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Bound Brook

end. For the final entries

into the hall, see page A-10.

Hall of Famers Bound Brook High School's inaugural hall of fame class will be inducted this week-

.ters of a ward election system in Edison filed for a recount after being informed the municipal question to go to such a system was defeated by a mere 29 votes in a 6,626-6,597 decision.

After failing to place the question on the 2002 ballot, ward proponents successfully

petitioned to have the question opened to Edison's voters this year. Dividing Edison's more than 100,000 population into five wards would have brought the "power back to the people, where it belongs," said petitioner and ex-Councilman William Stephens.

Councilwoman Former Antonia Ricigliano noted, "Four council people live

within walking distance of each other. The extreme north and south of Edison doesn't really have the representation you think would occur."

Mayor George Spadoro, in a written statement regarding the results, said "I believe the voters' rejection of the proposal echoes what I've noted all along - our system of government is working to effectively deliver services in a fiscally responsible way. The voters obviously said Edison's current local government system isn't broken and there is no need to change it."

But Councilwoman Joan Kapitan did not think the defeat was all that clear.

"The voters have spoken, but it was a very narrow margin, so I can see why those who supported the wards would want a recount," she

The ward petitioners said they knew they had an uphill battle, but their efforts were dealt a serious blow when their Oct. 16 public meeting about the issue was not run on Edison's local TV station, channel 22. Edison Director of Law Louis Rainone called the petitioners a political action

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Holiday bazaar



NICOLE DIMELLA STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



county grant

Bound Brook and South Bound Brook received a county grant for a joint project the two boroughs are working on. For the story, see page A-7.



Edison writer up for award

Edward Carchia of Edison has a short story nominated for a literary award. For the full story, see page A-12.

School board meeting change

The Middlesex Board of Education meeting for Nov. 24 has been moved to Von E. Mauger Middle School's library. The meeting starts at 7 p.m.

Katelyn, 20 months. Karalyn, 5 months, and mother Marlene Cornell pose with Santa Claus (Keith Hook of Hillsborough) during the Holiday Bazaar at the United Methodist Church in Bound Brook this past weekend. Shoppers enjoyed searching for bargains during the event.

Peers helping freshmen

Freshman Assimilation Project at the borough high school

By LIBBY BARSKY Correspondent

SOUTH PLAINFIELD -Moving from middle school to high school is a huge change and can be difficult for stu-

To ease the passage of these beginning students to their environment South Plainfield High School initiated the Freshman Assimilation Project. The core of the program is to connect freshmen to upperclassmen to whom they can go to for help, guidance or advice.

"Over the past two years we have been training our Student Leadership Group in activities to help them to develop the knowledge and skills that they will need to conduct sessions with freshmen. This program will help to create a culture that promotes respect, kindness and acceptance among students," said

staff developer Mary Ellen or advice at any time. Martko, who with counselor Tom Baker has been training the students.

On Friday, Nov. 14, all the freshmen in the high school were divided into 31 groups of 10 to meet with their two assigned peer leaders. Each group has two upperclassmen. a junior and a senior, trained as peer leaders who will stay in contact with their group throughout the year and hold future meeting with them.

At their first session, the peer leaders initiated freshmen introductions, talked about their own experiences in high school and explained the purpose of the program -to help freshmen adjust to high school life. The upperclassmen also exchanged phone numbers and schedules with the 10 members in the group so the freshmen could reach them for help, guidance

'The school wanted to start a program that would help the freshmen get into high school and just make them more comfortable. If they have any type of problem they can come to us to talk about it." explained senior Arielle Fumosa co-president of Student Peer Leaders/RARE.

"A lot (of the freshmen) said they were scared to come into the school when they first started. It took them three weeks to adjust and feel comfortable in the school," said Fumosa, adding that some students found handling the two floors and finding classes extremely stressful.

Fumosa revealed her mistake as a freshman.

"I didn't take school all that seriously when I first started and my GPA suffered. After

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Diocese doing background checks on priests

By CHERYL ORSON Correspondent

The Metuchen Diocese has begun conducting criminal background checks on more than 10,000 people — including all its priests.

The move comes in response to the child sex abuse scandal that has plagued the Roman Catholic Church in America for more than two years now. The diocese, which serves more than 500,000 parishioners in four counties including Middlesex and Somerset, had recently removed five priests from their ministries as a result of child sex abuse charges.

From now on, any diocese employee having direct contact with a minor more than once or contact with a minor on an overnight activity, must

submit to a state police fingerprinting and criminal background check. This includes all diocese school employees, priests, deacons, seminarians, directors of youth ministry programs, summer camp personnel, maintenance staff and even any vendors having any contact with minors. Checks will start with existing employees and volunteers with all new personnel volunteers screened upon their acceptance proceedings.

Within the past two weeks, diocese priests were informed via a formal letter of the diocese's new employee fingerprinting requirement.

The new employment policy is part of a national compact,

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EPA wants cleanup of properties near Superfund site

By CHERYL ORSON

SOUTH PLAINFIELD -The federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has turned in an official "record of decision" regarding contaminated properties near the Cornell Dubilier Superfund

During a previously held public hearing, the EPA unveiled three options for the cleanup of PCB-contaminated residential, commercial and municipal properties in the vicinity of the Cornell Dubilier Superfund Site. This does not include soil within the boundaries of the Cornell Dubilier Superfund Site and whose cleanup alternatives are now being considered.

The cleanup alternatives for the off-site properties included taking no action, taking limited action with engineering and institutional controls which included future operation and maintenance costs, and the excavation and offsite disposal and treatment of

soil in these properties. The EPA has since chosen the latter alternative.

Under this plan for these properties, an estimated 2,100 cubic yards of PCB-contaminated soil will be excavated and removed for disposal at an approved landfill where it will be treated. An additional sampling of 12 to 59 other suspected properties will also be conducted during this time and possibly soil excavated and removed from these sites as well. These additional properties include a single-family home, an automotive repair station, a construction company office and the site of a former day care center. Further, the EPA will also reevaluate removal actions previously conducted at 13 near-by residences and might choose to take additional actions in these cases. Clean soil will be used as backfill in all areas where soil was removed. Additional investigation of

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Development of YMCA site is progressing

Redevelopment plans for Stelton Road area also underway with planning board and council

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By CHERYL ORSON

PISCATAWAY - Township officials reported they are making progress on two projects to improve the communi-

Specifically these projects involve the construction of a future YMCA site and the redevelopment of Stelton Road near the Edison border. Officials said both projects will improve the community Inc. holds on five other adjoin-

and enhance the quality of life of its residents.

Township Attorney James Clarkin reported the township has instituted litigation to foreclose on a tax sales certificate on property it owns near the proposed future YMCA site off Hoes Lane and Park Avenue. He said in order to make this litigation easier the township is going to purchase tax sales certificates Lackland

ing properties.

Our ultimate goal is to obtain title to this property without competing," Clarkin, stating "we would really like to have them (the properties) for the project" especially as the project's site layout is still unknown.

Council President Steven Cahn, Chairman of the YMCA Committee, said the property might be needed for an addi-

this area. Mayor Brian Wahler, commenting on acquiring this property, said "it's the smart move to do.

On the redevelopment of Stelton Road, Clarkin said the Planning Board, after talking with area business owners as required by law, has created a list of properties to be potential redevelopment areas. Clarkin said this is the first step in the redevelopment tional road or parking lot in process which he character-

ized as "a ping-pong game" with at least four volleys going back and fourth between the board (making recommendations) and the council which would then decide how to pro-

Clarkia said in the first volley the board, after receiving input from its planner, will recommend to the council the geographical area in need of

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YMCA site is progressing

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redevelopment. He said this will be based on a number of pre-established criteria, including if the land is vacant or has obsolete or abandoned buildings on it. These criteria need only be present "in a general way" on the property to be considered as a redevelopment site.

"If any one of the criteria is met, then that particular piece qualifies," Clarkin, stating if the criteria are present "in a goodly number of those parcels," then the council, by statute, can declare it "an area in need of redevelopment."

The council, after making this decision, in what Clarkin said will be the second volley, will then send its determinations back to the board. The board, in turn, again consulting with its planner, will then make a specific plan, or blueprint, for the redevelopment of this area which it will send to the council. Clarkin said the plan will be based on the proposed use or uses for this area. He further said current zoning of this could be affected depending on the use or uses

"You (the council) can create a whole dichotomy of

uses," said Clarkin, stating have to set up "bulk stanthere could be one comprehensive use or multiple "complimentary" uses. "You can handle it any which way you want," he said, again stressing the council's decision-making power.

In the beginning of the third volley, the council will send the reviewed plan back to the board. The board will then hold a public hearing on the plan and make a final recommendation to the council. The council will then make a decision on the plan and determine what will actually be developed.

In what will be a fourth

volley, the council will send its plan back to the board which will then solicit Requests for Proposals (RFPs) from developers with particular visions of how to implement the agreed upon plan. The developers' plans will be sent to the council, which then chooses which one it likes best and once again send this decision back to the board.

For now though, Clarkin said the board will figure out what it believes will appropriate in this area considering its major roadway and considering the surrounding land uses. He said the board's planner will also

dards" to ensure the redeveloped areas will have some conformity. Clarkin said he anticipates commercial or retail strips which, in some cases, will border residential areas which will require further intensive planning.

Also, currently, Clarkin said the council will have to decide what property is be demolished, condemned or "spruced up" or aggregated. Wahler said the board already held a public hearing with property owners from this area, stating "this decision (on redevelopment) won't be made in a vacuum.'

"There is a legitimate concern for businesses in this area," said Wahler, stating those owning "mom n' pop' businesses in this area don't want to see any further decline. "It sends the wrong message about Piscataway,' he said about the boarded up and abandoned buildings, stating "this does not look good for our town."

Further discussions about this project are expected to be held as it progresses. Township officials though said the municipality is definitely "on the road" towards making this end of Stelton Road more pleasant and profitable for all concerned.

EPA wants cleanup of properties near Superfund site

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other properties in the area will also be conducted. Anyone owning or using property in the investigational area who like to have interior dust sampling done is asked to contact Project Manager Pete Mannino at (212) 637-4395 or Community Relations Coordinator Pat Seppi at (212) 637-3679. Dust remediation will be conducted where PCB contamination is encountered. Cleaning procedures will include wiping down all exposed surfaces; vacuuming floors, drapes, upholstery, molding and windows with HEPA vacuums; washing all tile, linoleum and wood floors; steam cleaning or replacing carpets and rugs; cleaning all heating, vacuuming and airconditioning systems and their ducts and replacing all air filters.

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committee, and stated that

their event could not be aired

on taxpayer dollars. That ruling, coupled with the close-ness of the election, has

spawned frustration from the

"It was a major, major fac-

tor," said Stephens of the meeting where non-partisan

council people from neighbor-

ing Woodbridge Township,

which has a ward system,

answered questions from the

"It was a major setback for us," added Ricigliano. "There

were no other means of get-

ting the opposing view on

TV," she said, referring to the

three ward meetings held by a

committee of council mem-

bers that were aired on the

Councilman Robert Diehl,

petitioners.

public.

With the excavation and removal of all PCB-contaminated soil it is expected this will prevent further contact with the contaminant and protect human health as well as the environment, removing the ability of the PCB to migrate. This, in turn, is expected to remove all longterm risks associated with such contamination.

However, there are some downsides to this plan including short-term health and environmental risks as there will be greater potential for exposure with the excavation and transportation of PCBcontaminated soil. There will also be an increase of truck traffic, noise and potential dust in the surrounding community as well as a potential impact to workers conducting this work. The EPA hopes to limit these risks with engineering controls and OSHA-

Ward supporters file for recount

who served on that commit-

"Without a doubt, if aired, it

tee, did not return a call for

would have been a landslide victory (for wards)," said peti-

tioner Kevin Duffy, who was

also disheartened by the

financial difference between

the two sides. A week before

the election, the Democrat

Party was able to send direct

mail pieces to Edison's large

Indian, Jewish and senior citi-

zen communities, asking them

to vote "no" on the ward ques-

The petitioners may have

also been hurt by this election

not involving any federal posi-

tions, as only 28 percent of the

towns registered voters par-

and apologized for not coming

out to support it because they

didn't think it had a chance,"

People have come up to me

approved safe work practices. Also, trucking routes with the least disruption to the surrounding community will be utilized.

According to EPA officials, this plan was selected based on reducing long-term risks and allowing for the expected "reasonably anticipated future land use." Officials further stated this alternative "reduces risks within a reasonable time frame, at comparable cost and provides for long-term reliability of the remedy."

The total cost is expected to be \$760,000 with no additional future operation and maintenance costs. It is expected some portion of this cost will be covered by the site's former owner as well as its future developer. This will defray the cost of public tax dollars being spent on the cleanup of this site.

Resident and business-

owner Robert Tabor echoed

those thoughts. "I didn't think

my vote would matter," said Tabor, who did not vote.

Resident Brian McKenna,

who also did not vote, added,

"If I would have known more

about the wards, I would have

The petitioners are waiting

to hear the procedures of the

recount from the county, and

the whole process may take

several weeks. If the question

is finally defeated, they plan to put the question back on

the ballot in four years, the

earliest allowed by law, said

Ricigliano. Kapitan admitted,

"Possibly having meetings

each month in the different

sections of Edison to listen to

the issues" could help ease

the concerns of pro-ward resi-

supported it."

Background checks on priests

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known in the Church as the Dallas Charter, adopted last year by the U.S. Conference of Conference of Catholic Bishops. The Metuchen Diocese is among the first dioceses to implement the Charter's new rules, becoming a leader in this matter.

Diocese Bishop Paul Bootkoski, by way of example, himself also submitted to fingerprinting and a background check. In a released statement, Bootkoski said he had nothing to hide and urged other priests to act likewise in a show of good faith.

"recommend" or "not recom-

printed. If a person who is 'not recommended" wants to continue as a volunteer or employee, the diocese will personally examine the individual's criminal history and make a determination about the subject's future within the Church organization. Church officials have stated they will not tolerate findings such as sexual assault, kidnapping or child abuse but might allow those accused of serious offenses to remain.

Church went unreported.

In an effort to combat this problem, the Metuchen Diocese has agreed to open all its personnel files in a search for undisclosed accusations of child sex abuse. By doing so the Diocese hopes to expose anyone who may have history of abuse which did not get properly reported to the police.

Background checks cost \$55

for Diocese employees and \$46 for volunteers. The Diocese itself is footing the bill for its more than 400 priests and deacons, totaling in thousands of dollars. Individual parishes however, will have to pay to have their own employees and volun-

background However, checks are only effective in disclosing abusers whose crimes were reported and The state police will either prosecuted resulting in a conviction. As a large portion of mend" each person fingerchild sex abuse within the

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Peers helping freshmen

ticipated.

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my freshman year I started getting good grades. I wish I had done better my freshman year. I told them (students) it's really important to start getting good grades now, Fumosa said.

Peer leader Jonathan Buggey urged students to join the clubs and athletic teams the school offers to the stufriends with same interests and to boost resumes for college.

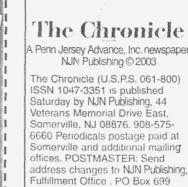
Freshman Gina Butrico called the program "very interesting.

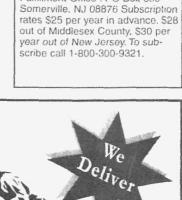
"If you go to a guidance counselor they don't tell you what the leaders do - like what cafeteria food is good," said Butrico.

Britany DiNitzio, senior

dents in his group to find class president and peer leader said five more meetings are planned for the rest of the year, but before then there will be a an overnight camping trip to YMCA Camp Bernie Port Murray Nov. 24/25 for 36 student peer leaders/RARE with four chaperones where character building, listening and team building skills will be stressed.









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Alphabet Kidz parade



Alphabet Kidz in Middlesex celebrated Halloween with a parade led by Ms. Danielle as "Dora the Explorer" and Ms. Nicole as a "flapper girl." After the parade, the children celebrated with parties and pony rides.

Vo-tech students working on Bound **Brook High School**

BOUND BROOK — Students in the Carpentry and Building Trades Programs at Somerset County Vocational and Technical High School are assisting Bound Brook High School, located on West Union Avenue, with some demolition and rough patching work on the first level of the school.

SCVTHS Carpentry Teacher Al Pokrywa and Building Trades Teacher George Lee are supervising the project.

The students began work last week and will be completing the job at Bound Brook High School as of Nov. 20. They worked daily from 8:30 -

This community service project emphasizes the importance of one school district helping another. The Board of Education and the taxpayers

JPSHS seniors named finalists

EDISON - Twelve seniors at John P. Stevens High School have been named semifinalists in the National Merit Scholarship competition.

They are Crystal Chao, Grace Chen, Moulin Chokshi, Alexander Gartenfeld, Eric C. Jean, Nancy Kuo, Larry H. Liang, Benjamin W. Milder, Pravee Pamidimukkala, Yuri M. Roh, Shaun D. Salzberg and Eric C. Yeh. Each is now eligible for a college scholarship sponsored by the National Merit Scholarship Corp. or a participating corporation or

foundation. In addition, 42 additional IPS students received letters of commendation as commended students in the National Merit competition. The commended students:

Manish B. Anandpara, Preethi S. Bapna, M. Jobaille Barcelona, Arjun Chandrasekaran, Christopher H. Chen, Christine D. Cullen, Kefei Dai, Adam J. Finkelstein, Roman Goldburt, Eileen M. Healey, Lynn E. Heinbach, Jerry Hsu, Vicky A. Hsu, Joyce M. Huang, Ajit A. Jairaj, Dawn D. Kang, Hiewon Kang, Viktori Karshenboyem, James S. Kim, Jeffrey M. Kornberg, Devin A. Kothari.

Kimberly S. Kung, Mariya Kuznetsova, Vincent Lai, Jae H. Lee, Dan Liang, Xi Lu, Ronak H. Patel, Tammy Peng, Vinay Prasannakumar, Jiten B. Rana, Gabriel A. Rocha, Rachel A. Seaton, Asha Shah, Ilya J. Sobol, Qian Qian Song, Courtney A. Stary, Aimee L. Sunaryo, Yue J. Wang, Xiao-Lan Wong, Boxuan Yang and Yin Zhou.

will realize a small savings as a result of the work that was done by the students and faculty from Somerset County Vocational and Technical High School. More importantly, the students are given a real life experience in the careers they have selected to pursue at the vocational school, said Michael A. Maddaluna, Superintendent of Schools.

For more information call (908) 526-8900, ext. 7227.

Somerset dive team searches New Market Pond

By CHERYL ORSON Correspondent

PISCATAWAY - Divers from the Somerset County Sheriff's Office spent several hours Nov. 15 in the murky waters of New Market Pond recovering evidence.

Somerset County Prosecutor Wayne J. Forrest said his office recently received reliable information from a credible source that evidence from a crime committed in that county was disposed of in the body of water. This led to the immediate dispatching of the Sheriff's Office dive team to

the location.
Forrest said during the dive the team found and recovered an item which is currently in the process of being analyzed. He did not say however, how long it is thought the item might have been in the water or what effect this might have had on the item as far as its use as evidence is concerned.

Forrest declined to say exactly what the item is or how it is related to the crime. He also would not state what the specific crime was or when it might have been committed stating "the investigation is confidential."

One diver at the site said the team was looking for an item, declining further comment. Another diver, however, quickly stepped in to say the group was on a "routine training mission" relating to finding

Quietly keeping to itself on site, the dive team was accompanied only by a simple blue pox-type truck marked in white lettering as being a police vehicle. No other vehicles, such as patrol cars, other evidence gathering vehicles

Consisting of at least six men, the dive team's members spent several hours taking turns diving in the murky water, seemingly determined to get whatever item it was dispatched to the site to find. Persistence paid off with the item being recovered, though

still remaining unidentified. Forrest said he could not say when or if further information might be forthcoming on this incident. Expressing surprise anyone had noticed the dive team at all, he stated that no press release had gone out on

Nine Metuchen students designated AP Scholars

dents at Metuchen High School have earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Board in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the college level Advanced Placement Program (AP) Exams.

The College Board's Advanced Placement Program offers students the opportunity to take challenging college-level courses while still in high school, and to receive college credit, advanced placement, or both for successful performance on the AP Exams. Almost 15 percent of the more than one million high school students in more than 14,000 secondary schools worldwide who took AP Exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition of AP Scholar.

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The students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of three or higher on five or more of these exams. These students are Joanna Balcerek, Marcus Lampert, and Jarrod Rosen.

One student qualified for the AP Scholar with Honor Award by earning an average grade of at least on all AP Exams taken, and grades of three or higher on four or more of the exams. This student was Christine Lewis.

Five students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Examinations with grades of three or higher. The AP Scholars are: Amy Greco, Lisa Grossman, Jackie Kim, Annie Muldowney, and Mirat Shah.

The designation of AP State Scholar is granted to the one male and one female student in each U.S. state and the District of Columbia with grades of three or higher on the greatest number of AP Exams, and then the highest average grade (at least 3.5) on all AP exams taken.

Of this year's recipients two are underclassmen. These students have at least one more year in which to complete college level work and possibly earn another AP Scholar

Most of the nations' colleges and universities award credit, advanced placement, or both on successful performance on the AP Exams. More than 1,400 institutions award a full year's credit (sophomore standing) to students presenting a sufficient number of qualifying grades. Thirty four AP Exams are offered in a wide variety of subject areas, each consisting of multiple choice and free response (essay or problemsolving) questions (except for the Studio Art exam which eval-

uates student's original work). The College Board is a national non-profit membership organization whose mission is to prepare, inspire, and connect students to college and opportunity. Founded in 1900, the association is composed of more than 4,300 schools, colleges universities and other leges, universities, and other educational organizations. Each year, the College Board serves over three million students and their parents, 23,000 high schools, and 3,500 colleges through major programs and services in college admission, assessment, financial aid, enrollment, and teaching and learning. Among its best-known programs are the SAT, the PSAT-NMSQT, and the Advanced Placement Program (AP). The College Board is committed to the principles of equity and excellence, and that commitment is embodied in all of its programs, services, activi-



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Letters to the Editor

Projects have drug on for years

To The Chronicle:

Now the election has passed, we are stuck with the same defunct projects that have been planned for

This years election brought out our need for a new library? What is wrong with the one we now have? In South Plainfield \$100,000 plus must be spent on any project for it to work and we always seem to be coming up with some type of grant until the time comes to pay for it. The Firemen's Memorial, the Veteran's Memorial and a memorial for both the police and rescue squad should have been done in much more easy and economical.

I think these projects are thought of just around election time. Soon we will have more memorials then in Washington D.C. Has anyone ever traveled over to Middlesex or the town of Dunellen? At the town halls, the memorials belong, they have nice and monuments. Middlesex has an excellent Firemen's Memorial and one for the police and one for the rescue squad. Dunellen in their park also has a nice memorial to the people who

have served. First of all, where are you supposed to park to see the Veteran's Memorial or the Firemen's Memorial? With the Firemen's Memorial, most members on that wall are deceased. Most of which in the town anymore. Who is going to look at that? That should have been done 35 years ago. Not now! Waste of

Veteran's Memorial was placed in front of Boro Hall for the reason of these people who have served the town. A Rescue Squad Police Memorial and Memorial could and should have been made out of front of the town hall. You could park and walk to see it and view names. Now it is nearly in the brook! No parking and what about vandalism? Look what happened to our famed Railroad Car? It was taken to a town where it could be viewed and not lived in. Why do we need a clock? All this money being spent.

