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### Pro-Ball Hopeful

Patriot leftfielder Pat Boran, a Princeton University graduate, has overcome a lot the past couple of seasons to continue his dream of playing pro ball. Page B1.



### Weiner Dogs Go Racing

Shake-a-Paw in Green Brook played host to Cleo and other dachshunds taking part in Saturday's "Super Weenie Raceoff," sponsored and sanctioned by the American Canine Association. Page A8.

### How to Help OPSHBX

Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005, in partnership with American Recreational Military Services is seeking cash donations in support of their ongoing effort to supply American forces overseas with a steady supply of personal items, toiletries and snacks. ARMS is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization under the Internal Revenue Service code. All contributions are tax-deductible. All contributions are dedicated to the purchase of supplies and costs of shipping. ARMS/Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 is an all-volunteer operation. Depending on weight, it costs between \$8 and \$15 to ship each box overseas. Checks should be made out to ARMS, with the instructions "Operation Shoebox NJ 2005" written on the memo line. Checks should be mailed to: Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005, c/o The Reporter, 44 Veterans Memorial Drive East, Somerville, N.J. 08876. For more on Operation Shoebox, see Page A5.

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# Eminent domain rare here

**Editor's Note:** This is the first in an on-going look at how the Supreme Court's decision regarding eminent domain will affect property owners' rights in Central Jersey. Check future editions of The Chronicle for more on the landmark ruling.

By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI and AMY S. BOBROWSKI  
Staff Writers

While many property owners and small business owners are upset about last week's Supreme Court

decision in Kelo et. al. v. City of New London, which confirmed local governing bodies' right to use eminent domain for economic development purposes, local planners and attorneys insist that the decision won't affect New Jersey's eminent domain laws, principally the New Jersey Housing and Redevelopment Act.

Susette Kelo and her neighbors, who live in New London, did not want to leave their waterfront homes so that the city could make way for a private development. The city con-

demned their property, and the homeowners took the matter all the way to the Supreme Court.

"I don't think this issue really affects us," said Mayor Brian Gallagher, of Somerville. "It (the Supreme Court) left this issue in the hands of the municipality where it rightfully belongs. It is always a last resort. Sometimes the greater good for all, in the form of a community, has to outweigh the greater good of one, the property owner."

Three redevelopment areas are

designated in Somerville, noted Gallagher. JSM at Somerville, the developer of the Downtown Somerville Shopping Center, is dealing with lawsuits filed by Pathmark, a tenant at the center. JSM, last week, informed the Borough Council that it may request the borough to exercise its right to eminent domain as to not stall the project further.

"The Kelo case has very little impact in New Jersey," said William

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## N.J. Soldiers Salute Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005



**Editor's Note:** The following letter and photo above were received from Lt. Col. Roch A. Switlik, commanding officer of the 50th Main Support Battalion, several of whom are based at the 42nd Infantry Armory in Franklin.

Dear Rod,  
On behalf of the soldiers of the 50th Main Support Battalion, a New Jersey based Army National Guard unit, I would to extend our sincere appreciation for the patriotism, devotion and selfless service that you and the other volunteers have demonstrated in support of Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005.

While the soldiers certainly appreciate receiving packages filled with necessities and nice-to-have items from home, equally, if not more important, is the intrinsic value that accompanies these packages. This intrinsic value is the reassurance to the soldiers that they are not forgotten and that their personal sacrifices are recognized and appreciated by their fellow Americans.

We have just received several boxes from the Somerville High School, all sponsored by OPSHBX. It would be appreciated if you could extend our heartfelt appreciation for their support.

Again, words cannot adequately express the sincere appreciation and gratitude for all the overwhelming support that the soldiers have received from back home.

Sincerely,  
Lt. Col. Roch A. Switlik

## Borough launching drive safe campaign

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The South Plainfield Police Department has announced the start of a pedestrian safety campaign called "Keep Kids Alive — Drive 25."

It is a safety campaign targeting the observance of the speed limit on residential streets. In most towns and cities across the country the residential limit is 25 miles per hour. The goal of this campaign is to simply remind drivers to check their speed when driving through borough neighborhoods.

The vision of the "Keep Kids Alive — Drive 25" campaign is to unite neighborhoods across the U.S. in creating safer streets for the benefit for all pedestrians and motorists. As the school year ends, pedestrian traffic

increases in neighborhoods and on roadways.

The department's goal is to make these neighborhoods as safe as possible. The program is being paid for and sponsored by the South Plainfield Funeral Home located at 2456 Plainfield Ave.

The department has purchased a 25-foot roadway banner which reads "Keep Kids Alive — Drive 25."

This banner will be displayed throughout the borough on main roadways as a reminder to motorists of our safety efforts. The funeral home also purchased 50 lawn signs which can be obtained, at no cost to borough residents, by calling Sgt. Kevin Murtagh of the Traffic Safety Bureau at (908) 226-7679.

## Music for health



Music at Moorland, an annual fund raiser for Somerset Medical Center held at Moorland Farms in Far Hills, drew hundreds of music lovers June 23. The evening, which featured the New Jersey Symphony and fireworks by the Grucci family, serves as a moment for the hospital, those who support it and the community to come together. Page A7.

# Partnership yields new teaching tools

BOUND BROOK — The Jointure for Community Adult Education has partnered with the borough school district for several years providing adult literacy classes, GED programs and in-service training workshops for teachers.

That affiliation is now paying big dividends for two of the district's schools.

Lafayette and Lamont schools, facilities for pre-kindergarten through second grade students, recently received five much needed overhead projectors courtesy of Touchboards.com, a Monmouth-county based technology firm. The Jointure heard about the technology

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Joanne Hala

Literacy Service Coordinator, The Jointure

firm's program that allows the company to donate equipment and hi-tech software to schools throughout the state.

Joanne Hala, literacy service coordinator for The Jointure, explains: "As part of our affiliation with the Bound Brook School District, we look

for opportunities to bring tools into the schools to enhance education. When we heard of the Touchboards.com program, we realized this was a great opportunity for the Lafayette and Lamont Schools to receive much needed projectors."

Lydia Kaplan, an ESL teacher at

the Lafayette and Lamont schools, says the borough has a high immigrant population. The overhead projectors, she says, will be a tremendous learning tool for both students and teachers.

"ESL students, especially the younger ones, require a lot of visual support. These projectors will now provide that," said Kaplan. "It's also a new technology for teachers — an opportunity for them to learn something new as well. We are very grateful to Touchboards.com for this donation and to The Jointure for making it happen."

For more information, call (908) 722-0233 or visit www.jointure.org.

# Eminent domain remains rare here

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J. Kearns, Jr., the general counsel for the League of Municipalities. "Does the case clarify that what New Jersey's doing is allowed under the constitution? Yes."

In the state, where population is high and the amount of available land low, eminent domain has long been recognized as a legitimate way for counties and municipalities to acquire land for the public good. While traditionally the phrase has been associated with the building of roads and bridges, it has been increasingly used for redevelopment.

Under current state laws, the process is lengthy. According to Kearns, the area must first be identified as in need of redevelopment. Then, it must go through a study before the planning board, and a public hearing, and must meet any of the eight conditions mandated by the New Jersey Housing and Redevelopment Act. For example, the property's function may be obsolete, there is no effective

re-use, or it does not meet current code requirements, among others.

Then, it goes to the courts, where three commissioners are appointed to determine the value of the property, and the two parties — the property owner and the municipality — negotiate the price of the property. It's not simply a matter of the government coming in and taking your land, said Kearns. Usually, he said, the problems arise over the price.

Redevelopment itself, with or without eminent domain, is a hot topic in the state.

"Part of that is that New Jersey is a suburban state," said Kearns. "While we have our urban centers, we are predominantly a suburban state." And as those urban centers start to need redevelopment, people move outward into suburbs, and then outward still as those suburbs need redevelopment in a ring effect.

"They're now only starting to get to the point where suburban areas are dealing with these problems," said Kearns.

Since New Jersey is limited in how much land there is to develop, redevelopment of older suburbs and urban areas becomes a more attractive solution.

"The implications of what happened in Connecticut won't impact New Jersey as much as we believe," said Colin Driver, who oversees redevelopment in South Bound Brook. "It will force the focus back to urban renewal, which in general is a good thing."

Driver said the issue plays into the property tax debate. Municipalities are facing increased demand for services while state aid and rateable bases have declined, forcing property taxes up, so redevelopment provides a way for municipalities to increase tax bases.

In Bridgewater, the development of the Bridgewater Commons Mall took an area that had previously been underutilized and turned it into a busy shopping center and movie theater, and one of the county's largest rateables. Future plans include a lifestyle center.

"The Bridgewater Commons Mall and the Marriott area had been a redevelopment area. Only as a designated area of redevelopment the mall site was able to be developed," said John Maddocks, vice president of economic development for the Somerset County Business Partnership.

"Prince Rodgers Avenue consisted of tens if not hundreds of vacant postage stamp parcels...Before we criticize redevelopment, let's look at the real outcomes."

South Bound Brook, along with other towns in the county, including Somerville, Bound Brook, Franklin, Raritan, North Plainfield, and Manville, among others, already have redevelopment plans underway.

"Obviously, redevelopment is ongoing throughout the county, and the county supports those efforts," said Bob Bzik, director of the county planning board, adding that the county itself has never used eminent domain for economic redevelopment. In limited circumstances, Bzik said, the county has used eminent domain to build roads and bridges.

"There's a presumptive validity for eminent domain in New Jersey," he said.

Dave Roberts, who had been part of the Redevelopment Committee of the NJ chapter of the American Planning Association, which helped write the 1992 housing and redevelopment laws for the state, said that the Connecticut decision involved the use of eminent domain outside of a redevelopment zone and without a public process. According to Roberts, New Jersey has a very public process, and one that is not used too often.

"Actual use of eminent domain is relatively rare, because most people understand that the town has the power to do something like that, so they participate in negotiations," Roberts said, allowing municipalities to avoid taking the steps to actually condemn a property, which is no longer referred to as "blighted."

The 1992 revisions to the housing and redevelopment law redefined the term "blighted," as an area in need of rede-

velopment, said Roberts. "What used to be 'blighted' is an area of economic stagnation and underutilized land," with the goal of redevelopment and end results of new jobs and rateables.

"It's not the wholesale condemnation of an area where people are living," said Howard Wolfe, of the Community Builders Association, a trade group. Wolfe insisted that it would not necessarily be advantageous to developers, as the decision to designate an area for redevelopment is up to a municipality.

