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Murder case is fought

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Another motion was made barring the state from asking about Zankov's criminal record at the trial.

"There is a body of case that says introduction of prior criminal records is prejudicial," Benedict said. "Propensity evidence is ordinarily not admissible." It causes too much harm, said Benedict, citing the case of New Jersey v. Sands.

Another motion Benedict has not yet filed has to do with due process. State the crime happened to 1022 10th and so many critical witnesses are dead, the case cannot be fairly tried, Benedict said.

According to a police report, there was a heavy downpour the night of the shooting, Benedict said. Many people at a nearby bar came out to see what was happening, and crowded near the Miller Pontiac dealership in Union County. No one could not testify that the crime scene was contaminated by evidence, according to the attorney.

Another problem is that the Miller Pontiac building is not on St. Georges Avenue anymore, having been recently demolished to put up a bank. The case was open for 40 years, and the investigative file is huge, Benedict said. Many other suspects were investigated, but the attorney wants to know why the other suspects were not charged or prosecuted.

It has been about 10 months since the case of the death of Rahway Police Officer Charles Bernoski broke wide open with the arrest of Theodore Schiffer in Pennsylvania. The shooting occurred at the Miller Pontiac car dealership on St. Georges Avenue in November 1958.

Judith Sapa, cousin of Schiffer and brother of Zankov, told authorities what he knew about the Schiffer murder in August of last year. This was after her husband was charged with stealing about \$120,000 from a mutual fund at Zankov's name set up by her mother, Veronica. Schiffer was arrested and his fingerprints matched those left at the crime scene in 1958.

Judith Sapa said to police last year that the night Bernoski was shot, Zankov and Schiffer returned to the Zankov home at Linden with bullet wounds. Judith Sapa said her mother Veronica pushed up the wounds and swore the family to secrecy.

Zankov has been in prison since 1975 for the Calandrelli murder. After Judith Sapa came forward, the empty Zankov house on Bower Street in Linden was searched for evidence possibly linking Zankov to Bernoski's murder, but the disappearance of other ten-year-old girls around the city of Calandrelli's death. Nothing was found.

Taxes had been paid on the vacant house from the mutual fund left to Zankov by his mother. Schiffer has pled guilty to his involvement in the Bernoski death, and said Zankov was the one who pulled the trigger. He is being held in a Pennsylvania jail, and will presumably be sentenced after testifying against Zankov.

Elizabeth Bernoski, the widow of Charles Bernoski, is suing both Zankov and Schiffer for the wrongful death of her husband. Springfield attorney Kenneth Javerbaum is handling her case.

"Things are happening," Regan said. "It takes a couple of years sometimes to get all the paperwork together and get council approval. Once construction starts, people will see good things. All the things that have been discussed for seven years are happening."

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Corzine wins Senate support in city

By Robert Canby
Staff Writer

Rahway voters supported Wall Street millionaire Jon Corzine's successful bid for the Democratic nomination for U.S. Senate over former Gov. Jim Florio in the primary Tuesday.

Based on unofficial results, Corzine received a 1,345 votes in Rahway, while Florio received 472 votes.

Republicans Robert Franks received the most votes in Rahway among the Republican candidates for the Senate seat being vacated by Frank Lautenberg, with 195 votes. Among other Republican Senate contenders, William Gormley, a state senator from Atlantic County, received 90 city votes; Ezeiza County Executive James Treffinger received 62 votes; and Rancago College economics professor Miry Sabrin received 64 votes.

All six ward seats on the Rahway City Council are up for election this year, but there were no contested primary elections. The six incumbent council members, having been re-elected, and seven challengers have filed against them. The extra challenger is an independent candidate for the 3rd Ward.

Five Democrats and one Republican are currently on the council. First Ward Councilman Robert Rachlin, a Democrat, is finishing his first four-year term, and received a total of 276 votes. Second Ward Councilman Frank Janusz is the only Republican on the governing body and has been there for seven years. He received 70 votes.

Ferry Scamio is the 3rd Ward councilman, and is seeking a second term. He received 207 votes. Fourth Ward Councilman Dave Brown was selected as council president in January and is seeking a second term in his ward. He received 405 votes.

Fifth Ward Councilwoman Donna Tilson is seeking a second term, and was the council president last year. She received 191 votes. Sixth Ward Councilman Donald Andersen is also seeking a second term. He received 178 votes.

Linda Torres is running for the 7th Ward council seat. She also hopes to open up the adult section of the library, which was put into storage after Tropical Storm Floyd hit last fall. He received 56 votes.

Elyse Boduchio Medved is running for the 6th Ward seat. She is the public health director and is being misinterpreted by the council, and

that Rahway's fiscal, environmental and educational needs have to be met with a higher level of quality. She received 50 votes.

Democratic freeholder incumbents Deborah Scanlon received 1,316 Rahway votes, Alexander Minibella received 1,278 votes, and Chester Holmes received 1,366 votes.

Other Democratic candidates for the freeholder board were Becky McInally, who received 237 city votes; Steven Madonia, 271 votes; and Pat Falco, 229 votes.

Among the Republican freeholder candidates, Alice Dean received 71 votes, Elizabeth LaRoche received 75 votes, William Miller received 56 votes, Mercedes Fernandez received 94 votes, James Perreca received 101 votes, Craig Clawson received 78 votes, Wally Shackell received 175 votes, Peter Gorman-Malcolm received 159 votes, and Albin Smith received 167 votes.

With few contested races and only another contested day, the voter turnout was light for the primary Tuesday. Rahway has 13,266 registered voters, including 1,318 Democrats and 1,278 Republicans.

River projects to fight flood problems

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potential lease of 25 acres of the county reservation to develop ballfields and parking.

It is very important to Rahway that nothing gets built there, Lynch said. The state Department of Transportation just opened one of the tubes under near Route 35 that had been blocked with sediment, according to Lynch. Rahway officials pointed out to the state that the blocking occurred and the state was responsible for clearing the obstruction. That will help Woodbridge move forward, but it was Rahway's responsibility under the Community Preservation System.

Other towns and township must report any residential that was built on a residential lot, Lynch said.

Money was appropriated by the U.S. Congress for the different states that Flooded. Lynch said that perhaps some of that supplemental money, as well as money from FEMA, will be utilized to pump money into Rahway to help with the supplemental funds, he said.

Lynch is not sure how the city will deal with the other houses on Central Avenue. He said that the best chance of being torn down is abandoned one on the corner of St. Georges and Central Avenue. That will probably be removed with the supplemental funds, he said.

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Everything is administered through the state, and it is federal money being used, Rahway will have to wait and see if it can compete with towns like Manville and Bound Brook, areas hit much harder by Floyd.

The Army Corps of Engineers is considering a \$3.5-million restoration of some of the riverbanks. Rahway. It is a flood control and environmental improvement combined, Lynch said. As the riverbanks erode and the sediment clogs the channels of the river, the river has less capacity to move the water. If the engineers control the erosion on the banks for Rahway, then the city will have a clearer waterway to move floodwaters, and a more environmentally sound waterway for fish and wildlife, Lynch said.

There's no one solution to the flooding anymore," Lynch said. "It's more like a cumulative thing, where all these little things all put together should help us."

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COMMUNITY FORUM

EDITORIALS

Fly the flag

The American flag was once an object of reverence, and still is to many. Now it has been demoted to a symbol, one that can be burned in public and spat upon by those who suffer the delusion that our country is always wrong in every case.

Flag Day is a holiday that has also suffered a demotion. When at one time Americans used to fly their flags proudly on June 14, hardly anyone notices the holiday these days. Even our state and local elected officials let the day pass without a commemorative proclamation or an official fly the flag conspicuously.

Take a walk around the township. Look at the every state of the flags that fly from many public poles. Some are dirty and torn from neglect. Some are left flying in any weather, night and day, in a sad violation of the respect surrounding the treatment of our national symbol.

Imagine for a moment the foreign visitor who might come to town. This visitor might be visiting America to see the proud people who fought for freedom in jungles and deserts. They might wonder what kind of people could invent the atomic bomb, land a man on the moon and cure polio. They might want to know the soul of a country that generously sends food to the starving, aid to earthquake stricken countries and medicine to plague ridden tribes in Africa.

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Funding will meet seniors' needs

We are pleased Rahway has received \$150,000 in grant money for improvements to three municipal facilities for senior citizens. There is a growing elderly population in Rahway, and there is in nearly all municipalities, and their special needs must be met.

The largest portion is \$85,000, which will be used for the Senior Citizens Center on Eastbrook Avenue. This is appropriate, since it is the main facility for the city's elderly, and could use the most improvements.

City officials plan to use the funds for an awning and a canopy so seniors getting dropped off at the center in bad weather can walk to the entrance without getting wet. This is especially important for elderly residents with physical impairments or respiratory problems who should not be in the rain and snow.

Rahway received another \$50,000 for the JFK Center. This facilities grant will be used to complete the center's second floor, which should enable it to offer a wider range of programs for seniors in that section of town.

The Rahway Housing Authority obtained the remaining \$15,000 to expand senior programming. This is important, since elderly people on fixed incomes and widows or widowers are in greater need of assistance to meet their living expenses.

Rahway offers many programs, clubs and activities for seniors, such as the greenhouse recently completed by the Gardening Club at the Senior Citizens Center. There are exercise classes and trips offered by the city Department of Recreation and Senior Services.

The grant program, administered by the Board of Chosen Freeholders, is based on population, which is appropriate. Funding levels include up to \$250,000 for those with 3,000 to 8,999 seniors, and up to \$100,000 for those municipalities with less than 3,000 seniors.

As the Baby Boom generation continues to enter its golden years, the need for government assistance for senior citizens will continue to grow. In addition to meeting their basic needs — nutrition, housing, transportation and utility costs — senior programs must also be designed to help keep the elderly stimulated and involved in the community.

We urge the city to work to develop more programs, possibly in conjunction with schools, church groups and other community organizations, to keep the elderly Rahway residents involved with other generations in the municipality. It is important to help seniors realize they still have a contribution to make to the lives of others.



FLAG CEREMONY — Wednesday is Flag Day. During last year's ceremony, Rahway Mayor John Cauffield feeds a woman and tattered flag into the fire at a bonfire.

Artifacts require some study for original use

The Way It Was

By William Frolich

The other day several members of the Union County Historical Society found themselves busy relocating some of the artifacts that had been stored away, and some of us were amazed at many of the items that came to light. There were things that dated back a century or more, including some rusty solid iron cannonballs from at least the Civil War, and possibly to the American Revolution.

We examined a long iron bar closely, and finally determined that it was a rifle barrel. It was just the barrel, without the lock or stock, and it was not for the percussion cap nipple on one end, we might not have realized exactly what it was.

There were no markings or other indications that it had ever been fired in a stock, and perhaps the rifle had never been completed, but the nipple showed that it was intended to be a black powder muzzle-loading rifle many years ago.

Another more recent contraption was turned up that was only about 80 years old, and was unrecognized by the younger members who were present. This was a sort of three-legged iron device with claws on the ends of the legs, and a crank handle, Acme threaded screw and a couple of bevel gears. Although the use of this tool was a mystery to most of the workers, there was one who knew what it was and how it was used. The explanation took us back to the early days of masonry and pneumatic tires on automobiles.

This was long before tubeless tires were mounted directly on the wheels as they are today. The tire was instead mounted on a split steel rim that had to be compressed small enough to fit inside the tire and then released and the ends locked together. It was possible, with much manual labor, to force

Hidden in a corner was an old, handmade tool chest that contained several carpenter's tools. Many were made of wood, with metal inserts for cutting edges. There was a long wooden plane to be used to smooth the surface of a board, and there was a wooden brace, into which a metal bit could be placed and used to bore a hole. A similar brace and bit can be purchased in a hardware store of today, but it is made of steel and not of "everlasting" wood.

A somewhat familiar piece of farm machinery was found, and it resembled a modern treadmill that is used for exercising and reducing weight. This old one, however, had a more practical purpose, as it was intended to be a power source for light machinery.

At one end, the tread of the mill ran over sprockets that would turn a wide pulley on the end of the shaft. A leather belt could be used to connect the pulley to a piece of light farm machinery, and be driven by the treadmill, which, in turn, was to be driven by a large dog.

Another item that came to light as we worked our way through these dusty gems of long ago was a typewriter of a rather unique design. In modern machines the letters are in a vertical position when they hit the ribbon against the paper, but this typewriter held a 34-inch ribbon in a horizontal position and the type letters swung up from the bottom and hit the ribbon from underneath, while the roller carried the paper over the ribbon. It must have been difficult to see what was being written while the paper was feeddown.

Questions were asked about an odd-looking object that was a short wooden board "daisy" studded with blunt spikes. Someone suggested that it was a headrest for an Indian fakir, but its real purpose was much different.

In the good old days when there were spinning wheels in every house the spiked board, that was properly known as a "card," was used to separate fine fibers from their outer casings.

After several steps of preparation, a handful of flax strands would be spun down through these spikes a few times and then the fibers would come out clean and straight and ready for spinning into thread.

William Frolich is a member of the Union County Historical Society.

Our policy on letters and columns

The Rahway Progress welcomes submissions from its readers. Letters to the editor or opinion pieces on any subject will be considered for publication on the opinion pages.