Also, what ever happened to our sitting park on Sampton Avenue, which the land was bought before the 2002 election? Also, the people on these committees, how many are veterans?

We turn to our traffic problem that will be cured by the year 2006. Why is Helen Street insisted on being used with a bridge needed when Hollywood Court is the way to cut across to Metuchen Road and on South Plainfield property? What does our council have planned to be built on the Tingley Rubber site that the road is so important on Helen Street? Speaking of which, Hollywood Court was slated to be paved this year

do not have families living from front to back. Two inches of black top was spread over the holes and ground and rolled on the last 100 yards of the street. The rest of the black top was used paving the Little League fields and the road taking you back to the Pony League field. I have lived here nearly 50 years and never have seen such waste and always half truths.

I played Little League at

Boro Park and Pitt Field and at the Spicer Avenue complex and we never had pavement or parking spaces. Maybe because one of the councilman running for reelection who is in charge of recreation had something to do with it? Also, with only 29 percent of the people voting and winning by 200-plus votes, I would be insulted to win with that low turnout and nearly losing. 296 homes were sold in South Plainfield in 2002! Look on how many votes were gained there? Drive down any street in town today and you will see at least one home for sale or more! In the last 10 years, the Democrats ran out more people from South Plainfield then the plaque did in the 20s! South Plainfield has become a Realtor's dream! Always a home to sell. How many old time residents do you still living in South have Plainfield and remember it as a good town?

TONY PISANIELLO South Plainfield

Elks made BBHS dance possible

To The Chronicle:

this year.

Dear Mr. Reynolds and Fellow Elk Lodge Members, Imagine arriving at school the first day of your senior year and finding out that many of the traditions you have been waiting for and working toward may not happen. That is what met the Bound Brook High School

Class of 2004 as they began

The senior class is responsifor holding Homecoming Dance, and we had been eagerly awaiting the opportunity to celebrate this first semi-formal dance, held traditionally in the high school gym. Unfortunately, we were told that the floor of the gym could not possibly be used for the dance, gym classes or anything else. We were so disappointed when we

thought that the first tradi-

tion of our last year of high school would have to be canceled. In desperation we turned to the community and asked for help. And your organization stepped up and offered its services.

We cannot possibly thank you for all that the Bound Brook Elks Lodge did to help make the Homecoming Dance a success. You allowed the homecoming committee to visit the hall several times to look at the dance floor and the kitchen, measure tables, drop off food and decorations early, and set for the dance. You graciously offered the use of kitchen items to help us keep our costs down as much as possible. You even allowed us all the ice we needed, which became a very generous offer, considering the mix of five hours of dancing and 70-degree weather at

the end of October! More importantly, you and your organization demonstrated to us the true spirit of communi-

ty and support.
This letter cannot completely demonstrate the appreciation we feel toward your lodge. Without your extremely generous offer of support we would have missed one of the most important events of high school. We thank you for all that you did to make the event possible and incredibly memorable. The Elks is really a vital part of the Bound Brook community.

Sincerely,
MELISSA ROMERO and
the Homecoming Dance Committee and SUE DEL CONTE, TARA SELTSAM Co-advisors of the Class of

BB police are doing a great job

To The Chronicle:

Quite possibly due to all the reflection on 9-11, I found myself thinking about security and personal safety in my own life. I've come to realize that I am very grateful to the Bound Brook

Working the overnight shift for the Bound Brook Quick Chek for many years, I've witnessed numerous situations where the outcome could have turned out to be destructive or physically tragic. To every emergency the Bound Brook Police responded immediately and profession-

ally, resolving every conflict that has occurred.

My store leader Russ holds our store team to a high standard of customer dedication, so we know the difference between just performing one's job and providing excellent customer service. Officers Raub, Dewars and Wojciechowski are shining examples of this philosophy. Their courtesy and concern is more than just doing their job. It is a dedication and compassion for their community, this company and my friendship. Even our Bound Brook dispatchers are sensi-

tive to our calls and treat each one with top priority. A brief mention of Officer Higazi and his highly admirable youth outreach is also necessary.

In our company when we exceed our expectation or goal, we are given a "Way to Go" award. I'd like to extend a big "Way to Go" award to Chief Henderson and Bound Brooks' finest Department.

May God bless and protect

THOMAS MULLIGAN Assistant Leader, Quick Chek

Abortion is a stain on the nation

To The Chronicle:

Recently the U.S. Senate voted 64-34 to ban partial birth abortion. The House of Representatives has also passed this bill, and it landed on the desk of President Bush. President Clinton vetoed similar bills twice, but President Bush signed it

most gruesome way we kill babies in America today. The baby is pulled feet first

skull and the brains are sucked out. Some people will say that our work is done, because we stopped a horrible way of killing babies. But what about all the other ways we kill babies; is it ever right to kill innocent babies?

The U.S. Supreme Court in 1973 made abortion legal with the Roe vs. Wade case. Partial birth abortion is the ... Just because the high court says it is legal does not mean it is right. The Supreme Court in the Dred through the birth canal, a Scott decision ruled that hole is punched in the baby's slavery was legal. Slavery Scott decision ruled that

was a terrible sin that stained our country, and had to be wiped clean at a terrible cost — the Civil War. In our day abortion is a terrible sin that has stained our country.

God punishes nations for their sins as shown throughout the Bible, but specifically in Jeremiah chapters 46-51. I shudder to think what God will do to America for the millions of innocent lives we have ended.

MARTIN 'SKIP' JESSEN Edison

Action needed on global warming

To The Chronicle:

Global warming is one of the greatest unsolved problems of our time. While everyone has heard the term "global warming" and everyone agrees that it is a challenge, most people alive today believe that it is not their concern. Global warming is a problem for me and my generation. That is why everyone has to help to reverse global warming now.

There is ample evidence that proves the danger of global warming. We know the glaciers at the North Pole are beginning to deteriorate. At the South Pole, studies have shown that over the last 10 years there has been a depletion of the ozone laver.

dioxide, created by burning huge quantities of fossil fuels such as coal and oil. Another major effect of global warming is rising sea levels. In less than a century sea levels have risen 400 feet, flooding the mainlands and many homes. Consumption of these resources which contributes to carbon dioxide emission is multiplying at an alarming rate. A growing world population means even greater global warming dangers every year. As a world community we need to work together to solve this problem.

We can still make a difference, but our efforts need to entire problem of begin now. We can make a warming can and will be difference by carpooling more often, so that we are Humans are polluting the not burning as much fuel. We air with too much carbon know for certain that auto

emissions are among the worst causes of global warming. Until we face this part of the problem, things can only get worse. Another solution is to require vehicle manufacturers to make solar- and electric-powered cars and trucks a greater priority in the automobile industry. Another really important way to help solve this problem would be to gradually stop cutting down forests. The trees help reduce the amount of carbon dioxide that is floating around in the air. If we all start working together now, I believe the

BEN ARESTY Gill-St Bernard School

Terrorists made stronger by war

To The Chronicle:

In evaluating the question of whether America is in fact safer after the takeover of Iraq by coalition forces, one must fully understand the nature and function of the al-Qaeda global network. Al-Qaeda is a terrorist organization using tactics similar to guerilla warfare. Along with its affiliates, al-Qaeda comprises a global corporate failed to cause significant enterprise.

Al-Qaeda and affiliates successful Afghanistan because they defeated the Russian forces. They believe that because they have defeated Russia in ties or links to the Iraq lead-Afghanistan that they also can take down the United States. The group is at war with the purpose of destroy-

ing the United States. They caused a fourfold increase in have an organizational structure comprised of a headquarters, regional operations and support staff. Al-Qaeda has a rule that if not successful once they will do it over again until they are successful. The bombing of the World Trade Center is one example. It was originally the target of a massive car bomb that damage or bring down the structure. Approximately 10 years later the World Trade

Center was attacked again. Al-Qaeda has not been shown to have any significant ership. However, because Iraq was a Muslim country, on the very day that the United States began bombing Iraq it

the number of people joining al-Qaeda in countries from around the world.

In summary, al-Qaeda exists with the express purpose of destroying the United States. Al-Qaeda and its affiliates are a global enterprise. Al-Qaeda has increased its membership since the takeover of Iraq by the United States and coalition forces. The final question I pose is whether or not you believe that the takeover of Iraq is making America a safer place, or should we have focused our efforts more fully elsewhere, such as on the al-Qaeda worldwide network of terror-

> RONALD J. COUGHLIN Hamilton

Safety tips for autumn driving

To The Chronicle:

Autumn is a peak time for vehicle collisions with wild animals, resulting in driver and passenger injuries, property damage, and fatal injuries for millions of animals nationwide. Humane Society of the United States offers the following advice to keep you and your fellow travelers safe this season:

Dwindling daylight hours mean that more cars are on the road when visibility is poor. To decrease the likelihood of a collision, drivers are urged to slow down at dawn and dusk and during the night. Use your high beams when possible, scanning along the roadsides ahead for

the reflection of animal eyes. Expect an animal to leap into the road with little warning. Minimize distractions and leave adequate space between your car and the vehicle ahead of you, so you will have time to respond to hazards the preceding driver swerves to avoid. This added precaution will help to protect bicyclists and children at play, as well as wild creatures that may be in your path.

Be especially alert near parks and other natural areas, and where woods or farm fields border the road. As cold weather approaches, many animals must pack on the pounds to survive hibernation; others must find and store enough food to make it

through the winter. These wooded and grassy areas are prime locations for collecting food.

When you see one wild creature, be watchful for others, since many species travel in groups. Don't assume that animals you encounter will have the sense to get out of your way. Autumn is the mating season for many animals, so you can expect their attention to be directed elsewhere.

Common sense and caution can go a long way toward preventing collisions between

animals and vehicles.
NINA AUSTENBERG Director Humane Society of the United States Mid-Atlantic Office

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Donations now help Salvation Army

To The Chronicle:

At this time of the year, most people focus their thoughts on the upcoming holiday season. Stores are stocked with winter merchandise, decorated trees are on display and lists are made so that no one is forgotten. Yet there will be many people without a gift, warm clothes or food on the table. There are a number of people who will be without shelter, living on the streets and in alleys.

The Salvation Army strives to help people in need 365 days a year. We provide food, shelter and warm clothing. We provide day care, afterschool programs and camp-ing to youth. We visit the corps locations throughout

elderly at home, in hospitals and nursing homes. We provide educational resources such as computer labs, English as a Second Language classes and job readiness training. We help the families of troops overseas, we continue to help those affected by 9/11 and, yes, we provide toys and small gifts to the elderly at Christmas.

Our annual red kettle appeal from mid-November to Dec. 24 provides the funds we use all year long, not just for the holidays. We rely on your generosity and pray that this year you will be

New Jersey have seen a dramatic rise in the number of people asking for help. The Salvation Army can only provide the help that is needed if our kettles are full this Christmas.

I thank you for your support in the past. I wish you peace, joy, health and a full heart, and I ask you to be as generous as possible when you encounter our red kettles this holiday season.

To learn more about The Salvation Army in New Jersey, visit www.salvationarmynewjersey.org.

Maj. STEPHEN BANFIELD State Commander, The Salvation Army

American saints are guilty until proven innocent

I was in Mrs. Cole's secondgrade class in Branchburg's Old York School when the news arrived. Another teacher came to the doorway and motioned to Mrs. Cole. They whispered; we knew something was wrong. Mrs. Cole came back into the room and, with the sensitive aplomb she had developed over decades teaching second-graders, said simply, "The President has been shot."

Like most Americans who were alive that day 40 years ago, I remember where I was when I learned President Kennedy had been assassinated (my parents were at the opening day of Great Eastern on Route 22 in North Plainfield where K-Mart is today.) It was a mild November Friday afternoon full of soft, bright sunlight. Precocious brat that I was, I knew the President was dead when the school bus passed a flag in South Branch already lowered to half-mast. For the rest of that weekend and Monday, my family - like all American families - sat transfixed before the television, the somber images from Washington forever burned into our memories. I wasn't even upset that the cartoons were taken off television Saturday morning.

Too much has been written about the assassination over the past four decades for me to say anything new. The murder spawned a small industry of writers, whether they're trying to prove the existence of a conspiracy to those who argue those tragic events in Dallas unleashed incomprehensible and uncontrollable forces that forever changed our country. I refuse to believe the ČIA, who couldn't kill Castro and still can't find the weapons of mass destruction in Iraq, was involved in the assassination. And I don't believe the assassination changed the country in a fundamental way or even altered the course of history, though it may have served as an accelerant for chain reactions already in progress. But judging from the mountain of books still being published and the number of shows on cable channels, the Kennedy assassination still holds a morbid fascination for many in this country.

If there is any remaining meaning to be wrung out of the Kennedy assassination, it is that the British essayist and novelist George Orwell was right when he wrote "all saints are guilty until proven innocent." In the immediate aftermath of the assassination, there was a rush to beatify St. Jack as a martyr. Though he had only been in office for a thousand days,

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Kennedy received tributes far beyond the reality of his accomplishments. Schools, roads, airports and even a space center were all named in his honor. I remember once seeing one of those trick pictures that if you held it one way you saw Kennedy and if you tilted it another way you saw Christ.

But Kennedy was no saint, in either his private or public life. The Cuban missile crisis was the high point of his leadership; complicity in the overthrow of Diem in South Vietnam was the low point. And, as we all know now, he led a devious double life the ideal father with the beautiful wife and children and the sexual rake whose dangerous dalliances are still spoofed by Mayor Quimby on "The Simpsons." He was, in short and without question, no saint.

It is this almost schizophrenic split in persona that may eventually prove to be Kennedy's most durable legacy. To this day, helped by the bumbling sexual antics of Bill Clinton, the country is deeply split in trying to resolve the contradictions of our leaders' public and private life. Is it too much of a burden to entrust our politicians with both political and moral leadership? Or should we be, like fair bosses evaluating an employee, only judge our leaders on their job perfor-mance, not the peccadilloes of their private lives?

Thanks to Kennedy and his folly-prone successors, the

Piscataway High honored by the state

High School has been awarded top honors in the Governor's School of Excellence Program conducted by the State of New

The award recognizes schools that have demonstrated "significant improvement over the past two academic years," and carries a \$25,000 prize to be used for educational purposes.
The Governor's Excellence program also enables the State Department of Education to share the experience of Piscataway High School with other schools seeking to improve educational opportu-

"This award is very much appreciated and indicative of the progress being made at Piscataway High School in the areas of student performance and overall school climate," commented Superintendent of Schools Robert L. Copeland. "We are absolutely thrilled and proud of the students, teachers, and leadership of Piscataway High School."

"I hope that Piscataway residents share our pride and confidence that excellent and varied educational opportunities are available at Piscataway High School for children in this community," said Copeland. "I congratulate Principal Dr. Michael A. Wanko and the entire high school community on this achievement.'

Through the Governor's School of Excellence Program, Piscataway High School was cited for improvement in standardized test scores and Advanced Placement tests, an increase in students achieving honor roll status, a decrease in tion in the number of incidents of violence and vandalism.

The High School was also recognized for efforts in creating positive school climate; for "meaningful improvement" in the number of parents involved in their child's education, and the quality of their participation; the use of technology as a learning tool; and the quality of its staff development programs.

Wanko believes that initiatives at Piscataway High School have contributed to an atmosphere that is conducive to high student performance. 'We believe in shared decision-making, and leading by example," said Wanko. share a vision that all students can achieve academic and personal success, and hopefully we inspire them to work towards these goals."

In the area of standardized tests, 11th grade students achieved an 83 percent passing rate on Language Arts Literacy portion of the state's 2003 High School Proficiency Test. This represents an eight percent increase over the 2001 test scores, and is 10 percentage points higher than the Department of Education's definition of Adequate Yearly Progress that is a cornerstone of the federal No Child Left Behind Act.

During the 2002-03 school year, 141 Advanced Placement tests were administered at Piscataway High School; over percent of students achieved a passing score of 3 or higher. In the areas of English, science, and mathematics, over 90 percent of stu-

PISCATAWAY — Piscataway failures, and a dramatic reduc- dents achieved a passing score.

The AP results reflect a 3.5 percent increase in test scores and a 9 percent increase in the number of tests administered.

Last year, Piscataway High School received a State of New Jersey Best Practices Award for Comfort Zone, a combination of initiatives designed to improve school climate and These initiatives included a house plan that provides the advantages of a large high school with the intimacy of a small, personalized setting; and other measures that celebrate the school's ethnic and cultural diversity and promote tolerance and understanding.

These initiatives were again recognized through Governor's School Excellence and have resulted in the following: an increase of 50 percent in club participation; increased dialogue between students, the principal and the superintendent; and a 5 percent increase in the number of students achieving nonor roll status.

During the 2002-03 school year, there were dramatic reductions over the prior

areas: a 58 percent decrease in fighting, a 68 percent decrease in smoking, a 40 percent decrease in cutting class, a 100 percent decrease in truancy, and a 61 percent

decrease in use of profanity. Overall, there was a 66 percent decrease in the number of offenses that school districts are required to report to the state; these reportable offenses include

assaults, and weapons. Piscataway High School serves 2,100 students who come from over 50 countries and speak almost 60 languages. If offers over 300 courses and 50 sports, clubs, and publications.

Among its initiatives this September were the AVID (Advancement via Individual Determination) program that assists freshmen with high academic potential and low past performance; and a Senior Pilot Program that enables students who have completed almost all high school course requirements to pursue a faculty-approved internship, community service, or independent study



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METUCHEN Metuchen Grapplers recreational wrestling squad continues to sign up wrestlers for the coming season.

All Metuchen boys and girls in Grades 2-8 are eligible. Practices are in the small gym at Metuchen High School beginning Tuesday, Dec. 2.

Fee is \$50 for the first wrestler and \$35 each addiwrestler gets a T-shirt, sweatshirt and knit cap. In addition, the family of each participating wrestler must post a \$50 work bond which is refund-

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All donations will be distributed to local charities, including Derek Jeter's Turn 2 Foundation.

William H. Freeman

MIDDLESEX — William

Hodgman Freeman, 73, died

Born in Newton, Mass., he

was a son of the late William

M.B. and Elizabeth Hodgman

Mr. Freeman lived in Alexandria, Va., Vienna, Va.,

Middlesex and Millstone

Borough before moving to

Virginia Beach, Va. He was

self-employed as a civil struc-

tural engineer and was a for-

He also was a captain and

Beechwood Volunteer Fire

Company in Middlesex. Mr.

Freeman was a fireman with

the Millstone Valley Volunteer

Fire Company in East

A 1954 graduate of the Virginia Military Institute,

Mr. Freeman served in the

Matilda Klinger

member of the

mer Boy Scout leader.

Freeman.

Millstone.

Nov. 13, 2003 in Norfolk, Va.

Viola Bulauskas

Bulauskas, 86, died Nov. 18, 2003 at the Bridgeway Care Center in Bridgewater.

Born Feb. 9, 1917 in Newark, she was a daughter of the late Joseph and Veronica Stancikas Pocius.

Mrs. Bulauskas had lived in Middlesex since 1948. She was with AT&T Corp. for 13 years, retiring in 1982 as a manager in its Piscataway offices. She earlier worked in the Green Brook and Middlesex school systems.

She was a member of the Middlesex Woman's Club and a parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Roman Catholic Church.

Her husband, Paul P., died Oct. 31, 2002.

Surviving are two daughters, Elaine B. Reilly of Bound Brook and Arline B. Cookingham of Ontario, N.Y.; a brother, Stanley Pocius of Scranton, Pa.; a sister, Eleanor Merrill of Arnold, Md.; four grandchildren and a great-grandchild. Services were held yester-

at the Taggart-Chamberlain Funeral Home in Bound Brook. Burial was in Bound Brook Cemetery. Donations may be sent to

Alzheimer's Association, Greater New Jersey Chapter, 400 Morris Ave., Suite 251, Denville, NJ 07834.

Edward F. Gray

PISCATAWAY — Edward F. ber of the Holy Name Society Gray, 80, died Nov. 17, 2003 at Muhlenberg Regional

Medical Center in Plainfield.
Born July 17, 1923 in
Piscataway, he was a son of
the late Edward and Anna

Mae Murray Gray. Mr. Gray lived in Piscataway all his life and was a supervisor with the Somerset Bus Co. in Mountainside. He also was a welder for 22 years with R. Hoe & Co. in Dunellen.

He was a member of the International Association of Machinists and Amalgamated Transit Union. Mr. Gray was a former mem-

Jenny Jay Calv

MIDDLESEX — Jenny Jay

Calv, 83, died Nov. 16, 2003 at

the Cedar Oaks Care Center

Born in Somerville, she

lived in Dunellen and

Piscataway before moving to

Mrs. Calv was retired from

the electronics department of

Burroughs Corp. in Warren.

She was a member of the Tri-

County Senior Citizens Club,

She was a parishioner of

Our Lady of Mount Virgin

in South Plainfield.

based in Piscataway.

Middlesex.

at St. Stanislaus Kostka Roman Catholic Church in Plainfield.

A son, Mark E., died in 1996. Surviving are his wife, Mary Ann Chesla Gray; a daughter, Elaine Jonas of Tennessee; two sisters, Rita Villane of Westfield and Mary Stover of Emmaus, Pa.; and three grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday at the Sheenan Funeral Home, Dunellen, followed by a funeral Mass at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. Burial was in Holy Redeemer Cemetery, South Plainfield.

Roman Catholic Church.

Surviving are her husband,

Rocco V.; three sons, Daniel

DiBartolomeo of Boston,

Mass., Charles of Middlesex

and Richard of Toms River; a

daughter, Linda Smith of San

Bernardino, Calif.; a brother,

Domenic Armenti of Fort

Pierce, Fla.; and seven grand-

Services were held yester-

day at the Scarpa Funeral

Home in North Plainfield.

Burial was in Resurrection

Burial Park, Piscataway.

children.

Navy and later in the Army.

Klinger died Nov. 16, 2003 at Somerset Medical Center in Somerville, three days before what would have been her 88th birthday.

Born in the Bronx, she was a daughter of the late John and

Carrie Shueler Bayer. Mrs. Klinger had lived in Dunellen since 1944 and was a homemaker.

Surviving are two sons, Robert William and Henry Frank, and a daughter, Marie, all of Dunellen.

He was a parishioner of St.

Paul's Episcopal Church in

Surviving are his wife of 43

daughter,

years, Dorothy Sheredos

Elizabeth D. Korsun and hus-

band Scott of Hillsborough;

two sons, William S. and wife

Susie of Chesapeake, Va., and

Douglas B. and wife Evelyn of

Virginia Beach; a sister, Annie

Karns of Washington, N.C.;

A memorial service will be

10 a.m. today at St. Paul's Church, 214 Church St.,

Bound Brook, with Rev. Ed

Arrangements are by the

Graham Funeral Home,

Greenbrier Chapel, in Chesapeake. In lieu of flow-

ers, donations may be sent to

VMI Foundation, P.O. Box 932,

Lexington, VA 24450 or St.

and two grandchildren.

Murphy officiating.

Paul's Church.

Bound Brook.

Freeman;

A funeral Mass was held yesterday at St. John the Evangelist Roman Catholic Church. Burial was in Holy Redeemer Cemetery, South Plainfield.

Arrangements were by the Sheenan Funeral Home.