"It's not going to help developers," he said. "It's going to help people and give them a place to live and work and shop, and give an uplift to the town."

Eminent domain, he said, allows municipalities to put together a large enough parcel of land for redevelopment, which he said occurs before a developer is brought in.

See future editions of *The Chronicle* for more articles on ongoing and future redevelopment projects in the county.

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## Cullen

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killed any patients at Hunterdon Medical Center, later identified the five after having seen their medical records.

"These are the only cases we could bring to court and prove beyond a reasonable doubt," said First Assistant Hunterdon County Prosecutor Steven Lember. "I'm not going to comment on what we couldn't do."

Cullen's killing spree came to an end in December 2003 after he was arrested for the murder of a patient at Somerset Medical Center, which is now facing criticism and lawsuits claiming it did not contact authorities soon enough after the New Jersey Poison Control Center warned hospital officials in July 2003 that they should contact police about deaths at the hospital.

Cullen murdered 13 at Somerset Medical Center, five of which were killed prior to the hospital alerting the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office in

October of that year. Bedminster attorney Leonard Weitzman, who is representing the families of four of the Somerset Medical Center victims — three of which were killed by Cullen, and one that died from other causes after surviving an attack by the nurse — said his firm is seeking compensatory as well as punitive damages for what he calls "an outrageous and reckless disregard for the rights of patients."

Weitzman said he was unable to put a dollar amount on the damages — a figure that will ultimately be decided by a jury.

Somerset Medical Center has responded to the complaints in a prepared statement.

"In early July 2003, Somerset Medical Center began an internal investigation into four abnormal lab values," the statement reads. "The medical center contacted the NJ Poison Control Center as part of an exhaustive internal investigation. With very little knowledge about the cases and even less fact, the Poison Control Center suggested that the medical center contact the proper authorities, which we did."

"After ruling out a range of possible explanations for the abnormal lab values — including faulty equipment, human error and other medical conditions in the patients — we took the appropriate course of action and contacted the New Jersey Department of Health and Senior Services. Acute care hospitals fall under the jurisdiction of the NJDHSS and as such, hospital licensing standards require that any event jeopardizing the health and safety of patients be reported to them. During the NJDHSS's extensive investigation, they reviewed records, policies and procedures, including laboratory and pharmacy systems.

"At no time did we stonewall or try to cover-up our actions, as has been suggested in out of context taped phone conversations with NJ Poison Control. It is easy in hindsight to criticize the timeline in which these events occurred. Somerset Medical Center acted appropriately in calling the NJ Poison Control, NJDHSS and later the Somerset County Prosecutor's Office. It was Somerset Medical Center, not the NJ Poison Control, who took the initiative to contact the proper authorities and provide them with the necessary information that brought Charles Cullen's 16-year career to an end."



## SOMERSET PATRIOTS

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**John Busby Jr.**

John Busby Jr. enjoys working with children in his community and church. He works for Rutgers University and Roma Foods in Piscataway. John enjoys all sports, but especially fishing. His oldest son is a U.S. Marine. He is a resident of Plainfield, NJ where he lives with his wife and his younger son and daughter.

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Campus Notes

Matthew Blake Salzberg has been elected to Phi Beta Kappa. He is a senior majoring in economics at Harvard University in Cambridge, Mass., where he was inducted Feb. 2.

Salzberg is active in Sigma Chi fraternity and the Harvard Student Agencies. A graduate of John P. Stevens High School in Edison, he is the son of Evelyn and Barry Salzberg of Warren.

Christopher Chao of Edison has received a dean's academic scholarship to attend LeTourneau University in Longview, Texas. The son of Mr. & Mrs. James Chao attends the Timothy Christian School in Piscataway.

Kristina Marie Gagliardi of 11 Brandywine Circle, Piscataway, was named to the dean's list for the fall 2004 semester at Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C. She is a sophomore.

Three area students were named to the dean's list for the

fall 2004 semester at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pa. They are: Erin Bunger of Piscataway, a junior majoring in psychology. She is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Bernhard Bunger.

Andrew Palochko of Piscataway, a senior majoring in public relations. He is the son of Ronald and Peggy Palochko.

Kevin Stewart of Middlesex, a sophomore majoring in music education. He is the son of Tim and Rosanne Stewart.

A total of 22 area students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2004 semester at Monmouth University in West Long Branch. They are:

- Angela M. Blasi of 80 Revere Blvd., Edison.
Elizabeth A. DiCubellis of 381 Plainfield Road, Edison.
Jessica E. Estrella of 353 First St., Middlesex.
Casey L. Hennessey of 79 Roosevelt Blvd., Edison.
Kristen Cecilia Kurilew of 115 Harvard Ave., South Plainfield.
Lori J. Lacaillade of 214

Fourth St., Middlesex.
Mary K. Maco of 85 Woodrow Ave., Piscataway.
Mark C. Mailler of 14 Magee Road, Edison.
Sarah M. Manfredi of 1573 Bullard Place, South Plainfield.

Kristie L. McDonald of 31 Stephenville Parkway, Edison.
Tiffany A. Miller of 24 Nottingham Road, Edison.
Brian R. Mirfield of 26 Hansen Drive, Edison.
Taryn J. Molar of 27 Pfafsky Drive, Edison.

Parth S. Pajyaguru of 104 Ovington Ave., Edison.
Nicholas Anthony Priscoe of 47 High St., Metuchen.
Sarah K. Rubin of 40 Bloomfield Ave., Edison.
Lauren M. Shiffner of 23 Traci Lane, Edison.

Melissa A. Smith of 10 Twin Oaks Drive, Edison.
Shannon L. Tofte of 19 Kenmore Road, Edison.
Kristen E. Veneman of 17 Cameron Road, Piscataway.
Ashley A. Wollesen of 62 Wildwood Ave., Edison.
Samantha I. Young of 213 Harvard Ave., Metuchen.

Declaration being read on July 4

BOUND BROOK — On Monday, the Washington Camp Ground Association will raise the Stars and Stripes anew and read the Declaration of Independence on the hillside above Bound Brook where Washington's army encamped in the winter of 1778-1779. It is a 116 year old tradition established by founder George LaMonte when he gave this ground to be preserved as a historic shrine.

A free shuttle bus to the camp ground, courtesy of Somerset Savings Bank on Union Ave. Bound Brook, will leave at 9:30 and 9:45 a.m. The band music starts at 10 a.m., with a flag ceremony at 10:30 with local Boy Scout, Girl Scout and veteran's organizations taking part. Col. Robert Fazen, Army retired, will be Master of Ceremonies recognizing that George Washington and the Continental Army were encamped nearby along the Middle Brook when Congress adopted our national colors on June 14, 1777. The flag that has been flying day and night over the campground will be retired and a fresh new banner will take its place. Following the flag raising the

Declaration of Independence will be read by Anne Trombadore of Bound Brook. The keynote speaker will be

James G. Schleck, president of Brook Industrial Park and Robert "Bill" Billian will pay tribute to all veterans.

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Edison has teen trip to Six Flags

EDISON — The Edison Recreation Department is holding a trip to Great Adventure for township teens on Thursday.

The departure time is 9 a.m. from the Minnie B. Veal Community Center, 1070 Grove Ave., and 9:30 a.m. from the Stelton Community Center, 328 Plainfield Ave. and will return at 8 p.m. for the Stelton Community Center and 8:30 p.m. for the Minnie B. Veal Community Center.

The cost of the trip is \$28 and is payable by cash or money order. There is a \$5 transportation fee for season ticket holders.

For further information, contact the Edison Recreation Department at (732) 248-7309 Monday through Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. After 6 p.m., call (732) 248-7314.

Weekend Calendar

Monday, July 4 PISCATAWAY - East Jersey Olde Towne Village: 2 p.m. Celebrate Independence Day with Martha Washington as she recounts her experiences in the White House. She will also detail the life of women during the Revolutionary days. Free of charge, registration required. Call (732) 745-3030. BOUND BROOK - Camp Ground Observance: 10 a.m. at Washington Camp Ground, 115 year old ritual of music and reading of Declaration of Independence. Located at Middlebrook and Cedarcrest Road. Call (908) 359-2415 for details.

Friday, July 8 METUCHEN - Baby Walking Club: Starts today, sponsored by Metuchen YMCA. \$15 for members, \$20 non members. Exercise and meet other Mom's. Call Beth at (732) 548-2044 ext. 226 for time and details.

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# Commentary

## Bear-proofing — not hunting — is needed

By LYNDA SMITH

Recently, Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner Bradley Campbell made two major announcements. First he sent out a press release stating that he favors a bear hunt this year because of increased incident complaints.

Merely days later, he held a press conference announcing that the Township of West Milford would receive \$200,000 in grant money to fund the purchase of bear-resistant trash cans for several key neighborhoods as part of a pilot study to examine the impact of garbage control on bear complaints.

As usual Mr. Campbell is trying to please both sides of a very controversial issue. Instead of trying to play politician, he should have looked at the hard facts and the data available from other parts of the country that also have black bears.

When one really studies the problem, the solution is crystal clear.

It has already been proven that hunting does not reduce nuisance complaints, based upon data gathered in our neighboring states. For example, Pennsylvania has an annual bear hunt yet nuisance complaints have been rising. The reason is that hunting does nothing to address the real issue: artificial food sources readily available in our neighborhoods.

Hunting also does not protect the public against very rare black bear attacks.

Since 1900, 15 people in the U.S. have been killed by black bears with five of those deaths occurring in remote areas of Alaska. That equates to one person killed by a black bear every seven years in the U.S.

It is crucial to note that all of these attacks have occurred in states with bear hunting while none have occurred in non-hunted bear populations. Hence, hunting bears does not protect anyone. The risk of death by bear attack is minimal, especially when compared to other risks we don't even think about.

For example, we are 375 times more likely to be killed by lightning. Beestings kill more people than black bears. So do dogs.

Actually black bears are decidedly safer than our own neighbors, since we are 90,000 times more likely to be killed by another person than a black bear. That statistic is staggering and explains why I feel much more safe in the woods with bears than on the streets of any city.

Furthermore, if we really concerned about public safety, then we should also examine the statistics on deaths caused by hunters.

According to the International Hunter Education Association, hunters accidentally kill on average approximately 95 people every year in the U.S. Yet no one is proposing a ban on hunting. Why is this risk acceptable?

