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Offices closed

The offices of this newspaper will be closed tomorrow and Friday in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday. We will reopen on Monday.

Collection change

There will be no regular garbage collection on Nov. 28 due to the holiday. All regular garbage normally collected on that Thursday will be collected instead on Monday. All bulky waste normally collected on that Thursday will be on Friday.

Family Mass

A Thanksgiving Family Mass will be offered at 9 a.m. at St. Mary's Church located at 232 Central Ave. in Rahway. Families will be welcomed to come together tomorrow to gather and give thanks. For more information contact St. Mary's Rectory at 388-0082.

Rahway Day on tap

Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation will present a World-On-Ice Toy Store tomorrow during the 7:30 p.m. show at the Continental Airlines Arena. Tickets purchased with the Rahway coupon are only good at tomorrow's 7:30 p.m. performance.

Thanksgiving Mass

The First Presbyterian Church of Rahway will be holding a special service of thanksgiving and praise tonight at 7:30. The First Presbyterian Church is located on the corner of Church Street and Grand Avenue. For more information call 382-0803.

Holiday craft sale

St. Thomas Church will sponsor a Holiday Craft Sale and New Items at 1407 St. Georges Avenue in Rahway. It will happen on Dec. 14 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and there will be pictures with Santa. For more information call 969-2796. Vendors are wanted.

Register for programs

The Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation will hold registration for their winter programs on Tuesday and Wednesday at the Claude Reed Center, 1670 Irving Street. Most programs run from Jan. 6 until Mar. 14. For more information call 927-2045.

Christmas party

The Rahway American Legion will sponsor a Christmas party for a homeless shelter at the YMCA on Madison Avenue in Elizabeth on Dec. 14. For more information contact Dorothy Aminger 353-0942.

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Superintendent search nears board approval

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

It's in the home stretch. After being without a permanent superintendent of schools for six months, the Board of Education has narrowed its field of 40 candidates to two.

Board President Edward Henderson did not want to give out the names of the two candidates, but did say that both are superintendents at other school districts in New Jersey.

"Both are very, very qualified, both on paper and in person," he said. According to Henderson, only one of the candidates holds a doctorate. The other has "tremendous experience," he said.

As to what the new superintendent will be paid, Henderson, who called himself "fiscally conservative," said, "I'm going to keep it as low as possible. It depends on how the board reacts."

The candidates' predecessor, Anthony Cavanna, had been paid about \$107,500 a year in salary and benefits. Cavanna is now superintendent of schools in Fairfield, N.Y. Henderson has said that he wants to appoint a new superintendent before

More than just a crafty image



Kids enjoy learning how to develop their artistic skills at the Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation Pee Wee Arts and Crafts Class under the supervision of Cheryl Mackay. The class is open to Rahway children ages 3-5 and is held at the Claude Reed Center on Thursdays. For more information contact the division at 827-2045.

Police caution seniors against 'con' crimes

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

It's getting so that not even your home is safe from con artists. A number of Union County towns have been hit in recent weeks by a number of twisters that have convinced elderly people that they were being offered a large sum of money.

"It doesn't seem like a scam, but every so often, we have an unwitting victim," said Detective Lt. Al Katcher of the Union Township police.

Incidents have occurred in Mount Pleasant, Roselle, Union and Plainfield. Often, the targets of these incidents are senior citizens. According to Katcher, they will often come to the door or otherwise keep the occupants of the house occupied while an accomplice ransacks their homes.

"People like that, they tend to work in one area for a while. These people are good, most people don't realize something is missing until it's too late," said Detective Lt. Peter DeRose of the Roselle Police Department.

According to DeRose, only one such incident had hit Roselle in the past month, but he did say that a number of others could have gone unreported.

The woman's daughter, after coming home, said she had never contacted them. During a telephone call, they said they would not come to her house to pick up their \$800, negotiated from \$1,500, because "they said the police would be waiting."

DeRose added that the number of the two men grew to the number of a hotel in Roselle, "so we think they're a little shady."

The incidents have been more frequent and successful in Union Township. Police reported at least three incidents, all of which resulted in a loss of money or other valuables.

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Assembly bill opposes area codes split

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The Clark Township Council has thrown its support behind a bill by Assemblyman John Wisniewski, R-N.J., that would prevent the area codes split.

With 33 other towns, from being split into two area codes. The resolution, which came during last week's council meeting, supports a bill sponsored by Wisniewski that would prevent the area codes split.

This is an issue because the BPU has approved two new area codes — 732 and 973 — to add new phone numbers in New Jersey. These will be carved out of the existing 201 and 908 area codes in a "geographic split" that could split 34 towns between two area codes.

According to Mayor Robert Ellersport, Clark stands to be split into three areas between the old 908 and new 732 area codes, about 95 of the town will be assigned the new 732 area code.

"I think there's a fairly uniform opposition that it would be inconvenient and disruptive to split Clark into three areas with two area codes," said Ellersport. "I think the council members agree with other business owners and residents in Clark that there are better alternatives."

He added that "it just isn't right that a citizen or business has to dial another area code to reach Town Hall or the Police Department."

During an interview this week, Wisniewski said the reason for the bill was "quite simple. What the telephone company wants to do is wrong."

According to Wisniewski, Bell Atlantic, which is implementing the geographic split for AT&T, wanted to use an alternative plan called an "overlay," which would assign the new area codes only to new phone numbers, leaving existing phone numbers with the old area codes. This would have given Bell Atlantic a "competitive advantage."

The threat of towns being split into two or more area codes, said Wisniewski, is only a "hoax."

