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Briefs

CAAP scholarships

Concerned African-American Parents (CAAP) meets 7:30 tonight at the Westfield Community Center. All high school seniors who wish to be considered for a CAAP scholarship must attend.

Speaking up

Toastmasters of Westfield meets 8 p.m. tonight at the First Savings Bank, 206 South Ave., Fanwood. Call 925-4823 for details.

Valentine fund-raiser

"An Evening of Wedding Proposals," a series of scenes from five Broadway shows, is presented 8 p.m. Saturday at the Westfield Community Players theater. Admission is \$10. Call 232-1221.

Social seniors

The Senior Social Club of Holy Trinity meets 1:30 p.m. Monday in the cafeteria. The Merry Men of the Old Guard will perform and a St. Patrick's trip will be planned.

Caregivers' support

Caregivers of those suffering from Alzheimer's or related dementia meet for support discussions 7 p.m. the second Monday of every month, at Meridian Nursing Center. Call Steven Kendall at 233-9700.

Charitable giving

Westfield Schools staff members are invited to participate in the 1995 Public Employees Charitable Campaign through March 16. Donations go to any of over 300 independent charities, international service agencies and national voluntary health agencies, including the Westfield United Fund.

Philhower award

The Westfield Rotary Club will award the third annual Charles Philhower Fellowship to a Westfield Public School elementary teacher in April. Eligible teachers will have taught K-5 in Westfield for five years.

Nomination letters, specifying ways the teacher has demonstrated outstanding teaching, interest in children and continued pursuit of professional growth, should be submitted by March 3 to The Westfield Rotary Club Fellowship Committee, c/o Robert M. Read, 7 Eastgate Square.

Art club news

A show by the Westfield Art Association is on view at Children's Specialized Hospital through March 30. Paintings are exhibited by Gladys Aronson, Stephen D'Amato, Judith Hoctor, A.T. Kaercher, Edmund Spiro, and Barbara Zietchick. Works are for sale; part of the proceeds go to the hospital. Call Susan Baxter at 233-3720 Ext. 379.

Skiing sensations

The Westfield Recreation Commission will host a trip to Shawnee Ski Area, 6:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Sunday. The cost of \$41 per person includes transportation and lift ticket. Discount tickets to various ski areas are also available. Call 789-4080 or stop by 425 East Broad St.

Tour to Israel

Spaces remain for the Temple Emanuel El Tour to Israel led by Rabbi Charles A. Kroloff and organized by ARZA Travel. The Tour, March 11-20, includes visits to Jerusalem, the Golan Heights, and Tel Aviv. Call the temple at 232-6770 or ARZA at (800) 223-7496.

The annual agony hits the Class of '95

Westfield High School seniors share the highs and lows of applying to colleges

By NICOLE A. GAVINO
THE RECORD

One common denominator for just about every high school student is the stress of getting into college — the anxiety, the pressure, the fear, the disappointment. For most, this stress ends with relief, joy and a new excitement.

The Record discussed these stresses with a group of Westfield High School seniors with varying experiences. No matter what their path, whether they know now where they are heading next year, the students agreed

this is a time of reckoning.

"Look at it this way," suggested guidance counselor Rosalie Wallach, "it's very hard for someone 17 years old to know what he or she wants for the rest of a life."

"Growing up in Westfield, it's expected as a natural progression that you're going to college," senior John Ruvolo said. "Unfortunately, you're not going to college unless you get in. Nobody ever said, 'Oh yeah and you have to earn it, you have to fill out all these applications, you have to go on interviews, and you have to wait.'"

John is waiting. He has applied to five schools, including his first choice, Boston College. He will not find out until April and he tries not to spend every day in the meantime worrying about what will happen. For John and his parents, the greatest worry at this point is the money. Boston College charges about \$27,000; even Rutgers, the most affordable, charges about \$12,000 a year.

"I can deal with not getting in, but even if I do get in, can I afford to go there? Expectations are built up at this high school that everyone 'goes away' to college," John said.

"My expectations are quickly dropping — until April when I get some tangible evidence."

John's experience is similar to that of his classmate Jim Rowan, who applied to eight schools and also doesn't expect to hear from them until April. But for Jim, the hardest part of the college seeking experience is over. Simply finding the time to fill out the applications, balancing writing the essays with his regular school work was hard enough. Jim can make the grade, but has (Please turn to page A-2)



Saturday on the slopes

Josh and Max Lasky enjoy winter's first sled-able snowfall Saturday on a slope in Echo Lake Park. The storm poured the wet snow overnight Friday and into Saturday.

STEVE LEGATO/THE RECORD

Rotary marks 90 with pancakes

Members of the Rotary Club of Westfield will join 1.2 million fellow Rotarians from around the world this month in celebrating 90 years of Rotary service.

Paul P. Harris, a young lawyer, and three friends met for the first time Feb. 23, 1905 in a small office in downtown Chicago. What Mr. Harris envisioned was a club that would kindle fellowship among people representing diverse businesses in the community. He hoped to find in the large city the spirit of friendliness and helpfulness he had known while growing up in a small town. It was this meeting that sparked the entire service club movement.

In commemoration of this historic event, Westfield Rotary Club will hold its 29th annual

Pancake Day 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday, March 4 at Westfield High School. Tickets are \$5 and are available from any Rotarian, or call Robert Read at 233-6000.

Information regarding the club's scholarships, along with scenes from a Westfield series of prints which the club has given to contributors to the student fund, will be displayed in the windows of Rorden Realty on the corner of Elm and Quimby streets.

Besides the Westfield Foundation's contribution from the Wallace Fund, Pancake Day and Westfield Rotary Club's student fund are the two principal sources of funds for Rotary's scholarship program. The club is asking the citizens of Westfield to continue their support

of this program by attending Pancake Day and contributing to the student fund. Contributors of \$65 or more are given a "Scene of Westfield" print.

Today businessmen and businesswomen continue to work together through their clubs to provide community service and to foster good will and peace in their local and world communities.

Since it received its charter in 1921, the Westfield Rotary Club has supported a variety of community projects including scholarships, Charles Philhower Fellowship Awards, Humanitarian of the Year awards, aid to various agencies serving Westfield, aid to the Rotary (Please turn to page A-2)

Market hearing tonight

ShopRite will air traffic plan

By NICOLE A. GAVINO
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Westfielders will again have a chance to voice their concerns about the proposed ShopRite at a hearing for public testimony 7 p.m. Wednesday. The regular hearing continues 7:30 p.m. tonight with new testimony from traffic engineer Henry Ney.

Last week, the Planning Board heard testimony from former Town Planner Robert Catlin. Mr. Catlin was called in to provide clarification of the intentions of a noise ordinance for commercial sites. Additionally, architect Enzo Pavese, who designed the 58,000-square-foot supermarket, testified on the location of the air conditioning and heating units and how the entire building will be screened.

At tonight's meeting, Village Supermarkets is expected to bring back Mr. Ney to testify on the effects of changes in the plan since his last appearance. Effects on traffic have been one of the largest concerns of citizens opposed to the ShopRite.

At the last session for public testimony, more than 300 citizens gave the Planning Board a resounding "No ShopRite." Some testified in favor of the store during the eight-hour session, but the consensus repeated their opposition due to concerns over traffic, delivery trucks, children's safety, air and noise pollution, and real estate values.

The board has set aside Wednesday night to continue hearing public testimony, and a large turnout is expected. All meetings are in Council Chambers, Town Hall, 425 East Broad St.

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Evie Kennelly will cut back to the 1800s Sunday, bringing hearts of lace and words of love.

The 20-year volunteer will demonstrate how early Americans prepared valentines at the Miller-Cory House Museum.

"They were all hand-made, cut with lace or woven. Many were folded into their own envelopes and hand-delivered," Mrs. Kennelly said. "They were very special expressions of love. They didn't give them out to just anyone."

Mrs. Kennelly has volunteered for the museum for over 20 years, each year creating new hearts and symbols of love. Over the years, she has researched how early Americans celebrated Valentine's Day.

On Sunday, Mrs. Kennelly will explain the making of two historical valentines on display, dating from 1832. She will also display her own collection of copies she has made over the years, including a new one created especially for Sunday.

The custom of exchanging valentines was brought to America by the English settlers but was not widely celebrated in the 1700s. Lace papers and hearts produced in England and Germany were often assembled by hand and sold in America in the 1800s.

Mrs. Kennelly explained the early style of making valentines entailed a lot of detail. She will show mu-

seum-goers exactly how they are made, using the techniques of the period. One method common in the 1800s was the German "shear and snip" type — where paper was cut out with scissors in decorating patterns, similar to how children make paper snowflakes today. Others entailed paper-weaving and some used paints. Another common method was called "theorem painting" — painting using stencils.

"They were very personal and they put a lot of time into them — you can see that from the handiwork," Mrs. Kennelly said. "You could probably do a real simple one in about 15 minutes, but I suspect the more elaborate ones took at least an hour to create."

Moreover, valentines of the period were serious proclamations of love. Mrs. Kennelly said many were even marriage proposals.

"Of course, they even had something to save the day. There were valentine writers who put together little booklets with 20 or 30 pages of suggested verse. If you didn't happen to be a poet, you could use this booklet to help you express your message," Mrs. Kennelly explained.

Mrs. Kennelly will help Westfielders celebrate Valentine's Day, 2-4 p.m. Sunday at the Miller-Cory House, 614 Mountain Ave. Costumed docents offer a tour of the 18th century farmhouse. The gift shop will offer a variety of valentine gifts as well as winter reading material and craft projects. Call 232-1776 for more information or to volunteer.



Evie Kennelly will discuss valentines of the 1890s at Miller-Cory Museum Sunday.

Love is ageless

Senior couples continue to make memories

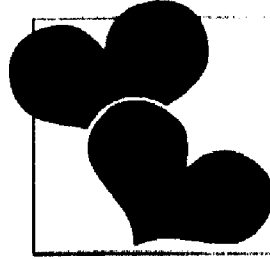
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In the swim

Schundler stars as Devils again dominate county meet

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Dating 101

Agencies ensure we all live happily ever after

See Weekend Plus

Annual college-hunt agony hits Class of '95

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found he really needs to work hard and put everything into it. He has been faced with a catch-22 as his grades suffer as he labors to get his applications out, and the applications may suffer because then he won't have the grades to support them.

"Now I've put it out of my mind," Jim said. "I sent them in and I'm not going to worry until I find out in April. I'm being a pessimist about it so I won't be let down."

"I didn't think I was that stressed out, but when I heard from the University of Pennsylvania, it was such a relief, like a burden was lifted," senior Jamie Feiner said.

For Jamie and many of her peers, the waiting was the hardest part. Others in her family had gone to the University of Pennsylvania and once she made it her first choice, the whole family waited in suspense for the infamous letter. Jamie applied for early decision and has known since December where she is going next year.

"Be patient," Jamie advises her friends who will wait until April.

Ivy Charnatz has had little anxiety and lots of excitement. She is going to Rutgers. She knew what she wanted from a school and knew Rutgers fit the profile. She also knew it was what is called a "safe" school — one the student should have no trouble getting accepted to. She applied and was accepted in November.

Now Ivy decided to have a little fun — try a little experiment, "just to see." Her parents have always had a dream of Ivy going to Princeton University, because it is such a prominent school in New Jersey. So Ivy also sent an application to Princeton and has been deferred. She said even if she gets accepted, she doubts she'll go.

"I will be the first in my family to go to college," Ivy explained. "I am the first to be born in America. My grandparents' philosophy on education was that it was a big deal to get a high school diploma. Just the fact that I am going on to



Seniors and counselors discussing the effort that goes into applying for college admission are Laura Ramsundar, Jamie Keiner, Counselor Rosalie Wallach, Ivy Charnatz, John Rivoio, Jim Rowan, Frank DiGiovanni and Counselor Ann Marie Fabriele.

college at all is a big deal for my parents."

Unlike Ivy, Frank DiGiovanni had no idea what he wanted in a school. Like Ivy, however, he targeted one school and got in.

"It didn't matter to me too much where I went," Frank said. "My parents wanted me to go to Trenton State. I applied for early decision and I got in. I'm convinced that I will be happy there. Simple as that."

Frank's guidance counselor, Ann Marie Fabriele, said that Frank has been one of the calmest seniors in the college application process. He didn't know what he wanted so he found a school which has a broad liberal arts program, is financially feasible for his parents, and has a good wrestling program.

Indeed, he said if it weren't for wrestling, he's not sure what he'd be going through — whether he'd have gotten into Trenton State so easily.

Laura Ramsundar saw the light at the end of the tunnel Tuesday.

She has applied to five schools and has already heard from three, the final one being New York University.

"That was a really big relief. That was the one I was unsure about," Laura said. When asked about her decision, she said she's not sure yet, then excitedly added, "It's going to be NYU."

But it wasn't easy for Laura to get to this point. Only about one year ago, she moved into Westfield from Brooklyn, leaving all her best friends behind.

"I miss being able to even tell them 'I'm really stressed out,'" she said. "There's just no time for any of us because we're each caught up in this whole process — thinking about interviews, grades, SATs."

All the students discussed drudgery of the applications and the time it takes from their lives. They expressed their frustration at the process itself and how they are sometimes treated by the colleges. Impersonal interviews, fill-in-the-dots, and seemingly arbitrary decisions can be discouraging for the

students.

"It should be a rite of passage which is joyous, and sometimes it's negated," Ms. Fabriele said. "We try hard to deal with the human element, the individual needs of the students. What has happened is that it's become a business for the colleges."

But their experiences have taught the seniors something, left them with some greater understanding of themselves and of how life works.

"You learn how strong you are, how much you can take," Laura said. "Life goes on. Things happen and life changes and you've just got to toughen up and deal with it."



Westfield High School senior John Rivoio, second from left, describes his adventures getting into college during group discussion at WHS Tuesday.

Rotary hits 90 with pancakes

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Club of Binan in the Philippines in support of its program to feed and house street children, and a contribution to the Rotary Clubs of Hamilton and Washington townships in support of the Megan project.

The Westfield Club is also supporting a high school student from Indonesia who is spending a year at school in New Jersey.

In addition, the Westfield Rotarians support the Rotary International Foundation, which sponsors international scholarships and cultural exchanges as well as humanitarian programs that improve the quality of life for millions around the world.

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Going To The Cleaners

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Man's dress shirt	\$1.70	\$1.20	\$1.50	\$1.00	\$1.35	\$1.70	\$1.20	\$2.10	\$.99	\$1.30	\$1.40
Woman's blouse	3.90	4.45	4.50	3.50	3.50	5.60	3.99	8.00	4.00	4.10	4.55
Silk Blouse	6.90	4.95	5.50	4.00	3.50	7.60	4.25	8.00	4.25	4.10	5.30
2 pc Man's suit	8.25	7.95	8.25	7.00	7.00	8.65	6.50	10.75	6.95	6.95	7.82
Woman's dress suit	8.25	7.95	8.25	7.50	7.00	8.65	6.50	10.75	6.95	6.95	7.82
Silk tie	2.50	2.75	3.50	3.00	2.25	3.50	2.75	5.00	3.00	2.35	3.06
Sweater	4.40	3.95	4.50	3.50	3.50	5.10	3.99	8.00	4.00	3.55	4.45
Slacks	3.90	3.95	4.00	3.50	3.50	4.25	3.50	5.00	4.00	3.40	3.90
Wool blazer	4.75	4.95	4.25	4.00	3.50	5.25	4.50	6.00	4.00	3.65	4.48
Wool skirt	3.95	3.95	4.00	3.50	3.50	5.40	4.25	8.00	4.00	3.40	4.40
Pleated skirt	Varies	Additional \$2-\$3	Additional 10¢-20¢ per pleat	Varies	\$8.00	Additional 10¢ per pleat	\$7.99	Varies	Additional 15¢ per pleat	Additional 10¢-20¢ per pleat	7.65
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Total bill	\$48.50+	\$53	\$48.25+	\$40.5+	\$46.60	\$55.70+	\$49.42	\$71.60+	\$42.14+	\$39.75+	\$54.88

Dr. Smith going to Yale

Westfield School Superintendent Mark C. Smith has been invited by Yale Law School to participate in "Schools, Values and Courts," a symposium scheduled for April 27-28 in New Haven.

The symposium will be co-sponsored by The Center on Values, Education and the Law Inc., a not-for-profit organization whose research has been funded for several years by grants from the United States Department of Education.

"The center seeks to promote communication between the courts and schools on controversial value issues," said Michael Rebell, executive director of the Center on Val-

ues, Education and the Law. "The symposium will focus on sex education, special education inclusion and fiscal equity reform issues."

Mr. Rebell, who is a visiting lecturer at Yale Law, said the effectiveness of a consensual dispute resolution model — one that seeks to involve the broad community in devising appropriate remedies in institutional reform litigations — will be pursued during the symposium.

Participants in the April symposium will include five federal and state judges, five educators and a number of Yale faculty members and students.



Better Days

SETTLING DOWN

It is not uncommon for people to feel that their depression dates back to "settling down." Usually these people accuse or blame the spouse for their depressed mood. If examined in a different light, however, it's found that many people in their younger years (teenage and early 20's) live lifestyles that included frequent travel, multiple job changes, periodic relationship changes and a general pattern of instability, restlessness and distraction.

Most often people don't recognize this as a problem until they "settle down" to a less variable lifestyle. With consistency comes a degree of self-reflection -- and, often, the onset of depression. This should be viewed as a sign that issues earlier in life need reexamination, rather than that there is something intrinsically wrong with having settled down.

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Dry cleaners believe quality matters most

By NICOLE A. GAVINO
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There's a rumor Westfield has the most dry cleaners per capita on the East Coast. By a glance in the yellow pages, it's true Westfield has the most dry cleaners in the immediate area — leaving Westfielders with the task of choosing.

In search of the ideal dry cleaner, *The Record* hit the streets Friday with a laundry list in hand. Ten establishments were located through the phone book and a drive around town. Results revealed vast differences. Cost varies up to \$4.60 for a single item. The total cost of having 11 common items cleaned can vary by \$31.85.

Several cleaners noted the prices listed are only base prices and there may be additional charges for special features, such as lining or hard stain removal. Pan American said it could cost up to \$25 to get a two-piece suit cleaned.

Same-day service is standard for many of the dry cleaners surveyed, if the items are brought in before 10 or 11 a.m. Only Keller's charges

extra for same-day service, and three others only offer next day or two-day service.

Robert Santo, of Westwood Cleaners, said the most important issue for customers is quality of service — they must feel they are leaving their clothes in good hands.

Nearly all the dry cleaners agreed price is not what's important when shopping for the ideal dry cleaner.

"It goes by quality and workmanship, not by price," said Vincent of Keller's GO Inc.

He said there is a big difference between establishments that do their work on-site versus those that go off-site — not only is the work more efficient, but also more reliable.

Karl of The Dry Cleaner of Westfield pointed out consumers should be aware of the proliferation of specials, coupons and discounts.

Regardless, consumers need to survey the choices themselves, and choose based on what is important to them — cost, efficiency, quality, quickness, cleanliness and friendliness of each establishment.

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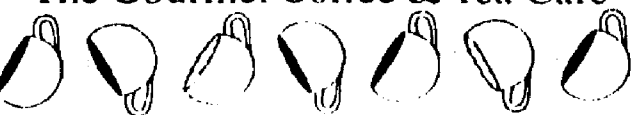
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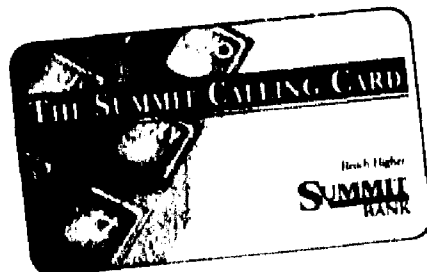
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School custodians find friends all over town

School board hears no support for plan to privatize maintenance service

By NICOLE A. GAVINO
THE RECORD

Students, teachers, parents and custodians voiced their opposition to a plan to privatize school maintenance services. The comments came at the Westfield Board of Education meeting Tuesday night.

Board members listened to the repeated plea to consider the safety of the schools and students, the quality of the service and the dedication and loyalty of the maintenance staff.

Nearly 200 attended the meeting at Edi-

son School. Members of the custodial union came, some in uniform; all wore pins which stated "Keep our custodians."

"We can tell you personal story after personal story of custodians going the extra mile to provide service to the students, parents, teachers and to anyone in the community," said George Huck, bargaining representative for the custodial workers union. "When a child is lost, when a child needs help, it has been the custodial employee time and again who has been your friend and your loyal servant — at a reasonable cost."

Mr. Huck said the union has already worked with the school board to cut costs by changing work schedules, reducing the amount of overtime and paying a portion of workers' health insurance costs. He asked the board to first try to negotiate with the custodians to find a solution that will address fiscal concerns and maintain the jobs of these workers.

Board President Susan Pepper reminded the crowd the board has not made any recommendation to privatize, but is simply researching the option.

"Clearly it is our responsibility to listen

to the concerns of our taxpayers and to operate as efficiently as we can," Mrs. Pepper said. "All of us need to recognize the severe problems we have to face to bring forward a budget the taxpayers will support. All of these things are things we have to look at together."

Michael Seiler, president of the Westfield Education Association, said the teaching staff is opposed to "turning our schools over to outsiders."

Numerous Edison eighth-grade students spoke in favor of the custodians who have supported them each day whether they

have an emergency, or just want to say "hello." The group of students gathered more than 500 signatures from fellow students and staff opposed to privatization.

"The students in Edison have made a trust with them," said eighth-grader Lisa DeMarco. "They are our friends — a familiar face every day in the halls. They go that extra mile to help us when we need them."

The school board is scheduled to introduce a first budget draft Feb. 28, which may indicate what direction the board will take on privatization.

Board thinks aloud of lowering impact of classroom crowding

By NICOLE A. GAVINO
THE RECORD

The Westfield Board of Education Tuesday night discussed three policies which reaffirm class sizes of 18-25, call for the use of classroom assistants in larger classes and offer open enrollment.

The policies will be voted on later. The outcome will give direc-

tion to the Long Range Planning Committee which is working on the problem of increasing elementary enrollment.

"It was important to bring the issue of class size before the board for discussion again to give us a basis to work with," board member John Toriello said. "I don't think it ties our hands, I think it reaffirms what we believe is a good educa-

tional policy."

Board members Tom Madaras and William Sweeney questioned the need to look again at class size when the board has agreed time and again that it is important to maintain the 18-25 policy. Eileen Satkin, chairperson of the Pro-

grams and Policies Committee, said the policy simply reaffirms what exists, adding a priority on the lower grades.

The second policy calls for the addition of a teacher's aide in elementary classes which exceed 25 students.

Superintendent Mark C. Smith said his analysis reveals there are potentially 13 classes which will exceed 25 students next year. In 1998-99, he predicts there will be about 30 classes district-wide with class sizes between 26 and 31.

"This policy is a large financial

commitment on the part of the board," Mrs. Satkin said. "Over 10 years, this could cost \$2 to \$3 million."

The third proposed policy provides open enrollment of elementary classes which exceed 25 students.

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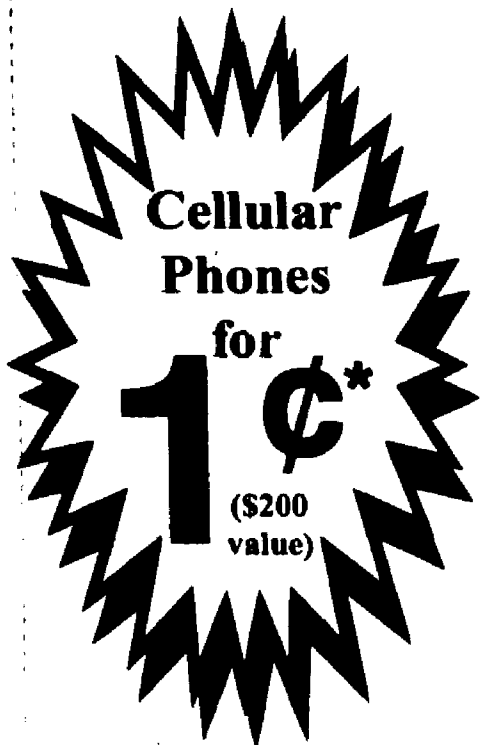
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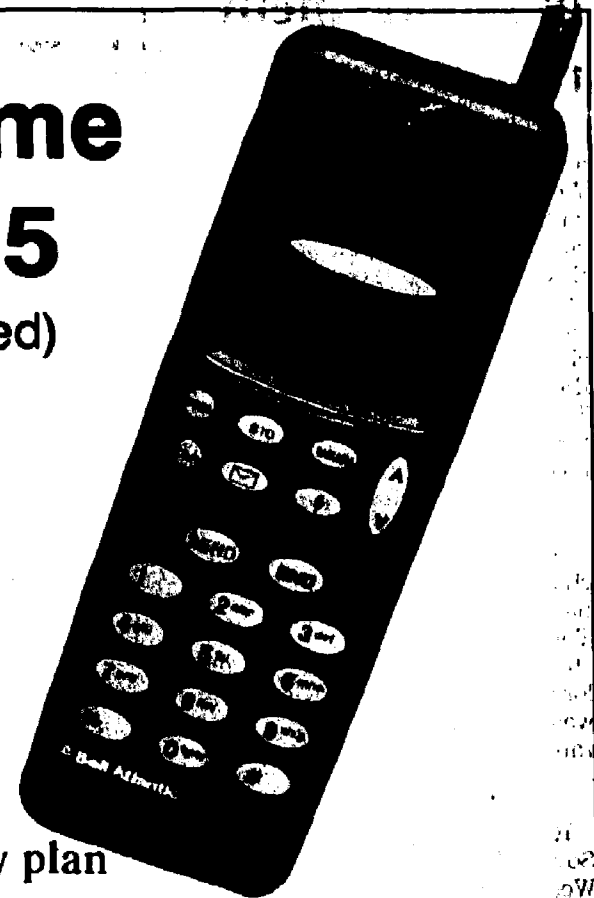
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Penny rise in tax rate is seen for town budget

By NICOLE A. GAVINO
THE RECORD

The proposed 1995 Town Budget calls for a 1 cent rise in the tax rate, increasing the property tax bill of the average home \$18 a year.

The Westfield Town Council will introduce the proposed \$21.5 million budget 8 p.m. Tuesday in the council chambers, 425 East Broad St. The 1995 budget is nearly \$4 million lower than the previous year, a 15.4 percent decrease.

"We got the message that people want their taxes kept down," Mayor Garland "Bud" Boothe said. "We've got a lean budget, but frankly, we have to give credit where credit is due. It is not due to me or to any official, but to the good hard negotiations of the administration with our health carrier, the arbitrariness of the pension bill from the state, and the hard work of the Rahway Valley Sewerage Authority (RVSA) to keep their own budget down."

At a council budget discussion meeting Monday, Town Administrator Ed Gottko reviewed the major factors that called for a decrease in the budget:

- a \$170,000 savings was realized in employee insurance benefits

- bills from the state for the Public Employee Retirement System and the pension bill came in \$300,000 less than anticipated

- billing from the RVSA decreased \$30,000
- about \$3.7 million in Capital Improvement Fund Deferred Charges, or the school spend down, was eliminated

- savings were realized in decreasing interest charges for the town's bonds

Mr. Gottko said the one major increase in the 1995 budget is "the cost of people." Salaries and wages grew \$443,960 this year, an increase of 4.75 percent. Mr. Gottko said, "This reflects our thinking on wage negotiations for the coming year."

In 1995, the police union is due a

Cleaner nabbed in engagement ring theft

Police arrested 19-year-old Roseanne Scerbo, of Winfield Park, Wednesday, Feb. 1, charging her with the theft of an engagement ring. Friday, Jan. 27, a Wyoming Street resident reported the theft of the ring, valued at \$5,000. Police said Ms. Scerbo worked for a local cleaning service and allegedly took the ring while cleaning the home. The ring was recovered and Ms. Scerbo was released on her own recognizance with a summons.

ASSAULT

Ralph Dill, 39, of Edison was charged with simple assault and harassment Wednesday, Feb. 1. The charges stemmed from a Jan. 16 dispute Dill had with his landlord while residing in Westfield. He was released on his own recognizance with a summons.

OTHER ARRESTS

Richard Hingle, 28, of West South Avenue, was charged Wednesday, Feb. 1, on a contempt of court warrant from Westfield. He was held on \$250 bail.

Jose Figueras, of Newark, was charged Thursday on an outstanding warrant and held in lieu of \$500 bail.

Robert Jones, 19, of Rahway was charged Saturday on a fugitive warrant charging assault. He was turned over to Union County Jail.

BURGLARY AND THEFT

The United Fund office at the north side train station reported an attempted burglary Tuesday, Jan. 31. An iron grill over a rear window was removed.

A North Plainfield resident reported attempted burglary to two cars parked in his driveway Thursday. Damage was done to door lock areas.

Thursday, a Central Avenue business reported the theft of tools from a work van parked behind the building.

The theft of monies from various New York Times newspaper machines throughout town was reported Friday. No damage was done to the machines.

Friday, a Central Avenue resident reported the theft of four BMW tires and wheels from a storage area in an apartment complex.

5 percent increase, the teamsters a 4 percent increase. The town is still in negotiations with the fire union and will soon begin negotiating with the new Communication Workers union.

Total revenue for the proposed budget, including miscellaneous revenue and state aid, is \$11,950,000. Mr. Gottko and Finance Chairman James Gruba suggested the town use 88 percent of the total available surplus, or \$3,329,000. This leaves only \$460,000 in surplus to build on for 1996. Mr. Gottko said this is consistent with how the town has handled surplus in the past.

This creates a necessary tax levy of \$9,519,000, or a proposed tax rate of 53 cents per \$100 of assessed value. On the average home, assessed at \$180,000, a taxpayer will pay an additional \$18 a year, or \$1.50 a month.

Although he insisted the proposal was sound and responsible, Mr. Gruba explained the town

could use less surplus, and raise the tax rate 2 cents instead of 1.

"The best thing from a fiscal point of view would be to have a larger tax increase this year in anticipation of what may be a rough year next year," Mr. Gruba said. "But I am also completely mindful of the atmosphere under which we are operating. I think this is the year to mitigate the most prudent fiscal approach in light of what we are really trying to accomplish for the taxpayers."

Although they did not make any cuts, the town council discussed cutting services, programs or personnel, in order to keep the tax rate down. Mr. Gottko said the cost of snow and leaf removal, and the conservation center are all examples of programs that, if cut, would decrease the tax rate 1 cent. The council agreed they would begin extensive reviews of various town programs and their costs, in order to prepare for possible needs in the 1996 budget.

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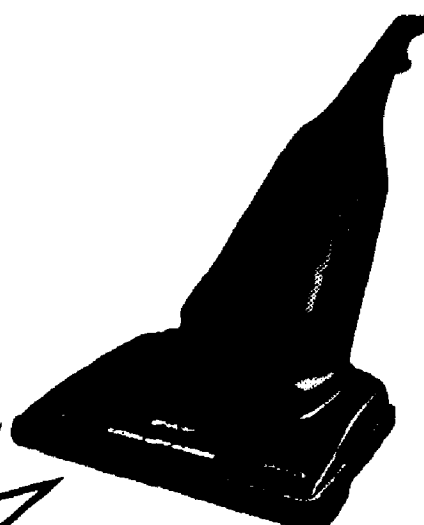
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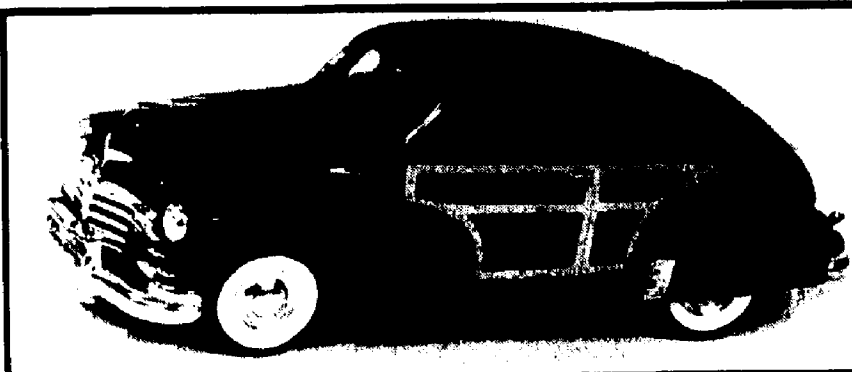
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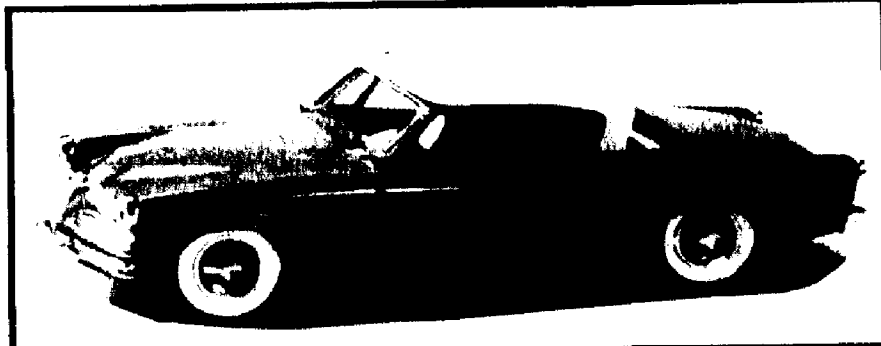
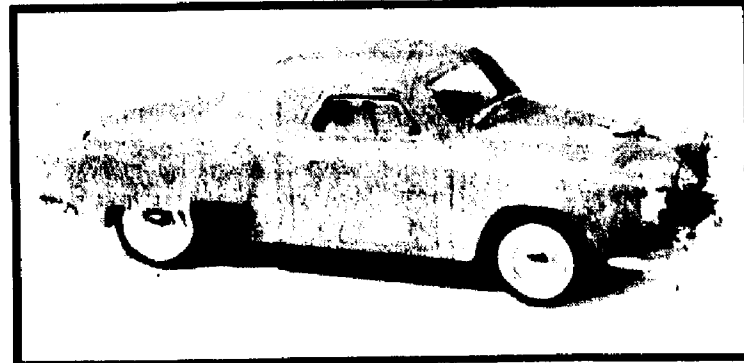
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Commentary

Love me, love me not

A romanticized rendition of the de rigeur hits and misses hit-and-run, drive-by vehicle

LOVE ME: ShopRite and Garwood seem to be a most compatible couple. The town has lovingly rewritten its zoning laws to encourage just such retailing in its once-industrial neighborhoods. There must be more than money to this match-up. ShopRite looks to locate astride the Garwood-Westfield border at the Westfield Lumber Co. site on North Avenue.

LOVE ME NOT: ShopRite and Westfield have so many scraps among their followers that the future of the couple is an open question, this column fears. The bickering has been going on for two years now. This Bickerson look-alike duo is bound to end up in court.

LOVE ME: Opposites attract, they say, albeit delayed in some cases. Cranford's Planning Board at first spurned a pool hall applicant seeking to open shop in Cleveland Plaza downtown. Police and some merchants saw only trouble in the pair's future. But after the pool hall "court-ed" very heavily, the Planning Board saw the light and all seems well now. No cracks about shotguns, now ...

LOVE ME NOT: The pool hall still has a suit in court seeking relief from hours and security limits the Cranford planners put on its operation.

Maybe it's not true love after all.

