage a tournament. Members of private clubs are not eligible to participate.

U.S.G.A. rules will govern play, although local rules also will be enforced. Winner and runner-up trophies will be awarded.

Entry forms are available at all three county golf courses: Ash Brook, in Scotch Plains; Gallatin Hill, in Kenilworth; and Oak Ridge, in Clark. All entries must be filed by 5 p.m. Sunday. An \$8 entry fee must accompany all applications. Regular greens fees are to be paid the day of play. The rain date for the tournaments will be Aug. 16.

For more information, call Ash Brook Golf Course at 756-0414. The Junior Boy's and Girl's Public Links Tournaments are sponsored by the Board of Chosen Freeholders and presented by the Division of Parks and Recreation.

UCC spared \$2.8M in debt-related costs

Union County College will save \$2.8 million in debt service costs over the next 12 years, thanks to a refinancing transaction involving the freeholders and the Union County Improvement Authority, said Freeholder Linda Di Giovanni.

"The savings were made possible because we guaranteed principal and interest on...bonds," said Linda Di Giovanni, Freeholder.

"In addition to the debt service savings, the college will receive a cash infusion of \$691,577 for capital projects and other purposes. The average annual savings from fiscal year 1997 to 2009 is \$166,023, and \$367,987 in fiscal years 2010 and 2011."

Union County Manager Ann Baran also gave the transaction high marks, stressing that the efficiencies and savings that come when governments "share services" — equipment, manpower or financial investments — participants and taxpayers benefit.

"The \$2.8 million savings would not have been possible without the county's Aaa bond rating, the cooperation between the county, the Improvement Authority, their legal and financial affiliates, the William E. Simon investment banking firm, and identified this specific financing idea, and Union County College," he said.

Trailside hosts county's annual pet fair



Freeholders Linda-Lee Kelly and Linda Di Giovanni admire Betty, a yellow Labrador retriever puppy that is a Seeing Eye Dog in training. Betty was a participant in the annual Pet Fair held at the Trailside Nature and Science Center recently.

The competition was not open to all pets. The man who carried his Burmese python around his neck was not able to compete in the Stray Pet Contest because — fortunately, Of these, 96 percent of the animals are successfully placed. One woman looked like a hot prospect to adopt a

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A mini petting zoo, obedience training demonstrations, cages of reptiles, home rides for children, seeing eye puppies, face painting, and kittens in need of good and responsible homes.

And that's not mentioning vendors with animal paraphernalia or toys, or providing information about pet-sitting services. New Jersey's 4-H Camp and Humane Society representatives.

"It was a wonderful experience," said Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly. "As a teacher, I believe that demonstrations are an integral part of the learning process. The best ones help you to learn that you can make a difference in the lives of animals."

Wonders and their owners include Dusty, a springer mix who won first prize for fastest tail-wagger and Cocoa, a collie mix who won third prize for the most obedient. Both were shown by Joy and Kelli Lanz of Scotch Plains.

Other first prize winners were Brownie, a yorkie shown by Isabel Tulloch of Union, for best trick; a domestic short hair cat named Ducky, for nicest spayed female; and a domestic short hair cat named Patches, for most distinct markings shown by 10-year-old Brian Edwards of Plainfield.

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The team that saved nearly \$3 million in debt service costs for Union County College takes a break from the financial planning session. From left: County Manager Ann Baran; Lawrence Bashe, senior vice president of William E. Simon & Sons; Freeholders Linda Di Giovanni and Ed Force; UCC President Thomas Brown; and Improvement Authority Vice President John Bolero.

activities Commons Building, a book improvements to the Elizabeth store addition and additions to the cafeteria, dining rooms and kitchen facilities, as well as computer facility.

operating funds, and we are thankful in the county and the Improvement Authority for their hard work," said UCC, Page B2

Union resident's canine takes top prize for best trick

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Interviews conducted at rape crisis center

Interviews are being conducted for potential volunteers for the Union County Rape Crisis Center.

The center's directors are interviewing prospective candidates for training in October and November to support efforts in assisting sexual assault survivors, their families and significant others. Freeholder Linda-Lee Kelly announced.

Volunteers receive the personal satisfaction from dedicating time, energy, talent and part of themselves to someone who truly needs their help.

Although the classes don't begin until Oct. 1, time is needed to interview prospective volunteers and to schedule the classes.

Senior council sets travel program

The "Travel Program" of the Senior Citizens Council of Union County invites anyone older than 55 to join them on its single- or multi-day future trips.

Space is available on the following trips:

- Cape Cod, Aug. 11-15, \$395
- Placid Bronxhaug, Aug. 21, \$47 and Oct. 18, \$46.

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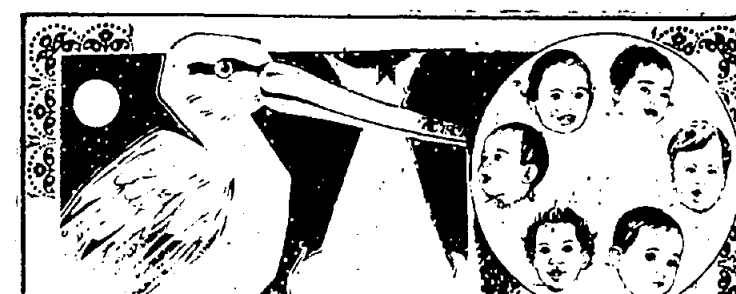
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Summer Arts Festival continues with Kaye's big band orchestra

The big band sound will come alive at Echo Lake Park, when the Union County Summer Arts Festival concert series presents the Sammy Kaye Orchestra Wednesday.

In addition to the Board of Chosen Freeholders, the sponsor for the evening is CoreStates Bank.

"We are pleased to welcome CoreStates Bank as a new supporter of the Summer Arts Festival series," said Edwin Force, chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders. "They could not have picked a better way to become associated with the festival. The Sammy Kaye Orchestra is nationally known for its rich tradition and fine musicianship."

An evening with the Sammy Kaye Orchestra includes the Three Kayettes singing group. Under the direction of Roger Thorpe, the orchestra and vocalists will take the audience for a trip down memory lane with such classics as "Daddy," "It Isn't Fair," "The Old Lamp Lighter," "Room Full of Roses," "Chickory Chick," and the most requested hit of all, "Harbor Lights."

The next performance in the Summer Arts Festival concert series will be The New Jersey Symphony Orchestra on Aug. 7 at 7:30 p.m.

band invites four members of the audience to compete for the title of best band leader.

"I hope everyone will give themselves a treat and attend this concert," said County Manager Ann Baran. "The Sammy Kaye Orchestra is sure to add a nostalgic touch of elegance and class to the county's Summer Arts Festival concert series."

The public is invited to all the Summer Arts Festival concerts which are held in Echo Lake Park, located off Route 22 East in Mount

DINING/ENTERTAINMENT

Music illustrates narrative as Summerfest ends season

By Jacquie McCarthy

Mysterious violin strains wove in and out of the narrative of a soldier who makes a deal with the Devil in "Histoire du Soldat," or "The Soldier's Tale," presented by Rutgers Summerfest at the Nicholas Music Center on Douglass Campus, New Brunswick on July 17. A refreshing change from the spectacle sometimes represented in theater productions, co-directors Kevin Kotte and Lloyd Williams simply and effectively staged the reading of a story, musical, by illustrated by a 7-piece band conducted by William Berz.

"Histoire" is the result of a collaboration between Russian composer Igor Stravinsky and Swiss author C.F. Ramuz which relates the tale of a soldier who makes a deal with the Devil, a popular selection from a collection of Russian folktales by Alexander Afanasyev. Berz provided some background on the instrumental contribution to the production, pointing out meter changes and key sections of tunes which accentuated the actor's roles, noting especially the significant effect of sections including the violin and clarinet.

Berz pointed out that Stravinsky was profoundly influenced by Gypsy and Russian folk music, traditions, so much so that he is reported to have once dreamed of a Gypsy woman playing the violin, and to have reproduced her tune for "Histoire."

"The Soldier's Tale" from the production was lively, especially applying trumpet, trombone and an steady beat. "Three Dances" accompanied the portion of the story which told of a dance performed by a beautiful girl, consisting of an exotic figure and a waltz. Stravinsky included also in this number his own version of ragtime. Berz pointed out that Stravinsky had never heard the American version, and consequently produced quite a different sound.

Lastly, the "Triumphal March of the Devil" finds Satan rejoicing in his victory over the unfortunate soldier, proclaimed by the exultant tones of the trumpet and trombone, with supernatural violin and clarinet melodies lingering throughout.

Surrounding the musicians were the three key figures in the tale: Joshua Bitten as the Soldier and Richard Gang as the Devil flanked the ensemble on the left and right, respectively, with narrator Edna L. Murphy commanding the rear. Each was only lit by a single spotlight. Using only the small circles of light, each character had identical props with which they pantomimed the action, lifting and lowering the fiddle the Soldier trades the Devil for a book of knowledge. The emotions and reactions of the characters depicted through interpretive dialogue, using intonation, gestures, and facial expressions.

The Devil took many forms throughout the piece, donning a scarf to masquerade as an old Russian woman, and eyeglasses for credibility prior to the Soldier's discovery of the Devil's true nature.

The narrator and conductor are closely involved in the exchange, reacting to plot twists and whispering to the Soldier when he appears distracted.

The performance is neatly rounded out by the musical accompaniment. In the last half hour of the evening, the audience was treated to an authentic, bohemian story, "L'Histoire de Barbe," or "The Story of Barbe," was arranged masterfully by French composer Francis Poulenc in the early 1940's. Poulenc was asked by his four-year-old niece to add music to the Barbe story. He was soon giving command performances to neighborhood children on a daily basis, with piano melodies replacing the book illustrations.

His musical interpretation of the story is still a favorite in France, and was exquisitely performed by Marilyn Somerville, who translated the tale into French, and pianist Paul Hoffman.

This week concludes the Summerfest season, with the Shanghai Quartet today, William Bideem & Joan Morris on Friday, and Rutgers Chamber Orchestra on Saturday. All events begin at 8pm. For information, call 908-922-7511.

Linden park concerts fill summer evenings with music, memories

The Linden Recreation Department is sponsoring summer evening concerts. All shows have been scheduled for 7:15-9:15 p.m.

July 30
• Golden oldies night: music of the '50s and '60s with the Dave Post Band at Wilson Park.

Aug. 6
• Polka nights with the Walter Lesniak Band at Wilson Park.

Aug. 13
• Big Band night with the Frank Wolf Orchestra at Wilson Park.

In case of rain, concerts will be held at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St. in Linden.

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World's Fair arrival provides background for theater romp

The Linden Summer Playhouse proudly presents "Meet Me In St. Louis" July 25, 26, 27 at 8 p.m. at Linden High School, Linden, New Jersey. The Linden Summer Playhouse is a non-profit volunteer organization which has been providing extensive volunteer free summer theatrical programs for young people throughout Linden and the neighboring towns since 1979.

This summer's show, "Meet Me In St. Louis" is a full scale musical comedy which takes place in St. Louis in 1904. The World's Fair is coming to town and the Smith family anxiously awaits its arrival! This musical includes the famous songs "The Trolley Song" and "The Boy Next Door."

Two important performance dates to note: A free senior citizen show will be held on Wednesday, July 24 at 2 p.m. on Friday, July 26 at 2 p.m. the performance will be sign interpreted for the deaf. Front section seats for the signed performance must be reserved by July 22. Contact Debbie at (908) 272-3582 for more information or to reserve your seat. TTY Relay Users call 1-800-852-7899.

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What's Going On?

FAIR

SATURDAY AUGUST 3, 1996

EVENT: Book Sale

PLACE: Roseland Historical Society, Becker Center, 35 Livingston Avenue, Roseland

TIME: 10am-3pm daily

PRICE: No admission price. Follow signs for parking. Also included in sale are records, magazines, tapes and pictures.

ORGANIZATION: Roseland Historical Society

OTHER

DAILY JULY 20 THRU AUGUST 18, 1996

EVENT: Book Sale

PLACE: Roseland Historical Society, Becker Center, 35 Livingston Avenue, Roseland

TIME: 10am-3pm daily

PRICE: No admission price. Follow signs for parking. Also included in sale are records, magazines, tapes and pictures.

ORGANIZATION: Roseland Historical Society

FLA MARKET

SUNDAY JULY 28, 1996

EVENT: Outdoor Flea Market and Craft Show

PLACE: (City) Garden Center, 530 Belleville Avenue, Belleville

TIME: 9am-5pm

PRICE: Over 100 quality vendors. For information call City at 201-997-9535.

ORGANIZATION: The Italian American Club

SUNDAY AUGUST 4, 1996

EVENT: Flea Market and Craft Show

PLACE: (City) Garden Center, 530 Belleville Avenue, Belleville

TIME: 9am-5pm

PRICE: Over 100 quality vendors. For information call City at 201-997-9535.

ORGANIZATION: The Italian American Club

Union director gets 'second chance' to make his new play a success

Mythic Vision Players will present the Stuart Ross Musical, "Forever Plaid" as its summer production on August 8, 9 and 10, at Elizabeth High School.

Kevin Glackin of Union directs this four man show, set in the 50's and 60's, in which a musical group, the "Plaids", is killed and is given a second chance at success by God. Among the featured musical numbers are songs of Percy Sledge, Johnny Ray, and The Four Freshmen.

The show stars Kevin Glackin, Nick Basile, Mercedes Burkhardt and Darren Meyer and is locally directed and choreographed by Linda Ann Burt. Don Anthony of Cranford does the musical direction.