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Culture center gives life to artist's textural works

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

Christine Dolanich-Matuska has been working in almost every conceivable art medium since 1973. She has worked with acrylics, photography, found objects, sculpture, collage, handmade paper and some media that defy conventional descriptions. Her works have been shown in Los Angeles, Newark and Freehold and at the Arsenal Gallery in New York and the county Administrative Building in Elizabeth.

"I love working with different works and I love experimenting with different textures and materials," she said.

Now the Douglas College-educated artist has moved on to a new medium — a special printing process that lets her comment on art itself.

Dolanich-Matuska is having a number of her prints displayed at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway and kicked off her exhibit Sunday with "Hot Off the Press," an art show.

All of the works are prints of her previous works. But they go beyond simple reproductions to entirely new interpretations of her works.

The process, known as dye-sublimation, uses a video scanner and printer, equipment that is "really the same when a doctor takes a picture of your eye," said Dolanich-Matuska. The resulting printout is transferred to a material using heat and pressure.

This allows her to arrange multiple works on a single canvas or piece of material and even to play with the way the final image is printed. She can also shrink her larger works, some over six feet tall, to a print less than six inches square. This means that she can change or reinforce the original meaning of the work and her prints become comments on art itself.

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Winning artistic merit



The president of the Rahway Women's Club recently showcased her winning entry for second place from the national convention in Nashville. From left are Stephanie Cedervall, club and sixth district communications chairperson; Fran Rasmussen, club president; Doris Bachman, club first vice president.

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Geographic split plan discussed

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"It's simply a question of whether the phone company wants to step up and do the right thing," he said.
But according to Tim Ireland of Bell Atlantic, some towns would be split into separate area codes no matter which plan was implemented.
"It's making it impossible to add new area codes," he said. Ireland said it was "theoretically possible" to redraw the area code boundary lines, so they would "more or less" follow town lines, but that has been done in the past.
But, he added, it can only be done "if it makes sense." In order to implement it, it would require the town to be split into separate area codes and then reassign new phone numbers with the old area code to businesses and residences. This would result, in the end, in a town with one area code and everyone with new seven-digit phone numbers.
"So you're talking about giving people three telephone numbers in the space of a year," he said.
Wisniewski countered, "That's not true. It's simply a scare tactic to defeat good legislation."
He added that there is technology to "shift a phone number to any geographic area."
The bill is still being reviewed by the Assembly's Transportation and Communications Committee. Wisniewski said that it is bipartisan support.
The new area codes and the geographic split option come under attack recently by government at the local, state and federal levels. According to Wisniewski, State Senators John Scott and Joseph

Selection process approaches finality

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said, laughing, "I thought that was evident last night."
Henderson was referring to the last board meeting, when a number of residents got up to speak about the selection process.
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County flood relief finally offered

By Chris Sawal
Managing Editor
Governmental relief from last month's flooding has finally arrived. Local departments of public safety are advising residents and small businesses that they may be eligible for federal grants and loans for losses incurred during the recent flooding. The parks of New Jersey have been declared a major disaster area, which makes the federal funds available to help homeowners and local businesses with repairs.
Residents of Union County, as well as Hudson, Middlesex, Morris and Somerset counties, can begin applying for assistance with the Federal Emergency Management Agency, officials said. The Railway Department Public Safety has been trying to advise any citizen requesting information on flooding disaster to call (800) 450-9020 to start the application process. Applications will only be taken over this telephone number. Applicants will need to provide officials with the locations of their damaged property, the names of household members, as well as family income and insurance information.
On Oct. 18, a storm produced a record rainfall caused five days of flooding in all of the counties in northern and central New Jersey. Rivers and streams forced thousands of residents to evacuate, and closed many highways as high winds caused power outages in 13 counties. Although only five counties have been named in the damage relief announcement, more counties may be named after the FEMA completes damage surveys.

Police investigate armed robbery

By Chris Sawal
Managing Editor
The Rahway Police Department is still searching for information concerning an armed robbery. The police were summoned to M&M Publications at 1544 Irving St. where they investigated a reported armed robbery.
According to police reports, two employees were working when two suspects gained entry to the second floor offices. One of the suspects was armed with a handgun and placed it to the head of one female employee and commanded her to walk to the other room where the second employee, a male, was working.
Both employees were instructed to not look at the suspect and the male employee was made to lie on the floor where one of the suspects removed his wallet. The gun was then placed in his hand and he was instructed to open the safe. Both employees were then brought to another office where the safe was located and forced that the second suspect was hiding behind a support column.
Approximately \$43 in cash and personal identification was lost when the wallet was stolen.

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Photo exhibit features experimental approach

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"I spent a lot of time by the water and on the water, and when you're on the water you study the moon a lot," she said. Water is a "big influence" in her work.
Another of her prints, "Ghosts," is influenced by her previous musical experience. The print, a "particular favorite" of hers, includes a ghost image of her previous work "Rattle and Roll." It features a ghost image of Dolinich-Matuska, the ghost image that she made with the dye-sublimation process, helps her to enforce the meaning of the print.
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"With a book you have something hidden and when you open it up it says 'Fear Nothing,'" she said.
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Leaking pipe prompts evacuation of students