This opportunity also is open to all officials and employees of the city and Union County.

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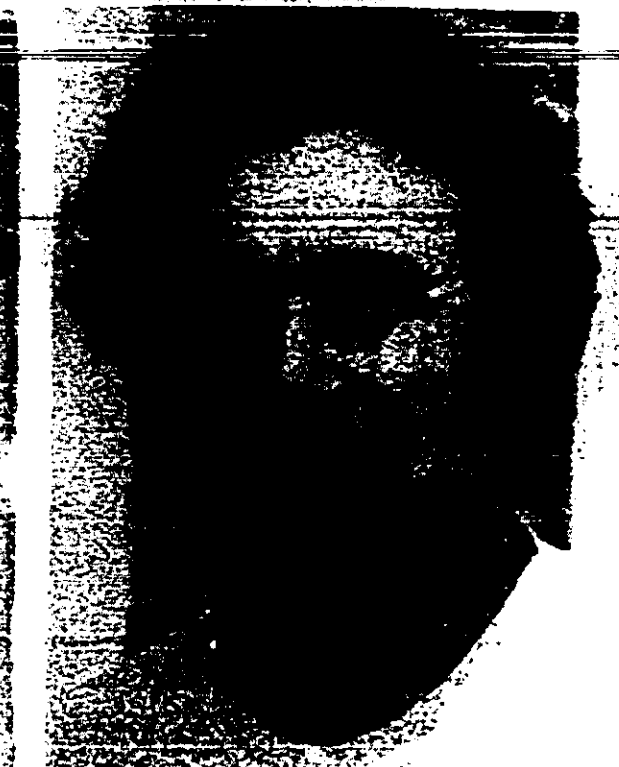
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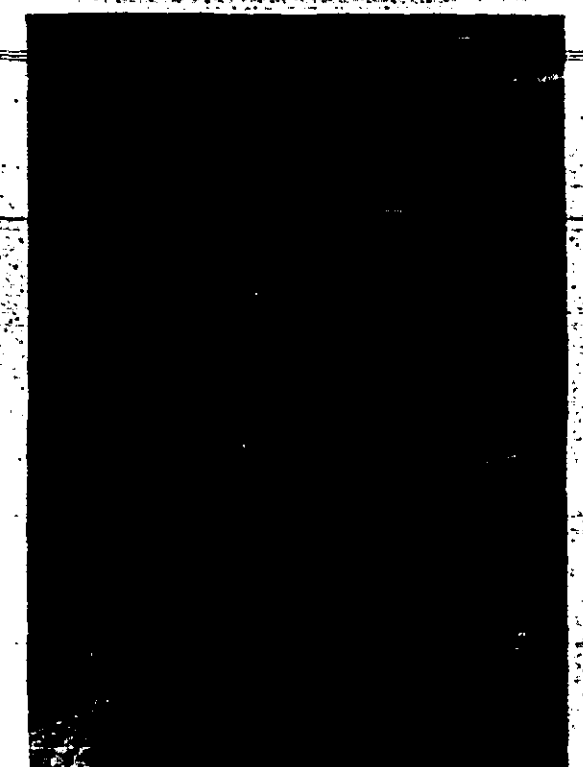
We're asking What are your plans for the summer?



Westley Jones
"I will see my mother down in Georgia."



Armin Roderick
"Go down to the beach, maybe Sandy Hook."



Gwen Starville
"Work, work and work, although I would like to visit Portugal."



John Parker
"I will be working, but I might visit my brother at his school in Delaware."

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Concerned about an issue facing the governing body or Board of Education in your town? Is your voice not being heard? Our readers have the right to speak out about any issue whether it is a question, comment, suggestion or opinion. That way, by telling us, you can tell everyone in town.

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Rahway High School seniors receive awards, scholarships

Rahway High School conducted its annual senior awards ceremony Monday for members of the Class of 2000. Vice Principal of Guidance Elaine Ross gave the welcome, while Principal Edward Yorgolis delivered the greetings.

The 2000 senior class advisors are Jo Ann Zwiobol and Via Gilibini. The class officers are Wesley Bailey, president, Jennifer Horling, vice president, Lamara Jones, secretary, and Patricia Choy, treasurer.

The following awards were presented: National Honor Society Scholarship — Samantha Carlan and Lucy Mendoza.

Thompson Society Award for Outstanding Achievement in Theater Arts — Jennifer Bobenchik and David Costello.

The Merch-Rahway Chapter of the International Association of Administrative Professionals — Leon Bunion.

John N. Kube Memorial Scholarship — Jenny Jess.

Highest Average in Accounting I — Juri Lin.

Highest Average in Accounting II — Jennifer Reiter.

Highest Average in Marketing Education — Leon Bunion.

Burger King Founders Award — Gerald Vaughn.

Outstanding Achievement in Performing Arts — Colin Hartnett, Jessica Gray, Mistica Stephens, Morgan Parker, Eric Mandala, Tandra Gillette, Lauren LaFolgia, Victoria Myers, Meghan Yull, Jennifer Horling, Jennifer Trunelle, Christine Mongiello, Kristen Allen, Latoya Cargen, Shante Hill, Stephanie Kan, Samantha Kemeza, Kate Williams, Andrew Russell, Kelli Bridgdon, and Liz Blanchard.

Highest Average in Art — Juana Benitez.

Creative Achievement in Art — Samantha Kurecka.

National Art Honor Society Achievement Award — Juana Benitez.

Rho Eta Sigma Editors Award — Rebecca Himple.

DeVry Presidential Scholarship Award — Eric Mandala.

Outstanding Language Achievement for ESL — Lissette Allen.

Highest Average in Boys' Health — Jason Reverendo.

Highest Average in Girls' Health — Stephanie Kent.

Highest Average in Boys' Physical Education — James Wilson.

Highest Average in Girls' Physical Education — Debra Amann.

Highest Average in Food & Nutrition — Dianne Kasprzyk.

Home Economics Cooperative Education Award — Evelyn Cruz and Sandra DeRose.

Highest Average in Child Development — Jennifer Horling.

Highest Average in Technical Drawing — Richard-Marc Hernandez.

Highest Average in Technology — Wesley Bailey.

Highest Average in Social Studies — Jennifer Bobenchik.

Joseph Pearson's Memorial Award — Colin Hartnett.

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NAACP health fair June 24 in Roselle

The Roselle Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will conduct a health fair June 24 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Leonard V. Moore Middle School, 720 Locust St.

The goal is to provide health services and information to children and adults in the borough and surrounding communities.

Health information and screenings for blood pressure, diabetes, HIV/AIDS and the effects of environmental pollution will be provided.

Call (908) 241-9547 for more information.

Linden Rotary Club to mark anniversary

The Rotary Club of Linden will sponsor its 70th anniversary celebration June 17 at the Roselle Recreation Center, 330 Helen St.

The cost is \$50 per person. Tickets may only be sold every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, June 26 through Aug. 17. The class is from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Roselle Recreation Center, 330 Helen St.

The cost is \$50. Class size is limited. Registration will be June 26 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on a first-come, first-served basis.

Self-defense course at Gregorio Center

The Linden Recreation Department is sponsoring self-defense classes for students through 15 years old. Such techniques as take-downs, "hot locks" will be taught.

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Applications are available at the Gregorio Center, Linden Multi-Purpose Center, Community Center, City Hall, public libraries and banks.

Library will begin summer schedule

The Roselle Public Library will begin its summer schedule June 15, which will run until Sept. 15.

Summer hours are Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

The library will be open during lunch, but closed Friday mornings and Saturdays.

Expanded hours for the school year will be announced later this summer.

The library is located at Chestnut Street and West Fourth Avenue.

Roselle Bike Rodeo June 24 for youths

The Roselle Police Department Community Policing Unit will sponsor its third annual Bike Rodeo for children ages 14 and older June 24 from 10 a.m. to noon at the Borough Hall parking lot, Chestnut Street.

There will be free prizes and refreshments, along with bicycle inspections and safety instruction.

For more information call (908) 486-8616.

Sisterhood schedules Achievement Dinner

The Sisterhood of Congregation Anshe Chesed of Linden will conduct its annual Achievement Dinner Wednesday at the Synagogue Center, Orchard Terrace and St. Georges Avenue.

The cocktail hour will begin at 6 p.m., followed by the dinner at 7 p.m.

Guests, including Mr. and Mrs. Isaac, member of Franklin Lakes, a vocalist, guitarist, cantor and Jewish program consultant, will provide the entertainment.

For more information call (908) 486-8616.

Soccer registration Saturday in Roselle

Roselle soccer sign-up will be Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon at Borough Hall, 210 Chestnut Street.

Parents must bring a copy of their child's birth certificate, a completed registration form and a \$25 registration fee.

Call Debbie Esposito at (908) 241-5623 for more information.

Vegas trip benefits Pulaski Parade fund

The General Pulaski Memorial Parade Committee of St. Theresa Church, Linden, will sponsor a trip from Oct. 28 to Nov. 1 to the MGM Grand Resort and Casino in Las Vegas.

The cost is \$599 per person based on double occupancy. The package includes five days, airfare, transportation, taxes and gratuities. Reservations are being accepted with a \$150 deposit.

Call Michael S. Wink at (908) 842-6192.

Sun and Fun Club schedules 2000 trips

The Sun and Fun Club of St. John the Apostle Church, 1005 Penbrook Terrace, Clark-Linden, is sponsoring the following trips:

- Hunts Landing, "Pabst" June 23.
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21st Century 5K planned June 11 in Roselle

The Roselle 21st Century 5K Race will be June 11 at 6 p.m. at the Borough Hall, Second Avenue and Chestnut Street, and the course is mostly through residential neighborhoods.

The event will benefit the St. Basil's Burn Foundation. Entry fees are \$15. Awards will be presented to the top three male and females in the following age groups: 14 and under, 15-19, 20-29, 30-39, 40-49, 50-59, 60-69, and 70 and over.

A buffet supper will be held after the race at the St. Basil's Burn Foundation, 330 Helen St.

Call Mark Zerobis at (908) 481-0318 for more information.

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Ceramics program set at Gregorio Center

The Linden Recreation Department will sponsor Father's Day ceramic classes for students in kindergarten through eighth grade. Dates are Tuesday and June 15, from 4 to 5:30 p.m. and 6 to 7:30 p.m. each day, at the Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St.

Registration begins Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. and the deadline is Friday, June 15, at 4 p.m. The fee is \$5 per participant.

Classes are limited to 35 students. All supplies are included. Each participant will paint and decorate a project to take home.

For more information, call the center at (908) 474-8627.

Rummage sale will benefit sick relative

A family rummage sale will be June 24 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Linden Presbyterian Church, 1506 Orchard Terrace.

Proceeds will help with medical expenses for Flo Little, formerly Flo Beney. The former Linden resident has been diagnosed with breast cancer. Half of the crop on their family farm in West Virginia has been destroyed by the drought.

Her mother, two brothers and three sisters will be participating in this event.

All residents are invited to attend.

Girl Scout Council has summer camps

Washington Rock Girl Scout Council is currently accepting applications for Summer Day Camps 2000. The camps are offered in Roselle, Hillside and Elizabeth.

The program runs daily from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. The cost is \$40 per week.

Camp staff positions are still available. For more information, call (908) 232-3235, ext. 1-DAY.

Library board sets new meeting dates

The Roselle Library Board of Trustees has changed its regular meeting date to the fourth Wednesday of the month. Meetings are June 28, Sept. 27, Oct. 25, Nov. 22 and Dec. 27. No meetings are conducted in July or August.

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Former Roselle student Cook to receive leadership training

When Samira Cook of Roselle was growing up, she said the three inspiring and supportive people in her family were her mother, her father and her sister. One day, she said she hoped to "give back" to her community by playing a role in shaping public policy.

Cook has set high goals for herself — nothing short of representing her home state as a congresswoman or senator. The former public major and sociology minor at Mount Holyoke College in South Hadley, Mass., has already taken significant steps on this path. She and her sister are the first members of their family to pursue higher education.

Cook is the daughter of Willie Mae Cook and the late Willie Mae Cook and is a graduate of Abraham Clark High School in Roselle. She graduated from Mount Holyoke College on May 21.

While at the women's college, Cook has completed independent studies in housing and discrimination issues, leadership and decision-making through field assignments, site visits, interviews, and special individual and group projects. Cook is a member of the Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society and the National Association of Public Administration.

She worked closely with Rebecca Holte, a 1978 graduate of Mount Holyoke College and an attorney who directs HUD's Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act Division and the Interstate Land Sales Division.

Cook has studied British politics and international sociology at England's University of Sussex, and the recently became the second Mount Holyoke College student to win a Cora Public Affairs Fellowship.

They believe that, unlike law, business or medicine, post-graduate training in the area of leadership will be a career-long journey. Cook is looking forward to learning all she can during her Cora year — and getting one step closer to a seat on the Hill.

'Colors' concert at LHS

The Celebration Singers and Children's Choir present their Spring Concert, "The Color of Our Lives" on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. at Linden High School.

"The colors of my life are beautiful and bold" are the words to the song from "The Color of Our Lives," according to school officials.