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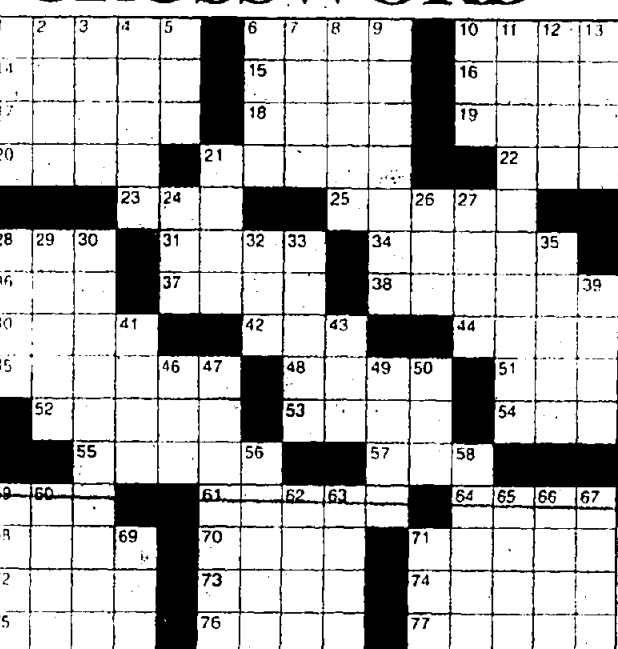
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Festival schedule set

The 1996 New Jersey Shakespeare Festival continues:
 Through July 27 "Richard III," directed by Daniel Fish.
 July 31-Aug. 17 "The Winter's Tale," directed by Scott Wentworth.
 Aug. 21-Sept. 7 "Leocadia," by Jean Anouilh, translated by Timberlake Wertenbaker, directed by Benita J. Monie.
 Performance times: Tuesdays-Sundays at 8 p.m., Sundays at 7 p.m. and Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday matinees at 2 p.m.

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March 21-April 20

Renovate, re-use and recycle your old things this week. You've got some treasures—all you need to do is look for them. Clean out your cluttered closets, get your unwanted things to charity, and put the rest of it in good use. You'll be amazed at what you have.

TAURUS
April 21-May 21

Take on a challenge, especially if it involves taking a class. You're a sponge when it comes to learning new things. Can you capture your future? To a new and healthy approach to eating.

GEMINI
May 22-June 21

Your team approach to solving problems has won you several awards. Get a goal today that's beyond anything you've tried before. Your energy and enthusiasm will make it happen. A sweetheart may be in need of some extra TLC this week.

CANCER
June 22-July 22

You may be feeling pressured to make a difficult decision. Use your wits to

LEO
July 23-August 23

If you're feeling overwhelmed, try to delegate some responsibility. If you're surrounded by talent, you'll be foolish not to take advantage of it. A long-distance call holds the key to a new kind of relationship. Go for it!

VIRGO
August 24-September 22

Something that seemed to be gone forever will be making its way back into your life. Don't let unspoken feelings damage a relationship. If you can't find a way to express yourself without being unkind, keep trying!

LIBRA
September 23-October 23

For a dramatic combination in romance, it's imperative you get to know your partner's partner. The chemistry will be there. The right one is just in to make things run smoothly. Group activities are recommended.

SCORPIO
October 24-November 22

You're exceptionally lucky as the week draws to a close. So take a few extra

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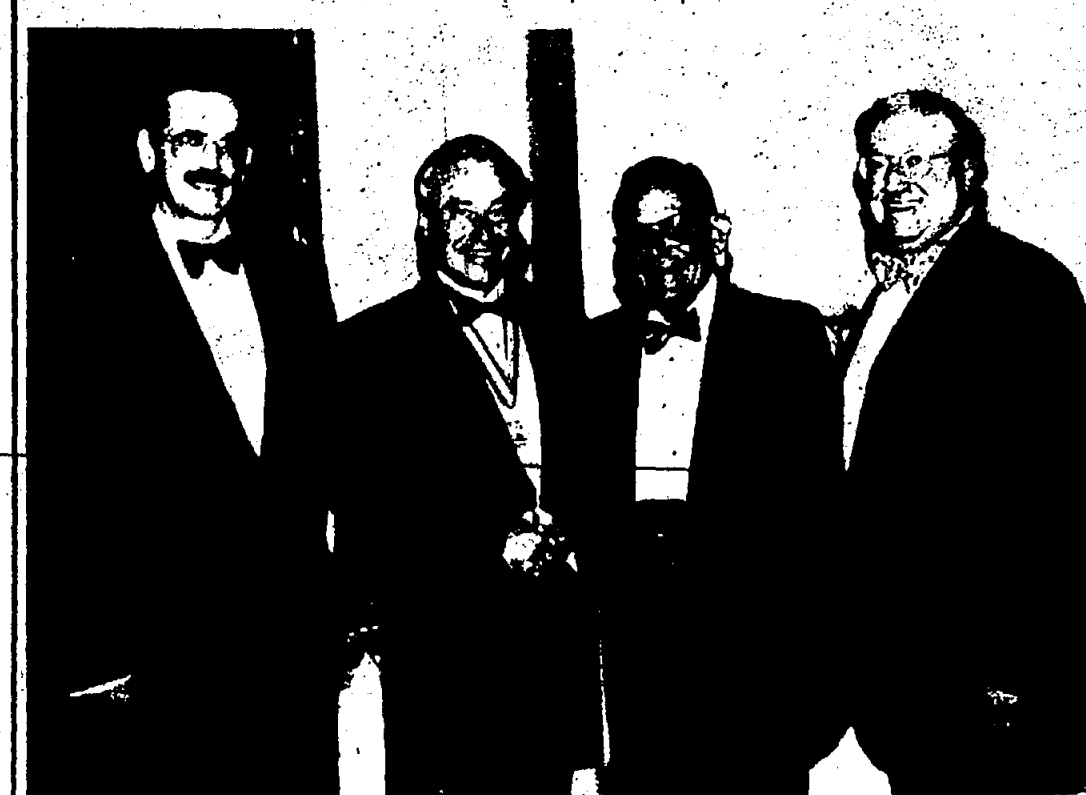
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Medical Society celebrates past, present



Local physicians enjoy Medical Society of New Jersey Inaugural Dinner Dance. Pictured from left to right: Gregory Sachs, M.D., of Summit, First Vice President of MSNJ and President of the Atlantic Health System Medical Staff; Anthony P. Caggiano, Jr., M.D., of Upper Merion, newly inaugurated President of MSNJ; Douglas Constable, M.D., of Murray Hill, past president of both MSNJ and the Overlook Hospital Medical Staff; and Michael J. Sniffen of Summit, Executive Vice President/COO of Atlantic Health System.

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22 year old sincere female, 5'10", 120 pounds. Looking for single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 pounds, 5'7" to 6'1", with a good job, and a good personality. Enjoy working out, skating, etc. for fun. Please write to me at: **BOX 1193**

LET'S TALK!!!

Attractive single black professional female, non smoker, 40 something, 5'8", medium built, light complexion. Searching for single black male, non smoker, 30's, 40's to 55, friendly, fun, possible relationship. **BOX 13148**

SPUNKY LADY

18 year old, cute white female. Looking for a guy who is fun, single, white male, ages 18 to 21, 5'7" to 5'11", 130 to 150 lbs. **BOX 13375**

JUST RETURNED

44 year old female black in the area, 5'3", a little over 160 lbs. I am honest and need a good woman who can't wait to have fun. So give me a call. **BOX 13502**

ART LOVER

40 year old white professional, who enjoys art and music. Want to meet a professional male who is interested in a relationship. If you want a sweet and caring woman then give me a call. **BOX 10474**

BE HONEST

40 year old single woman seeking a non-smoking single male who is serious and ready for a long term relationship. Must be honest and willing to have fun. **BOX 10555**

LET'S GET TOGETHER

33 year old divorced professional female, 5'3", 120 lbs. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 11555**

IS THIS YOU?

46 year old black female, 5'8", 130 pounds. Seeking a single black male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 11555**

ARE YOU THE ONE?

23 year old single white European female. I am attractive, smart and no nonsense. Seeking a single white professional male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 15519**

CUTE GAL

Seeking a white male age 18 to 21, who enjoys art, music and sex. Give me a call. **BOX 15519**

COMPANION AND FRIEND

Single, 30 something, single, attractive, full figured, chiseled, 40 something, 5'8", 130 lbs. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 11555**

LET'S MEET

20 year old single white female, 5'8", 130 lbs. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 11555**

LET'S TALK

5'6", 123 pounds, thin, white, divorced female, 40 to 45 years old. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 11555**

HARD WORKING WOMAN

Full figured black female. Looking for a black male, 40 to 50 years old, who is hard working, a non smoker and non drinker. **BOX 1489**

SECRET MEETINGS

Big, beautiful, single black female. Looking for a fun loving, attractive, single black male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 13355**

A TRUE ROMANTIC

Do you enjoy good conversation? Do you enjoy a good meal? Do you enjoy a good drink? Do you enjoy a good dance? Do you enjoy a good love? **BOX 13355**

PARTY GIRL

40 and 1000s, 22 year old female with long brown hair. Love to party and you like to be able. Love your car. I'm looking for a white male, 22 and older. **BOX 25292**

LIGHT GREEN EYES

18 year old, 5'8", 120 lbs. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 13355**

DOUBLE DATING

2 female looking for 2 single guys for double dating. I'm 31, 5'7", 130 lbs. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 13355**

VERY OUTGOING LADY

Very pretty, 24 year old, 5'7", 125 lbs. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 11555**

LOOKING FOR GOOD TIME

Single black male looking for a single white female who likes hiking, going to the beach, and having fun. **BOX 10681**

GOOD GUY

6'1", divorced, white male, physically challenged looking for a female 30 to 40 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 10681**

SOMEONE TO CARE FOR

Single white professional male, 37, 5'10", 170 lbs. Looking for a single female, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 10681**

CROSS DRESSER WANTED

6'1" single white male, brown hair and blue eyes. Looking for a female 30 to 40 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 10681**

DISCREET FRIENDSHIP

37 year old, single white professional male. Easy going, fun loving, romantic, single white male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 10681**

LET'S HAVE SOME FUN

21 year old female who loves to have fun. I'd like you to have fun. Please let me hear from you. **BOX 3821**

LET'S ENJOY LIFE

Single female, 44, 5'8", 130 lbs. Looking for a single male, 24 to 30 years old, 150 to 200 lbs. **BOX 13355**

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Ford Motor Company introduces its new 1996 automobile lineup

Led by the stunning all-new Taurus, the latest version of America's best-selling car for the past three years, Ford Division and Ford dealers across the country enter the 1996 model year with a lineup of outstanding models.

With its trend-setting styling, spacious interior, high-performance engines, and customer-oriented new features, the 1996 Taurus is primed to match the sensational impact of the first Taurus 10 years ago.

All 1996 Ford cars come with the peace of mind of 24-hour Roadside Assistance, which delivers low truck and in case of a flat tire, empty gas tank or other roadside problems. Ford cars also offer the safety of a standard dual air bag supplemental restraint system. And many 1996 models provide the customer convenience and savings, thanks to 100,000-mile engine tune-up intervals under normal driving conditions with routine fluid and filter changes.

Here's a rundown on Ford Division cars for 1996, ranging from the subcompact Aspire to the full-size Crown Victoria.

FORD ASPIRE
The subcompact Aspire, which comes in three- and five-door hatchback versions, provides interior room for four adults and many safety features that are found in more expensive vehicles — including a standard dual air bag supplemental restraint system and standard child-proof rear door locks on the five-door model. With the rear seat folded down, the three-door Aspire has almost 38 cubic feet of cargo room; the five-door model has 41 cubic feet.

FORD ESCORT
A new electronic controller smooths the operation of the standard four-cylinder engine for 1996. The 1.9-liter four-cylinder engine calls for a tune-up only once every 100,000 miles under normal driving conditions, with routine fluid and filter changes. Under the Escort's One Price plan, any LX model — either three-, four-, five-door, or van — is offered at the same Manufacturer's Suggested Retail Price. The price includes air conditioning, AM/FM stereo, and more, with digital clock, dual remote-control mirrors, power steering and

rear window defogger. A sport appearance package with spoiler and cast aluminum wheels is available for three-, four- and five-door models at no additional cost. Escort also offers an optional integrated child seat for added security and convenience.

FORD MUSTANG
The 1996 Mustang features a freshened exterior with a modified grille treatment, new wheels and new taillamps. The Mustang GT for 1996 is powered by Ford's 4.6-liter single-overhead valve V-8 modular engine, rated at 213 horsepower. The limited edition Mustang Cobra is powered by a double-overhead-cam variant of the 4.6-liter V-8, delivering 305 hp. The 3.8-liter engine in the V-6 Mustang has been improved to perform better and more quietly than the V-6 engine used in previous models. It turns out 150 hp. The GT and Cobra models feature Ford's all-new Active Anti-Theft System.

FORD CONTOUR
The five-passenger Ford Contour sedan enters its second year on the market with improvements that enhance its reputation for performance, handling and advanced technology. To increase the comfort of rear-seat passengers, the backs of the two front seats in the 1996 Contour have a sculpted design, providing additional knee room. There are also five new colors. Offered in three series, Contour continues to be powered by a choice of two engines — the 170-horsepower, 2.5-liter, 24-valve DOHC Duratec V-6 or the 125-hp, 2.0-liter, 16-valve DOHC four-cylinder Zetec engine. Both engines are available in state-of-the-art manual or automatic transmissions.

A choice of two V-6 engines — each with 100,000-mile tune-up interval under normal driving conditions with routine fluid and filter changes — is available.

FORD THUNDERBIRD
A fresh new look comes to the Thunderbird for 1996, with styling enhancements to the front, sides and rear. With the elimination of the Super Coupe model, the focus is on the LX series, offered in a choice of two convenient "packages." — One keyed to the 3.8-liter V-6 engine, the other to the performance-oriented 4.6-liter V-8. And a new Sport Package with 16-inch aluminum wheels and a sport-tuned suspension can be ordered for the V-8 version. Optional chrome wheels and a perimeter anti-theft alarm system are new for 1996.