By Sean Daly
Staff Writer
"There was a ton of potential" for a fire or explosion during a gas leak on Central Avenue last week, according to Battalion Chief Gerard Dodman. This did not happen, but the leak did lead to the evacuation of a number of houses and the school at St. Mary's Church.
The leak happened at about noon last Wednesday during the construction of Ebenezer AME Church, which is across the street from St. Mary's Church.
According to Dodman, a contractor working on Ebenezer Church pulled the nipple off of an eight-inch high pressure gas main with a piece of excavating equipment, ripping a hole in the pipe.
Dodman said that a "tremendous amount" of gas escaped.
"There was a whooshing sound that you could hear from far off," he said. The Rahway Fire Department had to seal off a stretch of Central Avenue from Campbell to Eastbrook Avenue until about 1:10 p.m. The gas main was capped by Elizabethtown Gas Company at that time.
There were no injuries during the incident and no one was overcome by the fumes, said Dodman, but there was a "substantial risk" of a fire and possibly an explosion. The gas could have been set off by an ignition source such as a boiler or even a hot engine block, he said.
For this reason, a number of homes surrounding the main were evacuated, with the residents transported to city hall during the incident.
The school building itself was not evacuated, but the children and staff were sent to the gymnasium in the rear of the building. This was about a block away from the scene, said Dodman.
"I wanted to get the kids away from there because if there was a blast, even if it would have resulted in broken windows," he said.
A number of factors were working in the firemen's favor during the incident.
According to Dodman, there was enough of a breeze to dissipate the gas. Also, the gas went almost straight up into the air because it was under high pressure; a leak in a low-pressure main would have possibly resulted in the gas collecting near the ground and near ignition sources.
Possibly the most fortunate of the incident occurred when Elizabethtown Gas tried to repair the hole.
This was done partly with a metal clamp that was to clamp around the hole. But the gas company was not able to get the clamp on because of the concrete that the main was resting on.
According to Dodman, this meant that some of the concrete had to be chipped away, something that could have resulted in sparks and the gas lighting.
Dodman said that the main was one of at least two on the construction site. The contractor had been aware of one of the mains but not of the one that was damaged.

Local residents plan to act funny in workshop

If you're up for a little locally-created, performed comedy — or would welcome the opportunity to "chuck up" by exposing yourself to such an evening, then mark Dec. 7th on your calendar and write just below it, "7:30 p.m. Community Presbyterian Church of Mountaintop, Deer Path and Meeting House Lane, Mountaintop." Write this, too: "Admission: absolutely free!"
At the church on Dec. 7th, The Gemini Group is featuring a wildly diverse group of local residents putting their sense of humor and talents on the line in "Not Seriously, Folks," a 10-15 minute comedy workshop that also features standup comics. Subjects tackled include a holiday edition of "To Tell The Truth," "Bay Watch," baseball, a phony physician, Bill and Hillary Clinton, a doll knife salesperson, an amateur bank robber, a lecture on pleasing a husband 1950s style, and the nation's only completely honest seasonal candidate. Two standup comics will also perform.
"I like to call this the chance of a lifetime," says Gemini co-founder John Rupp, a native of Mountaintop. "I mean not only a chance for the writers and performers, but for local citizens, too. Where else can you see live comedy absolutely free, with no commercial breaks, no monthly cable charges, no cover charges and no minimum?"
The Gemini Group was founded by

Westfield residents Scott Coffey and Allison Jacob, and by Rupp as a vehicle to give area residents an active forum through which to test and develop their talents. "This is a fun organization," says Coffey, "although during the rehearsal process, some people would call it a 'sporgization.' We don't want to apply for grants or develop and track budgets. All we want to have fun producing live local theater."
"From the start," says Jacob, "what we thought we would do is leave the rewrites of former Broadway plays to the men's established theatrical groups."
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Civic calendar

The Civic Calendar is prepared by the Rahway Progress and the Clark Eagle. It is a listing of local and county events.
Today
• The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will meet at 6:30 p.m. for a pre-conference meeting. The session will be held in the Board's Meeting Room on the sixth floor of the Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.
Tomorrow
• Government offices will be closed for Thanksgiving.
Monday
• The Clark Council will hold its executive meeting in Room 16 of Brewer Hall at 8 p.m.
• The Union County Mental Health Advisory Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.
• The Union County Air Traffic Noise Advisory Board will meet at 7 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.
Tuesday
• The Rahway City Council will hold its pre-meeting conference in the council chambers of city hall at 7:30 p.m.
• The Union County Construction Board of Appeals will meet at 7 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.
• The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders will meet at 7:30 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.
• The Union County Parks and Recreation Advisory Board will meet at 6 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.
Wednesday
• The Union County Solid Waste Advisory Council will meet at 8 p.m. in the county Administration Building in Elizabethtown Plaza.
Dec. 9
• The Rahway City Council will hold its regular meeting in the council chambers in city hall at 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 10
• The Rahway Board of Education will hold its monthly caucus meeting in the Intermediate School cafeteria at 6:30 p.m.
• The Clark Board of Education will hold its monthly meeting at the education building on Shindler Road at 7:30 p.m.
Dec. 16
• The Clark Council will hold its public meeting at the court room on Westfield Avenue at 8 p.m.

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Foundation supports excellence awards

The Trustees of the Railway Foundation for Excellence in Education has announced the award of seven Fall 1996 grants to educators in the Rahway Public Schools. The foundation provides a supplemental source of funding that support and encourage timely, innovative projects that enrich the educational process for students and teachers in the Rahway Public Schools.

Project receiving grants for the funding cycle are:

- "Dance and Movement for Musical Theatre" will receive a \$500 grant to support and showcase dance talents at the Rahway High School through a professional choreographer. This project is part of the 9.12 Theatre Arts Program by Educator Marsha Wagner.
- Franklin School educator Irene Boone and Carol Reeser will receive \$81.65 for "Pulling It All Together." The project will involve eighth grade students working with pre-school children and involve senior citizens to conduct hands on activities with magnets.