Ann Marie Madison

EDISON — Ann Marie of 52 years, Robert; a broth-Malpere Madison, 86, died er, Frank Malpere; a sister, Nov. 14, 2003 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born in Cranford, she lived in Rahway before moving to Edison in 1963. Mrs. Madison was a

retired inspector with Wilcolator Co. in Newark and National Pneumatic Co. in Rahway.

Surviving are her husband

er, Frank Malpere; a sister, Rose Estwanick; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

A funeral Mass was held Tuesday at St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church in Cranford. Entombment was in the Hollywood Memorial Park mausoleum, Union.

Arrangements were by the Dooley Funeral Home in Cranford.

Tuesday at Our Lady of Mount

Virgin Roman Catholic

Church. Burial was in

Resurrection Burial Park,

Middlesex Funeral Home.

Donations may be sent to

George H. Friery Memorial

Scholarship Fund, Virginia

Military Institute, Attn:

Dallas Clark, P.O. Box 932,

Lexington, VA 24450.

Arrangements were by the

Piscataway.

Catherine Friery

MIDDLESEX — Catherine M. Friery, 70, died Nov. 13, 2003 at her home.

Born in Brooklyn, she lived in Union before moving to Middlesex in 1963.

Mrs. Friery retired in 1998 after 15 years as a word processor with the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey.

Her husband, George H. Sr., died in 1986.

Surviving are a son, George Jr. of Middlesex; four daughters, Catherine Zirkle of Bethlehem, Pa., Deborah Myers of Bridgewater, Lynn Rinker and Kim Thyen, both of Middlesex; a brother, Michael O'Connor of Staten Island; 10 grandchildren and

five great-grandchildren. A funeral Mass was held

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Scott Schneider

DUNELLEN — Scott P. Schneider, 38, died Nov. 16, 2003 in Edison.

Born in New Brunswick, he lived in Edison and Carteret before moving to Dunellen in

Mr. Schneider was a supervisor with the Halls South in Warehouse Plainfield.

Surviving are his wife, Deborah Hazlett Schneider; his parents, Frank and Anne Madden Schneider of Edison; two stepdaughters, Denise Reitmar and Reitmar; a brother, Steven of Bayville; and a sister, Kristin Young of Branchburg.

A funeral Mass was held Wednesday at St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church, Edison, following services at the Boylan Funeral Home in Edison.

Charlotte Konopacki

MIDDLESEX - Charlotte and wife Mary, with whom M. Nowakowski Konopacki, 95, died Nov. 17, 2003 at her

Born in Poland, she lived in South River and Florida before moving to Middlesex

Mrs. Konopacki was a homemaker and a parishioner of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Roman Catholic

Surviving are a son, Walter

Mrs. Konopacki lived; a daughter, Mary Ann Geric and husband Michael of Clearwater, Fla.; seven grandchildren and three greatgrandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held yesterday at Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church, followservices at the Bridgewater Funeral Home. Burial was in Sacred Heart Cemetery, Hillsborough.

Caryl Marie Monahan

MIDDLESEX — Caryl Marie Monahan, 43, died Nov. 16, 2003 at her home in New Brunswick.

Born in Plainfield, Ms. Monahan lived in Piscataway and Middlesex before moving to New Brunswick in 2002.

Surviving are her parents, Daniel and Carole Lund Monahan of Piscataway; a daughter, Danielle Marie Hayes of Maine; a brother,

Daniel of Piscataway; a sister, Patricia Hayes and husband Amon of Maine; her maternal grandmother, Constance Lund of Metuchen; two uncles, Gilbert Lund of Metuchen and Eugene of Piscataway; and many cousins.

Services were held yesterday at the Costello-Runyon Funeral Home in Metuchen. Burial was in Resurrection Burial Park, Piscataway.

Teacher training sessions planned in **Dunellen schools**

By G.W. JOHNSON Correspondent

DUNELLEN The Dunellen Board of Education continued it's positive strides in the area of academics on a number of fronts according to school officials Tuesday.

Nellie Eyerman, curriculum director, said in keeping with the district's professional development sessions from last year, Eyerman scheduled two days so far for professional development. The first will be on Dec. 5 at Faber School will be to improve the teachers' mathematical comprehension.

"All teachers will be required to take this section," said Eyerman. "It's essential that the teachers understand what they are teaching the children. This presentation will be a huge help."

An afternoon session will focus on curriculum development and will be attended by all K-6 teachers.

The Dunellen High School will also focus on curriculum development. Their afternoon session will be on "substance awareness training."

"This should really help the teachers pick up on key issues that might indicate a problem," said Eyerman. "Things like attendance, falling grades and poor test scores can be an indication of a prob-

February will bring more mathematical sessions for Faber, as well as a session called "Developing Social and Emotional Intelligences" for all teachers. There will also be a session for teacher's aides, which is newly developed. Dunellen High School will focus on those same issues as

Also discussed at the meeting was that Lincoln School was one of only 25 schools throughout the state to win the Governor's School of Excellence Award. Lincoln's literacy scores have improved dramatically over the last year or two, and that was a huge contributing factor in their winning the award.

"This is an incredible distinction for our middle school," said Dr. Joyce Baynes, Superintendent of Schools. "I believe this shows how well Lincoln school has moved forward in its teacher and curriculum development. believe it is now equipped to begin receiving sixth graders once we hopefully pass the bond referendum."

Speaking of their referendum, meetings will continue to be held within the community and run by the group KIDS (Keep Improving Dunellen Schools) to inform the public of all the issues regarding the Dec. 9 vote.

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The boroughs of Bound Brook and South Bound Brook receive a joint Municipal Planning Partnership grant from Somerset County for a joint waterfront strategic plan. Freeholder Director Peter S. Palmer (second from left) presents a ceremonial check in the amount of \$18,050 (\$9,025 for each municipality) to Bound Brook Mayor Frank Ryan (left), South Bound Brook Mayor Jo-Anne Schubert and Council

Bound Brook, South Bound Brook receive county grant for project

The Somerset County Board of Freeholders has awarded \$199,750 in the 2003 round of funding from its Municipal Planning Partnership Grant Program.

Twelve towns have received funding for a total of 11 projects. The boroughs of Bound Brook and South Bound Brook as well as the borough of Somerville and Bridgewater Township are undertaking joint initiatives with shared grants.

"The Board of Freeholders established the Municipal Planning Partnership Grant Program to assist municipalities in implementing smart growth principals and regional planning initiatives," said Freeholder Rick Fontana, planning board liaison. "The grant money will be used by municipalities to match local funding contributions and inkind efforts."

Freeholder Director Peter S. Palmer presented ceremonial Plainfield for a downtown orichecks to grant recipients at, gin and destination study;

the freeholders' regular meeting. Grant awards included \$17,400 to Bedminster Township for a plan endorsement of master plan and development regulations; Branchburg \$19,000 to Township for a North Branch village proposal; transit \$18,050 (\$9,025 each) to Bound Brook and South Bound Brook for a joint waterfront strategic plan and \$45,000 (\$22,500 each) to Bridgewater Township and the borough of Somerville for a Peters Brook greenway plan.

Other grant awards included \$18,000 to Far Hills for a planning implementation agenda on open space and transportation planning project; \$10,875 to Franklin Township for preparation of strategic redevelopment action plans; \$19,000 to Montgomery Township for a Route 206 corridor planning initiative; \$13,050 to North

for a Geographic Information System; \$6,750 to Rocky Hill Borough for village center design guidelines and historic preservation district implementation ordinance and \$18,000 to South Bound Brook for a master plan update. Grants awarded over the

past 4 years now include 48 projects and a total of \$836,485 in matching funds to municipalities. The grants have been used for a wide variety of planning projects, including . master plan updates, build-out analysis, downtown redevelopment plans, ordinance revisions, design guidelines, wastewater management plans, economic development plans and other special planning studies.

For more information, con-Anthony Soriano, Somerset County Planning Board, at (908) 231-7021.

South Plainfield seeking volunteers

By CHERYL ORSON Correspondent

SOUTH PLAINFIELD -The borough is putting out the call for volunteers to get more involved with their com-

Specifically, the borough is seeking volunteers to join its newly-created Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) and to join various governmental boards and committees currently in need of members. Officials are hoping to get as many volunteers as possible for CERT and to fill all openings on the boards and committees by the time of the borough's official reorganization in January.

The creation of CERT began after Sept. 11 and is meant to allow properly-trained local citizens and business owners to respond to catastrophic events. CERT was made possible by a \$527,000 state grant split among municipalities.

Councilman Dennis Cerami, Chairman of the Public Safety Committee, further explained the need for and purpose of CERT.

"The idea is to utilize residents of the community and people in the business sector to train them to 'pick up the slack' in the vent of any emergency," stating members of CERT would help out the first responders, (police, fire and squad members), in catastrophic events.

Those volunteering for CERT will receive 20 hours of training in subjects including life saving techniques, safety issues, decision-making factors and leadership skills. While "taking the burden off emergency services," Cerami said. CERT members would

attain better disaster preparedness knowledge.

"Readiness is really people helping people and doing the greatest good for the greatest amount of people with the least amount of injuries," said Cerami, stating the more peo-

ple joining CERT, the better. CERT will be run through the county, including its funding, not costing the borough anything. As Cerami stated, "it's a matter of getting vol-

"It's a great program. This way people get trained and know their job in case of disaster" Michael Zushma OEM director

unteers." Ham radio operators are particularly needed to keep communication going during catastrophes.

Office of Emergency Management (OEM) Director Michael Zushma said CERT training classes will begin in January. He said he is looking for all types of people "from any walk of life" to join CERT as any and all skills could be needed in an emergency. Also people could do even simple things setting up barricades lifting equipment and helping out the first responders, "lot of different

"It's a great program. This way people get trained and know their job in case of disaster," said Zushma.

Stressing CERT would be activated "only in times of disaster" and not on a regular basis, Zushma said this would include "times when the borough is overwhelmed" such as in storms or other crisis. Zushma further said it is hoped CERT members will go on to become first responders themselves, joining the fire department or rescue squad.

The borough is also seeking

new members for the Business Advisory Group (consisting of business owners only) meeting the first Wednesday of every month at 5 p.m., the Cultural Arts Commission meeting the second Wednesday of every month at 8 p.m., the Environmental Commission meeting the Wednesday of every month at 8 p.m., the Planning Board meeting the second and fourth Tuesdays of every month at 8 p.m., the Public Celebration Committee whose meeting dates are as yet to be determined, the Senior Citizen Advisory Commission meeting the first Monday of every month at 5 p.m., the Taxpayers Advisory Group meeting the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7 p.m. and the Zoning Board of Adjustment meeting the second and fourth Thursday of every month at 8 p.m. Those interested are asked to please forward a resume, along with which board(s) on which they wish to serve to Mayor Daniel J. Gallagher or Council President James Vokral at 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080. The dead-

\$7 million funds for flood control

Rep. Michael Ferguson announced that Congressional leaders approved his \$7 million request for the next round of federal funding for the Green Brook Flood Control

The Republican congressman has secured \$24 million in federal funds to go toward the \$331 million project since he took the 7th District seat in 2001. He got congressional approval for \$10 million in 2001 and \$7 million in 2002. The latest allocation, announced by Ferguson in a Nov. 13 press release from his Capitol Hill office, is included in the annual appropriations bill that funds flood control projects around the country. That measure was to be voted

on in Congress this week. "Family homes and businesses are in harm's way if another hurricane hits New Jersey," Ferguson said in the release.

"This \$7 million will go a long way toward the completion of the Green Brook project."

line is Dec. 8, 2003.

He also credited Rep. Rodney Frelinghuysen (R-11th Dist.), a member of the House Appropriations Committee, with getting the full amount asked for.

Frelinghuysen "has been a leading advocate to ensure that the Green Brook project receives the federal funds it deserves," Ferguson said.

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Mary Piekarski, reference librarian at the Piscataway Public Library, presents Barnes & Noble gift certificates to the winners of the library's recent Web Site Promotion. The promotion encouraged residents to utilize remote services provided on the library's website and was funded by a grant from the Karma Foundation. Picture with Piekarski are Barrington Turgott with his daughter Brianna and Alfred Urrato with his wife Yanina. The third winner, Ti Han, was unavailable for the photograph.

Fun part of lesson for Spanish class

By LIBBY BARSKY

Correspondent SOUTH PLAINFIELD — It's official — having fun is now part of the curriculum for the elementary Spanish course.

Vocabulary lists are out and games, songs and dancing are in. These interactive activities are part of the district's new elementary world languages curriculum developed by director of curriculum Kaye Crown with Spanish teachers Amy Burkat, Rachel Gomez, Kelly Richburg and Aura

The new curriculum is based on the gcal to prepare students to speak a second (foreign) language when they complete high school. In fact, being able to speak another language will be a graduation requirement for all students in the future. New state requirements are slated for adoption in January.

To prepare students to meet this graduation requirement, the district began teaching Spanish this past September at all four elementary schools, Grant School and the middle school. Kelly Richburg teaches first graders in all four schools in 16 classes twice a week for 36 minutes.

Besides learning conversational Spanish phrases, leaning to count in Spanish and the words that describe their

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world, the students also learn the location and the capitals, flags and money of Spanish speaking countries. They also learn about the different holidays customs in these coun-

"We have many songs. They walk into the room singing. They are very excited. They are just soaking up this language. They love it and I love it," said Richburg said of her

"I sometime hear the regular classroom teachers talk to the kids in Spanish reinforcing what they have learned," said Riley principal William

At Grant School, Amy Burkat teaches six classes each 41 minutes, of fifth- and sixth-grade students five days a week in a 10-week rotation program. All students in the school will receive Spanish instruction in one of the four rotations during the year.

The first 10 rotation was completed on Nov. 11 and the results are in.

"They were able to learn so much more Spanish than what was expected. They impressed their parents and they impressed themselves," said Burkat. "I like to give them a good introduction to Spanish where it's fun. We play games, and sing. It's a fun way to learn because we are actually

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"They looked up recipes and made authentic Spanish food. had one parent of an Ecuadorian student dance for us and one student learn a Spanish song on his guitar to play for us. It was a good wrapup to show what a fiesta was like," she said. "This was an introduction for them, to pique their interest in the Spanish language so they are excited and will take it again through their senior year that's the goal."

At the middle school, there are three classes of eighthgrade students who are taking a full year of Spanish that corresponds to the Spanish I course at the high school.

Two classes are taught by Aura Salazar and one class by Rachel Klausner-Gomez. Both teachers also teach the 10week exploratory Spanish course to all other seventh and eighth graders.

"My students were excited about the Spanish classes,' said Rachel Klausner-Gomez, who teaches four classes of seventh graders and one full year class of eighth graders.

"We covered a lot of the areas we wanted to and the students were able to acquire a broad vocabulary while having fun at the same time. We also covered a lot of geography, history and cross-cultural holidays. The students also learned how to order from a restaurant," said Salazar.

"I thought the program was successful," said Salazar.

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Our Lady of Czetochowa celebrates 60th anniversary Sunday morning

By CHERYL ORSON Correspondent

SOUTH PLAINFIELD -Our Lady of Czestochowa (OLC) Church on Kosciusko Avenue will be celebrating its 60th anniversary this

In recognition of the historic occasion, the church will be having a special celebratory Mass of Thanksgiving led Bishop Paul Bootkoski of the

Metuchen Diocese, a very high honor which is greatly anticipated by both OLC and its parishioners. The mass will begin promptly at 11 a.m. and is expected to conclude at around 12:30

Directly following this special mass, OLC will be having a formal dinner dance at its parish hall. This event, likewise highly anticipated by OLC's parishioners, is expected to draw hundreds serving as both a celebration and something of a reunion for many with numerous past congregates returning

for the occasion.

Now boasting more than 500 families, the church began with a seed of hope deeply planted in the hearts of a group of Polish immigrant families settling in the borough. Originally attending Sacred Heart Church, they petitioned then Father Edward Corrigan to have at least one Mass each weekend said in Polish. While various Polish priests came to serve these immigrants, they were determined to establish their own church. With this determination and through the efforts of Maximilian Monsignor Wujeck who wrote to the Pope Pius XII in Rome, a Papal Bull sanctioned the establishment of the newest national church in the Trenton Diocese in late 1942, OLC.

OLC's first service was

temporary church) on Palm Sunday, April 18, 1943 with Monsignor Maximilian Wujek as celebrant. OLC's first pastor was the Rev. Ladislaus Madura, its founding father, serving from 1943 to 1962. Purchasing a vacant building from Camp Kilmer, it was transformed by the work of parishioners and contractors into a fitting house of God. The first service held in this refurbished facility was on the First Sunday of Advent in 1943. In 1948 the parish hall was built serving as a meeting place, Confraternity classroom and a place to host social events.

In 1953 the Brandt Family sold their home at 120 Kosciusko Ave to the parish to serve as its parish rectory. OLC's second pastor, the Rev. Francis Klimkiewicz, served during the decade of 1962 to 1972 while its third pastor, the Rev. John M. Skwara, served for three decades from May, 1972 to May, 2002.

Skwara began with a congregation of 50 who, from the moment of his arrival, became determined to build

brand new church. Between book sales, circuses, parish dinners, white elephant sales, etc. and with an ever-growing congregation, Skwara finally was able to begin the realization of this dream. On March 25, 1976 a ground breaking for the new church occurred and on Dec. 5, 1976 a dedication Mass was held with a dinner dance following in the parish hall.

With no church being complete without its own three Stations of the Cross, the story of these three statues is a tale unto itself. The three main statues gracing the church today, life-size figures of the Resurrection of Christ, St. Joseph and Our

held in the Venetian Hall (a Lady of Czestochowa, were created to inspire the spiritual flame of love, faith and hope. Designed by Victor Zucchi, they were carved in the town of Ortisei in the Ladin Valley of Gardena, Italian Tyrol. Vincenzo Mussner, a member of one of the oldest woodcarving families, was selected to execute this valued work from rare Linden wood also using 22karat gold leaf and burnishing the statues with semiprecious agate stone to attain the desired brilliance and effect. The carved, freestanding, life-size stature of Our Lady of Czestochowa is particularly rare and unique as it is the only statue of its kind known to exist. While many pictures, icons, and of Our Lady of Czestochowa had previously been executed, the statue alone is registered with the Italian government as "one of a kind."

When Skwara retired in May of 2002, the congregation totaled 450 souls. Temporary Administrator the Rev. George M. Pisanello served a short stint from May, 2002 to September, 2002. OLC's fourth and present Pastor is the Rev. J. Maciej Melaniuk, who was officially installed on Oct. 23, 2002. Maciej was ordained May 31, 1986 as a diocesan priest by Theodore Cardinal McCarrick in St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral in Metuchen. He previously served as an associate pastor at the borough's Sacred Heart Church, at St. Joseph in North Plainfield, at St. Stephen in Perth Amboy, at Our Lady of Victories in Sayreville, at St Mary of Ostrabrama in South River and at St Bernard in Bridgewater. He was Pastor of St. Stephen Parish from Dec. 26, 1998 until Sept. 20,

Drug company expanding in boro

SOUTH PLAINFIELD - A third-generation, familyowned manufacturer of generic medications is renovating two buildings here for expansion, utilizing low-cost, taxexempt bond financing from the New Jersey Economic Development Authority (EDA) in a transaction that marks the company's third use of the Authority's financing

resources. The EDA million bond at an initial variable weekly interest rate of .90 percent to G&W Laboratories, Inc. Wachovia Bank, N.A. was the placement

"EDA tax-exempt bond financing is a critical tool in New Jersey's effort to sustain manufacturing businesses and jobs in the state," said EDA

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Chairman "Manufacturers like G&W are among a short list of entities that qualify for tax-exempt bond assistance and can take advantage of this low-cost borrowing tool."

EDA Executive Director Caren S. Franzini said, "G&W Laboratories has utilized EDA financing twice before, including a 1991 bond issue, and we Authority to finance another project that will increase employment." EDA has now issued over \$15 billion in bonds for 3,670 projects that have stimulated more than \$21 billion in total investment in New Jersey and created almost 150,000 jobs since the Authority was established in 1974, she said.

G&W Laboratories President Ronald Greenblatt said the company knew about the EDA and the advantages of EDA financing from prior experience. "Because the bonds are tax-free, the rate of interest is lower so the cost of borrowing over the life of the loan makes it a less expensive source of capital than conventional financing," Greenblatt explained.

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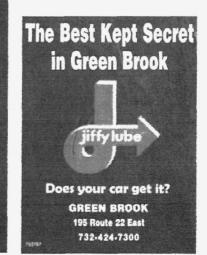
We are in the generic pharmaceutical industry and, to compete, we need to meet high service levels for the manufacture and delivery of products," Greenblatt "We are moving forward with this expansion and our aim is to continue to strengthen our operations, increase are pleased it has returned to our market share and secure continuous employment for New Jersey residents.

The Greenblatt family established G&W Laboratories in New Jersey in 1919. The company currently employs 259 workers and expects to add 41 jobs in the next two years as a result of the expansion.

The EDA financing is being used to renovate two company-owned buildings located here on 11.5 acres. One contains 97,800 square feet and the other provides space of 40,000 square feet. The financing is also funding purchase of new equipment for quality control testing, research and development, and manufacturing.

G&W Laboratories manufactures and distributes generic and branded suppository medication and topical ointments, creams, liquids and gels. Greenblatt's father, Burton, is the company's chairman, his brother-in-law, Joel Zaklin, is vice president for sales and marketing, and his wife, Melodie, is project manager for the renovation and expan-

The EDA was established in 1974 to promote economic growth and create jobs. It has arranged more than \$16 billion in financing since its inception. For more information about EDA tax-exempt bond financing, send an email to ibd@njeda.com. For information on other EDA financing programs, call (609) 292-1800 or visit the EDA's website at www.njeda.com.





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Old-time Christmas at theater

DUNELLEN - "An Old-Fashioned Christmas" is a free holiday program for the whole family, to be held Dec. 6 at the Dunellen Theater on North Avenue (Route 28). The program will be offered at 2 p.m. and again at 4 p.m.

The free community festivities will feature an hour of holiday music, including a hand bell choir and audience sing-alongs of traditional Christmas carols and other winter favorites of both adults and children. There will also be a special guest appearance by "Ebenezer the Shepherd" who will share his unique perspective during a reenactment of the Christmas story. Everyone will receive a small free gift.

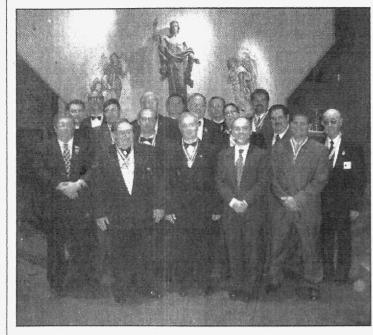
"Many people agree that we've lost the true meaning of Christmas," explained Pastor Jeff Wildrick of the First Presbyterian Church of Dunellen. "This program is our gift to the community. Old-Fashioned Christmas' brings to mind images of sleigh bells ringing, homemade cookies, laughter, singing, and the story of angels and shepherds told around the Christmas tree. We hope through this entertaining family-oriented event to help people to recapture a bit of that Christmas we all long for but have such a hard time finding in the hustle and bustle of our modern world. We want to put a

song in your heart." First Presbyterian Church has developed a tradition of providing free acts of service to the community. Among these have been free car washes, a free lunch and "Praise in the Park." According to Wildrick, these activities are the church's way of showing God's love in practical ways, with no strings attached.

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For more information, please contact the First Presbyterian Church at (732)-968-3844. Reservations are not required, admission is free and no offering plates, will be passed.