How can we most effectively minimize incidents and keep the bears out of our back yards? To understand the recent incidents, we must first seek to understand the bears themselves.

A bear is primarily concerned with one thing: finding food. After they emerge from their dens in spring they are slim and ravenously hungry. They spend the summer months fattening up as much as possible, as their very survival depends upon the body weight they can attain before denning for the winter. Bears are designed to find food using their incredible sense of smell. They can detect a food wrapper in your car, with the windows shut, from a mile away.

Black bears do not typically hunt other animals for food. They are primarily vegetarians and about 90 percent of their diet consists of skunk cabbage, berries and nuts.

In New Jersey, however, their favorite source of food is garbage. We treat them to the equivalent of a drive-through buffet, all you can eat. Why wander around the woods looking for some berries when high-calorie, easily obtained food awaits at every house?

When we examine the statistics, we find that over 70 percent of complaints against bears involve garbage and bird feeders. Clearly these complaints are easily preventable. In fact, the data already exists! In Yosemite National Park, black bears used to present a big problem for tourists. Bears were stealing food from campsites and breaking into cars.

In the late 1990s, Yosemite staff completely bear-proofed the park.

Bear-proof garbage cans were installed. Food lockers for campers were put in place to elimi-

nate food storage in campsites. And campers leaving food in cars were fined. Along with these commendable efforts, a program of aversive conditioning was implemented, whereby rangers shot bears with non-lethal rubber bullets and pyrotechnics to reinstate the bears' natural fear of humans. The Yosemite program was a great success and complaints were reduced by 90 percent. Other communities like Snowmass, Colo., have gotten very strict with garbage, imposing large fines on those who don't bear-proof. Their results have also been excellent. We know what works. It has been well-documented. Why has New Jersey been so slow to adopt proven measures in favor of hunting, which won't work anyway?

A bear-resistant "Crittter Can" with a screw-top lid is an excellent way to keep bears out of trash. Towns like Hardyston Township have taken the initiative by using Clean Communities grant money to subsidize the cost of these cans for residents. Passaic County has a run a sale for the past two years as well, benefiting residents of Ringwood, Wanaque and West Milford. Finally, after years of prodding by the Bear Education and Resource group, the state has initiated the new West Milford program.

These are great steps in the right direction, long overdue. However, the majority of residents have still not bear-proofed their yards and this refusal to bear-proof is taking a tragic toll. Bears who frequent residential areas sometimes kill family pets. Luckily this is very rare. But one dead dog is one too many in my opinion. Other bears, desperately seeking food, have pushed in screen doors to enter and raid kitchens after feasting on the garbage that initially attracted them. In a recent incident in Vernon, a police officer shot and killed a cub. Again, another preventable tragedy. Did this have to happen? Could the officer have used pepper spray or rubber bullets instead? Was the officer properly trained to recognize aggressive behavior, or is it possible that the cub was behaving normally and her body language was misinterpreted? Residents, officials and police must be educated so we are all properly informed.

Sometimes people tell me that a bear attacked them, yet when I question the bear's behavior, it becomes clear that the bear "bluff charged" the person.

A "bluff charge" is actually a defensive maneuver which demonstrates the bear's fear. In fact, bears generally exist in a constant state of wariness. They are on the alert for any possible threat and they respond accordingly, usually by climbing a tree. Black bears very rarely exhibit any type of aggressive behavior, which is why it's so important for police officers and others to learn about the typical defensive posturing that indicates fear but can so often be misread. The mere presence of a bear is not a threat. Even a bear approaching a person is almost never doing so with malicious intent. Most bears that willingly approach people have been hand-fed in the past. Intentional feeding of black bears and allowing them access to garbage are irresponsible behaviors that must be stopped.

Understanding bear facts and behavior is key in determining the most appropriate and effective solutions to reduce bear traffic in our neighborhoods. Bears do not want to be around us at all, but are enticed to overcome their natural fear of people because of the yummy garbage surrounding our homes. Finding large quantities of food to sustain themselves and their families is a daily survival mission. So they will be in our neighborhoods every single day as long as they can find food there.

Shooting bears won't solve the problem because any surviving bears will still choose the easy garbage meals over looking for natural foods. We must all work together in our communities to bear-proof effectively.

Unfortunately, some of those people recently affected by bear incidents had completely bear-proofed their property but their neighbors hadn't. It takes all of us, working together, to affect the best solution for our families. Bears belong in the woods and swamps. By choosing to live among them, we should learn to coexist, but we shouldn't invite them to set up camp in our yards by serving them a garbage feast!

The writer is director of the Bear Education and Resource Group, based in Hewitt.

## Question of the week:

Where are you going for vacation?



**ANTHONY JONES**  
Somerville  
"I might be going to California to visit my sister. It's been six years since I've seen her."



**ALICE CHRISTIAN**  
North Plainfield  
"None at all. I'm staying home and taking day trips down the shore."



**DANIEL MORILLO**  
Somerville  
"I'll be going to Washington D.C. with family and friends and my ESL teacher, Mr. G."



**IRSHAD WAHED**  
Somerville  
"No plans right now. I'm busy seeking a job for the summer."



**LAKESHA JOHNSON**  
Woodbridge  
"No travel plans — just working. That's it."

## Letters to the Editor

### Climate change is taking place

To The Editor:

Would you like to learn the truth about the environment without becoming a geologist, climatologist or Princeton supercomputer programmer specializing in general circulation models of global warming? Would you like to read genuine dialogue on climate change, not just the talking points and apocalyptic predictions of extremist groups? An honest discussion of climate change has never appeared on network or cable television, and scientific evidence only appears in books and technical journals ignored by politicians, the general public and radical environmentalists.

But environmental myths have now been exposed in a novel and very effective manner — with a novel. Undeniable environmental truths, referenced to scientific evidence, are woven into a novel by Michael Crichton called "State of Fear," written in language understandable to the layman. The popular writer and creator of "Jurassic Park" has provided a scientifically sound rebuttal of the environmental hysteria that has engulfed rational dialogue since the publication of Rachel Carson's "Silent Spring" in 1962.

Why is it important for the public to become informed about climate change?

Because as evidence accumulates that global warming is a natural and not manmade phenomenon, environmental activists have invented a new fear concept — abrupt climate change — to force the U.S. government to quickly adopt the mandates of the Kyoto global warming treaty.

Sen. John McCain (R-Ariz.) has been told that the snows of Mount Kilimanjaro are melting due to global warming. He has introduced legislation, nearly adopted in November 2003, which would mandate reductions in carbon dioxide emissions and devastate the U.S. economy while having no measurable effect on global warming. Sen. McCain is misinformed. The snows are melting due to lack of moisture, not global warming. No moisture — no snow — no replenishment of the snowcap on Mount Kilimanjaro. After viewing the science fiction movie "The Day After Tomorrow," Sen. Arlen Specter (R-Pa.) said he will now support Sen. McCain's bill.

The senators have been deceived by false information, emotional fear, Hollywood fiction and ignorance of the mountain of scientific evidence on global warming. The public and the senators should read "State of Fear."

LEO F. JOHNSON  
Bedminster

### Borough candidates get an introduction

To The Editor:

I'd like to introduce Mike Hompesch and Garrett Mulcahy, your 2005 Republican Candidates for Middlesex Borough Council, and to remind the people of Middlesex of the outstanding job both these men have done.

Since taking office in 2003, Mike and Garrett have been a driving force in improving the quality of life for Middlesex residents.

They were instrumental in achieving a zero percent municipal budget increase in 2004, spearheaded by Mike as Finance Chairperson.

Mike was also responsible for the introduction and adoption of the Screening Ordinance for Volunteers designed to protect our children from potential predators.

While Mike and Garrett have been in office, the borough has successfully increased the amount of grants received.

In 2004, Middlesex received in excess of \$1 million in grants to be used for road

reconstruction, sidewalk improvements, streetscapes, open space, and recreation.

As Field Development Committee Chairperson, Garrett has initiated vast improvements to Mountainview Park including new sod on the existing soccer field, the construction of a new soccer field, and refurbishing the Middlesex High School baseball field. Garrett also championed an agreement between the borough and the Middlesex Board of Education for a field maintenance program for all borough fields.

Mike and Garrett look forward to speaking to you as they campaign through Middlesex in the coming months.

With their exemplary records, I ask your support for the re-election of Mike Hompesch and Garrett Mulcahy to Middlesex Borough Council.

BILL COYLE  
Middlesex

The writer is campaign manager for Mike Hompesch and Garrett Mulcahy

### Resident concerned about road work

To The Editor:

As a concerned citizen, I believe the proposal by Piscataway elected officials to straighten, curb, and widen Wyckoff Avenue (to at least 30 feet) is an abuse of tax revenue, that will encourage speeding — and ruin the beauty and character of the street. It could also trigger a domino effect of road widening throughout the Wynnewood/Poossumtown/River Road area, since it's harder to stop road widening in a neighborhood once it starts.

Is this what you want for the community?

According to literature published by both the nonprofit Stony Brook-Millstone Watershed Association (one of New Jersey's leading environmental organizations located in Pennington) and the Center for Livable Communities (lge.org), conventional streets of new subdivisions are long and so wide that they encourage drivers to speed.

As speeds go up, the risk to

pedestrians, bicyclists, and children at play, increases significantly. There is also a strong correlation between accidents and the width of the street. The safest streets are narrow, slow, 24-foot wide streets; the most dangerous were 36-foot wide streets typical of most new subdivisions.

The literature also states that existing neighborhoods can be retrofitted with "traffic calming" measures to slow vehicle speeds and improve pedestrian safety. These improvements can also benefit property owners, retailers, walkers, and bicyclists. Some traffic calming techniques include raised speed-bumps that can resemble brick crosswalks; and placement of signs warning of pedestrian areas.

Concern for safety and residential quality, support rejection of the current plan to widen Wyckoff Avenue in Piscataway while it is still on the drawing table.

ED MARSH  
Piscataway

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# Patriot Media mails 100,000 postcards destined for troops

Patriot Media, which supplies cable TV service and high-speed Internet service to 115,000 subscribers in Central New Jersey, is celebrating America by delivering special "I Love America" gift packages to every home in their coverage area in Somerset, Morris, Hunterdon, and Mercer counties.