The Celebration Singers will perform their annual Spring Concert with a presentation of the many colors that make up our diverse community.

The mood will vary as the choir presents blues numbers such as "What Did I Do to Be So Black and Blue" from the award-winning Broadway musical, "Rent." "Ain't No Mountain High Enough" is the light and happy 1960s classic "Up, Up and Away," sung by The Fifth Dimension.

Making his debut as director of the adult choir is Khy Garner. He is a fellow member of the Celebration Singers and a former student of Tom Peda, who has been the director of the Celebration Singers' Children's Choir this season. Tickets for the concert are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children and senior citizens. For more information call (908) 241-8200.

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Youth struck on state highway

A 10-year-old boy was struck by a pickup truck May 30 while jumping the divider along Route 169, according to Railway police.

The incident occurred at 8:12 p.m. near the intersection of Randolph Avenue.

Matthew Roth of South Amboy was traveling south on the state highway in his 1998 Ford Ranger when the youth, whose identity was not released by police, jumped over the concrete barrier from the northbound side in an attempt to cross the six lane highway, according to authorities.

The juvenile was unsupervised at the time of the accident. The parents of the juvenile were notified and responded to the scene.

The juvenile was treated at the scene by members of the Railway First Aid Squad and Medics 10 from University Hospital in Newark where he was treated for a broken leg and minor secondary injuries.

A state was smashed through a rear sliding glass door sometime May 30 between 4 and 10:30 p.m. along the 800 block of Raydon Terrace. Approximately \$210 in cash and \$1,000 in jewelry was reported missing.

A burglary was reported Friday at 11:15 a.m. along the 300 block of West Meadow Avenue. A 36-inch Magavore television valued at \$1,000 and a Magavore VCR valued at \$400 were taken. Entry may have been gained through the den's rear window.

A detached garage was entered Sunday at 1:30 p.m. along the 200 block of Concord Street. Nothing was reported missing.

Three bicycles were reported stolen May 29 at 9:52 a.m. from along the 1200 block of Bryant Street. The three bicycles were described as a chrome Verigo, a chrome Union and a chrome Huffy.

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Two stolen Division of Motor Vehicles inspection stickers were reported missing May 30 at 5:56 p.m. along the 1100 block of Woodbridge Road. It is not known if the stickers were lost or stolen. The DMV will conduct an investigation.

A silver Huffy girl's mountain bike with red lettering was reported stolen May 30 between 8:30 and 9 p.m. along the 400 block of West Scott Avenue.

A wallet with nothing of value in it was reported stolen May 31 at 9:45 a.m. along the 200 block of West Grand Avenue, according to police.

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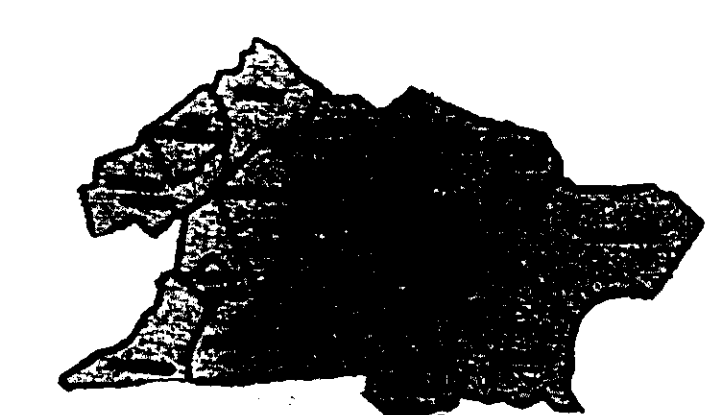
Mays named to 'College Who's Who'

Lakisha Mays of Railway was among 37 students at William Paterson University in Wayne to be named to the 2000 edition of "Who's Who Among Students at American Universities and Colleges."

Students are named to the directory on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

The students are selected from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several nations.

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92, 93, 94

By 7 a.m. Saturday Debbie Sulkowski of Union Township was seated with friends at a picnic table at Wanchung Stables. This was no ordinary picnic, rather the serious business of getting their kids enrolled in the most convenient section of the county's popular camp program.

Sitting Dunkin' Donuts coffee, Sulkowski who had arrived at 6:05 a.m. knew her ticket number 92 would probably slot her daughter in one of the 200 block of Maple Avenue camp provides. But it was also clear to the mass of parents who had arrived in a parade of Suburbans, Grand Chryslers and Volvos that supply would be in demand.

Left Out

By Frank Capace

An edict by the Parks and Recreation Department that no one would be allowed at the facility before 6 a.m. with a county policeman to back it up also turned out not to be an impediment to the successful, aging Baby Boomers bent on getting a chosen slot for their kids. They would not be denied. By comparison, Sulkowski and friends remained remarkably calm.

In years past, parents camped out overnight, sent surrogates to hold their positions and, when necessary, allowed for position in a manner to make Patrick Ewing proud. The helpful stable auxiliary even provided signs in procedures this year with little tidbits indicating their coveted position.

At 8:02 a.m. Hilma Williams, the head of the stables, stepped "let 'em rip" and the annual sign-in scramble for the best slot for the 400-plus terms and pre-teens who love the place began.

Williams always fascinates me. His calm demeanor is present whether he is serving as manager, accomplished horseman, psychologist or referee. During the first 20 minutes, he dealt with a price mistake on the brochure, a parent's concern that her child's rating was incorrect because of a psychological trauma in the child's home, and number 21 who demanded an immediate rating for his child who had ridden at another facility.

While the line of anxious parents was getting tighter, Parks and Recreation honcho Debbie Judd patiently answered irate parents' calls and watched the growing crowd. To a some reminiscent of a Woody Allen movie, she dealt with a set of identical twins and their irate mother who popped up from nowhere to demand a new time for their missed lesson, oblivious to the time out the door.

All the action was over the participation in Equestrian Camp. The kids spend the week riding, caring for the animals and cleaning stables. Many end up with the coveted title of Stable Rat. They learn to appreciate animals with names like Picasso, Moose and Coffee Break.

One working mother did not find the wait too amusing as she spoke about her need to get her two kids in the same session. Betty Morbee, number 93, who sat with Sulkowski and number 94, Lynn Walker also of Union Township, told the story of a woman who parked next to them, but dined out of the car to get a better position. Sulkowski said she was pretty flexible as long as it wasn't one of the three weeks for which she had plans.

Later that night at 9 p.m., down the hill in Kenilworth at the corner of 20th and the Boulevard, a group of teens hung out at the corner, some skateboarding, and two males with remarkable vertical leap sitting on the four-foot high garbage disposal. Maybe another example of demand for recreational activities outstripping supply.

Harvard author and scholar Robert Putnam has been making waves lately with his book "Bowling Alone." His basic thesis is that over the past 30 years, citizens have become unconnected to each other. See SUPPLY, Page B1.



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Completing a lifelong dream

Chrystal becomes latest addition to Superior Court

By Mark Hrynya
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Placing her hand on a 300-year-old family Bible, Lisa Chrystal completed a lifelong dream in the county that she began dreaming of becoming a judge. The Westfield resident took the oath of office last week to become the newest member of the Union County Superior Court.

Chrystal becomes the seventh female on the Union County bench and the second female sworn in within the last month. Her appointment brings the court to a full complement of 29 judges. She will be hearing cases in the Family Division.

The first in her family to graduate college, and complete graduate school, Chrystal grew up in Union, attending in public schools where her mother taught for many years. It was her parents, Canale and Herman, who instilled in her that she could achieve or do anything.

"The goal is not an end but a beginning," Chrystal said. "I've learned that what really matters is the journey, not just the goal."

As a child, she often accompanied her father when he tried cases in the Union County Courthouse.

Chrystal's father-in-law gave up his career as a judge after leaving Nazi Germany before World War II. Explained her husband, attorney Peter Herzberg, during his tear-filled speech.

"The elation he must feel today at the age of 92 as his daughter-in-law becomes a judge in the country that adopted him really cannot be expressed. What a great country it is."

Assignment Judge Edward Beglin Jr. said the office building at 1704 E. Front Street in Scotch Plains, where Chrystal had her practice, has now produced three Union County Superior Court judges. In addition to Chrystal, Judges Katherine Dupuis and Rudolph Hawkins Jr. both had law offices there.

"Always know that we stand behind you even though we're standing before you," Ronald Cohen told Chrystal, as president of the Union County Bar Association. He presented the new judge with a gavel on behalf of the association.

Chrystal earned a bachelor's degree in journalism from the Syracuse University in 1987, and a master's degree in 1992.

The 43-year-old Democrat served a term as assistant county counsel, where she represented Rummels Hospital, Union County Jail, Prosecutor's Office and the Department of Parks and Recreation, among others.

Superior Court judges are appointed to a seven-year term, nominated by the governor and confirmed by the State Senate. Following the seven-year term, the senate can grant tenure and judges can then serve until the retirement age of 70. A majority of Union County judges are trained with a handful having been appointed within the past several years.

Local senators — in Chrystal's case, Senate President Donald Lefrancisco, R-22, and Raymond Lefrancisco, R-20 — advise the governor on the nomination. The Legislature increased the annual salary for Superior Court judges from \$115,000 to \$133,330.

Connelly claims victory in primary

Lapolla calls for recount

By Mark Hrynya
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Maryanne Connelly, who surprised many in 1998 by running a close race against incumbent Congressman Robert Franks, pulled off the feat again in Tuesday's Democratic primary. While Connelly claimed a victory, Union County Manager Michael Lapolla will call for a recount in the 7th Congressional District race after unofficial returns had the two women tied with 1,026 votes each.

At Tuesday night's count, Westfield's Connelly had 1,026 votes, while Lapolla had 1,024 votes in the congressional district which spans Union, Middlesex, Somerset and Essex counties. Running a distant third and fourth, respectively, were Warren Township Committeewoman Jeffrey Gollin with 2,617 votes, 8 percent, and Neil Farley of Westfield with 1,011 votes, 7 percent.

Hours after losing to Franks two years ago, Connelly continued to campaign, planning another run in 2002. "War Hawks must not be forgotten," she said.

Whoever ultimately claims the Democratic nomination will face Republican Michael Ferguson of Warren, who defeated Thomas Franks in 1998.

U.S. Senate race will be a Union County affair

Regional Editor

The next U.S. senator to represent New Jersey will come from Union County. Jon Corzine of Summit locked up the Democratic nomination early Tuesday night while Congresswoman Robert Franks of Berkeley Heights took a little longer before claiming victory in the GOP primary.

After spending more than \$30 million during the campaign, Corzine handily defeated former Gov. James Florio by a nearly 3-to-1 margin. Statewide figures had Corzine with 246,045, 58 percent, and Florio with 179,053, 42 percent. Franks was outpaced by State Sen. William Gormley of Atlantic County, who claimed victory sometime after midnight Tuesday night. Gormley, however, did not concede yet at press time Wednesday morning.

With nearly all votes in, Franks garnered 95,801 votes statewide, 35 percent; Gormley, 92,454, 34 percent; Essex County Executive James Trreffinger, 47,914, 18 percent; and Ramapo College professor Murray Sabrin, 34,223, 13 percent.

Both candidates did well in their home county. Corzine polled 26,486 votes, collecting 26,486 votes, 68 percent, to the former Congressman's 12,204 votes, 32 percent.

Franks garnered nearly two-thirds of the Union County vote with 9,765, 41 percent, followed by Sabrin, 1,494, 10 percent, who was just ahead of Trreffinger, 1,487, 10 percent.

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Scanton was the top vote-getter with 24,315, 23 percent, followed by Mirabella, 23,864, 23 percent; Holmes, 23,176, 24 percent; Fallon, 8,550, 9 percent; McHugh, 8,346, 9 percent; and Madonna, 8,326, 9 percent.

For county clerk, incumbent Joanne Rajopoff of Union polled Stanley Moskoff of Elizabeth, getting nearly 80 percent of the vote. Moskoff finished with 7,193 votes to Rajopoff's 26,087.

Republicans Al Dill of Summit, Wally Shaekel of Cranford and Esther Gorman-Matlock of Roselle won their party's nomination but not by nearly as wide a margin as the Democrats.

On the Republican side, 7th District Congressional candidate Michael Ferguson and U.S. Senate candidate James Trreffinger created lines of candidates at the county level to garner better ballot positioning. Ferguson had, Alice Deas of Cranford, Ed See DEMS, Page B2.



Six-year-old Kacie McHale of Kenilworth leads last year's cancer survivors' lap at the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life at Kean University in Union. This year's Relay for Life will be Friday and Saturday.

Relay for Life at Kean University this weekend

Union County Sheriff Ralph Froelich has faced many life-threatening situations during his 42 years in law enforcement. None, however, were as difficult as the challenge he faced in 1969 when diagnosed with bone cancer.

Given only six weeks to live, Froelich prepared himself for and won the battle of his life, and now personifies today's cancer survivor: courageous, confident and optimistic. Froelich's optimistic view of defeating cancer is shared every spring by thousands of Union County cancer survivors, their families, friends and co-workers, as they circle the running track on Friday and Saturday in a celebration of survivorship for the 10 million Americans with cancer alive today. Relay for Life also provides its participants an opportunity to remember those individuals who have lost their battle with disease.