Roosevelt School educator Marjorie Kuntz, Elaine Smith, Mildred Wallace and Diane Wolman were awarded \$215.00 for "Dig It!" The project involves second grade students who will create an archeological dig site. The students will plan and construct a fossil garden in the school courtyard. The garden will be used by the following year's second grade students to excavate the fossils. The project culminates next year during National Education Week.

• Project "AM — Architectural Information Mission" will receive a grant of \$348.00. Coordinated by art educator Brenda Hynes of Roosevelt School, fifth grade students will also review the architectural styles of homes and buildings in Rahway. Students will explore and learn about creative expression, art history, aesthetic perception and art criticism.

• Fourth grade educators Margaret Barone and Lory Eckstein will receive \$494.43 for "Our HomeTown — A Community Investigation." This project will provide challenging math activities, tutoring of basic math skills, and real life problem solving

structures and develop a photographic essay of the City of Rahway as they develop an awareness of the community.

• "Fabulous Fabrics," a project coordinated by fifth grade educators Jerry Kienzie and Pat Kasper, will receive \$340.00. The grant will support the purchase of professional quality publishing materials in order to create a reference book of fabric and folktales. Students involved in this project will develop an appreciation of fabrics and folktales as they compose, illustrate and publish a collection of tales. Creative writing, reading and artistic skills will be engaged.

Grants are submitted quarterly to the foundation's allocations committee and awarded competitively based upon the quality and educational components of the grant request.

To sustain its grant activities, the foundation sponsors a series of fundraising campaigns and events throughout the year receiving donations from corporations, local business and individuals. A holiday social is currently planned for Dec. 12th.

Bridging the gap



Recently, members of the Arthur L. Johnson High School KEY Club visit Lord Sterling Elementary School in New Brunswick for the fourth year in a row. The members worked with students from the McWilliams and Santiago classes as they entertained the students with games, crafts, refreshments, story time, and pinatas.

Suliga seeks to create inclusion for towns

Assemblyman Joseph Suliga argued during the last Assembly session to have Elizabeth, Linden and Roselle included in the proposed Upper Rahway River Intergovernmental Cooperation Committee.

This committee, created under Assembly Bill 665, would develop recommendations to help ensure and preserve the environmental integrity of the Rahway River. As presently written, the bill calls for membership to include a representative from Clark, Cranford, Garwood, Kenilworth, Mountainside, Rahway, Springfield, Summit, Union, West

field, Winfield, Maplewood, Millburn, Orange, South Orange and West Orange. There would also be one representative chosen from Union County and one from Essex County. These towns are described as "River Municipalities."

Suliga argued that towns slated for membership should not include all municipalities with an interest in the condition and maintenance of the river. "Why weren't the cities of Elizabeth, Linden and Roselle included in this committee? These cities also have a strong interest in the protection and preservation of the Rahway River

for many reasons, the best of which being that the tributaries run through the district and it empties into the Arthur Kill Waterway which borders Elizabeth and Linden," Suliga said.

The sponsor's non-willingsness to amend the legislation to include the cities of Linden, Elizabeth, and Roselle in the membership means that the committee will not be utilizing all available resources or taking into consideration the views of all those impacted by the condition of the river," Suliga said.

The bill's sponsor, Assemblyman Richard Bagger, said that the communities were not included in the membership, because they are not directly located on the Rahway River or its watershed.

However, Suliga countered that there are numerous tributaries running through the cities of Elizabeth, Linden, and Roselle which constitute integral parts of the Rahway River. "It is critical to amend this legislation in the Senate to include Elizabeth, Linden and Roselle in the committee membership because these cities are directly impacted by the Rahway River," Suliga said.

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1 Pet. 4:11
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Had God wanted man to celebrate Christ's Birthday, He would have surely given us the date and month of the year and command us to do so. This false doctrine, human creed and tradition, began about the Third Century, A.D. during the reign of Emperor Constantine. December 25th was a Pagan Festival of lights and the celebration of the Sun God (Mithras) drinking, merry-making and exchanging of gifts, etc.) was adopted by the Apostolic Church in order to Christianize Paganism. The word Christ was added to Mass, thus the 25th of December, was called Christ's Birthday. And later was patterned and practiced by the Protestant denominations. These men have little or no respect for God and His Word.

Christ-mass is not found in the Bible, and Christ is NOT in the Mass. Christ is not a Catholic and Christ is not a Protestant. Hence, Christ does not celebrate Christmas (neither should I) and He did not authorize or command His Disciples to do so.

In the Bible, Jesus clearly teaches those who will follow Him to observe only those things He authorized and commanded. His "RESURRECTION" Matt. 28:28-1 Cor. 15:28-35.

If you sincerely believed in the Son of God, then respect His authority and obey His command, i.e. "DO NOT PUT Christ in Christ-Mass where He does not belong. God is not pleased. I have searched the scriptures for Christ in Christmas and for a command for us to observe Christ-Mass, and guess what? Both searches were fruitless. We cannot love and serve God without pleasing God. Read Matt. 7:21-23; 15:13-14. Jesus said if you love me you will keep my commandment, John 14:15: 21, 23.

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NEWS CLIPS

Crafters needed

Trailside Nature and Science Center is looking for crafters and artists to display and sell quality products at its Nature Boutique, planned for Dec. 8 from 1 to 5 p.m.