Packages began to arrive in mailboxes this week, and include all-American themed items, from baseball tickets and an American flag to a recipe for apple pie. The kit also includes an Operation: Shoe Box New Jersey 2005 Coloring Postcard. Kids and their parents are encouraged to send a message to U.S. troops abroad that hail from New Jersey.

Patriot Media created over 100,000 of the special post-

**Rod Hirsch**  
Executive Editor



cards; once they are colored, they can be mailed to OPSHBX headquarters at The Reporter newspaper, and we'll pack them in the boxes we ship to the soldiers overseas every month. The kit also includes Patriot Crayons for coloring the Operation Shoe Box postcard.

Mail postcards to:  
The Chronicle  
44 Veterans Memorial Drive East  
Somerville, NJ 08876  
"At Patriot Media, we take pride in our customers. And we think pride in our country

is worth celebrating," says Steve Simmons, CEO of Patriot Media. "Independence Day and Patriot Media are a perfect fit, and we're thrilled to be able to do something unexpected for our customers and everyone in our coverage area."

The "I Love America" package includes:

- A superstar ticket; Patriot Media invites recipients to record themselves singing "America the Beautiful" at their Patriot 8 production studios. The recordings may be used in an upcoming TV commercial, and participants could win the chance to sing at a Somerset Patriots baseball game
- A complimentary ticket voucher to see a Somerset Patriots baseball game this summer at their home stadium in Bridgewater.

Color in the heart and then write a special message to our overseas troops telling them how much you appreciate their dedication. Then add a stamp and drop it in the mail.

If you'd like additional postcards to send out, visit [www.patmedia.net/America](http://www.patmedia.net/America)

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**Patriot Media has mailed over 100,000 of these postcards** to their cable subscribers throughout Central New Jersey, encouraging kids and their parents to send a message to U.S. troops deployed overseas.

- A copy of the Declaration of Independence with the full text typed on the reverse side for easy reading and sharing.
- Displayed on a mailbox, car, or window, Patriot Media's handsome flag decal is a great way to show one's true colors.
- Patriot Media will also share the secret apple crisp recipe from Matt's Red Rooster Grill in Flemington.
- Patriot Media has lined up "All American Movie Week," to run July 17 through July 23 on its local channel, Patriot8.

Patriot Media sponsors a variety of events and organizations, including Race for the Cure, The Princeton Symphony Orchestra, The Great Strides Walk for Cystic Fibrosis, Franklin Township Community Food Bank, Thomas Sweet Outdoor Cinema Festival, Share Our Strength and The Institute for Children with Cancer and Blood Disorders.

Further information is available on-line at [www.patmedia.net/america](http://www.patmedia.net/america).

**Essay contest**  
Students in Somerset County are invited to enter an essay contest sponsored by The Chronicle, Operation:

Shoobox New Jersey 2005 and the Somerset Patriots, and in 200 words or less define "What is a Patriot?" Essays may reflect past, present, or even future examples. The entries will be evaluated by a committee whose members are from the educational, civic and business sectors, and judged according to grade level: Primary, Grades 1-5; Middle, Grades 6-8; Secondary, Grades 9-12. First prize winners will each receive a \$100 U.S. Savings Bond and tickets for four to the Aug. 14 Patriots game at Commerce Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater. They will also be asked to read their award-winning essays prior to the singing of the National Anthem. Second and third place winners will receive a \$50 and \$25 U.S. Savings Bond.

Veterans from WWII, the Korean and Vietnam Wars, the Persian Gulf War and Operation Iraqi Freedom will be honored at the ballpark in the Parade of Patriots.

All entries must be postmarked by July 5, 2005; include the child's name and grade as of September, 2004, address and telephone number. Send entries to: The Chronicle, Patriot Essay Contest, 44 Veterans Memorial Drive East, Somerville, NJ 08876.

Contest winners will be notified by phone.

**T-shirts for sale**  
Quality T-shirts with the handsome Operation: Shoobox New Jersey 2005 poster and logo are available.

Several stores on Main Street in Somerville are selling the shirts, which feature the distinctive red, white and blue Operation: Shoobox New Jersey 2005 logo, and a full-color reproduction of the Operation: Shoobox New Jersey 2005 poster.

The shirts cost \$10 and are also available at The Chronicle office, 44 Veterans Memorial Drive East, and at several stores on Main Street in Metuchen. All proceeds from sale of the shirts directly benefit OPSHBX.

Buy one for yourself, buy a few as gifts. We can also reproduce the shirts in quantity for veterans' groups, corporations, or other sponsors, and include the name of your company or organization on the shirt. Call and ask for details.

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**Bill and Kim Braukmann's 4x4 monster truck, Shockwave**, was parked at Midway Transmissions in Bradley Gardens Saturday as part of a fund-raising event in support of Operation: Shoobox New Jersey 2005.

## Calendar of Events

**July 1:** Classic Cruisers car show on Main Street, Somerville, every Friday night through Labor Day, Operation Shoobox New Jersey 2005 volunteers will collect donations and contributions in front of the United Reform Church, 6-9 p.m.

**July 4:** Clinton Station Diner, Route 173 & Bank Street, Clinton (off Route 78), 15 percent of the dinner receipts from 4-9 p.m. will be donated to Operation Shoobox. (908) 713-0012.

**July 9:** Soldiers' Shopping Spree, Pathmark Supermarket, Veterans Memorial Drive, Somerville, volunteers will hand out a shopping list and collect items from shoppers as they exit the store. (908) 526-8868.

**July 14:** Multi-estate auction,

Bodnar's Auction, Ukrainian Cultural Center, 135 Davidson Ave., Franklin. Donations and contributions accepted for Operation Shoobox New Jersey 2005. Box lots, 11:30 p.m., main sale, 4:30 p.m. (732) 545-1700.

**July 17:** Sort, pick, box and ship. Volunteers gather at the 42nd Infantry Armory, Hamilton Avenue, Franklin, to prepare packages for shipment to soldiers, 1-5 p.m. Volunteers are needed. Call (908) 575-6684 for further information.

**July 18:** Clinton Station Diner, Route 173 & Bank Street, Clinton (off Route 78), 15 percent of the dinner receipts from 4-9 p.m. will be donated to Operation Shoobox. (908) 713-0012.

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**Aug. 1:** 6th annual Somerset Patriots Charity Golf Classic, Neshanic Valley Golf Course, Neshanic Station, shotgun start, 12:30 p.m. Operation Shoobox New Jersey 2005 is the spotlight charity for this event, which last year raised \$57,000 for Somerset Patriots Charities. Buffet lunch, putting contest, driving range, cocktail reception, four-course dinner, awards banquet. Each group will be paired with a Somerset Patriot player. Registration deadline is July 22. (908) 252-0700.

## Operation: Shoobox New Jersey 2005 Drop-off sites:

- Somerset County**  
The Chronicle office, 44 Veterans Memorial Drive East, Somerville  
Commerce Bank Ballpark, 1 Patriots Way, Bridgewater  
The 250th Signal Battalion, 42nd Infantry Armory on Hamilton Street in Franklin  
The Somerville U.S. Postal Service office at 39 Division St., Somerville  
Somerset County Sheriff's Office, County Administration Building, Grove Street, Somerville  
Morgan Stanley, 166 West Main St., Somerville  
Mannion's Pub & Restaurant, 150 West Main St., Somerville  
Alfonso's Italian Restaurant, 99-101 West Main St., Somerville  
Beneath It All, 72 West Main St., Somerville  
Wachovia Bank, 1 West Main St., Somerville  
Dr. William Moskowitz, 205 West Main St., third floor, Somerville  
Somerville Center Antiques, 33 West Main St., Somerville  
Dorell & Sons Locksmith, 20 W. Somerset St., Raritan (908) 725-2096  
Shop-Rite Supermarket, 611

- West Union Ave., Bound Brook  
Girl Scouts of Rolling Hills Council, 1171 Route 28, North Branch  
Nan Romano Fine Apparel/Distinctive Gifts, 432 Main St., Bedminster  
Somerset County Park Commission main office, North Branch Park, Milltown Road, Bridgewater  
Somerset County Environmental Education Center, 190 Lord Stirling Road, Basking Ridge  
Leonard J. Buck Garden, 11 Layton Road, Far Hills  
Warrenbrook Golf Course, Warrenville Road, Warren  
Spooky Brook Golf Course, Colonial Park, Amwell Road, Franklin  
Raritan Valley Community College Theater and Student Activities office, Route 28, North Branch  
Leaming Express Toys, 315 Route 206, Hillsborough  
Test Sports Club, 1982 Washington Valley Road, Martinsville  
US Bicycle Hall of Fame, Main Street, Bridgewater  
Powerhouse Gym, Route 22, Bridgewater  
Felix #9 Diner, Route 22,

- Bridgewater  
Bedminster Post Office, 251 Somerville Road, Bedminster  
Attic Treasures Antiques, Sansone Plaza, Route 22 East, Green Brook  
Country Manor Furniture, 272 Route 22 West, Green Brook  
Dr. Steven C. Balestracci, 154 Adamsville Road North, Bridgewater  
Soprano's, 154 Adamsville Road North, Bridgewater  
The Cricket, 408 Elizabeth Ave., Somerset  
Morgan Stanley, 15 Independence Blvd., Warren  
Baja Fresh Mexican Grill, 1595 Route 22 West, Watchung  
Attic Treasures, 319 Route 22 East, Sansone Plaza, Green Brook  
AAA Vac, 1515 Route 22 West, Watchung Square Mall, Watchung  
Borough Hall, Route 22 and Grove Street, Somerville  
Gladstone Cleaners, 258 Main St., Peapack-Gladstone  
North Branch Post Office, Route 22, North Branch  
Somerset Medical Center main lobby, 110 Rehill Ave., Somerville  
Capelli Salon, 1171 Route 202 North, Branchburg

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**Eunice Colley**

BOUND BROOK — Eunice M. Colley, 90, died June 21, 2005 at Community Medical Center in Toms River.

Mrs. Colley was born in New Brunswick and lived in Newark before moving to Bound Brook in 1944. She had a summer home in Lavallette since 1950 and her permanent home in that borough since 1972.

She graduated from the Coleman Business College and once was a secretary with Kraft Foods. Mrs. Colley was a member of the West Point Island Civic Association and St. Bonaventure Roman Catholic Church, both in Lavallette.