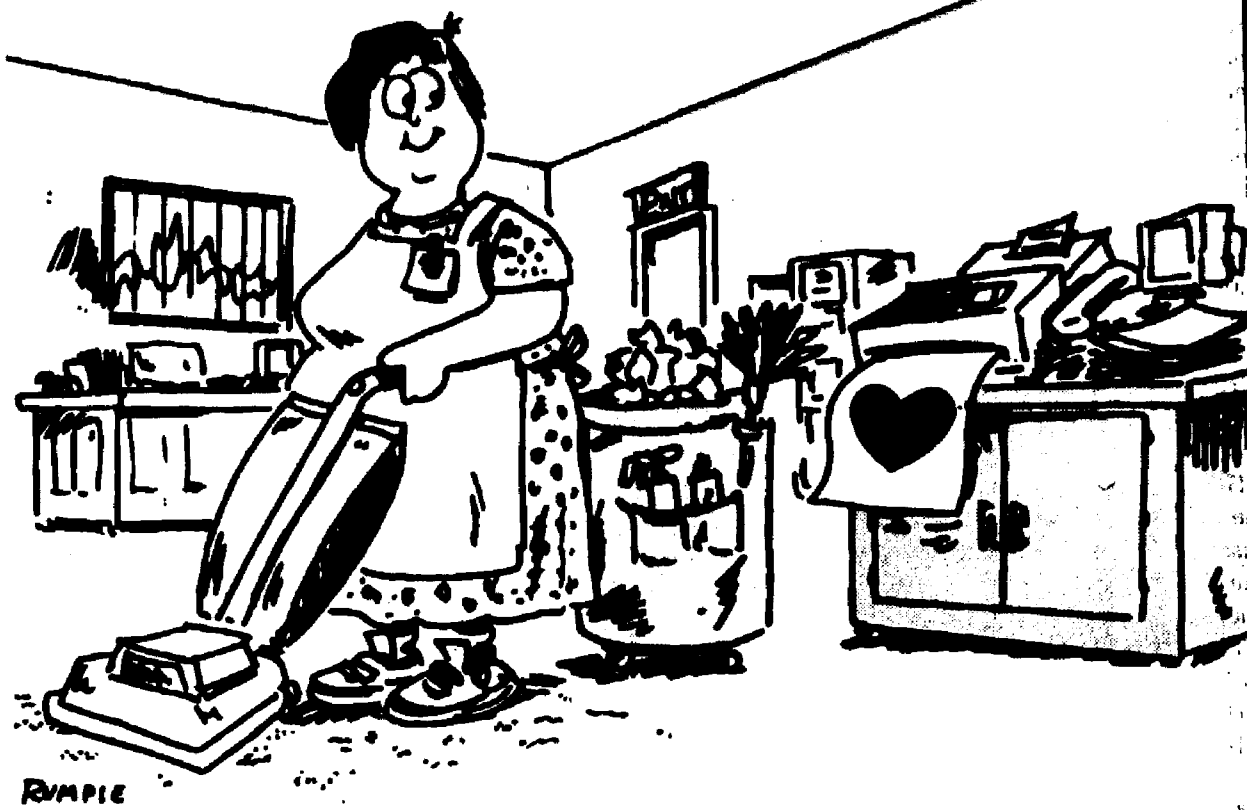
LOVE ME: It is true love, however, in the case of Kenilworth's council and school board for the shuttered Brearley High School. The flame of fervor for the town taking over and reopening its beloved high school burns strongly to this day.

LOVE ME NOT: An equally bright flame of dislike burns in Kenilworth for the dreaded Union County Regional High School District 1 school board. It was this board that voted to close Brearley over the hottest of objections from Kenilworth. Now, Kenilworth leads the attackers seeking to dissolve the six-town, three-high school regional district.

LOVE ME: Top Scotch Plains-Fanwood school administrators and their bottom-up Strategic Plan for casting curriculum and teaching style for the students. If controversy makes the heart grow fonder, this one is forever.

LOVE ME NOT: PROBE, an anti-Strategic Plan group of uncertain number, which has steadily decried the matchup as dangerous to its progeny.

Happy Valentine's Day



Letters to the editor

It's time to rethink open admissions policies

To The Record:

I read with dismay that most New Jersey high school students in the upper quartile of achievement tests prefer to leave the state to attend college. The reason given is that practically all colleges in the state have what amounts to an open admission policy, which means that regardless of the high school student's achievement average, he or she is admitted. The implication is that the academic standards of the colleges must be lowered so as not to be faced with an overwhelming percentage of

dropouts. The more gifted students in the state obviously want to be challenged by higher academic standards. They know that when they apply for jobs or graduate schools after graduation they will be faced by admissions personnel who are acquainted with the standards of the colleges they attended for their undergraduate work.

This practice on the part of many New Jersey colleges is caused in part as a result of the liberal denigration of intelligence and achievements tests. The authors of the well-documented best

seller, *The Bell Curve*, succinctly review the distorted logic of liberal thinkers who believe "Intelligence is a bankrupt concept. Whatever it might mean — and nobody really knows even how to define it — intelligence is so ephemeral that no one can measure it accurately. IQ tests are, of course, culturally based, and so are all other 'aptitude' tests, such as the SAT ... Earning, occupation, productivity — all the important measures of success — are unrelated to the test scores."

The authors of *The Bell Curve* proceed to disprove these distortions of scientific facts.

In my own experience as a psychometrician, I can personally attest to the validity of these aptitude tests. Just to give you an example of an item on such a test, I say to the person being measured on the superior adult level, "A mother sends her son to the river with a three-quart and a five-quart

can. He is asked to bring back exactly four quarts of water without guessing or marking the cans. How would he do it?"

Here is a way of measuring a general problem solving aptitude that has nothing to do with academic excellence. And it is not at all culturally based. It certainly "separates the men from the boys," for example, in seeking applicants for a job as a computer salesman. And yet it is illegal to do so. A law promoted by left wing liberals prohibits such testing. All testing must be directly related to the tasks for which the individual applies.

It is conceivable that the individual may be applying for a position with a company that is in need of employees for a wide variety of jobs for which it will offer training. The company wants to separate out those who would be trained for the more demanding positions in terms of problem solv-

ing ability.

This idea that "all men are created in equal" in terms of intellectual capacity is as false as it is when applied to physical strength.

The widespread application of this open admissions policy on the part of institutions of higher learning leads to enormous waste of human effort. The result of opening opportunities to higher academic learning to those who will ultimately fail by the wayside means wasted human effort. The correlated damage done to these would-be students is exemplified by emotional distress, which may lead to hatred directed at some convenient scapegoat. These unfortunate individuals do not tend to blame themselves for having been lead astray by the false propagandists who proclaim all are welcome to the colleges in our state.

When extrapolated onto the national scene, the result in the years to come will be devastating. I rec-

ommend the reading of *City On a Hill* by James Traub, which describes in microscopic detail what has happened to the City College of New York after over a decade of a college with open admissions. If you don't have the time to read it, just ask any graduate of the college. Tragic is the word. The college instituted remedial courses in math and English to make up for the lack which students displayed on entering. Many even failed to complete the remedial courses. The picture is one which will be multiplied many times over on the national scene, if this tendency of open admissions is extended.

The answer is, of course, obvious. A greater reliance on SAT scores for advanced academic training, in order to avoid the wasting of human energy and the hatred of scapegoats which failure generates.

SAM FREEMAN
Westfield

Education value central in time of school voting

To The Record:

The time for education reform is now. It's not about whether to build a new building or how much money to spend. Money doesn't buy education, as evidenced by the expenditures in our inner city schools. The school facility may have the most up-to-the-minute computer, microscope, etc., but if the equipment has to be under lock and key, stored away for fear of theft, what good is it?

Year after year, our monies are being used on "non-educational expenses," for example, an overabundance of highly paid administrators. When budgets are cut, the classroom teacher is let go — not an administrator. Currently, children who live on Broad Street across the street from McKinley Elementary School in Westfield are bused to another school. How is riding a bus educational? Monies for education should be used for education — programs, cur-

riculums, books.

We, the people, can elect the best school board representatives as possible, but if their hands are tied by the restrictive arms of bureaucracy, we are pedaling backwards. We are a nation of immigrants from different cultures, races, religions and languages. Our children all have a common thread. They need the "3 R's" — reading, writing and arithmetic, regardless of the governmental mandates.

The education of our children is far more important than a balanced budget, health reform, welfare reform, or the economy. The idea of our forefathers envisioning democracy and freedom is in peril if our children are not literate. When a society is unable to think for themselves, someone else will think for them. We must not let this happen. Our children are the future of our country.

WILIDA LEINBACH
Mountainside

Schools' facilities chief salutes staff

To the Record:

This past weekend I had the opportunity to work with an outstanding maintenance and custodial staff. The Westfield Schools needed them, I called them, and they came. In the face of blizzard-like conditions and treacherous roads they all reported for work, some as far as 70 miles away. They came and they stayed until the job was done. There was no animosity or ill feeling toward the board about the possible threat of losing their jobs, they were needed, they performed professionally and got the job done. I'm proud to be a part of that crew.

Many of this same staff have been good loyal, long term employees, some for as long as 35 years.

And remained when the salaries paid by Westfield were far below the salaries paid in industries. Yet they stayed, always remaining loyal. These are the kind of employees that deserve the gold watch inscribed, "Thank you for your years of loyal service."

If the board thinks the mainte-

nance-custodial salaries and benefits are now too high, they should remember that it was former boards that negotiated these salaries. To punish these men for the mistakes of former boards is not ethical or moral and these men deserve better than this.

I would like to end with a quota-

tion from a paper entitled "Confronting the New Leviathan," by Laurie Clements. "Failure to pay the economic price for acting morally will surely leave us to pay the moral price for acting economically."

STEVE J. ZATKO
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Wetlands can soften land values

By DAVID F. MOORE

Executive Director
New Jersey Conservation Foundation

Tax policy has shaped the way New Jersey looks for many years, and continues to do so. Sometimes it is merely the way property tax is levied.

Most folks have no idea how their property tax assessment was arrived at, and thus sometimes wind up paying more than their share. This is particularly true when it comes to unusual conditions, like brooks, wetlands and other watery circumstances.

Landowners can often get the idea that their property is worth much more than it is. A lot more than wetlands regulations can influence land values.

The cost of overcoming unstable soils, of handling stormwater and flooding, and of disposing of sanitary waste are all much higher when soils are watery, and there-

fore such lands are not worth as much as others with high and dry soils.

Most properties are not valued by assessors piece by piece, but by formula. Recent sales are compiled to arrive at a formula by which lands and buildings are valued according to the zone they are in, the square footage of the structure, road frontage and some factors.

Frequently ignored are the limited uses allowed in wetlands, with attendant loss of market value. Although the law requires assessors to take conditions such as wetlands and conservation easements into account, these circumstances are often overlooked.

The landowner is invited to discuss the valuation with the appraisal company hired by the assessor, but most folks know only that a neighbor sold land for a certain amount and assume their land must be worth about the same. So

they don't take advantage of the appointment opportunity.

Then comes an offer from a real estate agent for a lot less than the neighbor received, and the landowner thinks he's been had. That may be, but more than likely, unrealistic expectations of value are the problem, caused in part by the assessment process.

The assessor doesn't take into account solid rock a foot below the ground, or wetlands soils that can't support buildings. Property investigations are up to the owner. An appeal process is open; an appeal must be filed prior to April 1 each year.

For years, the assessment process was notoriously poor. Lands were consistently undervalued and reassessments were done infrequently or not at all.

The law now requires reassessments to be done on a regular basis, and the real estate values of

the town as a whole to be within a few percentage points of 100 percent of the market value. That makes each town roughly equal to the others in the county.

The bottom line is that the property owner thinks rights have been taken away by one land-use rule or another, just because the assessment process doesn't take either rules or individual conditions into account.

Often the owner is willing to pay higher taxes than he or she should because, after all, the land is worth more in the end, and it will fetch a fancy price in the market.

We need to change the process if the property tax is to continue to be such a high percentage of the total per capita tax paid. For the past few decades, each tax law change has reduced reliance on the property tax to meet the service costs of New Jerseyans, at least up to last year.

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Noted children's author visits Franklin School

Trinka Hakes Noble, a noted children's author, talked to the students at Franklin School about her life, her writing and what it is like to be an author. Ms. Noble is the author of such children's favorites as *The Day Jimmy's Boa Ate the Wash* and *Apple Tree Christmas*.

She met with the children of each grade and discussed the books she has written. Many include personal experiences from her life on a farm and stories of her own family.

She held a book signing in the newly renovated school media center, to autograph her books for the students. She had lunch with students from each grade and met with the teachers of the school at a luncheon. In meetings with the children she explained how a book is put together from story board to pencil illustrations to finished product.

She held writing workshops with the fifth-grade classes and discussed the writing process including development of the story line and the parts of a story.

The visit was a joint effort of the PTA and faculty of the school as part of a winter reading program. Other events include a book fair, a

read-a-thon, and a book swap program. In addition, the PTA has given each student a blank book which they will use over the next few months to develop their own books. The school will exhibit all of the books in the spring.

Creative endeavors

An exhibit of artwork by Westfield Public Schools students is on display throughout the month at Children's Specialized Hospital, New Providence Road, Mountain-side. The students, ranging from kindergarten through high school, are provided with vast opportunities for creative endeavor. The schools' art educators teach them concepts of media, techniques, process, evaluation and analysis skills, as well as a basic understanding of exemplary works of art from a variety of cultures and historical periods.

Individuals or groups wishing to visit the display may enter the hospital's east wing. The display is open to the public 8 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Monday-Friday. For weekend or evening visits, contact Susan Baxter, 233-3720, Ext. 379. The artists' works are for sale, with a portion of

the proceeds benefiting Children's Specialized Hospital.

Geography champs

Sixth-grade students Kevin Doyle and David Imbert were

named top geography champions in Edison and Roosevelt intermediate schools as a result of the annual geography bees sponsored by the National Geographic Society. Walter Buda, supervisor of social

studies, coordinated the geography bees in which all intermediate school students participated. The bees began in individual classrooms and advanced to semi-final competition which reduced participants to 10 finalists in each school. The finalists were required to answer questions orally and in writing and to demonstrate map reading skills.

In the end, it was Greg Sherman and David Imbert competing at Roosevelt and Philip Jan and Kevin Doyle in the final match at Edison.

Shari Gersch, seventh place in Ms. Future Business Leader; Brian LaCarruba, eighth place in Business Calculating; Jessica Miller, fourth place in Business Procedures; Mike Podihan, third place in Word Processing; Joseph Salerno, sixth place in Business Mathematics; Erika Wilhelms, second place in Business Communications; and Amit Magdieli, Stephen Lehman and Mike Liggera, third place in Entrepreneurship. The chapter won the "Membership Equalization Award."

Chalk talk



From left, Trinka Hakes Noble, an author, sits with Beth McConkie, Melissa Bakunas, and Elisabeth Salemme during a recent visit to Franklin School.

Business leaders

Twenty-five members of the Westfield High School Chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America attended the North-Central Regional Competitive Events held at Mercer County College recently.

"Bridging the Gap from School to Work," was the theme for the event which included competition for more than 500 attendees. Westfield students were accompanied by Lisa Bellomo, business education teacher at Roosevelt and advisor to the FBLA Chapter.

Competition winners included: Bridget Benisch, second place in Information Processing Concepts;

Watching stables

Franklin School fifth graders in Junior Girl Scout Troop 36 spent an afternoon recently at Watchung Stables. Advanced riders took an hour-long trail ride while novices had a stable tour and riding lesson.

Learn to recycle

Girl Scouts from Westfield Brownie Troop 298 are learning about recycling. They collected a number of common household items and buried them. They will unearth their collection this spring to get a better understanding of the importance of recycling.

Junior musicians plan annual concert

The Junior Musical Club of Westfield, headed by President Gina Dizzia of Cranford, has been rehearsing for its annual ensemble concert 3 p.m. Sunday, March 5 in the sanctuary of First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St.

The concert gives club members a chance to perform classical pieces which they have been preparing months prior to the performance. Both vocal and instrumental pieces will be performed.

The concert is open to the public.

The Junior Musical Club of Westfield meets monthly to share musical talents in a non-threatening and receptive environment.

An audition will be held 7:30 p.m. March 1 for any interested junior high or high school musician in the area. Those auditioning must perform two pieces; one pre-Beethoven and one during or after Beethoven's era.

For more information, call Subarna Biswas at 233-0789.

Club gives citizenship award

Soroptimist International of the Greater Westfield Area is making available a Youth Citizenship Award to a graduating high school senior. This award is a merit scholarship given in recognition of the outstanding contributions made to the improvement of the quality of life of their fellow citizens in their home, school and community.

Applications and information regarding the scholarship can be ob-

tained by calling Dr. Nancy Marie Bride at Gateway Counseling Associates, 232-3638. The deadline for application submissions is March 1.

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Community Life

Sharing

This column highlights the accomplishments and generosity of suburban Union County volunteers and the services of the charitable organizations they support.

Mercedes raffle will raise money for scholarships

WESTFIELD — The Jaycees are planning a major fund-raiser to raise money for its annual scholarship program for college-bound Westfield High School seniors.

Last year, the group raised more than \$9,000 and awarded eight scholarships. This year's goal is to increase the fund.

The group again will sponsor a Mercedes Benz raffle and dinner dance March 10 at the Westwood in Garwood. The plan is to sell only 350 raffle tickets for \$150 each. Ticket buyers can attend the dinner with a guest and will have a chance on the car or one of several other valuable prizes.

The Jaycees are asking area businesses to donate prizes for the raffle so that more of the ticket revenue can go to the scholarship fund.

Richard L. Franko, club vice president, has more information at 534-1511, days; 232-5161, evenings.

Cancer foundation calls for more volunteers

SCOTCH PLAINS — The Emmanuel Cancer Foundation, a statewide, non-profit organization and network of caring people assisting families who have a child with cancer, is seeking additional volunteers.

In its 12-year history, the Foundation has assisted hundreds of families through emotional support, professional counseling and financial and material assistance.

The need is for volunteers to help with the food pantry, special events, family events and fund-raising. The foundation is at 346 Park Ave. Fund-raising and special events volunteers can help plan and assist at various special events after business hours and on weekends.

The foundation contact person for volunteers is Kelly Deegan, 322-4323.

Nittany Lion will dance for charity

UNIVERSITY PARK, Pa. — Robyn Frank of Cranford will dance for 48 straight hours in the Penn State IFC/Panhellenic Dance Marathon, the largest student-run philanthropy in the nation. Frank is a senior majoring in nutrition.

The marathon proceeds benefit Hershey Medical Center's fund that provides financial assistance for cancer treatments and supports social service programs, patient and family education and cancer research. The marathon also gives hope to children afflicted with cancer.

Since 1977, Penn State students have contributed more than \$6 million to the fund, funding a new children's wing at the medical center. Last year's marathon raised \$1.2 million.

More than 500 students will dance from Friday at 7 p.m. to Sunday at 7 p.m. To make a donation, call (800) 392-THON.

Two pet adoption exhibits this weekend

KENILWORTH — Two non-profit animal adoption services will hold sessions in the vicinity this weekend:

- It's A Ruff Ruff Life Canine Adoption Services' exhibit will be 11-3 Sunday at Boulevard Veterinary Clinic, 429 Boulevard. There will be many mixed breed dogs available. Call (201) 376-8367 for details.

- Noah's Ark Animal Placement and Rescue will sponsor an adoption event noon-4 p.m. Saturday at Petstuff, 111 Route 22 East, Springfield. Dogs, puppies, cats and kittens will be displayed. Call Noah's Ark at 815-1633 or 925-0293 for information.

Irish-American dance to aid Children Fund

UNION — The Union County Irish American Association will sponsor a dance to benefit Project Children on Saturday. The non-political organization has, over the years, brought more than 9,000 children from Northern Ireland to the U.S. for a six-week "Freedom Vacation."

The organization is calling for businesses to sponsor a child at \$650 for airfare and insurance. Tables at the dance also are available.

For details of the fund-raising call Barbara at (201) 926-5391 or Nancy at 251-7263.

Crafters, sewing groups sought for fashion show

ELIZABETH — Crafty individuals or sewing groups who will donate crafts for the Chinese auction at the annual Spring Fashion Show April 20 are sought by the Union County Chapter of the American Cancer Society. Quilts, wreaths, embroidery, ceramics and more are welcome. Call 354-7373 for details.



Valentine gifts

Sally Smeretsky and Nancy Ray Craigie, volunteers at the Little Shop on the Corner, are ready to help customers with Valentine's Day on their minds. The Little Shop, 116 Elm St., specializes in handcrafted merchandise for decorating and gift giving. All proceeds go to Westfield Day Care and Day Care Infant Centers.

Rordens get into the swing of WSO's Swing into Spring

Warren and Virginia Rorden of Westfield will be among those enjoying the festivities at "Swing into Spring," the Westfield Symphony's spring dinner/dance.

The Rordens are providing underwriting to cover the costs of printing tickets for the 50/50 cash raffle to be held at the event, and have made an additional \$1,000 commitment to the benefit.

"The Rordens have always been most generous to the symphony," said M. Jockers Vincentsen, president of the symphony. "We are grateful for their leadership in the community and for their willingness to support this event."

"Swing Into Spring" is scheduled for April 1 at the Hilton at Short Hills and will feature headline entertainer Clint Holmes in a full-hour cabaret performance, including excerpts from his new musical *Comfortable Shoes*.

Proceeds will benefit the Westfield Symphony, a professional orchestra serving northern and central New Jersey with concert presentations and a wide range of educational programs.

The symphony has been named



Warren Rorden displays a mockup of the 50/50 raffle tickets he and his wife Virginia are sponsoring in connection with the Westfield Symphony's Swing into Spring benefit April 1.

a Distinguished Arts Organization by the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, which cited the orchestra for maintaining "the highest standards of excellence in art-

istry, operations, governance, public benefit and leadership."

For invitations and raffle tickets, call the symphony office at 232-9400.

'Love and Marriage' dinner, show on tap Saturday night

A St. Valentine's fund-raising event will be presented by Westfield Community Players 8 p.m. Saturday at the theater, 1000 North Ave. W.

The evening will consist of scenes and songs from various Broadway shows with the central theme of "Love and Marriage."

Director Naomi Yablonsky of Springfield has assembled a talented cast of WCP members to provide an evening of drama, comedy and song. Cast members include Hope Weinstein of Linden, Victor Cenci of Westfield, Carole McGee of Westfield, Christine

Petersen of Scotch Plains, Bob Okell of Scotch Plains, Barbara Goldstein of Springfield, Pam Reinoso of Roselle and Margaret DeCastro of Scotch Plains.

Also featured are two married couples familiar to WCP theatergoers, Drude and Charlie Roessler of Westfield, and John and Linda Behrle Correll of Winfield Park.

Tickets are \$10 and include a light supper, coffee and dessert, served after the show.

Early reservations are urged as seating is limited. Call 232-1221.

Trailside offering programs for youth

Trailside Nature & Science Center in Mountaintown will offer a series of programs during school vacation days in February.

Westfield schools are scheduled to be closed Feb. 20-24 for Winter Break, beginning with Presidents Day on the 20th.

Students of all ages can chase away those mid-winter blahs by participating in programs scheduled for Friday, Feb. 17 and Monday-Thursday, Feb. 20-23 about snow, astronomy, pets, crafts, owls, maple sugaring and more.

FRIDAY, FEB. 17

- Playful Origami, 10-11:30 a.m., will teach children in grades 1-2 the art of Japanese paper folding. Students will learn how to make a box animal, house or toy. Cost is \$7.

- The Sky Inside, 10-10:45 p.m., is a planetarium show for 4-6-year-olds accompanied by an adult. It will explore the day and nighttime sky. Cost is \$2.75 per person, payable at door.

MONDAY, FEB. 20

- Snow Fun, 10-11:30 a.m. First- and second-graders will recreate a magical snow scene in their very own snow globe. If there is snow cover, a short hike to look for animal tracks will be included.

- Rock 'n' Roll Rocket, 10-10:45, will include lively music and sing-alongs with cartoon character Rodney as he tours the planets and beyond. Program is for 4-6-year-olds accompanied by an adult.

- Paws, Claws, Feathers & Fins, a lively video from St. Huberts Giralda Animal Welfare & Education Center will be shown 1-1:30 p.m., followed by a discussion about choosing a pet and the cost and care involved. Live mascots will also be on hand. "Paws ..." is for families with children ages 5 years and older. Cost is \$1.50 a person.

TUESDAY, FEB. 21

- During Make and Take Crafts, children ages 6 years and older accompanied by an adult can choose from an assortment of crafts to make. Possibilities include a leather coin purse, marbled recycled paper, mini grapevine wreath, potpourri heart, a wooden frame to decorate, refrigerator magnets and a mini-shaker box to personalize. A fee of \$6 per person good for three crafts will be charged and additional tickets for \$2 per craft will be available. Session times are 10-11 a.m., 1-2 p.m. and 2:30-3:30 p.m.

- Preschool Owl Prowl, 6:15 p.m., is for preschoolers ages 4-6 accompanied by an adult. Find out which New Jersey owl is considered the "Bengal Tiger of the forest," which is the smallest owl in the Watchung Reservation and more. A short hike to listen and look for owls will follow a brief indoor presentation. Fee is \$3.50. Rain date is Feb. 23.

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 22

- An Owl Prowl for older participants (grade 1 and older with adult) will be held 6:30-8 p.m. Fee is \$3.50.

- Maple Sugaring, 10-11:30, for families, will trace the journey of maple syrup from tree to table. The program includes a movie, a visit to an active tap, a hands-on look at maple sugaring equipment and a syrup treat to taste. Fee is \$3.50 per person.

- Dinosaurs and Space Dust, a planetarium show, for children in grades 3-5 with adult, explores the dinosaur extinction/outer space connection and other possible theories. Participants will play "Name that Dinosaur." Cost is \$2.75 per person.

- Journey of the Blob, for first-graders and older, is an award-winning video about a boy's science experiment gone wild. Participants will assist and observe several science experiments designed to get them thinking about the water cycle and humans' impact on it. Cost is \$3.50 per person.

Class sizes are limited and preregistration by mail or in person is required for all programs. Depending on craft availability, drop-ins will be allowed at Make & Take Crafts.

For information or to volunteer for Make & Take Crafts, call 789-3670.

Suburban lightspot

Quips, quotes, puns and anecdotes from the lighter side of life in suburban Union County. Readers are encouraged to contribute by calling 276-6000, faxing 276-6220, or writing this newspaper at P.O. Box 626, Cranford 07016. Anonymity is negotiable, but we need a signature and phone number for verification.

Homemade soup fuels warming 'man thing'

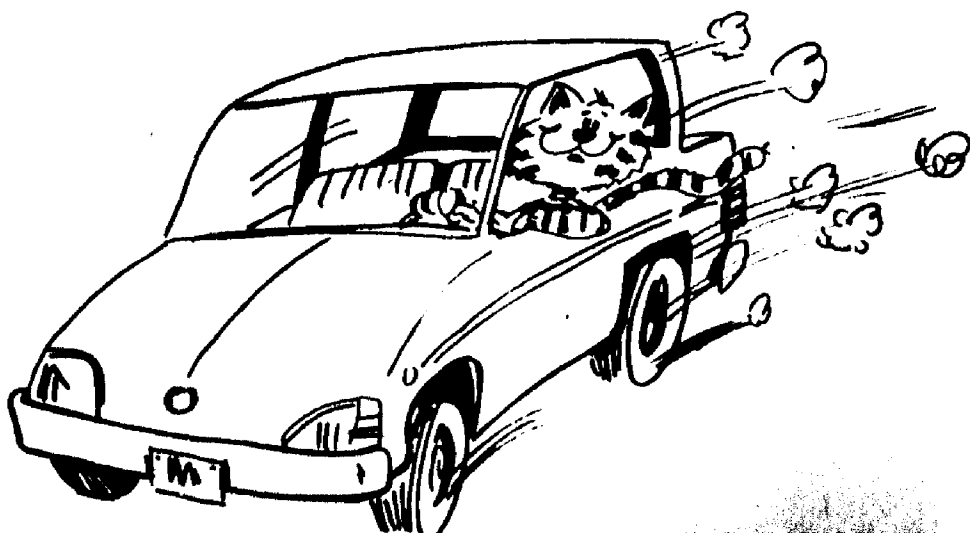
Stu Alpert whipped up a big pot of beef mushroom barley soup Super Bowl Sunday, much to the satisfaction of his son, Sam, age 8. Stu has discovered in recent years that the culinary art is a great outlet for the stress of his Wall Street job.

When the soup was thick and hot, Dad served up a big bowlful to Sam who dug in with gusto. As Sam worked his way to the bottom of the bowl, Stu decided to try a little father-son male bonding.

"Hey, son, want to watch the Super Bowl with me later?" he asked Sam.

"Oh, man," Sam replied, "I've got a super bowl right here!"

— Thanks to Annie Alpert for sharing this warm moment





Rotary guest

Westfield Rotary Club President Robert M. Read, left, and Rotarian Robert P. Yeager, program chairman, right, flank Thomas Powick Geyer, publisher of the *Daily Record*, Parsippany, who spoke to the club recently on education in New Jersey.

Annese named to state position

Gov. Christine Todd Whitman, with the consent of the New Jersey Senate, has appointed Anthony F. Annese to serve on the New Jersey Capital Budgeting and Planning Commission.

Mr. Annese holds a bachelor's degree from Rutgers College and a master's degree from the University of Vermont.

Locally, he was instrumental in coordinating the application of Westfield for acceptance to the New Jersey Main Street program, a downtown revitalization program. He is now completing his second term as vice president of the Westfield Downtown Committee, which is responsible for implementing the Main Street program.

Prior to his involvement in the Main Street program, Mr. Annese served for five years as the chairman of the Westfield Association of

Merchants. He was a member of the board of directors of the Westfield Area Chamber of Commerce for more than 20 years and had served as its vice president.

Mr. Annese is a former co-owner of Tony Dennis in Westfield, a small chain of men's clothing stores. He was the recipient of the Chamber of Commerce's 1988 Merchant of the Year Award.

He is also a partner in Denton Management Corp., a real estate development and management company. Denton Management specializes in acquiring downtown commercial properties and rehabilitating the properties to fit the current commercial needs of the community. Beginning as a small part-time avocation, Denton Management has become a full-time endeavor.

The New Jersey Capital Budget-

ing and Planning Commission is responsible for reviewing all proposed capital expenditure programs for the state and recommending those capital programs which should be implemented. It also approves the inclusion of any bond referendum on the general election ballot.

The commission was created by the legislature to act in an advisory role to the governor and the legislature. Because of its success, other states have used New Jersey's Commission as the model for developing their own capital commissions. For the fiscal year ending 1996, the commission recommended \$100 million in capital spending from the state's General Funds and an annual appropriation of \$262 million to the Transportation Trust Fund.



ANTHONY ANNESE

Ms. Becker wins Jansen Award



NATALIE BECKER

Natalie Becker, Westfield artist, recently won the Bernard A. Jansen Memorial Award for Creative Oil in the Allied Artists of America Annual National Juried Exhibition. Ms. Becker won the award for her oil painting "On Golden Pond."

The exhibition was held in December at the National Arts Club, Gramercy Park, New York City.

Ms. Becker is a member of Allied Artists, Audubon Artists, National Association of Women Artists, Catherine Lorillard Wolfe Art Club, Federation of Modern Painters and Sculptors and the Pen and Brush Club, all in New York City. She was recently appointed director of Oil for Allied Artists of America.

Ms. Becker is listed in *Who's*

Who in American Art, *Who's Who of American Women* and *Who's Who in the East*, and is listed in the photo and slide archives of the National Museum of American Art in the Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C.

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Turn to the real estate section of your Sunday Newspaper. Monitor the market and track home prices. Expect to spend 90 days watching the real estate market through advertisements. Question and investigate homes that are advertised month after month. Hard-to-sell properties could either be warning sign or simply overpriced for value. When a real estate agent provides you with descriptions of homes currently on the market from the Multiple Listing Services (MLS), ask for a list of homes that were on the market within the last six months or year in the same neighborhood. Compare asking prices to actual prices for the same type homes.

In addition to monitoring housing prices, learn to identify hot, up-and-coming neighborhoods by tracking selling prices from week to week. If one neighborhood experiences price booms while other house prices are sluggish, it's clear which

community to invest in. If you're passionate about upscale area -- and on a budget -- prepare to buy a fixer-upper and invest some money in renovation. Conversely, beware of buying a beautiful home in a marginal area. You may not get your money back when you sell.

Keep close watch on the fluctuating mortgage interest rates. Low interest rates are the most inspiring reason to buy property. Watch the rate of United States Treasury Bills. According to Sonny Bloch, well-known talk show host and real estate author, T-Bills are a sure way of predicting the rise and fall of mortgage rates.

Also watch the national Discount Rate, the rate at which banks can borrow money from the government. When the Discount Rate drops, banks pay less for borrowing the money and in turn reduce mortgage rates to the borrower.

Predicting when a market is ripe for home buying is not an exact science--even for real estate experts. However, by following these simple tips--and staying on top of real estate trends, sales patterns and interest fluctuations, you are sure to get the best house for your buck.

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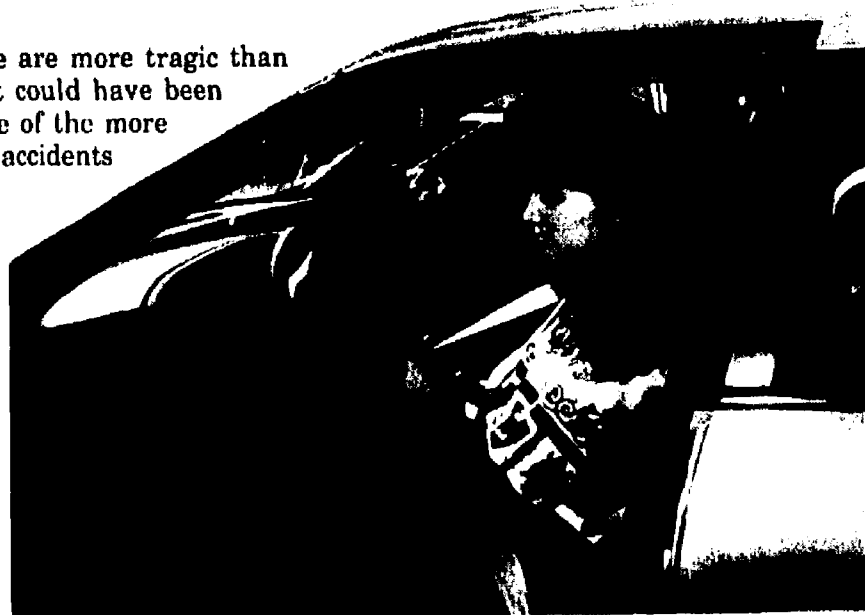
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Looking for new voices

Four new singers including Mark Duncan of Westfield, Carsten Andersen of Mountainside, Oluf DeBang of Berkeley Heights, and Dan Metroka of Westfield, came to the Westfield Glee Club rehearsal recently. Male singers are invited to come to Monday night rehearsals, 8 p.m., at the Presbyterian Church. Call 232-0673.

Westfield 'original' goes to New Orleans for premiere

Westfield resident Scott Coffey recently learned one of his works is to be performed by Quarter Plays, a New Orleans Theater group. The news came as a complete surprise after one of his friends, a New Orleans resident, submitted her copy of the play without telling Mr. Coffey.

Quarter Plays will include a performance of his *I'll Miss My Train* in the group's first one-act festival this month.

The play was first performed last year by New

Jersey's Triad Theater Group. Mr. Coffey had recently started to revise the play in hopes that it would be performed by Westfield's "Gemini Group," which he helped found. The group plans its own one-act festival this spring.

Mr. Coffey plans to send the new version to New Orleans as well. He plans to travel to New Orleans for the Mardi Gras this year and hopes to sit in on some of the rehearsals.

Soup and salad on league's menu

The Westfield Area League of Women Voters will hold its special 75th anniversary, annual Soup and Salad Luncheon 12:45 p.m. Tuesday Feb. 14, at the home of Lorre Korecky.

The guest of honor will be local historian and author Jean Raye-Turner, who will speak about Alice Paul, native of New Jersey and leader of the national women's suffragist movement

formed in 1913. The League of Women Voters grew out of this organization following the ratification in 1920 of the 19th amendment granting women the vote. For information about the Westfield area League call 654-8628.

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Briefs

County AARP to meet

Union Chapter No. 4026 of the American Association of Retired Persons will hold its monthly meeting 12:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 14 at the Elks' Lodge, 281 Chestnut St., Union.

Meetings last about an hour, after which there is usually a speaker or other entertainment. Coffee and cake are served after the meeting.

All senior citizens are welcome to join. For more information, call 688-2114 or 272-4354.

Club talks birds

The Summit Nature Club will meet 8:15 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 16 at the Trailside Science and Nature Center, Watchung Reservation, Colles Avenue and New Providence Road, Mountainside.

Marvin J. Silber, a nature photographer, will present a "A Bird's Eye View of Liberty State Park." Mr. Silber has photographed many birds in this metropolitan ecosystem, including the snowy owl and the arctic loon. For 15 years, he has concentrated his efforts on New Jersey wildlife, documenting 420 species of birds.

Health fair Sunday

Members of the community can learn more about the growing trend of "subacute care" and the costs Medicare covers 2 p.m. Sunday at the Westfield Y.M.C.A. Health Fair.

Lisa Ritthaler-Eck, Director of Admissions, Meridian Nursing Center - Westfield, 1515 Lamberts Mill Road, a member of the Genesis Health Network, will present the who's, what's, and why's of subacute care in the '90s, plus what Medicare will cover for subacute care.

Meridian Nursing Center - Westfield is opening a 60-bed Subacute Unit. Subacute care developed as a response to the insurance industry's cry to contain costs.