Items to be sold should be hand-made from natural materials or based on a natural history theme. Crafts being sought include pottery, stained glass, unique jewelry with wildlife and insect themes, children's toys and other unusual and creative crafts.

Participating crafters may also elect to have their work sold at the Children's Gift Shop, a special feature at the boutique which allows children to shop for friends and family members in a price range of \$3 and under.

Registration is \$12.50 to \$20 a space and an additional fee of \$7 is charged for gift shop participants. The Nature Boutique draws a large crowd and admission is a suggested donation of \$1 per person.

Interested and qualified crafters should call Ruth Vahovsky at (908) 789-3670, Wednesdays through Fridays, or send color slides or photos of craft items with a self-addressed stamped envelope to: Trailside Nature and Science Center, 452 New Providence Road, Montclair, NJ 07042.

For more information about the Railway Foundation for Excellence in Education, the Holiday Social or to make donations, contact the Railway Intermediate School, Kline Place, Rahway, 07065 or call (908) 396-1015.

Since its first granting cycle in Spring 1993 and including the current grant awards, the Foundation for Excellence in Education will have funded 69 projects involving more than 2500 students in the Rahway Public Schools.

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OPINION

Glaring errors

We will continue to probe the Education Department's statistics, which have led to an increasing concern by Rahway residents. As it stands, the contrast in information is unfortunate and untimely because the Rahway public schools have made viable efforts to promote learning and development.

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Festivities could help holiday depression

It is important to keep in mind that there are ways to survive the pressures of the holiday season with all of its runaround commercialism and shopping requirements. Somehow, we need to step back from the hype and bombardment of the materialism message. It is difficult to escape because nowadays, holiday marketing begins

Skylines

The hospital offers a free program titled "Managing the Holiday Blues" which will be held Dec. 4. This type of program is beneficial not only by reason of its concern for a serious issue, but also because it addresses a condition that anyone could develop.

While unpopular, Macs define cutting edge

months, I'll be selling my \$2,000 Macintosh at a garage sale with my Atari cartridges for \$25, as Apple files for bankruptcy.

But I have to admit, purchasing one of those cold, impersonal Wintel that has nudged the good folks at Intel and Microsoft billionaires many times over sends chills up my spine.

As much as the marketing gurus

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

I can personally attest to his service firsthand. I am a former warden at Saint Paul's Church. Several years ago, several members of the church initiated a small food distribution program for the needy on Sunday mornings. The food was donated mainly by members of the church and could only serve a limited number of people. Brown became aware of our program and set us up with several food distribution programs that permitted us to distribute food to over 100 people per month. The point is that Brown is now, and always has been, cognizant of the issues that concern the citizens of Rahway, and has consistently taken an active and in many cases, an unpublishized role in responding to those needs and concerns.

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And, even then, it works for only a handful of CDs. The sound card has mysteriously crashed, giving him cryptic messages in DOS about memory errors. The Windows95 — which was supposed to eliminate all those DOS hieroglyphics — machine in my office couldn't read Word Perfect files unless I copied some file with a ".dll" and ".exe" attached to it to my

high-technology machines and the Macs. In fact, the Macs, the MacOs, the Mac is not there in comparison with less than 20

Jeffrey Jotz is the former managing editor of the *Roadway Progress* and is a columnist to this publication.

VIEW POINT

It's easy to measure community sentiment about a topic by hearing response from the community itself. Each week, Worral Community Newspapers is offering an opportunity to express how they feel about issues in their community. The new View Point, which will be a weekly feature on the newspaper, is designed to be a reader's poll. Readers need only call the infocourse hot line and enter the extension number of the issue they want to see.

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OBITUARIES

John A. Kristof

John A. Kristof, 70, a lifelong resident of Clark, died Nov. 23 in Rahway Hospital.

Mr. Kristof was a paint sprayer with Rodig Manufacturing Co., Kenilworth, for 50 years before retiring 10 years ago. He served in the Army during World War II.

Surviving are his wife of 49 years, Helen; two sons, John and Carl; a daughter, Cathy Basile; a sister, Mary McKee; and five grandchildren.

Scott G. Frost

Scott G. Frost, 35, of Clark, formerly of Rahway, died Nov. 23 in his home.

Mr. Frost was a manager for the past three years. Previously, Mr. Frost had worked for Wise Potato Chip Co., New Brunswick, and for the Ford Corp., Somerset. He was a coach for the girls' basketball team at St. Theresa's School, Kenilworth, for seven years.

Surviving are his wife, Carla; a son, Joseph G.; his parents, Stephen and Carmela Frost; and two brothers, Stephen G. Jr. and Geoffrey.

Alberta V. Walker

Alberta V. Walker of Rahway died Nov. 15 in her home.

Born in Junction, N.C., Mrs. Walker lived in Montclair and Carter before moving to Rahway in 1948. She was a television assembler for RCA in Avenel for 20 years before retiring in 1970. Mrs. Walker was a member of the Progressive Baptist Church senior choir and Missionary Society in Rahway. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of American Legion Post 499 of Rahway.

Surviving are a daughter, Cindy W. Patterson; two brothers, James and Edward Cole; a sister, Gretzella Weathers; and two grandchildren.

Lillian Bell Jones

Lillian Bell Jones, 80, of Rahway died Nov. 19 in Raritan Bay Medical Center, Perth Amboy.

Born in McIntosh, Va., Mrs. Jones lived in Newton before moving to Rahway in 1962. She was a domestic worker in the McIntosh area for many years before her retirement.