Knights of Columbus officers



The South Plainfield Knights of Columbus recently held their installation of officers ceremony to install the incoming 2003-2004 Officers. The ceremony was held at Our Lady of Czestochowa Church followed by a dinner at the Knights hall. The 2003-2004 Officers are as follows: 3rd Degree Officers are: Chaplin - Father John Paul Alvarado, Grand Knight - Pat Bonaventura, Deputy Grand Knight - Joe Scrudato, Chancellor - Steve Belenger, Recorder - Tony Moskal, Financial Secretary - Larry Makowski, Treasurer - Bob Walker, Lecturers - Andrew Provenza, Fred Brisebois and Mark O'Brien, Advocate - Gene Baker, Warden -Bill Hartmann, Inside Guards - Rich Panzarella and Mike Butrico, Outside Guards - Frank Dominguez and Jim Vokral, 1 Year Trustee - Paul Grzenda, 2 Year Trustee - John Weakley and 3 Year Trustee - Lenny Kleczkowski 4th Degree Officers are: Friar - Father J. Maciej Melaniuk, Navigator - Pat Bonaventura, Captain - Bob Walker, Pilot - Joe Scrudato, Admiral - Don Baymen, Scribe - Larry Makoski, Purser - Gene Baker, Comptroller - Frank Dominguez, Inside Sentinel - Tony Moskal and Jim Vokral, Outside Sentinel - Andrew Provenza & Tom Elko. 1 Year Trustee - Paul Grzenda, 2 Year Trustee - Lenny Kleczkowski and 3rd Year Trustee - Al Musmanno.



Man charged with plotting theft

By CHERYL ORSON

Correspondent SOUTH PLAINFIELD -Borough resident Clinton Wisnewski, 21, has been charged with theft by deception and conspiracy to commit theft by deception in which he and a friend allegedly arranged to steal \$600 from Wisnewski's girlfriend.

Wisnewski allegedly contacted his 19-year-old girlfriend from Bridgewater, whose name is being withheld as a crime victim, asking her to meet him at around 1 a.m. Nov. 16 on the top level of a parking deck at the Bridgewater Commons Mall so he could borrow money from her to make a purchase. Unbeknownst to the girlfriend, however, Wisnewski also allegedly arranged to drop off Almalnik Walker, 23, on a lower level of the parking lot before meeting with the victim, police said.

Meeting at approximately 1:40 a.m. that morning, the victim got into Wisnewski's 1995 Eagle Talon and gave him the \$600 he had asked for to buy stereo equipment, police said. Shortly after this monetary exchange, a ski mask-clad man alleged to be Walker approached the couple's vehicle asking for a lighter. He then allegedly announced "this is a robbery," grabbed the \$600 from Wisnewski and took off on foot down the parking lot's

entrance ramp, police said. When the victim attempted to dial 911 to report the incident, Wisnewski allegedly persuaded her not to, telling her he would chase the thief. Allegedly abandoning the victim alone in the parking lot, Wisnewski then sped off after the alleged thief, police said. Minutes later, Walker, ski mask now in hand, was allegedly seen by mall security getting into Wisnewski's vehicle, police

Mall security guards later located the victim still in the parking lot and called Bridgewater police at approximately 2 a.m. The

who had already returned to his borough home, on the victim's cell phone. The police requested Wisnewski meet with them to officially report the crime, which he did later

that morning. questioning Wisnewski at around 9 a.m. that morning and finding his story not to be credible, he was arrested and charged with theft by deception and conspiracy to commit theft by deception, police said. He was transported to Somerset County Jail in Somerville, where he later posted bail the next day. Police are still searching for Walker who remains a suspect in this crime and will most likely face similar charges.

Meantime, the victim's money has not been recovered leaving her the victim of both a crime and, according to police officials, "a bad of boyfriends." Wisnewski remains free on bail pending an upcoming court appearance whose exact date remains unknown.

Township library unveils new roof

By CHERYL ORSON

Correspondent PISCATAWAY Library on Hoes Lane unveiled its new \$1.2 million roof complete with central skylight.

28,000-square-foot library, which opened on Aug. 2, 1965 and currently houses more than 136,000 volumes of books and other items, was closed for almost a month as the new slanted roof was installed. Officials said the sloped roof will prevent the water leakage and damage that plagued the old roof.

Flat roofs, cheap to install, were originally placed on all township municipal buildings as a cost-savings measure. Over the years, however, these roofs became costly because of water leakage damage and repairs.

In an effort to stem the flood of troubles with these leaking roofs, last year the council unanimously approved spendlibrary and the municipal building, the later of which is the final phases of completion. Administrators are also seeking to put a slanted roof on the Public Safety Building housing the Police Department to end water

woes in that facility as well. While plugging up what were constant leaks at the library, the new skylight lit roof also sheds new light in the building's interior allowing for easier and more enjoyable reading. The improved lighting also makes the facility seem bigger and airier and less dank and dark than it

Below the new roof and adding to the improvements at the library, sofas and lounge chairs are strategically placed beneath the skylight inviting patrons to curl up with a good book. Patrons can also enjoy listening to books

ing to put sloped roofs on the extensive collections of these items.

A popular gathering spot, the library has three meeting rooms often used by non-profit community organizations for their meetings. The library is also the headquarters for numerous popular volunteer programs such as English as a Second Language and tax assistance. It further hosts concerts, lectures and other presentations all year long.

The library's specialty collections include the local history collection, the parenting collection, the foreign language collection and the Silkotch art book collection. The library also has eight computer terminals with online catalogs which can be used to access its print and non-print materials and can also be accessed via home terminals. The computers can further be used for word processing and to connect to the on tape or to CDs from its Internet.

Girl performs at Lincoln Center

Olson, daughter of Jerry and Carol Olson of Metuchen, per-Beethoven's formed Symphony No. 9 with the Westminster Symphonic Choir and the New York Philharmonic conducted by Lorin Maazel November 7 and 8 at Lincoln Center in New York. Cheryl is a student at Westminster Choir College of Rider University in Princeton, where she is a member of the Symphonic Westminster

Recognized as one of the world's leading choral ensembles, the choir has sung over 300 performances with the New York Philharmonic alone. It has performed and recorded with the leading conductors and orchestras of our time. In addition to these performances of Beethoven's Symphony No. 9, the choir's 2003-2004 season includes several other concerts with

METUCHEN - Cheryl the New York Philharmonic: pus is in Lawrenceville. A proworks by Berlioz conducted by Sir Colin Davis; Handel's "Messiah", conducted by Nicholas McGegan and Bernstein's "Candide", conducted by Marin Alsop; and Mahler's Symphony No. 3, conducted by Lorin Maazel. In addition, the Choir will perform Bartok's "Miraculous Mandarin" and Wagner's "Parsifal" with the Cleveland Orchestra conducted by Pierre Boulez.

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For more information about these programs, call 1-800-96-CHOIR or go to the Westminster site at http://Westminster.rider.edu.

Edison woman wins damages

EDISON - On Thursday, Nov. 6 a Middlesex County Grand Jury awarded \$500,000 to an Edison woman who slipped on an icy sidewalk at the Edison Glen Condominium Complex in January 2001. Her Nicholas attorney,

Leonardis, a partner with the law offices of Stathis and Leonardis, LLC, 32 South Main Street, Edison stated that the ice resulted from a leaky spigot and hose that was allowed to leak onto the grass and sidewalk. The icy condition was hidden under a dusting of snow. As she walked on the sidewalk, she slipped on the ice resulting in a fractured hip which required surgery.

Edison Glen confirmed that the faucet was slightly open

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which resulted in the leak and argued that the hose was used by agents of Edison Glen and



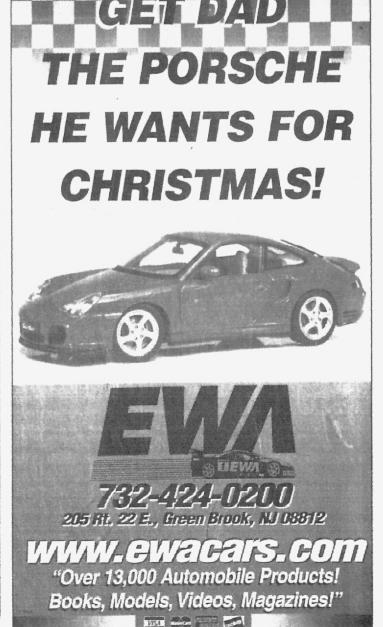
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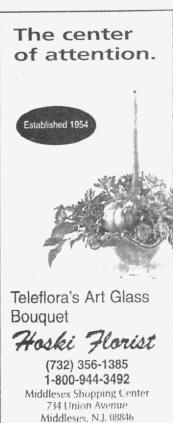
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elected to Phi Beta Kappa at

Rutgers University, where he received a bachelor's degree

in 1928. He graduated cum

laude from the Harvard Law School in 1931 and received

an honorary law degree from

Hall was a past president of

the Somerset County Bar

Rutgers in 1960.

Bound Brook High School's inaugural hall of fame

BOUND BROOK — The 13 ate justice until his retire-inaugural inductees of the ment in 1975. After graduat-BBHS Hall of Fame will be ing high school at 16 he was honored on Nov. 23 with a special dinner at the Bound Brook Elks from 2-6 p.m.

Tickets are \$25 and may be obtained from Nancy Yuzuik, Bound Brook HS, Union Avenue, Bound Brook, NJ 08805. Checks should be made payable to the BBHS Alumni Association. Questions can also be directed to Maryann Griguoli at mag07@aol.
EDWARD SCAGLIOTTA,

CLASS OF 1945

Edward Scagliotta is the founder and executive director of the Midland School in North Branch. He has received the Presidential Award for New Jersey Schools and Agencies for the Handicapped for his dedication and outstanding service to handicapped children in New Jersey. The Somerville and Plainfield chapters of UNICO National honored him as their Man of the Year.

A former principal and teacher in the Branchburg school district, Scagliotta also had a private practice in psycho-educational and counseling services. He has been an adviser to the Parent Educational Advocacy Center Training Alexandria, Va.

His books include "Wonders of Water Life," "Never Enough: A Casual Chronicle" and "Special Education — As You Liked It!"

Scagliotta was a track athlete and football player at Bound Brook High School. He holds bachelor's and master's degrees from Rutgers University plus a doctorate in special education administration from Southeastern University.

He and his wife, Louise, lived in Manville. The couple have two daughters, Janice Elaine Scagliotta and Marlene Scagliotta Orlando.

FREDERICK HALL, CLASS OF 1924

Author of the first Mount Laurel decision on affordable housing, Frederick Hall (1908-1984) became one of the most influential judges in the state and later became known nationally for his work in the field of zoning and planning

He became a New Jersey Superior Court judge in 1953; Hall was appointed to the New Jersey Supreme Court in range of roles. He was a physi-1959 and served as an associ-



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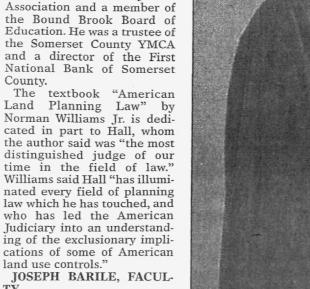
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Joseph V. Barile, who died earlier this year at age 87, had winning records in 20 of his 31 seasons as Bound Brook High School basketball coach. His squads won one state title, two Somerset County titles, four sectional titles and six conference championships. He also was the athletic director at BBHS as well as a health and

physical education teacher. A standout athlete in his youth, Barile graduated from BBHS in 1934 and became an All-American halfback in 150pound football at Rutgers University. He also won three letters in lacrosse and two letters in basketball. He was in the Army from 1942-45 and attained the rank of corporal.

He was honored on Joe Barile Day in 1978 and again when the BBHS gym was named for him in 2000.

Barile is survived by three sons, Thomas, Jim and David; a daughter, Jane; and eight grandchildren. His wife of 58 years, Vivian, died in 1999.
MICHAEL SCHIBANOFF,

FACULTY

Michael Schibanoff was a member of the Bound Brook High School faculty from 1945-79 and filled a wide cal education teacher, health teacher and driver education teacher. He also was the BBHS athletic director, chairman of Physical Education Department and coordinator of transportation.

He coached BRHS squads for 27 years, its wrestling teams for 24 years and the football team for six years. With the National Federation of State High School Associations he was a member of the wrestling advisory committee and wrestling rules committee. He was a ref-

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eree at the state wrestling tournament for 15 years and the wrestling rules interpreter for the New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association for 19 years. Schibanoff organized the New Jersey Wrestling Officials Association in 1955 and served as its first president.

Richard Mirshak Award for excellence in officiating and the NJSIAA Award Meritorious Service. The BBHS wrestling room was named in his honor in 2000. He holds a bachelor's degree from Moravian College and a master's degree in physical education from Columbia



Michael Schibanoff.

77 and Smalley School from 1977-84.

Finlayson has been a contributor to many organizations in Bound Brook, including the Bound Brook Memorial Library, the Twin Boros Scholarship Foundation, the Woman's Literary Club of Bound Brook and the

Presbyterian Church. She was the Bound Brook chairman of the 1976 bicentennial celebration and co-chairman of the Presbyterian Church tercentennial in 1988. She was recognized as a distinguished honoree of the 2002 Outstanding Women of Somerset County.



Edward Scagliotta.

track He also organized the New Jersey Track Officials Association in 1962.

> Schibanoff is a member of the national wrestling hall of fame, Region III wrestling hall of fame and Freehold Area High School hall of fame. He received the Harry Lake Trophy for outstanding contri-

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University.

Schibanoff and his wife, Mary, live in Del Mar, Calif. They have a son, James; a daughter, Susan; and five grandchildren.

JEAN FINLAYSON, FACUL-

Jean Finlayson, born in Milwaukee, Wis., came to Bound Brook in 1951 and was a teacher and administrator for more than 30 years.

Finlayson, a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, started as a Grade 3 teacher at the original Lafayette School in 1951 and taught at Smalley School from 1952-65. She earned a master of education degree in administration from the University of Maine in 1956. She was a visiting teacher under the Fulbright Scholars program in Ecuador in 1959-60 and in Indonesia in 1963-64. She was the principal of Lafayette School from 1965-



Joseph Barile.



Jean Finlayson.

Middlesex Library collecting donations

MIDDLESEX Middlesex Public Library is collecting donations of new hardcover and paperback books for distribution to disadvantaged children throughout Middlesex County. These books are being accepted through November as part of the "Books to Keep" program.

New hardcover and paper-back books suitable for children from preschool through adolescence may be brought to the library on Mountain Avenue, adjacent to the Municipal Building.

In addition, funds are needed to purchase additional books for distribution. Donations should be payable to "Libraries of Middlesex"

and sent to Leah Wagner, Monroe Township Public Library, 4 Municipal Plaza, Monroe Township, NJ 08831.

"Books to Keep" was begun in 1990 to promote the joy of reading, encourage library use and foster pride in book ownership. Books will be distributed through service clubs, social service agencies, day care centers, soup kitchens, the Middlesex County Board of Social Services, Head Start programs and programs serving children with AIDS. The program is a project of the Libraries of Middlesex, a consortium of public libraries and the Middlesex County College





John T. Fenton, President & CEO of Affinity Federal Credit Union; Piscataway Councilman James F. Huben; Piscataway Mayor Brian C. Wahler; and Ellen R. Jackson, Chair of Affinity Federal Credit Union Board of Directors, break ground at the site of the new Affinity branch in Piscataway.

Affinity breaks ground in Piscataway Twp.

PISCATAWAY — Affinity facility will offer convenience Federal Credit Union held a and flexibility to Affinity groundbreaking ceremony recently to celebrate the building of its newest location at 1342 Centennial Avenue in Piscataway. The branch will be located in Centennial Plaza across the street from Centennial Square.

The new branch will offer Affinity members access to 3500-square-feet of retail than 112,000 members space, including five teller stations, kiosks linked to Affinity's largest sponsor Affinity's Home Banking plat- groups are AT&T, Lucent form on the Internet, safe deposit boxes, as well as two drive-up windows, a drive-up ATM, and an onsite Financial Advisor. The state-of-the-art

and flexibility to Affinity members in the Middlesex County area.

Affinity is the largest credit union in New Jersey and is ranked among the top 50 crednationwide. it unions Established in 1935, Affinity has 19 branches in New Jersey, assets of more than \$1.3 billion, and serves more throughout the world. Among Technologies and Saint Clare's Health Services. For more information about Affinity, visit www.affini-

Red Cross part of **Evening of Giving**

EDISON — The American Red Cross of Central New Jersey will participate in this year's "Evening of Giving" held-at the Menlo Park Mall in Edison Nov. 23. An "Evening of Giving" is a special night of private shopping specifically for supporters of local charities and non-profit organizations.

Every store, restaurant and kiosk will re-open their doors at 6:30 p.m. Special sales and activities will be featured in the evening's highlights contact the American Red include Holiday Carolers Cross of Central New Jersey complements of The Edison at (609) 951-8550 or visit Arts Society, a special www.njredcross.org.

appearance by All My Children's "Aidan Devane," 'The Short Bus' interactive entertainment, children's food samplings and the arrival of Santa Claus. Admission to this private event will be an \$8 donation, with \$6 to benefit the nonprofit organization from which the ticket was purchased and \$2 to benefit the Simon Youth Foundation.

To purchase a ticket or for more information about "An many of the stores. Some of Evening of Giving" please

nine seniors have been named National of Commendation from the Scholarship the principal to these scholas-Mathis, Kristian Elvina, Sangbeen Hong, Misha Matalia, Jessica Ng, and

exceptional SAT/National

Scholarship Qualifying Test. A spokesperson for National Scholarship Merit Corporation commented, "The young men and women named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding potential by their high performance in the very competitive National Merit Scholarship Program. These scholastically talented youth represent a valuable resource to our nation; it is important to publicly recognize their attainments and to credit schools for the important part they play in their development. We hope this recognition will help broaden the educational opportunities of Commended Students and

encourage all students to develop their abilities to the

Franklin School salutes America's veterans

By LIBBY BARKSY Correspondent

SOUTH PLAINFIELD The entire school body sat in the all purpose room at Franklin School on Veteran's Day to honor the servicemen who had served in America's

Since Nance Erickson became principal of Franklin School in 1994, an annual commemoration of Veteran's Day is held where veterans are invited to be Franklin School's honored guests at a program emphasizing the contributions veterans have made in defending the nation at war.

This year 25 veterans sat on an improvised stage listening to the very personal words the students had for them.

Third grader Shannon McMahon spoke about her grandfather and uncles who had fought for peace. "I know that they did a good job fighting for America. I thank God that they never got hurt because I would never have gotten to meet them and give them a big hug. My grandfather and uncles are here for me and I love them very much. I will always look up to them." Second grader Brittany Titus, also spoke about her

Korea and in Vietnam as a Sergeant in the U.S. Army. We should all be thankful for the Veterans who keep this country free and safe. Thank you, veterans."

After the individual poems, and statements, the lights were dimmed so all could see the Power Point presentation of photographs of flags and soldiers and the words to songs sung by all the secondgrade students in Franklin School. It was their tribute to the veterans.

grandfather. "He fought in read the Lincoln's Gettysburg three wars, World War II, Address accompanied by Address accompanied by teacher Glenn Parisi on his trumpet. After a minute of

silence Parisi played "Taps."
Superintendent of Schools Dr. Robert Rosado, Business Administrator Dr. Edward Izbicki, Board of Education members Steven Bohn, Tim Morgan and Dan Smith along with parents, veterans and students ended the program with singing "God Bless America."

"They do it right," said parent Bob Butrico of the observance. "It's to honor the Vets. Fourth grader John Silas That's what it's all about."

Highland Park takes lead in energy efficiency

Together with the installation of solar panels on Borough Hall, Highland Park is taking the lead state-wide with the installation of energy efficiency measures in public buildings. With funding from-the NJ State Board of Public Utilities Clean Energy Program and the US Department of Energy, the Borough will replace lighting, heating and cooling systems with high efficiency sys-tems in Borough Hall, the Police and Fire Departments, the Senior - Recreation Building, the Library and Public Works. In addition to the costs of upgrading to high efficiency equipment and solar power, the Borough has also received funding to study the systems and to

measure their effectiveness and cost savings. The public buildings conversion project, which is estimated to save the Borough \$14,000 per year, is the cornerstone of Borough's initiative Community announced in April 2003 said Mayor Meryl Frank. "We are looking for "green savings" everywhere, said the mayor, "in energy and water conservation, in the reduction of solid waste and expanded recycling activities and in our purchasing."

The ambitious initiative includes construction of a funded Outdoor Learning Center on the River Road green acres site, solar powered pedestrian activat- energy costs, but will also ed crosswalks, planting in reduce pollution, decrease parking lots through a new our dependence on foreign project early next year.

program called "Take Back Paradise - Take Back a Parking Lot", a major downtown tree planting initiative, a program which encourages safe and accessible walking throughout downtown, and throughout the Borough. Highland Park Safe Moves, and the proposed shuttle service between Highland Park and New Brunswick.

Highland Park is taking the lead, state wide, even nationally", said Michael Winka, Director of the New Jersey Office of Clean Energy. "Highland Park's program is a quantum leap ahead."

"Energy efficiency and renewable energy will not only reduce the Borough's

sources of energy and create local jobs" said Michael Ambrosio, a local energy consultant working on the project. The Highland Park project will also include a component to educate students, residents and businesses on the benefits of energy efficiency and renewable energy.

The Green Communities Plan is a key component of the Borough's "Highland Park 2020" initiative, which calls for a series of projects to insure the Borough's economic and environmental sustainability. The Borough hopes to expand the program to include schools and houses of worship this year and then to businesses and residences.

Construction is expected to begin on the Borough Hall

MCC president elected chair of college group

Bakum, president of Middlesex County College, was elected chairman of the Presidents' Association of the New Jersey Council of County Colleges.

The association consists of the 19 presidents of New Jersey's community colleges. "I'm looking forward to working with my colleagues in matters that affect us all," Bakum said. "The council has a significant role in strengthening New Jersey's community colleges and ensures that they serve the interests of the people of the state."

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New Jersey's 19 community by the governor to the New many leadership skills to colleges. As an independent, trustee-headed organization that joins the leadership of trustees and presidents, the Bakum will be putting his positions. council is the voice of the community college sector before the Legislature and other branches of govern-

"Dr. Bakum has been an exceptional campus leader at Middlesex County College for over seven years. We are pleased that John was recently elected by New Jersey's community college presidents to serve as their statewide chair for 2003-04," said Dr. Lawrence Nespoli, the council's president. "He was also recently appointed

Jersey State Employment work on behalf of all commuand Training Commission. We nity colleges throughout the are very grateful that Dr. state in these new state-level



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EDISON - Frank N. Cangelosi, principal of Edison High School, announced that Commended Students in the Merit Scholarship Program, A Letter school and National Merit Corporation (NMSC), which conducts the program, will be presented by tically talented seniors: Winnie Chang, Doris Cheung, Puja Desai, Jessi Dimig-"Ashwini Poola.

Being recognized for their academic promise are a total of about 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation. Although they will not continue in the 2004 competition for Merit Scholarship awards, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than one million students who entered the 2004 competition by taking the Preliminary



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Nov. 30 — Las Vegas, 5 days and 4 nights. Cost is \$530 per person, double occupancy, with airfare and lodging included. Food is not includ-

Dec. 7 — Christmas dinner dance at El Imperial For information, call President Frank Gilly at (732) 356-6310.