FORD TAURUS
Everything about the totally new 1996 Taurus is designed to make it perform better and be more customer-friendly. Its striking aerodynamic shape, for example, enhances fuel economy and road handling — and reduces wind noise. And the elliptical headlights, with their jewel-like complex reflectors, project a broader, brighter field of light for better visibility. Its rear design features a large, elliptical back window that provides excellent visibility, a low-threshold trunk, and highly visible taillights that are integrated into the body.

Interior, user-friendly design elements and features include an industry-first three-way flipfold console on six-passenger Taurus models that quickly converts from a center front seat to its own safety belts, to an armrest, to a center console with room for beverage cups, coins, audiotapes, etc. An innovative oval-shaped Integrated Control Panel, also an industry first, puts all climate-control and audio system switches into a single easy-to-use, easy-to-reach unit.

While its overall design may give the impression that the new Taurus is more compact than previous models, the interior is 17 percent larger and the body is five inches longer and nearly two inches wider. The new Taurus is offered in the GL and luxury LX series, in both four-door sedan and wagon models.

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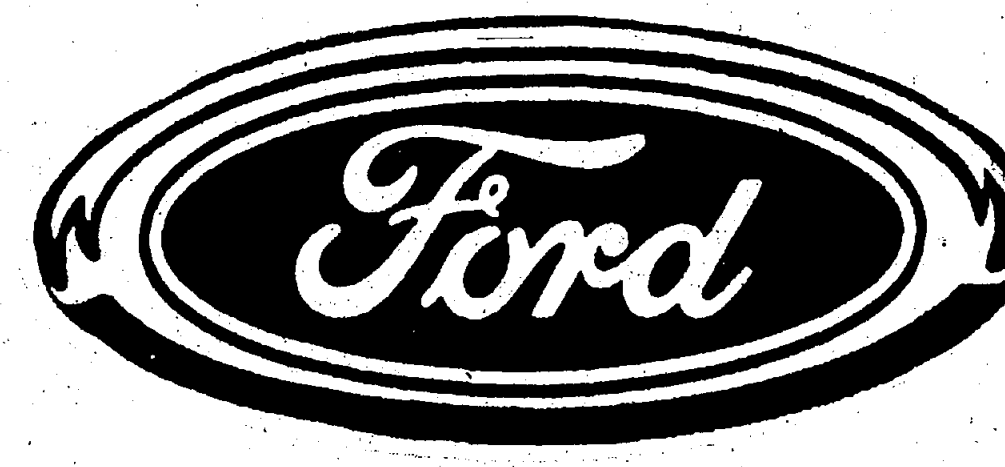
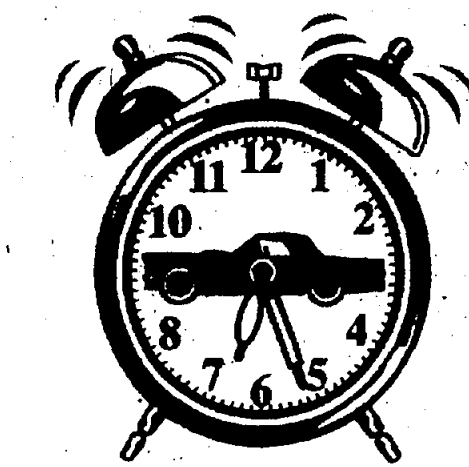
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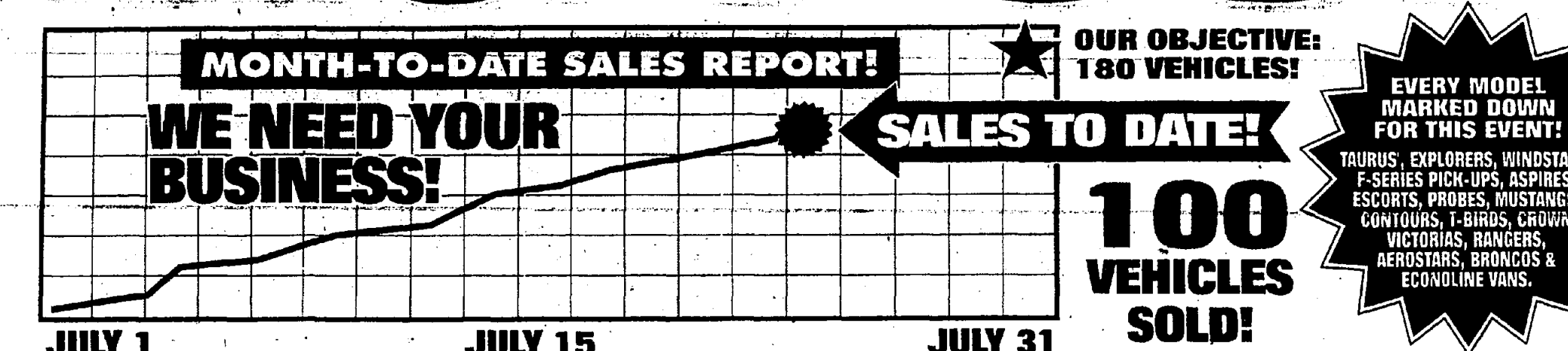
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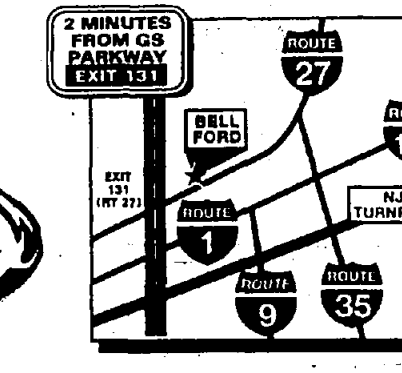
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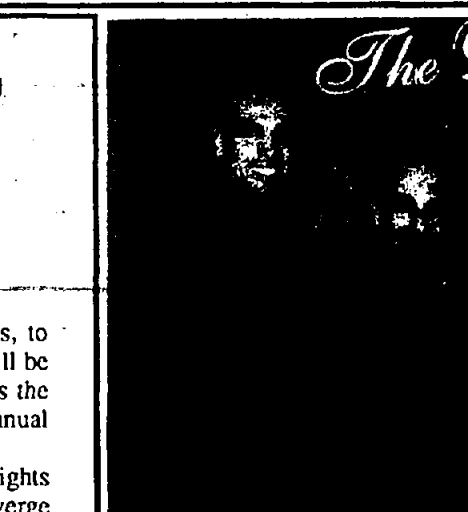
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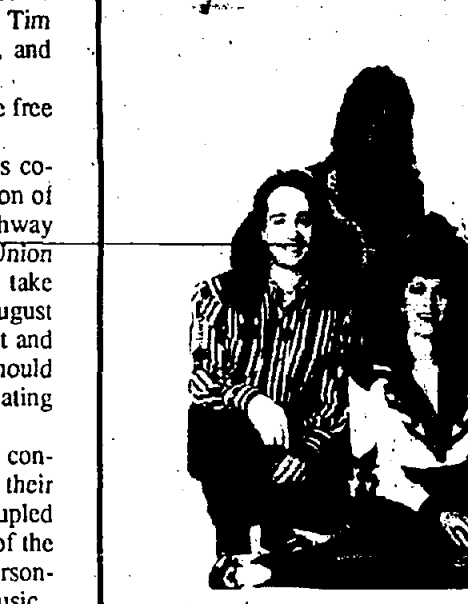
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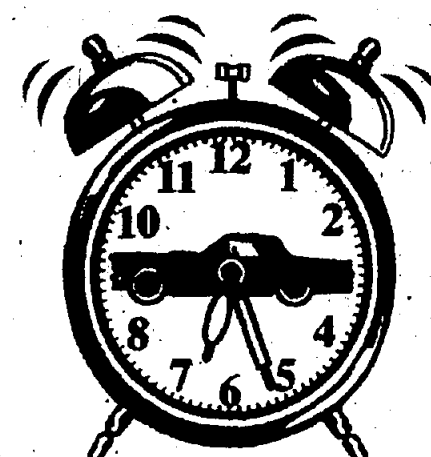
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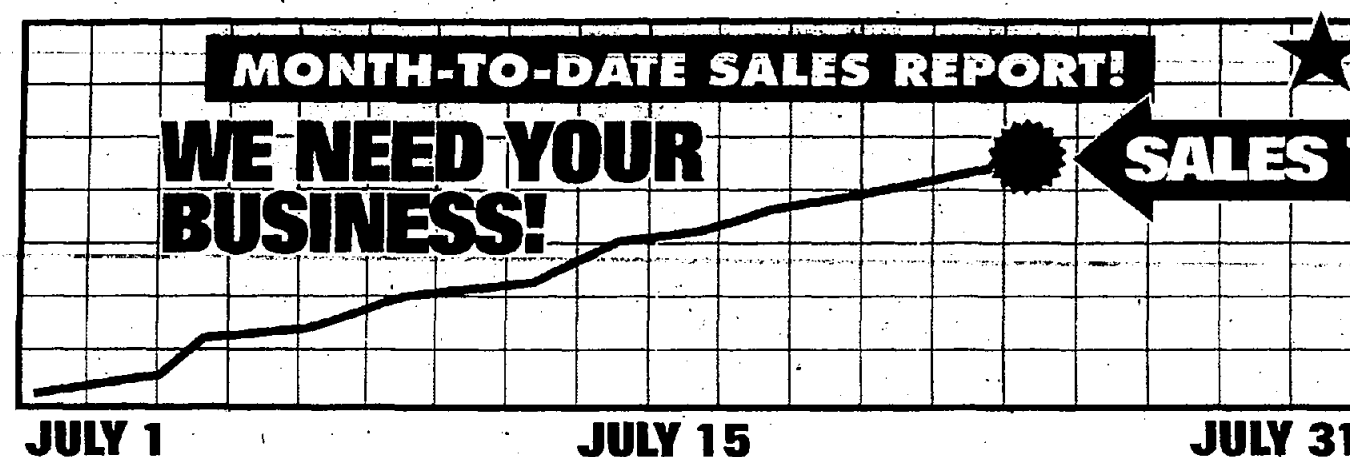
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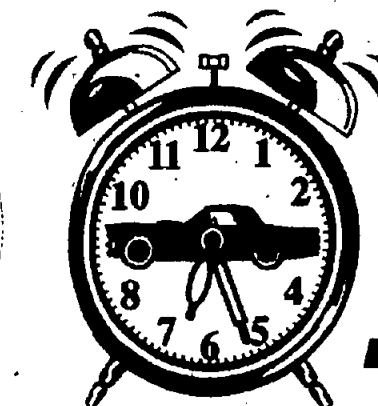
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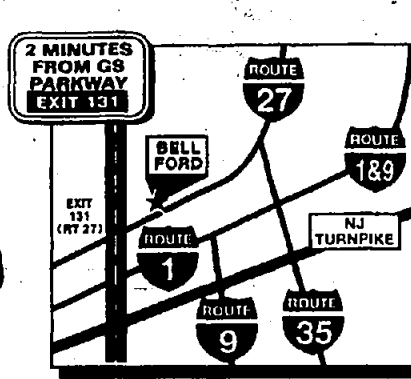
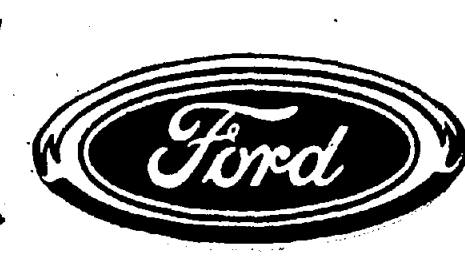
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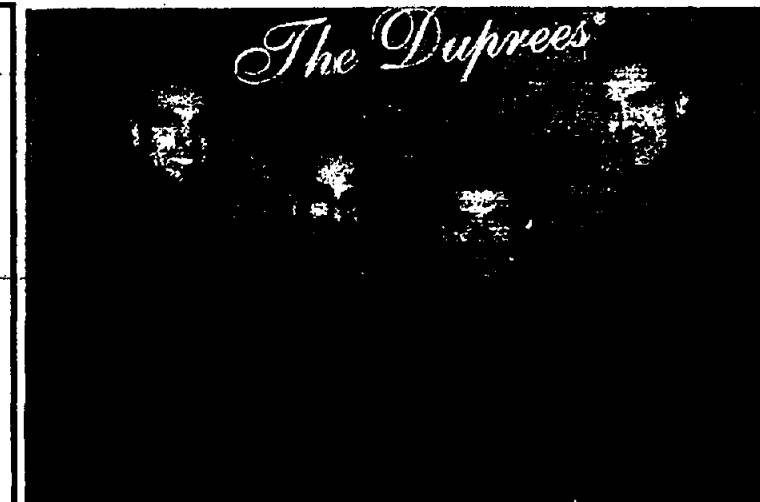
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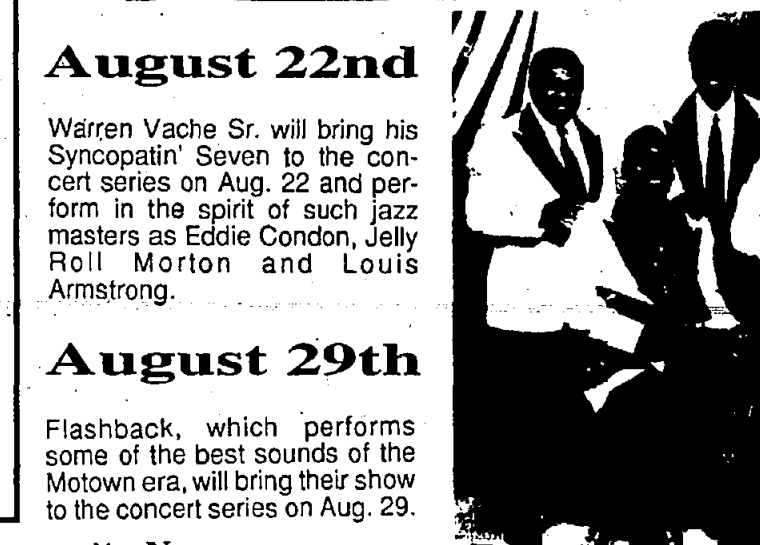
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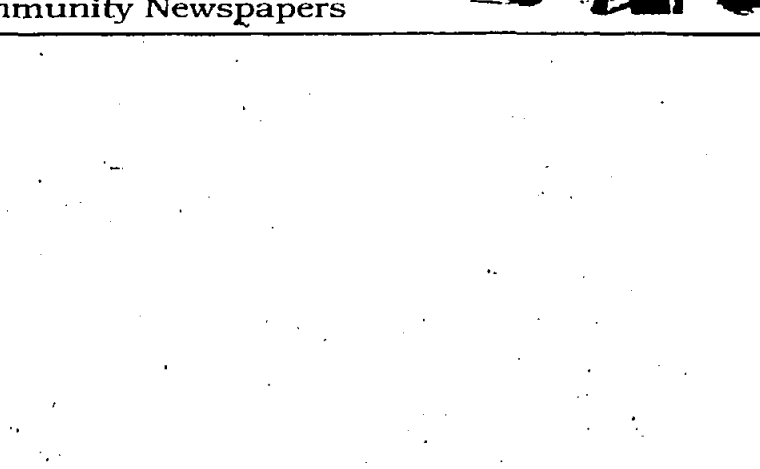
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Country western, Motown featured in concert series

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Wrapping up the series, on Aug. 29, will be Flashback, which will take listeners through a fascinating recreation of the Motown sounds of the Temptations, Four Tops and many more.