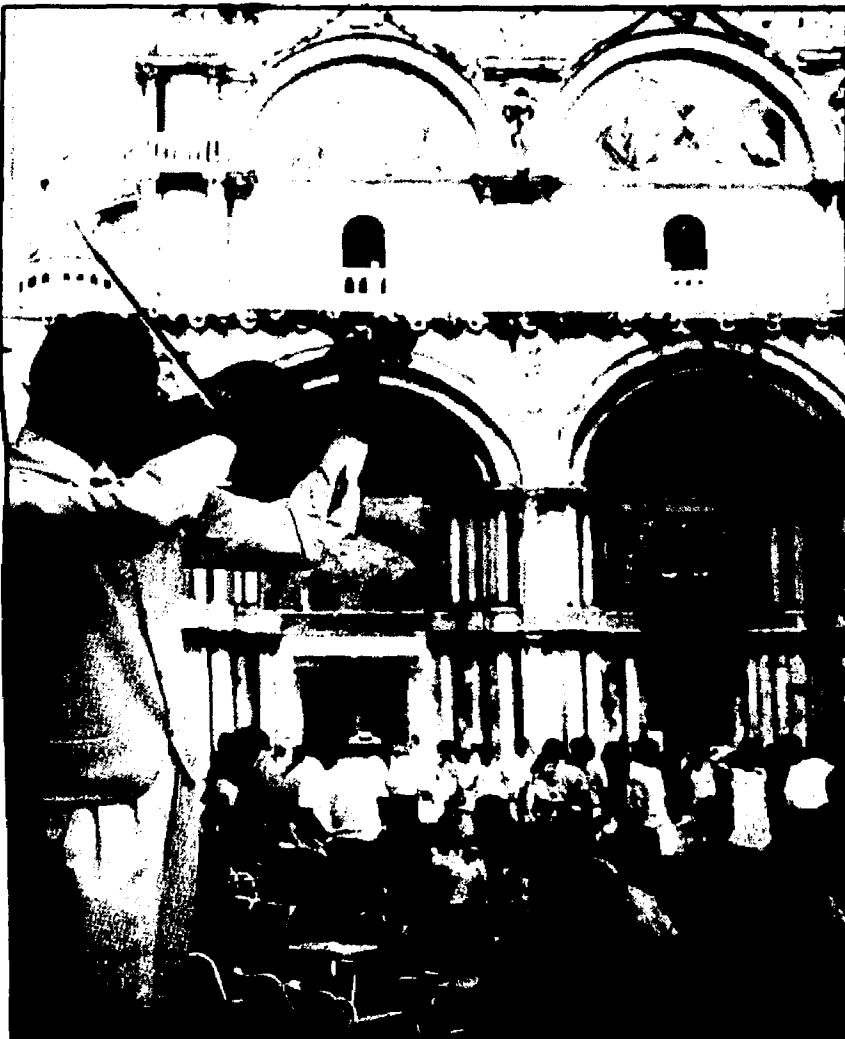
"Subacute care," according to Mrs. Ritthaler-Eck, "provides medical rehabilitation care for patients in a more comprehensive, personalized and cost-effective manner."

Career awards

The New Jersey Federation of Business and Professional Women Inc. offers career development awards to women over the age of 25 for study, training or retraining that will qualify the applicant for career advancement or employment and/or purchase of equipment for starting or expanding an existing business. Business must be at least 50 percent owned by the applicant.

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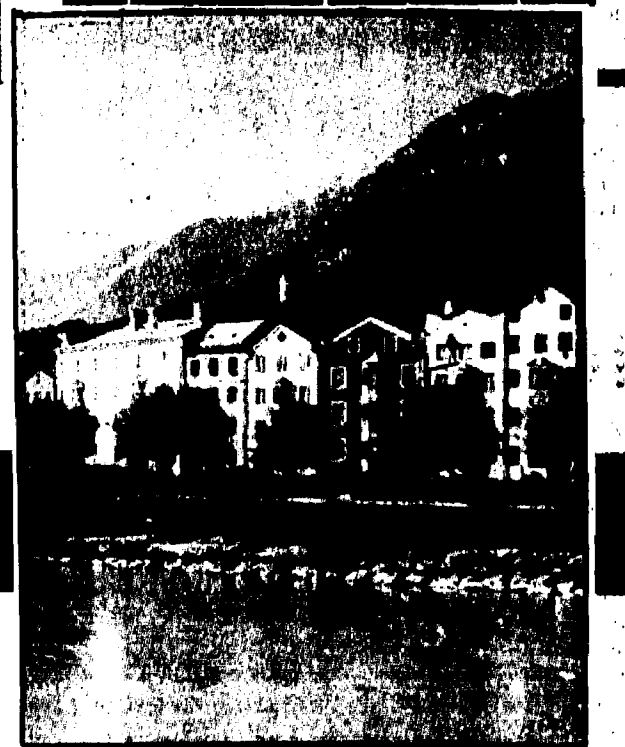
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John M. Scully, composer and WHS alumnus; was 49

John M. Scully, 49, a composer and pianist who graduated in 1962 from Westfield High School, died Jan. 19 at the Stroud Manor nursing home in East Stroudsburg, Pa.

He wrote *A Drum Major for Righteousness*, a cantata about the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. The cantata had its first performances in April 1992 at East Stroudsburg University and in March 1993 at the Community College of Philadelphia, Pa.

Other works by Mr. Scully have been performed at the Roerich Museum, in New York City; Moravian College, in Bethlehem, Pa.; Lafayette College, in Easton, Pa.; the University of Scranton, Pa.; Bryn Mawr College, in Bryn Mawr, Pa.; James Madison University, in Harrisonburg, Va.; the Delaware Water Gap Celebration of the Arts, in Delaware Water Gap, Pa.; and the Bethlehem Musikfest.

He commissioned original works for the Lehigh Valley Orchestra in Pennsylvania, for the Delaware Water Gap Celebration of the Arts, and for saxophone player Phil Woods.

Mr. Scully, who was born in Rahway, studied classical piano with Olga Von Till in New Brunswick and jazz improvisation with John Mehegan in New York City. The musician was a featured soloist in Army concert and jazz bands while stationed in Colorado Springs, Colo. He later studied composition, orchestration, literature, and materials at the Juilliard School in New York City.

For 10 years he had been the musical director of the Tamiment resort in Bushkill, Pa. Mr. Scully also was on the staff of the Blair Academy in Blairstown for two years and gave private music lessons in Stroudsburg, Pa.

He held membership in the Bohemian Club of New York City and two American Federation of Musicians locals, Local 802 in New York City and Local 577 in Bangor, Pa.

Mr. Scully lived in Westfield and New York City before moving to Stroudsburg several years ago.

Surviving are his wife, Patricia Scully; and his father, John Szkolnicki. A memorial service was held Jan. 28 in Stroudsburg.

Obituaries

Leo Senus, 51; school board president and civic leader

Leo J. Senus, 51, a civic leader in Westfield and a former president of the town's Board of Education, died Jan. 31, 1995 at his home.

He was born in Rome, N.Y., and moved to Westfield in 1971 from Brooklyn.

Mr. Senus also served on the board of the United Way of Westfield and helped found PANDA, the Parents Against Narcotics and Drugs Association, in the town. He was a member of the Westfield Day Care Auxiliary and a third-degree knight with Monsignor Waterson Chapter 1711, Knights of Columbus, also in Westfield.

He volunteered his time to Little League baseball, Cub Scouts, and Boy Scouts in Westfield.

Since 1985 Mr. Senus had been a vice president and director of finance for the Leukemia Society of

America, with offices in New York City. A member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the New York State Certified Public Accountants, he received a bachelor's degree from Clarkson College and served in the Army Signal Corps.

Surviving are his wife of 29 years, Eleanor H. Schilling Senus; two sons, Leo E. Senus and Greg Senus; and a sister, Carol Morgan.

A funeral Mass was offered Friday at St. Anne's Roman Catholic Church, Garwood. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of the Dooley Colonial Home.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Leukemia Society of America, 600 Third Ave., New York, N.Y. 10016, or its Westfield chapter.

Fred P. Miller, at 85

Owned a music shop with his son

Private services were held for Fred P. Miller, 85, who once owned an interest in a Westfield music shop.

Mr. Miller died Jan. 28, 1995 at Meridian Nursing Center-Westfield. He was born in Newark and had lived in Scotch Plains since 1956.

He owned the Music Staff store on Elm Street from 1971-93 with a son, Eric C. "Ric" Miller of Clark. The elder Mr. Miller worked at the former P. Ballantine & Sons brew-

ery in Newark for 40 years before opening the music shop.

He was a member of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Westfield.

Also surviving are another son, Frederick P. "Flip" Miller Jr. of Scotch Plains; two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Contributions may be made to the Children's Specialized Hospital Foundation, 150 New Providence Road, Mountainside, 07092.

Willis T. Felter, 70

Union electrician; once of Westfield

Willis T. Felter, 70, a union electrician prior to his 1992 retirement, died Feb. 2, 1995 at his home in Clark.

He was born in Newark, served in the Marine Corps during World War II, and lived in Westfield before moving to Clark in 1956.

Mr. Felter was associated for 43 years with Local 52, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, in Newark. He formerly was the secretary of the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad.

Surviving are his wife of 45

years, Mabel Bush Felter of Clark; a son, Todd Felter of Roselle; a daughter, Karen Graf of Verona; and two grandchildren.

Another son, Jeffrey W. Felter, died in 1977.

Funeral services were held Monday at the Zion Lutheran Church, Clark. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery under the direction of the Walter J. Johnson Funeral Home, Clark.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Clark Volunteer Emergency Squad.

Rudolph W. Bieger, 82

GAF electrician; lived in the town

Rudolph W. Bieger, 82, an electrician with GAF Corp. at its Linden plant, died Jan. 31, 1995 at the Manor Care Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Boca Raton, Fla.

Mr. Bieger was born in Newark,

served in the Army during World War II, and lived in Westfield before moving to Boca Raton in 1970.

He is survived by two sisters, Helen Riley and Claire Kearby.

Services were held Monday in Boca Raton.

William F. Taylor, 84

A longtime Union County resident

Private services were held for William F. Taylor, 84, a longtime Union County resident who died Feb. 1, 1995 at his home in Jupiter, Fla.

A native of Newark, Mr. Taylor lived in Cranford and Westfield be-

fore moving to Jupiter. He served in the Army during World War II and for many years was a member of Roselle Golf Club.

Surviving are a son, Ralph Taylor of Cranford; three grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Bayard Holland, 75

Naval officer; Union Carbide retiree

Bayard Holland, 75, a naval officer in World War II and a financial adviser with Union Carbide Corp., died Feb. 1, 1995 at his home.

He was born in Malden, Mass., and had lived in Westfield since 1955.

Mr. Holland was a seaplane tender and took care of Navy pilots whose airplanes were forced down in the Pacific. He also was a radar officer, held the rank of lieutenant, and attended officer candidate school at the United States Naval Academy.

He joined Union Carbide in 1946 and was a financial adviser in the company's international division in

New York City when he retired in 1981. Mr. Holland received a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Tufts University in 1940.

Surviving are his wife, Audrey J. Holland; three sons, Scott Holland in Saudi Arabia, Marc Holland of Toledo, Ohio, and Neil Holland of Atascadero, Calif.; a daughter, Kim Holland of Horseheads, N.Y.; six grandchildren; and a sister, Marilyn Moor of Milford, Pa.

Services were held Friday at the Gray Funeral Home. Burial was private.

In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to the Overlook Hospice, 99 Beauvoir Ave., P.O. Box 220, Summit, 07902-0220.

Evelyn Farkas Dziedzic

Was clerk at a pharmacy in the town

Evelyn A. Farkas Dziedzic, a clerk with the former Barron's Drugs store in Westfield from 1963-80, died Feb. 1, 1995 at Point Pleasant Hospital.

Mrs. Dziedzic was born in Bayonne and lived in Westfield before moving to Lavallette in 1980.

She is survived by her husband,

Theodore Dziedzic; two daughters, Diane Connolly and Dr. Gayle Atlas; four grandchildren; a sister, Ethel Beer; and two brothers, Raymond Farkas and Edward Farkas.

A funeral Mass was offered Saturday at St. Helen's Roman Catholic Church under the direction of the Dooley Colonial Home.

Patrick D. Bundy, 26

Had attended school in the town

Patrick D. Bundy, 26, who once lived and attended school in the town, died Jan. 14, 1995 at North Central Bronx Hospital, the Bronx.

A native of East Orange, Mr. Bundy lived in Plainfield and Westfield before moving to New York City.

He is survived by his parents, Henry F. Bundy and Jeanette V. Bundy of Westfield; four brothers, Harry Bundy, Frederick Bundy, Anthony Bundy, and Victor Bundy; and his maternal grandfather, Lander Coleman of Newark.

Arrangements were handled in the Bronx.

Jerome Zoufaly Sr., 79

Was vp of New York corporation

Jerome A. Zoufaly Sr., 79, a former vice president of Burlington Industries, died Feb. 7, 1995 at Greenbrook Manor Nursing Home, Green Brook.

Mr. Zoufaly, who was born in New York City, lived in Westfield from 1950 until he moved to Watchung in 1973.

He joined Burlington Industries in 1940 and was a vice president when he retired in 1982. Mr. Zoufaly was a parishioner of Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church, Scotch Plains.

Surviving are his wife, Mary Wanser Zoufaly; a son, Jerome Zoufaly Jr.; two grandsons, Jay Zoufaly and Scott Zoufaly; and a sister, Julia Balek.

Services will be held at 9 a.m. tomorrow at Dooley Funeral Home, 218 North Ave. West, Cranford. A funeral Mass will follow at 10 a.m. at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, 1571 South Martine Ave., Scotch Plains. Burial will be in Fairview Cemetery.

Friends may call at the funeral home from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. today.

Mary A. O'Mara

A secretary with two banking firms

Mary A. O'Mara, who once was a secretary with two investment banking firms, died Feb. 5, 1995 at Overlook Hospital, Summit.

She was born in Chicago, Ill., and lived in Westfield for most of her life.

For many years Miss O'Mara was the corporate secretary for Faulkner, Dawkins & Sullivan in New York City. The firm later merged with what is now Shearson Lehman Brothers and she became an executive secretary with the latter firm in New York until her retirement in 1987.

She was a parishioner of Immaculate Heart of Mary Roman Catholic Church, Scotch Plains.

Surviving are a sister, Kathleen O'Mara of Westfield; two brothers, Arthur O'Mara of Lady Lake, Fla., and William O'Mara of Colts Neck; 10 nieces and nephews; and 20 great-nieces and great-nephews.

Another brother, Donald O'Mara, died in 1981.

A funeral Mass was offered yesterday at Holy Trinity Roman Catholic Church, following services at the Dooley Colonial Home. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery.

Methodist Church sets Sunday sermon

The Rev. David F. Harwood, senior minister, will deliver the sermon, "Lincoln's Religion," Sunday at First United Methodist Church, 1 E. Broad St. Morning worship is held 9 a.m. and 11 a.m. with child care.

Each Sunday there is church school for all ages 9:45 a.m. Continuing education classes for adults. Faithlink, a contemporary issues series and The Word Among Us, a Bible study. Disciple Bible Study is 8:30 a.m.

Fellowship time begins 10:30 a.m.

United Methodist Youth Fellowship will be held 6 p.m.

Homeless Hospitality begins Sunday.

The schedule for next week is: Monday - Registration for Wes-

ley Hall Nursery School begins. Stephen Ministry Supervision, 7:30 p.m.; Men's Cornerstone Retreat III Team, 8 p.m.

Tuesday - Bible Study, 12:30 p.m.; Primary & Wesley Choirs, 3:15 p.m.; Kids Discover & Create, 3:15 p.m.; Fire & Drum, 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday - Youth Choir, 6 p.m.; United Methodist Women dinner and program, 6:30 p.m.; Handbells, 7:30 p.m.; Peace and Justice, 8 p.m.; Men's Cornerstone Retreat III team, 8 p.m.

Thursday - Oratorio Singers, 7:15 p.m.; Sanctuary Choir, 8:30 p.m.

Friday - Senior Fellowship, noon.

Saturday - Habitat for Humanity, 9 a.m.; Oratorio Singers 10 a.m. (soprano, alto) and 11 a.m. (tenor, bass).

JCC sponsors play trip

A theater trip New York to see Off-Broadway play *Grandma's Funeral* will be sponsored by the Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey.

The trip to the Playhouse on Manhattan is scheduled for Sunday, March 19. A luxury mini-coach will leave the JCC 11:30 a.m. and will return about 4:30 p.m. As part of the play, a dairy mitzvah meal will be served.

Grandma Sylvia's Funeral, an interactive ritual, has been hailed by the critics as filled with laughs and wonderful acting. The show

ran for almost two years in Los Angeles where it was also well received.

The cost of the trip, which includes transportation and the play, is \$45 for JCC members and \$50 for non-members. Registration with payment must be in by Feb. 15. Space is limited so make reservations as soon as possible by sending a check to the Jewish Community Center of Central New Jersey, 1391 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains, NJ 07076.

For more information, call 889-8800.

Fashions on club's agenda

Tickets are currently on sale for the annual "Spring Soiree" dinner and fashion show sponsored by Soiree International of the Greater Westfield Area, or SIGWA.

The "Soiree" will be held Tuesday, April 4 in the Grand Ballroom of L'Affaire Restaurant in Mountainside. Price per person is \$35. A social hour begins the festivities at 6 p.m. This year's event will feature fashions and accessories organized and presented by Debra Viner Horn from New York City.

The show will be cabaret style with live music accompanying models showing fashions.

Door prizes are being donated by area merchants and club members. There will also be a 50/50, "jumbo" and other on-premises raffles. All proceeds will benefit Center for Victims of Family Violence, a program of the Union County Mental Health Association. For tickets, call Jill Shoosmith at 388-5952, Susan Brand at 654-4063, or Mary Bastardo at 789-3386.

Temple announces schedule

Temple Emanu-El, 756 E. Broad St., Westfield, has announced the following schedule:

• Friday, Feb. 10: Minyan, 7 a.m.; Shabbat service, 8:15 p.m.

• Saturday, Feb. 11: Minyan, 10 a.m.; Seventh grade Shabbaton, 10 a.m.

• Sunday, Feb. 12: Minyan, 8:30 a.m.; Blood Drive, 8:30 a.m.; Junior Youth Group Fund-raiser, 9 a.m.; Career Moms, 9 a.m.; Parenting Center Pot Luck Supper, 4:30 p.m.

• Monday, Feb. 13: Minyan, 7 a.m.; 100 Blessing Every Day, 7:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, Feb. 14: Minyan, 7 a.m.; Bible class, 9:30 a.m.; Choir Rehearsal, 8 p.m.; Confirmation Class, 7 p.m.

• Wednesday, Feb. 15: Minyan, 7 a.m.; Men's Club Theater Group, 8 p.m.; Seventh Grade Dance Class, 7:30 p.m.; Marc and Marci Get Married rehearsal, 7:30 p.m.; Religious School Committee, 7:30 p.m.

• Thursday, Feb. 16: Minyan, 7:30 p.m.; Bridge, 7:30 p.m.

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Valentines another busy day at Flower Basket

By NICOLE A. GAVINO
THE RECORD

Despite the need to cut and box tons of extra red roses, Valentine's Day is just like any other holiday for employees at The Flower Basket. Heartfelt dedication is a daily attitude at the shop.

Although roses are the big hit, store owner Louise Ballaj said many opt for a variety of other cut flowers, or a mixed arrangement which may include a few roses. But there is no doubt, the shop sells more roses for February 14 than any other time of the year.

Valentine's Day escapades are similar to those on any extremely busy day in any business. Things can get knocked over, orders confused for a moment. Nervous, ex-

cited customers fumble over what to get for their mate.

One year, an employee was so nervous and excited the night before he couldn't sleep. Valentine's Day morning, he was found in the shop surrounded by rose boxes, having been there putting the boxes together since 3 a.m.

The Flower Basket has been firmly planted on Prospect Street for 12 years, owned by Ms. Ballaj for eight. Whether she is an artist creating a floral masterpiece, or a storeowner sweeping the floor, Ms. Ballaj has persevered in fulfilling her customers' needs.

"We hardly say 'No' to any customer," Ms. Ballaj said. "If they say 'Stand on your head and whistle,' we find it hard not to say 'Yes.'"

The Flower Basket is known for their custom work, putting together the right sizes, colors, containers and fabrics upon request. Ms. Ballaj knows "just because it may be pretty, doesn't mean it's right for everyone."

After receiving her Master of Fine Arts from the Rhode Island School of Design, Ms. Ballaj worked overseas. Upon returning to the United States, she got a job at a florist — something she just fell upon.

"I just found it to be a creative outlet so I decided to open my own shop," she said.

But running a flower shop is not the dream many think it is.

"You have to be creative and love the flowers," Ms. Ballaj said. "But you also have to be a workaholic. You have to be willing to be totally dedicated. You sleep with it. You

get up in the morning with it."

Indeed, although store hours are 9-5:30, Ms. Ballaj will meet with customers evening and Sundays by appointment. In fact, if she is in the store after 5:30 p.m. and a customer knocks, she will let them in.

What she will do for her customers runs the gamut from a full affair wedding to weekly delivery of cut flowers. She and her staff create arrangements, wreaths, trees — anything, from fresh cuts flowers to silk and dried or any combination. The store front is packed with baskets, tins, teapots, teddybears, baby rattles, wedding doves, soaps, ornaments, ribbons, bells, and even books. Anything can be used to make just the right combination.



STEVE LEGATO/THE RECORD
Louise M. Ballaj of The Flower Basket in Westfield sees Valentine's Day rush as just another busy day in the shop.

Business

Scholarships for new career are available

Applications are available for a Secondary Career Scholarship offered by the Business and Professional Women's Club of Westfield Inc.

Women who are residents of New Jersey and attending school or planning to return for further training with the intention of re-entering the job market may apply for this award.

The criteria for selection is sincerity of purpose and financial need.

The amount of the scholarship will be determined by the Business and Professional Women's Club of Westfield Inc.

Deadline for submission of applications is April 1, and the recipient will be informed in May.

For information/application, write to Phyllis Dunlop, 37 C-2 Sandra Circle, Westfield, N.J. 07090.

Dr. Constandis chairs surgery at JFK Med Center

Dr. Decebal Dave Constandis of Westfield has been elected chairman of the Department of Surgery of JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Dr. Constandis received his medical degree from the Medical School of Cluj in Romania; he continued his postgraduate studies in Bucharest, Romania; Paris, France; and New York City, specializing in general surgery and gastrointestinal surgical endoscopy.

Certified by the American Board of Surgery, Dr. Constandis is an attending surgeon at JFK Medical Center, as well as Rahway hospital.

Dr. Constandis has lived in Westfield with his wife Michelle and their three daughters since 1976.



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Stewart Carey, WHS boys basketball coach after his team walloped Summit 65-28

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Making a splash Schundler is standout on Devils' potent swim squad

By IVY CHARNATZ

RECORD CORRESPONDENT

When Rob Schundler graduates from Westfield High School this spring, he'll leave not only as an outstanding student but as an extraordinary swimmer.

In fact, it's hard to believe this amazing swimming career started more than 15 years ago at "Mommy and Me" swimming lessons.

"My aunt taught the class so I just went with her and learned how to swim," said Schundler, who will attend Cornell University in Ithaca, N.Y. next fall. "I loved it."

From watching his older brother and cousin compete, Schundler decided to join the Westfield Memorial Pool summer team at the age of 5.

"It was great," he said. "You just jumped in the pool and swam as fast as you could."

Unfortunately, after more than 11 years of swimming as fast as he could, including many years as a member of the Westfield YMCA Devil Fish team, Schundler felt like he'd had enough.

"There were times last year when Rob did not want to be here," said co-coach Bruce Johnson. "He wasn't coming close to the times he had recorded as an eighth-, ninth-, and 10th-grader."

Schundler had quit the YMCA team in the middle of his sophomore year and it was becoming apparent during his junior year that perhaps swimming would no longer be a part of his life.

"I had enjoyed it a lot up until

the last few years," said Schundler, whose YMCA records still stand in the 100-yard butterfly (56.31 set in 1992) and the 100 backstroke (55.27 in 1992). "I had spent so much time with it that I got burned out."

Luckily, Schundler's love for swimming was somehow rejuvenated.

"I don't know if it has something to do with the fact that he's a captain this year or what, but Rob is working very hard at the practices and completing the entire workout," said Johnson. "You're as good as you want to be, and Rob is practicing like he wants to be really good."

Schundler has had a tremendously successful comeback year so far. Throughout the season, the senior has consistently turned in low times and commendable performances.

In Sunday's Union County Meet, he played a key role as the Blue Devils captured their 39th consecutive county championship. Schundler garnered first-place finishes in the 50-yard freestyle (22.97) and the 100 backstroke (55.87) and also participated on the winning 400 free relay foursome (3:28.76).

"It's too bad there wasn't an Outstanding Swimmer Award because Rob was far and away the most valuable swimmer there," said WHS co-coach George Kapner.

Then, during Tuesday's disappointing loss to St. Joseph's of Metuchen, Schundler still managed to set impressive marks. In the 200 individual medley he posted his career best at 2:06.74 and he

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Westfield High 114-pounder Jarrett Kamins pinned his Linden opponent but lost to Elizabeth's Kimo Geter 10-2 in this match Friday. The Blue Devils go after the Union County Tournament championship this weekend.

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Wrestlers ready for UCT challenge

By MARK WEGRYN

THE RECORD

Maybe Westfield High's wrestling team is strong in both dual meets and tournament competition.

Before the season started, Westfield Head Coach Don MacDonald noted his team would be an extremely strong tournament squad. Through 12 matches of the season, Westfield has compiled a 9-3 record in dual meets.

"I wasn't quite sure how we would do in dual meets," said MacDonald. "But things have broken well and I'm happy where we are to this point of the season as far as dual meets."

The Westfield wrestlers hope to continue their winning ways this weekend in the Union County Tournament at the Dunn Center in Elizabeth. The first two rounds begin 5 p.m. Friday, while the final two rounds will get started 9 a.m. Saturday.

"I think we're in excellent shape

for this tournament and I think the kids are starting to peak at the right time," said MacDonald. "But in tournament wrestling it's just important to have two good days. If you're off for some reason, there's no reason just for having a bad day."

Westfield certainly did not have a bad week preceding the county tourney. The Blue Devils walloped Elizabeth 48-10 Friday after hammering Linden 45-13 just two days before.

"They key is having talent throughout the lineup and our experienced guys have come along well," said MacDonald.

One very experienced wrestler who's only improved since last year is Corey Posey, a junior who's posted a 17-0 record to date and is the favorite at 144 pounds.

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**Union County Tournament
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"Corey has to be considered the favorite — but again, one bad day and that's it," said MacDonald.

"His main competition will come from Chuck Ott from Rahway and

Rich Moriarty from Governor Livingston. Corey beat Ott pretty decisively this year already."

MacDonald believes several other wrestlers have an excellent chance of competing for a county crown. Starting from the lower weight classifications, the 121-pounders from Union County will have a tough time with Westfield's Kevin Sullivan.

"Kevin lost to Ron Bobnowski of Union, so that guy has to be the favorite," said MacDonald. "But Kevin has a lot of ability and he can do really well this weekend."

Senior Jeff Checchio could be a

threat at 136 pounds.

"I think 136 is wide-open and Jeff has as good a chance as anybody of coming through," said MacDonald.

Mike Liggera has been solid all season at 160 although Tyrone Crutchfield of Rahway has to be considered the favorite in that class.

"I would think Rahway has to be a strong favorite to win the overall title," said MacDonald. "They really have lot of good wrestlers at many weight divisions."

The fifth WHS grappler cited by the coach was Frank DiGiovanni at 187 pounds.

"Frank has had a great year and must be considered a favorite at 187," said MacDonald.

The Blue Devils routed Elizabeth Friday as Liggera notched a fall in 2:38. Posey breezed to an 18-2 technical fall in 3:57 and Paul Hayes took a 14-6 major decision at 162. Against Linden, Blue Devil pins came from Jarrett Kamins (3:30 at 114), Sullivan (1:37, 128) and DiGiovanni (2:26, 217).

**Take aim**

RECORD FILE PHOTO

Tyler Patla gets set to launch a shot during recent Westfield Basketball Association action.

Westfield boys win another county title

Another Union County Meet, another championship for the Westfield High boys.

The Blue Devils captured their 39th straight county swimming title Sunday at the Dunn Sport Center in Elizabeth, piling up 333 points to easily outdistance runner-up Summit, which totaled 197. Union was next with 193.

Leading the way for Westfield was Rob Schundler, who took first place in the 50-yard freestyle in 22.97 seconds, just touching out Summit's Jamie Anthony (23.12), and also claiming top honors in the 100 backstroke in 55.87 seconds.

Schundler also joined Andrew Hughes, Andy Larson and Brendan Lechner on the triumphant 400 freestyle relay (3:28.76), which finished two seconds ahead of Summit.

Westfield's Tim Romano won the

500 freestyle in 5:08.67 and was runnerup in the 200 individual medley (2:07.13), while Lechner captured the 100 butterfly in 56.49. He also was fourth in the 100 backstroke (1:00.60).

The other first-place effort by Westfield was in the 200 free relay, where Walt Kapuscinski, Jon Jones, Eric Linenberg and Colin McGee finished in 1:34.71, just nipping out Scotch Plains-Fanwood (1:35).

Other top five swimmers from Westfield were Kapuscinski (fifth, 50 free, 23.73), Frank Coppa (second, 200 free, 1:54.00 and third, 500 free, 5:17.12), Hughes (fourth, 200 free, 1:50.23), Jones (second, 100 breaststroke, 1:05.58 and third, 200 IM, 2:10.10), Matt Hammond (fifth, 100 breaststroke, 1:09.35), Larson (fourth, 100 butterfly, 58.90) and Linenberg (fifth, fly, 1:00.22).

More money goes to boys basketball

By JAMES REILLY

THE RECORD

The 1994-95 boys and girls basketball budgets at three local high schools reveal slightly more money per school was budgeted for the boys teams, largely due to differences in the costs needed to host games.

Cranford High allotted \$2,791 more for the boys, Scotch Plains-Fanwood \$1,680, and Westfield approximately \$4,000 more, according to the school's athletic directors, because of the greater costs needed to host boys games, and/or because of budgets based over a number of years, not just one season.

"We went through an analysis last year in sports that have both male and female teams," said Cranford Superintendent of Schools Dr. Emaleine Renna. "Our idea was to ensure that over the long haul both teams would have similar costs. This is not done annually but over a five-year period so we can have flexibility but at the same time make sure we spend the same amounts on coaches, uniforms and equipment."

Cranford High Director of Athletics Bob Lelli echoed Dr. Renna's sentiments.

"It all depends on what a given team needs in any given year," said Lelli. "Some teams may need uniforms or a number of items more than another, but we stress gender equity."

One area where Scotch Plains-Fanwood High spends more on the boys team is with ticket-takers and police at home games, which Athletic Director Gene Schiller explained.

Lyght will play football at Maryland

By MARK WEGRYN

THE RECORD

The University of Maryland is getting one heckuva student in kinesiology.

Following a stellar 1994 football season on both sides of the ball, Westfield High School's Erwyn Lyght has signed a national letter-of-intent to accept a full scholarship at Maryland.

"The first practice is scheduled for Aug. 8 and Lyght is already excited about getting started."

"I can't wait to get down there and get started — Maryland is a great school," said Lyght. "I really fell in love with the campus when I went for a visit in December and I liked the coach and the whole atmosphere."

Interestingly enough, Lyght spoke of the kinesiology department at Maryland before sharing his feelings about the football program.

"I talked to the head of the department [kinesiology] when I was down there and I liked what they had to offer," said Lyght. "A major like that could mean a number of different career paths. I could stay with athletic training, do physical therapy, or even go into sports medicine. I really want to do well in school."

Lyght also has a number of goals to accomplish on the football field. He gained 545 rushing yards as the fullback in the Blue Devils' single-wing attack last fall and contributed 96 tackles from his inside linebacker position on defense.

"When I used to think about college football, I always thought I would be a running back," said Lyght. "But they let me play linebacker this year and I thought it was a blast."

Although Lyght hasn't played the defensive backfield since his junior season, he's projected as a safety at Maryland.

"I found out that I really love to hit and my size safety or strong safety would be my best position," he said. "I know I have lot to learn about playing safety but I'm ready for the challenge."

Lyght also has a great deal of work to do on his body. Currently a faint 188 pounds, the trainers at Maryland figure he could play at 210 or 215 pounds.

High School Net Results Basketball Budgets

	Boys	Girls
Cranford	\$15,580	\$12,789
Scotch Plains-Fanwood	\$9,950*	\$8,270*
Westfield	\$15,000 (approx)	\$11,000 (approx)

*excludes transportation

"Of course, we try to be equal in our distribution whenever possible," said Schiller. "But we spend more on police officers and security personnel for boys home games as needed. One other area where differences in the amounts for the boys and girls teams comes up if you don't have enough players for a freshman team. In that instance you'll obviously be spending more to field a team."

Westfield High Athletic Director Ed Tranchina agreed the presence of police and ticket-takers is a main difference in the budgets of the two teams.

"We spend more money on the gate personnel and police at boys games," he said. "We don't charge money at the girls games so these people aren't needed."

"Also this year the numbers are a little higher for the boys because they got new uniforms this year. It was their turn for new uniforms and next time it will be the girls' turn. Although at this rate with budget cuts I'm not sure when we'll be getting new ones again."

Loose Blue Devils have some fun for a change

By MARK WEGRYN
THE RECORD

Poor Summit should have seen it coming.

A season's worth of frustration exploded for the Westfield High School boys basketball team in a 65-28 victory over host Summit last Tuesday. Westfield opened the game with a 15-0 run and never looked back.

"Before the game I told them to forget the offense, forget the defense and play this game like a summer league game," said Westfield Head Coach Stewart Carey. "I think we've been far too tight too many times this season and I wanted the kids just to play ball."

And play they did. Instead of rebounding the ball, handing off to the point guard and getting into a half-court set, the Blue Devils ran the break. They rebounded, pitched out to the wings, filled the lanes and went to the basket.

"The kids really looked like they were having fun out there but, of course, winning is always fun," said Carey. "But the most amazing thing is, the shots were going in the basket. We've taken the same shots from the elbow and along the baseline so many times this season and the ball never seemed to go into the basket. This game, every-

thing went in."

While it could be contended that Summit isn't a strong team, Westfield (4-13) has lost to inferior opponents on more than one occasion this year.

"There were many games where I thought our talent matched up well and we still lost," said Carey. "This was beautiful. I feel so good for our kids and the way they performed."

Heading the fast-breaking Blue Devils was point guard Brian Cierniecki, a junior who scored 15 points — including three treys — and collected eight assists in the middle of the break.

"Brian is the key to everything we were doing," said Carey. "He played well and looked comfortable pushing the ball."

Junior big man Matt Brotherton had five field goals for 10 points.

"Other than Brian, no one has improved more this year and gained from the varsity experience more than Matt Brotherton," said Carey. "He came a long way since the beginning of the year."

John Faggins had six points in the final regular-season game of his sophomore season. Faggins could be key figure the next two years for the Blue Devils.

"John probably has the most ability of anybody on the team,"

said Carey. "But I think he had sophomore-itis this year. He tried to defer credit to the juniors and seniors instead of taking it himself. It will be different next year."

Actually, everybody is returning next winter except senior center Mike Abeles. There's also help on the way which will give the Blue Devils a different look next year.

"We're going to move Cierniecki to the wing so he can just concentrate on shooting the basketball and scoring," said Carey. "We have a guy who'll be junior next year to play the point. Bobby Schultz is a 6-3 point guard with a lot of ability who we kept with the junior varsity so he could get some experience and be ready to play with us next season."

Carey is already setting his sights on next year.

"We'll be better because we'll be a year older and smarter," said Carey. "The varsity and JV have been working together in practice lately and we are looking toward next year with great optimism."

Westfield will compete in a preliminary game of the Union County Tournament this Saturday afternoon.

GIRLS BASKETBALL

While the boys were rolling up 65 points in their regular-season fi-



FORBES FILE PHOTO

Anita Prunty goes to the hoop during Westfield's game with Rahway earlier this season. The Blue Devils concluded their regular campaign with a 4-12 record.

nale, the girls combined for a mere 40 points in their final two games of the year.

The first setback was a 69-25 loss at the hands of Summit last Tuesday. Two days later, the score was an embarrassing 49-15 against Eliz-

abeth. The Blue Devils completed their regular season with a 4-12 mark.

Brooke Wiley scored nine of her team's 15 points in the loss to Elizabeth. Jen Kemps poured in eight points against Summit.

A splash

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also won the 100 backstroke (55.7). "Rob isn't real vocal. He's more of the 'Do as I do' type," said Johnson. "As a captain he has the whole team pointed in the right direction during practice. He just swims and swims and swims."

"He has excellent leadership qualities and is a role model for us all," said Jon Jones. "Rob's a real good guy."

Now, as Schundler's last swimming season nears its end, there's still much he has to anticipate. Aside from the seven events he's already qualified for in the Meet of Champions, Schundler is also concentrating on a team title.

"It would be nice to see these seniors leave as they came — with a state title," said Johnson. "I think Rob will go down as one of the captains who helped bring the title back to Westfield."