Organized by ACS staff and their dedicated volunteers, Relay for Life, an overnight, non-competitive team event in which team members walk or run relay-style around a local track to help support ACS cancer research, education, advocacy and patient service programs, is the American Cancer Society's national signature fund-raising event. See CANCER, Page B2.

Freeholder nominations are awarded

Regional Editor

As expected, organization Democrats and Republicans easily captured party nominations for county level races in Tuesday's primary.

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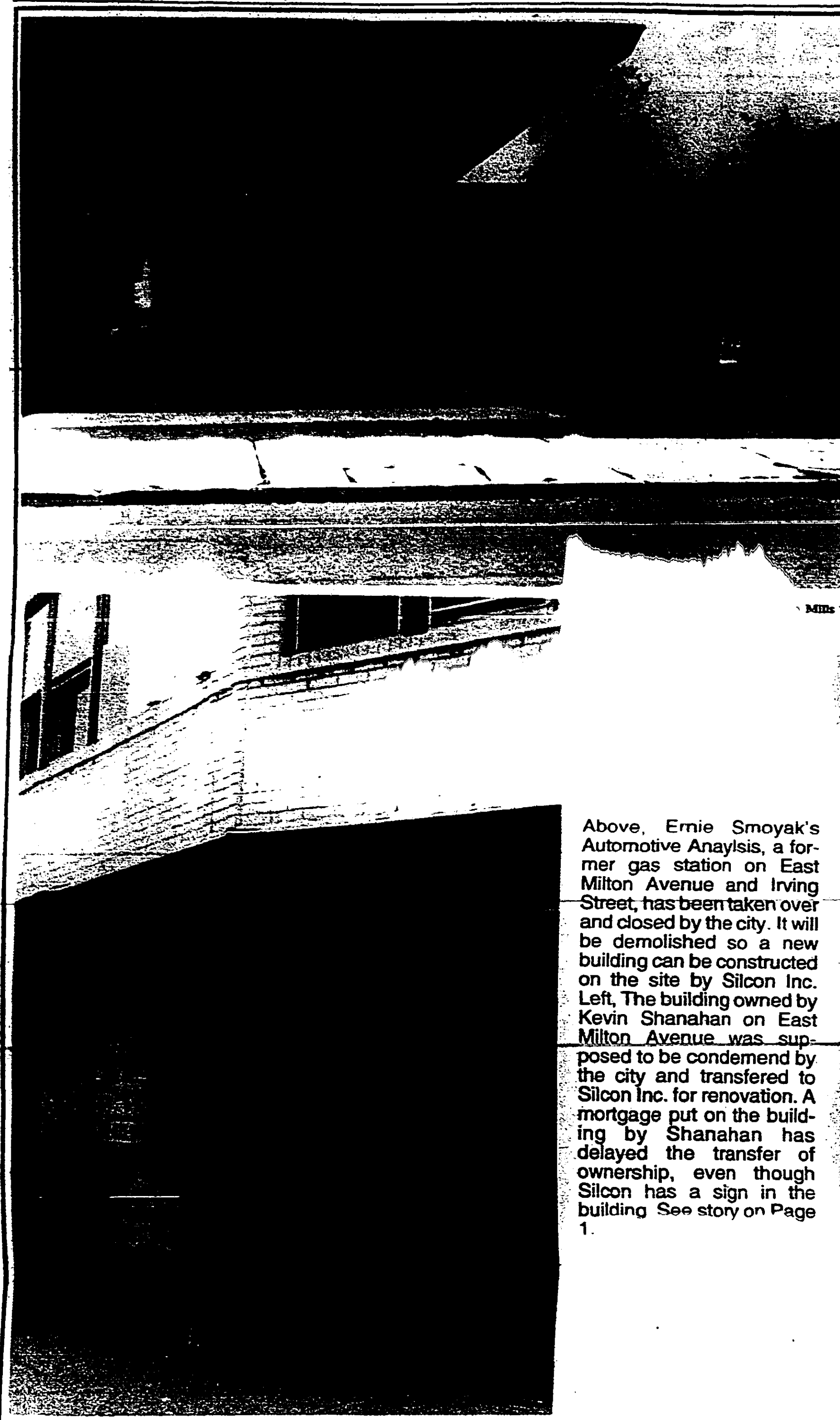
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Above, Ernie Smoyak's Automotive Analysis, a former gas station on East Milton Avenue and Irving Street, has been taken over and closed by the city. It will be demolished so a new building can be constructed on the site by Silcon Inc. Left, The building owned by Kevin Shanahan on East Milton Avenue was supposed to be condemned by the city and transferred to Silcon Inc. for renovation. A mortgage put on the building by Shanahan has delayed the transfer of ownership, even though Silcon has a sign in the building. See story on Page 1.

Youth struck on state highway

A 10-year-old boy was struck by a pickup truck May 30 while jumping the divider along Route 189, according to Highway police.

The incident occurred at 8:12 p.m. near the intersection of Randolph Avenue.

Matthew Roth of South Amboy was traveling south on the state highway in his 1998 Ford Ranger when the youth, whose identity was not released by police, jumped over the concrete barrier from the northbound side in an attempt to cross the six lane highway, according to authorities.

The juvenile was unresponsive at the time of the accident. The parents of the juvenile were notified and responded to the scene.

The juvenile was treated at the scene by members of the Highway Patrol and Paramedics. He was then flown to University Hospital in Newark where he was treated for a broken leg and minor secondary injuries.

A statue was smashed through a rear sliding glass door sometime May 30 between 4 and 10:30 p.m. along the 800 block of Raydon Terrace. Approximately \$210 in cash and \$1,000 in jewelry was reported missing.

A burglary was reported Friday at 11:15 a.m. along the 300 block of West Meadow Avenue. A 36-inch Magnavox television valued at \$1,000 and a Magnavox VCR valued at \$400 were taken. Entry may have been gained through the door's rear window.

A detached garage was entered Sunday at 1:30 p.m. along the 200 block of Concord Street. Nothing was reported missing.

Three bicycles were reported stolen May 29 at 9:52 a.m. from along the 1200 block of Bryant Street. The three bicycles were described as a chrome Vertigo, a chrome Rover-Union and a chrome Huffy.

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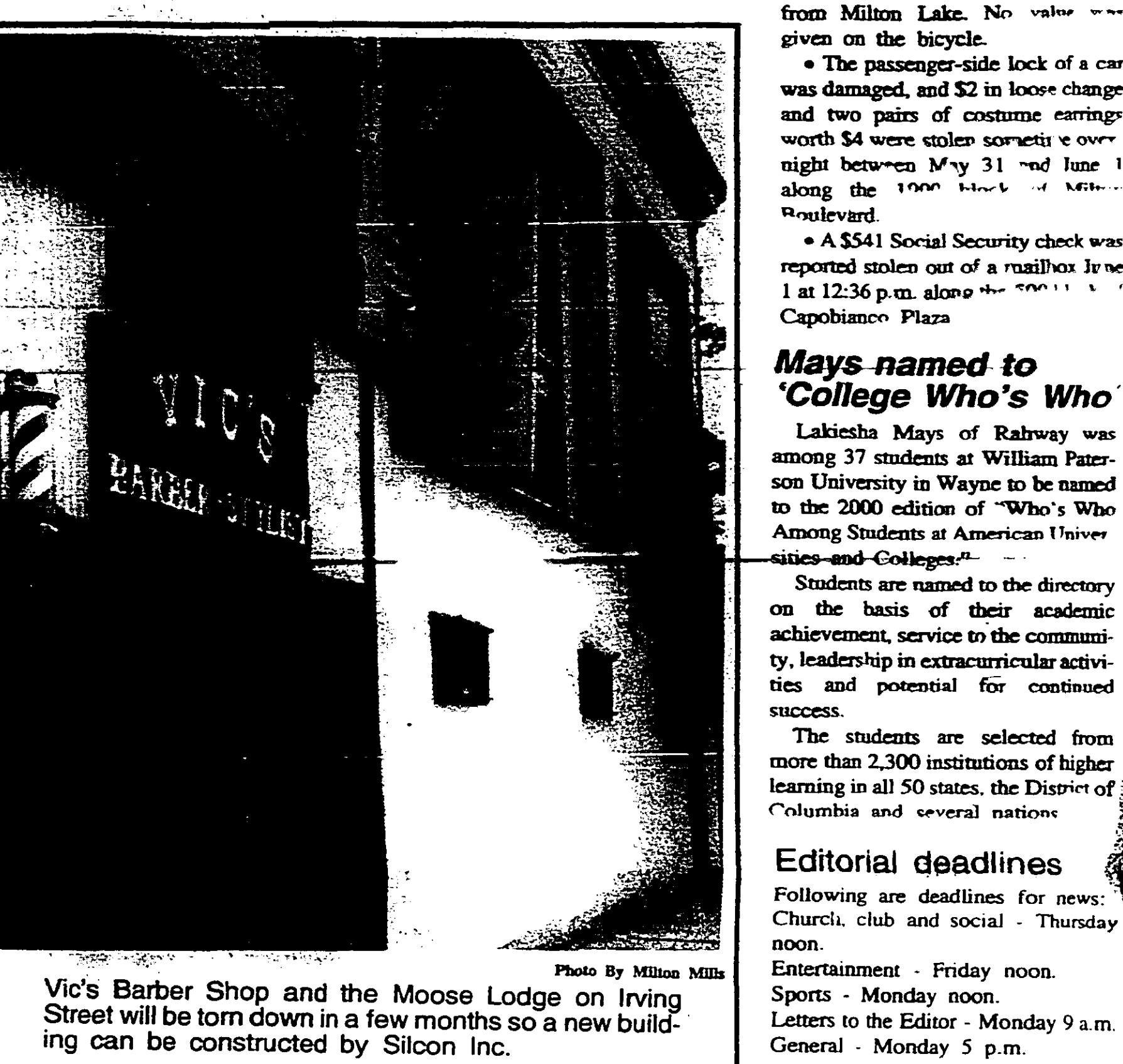
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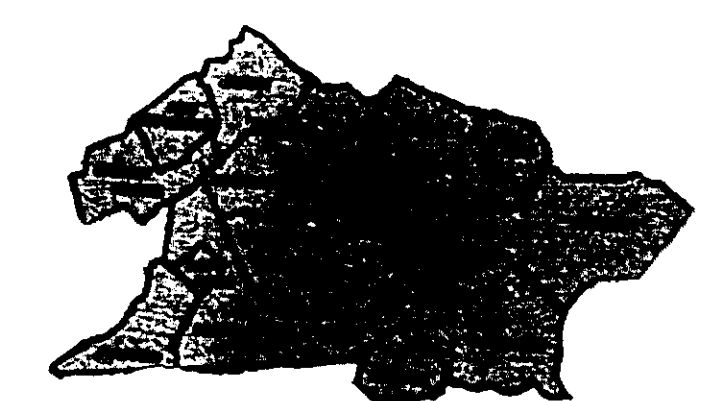
Lakisha Mays of Rahway was among 37 students at William Paterson University in Wayne to be named to the 2000 edition of "Who's Who Among Students at American Universities and Colleges."

Students are named to the directory on the basis of their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

The students are selected from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and overseas.

Editorial deadlines

Following are deadlines for news: Church, club and social - Thursday noon; Entertainment - Friday noon; Sports - Friday noon; Letters to the Editor - Monday 9 a.m. General - Monday 5 p.m.



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By 7 a.m. Saturday Debbie Sukowski of Union Township was seated with friends at a picnic table at Warhams Stadium. This was no outing, rather the serious business of getting their kids enrolled in the most convenient session of the county's popular camp program.

Slipping Debbie's denim coffee, Sukowski who had arrived at 6:05 a.m. knew her ticket number 92 would probably slot her daughter in one of the time weekly sessions the camp provides. But it was also clear to the mass of parents who had arrived in a parade of Subarus, Grand Cherokees and other SUVs that supply would be in short demand.

Left Out

By Frank Capace

An edict by the Parks and Recreation Department that no one would be allowed at the facility before 6 a.m. with a county policeman to back it up also turned out not to be an impediment to the successful, aging Baby Boomers bent on getting a chosen slot for their kids. They would not be denied. By consensus, Sukowski and friends remained remarkably calm.

In years past, parents camped out overnight, sent surrogates to hold their positions and, when necessary, allowed for position in a manner to make Patrick Ewing proud. The helpful stable auxiliary even provided sign-in procedures this year with little tickets indicating their coveted position.

At 8:02 a.m., Hilma Williams, the head of the stables equipped "let 'em rip" and the annual sign-in scramble for the best slot for the 400-plus teens and pre-teens who love the place began.

Williams always fascinates me. His calm demeanor is present whether he is serving as manager, accomplished horseman, psychologist or referee. During the first 20 minutes, he dealt with a price mistake on the brochure, a parent's concern that her child's rating was incorrect because of a psychological trauma in the child's home, and number 21 who demanded an immediate rating for his child who had ridden at another facility.

While the line of anxious parents was getting tighter, Parks and Recreation honcho Debbie Judd patiently answered rider parents' calls and watched the growing crowd. In a scene reminiscent of a Woody Allen movie, the deal with a set of identical twins and their irate mother who popped up from nowhere to demand a new time for their missed lesson, oblivious to the lines out the door.