Flashback breathes new life into those favorite, fondly remembered songs, widely regarded as the unsalable cornerstones from a richly creative musical era.

In the event of rain, the Aug. 1 concert will be held as scheduled at the

Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., in Rahway.

Ralph Dunham, director of Recreation in Rahway, said he is looking forward to the concert series. "Two trial concerts last summer on Cherry Street were great hits and, due to those successes, the city has agreed to work hand in hand with the Rahway Center Partnership and the Union County Arts Center to focus its entire summer concert series in the downtown," he said.

Each concert will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. each Thursday.

West Main Street will be blocked to all but restaurant traffic from Elizabeth Avenue to Irving Street. Local restaurants, according to the Chamber of Commerce, will provide freshly prepared foods for concert goers, and a selection of classic cars will be on display.

Arts and crafts exhibit ends today

The annual Division of Parks and Recreation Summer Arts and Crafts Exhibit ends today at the Public Library on St. Georges Avenue.

Summer playground arts and crafts projects made by children who are registered on the 10 city playgrounds are on display. In addition, there are exhibits from the drawing and painting classes, ceramics and the special children's program.

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Mayor James Kennedy also said he is looking forward to the concert series.

"This summer is shaping up to be Rahway's best of many enjoyable events for families throughout the city," Kennedy said, "and I am proud to say that this is just a part of the comprehensive overhaul my administration has done to improve our

recreational and cultural offerings for Rahway residents.

"I hope this season's expanded concert schedule will permit residents to enjoy a summer evening downtown while listening to good music," he said.

For more information, call the Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation at 827-2045.

Concert Schedule

Aug. 1	.....	Duprees	.....	Oldies
Aug. 8	.....	Jesse Morrison Trio	.....	Jazz
Aug. 15	.....	Tim Gillis Band	.....	New Country
Aug. 22	.....	Syncopatin' Seven	.....	Dixieland
Aug. 29	.....	Motown Revue with Flashback	.....

'The Shocker' to be presented during Tim Gillis performance

The Rahway Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a monster truck, "The Shocker," as the centerpiece of a big truck show which will be presented in conjunction with the Tim Gillis Band's new country and western night to be held outdoors on West Main Street, adjacent to the Union County Arts Center, on Aug. 15 beginning at 6 p.m.

"This is the type of truck which appeals to the Tim Allen of 'Home Improvement' fame in all of us," said Bill Brenner, president of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce. "You've got to see this thing! A 1987 Chevy with a 454 Tunnel Ram engine fed by dual Holly 600 pumps driving a Turbo 400 manual valve body transmission with 5-ton Military Rears all sitting atop nearly 6-foot Goodyear tires is the essence of more power."

The Tim Gillis Band is the third concert in the Mayor's Summer Concert Series, which is sponsored by the Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation, the Union County Arts Center and the Rahway Center Partnership.

The Tim Gillis Band performance will feature off road 4 x 4 vehicles provided by various truck and 4 wheel drive clubs.

City's Farmer's Market is open for business

A little bit of the country has come to the city, as the Saturday Farmer's Market returns to the downtown to provide shoppers with the chance to buy produce fresh from New Jersey farms.

According to Bob Markey, Rahway Center Partnership volunteer marketplace manager, "Produce will be picked fresh from the fields just hours before its arrival downtown. The RCP is extremely pleased to bring this activity downtown with the help of the Rahway Parking Authority and the Department of Agriculture." Markey added that as a result of the RCP's efforts, a \$1,000 grant was received from the state to promote the marketplace.

The market is one of 25 Jersey fresh markets within the region and this marks the second season of the city's affiliation with the North Jersey Farmer's Market Council. Ed Ferdon, president of the council, noted that "these markets help the continuation of farming in New Jersey by providing an outlet for the farmers to sell directly to the consumer, thereby avoiding the middleman. The markets also provide the chance for local residents to enjoy the same produce quality that they could only otherwise obtain from a farmstead."

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This season the marketplace will be expanded to include quality home cooked meals for hungry shoppers as well as an assortment of vendors selling new and used merchandise.

The market has already begun and will run Saturdays through Oct. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Its new location is on Irving Street in Municipal Parking Lot F at the corner of Broad Street, opposite the Rahway Parking Authority.

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Returning to a sense of community pride

Concert series is dream for unity.

By Tom Canavan
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Rahway Mayor James Kennedy wants residents to feel a sense of pride in their community.

Perhaps that is why so much seems to be going on in Rahway that involves the residents of the city. This year's Mayor's Concert Series is no different.

Began four years ago, the series has grown to five weekly concerts with performances by a variety of musicians to appeal to the tastes of all residents. The location this year has even changed — to accommodate the growing number of people who attend the series and give it a more cultural appeal.

Until this year, the series of concerts were held either on Hart Street or on Cherry Street. This year they have moved to West Main and Irving streets, adjacent to the Union County Arts Center.

The series is also being promoted more widely, especially through advertising.

But how did it begin?

According to Kennedy, a few years ago, he and Recreation Director Ralph Dunham discussed the need in the community to broaden the recreation base, not just gearing programs toward the city's youth, but offering a variety of programs to the community as a whole.

Born from those discussions was the concert series. "We started with the concert series, learned from our mistakes and improved on the program each year. This year will be the best program of all the years we have been doing this," Kennedy said.

Each Thursday night in August, West Main and Irving streets will be the home to musicians such as the Duprees, the Tim Gillis Band, Flashback, the Syncoptin' Seven and the Jesse Morrison Trio. The series is a partnership among the Division of Parks and Recreation, the Union County Arts Center and the Rahway Center Partnership.

"We're promoting it a bit stronger this year than we have in the past," Kennedy said.

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Similar attempts at raising community spirit this year came with the city's efforts at creating a drive-in theater anywhere at City Hall where residents could pull into the City Hall parking lot and watch movies on a big screen as if they were at an actual drive-in movie theater. The first film to be shown, "Casablanca," saw a small audience, but the second film, "Pacalontas," was a success among city residents.

"We set up a big screen outside of City Hall, and that's something we will also build on," Kennedy said.

"This gets back to our commitment to the entire community. We feel that summer recreation can also be passive, instead of always being active," he said, referring to the traditional menu of summer recreation programs which municipalities offer to their youth. "The Big Band feature at the concert series is very popular. The seniors absolutely love it."

Kennedy acknowledged that although the concert series has been an annual event for the last four years, this year, an election year, there has been some slack, but he dismisses the complaints among the politicians because "from those who attend, we get

nothing but compliments," he said. "This concert series and all the other recreation programs that we are offering give you a sense of pride in your community and that's important. What we're accomplishing is good communal spirit. It's fun to see people come out with their lawn chairs and enjoy the evening. It's a very friendly atmosphere."

The cost, while part of the Recreation budget, is actually split between the Recreation Department and the musicians' unions. The cost is worth it, though, according to the mayor, because "it keeps the cultural alive and well in Rahway."

Each concert will begin at 7 p.m. and end at 9 p.m. In the event of rain, they will be held inside the Union County Arts Center theater, 1601 Irving St.

Kennedy said he is already thinking about next year's concert series and will heed the advice of those who attend this year's series.

"We're going to continue to improve through suggestions, which come from the people in attendance," he said. "You'll see seniors dancing with the Big Band. There will be some macadam this year if they want to get up and kick their shoes off."

Brass — and all that jazz



Rahway Summer Band School will present a band concert tonight at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium at the Rahway Intermediate School. This represents the end of five weeks of preparation by area students from beginners to advanced. The free evening of entertainment is made possible by the Rahway Department of Parks and Recreation, and by the support of the PTAs of Cleveland, Franklin, Madison and Roosevelt schools, Pascale Realty, Rahway Community Mothers Club, Rahway Elks Lodge 1075, Rahway Knights of Columbus Lodge 1146, Rahway Savings Institution and Saliga and Markey Real Estate.

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The City of Rahway Tennis Courts, located on Richard Boulevard behind Madison School, are open to Rahway residents on a first come, first serve basis. The courts will however, be supervised weekdays from 4 to 8 p.m.

It will be during the supervised hours that the courts will be restricted to players who have purchased season or daily passes. Proof of residency must be presented by registrants, such as driver's license, voter registration card, school I.D., etc., when applying for a pass. Passes may be acquired at the Rahway Division of Recreation, 1 City Hall Plaza, Rahway.

The fee schedule for the 1996 season is as follows: family pass, \$6; individual pass \$3; youth pass (17 and under), \$2; daily pass, per court/per hour, resident \$1 and non-resident, \$3. Reservations may be made by registered holders only, three days in advance by phone or in person at the Rahway Recreation Department, Mondays through Fridays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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The Teen Summer Reading Program is for those students from grade six through high school. Anyone interested in participating should go to the reference desk and obtain a folder for recording what they read, and a complete schedule of activities.

Registration is open until Aug. 5.

Among the field trips planned were visits to South Street Seaport on July 9, and a sailing excursion along the Hudson River on the sloop Clearwater on Aug. 7. Still in the planning stage is the opportunity to fly in a small plane with Eagle Explorers. Anyone who wants to participate in these activities must reserve their seat with \$1 and be an active reader. Buses leave from the library parking lot, and return there, as well.

Activities in the library are also varied. The first program was a cultural night, when all readers were invited to bring some food of a foreign country, and join in the music and poetry readings. The schedule also

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included sculpture negotiations, wading T-shirts, and a murder night in the library, which will take place July 31.

A three-part program on theater skills will happen in late July. Readers will write their own play, while learning about set building and the other tasks that lead up to a performance. The play itself will come to life on Aug. 1.

For the top 30 readers, the final activity

will be a trip to Medieval Times in Lyndhurst. After the bus ride, the participants will travel back in time to when knights were bold, and meals were eaten without forks.

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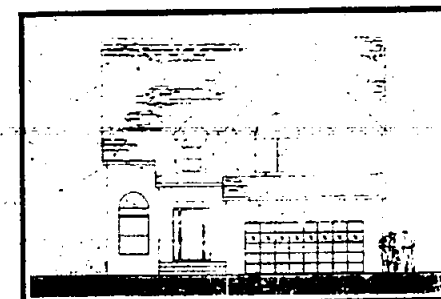


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Chamber president sees technology in business' future

By Tom Canavan
Editor in Chief

Getting businesses in Rahway on the Internet is one of Bill Brenner's goals. If businesses are on the Internet, he reasons, their sales could increase by perhaps 20 or 30 percent.

And as technology moves rapidly into the 21st century, there is a strong need for the creation of a web site to assist businesses in the city.

Since being elected president of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce on June 27, Brenner has been thinking more and more about the web site, and how it could help businesses not only in downtown Rahway, but throughout the city as well.

The 32-year-old network engineer for Storage Technologies said he feels communication through advances in technology can help small business owners as well as large business owners.

"I would like to see the chamber and all of its members get involved in technology, such as the creation of a web site," Brenner said. "We need more advanced communication between businesses. There's a lot of technology out there that can help business owners, even small business owners."

The kind of communication he is referring to is in the fields of advertising and marketing. "There is niche marketing on the web. People are looking for specific items on the Internet, and if they find the items, they can do their business. And they don't even have to come to Rahway to do it,"

"People are at home, they are on the Internet, they see the page, and decide to do business. You never know what's out there."

— Bill Brenner, President
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Brenner said, "I've seen some local pharmacies that have web sites increase their business by 30 percent simply from mail order."

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"People are at home, they are on the Internet, they see the page, and decide to do business," Brenner said. "You never know what's out there."

New executive director

To move the chamber in that direction, a new position has been created.

Rose Henderson was appointed executive director of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce in June and will be charged with networking among business owners, advertising for businesses, and advancing the Rahway directory. At least for the short term, More will be expected after October, Brenner said.

The idea of appointing a person to a part-time position within the chamber was the brainchild of former chamber President Joe Rema, who, Brenner said, wanted to see more progress coming out of the Rahway Chamber of Commerce.

"Rose's involvement is a part-time employee who has the luxury of being able to go throughout the city and talking with business owners much more than anyone could do on a volunteer basis," Brenner said.

"The past president, realizing that perhaps an incoming president would not be a business owner in Rahway, also realized that so much more could be done for businesses, but that we would need a person dedicated to the job."

That incoming president is Brenner, who has lived in Rahway for more than 40 years. He will serve a two-year term as president of the chamber.