Outsiders are welcome. Atlantic City trips are the third Tuesday of each month, leaving 9:45 a.m. from El imperial. Everyone welcome. Call Ed Kimmel at (732)

St. Mary's Leisure Club, Bound Brook club sponsors bus trip to Atlantic City Casino Taj Mahal every fourth Tuesday of each

2003 meeting dates - Membership meeting will be held every second Monday of each month at 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Nov. 23 — Mass in memory of deceased members. 10:15 a.m. Light

breakfast in cafeteria after Mass. Dec. 1 — membership meeting. 1 p.m. school cafeteria. Dec. 14 - annual Christmas Dinner Dance. 3 to 8 p.m. The Willows

Restaurant, Green Brook. For information, call Sal Barbati at (908) 725-5444.

Dunellen

The Dunellen Senior Citizen Club is open to all Dunellen residents 55 years and older. Every Friday meetings from 10 a.m. at Knights of Columbus Hall on South Avenue. Bus transportation is provided. Atlantic City - Third Tuesday every month. Bus leaves 9:45

For information call (732)968-1285; President of Dunellen Senior Citizen Club, Ida Cihanowyz

Middlesex

Middlesex Bus transportation is available for Borough Seniors. Sign up by calling (732) 356-0414. Wednesdays are Senior Day at the

For information on any issue of interest to the senior population contact Sheila at (732) 356-0414.

Middlesex Borough Senior Citizens - Watchung Terrace at Middlesex

For information call Flo Wines (732) 271-0278.

Our Lady of Mount Virgin Seniors - Club meets the second Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m. in the church hall. Entertainment books for 2004 are now available. For books, call Marty at (732) 469-1722 or Fran at (732) 356-3380. The price is \$30 per

Dec. 9 — Christmas Party at Spain Inn, 1707 7th Street, Piscataway. From noon to 4 p.m. \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. No refunds. In lieu of gift exchange, monetary donations will be accepted for FISH. Tickets available through Marty at (732) 469-1722 or Ben at (732) 356-6093.

For information on trips call Ellie Procacci (732) 752-3093 or Mary Jane Stoddard at (732) 356-2093.

Middlesex Saturday Seniors Club — For more infor-

mation, call Delia at (732) 356-7793.

South Bound Brook The South Bound Brook Senior Citizens Club,

Inc. meet 2 p.m. each Wednesday at Our Lady of Mercy Church Hall on High Street. Business meeting is conducted on the first Wednesday, and the following Wednesdays are Socials when games are played and refreshments are served.

This club is open to all seniors 55 years old and older in South Bound Brook and the surrounding area. For information/reservations call Catherine (732) 356-4080 or Emma (732) 356-4338.

Dec. 14 — Christmas Party/McAteer's. April 24 to May 1, 2004 — Bermuda Cruise. Eight days, seven nights. \$899 per person, double occupancy - outside. Price includes bus, cabin, shipboard meals/amenities, port charges and taxes. Reservations must be made by Dec. 15. Call Ethel at (732) 356-5552.

South Bound Brook Senior Citizen Center, 113

Clinton Ave., offers the following programs Monday and Wednesday - Exercise, 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday — Bingo and cards, 10:30 a.m. Wednesday — Line dancing, 10 a.m.

4th Wednesday of month - Librarian, 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday - Liquid embroidery, 10 a.m.-noon. 4th Wednesday of month - Mobile Post Office, 10:30 a.m. 3rd Thursday of month — Outreach Specialist at center, 10-11 a.m. 3rd Thursday of month - Blood Pressure Screening, 10 a.m.

Every Friday - Cards or games. For information, appointments or to register for programs, call the

center at (732) 271-1646.

On his way to a literary career

By CHRIS LANG

EDISON — Edward Carchia is on his way to a literary sec-ond career. His most recent short story "A Scent of Loss" was nominated for the 2004 Pushcart Prize — an annual selection of the best small

"The Pangolin Papers", a literary fiction magazine, nominated the story, which it published in its summer 2003 edition. Carchia, a New York University graduate, said, this represents a "giant step" in his writing career, especially because most writers start in their 20s and craft their skills for at least a decade. "I don't have that much time."

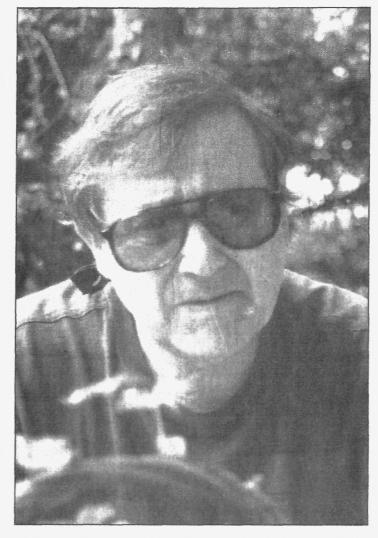
Carchia's story is an account of a young couple experiencing war, separation, alternative relationship, reunion and dilemma, he

"The events take place in the Goral cultural region of Tatria, that bestrides the high mountains of Northern Slovakia and Southern Poland," he said.

Carchia has been writing for two years since retiring from an Edison-based advertising company and in that time he has had eight short stories published. A majority of his stories, including the one nominated for the Pushcart Prize, are based around relationships.

"Many of my stories seem to examine relationships, probably because of my academic concentration in the social sciences and also because I am of an age to have witnessed the great revolution in the terms of love between men and women,"

He binds his characters together using power and love. "The thread that seems to run through them is the often wrenching contest between the power of love and the forces of impermanence," he said.



Edison resident Edward Carchia's short story has been nominated for an award.

Like many writers, Carchia no one particular thing, looks to his own life to write which motivates him. his short stories. "All fiction cannibalizes your own life and the lives around you for credible raw material. Anywhere from an incident to whole lives are consumed without remorse as fodder for the imagination," he said. So for those that know writers or journalist, Carchia has a friendly tip, "Be careful what you reveal to a writer."

Though he looks at his life and his surroundings for his stories, Carchia said there is

"Motivation is not really necessary," he says. "Its just something that you do every day - like eating, although you spend more time at it.

And while he needs no motivation to write a story, Carchia has been a natural writer since his school days. He said it was only a matter of time before he dedicated the time required to become a writer.

"Writing always came

school days. Though writing was in his blood, family life intervened and he settled for writing ad copy. But retirement changed all that. "On retirement, my longtime office administrator urged me to write my memoirs, since she felt I had a more varied life than most. I did so and continued on with short fiction.'

He went to school in north Newark where, "I only thought of escaping out into the wide and limitless world of possibilities. But yes, the written word came very easy and helped me fake through a lot of exams." The result has been eight published short stories and one award

As of now, Carchia has 13 stories that remain unpublished, but he is looking at a bigger prize — his first novel. Nothing is set in stone yet, but the author said he is giving it some thought. "There is plenty of adventure in a mature life to feed it with a page moving plot. Bit is an under plot layered beneath that comes to me in my half dreams. The idea of evolving intelligence as a means for the universe to become increasingly aware of itself, perhaps a destiny as pure mind, rendering Newtonian, relativistic and quantum dynamics irrelevant. Would love be its gravity?"

But Carchia is prepared for the struggles that come with trying to get a novel published. It took William Saroyan, he said, 10 years to get his first short story piece published, and F. Scott Fitzgerald papered his bedroom wall with the 360 rejection letters from his first

Should Carchia short story win, it and others will be published in a hard-cover book that will be available for purchase at most book-Results announced in April.

BB hall of famer running for gold

By G.W. JOHNSON

we are young, many of us dream of sports immortality. Maybe it is hitting the gamewinning home run in the seventh game of the World Series, hitting the last minute jumper in the NBA finals, pitching a perfect game or maybe it is scoring the final touchdown in the Super Bowl. Whatever that dream may be, most of it ends unfulfilled for most of us. We grow older, get jobs, marry, have children and before we know it, life has passed us by.

But for a runner, especially distance runners, that dream does not necessarily have to die. With running, some people even get better with age. Former Bound Brook resident Michael Mykytok is out aspirations of Olympic great-

ness once again, just as he says it is essentially a true runner in cross-country and

"I plan on competing in the Jacksonville Marathon in December," said Mykytok. "I'll need a time of 2:22 or better to qualify for the Olympic trials a few months later in Alabama. I am just about in shape to accomplish

But being a teacher for children with multiple disorders, plus a high school track and cross-country coach, there doesn't appear to be much time for training.

"I still manage to get in my 100 miles a week," said Mykytok.

Mykytok, who is still single, has also been working on a series of books, the first of which is out now and entitled "Pushing Through." It is to prove just that. He has available online and at select bookstores. Mykytok

had back in 2000 when he story, although names and track and field. changed.

"Have to protect the innocent" he said. It was derived from a journal Mykytok kept while in high school, and deals only with high school running.

While he has aspirations of Olympic gold, he has already had quite an impressive career. A Bound Brook High School student in the late 80s, he was a high school All-American in track, and finished first in the 3200 meters at the New Jersey State Championships in 1989.

From there, Mykytok attended the University of Florida, where he graduated with a bachelor's degree in classical archaeology in 1995. He also was a five-time Collegiate All-American in cross-country and track and field and a 10-time All-SEC

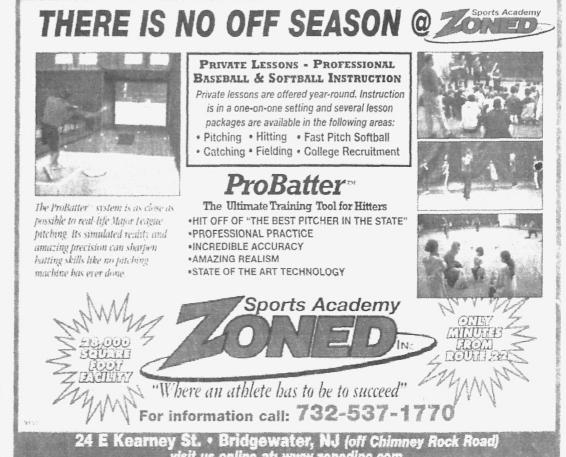
BOUND BROOK - When qualified for the Olympic tri- places needed to be From there he had participated in many races over the years from 1996 through now. He has had personal bests in the 5000-meter (13:48), 10,000 meter (28:34) and the marathon (2:20). He even was the third best American to finish the 2002 New York City Marathon. That brings Michael to

He will be inducted into the Bound Brook High School Hall of Fame Sunday, and says he regularly makes the trip from his current residence in Ramsey, New Jersey to Bound Brook.

"I enjoy training in Bound Brook," said Mykytok. "There seems to be more for. me to do there.'

So keep an eye out for Mykytok in the borough, you never know when you might see him run by.





Sports

Chiefs stun Irvington to reach semifinals

By DAVE ALLENA

IRVINGTON — While the Chiefs were certainly impressive last fall in their 12-0 campaign, what they accomplished last Saturday had to equally satisfying in its own right.

Facing top-seeded Irvington in the opening round of the North Jersey Section 2 Group IV football playoffs, eight-ranked Piscataway High stunned the Blue Knights 20-8 behind touchdowns from three different players to advance to the semifinals.

Piscataway, which captured the Central Jersey title a year ago, faced GMC rival Woodbridge last night for the right to meet the winner of Union-Bridgewater-Raritan. Woodbridge, the fifth seed, knocked off fourth-rated Bayonne 21-20 in the first round.

In winning the Chiefs rebounded from back-to-back losses to improve to 6-3 fore the campaign. Head Coach Dan Higgins admitted his team might have lost some stature in some eyes, but against Irvington Piscataway played its game to come

out on top.
"I think the thing that kind of threw people off was those losses, but those losses were two very good football teams (first-round playoff winners Old Bridge and Sayreville," he said. "After the losses maybe people didn't think we were as good as

everyone said.
""We're not a dominant team, but we're an opportunistic team and a team that has players who can make plays on offense and defense. We have great character, but we haven't been able to put it all together for 48 minutes against great team. We're starting to do that, and we're seeing the results.

"(Against Irvington) we minimized our mistakes and really played a solid game. We won with our defense and with our special teams. The kicking game - punting and kick-offs was huge. We kept pinning them down deep in their territory, and with that offense (run-and-shoot) you have to make them to drive the entire field "

Piscataway repelled a number of Blue Knight threats as the home side the Knights (7-2), although it was

from Brooklyn Smith. Irvington threw the ball 29 times but Piscataway only nine completions and picked off two passes.

"To come out and play and great game against a very good team from North Jersey shows a tremendous amount of maturity by our kids. It should give a tremendous amount of confidence," Higgins said.

"From the films we saw on them we could tell they were athletic and talented, and that we had to do a good job of keeping them from getting big plays, which we did. We had played pretty well the previous week (against Sayreville in a 14-0 loss), so we had confidence in our defense.

"We don't have a big offensive line, so we've struggled at times on offense, but the running game is really starting to pick up. It has allowed us to hold onto the ball a little more and keep the other offense off the field."

The Chiefs never trailed against

quarter, but Irvington put together a 79-yard drive in the third period to knot the game.

Getting the ball following a punt, the Chiefs took over at its 46 and immediately benefited from a personal foul against the Knights that moved the ball to the Irvington 39. On the next play quarterback Robert Rose connected with Tyree Cooper at the 30, and after shaking off a tackler Cooper went the rest of the way to reclaim the lead.

Lamont followed with a conversion run, and Piscataway was in command 14-8 with 3:12 to play in the third period. The Chiefs, however, saw that somewhat comfortable eight-point lead dwindle to six at 14-8 when they surrendered a safety with 10:50

Irvington took advantage of the free kick by picking up two first downs and moving into Piscataway territory, but the Chiefs met that challenge after some concern.

"We went through trying moments,

ran 58 plays to 33 for the Chiefs, who got 63 yards on 10 carries by Dwayne
Lamont and 62 yards on 18 attempts

tied in the third period. Piscataway took a 6-0 lead at halftime on a 9-yard run by Smith in the second after they crossed midfield to settle the kids down. We were able to reload, which is what we call getting out focus back. Hey, it's playoff football. It's what you expect. It's not going to be easy.

After stopping the Knights on downs, Piscataway delivered the knockout punch with perhaps its best drive of the game. Three plays into the march, Rose, who only threw three passes for the entire game, connected with Matt Voliva for a 21-yard pass play.

Lamont then bolted 20 yards to give Piscataway some additional breathing room at 20-8 with just 4:20 to play Malcolm Jenkins then picked off a pass the next time it had the

Piscataway (6-3)

Irvington (7-2) P — Smith 9 run (kick failed)

P - Cooper 39 pass from Rose (Lamont run)

Tigers

victory

By DAVE ALLENA

Staff Writer

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UNION CITY — With its

defense coming up big, the

Tigers assured themselves of at

Facing Union Hill in a North

Jersey Section 2 Group III consolation week football game,

South Plainfield High used five

interceptions and a fumble

recovery to turn back the Hillers 20-8 Nov. 14 in a clash of

4-4 clubs that qualified fot the playoffs but failed to get in

"The defense did a great job.

They played real well for four

quarters," Head Coach Phlip

McGuane said. "I thought we

did a good job on offense in the

first half, but then we had some

mistakes in the second half. We

got the W, so we're certainly

films with them, so that's what

we knew about them. We knew

league. Both teams had to strap

on the helmets. We thought it

would be a physical game from

the get-go, and that's what it

Both teams struggled on

offense, but the Tigers held

"We had traded two game

happy about that.

because of power points.

least a break-even season.

I — Safety P — Lamont 20 run (kick failed)

Hawks downed by B-R offense

By BRIAN ADAMOWSKY Correspondent

BRIDGEWATER — The Bridgewater-Raritan High football team had found seemingly unconventional ways to win games during the season.

But thanks to a superb relief performance at running back and a breakout game for a little-known second wide receiver, the Panthers picked the right time to put it all together Friday night, firing on all cylinders for a convincing 34-9 triumph over J.P. Stevens in the North Jersey Section 2 Group 4 playoff opener at Basilone Memorial Field.

"When you get two, three scores down in high school football, it's -a hard thing to back from," Bridgewater-Raritan Head Coach Kirk Hamrah said. "We've been scoring some points each game and this was probably one of our better

defensive games." (8-1) put forth their most complete effort all season, in a game where the sixth-seeded Hawks (5-4) seemed intent on shooting themselves in the

"They made the big plays and we couldn't catch the ball," said Stevens Head Coach Frank Zarro, whose team lost its third straight game. "We had some opportunities, but we didn't take advantage.

With B-R star tailback and defensive back Lance Melvin out for the rest of the season with a broken ankle, junior Xavier Walker was called upon to shoulder the load in the backfield once again, and he proved the Panthers wouldn't lose a step, carrying the ball 18 times for 175 yards and two second-half touchdowns.

"Melvin's been injured half the season in and out, so what you saw tonight isn't new for us," said Hamrah. "Xavier Walker is more than capable of filling those shoes."

Some observers believed Melvin's loss would be felt more on the defensive side of the ball but Walker and his fellow secondary mates stepped up.

offense was grounded due to a picked up a loose ball behind

nagging quadriceps injury that plagued Rutgers-bound quarterback Anthony Miller all game, forcing him to the bench late in the second half after an ineffective start.

His counterpart, B-R senior Dan Gabryszewski, had a fairly effective day throwing the ball, completing six of 19 passes for 161 yards and two touchdowns and displaying great touch on his deep ball. He faced heavy blitzing from the JPS defense as Hawks end Jeremy Zuttah, 6-foot-4, 280pound monster, was in his face for much of the evening.

"Danny did what he was supposed to do," said Hamrah, and they put a lot of pressure on him, but he came through. We have to block better,

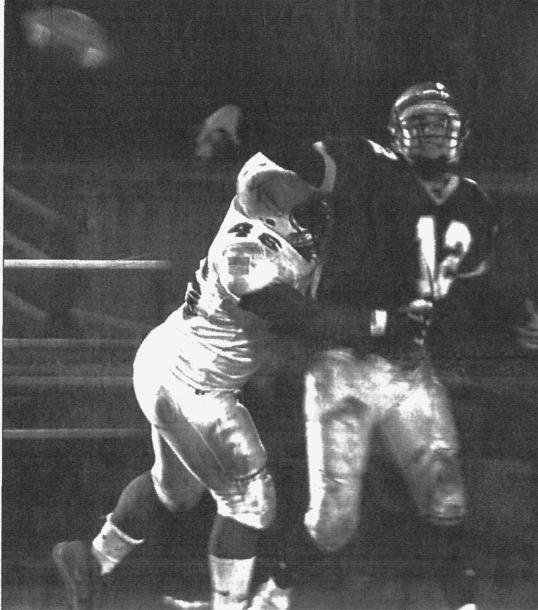
The Panthers got some help from the visitors from North Edison as well.

Stevens junior wide receiver/defensive back Kyle The third-seeded Panthers Trueblood had a rough game on both sides of the ball, as Eugene Ayzenberg beat him for two touchdown catches, and his failure to hold onto the ball during a botched trick play led to a momentumchanging interception for B-R early in the third quarter.

With the Panthers leading 13-3 as the second half began, the Hawks were driving on their opening possession, using a 20-yard run by tailback Derrick Williams to get out to their 34-yard line. On second-and-10, JPS tried a reverse option pass that was snuffed out by the swarming B-R defense, which may have turned in its best effort of the season led by linebacker Kyle Van Ness and end Keith Kwiatek.

Trueblood forced the pass under heavy pressure, and Walker picked it off. On the Panthers' first play from scrimmage after the interception, Gabryszewski found wide receiver Steve Szwarc streaking across the middle for a 58-yard touchdown. A two-point conversion pass intended for Szwarc failed, making the score 19-3.

The Hawks caught a break at the start of the fourth quar-The often-effective Hawks' ter when Anthony Coleman



NICOLE DIMELLA STAFF HIGHOLOGRAPHER

Khamar Watson of J.P. Stevens High puts the hit on Bridgewater-Raritan quarterback Dan Gabryszewski during playoff action Nov. 14. The Hawks could not slow down the B-R attack and dropped a 34-9 deci-

mage and returned it 50 yards to the B-R 26. After three Williams carries, the senior transfer took it in from three vards out with 10:47 remaining in the game. Though the conversion pass failed, JPS was only down 10 and still had a prayer.

Walker and the Panthers' offense dashed whatever dreams the Hawks had on the ensuing possession, promptly marching 72 yards in four plays, culminated by a 34-yard scamper by Walker. Another TD by Walker on B-R's next possession accounted for the game's final points.

"Anything I say right now will sound like sour grapes," Zarro said. "We knew Bridgewater would be tough

the Panthers' line of scrim- and they were. Their linebackers were excellent. They real-

> ly got to the ball." The Hawks took an early 3-0 lead on a 27-yard field goal by freshman Eric McCutcheon but that was quickly taken away by two long scoring passes to Avzenberg, who played the game of his life at a most opportune time, hauling in six passes for 175 yards.

"Eugene works so hard in off-season," said Gabryszewski, "and he came into this year a completely different person. He deserves these last two weeks -- he's been playing great."

The second of his TD catches came on a gutsy fourthand-goal call from the JPS 20. Gabryszewski lateraled left to Szwarc, who rifled a

20-yard bullet to Ayzenberg in the end zone. Trueblood tipped the ball but Ayzenberg maintained his concentration and grabbed it on the deflection.

"We put that in during the week because losing Melvin took away our toss play," said Hamrah, "but Szwarc can throw the ball 70 yards in the

J.P. Stevens 3 0 0 6 — Bridgewater-Rantan 0 13 6 15 — JPS — McCutcheon 27 field goal B-R - - Ayzenberg 50 pass from Gabryszewski (Rice kick) B-R - Ayzenberg 20 pass from Szware (kick failert)

B.R. Szwarc 58 pass from Gabryszewski (pass failed) JPS — Williams 3 run (pass failed) B-R - Walker 34 run (Ayzenberg

pass from Gabryszewski) B-R — Walker 48 run (Rice kick) onto the ball more than their hosts. Following a scoreless first quarter, Ryan Kinney gave South Plainfield great field position when he picked off a pass and returned it 30 yards to the Union Hill 6. George Watkins took it in on the next play, and Chris Czaplinski's PAT kick made it 7-0. The Tigers extended the lead

to 14-0 later in the period with a 75-yard, 12-play drive following a punt. Zac Coppola capped the maneuver with a 13-yard run, while Chris Dickerson's eight-yard run on a third-andseven play to keep the drive going. Charlie Leon, subbing for Czaplinski who had been hurt, added the PAT placement.

South Plainfield repelled a big threat by the Hills at the close of the half when Andrew Miller picked off a pass in the end zone, and then shut out the home team until the fourth period when Union Hill narrowed the margin to 14-8.

Watkins (nine carries for 71 yards), however, provided some breathing room when he came up with an interception at the Hillers' 44 and then raced 43 yards for an insurance touchdown two plays later for the game's final points with 4:30 to

South Plainfield will square off North Plainfield 10 a.m. Thanksgiving Day in a bid for a winning campaign, but the Tigers will have their hands full. The Canucks, coming off a 19-13 playoff loss to undefeated Matawan, own a 6-3 record with all three defeats to playoff teams. Last year North topped South 47-25.

"They have a whale of a football team," McGuane said. "They've become a complete team. You hear everything about Louis Smith, but they have two halfbacks that can get outside, they had a quarterback that can throw the ball and they play tough defense. We're going to have to play our best just to make it a game."