All the action was over the participation in Equestrian Camp. The kids spend the week riding, caring for the animals and cleaning stables. Many end up with the coveted title of Stable Rat. They learn to appreciate animals with names like Picasso, Moose and Coffee Break.

One working mother did not find the wait too amusing as she spoke about her need to get her two kids in the same session. Betty Morboe, number 93, who sat with Sukowski and number 94, Lynn Walker also of Union Township, told the story of a woman who parked next to them, but started out of the car to get a better position. Sukowski said she was pretty flexible as long as it wasn't one of the three weeks for which she had plans.

Later that night at 9 p.m., down the hill in Kenilworth at the corner of 20th and the Boulevard, a group of teens hung out at the corner, some skateboarding, and two males with remarkable vertical leap sitting on the four-foot high garbage disposal. Maybe another example of demand for recreational activities outstripping supply.

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Lisa Chrysal of Westfield is sworn in as a Union County Superior Court judge while her children, Ilana, Benjamin and Peter Hertzberg look on.

Completing a lifelong dream

Chrysal becomes latest addition to Superior Court

By Mark Hryman
Regional Editor

Placing her hand on a 300-year-old family Bible, Lisa Chrysal completed a lifelong dream in the same place where she began dreaming of becoming a judge. The Westfield resident took the oath of office last week to become the newest member of the Union County Superior Court.

Chrysal becomes the seventh female on the Union County bench and the second female sworn in within the last month. Her appointment brings the court to a full complement of 29 judges. She will be hearing cases in the Family Division.

The first in her family to graduate college and complete graduate school, Chrysal grew up in Union, attending its public schools where her mother taught for many years. It was her parents, Carol and Herman, who instilled in her that the court's active role in society.

"The goal is not an end but a beginning," Chrysal said. "I've learned that what really matters is the journey, not just the goal."

Chrysal, 52, was sworn in by Judge Joseph J. DiStasio, Jr. at the County Courthouse. She presented the new judge with a gavel on behalf of the association.



Six-year-old Kacie McHale of Kenilworth leads last year's cancer survivors' lap at the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life at Kean University in Union. This year's Relay for Life will be Friday and Saturday.

Relay for Life at Kean University this weekend

Union County Sheriff Ralph Froelich has faced many life-threatening situations during his 42 years in law enforcement. None, however, were as difficult as the challenge he faced in 1989 when diagnosed with bone cancer.

Given only six weeks to live, Froelich prepared himself for and won the battle of his life, and now personifies today's cancer survivor: courageous, confident and optimistic.

Froelich's optimistic view of defeating cancer is shared each spring by thousands of Union County cancer survivors, their families, friends and co-workers, as they circle the running track on Friday and Saturday at Kean University in Union at the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.

Organized by ACS and its participants in an opportunity to remember those individuals who have lost their battle with disease.

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Connolly claims victory in primary

Lapolla calls for recount

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Maryanne Connolly, who surprised many in 1998 by running a close race against incumbent Congressman Robert Franks, pulled off the feat again in Tuesday's Democratic primary. While Connolly claimed victory, Union County Manager Michael Lapolla will call for a recount in the 7th Congressional District race after unofficial returns had the former Passaic mayor leading by 1,494 votes.

As Tuesday night turned into Wednesday morning, unofficial returns had Connolly with 14,224 votes to Lapolla's 14,000 in the congressional district which spans Union, Middlesex, Somerset and Essex counties.

Running a distant third and fourth, respectively, were Warren Township Committeewoman Jeffrey Golkin with 2,617 votes, 8 percent, and Paul Taylor of Westfield with 1,491 votes, 1 percent.

Whoever ultimately claims the Democratic nomination will face Republican Michael Ferguson of Warren who defeated Thomas Franks in the 1998 general election.

The 47-year-old Democrat served a term as assistant county counsel, where he represented Rumsfeld Hospital, Union County Jail, Prosecutor's Office and the Department of Parks and Recreation, among others.

Superior Court judges are appointed to a seven-year term, nominated by the governor and confirmed by the State Senate. Following his seven-year term, the senate can grant tenure and judges can then serve until the retirement age of 70. A majority of Union County judges are tenured with a handful having been appointed within the past several years.

Local senators — in Chrysal's case, Senate President Donald DiStasio, 82-02, and Raymond Lesniak, D-20 — advise the governor on the nomination. The Legislature increased the annual salary for Superior Court judges from \$115,000 to \$133,330.

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Franks' victory was a surprise. He had lost to Lapolla in the 1998 primary, but won the general election by a narrow margin.

With nearly all votes in, Franks garnered 95,801 votes statewide, 35 percent; Gremley, 92,454, 34 percent; Essex County Executive James Triffiger, 47,914, 18 percent, and Ramapo College professor Murray Sabita, 34,223, 13 percent.

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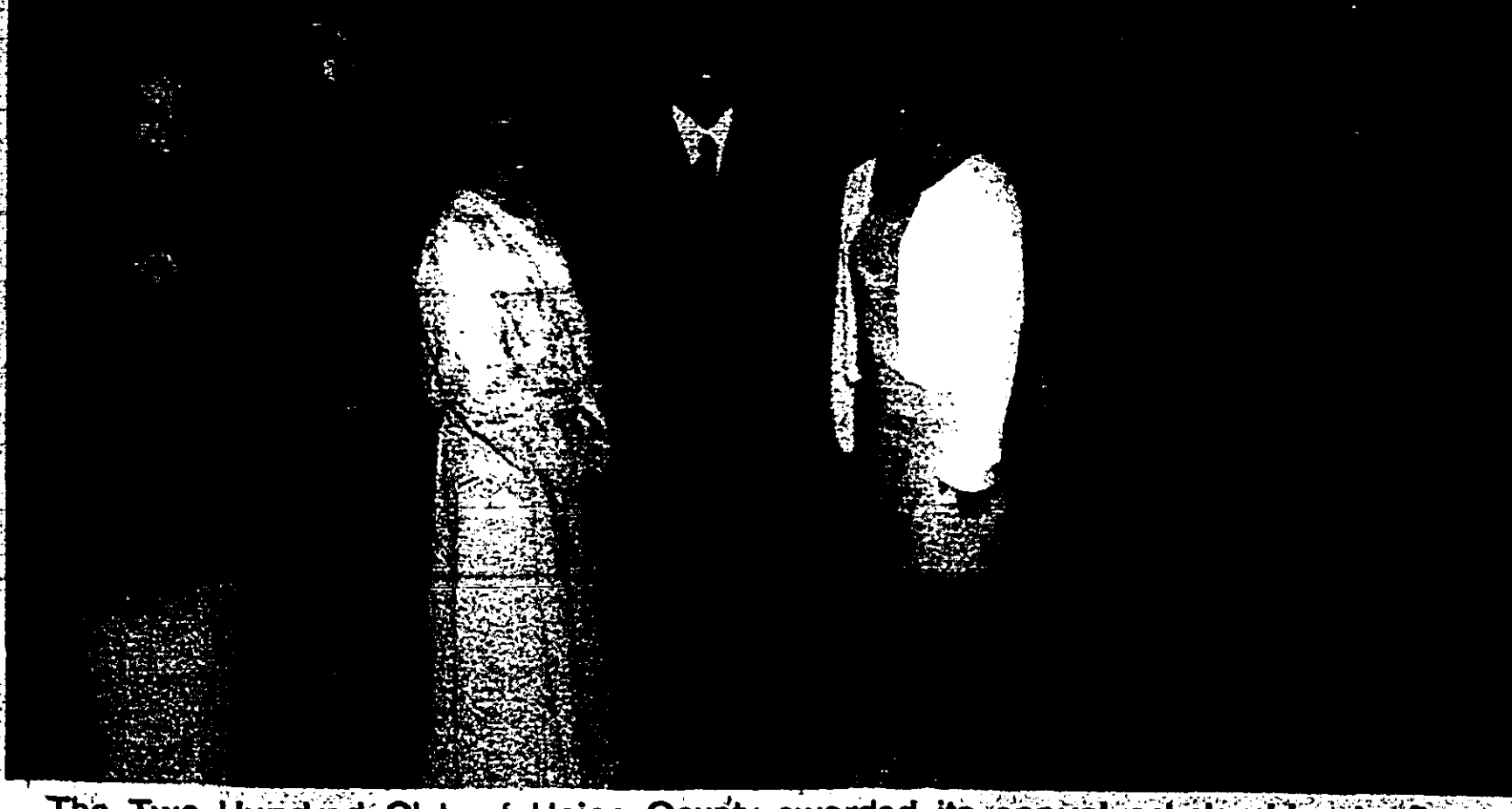
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Audio-described performances, with a sensory seminar 90 minutes prior to curtain, are: July 6, 12:30 p.m. seminar, 2 p.m. curtain; July 8, 1 p.m. seminar, 2:30 p.m. curtain; and July 9, 6 p.m. seminar, 7:30 p.m. curtain.

Sign-in/reception/open captioned performances are July 9 at 7:30 p.m. and July 14 at 8 p.m.

Tickets range in price from \$36 to \$60. Visa, MasterCard and Discover are accepted.

accepted student fitness tickets at \$10 each may be available 15 minutes prior to the start of the event. For more information, please contact the ticket office at (973) 379-6363. For group rates of 10 or more tickets, call (973) 379-3636, ext. 2438. Online information can be obtained at www.papermill.org.



Jack Noseworthy prepares for the daunting task of portraying Pippin, son of Charlemagne, whose search for himself accounts for many amusing and thought-provoking encounters. The Paper Mill Playhouse will open its reconceived production of "Pippin" June 16.

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REUNIONS

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• Union High School Class of 1950 reunion is scheduled for Saturday. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited Inc. at (732) 617-1000.

• Jefferson High School Class of 1940 reunion is scheduled for June 24 at Lee Pankas Restaurant, 534 Westfield Ave., Elizabeth. For information, call Patrick Gray at (908) 272-5495, or visit him at 322 North Ave. East, Elizabeth 07016-2435.

• Union High School Class of 1946 reunion is scheduled for July 13 luncheon will be served at 1 noon at the Gallatin Hill Inn, Five Points in Union. For information, contact Evelyn Steadler Borchard at (407) 427-8110 or e-mail to ewb@worldnet.att.net.

• Summit High School Class of 1909 will conduct its 100th reunion July 29. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited Inc. at (732) 617-1000.

• Union High School Class of 1980 reunion is scheduled for Aug. 19. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited Inc. at (732) 617-1000.

• Linden High School Class of 1950 to 1959 will conduct a 50th Reunion Picnic Aug. 26 at Memorial Park on South Wood Avenue, Linden from 1 p.m. to dusk. For information, call Gail Haskin at (908) 460-4737.

• Summit High School Class of 1980 will conduct its 20th reunion Oct. 7. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited Inc. at (732) 617-1000.

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Touring teen exhibit begins its rounds

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is sponsoring the 2000 Teen Arts Touring Exhibit opening reception at Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave., Monday at 7 p.m. The exhibit consists of 36 pieces of art selected from the 513 visual art works show at the 2000 Union County Teen Arts Festival held in March at Union County College. The annual event is sponsored by the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development.

The tour will travel to other throughout the county in the following order:

• The exhibiting students are: Berkeley Heights — Ian Vo, Columbia Middle School; Clark — Jonathan Radowski, Arthur L. Johnson High School; Steven Maudslai, Oak Knuff Middle School; and Meghan Lanch, Meadowdale Regional High School.

• Westfield — Maria Fries, Crawford High School; Victoria Washburn, Hillside Avenue Middle School; and David Murphy, Oak Knuff Middle School.

• Elizabeth — Fabio Miguel, Elizabeth High School; Adrian Ayth, T.C. Feely Middle School; Willy Turrel, Westmonte Academy; and T.C. Feely Middle School.

• Hillside — Abdul Mohammed, Hillside High School; Kenneth — Matt Santos, David Beasley High School; Linden — John Seale, Linden High School; Westly Louisville, Hillside Middle School; and Adrian Canino, South Middle School.

• Mountaintop — Joey DeRosa, Deerfield Middle School; New Providence — Kelly Donovan, New Providence High School; and Laura Neidinger, New Providence Middle School.

• Plainfield — Anna Burroughs, Hubbard Middle School; Anne Morton, Maxon Middle School; Claudia Delgado, Plainfield High School; and Wendy Wansley, CALLA Charter School.

• Rahway — Anna Miano, Rahway Intermediate School.

Senior citizen artists are now being sought

All Union County senior citizen artists, professional and non-professional, are invited to enter the 2000 Union County Senior Citizen Art Contest and Exhibition.

Sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Department of Economic Development, the exhibition will be conducted at the NJU/Flintstone Gas Company, Liberty Hall Center, 1085 Morris Ave. in Union a barrier-free site. The show opens with a reception from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on display until July 31.

The whole community is enriched by the contributions of our senior citizen artists," said Freeholder Mary P. Ruzio, liaison to the Cultural and Heritage Programs Advisory Board. "I hope many county residents will take advantage of this opportunity to share their talent at this annual event."