Since he moved into Rahway, Brenner said he has seen a great deal of progress in the city as far as business is concerned. Part of it, he said, is due to the Rahway Center Partnership and the Chamber of Commerce.

"There is a great deal of advertising coming from the Rahway Center Partnership, and they have promotions that are drawing many people to the city," Brenner said. Two of these promotions are the Farmer's Market, which takes place every Saturday through

October, and the Mayor's Concert Series, which begins next week for a five-week period through August. In fact, the Chamber of Commerce is sponsoring a "monster truck" which will appear Aug. 15 at 6 p.m. prior to the performance by the Tim Gittis Band. During the last month, most of the time taken up by the board of the Chamber of Commerce has been with the transfer of the presidency, so Brenner said he is not certain of the proposals the chamber will give to Henderson.

"Until October," he said, "we will have her focused on the directory. It's a great publication from the chamber, not only for business owners, but for homeowners as well. It's so good and used so often that we might consider changing the name to 'The Block.'"

In mid-October, the chamber will make Henderson's primary focus be the advertising for the Rahway Business Directory. She also will be selling space for the chamber's newsletter during that time, he said.

Another impact on the downtown business district, Brenner said, could be the Rahway Train Station. "When commuters come home and see a completely different atmosphere from what they were once used to, could give them incentive to shop downtown," he said. But that can only be assisted by business owners who would be willing to stay open later to be able to greet the commuters, Brenner said.

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City targeting parks, bike paths and vistas

By Tom Canavan
 Editor in Chief

The City of Rahway is sprucing up its parks this summer and is embarking on a project that will create a bike path as well as opening some river vistas.

According to Mayor James Kennedy, a bike path should be ready in August that will travel down River Road and cross Whittier Street and ultimately end at the Rahway Train Station.

The city recently received a \$75,000 federal grant from transportation funds for the bike path. "It's an alternate route of transportation, which doesn't necessarily have to be used to go to the train station," Kennedy said. "I can envision a lot of Merck employees using it for jogging at lunch time."

In addition, the mayor's Aesthetics Committee will try to create a couple vistas along the way, especially along the river.

"We're trying to highlight the river in a couple of areas," Kennedy said. "During high tide off Hazelwood Avenue, residents will be able to see the river in its fullness. We're already starting to see cranes in the area."

Parks are another area that are being targeted this summer.

The Aesthetics Committee has taken a piece of property at the corner of Whittier Street and Grand Avenue and has treated the lawn. "In the fall, it will be putting in some trees and shrubs and that will be our benchmark," Kennedy said.

"By St. Georges and Westfield avenues, we've highlighted the beach area and built a string wall around it and planted flowers. We did the same at the adjacent park on the other side of the highway and put in a wall and put in dogwood and other plants."

Kennedy said residents should be proud of the progress in the city. "Interestingly, if you ride St. Georges Avenue from Elizabeth to North Amherst, Rahway is by far the nicest stretch along the corridor. We have open parks, some open space and some beautiful buildings along the way. I'm proud of that."

We put in two community signs that serve as book ends. One is for the arts center, which always posts the current events at the center, and also on Westfield Avenue, where we highlight the current events of the city," he said.

Crafty wall hangings



Children participating in the Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation's summer playground program at Stein Field prepare to make Indian wall hangings with Arts and Crafts Director Ellen Zyr, standing.

Exhibits to be displayed through today

The annual Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation Summer Arts and Crafts Exhibit will be held through today at the Rahway Public Library on St. Georges Avenue in Rahway.

Summer playground arts and crafts projects made by the children of Rahway who are registered on the 10 city playgrounds will be displayed.

In addition, there will be exhibits from the Drawing and Painting classes, Ceramics and the Special Children's Program. Trophies will be awarded for first, second and third places.

The public is invited to come and view the exhibit. For more information on Recreation Programs, contact the Division at 827-2345.

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Seniors adopted for landscaping project

By Tom Cavanaugh
Editor in Chief

There's a senior citizen on Elm Street who is looking out her front window today and marveling at how finely trimmed her lawn is and how sharply her shrubs are. Within the next couple months, three more senior citizens, from locations throughout Rahway, will have an opportunity to share the same view from their own front windows.

Four locations are being targeted this summer by Rahway Mayor James Kennedy's Aesthetics Committee, which recently embarked on a project to perform landscaping on the properties of senior citizens who may not have the ability or means to have the landscaping done themselves.

Because they are senior citizens, in some cases widows or widowers, the names and locations of the individuals are being withheld.

The idea for the project began earlier this week, when, according to Kennedy, he saw a senior citizen come out of her house, pick up a piece of debris on the ground, looked back at the property and became overwhelmed by what her property looked like.

"You could feel the anxiety of her being overwhelmed," Kennedy said. "It was then that I got the feeling to start this program."

The committee, which has labeled the program the "Adopt-a-Senior Project," consists of about 25 volunteers who include master gardeners and tree experts who give advice in the area of landscaping.

'You could feel the anxiety of her being overwhelmed. It was then that I got the feeling to start this program.'

— Mayor James Kennedy

The purpose of the project, the first of which began Saturday, is to help elderly residents of Rahway restore their property to its original majesty, according to Kennedy. The Aesthetics Committee, along with various volunteer groups, provide the labor and help the residents with the upkeep of the grounds.

Four locations have been targeted, the second expected to occur within the next two weeks, Kennedy said.

"One home belongs to a woman who lost her son in Vietnam and she is at a point in her life where she cannot do gardening anymore," Kennedy said. "We took 150 widows or widowers, and we re-created the beds and trim out the trees. This is a service that would have had to cost someone several thousands of dollars. We have 25 volunteers and there are 40 bags of debris that we collected just in the street. The property is 300 feet across, and the street is lined with 300 feet of clippings. This is our largest project. We felt that if we could make a dent in this one, the rest would be easy."

Kennedy said he has learned a lot about the needs of seniors as he has talked to them about the service.

"There seems to be an anxiety that, as much as they appreciate the service, it must trigger quite a few emotions from helplessness to being very overwhelmed," he said. "When we completed this job, the individual was very happy. When the debris is removed from the street, they'll get a better sense of what took place."

The project was scheduled to take place between 9 a.m. and noon, but because of the amount of work, it began at 8 a.m., and the committee completed the task at 2 p.m. During the next meeting of the Aesthetics Committee, the mayor said he will fine-tune the team and target the areas where there were problems.

The committee will not return to the home and maintain the property. That will be left to the residents. Basically, the program helps the elderly resident reach a starting point in the maintenance of their property.

"We made it a lot easier to maintain. We called it someone who cuts the lawn for her," Kennedy said.

Kennedy said the four locations were chosen.

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Robin Alt

Alt to compete

Robin Alt, 6, of Rahway has been selected to compete in the New Jersey Petite Pageant scheduled for Aug. 8 and 9 at the Sheraton-Woodbridge Place in Teaneck.

Alt will be attending first grade this fall at St. Agnes School in Clark. She studies dance at Sharmakers Dance-Ensemble in Linden.

Seniors adopted for new project

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sen based on what he had seen during his travels around the city.

"This is a rewarding program. In the five years that I have been mayor, I have never had a committee that had so much enthusiasm and enjoyed themselves. And Saturday, you couldn't have asked for a nicer day. If we could only keep things on a positive note."

The Aesthetics Committee was formed last year with a few volunteers who had begun a beautification program. Under the program, judges combed the city looking at the fronts of houses for landscaping features that showed that the owners cared about their property. Its purpose was to create an awareness of beautification, and hopefully to pass that beautification feeling to other residents.

"We're now at a point where quite a few people enter and it has become very competitive," Kennedy said, noting that a contest for commercial property is separate from residential.

"This is as much of an awareness program as anywhere else and it raises the quality of life in the community. When you have people who take exceptional care of their homes, it certainly adds to the beauty in the city," Kennedy said.

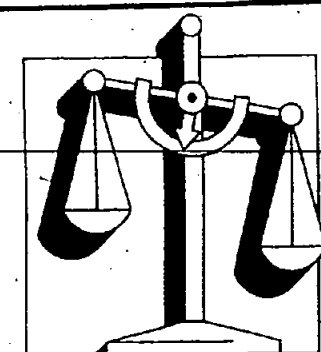
Getting ready to be creative



Clara Beaton, assistant arts and crafts director, and Gina Warvel, counselor, back row, get ready to start an arts and crafts project at Roosevelt Field as part of the Division of Parks and Recreation's summer playground program.

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At Roosevelt Field Park in Rahway, some of the children are participating in the basketball games. Here, counselor Barry Oliver, back row, prepares to play some hoops with a few of the children who are taking part in the summer playground program offered by the Division of Parks and Recreation.

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Both pools, John Russell Wheeler Pool, West Simpson Avenue in Linden, and the Walter Ulrich Memorial Pool, Rahway River Park, St. Georges Avenue in Rahway, feature adult and children's pools. A variety of swimming lessons are offered at the Rahway pool. On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, Wheeler Pool swim times will be 1 to 6 p.m. On Tuesdays and Thursdays, hours are 1 to 8 p.m. Ulrich Pool's hours will be 1 to 6 p.m. on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Hours on Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays are 1 to 6 p.m. weekends and holidays, both pools will be open from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Daily admission fees are \$4 for adult county residents; \$8 for out-of-county adult. Discounted rates are available for youths 17 years and younger, and seniors 62 and older. Ten and 30-visit discount cards are also on sale. Identification will be required before admission and the out-of-county rate will be charged. No one under the age of 12 will be admitted without an adult.

Parents are advised that the capacity of both pools is set according to safety regulations. Admission will be limited by the pool manager. Once a pool has reached capacity, no further admissions will be allowed that day.

For more information, call either Ulrich Pool at (908) 381-4045 or Wheeler Pool at (908) 862-0777. Ulrich and Wheeler pools are accessible facilities of the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

Library still offering summer programs

It's not too late for kids to take advantage of the summer cultural education programs available at the Rahway Public Library. This year's theme for grades one to six is stories and crafts from around the world:

- On Wednesdays, 10 to 11 a.m., grades one to three; Storytime and Craft:
- July 31, stories and a craft from England.
- Aug. 7, stories and a craft from Africa.
- On Tuesdays, from 2 to 3 p.m., grades four to six; crafts from around the world:
- July 30, Sweden — Book Trolls.
- On Aug. 5, from 10:15 to 11:15 a.m.; Puppet show "Aesop's Fables" is open to children of all ages.

Rahway Library also offers preschool Storytime and Craft, Color and Shape Bingo, and Nighttime Storytime for preschoolers. Book Bingo is offered for children who can read well. All programs will run through the first week in August. For more information, contact the children's section of the Rahway Library at 381-4110.

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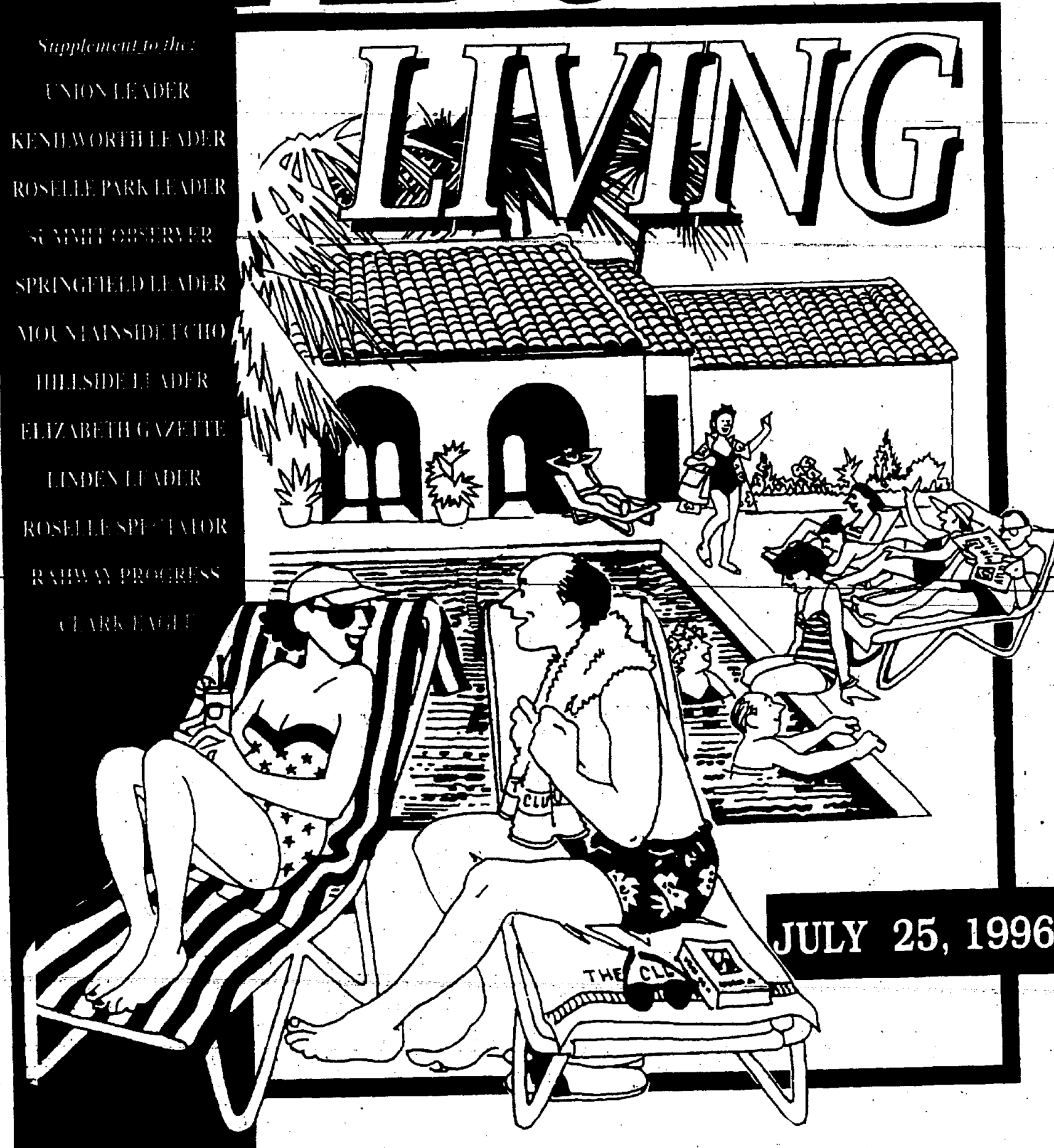
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Throughout life, clothes say a lot about adults

Fashion is history: A certain first lady's pink suit and pillbox hat defined an era. A 1980s pop diva made black eyeliner, leather, and fishnet stockings the sought-after look for a different decade.