Preceding her in death were her husband, Joseph A.; five sisters, Genevieve Gerard,

Catharine Giuliano, Marion Otto, Evelyn Burke and Helen Burke; and a brother, Thomas P. Burke Jr.

Surviving are a daughter, Carol Culley Hanks of Westport, Conn.; and a grandson, Andrew Darrow Hanks of Orlando, Fla.

A funeral Mass was held Tuesday at St. Bonaventure Church. Entombment was in the St. Joseph Mausoleum, Toms River.

Arrangements were by the Timothy E. Ryan Home for Funerals, in Lavallette. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to CACLD/Connecticut Association for Children and Adults with Learning Disabilities, 25 Van Zant St., Suite 15-5, East Norwalk, CT 06855-1726.

**Patricia Guerard**

MIDDLESEX — Patricia Jean Abbott Guerard, 69, died June 15, 2005 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

She was born in Queens and had lived in Middlesex since 1960.

A nurse for 50 years, Mrs. Guerard began her career in the emergency room at Somerset Hospital in Somerville in the 1950s. She later worked for a Bound Brook obstetrician and in 1975 joined the staff of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center. She was a head nurse at the Plainfield hospital when she left in 1983 to become a home care hospice nurse and later a supervisor.

Mrs. Guerard retired from active nursing in 1998 but returned to her field as an Assisted Quality Assurance

nurse at the Haven Hospice of the Plainfield hospital. She graduated from the University of Pennsylvania nursing school in 1957 and received a bachelor of science in nursing degree from Trenton State College in the 1980s.

Surviving are a son, Scott and wife Karen of Holiday, Fla.; two brothers, Bruce Abbott and wife Gay of Scotch Plains and Paul Abbott and wife Glenda of Fanwood; a grandchild; three nieces; a nephew; and 13 great-nieces and great-nephews.

Services were held June 18 at the Middlesex Funeral Home. Burial was in Franklin Memorial Park, North Brunswick.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center home care hospice.

**Lillian Caswell**

PISCATAWAY — Lillian L. Henne Caswell, 89, died June 19, 2005 in Branchburg.

Born March 6, 1916 in Walhalla, S.C., she was a daughter of the late Henry and Annie Waldt Henne.

Mrs. Caswell lived in Dunellen and Piscataway before moving to Branchburg in 1979. She retired in 1993 after 40 years as a production worker with Thermionics Corp. in North Plainfield.

She was a member of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Arbor Rescue Squad. Mrs. Caswell was a longtime member of St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Dunellen.

Her husband, George W. Sr., died in 1979. A son, George W. "Bud" Jr., died June 15, 2005.

Surviving are two sons, Robert E. and wife Gloria of Barnegat and Richard C. and wife Gloria, with whom Mrs. Caswell lived; a sister, Margaret Puchhaber of Brick; two brothers, Robert Henne and wife Helen of North Plainfield and Joseph Henne and wife Muriel of Piscataway; nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Services were held June 22 at the Mundy Funeral Home in Dunellen. Burial was in Lake Nelson Memorial Park.

**Margaret Dilley**

DUNELLEN — Margaret E. Murray Dilley, 75, died June 25, 2005 at her home.

Born June 17, 1930 in Somerville, she was a daughter of the late Harold and Margaret Gill Murray.

Mrs. Dilley had lived for more than 60 years in Dunellen. A homemaker, she once was a cafeteria worker at Dunellen High School and other businesses.

She was a den mother with Cub Scout Pack 411 and a

member of a genealogical society.

Surviving are her husband, Walter E., whom Mrs. Dilley married May 27, 1950; two daughters, Sharon L. Webb of Las Vegas, Nev., and Donna L. Pearson of Dunellen; a son, Roger C. of Dunellen; a brother, H. John Murray of St. Louis, Mo.; and five grandchildren.

Private arrangements were by the Mundy Funeral Home.

**Alfred Crist**

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Alfred Crist, 78, died June 21, 2005 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Born in Maplewood, he lived in South Plainfield before moving to North Plainfield over 50 years ago.

Mr. Crist was a retired postal worker in the Plainfield post office. More recently he worked part-time at the Watchung Avenue Presbyterian Church in North

Plainfield.

He was a Navy veteran of World War II and a Meals on Wheels volunteer in Plainfield.

Surviving are two sisters, Lillian Gartner of North Carolina and Eleanor Pennington of Florida; three nieces and five nephews.

Services were held June 24 at the Memorial Funeral Home in Fanwood. Burial was in Lake Nelson Memorial Park, Piscataway.

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# The Hills came alive to the sounds of music New Jersey Symphony performance benefits Somerset Medical Center

By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI  
Staff Writer

FAR HILLS — John Graf credits the staff of Somerset Medical Center with saving his life. He went to the hospital's benefit in Far Hills last week, Music at Moorland, with a thank-you gift in hand: a personal check for \$500.

A year ago, Graf, who is currently the president of the Somerset County United Way, had gastric bypass surgery at SMC. Now over 160 pounds lighter, he's gone from taking 12 pills a day to taking a single vitamin and is no longer diabetic, and said he is personally grateful to the hospital.

Graf, who had never been to Music at Moorland before last Thursday, said he was eager to show his personal support for the hospital, and noted that the camaraderie of the community is an important aspect of the event, as it brings together non-profit organizations, government officials, and corporations.

Evelyn Self, director of U.S. giving and philanthropy for Sanofi-Aventis, the event's sponsor, echoed Graf's sentiments about the community.

"The leadership of the community comes together for the health and welfare of this community," she said. Sanofi-Aventis, whose tent was decorated with a Mardi Gras theme, bought 250 tickets for its employees and guests, including families of employees at all levels, from executives on down.

"Our employees look forward to it and want to be part of it, and the community likes it," Self said, observing that the event has grown since its inception in 2001. "More companies are buying tents; more people are buying tickets."

"It's grown gradually. We

don't try to make it too big that we can't control it," said event co-chair John von Stade, adding that things have changed since that first year, when tornado warnings and heavy rain plagued the event.

The benefit, proceeds of which go to benefit the hospital's capital fund, is not just about the money, von Stade said. "It's important not just as a fundraiser, but as a friend-raiser," he said, adding that it serves as an outreach to northern towns in the county. "We're bringing something to the community."

While exact attendance figures and the amount raised by this year's event were unavailable as of press time, von Stade said the event has been growing steadily. "We know that our sales are up every year," he said.

Many of those sales were to

local residents, hundreds of whom crowded the hillside, toting coolers and lawn chairs as still more cars waited in line to turn into the park.

"I love music, and I love fireworks, and I love eating!" said Bonnie Gregg, a Morristown resident, who had set up a picnic with her friend Sandy Frost, of Basking Ridge. Gregg said the quality of the event kept her coming back.

Frost said she appreciated the attention the event's organizers paid to accessibility, as she has a disability. There were carts available to transport people from the parking area to the seating area, making the event easy to attend.

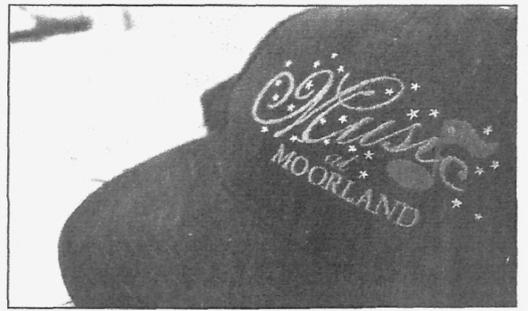
"It's the place to see and be seen," Frost said.

Cynthia Leclerc, of Martinsville, said that this was her second year attend-

ing the event. "It's an evening outside with good music and family," she said as she sat with her husband and daughter. Leclerc said she would be joined by her parents, who live in Far Hills, and eight other family members.

When her daughter, 2-year-old Elizabeth, was asked what she was looking forward to, her reply was "seeing Emily and Peter," two of her cousins.

Leclerc, however, said she hoped Elizabeth would enjoy the music. "I was looking forward to introducing her to the symphony," she said.



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SUPERIOR COURT OF MIDDLESEX COUNTY  
MIDDLESEX COUNTY  
Docket No. F-7891-05

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, vs: VERN RAY, JUDITH RAY, HIS WIFE;  
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Pluise, Becker, & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 20000 Horizon Way, Suite 900, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054, an Answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action in which Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as Trustee for Champion Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-1, is Plaintiff and Frank Sario, et al. are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Middlesex County, bearing Docket No. F-7891-05, within thirty-five days (35) after July 2, 2005 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, Ck 371, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the mortgage dated February 22, 1997, and made by Frank Sario, unmarried, Vern Ray and Judith Ray, his wife, to Champion Mortgage Co., Inc. recorded in the Middlesex County Clerk's Office, Book 5239, at Page 51, to recover possession of and concerning real estate located at 216 Main Street, Spotswood, New Jersey 08884.

By written Assignment of Mortgage dated March 15, 1997, the said Champion Mortgage Co. Inc. assigned its Note and Mortgage to Harris Trust and Savings Bank, as Trustee for Champion Home Equity Loan Trust 1997-1, which Assignment of Mortgage was recorded in the Clerk's Office of Middlesex County on May 7, 1997 in Book 0674, Page 057.

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**NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION**  
ORDINANCE NO. 1648-05  
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY, MORE PARTICULARLY CHAPTER 40, ZONING - SECTION 420-61, SIGN REGULATIONS

**SUMMARY**  
An ordinance amending the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of Middlesex to amend the Sign Regulations. BE IT ORDAINED by the Council of the Borough of Middlesex in the County of Middlesex and the State of New Jersey, that the Code of the Borough of Middlesex is hereby amended as follows:

**SECTION 420-61**  
Chapter 420, Zoning, Section 420-61, Sign Regulations is amended to read as follows:

**SIGN REGULATIONS**  
(1) STATEMENT OF PURPOSE AND INTENT  
The purpose of this provision is to create the legal framework by which the Borough of Middlesex may regulate signs.

(2) The following design of signs, size and setback requirements have been established in order to prevent clutter, confusion and adverse visual impacts:  
(A) Placard signs, which are:  
(1) Orderly, readable and appropriate to the activity which they pertain;  
(2) Compatible with surroundings;  
(3) Expressive of the identity of individual proprietors;  
(4) Complementary to the character of the community;  
(5) Not obstructing to motorists so as not to contribute to traffic accidents; and,  
(B) Discourage and render unlawful signs which:  
(1) Represent an over-loaded, over-stated system of graphics that defests its communicative purpose;  
(2) Contribute to visual pollution and clutter;  
(3) Are in disrepair or of faulty construction, thereby threatening the safety and welfare of persons and property;  
(4) Advertise, identify or promote an activity no longer in existence or operation;  
(5) To otherwise contravene the size, location, character,

and pertinent features of all signs, in order to meet the expressed purposes stated above.