As a freshman, Schundler was one of the youngest swimmers to participate in attaining the championship.

"We have a lot of good swimmers who are working hard," said Schundler, who will soon have to begin preparing for the lacrosse season. "If everything goes well we have a real good shot at winning."

Schundler has already decided not to continue swimming at Cornell next year. However, his job as a swimmer is far from finished.

"I'd like to be remembered as someone who always swam his best in the end and in the meets that counted," said Schundler. "I think that's been my most notable contribution."

Anglers should note fish digest miscues

Those who picked up a copy of the most recent New Jersey Fish and Wildlife Digest are cautioned that the digest contains several errors in the fish consumption advisory charts.

According to division officials, signs alerting anglers of the corrections will be sent to the 400 shops that received the digest for distribution in December. The May issue (which is the Marine Fishing edition) will also contain the corrected charts.

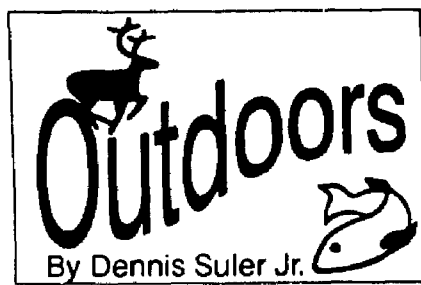
One of the corrections is on the statewide advisory on consuming largemouth bass and chain pickerel. The state warns that high-risk individuals should not eat more than one meal per month, not week, as published in the current digest, of largemouth bass or chain pickerel.

The general population should not eat more than one meal per week of largemouths or pickerel.

Another correction to largemouths and chain pickerel is in the South Jersey Pinelands area, where high-risk individuals should not eat these species at all. The general population shouldn't eat more than one meal per month of largemouth bass or pickerel.

The state defines high-risk individuals as children under the age of 5, pregnant women, women planning pregnancy within one year and nursing mothers. A meal is defined by the state as an eight-ounce serving.

Page 14 of the digest published advisories for specific bodies of water. Although the state hasn't indicated whether there are errors in these advisories, it does urge anyone with questions to call the Bureau of Freshwater Fisheries at (609) 292-1599 or the Bureau of Marine Fisheries at (609) 748-2020.



By Dennis Suler Jr.

While further studies are being conducted to determine the severity of the mercury pollution and its effects on the fish populations, the best safeguard against these

contaminations is to release all the bass and pickerel you catch and not eat any of them. Until there are decisive guidelines, remember — it's better to be safe than sorry!

The departments of health and environmental protection have been developing a brochure outlining all the state's fishing advisories. The brochure is expected to be completed before the spring fishing season commences and will have the most current information.

Stay posted for more information on this as it becomes available. If you'd like to receive a copy of this brochure when it's published, write to: DEP, Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife, CN 400, Station Plaza 5, 501 East State Street, Floor 3, Trenton, N.J. 08625-0400.

For the saltwater anglers, page 13 of the digest also contained erroneous information in the fish and crab advisory based on PCB, dioxin and chlordane contamination. The correction for the Newark Bay Complex is as follows:

For the Passaic River downstream of Dundee Dam and streams that feed into this section, do not eat or sell any fish or shellfish and do not eat, sell or harvest any blue crab.

Advisories listed for striped bass, American eel, blue crab, bluefish over six pounds, white perch and white catfish apply to the remainder of the area listed for the Newark Bay, Hackensack River downstream of Oradell Dam, Arthur Kill, Kill Van Kull and tidal portions of all rivers and streams that feed into these waters.

Close matches for Blue Devil bowlers

A 7-0 loss to Cranford Monday night did not dampen the spirit of Westfield High bowling coach Michael Tirone.

"We lost all seven — but each was close and we bowled a more experienced team," said Tirone. "One was 816-808, another 784-779, another 753-751 — but our young bowlers struggle down the stretch because of the experience factor."

Shaun McNamara was the bright spot for Westfield both against Cranford and against Shabazz. McNamara bowled a 213 in a 579 series versus Cranford, and a 234 in a 507 series against Shabazz.

Including a 7-0 triumph over Shabazz, Westfield stands 5-6 with Union County, sectional and state competitions still to come.

"We have a long way to go," said Tirone. "But I like the way we are coming along."

Kelly Smith had a 540 series against Shabazz.

ICE HOCKEY

A 5-3 loss to West Essex last Wednesday was the only action Westfield saw during the past week. The Blue Devils are now 10-6 in their first varsity season under Head Coach Brian LaFontaine.

"It was another game where we played well, outshot our opponent but still just didn't put the puck in the back of the net," said LaFontaine. "We are playing to the level of our competition but sometimes we're falling short."

Matt Gualtieri had two goals while Anthony DiIorio added one. Gualtieri is still among the state leaders in scoring with 54 points.

Westfield will face Chatham Friday before playing its regular-season finale against Bishop Eusebius Monday at 3:30 p.m. at the Warinanco Park rink in Elizabeth.

Westfield has also qualified for the state tournament. The Blue Devils will play their first tourney game later this month.

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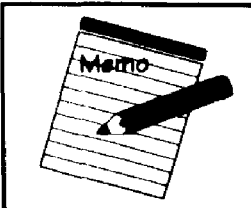
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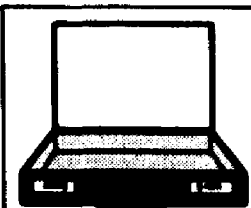
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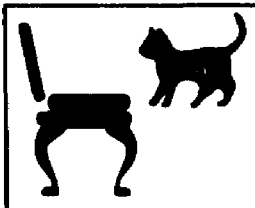


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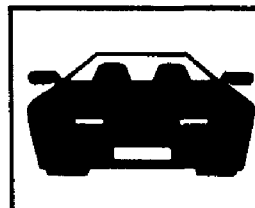


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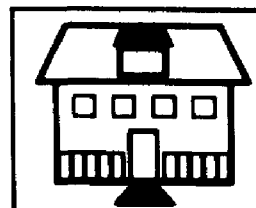


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REAL ESTATE



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Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
8:30am-5:00pm

Thursday & Friday
8:30am-8:00pm

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1-800-559-9495

Outside New Jersey
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All Papers

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All Papers EXCEPT
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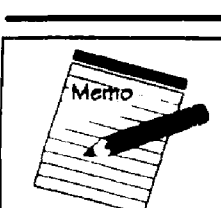
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1020 - Singles Organizations and activities
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1040 - Personals
1050 - Coming Events
1060 - Announcements

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BRIGHT... and SINGLE?
Low-cost dating network for inventive high-achievers. About 500 current personal ads; mainly NJ/NY/CT. Write: Academic Companions, P.O. Box 346, Clinton, NJ 13323 Call (800) 400-4464

1020 Singles Organizations and Activities

MATCHMAKER INTERNATIONAL - The largest & most selective personal introduction service in the nation. For free info. 908-218-9090

1030 Lost & Found

BLACK AND WHITE CAT - male, found 1/23 in the vicinity of Plainfield Ave and Rt 1, Edison. Extremely affectionate, approx. 9mths-1yr old. 686-1854

1040 Personals

ADOPT - Fun loving warm couple wishes to give your newborn a lifetime of love and a wonderful secure future. Call Melissa/Don 1-800-844-4183.

1040 Personals

ADOPTION - Loving couple with much to offer will provide your baby warm bright future. Let's help one another. Expenses paid. Please call Anna & John 1-800-789-6784

HAIR MODELS - needed for Haircutting & Perm Show on Mon. 2/13 in Cranford. Call Kim or Nicole at 201-992-2592.

LOOK INTO YOUR FUTURE. CONTROL YOUR DESTINY. Find Love & Romance. Save a failing relationship/marriage!

SISTER SUZAN TAROT CARD READINGS
CALL FOR 1 FREE QUESTION! 30 yrs. in Cranford. 908-272-9791

1040 Personals

DID YOU KNOW... that an ad in this local paper also goes into 22 other local papers? Reach over 300,000 readers with one call! 1-800-559-9495

1040 Personals

THANKSGIVING NOVENA TO ST. JUDE - Holy St. Jude, Apostle and Martyr, great in virtue and rich in miracles, near kinman of Jesus Christ, faithful intercessor of all who invoke your special patronage in time of need. To you I have recourse from the depth of my heart and humbly beg to whom God has given such great power to come to my assistance. Help me in my present and urgent petition. In return I promise to make your name known and cause you to be invoked. (Say 3 Our Fathers, 3 Hail Mary's, 3 Glory Be's). St. Jude, pray for us and all who invoke your aid. Amen. (Publication must be promised. This novena has never been known to fail. This prayer is to be said for 9 consecutive days). My prayers have been answered: G.M.S.

PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN - (Never known to fail). Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and how me, herein you are my mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother. Oh, Holy Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to you. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me. I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. R.S.

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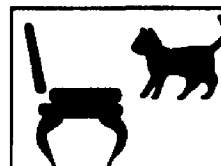
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PSYCHIC MRS. D. TARTAC CARD
Confused broken hearted find what the future holds for you, for help & answers call today. 908-789-3043
35 yrs. exp. Daily 9-5

PSYCHIC
Readings By Eva
Tells past, present & future. Advice on all problems of life. Spiritual counseling on personal, business & family matters. Call today for appointment. 908-719-3100

2000 FOR SALE



2010 - Antiques
2020 - Appliances
2030 - Art
2040 - Auctions
2050 - Clothing
2060 - Collectibles
2070 - Computers
2080 - Farm & Garden
2090 - Firewood
2100 - Free Markets, Sales and Bazaars
2110 - Free to Good Home
2120 - Furniture
2130 - General Merchandise
2140 - Office Furniture and Supplies
2150 - Software
2160 - Wanted to Buy

2010 Antiques

BROWSE AROUND
Antiques Used & Slightly Abused Furniture We will buy any place or entire estate. We are open again. Come in and see our new look. 563 Bound Brook Rd, Middlesex. 988-7220

M & W COLLECTABLES
82 Watchung Ave. 908-789-1127
Lots of gift ideas!

MAIN ST. ANTIQUE CENTER - 158 Main St. Flemington. 908-788-6787 2 flrs. 6000 sq. ft. 85 dealers. open daily 10-5 pm.

2020 Appliances

APPLIANCE SALE
Ref. \$85, washer/dryer \$75. Fully guar'd, also service \$19.95. 908-754-7209 or 231-1047

WASHER - \$75. Dryer, \$65. Stove, \$75. Refrigerator, \$170. Can deliver. Color console TV \$100. Pls call 722-6329.

2070 Computers

IBM COMPATIBLE
\$295. We also buy and repair computers, monitors, printers and boards. 908-464-7408

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******* ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT CALLS OF YOUR LIFE! *******
What direction should you go? Psychics can help. 1-900-656-5000 ext. 3041 3.99/min 18 s. Procall Co
3104 E. Camelback Rd. Phoenix AZ 802-954-7420

2080 Farm & Garden

TOPSOIL
Screened, screened and flaked mulch - pickup or del 908-860-8000

2085 Firewood
ALL SEASONED HARDWOODS - All quantities. \$125/board. 908-424-1078

2090 Free Markets, Sales & Bazaars

CRAFTERS WANTED
For rent-a-space store opening in Cranford in March. For info send name, address, phone and photo(s) of your craft(s) to: McDonald, 759 Blooms, #124, W. Caldwell, NJ 07008

DUNELLEN-DUNELLEN METHODIST CHURCH
150 DUNELLEN AVE - Sat. Feb. 11, 9-3, antiques, dignified junk and lunch counter.

2100 Free to a Good Home

FREE SIX STEAM RADIATORS - valve and covers. Call John 908-968-7489

2110 Furniture

BEDROOM SET 3PC mahogany & a double maple bed, 4 chairs, 3 cushion sofa, 2 end tables, Velour chair w/ hassock. 232-3472 after 6

BRASS BED - Queen sz. with orthopedic mattress set. Unused, still boxed. Cost \$1000 sell \$325. 908-602-9505

DAY BED - white, iron frame, 2 orthopedic mattresses, a high riser. Unused, still boxed. Cost \$800 sell \$325. 908-602-9505

2120 General Merchandise

DINING RM SET - \$550. Sectional \$300, Tables & many more items. 908-287-2332

NORDCOM PHONE SYS - \$250/BO. Office Furniture wanted for life. All items mint cond. 707-8282. Leave Message

WALNUT LIQ./WINE CABINET - & Walnut entertainment center, sectional couch, and table, white formica desk & bookshelf, bikes, B/O. 908-528-6559

2130 Garage Sales

NOTICE: All GARAGE SALES advertisements are PAYABLE IN ADVANCE by cash, check, VISA or MasterCard. For a quote on cost, please call 1-800-559-9495.

BERNARDSVILLE
123 Claremont Road (Past the Bookroom) Almost new. Clothing, Jewelry, Furs, Accessories. Fine quality home furnishings, Antiques, collectibles. 50%-75% SALE Off all winter clothing (incl some furs) Starts Feb 15th

ENCORE QUALITY CONSIGNMENTS
Tue-Fri 10-6, Thurs 11-8 Sat. 10-5 908-766-7760

2140 General Merchandise

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2150 Garage Sales

Designer Consignment Boutique DOUBLE TAKE
High quality women's designer clothing and accessories-Armani, Calvin Klein, Escada, Valentino, & Chanel. All items are at least 75% off the orig. cost. 2 locations: 555 Passaic Ave. West Caldwell 201-308-6868 and 782 Morris Tpk. Short Hills 201-564-6464. Both stores now open Sun. noon-5pm

Estate/Garage Sale - Feb 11th, 10 am to 3pm. Furniture, art work, household items. 98 Belmont Ave. Cranford, N.J.

2160 Merchandise under \$100

BRUCE TENNER step climber \$49.79-1455

HOOPER - Vacuum \$50 908-422-9443

MATTRESS - & Box. Twin, new, \$100 707-4595

STEEL STORAGE unit heavy duty \$50 789-1131

2170 General Merchandise

50%-75% OFF ALL CLOTHING - Annual winter sale. Feb. 14 thru Feb. 23rd. Secrets at Victorian Square, Rt. 513 Cranford, 932-8777 Open Tues-Sat. 10-6pm

ATTENTION: - Buying and selling big and small. Lots of unwanted or discontinued consumer merchandise. FOR CASH. ABC Liquidators. Call or Fax 1-305-491-0084.

2180 Camp Ground

BAHAMAS CRUISE
5 days/4 nights. Underbooked! Must sell limited tickets. some restrictions apply. \$279/couple (407) 767-4100, ext. 684 Mon-Sat. 9AM-10PM

CAMP GROUND MEMBERSHIP - Lifetime into Coast to Coast R.P.I. resort. US/Canada \$17, night, paid \$3895. For info call 1-800-236-0327.

2190 House Hold Items

CHENEY LIBERTY STAIN LIFT 300lb capacity. 6-stair lift that operates on the left side, never used, orig price \$4000, asking \$2500/BO. QUEEN CITY RECLINER LIFT CHAIR orig price \$980. Sell for \$300/BO 717-336-2058 after 6 pm

DID YOU KNOW... that an ad in this local paper also goes into 22 other local papers? Reach over 380,000 readers with one call! 1-800-559-9495

HERBALIFE INDEPENDENT DISTRIBUTOR - call us for products or the business opportunity. Barbara & Steve 1-800-287-8748

2200 Moving

MOVING - appls, tools, lots of goodies, for info. page 908-632-6713 any time



KIDS' ACTIVITY DIRECTORY

Mark Kline's STATE OF THE ARTS KARATE INSTITUTE

Mark Kline
Chief Instructor
6 weeks - \$69.00
1st 10 callers receive Free uniform!
Karate • Taekwondo • Judo • Jujitsu
908-572-0023

Limited introductory offer for the next 10 entrants only. Additional discounts available for a limited time only.

The Rainbow Garden Child Care Center
100 Durham Ave., Metuchen, New Jersey
(908) 549-6675
Mon-Fri. 8:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Services: 1st & 2nd year only. Enriching your child's education.

Services include: Language Training, Sign Language, Art, Science, Music, Storytelling, and more.

Full and Part Time Programs Available. Full and Part Time Programs Available.

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Bridgewater
Pre-School Camp
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Camp Director

OPEN HOUSE
Meet The Camp Director
Wednesday Evening
March 1 • 7:30 pm
R.C. Jewish Education Office
1911 Route 22 West
Bridgewater

Non-denominational
(908) 725-7748

2130 General Merchandise

NATURAL BEEF

NO hormones or antibiotics. Pure Black Angus from local farm. Grain fed, tender & delicious. \$2.49 lb. halves or quarters, cut to your custom order, vacuum-packed & labeled. This is NOT a freezer plan. Call Glenview Farm, 908-632-2122.

NEW! GREAT STOCKING STUFFER! Battery operated safety strobe reflector, a must for all bikes, joggers, boats, cars etc. Visible up to 2500 ft., not avail. in stores. Hurry while supplies last! \$12.95 + \$2.50 S & H to: V&M Co., 401 Ruyon Ave., Placerville, NJ, 08654. 30 day money back guarantee.

NORDIC TRACK PRO New \$500. Computer designed distance, time, speed, performance & pulse. Call at: 8 908-968-4731

OAK FLOOR PLANKS—prefinished, new from Bruce, Mannington and other mills. Also, unfinished, priced from \$2/ft. sq. 908-236-7233

ORGAN—Hammond "C" organ. Good Condition. \$2500 or Best offer. Call 908-968-6149

ORIENTAL RUG—French design, rose w/ center medallion, 8'x11'. Like new. \$800. 685-3611

PERSONAL ALARM—Loud Sire, w/ wall when activated by switch or pull pin. \$15 + \$2.50 S & H. Alarm, PO BOX 604, Flagtown, NJ, 08821

REFRIGERATOR \$100, Washer \$150, Dryer \$150, electric range \$125. 685-3038

2130 General Merchandise

SKIS—Boots, poles, bindings, some new. Guaranteed to fit, 100 pairs, you pick \$701 359-3000

SMALL APT. SIZE REFRIGERATOR \$75. Large size refrigerator \$150/BO. 752-2883

USED—Office Furniture Desks, files, chairs, etc. 782-4221; 888-782-5057.

WORDPROCESSOR—ink jet by brother, almost new, separate screen and key board \$400. 908-232-3872

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2160 Wanted to Buy

A BUYER OF ALL LIONEL & Flyer trains. Hobbyist pays top dollar! Any condition, age, or quantity. 908-271-5124

ALL LIONEL, IVEB, AMERICAN FLYER—and other toy trains. Collector pays highest prices. Call 1-800-464-4871 or 201-635-2058

ANTIQUES & USED FURNITURE—all furniture, old, DR, BOS, from 1800's to 1950's. Misc. pieces. 647-1959

2160 Wanted to Buy

ANTIQUES, COLLECTIBLES, Jewelry & Furniture 908-560-3744

BUYING ANTIQUE Furniture, china, glassware, military items. Item or an entire estate. Call 231-0609

COINS WANTED—Pay cash, top prices! Paper money, foreign, stamps, scrap gold, old jewelry & sterling. Estates and Collections. 908-782-0840. Raab Coin, 4 Bloomfield Ave., Flemington.

Collector Buys Vintage Toys, Trains, Pedal Cars, Soda Machines & Signs, Juice Boxes, Character Watches, etc. 908-995-3716, weekdays

COLLECTOR—seeks dolls & accessories from the 50's & 60's. Any cond. Will trvl 276-7881

DRUMS INDIVIDUALS OR COMPLETE SET—Stands, symbols, etc. Please call Peter 908-685-2295

FISHING TACKLE—collector wants to buy OLD, rods, reels, lures, catalogs. 233-1854 after 5PM

GUNS, SWORDS, KNIVES, MILITARIA—NJ & Fed. lic. Top cash paid. House calls made. Bert 821-4949

TRADING CARDS—Sci Fi, monster mags., comics, coins, old toys, WW II stuff. 968-3886

WE PAY CASH FOR HOUSE CONTENTS—Alts, cellars, antiques, etc. Clean out left, swamped & clean. Call Jeff 526-4096

Advertise in the Classified!

2160 Pets and Livestock

2010 - Birds

2020 - Dogs

2030 - Fish

2040 - Horses

2050 - Livestock

2060 - Other Pets

2070 - Adoptable Pets

2080 - Boarding, Training & Grooming

2090 - Miscellaneous Supplies & Services

2100 - Birds

AFRICAN GRAY PARROTS—hand fed babies, sweet, happy, and well socialized. Hatched 12/9. Closed banded. SPBE. \$950. 908-479-4809

2110 - Cats

SIAMESE—blue point, CFA reg. \$300. 908-234-2456.

DID YOU KNOW... This little ad can be read by more than 380,000 readers in 17 publications throughout Somerset, Middlesex and Union Counties? It caught your attention, didn't it? Call YOUR ad in today! 1-800-559-9495 We Get Results!

2120 - Dogs

BEAGLE—1 yr. old, female, AKC purebred, housebroken, playful, loves kids/other dogs. Rescue Donation. 908-272-5457

PUG PUPPY—for sale. Male, Fawn color, 7 wks. old. Pure bred. 908-272-0719

2130 - Horses

Exp. PT/PT Help—Somerville area in-door facility. \$/board/lessons. 908-722-7087

HORSE FOOD SALE—Nutrena, 12% sweet feed or 12% pellets. 50 lbs/ \$4.95. Cash & Carry. Call Neahmick Station Farm Home and Garden Center 908-369-5131

2140 - Adoptable Pets

ADOPTION DAY—Sunday Feb. 19th, 11-3pm, at Petco, Blue Star Shopping Center, Between Movie theatre & T.G.I. Fridays, Rt. 22 West Watchung, Dogs, Cats, rabbits need new homes. Donation, In-Door, Info. 908-561-6584

GIVE SOMEONE A SMILE—Somerset Regional Animal Shelter has puppies, kittens, dogs and cats. Adoption reasonable. Missing a pet? Call 725-0308.

2150 - Boarding, Training & Grooming

WE'LL WALK YOUR DOG—feed him, change his water, get your mail and give him affection. Somerset, Princeton, and Hillsborough area. 281-4459

2160 - Miscellaneous Supplies & Services

NEW EQUISHARE/PONYSHARE CHAPTER—Now opening in Bedminster. Call find out about the Sensible Alternative to Horse Ownership for junior or senior riders. 1-800-522-SHAR

Shannon HM Stables—Riding Lessons/Horse Boarding, Liberty Corner Area. 2 Indoor Arenas. Beginner Lessons thru Advanced. Half Mile track. Ample turnout & trails. Quality Care for all riders & horses alike. 908-944-4817, ask for Cindy.

STALLS W/PASTURE—Potterville, also cottage avail. All Facilities 908-438-9550

2170 - Miscellaneous Supplies & Services

WANT YOUR AD TO GET NOTICED FIRST AND RESPONDED TO FAST?

ASK FOR ARTWORK IN YOUR AD. MOST ART COSTS \$6 OR LESS PER INSERTION.

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Forbes

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A DIVISION OF FORBES INC.

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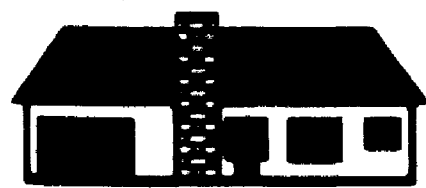
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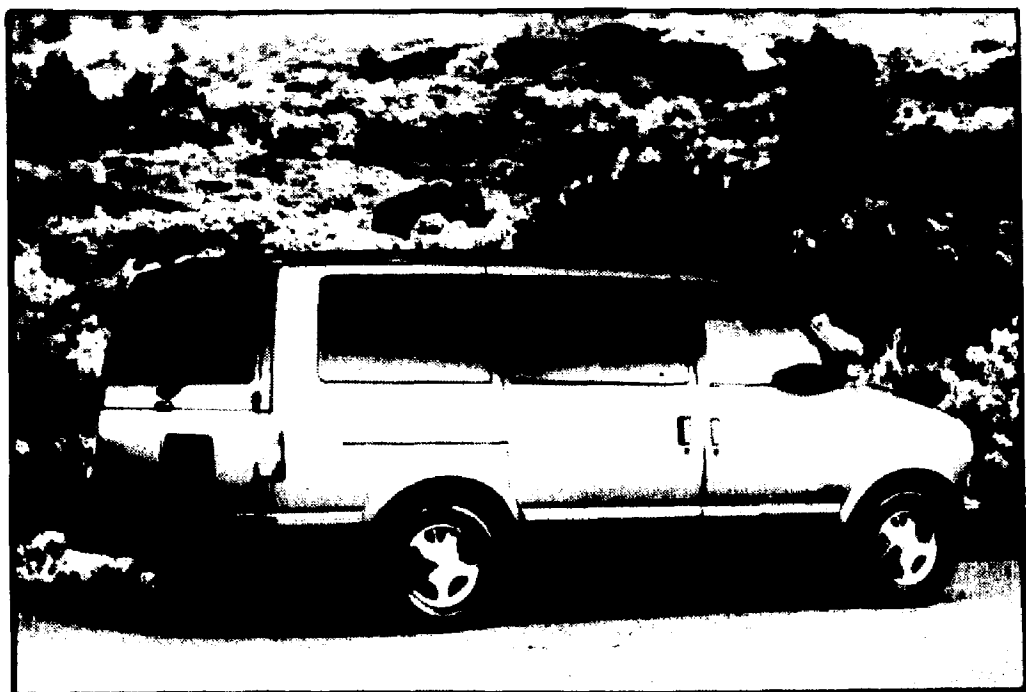
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Automotive Guide



Chevrolet's Astro has proven itself a popular people-mover.

Roger, Houston, all wheels are go ...

Chevy's Astro LT with all-wheel drive can pull boat or trailer, and cart along the entire family

By TOM HAGIN

FORBES NEWSPAPERS

There's no denying that minivans dominate the family transportation scene. At last count, there were some 17 different iterations from 10 makers. Most are made strictly to move passengers and cargo, but some can accommodate both people and cargo and pull a moderate-sized boat or camp trailer at the same time.

Chevrolet's Astro comes in standard CS trim, as the mid-line CL, and as the top-line Astro LT with all-wheel drive (AWD) — our test model.

EXTERIOR

Astro has a freshened look for 1995, with restyled front fenders, hood and grille, keeping the vehicle consistent with the rest of the Chevrolet truck lineup. Part of our test model's LT decor package includes body side molding and composite headlamps, and a rear opening which uses swing-up rear glass. The two half-height doors make loading cargo easier and the large window area offers more visibility in back. All vans feature special solar glass aft of the front doors to reduce the sun's harsh rays, while new fender flares portray a more assertive look. New this year, all Astro models are of the extended body design, as its shorter body style has been discontinued.

INTERIOR

The list of Astro's standard features is lengthy. It includes: air conditioning, an AM/FM stereo with digital clock, intermittent wipers, deluxe mirrors and great cupholders atop the center console at the driver's right knee. Our tester's LT decor group adds a CD player, eight-passenger seating, power windows, door locks and mirrors, plus tilt steering, heavily tinted glass, keyless entry and cruise control. In addition, its overhead console has spots for maps and small items, and LT models use a reclining six-way power driver's seat and leather-wrapped steering wheel. A large storage bin is slipped beneath the front passenger seat and fold-down armrests make for a comfortable driving position. Astro drivers sit high, and piloting it gives a commanding view of the road ahead.

ENGINEERING

The built-in strength of the Astro AWD is its towing capability. We pulled our boat from the water easily, since its davetrain kept wheelspin controlled, especially on

the slippery boat ramp. Like many tall vehicles, the Astro tends to lean in tight cornering maneuvers, while it rocks somewhat on pitching asphalt. We found its rear climate controls and mirror switch in an odd position, located across the top of the dash, and its sliding temperature stalk somewhat stiff. Under the hood is a 4.3-liter V6 producing 190 horses, while 260 foot-pounds of torque give very good acceleration and are enough for most towing duty. This engine features internal balance shafts to limit harsh vibrations. During a recent ski trip, we found its rubber floor mats at all seating positions handy for protecting the carpet from slush and mud-laden boots. After the trip, we simply pulled the mats out and hosed them off, vacuumed the vehicle and the inside was quickly cleaned.

HANDLING

While the Astro's handling isn't spectacular, its practicality is stellar. The Astro is designated as a heavy-duty people hauler and performs this task well. Our test model features eight-passenger seating and its rear seats can be moved fore and aft, while all have adjustable seat backs. Access to its rear seating area is easy with a step at the side door, although the area accessing its front seats is a bit narrow. With eight passengers aboard, there are still 41.3 cubic feet of space left for cargo. With the rear seats removed, more than 170 cubic feet of space appears. We came to a complete stop from 60 mph in 160 feet on wet pavement, thanks to the anti-skid brake system.

SAFETY

All Astro models use a front disc/rear drum braking setup, with a three-sensor anti-lock braking system (ABS), along with a driver's side airbag and side impact beams.

SUGGESTIONS

Optional all-season P215/75R15 tires are mated to aluminum wheels as part of the LT decor group and this alone makes the LT option useful. Our model is equipped with rear air conditioning (\$523), rear heater (\$205), and an electric rear window defogger (\$154), plus a compact disc stereo upgrade at \$406. The optional tow package (\$309) enables Astro to pull up to 5,000 pounds.

TEST DRIVE

SPECIFICATIONS

BASE PRICE: \$20,488
PRICE AS TESTED: \$27,417
ENGINE TYPE: 4.3 liter V6 w/CPI
ENGINE SIZE: 262 cid/4293 cc
HORSEPOWER: 190 @ 4400 rpm
TORQUE (ft/lbs): 260 @ 3400 rpm
WHEELBASE: 111.0"/77.5"
TRANSMISSION: Four-speed automatic
CURB WEIGHT: 4309 lbs
FUEL CAPACITY: 27.0 gals.

TIRES: P215/75R15
BRAKES (F/R): Front disc, rear drum w/ABS
DRIVE TRAIN: Front-engine/all-wheel drive
VEHICLE TYPE: Eight-passenger/four door
PERFORMANCE: EPA Economy, mpg, city/highway/average: 15/19/17
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Shopping in cyberspace

ERA Real Estate lists homes, land through Internet

BOUND BROOK — High-tech home buyers searching for the next electronic avenue to shop for homes will soon be able to view color photos and detailed descriptions of homes listed by ERA Real Estate on the Internet — a global collection of computer networks.

The service, developed by Homes & Land Publishing Corporation, was launched Jan. 1 with more than 50,000 listings from real estate companies across the nation. ERA, the only national franchise network to directly provide an electronic database of homes to the magazine, will update biweekly a file of over 19,000 listings on the service. The ERA listings will be selected from the Electronic Home Selling Network — a computer database, introduced in 1992, which features over 50,000 color photos and descriptions of ERA Member Broker listings nationwide. The electronic Homes & Land service can be accessed through the World Wide Web, a hot spot on the Internet that involves live text and graphics.

"The Internet is becoming a primary communications tool for businesses to provide information to millions of people," said Joe Gorsky, president for ERA Van Syckel Realty in Bound Brook. "The Homes & Land applications is a

breakthrough for consumers who now can view pictures of homes listed anywhere in the country from the privacy of their personal computers. It's a great marketing tool for sellers and a shopping

'But rather than turning pages of a magazine, Internet users will be able to call up on their computers the listings which specifically meet their requirements, including price, location and amenities.'

—John Moffet
Manager MIS

guide for buyers."

Initially used by universities and high-tech industries, the Net, as it's commonly called, is navigated by more than 20,000 companies today. It's estimated more than 20 million people worldwide have access to the Internet, according to John Moffet, manager of MIS and Research and Development for Homes & Land. Mr. Moffet and his staff developed the electronic home listing service for

Homes & Land.

"The service will primarily be used by highly mobile and technically informed consumers who frequently purchase homes or look for rental property," Mr. Moffet said. "The electronic magazine is an extension of our publications. But rather than turning pages of a magazine, Internet users will be able to call up on their computers the listings which specifically meet their requirements, including price, location and amenities."

In addition, Homes & Land is currently preparing a database of agent photos and biographies to further assist buyers in their preliminary search for a new home.

While several on-line services, or public providers such as CompuServe, can link personal computers to parts of the Internet, the easiest way to reach Cyberspace — the imaginary world inside computer networks — is to open a direct account with a local provider such as Delphi. The Internet address for the Homes & Land application is <http://www.homes.com>.

Rising interest rates mean higher monthly payments

This article was prepared by William O. Keleher Jr., president of The Prudential New Jersey Realty.

Question: What do rising interest rates mean to buyers?

Answer: Rising rates do mean higher monthly payments. But, how high? Often the increase isn't as significant as buyers fear. A quick calculation will give you an idea of the impact.

For instance, with a fixed loan of, say, \$100,000, a quarter percent means roughly an additional \$36 per month; half a percent is twice that, or about \$72.

Gauging the impact of rising interest rates for adjustable rate mortgages (ARMS) is not quite as straightforward because the rate a borrower pays will fluctuate as interest rates go up and down over the life of the loan. For this reason, a buyer comparing ARMS with different lenders should look at the initial rate (often guaranteed for a year) as well as the cap, or maximum rate, that the loan could go to.

When rates are going up, it benefits the borrower to ask for a "rate lock," which is an assurance the rate for the loan being applied for will not increase during the pe-

riod in which the loan is being reviewed and approved.

For instance, if you secured a rate lock at 7.5 percent for a \$10,000 loan, the payment would be \$699.21. If you were not able to secure a rate lock and the interest rate increases to 8 percent, the payment increases to \$733.76 (an increase of \$34.55).

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The cement driveway leads into the oversized two-car garage.

The entry foyer has a double closet and Italian marble floor. The 14-by-21 living room features a full-wall fireplace, wall-to-wall carpeting and a large bay that overlooks the front lawn. Wall-to-wall carpeting is also featured in the dining room, sized at 11-by-13. A chandelier and brick planter enhance the dining room.

The 13-15 eat-in-kitchen, remodeled in 1984, comes complete with dishwasher with matching cabinet panel, recessed lighting and pull-out storage.

The 14-by-16 family room, with radiant heat, also features wall-to-wall carpeting. Through sliding glass doors is a room for all seasons, the 12-by-14 Florida room.

Also accessible from the family

room is the garage, powder room and laundry room.

The 13-by-15 master bedroom features wall-to-wall carpeting and a walk-in and double closets and ceiling fan. A full, private master bathroom is attached. The second bedroom, sized at 13-by-14, has an extra deep closet, ceiling fan with light kit, and wall-to-wall carpeting. Sized at 12-by-12, the third bedroom features a double closet.

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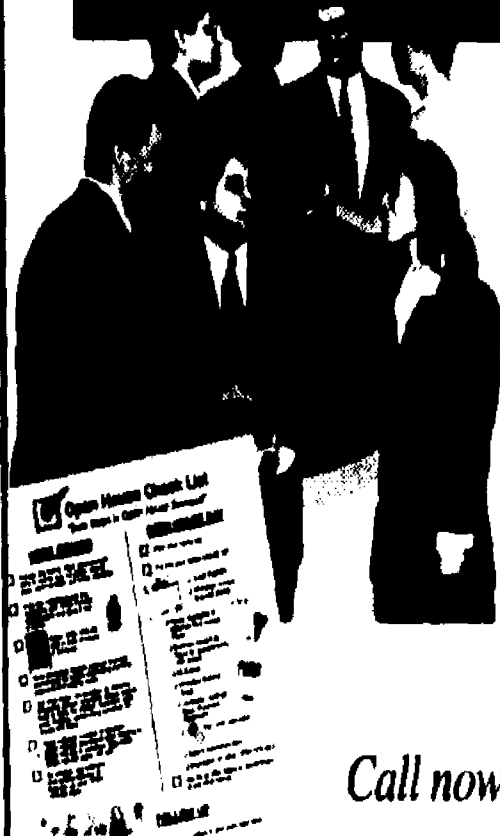


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The seminar will explain ways in which buyers may take advantage of the current favorable market, and discuss how long this opportunity will last. Attorneys, sales associates and mortgage representatives will be on hand to answer any questions.

Some of the topics addressed at the seminar will include: purchasing a better home without paying more per month, how improved mortgage rates will effect the price of your home and marketing and negotiating strategies. Complimentary refreshments will be served.

For additional information and reservations, call Weichert's Hillsborough office 874-8100.

Create a 'Home from the Heart'

If you're like most people, you've been spending more time inside your home since the beginning of October. It's more than a coincidence then, that this is the time of year family members are most likely to grumble about wanting more space. Space for hobbies, entertaining, working at home or even just a quiet retreat area.

So you've probably already done some thinking about your ideal home. Whether or not you're seriously considering building that home, Associated Designs Inc. would like to hear from you. Your preferences, and those of other readers all over the United States, help keep us on track — help us continue designing home plans that match the wants and needs of contemporary Americans.

Besides that, it's easy and fun filling out the Homes from the Heart survey form. These are the kinds of questions architects and home designers ask when they begin their design process. Maybe you've never consciously considered some of these details before, but it's likely

you already know what your family needs. It's just a matter of getting it on paper.