Surviving are two sons, William G. and Clemmie C. Jr.; a daughter, Janice M. Newman; six grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Oiga O. Lutz

Oiga O. Lutz, 86, of Decatur, Ga., formerly of Rahway, died Nov. 19 in the Beverly Manor Convalescent Center, Decatur.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Lutz lived in Rahway and Columbia before moving to Decatur two years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Raymond; three sons, James, Richard and Raymond; a daughter, Anna Marie Wyda; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Elizabeth Nolan

Elizabeth Nolan, 87, of Rahway died Nov. 20 in the Clark Nursing and Rehabilitation Center.

Born in Southfield, Pa., Mrs. Nolan lived in Rahway for many years.

Surviving are two sons, Joseph Jr. and Robert; two daughters, Betty Keller and Margaret Walker; a sister, Marie Rehak; 11 grandchildren and 14 great-grandchildren.

James B. Linaberry

James B. Linaberry, 64, of Rahway, died Nov. 15 in his home.

Born in Rahway, Mr. Linaberry moved to Rahway several years ago. He had been a chemist for Merck Co., Rahway, Mr. Linaberry served in the Navy during the early 1950s.

Surviving are his son, Michael; a daughter, Jacqueline; his mother, Margaret Linaberry; a brother, Ken, and two grandchildren.

Irving C. Cahill

Irving C. Cahill, 80, of Rahway died Nov. 18 in Community Medical Center, Trenton.

Born in Junction, N.C., Mr. Cahill lived in Montclair and Carter before moving to Rahway in 1948. She was a television assembler for RCA in Avenel for 20 years before retiring in 1970. Mrs. Walker was a member of the Progressive Baptist Church senior choir and Missionary Society in Rahway. She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary of American Legion Post 499 of Rahway.

Surviving are a daughter, Cindy W. Patterson; two brothers, James and Edward Cole; a sister, Gretzella Weathers; and two grandchildren.

Rhose C. Mahan

Rhose C. Mahan, 73, of Rahway died Nov. 24 in the Barbara E. Chung Hospice Center, Edison.

Born in Jersey City, Mrs. Mahan lived in Delaware City, Del., before moving to Rahway 25 years ago. She worked for White Castle, Rahway, for 15 years before retiring in 1981.

Surviving are two brothers, Cathy D'Errio and Laura; a daughter, Rachaela Mahan; a sister, Mae Messina; and a grandchild.

Marion Senofonte

Marion Senofonte, 77, of Rahway died Nov. 22 in Mercy Hospital, Scranton, Pa.

Born in Olyphant, Pa., Mrs. Senofonte lived in Rahway for 50 years.

Surviving are a son, Victor; a daughter, Phyllis; two sisters, Rose and Marie; and two grandchildren.

McLane and Margaret Ferguson; five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Lena L. Dent

Lena L. Dent, 60, of Kissimmee, Fla., formerly of Rahway, died Nov. 20 in Columbia Medical Center/Osceola, Kissimmee.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Dent lived in Rahway before moving to Florida. She was a licensed practical nurse with the Home Health Care Agency, Kissimmee.

Surviving are her husband, John; three daughters, Joan Deborah Gilman, Jane Debra and Joan Daniel; three brothers, Lawrence, John Roy and Marshall Hayes Jr.; a sister, Helen Burns; and three grandchildren.

Mildred Silbert

Mildred Silbert, 70, a lifelong resident of Linden, died Nov. 20 in Newark Beth Israel Medical Center.

Born in Jersey City, Mr. Jurgau lived in Linden, Elizabeth and Garwood before moving to Linden five years ago. He was a school bus driver in Linden in 1971. He was a member of the Linden Jewish Community Center and a member of the B'nai B'rith.

Surviving are her husband, Edgar; a daughter, Angela Silbert; a son, Norman; two brothers, George and Manuel; and four children.

Mary Ann Milasius

Mary Ann Milasius, 79, of Linden died Nov. 18 in the Benedictine Infirmary, Elizabeth.

Born in Linden for 50 years. She was a homemaker.

Rossie Lee Hamlin

Rossie Lee Hamlin of Linden died Nov. 15 in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Halifax, N.C., Mr. Hamlin lived in Jersey City before moving to Linden in 1971. He was a chemical operator for Pharma Chemical Co., Bayonet, for 42 years and retired in 1970. Mr. Hamlin was a 3rd degree member and a member of the Pythian Lodge 25 of the FRAM of Brooklyn.

Surviving are his wife, Jimmie Lee; a daughter, Whitney; a stepson, Donald Veiverson; three stepdaughters; and two grandchildren.

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Bernard J. Conroy

Bernard J. Conroy, 88, of Linden died Nov. 22 in his home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Conroy lived in Elizabeth before moving to Linden 42 years ago. He worked in the chemical department of Exxon in Linden for 15 years and retired in 1972. Mr. Conroy served in the Army during peacetime.

Surviving are a son, Thomas J.; two daughters, Bernadette M. Walsh and Kathleen; a brother, Joseph; and two grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Felice Iscario

Felice Iscario, 96, of Linden, formerly of Roselle Park, died Nov. 22 in the Roselle Park Center.

Born in Italy, Mrs. Iscario came to the United States 78 years ago, settling in Jersey City. She lived in Linden, N.J., before moving to Roselle Park in 1960.

Surviving are a son, Frank J.; a daughter, Martha Silbert; a son, Norman; two brothers, George and Manuel; and four children.

Edward A. Glinisky

Edward A. Glinisky, 63, of Linden died Nov. 23 in Rahway Hospital.