(C) ADMINISTRATION, FILING, PROCEDURE AND PERMITS  
(A) Permit Application  
It shall be unlawful for any person to erect, structurally alter, enlarge, rebuild or relocate any sign without first obtaining a permit from the Construction Official. No more than one (1) sign shall be erected, posted, placed, affixed or maintained upon any property.

(B) Procedural Requirements  
Each application shall be accompanied by plans showing the exact location of the proposed sign, the sign size and the method of illumination, if any and the color and materials to be used. In the case of projecting signs each application shall show the proposed method of fastening such sign to the building, the vertical distance between such sign and the curb and the distance between the sign and the right-of-way.

(C) Permit Fee  
Before the issuance of any sign permit required by this Ordinance, a Building Permit and Zoning Fee shall be paid.  
(D) Administration  
The Construction Official shall issue a permit only for the erection or construction of a sign, which meets the requirements of this section.

(E) Compliance  
It shall be unlawful for any person to erect or alter any sign or other advertising structure as defined in this Ordinance without first obtaining a permit as further required in this Section and as noted through the Middlesex Code.

(F) Definitions  
(A) Definitions. As used in this article, the following terms shall have the meanings indicated:  
AWNING SIGN - Any sign that is a part of attached to or printed on an awning, canopy or other fabric, plastic or structural protective cover over a door, entrance, window or outdoor service area.  
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By ROD HIRSCH  
 Staff Writer

GREEN BROOK - Coddled, cuddled and sprinkled with bottled water in the blistering heat, three dozen yipping canines with toothpick legs and gumdrop eyes arrived seeking a shot at glory.

In between licks, yips and sniffs, some of the contestants put on their game face, trying to imitate their competition; others seemed to want nothing to do with the proceedings.

And, the wiener is . . . They call him Max, but his papers read Maximillian Thomas Hoff, according to his proud owner, George Hoff. Dog and master came to the competition on a whim from their home in Sayreville, while his wife and two kids headed for The Shore.

The five-month-old dachshund came out on top of a field of 36 entries in Saturday's "Super Weenie Raceoff," sponsored and

# And, the wiener is . . . Tiny hot dogs make mad 'dach' for the finish line

sanctioned by the American Canine Association. Max won five elimination heats before winning the final race, sprinting from the starting gate and never looking back, narrowly inching out Abby, the other finalist.

Shake-a-Paw owner Jeff Morton hosted the event, while the ACA sent a team of handlers and officials to the Route 22 store to oversee the race. The makeshift race course was lined by collapsed metal dog crates end-to-end; the race surface was the sidewalk in front of the strip mall stores.

Robert Todoro from the ACA's Special Programs division called the races, a series of elimination heats featuring two dogs racing side-by-side. The "Super Weenie Raceoff" was one in an ongoing series of races sponsored by the ACA across the country, with all proceeds raised from each event used to fund ACA American Disabilities Act Service Dog Programs. The township event raised \$540.

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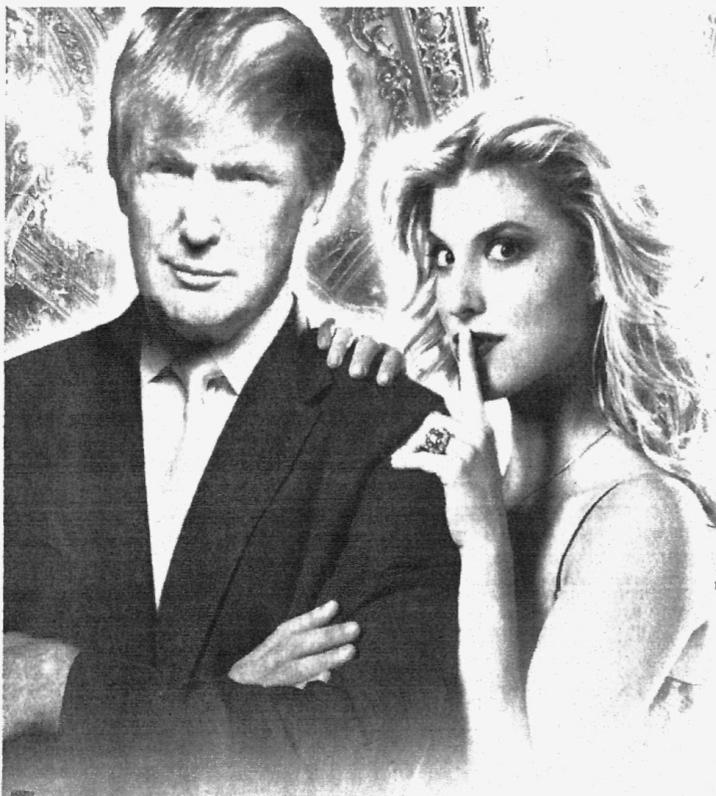
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# Boran maintains pursuit of his dream

BRIDGEWATER — He could easily be another cog in the stuffy, suit-and-tie, 9-to-5 corporate world right now. Raking in some mighty big bucks, too.

After all, that's what that Princeton degree is for, right?

Not according to Patrick Boran's personal agenda. There's still plenty of time for all of that. At the moment, he's much more content rolling around in the dirt and grass in the ballparks of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball.

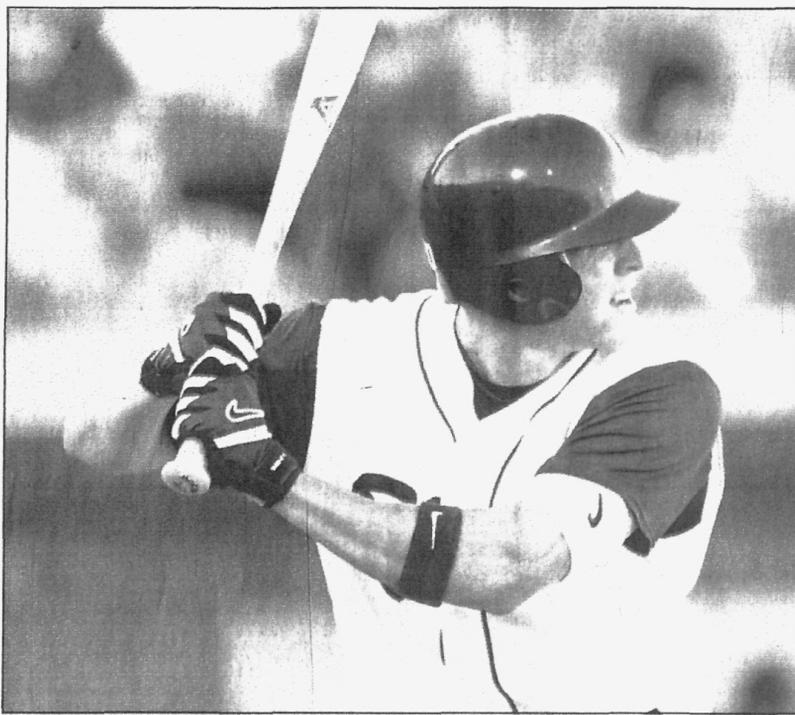
Boran, 24, has been seeing increased action in left field for the Somerset Patriots since signing with the ALPB squad three weeks ago.

A former Princeton University shortstop and draft choice of the Boston Red Sox, Boran has absolutely no qualms about the path his career of choice has taken. He became even more convinced of that last week when three of his ex-Princeton teammates — including Immaculata High graduate Mickey Martin — attended a Patriots-Bears game at Newark's Riverfront Stadium.

"I could see them in the stands, and I could see it in their eyes — given the opportunity, they'd be doing the same thing I'm doing right now," said Boran late Monday afternoon a few hours before the Pats took on Newark at Commerce Bank Park.

"Even when we went out to dinner afterwards, they were just telling me to keep doing this as long as you can," he added. "You've got the rest of your life to work, so keep doing this."

Martin, Sean McNally and Eric Voelker are all well-established in Manhattan's frenzied business scene and live across the river in Hoboken, which has become a haven of sorts for young Big Apple com-



A former All-Ivy League shortstop at Princeton, Patrick Boran has been seeing increased playing time for the Somerset Patriots since signing with the ALPB's South Division leaders earlier this month.

muters.

"Our deal is, every time I go there, they buy me dinner," said Boran.

Boran, of course, is granted a mere pittance while laboring in the independent ALPB. And that's just fine with him. One day, it could all lead to a monstrous major league contract which could set him up for life financially. Or it could take him around in one huge circle, right back to his diploma from Old Nassau.

"This was always my plan, to play ball as long as I can," said Boran, who majored in politics at Princeton. "Even in my last year in school I wasn't taking any interviews for jobs. I felt I'd be drafted and even if that didn't happen, I'd take a year to collect myself because I'd spent my whole life chasing this dream. I knew it would be baseball, or I'd take time to kind of regroup."

"I could have a problem if I started second-guessing

myself on that now. It would hurt my baseball career if, for instance, I have a bad game and go 0 for 4 and start thinking about other things I could be doing. If I wasn't playing ball, I most likely would be finishing up law school. I imagine. But I just don't want to mix the two right now. I'm just thinking baseball."

Boran, who entered the week hitting .255 in his first 14 Patriot games, was a top-echelon student and a three-

sport standout (baseball, basketball and soccer) at Pennsylvania's Pottsville Area High School.

He'd originally made Duke his No. 1 collegiate choice until he attended the school's baseball camp in Durham, N.C., where he met Princeton Head Coach Scott Bradley, a former big-league catcher.

"Once I had the opportunity to go to Princeton, there's no second-guessing that," said Boran.

He stepped in immediately as a top Tiger, earning the shortstop job as a freshman and holding it four years until he graduated in 2002. He was twice an All-Ivy League selection.

Seeing Boran's overall athletic prowess and realizing he had pro potential, Bradley also occasionally shifted Boran to center field for a few innings during his senior campaign.

"He wanted to emphasize to scouts that I could play just about anywhere on the field," said Boran, "so he'd put me in center so they could see me run and catch a few fly balls." The Red Sox nabbed him in the '02 amateur draft but Boran's minor-league progress was severely impeded by injuries as he played in only 132 games in three years.