American fashion reflects changes in history and culture. A particular outfit can sometimes give information about a certain year or years that a history book cannot.

Take a look back at the some of the fashion statements during these times. When Hubert Humphrey was nominated for president in 1968, you may have donned a tie-dyed shirt and blue jeans and worn your hair long, or you may have opted for go-go boots, a micro mini skirt and back-combed hair. Your make-up would have been quick frosted blue eye shadow and pale pink lipstick.



As proved here, fashion statements change over the years.

When Sandra Day O'Connor was appointed to the Supreme Court in 1981, you may have dressed just like her in a stiff navy blue suit with a conservative patterned scarf tied at your neck. Your skirt came just to the knee and you wore nude pantyhose.

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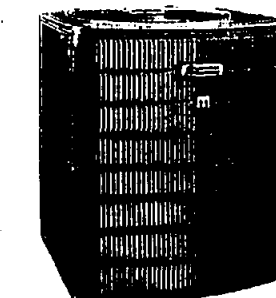
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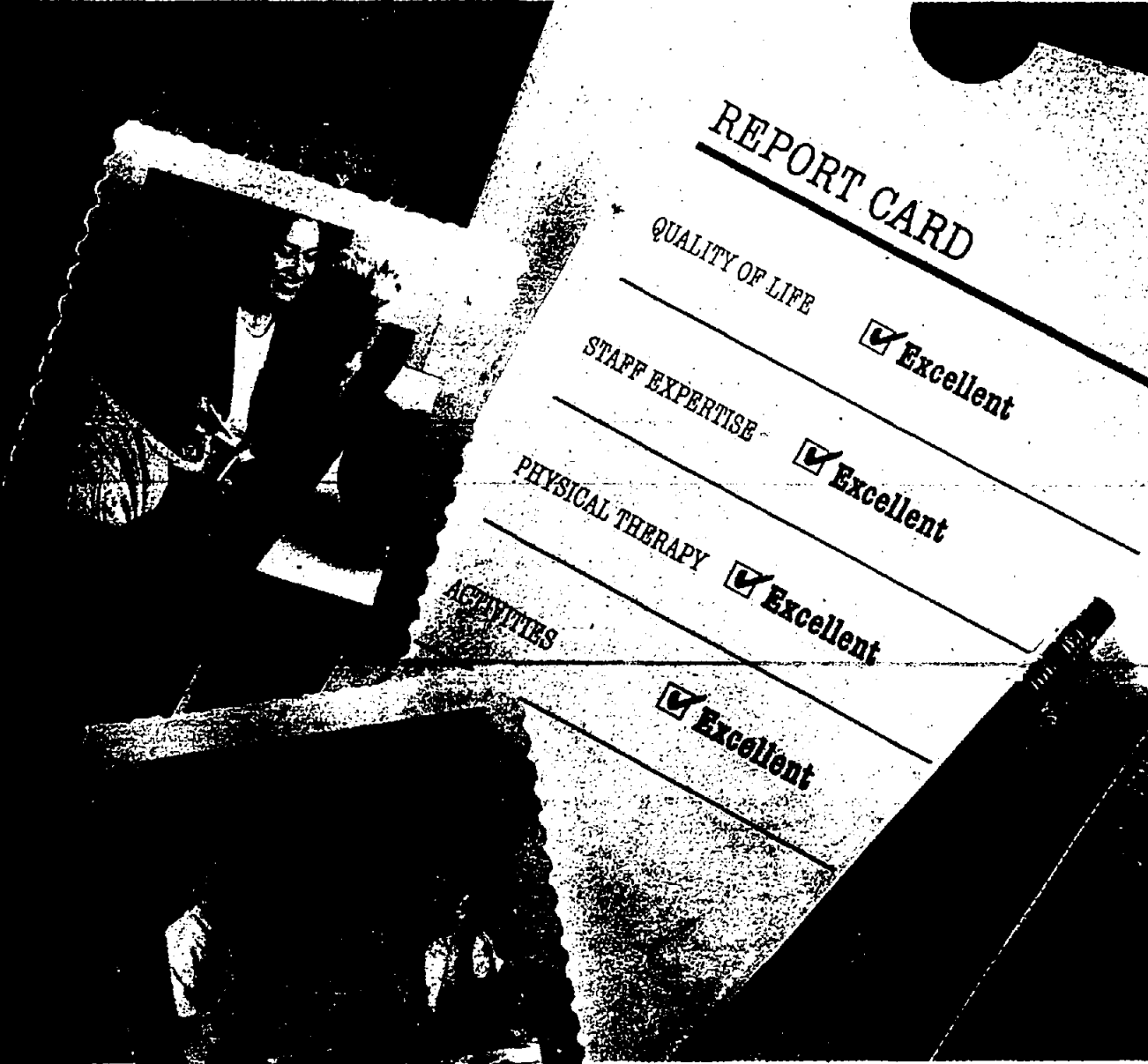
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Many people may think an employer is only someone running a business, but employers can be anywhere, even at home. All it takes is a household employee such as a maid, cook or gardener. What is a difference between a maid you hire and a maid service? The basic difference is degree of control. A maid service usually controls what work is done and how it's done. The service usually provides the tools and pays the workers. However, when homeowners hire a maid, babysitter, cook or gardener and can fire them, too, and when they can control what work is done and how it's done, they become household employees. Employers have tax responsibilities other people do not. First, they usually need an employer identification number that they can apply for by mail or telephone. They must keep a record of the name and Social Security number of each employee for tax purposes. Household employees may have to withhold Social Security and Medicare tax from employee wages, as well as pay an equal amount from their own funds. Federal income tax must be withheld if the employee asks for it and they agree. Finally, depending on the amount of wages paid to employees, household employers may have to pay federal unemployment tax or advance payment of the earned income tax credit if the employee qualifies for it. For specific information on household employment taxes and getting an EIN, call (800) 829-3676 and ask for a free copy of the "Household Employer's Tax Guide."

Arc's program needs friendly volunteers

How would you like to become a friend to someone who really needs one? The Arc of Union County's Citizen Advocacy Program is looking for volunteers to work one-on-one with individuals who have developmental disabilities. Having a friend can make a wonderful difference in the life of a person with a disability. Such friendships can help them become more self-sufficient and develop greater self-esteem. Volunteers can gain satisfaction from seeing the growth attained by their special friend. If you would like to know more about the Arc's Citizen Advocacy Program, contact Goldberg at (908) 754-7658.

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Advice on Funeral Planning

Because families must arrange a funeral service when they are most vulnerable emotionally, it's important to make decisions based on one's own past experience and good judgment. That's the advice of Hugo F. Barth III, partner in Haebler, Barth of Union, Smith and Smith of Springfield and Brough Funeral Home in Summit. "When families choose a funeral director at the time of a death, they should seek out a home in which they feel comfortable as a result of their own experience in visiting friends and relatives who have lost loved ones," Barth says. As a third-generation principal of a 89-year old family establishment, Barth believes that those who must make arrangements at the time of need should also consult a trusted friend or relative who has been involved in planning a funeral in the recent past. "I'd suggest that they ask the friend or relative if they had felt comfortable with the professionalism of the funeral director and the sensitivity of the staff," Barth continues. "If the individual consulted shares the same values, the comments should weigh heavily in the decision-making process." Although most funerals are arranged at the time of a death, a growing number of thoughtful individuals are pre-planning their own arrangements, Barth points out. "By pre-arranging a funeral, one is assured of having precisely the type of service he or she would prefer—and avoid leaving the decisions to others who might not be familiar with the wishes of the deceased." "Pre-arranging one's funeral is really nothing more than sensible planning, just as making out a will or purchasing life insurance are steps most prudent people take," Barth notes. Haebler & Barth, Smith and Brough Funeral Home offer free booklets that provide complete details on pre-planning.

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Football veteran shows how its done online

Ninety-seven-year-old Arda Bowser recently participated in an ABC Sports promotion that propelled him into cyberspace.

Bowser, the oldest living National Football League player, was featured on ABC Sports' Super Bowl XXX page on America Online with his own 45-minute "cyberchat."

At any given moment during the chat, more than 75 AOL subscribers throughout the world keyed in their questions as Bowser shared his experiences, as a member of the 1922 NFL champion team, the Canton Bulldogs of Ohio.

"At first, the whole idea of an interview over the computer seemed too complicated to me," Bowser said. "But I enjoyed the concept of answering a question once and reaching perhaps millions of people in an instant."

For two days prior to the cyberchat, ABC Sports ran a color photo of Bowser on AOL, along with press information.

Bowser's cyberchat had the potential to reach more than 4.5 million AOL subscribers worldwide.

The theme of Bowser's cyberchat was "change." While today's pro football players play one game a week, Bowser often played two. During the first-ever NFL season, he played for the Bulldogs and also for the Frankford Yellow Jackets, a semi-pro team from Philadelphia.

"I once played four games in four days. My coach said I was resilient," Bowser said during the chat. "I had to look the word up. I didn't know what resilient meant."

Bowser also revealed that he was the first

NFL kicker to use a specialized steel-tipped kicking shoe — an "invention" he improvised himself by tacking a piece of metal onto the toe of his cleats.

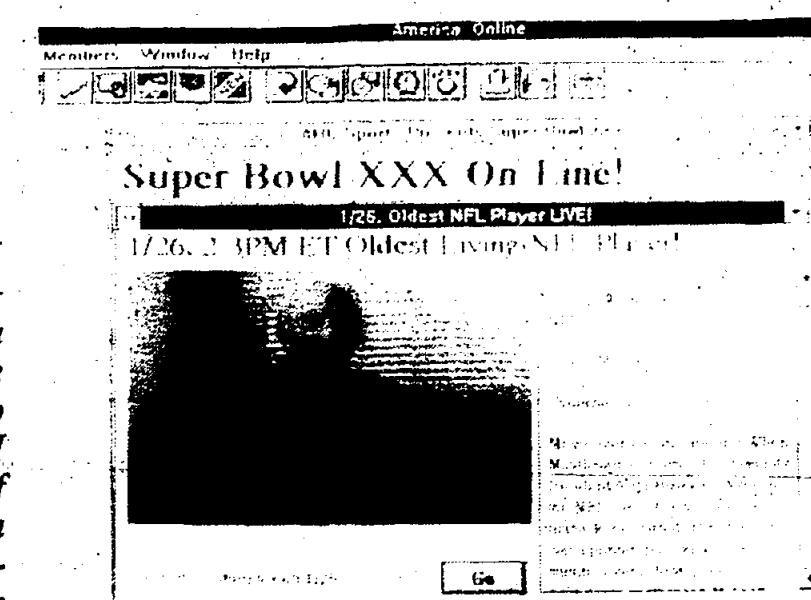
"I was the earliest user of the kicking shoe," he said. "But a guy from the Chicago Bears saw my shoe when we played them in 1923. He copied the idea and took it to a sports store. Back then, I never thought about patenting the idea, but I sure wish I had."

'At first, the whole idea of an interview over the computer seemed too complicated to me, but I enjoyed the concept of answering a question once and reaching perhaps millions of people in an instant.'

— Arda Bowser
NFL veteran, age 97

Several years earlier, when playing college football in Bucknell, Bowser's creativity resulted in what was said to be the first rudimentary version of the kick-off tee — scoops of mud, made in a washbasin on the sidelines and formed into a little "hill" on which the ball was placed each time Bowser kicked off.

"They say I was the first to kick off the



Arda Bowser, who, at age 97, is the oldest living NFL player, shows how to use modern technology as he leads a "cyberchat" on America Online. He's no stranger to new tools. Bowser said he was the first player to use steel on the tips of his cleats for kicking footballs — in 1923.

"tee" — if you could call it that," he said. Bowser charmed many with his wry humor, including the ABC Sports news team.

ABC Producer Tim Perpetti said Bowser's cyberchat was "one of the best I've ever experienced. Bowser recalls details

from the games he played 75 years ago — he's incredible."

When ABC asked Bowser for a closing comment, he answered, "I really liked chatting with all of you. Come back again next year. If I'm alive, we'll discuss it further."

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Hospice tries alternative to health care

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The dynamic world of health care is especially complicated for senior citizens. With all elements of the system changing on an almost daily basis, senior citizens are being forced to address issues that didn't even exist until a few years ago.

The Center for Hope Hospice has been providing answers to seniors in need ever since its inception in the late 1970s. When families in need cried out for home hospice care for their terminally ill loved ones, the interdisciplinary team from the Center for Hope Hospice provided the solutions. The organization learned about the needs of the community during these initial experiences.

"We found out that a great many terminally ill individuals lacked a primary caregiver," said Margaret J. Coloney, president and co-founder of the Center for Hope Hospice. "And for some people being at home wasn't the best alternative."

The entrepreneurial spirit which so frequently characterizes the Center for Hope Hospice led to the opening of Theo House. Located off North Broad Street in Elizabeth, Theo House has provided autonomy and support for terminally ill individuals for the past five years.

Each individual who resides at Theo House enjoys all the comforts of home, including his or her own bedroom. A multi-

tude of interesting and diverse activities are available for the Theo House resident.