Bound Brook, Middlesex win consolation games

John Jannuzzi put together an out- 8 yards in the first half. After throwing standing all-around effort for the Crusaders and it proved to be just enough for them to escape with a vic-

Going against Bordentown (1-8) in a Central Jersey Group I consolation week football game, Bound Brook High (3-6) used 154 yards and two touchdowns running the ball along with a scoring pass, a punt return for a TD and three PAT kicks by Jannuzzi to walk off with a 33-32 decision Nov. 14 at home.

Bordentown led 26-13 through three periods before the Crusaders ran off 20 unanswered points in the final sessions for a 33-26 lead. Bound Brook then had to repel a two-point conversion run to hold on for the victory.

Jannuzzi, who carried 16 times for his 154 yards, scored on runs of 2 and a 24-yard scoring pass to Larry Pemberton and Luis Londono bolting 24 yards for a TD, Jannuzzi went 78 yards with and added what proved to be the winning point with his PAT

Bound Brook will look to close out the season with a victory when it faces winless Manville Thanksgiving Day.

Middlesex 32, Newark Central 18 -Facing the one Central Group I team that qualified for the playoffs but did not get in, Middlesex used another big performance from its running game to spank Newark Central (4-5) Nov. 14 to improve to 4-5 for the year and give itself a chance at a winning season.

The Blue Jays, who will square off with Dunellen Thanksgiving Day, built a 20-0 halftime lead on a pair of scoring runs - 13 and 22 yards - by quarterback Nick Schneider and Matt Campanella's 3-yard TD run. Schneider finished with 110 yards on

Both teams scored in the third period with Keith Grivner scoring on a 1-yard run. Dan Esposito capped the Middlesex scoring with a 21-yard run in the fourth quarter. Bryan Reilly didn't get into the end zone, but he did produce 97 rushing yards on 15 car-

Roselle Park 20, Metuchen 12 - In a meeting of Central Jersey Group I nonqualifiers Nov. 14, the Bulldogs fell behind 14-0 at halftime and could not recover in dropping a decision to host Roselle Park (3-6) to finish their season at 2-8.

Metuchen did mange to close the game in the second-half when Brett Augustine grabbed a 7-yard TD pass

from Marcus Farris and Farris scored on a 1-yard run, but failures on the conversion tries left it 14-12 and the Panthers added an insurance touch-

Keansburg 19, Dunellen 0 - Failing to mount an attack against host Keansburg in a CJ I consolation game last Saturday, the Destroyers dropped their second straight decision top slip to 3.6 for the season. Dunellen will face Middlesex Thursday in their annual Turkey Day battle.

Orange 22, Edison 12 — In a meeting 0-8 North Jersey Section 2 squads last Saturday, Edison managed a bit more offense than it had been producing against the Tornadoes, but it still wasn't enough in setback that extended the Eagles' losing streak. Edison will look to end that skein Thursday against J.P. Stevens.

Briefs

The Mall at Edison High School Dec. 3

EDISON — The Edison High School Project Graduation presents The Mall at Edison High School 7 to 10 p.m. Dec. 3 in the cafeteria.

Admission is free. There will be many vendors, crafts, refreshments and door prizes.

For more information, call (732) 819-4831 or (732) 572-

Library closed during Thanksgiving holiday

PISCATAWAY Piscataway Public Library will close at 5 p.m. Nov. 26 and remain closed through Nov. 28 for the Thanksgiving holiday.

The library will reopen 10 a.m.

Simon Evening of Giving at Edison mall

EDISON — Shoppers will be able to enjoy an evening of private holiday shopping while supporting local charities with the Simon Evening of Giving at the Menlo Park Mall 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Nov. 23.

Tickets are \$8 and are available at the mall and through participating charities.

Live Nativity at Edison church

EDISON — The Community Presbyterian Church is hosting a living Nativity 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 8, across from Edison High School on Glenville Road.

Activities include the continuous Nativity, petting zoo and crafts.

JFK School class

of 1973 reunion SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The J.F. Kennedy Class of '73 will hold it's 30th Class Reunion at The Kenilworth Inn 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Nov. 29.

The cost is \$62 per person. For more information please call Mariann Burnosky at (908) 722-6358 or email her at MRSR37@aol.com.

Craft/vendor night at Riley School

SOUTH PLAINFIELD -John E. Riley Elementary School, Morris Avenue, will hold its annual craft/vendor night 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 5.

New and handcrafted mer-

For vendor information, call (908) 561-2530.

Communion

Breakfast Nov. 30

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The South Plainfield Knights of Columbus will be having a Communion Breakfast 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 30 at the Knights hall on Hamilton Boulevard (across from Pizza Stop).

The continental breakfast will follow the 9:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Hear: Church with a guest speaker. There is no charge for this event, families are invited to attend this event.

For more information and to make your reservations, please call (908) 755-6203.

Soccer Club holding membership meeting

PISCATAWAY Piscataway Soccer Club will be holding a general membership meeting 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8, at the Piscataway Township Municipal Building. All are welcome to attend.

The Club is now accepting registrations for the spring 2004 season. Registrations are due by Dec. 31. Open registration will be 7 to 9 p.m. Dec. 11 and 12 at the Municipal Building. Forms are available from current coaches and from the club web site. On-line registration is now available for returning players by going to the new club website, which www.PiscatawaySoccer.com.

The cost is \$75 for instructional and \$110 for competitive (traveling). Please contact Michelle Aguilar at (732) 752-3688.

Toys for Tots drop off at the mall

EDISON — Menlo Park Mall is participating in the annual "Toys for Tots" campaign of the Marine Corps Reserve.

Bring a new, unwrapped toy to the Santa Court near Nordstrom any weekend through Dec. 21. All toys donated will go to needy children. For more information, call (732) 494-MALL.

Collection drive for holiday season

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The Friends of the South Plainfield Free Library are sponsoring a collection drive during the holi-

day season. They're collecting new gloves, mittens, hats and scarves. The donated items will be distributed to the needy by FISH Inc. The drive runs from Nov. 19 to Dec. 15.

The South Plainfield Free Library is located in the municipal complex, 2484 Plainfield Ave. For more information, call (908) 754-7885.

Retired Educators membership meeting

Middlesex County Retired Educators Association's general membership luncheon will be held 11 a.m. Dec. 11 at E.B. Chateau. Reservations are due Dec. 5.

Call Marcia Weber at (732) 679-8922 Donations of non-perishable

items unwrapped for nursing home patients appreciated. Also, yarn for lap robes.

Holiday Festival at AME Church

PISCATAWAY — A Holiday Festival will be hosted at the North Stelton AME Church, 123 Craig Ave., noon to 5 p.m. Nov. 22 and 1 to 5 p.m. Nov. 23.

Enjoy pictures with Santa, holiday shopping, door prizes, music and refreshments. A portion of proceeds benefit the church building fund.

Admission is free. For more information, call (732) 287-5184.

Thanksgiving service

sponsored by churches PISCATAWAY — All Saints Lutheran Church and First Baptist Church of New Market, 450 New Market Road, will hold a Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service 7:30 p.m. Nov. 26.

For more information, call (732) 968-6290.

Red Cross collecting food and turkeys

PLAINFIELD — The Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross is seeking donations of turkeys and nonperishable food items at the Plainfield Chapter House, 332 W. Front Street.

Non-perishable items will be accepted 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday to Friday. Turkeys can only be accepted Nov. 25. Call (908) 756-6414 to adopt a

local family. Bus trip to Macy's

Thanksgiving Parade HIGHLAND PARK — The Department of Community Services is holding a bus trip to the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade 6 a.m. to 2 p.m. Nov. 27. Cost is \$15 per person (family

or group of four is \$50 fee). The coach bus will leave the Senior/Youth Center, 220 S. 6th

Call (732) 819-0411 for infor-

mation and registration form.

Playgroups at B.R.A.T.Z.

METUCHEN Playgroup will be held each Wednesday 10 a.m. to noon, regular playgroup will be held each Monday 10 a.m. to noon at B.R.A.T.Z., 24 Jersey Ave.

Family Friends is a non-profit parenting group. For more information, call (732) 828-6600.

Holiday Craft Fair at Edison school

EDISON — James Monroe School, 7 Sharp Road, is holding its second annual Holiday Craft and Vendor Show 10 a.m. to 4

p.m. Nov. 22. Crafters and vendors needed. For information call Dawn Dunn at (732) 225-2803.

See a musical and

help scholarships SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The Suburban Woman's Club of South Plainfield will be sponsoring a theater trip to benefit the annual scholarship fund 3 p.m. Nov. 23.

The play is "Jane Eyre, the Musical". Charlotte Bronte's classical story is now set to music and will be presented by Circle Playhouse in Piscataway

Ticket cost is \$16. All proceeds to benefit the annual scholarship fund. The award to be given to a graduating SPHS senior. Complimentary refreshments will be served during intermission and door prizes will be awarded.

Circle Playhouse is located at 416 Victoria Ave. in Piscataway just a few blocks from 7th Street and Washington Avenue. For ticket information and reservations call (908) 6163 or (908) 757

A Night of One Acts at Edison School

EDISON - The Edison Arts Society presents the sixth "A Night of One Acts," an evening featuring performances by 80 middle school students representing five public and private Edison schools.

The performances will be held 7 p.m. Nov. 22 at Edison High School.

Tickets are \$8 and are available at the door or by calling (908) 753-2787.

Entertainment

books for sale

SOUTH PLAINFIELD - The South Plainfield Elks Veterans Committee is selling entertainment books for \$30.

Contact Lou Peralta at (908)

75-minute swim and gym class at YMCA

METUCHEN Metuchen YMCA is offering a toddler 75-minute swim and gym class 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Cost is \$94 with Y Preschool Membership or \$82 with Family Membership.

Call (732) 548-2044 for more information.

Library raffling handmade quilt

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The Friends of the South Plainfield Public Library are raffling off a beautiful handmade quilt.

Purchase tickets at the library circulation desk or from a Friend of the Library. Tickets are \$1 each. You must be 18 or older to participate.

Make check/money order payable to the Friends of the South Plainfield Library, 2484 Plainfield Avenue, Plainfield, NJ 07080.

JFK memorabilia

at local library PISCATAWAY ' John F. Kennedy memorabilia from the collection of Peggy Storey will be featured in the display cases at the John F. Kennedy Library, 500 Hoes Lane, during

A second display will be "A Celebration of Children's Book Week.

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Domestic Violence Intervention Team

PISCATAWAY Piscataway Domestic Violence Crisis Intervention Team is available for counseling, information, resources and referrals. Call (732) 743-2517. All calls

are confidential. Elks selling 2003

Entertainment Books SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The

South Plainfield Elks Veterans Committee is selling entertainment books for \$30. Contact Lou Peralta at (908) 756-6406.

Literacy Volunteers looking for tutors

PISCATAWAY — The Literacy Volunteers of Middlesex are looking for people who want to help an adult learn to speak and understand English.

Day or evening training classes are available. Call (732) 432-8000 for more information.

Bound Brook briefs

Toys for Tots drop offs in the borough

BOUND BROOK - The annual Toys for Tots campaign of the Marine Corps Reserve takes place in the borough from Nov. 1-Dec.

Bring a new, unwrapped toy to Borough Hall on Hamilton Street, Bart's Glass Shop on Talmage Avenue or Bound Brook Ford on West Union Avenue. These toys will go to sick, orphaned and needy children.

Cash donations also are being accepted to purchase new toys. You can bring monetary donations to Dunkin' Donuts on West Union Avenue, Bill's Luncheonette II on East Main Street or Tony's Pizzeria on Hamilton Street.

For more information, call (732) 356-8762.

An Evening with

Santa at HFA BOUND BROOK Advance tickets are avail-

able for An Evening with Santa to be held 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 12 at Holy Family Academy, 120 E. 2nd Street. Advance tickets are \$5, \$7 at the door; adults and chil-

dren 2 and younger get in free. Cost includes picture with Santa, age appropriate gift, one beverage and meal ticket and door prizes. There will be free crafts and games, with a nominal fee for larger crafts.

Call (732) 356-1151 or mail your reservation to: Evening with Santa, c/o Holy Family Academy, 120 E. 2nd Street, Bound Brook, NJ 08805. Include payment, age of children attending, choice of hot dog or pizza. Tickets will be available for pickup at the school prior to the event or include a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive the

tickets by mail. Class of 1978 to hold 25th reunion

BOUND BROOK - The Bound Brook High School class of 1978 will hold its 25th reunion Nov. 29, 2003 at the Holiday Inn,

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31 Edison students named AP Scholars

EDISON — Thirty one students in Edison High School earned the designation of AP Scholar by the College Boards in recognition of their exceptional achievement on the collevel Advanced Placement Program Exams.

Board's College Advanced Placement Program offers students the opportunity to take challenging college level courses while still in high school, and to receive college credit, advanced placement, or both for successful performance on the exams. Almost 15 percent of the more than one million high school students in more than 14,000 secondary schools worldwide who took AP exams performed at a sufficiently high level to merit the recognition

of AP Scholar. Students took AP Exams in May 2003 after completing challenging college level courses at their high schools. The College Board recognizes several levels of achievement based on the number of yearlong courses and exams (or their equivalent semester long courses and exams). At Edison High School, 10

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students qualified for the AP Scholar with Distinction Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken and grades of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams. These students are Cecilia Arias, Chinmoy Nirupa Bhate, Chandrasekaran, Farid

Waqas, Nathanael Kuo, Yulia Mostovoy, Senthil Mudaliar, Miksha Patel, Jian Zeng, and Lingkai Zeng

In addition, there were four students who qualified for the AP Scholarship with Honor Award by earning an average grade of at least 3.25 on all AP Exams taken, and grades of 3 or higher on four or more of these exams. These students are: Sameer Ahmed, Erin Crupi, Sita Kulkarni, and Juan

There were 17 students qualified for the AP Scholar Award by completing three or more AP Exams, with grades of 3 or higher. The AP Scholars are: Sumaira Aslam, Jonathan DuBois, Samir Jani, Neal Jordan, Dimitri Kashtanov, Boris Anuja Khunti, Kocheroov, Liangxiao Lu, Caitlin McGrory, Shazia

Memom, Parshant Mittal. Rajan Patel, Roshnee Patel. Christina Recine, Xiaolei Shi, Acacia Stevens, and Sabrina Stevens.

Of this year's award recipients, four were juniors: Lingxiao Lu, Shazia Memon, Parshant Mittal, and Senshil Mudaliar. These students have at least one more year in which to complete college level work and possibly earn another AP Scholar Award.

Most of the nation's colleges and universities award credit, advanced placement, or both based on successful performance on the AP Exams. More than 1,400 institutions award a full year's credit (sophomore standing) to students presenting a sufficient number of qualifying grades. Thirty four AP Exams are offered in a wide variety of subject areas, each consisting of multiple choice and free response (Essay or problem solving) questions (except for the Studio Art Exam which evaluates students' original work). The College Board is a national nonprofit membership association whose mission is to prepare, inspire, and connect students to college and opportunity. Founded in 1900, the association is composed of more than 4,300 schools, colleges, universities, and other educational organizations. Each year, the College Board serves over three million students and their parents, 23,000 high schools, and 3,500 colleges through major programs and services in college admission, guidance, assessment, financial aid, enrollment, and teaching and learning. Among its best known programs are the SAT, the PSAT-NMSOT. and the Advanced Placement Program (AP). The College Board is committed to the principles of equity and excellence, and that commitment is embodied in all of its programs, services, activities, and concerns.

Freedom Fund Dinner planned for December

EDISON — The Metuchen-Edison Area Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People will celebrate its 28th annual Freedom Fund Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 6 at the Crossroads Theatre, 7 Livingston Street, New Brunswick. This will be a black tie affair with a cocktail hour that will begin at 5 p.m. with dinner served at 6 p.m. The evening will include a one-woman musi-cal entitled "Late Great Ladies of Blues and Jazz" featuring Sandra Reaves-Phillips, which will begin at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$75 each. A live jazz band will host the cocktail hour and a DJ will be on hand after the play. This promises to be a great evening of entertainment.

The national theme this year is "NAACP: Having Our Say". The Freedom Fund Banquet is our major fundraising event for the year. This annual event is to honor individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to the community as well as raise money for our scholarship fund. The participation of all our supporters as well as sister branches is crucial to our success.

Seating is limited; therefore, tickets are on a first come first served basis. Remember the ticket price includes a cocktail hour, dinner, and a play. This is a great way to start the holiday season.

If you have any questions contact Darcel Lowery, Co-Chair Freedom Fund Dinner, (732) 690-3893 or Christine James, Co-Chair Freedom Fund Dinner (732) 424-1531.



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Halse has nearly 20 years of experience in marketing and communications for professional service firms. Most recently, Halse served for six years as Marketing Manager -Assurance Services for the American Institute of Certified Public Accoun tants. He previously served as a marketing professional with Deloitte and Touche, LLP and Withum, Smith and

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During December there will be extended hours on Thursdays and Fridays.

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(732) 469-2006. School board meeting

moved to Mauger MIDDLESEX — The Board of Education meeting for Nov. 24 has been moved to Von E. Mauger Middle School's library. The meeting starts at 7

Holiday concert at public library Dec. 7

MIDDLESEX Middlesex Public Library will present a holiday concert in the new community room 3 p.m. Dec. 7.

A variety of seasonal music, both classical and popular, will be performed.

Featured soloists will be Regina Brown, soprano; Susan Graham, flute; Lorne Graham, trumpet; and Beverly Weber, piano. Brown is a graduate of the Crane School of Music; the others are graduates of the Peabody Conservatory of

Refreshments will be served. For more information, call the library at (732) 356-6602.

Toys for Tots

drop-off in borough

MIDDLESEX — Middlesex Lumber, 500 Bound Brook Road, is an authorized drop-off point for new toys for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots pro-

Collection continues until Dec. 17 and the toys will be distributed to needy children within Middlesex Somerset counties.

Bus trip to see Disney on Ice

MIDDLESEX — Middlesex Recreation is holding a bus trip to the Disney on Ice show Nov.

This year's show is Monsters Inc. on Ice. The show is at 10:30 a.m. and the bus will depart the Recreation Center at 8:30 a.m.

Tickets are \$15 each (a \$10 savings) and the bus is \$10 per person. Tickets and bus seats are limited.

To purchase tickets, stop in at the Recreation Department during office hours. Tickets can not be put on hold and are sold first come, first serve.

For more information, call (732) 356-7966.

Registration for

adult yoga classes
_MIDDLESEX — Middlesex Recreation is now accepting registration for adult yoga on Monday nights.

The class will be held at the Beechwood Firehouse from 7:45 to 9 p.m. The session is eight weeks and costs \$50. Registrants must be 18 or older and post high school.

A certified yoga F.I.T. instructor teaches the class. Forms are available at the

recreation department. For more information, call (732)

Playgroup and Pre-K Art registration

MIDDLESEX Recreation Middlesex Department is now accepting registration for the winter session of Toddler Playgroup and

Playgroup is for 1 to 4 year olds on Monday and Tuesday mornings for an hour. An adult attends the class with the child. The session is 10 weeks long and the cost is \$35 for residents and \$60 for non-residents.

Pre-K Art is offered Thursday mornings for 4 and 5 year olds not attending kindergarten. The session is 10 weeks long and the cost is \$45 for residents and \$80 for non-residents.

Class size is limited and payment secures a spot in the

For more information, call

(732) 356-7966. Adult basketball

sign ups MIDDLESEX — You can now register for adult basketball at

the Recreation Department. The program is an open gym

format. Registrants must be borough residents (proof required), 18

years old and post-high school. The fee is \$20. Forms available at the Recreation Department. For more information, call (732) 356-7966.

Decoupage at plate for the holidays

MIDDLESEX Middlesex Recreation for an

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Forms available at the Recreation Department and the fee is \$25.

Christmas Party for OLMV church

MIDDLESEX — The Rosary Society of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church will hold its Christmas party 6:30 p.m. Dec. 3 at Russo's Continental Restaurant in Bound Brook.

For more information, call Marion at (732) 356-8717.

Alphabet Kidz collect donations

MIDDLESEX — Alphabet Kidz, in support of the Plainfield Area Humane Society, is now soliciting donation for the non-profit organiza-

The Humane Society is in need of cash donations, dog food, supplies and fencing materials for a chain link fence.

If you can help, contact Alphabet Kidz at (732) 469-1133 and ask for Marion or

Help build a playground by buying a brick

MIDDLESEX — Hazelwood Elementary School has launched its "Buy-a-Brick" campaign to raise funds for a new playground.

The existing playground does not meet the new state and federal guidelines.

The customized bricks/pavers can carry messages, logos or names of supporters. The fourby-eight brick is \$75; the eightby-eight brick is \$125. Brick sizes go up to 24-by-24.

Forms available at the school office or by calling Barbara Lally at (732) 261-7050.

Middlesex and stars and stripes umbrellas

MIDDLESEX — Hazelwood Elementary School will be selling Middlesex umbrellas for

The Hazelwood PTO will be selling many other items such as tied-died T-shirts, Hazelwood Huskies coin holders, sports bottles and seat cushions. All items are for sale Fridays

after school or by contacting Hazelwood School PTO for more information by calling Laura Meixner at (732) 742-

Music Boosters selling Sally Foster giftware

MIDDLESEX — Middlesex High School Music Boosters is selling Sally Foster giftware.

To see the items or make a purchase, SallyFoster.com and put in account number 0680462 to place an order.

Items will arrive at the end of November.

If you don't have a computer, call (732) 317-6000, ext. 21952 or ext. 21918 and leave a message.

Music Boosters selling entertainment books

MIDDLESEX — Middlesex High School Music Boosters are selling entertainment

books. Call (732) 317-6000, ext.

School collecting box tops and labels MIDDLESEX — Watchung

school.

Elementary is continuing to collect box tops and soup labels throughout the year. Turn trash into cash and help

the school. For more information, call Lori Ciesla at (732) 563-4255.

Items may be dropped at the school, 1 Fisher Ave.

GOP group selling home interior candles MIDDLESEX - The Borough

of Middlesex Republican Organization is selling home interior candles starting at \$7. There are many new and

exciting scents available as well as different sizes and accessories. Immediate pickup is available or orders can

be filled within two weeks. Call Tracy Abate at (732) 563-2258.

Hazelwood School collecting soup labels

MIDDLESEX — Hazelwood School is participating in Campbells' Labels for Education program by collecting soup labels.

The front of the label must be intact for the label to count.

Drop off labels in the giant soup can in the office of the school, 800 Hazelwood Ave.

Hazelwood School

collecting box tops
MIDDLESEX — Hazelwood School is collecting Box Tops

for Education. Drop off box tops in the front office of the school, 800 Hazelwood Ave.

Old cell phones and ink cartridges collection

MIDDLESEX — Hazelwood Elementary is collecting Trash for Cash.

Old ink cartridges and old cell phones can be dropped of at the front office of the school, 800 Hazelwood Ave.



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Legal Notices

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
NOTICE
ORDINANCE NO. 03-21
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jarsey, held on the 12th day of November 2003, in the Borough Hall, and that said Ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at a meeting of said Borough Council to be held in the Borough Hall. 230 Hamilton Street, Bound Brook, New Jersey, on the 9th day of December 2003, at 7:00 PM, at which time and place all persons interested therein may be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same. A copy of this Ordinance has been posted on the Bulletin Board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Borough Hall of the Borough, and a copy is available up to and including the time of such meeting to the members of the general public of the Borough who shall request such copies, at the office of the Clerk in said Borough Hall in Bound Brook, New Jersey.