Mr. Glinisky was a carpenter for MAM Contracting, Elizabeth, and previously had worked as a carpenter for Ben-Dun Construction Co., Rahway.

Worship Calendar

EPISCOPAL

St. John the Baptist Episcopal Church, 111 West Grand Ave., Rahway 07065-4444. Rev. Charles A. Letour, Pastor. Sunday Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM. Prayer Service with singing, 10:30 AM. Holy Eucharist, 11:30 AM. Holy Eucharist, 1:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 4:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 7:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 9:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 11:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 1:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 4:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 7:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 9:30 PM. Holy Eucharist, 11:30 PM.

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Surviving are his wife of 43 years, Betty B. three sons, Edward, Perry and Donald; a daughter, Debra Sprague; two brothers, John and Joseph; a sister, Louise Clinsky; and six grandchildren.

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Bernard J. Conroy, 88, of Linden died Nov. 22 in his home.

Born in Newark, Mr. Conroy lived in Elizabeth before moving to Linden 42 years ago. He worked in the chemical department of Exxon in Linden for 15 years and retired in 1972. Mr. Conroy served in the Army during peacetime.

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Roselle at Roselle Park, 10:30
Gov. Livingston at Johnson, 10:30

THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By J.B. Parschall
Sports Editor

We have a new No. 1. For the fourth time in four tries in the 1990s Union defeated Elizabeth in the first round of the North Jersey, Section 2, Group 4 playoffs. Union downed local Elizabeth 34-26 last Saturday and will now play Mendham in the first round of the championship.

Katherine Kruper

Katherine Kruper, 83, of Linden died Nov. 24 in her home.

Born in Elizabeth, Mrs. Kruper lived in Linden for 64 years. She was a member of the Linden Senior Citizens Club and a 50-year member of the Women of the Moose, Linden Chapter 395.

Surviving are a daughter, Katherine B. Kruper; a son, Alexander J.; a sister, Mary Kruper; and three grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Katherine Paslowksi

Katherine Paslowksi, 77, of Linden died Nov. 24 in her home.

Born in the Bronx, Mrs. Paslowksi lived in Newark before moving to Linden. She was a member of the ladies' auxiliaries of Knights of Columbus Council 2859 and Elks Lodge 1960.

Surviving are a son, Robert; five daughters, Joan Donovan, Mary Curran, Nancy Stern, Diane Kruger and Anne; a brother, William Nash; and six grandchildren.

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Debt collectors offer holiday credit advice

"Twas the month before Christmas and all through the mall, the smell of burning plastic filled the hall. The shoppers were charging their gifts with delight and no concern of pending financial plight. Millions of holiday shoppers will dust off their credit cards and by the mids this month, happily charging everything from toys to travel. Unfortunately, many a shopper's holiday glow will become holiday gloom once their January credit card statements arrive.

The American Collectors Association, Inc., the trade association for professional debt collectors, offers the following advice to help consumers avoid post-holiday payment shock.

• **Limit spending.** Determine how much you can afford to spend on holiday gifts before beginning your shopping excursion. Stick to your budget.

• **Make a list and check it twice.** Create a list of people for whom you need to purchase gifts and how much you will spend on each one, making sure not to exceed your allotted budget. As you shop, record each gift and its cost next to the receiver's name, then add up your expenses so your credit card bill won't "surprise" you by surprise.

• **Use cash whenever possible.** If it is necessary for you to charge a number of gifts, put them all on one credit card, so you won't be juggling several bills in January. Look into applying for a special holiday card with a credit line that equals what you have to spend, and that can be destroyed after the holidays.

• **Be interest-conscious.** Be wary of department store cards and cards offering deferred payment plans since most charge hefty interest rates. Use a deferred interest card only if interest will not accrue until the first payment is due, and if you will be able to pay off all or most of the bill immediately.

• **Be a savvy shopper.** Take advantage of outlet malls and holiday sales. Rather than buying expensive wrapping paper, ribbon and bows from department stores, pay cash for those items at a dollar store. Also, consider giving gifts that are on the pocketbook such as an engraved ashtray cupping a memorable event or a goodie basket filled with homemade treats.

• **Prepare for next year.** Start a holiday savings account and add to it each month. Then, throughout the year, hit retailers' clearance sales — you'll find great deals on gifts and, by buying a little at a time, you'll avoid last-minute shopping next year.

Consumers who are experiencing problems paying their holiday bills should contact ACA for information on working through their financial difficulties. For a free informational brochure, write to Solving Payment Problems, American Collectors Association, Public Relations Department, P.O. Box 39106, Minneapolis, MN 55439-0106.

Inspired by heat, Chinos make for cool gift

British Lt. Harry Lumsden could never be accused of being a slave to fashion back in 1846. The romance of comfort, but not to fashion. The resourceful soldier, based in India where the sun was unforgiving, pitched his official red felt uniform in favor of something more suited to the climate. He pulled from his steamer trunk cotton pajamas and, taking a tip from the natives, dyed the natural cotton with a lawny-colored plant extract called mazar. From that day on, Harry Lumsden would be best known as the inventor of the khaki. In 1884,

khaki dye was patented in Manchester, England.

The romance of khaki gained momentum at the turn of the century when foreign war correspondents donned these cool, durable and inconspicuous cotton pants for their dangerous work reporting in the trenches. Years later, Teddy Roosevelt got hooked on khaki in the form of "warrior" jackets that blended into the bush for his hunting expeditions to East Africa.