Don't let your creativity be limited by our form. If inspiration strikes, feel free to send along additional sheets of paper with comments, suggestions, ideas or even sketches. We love hearing what you have to say.

Based on the surveys we receive, Associated Designs will custom tailor a

home to meet the combined specifications of readers from your region. In addition, after compiling nationwide results, we will also create the 1995 Home from the Heart. Survey results, floor plans and artist's conceptions of both homes will appear on these pages approximately two months from now.

So if you want your preferences to count, sharpen your pencil, look into your heart, and let us know what your ideal home looks like.

HOMES from the HEART



TYPE OF HOME

Size of Home:
(in square feet)

- Small ☐ less than 1500
☐ 1500-2000
 Medium ☐ 2000-2500
☐ 2500-3000
 Large ☐ 3000-3500
☐ 3500 and up

Exterior Style:

- ☐ Contemporary
☐ Country
☐ Ranch
☐ Mediterranean
☐ Colonial
☐ Victorian
☐ Tudor
☐ Bungalow
☐ Other _____

Exterior Material:

- ☐ Wood
☐ Brick
☐ Stone
☐ Stucco
☐ Vinyl/Aluminum Siding
☐ Other _____

Type of Wall Construction:

- ☐ Wood Frame
☐ Steel Frame
☐ Concrete Block
☐ Other _____

Type of Foundation:

- ☐ Concrete Slab
☐ Crawl Space
☐ Basement

GARAGE

Number of Cars _____

- ☐ RV Parking
☐ Shop
☐ Storage
☐ Front Entry
☐ Side Entry
☐ Detached

LIVING AREAS

In addition to the kitchen I would like the following rooms in my home:

- Number of Bedrooms _____
 Number of Baths _____
☐ Formal Entry
☐ Formal Living
☐ Formal Dining
☐ Great Room (Open Living/Dining/Kitchen)
☐ Family Room
☐ Media Room
☐ Recreation Room
☐ Exercise Room
☐ Guest Room
☐ Library
☐ Office
☐ Den
☐ Sunroom
☐ Wheelchair Accessible
☐ Other _____

Describe the ideal arrangement for your living spaces:

ATTACH ADDITIONAL NOTES

UTILITY

- ☐ Adjacent to Kitchen/Garage
☐ Adjacent to Bedrooms
☐ In Garage or Basement

MAIN BATH

Describe special main bath features (i.e., two basins, compartmentalized bath, etc.):

ATTACH ADDITIONAL NOTES

KITCHEN

Describe how your ideal kitchen would relate to your home (i.e., open to family room, adjacent to garage, 2-person layout, etc.):

ATTACH ADDITIONAL NOTES

Features (in addition to standard appliances):

- ☐ Breakfast Nook
☐ Island
☐ Eating Bar
☐ Appliance Center
☐ Garden Window
☐ Deck
☐ Pantry
☐ Double Oven
☐ Vegetable Sink
☐ Trash Compactor
☐ Other _____

MASTER SUITE

Best Location:

- ☐ Isolated from other Bedrooms
☐ Adjacent to other Bedrooms

Suite Features:

- ☐ Outside Access
☐ Sitting Room
☐ Walk-in Closet
☐ Other _____

Bath Features:

- ☐ Tub/Shower
☐ Bathtub
☐ Shower
☐ Spa
☐ Two Basins
☐ Vanity
☐ Bidet
☐ Towels/Linen
☐ Other _____

SPECIAL HOME FEATURES

Exterior:

- ☐ Front Porch
☐ Swimming Pool
☐ Spa
☐ Deck/Patio
☐ Screened Porch
☐ Courtyard
☐ Other _____

Interior:

- ☐ Woodstove (which rooms): _____
☐ Fireplace (which rooms): _____
☐ Vaulted Ceilings (which rooms): _____
☐ Skylights (which rooms): _____
☐ Window Seats (which rooms): _____
☐ Computer Center ☐ Wet/Service Bar
☐ Entertainment Center ☐ Swimming Pool
☐ Other _____

YOUR HOUSEHOLD

Name (optional) _____

City/State _____

Number in household _____ Marital status _____ Age _____

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529 FRONT ST. SOLD TO SCHROEDER, KEVIN B. & PAMELA J., FOR \$128,000 ON 12-09-94 BY LANZA, MICHAEL & ELLEN.

EDISON

1505 RASPBERRY COURT SOLD TO CHENG, XU ZIYAN, FOR \$57,000 ON 12-12-94 BY SOMKIN, STEPHEN L.

21 MALVERN WAY SOLD TO WASHINGTON, SHERLOCK, FOR \$91,000 ON 12-09-94 BY IWANYSHYN, JO ANN M.

8 BERNICE ST. SOLD TO PATEL, BHOGILAL & SHARDA, FOR \$255,000 ON 12-13-94 BY RAVISHANKAR, P.S. & GEETHA.

17 THIRD ST. SOLD TO AITKEN, JOHN & DIANE, FOR \$152,500 ON 12-12-94 BY EVERSON, GEORGE & JOANN E.

HIGHLAND PARK

201 S. SECOND AVE., NO. 31 SOLD TO MINTER, THOMAS K., FOR \$46,000 ON 12-09-94 BY OWEN, JEFFREY & DIANA.

METUCHEN

35 RAYLE COURT SOLD TO VERLAQUE JOHN W. & GRI E., FOR \$250,000 ON 12-09-94 BY FERGUSON, PAUL E. & JANE M.

25 HAZELWOOD AVE. SOLD TO MEZZY CONSTRUCTION CO., FOR \$94,000 ON 12-13-94 BY WESSEL, CHERYL A.

PISCATAWAY

220 GRANDVIEW AVE. SOLD TO DETURCK, KATHRYN H., FOR \$137,000 ON 12-09-94 BY TEBBETTS, STEVEN P. & LAURA.

436 LODGE ST. SOLD TO MONAHAN, HELEN, FOR \$185,000 ON 12-12-94 BY FIGLER, RAYMOND E. & GLORIA J.

59 KARNELL DRIVE SOLD TO WON, JOSEPH & DOMINIQUE, FOR \$234,000 ON 12-15-94 BY CHRISTIE, DANIEL & RUTH.

SOMERSET

BEDMINSTER

15 CAMBRIDGE ROAD SOLD TO CANON, JANET L. FOR \$200,000 ON 12-08-94 BY DOURNEY, JOHN J. & MCGRADY, WILMA.

17 CROSSFIELD COURT SOLD TO FITZSIMMONS, EDITH E. FOR \$121,000 ON 12-08-94 BY BLAIKIE, MARY M.

BRANCHBURG

316-H HARLAN SCHOOL ROAD SOLD TO ARMUS, JONATHAN B. & MAURA A. FOR \$220,000 ON 12-08-94 BY O'NEILL, JOHN P. & MARYANN.

6 CARLISLE ROAD SOLD TO SENATE, JOSEPH & SAU FOR \$225,000 ON 12-12-94 BY GARGUILO, ROBERT & GARGUILO, R.

BRIDGEWATER

181 MAPLE ST. SOLD TO ELIAS, JOHN G. FOR \$100,000 ON 12-09-94 BY HEALY, JOHN & TRACY.

2203 WINDER DRIVE SOLD TO IANETTA, JOSEPH & LENA FOR \$136,500 ON 12-12-94 BY MCBRIDE, MARK M. & AMY.

408 ROUTE 28 SOLD TO COHEN, ALAN M. & MONICA FOR \$178,500 ON 12-08-94 BY KEGNEY, JOHN & LILIANA.

731 RED LION WAY SOLD TO FELIGI, WILLIAM B. & LAURA FOR \$293,550 ON 12-13-94 BY LEVIN, CRAIG & WENDY.

2080 LYNN WAY SOLD TO LILLY, RAYMOND E. & DARLENE P. FOR \$282,000 ON 12-07-94 BY LEMMA, DONALD R. & MARIANITA.

2073 WASHINGTON VALLEY ROAD SOLD TO BACELAR, ALEJANDRO M. & WEIZHEN FOR \$237,500 ON 12-13-94 BY TATUR, HENRY J. & ANN DOLIDA.

2147 WASHINGTON VALLEY ROAD SOLD TO LOCASCIO, SEBASTIANO & VINCENZA FOR \$220,000 ON 12-09-94 BY

BAGUNDES REALTY CO INC.

219 STRATFORD PLACE SOLD TO MALISZEWSKI, ROXANNE & SAVARE N. FOR \$96,100 ON 12-07-94 BY ARGENZIANO, THOMAS.

FRANKLIN

61 TOWNSEND COURT SOLD TO DAVIS, TIMOTHY FOR \$107,000 ON 12-09-94 BY LLOYD, JONATHAN.

15 DRIFTWOOD DRIVE SOLD TO BIRGA, ANN MARIE FOR \$123,750 ON 12-07-94 BY MANNHEIMER, RALPH H. & LOCKE, K.M.

21 BEACONSFIELD PLACE SOLD TO DOWBACHUK, JOHN FOR \$70,000 ON 12-07-94 BY SCHUBERT, WARREN R. & SCHUBERT, H.

20 WALNUT AVE. SOLD TO GEREC, JOHN FOR \$100,000 ON 12-08-94 BY RY-NIC INC.

HILLSBOROUGH

72 NOSTRAND DRIVE SOLD TO GORBACH, GERALD & ROSANNA FOR \$190,000 ON 12-09-94 BY COURTLAND DEVEL INC.

129 VALLEY ROAD SOLD TO ZACKERU, GARY K. & PAULA M. FOR \$183,000 ON 12-07-94 BY ESTATE OF ZELASKO, RICHARD C.

1008 WILLIAM AND MARY COMMONS SOLD TO BECKER, DALE & KATARZYNA FOR \$105,000 ON 12-06-94 BY KRACHUN, REGINA.

112 BLUEBIRD DRIVE, NO 1A SOLD TO VOZZO, JEFFREY FOR \$110,000 ON 12-09-94 BY LEE, JENNIFER.

28 POND COURT SOLD TO PONGRAZZI, RICHARD H. JR. FOR \$115,000 ON 12-09-94 BY HAVEN SVGS. BANK.

132 STEINMETZ ROAD SOLD TO HOGAN, HELEN L. FOR \$200,000 ON 12-13-94 BY WYLUDA, REGIS & MICHELE.

11 VALINOR ROAD SOLD TO CERZA, DAVID A. & NANCY J. FOR \$258,000 ON 12-09-94 BY BAUMAN, FREDERIC T. & BEVERLY A.

11 STURWOOD DRIVE SOLD TO KRUCHOWY, LESIA M. & ROMAN W. FOR \$2,800,000 ON 12-07-94 BY HOGAN, JAMES MICHAEL & HELEN L.

MANVILLE

128 VALERIE DRIVE SOLD TO MANDERSKI, RICHARD M. FOR \$139,000 ON 12-13-94 BY WEIKEL, RUSSEL A. JR. & SIOBHAN M.

MONTGOMERY

88 RICHMOND DRIVE SOLD TO WEICHMAN, BARRY M. & GAIL S. FOR \$180,000 ON 12-08-94 BY WEICHMAN, BARRY M.

44 ROBIN DRIVE SOLD TO KANE, MICHAEL G. & HOLLY E. FOR \$280,000 ON 12-09-94 BY WEBB, BRUCE A. & NANCY R.

29 AUGUSTA COURT SOLD TO TOTTENHAM-SMITH, NORMAN R. FOR \$581,000 ON 12-13-94 BY DKM RESIDENTIAL PROP. CORP.

NORTH PLAINFIELD

591-593 FISK PLACE SOLD TO BRASWELL, PAUL J. FOR \$135,000 ON 12-09-94 BY AXELSEN, PAUL W.

SOMERVILLE

58 CULVER ST. SOLD TO WAVERCZAK, WILLIAM F. & MARGARET FOR \$104,000 ON 12-12-94 BY KIELBLOCK, HENRY F. & LENORE E.

WATCHUNG

78 CRESTWOOD DRIVE SOLD TO AMBINDER, LLOYD & CAROLINA FOR \$349,000 ON 12-12-94 BY COZEWITH, CHARLES & CYNTHIA S.

281 VALLEY DRIVE SOLD TO WEERACKODY, VIJITHA FOR \$200,000 ON 12-13-94 BY PETERS, THERESA.

UNION

CRANFORD

37 COLUMBIA AVE. SOLD TO TALARICO, ROBERT J. FOR

\$210,000 ON 11-28-94 BY DISTURCO, PETER J. & LINDA A.

1 ROSELLE AVE. SOLD TO RUSSELL, WILLIAM C. & MERYL A. FOR \$177,000 ON 11-21-94 BY SCHRETTNER, JOSEPH JR.

14 CLARK ST. SOLD TO RIAL, ROBERT & SHARON FOR \$283,900 ON 11-29-

94 BY STASI, RICHARD A. & MARYLIN A.

FANWOOD

25 WALDON ROAD SOLD TO DIPIANO, ROCCO S. & CAROL A. FOR \$182,000 ON 11-23-94 BY MEYERHOFF, JEFFREY.

5 NICHOLS COURT SOLD TO STEFANIK, THOMAS J. & KIM M. FOR

\$232,500 ON 11-21-94 BY GERLACH, ROBERT F. & JILL L.

KENILWORTH

30 BASSER LANE SOLD TO VITALE, RICHARD F. & JANINE FOR \$180,000 ON 11-21-94 BY BORBONE, DONALD & DEBORAH A.

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Richard G. Seget, broker/sales representative with Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors Metuchen/Edison office, has been honored for achieving the No. 1 Top Sales Associate of the Month for October 1994.

Ms. Seget has been recognized as the top sales associate of the month for five of the last ten months for a total dollar volume of production and the total number of listings sold.

Elyn Weigand has joined Weichert, Realtors' Branchburg office as a sales associate.

Ms. Weigand, a Neshanic resident, was a customer service man-

ager and administrative assistant with a local real estate development company.

Connie Radlof of Century 21 Golden Post Realty in Middlesex has been named Salesperson of the Year.

Ms. Radlof has been with Century 21 Golden Post Realty for 11 years and has been a member of the Century 21 Million Dollar Club and the Gold Associate Masters Club during this time.

Donna Kelley has joined

Weichert, Realtors' Branchburg office as a sales associate.

Ms. Kelley, a resident of Branchburg, is a graduate of Jersey State College and holds a B.A. in health education/nursing.

Karen Ettere, a licensed real estate agent in the Century 21 system since 1984, continues to qualify as a member of the Century 21 Million Dollar Club. For the past three years Ms. Ettere has achieved the level of Gold Associate in Century 21 Masters Club.

Ms. Ettere is a top selling agent for Century 21 Golden Post Realty in Middlesex for 1994.

Al Morer, a 10-year real estate professional, has joined Coldwell Banker Schlott's South Plainfield/Piscataway area office in South Plainfield.

A licensed broker, Mr. Morer was based with the same local real estate firm for most of his career. As a top producer, Mr. Morer earned membership in the prestigious New Jersey Association of



Warchol



Misura



Piegara

Two associates join CBS Westfield office



Bregman

Nancy Bregman, a pillar of the Westfield real estate community, has joined Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors, Westfield office, as a sales associate. She was formerly associated with Barrett & Crain, Realtors.

Over the course of twenty years as a real estate professional, Mrs. Bregman has helped hundreds of local families buy or sell their homes, in some cases, two or three times. A perennial member of the NJAR Million Dollar Sales club, often achieving the Silver Level, she was one of only 21 realtor members of the Westfield Board of Realtors to earn membership in the NJAR Distinguished Sales Club awarded to sales people who have qualified for the Million Dollar Sales Club for at least ten consecutive years.

A resident of Westfield for 31

years, Mrs. Bregman is an active member of Temple Emanu-El.

Mary McEnerney has joined Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors' Westfield office as a sales associate. Prior to joining Westfield office of Coldwell Banker Schlott, Ms. McEnerney was the top sales person with the former Barrett & Crain.

A real estate professional for 19 years, Ms. McEnerney has been a perennial member of the NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club, achieving the Silver Level for the past four years. She is a member of the Westfield and Summit Boards of Realtors and holds the GRI and CRS designations of advanced professional education. She is also a member of the Distinguished Sales Club, a recognition of professional accomplishment introduced this year by the New Jersey Association of Realtors.



McEnerney

Realtors Million Dollar Sales Club in 1988-89.

Robert Warchol, a sales associate with Century 21 Golden Post Realty in Middlesex, has been named Century 21 Post Realty 1994 Top Listing Associate of the Year.

Mr. Warchol has achieved the level of Gold Associate in Century 21 Masters Club.

Paul Misura, a sales associate with Weichert, Realtors' Edison office, has been awarded the Certified Residential Specialist (CRS) Designation by Residential Sales Council of the Realtors National Marketing Institute, an affiliate of the National Association of Realtors.

An experienced real estate professional, licensed broker and graduate of the Realtor Institute, Mr. Misura has been listing and selling homes for more than five years. He is a member of the Middlesex County Board of Realtors.

Debbie Piegara, a sales associate with Century 21 Golden Post Realty in Middlesex for seven years, is a member of the Century 21 Million Dollar club. She holds the Century 21 VIP designation and has received NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club.

Jack Grund, a sales associate with Weichert, Realtors' Hillsborough office, has been recognized as the office's top producer for listing the most homes in December.

An experienced real estate professional and licensed broker, Mr. Grund has been listing and selling homes for seven years. His sales performance has earned him membership in the NJ State Million Dollar Club and the company's Million Dollar Sales Club.

Ruth Kosensky, a sales associate with Weichert, Realtors' Hillsborough office, has been recognized as the office's top producer for listing the most homes in November.

An experienced real estate professional, Ms. Kosensky has been listing and selling homes for 17 years. Her sales performance has earned her numerous honors, including membership to Weichert's prestigious President's and Ambassador's Club, as well as the NJ State Million Dollar Club at the silver level.

Lenore Podraza, a sales associate in Weichert, Realtors' Bernardsville office, has qualified for the New Jersey Association of Realtors Distinguished Sales Club.

Ms. Podraza, an experienced real estate professional, has been listing and selling homes for 22 years, and holds the designation of Graduate, Realtor Institute.

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Property Sales

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SCOTCH PLAINS

2342 MONICA PLACE SOLD TO CHAVARRIA, VERNI FOR \$225,000 ON 11-28-94 BY BRECHT, JOSEPH T. & GLORIA.

24 BRIARCLIFFE DRIVE SOLD TO GERLACH, ROBERT F. & JILL R. FOR \$335,000 ON 11-21-94 BY KAHNG, JAE H. & JUNG S.

10 FIELDS LANE SOLD TO SCHULMAN, DAVID & FAITH FOR \$327,895 ON 11-28-94 BY STIRLING CHASE INC.

76 CLYDESDALE ROAD SOLD TO PARMAR, MANSUKH M. & RUPA M. FOR \$335,711 ON 11-28-94 BY SAUGATUCK ASSOCIATES INC.

WESTFIELD

225 N. FLORENCE AVE. SOLD TO CUMMINGS, DENIS B. & LISA FOR \$160,000 ON 11-21-94 BY PIESCO, ALFRED & RANDY N.

832 STEVENS AVE. SOLD TO REIMLINGER, RICHARD G. FOR \$281,000 ON 11-28-94 BY PAULES, CHARLES E. JR. & SUSAN H.

649 SUMMIT AVE. SOLD TO ALVAREZ, ARTURO & MICHELLE FOR \$247,000 ON 11-21-94 BY RAMAGE, JAMES H. & MARIANN W.

Country surrounds 18th century farmhouse

Located in historic Oldwick, Clover Mill Farm nestles on 20 acres of the gently rolling hills of Hunterdon County. The original 18th century residence, framed by mature hardwood trees, sits on a knoll overlooking a lovely pond and scenic landscape.

"Clover Mill Farm's residence is charming and offers sunny, generously proportioned rooms. Its grounds are reflective of gracious country living," says Elizabeth Kneser, and a lifelong resident of the area and an associate of Richard S. Ward, Realtors which represents the estate.

An antique brick walkway bordered by a boxwood hedge leads to the home, which has been renovated over the years to include modern conveniences while retaining its 18th century charm.

An expansive front-to-back center hall graces the first floor. The living room's large fireplace, bay window and French doors opening to the patio create a welcoming ambiance which also prevails in the formal dining room with its large windows, walk-in fireplace and wet bar.

Off the dining room, the tradi-

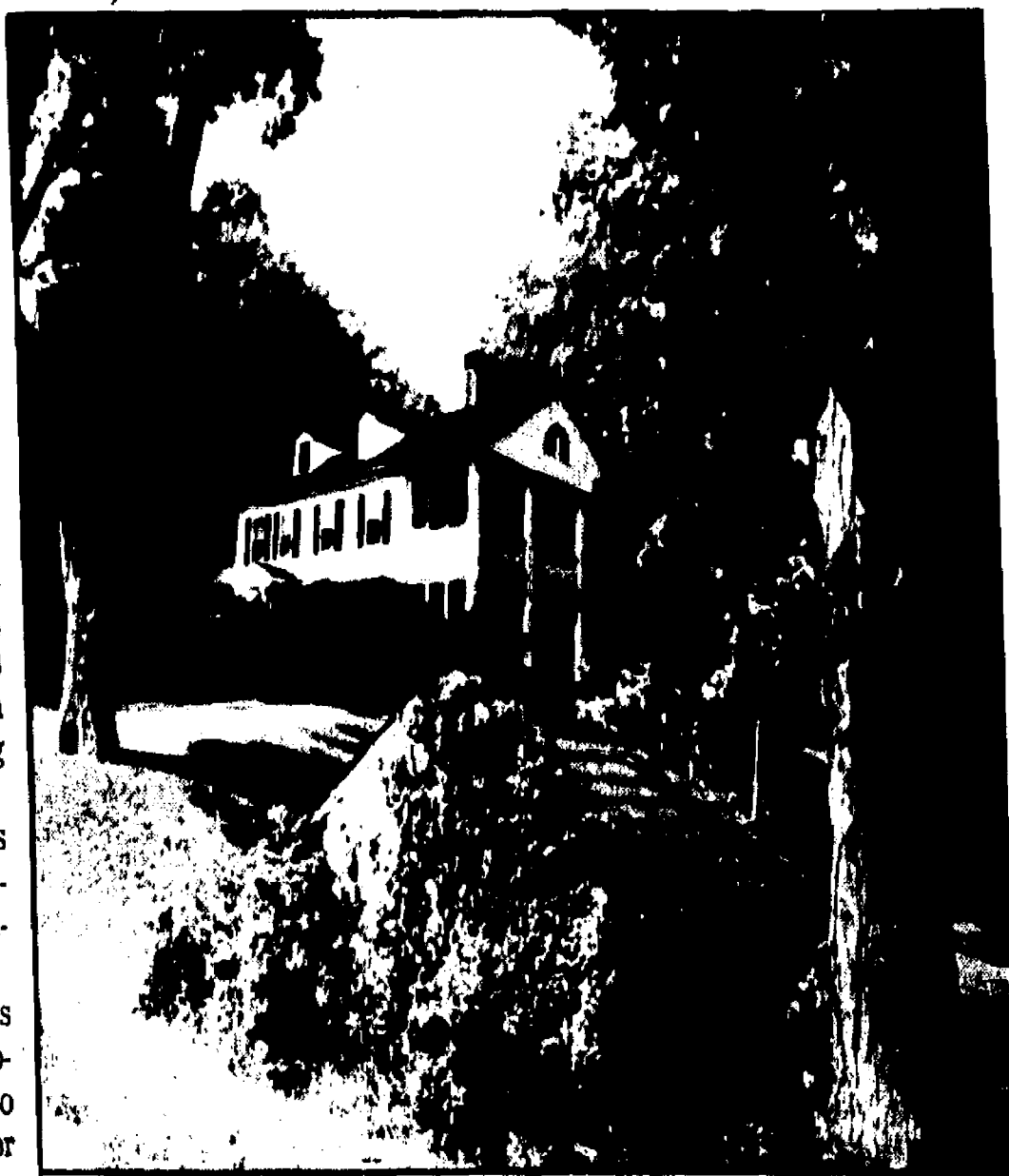
tional library with bookcases, a large hunter's closet and a full bath provides a haven for comfort and solitude. On the other hand, the sunny kitchen area has ample space for the practicalities of living and entertaining with its sitting room, butler's pantry, laundry room, and a mud room.

On the spacious second floor are seven bedrooms, some with fireplaces, and four full baths in addition to a cozy upstairs sitting room with bookcases and a fireplace. The master bedroom, appointed with a corner fireplace, bookcase, cedar closet, and full bath, also has French doors that lead to a screened sleeping porch offering spectacular views of the property.

This gracious, antique house has many other amenities which combine to create its enduring character.

The estate including 20 acres is offered at \$1,750,000. Approximately 75 acres adjacent to the property is also available for an additional \$1,600,000.

For a private appointments to view Clover Mill Farm, contact Elizabeth Kneser, 234-2230.



With seven bedrooms, some appointed with fireplaces, and spacious quarters, this 18th century farmhouse may make a charming bed and breakfast.

Committee earns awards of excellence

The Somerset County Board of Realtors' Community Service Committee was honored with three 1994 Community Service Awards at the New Jersey Association of Realtors Annual Convention recently held in Atlantic City. In the medium-sized board category, the committee won the following awards for projects benefiting Somerset County charities:

- First Place for the Most Unique Project, which was the sale of *Entertainment '95* books to benefit The Resource Center for Women and their Families, which provides counseling and refuge for victims of domestic violence, and The Handyman Project, which assists older adults with minor home repairs and maintenance.

- First Place for the Most Member Involvement with a Food Drive for The Food Bank Network of Somerset County in which 70 Realtors participated and collected nearly 6,000 pounds of food at local supermarkets.

- Third Place for the Most Member Spirit for CPR Training during which 30 people were trained and certified to administer CPR. Eileen Burlinson, of Coldwell Banker Schlott Realtors, and Jan LaRusso, of Burgdorff Realtors, co-chairwomen of the Community Service Committee, credited the success of the projects to "the generosity of the members of the community and a dedicated group of realtor

volunteers who have truly given back something of themselves to the communities in which they live and work." The Committee members include:

Marie Billingsby of Prudential Rose Realtors; Joan Beckert, Jackie Maglione, Alexis Park, Adele Zielinski of Weichert Realtors; Wendy Cramer, Jane DiGian, Rita Duffy, Florence Haight, Nina Orshan, Gay Sacharoff, Phyllis Staskewicz, Martin Shupack, Louise Ungaro of Burgdorff Realtors; Joan Bang, Janet Chelel, Trina Fagan, Rhoda Leiman, Marge Mueller, Michael Scott, Ann Kreshak, Florence Wyde of Coldwell Banker Schlott Realtors; Lynn Levine of Prudential Pioneer Real Estate; and Cheryl Sheasby of PHH U.S. Mortgage.

Other completed projects included a spring and fall collection of career clothing to be donated to Working Wardrobe, which provides outfits at no charge to women who are interviewing for jobs and cannot afford to purchase appropriate clothing, and a fall-winter Coat Drive for the needy.

The Community Service Committee expressed gratitude for the efforts of Sandy Krueger, executive officer, Sharon Mancini and Bob Keller of the Somerset County Board of Realtors for their assistance throughout the year, and to realtor, Mary Ann Jaczuk whose committee raised funds for Middle Earth, which operates a runaway hotline and two drop-in centers.

CENTRAL JERSEY MORTGAGE RATES

Lender, City, Phone	APP FEE	30 YR FIXED			15 YR FIXED			OTHER			
		RATE	PTS	APR	RATE	PTS	APR	RATE	PTS	APR	
Amboy National Bank, Old Bridge	908-581-8700	200	8.75	3.00	9.15	8.25	3.00	8.82	5.75	2.50	9.32 A
American Federal Mtg, Bound Brk	908-767-2861	100	8.50	0.00	8.50	8.00	3.00	8.82	5.38	2.50	7.27 F
Capital Funding, Parsippany	908-882-8780	0	8.13	0.00	9.13	8.75	0.00	8.75	6.63	1.00	8.71 A
Centar Federal Savings, Ewing	908-882-8244	350	8.38	3.00	8.71	8.38	3.00	8.98	9.00	3.00	9.47 B
Charter Fedl Savings, Randolph	201-388-3300	300	9.38	0.00	9.38	8.75	1.00	8.82	7.63	0.00	9.12 M
Corestate Mortgage Services	908-999-3885	250	8.63	3.00	9.01	8.13	3.00	8.71	6.00	2.25	N/P A
First Fidelity Bank	908-435-7332	375	8.50	3.00	8.85	8.25	3.00	8.79	6.00	3.00	9.53 A
First Savings Bank SLA, Edison	908-225-4450	350	8.63	3.00	9.02	8.13	3.00	8.70	8.13	0.00	9.04 C
Genesis Mtge Svcs, E Brunswick	908-257-5700	375	8.75	3.00	9.09	8.38	3.00	8.89	6.00	3.00	10.1 A
Ivy Mortgage, Belle Mead	908-488-5383	300	9.25	0.00	9.25	9.00	0.00	9.00	6.75	0.00	6.75 A
Midlantic Bank, N.A.	800-274-0703	380	8.50	3.00	8.85	8.13	3.00	8.65	5.75	3.00	9.46 A
Morgan Carlton Fin'l, Matawan	908-882-8718	0	8.38	2.75	8.58	8.00	2.75	8.21	5.00	2.75	5.21 A
Natwest Home Mortgage	800-888-8781	375	8.50	3.00	8.83	8.00	3.00	8.51	6.00	2.50	N/P A
New Century Mtge, E. Brunswick	908-390-4800	370	9.13	0.38	9.26	8.88	0.38	9.02	3.99	2.50	5.62 A
NJ Home Funding Group, Edison	908-248-4400	0	8.63	3.00	N/P	8.13	3.00	N/P	9.00	3.00	N/P B
NJ Savings Bank, Somerville	908-722-0800	350	8.88	3.00	9.22	8.88	1.00	9.04	5.38	2.00	9.21 A
Peapack-Gladstone Bank	908-234-0700	200	9.50	1.38	9.66	9.25	0.00	9.25	7.88	0.00	9.41 P
Source One Mtge Svcs, Cranford	800-870-4857	300	8.38	3.00	8.79	8.13	3.00	8.75	8.50	0.00	9.24 O
Sterling National Mortgage, Clark	800-582-8725	195	8.25	2.75	8.55	7.88	2.75	8.34	8.63	2.75	8.93 B
United National Bank, Plainfield	908-758-5000	400	N/P	N/P	N/P	8.50	2.00	8.84	6.00	2.00	8.01 A
W.F.S. Mortgage, Warren	908-580-8719	0	9.13	0.00	9.13	8.75	0.00	8.75	7.25	0.00	7.25 F

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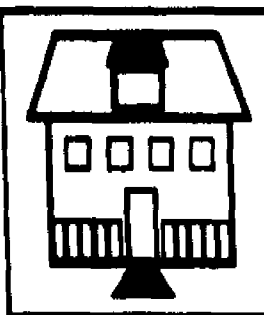
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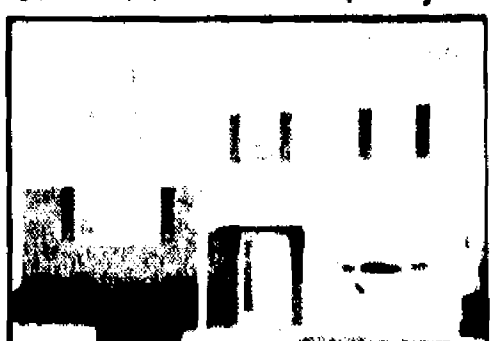


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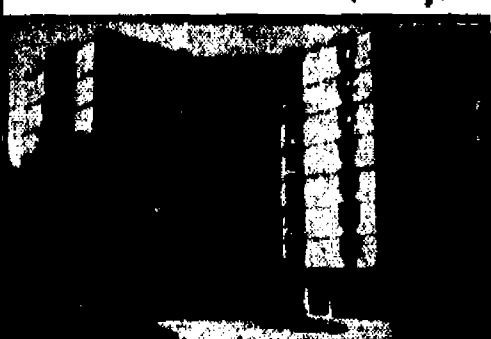


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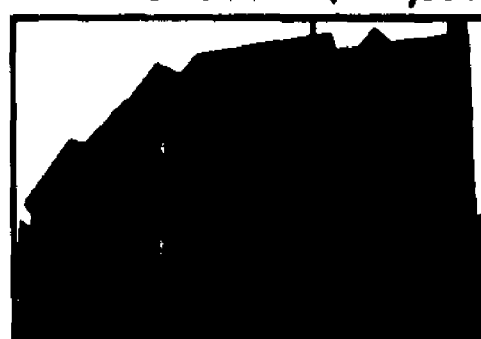
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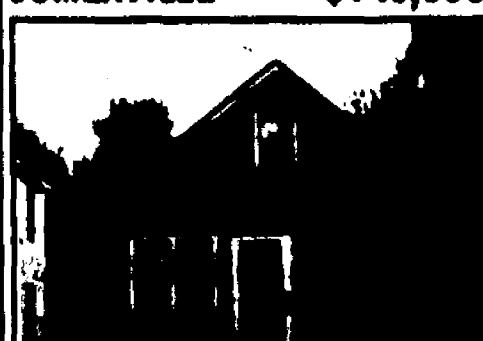


NEW HOME

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6 Sextet

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3. Slimfast.
4. O.J.'s new book.
5. Extra-large jeans.
6. A weekend for two in a motel on Route 1 between Linden and Elizabeth.

The Matchmaker

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I've been asked to play matchmaker for the souls in "Introductions," the wonderful magic barrel of lovelorn souls in the final pages of *Weekend Plus*. The Matchmaker sees himself as a kindly cosmic telephone operator connecting these people together. For example, "33 and Fading Fast" (Ext. 5097), who was disappointed with what 1994 had to offer, may find happiness with "Very Romantic" (Ext. 4952), who calls himself level-headed, sincere and honest. He says he treats women with respect, which is probably what "33 and Fading Fast" wants.

Or she can try "SWM — Searching for one of a Kind" (Ext. 4772), who says he's tired of head games and the bar scene. Though he's a bit young for "33 and Fading Fast" he just may be the type of youthful and considerate lover she is looking for, a fellow veteran of the singles wasteland looking to enter the paradise of a LTR (long term relationship) — The Matchmaker is hip to this groovy jargon.)

"Looking for That Special Jersey Boy" (Ext. 5072) could do herself no harm by calling "Attractive SWM - 35" (Ext. 4807). They're both blondes and have blue eyes; he's full of laughs and she likes comedy clubs. He's looking for someone who likes hugs and she likes cuddling. The Matchmaker feels good about this one.

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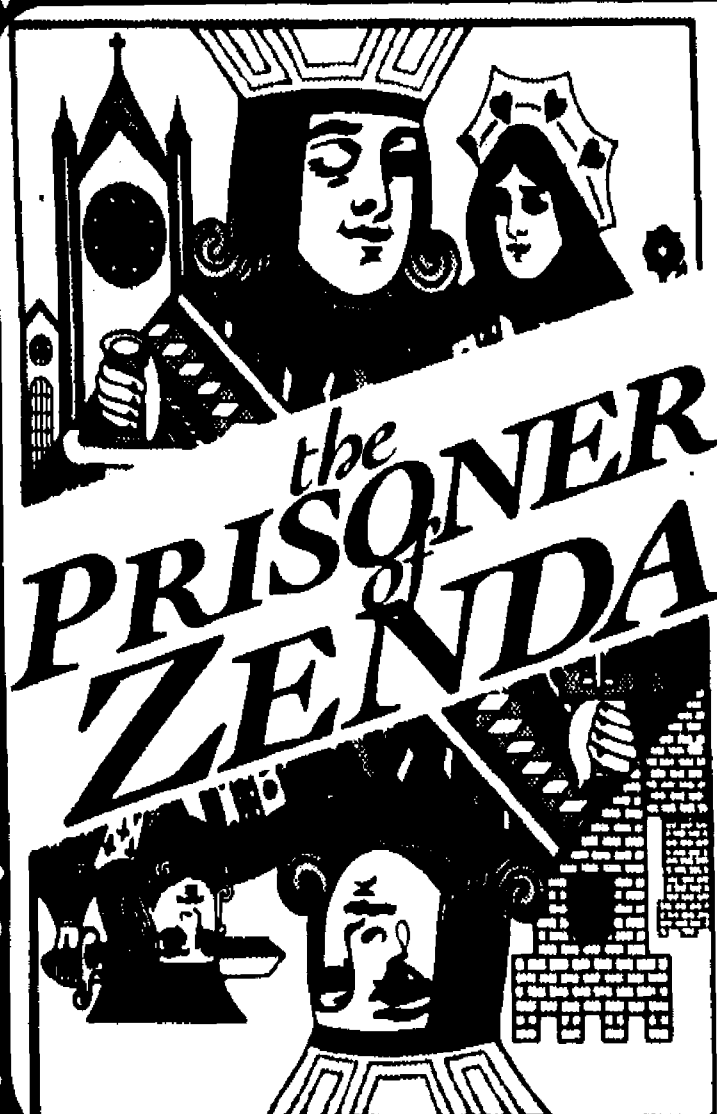
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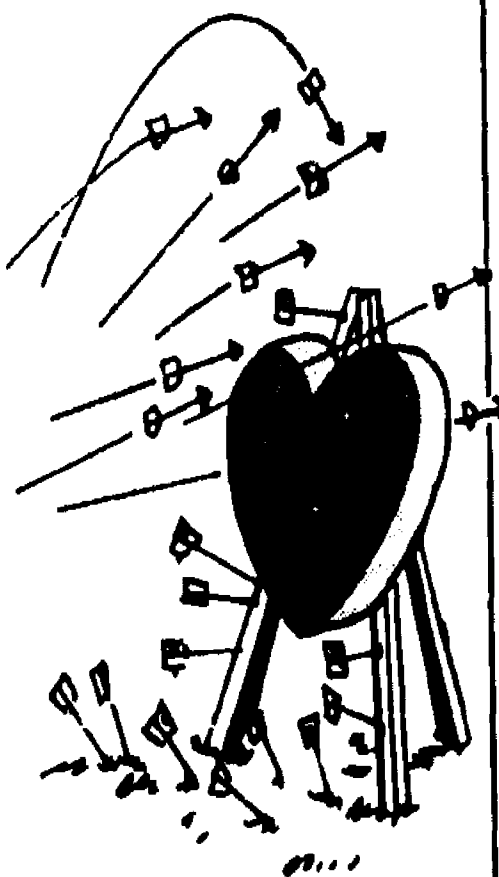
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Matt Reckel and Ann Schnelder meet for a date at The Newsrom, Somerville

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A holiday meant for all Sir Saps

Weekend Confidential is not all hearts and flowers as Valentine's Day quickly approaches like some post-relationship apocalyptic shadow of doom.