THOMAS R. BRODBECK Borough Clerk-Administrator

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
ORDINANCE 03-21
FAIR HOUSING ORDINANCE

A. This section of the Bound Brook Code sets forth regulations regarding low and moderate income housing units in Bound brook that are consistent with the provisions of N.J.A.C. 5:32 et. seq. as effective on June 6, 1994. These rules are pursuant to the Fair Housing Act of 1985 and Bound Brook's constitutional obligation to provide for its fair share at low and moderate income housing. of low and moderate income housing.

1. Bound Brook's fair share obligation will be divided equally between low and mode ate income households as per N.J.A.C. 5:93-2.20.

N.J.A.C. 5:93-2:20.

2. Except for inclusionary developments constructed pursuant to low income tax credit regulations:

a. at least half of all units within each inclusionary development will be affordable to low income households; and

b. at least half of all rental units will be affordable to low income households; and

c. at least one-third of all units in each bedroom distribution pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-7.3 will be affordable to low income households.

income households.

3. Inclusionary developments that are not age-restricted will be constructed in conjunction with realistic market

demands so that:

a. the combination of efficiency and one bedroom units is at least 10 percent and no greater than 20 percent of the total low and moderate income units; and

b. at least 30 percent of all low and moderate income units are two bedroom units; and

c. at least 20 percent of all low and moderate income units are three bedroom units; and

d. low and moderate income units that are age-restricted may utilize a modified bedroom distribution. At a minimum, the number of bedrooms will equal the number of age-restricted low and moderate income units within the inclusionary development.

b. a design of inclusionary developments that integrates low and moderate income units with market units is encouraged as per N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.6 (f).

8. To provide assurances that low and moderate income units are created with controls on affordability over time and that low and moderate income households occupy these units, Bound Brook will designate the Borough administrator with the responsibility of ensuring the affordability of sales and rental units over time. The Borough Administrator will be responsible for those activities detailed in N.J.A.C. 5:93-9 (iii).

will be responsible for those activities detailed in N.J.A.C. 5:93-9 1(a).

a. In addition, the Borough administrator will be responsible for utilizing the vertication and certification procedures outlined in N.J.A.C. 5:93-9.1(b) in placing households in low and moderate income units; and b. newly constructed low and moderate income sales units will remain affordable to low and moderate income

b. newly constructed low and moderate income sales units will remain anotable to low and imbodine according households for at least 30 years.

The Borough administrator will require all conveyances of newly constructed units to contain the deed restriction and mortgage lien adopted by COAH and referred as Technical Appendix E as found in N.J.A.C. 5:93; and c. housing units created through the conversion of a nonresidential structure will be considered a new housing unit and will be subject to 30-year controls on affordability. The Borough administrator will require COAHs appropriate deed restriction and mortgage lien.

and will be subject to 30-year controls on affordability. The Borough administrator will require COAHs appropriate deed restriction and mortgage lien.

9. Regarding rehabilitated units:
a. rehabilitated owner-occupied single family housing units that are improved to code standard will be subject to affordability controls for at least 10 years; and
b. rehabilitated renter-occupied housing units that are improved to code standard will be subject to affordability controls for at least 10 years; and
10. Regarding rental units:
a. newly constructed low and moderate income rental units will remain affordable to low and moderate income households for at least 30 years. The Borough administrator will require the deed restriction and lien and deed of easement referred to as fectinical Appendix H as found in N J A. C. 5.93; and
b. affordability controls in accessory apartments will be for a period of at least 10 years, except if the apartment is to receive a rental bonus credit pursuant to N J. A. C. 5.93-5.15, then the controls on affordability will extend for 30 years (N.J. A. C. 5.93-5.9), and
c. alternative living arrangements will be controlled in a manner suitable to COAH, that provides assurances that

years (N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.9), and

c. alternative living arrangements will be controlled in a manner suitable to COAH, that provides assurances that such a facility will house low and moderate income hotiseholds for at least 10 years except if the alternative living arrangement is to receive a rental bonus credit pursuant to N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.15, then the controls on affordability will extend for 30 years (N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.8).

1. Section 14(b) of the Fair Housing Act N.J.S.A. 52:27D-301 et. seq. incorporates the need to eliminate unnecessary cost generating features from Bound Brook's land use ordinances. Accordingly Bound Brook will eliminate development standards that are not essential to protect the public welfare and to expedite or fast track municipal approvals/denials on certain affordable housing developments. Bound Brook will adhere to the components of N.J.A.C. 5:93-10.1 – 10.3.

12. Bound Brook has a fair share obligation of 33 units of which zero are new construction. This ordinance will apply to all developments that contain proposed low and moderate income units that are listed below and any future developments that may occur. None at this time.

Thomas R. Brodbeck Borough Clerk-Administrator \$97.92

SUMMARY OR SYNOPSIS OF 2002 AUDIT REPORT OF BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK AS REQUIRED BY N.J.S. 40A:5-7 COMBINED COMPARATIVE BALANCE SHEETS

	DECEMBER 31, 2002	DECEMBER 31,2001
ASSETS		
Cash and Investments Taxes, Tax Title Liens and Assessments Receivable Accounts Receivable Fixed Assets Deferred Charges to Future Taxation - General Capital	\$ 4.057,345,95 312,567,27 3,370,593,42 8,086,468,68 11,055,192,35	\$ 3,180,435.97 285,799.57 5,424,679.73 7,921,483.00 8,805,457.51
TOTAL ASSETS	\$26,882,161,67	\$25,617,855.78
LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE		
Bonds and Notes Payable Improvement Authorizations Other Liabilities and Special Funds Investments in Fixed Assets Reserve for Certain Assets Receivable Fund Balance	\$ 7,079,000.00 3,317,701.02 6,603,830.15 8,086,468,68 455,564,41 1,339,597,41	\$ 7,118,000 00 1,712,567.58 6,117,897.11 7,921,483.00 309,378.74 2,438.529.35
TOTAL LIABILITIES, RESERVES AND FUND BALANCE	\$26,882,161.67	\$25,617,855,78

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONS AND CHANGE IN FUND BALANCE - CURRENT FUND

	YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,2002		YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31,2001	
REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME REALIZED				
Fund Balance Utilized	\$ 1,425,056.69		\$ 750,000.00	
Miscellaneous - From Other Than Local Property Tax Levies	4,418,203.44		9,040,645,35	
Collection of Delinquent Taxes and Tax Title Liens Collection of Current Tax Levy	243,339.17 12,786,714,43		213,155.74 12,353,337.64	
TOTAL INCOME	\$18,873,313.73		\$22,357,138.73	
EXPENDITURES				
Budget Expenditures: Municipal Purposes County Taxes Local School Tuxes Other Expenditures	\$ 8,292,002,31 1,947,489.05 8,034,976.00 250,826,76		\$11,493,178,46 2,024,265,78 7,931,387,00 896,24	
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	\$18,535,294.12		\$21,449,727.48	
Statutory Excess to Fund Balance	\$ 338,019.61		\$ 907,411.25	
Fund Balance, January 1	2.416.301.42 \$2.754.321.03	2,258,890.17 \$3,166,301.42		
Less: Utilization as Anticipated Revenue	1,425,056,69		750.000.00	
Fund Balance, December 31	\$1,329,264,34		\$2,416,301,42	

RECOMMENDATIONS

*That a complete record of general fixed assets be maintained

of Somerset, for the calendar year 2002. This report of audit, submitted by Suplee, Clooney & Company, Registered Municipal Accountants and Certified Public Accountants, is on file at the Borough Clerk's office and may be inspected by any interested person.

Thomas R. Brodbeck Clerk B207 1T 11/22/03

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

TAKE NOTICE, that the undersigned shall expose for sale, in accordance with R.S. 39:10A-1, at public auction on:
Nov. 28, 2003 @ 10 AM at 2480 Plainfield Ave. South Plainfield NJ, the below described motor vehicles which came into possession of the South Plainfield Police Dept. through abandonment or failure of owners to claim same.
The motor vehicles may be examined at: Contact Traffic Safety

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1990	Mitsubishi	JA3CO36X2LU081022	Junk	Mirage	\$2100.00
1991	Ford	1FAPP60T6MH101144	Junk	Thunderbird	\$2800.00
1991	Ford	1FAPP6041MH110407	Junk	Thunderbird	\$2800.00
	Peugeot	VF3BD81E1KS427738	Junk	505	\$2000.00
1992	Ford	1FALP5849NA241558	Resale	Taurus	\$3100.00
1999	Ford	1FAFP53U9XA125977	Resale	Taurus	\$9000.00
1997	Ford	E14HHY49108	Junk	Van	\$2000.00
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BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

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inclusionary development.

4. In conjunction with realistic market information, the following criteria will be used in determining maximum rents and sale prices:
a. efficiency units will be affordable to a one person households; and
b. one bedroom units will be affordable to 1.5 person households; and
c. two bedroom units will be affordable to 1.5 person households; and
d. three bedroom units will be affordable to 4.5 person households; and
e. median income by household size will be established as a regional weighted average of the uncapped Section
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rental units, developers and/or municipal sponsors of rental units may establish one rent for a low income unit and one rent for a moderate income unit for each bedroom distribution.

6. For sale units:
a, the initial price of a low and moderate income owner-occupied for-sale housing unit will be established so that after a downpayment of five percent, the monthly principal, interest, homeowner and private mortgage insurance, properly takes (based on the restricted value of the low and moderate income unit) and condominium or homeowner of the eligible gross monthly income; and be made the deds of inclusionary developments will regulate condominium or homeowner association fees or special assessments of low and moderate income purchasers at lifty percentage to consistent with the requirements of IN.J.A.C. 593-7.4(e). Once established within the master deed of inclusionary developments will regulate condominium or homeowner association fees or special assessments of low and moderate income purchasers at lifty percentage is consistent with the requirements of IN.J.A.C. 593-7.4(e). Once established within the master does not include the requirements of IN.J.A.C. 593-7.4(e). Once established within the master does not be consistent with the requirements of IN.J.A.C. 593-9.9.3; and through certificates of occupancy or reoccupancy on sale units as per N.J.A.C. 593-9.3.3; and d. Bound Brook will require a certificate of reoccupancy for any occupancy of a low or moderate income sale units will be consistent with N.J.A.C. 593-9.9.3 and 1. The continued application of options to create, rehabilitate or maintain low and moderate income units that are not lie in the options of the experiment of the consistent with N.J.A.C. 593-9.5.6 (f) 2. And 1. The regulations of the property Maintenance Code as published in N.J.A.C. 593-9.1.2 – 9.14 will be applicable to low and moderate income units will be consi

adopted, and made a part hereot, as it fully set out in this Chapter, with the additions, insertions, deletions and changes prescribed in Section 3, hereof."

SECTION 3, REVISION OF SUBSECTIONS.

A new Subsection 18-4.2 of the "Revised General Ordinances of the Braugh of Bound Brook, 1967" is hereby adopted to read as follows:

"18-4.2 Subsection Revisions. The following subsections of the international Property Maintenance Code are hereby revised to read as follows:
"19.1-1 Title. These regulations shall be known as the Property Maintenance Code of the Borough of Bound Brook, hereinafter referred to as this code.

10.2.3 Application of other codes. Repairs, additions or alterations to a structure, or changes of occupancy, shall be done in accordance with the procedures and provisions of New Jersey law and Borough ordinances. In the event of any inconsistency between the provisions of this code and other applicable law or ordinance, the more stringent provision shall apply. Nothing in this code shall be construed to cancel, modify or set aside any provision of the Bound Brook Zoning Ordinance.

SECTION 103.

DEPARTMENT OF PROPERTY Maintenance Inspection is hereby created. The executive official in charge thereof shall be known as the code official.

103.2 Appointment. Upon nomination of the Mayor, and

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103.2 Appointment. Upon nomination of the Mayor, and SECTION 4. DELETIONS OF SUBSECTIONS. 103.2 Appointment. Open nomination of the Mayor, and by and with the advice and consent of the Council, the code official shall be appointed to serve for a term of one year and until his successor shall be appointed and qual-ified. A vacancy in office shall be filled for the balance of

the unexpired term. Provided, however, the term of the initial appointee to the office of Property Maintenance Hearing Officer shall be from the date of appointment through December 31, 2004. 103.4 Restriction of employees. An official or employee connected with the enforcement of this code, shall not be engaged in, or directly or indirectly connected with, the furnishing of labor, materials or appliances for the construction, alteration or maintenance of a building, or the preparation of construction documents thereof, unless that person is the owner of the building; nor shall such officer or employee engage in any work that conflicts with official duties or with the interests of the division.

official duties or with the interests of the division 103.6 [RESERVED] 104.2 Authority. The code official shall have authority as necessary in the interest of public health, safety and gen-eral welfare, to adopt and promulgate procedures, to implement the provisions of this code, and to designate requirements applicable because of local climator or other conditions. Such procedures shall not have the offers of waitings structural or fire participance require-

effect of waiving structural or fire performance require-ments spe-difically provided for in this code, or of violat-ing accepted engineering methods involving public safe-

botained, the code official is authorized to pursue recourse as provided by law. 104.7 Division records. The code official shall keep offi-

104.7 Division records. The code official shall keep offi-cial records of all business and activities of the division specified in the provisions of this code. Such records shall be retained in the official records as long as the building or structure to which such records relate remains in exis-tence, unless otherwise provided by other regulations. 106.2 Notice of violation, order, summons and com-plaint. The code official may file a summons and/or com-plaint in the municipal court or cause the issuance of the same, whether or not a notice of violation or order shall have been served except for violations of Section 404.5. Any such summons and/or complaint shall be processed in accordance with law.

106.3 Prosecution of violation. Any person failing to 106.3 Prosecution of violation. Any person family is comply with a notice of violation or order served in accordance with Section 107 shall be deemed guilty of a disorderly persons offense, and the violation shall be deemed a strict habitly offense. If the notice of violation is not complied with, the code official shall institute the appropriate proceeding at law or in equity to restrain, correct or abate such violation, or to require the removal or terminate.

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unexpired term. Provided, however, the term of the initial appointee to the office of Property Maintenance Hearing Officer shall be from the date of appointment through December 31, 2004.

111.3 Notice of hearing. The Property Maintenance Hearing Officer shall conduct a hearing upon notice to all interested parties within 20 days of the filing of an appeal, or within such extended period as shall be agreed upon by the parties.

or within such extended period as snall be agreed upon the parties.

111.4 Open hearing. All hearings before the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer shall be open to the public. The appellant, the appellant's representative, the code official and any person whose interests are affected shall be given an opportunity to be heard.

111.4.1 Procedure. The Property Maintenance Hearing Officer shall promulgate and make available to the public procedures under which a hearing will be conducted. The procedures shall not require compliance with strict rules of evidence, but shall mandate that only relevant informa-tion be received.

111.4.2 Disqualification. In the event the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer is disqualified or unable to conduct a hearing for any reason, the Mayor, without the necessity of Council confirmation, shall appoint a substitute to act in the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer's

rule to act in the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer's place.

111.6 Hearing Officer's decision. The Property Maintenance Hearing Officer may affirm, modify or reverse the decision of the code official.

111.6.1 Records and coples. The decision of the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer shall be recorded. Copies shall be furnished to the appellant and to the code official.

official.

111.6.2 Administration. The code official shall take immediate action in accordance with the decision of the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer.

111.7 Court review. Any appeal from a decision of the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer shall be taken to a comparty Maintenance Hearing Officer shall be taken to a control of competent jurisdiction in accordance with law.

111.8 Stays of enforcement. Appeals of notice and order unless a stay is granted by the code official or by the Property Maintenance Hearing Officer upon application on an expedited basis.

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303.14 Insect screens. During the period from March 1

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303,14 Inspect screens. During the period from March 1 to October 15, every door, window and other outside opening required for ventilation of habitable rooms, food preparation areas, food service areas, or any areas where products to be included or utilized in food for human consumption are processed, manufactured, packaged or stored, shall be supplied with approved lightly ting screens of not less than 16 mesh per inch (16 mesh per 25mm) and every swinging door shall have a self-closing device in good working condition.

Exception: Screen doors shall not be required where other approved means, such as air curtains or insect repellent fans, are employed.

404 Occupying Limitations. For the purposes of Section 404, up to three (3) infants under the age of two (2) years shall not be included in calculations of minimum space requirements and other occupancy limitations.

404.4.3 Water closet accessibility. Every bedroom shall have unencumbered access to at least one water closed and one lavatory. Every bedroom in a dwelling unit shall have access to at least one water closed and lavatory to the same story as the bedroom or an adjacent story.

story.

602.3 Heat supply, Every owner and operator of any building who rents, leases, or lets one or more dwelling unit, rooming unit, dormitory or guestroom on terms, either expressed or implied, to furnish heat to the occupants

expressed or implied, to turnish neat to the occupants thereof shall, supply heat during the period from October 15 to May 1 to maintain a temperature of not less than 68°F (20°C) during the hours 6am to 11pm and 65°F (18°C) during the hours 11pm to 6am in all habitable rooms, bathrooms, and tollel rooms.

Exception: When the outdoor temperature is below the water sudded design temperature for the locality main. exception: When the outdoor temperature is below the winter outdoor design temperature for the locality, maintenance of the minimum room temperature shall not be required provided that the heating system is operating at its full design capacity. The winter outdoor design temperature for the locality shall be as indicated in Appendix D of the International Plumbing Code.

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60.4 Occupiable work spaces. Indoor occupiable work spaces shall be supplied with heat during the period from October 15 to May 1 to maintain a temperature of not less than 65°F (18°C) during the period the spaces are occu-

Processing, storage and operation areas that require cooling or special temperature conditions.
 Areas in which persons are primarily engaged in

SECTION 4. DELETIONS OF SUBSECTIONS.
A new Subsection 18-4.3 of the 'Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Bound Brook, 1967' is hereby adopted to read as follows:

"Subsection Deletions. Subsections 103.6, 111.2.1 through 111.2.5 of the International Property Maintenance Code are hereby deleted SECTION 5. PENDING MATTERS SAVED FROM REPEAL.
Nothing in this ordinance or in the Property Maintenance Code hereby adopted shall be construed to affect any suit or proceeding impending in any court, or any rights

SECTION 6. CONSTRUCTION. stent with the context in which used in this ordinance, words importing the singular shall include the plural; words importing the plural shall include the singular, and, words importing one gender shall include all other genders.
SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY.

SECTION 7. SEVERABILITY.

In the event that any provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance which may be given effect, and, to realize this intent, the provisions and applications of this ordinance are declared to be severable. SECTION 8. PURPOSE OF CAPTIONS.

Caphons contained in this ordinance have been insert-ed only for the purpose of facilitating reference to the var-ious sections, and are not intended and shall not be utilized to construe the intent and meaning of the text of any

SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE. This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon final adoption, approval and publication in accordance with Frank J. Ryan, Mayor

Thomas R. Brodbeck Borough Clerk-Administrato: \$119.68

NCTICE TO BIDDERS

106.3 Prosecution of violation. Any person failing to comply with a notice of violation or order served in accordance with Section 107 shall be deemed a disorderly persons offense, and the violation shall be deemed a strict habity offense, if the notice of violation is not completed with, the code official shall institute the appropriate proceeding at law or in equity to restrain, correct abate such violation, or to require the removal or termination of the inalikutio occupancy of the structure in violation of the provisions of this code or of the order or direction made pursuant thereto.

107.2 Form: Such notice presented in Section 107.1 shall be in accordance with all of the following:

2. Notice in Spanish shall be given if the household's primary language is Spanish.

3. Include a description of the real estate sufficient for many language is Spanish.

3. Include a correction order allowing a reasonable hims to make the regians and improvements required to bring the dwelling unto structure into compliance with the provisions of this code.

6. Inform the party cited of the right to appeal and the rolled to seek a stay pending appeal.

108.1.2 Unsafe equipment. Unsafe equipment includes any boiler, health gropeinty or safety of the public or occupants of the premises or within the structure which is in such discrepance. He make the proposed with the second of the right to appeal and the other of a part to be iscusped by more persons than permitted under this code, or was erected altered or souther experience of the public or occupants of the premises or within the structure which is in such discrepance or condition that such equipment is a hazard to life. health, properly or safety of the public or occupants of the premises or within the structure which is in such discrepance of the subsection 404 salone shall not be a basis for condennation 109.5 Costs of emergency work shall be paid by the profession of the subsection 404 salone shall not be a basis for condennation in the premises of within the structure

regard to worker jobsite safety.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a surety company bond in the full amount of the contract price indemnifying the Borough of Dunellen, New Jersey for all proceedings, suits or actions of any kind of description and conditional for the faithful performance of the work. This project is partially funded by a grant from the "1984 Trust Fund Authority Aof" and, accordingly, the successful bidder shall be required to perform the work in accordance with the contract documents and requirements of the New Jersey Department of Transportation. Award of this contract is subject to New Jersey Department of Transportation approval.

Transportation approval,
BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF DUNELLEN, NEW JERSEY.
Tom Shannon Borough Clerk B208 1T 11/22/03

NOTICE OF ABSENT DEFENDANTS
(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO.,
ODELL WHITE, HIS HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND HIS/HER, THEIR
OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE
AND INTEREST

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You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon SHAPIRO & DIAZ, LLP, Plaintiff's Attorney, whose address is 406 Lippincott Drive, Suite J, Marlton, NJ 08053, an answer to the complaint (and amendment to complaint, if any) filed in a civil action in which WASH-INGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, SUCCESSOR BY MERA-INGTON BY MERA-INGTO

New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex, 24 Market Street, Trenton, NJ 08e25, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated September 24, 1985, made by ODELL WHITE AND ANNIE M. WHITE, HW. as Mortgagoris), to THE SAVINGS BANK OF CENTRAL JERSEY recorded on October 3, 1985, in Book 3107 of Mortgages for MIDDLESEX County, Page 30, and (2) to recover possession of the concerned premises commonly known as: 223 LCDARBROOK AVENUE, SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NJ 07080. If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling (2011) 249-5000. You may also contact the lawyer referral service of the County of Venue by calling 908-828-0053. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Venue by calling 908-828-0053. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Venue by calling 908-829-7600.

You, ODELL WHITE, HIS HEIRS, DEVISEES AND PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES AND HIS/HER, THEIR OR ANY OF THEIR SUCCESSORS IN RIGHT, TITLE AND INTEREST are hereby named as party defendants to this foreclosure action for any right, title, and interest you may have in the subject mortgaged property and for any obligation that may exist under the terms of the Note, executed by ODELL WHITE AND ANNIE M. WHITE, and my reason of the Plaintiffs inability to determine the names and addresses of any specific heirs of ODELL WHITE.

DONALD F. PHELAN Clerk of the Superior Court

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

NOTICE
ORDINANCE NO. 03-20
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held on the 12th day of November 2003, in the Borough Hall, and that said Ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at a meeting of said Borough that said Ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at a meeting of said Borough Council to be held in the Borough Hall, 230 Hamilton Street, Bound Brook, New Jersey, on the 9th day of Docember 2003, at 7:00 PM, at which time and place all persons interested therein may be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same. A copy of this Ordinance has been posted on the Bulletin Board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Borough Hall of the Borough, and a copy is available up to and including the time of such meeting to the members of the general public of the Borough Hall request such copies, at the office of the Clerk in said Borough in Bound Brook. New Jersey.