Artists must be a minimum of 60 years old and may submit an entry that was completed within the last three years. All work must be the original creation of the artist. Hanging craft or framed work, including photography, must be no wider than 38 inches or two narrow than 14 inches, including matting and frame. Sculpture must be no more than 18 inches in height, width or depth.

Artists wishing to participate should return their application forms as soon as possible. Participants must be residents of Union County or its municipalities.

Professional artists will judge the exhibit. The following are categories of eligible work: oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, print, drawing, mixed media, photography, sculpture, craft, no limits, and computer graphics. Computer graphics is defined as any artwork generated or manipulated electronically, using one or more software programs. Work must be entirely original, including the source material, if submitted in digital, manipulated photograph, drawing or painting.

There will be awards of recognition for professional and non-professional artists. Participants claiming non-professional status must not have sold the type of art entered in the exhibition through commercial channels, exhibited in a professional gallery, and held professional membership in a guild or association. Artists claiming professional status are those who have met any of the above criteria. Both professional and non-professional first place winners in each category will represent the county in the statewide art contest that takes place in September.

Full information on the application form, which is available from the Union County Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 633 Pearl St., Elizabeth, NJ 07202. For information, call (908) 686-8816. Business hours should call (908) 852-7800.

The annual Union County Senior Citizen Art Contest and Exhibition is made possible by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the NJU/Flintstone Gas Company and a grant from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts/Department of Human Services, Division on Aging.

Spring's offerings give theater's power

This spring's Broadway season sharply brought home to me the power of live theater as it usually is in New York City. I have been struck by the great strength of ideas in new plays and revivals.

In James Joyce's "The Dead," which was presented in musical adaptation, there is a prolonged sequence between the narrator/husband, played by Christopher Walken, and his sensitive wife, Blake Brown, in which she recounts a failed early love affair before she met him. One of the greatest short stories in Joyce's "The Dubliners," "The Dead," as it is presented in musical style with an almost riveting telling of the story in song has a special bittersweet power to reflect and transcend human frailty.

In the recent revival of "Moon for the Misbegotten," there is an intimate passage between the rough-hewn daughter, played by the enigmatic Broadway actress Cherry Jones, and the alcoholic younger man, Gabriel Byrne, who is the pain of her family, which carries in it all of Eugene O'Neill's anger and sadness. He simply sits in the chair and pours out his heart.

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"Copenhagen" is a recent play by Michael Frayn which deals with a historical moment when two physicists, Niels Bohr of Denmark and Werner Heisenberg of Nazi Germany, met together during the Second World War to discuss the possibility of building an atomic bomb.

These plays, among others, have affected the future of mankind. The play crackles with ideas, but just when you are getting comfortable with the intellectual interplay, the theater rocks with the reality of the Atom Bomb. It is an electric, disconcerting, lasting moment that reminds us of the future.

"Dirty Blonde" moves at first simply to be the biography of Mae West, but it comes to a truth about two young people who interact with the famous actress in a conclusion that is both funny and strangely touching. Director James Lapine brings us to this conclusion artistically, so that we don't expect it, and then we are suddenly confronted with two Mae Wests as the characters conceive her, in embrace. The conclusion of this highly original play leaves the audience agape and buzzing.

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NJPAC brings arts residents into state's schools

New Jersey public and private schools interested in expanding their arts curriculum through professional artists, who are selected and assigned by NJPAC, guide students through the fundamentals of dance and theater during classes conducted in the schools twice per week during the 10-week program.

The theater residency is offered October through December for middle and high school students. The Arts Academy dance residency is designed for third through sixth grade students and extends from January to May.

NJPAC offers pre-school and kindergarten children, between the ages of 3 and 5 years old, the Early Learning through the Arts Program. This program is designed to introduce young children to the world of the arts through a variety of activities. The program includes a Parent/Teacher/Child Workshop, curriculum materials, program assessment/evaluation, and a final showcase for classroom teachers and administrators, and teaching artist training.

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Auberge Swiss Restaurant
By Tim Kelly
Among the many advantages gained by living in New Jersey is the abundance and variety in quality restaurants. Here we can find a more diverse range of cuisine served in restaurants with higher standards of excellence than in most other regions of the country. One shining example of this can be found at the highly celebrated European restaurant known as Auberge Swiss.

Owned and operated by Heinz Keller for the past 17 years, Auberge Swiss is almost unanimously recognized as the finest Swiss restaurant in the state. While Keller can sometimes be found behind the bar, he wasn't always a resident of the Garden State. In fact, he was a world-class athlete playing professional soccer in his home country of Switzerland for many years before moving to Bermuda. On this sunny Atlantic island nation, he helped lead his team to capture the national championship. While he doesn't spend much time on the field anymore, he has taken that same high level of discipline and drive to ensure that his great love of food is every bit as successful.

The word Auberge means "country inn" and that perfectly describes the decor and ambience of the restaurant both inside and out. Upon entering the main dining room, one is left with the impression that you are thousands of miles away perched high in the beautiful Swiss Alps. In a salute to his home country, you will find the flags of all different Swiss states quietly hanging over head. This is truly a place to get comfortable and relax while enjoying the European fare.

When I visited recently during midweek, the restaurant was completely full, even at the bar. I began with Pizokel, which is a homemade spinach dumpling baked in a walnut-flavored butter with fresh mushrooms and a dust of Swiss cheeses. It was mildly warm on the tongue and delightfully smooth in texture. A larger plate of those would have satisfied me completely, however there was much more food to enjoy. As a main course, I opted for one of the day's specials and ordered the beef stroganoff.

I have had this dish many times, but never before prepared by a Swiss trained chef. Bruno Gubelman, I was greeted by an enormous serving of beef tenderloin tips sautéed in butter with roasted peppers and mushrooms that had been flamed with Cognac, finished with a Hungarian paprika sauce and crowned with a dollop of sour cream. All of this arrived on a bed of expertly spiced whipped potatoes. The many layers of flavor were unlike any food that I've ever eaten before. The entire evening was a delight.

Auberge Swiss Restaurant is open for lunch Tuesday to Friday from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and for dinner Tuesday to Sunday from 4 to 8 p.m. It is located at 331 Springfield Ave. in Berkeley Heights. Reservations can be made by calling (908) 665-2310.

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For June 12 to June 18

ARIES (March 21-April 19): The sleeping giant inside of you is finally coming alive. Investigate local opportunities for short-term, intensive seminars or workshops.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Shared resources are up for review. Communicate your thoughts on what direction you think an investment or insurance policy should take.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Negotiate for peace in a close personal relationship. You owe it to your partner to do your best to solve problems or work out any dissension.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): Health or dietary matters come to the forefront during this week. Make a point to take good care of your physical body.

body Plan a yearly checkup. LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): An ordinary situation could come off in a very dramatic way. It's up to you to stay calm, keep your head and put things in their proper perspective.

VIDEO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Your home is your happy domain this week. Look into enjoyable activities that allow you to spend lots of quality time with your loved ones.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): There's no time for fun in the sun when the rights of animals or small children are at stake. Discuss your humanitarian views with other supporters.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20): Ambitions is the word that best describes your mood this week. On your climb up the ladder of success, take no prisoners!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Play it smart, and look out for your own best interest. Assert yourself, and take advantage of opportunities to strut your stuff in front of superiors.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): See clear of a delusional play played out by a co-worker. Stay on your toes, and follow through on a personally decided game plan.

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Miller-Cory museum program on Revolution
The Miller-Cory House Museum, 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield, will feature a program on the Rev. Jasper "Auntie" and the "Union-Union" Rev. John Miller, presented by Rev. John Miller.

The museum will be closing for the summer season on Monday.

Cookbooks, colonial recipes, and other material, handcrafts and old reproductions appropriate to the era of the museum are available in the museum's quaint gift shop.

For information about the museum and its outreach school program, call the museum office at (908) 735-2500.

Rahway High Artists have work on exhibit

The gallery at The Arts Guild of Rahway will host an exhibit of art work by the advanced art students of Rahway High School titled "Find Me" through June 18. A selection of free.

Under the guidance of Rahway High School art teacher Joann Camporeale, the advanced art students have prepared work to exhibit in a variety of styles, techniques and materials. The students have also titled the exhibit and created the design for the poster which will be on display at the event. One of their projects in preparation for this show was to design and paint a life-size freestanding "cut-out" self-portrait, some of which will be included in the exhibit.

This is the second students' art exhibit presented by The Arts Guild, and is to become an annual event. This year, The Guild will award cash prizes for first, second and third place. Winners will be selected by The Arts Guild's Executive Director, Lawrence Cappullo, and Camporeale.

Students, parents and friends are encouraged to visit the gallery for this exhibit to see the existing work in their art classes.

The Gallery of The Arts Guild of Rahway is located at 1670 Irving St. Gallery hours are Wednesday, Friday and Saturdays from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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1776 May - Benny Ross reports that he sewed the first American flag.
1777 June 14 - Continental Congress adopts the following: Resolved: that the flag of the United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation. (stars represent Delaware, Pennsylvania, New Jersey, Georgia, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Maryland, South Carolina, New Hampshire, Virginia, New York, North Carolina, and Rhode Island).
1792 Flag with 15 stars and 15 stripes (Vermont, Kentucky).
1814 September 14 - Francis Scott Key writes "The Star-Spangled Banner" to celebrate the national anthem in 1931.
1818 Flag with 20 stars and 13 stripes (it re 13 berries) (Tennessee, Ohio, Louisiana Mississippi) Act of April 4, 1818.
1818 stripes and stars for each state to on the 4th of July following the state.
1819 Flag with 21 stars (Illinois).
1820 Flag with 23 stars (Alabama).
1822 Flag with 24 stars (Missouri).
1836 Flag with 25 stars (Arkansas).
1847 Flag with 26 stars (Michigan).
1848 Flag with 27 stars (Florida).
1846 Flag with 28 stars (Texas).
1847 Flag with 29 stars (Iowa).
1848 Flag with 30 stars (Wisconsin).
1851 Flag with 31 stars (California).
1858 Flag with 32 stars (Minnesota).
1859 Flag with 33 stars (Oregon).
1861 Flag with 34 stars (Kansas).
1863 Flag with 35 stars (West Virginia).
1865 Flag with 36 stars (Nevada).
1867 Flag with 37 stars (Nebraska).
1877 Flag with 38 stars (Colorado).
1890 Flag with 43 stars (North Dakota).
1891 Flag with 44 stars (Wyoming).
1896 Flag with 45 stars (Utah).
1908 Flag with 46 stars (Oklahoma).
1912 Flag with 48 stars (New Mexico, Arizona) Executive Order of President Taft dated June 24, 1912 established proportions of the flag and provided for arrangement of the stars in six horizontal rows and right half a single point of each star to be upward.
1949 August 3 - Truman signs bill providing for arrangement of the stars in six horizontal rows and right half a single point of each star to be upward.
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1960 Flag with 50 stars (Hawaii).
1995 December 12 - The Flag Desecration Constitutional Amendment is not Amendment to the Constitution of the United States which would make burning the flag a punishable crime.

Flag Etiquette
STANDARDS OF RESPECT
The Flag Code, which formalizes and unifies the traditional ways in which we give respect to the flag, is a set of specific instructions on how the flag is not to be used. They are:
- The flag should never be dipped to any person or thing. It is flown upside down only as a distress signal.
- The flag should not be used as a drapery, or for covering speakers desks, draping a platform, or for any decoration in general. Bunting of blue, white and red stripes is available for these purposes. The blue strip of the bunting should be on the top.
- The flag should never be used for any advertising purpose. It should not be embroidered, printed or otherwise impressed on such articles as cushions, handkerchiefs, napkins, boxes, or anything intended to be discarded after temporary use. Advertising signs should not be attached to the staff or halyard.
- The flag should not be used as part of a costume or athletic uniform, except that a flag patch may be used on the uniform of military personnel, firemen, policemen and members of patriotic organizations.
- The flag should never have placed on it, or attached to it, any mark, insignia, letter, word, number, figure, or drawing of any kind.
- The flag should never be used as a receptacle for receiving, holding, carrying, or delivering anything.
When the flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously.
The flag should be cleaned and mended when necessary.

Displaying the Flag Indoors
When the flag is displayed from a staff projecting from a window, balcony, or a building, the union should be at the top.

Displaying the Flag Outdoors
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Raising and Lowering the Flag
The flag should be raised slowly and ceremoniously. The flag should be lowered slowly and ceremoniously. The flag should be lowered slowly and ceremoniously. The flag should be lowered slowly and ceremoniously.

Permitting and Saluting the Flag
When carried in a procession, the flag should be to the right of the marcher. When other flags are carried, the flag of the United States may be carried in front of the others or carried to the right of the others. The flag should be lowered slowly and ceremoniously.

The Salute
To salute, all persons come to attention. Those in uniform give the appropriate formal salute. Citizens not in uniform salute by placing their right hand over the heart and men with head cover should remove it and hold it in both hands. The salute is directed to the flag, if displayed, otherwise to the music.

The Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem
The pledge of allegiance should be recited by standing at attention, facing the flag, and saluting. When the national anthem is played or sung, citizens should stand at attention and salute at the first note and hold the salute through the last note. The salute is directed to the flag, if displayed, otherwise to the music.