These same attributes are readily available at Heritage Home, the Center for Hope Hospice's second residential facility. Coloney and co-founder Father Charles J. Hudson were so inspired by the success of Theo House that they agreed to expand the residential program to address the growing needs within the community. The Center for Hope Hospice acquired Heritage Home in late 1994.

Unlike Theo House, however, Heritage Home is both a hospice facility and an assisted living facility. Heritage Home has been in existence as a residential property since the 1700s, and offers the elegance and grace of that time period.

However, the Center for Hope Hospice is making an additional commitment to its residents with a \$1 million project which will result in an upgraded heating system, a chapel, renovated bedrooms and bathrooms, and an elevator to address the needs of non-ambulatory residents.

Although Theo House and Heritage Home are both located in Union County, admission to either facility is not dependent upon geographic location.

"I first moved into Heritage House five years ago — and it's really been the answer for me," said Elaine Yaffe, a resident at Heri-

tage Home. "I was not feeling well — I'd suffered a stroke, had diabetes, and it was becoming more difficult to keep up my home in Linden."

Yaffe's daughter, Roberta, researched for alternatives and gave a glowing report about Heritage Home.

Roberta said, "Mom, this place would be perfect because everything is so elegant and yet so comfortable," said Yaffe. "She also told me they ate off beautiful dishes, had Victorian furniture in the lobby — and they had a very impressive library. I love to read."

Each of the 15 individuals currently residing at Heritage has a different daily routine. Some prefer to spend more time in the privacy of their own room, while others enjoy the

companionship offered in the dining room, living room or activity room.

"It would be lost if I didn't read my *New York Times* in the living room every morning," said Yaffe. "If I don't have a doctor's appointment or something like that it's always the *New York Times*."

After enjoying dinner at 11:45 a.m., Yaffe's afternoon often includes a movie, a game of bingo, a lesson in ceramics or a trip to the beauty parlor. All the activities are provided on the premises. Heritage Home is located off DeHart Place in Elizabeth.

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For seniors, independence is as important as health

Maintaining independence and the quality of life for mature adults are major concerns and priorities of the Center for Geriatric Health Care staff at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center and its satellite office at the Daughters of Israel Geriatric Center in West Orange.

According to Joshua Scher, director of the medical center's Division of Geriatric Medicine, helping seniors remain active is an important factor in allowing them to lead independent and healthy lifestyles.

"It is important for mature adults to stay active and occupied," Scher said. "This often results in having goals that can help individuals maintain a positive outlook. Whether it is doing volunteer work, reading, or participating in a club, it is vital that seniors remain active."

Nicholas Guitari, assistant director for the center, said that, if possible, seniors should become involved in exercise programs.

"We stress the importance of exercise and physical activity to our patients," Guitari said. "Walking, swimming, aerobics, aquatic activities are good ways for them to remain fit. Making this activity part of a usual routine is crucial."

In addition to activity, that proper nutrition, weight management, and preventive medicine also play major roles in contributing to longer, healthy lifestyles for seniors. Annual influenza vaccinations, arranging eye exams and mammograms on a regular basis, cholesterol screenings, and prostate cancer screenings are important preventative

steps individuals can take to continue a healthy lifestyle, according to Gloria Browne Daly, director of nursing for the center.

Upon visiting the Center for Geriatric Health Care, individuals have access to a multidisciplinary team of professionals experienced and committed to treating their diverse physical, mental, and social needs. The team of physicians, geriatric nurse practitioners, and social workers can offer treatment and advice that allows individuals to maintain their independence.

In addition to having access to center programs such as Communicational Supportive Home Monitoring and House Calls, individuals also can benefit from the availability of a wide range of services offered by the medical center.

"Communicational and our House Calls program are two ways that we can allow individuals to remain at home and continue to live the way they have grown accustomed to," said Jennifer Glass, director of social services for the center. "However, if they require a hospital stay or extensive treatment, we can provide the required services through our inpatient unit or additional programs at the medical center."

The Center for Geriatric Health Care was established in 1987 to provide comprehensive and coordinated health services for older adults. In 1990, the medical center established a geriatric inpatient unit focused on the needs of the frail elderly. The Center for Geriatric Health Care offers medical, social, psychological, physical and rehabilitative

care in its Newark and West Orange locations. The center handles more than 5,000 patient visits annually.

Newark Beth Israel Medical Center is a 607-bed, regional care, teaching hospital, founded in 1901. The Saint Barnabas Health Care System is the largest integrated health care delivery system in New Jersey with eight acute care hospitals, six nursing homes, five ambulatory care facilities, three geriatric centers, a free-standing, 100-bed inpatient psychiatric facility, and a statewide behavioral health network.

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Overlook continues planning 90th anniversary celebration

Invitations to the Overlook Hospital 90th anniversary gala receive personal attention as volunteers and members of the Gala Committee join to hand-address the 5,000 envelopes. The gala, "The Wonderful World of Medicine and Magic," will be held at the Liberty Science Center Sept. 28 at 7:30 p.m. All funds raised from the gala will benefit the John F. Reeves Same Day Surgery Center at Overlook, which will occupy the sixth floor of the Center for Community Health.

The evening will feature the presentation of the Overlook Hospital Lifetime Achievement Awards, with Edward T. Keitron receiving the Community Award, William H. Longfield and C.R. Bard, Inc. receiving the Corporate Award, Cassandra Romas, outgoing president of the Overlook Auxiliary receiving the Auxiliary Award, and Henry R. Liss, Overlook's vice president for Medical Services and Education receiving the Medical Award.

The Overlook Prostatectomy Leadership Award, to be presented for the first time this year, will be presented to Nancy Deane Kreiter.

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For Cornell Hall residents, music isn't just entertainment

During the week, Cranford resident Don Frio, 23, trades his rock band for a one-man band at Cornell Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Union, where he plays piano, accordion and sings for the nursing home's 180 elderly residents.

"I play music at Cornell Hall as part of my Music Therapy education at Montclair State University. The program requires students to perform two hours a week in a nursing home," said Frio, a first-year Music Therapy student.

This past January, he debuted at Cornell Hall. "I was originally hired to play accordion, but now I also play piano and sing at the resident's sing-a-longs," Frio said. "I also take requests."

On Friday mornings, Frio also strolls from room to room, performing for the more frail residents who are unable to leave their rooms. "Recently, while playing the accordion for an elderly woman, she asked me, 'Are you real?' She couldn't believe that someone was actually coming into her room and playing music just for her. She thought it was so special," he added.

The residents enjoy Frio's musical activities. "Most times, they sing with me, or clap to the music. One lady likes to conduct," he said.

Frio's music is the communication tool he uses to connect with residents, many of whom are four times his age. "I like to play the old tunes for the people and get them

jumping," he said. The interaction between a musician and his audience, and establishing a connection, is what his music is all about.

"The transition from musician to listener is so important," said Frio.

Music Therapy offers many benefits to elderly people, according to music therapists. It stimulates long-term memory, encourages interpersonal communication, and increases memory recall and attention span.

Because of Music Therapy's benefits, Frio is more serious about his musical activities with residents. "I put more thought into planning a musical session at Cornell Hall than when I'm playing at a club," he explained. "Residents really benefit from music. I see their faces light up and their reactions."

He also stressed fun. "Music is a simple way to let residents enjoy themselves and have fun, and we like to have as much fun as possible. I'm really big on it," he said.

Frio has also benefited from interacting with the elderly. "The residents inspire me musically. They'll ask for songs I'm not familiar with, and I'll learn how to play them for residents. It's definitely increased my musical repertoire, and my understanding of the elderly," he said.

Besides his work at Cornell Hall, he also gives private piano lessons, plays a piano for Cranford High School's Spring and Winter See MUSIC, Page 11

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As always, fashion makes the adult

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Those in the younger generation still wore their hair long, and carried large plastic combs in the back pockets of their snug, dark blue denim jeans.

When Geraldine Ferraro was the first woman nominated for vice president in 1984, you may have worn a pastel oxford shirt and monogrammed

Fashion flashback

sweater with penny loafers. Or you may have tried the opposite look of the era, wearing leather pants, a ripped sweatshirt, chain belt, and scarves of large bows in your hair.

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Every year the fashion industry reveals another new look. But changing political and cultural landscapes also dictate which styles will represent rebellion and upheaval. This combination promises to develop yet another set of unique outfits for the final few years of the century.

Music is therapy at Cornell Hall

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Concerts, and for a jazz band, The Phil Hopp' Quartet. "Any opportunity I can get to play music is fine with me," he said.

Frio will graduate from Montclair State University with a Bachelor's Degree in Music Therapy in 1998. Previously, he attended William Patterson College and the University of Arizona. During the summer, he plans to continue with Music Therapy at Cornell Hall.

Cornell Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, a 180-bed long-term care facility, is an affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System.

"Recently, while playing the accordion for an elderly woman, she asked me, 'Are you real?' She couldn't believe that someone was actually coming into her room and playing music just for her. She thought it was so special."

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Need an excuse to go outdoors? Try starting a vegetable garden

Everyone loves a ripe juicy vegetable, especially one grown in your own backyard. Does the prospect of cultivating a bounty of tomatoes, cucumbers, green peppers and carrots sound scary? Time-consuming? Not worth the effort? Well, think again.

Gone are the days when a gardener had to spend hours and hours toiling in the garden in order to grow a couple of less than impressive vegetables. Nowadays, thanks to the introduction of several cost-effective, time-efficient and chemical-free solutions, anyone can create a salad-worthy vegetable garden that's easy to start and maintain, and that will reap a bountiful harvest.

Choosing the vegetables. According to the experts at Easy Gardener, a manufacturer of numerous vegetable gardening products, step one on the road to great vegetables is choosing the vegetables you wish to grow.

Lettuce, carrots, peas and potatoes do best in slightly cooler weather, while cucumbers, squash and eggplants thrive in warmer weather. Corn and peppers crave hotter temperatures. The next step is to choose and prepare a planting site. Bear in mind that all vegetables grow best in soil that's drained, well-aerated and filled with nutrients. This is because the plants' roots are able to spread down deep into the soil, thereby securing them firmly in the ground and allowing them to soak up as much moisture as needed. Bad soil will lead to a bad harvest, so be certain to amend soil, especially compacted or dry

soil, with compost to supply nutrients. Also, try adding a balanced fertilizer to keep plants well fed.

If you intend to grow plants that climb, such as cucumbers, tomatoes and peppers, try installing a plant support such as the Easy Trellis. A sturdy reusable 70-inch high netting for vegetables, fruits and flowers, the Easy Trellis can be secured to wooden or metal posts positioned about six feet apart, with plants tied onto the netting with Trellis Ties. As a plant reaches higher, more Trellis Ties can be used to allow the plant to grow unimpeded.

Now that the bed has been properly prepared, the hour has come to plant seeds or place seedlings into the ground. Should you be planting seedlings, set the roots deep into the soil, according to the directions on the plant's container. Handle seeds carefully, as they often suffer transplant shock. If starting from seed, read the packet directions for information on planting depth and the spacing of seeds.

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THE CYCLE OF PAIN BREAKING THE

Need an excuse to go outdoors? Try starting a vegetable garden

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plant's container. Handle seeds carefully, as they often suffer transplant shock. If starting from seed, read the packet directions for information on planting depth and the spacing of seeds.

Weed prevention. Nothing can thwart the potential growth of vegetable plants quite like the weeds in the garden bed. Why? Weeds battle with plant roots for moisture, and it's a battle weeds usually win. The key is not to pull weeds out once they pop up, but to prevent them from popping up in the first place. Some people use sheets of black plastic laid atop the soil to deter weeds. However, plastic does not let air or water reach the soil, and it can lead to soured soil which will kill the vegetable plants. A new product, BioBlock, is an environmentally friendly and easy way to control weed growth. Made from 100 percent recycled fibers and available in easy to use rolls, BioBlock is designed to block weeds and then biodegrade. Thus, it never has to be removed. Further, thousands of tiny "micro-channels" permit water and air to pass through the thick paper like material to the plants' roots.

To use BioBlock, just lay overlapping strips of the material over the prepared planting site, then cover the edges with soil. Next, use a knife or scissors to cut holes or X's in the appropriate spots and place plants through the opening, right into the soil. At the end of the growing season, by which

time the BioBlock will have done its job and begun to biodegrade, simply till it into the soil.

Stimulating plant growth. Even after a garden bed has been aerated and fertilized and plants staked and protected from weeds, plants can still use a little help, the kind of help that will result in an increased vegetable yield. Floating row covers, sheets of clear plastic laid over seedlings, are just the kind of help plants can use. A product such as Fast Start, for instance, serves as a physical deterrent to insects and animals, and, more importantly, creates a "greenhouse effect" that keeps plants warm and moist. The product is also ideal for getting seeds to sprout more quickly. While a row covering sheet should not be used at peak-on hours or in extreme heat, it's perfect come fall, when temperatures drop and frost threatens a second or third harvest. At that point, Fast Start will moderate temperatures and serve as a physical barrier between frost and plants.

A little knowledge goes a long way toward making gardening an enjoyable, time-efficient, and delicious experience. All of the products discussed in this article, from seeds to Fast Start, are available at local garden and home centers. Putting some of the advice provided here to use and talking with the local garden center staff can turn even the once-balked-of thumbs into a vegetable gardener par excellence.

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Advances in technology reduce surgery trauma

A new scalpel in use in the operating room at Elizabeth General Medical Center greatly reduces the trauma of traditional surgery, resulting in speedier patient recovery and less scarring.

The harmonic scalpel, produced by Ultracision Inc., uses advanced ultrasound technology to vibrate the cutting blade more than 55,000 times per second, allowing the surgeon to cut and seal blood vessels at the same time. The Medical Center is the first area hospital to use the device.

Pedro M. Gutierrez, a surgeon on staff at Elizabeth General Medical Center and one of the pioneers in the region in the use of the harmonic scalpel, said the device represents a new generation in surgery.