THOMAS R. BRODBECK

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Borough Clerk-Administrator
Be ough of Bound Brook
BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
SOMERSET COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
ORDINANCE NO. 33-20
AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A HISTORIC
PRESERVATION COMMISSION AND PROVIDING
FOR THE DESIGNATION, PRESERVATION AND
REGULATION OF HISTORIC LANDMARKS AND
HISTORIC DISTRICTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH
OF BOUND BROOK, IN THE COUNTY
OF SOMERSET AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

OF SOMERSET AND THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PREAMBLE

Whereas, the histoncal, cultural, architectural, economic, and social heritage of the Borough of Bound Brook is entrusted from generation to generation, enriched and then passed on, and
Whereas, the character and quality of life in the Borough depends in great measure on the ability to protect this rich heritage, and
Whereas, in order to perform this preservation, the members of the Borough of Bound Brook Council wish to identify and protect certain resources located within the Borough, and
Whereas, the members of the Borough of Bound Brook
Council believe that the creation of an "Historic Preservation Commission" and the establishment of certain regulations governing the designation, establishment, preservation and regulation of Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts within the Borough will greatly assist in achieving this goal, and will serve to enhance the general welfare of the citizens of Bound Brook, County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, that The Master Plan shall be amended and

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1. PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES PURPOSE AND OBJECTIVES
 The purpose of this Ordinance is to implement the historic preservation element of the Master Plan, to provide to the purpose of the purpose preservation of the purpose purpose preservation of the purpose purpose preservation of the purpose p

juidance to property owners in achieving preservation of historic resources and to advance the following public

ourposes: a. To safeguard the heritage of the Borough by preserv-ng resources that reflect elements of its archaeological cultural, social, economic, architectural, and historical ritage;
To encourage preservation of historic resources;

Landmans and institute Districts and of standard teaching appropriate use of reuses.

f. To maintain and develop an appropriate and harmonous setting for Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts within the Borough of Bound Brook.

g. To fisster civic pride in the history and architecture of the Borough.

ding properties; 1 to manage change of Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts by encouraging sensitive alteration and on new curstifuction. 1- To discourage the finencessary demolition of historic

essurices.

1 To recognized the importance of Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts by urging property owners and ten-guists to maintain their properties in keeping with the equarements and standards of this Ordinance.

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To encourage the proper maintenance and preservacon of historie settings, streetscapes and fandscapes.

DEFINITIONS

a Addition - Shall mean an extension or increase in the
size, floor area or height of any building, structure, site,
beet or improvement.

I Atterston - Shall mean any change in the extenor feaures of any building, structure, site, object or improviment.

tures of any bolloting, structure, site, copict of improvement or Application. Shall mean a request to the Commission made pursuant to this Ordinance for the purposes of obtaining a Certificate of Appropriateness in other action by the Commission hereunder specified.

d. Application for Development. Shall mean an application to the Planning Board of the Borough of Board Book for approval of a major or minor subdivision plat of soft plan, planned development, conditional use of zoning variance, or an application for the constitution, econstruction, conversion structural attention relocation or enlargement of any building or other structure, or of any mining excavation or fandfil, or for any use or change in the use of any building or other structure, or of any placed of any building or other structure, or of any placed of any building or other structure, or of any placed of and, for which permission may be required pursuant to the Momental and His Liss.

Commission estatistical phase and the Officer in charge of the granting of busing or construction permits in the Broaden's Shall mean the Officer in charge of the granting of busing or construction permits in the Broaden's Shall mean the partial or total razing, dismantling or destruction, whether entirely or to significant part, of any designated building, structure, site, object or improvement. Demolition includes the removal of a build-structure, site object or improvement from its loca-

would individually qualify for Historic Landmark status;

2) "Contributing" shall mean any buildings, structures, sites, objects or improvements which are integral components either because they date from a time period which makes them historically significant or because they represent an architectural type, period or method which is historically significant; and

3) "Non-contributing" shall meany any buildings, structures, sites, objects or improvements that do not have significant historical value because they neither date from a time period nor represent an architectural type, period or method, which is historically significant.

6) Historic Landmark - Shall mean any building, structure, site, object or improvement which qualifies for designation under Section 4 of this Ordinance.

7) Improvement - Shall mean a building or other structure, or any work constituting a man-made alteration of or addition to, any building, structure, site or object.

9, Ingrity! - Shall mean a building or other structure, or any work constituting a man-made alteration of or addition to, any building, structure, site or object.

9, Ingrity! - Shall mean the authenticity of a building, structure, site, object, improvement or district evidenced by the survival of the physical characteristics that existed during its historic or prehistoric period.

1. Interested party - Shall mean any person whose right to use, acquire or enjoy property under this Ordinance or under any other law of this State or of the United States have been denied, violated or infringed by an action or a failure of a launch of the properties of the United States have been denied, violated or infringed by an action or a failure.

1. Landscape - Shall mean a list of historic properties determined to meet criteria of significance specified here-in.

I. Landscape - Shall mean the visual character of the land, including but not limited to architecture, building set-backs and height, fences, hedgerows, plantings and vis-tics.

tas.

u. Master_Plan - Shall mean The Master Plan of the Borough of Bound Brook, as amended from time to time, compiled pursuant to the Municipal Land Use Law.

v. Minor_Application - Shall mean any application for a Certificate of Appropriateness which:

1) Does not involve demolition, relocation or removal of an Historia Landgraft or a key or particular resource.

1) Does not involve demolition, relocation or removal of an Historic Landmark or a key or contributing resource in an Historic District;
2) Does not involve an addition to an Historic Landmark or a property in an Historic District or new construction in an Historic District;
3) If a request for approval of fences, signs, lighting, paying or streetscape work, which, in the opinion of the Chairman of the Commission, will not substantially affect the characteristics of the Historic Landmark or the Historic District.
4) If a request for a field change for a Certificate of Appropriateness which has already been issued and

Historic District.

4) If a request for a field change for a Certificate of Appropriateness which has already been issued and which meets the criteria of Subparagraph 3) w. Municipal Land Use Law - Shall mean the Municipal Land Use Law - Shall mean the Municipal Land Use Law - Shall mean the thunicipal Land Use Law of the State of New Jersey.

X. National Register Orteria - Shall mean the established criteria for evaluating eligibility of properties for inclusion in the National Register of Historic Places.

Y. Object - Shall be used as a term to distinguish from buildings and structures those constructions or features that are primarily artistic in nature or are relatively small in scale and simply constructed. Although it may be, by nature or design, movable, an object is associated with a specific setting or environment.

Z. Ordinary, Maintenancy and Repair - Shall mean the repair of any deterioration, wear or damage to a structure or any part thereof in order to return the same as nearly as practicable to its condition prior to the occurrence of such deterioration, wear or damage with in-kind material and quality workmanship.

as practicative to its obtaining prior to the occurrence such deterioration, wear or damage with in-kind material and quality workmanship.

a. Permit - Shall mean any required approval issued by the Construction Official pursuant to applicable building or construction codes for work or improvement(s) to property or to a building or structure located thereon.

bb Person - Shall mean any individual, natural persons, partnerships, joint ventures, societies, associations, clubs, trustees, trusts, firms, companies, corporations, entitles or unincorporated groups; or any officers, agents, employees, servants, factors or any kind of personal representatives of any hereof in any capacity, acting either for himself or any other person, under either personal appointment or pursuant to law When permited by context "person" shall also include the United Stares, the State of New Jersey and/or other States, or any political subdivision thereon and any foreign country or government.

maintenance and repart of instruction materials and readures rather than extensive replacement and new construction dd Protection - Shall mean the act or process of applying measures designed to affect the physical condition of a property by defending or guarding it from deterioration, loss or attack, or to cover or shield the property from dan-

loss or attack, or to cover or shield the property from danger or rijury.

e. Reconstruction - Shall mean the act or process of reproducing, by means of new construction, the form, features and detailing of a non-surviving building, structure, site, object, improvement or landscape for the purpose of replicating its appearance at a special period of time and in its historic location when documentary and physical evidence is available.

If Rehabilitation - Shall mean the act or process of returning a property to a state of utility through repair or alteration, which makes possible an efficient contemporary use while preserving those portions or features of the property, which are significant to its historic values, g. Replacement - Shall mean the act or process of replicating any exterior architectural feature that is used to substitute for an existing deteriorated or extensively damaged architectural feature.

damaged architectural feature hh. <u>Restoration</u> - Shall mean the act or process of accu

hh. Hestoration - Shall mean the act or process of accurately recovering the form and details of a property and its setting as it appeared at a particular period of time. It may sometimes mean the removal of later work or the repiatement of missing earlier work.

ii. Secretary of the Interior's Standards - Shall mean the publication issued by the U.S. Department of the Interior. National Park service, entitled. "The Secretary of the interior's Standards for the Treatment of Historic Processor."

ij. Site - Shall mean the location of a significant event, a

and landscaping.

Il. Structure - Shall be used as a term to distinguish from buildings those functional constructions made usually for purposes other than creating human shelter, such as a

Survey - Shall mean the inventory of buildings

hance <u>Survey Data</u> - Shall mean the raw data produced by survey; that is, all the information gathered on each the survey; that is, all the information gathered on each property and area investigated.

oo. View.or.Vista - Shall mean the view by the public of a boding, structure, site, object, improvement or fand-scape from any point on a street, road or walkway, which is used as a public thoroughlare, either vehicular and/or professions.

. HISTORIC PRESERVATION COMMISSION a Establishment - There is hereby established within the prough of Bound Brook an 'Historic Preservation ommission', whose members shall serve without com-Responsibilities - The Historic Preservation mmission shall have the following duties and responsi-

Florough:
To precipitation of Historic Landmarks and storic Districts for the education pleasure and welfare the local population. To encourage beautification and private reinvestment Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts, and surroun.

2) To recommend to the Borough Council the decignation of buildings structures, sites, objects improvements and districts of historical significant within the Borough.

1) To identify, record and maintain a survey of all buildings, structure, sites, objects, improvements and districts of instronal significant within the Borough.

2) To recommend to the Borough Council the designation of buildings structures, sites, objects or improvements as Historic Laudmarks, and to recommend the designation of Historic District.

3) To menter and recommend to the Borough Council any building, structures, sites, objects, improvements or districts for inclusion in the New Jersey or National Register of Historic Places.

4) To make recommendations to the Planning Board on the historic preservation plan element of the Master Plan and on the implications for preservation of Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts of any other Master Plan elements. The Commission may provide information

Landrauks and Historic Districts of any other Master Plan elements. The Commission may provide information to the Planning Board indicating the location and significance of Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts, and dentity the standards used to assess worthness for Historic Landmark or Historic Districts, and dentity the standards used to assess worthness for Historic Landmark or Historic District designation. Si To advise the Planning Board and Zooing Board of Adjustment on applications for development.

6) To provide written recommendations addressing the application of the Joning Ordaniace provisions concerning the formation of the Joning Ordaniace provisions concerning the state of the Planning Historic Districts on Structure of the Joning Indianace provisions of Historic Lindmarks and Historic Districts in the recommended capital improvement program.

5) To mounting and recommend to the Borough Council the submissions of any grants related to historic preservation.

10) To carry out such other advisory, educational and formational functions as will promote historic preservamining excavation or landfill, or for any use or change in the use of any building or other structure, or of any parcel of fact, for which permission may be required pulsuant to the Municipal Land Use Law.

Bigliding: Shall mean any maximade structure createst processed by the Shall mean that document is specified apportenances such as a structure of the manual structure of the manual structure or earliest or any briding structure. Shall mean that document issued by the Commission, which is required before any briding, structure, site, object or improvement occased within a Historic District.

4. Commission - Shall mean the Historic Preservation of the Brongth Council The Mayor with fine the commission of the Brongth Council Shall approve, the full mean that the provisions of this Ordinance. At the time of appointment, members shall be designated by the following classes: or this Ordinance. At the time of appointment, members shall be designated by the following classes: or this Ordinance. At the time of appointment, members and consent of the Brongth Council The Mayor shall approve, the following structure, site, object or improvement occased within a Historic District.

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5. Class A - A person who is knowledgeable in building or destruction, whether entirely or to significant manifely of the granting or destruction, whether entirely or to significant manifely of designated building, structure, site, object or the submission of the Brongth Council The Mayor shall approve, the full appointment of the Brongth Council The Mayor shall approve, the full appointment is the Brongth Council The Mayor shall appoint the Brongth Council The Mayor shall appoint and the Brongth Council The Mayor shall appoint the Brongth Council The Mayor shall appoint the Brongth Council The Mayor shall appoint the Br

of Adjustment Class C members should have an immer a demonstrated interest in history, historic preserva-tion or a related field.

4) Of the five repilar members, at least one member shall be appointed from each class. Alternation members shall meet the qualifications of Class C memiliers. At the time of appointment, alternate members shall be designated as "Alternate No. 1" and "Alternate No. 2".

5) Terms

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Boro library awards 139 readers

MIDDLESEX - A total of DiVencenzo, 139 boys and girls won awards through the summer reading club of the Middlesex Public Library.

Each boy and girl received a ribbon from Mayor Ronald Dobies at a Borough Hall ceremony this month. Award winners read at least 12 regular books or 18 picture books in the summer reading club, which ran for nine weeks. Winners:

Abate, Amanda Alexis Abate, Anthony Alvarado, Amanda Anthony, Kaitlyn Anthony, Lauren Anthony, Neha Ashraf.

Chris Bennett, Emily Bennett, Kira Biedermann, Max Biedermann, Jenna Bobo, Pierre Boco, Carsten Bowers, Emily Bowers, Jasmine Busi, Melvin Busi, Michael Busi.

David Carro, Michelle Carro, Castillo, Zachery Cerebe, Alaina Chemey, Chemey, Rebecca Clark, Joe Coble, Nick Coble, Megan Cote, Travis Cote.

Hollie DeBaro, Kim DeBaro, Janissa Delzo, Alexandra DeSousa, Nicholas DiNizo, DiPace, Alex Natalie DiTaranto, Alyssa

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Brian Di Vencenzo. Gregory Earl.

Erin Farley, Richard Fichner, Alyssa Fillmore, Melanie Fillmore, Casey Frisch, Chip Frisch, Jessica Fritzinger. Brandon Gonzalez.

Daniel Hamilton, Lisa Hamilton, Cortney Hanson, Shannon Hanson, Audrey Harris, Danielle Hauer, James Hernander, Dave Hutchins, Hutchins, Brandon Hutchinson, Karenine Huynh. Parmeet Jangi, Tejinder Jangi, Shami Jassil, Lauren

Jennings, Scott Jennings. Thomas Kaack, Tim Kaack, Jessica Kennick, Anthony Keri, Adam Kerman, Melinda King, Janelle Kranz,

Stephanie Kuldoshes. Christine Lawless, Kevin Lewis, Derrick Louie.

Stefanie Marotto, Morgan Mazellan, Reed Mazellan, Allie McCrone, Michael McGuire, Nicole McGuire, Jacqueline McNulty, Joe McNulty, Richie McNulty, Eriak Memolo, Lisa Mikolajczyk, Gabriella Moncayo.

You don't have to pay to

federal or postal jobs. If

you see a job 'guarantee'

get information about

Ryan Neal. Shannon O'Brien.

Pizzigoni. Juliana Reents, Rebecca Reents, Jackie Rees, Fiorella Regalado, Caitlin Reilly, Conor Reilly, Nicholas Riepe, Morgan Roussos. Joseph Salerno, Rachel

Amy Rose Padula, Daniel

Palmer, Shagoon Patel, Suchi

Patel, Karen Perko, Warren

Perko, Meaghan Phillips,

Michael Phillips, Brianne

Saltzman, Chelsea Sebastian, Zachary Seif, Nicole Semon, Annemarie Serafin, Emily Shattle, Carley Sheehan, Josh Sheridan, David Shinn, Eric Shinn, Colby Smith, Mitchell Smith, Jennifer Sox, Matthew Sox, Kevin Still, Aravind Sundararajan, Sundararajan.

Kaitlyn Tackach, Terracciano, Samantha Todd, Elizabeth Torre, Michael Torre, Alyssa Torrieri, Justin Turczak.

Dayana Vindas, Jennifer Vindas, Susan Vo. Emily Walther, Adam Wick. Danika Yacik, Lulu Yin. Anwaar Zaher.

Toys for Tots at the mall

EDISON - Menlo Park Mall is participating in the annual "Toys for Tots" campaign of the Marine Corps Reserve.

to the Santa Court near ed will go to needy children. For more information, call (732) 494-MALL.

Dunellen briefs

Breakfast with Santa at Faber School

DUNELLEN - The Dunellen High School Project Graduation is hosting Breakfast with Santa 9 a.m. to noon Dec. 6 at Faber School.

Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door for \$6 each or a four-pack for \$20. Children can get their picture taken with Santa, holiday tattoos and holiday goodies.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call (732) 752-6816 or (732) 752-2505.

All proceeds benefit Project Graduation, a drugand alcohol-free celebration for the senior class.

Annual Christmas Village at church

DUNELLEN — The Dunellen United Methodist Church's 59th annual Christmas Village will be

Featuring a cafeteria-style dinner, complimentary fruit, cascading fruit display, village shops, Santa Claus, toys, candy, homemade items and baked goods, the shops open at 4 p.m. and dinner is served 5 to 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$3. For tickets, call (732) 752-7437 or (908) 753-9016.

Award-winning painting at library

DUNELLEN — The Dunellen Public Library will be showcasing an award-winning painting by local artist Mary Zink.

The painting will be in the display case during November to Dec. 6. Zink will be at the library noon to 3 p.m. Dec. 6 to sign and personalize greeting cards that feature her painting "The Reason for the

Season." Cards will be available for \$5 per card with all proceeds benefiting the library.

For more information; call the library at (732) 968-

Annual holiday party at the public library

DUNELLEN — The Friends of the Dunellen Public Library will host its annual holiday party at the library meeting room 6:30 p.m. Dec. 8.

All are invited for an evening of food, fellowship and fun. A light buffet dinner will be served. The winners of the library's Day in the Life of Dunellen photo contest will be announced and awards presented.

For more information, call the library at (732) 968-

Chili cook-off in **Dunellen Borough**

DUNELLEN - The Dunellen High School Class of 2004 Project Graduation is hosting a chili cook-off Jan.

For more information, or to enter your chili, call Lou Anne Stebor at (732) 752-0341.

Cub Scouts registering new members now

DUNELLEN - Dunellen Cub Scouts are registering new scouts. Any boy who lives in the borough and is in grades two to five can join. Contact Joan Kemple at (732) 424-2043.

Entertainment 2004 books available

DUNELLEN - The Dunellen United Methodist Church has entertainment 2004 books now available.

The book features savings for dining and entertainment. Six different regions are offered from which you can

Call Shirley at (732) 752-7437, Brenda at (908) 753-9016 or the Church at (732) 968-

Travel and Nature Luncheon Club

DUNELLEN - The Dunellen Public Library sponsors the Tuesday Travel and Nature Lover's Luncheon Club every Tuesday at 1 p.m. in the library meeting room.

Club members meet to share their travel experiences over a brown-bag lunch. Club members can discuss recent trips, help plan their next adventure, share horror stories and tales of wild escapades, compare photographs, present slides and exchange tourist tips. Travel and nature videos from the library's collection are also available to club members.

The program is free and all are welcome. For more information, call (732) 968-4585.

contact the FTC. The Federal Trade Commission Bring a new, unwrapped toy is America's consumer Nordstrom any weekend protection agency. through Dec. 21. All toys donat-

www.ftc.gov/jobscams 1-877-FTC-HELP

Legal Notices

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10) Finances The Borough Council shall establish by Ordinance reasonable fees necessary to cover the expenses of administration and professional services to aid the Commission in its review of applications and development reviews. These fees are in addition to any other required under any portion of this or any other appli-cable Borough Ordinance.

11) Rules of Commission.

ssion shall adopt written rules for the nce and shall include but not be limited to rules pertaining to all notices and hearings required here

b) In order to make available to the public information useful to the preservation and protection of Historic Landmarks and Historic Districts and to provide the basis for consistency of policy, the Commission Secretary shall maintain complete files and records. The Commissions files shall include but are not limited to data used in the classification of buildings, structures, sites, objects, improvements and districts, minutes of Commission meetings, applications for Certificates of Appropriateness along with collateral data, decisions and appeals associ ated therewith and information, materials and references submitted to the public related to historic preservation. A record of Commission proceedings shall be kept and made available but a formal verbatim record shall not be

required.

() The Commission Secretary shall keep minutes and records of all meetings and proceedings, including voting records, attendance, resolutions, reports, findings, determinations, decisions and applications, which shall be public documents. All meetings shall be noticed and conducted in accordance with the Open Public Meetings. Act. Copies of all minutes shall be maintained in the Ministerial Publisher metical background. icipal Building and shall be delivered to the Borough

d) Copies of records shall be made available to d) Copies of records shall be made available to municipal bodies, agencies, and officials for their use. When the Planning Board or the Zoning Board of Adjustment re-fers an application to the Historic Preservation Commission, then the referring Board shall receive a copy of the Commission's Report.

e) The Construction, Planning and Zoning Offices shall maintain and display an up-to-date map showing the boundaries of all areas designated u Historic Districts, as well as the locations of all Historic Landmarks. If No member of the Commission shall be permitted to act on any matter in which he or she has, either directive or indirectly, any personal or financial Interest. Unless

to act on any matter in which he or she has, either disect-ity or indirectly, any personal or financial Interest. Unless a member resides or owns property within 200 feet of property, which is the subject of an application, mere ownership or residence in a designated Historic District and or ownership of a designated Historic Landmark or a non-designated property shall not be deemed a personal efficiency interest.

or financial interest.

12) Removal. The governing body for cause may after a public hearing, it requested, remove a member of the

a public hearing, it requested, remove a member of the Commission.

13) Meetings, Quorum.

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14) The Historic Preservation Commission shall establish and post in the Municipal Building a regular schedule of meetings, which shall include a minimum of one meeting per month. Regular meetings shall be held as scheduled unless caucelled for lack of a quorum, lack of applications to process or for other good reason(s), which shall be noted in the minutes. Additional special meetings may be called by the Chairman or Vice Chairman, or on the request of any two of its members, when the regular meetings are inadequate to meet the needs of its business, to handle emergencies or to meet time constraints imposed by law.

1) The Historic Preservation Commission shall hold public hearings to review all applications for Certificates of Appropriateness, referral of development applications and other business, which comes before the Commission.

The presence of three members, which may ate members filling the vacancies of regula rembers, shall constitute a quorum. Liaison person(s) re not entitled to vote and shall not be counted towards roning state prevent, and sharing summers and a sorry a Certificate of Appropriateness. Not less than a majority of the appointed membership shall be required to grant or change an Historic Landmark or Historic District designa-DESIGNATION OF HISTORIC LANDMARKS AND

Survey The Commission shall maintain a comprehen-e survey of the Borough of Bound Brook to identify stone Landmarks and Histone Districts that are worthy

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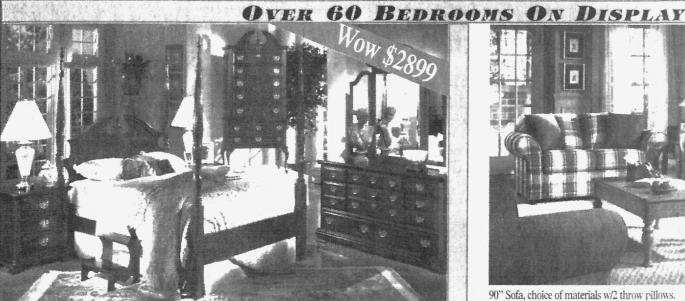
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