The Flag in Mourning
To place the flag at half staff, hoist it to the peak for an instant and lower it to a position half way between the top and bottom of the staff. The flag is to be raised again to the peak for a moment before it is lowered. On Memorial Day the flag is displayed at half staff until noon and at full staff from noon to sunset.
The flag is to be flown at half staff in mourning for designated, principal government leaders and upon presidential or gubernatorial order.
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County awards HEART Grants to local arts & humanities organizations

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders is pleased to announce that 11 local organizations and five individual artists will receive funding this year through the Union County HEART Grant Program.

The HEART Grant Program, whose acronym stands for History, Education, Arts, Preservation, and Tourism, was established by the freeholder board in 1998 to serve as a catalyst for strengthening Union County's commitment to local arts and humanities organizations and individuals by providing them with the opportunity to receive grants for projects relating to history, arts and humanities.

"It is a wonderful program," says many of the local artists and organizations that have received grants in the past.

Daniel Sullivan, "It demonstrates our commitment to the organizations and individuals who are the heart of our community," said Freeholder Mary Russo, liaison to the Union County Cultural and Heritage Program Advisory Board.

The services provided by these artists and organizations directly benefit the residents of our county and increase appreciation for the arts, our history and the humanities. These cultural assets are a vital part of our community life, economic development and cultural tourism in Union County.

This year's recipients of HEART Grant funding, listed by municipality, are:

• **Elizabeth:** Allison Brewster Franconi — \$3,000 to present a public performance and implement a music program for YMCA daycare centers; Elizabeth Future City — \$3,000 to present a regional town meeting and conference on preservation in historic development initiatives; Fairwood: Channel 35-Borough of Fairwood — \$1,800 to present a cable TV program and video detailing the history of railroad lines that formerly operated in Union County; Fairwood: Chinese-American Cultural Association — \$2,100 to provide an instruction class for adults with disabilities, presented by a professional artist, culminating with an exhibit; Roselle: Warren Vache Sr. — \$3,000 to support a summer theatre production of "Defying Gravity"; Westfield: Choral Art Society of New Jersey — \$4,000 to present a Choral music program of Haydn's "The Seasons" with professional orchestral accompaniment; Westfield: Westfield Historical Society — \$4,300 to transcribe 19 types of interviews with residents recorded in the 1970s, as a resource for county residents.

Boys Choir is seeking singers

The Westfield Boys Choir is seeking singers for its 1999-2000 season. The choir is open to boys of all ages and backgrounds. For more information, contact the choir director at (908) 261-1111.

Documentary on 1st murders to air

The most gripping murder and detailed television documentary ever produced, "The First Murders," will air on the History Channel on June 11 at 10 p.m. The series, which is a four-part miniseries, tells the story of the first murders in the history of the world. The first murder was committed in 1971 B.C. in the city of Mesopotamia. The series is a production of the History Channel and is available on video.

Kean's Gay Pride troupe stages 'Jeffrey'

Join Jeffrey on his journey as he searches for love. Launched in 1989 by James R. Murphy, Kean University's Gay Pride Theatre is a 10th summer season of producing communities with a better understanding of gay and lesbian lifestyles through theater. Each year, the troupe presents a play that explores the lives of the LGBTQ+ community. This year's production is "Jeffrey," a play by James R. Murphy. The play tells the story of a young man named Jeffrey who is searching for love. The play is a powerful and moving story that explores the challenges of being gay in a world that is not always accepting. The play is being performed at Kean University's Theatre Center. Tickets are available for purchase.

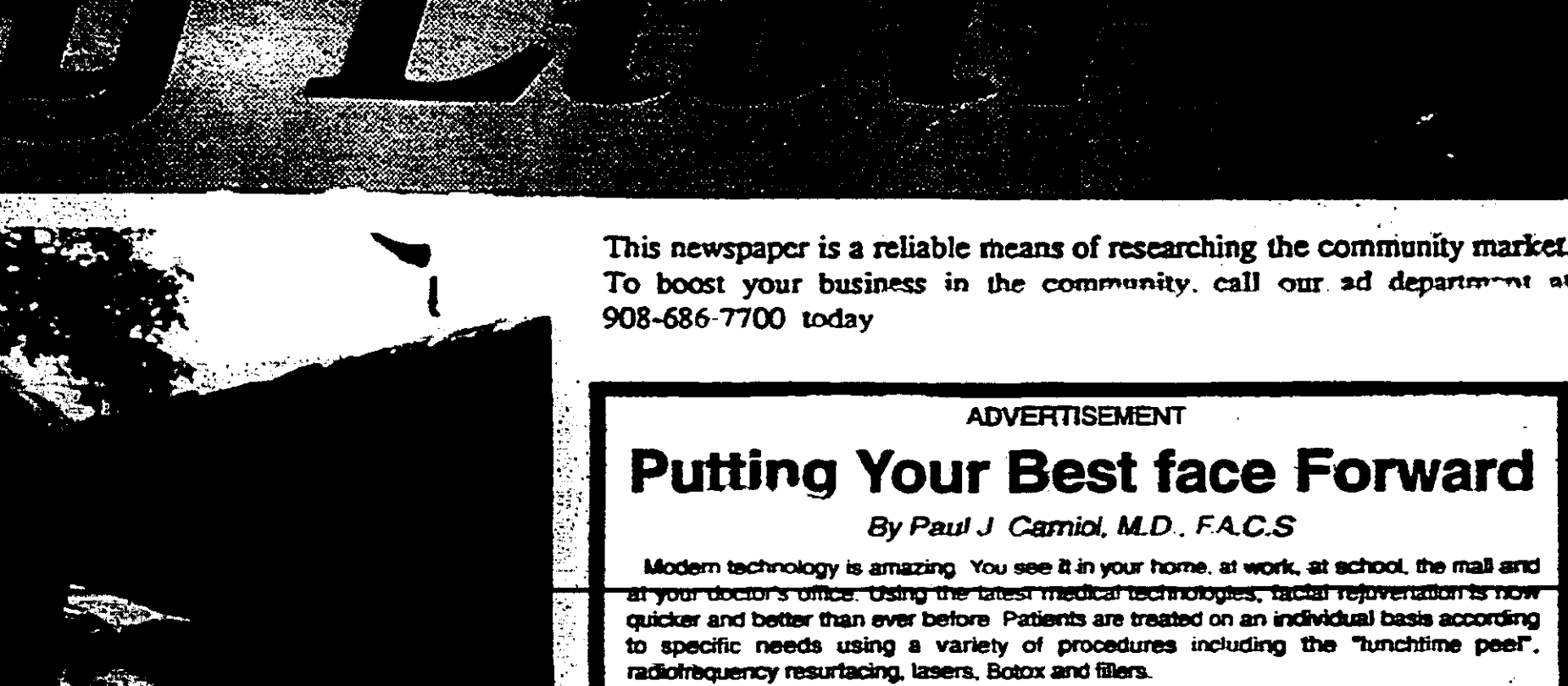
Vascular Laboratory at Union Hospital earns accreditation

The Union Hospital Vascular Laboratory was recently among the first 1,000 vascular laboratories in the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico to be granted accreditation by the International Commission for the Accreditation of Vascular Laboratories (ICAVL).

The following areas have been accredited: Extracranial Cerebrovascular, Peripheral Arterial and Venous.

The ICAVL, a non-profit organization established with the support of 10 medical societies, provides a mechanism for accrediting facilities which perform comprehensive testing for vascular disease with noninvasive testing modalities. Ten sponsoring societies represent the medical specialties of radiology, ultrasonography, vascular surgery, neurology, cardiology, neurosurgery and internal medicine.

Cardiovascular disease is the leading cause of death in the United States. Stroke, often resulting from a disorder of the blood vessels to the brain is the third leading cause of death and disability in this country. Each year, 2 million people in the United States alone develop deep vein thrombosis, or blood clots in the veins. This affliction becomes life-threatening for 500,000 of those people when the blood clot breaks loose and travels to their lungs.



Ashbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center Resident Thomas Watts celebrates National Nursing Home Week with his grandson, Westfield resident Christopher Watts. Christopher is the long-term care facility's first grandson of the summer season.

Seniors kick off summer with barbecue

Residents and staff at Ashbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center in Scotch Plains recently celebrated National Nursing Home Week by kicking off the summer picnic season with their first barbecue of the season.

Joined by residents from sister facilities Greenbrook Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, located in Green Brook, and Cornell Hall Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, located in Union, residents gathered in Ashbrook's ballroom for a delicious meal.

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Healthy Living

Sharing Network will sponsor 2nd annual golf invitational

If you enjoy a good game of golf and want to contribute to a worthy cause, the New Jersey Organ and Tissue Sharing Network — The Sharing Network — invites you to sign up for its second annual golf invitational by becoming a sponsor.

The golf invitational — in the form of a four-person scramble — will take place June 22 at Fiddler's Elbow Country Club in Bodmin Township, starting with registration at 11 a.m.

Rick Carone, owner and president of the Newark Branch of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball, will be the special guest. Carone has a long career in professional baseball and is a catcher for the New York Yankees for six years.

Co-title sponsors of the golf invitational are Barr Laboratories and Wyeth-Kyrrin. Other sponsors include a four-round and sponsorship of a tee, and a Gold Sponsor includes a two-round and sponsorship of a green. All sponsorship levels include prominent listing on a Spon-

sorship Board, Green Book and cart, locker room, range, lunch, on-site beverages, dinner, contest and player giveaways are all part of the individual sponsorship packages.

According to Joseph Roth, president and chief executive officer of The Sharing Network, this is a wonderful way to enjoy a day of golf and help raise funds that will be used to educate the public about the life-saving work of the organization. The Sharing Network is a non-profit, federally-certified, state-approved procurement organization responsible for the recovery of organs and tissue for transplant in New Jersey.

Crisis hotline offers 24-hour assistance

For those who are anxious about the upcoming summer season, there is a place to turn for help and support. Contact We Care — the 24-hour listening and crisis intervention service serving Union, Middlesex, Somerset and Essex counties — has been offering the gift of listening to callers in need for 25 years.

As the leaves bud on the trees and the winter holidays are a fading memory, the phone at the non-profit agency is ringing more and more with callers who are anxious about life and their relationships and feeling a sense of disappointment.

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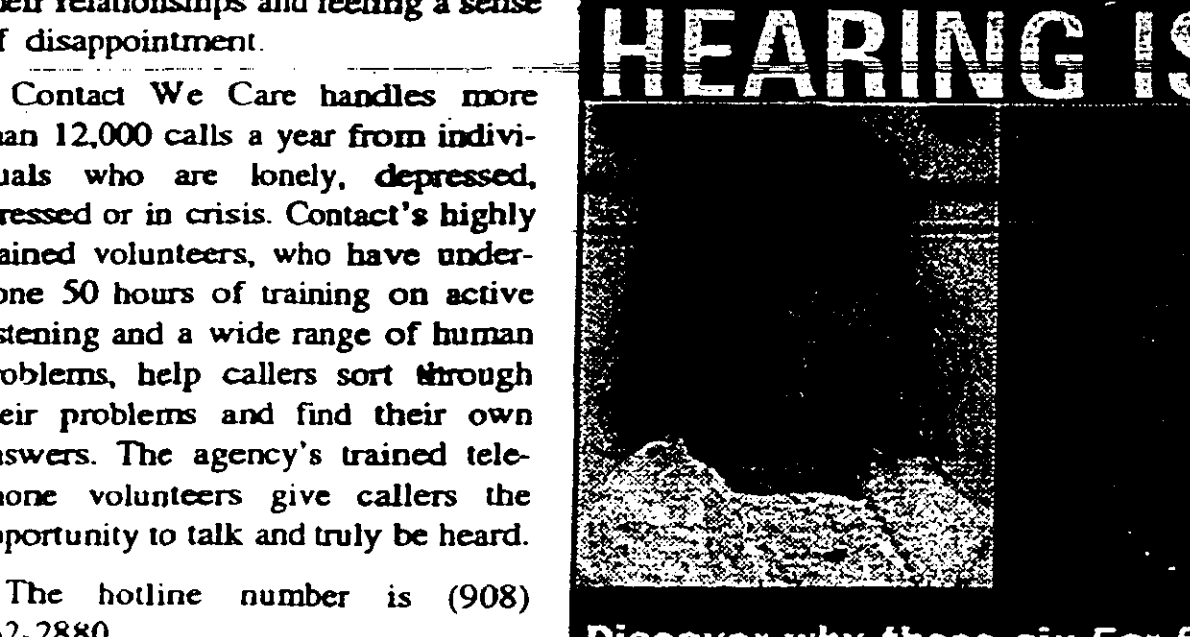
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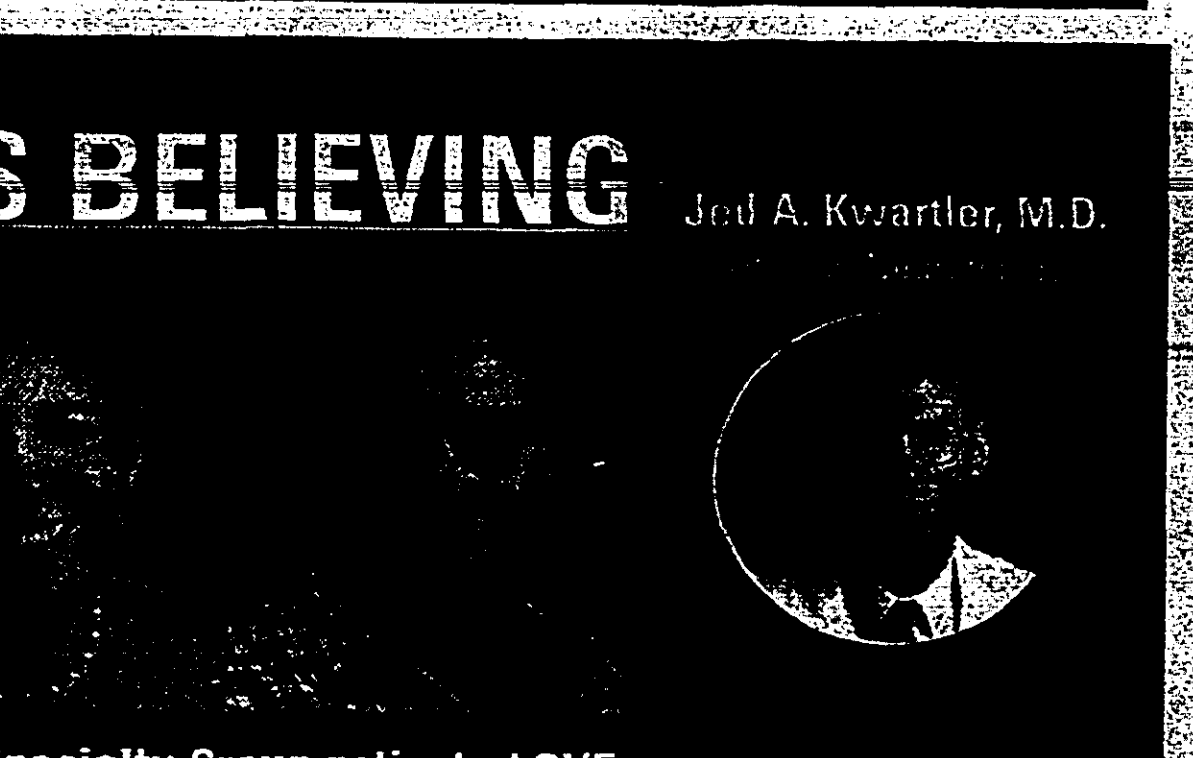
WINDOW DANGERS