Some of us see St. Valentine's Day for what it truly is: a contrived "holiday" having dubious religious affiliations that no one can seem to validate with its actual origins lying somewhere in the now-yellowed with age date book of a candy industry marketing whiz.

A friend of ours once wrote "Ah, yes those interminable gray and somber days of midwinter, sent scurrying for a moment on February 14 as lovers let shine the warm light of their sincerest affections..." What drivel. What absolute hogwash. We herein dub him Sir Sap, and rightly so.

Where was all of that "warm light" the rest of the year? Where were your "sincerest affections" in, say, the languishingly humid dead-heat of July when your February-inspired "love goddess" asked you to take out the trash after you just spent three very sweaty hours cleaning out the garage?

William Shakespeare, the oft-quoted poet of choice for many would-be romantics, has been misdiagnosed as the poet of love for the sake of this most pointless of hallowed dates. The idea that Shakespeare was a writer of sappy love-mush is not only absurd, it's dead wrong.

Blow the dust of your opened-once-a-year-for-this-stupid-holiday copy of his complete sonnets and take a gander for yourself. Remove all those sonnets dealing with age and the slow creep of the reaper toward the Bard's deathbed (apparently he thought he was dying for years). Cast out those poems in which Shakespeare assures the women he loves that they will be remembered because *they* are mentioned in his work. And toss all those sonnets dealing with any thing but the specific subject of love.

Okay, what do you have left? Did you keep *My Mistress' Eyes* and *Shall I Compare Thee to a Summers Day*? Great.

Now, take *My Mistress Eyes* and tell your significant other you would like to read a Shakespearean sonnet that will express your deepest feelings.

Did you get slapped? Hard? Twice? Good. What does that leave for something to slap on the inside left blank spot of the \$2.50 Hallmark you purchased on the way home from work? *Shall I Compare Thee...*

All of those sonnets penned by the supposed "King of Valentine's Day" and nary a one you might use for wooing purposes.

Hmmmm...What would the Bal-

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lader of Bawd do?

He'd probably tell you to write you own damn love poem.

The Bard, in his wisdom, might tell you to stop wasting time watching the swirl of the years pass you like a brisk north wind and to start letting those around you know you care — all year long. What a concept, huh?

Put down the remote. Drop the fishing pole. Let the golf clubs cool down for a day or two. We should all stop moving to opposite sides of the house every Saturday morning to "do your own things" and try to inject a little Valentine's Day on a daily basis.

In short, we ought to show those we love our true feelings right now, in our own words.

Weekend Confidential Bad Date No. 1

Weekend Confidential has done quite a bit of dating over the past year, but we'll tell you of a story of a really bad date we had about a year ago. This one was quite a doozy; there was definitely no "Love Connection" here.

We went to pick the date up, who lived in Highland Park at the time. We get to the door and she greets *Weekend Confidential* without a hello. The first words from her mouth were "What! No flowers or candy? You're a really cheap date. I can't believe it."

Wow, what a way to start this affair off. We took her to Colonial Diner, East Brunswick and then we went to Tumulty's Pub in New Brunswick, where she proceeded to watch a football game and not talk to us at all, yet expected you-know-who to pick up the tab. *Weekend Confidential* was ready to start giving her money just to talk to us.

When we got out of the vehicle to go see a movie, we slipped twice on patches of ice (this was last winter, when men were men and everyone had shovels). She barely noticed both our slips and failed to offer help. Needless to say, this was one date we didn't care to repeat.

Give a hoot, don't pollute

Weekend Confidential went running on Super Bowl Sunday and

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Rutgers University Geology Museum curator Bill Selden holds a female tusk, standing in front of a female mastodon.

was distressed at the amount of litter clogging our fair state's suburban streets. While it probably didn't seem like much to the average passenger in a car, empty beer cans, snack wrappers, cigarette butts, and other kinds of refuse cluttered the curbs.

Remember Woodsy the Owl singing, "Give a hoot. Don't pollute?" Just because that commercial didn't make the Super Bowl programming doesn't mean it's not important anymore.

Kids can always string along

For a different Sunday afternoon, *Weekend Confidential* suggests you get a child or two, aged 5-10, and take them to the hills — Far Hills — for the "Meet the Philharmonic Woodwinds" concert series conducted by Maestro George Marriner Maull.

It's sad to admit but *Weekend Confidential* is a music illiterate, and joined by an adult friend with the same illiteracy, we both enjoyed the basic strings seminar last month as much as the munchkin with us. When last week we suggested we needed a kid so we could go to this month's concert, our munchkin agreed to take us. Join us, at Far Hills Country Day School 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12. Only \$5 each.

A winter's tale for our times

And so the snow came. Silently, sneakily, like a thief in the night, the evil flakes fell while most of us tucked ourselves into bed.

Not *Weekend Confidential*. We were out driving, stopped at a traffic light at 3 a.m. While glancing out the window, we were surprised to see a man with crutches hobbling rapidly along the sidewalk towards us.

His plea for help naturally drew our attention. A short, stumbling man with snow-white hair and beard, shivering in the cold night. As he drew closer, we realized he only had one leg.

And so *Weekend Confidential* ended up driving a one-legged man to his home in downtown New Brunswick, wondering just exactly what would happen if we got stuck.

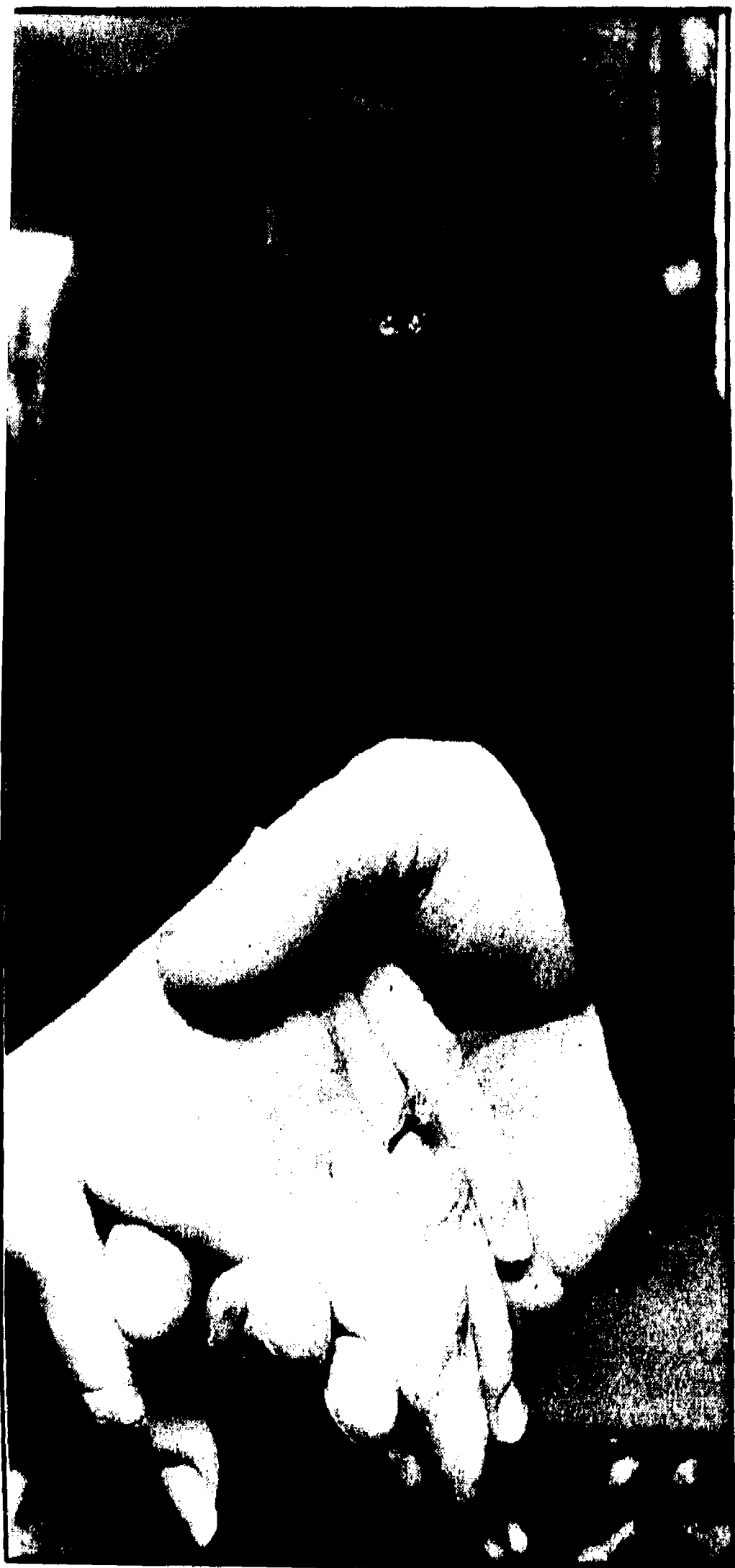
On the way back *Weekend Confidential* couldn't help but ponder about the man.

We wondered why so many others just drove off, sped away, probably convinced he was a criminal.

Or maybe this media bombardment of violent images makes us all victims, so scared we think twice about a simple act of common decency for fear of becoming a statistic.

A match made in heaven

Or in New Jersey, to be exact



Love is a kind of warfare
— Ovid
Ars amatoria

BY LORIE RUSSO

Weekend Plus writer

Angela Conte thought she had another winner. She was being sarcastic.

The dating agency, Together, had called to tell her of a guy they thought would be a perfect match for her. His name was Alfred Verrios, born in Greece and manager of the Denny's restaurant in Raritan. Angela, employed with Prudential in South Plainfield, waited three days for him to call, then decided to call him. "We both got each other's names but I think he was afraid to call," Angela recalls. Alfred had dated before through the agency, but those flings "weren't so hot," Angela says. Alfred, it seemed, was reluctant to try again.

"When I got off the phone with him I said, 'Oh my god, another winner,'" Angela recalls. "He didn't even talk, he just asked when we should meet. Here I wanted a conversation, but he just cut right to the punch."

The upshot: Alfred, 31 and Angela, 28, are now planning their November wedding. The funny part is they almost didn't meet.

The plans were to have dinner at Jose Texas on Route 1 in Edison. Dressed in his Sunday best, Alfred waited outside the restaurant while Angela took a seat inside. After more than an hour, she was ready to leave and was walking outside when Alfred spotted her.

"I saw this cute girl come out and I said, 'Are you Angela?'"

Fate may have played a hand in that meeting, because that night when Angela got home she telephoned a friend and said, "I've met the man I'm going to marry."

Success stories like Alfred's and Angela's are abundant in the matchmaking business, whose professionals will help you with everything, even pointing out obvious first-date blunders. For instance: Never ask to see someone's bank book. Never talk about sex. It's a no-no.

Geri Doremus, 30, a divorcee in Bridgewater, knows what not to talk about on first dates because Together hands out a list of first date do's and don't's.

"They tell you to talk about yourself on the first date -- whatever you feel comfortable with," she says.

Geri, involved now with some-

one who may very well be her future husband, says it was tough having a social life with a 6-year-old son. She had ventured out on a few dates before meeting the person she considers Mr. Right. None of the others had her too enamored.

"I was very skeptical," she says. "I figured how can they find someone who's your perfect match?"

Surprisingly, really bad dates in the business are few and far between. Mediocre dates are more abundant.

Darlene Krosnowski, regional manager at Matchmaker International, says her agency, with locations around the state including an office in Somerville, receives cards from happy couples every year on their wedding anniversaries. Playing Cupid, she adds, isn't about looking into a crystal ball.

"There's no gimmicks, no astrological chart," she says. "Physical attraction is of course a consideration."

Maureen Chatfield, owner of M. Chatfield Limited, a personal in-

Love is a battlefield
— Pat Benatar

roduction company in Bedminster, is interested in matching a highly educated, health-oriented clientele.

"We don't do anything you can't do yourself, we just do it faster," Maureen says of her business.

Maureen, as all professionals in the business, will interview clients. The process takes about 1½ hours and costs \$85. People have to be deemed emotionally ready to become members or they are asked to get their lives together and return when they have worked out their problems. A full service membership can run in the area of \$1,200. Her clients range in age from 22-72 years old.

One 47-year-old man had insisted he wasn't interested in commitment, just a partner for social exchanges, the opera, and an occasional dinner. Another woman, recently divorced, said she just needed to be free for a while. They met for a date and two days later appeared at Maureen's house. "They are mad about each other," Maureen says. "They've just bought a house and they're getting married."

Darlene at Matchmaker's best success story is about Dave and Debra, high school sweethearts who went off to college in different directions. She married, then divorced; he never married. They both ended up being members and were found by the staff to be "ex-

ceptionally compatible."

"They went out six months and got married 1½ years ago," Darlene says. "They're expecting their first child in April."

Of course for every success story, there are the other kind. "Probably one quarter of my dates were really bad," admits Angela.

"No matter how many bad dates you've been on you have to keep trying. I've been on a ton of them. I had gone on a really bad date right before Alfred. I wasn't sure I wanted to do it again."

One of the worst, she says, was with a guy who took her to Manhattan with \$11 in his wallet, only Angela didn't find this out until after he had spent the money on two drinks at South Street Seaport. "He picked me up at 3 p.m. — I drove," Angela recalls. "We had drinks, then at about 6 p.m. I said, 'Let's look for a place to have dinner.' He said, 'I already ate.' He just wanted to walk around. Then we went to the Village to walk around."

That's when he told Angela about the money problem. Good thing she had come prepared with \$50, which paid for the \$20 parking cost, a few more beers and the toll through the tunnel. "I got home at 1 a.m. He asked me for some money for gas and I gave him money to get home, too."

Karen Gaddis, 42, of Green Brook, says she had tried everything before joining Together and even afterward had some pretty bad experiences. She had a vision of her ideal man. Sometimes she thought he wasn't out there.

"One man took me out to dinner and did nothing but complain. He reminded me of Archie Bunker," Karen recalls. "It really turned me off. It was probably my worst date."

"He complained about the meal," she recalls, "about the food prices, the help — he was just a complainer and he was very prejudiced. He concentrated mostly on himself during the conversation and out in parking lot, he physically attacked me. I literally had to push him off me. I couldn't wait to get away."

She recalls other dates during which the conversation reached the level of low-pitched hum, where analyzing every line on the tablecloth became more important than actual conversation.

Then she met Lloyd Fleming, a computer consultant with whom she had been matched, who appeared at a restaurant for their date with a single red rose. "We had a wonderful evening," she recalls. That was Nov. 11. They've been dating ever since.

The moral of dating? If at first you don't succeed, try, try again.

Success story: Wendy, 29 and Will, 32, brought together through the services of M. Chatfield, Ltd., of Bedminster.



A Morris Museum visitor meets his Klingon twin at the Star Trek Federation Science Exhibit.

Trekkies invade Morristown

Fans will flock to new interactive science exhibit

BY KENNETH NEWQUIST
Weekend Plus writer

It's hard to be a Trekkie.

The show has too much technospeak, weird aliens and even weirder fans. The only thing worse than admitting an addiction to Star Trek is admitting one to Melrose Place.

But Trekkies have an advantage over the semi-intelligent masses of Melroseviewers — we have our own museum exhibit.

Star Trek: Federation Science is showing at the Morris Museum in Morristown until April 30, and is sure to draw Trekkies like Klingons to gagh (And if you know what gagh is, you watch way too much Star Trek).

What will pull in fans, and parents of fans, of the four television series and seven movies is an exhibit that stresses the science in Star Trek's science fiction. Federation Science has 40 exhibits, 30 of which are interactive. Each section is subdivided along the same lines as the Starship Enterprise, the series' flagship. Museum goers pass through the Bridge, Engineering, Science Stations and other subsections on their way to the final frontier — the gift shop.

Those attending the exhibit might expect a guided tour of the 24th century, but what they'll find is more of a flyby.

Diehard fans, the infamous Trekkers, will probably be disappointed. The science is solid — there's none of the futurist technobabble about subspace field inverters or multiphase shield modulations.

The exhibits are geared toward giving children a hands-on approach to science, and they'll probably love it.

Interactive displays let participants feel what it's like to walk on

the Moon, or create antimatter, or transform into an Klingon.

There are a few artifacts from the show, including uniforms worn by Patrick Stewart and other stars. It also has the modern day equivalent of such 24th standbys as the tricorder.

Still, fans might feel like they're missing something. The exhibit is like a roller coaster with only two loops when you were hoping for four, a dinosaur museum with only three dinosaurs, or Disney World with only Mickey Mouse.

You want more.

You want to feel like you're on the Enterprise. You want more techno-jargon. For some reason, you get more of the feel for Star Trek playing the pinball game.

The display is like the latest movie — Star Trek: Generations. Yes, it's good, but it could be so much better. Fans may want to wait until the museum's "Off-World Festival" in March to attend.

The other special programs will surely help to flesh out the exhibit, giving it some of the depth not possible on the press preview day.

There's hardly any evidence of the old show at the exhibit, aside from giant pictures of Spock and Captain Kirk and a few quotes from the show. These are little, and not-so-little details, but they detract from the exhibit as far as Trekkies are concerned.

The end result is children will love it, parents will tolerate it and Trekkies will be left wanting more of it.

Star Trek Federation Science, February 1-April 30, The Morris Museum, 6 Normandy Heights, Morristown. Tickets: \$9. Call (201) 538-5069.

Where to boldly go What to boldly do

Feb. 1-April 30 Star Trek: Federation Science: The exhibit runs 10 a.m.-5 p.m. daily at the Morris Museum on 6 Normandy Heights Road in Morristown.

Admission is \$9 for adults, \$8 for senior citizens, \$7 for students (with valid ID) and \$6 for children.

Feb. 1-April 30 The Enterprise From Sea to Space: Traces the history of the name Enterprise.

2 p.m. Feb. 19 Klingon Language Course: Introduction to the Warrior's Tongue: Dr. Lawrence Schoen teaches "The Sounds of Klingon" while Mark Shoulman explains "The Art of Klingon Cursing."

Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$4.50 for children and senior citizens.

10:30 a.m. and 2 p.m. Feb. 26 Max Grodenchik: Mr. Grodenchik, who plays Quark's hapless brother Rom on Star Trek: Deep Space Nine, conducts a lecture and autograph session.

Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$4.50 for children and senior citizens.

10 a.m.-5 p.m. March 18-19 The Off-World Festival: The festival includes demonstrations of Klingon make-up application, a Star Trek murder mystery trial and a science fiction costume competition. Lectures on the solar system, worm holes and Star Trek collectibles will be held.

Saturday and Sunday admission is \$22 adult, \$13 child. Single day admission is \$13 adult, \$11 child.

Ticket prices include admission to all Festival events and the Star Trek: Federation Science exhibit.

2 p.m. March 26 Phil Farrand: The author of The Nitpicker's Guide for Next Generation Trekkers and The Nitpicker's Guide for Classic Trekkers explores the shows' future technology and how it would affect our culture today.

Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$4.50 for children and senior citizens.

2 p.m. April 2 Klingon Language Course — Introduction to the Warrior's Tongue: See above.

2 p.m. April 8 A Fleet of Enterprises: William Dudley, a senior historian at the Naval Historical Center, Washington D.C., presents the history U.S. ships named Enterprise.

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Love that comes late

Waltzing 'odd couple' enchants this romantic comedy

BY MICHAEL SCASSERRA

Weekend Plus theater critic

"Mystery is the spice of life," proclaims Matt Friedman, one of the two beautifully-drawn characters in the Lanford Wilson play *Talley's Folly*.

"Variety is the spice of life," corrects Sally Talley, the Missouri nurse Matt intends to woo against all odds.

"Well," he responds, refusing to surrender to the indifference of his beloved, "variety has always been a mystery to me."

Talley's Folly dramatizes the tentative, often difficult courtship of this apparently mismatched pair. "This is a waltz," Matt informs the audience at the opening of this romantic comedy in which two disparate characters find mutual understanding, companionship, and ultimately love.

Wilson's text, mounted on Broadway in a 1980s production with Judd Hirsch, is a Valentine to diversity, an essay about how the mysteries of the human heart are ultimately more important and more powerful than the endless variety of individual circumstances.

Matt is a 42-year-old Jewish accountant with socialist leanings; Sally is a younger, unattached nurse from a rich but rural family. Yet in *Talley's Folly* the same emotional histories which isolate Matt and Sally from the rest of the world eventually draw them together.

Unfolding on Independence Day 1944 as much of America celebrates the anticipated victory of World War II and coming prosperity, *Talley's Folly* chronicles Matt's tenacious efforts to win Sally's heart. Despite Wilson's vivid characterizations and his enchanting gift for dialogue, *Talley's Folly* is a conven-

tional kind of drama in which confrontation brings revelation, and revelation brings understanding. Though his narrative is predictable at heart, an upscale sort of *Odd Couple* with a painful edge, Wilson masterfully controls the music to which his characters dance.

Under Paul Whelihan's astute direction, John Lombardi gives a performance equal parts amusing and moving. Whether trying to entertain Sally with his barely serviceable Humphrey Bogart impersonation or recounting his hidden history of persecution before he came to America, Lombardi's Matt is a moving portrait of a hopeless man desperate for one last shot at happiness.

Perhaps those among us who have survived the most significant losses are more tolerant to variety, more able to move past racial, religious, and economic difference in order to arrive at some rare, precious common ground.

Even stronger is Mona Hennessy, alternately heartbreaking and hysterical as Sally, a self-proclaimed liberal Midwestern college graduate. Hennessy never loses sight of Sally's homespun qualities, yet she never stoops to indulge in a

stereotypical hick delivery.

The characters, particularly when this effectively performed, bring to mind Wilson's unique talent for finding great meaning in seemingly forgotten lives. Perhaps those among us who have survived the most significant losses are more tolerant to variety, more able to move past racial, religious, and economic difference in order to arrive at some rare, precious common ground.

Occasionally the play does seem overly familiar and stagy; at one point, Matt explains people are "like eggs" trapped in their own "shells." Despite a few obvious moments, *Talley's Folly* remains entertaining, emotionally satisfying American theater.

Talley's Folly runs through Feb. 19 at the Forum Theatre, 314 Main St., Metuchen. Call (908) 548-0582.



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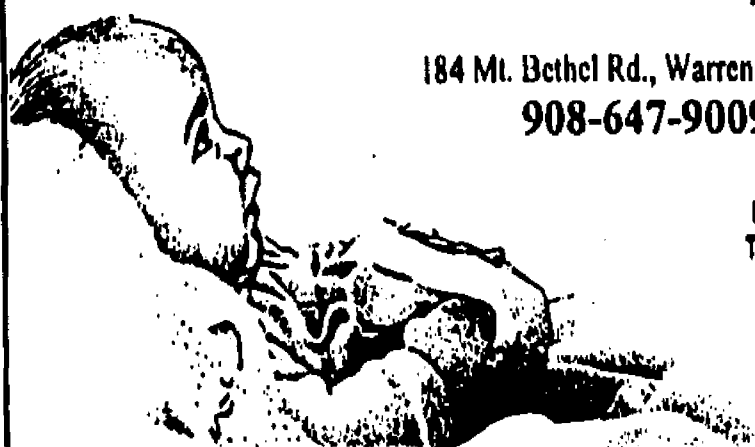
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New Jersey has its say

Premiere attracts national attention

BY MICHAEL SCASSERRA

Weekend Plus theater critic

"When you get real old, honey, you lay it all on the table," maintains 101-year-old Bessie Delany. "There's an old saying: Only little children and old folks tell the truth."

As often as Bessie and her sister Sadie tell their own experiential truth, they also tell a great deal about America's collective truth. *Having Our Say: The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years* was a hardcover best-seller; the life stories of two pioneering professional black women provide a personal chronicle of the rise of the black American middle class as well as an awe-inspiring testament to the resiliency of the human spirit.

Princeton's Tony-award winning McCarter Theatre is transferring the Delany sisters and their delightfully distinct voices from print to the stage via a world premiere drama adapted from the book. Emily Mann, McCarter's artistic director of documentary theater, just happens to be our country's pre-eminent writer and director of documentary theater, an acclaimed artist who uses "the poetry of everyday language" to explore the American character: she established standards for contemporary stage documentary in *Still Life* and *Execution of Justice*. Thematically her work often addresses race, gender, and social injustice. *Twilight: Los Angeles 1992*, the Anna Deavere Smith play which played McCarter in 1993 prior to a short Broadway run, won Mann an NAACP award for significant contribution to African-American theater.

For Mann, dramatizing the lives of the centenarian Delany sisters provides an idea marriage between artist and subject.

"I've spent a lot of my life making oral history into theater," Mann says. "The particular subject matter of *Having Our Say*, its concern with race and with women's issues and with oral tradition, gives me a genuine connection with the material."

The lives of Bessie and Sadie, daughters of a former slave, provide a powerful yet intimate look at America's past century. Mann's two-character adaptation, written exclusively in Bessie's and Sadie's voices, stars Mary Alice and Gloria Foster.

McCarter's artistic director received an advance copy of *Having Our Say* through her sister before its publication date. Equally captivated by the book were Judith James and Camille Cosby, producers Mann worked with on a biography of Winnie Mandela. From those creative seeds, the adaptation and the Princeton premiere were born.



Having Our Say — The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years tells the bestselling story of two remarkable women.

Mann's text, set in the "memory space" of the Delany home, invites audiences to experience more than 100 years of American sisters as told by the sisters in a manner as intimate and comforting as it is intelligent and provocative.

"I want audiences to have the chance to meet these two women," says Mann, who met with Bessie and Sadie and wrote to them before writing the theatrical adaptation of the book. "I think we're all hungry to hear these voices."

"These are voices from the black middle class. The majority of black Americans are middle class, yet they're rarely represented on stage or on screen. *The Cosby Show*, despite what a lot of people seemed to think, was not someone's fantasy."

Mann earlier depicted one view of middle-class black America in *Betsey Brown: A Rhythm and Blues Musical*, based on the novel by Ntozake Shange (whom Mann worked with) about the coming of age of a young black woman.

"*Having Our Say* is about a value system, about how to live life well regardless of one's race or age or financial situation," Mann says. "These are women who broke through the barriers of race. They lived through so much as women and as Americans, yet they remain so direct, so sane, and so humane."

"Here are two people who have every excuse in the world to have become argumentative or self-righteous, but they haven't."

The stage version of *Having Our Say* promises to be a personal, direct, consistently charming tour of the 20th century. Through their generously open conversation, the Delany sisters comment on a fascinating cast of supporting characters, among them Booker T. Washington, Lena Horne, Martin Luther King, Malcolm X, Anita Hill, and Clarence Thomas. Genuine and straightforward throughout, the Delanys never flinch from expressing themselves: "That girl, Anita Hill, is telling the truth," Bessie says at one point. "Honey, I know a rascal when I see one!"

This kind of bluntness and clarity is sure to run throughout *Having Our Say*, a theatrical event which demonstrates yet again the national significance of New Jersey's professional stages, institutions which continue to search for that often elusive common language with which to address and transcend the racial, sexual, and class difference which separate so much of America.

Having Our Say runs through Feb. 26 at the McCarter Theatre, 91 University Place, Princeton. For reservations, call (609) 683-8000.

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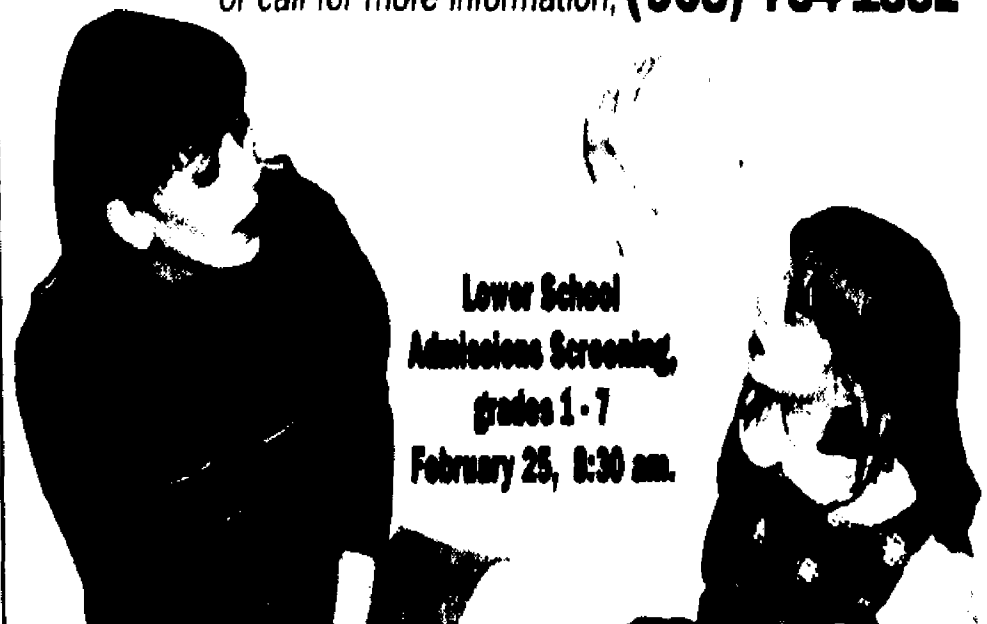
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'Her reasoning seems to be that if everyone she knows is unhappy with marriage, she is destined to be unhappy too.' Gwyn (Sarah Jessica Parker, left) labors over love and marriage to boyfriend Matt (Gil Bellows) in *Miami Rhapsody*.



What would Woody say?

Echoes of Allen in debut flick

BY JEFFREY COHEN
Weekend Plus film critic

If Woody Allen were 20 or 30 years younger and lived in Florida, he might have made *Miami Rhapsody*. But he isn't, so David Frankel had to. Frankel wrote and directed this film having just left a screening of *Annie Hall*: it starts with the traditional Allen credit sequence and a vintage song on the soundtrack, then the main character talking directly into the camera. The difference is that in this case, the main character is Gwyn and she's played by Sarah Jessica Parker. Frankel takes many of the Allen conventions and changes them just enough.

Gwyn and Matt (Gil Bellows), who just got engaged, watch their relationship deteriorate the more she finds out everyone she knows is having an adulterous affair and stuck in a bad marriage. It starts with her parents; Nina (Mia Farrow, in a witty little homage-cum-dig at Allen) and Vic (Paul Mazursky, one of the few men to direct Allen in a movie) have been married 36 years. Nina has just started seeing Antonio (Antonio Banderas), her elderly mother's nurse. Vic is having a longtime fling with his travel agent (Kelly Bishop). Gwyn's brother (Kevin Pollack) is breaking up with his pregnant wife (Barbara Garrick), and Gwyn's newlywed sister (Carl Gugino) is already considering an affair with a high school boyfriend (Jeremy Piven). So naturally, Gwyn starts questioning her own feelings toward Matt, and the next thing you know she's going out with Anto-

nio. If all this is confusing in print, rest assured it's easier to understand on the screen, where you have a face to associate with each name.

Frankel keeps things moving for much of the first half, and he gives Gwyn a lot of juicy wisecracks to keep the plot from seeming too oppressive. The subplots start to weigh down *Miami Rhapsody* in the second half, when Gwyn gets a chance to leave her job as an advertising copywriter and start writing for a very bad sitcom, it starts to seem like too much for one film to handle. Not to mention Gwyn is such an equivocal character and starts to seem too wishy-washy to hold our interest.

Her reasoning seems to be that if everyone she knows is unhappy with marriage, she is destined to be unhappy too. The fact Matt is the most normal, centered person in the entire film seems irrelevant.

The plot is not the major drawing point. It's the asides, the throwaway lines, and the small touches that give *Miami Rhapsody* its flavor. The movie takes many of the conventions of the Allen comedies and turns them around.

The movie also uses its local color to great effect; Miami never looked better and Antonio brings its Cuban population into the mix without stretching. (For all the talk about Banderas, he resembles no one more than David Cassidy.) The subplots pile on until you want to yell "stop!" but the characters are interesting people at the least. There are worse sins than trying to include too much of a good thing in your first movie.

Video Rewind

The *Slingshot* is a grand example of why Sweden leads the world in suicide. In this memoir of a 1920s family, a young girl is drowned in a river for being promiscuous, a boy is slapped by his principal and beaten by his teacher, the same boy spends a night in jail for having painted some bicycles, and his asphyxiator brother is constantly breaking his nose. And this, in Sweden, is considered a comedy. You gotta love a ragtag bunch like this.

Once upon a time Pat Morita and Ralph Macchio put together a charming little *Rocky*-like tale of a boy who learns how to find serenity through karate. The *Karate Kid* made all kinds of money and spawned three sequels. With *The Next Karate Kid* Macchio wisely drops out and Hilary Swank takes his place as the pupil in Morita's eyes. It's about as pale a retread as you can get outside a junkyard the sale — and on top of everything else, it's sexist.

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Painting by numbers

One, two, three thousand bucks

BY LINDA J. DAWSON

Weekend Plus antiques writer

This month we're going to discuss the fascinating field of paintings. A most eclectic field it is, and proof of the adage that beauty is in the eyes of the beholder.

Just visit an art gallery and observe the diametrically opposite reactions of different people to the same painting.

What should we learn from this? Simply this. There are many factors, a few of which we shall review today, which combine to determine the value of an oil painting or watercolor.

The one factor which has no relevance is whether it happens to appeal to you or me. So don't discard it simply because you don't like it. A staggering number of schools of paintings exist: Portraiture, military, animals, landscape, still life, maritime, to name a few.

Then come the eras: ancient, medieval, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th century and modern.

Next is the geographic factor: English, French, Russian, Italian, Flemish, American, etc. Then, of course, is it an oil, or is it a watercolor?

Let's look at a few of the factors affecting value. In the United States, there is a greater demand for American paintings, than European. Signed is usually better than unsigned, although if an art expert certifies an unsigned work can be attributed to a certain artist, then the value is enhanced.

Oils generally bring more than watercolors. Twentieth century paintings are likely to bring less than older works. Buyers are more receptive to paintings still in their original frame.

How about condition? Repairs and res-

toration do detract from the value, as do tears and other defects. Having said all of the above, bear in mind there are often exceptions, which an art professional will recognize. Unless you are an art expert, don't try to be one. Consult one.

Resist the impulse to throw out a painting found in the attic of an estate because you don't like it, or because it is

torn. Many examples can be cited where this kind of find later sold for a small fortune.

In spite of its torn canvas and dirty appearance,

an 1887 Amish farm scene, by J. H. Mer-schrod, sold at Dawson's September 1994 auction for \$5,175

A professional who appraises your painting will examine it with a black light (ultraviolet), which will reveal restoration, and also whether the signature was added later.

The value of research cannot be overstressed. You can access many of the same reference books used by the art appraiser at your local library.

A few of the books I have found useful, both in arriving at values by looking up recent sale prices at auction for comparable works, and in helping to validate signatures, include: *Art Sales Index*, by Hislop American; *Art Analog*, by Zellman; *International Auction Records*, by Mayer; *The Dictionary of Victorian Painters*, by Christopher Wood; *Benezit's series of art reference works*; *Dictionary of American Painters, Sculptors and Engravers*; *Dictionary of Signatures & Monograms of American Artists*, by Falk.