"Since I began my training with the scalpel I have been excited by the results of its use," Gutierrez also said. At his urging, the Medical Center purchased the \$15,000 device 12 months ago. Since then, Gutierrez reported a "dramatic improvement in recovery time" among his patients.

Not only does the scalpel's rapid back and forth movement enable the blade to cut with remarkable precision, but it also stimulates collagen molecules to seal tissue and stop bleeding. The scalpel also speeds healing because the vibrating blade spares cells next to the cut. Tissue damage from other forms of surgery, like laser or electrocautery, often goes deeper.

"The scalpel doesn't cut tissues in the traditional sense, rather, it separates the bonds between the tissues at a cellular level," Gutierrez said.

He expects that the device will soon be in widespread use, especially among plastic surgeons, since less tissue is damaged during surgery and scarring is lessened.

Unlike laser surgery or electrocautery, the harmonic scalpel uses mechanical energy instead of heat, so there is no risk of stray electrical currents or burns, and no smoke to obstruct the visual field. A clear field is especially important during laparoscopic surgery, reported Gutierrez, since the surgeon operates internally by way of a small video camera and specially adapted instruments.

According to Gutierrez, another major advantage is versatility. "It allows us to use the same instrument for cutting and coagulation. This means less time for the patient under anesthesia and less blood loss during surgery," he said, adding, "The patient experiences less pain postoperatively, and is able to go back to normal life much more quickly. It's really an amazing device."

Gutierrez uses the scalpel extensively for such cases as gallbladder removal, hernia repair and liver surgery.

Gutierrez first read about the harmonic scalpel in medical magazines. "At first it sounded too good to be true," he said.

People turn to exercise to reduce risk of illness

Once sought by people who wanted a perfect physique, personal trainers are now seeing clients with a different goal in mind: achieving an excellent level of health.

"As exercise is found to be beneficial in alleviating or reducing the risk of more and more physical conditions, people are increasingly incorporating exercise into their lives as a means of improving or maintaining their health, rather than just to look good," said Frederick Neal, founder of Fitness Now Foundation Martial Arts Academy, who holds a certification from the American Council of Exercise and a certified third degree black belt.

This emphasis on health has created a necessity for personal trainers to be highly educated fitness professionals. According to IDEA, the international association of fitness professionals, people are seeking the help of personal trainers because they value their health and want advice from someone with specialized knowledge.

"Just as you would consult an accountant for tax advice or a lawyer for legal advice, people realize they need to consult a personal trainer for advice on fitness and health," said Kathie Davis, executive director of IDEA.

Allied health professionals also recognize the important role personal trainers play in preventive care. Many doctors, chiropractors and physical therapists routinely refer patients to personal trainers to help initiate positive lifestyle changes.

"I'm seeing more and more clients who want to lower their cholesterol levels or manage stress, and they want accurate advice based on current research," Neal said. "As an IDEA member, I have access to pertinent studies and can continually add to my knowledge base by attending continuing education workshops and conventions."

A top-notch personal trainer will design a custom program to achieve the client's desired results. Workouts with the trainer can be as often as two or three times a week, or on a consulting basis to develop, monitor and update a fitness program.

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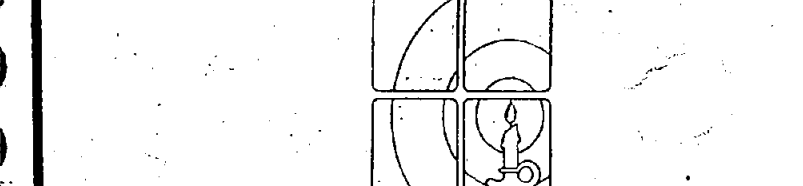
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Where is my local Social Security office?

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Will the retirement pension from my job reduce the amount of my Social Security benefit?

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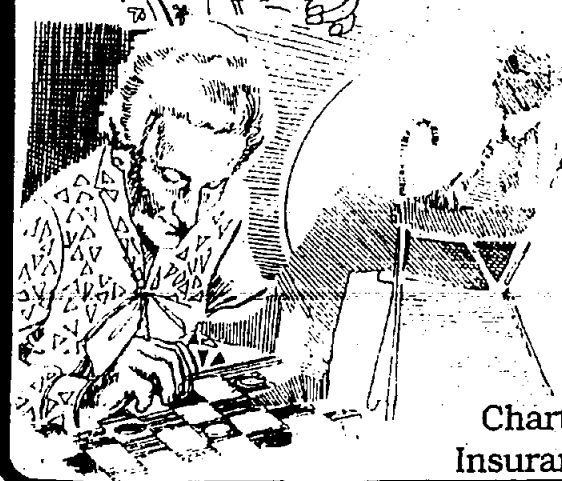
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Sediment solutions

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A play on the planet

All the world's a stage at the Paper Mill Playhouse's production of 'Life on Earth.' See Page B3.

A good plan

The city's plans for a youth center meet with our approval. See editorial on Page 6.

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City Highlights

Taxes due

The Office of the Tax Collector has announced that quarterly taxes are due today. Regularly scheduled office hours are 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Recovery zones set

In an effort to increase public awareness of the importance of battery recycling, the Rahway Department of Public Works' Office of Recycling has created "Battery Recovery Zones" throughout the city with help from local businesses and public offices.

A recovery zone is an area in a local store or public office that has a container designated for the collection of household batteries types — AA, AAA, C, D, 9-Volt, Lantern and Button Cell.

People are asked that the next time they make an errand to one of the locations listed below, they bring these household batteries and drop them in the convenient container provided.

The locations are as follows: Rahway City Hall; Rahway Fire Department (Main Street); Rahway Post Office; Rahway Public Library; Rahway Lumber, Cliff Hardware; Community Camera Center; Cherry Street Mall.

In addition, all Rahway residents can use the curbside recycling program for batteries. Place household type batteries in a clear plastic bag on top of newspaper on recycling day.

For more information regarding battery recycling, contact the Office of Recycling at 827-2159.

Farmer's market

A little bit of the country has come to the city, as the Saturday Farmer's Market returns to the downtown to provide shoppers with the chance to buy produce fresh from New Jersey farms.

Produce will be picked fresh from the fields just hours before its arrival downtown.

The market is one of 25 Jersey fresh markets within the region and this marks the second season of the city's affiliation with the North Jersey Farmer's Market Council. Markets such as this help the continuation of farming in New Jersey by providing an outlet for the farmers to sell directly to the consumer, thereby avoiding the middleman. They also provide the chance for local residents to enjoy the same produce quality that they could only otherwise obtain from a farmstead.

This season, the marketplace has been expanded to include quality home cooked meals for hungry shoppers as well as an assortment of vendors selling new and used merchandise.

The market has already begun and will run Saturdays through Oct. 19 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Its new location is on Irving Street in Municipal Parking Lot F at the corner of Broad Street, opposite the Rahway Parking Authority.

Vendors needed

Vendors are needed for Boy Scouts Troop 47's annual flea market and crafts show, to be held Sept. 28.

A rain date of Oct. 5 has been scheduled. The event will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information, call 381-8692 or 388-7268.

Certificates for achievement



The Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation's Wednesday Slinnastics Class recently ended the spring session with an awards program where the class received certificates for achievement. Class instructor Kathy Barbella, front row, left, presented the awards to the students. Fall classes for all recreation programs will begin in September. For more information, call the division at 827-2045.

Resident shot on Montgomery Street

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

A Hamilton resident was shot but not seriously wounded on Montgomery Street on Saturday.

According to police, an unidentified Hamilton resident was shot at about 5 a.m. on Saturday while he was visiting a friend on Montgomery Street.

Police allege that Raymond Swope, a Montgomery Street resident, shot twice at the victim with a .22 caliber rifle without any warning. Only one bullet hit the victim, grazing his left index finger. He did not require medical attention.

Detective Paul Moe executed search and arrest warrants on Swope at about 10:40 a.m. that day. Police say they

found illegal drugs and drug paraphernalia at Swope's residence. Swope had fired from his residence.

According to Lt. Robert Disko, the victim was a past acquaintance of Swope and had recognized him.

Despite the presence of drugs and paraphernalia in Swope's residence, Disko said the neighborhood is not known for its drug dealing. He was not able to say what kind of drugs were found at his residence.

Swope was charged with two counts of aggravated assault, one count of possessing a weapon for an unlawful purpose, one count of possessing illegal drugs and one count of possessing drug paraphernalia. He is being held at the Union County Jail with bail set at \$40,000 cash.

A number of downtown business

Bocce league heightens interest in co-ed sport

By Emilio Prieto
Managing Editor

Searching for a place to show off your B-Ball skills? No, not basketball, but bocceball. The classic Italian sport has found its way to Rahway.

Ralph Dunham, superintendent of Recreation, has been running a successful bi-annual, co-ed, bocceball league behind the Park Library for the past three years. Former president of the Chamber of Commerce Joe Renna, who plays for the chamber's team, was also instrumental in the start of the league. "I had a personal interest in the game I grew up playing it," Renna said.

The league was also started by other community figures. "It was a combined effort between the Merchant Cooperation, the Mayor's Office and the Italian American Club," Dunham said. The Merchant Cooperation is responsible for building the court.

Dunham recalls the vision of Mayor James Kennedy as the starting point for the league. "The mayor had a vision of the league, he talked to the Italian American Club and they spearheaded the effort," Dunham said.

The league runs two seasons one in the spring and one in the fall. The spring league, which starts in April and ends in June, consists of eight to 12 teams while the fall league consists of only six teams and runs from September through October. The fall season is shortened due to the possibility of inclement weather.

The teams that make up the league are usually the incumbents from the previous season although newcomers are encouraged to participate. The teams include: The Italian American Club, St. Mary's Church, the Chamber of Commerce, Computerized Accountants, St. Mary's Father's Club, Dunkin' Donuts, The Waiting

Room and PJ Monograms. Dunham also said that he will solicit the community if he needs more teams in the leagues. "The interest in the league is growing and we are always looking to expand," Renna said.

Dunham said he is very happy with the success of the bocceball league. "The league has been a tremendous success. There is also a lot of friendship between the teams," Dunham said.

"We have created a competitive but friendly environment. Most teams just can't wait until it's their night to come out and play," Dunham said.

This year, for the first time in league history, the first place finishers were not from the Italian American Club. Instead, PJ Monogram won first place and received the team championship trophy along with T-shirts stating their accomplishments.

The second place finishers also received a team trophy. The league champions are determined by their win-loss records. A team is also awarded two points for every game that it wins. A team must win two games to win a match. The point system is used as a tie-breaker in case one is needed.

Both Renna and Dunham encourage newcomers to join the league. "Most people who play are playing for the first time," Renna said. If anyone is interested in joining the league, they should contact Dunham. Also involved with the league is Councilman Sal Mione who plays for St. Mary's Church.

"This is another example of how

Center plans drafted Proposed recreation facility to house PAL, youth groups

By Sean Daily
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Is a new recreation center in the works for Rahway?

According to Mayor James Kennedy, there is. Kennedy has announced that preliminary plans for a new recreation center, which would be based near City Hall on East Milton Avenue, have been drawn up.

Kennedy said the city is "getting the designs completed as we speak." The center would include a regulation basketball court with seating for about 370 spectators, a multipurpose room, a kitchen that would double as a conference room, a small reception area and rooms for arts and crafts.

Kennedy did not have a cost for what the center would cost, saying, "when the final plans come in, we'll have a better view prior to construction." Construction would ideally begin in the fall or early spring, according to Kennedy.

He said that, once the center is built, it is he leased back to the Recreation Department.

The center is based on recreation centers from three other towns, said Kennedy, adding that the Multipurpose Center in Linden "appealed to us most."

"I just liked the layout of the building. I just thought it was put together well," he said.

Rahway itself has few recreation facilities, something that has been a complaint among residents and business owners.

A number of downtown business

owners have complained recently about youths loitering in front of their stores, using drugs and scaring away customers.

But Kennedy said that the new center is not being built to combat this or in response to these complaints. "I've wanted to do this since 1990 but we haven't had a cooperative council," he said.

He noted that Rahway has no recreation center, while other towns have one or more. The Multipurpose Center is just one of several centers in Linden, Kennedy said.

He added that the existing recreation center in Rahway is based in the town's old library, which Kennedy called a "historical building which needs historical restoration."

"Now that we have the community center ready for the seniors in September, we'd like to finish with the other half of recreation," he said.

Kennedy said the location of the new center, which would be near the police station, is ideal because it "gives us a chance to blend our PAL and police efforts with the community."

"This government is committed to the youth of the community, to provide them with recreation," he said.

Councilman Jerry Coleman, who has been an advocate of developing recreational facilities in town, agreed with the spirit of the new center.

"If it gives a community center for young adults that doesn't close at 8 or 9 p.m., then I support it," he said.

He added that Kennedy was "starting to heed the advice, specifically of myself, on council." Coleman, who will be running against Kennedy in the next mayoral race, has been a critic of Kennedy.

Stretching on a Monday night



The Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation's Monday Slinnastics class display the certificates they received from instructor Kathy Barbella, middle row right, during the last class of the spring session.

Teen honored for carrying torch

By Emilio Prieto
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Rahway teen-ager Eric Weaver will be honored during the Aug. 12 City Council meeting for carrying the Olympic torch through the streets of Rahway this summer.

Weaver was nominated by his family, and the resolution that made him the torchbearer was sponsored by Jeffrey Cohen, 5th Ward City Councilman. "This is another example of how

great our town is and how great the kids in our town are," Cohen said.

"It went really quick, but it was an honor. If I had the chance I would do it over again," Weaver said.

Weaver has become the pride and talk of the entire Weaver family. "It was exciting to see my son carry the torch because for him it was a honor and I was pretty emotional about it," said Cathy Weaver, Eric's mother.

allowed Weaver to be the torchbearer for the city. The torchbearer often participated in the Summer Playground Olympics and won many medals of his own for his track and field skills.

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