A curious toddler reaches for a hanging and disposes, out the loops and install individual blades on each cord. Keep them away from windows and doors. Many parents eagerly await their baby's first steps. As wonderful as this time is, it is also a time to ensure the surroundings are safe for the curious explorations of your toddler. It takes only one irreversible second to cause a serious injury. Prevention is the key. This column is presented as a service to our readers by NEW JERSEY HEALTH CARE SERVICES, located at 2700 Morris Ave., Suite 2A in Union, NJ. We do not have a pediatrician in this time and would like to schedule an appointment, call (908) 857-3500.

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— Editor Bill Voss

ART SHOWS

SUMMIT FINE ART & ART will exhibit American paintings from the mid 19th century to 20th century. Gallery hours are Mondays to Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Thursdays until 7 p.m. The gallery is located at 165 Springfield Ave., Summit, NJ. For information, call (908) 773-4853.

CHI DIEM'S SPECIALIZED HORSE TAIL in Mountainville will exhibit the artwork of Elaine Schaefer. Lydia H. Watson will also have three hand-drawn horse tail pieces. The exhibit will be on display from June 10 to July 10. The exhibit is located at 1000 N. Main St., Mountainville, NJ. For information, call (863) 431-6195.

FORGOTTEN PLACES will exhibit the work of L. J. Coleman, will be on exhibit at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Newark, NJ. The exhibit is located at 78 E. 8th St. through Friday. Gallery hours are Mondays to Fridays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

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CONCERTS ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor a series of Saturday afternoon concerts during the month of June. Saturday Music for four hands by Steven Russell and Mark-Jo Polanco; June 17. Music of yesterday by the James L. Dean Quintet; June 24. Poet Deborah LaVella and lyrical composer Joe Wall. Concerts begin at 2:15 p.m. in the third-floor exhibit room of the main branch, 11 S. Broad St.

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Rahway receives \$400,000 to aid disaster preparation

By Robert Coakley
Staff Writer

Rahway received a \$400,000 grant from the federal government and Merck & Co. Friday in its efforts to combat natural disasters.

Mayor James Kennedy called it the biggest thing for Rahway since the carriage industry in the 1850s.

The Project Impact Program from the Federal Emergency Management Agency went into effect in Rahway with the signing of a grant that partnered FEMA, the state of New Jersey, the city and the business community to make Rahway more disaster resistant.

A special signing ceremony was held under a large tent in the parking lot of the Rahway Recreation Center, where city, state and federal officials gathered to celebrate the signing of the Project Impact Program in Rahway.

In the past 10 years, FEMA has spent more than \$25 billion to help people repair and rebuild their communities after natural disasters. For last fall's Tropical Storm Floyd, the amount passed \$6 billion. The National Flood Insurance Program paid more than \$74 million in New Jersey for flood-related damages.

Communities are joining Project Impact to look at ways to reduce losses by focusing on preventative actions that their businesses and citizens can take.

Improvements to the Rahway River pumping station will total \$246,800, while flood plain and waterway mitigation will total \$60,000. Wind emergency measures are expected to total \$175,000. Emergency operation center and community warning system projects will total \$60,000.

The total cost estimated by the Office of Emergency Management for the city to implement all these projects is \$632,000.

Police Chief Edward Tilton served as master of ceremonies for the event. Tilton also serves as the Emergency Management coordinator for Rahway. He thanked Lt. John Rodger, his deputy Emergency Management coordinator, for his efforts in coordinating all of the day's events.

"This is a federally sponsored program to help municipalities," Tilton said. "Now they are financing projects that will mitigate potential natural or man-made disasters. But it's to induce public and private sector partnerships to work together, to prepare for disasters, to respond to them when they occur, mitigate the effects, and recover when they occur."

Last year, before Tropical Storm Floyd, Rahway was selected out of every New Jersey municipality as the recipient of a \$300,000 reward to go toward projects that will help reduce the impact of natural disasters in the area. With the help of private businesses, some of these projects will start in the near future.

Prior to Floyd, Kennedy explained how the city had been moving in terms of mitigating some of the situation by tearing down buildings on natural floodplains so they would no longer be flooded or cause water to rise higher.

"It is not something that mayors generally like to do, since you are losing what is slightly valuable by removing houses on Union and Altus, and removing properties by the river," Kennedy said.

But Rahway has Merck & Co., which was rewarded as the best

Winding up for the pitch



Fifth-grade Steven Collins, 11, prepares to see how far he can throw a tennis ball during a field day and picnic Friday at Grover Cleveland Elementary School in Rahway.



Participating in the contract signing Friday are, from left, City Council President Dave Brown, Police Chief Edward Tilton, Mayor James Kennedy and FEMA Associate Director for Mitigation Mike Armstrong. The contract gives Rahway a \$300,000 grant from FEMA that will go toward disaster prevention and mitigation.

New library design is reviewed

By Robert Coakley
Staff Writer

The plans and designs for the new Rahway Public Library were shown June 7 to the City Council. Only a few members of the public were on hand, and it is expected that another exhibition will be done so residents can ask questions.

Todd Harvey from Beatty, Harvey & Associates in New York City, and Peter Biber from the Biber Partnership in Summit showed council members a model and drawings of their designs for the library. This new library will go behind City Hall, next to the Rahway Recreation Center, to replace the library that was destroyed by floodwaters during Tropical Storm Floyd in September.

Drawings and a scale model were used to show the library design. The building would have three floors: a parking area, the library, and office space. The office space would be rented by SDI Technologies, which is helping the city pay for the building in a public-private partnership.

The location of the new library has met with some controversy, as various members of the public have said they would like it closer to where it once was. The boom court on Central Avenue has been suggested as a location, as well as the site of the Hoffman Koon Furniture store on St. Georges Avenue.

Biber explained that the area behind City Hall was a major focal point within the city of Rahway, and there would be more parking available there than in other areas. Additional parking will also be created behind the recreation center, Biber said.

Harvey helped plan the interior of the library, as well as sites where people can plug in their portable laptop computers for Internet access.

The library will be much bigger than the one that recently closed, but it will be the same company for each

Sides ready for nude ban battle

By Robert Coakley
Staff Writer

An ordinance to ban public nudity in Rahway is going to be fought by the owners of the nude dance club it is designed to eliminate. However, city officials are confident it will go through and be enforced with no problem.

The Razz! Dazz! Club on Routes 1&9 was recently closed again, after it tried to operate without a license. The club's owners, the De-Wop Corporation, tried to fight a ruling that said information and fingerprints had to be provided on shareholders in the club to get a license. This was overturned on appeal, but the club still does not have a license, and thus cannot legally operate.

The City Council is putting forth an ordinance that will forbid public nudity of all kinds, as an attempt to stop any types of adult entertainment in Rahway. This is being done to cut down on crime and the "filthy" these clubs can attract.

Stephen Mitazzo, a Hackensack attorney representing De-Wop, plans to protest this ordinance as unconstitutional.

"We'll attack the ordinance," Mitazzo said. "We think that would be an illegal ordinance. It would be unconstitutional under New Jersey law."

Other New Jersey cities, such as North Brunswick and Carlstadt, have enacted ordinances that will forbid all types of public nudity, with the exception of breastfeeding mothers. Those ordinances are based on a recent U.S. Supreme Court ruling that towns can ban nude dancing to fight crime and combat social problems.

They've enacted them, but that doesn't mean they're valid," Mitazzo said. "And I'm certain that you'll see those ordinances attacked also."

Mitazzo said the ordinance is going to be attacked by De-Wop right away, as soon as it is passed on second reading by the City Council.

"First, it is obviously designed only to affect Razz! Dazz!, and we think for that reason alone it is discriminatory," Mitazzo said. "It is a violation of our citizen's civil rights. It restricts First Amendment rights to expression, which New Jersey has held includes nude dancing."

Mitazzo said that certain minimal limitations on nudity, like pasties and G-strings, are unconstitutional, even though other states have determined they are not. The U.S. Supreme Court said on March 29 that towns could impose pasties and G-strings on

School additions progressing

By Robert Coakley
Staff Writer

The Rahway Board of Education is close to finalizing a finance deal for additions at all four Rahway elementary schools.

The building project is to meet new requirements from the state Department of Education for full-day kindergarten and half-day preschool classes.

At DiGiorgio, board secretary and school business administrator, said the funding for the additions has just been put into place. The school board plans to close on the financing on June 27, and the proceeds should be available by then, he said.

"We found an underwriter," DiGiorgio said. "The underwriter will finance the proceeds to us, which is what we will use to fund the construction project, in addition to the state aid we have."

The money gained from the financing is expected to be about \$1.1 million, and is designed not to be more than \$1 million. First Union Securities Inc. will be the underwriter, according to a motion passed by the board last month.

The underwriter is the corporation that supports the issue, like a corporation would sell stock, DiGiorgio said. They will provide the financing up front and will sell securities on the open market for the school board. The school board will pay interest on those certificates. The proceeds will then fund the construction on the schools.

The underwriter is also receiving approximately \$6.5 million from the state to go toward the addition on the schools, which was approved by the Local Finance Board in Trenton last month.

After June 27, the school board will look into advertising for contractors and builders to actually construct the new additions onto the schools, according to the school business administrator.

Only after the advertising is done and the school board takes in bids will it know what companies will be in position for the job, and if it will be the same company for each school or not. Bid specs and documents will be prepared and submitted to newspapers, DiGiorgio said.

Certain delays in the matter were from trying to get financing approval from the state Department of Education. There is only one person there dealing with purchases, and they are six months behind, DiGiorgio said.

The tentative finishing date of the additions is June 2002, but the state-mandated startup date for the preschool and full-day kindergarten is September 2001. If the school board has to, it will rent classroom space for the new classes until then, unless the state allows the board to delay the pre-K and full-day kindergarten for a year, DiGiorgio said.

When the work actually begins, there is some question as to whether or not the work being done on the schools will affect the students in any way.

"Projects like this have been done all over the state during the school year," DiGiorgio said. "What they do is put up some type of blockade. There are safety measures in place so that it doesn't disrupt the education process. There will be some disruption, but it will be kept to a minimum."

When the subject of extra classrooms to house full-day kindergarten students was raised last year, the school board had a "centralized" plan of adding onto just Roosevelt School and Grover Cleveland School. The board determined that this plan would have cost \$2.2 million more over the next decade than the additions, also called "pods," going on to all four schools.

An expanded cafeteria, a new nurse's suite, and three small group instructional areas were called for Franklin School.

A preschool room, two kindergarten classrooms, a special education classroom, and two small instructional group areas will be added to Cleveland School.

Madison School will gain one classroom for each preschool, kindergarten and special education class.

The Roosevelt School will have three preschool classrooms, eight kindergarten classrooms and a nurse's suite.