By the 1940s, Hollywood caught wind of this newest fashion statement that had become synonymous with adventure and courage and quickly added a manly khaki jacket to the wardrobe of romantic leads. Leading ladies also got into the act. Dietrich and Katharine Hepburn sporting khakis on and offscreen.

But it was in the fall of 1945 that khakis really made their mark, as they entered civilian life. Khakis, also called khaki, made from military cotton twill fabric, were seen at several college campuses around the country as young men returned from the war.

Chinos remained popular with the

Trailside center will host annual nature boutique

Trailside Nature and Science Center will host its annual Holiday Nature Boutique on Dec. 8 from 1-5 p.m.

Visitors will be able to purchase hand-crafted gifts made from natural materials or having a natural theme. Among the many crafts for sale will be wreaths of many different types, baskets, country and Victorian jewelry, dolls, pottery, stained glass, hand-painted wood and stone, rocking horses, log reindeer, herbal soaps, wildlife carvings, pressed flowers, honey, pills and vinegars, wooden puzzle boxes, toys, stocking stuffers, and more.

Children will have an opportunity to shop for friends and family at the Kid's Gift Shop. Crafts of all kinds will be available for purchase to kids while they shop in a "hassle-free" environment, assisted by staff and volunteers.

All items in the Kid's Gift Shop will be priced at \$3 and under.

The planitium show "Festival of Lights" will be held at 2 and 3:30 p.m. for \$3 percent and \$2.55 for senior citizens. Light holiday refreshments will be sold, and Santa is expected to stop by with candy canes for little shoppers.

Admission to the event is a suggested donation of \$1 which includes doorgifts tickets for chance to win donated craft items. Some of these items include a silver bracelet, a pressed flower paper weight, a raffia wreath, semi-precious earrings, wooden reindeer candles, a basket, homemade apple jelly and spoon, and many more items.

For more information about the Nature Boutique or to volunteer, call Trailside at (908) 789-3270. Trailside is a facility of Union County Division of Parks and Recreation.

Dress up your house this season

When it comes to getting the house ready for the holidays, a few special touches are all you need to capture the spirit of the season. Create a feeling of warmth by grouping candlesticks of all shapes and sizes for a cozy glow, fill simple country crockery with clove-dipped oranges and use greenery to add color whenever you can.

These suggestions and more, from the home designers at Vetro USA, manufacturers of Vetro brand fasteners, will help get you started.

• **Interwine garlands of fragrant evergreens with gaily red and gold ribbons to frame exterior and interior**

doorways. Use Vetro brand Sticky Back tape instead of books and nails. Attach tape to surface and ribbon, press together firmly to stick.

• **Create new family traditions by helping kids make their own ornaments.** Cut out silhouettes of Christmas trees, Santa, angels and stars from foil and colored paper. Attach several like-silhouettes together by placing the Vetro Sticky Back cloth in the center, front and back of each cutout and pressing them together to create a three-dimensional ornament.

• **Layer your table with contrasting**

cloths, a solid atop a pattern and gather the top layer at each corner to reveal the cloth beneath. Accent with a ruffled bow affixed with Vetro Sticky Back tape.

• **Cozy up sofas with decorative pillows of gaily patterned fabrics that you cut make yourself.** Keep things simple by eliminating zippers and use Vetro brand fasteners for pillow covers.

For a free holiday booklet of quick and easy holiday crafts, write to Vetro USA, P.O. Box 6441, Dept. H, Riverton, N.J. 08077-6441.

Camera center expands due to high demand

By Chris Surral

Staff Writer

Community Camera Center in Rahway offers much more than any of the local camera stores. There is also a Community Camera Center located in Colonia as well.

Steve Cutler, owner of both stores, indicated that the center was able to expand because of the high demand of customers that branch out into the Edison, Woodbridge, and Colonia areas.

"We are not just your ordinary camera store," he said.

Community Camera Center offers state-of-the-art photography processing as they sell equipment for every price range. The merchandise includes a wide variety of digital cameras that cannot be found at every camera store in the area. Community Camera Center also sells a variety of film developing capabilities that many area sports teams, news media companies, and police departments rely on.

The Kodak DC-20 camera priced under a few hundred dollars as the more advanced camera could sell for more. Their full gamut of equipment lets Community Camera Center operate among the camera business elite.

"We have some heavy hitters as our customers," Cutler said. "People rely on us to contribute for their colleagues and evidence gathering equipment. The digital photo production can be hooked up into the more advanced computers to allow broadcasters to relay news photos instantly to their destinations."

Cutler has been the owner since 1969 and has continued to build a reputation for good service as well as

Rushing through shopping can be hazardous

During the holiday season, at last

minute shoppers hurry to complete their gift-buying or return their gifts later on, shopping becomes an increasingly serious matter.

Navigating your way through a mall is also a serious business — especially with coats, bags and boxes in your arms as you use crowded escalators and elevators.

Schindler Elevator Corporation has developed some "rules of the road" so holiday shoppers stay festive and safe.

• **Never sit on the escalator.** Serious injury can result if clothing, shoes or fingers get caught between the closing stair steps, between the escalator step and side panel, or in moving parts at the top and bottom of an escalator. The best way to ride an escalator is to stand squarely on the center of the step, facing forward, with feet slightly apart and without touching the handrails.

• **Hold the handrail.** The handrail can provide stability and balance for passengers. Always hold the handrail when riding the escalator. When boarding or exiting an escalator, step — don't slide on or off. After exiting, move away from the end of the escalator to leave room for other exiting passengers.

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