Just six games into the 2003 Florida State League Single-A season, he suffered a broken bone when he fouled a ball off his left foot. He then injured his Achilles tendon while rehabilitating the foot.

In 2004, playing in the same league, he developed a difficult-to-diagnose "sports hernia" in May. The condition felt like a severe groin pull and doesn't show up during tests or with an MRI, so with the aid of cortisone shots, he struggled through the season. The actual problem finally

was discovered after the season and he underwent surgery in November.

"I figure I missed about 190 games the last two years," said the 6-foot-2, 200-pound Boran, who's played every infield position and the outfield in pro ball.

He was in several big-league games with Boston in spring training this year but the Red Sox eventually released him.

One day Bradley was talking on the phone to Adam Gladstone, Somerset's director of player procurement, and mentioned the possibility of a now-healthy Boran getting a shot with the Patriots.

Boran worked out for the Pats the day before the April 27 season-opener, then signed with Cleveland the following day. But after playing Single-A ball for the Indians for a month, he was cut again and then agreed to terms with Somerset June 10.

"I've been pleasantly surprised with this league," said Boran. "Everything is very professional and well-run. And the knowledge on this staff at Somerset is unbelievable. I'm learning so much from them every day, and competing with and against guys who've been in the big leagues or in Triple-A, it's much better competition than what I played against the last several years."

"What I'm also learning is that you can't beat Northeast baseball in terms of a fan base and how they can get behind a team," he added. "With the number of fans we get out there supporting us every night, it just makes it that much better and more fun. And I've also learned that to have fun, you have to be healthy, and I finally am. I can honestly say this is the best place I've played at so far in my career."

## Patriots bounce back but can't catch Bears

Rallying to score the game's final five runs Tuesday night, the Somerset Patriots made it close but dropped an 8-7 Atlantic League of Professional Baseball decision to Newark in front of 4526 fans at Bridgewater's Commerce Bank Park.

Despite the loss, the Patriots remained in first place in the ALPB's South Division at 35-24 with 11 games remaining in the first-half season.

Newark (28-31) scored what turned out to be the deciding runs in the sixth inning when Abraham Ayala struck out but reached base when the pitch eluded catcher Chris Eickhorst and Jose Almeda followed with a two-run homer for an 8-2 cushion.

Doubles by Jeff Nettles and Kevin Nicholson drove in two runs in the home half of the sixth, when the Pats scored three times to cut their deficit to 8-5. Nicholson's run-scoring groundout and Ryan Radmanovich's sacrifice fly ball produced two more runs in the eighth but Somerset couldn't pull even.

Nettles went 3 for 4 with two doubles, Emiliano Escandon singled and doubled and Todd Betts hit his ninth home run, a solo shot in the fourth. In his



second straight shaky outing, starting pitcher Scott Sobkowiak (6-3) took the loss after allowing four hits, four walks and five runs (all earned) in 3 2/3 innings.

**Patriots 8, Newark 0** — Nick Stocks, making his starting debut, and three relievers combined for a six-hit shutout and first baseman Betts went 2 for 4 with a home run and three RBI on a rain-dampened Monday night with 4484 fans looking on at Commerce Bank Park.

Stocks (1-0) went five innings, yielding three hits and no walks, before Brad Clontz replaced him for the next two stanzas and Nick Bierbrodt and Kyle Evans finished up with an inning apiece.

Patrick Boran, who had two RBI, Ray Navarrete (double, triple) and Nicholson collected two hits apiece for the Pats, who scored the game's first two runs in the second. Betts began the inning with a single,

Navarrete doubled him in and Boran's hit to right sent in another run.

Somerset added a third run in the next inning when Nettles doubled and came home on Nicholson's hit.

The home team added on another four runs in the sixth. Nettles walked, advanced to third on Nicholson's single and Betts drilled his eighth home run of the season to right field. After Navarrete tripled to center, Boran singled him in for a 7-0 cushion.

**Patriots 7, Long Island 0** — Brian Tollberg and two relievers teamed up for an eight-hit shutout and Betts' 3-for-5 performance and two RBI keyed a 13-hit attack Sunday when the Pats concluded a successful weekend series in Central Islip, N.Y. by toppling the Ducks (23-32) in front of 6179 fans.

Tollberg (8-2), who lowered his earned run average to 2.27, gave up six hits and one walk while fanning four in seven innings before Clontz and Dave Elder finished off the triumph by throwing an inning each.

Navarrete's leadoff home run, his second, staked the Pats to a 1-0 second-inning lead and Nicholson's two-run



Patriot shortstop Kevin Nicholson, seen here stealing second against the Long Island Ducks June 4, hit three home runs as Somerset took three of four games from the Ducks during a series last weekend.

shot (his third homer of the series) lifted Somerset's advantage to 4-0 in the sixth.

Somerset leftfielder Boran threw out a runner trying to score from second on a fifth-inning single and rightfielder Radmanovich, who went 2 for 4 with a triple, gunned down

two runners trying to stretch singles. Catcher Chris Eickhorst, the former Immaculata High star, also threw out a would-be base-stealer for the third straight game.

**Long Island 6, Patriots 3** — Homers by Pat Lennon, Henry

Rodriguez and Jason Johnson produced four Long Island runs Saturday night as 6321 fans looked on at Citibank Park.

George Sandel, who doubled and had a sacrifice fly ball, and Jeremy Owens (two RBI) had two hits apiece for the Pats.

## Piscataway topples Kennedy behind Walkers, Peteet

Coleman Peteet and Kyle Walker delivered RBI singles in the bottom of the third inning to break a 5-5 tie and Ken Walker turned in an outstanding effort in relief as Piscataway's Post 261 stretched its record to 8-2 with a 10-5 victory over John F. Kennedy June 24 in Middlesex County Senior American Legion Baseball League action.

Kennedy had scored twice in the top of the third inning when Ken Walker took over and all he did was limit the visitors to one hit over the final 4 2/3 innings to earn the victory after his offense continued to score.

Ken Walker helped stake Post 261 to a 5-3 lead in the bottom of the first when he belted a three-run triple, while Russ Hopkins smacked a solo homer in the fourth for an 8-0 lead. Kyle Walker plated the final two runs with bases-loaded walk in

the fourth and a sacrifice fly in the sixth.

**Hillsborough 2, North Plainfield 0** — In a pitching duel that saw the two teams combine for five hits Saturday, Ball-Kirch Post 265 wasted a three-hitter by Dave Dickerson in a loss to Hillsborough that dropped the Bulls to 5-4 for the season in Somerset-Hunterdon American Legion Baseball League play.

Dickerson went the distance, striking out two, walking none and allowing one earned run, but it wasn't enough as North Plainfield managed only a double by Parke Smith in the second and a single by Shane Riccio in the third.

**Immaculata 15, North Plainfield 13** — In a game that saw the teams combine for 28 runs on 32 hits Friday night, North Plainfield left the tying run on in the bottom of the seventh

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inning and fell to Immaculata in a slugfest in a SHALBL slugfest.

Matt Giannini had three hits and two RBI for Ball-Kirch, while Nick Cesare delivered a pair of run-scoring doubles. Bill Merkler had two hits and an RBI, while Dan Leary and Andrew Miller collected two-run singles and Paul Ignoscia was hit by pitches twice with the bases loaded.

**Middlesex 12, Clara Barton 9** — Down 9-7 entering the bottom of the sixth inning Post 306 of Middlesex received a three-run homer from Dennis Rivera and a two-run blast from Anthony LaSala to rally past Clara Barton Post 324 June 24 in a

MCSALBL slugfest.

Rivera and LaSala both turned in outstanding performances by going 3-for-4 with four RBI apiece, while John Schleppenbach contributed a double, single and an RBI. Kevin Porras fanned three straight batters in the seventh after allowing a lead-off single.

Clara Barton made the most of its five hits in the game with Jordan Onulak and Kevin Rush both finishing 2-for-4, but could not hold on after out-scoring Middlesex 9-2 to take its 9-7 advantage.

**Edison 19, Franklin 7** — Cal Costanza led the attack by going 4-for-4, scoring three times and knocking in two runs, while Mike Manfree and Jon Mendez collected three hits apiece as Edison whipped Franklin in MCSALBL play June 22.

Manfree tripled and singled twice,

knocking in a team-high four runs, and Mendez finished with two RBI. Ryan Klouser drove in three runs with a pair of hits, while Robert Hrapsky tripled, singled and had two RBI for Post 435.

**South Plainfield 10, Edison 9** — Kyle Kazimir's two-run single with two outs in the top of the seventh inning lifted South Plainfield past Post 435 in MCSALBL play June 21, while Mike Downes paced the offense and nailed down the victory on the mound in the bottom of the seventh with the save.

Downes went 3-for-3 with two doubles and three RBI, while Chris Bakazan, who earned the pitching triumph, finished 3-for-4 and scored three times. Kazimir chipped in with two hits. Lee Cavico's two-run double gave Edison the lead heading into the seventh.

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DIRECTORY SIGN - A sign identifying two or more persons, agencies, business, industry, profession, committee, service or establishments, located on same premises...

EXTERNALLY ILLUMINATED - Any illuminated sign whose illumination is derived from an external artificial source...

FLASHING SIGN - A sign in which the illumination varies in intensity when in use.

NOTIFICATION SIGN - A sign identifying the name of an attached housing development.

INSTITUTIONAL SIGN - A sign identifying a club, association, nursery, school, church, day care facility or other institution or quasi-public use.

INTERNALLY ILLUMINATED SIGN - Any sign whose sole source of artificial illumination is contained within the display portion of the sign.

MOBILE SIGN - Any sign that is neither a freestanding, wall, nor window sign and which can be transported from one location to another.

NAMEPLATE SIGN - A sign, which states the name and/or address of the occupant of the lot where the sign is located.

PENNANT - Any lightweight plastic, fabric or other material, suspended from a rope, wire or string, usually, but not necessarily, in the wind.

PROFESSIONAL SIGN - A sign listing the name, profession and/or specialty of each practitioner.

ROOF SIGN - A sign attached to or supported upon the roof of any building or structure.

SIGN AREA - The area enclosed by the outermost frame or edge of a sign, including the area of the maximum vertical dimension multiplied by the maximum horizontal dimension of all lettering and symbols which form the sign.