The books listed, and others, are also available for reference at Dawson's Gallery. Also, where the artist's name is known, there are several computerized



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services in use through which recent auction sale prices of comparable works of listed artists can be obtained virtually instantaneously.

The one utilized by Dawson's is *Art-Facts*.

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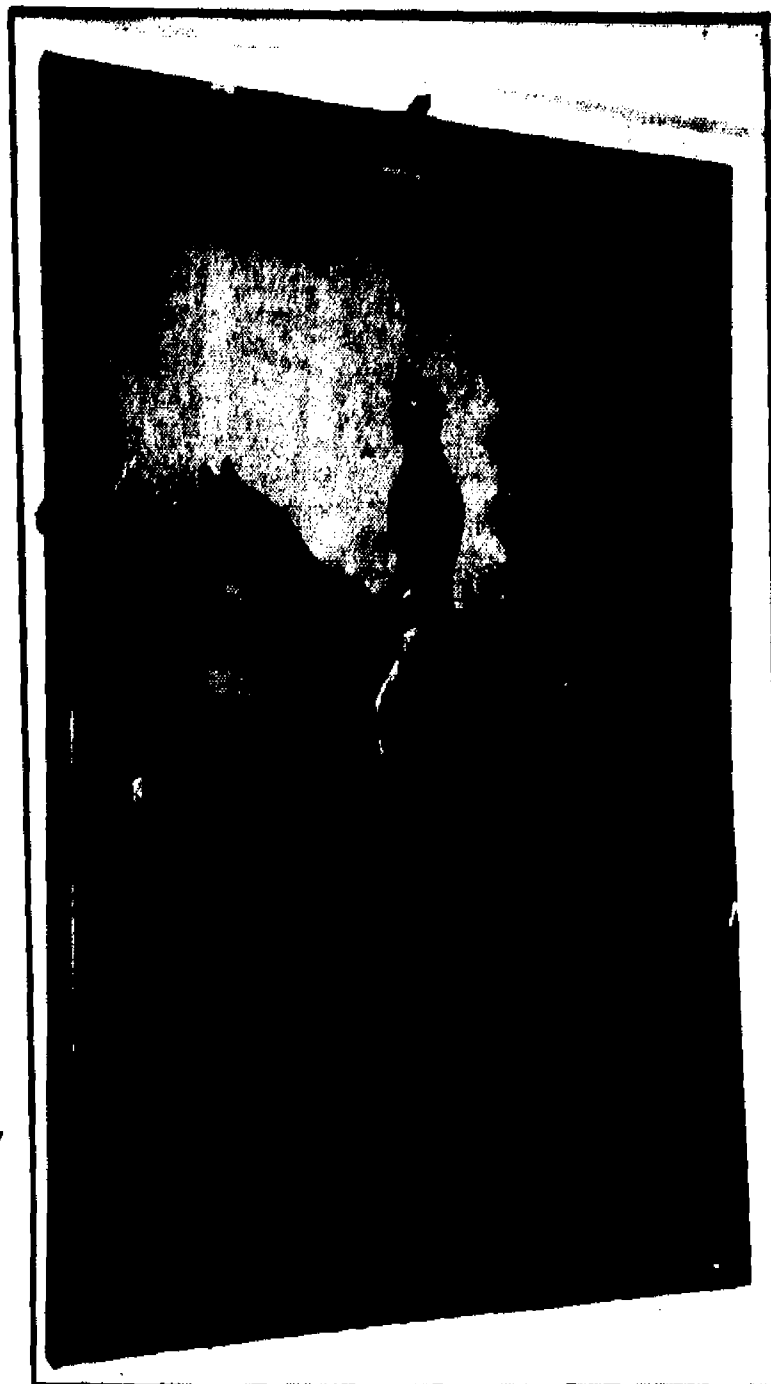
A gentleman from Green Brook asks about his book entitled *Washington and His Generals of the American Revolution*. Further information will be required in order to arrive at an accurate evaluation. If he will call me at the gallery, we will be glad to follow through for him.

An inquiry from Bridgewater arrived in the form of a photograph of a painting depicting a river running through a forested area. This appears to be in the style of, and possibly by T. B. Griffin, a 19th century American artist. Estimated fair market value: \$800.

Answers: Dawson's estimates for their February 11 sale are, top painting: \$4-6,000; and bottom painting, \$1,500-\$2,500.

Linda J. Dawson of Bernardville is frequently heard as a guest speaker before various non-profit groups in the Somerset/Morris area, on the appraisal and sale of antiques and other personal property.

With 17 years' experience in the field, she is a Senior Certified Appraiser, American Society of Appraisers, member of New Jersey and the National Auctioneers associations and conducts monthly personal property auctions from Dawson's gallery in Morris Plains.



See if you can guess how much they are worth. Above: a portrait of Kincaid Lennox, signed and dated, by Thomas Jones Barker (1815-1882), British. Below: By January Suchodolski (1797-1875), Polish, an artist famous for depicting military scenes with horses. For answers, see end of the article.



Trees transform landscape and save on winter fuel consumption

BY CLARE LIPTAK

Weekend Plus gardening writer

The bread-and-butter plants of the landscape are the ones that do the real work. These plants fall into three groups of trees: evergreens, ornamental trees such as dogwood, and shade trees. They have long-range impact and value, and most of them live a long time.

We usually plant trees young. They can't really do their jobs yet. As they mature, they fulfill their purpose and in doing so, increase the property value.

Tall shade trees cool more of the yard, for example. Large evergreens screen more effectively, or block more wind. Older, larger evergreens and shade trees are also



Gardening

more in scale with the home (especially if it's two stories or taller), giving it a look of permanence.

Examples of the larger evergreens include white pines, Norway spruce, Douglas fir, hemlock, arborvitae, and falsecypress. The last two are good choices when there's only room for a narrow screen.

The most pest-resistant planting would be one where several different plants are included in the

screen. The mixture of color, textures, and branch patterns is very attractive.

Windbreaks can be planted in staggered rows with the plants about 7-8 feet apart. In time, every other tree will have to come out because these plants need a space 15 feet wide at maturity. For the best wind protection, place the planting on the northwest side of your home. When mature, these plantings reduce winter fuel consumption by 10-30 percent.

Fierce winds hit the tree barrier and rise into the air. The winds reach the ground again only after flowing over the house.

Ornamental is the name given to a group of trees that are about

15-25 feet high at maturity. These are also more valuable when they're larger. Often planted for their flowers, this group includes the Kousa dogwood, shadbush, hawthorn, Japanese maples, crabapples, and flowering cherry.

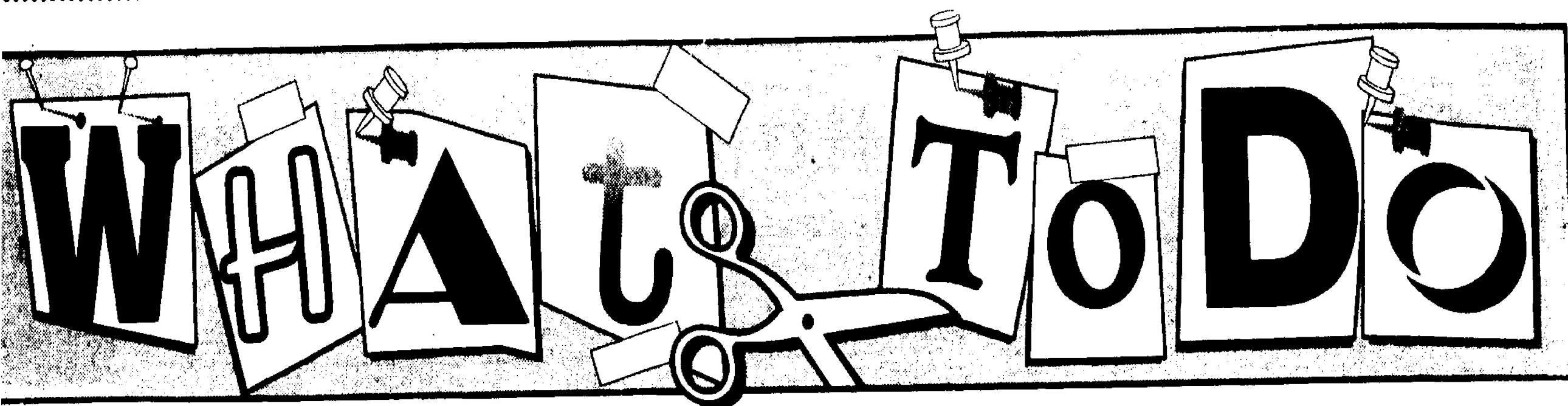
A very effective use of these plants is as a focal point in the landscape — visible from the dining room window, or at the end of a sidewalk.

Examples in the shade tree group include red and pin oak, sweet gum, red maple, little leaf linden, green ash, thornless honey locust, and Kentucky coffee tree. Although none of these trees are fast-growing when compared to a weak-wooded tree like a poplar or

silver maple, a few of them will grow 2-3 feet each year once they're established. In any case, the trees mentioned won't break up in storms like the poplars and silver maple either.

There are many more trees in these three groups than those mentioned here. To receive a copy of the publication "Landscaping to Cut Fuel Costs," send a self-addressed stamped envelope to me at P.O. Box 3000, Somerville, N.J. 08876.

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•Talley's Folly, in which a Jewish accountant wins over a well-off never-married woman. To Feb. 19. Admission \$27-\$23, discounts available.

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Route 24, Chester
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•Heidi, stage adaptation of the famous (or infamous) children's story. To Feb. 26. Adults \$10, senior citizens and children \$8.

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Route 173, Hampton
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•The Sunshine Boys, Neil Simon comedy (and basis for the George Burns movie). To April 12. Group rates available; call for prices.

MATINEE THEATRE
Bonnie Brax School
Valley Rd., Lyons
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•Sunday Night at Flanny's Place, staged reading of a one-act drama by Jay Roth. 8 p.m. Feb. 11. Admission \$2.

McCARTER THEATRE
91 University Pl., Princeton
(609) 683-8000
•Having Our Say — The Delany Sisters' First 100 Years, world premiere of Emily Mann's book adaptation. To Feb. 26. Admission \$38-\$14.

THE NEW THEATER
Rutgers Arts Center
George St., New Brunswick
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•The Miser, Moliere farce. To Feb. 19. Admission \$16-\$12, discounts available.

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Hopewell
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•Love Letters straight from the heart. To March 4. Admission \$19 Saturday, \$17.50 Friday and Sunday.

PLAYHOUSE 22
210 Dunham's Corner Rd.
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(908) 254-3939
•Mr. 80%, James Sherman's story of two men in a New York City apartment. To Feb. 26. Admission \$13, discounts available.

SHERATON AT WOODBRIDGE PLACE
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•Murder to Go, murder mystery in a dinner theater setting. 8 p.m. Saturday to May 27. Admission \$42.

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•Faissetos, musical about a family with a member dying of AIDS. To Feb. 26. Admission \$17 Saturday, \$15 Friday and Sunday; discounts available.

WESTFIELD COMMUNITY PLAYERS
1000 North Ave. West
Westfield
(908) 232-1221
•Love and Marriage, love songs from Broadway shows (no Frank Sinatra cameos). 8 p.m. Feb. 11. Admission \$10.

COMING UP
CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB
78 Winans Ave., Cranford
(908) 276-7611
•The Solid Gold Cadillac, or how a woman beats corporate bad guys. Feb. 17-March 4. Admission \$10, discounts available.

GEORGE STREET PLAYHOUSE
9 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-7717

•Opal, a fantasy musical by Robert Naeef
Lindsay. Feb. 18-March 19. Admission \$30-\$22, discounts available.

KEAN COLLEGE
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Route 82, Union
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•The Miracle Worker, in which a tireless teacher coaxes a young Helen Keller. Feb. 16-26. Admission \$13, discounts available.

McCARTER THEATRE
91 University Pl., Princeton
(609) 683-8000
•Oleana, the David Mamet angle on sexual harassment. 8 p.m. Feb. 14. Adults \$27-\$19, students \$10.
•Reduced Shakespeare Company, satire of American history. 8 p.m. Feb. 20. Admission \$23-\$18.

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE
Brookside Dr., Millburn
(201) 376-4343
•The Prisoner of Zenda, world premiere of a comedy based on the Anthony Hope novel. Feb. 15-March 26. Admission \$44-\$29, discounts available.

RIDER UNIVERSITY
Fine Arts Theater
Route 206, Lawrenceville
(609) 896-5303
•Extremities, drama (and basis for the movie) in which a woman fights back against a rapist. Feb. 17-25. Adults \$8, students \$3.

STATE THEATRE
19 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-7469
•Anything Goes, the Cole Porter musical marking its 50th anniversary. 8 p.m. Feb. 14. Admission \$35-\$19.
•Pounding Nails in the Floor with My Forehead, one-man show of Eric Bogosian. 8 p.m. Feb. 17. Admission \$22.50-\$12.50.

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51 South St., Morristown
(201) 538-6285
•Teen-adult musical comedy workshop, 8 p.m. Feb. 17. Free admission.

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110 Davidson Ave., Somerset
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•For 1995 (spring) season of festival. Auditions at 7 p.m. Feb. 15, 16; callbacks Feb. 19. Men and women 17-older needed; call for specifics.

PRINCETON OPERA
Richard L. Swig Arts Center
Peddie School, Hightstown
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•For the role of Arthur in summer production of *Camelot*. Auditions Feb. 18 by appointment only. Experienced Shakespearean actor 35-50 needed.

SOMERSET VALLEY PLAYERS
Route 514, Neshanic
(908) 725-4186
•For spring production of *It Runs in the Family*. Auditions at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 19, 21, 23. Seven men (three 19-30, four 40-60) and five women (30-60) needed; British accent required. Backstage help also wanted.

Rehearsals

CONCORD SINGERS
7:30 p.m. Monday
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•Choral group whose specialty is oratorios and madrigals. No formal audition necessary.

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7:30 p.m. Wednesday
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MILLSTONE VALLEY CHORUS
7:45 p.m. Monday
Merrill Lynch employee
cafeteria, Plainsboro
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PHILOMUSICA CHAMBER CHOIR
7:30 p.m. Monday
Unitarian Society, 176 Tices Lane, East Brunswick
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•Open rehearsal of chamber music ensemble.

PRINCETON GARDEN STATESMEN CHORUS
8 p.m. Tuesday
United Methodist Church
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(609) 443-3641
•All-male ensemble singing barbershop harmony.

RAHWAY VALLEY JERSEYAIRES
7:30 p.m. Monday
First Baptist Church
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RARITAN VALLEY CHORUS
7:30 p.m. Tuesday
Neshanic Reformed Church
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•Community ensemble (100 members) that performs with local orchestras.

RARITAN VALLEY SYMPHONIC BAND
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Raider Blvd., Belle Mead
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Dance

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N.J. BALLET COMPANY
8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 18
Wilkins Theatre, Kean College
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18 Stirling Rd., Watchung
(908) 753-0190
•For March production of *The Lives and Tales of Dr. Seuss*. Auditions Feb. 12 by appointment only. Young actors 13-20; prepare a song and a monologue.

McCARTER THEATRE
91 University Pl., Princeton
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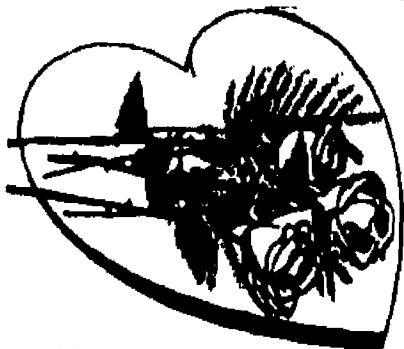
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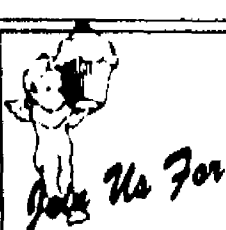
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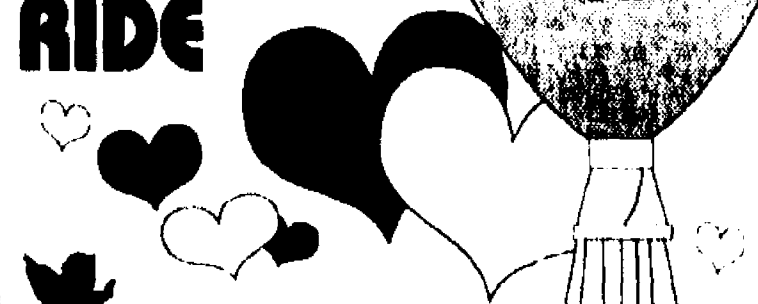
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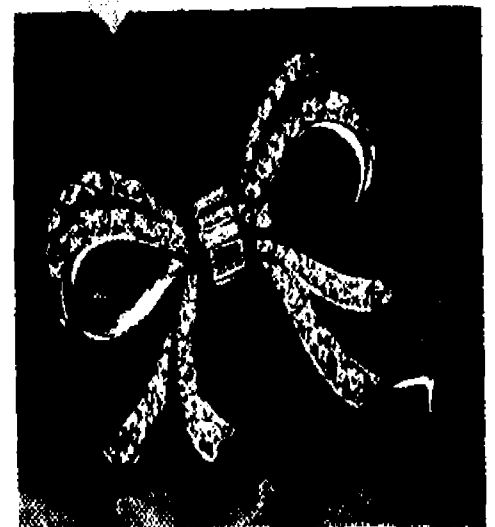
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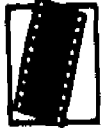
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•From director Ang (The Wedding Banquet)
Lee, a recent art house hit about a Taiwan
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GERMINAL (France, 1994)

8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10
County College of Morris
Route 10, Randolph
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•Adapted from the Emile Zola novel on 19th-
century class warfare. Admission \$3.

THE SCENT OF GREEN PAPAYA

(Vietnam, 1994)
8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17
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•Salon in the latter years of French rule be-
fore the Americans came. Admission \$3.

SIDDHARTHA

(America, 1972)
7 p.m. Friday, Feb. 17
Milledoler Hall, Rutgers
University, New Brunswick
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•African-American inventors and inventions, to
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at 7:30 p.m. Feb. 15.

LIVINGSTON

ART BUILDING
Barrus Circle, Piscataway
(908) 932-7511
Mon - Friday 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free.
•Architecture designs from New Jersey Insti-
tute of Technology students, Feb. 13-March 3.

MARSHOE GALLERY

Peddie School
South Main St., Hightstown
(609) 490-7550
Mon, Tues, Thurs and Friday 9 a.m.-noon and
1:15-3 p.m.
•Paintings by Joetta Altman, to Feb. 24.

MORTIMER GALLERY

Old-St. Bernards School
Mendham Rd., Gladstone
(908) 234-2345
Thurs and Sun 2-4 p.m. Also open by appoint-
ment.
•Recent work of Sonja Kuhfahl, to Feb. 26.

NEW JERSEY CENTER

FOR VISUAL ARTS
68 Elm St., Summit
(908) 273-9121
Call for hours in each gallery.
•"Heroes and Heroines: From Myth to Real-
ity," to Feb. 26. Free admission for members.
Non-member admission: adults \$1, senior citi-
zens and children free.

NORTH PLAINFIELD

MEMORIAL LIBRARY
6 Rockview Ave.
North Plainfield
(908) 755-7909
Open during library hours.
•"Colonial America: 1608-1776," to Feb. 28.

PRINTMAKING COUNCIL

OF NEW JERSEY
440 River Rd., North Branch
(908) 725-2110
•"Imaging New Jersey," to March 3.

Weds-Fri 11 a.m.-4 p.m., Sat 1-4 p.m.

RABBIT GALLERY

120 George Rd.
New Brunswick
(908) 828-5150
Mon-Fri 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Also open by appoint-
ment.
•"Diverse Fragments" in collage, to March 5.

RANTAN VALLEY

COMMUNITY COLLEGE
Route 28, North Branch
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Tues, Weds and Thurs noon-3 p.m. Also open
by appointment.
•Works by Mason Groes School of the Arts
graduate students, Feb. 17-March 9. Reception
from 7-9 p.m. Feb. 17.

SOMERSET COUNTY

ADMINISTRATION BUILDING
20 Grove St., Somerville
(908) 231-7110
Open to public Mon-Friday 8:30 a.m.-4:30
p.m. Closed Feb. 20.
•Printmaking Council of New Jersey members'
show, to March 3.

SOMERSET COUNTY LIBRARY

North Bridge St., Bridgewater
(908) 526-4016
Open during library hours.
•"Our Lives Through Our Eyes," narratives of
African-American women, to Feb. 28.

SWAIN GALLERIES

703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield
(908) 756-1707
Mon-Fri 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m., Sat 9:30 a.m.-
4 p.m.
•"Passages in Pastels" by Cheryl O'Halloran
McLeod, to Feb. 17.

TOMASULO GALLERY

Union County College
1033 Springfield Ave.
Cranford
(908) 709-7144
Mon-Thurs 1-4 and 6-9 p.m., Fri and Sat 1-4
p.m.

•Works by UCC architecture students, Feb.
13-28. Reception from 6-8 p.m. Feb. 13.

MAY DUFF WALTERS GALLERY

Rutgers Arts Center
Chapel Dr., New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
Mon-Fri 9 a.m.-4 p.m. Free.
•"Fire Without Gold" in photos, to Feb. 3.

WATCHUNG ARTS CENTER

18 Stirling Rd., Watchung
(908) 753-0190
Mon-Sat 1-4 p.m. Free.
•Works by Joanne Cacchetti, Jay M. Hoffman,
Peter S. Jacobs, and Peter Whitney, to Feb.
28.

WESTERGARD LIBRARY

20 Murray Ave., Piscataway
(908) 752-1166
Open during library hours.
•Pinewood Derby cars, to Feb. 28.



MUSEUMS

ART MUSEUM

Newton University
609) 258-3788
Tuesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Tours of museum highlights at 2 p.m. Saturday. Free admission.
•Ceramics and culture, Feb. 14-March 5.
•Victorian watercolors, drawings, graphic arts, and photographs from the collection, to April 2.
•Sir George Hayter and Victorian history painting, to April 23.
•Victorian paintings from the collection, to April 23.

RAKE HOUSE MUSEUM

602 West Front St., Plainfield
(908) 755-5831
Colonial home built in 1746 and chronicling New Jersey history from before independence to after the Civil War. Open Saturday from 2-4 p.m. Free admission for members. Non-member admission: adults \$1, children free.

UKE GARDENS

Route 206, Hillsborough
(908) 722-3700
Gardens open every day from noon-4 p.m. Adults \$5, senior citizens and children \$2.50; wear comfortable walking shoes. Cameras not permitted.

EAST JERSEY OLDE TOWNE

Johnson Park
River Rd., Piscataway
(908) 463-9077
Village composed of relocated 18th century structures set near the headquarters of the county park police. No tours offered at present. Gift shop closed until further notice.

EDISON NATIONAL HISTORIC SITE

Main St., West Orange
(201) 736-5050
Workshop with inventions of Thomas Alva Edison. Open every day from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Adults \$2, children and senior citizens free.

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER

190 Lord Stirling Rd.
Basking Ridge
(908) 766-2489
Open every day from 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Registration required for programs.
•"Mr. Magic" on the environment, 10:30 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. Feb. 11, 6:30 p.m. Feb. 14. Cost \$3.
•Build a box for the Eastern bluebird, 1 p.m. Feb. 18. Cost \$8.
•Winter walkabout, 3:30 p.m. Feb. 15 (Grades 1-2), 1 p.m. Feb. 19. Cost \$5.
•"Nature Through a Child's Eye," to March 17.

FOSTERFIELDS

Kahdena Rd., Morristown
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•How syrup is made from sap, 2 p.m. Saturday and Sunday to Feb. 28.
•Film on the Endangered Species Act, 1 and 3:30 p.m. Feb. 11, 12.
•Trail walk, 1 p.m. Feb. 11.
•Cross-country ski and walk, 10 a.m. Feb. 12.
•Night hike, 6:30 p.m. Feb. 16.

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Pottersville Rd., Chester
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•Hike along hemlock gorge, 9 a.m. Feb. 18.

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•"Digital Showcase," Saturday and Sunday to April 2.
•"Liquid Vision: Lasers, Holograms, and Virtual Reality," to April 30.
•"Shadowbirds," to May 9.
•"Creepy Crawlers," Feb. 11-June 4.

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Cornelius Low House

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MILLER-CORY HOUSE

614 Mountain Ave., Westfield
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•Historic Valentines, Feb. 12.
•Card games in Colonial times, Feb. 19.

MONTCLAIR ART MUSEUM

3 South Mountain Ave.
Montclair
(201) 746-5555
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday from 11 a.m.-5 p.m.; Thursday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Discussion of a current exhibit at noon Tuesday. Free admission for members. Non-member admission: adults \$4, senior citizens and students \$3, children under 12 free. Free admission for all Saturday mid-day.
•Children's art workshops, 2 p.m. Feb. 12, 19.
•Modernism from the museum's collection, to March 5. Gallery talk at 3 p.m. Feb. 12.
•Paintings and prints by Emma Amos, to March 5.
•Sculpture by Roy Crosse, to spring 1995.
•"Patterns in Culture," to June 4.

MORRIS MUSEUM

6 Normandy Heights Rd.
Morristown
(201) 538-0454
Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Free admission for members. Non-member admission: adults \$4, senior citizens and children \$2.
•Permanent gallery exhibits: dinosaurs, live animals, mammals, model trains, history, North American Indians, Woodland Indians, rocks and minerals.
•"Star Trek: Federation Science," to April 30.

N.J. HISTORICAL SOCIETY

230 Broadway, Newark
(201) 483-3939
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NEW JERSEY MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE

Cook College
Route 1, New Brunswick
(908) 249-2077
Wednesday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Admission \$3, discounts available.
•Splitting rails and building fences, Feb. 12.

NEW JERSEY STATE MUSEUM

205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6464
Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m., Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.
•Robert Ramsdell on "The Stories that Fossils Tell Us," 2 p.m. Feb. 19.
•19th-century and 20th-century landscapes and seascapes, ongoing.
•Indian prints by Thomas Loraine McKenney, to June 26.
•100th-anniversary show, to Dec. 31.

NEWARK MUSEUM

49 Washington St., Newark
(201) 596-6550
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•Black History Month workshops (ages 3-15), Feb. 18.
•Science Saturdays for children, 1 p.m. Saturday to Feb. 25.
•Family art workshop, 1 p.m. Saturday and Sunday to Feb. 26.
•Mini Zoo, 1 p.m. Sunday to Feb. 26.
•Works from the permanent collection, to February.
•Photographs from Sierra Leone by Vera Viditz-Ward, to Feb. 26. Related discussion at 6 p.m. Feb. 15; gallery talk at 12:30 p.m. Feb. 16.
•"A World of Their Own" in American folk art, to May 14.
•Gods and goddesses in Indian art, to July 2.
•Arts of Nepal, to July 2.
•"American Art Pottery: An Uneasy Evolution 1880-1930," to Oct. 22.

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Hamilton St., New Brunswick
(908) 932-7237
Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.
•"To Grandfather's House We Go: A Children's Book of Architecture," to Feb. 12.
•"A View of One's Own," works by American women artists, to March 26.



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1 and 2:30 p.m. Feb. 11, 12
Middlesex County College
Route 514, Edison
(908) 906-2556
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BRADLEY FIELDS

11 a.m., 1 p.m. Feb. 11
Montclair Kimberley Academy
201 Valley Rd., Montclair
(201) 744-1717
•Red-haired magician performs up close and personal. Admission \$6, discounts available.

GULLIVER'S TRAVELS

1, 3:30, and 6 p.m. Feb. 19
Edward Nash Theatre, Raritan
Valley Community College
Route 28, North Branch
(908) 725-3420
•The Jonathan Swift standard, told in part with puppets. Admission \$8.

MEET THE WOODWINDS

2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 12
Far Hills Country Day School
Route 202, Far Hills
(908) 356-6165
•How trombones, trumpets, etc. work in a symphony. Admission \$5.

THE THREE LITTLE PIGS

10 a.m. Feb. 10; 10:30 a.m., 1 p.m. Feb. 11; Off-Broadstreet Theatre, Hopewell
(609) 466-2766
•"Not by the hair on my chinny-chin-chin!" Admission \$3.50, group rates available.



Happenings

AFRICAN HISTORY MONTH

Middlesex County College
Route 514, Edison
(908) 906-2569
Free admission for all events.
•Film clips from non-traditional black films, noon and 4 p.m. Feb. 10.
•Mood Pan Groove (steel band), 11 a.m. Feb. 13.
•Hassan Salim on African spirituality, noon Feb. 14.
•First four parts of *Eyes on the Prize*, 10 a.m. Feb. 15.
•Black Tie (jazz), 11:30 a.m. Feb. 16.
•Generations of Resistance, Feb. 17.

ORIGINAL COACHMAN SHOW

Coachman Inn
Garden State Parkway
Exit 136, Cranford
(908) 247-1093
•Monthly show and sale for stamp, postcard, and memorabilia collectors, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Feb. 12. Free admission.

THE TILE PROJECT

Paper Mill Playhouse
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Hearts of chocolate woo lovers' hearts

Weekend Plus takes a tour of tastiest places

BY NAOMI KOOKER

Weekend Plus culinary correspondent
St. Valentine was ne'er so sweet
to whisper love
and think again
of chocolate as his lover's treat.

There are many ways to say, "I love you," and any way may do; but chocolate seems to top the list as the sweetest way to woo. And woo it will. With no rhyme intended (although it does fit rather nicely), I do consider verse to be as romantic as a dozen roses, or even a dozen chocolates.

However, imagine how sweet the sighs when you recite your poem to your beloved with a box of chocolates at your heart, or better yet in her or his hand. Perhaps a single white chocolate rose will do.

Although the verse is up to you, I have listed a few shops where you can supplement words with sweets.

"Just chocolates," is how co-owner John Cunnell of Birnn Chocolates describes the store in Highland Park. With its chocolate-making factory at the same location, the aroma of rich, sweet chocolate will send you browsing through the pink and red heart-shaped boxes and various tempting treats for hours on end.

With everything from dark, milk and white chocolates arranged in heart-shaped boxes, to delectable turtles, truffles, chocolates filled with jellies and caramel, and all kinds of clusters, there is bound to be something special here for a sweetheart.

For a personal touch, why not make your own chocolate hearts?

Candyland Crafts in Somerville and Sweet and Fancy Emporium in Cranford provide all the necessary ingredients to create your own chocolates. They also carry all sorts of cake-decorating items, including heart-shaped cake pans, for those who want a little more than candy.

Owned by Frank and Diane Stephan for 10 years, Candyland sells all kinds of chocolate and molds so people can go home and create their own bite-sized sweets. "In an hour's time you'll have a beautiful box of candy you've made yourself," says Frank. Candyland has the usual white, dark and milk chocolate, as well as red, purple and a total of eight different colors. Mmm ... and an edible red rose.

... an edible red rose.

'That's the only kind of rose you should get,' Frank chuckles.



RANDALL MILLER/WEKEND PLUS

Chocolate roses and milk chocolate champagne bottles, found at Gertrude Hawk make great gifts for your sweetheart.

"That's the only kind of rose you should get," Frank chuckles.

Heart-shaped peanut butter cups, pecan turtles and caramel-filled roses are just a few of the many shapes and varieties you can make.

"You can go easy and simple, or spend extra time to make something really special," says Frank, who adds people save about 50-60 percent making the chocolate. Plus, giving something handmade makes the gift a bit more sweet.

Both Candyland and Sweet and Fancy Emporium also carry decorative boxes in which to present your homemade treats. And each store does sell prepackaged chocolate gifts, as well, for those who may like the idea of handmade chocolates, but don't have time to make them.

Sisters Sheila and Debby have owned Sweet and Fancy Emporium for nearly seven years. Heart-warming chocolate novelties found in Sweet and Fancy include Cupids, Teddy bears, roses and records (someone's favorite "music?").

Traveling north on Route 22 in North Plainfield, the Gertrude Hawk Chocolates store looks deceptively small. Inside, three rooms are filled with heart-shaped boxes, stenciled gift baskets, chocolate roses, and Teddy bear mugs filled with chocolate hearts.

One of the most popular delicacies is the peanut butter smidgen, a small milk chocolate heart filled with a melt-in-the-mouth peanut butter filling.

Chocolate oases

Candyland Crafts, 201 W. Main St., Somerville, (908) 685-0410

Birnn Chocolates, Cleveland and Madison Aves., Highland Park, (908) 545-4400

Gertrude Hawk Chocolates, 781 Route 22, North Plainfield, (908) 756-5687

Sweet and Fancy Emporium, 17 North Ave. West, Cranford, (908) 272-0848



NAOMI KOOKER/WEKEND PLUS

Gertrude Hawk Chocolates in North Plainfield offers many enchanting items for Valentine's Day. Bears and mugs make enjoyable gifts after the chocolates are gone.

Correction

In the Jan. 11-13 "Dining Out" section of Weekend Plus, the telephone number for Auberge Swiss Restaurant in Berkeley Heights was incorrect. The telephone number is (908) 665-2310; apologies for the misprint.

GRAND OPENING

Ciao Bello Ristorante & Bar

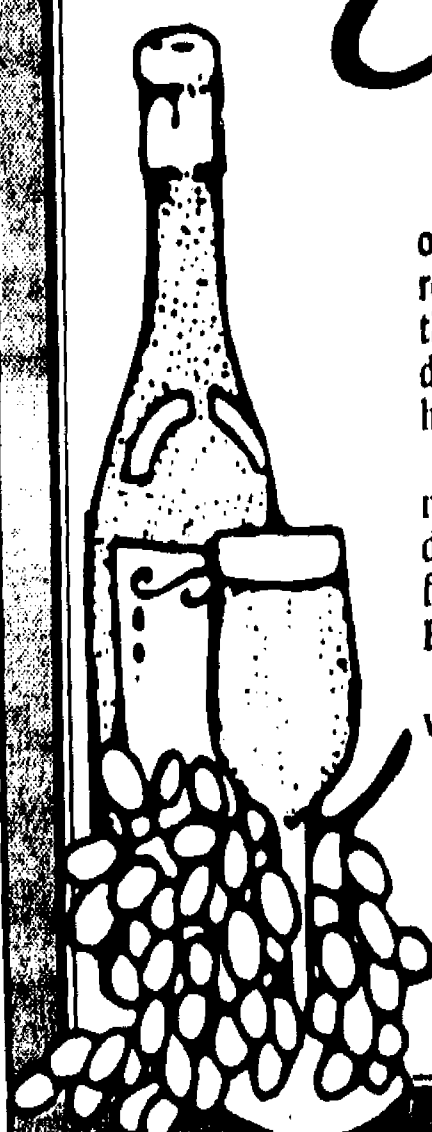
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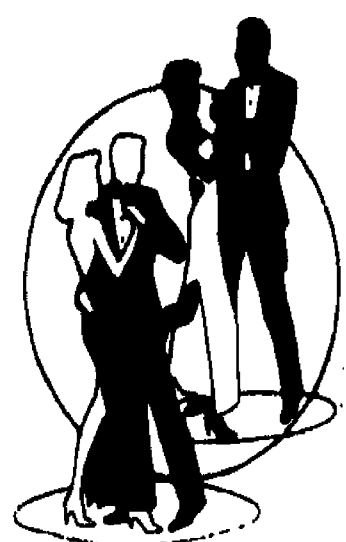
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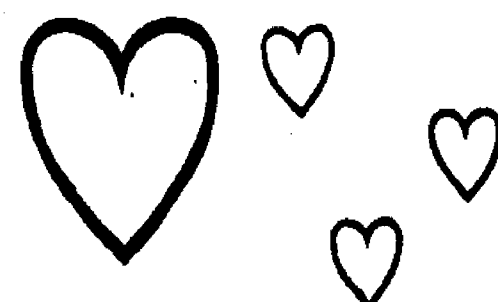
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DWF— 43, 5'6" 160 lbs, smoker, seeks S or DWM tall, 35-47 who enjoys music (Pink Floyd, Dire Straits, etc.) comedy, Howard Stern, outdoors, playing cards and soccer games. If you do - send a letter and photo. This advertiser has also chosen to receive mail. Please send letter and photo to: Introductions, Box 5159, Forbes Newspapers, P.O. Box 699, Somerville, NJ 08876

DWF— In search of SDWM 6', trim, over 55, non-smoker and no drugs w/ a sense of humor, likes dancing and going to the movies. Ext 4848

DWM— I am a warm, sincere and gentle man. I am also friendly, intelligent and financially secure. I am 38, 5' tall and an adorable romantic. I've been married before, 7 yrs. ago, but to the wrong woman. I now know what my future wife is; you are feminine, conservative, educated and enjoy tropical travel and dining out. You are between the ages of 25-35 and take pride in your appearance. Kids O.K. since I love them. Please respond to ext. 4820.

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FIT, WHITE, PROFESSIONAL MALE— 35, who likes children, coaching football and summer vacations; is seeking a special long-haired white or hispanic woman, S or D, for a long-term relationship! Please reply ext. 4715.

LOOKING TO SHARE A COMMITTED RELATIONSHIP— SWF, 40, sensitive, attractive, caring, down-to-earth who enjoys home life & life's little pleasures seeks SWMP gentleman to share a relationship based on trust, honesty, caring & sharing and who is comfortable in home life as well. I am truly serious about committing the time & effort to the right person. Please respond to ext. 4831.

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HANDSOME ROMANTIC DWM— 37, 5'9", sensitive, NS enjoys outdoor activities, cuddling, dining, seeks petite, romantic, attractive SDWF, 27-38 for friendship, possibly more. Kids OK. Please respond to ext. 4832.

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HANDSOME, WPM, 49 Upbeat, successful, trim and healthy. I'm happy, enjoy life and having fun. ISO WF counterpart for loving but discreet friendship. Please reply ext. 4716.

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I AM A YOUNG, ENERGETIC GUY— 6'2", 28, looking for a partner for a long term relationship. My interests are dancing, hiking, traveling, movies, dinner parties; I love swimming. If you have the same hobbies, please call ext. 4824.

I AM AN HONEST, TRUSTWORTHY, KIND, CARING, GENEROUS PERSON I am creative, love all kinds of music, song, dance, hike, nature, gourmet cook. Seeking similar values in a divorced or widowed man 44-55 years old. Ext. 4736.

INTERESTING DWM with intelligence, charm, built, personality & more, seeks Fantasy girl-athletic built with above average bust, who wants to be admired, inspired, loved & protected yet needs her own space & gives same. Age, height & looks not important. Please call Ext. 4880.

LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL JERSEY BOY— I'm a 27 yr. old, very attractive SWF 5'5, petite build, blonde hair & blue eyes. I'm romantic, caring & fun! If you're a very handsome, Prof. affectionate SWM (25-30) who enjoys, comedy clubs, dining out & cuddling, Please call ext. 5072

NICE GUY 5'9", 160 lbs., I enjoy the simple things in life; ice cream cones, movies, good conversation, good books, great dinners, dancing and good laughs. I'm a WSM, responsible, non-drinker, financially secure, with a wicked sense of humor. I would like to meet someone who is comfortable with themselves, "pretty-plain-jane", 35-45 years old, 5'7" & under, no little kids, and SLENDER build, moderate drinker, non/light-smoker, easy-going, intelligent, compassionate, strong- (but not domineering) and feminine. Not looking for a one night stand but a serious contender. Lv. phone number & I'll call you back! (Bridgewater area, please.) Reply ext. 4170.

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SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

very attractive, 30, 110 lbs., 5'5 w/1 child, non-smoker, non-drug user, sincere, honest, organized & neat, secure about myself, wishing to meet SWM, must be very attractive, 28-38, 5'9"-6'1", in shape, 34 inch waist or small, 0-2 kids ok, non-smoker/drug user, honest, polite, not a slob or lazy, must be secure about yourself yet not self centered, for a meaningful relationship & possible marriage, if you fit all of the above, then please call ext. 4294

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6'1", short brown hair, brown eyes. Workout every day, college student; humorous-yet romantic. ISO pretty, thin-yet shapely, SWF with a good personality, honest, communicates well, 18-33. Please reply ext. 4714.

SINGLE WHITE MALE—

25, Brn. hair, hazel eyes, slim, athletic, enjoys the little things, Sports, Beach, Books especially children. Seeking SWF w/similar interests. Please call Ext. 4540.

SINGLE WHITE MALE— 36, 6'3, 225 lbs., clean, healthy, hardworking ISO SWF bet. 28-38 for possible long term relationship. Please call Ext. 4880.

SINGLE, BLACK, JAMAICAN FEMALE—

Divorced, 38 years old. I have been single for over 4 years and I am looking for a Black, single, Christian man. He must be in his 40-50, and love God and kids. I am looking for Mr. Right and I am very loving and kind. Please reply ext. 4720.

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SEEKS SUMMER LOVE— SWJPM mid 40's 5'10, 165 lbs. ISO attractive, warm, affectionate, intelligent, generous, spontaneous, well proportioned independent woman w/inner beauty, thin to med. build, 34-43 give or take, for meaningful LTR. No Princesses please. Hold true to your Dreams tho' phantoms at best, no other goal is worthy the quest. I'm well educated, well mannered, a self-made man of merit. Must be adventurous & very affectionate. I'm willing to try anything once, except skydiving. Can we talk? Please Ext. 4779.

STUNNING DJF 5' 8", 40 with down to earth personality enjoys working out, theatre movies and travelling seeks secure sensitive, romantic mensch with values for a possible relationship. Ext 5154.

SWF— Brn. hair & eyes, non smoker, 30ish, actress, wheel chair bound. Loves romance, music, Ren Fest, honesty, kids, red carnations, long hair, and love! Shy but nervous talker, seeks intelligent white male. Friendship first. But arrogant, patronizing, egotistical morons need not call. Please call ext. 5096

SWM 25 FOR A SWF— who is N/S for possible LTR. If you like to go dancing, the movies, and to dinner, also some sports. If you are between 23-30, Send photo with your response to Forbes Newspapers P.O. box 699 Somerville, NJ 08876. ext.4971

SWM, 44, 5'11", 175lbs—

Non-smoker, social drinker, good-looking. I enjoy oldies, reading, dining out, sports, flea markets, movies, and just quiet times together; love children. Interested in meeting attractive, S or DWF, 30+ with similar interests for serious LTR. Definitely no drugs! THIS ADVERTISER HAS CHOSEN TO RECEIVE MAIL ONLY. PLEASE SEND LETTER AND PHOTO TO: INTRODUCTIONS BOX 4827, FORBES NEWSPAPERS, PO BOX 699, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876.

SWM— 35, 6 ft., dark hair & eyes, good looking & trim, seeks pretty, petite & caring SWF, 21-29, who loves Harleys for possible LTR, please call ext. 4773

SWM—

Searching for one of a kind SWF. I am a successful, SWM, 27, who is tired of head-games & what the bar scene has to offer. I am goal-oriented and easy going. My activities range from NYC to the shore...to staying in and reading a good book. If you are a SWF 22-30, who has the similar above qualities & interests. Please call ext. 4772.

SWPM— 25, 6'3", brownhair, blue hair. Seeks tall, n/s, humorous, SWPF, age 20-30, interested in sports, music & movies. Ext 4829.

THE LADY I SEEK IS AS RARE AS THE MAN YOU HAVE NOT YET FOUND. I am a playful, imaginative, active, romantic, modern, affectionate, literate, communicative, reflective, mildly gothic, professional, practical, dreamer. I like to write short fiction, poetry, and screen plays and enjoy performing improv theater and comedy. I take pride in rendering, and sculpting as well as creating practical things in leather, wood, metal, ceramic and other media. I enjoy fencing and sparring with a playful opponent in many forms and like hiking, camping and (moonlight) picnics. I am 30 and in excellent shape with tan skin, longish thick brown hair, and a well trimmed mustache and beard. I'm seeking an independent, imaginative, physically confident (equestrian, fencer, martial arts?) Historically inclined woman who is passionate towards her desires but rational towards her negative emotions, who sees things in their best light, but protects herself from a too trusting nature. For me its time to move not just up, but forward...I'm looking for a partner friend, and lover. If you're interested in any (preferably all) of these call 4977

VERY PRETTY— Statuesque blond, educator/writer, 48 DWCPF loves books, antiques and nature desires to meet educated, kind widower for best friend & Companion. This advertiser has also chosen to receive mail. Please send letter and photo to: Introductions, Box 5096, Forbes Newspapers, P.O. Box 699, Somerville, NJ 08876

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Warm, witty & wonderful. I'm 42 yrs. old, 5' 6, 140 lbs., in great shape, have a good job & no kids. Interested in meeting a nice lady, should be petite & pretty with a great sense of humor. I like music, sports, play baseball, enjoy eating dinners at restaurants & going to movies. I am a smoker. Please call Ext. 4330.

WWJM, 55

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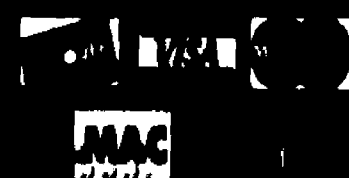
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HEALTH

Memory loss/Alzheimer's research treatment study

Psychopharmacology Research Association of Princeton will be one of approximately 16 sites in the U.S. conducting a study evaluating Physostigmine in patients with Alzheimer's disease.

The goal is to determine whether memory impairment is improved by the drug. Pre-clinical experiments show that Physostigmine enhances activity of acetylcholine, a neurotransmitter that some researchers believe to be important in memory.

Patients with memory loss thought to be due to Alzheimer's disease, senility, or hardening of the arteries may be eligible for the study. To enter the study, patients must be 45 years or older, have mild-to-moderate progressive dementia (memory loss) for at least six months, and have a dedicated caregiver who will ensure that the patient takes the medication and who will visit the physician's office regularly with the patient.

The study involves up to a year of treatment with Physostigmine, with psychiatric and neurological evaluations, memory tests, laboratory tests, EKGs, and a CAT scan, all free of charge. Also, travel costs will be reimbursed, or transportation to Princeton will be provided.

For information, call Carol at (609) 921-9299.

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Foot health and aging

(NAPS) — Many of America's seniors are taking steps to improve their health by putting a new focus on their feet.

According to the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, one of the leading causes of activity limitation in older people is impairment of the lower extremities. One-fourth of all nursing home patients cannot walk at all and another one-sixth can walk only with assistance.

Preventive foot care can help older people live more comfortably; it also reduces the chances of hospitalization because of infection and limits the possibility of additional medical problems, says the American Podiatric Medical Association (APMA). Many of the first signs of systemic conditions such as diabetes, arthritis and circulatory disease appear in the foot. Among these are dry skin, brittle nails, numbness and discoloration.

If arthritis is affecting the structure and function of the feet, symptoms often include swelling in one or more joints; recurring pain or tenderness in any joint; redness or heat in a joint; limitation in motion of a joint; early morning stiffness; and skin changes, including rashes and growths. Even bunions can be manifestations of arthritis.

The control of foot functions with shoe inserts called orthoses, or with braces or specially prescribed shoes, may be indicated; surgical intervention involving the replacement of damaged joints, is a last resort.

Here are some foot health tips for people of any age:

- Walking is the best exercise for your feet.
- A shoe with a firm sole and soft upper is best for daily activities.
- Socks or stockings should be the correct size and free of seams.
- Do not wear constricting garters or tie your stocking in knots.
- Never cut corns and calluses with a razor, pocket knife or other such instrument.
- Bathe your feet daily in lukewarm (not hot) water, using a mild soap.
- Trim or file your toenails straight across.
- Inspect your feet daily or have someone do it. If you notice any redness, swelling, cracks in the skin, or sores, consult your podiatrist.

For free brochures that can tell you more about foot health and aging, call APMA at 1-800-FOOT-CARE (1-800-366-8227).

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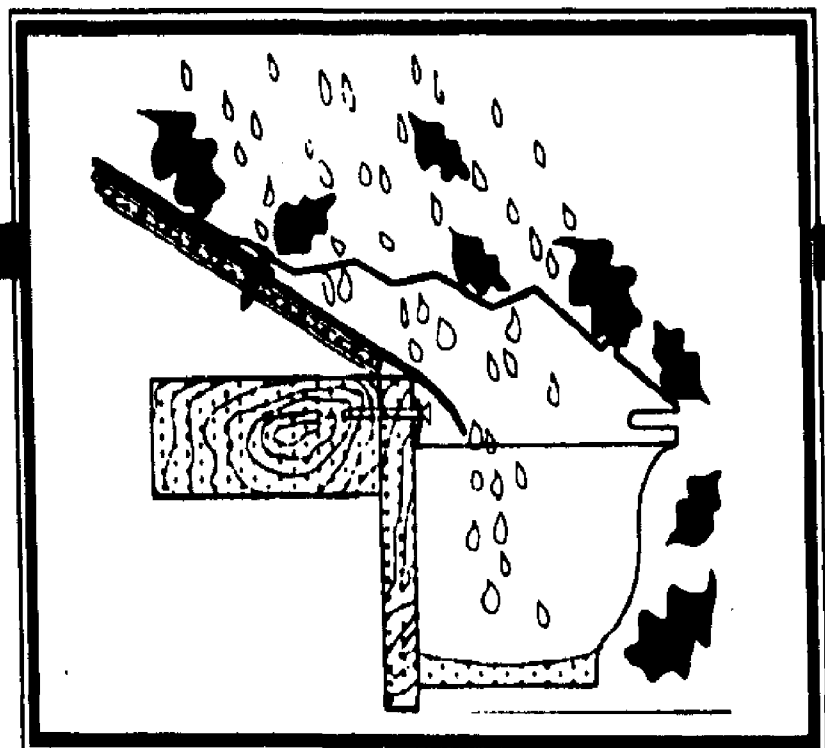
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Heart throbs:

The mature woman's guide to heart disease

The myth of heart disease for men only has been dispelled. Women have traditionally rushed to call an ambulance if their husbands complained of chest pain. Their reaction to their own chest pain has been to blame it on indigestion or stress and/or to ignore the symptoms.

The reality is that heart disease is an equal opportunity problem. Women develop coronary heart disease at the same rate as men. However, in women it occurs about 10 years later in life, starting in the early sixties. Cardiovascular disease becomes the number one killer of women in their 60s.

As a rule women have many more warning chest pains than men prior to having a full-blown heart attack. These precursor pains should serve as warning signs. According to the American Heart Association, the following signs could mean that a heart attack is imminent and immediate medical help should be sought:

- Uncomfortable to intense pressure, fullness,

squeezing feeling or pain coming from the center of the chest and lasting for two minutes or longer

- Pain radiating to the shoulders, neck, arms, jaw or back
- Severe pain, lightheadedness, faintness, sweating,

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nausea or shortness of breath.

Women must begin to take their own heart health seriously and insist that they be treated seriously.

In addition, the effects of stress have an impact on heart disease in women. Research has shown that the "pink-collar" jobs of women (file clerks, waitresses, factory workers, etc.) put these women at three times the risk of heart disease of "white-collar" workers. High demand/low control is the contributing factor. This results in the chronic activation of the "fight-or-flight" response to stress which can damage the

heart.

Being overweight is a worry to most women. However, women should recognize that if they tend to carry extra weight in the waist/abdomen area (apple-shape) instead of the hips and thighs (pear-shape), they may be more prone to heart disease. Thus, while keeping weight to the ideal weight for body structure is important for everyone, it is extremely important for the "apple-shapes."

Women must recognize that heart disease kills more women than all the cancers combined.

Until the results of the National Institute of Health's women's initiative begins to produce data and answers, women must help themselves to extend their lives by taking preventive measures such as smoking cessation, heart healthy diets, exercise, and effective relaxation techniques. Preventive measures are the key to keeping the "heart throbs" going.



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By **PHYLLIS RECKEL**

FORBES NEWSPAPERS

"Every single day, we celebrate being alive and being healthy and being able to share the days together."

So says Kitty Laurent of her life with husband Joe. The Laurents, who will celebrate their second wedding anniversary Feb. 28, became engaged Valentine's Day 1993 and married two weeks later.

Their meeting, it seems to them, was meant to be. But then it took a few happy accidents and almost a year before they even learned each other's name.

Joe was a member of the Woodbridge chapter of Widows or Widowers (WOWs); Kitty was a member of the Somerset-Hunterdon chapter. With dances held on different nights throughout the state, WOW members are free to attend dances wherever they wish. One evening, Kitty joined a friend who wanted to go to a dance in Carteret. Her last dance of the night was with Joe, but they hadn't exchanged names before her friend told Kitty it was time to leave.

It was a year later, when each joined a friend going to a dance in Avalon, before they met again. Joe had been thinking about his brief encounter with Kitty for the whole year, but he didn't know her name, where she was from, or how to find her. Now here she was. This time he made sure he got her name and telephone number.

He called her the next morning; they met that afternoon and every afternoon after that. Within six months they decided to marry. They celebrated their Valentine's Day engagement with the WOWs and their friends, but their wedding two weeks later was a very private affair.

"We were getting married to be together," Kitty said. "We didn't want a lot of fuss, and we didn't want to have to wait because other people were

involved. We really wanted it to be for ourselves; we didn't want to share it, so we went to Town Hall and got married."

Asked if two years later she would recommend second marriages, she says, with great zeal, "Oh, yes."

"A real good point of aging," says Kitty, "is you become smarter, wiser and more perceptive. Thus, you are able to trust your instincts."

Joe and Kitty's instincts proved correct.

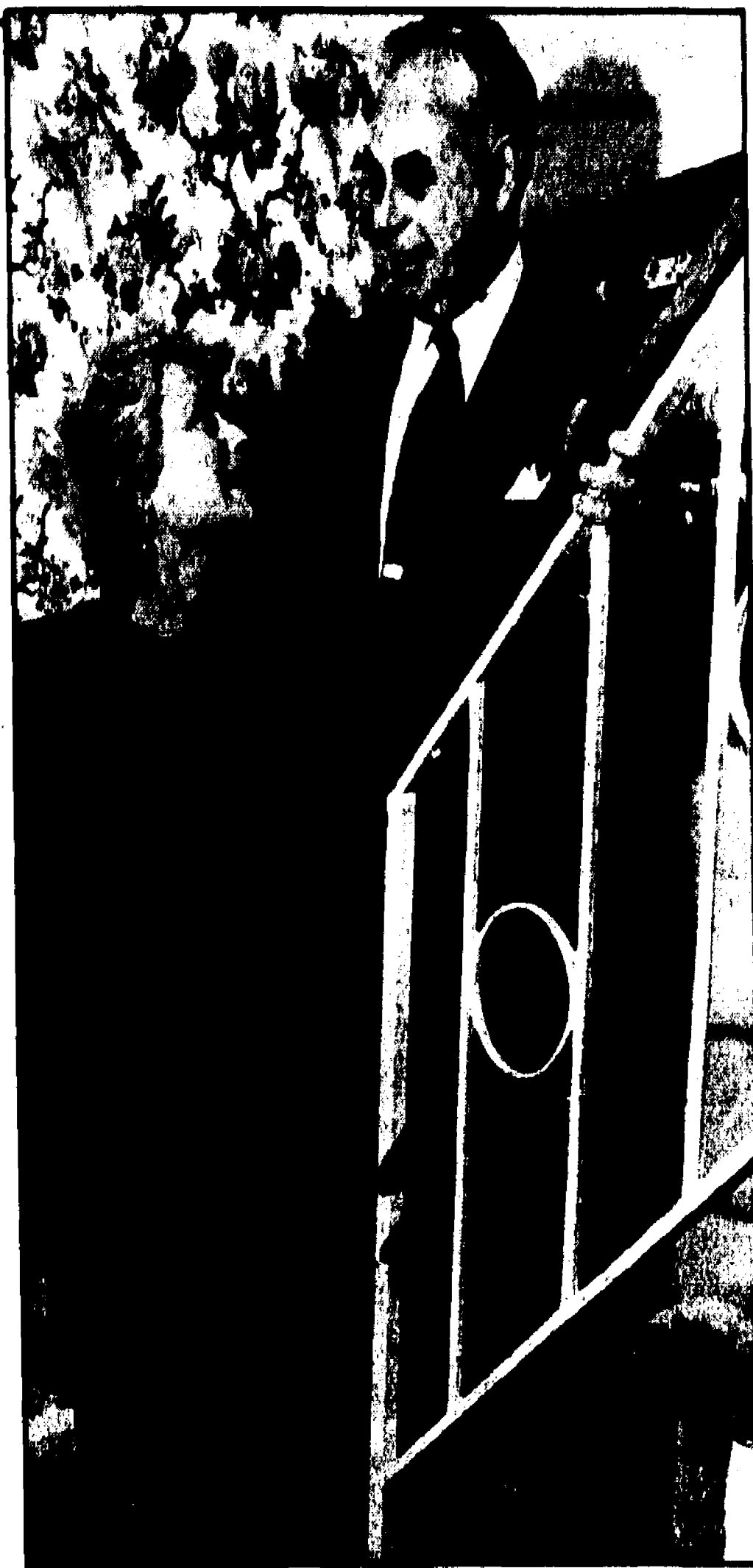
According to Kitty, she and Joe are well matched. They have the same likes. They enjoy traveling, going on Caribbean cruises and spending a lot of time at the shore, including the Carolina coast and Chincoteague. They each enjoy revisiting vacation spots and sharing the knowledge and joy of those places with their new spouse.

Each had been widowed 3½ years. Joe, retired from New York Bell after 30 years, has a grown son and daughter. Kitty also has a son and daughter, each of whom is married and has a child. Joe became "an instant grandfather" to Kitty's grandson and granddaughter.

The couple lives in Kitty's Somerset house, and they spend time together on projects that make the house more suitable to their lifestyle.

Two things are important for a marriage to work, Kitty says. "Character is the most important quality. You must know that you can trust and rely on your spouse, and that he or she will never tell you a lie. The second quality is a sense of humor which includes wanting to laugh, wanting to make things happy, and searching for the best in everything."

Kitty prefers not to reveal their ages. When you take the time to look young and be young in mind and spirit, and you have the energy to go places



KITTY and JOE LAURENT

and do things, what does it matter how old you are, she says.

And going places and doing things together is what they do. Each day is "a constant exchange, a continual sharing" between them. The only place she goes without Joe is to the hairdresser.

When asked if she misses visiting her friends by herself, she sounds surprised. It isn't that she's against it, she says, "it just hasn't come up." Meeting with friends becomes a little party they attend together.

"Life is that way for us," says Kitty, "because we prefer it that way, we make it happen that way. But we don't tell others it has to be that way."

Kitty's philosophy is that no one knows what's around the corner. Thus, you should enjoy each day as it comes and make each day as happy as you can. And if you can share it, so much the better.

We wish them a vital, vibrant and very happy Valentine's Day, which they will celebrate with their WOW friends again this year.

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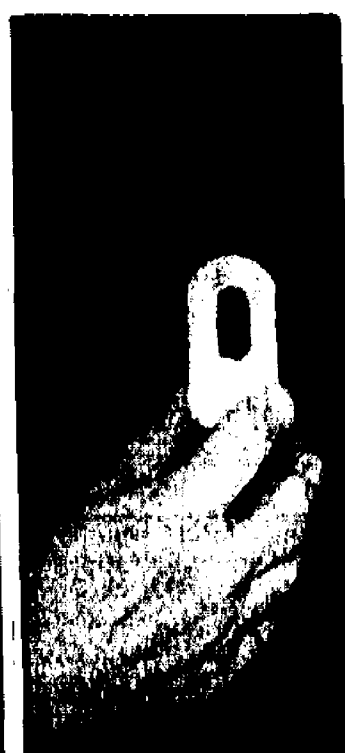
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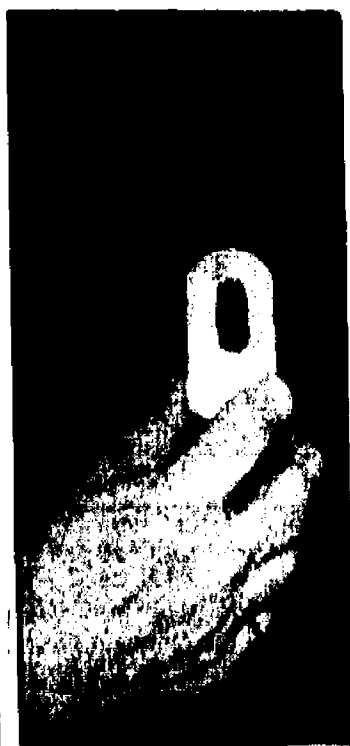
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The South Bound Brook Senior Citizen Center is at 113 Clinton Ave. For information, call the center at 271-1646.

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The Ten Commandments of retirement living

By **TERRY ROHE**

As a correspondent and expert on aging, people always ask me how they should approach their retirement. After all, most of us spend virtually our entire adult lives working, and the thought of all this spare time can be a bit daunting. Personally, I like to think of retirement as a beginning rather than an ending — a time to explore everything the world has to offer. The right attitude is really the key to enjoying your retirement years. Following are my own "Ten Commandments" for mature living.

• Thou shalt make plans. Be bold, be daring. Take up a new hobby; try an evening course at a local community college. Get active in your neighborhood...anything that keeps your body and mine active.

• Thou shalt look at the brighter side. Be optimistic. Remember, aging is a positive life experience.

• Thou shalt travel. There is no time like the present to see new sites or visit family and friends. Many travel companies even offer special programs for mature travelers like Hilton Senior HHonors®. Call (800) 432-3600, Ext. 902 for more details.

won't win you any friends. Better to devote your energies to solving problems or scaling new heights.

• Thou shalt write at least one cheerful letter to someone every week. Remember, it takes two minutes out of your day to become a highlight of someone else's day, and sharing your thoughts also makes you feel great.

• Thou shalt laugh often...deeply...and loudly. Laughing is not only good for the heart, but it also reminds others that you still have a sense of humor. And if you can't laugh at life, what can you laugh at?

• Thou shalt make a list of 20 things you've always wanted to do and do them one at a time. Too often

we put things off due to a lack of time. Consider retirement an invitation to finally make your dreams a reality.

• Thou shalt wear out rather than rust out. Spend your time creating new memories rather than dwelling on the past. Stay active.

• Thou shalt think big thoughts and enjoy small pleasures. Don't restrict yourself. Who says you can't write the "great American novel" if that's what you want to do? And don't forget that you really have time to treat yourself in small ways — take time to smell the roses.

• Thou shalt sign your living will. Don't think of this as a negative. It's the smart thing to do...for any adult.

Remember, aging is as much a state of mind as a physical process. By keeping these commandments in mind, you can be sure to make the most of your retirement days.

Terry Rohe is an author and correspondent on aging for ABC-TV's "Good Morning America."



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Financing complete, construction well under way at Fellowship Village

The New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) has completed the sale of \$68,820,000 in tax-exempt bonds, an over-subscribed issue, for Fellowship Village, a life care retirement community being built in Liberty Corner. With the cooperation of a mild winter, construction on this project has been progressing at a good pace. Most of the rough grading of the site is complete, a significant portion of the infrastructure, e.g. sewers and storm sewers is underway; foundations for most of the residential units are in place and the initial structural work is about to begin.

Fellowship Village will be built over the course of the next 15-18 months on 62 acres of rolling farmland. The site is located in one of New Jersey's most desirable areas surrounded by the Watchung Mountains and within easy access of New York City, a number of prominent New Jersey towns and the cultural opportunities they offer. When completed, the community will be home to some 350 seniors and will employ about 120 equivalent fulltime employees.

This life care community, the first to initiate construction in the Somerset Hills area, has met with unprecedented

success within the industry. More than 94 percent of its 235 residences are presently under contract with 10 percent deposits. The majority of the future residents of Fellowship Village are from within a 20-mile radius of Liberty Corner, with most of the others also from New Jersey. Designed for independent, active people 65 and over, this community offers residents a variety of services and amenities as well as cultural, social and recreational programs.

As a life care community, Fellowship Village will offer housing in private residences ranging from a studio apartment to a two-bedroom cottage, which also has a den, dining room, basement and two-car garage. A more than 44,500-square-foot Community Center will house formal, informal and private dining rooms, a library, lounges, game and craft rooms, a bank, and a beauty salon and barber shop. An outdoor swimming pool will be available, with an indoor pool planned.

Also on site will be a fully staffed Health Center which will provide assisted living and nursing care services, should they ever be needed.

Additional information on the project may be obtained from the Fellowship Village Information Center at 647-7600.

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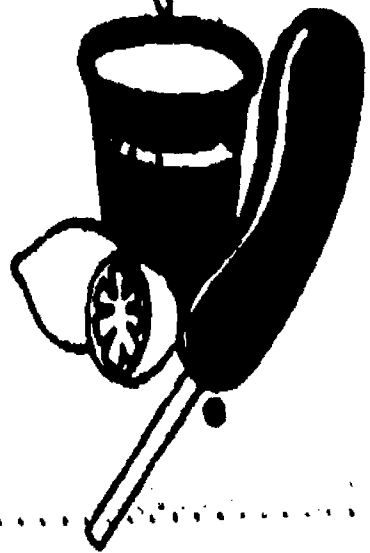
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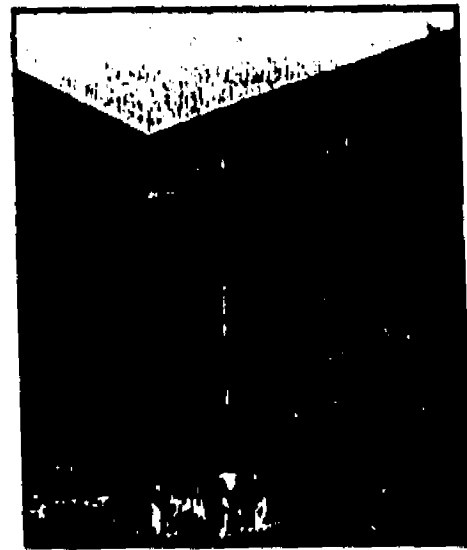
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Some people dream of a trip to Ireland; others would prefer a Caribbean cruise. Springtime at Longwood Gardens is heavenly; Atlantic City is exciting almost anytime.

Most senior citizens' clubs organize trips, and most are happy to have you join them in their travels — whether you are a member or not. So take a look at the wonderful destinations listed below and do more than dream about a vacation; pick up the phone and make your reservations.

Bound Brook Senior Citizens

Atlantic City trips are offered the third Tuesday of each month. Buses leave 9 a.m. from Efingers on Union Avenue. Trips are to the Taj Mahal. Cost is \$14, and you get \$15 in coins. Trips are open to the public. For more information, call Frank Gilly at 356-6310 or Eleanor at 356-0845.

St. Mary's Leisure Club, Bound Brook

A trip to the Claridge hotel and casino in Atlantic City is planned for Feb. 28. Cost is \$15. Call Mike at 356-3544.

A springtime excursion to Montreal and Quebec is planned for May 22-26. Cost is \$380. Nonmembers are welcome. Call Vince at 356-3862.

Our Lady of Mount Virgin Senior Citizens, Middlesex

There are openings on Bus 2 for a Feb. 27 trip to the Taj Mahal, Atlantic City.

Glen Brook Inn is the destination of an April 26 trip for a day of entertainment and country dining.

A four-day, three-night trip is planned to Maine for Sept. 26-29, the height of the season for viewing autumn foliage.

For more information, call Ann at 356-0204.

Senior Adult Club of the Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County, Edison.

Atlantic City trip is planned for Feb. 27; bus leaves JCC 8:45 a.m. Cost is \$12; reservation ensures a seat on the bus.

Edison Chapter of AARP No. 3446

Myrtle Beach trip is planned for April 30-May 6.

Cruise from New York to Bermuda June 3-10, on the ship Horizon.

Visit Glen Island Casino for dinner and The Big Band Music is Back June 14.

A tour including Scott's Resort, Oquaga Lake, N.Y., Finger Lakes, Coopers-town is planned for July 9-12.

Rocking Horse Ranch, Highland, N.Y. is the destination for a Sept. 4-8 trip.

Metuchen Chapter No. 3208 of AARP

Mythic Seaport and Newport mansions will be the focus of a trip May 16-18. Chairwoman is Agnes Dempster, 225-3273.

Piscataway Senior Citizens' Center

A trip to Ireland is planned for Sept. 20-29. Cost is \$1,794 per person (double occupancy) or \$2,094 per person (single occupancy). Package includes 14 meals (breakfasts and dinners), Shannon, Dingle Peninsula, Killarney, Ring of Kerry, Blarney Castle, Waterford, Dublin, Cliffs of Moher, Galway and Connemara. Call 562-1133.

The Tri-County Senior Citizens Center serving Middlesex, Union and Somerset counties; Piscataway.

April 20 is the date for a bus trip to Longwood Gardens, Kennett Square, Pa. Cost of \$47 for members and \$49 for nonmembers includes lunch and transportation.

Visit Pines Hotel, Catskills, N.Y. for the annual line dance festival May 29-June 2. There will be hat, pajama and T-shirt contests. Cost is \$299 for members (double occupancy) and \$303 for nonmembers. Deposit of \$50 required.

Set aside Aug. 13-18 for a trip to Poland Springs, Maine. Cost is \$355 for members (double occupancy) and \$360 for non members. Deposit of \$50 required.

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A trip is scheduled for Feb. 20 to the Castle. See Walt Pieleck for details.

For more information about the club, call Chapter A President Mary Kerr at 359-4209.

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Hillsborough Senior Citizens Chapter B

There is an Aug. 24 trip to historic Essex County, \$46 includes bus, train, steamboat ride and lunch. Members are reminded 1995 dues are due.

For more information about the Chapter B club or its trips, call Virginia Hutson at 874-7094.

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Fanwood Seniors

The trip to Alaska is tentatively scheduled for July or August. It will include four days on land and seven days aboard a cruise ship. The trip is open to all. Cost is \$2,289, a savings of \$1,500. For more information, call Chartwell Travel at 964-9191.

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Westfield Community Center Friendly Place Senior Citizens

A nine-day/eight-night trip to New Orleans is planned for April 22-30. The eight nights will be first-class accommodations, which include two nights en route to New Orleans; one night in Biloxi, Miss.; three nights in New Orleans' French Quarter, and two nights en route home. For more

information, call Ada Wise, senior citizens director at 232-4759.

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Cranford Senior Citizens

A two-day, one-night trip to Atlantic City March 7-8 includes accommodations at Hampton Inn with complimentary breakfast. Day 1: Sands Hotel and Casino. Members have option of \$7.50 cash back or ticket to show Escapade. Cost of trip is \$57.50. Day 2: Taj Mahal Casino with \$7.50 cash bonus return. Bus will leave 9 a.m. March 7 from Centennial Pool parking lot.

Cape Cod trip is planned for Sept. 25-28. Four days/three nights at Sheraton Inn. Three full breakfasts, two dinners;

lobster clambake. Tours include tours, harbor cruise and museum visits. Cost is \$290.

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Garwood Social Club

A five-day trip to the Pocomont Resort, Bushkill Falls, Pa., is planned for May 22-26. Included in the \$315 per person (double occupancy) cost are bus transportation, room with two double beds, three meals a day, games, entertainment and much more.

Non-members are welcome. Deadline is Feb. 21.

For reservations call Pat at 789-1455.

Updated Senior Citizens Directory available

The New Jersey Health Products Council (NJHPC) is offering a revised public service pamphlet titled *A New Jersey Directory for Senior Citizens*.

The updated edition lists more than 100 telephone numbers, including toll-free numbers, that provide a direct link for senior citizens to state, county and private agencies. These agencies offer helpful information for solving financial, legal, health and welfare problems.

Since 1979, when the NJHPC directory for senior citizens was first published, more than 500,000 copies have been distributed. The directory has large type for increased legibility.

The directory is available upon request. Copies may be obtained by writing to the New Jersey Health Products Council, P.O. Box 3789, Union, NJ 07083.

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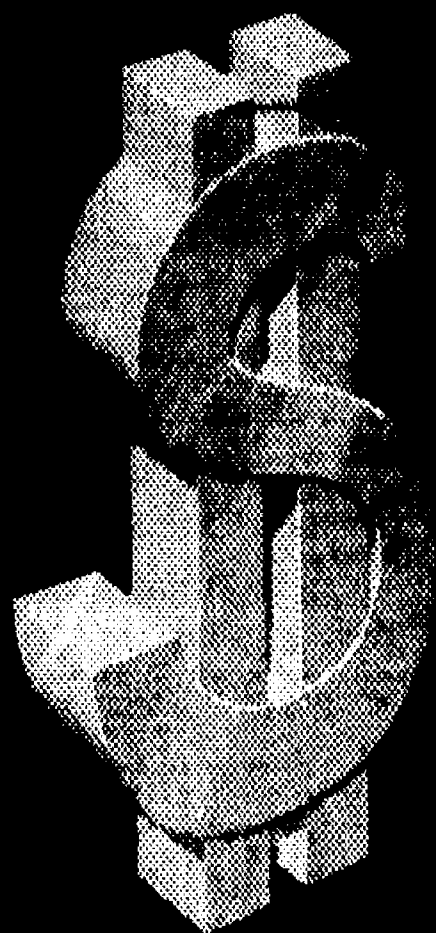
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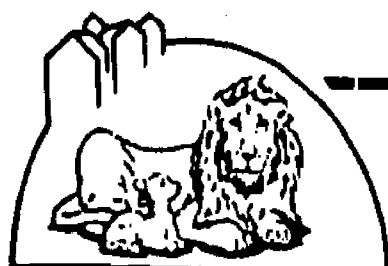
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