TEMPORARY SIGN - A sign which is erected for a limited period of time.

WALL SIGN - Any sign attached to a building facade.

WINDOW SIGN - A sign attached to a window, door or combination thereof, designed to communicate information about an activity, business, commodity, event, sale or service, that is placed inside a window or over the window panes or glass and is visible from the exterior of the window.

PERMITTED SIGNS - Permitted signs shall be classified as freestanding signs, wall signs or window signs. The following regulations shall apply in the specific districts to all signs other than those specifically exempted.

(A) Residential Signs - Institutional signs may be erected, provided that the size of any freestanding sign shall not exceed 20 square feet, and not more than one such sign shall be placed on each road upon which such use fronts.

(B) Commercial and Industrial Districts - (1) Wall business signs. Wall signs attached to the main building shall be permitted subject to the following conditions and regulations.

(2) Freestanding signs. Freestanding signs shall be permitted, subject to the following conditions and regulations.

(3) Window signs. Window signs shall be permitted provided that said sign area does not exceed 50% of the window area, and that no sign shall be placed on any window area shall be limited by an obstructed from any permissible wall sign area.

(4) Directory signs. Any freestanding directory sign shall be permitted on each property consisting of multiple non-residential uses. Said sign shall comply with the requirements for freestanding business signs.

(5) Freestanding signs. Freestanding signs shall be permitted, subject to the following conditions and regulations.

(6) Street names. At least one of the signs identifying the business or industrial establishment must contain the street address of the building in which the sign is displayed elsewhere on the building in an area visible from the street.

(7) Temporary signs for sales and services permitted for fourteen (14) continuous days maximum one per property. Permit is required.

(8) Temporary signs for temporary signs, on construction sites. A. The Borough for the following reasons may remove signs.

(9) Unsafe signs - whenever a sign becomes structurally unsafe or endangers the safety of life or property the Borough of Middlesex shall give a written notice to the owner that the sign must either be made safe or removed.

(10) Abandoned signs. Any individual, corporation or entity who owns or leases a sign shall remove said sign within fifteen (15) days after the party advertises the sign to be removed.

(11) Non-Conforming Signs - The owner upon notice by the Borough shall remove any sign erected or placed in violation of this ordinance within 15 days.

(12) Prohibited Signs - (1) Signs tacked, pasted, painted or otherwise attached to poles, posts, trees, and fences, sidewalks, curbs, water towers, awnings, bridges.

(2) Exterior signs using moving parts, such as clocks, clocks, animated, flashing, and stationary signs.

(3) Signs using mechanical devices, such as elevators, to revolve faces or display movement, or the illusion of movement.

(4) Portable signs which are fixed on a moveable stand, self-supporting which being framed in aluminum in the ground, supported by other objects, mounted on wheels or mobile vehicle or made easily movable in any other manner, unless specifically permitted or exempted elsewhere in this ordinance.

(5) Signs that bear or contain statements, words or pictures of an obscene or profane nature.

(6) Signs maintained at any location where, by reason of color, illumination, position, size or shape, as determined by findings of the Chief of Police, may be injurious, disparaging, or confused with any traffic control sign, signal or device, or where it may interfere with its use, or confuse vehicular traffic.

(7) The following advertisements are specifically prohibited: any advertisement which uses a series of two or more signs placed in a line parallel to the roadway or in similar fashion, conveying a single advertisement or message, part of which is contained on each sign.

(8) Any sign, which advertises or publicize an activity or business, product, real estate, or service not located or conducted on the premises upon which such signs are located unless specifically permitted by other provisions of this ordinance.

Electronic Sign/Bulletin Boards (1) Location in public right-of-way. No sign shall be erected within or on or overhang upon the right-of-way of any street.

(2) Illuminated signs shall comply with the requirements of 420.20, entitled "Obstruction of vision on corner lots." (Adopted 6-29-1993 by Ord No 12851)

(3) EXEMPT SIGNS - The following signs shall not be subject to the permit provisions of this ordinance nor require the payment of any fee, but are subject to all other provisions of this ordinance.

(4) Professional signs indicating the name and profession of the occupant of a dwelling, provided such signs do not exceed two square feet on any one side.

(5) Temporary signs for commercial establishments, covering not more than twenty-five percent of the window area.

(6) Any signs forbidding trespassing, hunting, fishing or trapping as authorized by the Borough of Middlesex.

(7) Temporary signs indicating a public election, notice of a political cause provided such signs do not exceed twenty-four (24) square feet in area on any one side. Said signs shall be removed within seven days after completion of said event or function.

Residential Real Estate signs (For Sale, For Rent, or Sold) provided: (1) Said sign does not exceed six (6) square feet in area on any one side, and also provided that: (2) No more than one such sign for each 200' frontage of the property to which such sign applies shall be permitted in the event of the property having more than 20' frontage, only one such sign shall be exempt. With respect to the aforementioned "Sold" signs, such sign shall be exempt for a period of 10 days after Certificates of Continuous Occupancy is issued.

G. Signs required by law or government order, rule or regulation, including signs forbidding trespassing, hunting, fishing, trapping, dumping or other prohibited by the municipality or government for public purposes.

H. Signs denoting responsible contact persons or firms placed on construction site not exceeding twenty-two (22) square feet in total sign area. They shall be removed when construction is completed.

I. Information, identification and directional signs, provided: (1) The sign for street number designation, postal box, on-site directional or parking sign, warning sign or sign posting property as "private property," "no hunting" or similar signs.

(2) Such signs are not to be considered in calculating sign area. (3) No such sign shall exceed two (2) square feet in area.

J. Residential name plates consisting of one (1) non-illuminated sign shall be permitted on any one side of a lot not exceeding two (2) square feet in total sign area, shall be permitted for each single family residence or home occupied.

K. Garage sale signs located on the premises only, not exceeding two square feet and containing the date of sale. Such sign shall be removed within 24 hours after the last day of sale.

L. Electronic Sign/Bulletin Boards not over 40 square feet in area for public, charitable or religious institutions. The same are located on the premises of said institutions.

(8) GENERAL REGULATIONS - Maintenance of Signs - All signs shall be properly maintained such that: (1) All signs together with all their supports, braces, hooks, guys and anchors shall be of durable construction, and shall be painted or finished with a finish so that they do not become discolored.

(2) The area surrounding the sign shall be kept neat, and landscaped. (3) The owner of the property upon which the sign is located shall be responsible for maintaining the condition of the sign.

(4) These provisions shall apply to signs existing on the effective date of this Ordinance, as well as those hereafter erected, enlarged or reconstructed in such an extent that they are considered new signs.

(5) In order to secure and maintain reasonable traffic flow, signs shall be erected in a safe and unobstructed manner as to obstruct free and clear vision or to distract the attention of the driver of any vehicle by reason of the sign's location or design.

(6) No sign shall be placed within or suspended over a public right-of-way. Public property or publicly owned space property.

(7) Illumination devices, such as flood or spotlights, shall be so placed and so shielded as to prevent the rays from being directed into neighborhood dwellings and approaching vehicles.

D. Sign Location - No sign shall be located on a building above the roof or projecting from the side, or extending over the side of a building or structure or on a flat roof, or extending from the wall face, unless provided for in these regulations.

E. Encroachment on Critical Natural Features - In order to protect a critical natural feature, including a special natural area such as a park, it is necessary to ensure that signs used within the area enhance its natural beauty.

F. Banners and Pennants - (1) Banners shall only be permitted to announce limited events such as sales, grand openings, or change of ownership for public buildings or for charitable, educational, civic, religious, or similar purposes in any zone, provided the following conditions are met.

(2) The banner shall be attached to the building or the zoning office. A separate permit is required for each sign. (3) No sign shall be displayed for more than thirty (30) days.

(4) The application for a banner shall require a completed application form and a dimensional sketch of the banner or pennants including the type and color of material and the language of the advertisement. A demography study of the building or land to which the banner is to be located shall also be provided. A copy of a plan showing the proposed locations where the banner is to be located shall be provided to the applicant, and the applicant shall be responsible for the cost of the banner and its maintenance.

(5) Banners may be placed for no longer than thirty (30) days.

(6) Banners may only be displayed for two thirty (30) day periods in any 12-month period.

(7) The minimum clearance of banners above the finished grade level shall be eight (8) feet.

(8) Banners for commercial and industrial uses shall only be located flush on the building which is the subject of the advertisement. Banners for public, functions and fundraising events may be located off premises.

(9) Change of tenor or use shall be determined by the issuance of a new certificate of occupancy.

(10) Temporary signs for temporary signs, on construction sites. A. The Borough for the following reasons may remove signs.

(1) Any sign larger than six (6) square feet in area on any one side shall require a permit.

(2) The maximum height shall be permitted per frontage. No sign shall exceed 20 square feet on any one side.

(3) The minimum lot line setback shall be 10 feet.

(4) The maximum total height of any temporary sign shall be 8 feet.

(5) Application for a temporary sign permit shall be submitted to the Zoning Office.

(6) Temporary signs shall not be lighted.

(7) Real Estate signs shall not be in place for a period greater than 30 days from issuance of Certificate of Occupancy.

(8) Temporary signs may only be displayed for two 30 day periods in any 12 month period.

(9) Garage sale signs must be located on the premises, only, not exceed and containing the date of sale. Such sign shall be removed within 24 hours after the last day of sale.

(10) PERFORMANCE STANDARDS - A. Every sign shall be in good scale and proportion in design and visual relationship to structures, buildings and other surroundings.

B. Every sign shall be designed as an integral architectural element of the structure, building and site to which it primarily relates. As an architectural element, a sign shall be in harmony with the structure, building or site's character and use.

C. The colors, materials and lighting of every sign shall be harmonious with the structure, building and site to which it primarily relates.

D. The number of graphic elements on a sign shall be limited to a minimum necessary to convey the sign's main message, and shall be considered in proportion to the area of the sign face and use.

E. Each sign shall be compatible with signs on adjoining premises, and shall not compete for attention.

The above ordinance was introduced at a public meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, held on June 28, 2005, and will be further considered for the final passage after a public hearing at a Public Meeting of said Borough Council to be held at the Municipal Building, 1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, New Jersey, on July 12, 2005 at 7:30 PM. Kathleen Anello, RMC Borough Clerk B131 17 7205

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE NO. 1652-05 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOT 19 IN BLOCK 242 ON THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH TAX MAP, LOCATED ON MARTIN STREET, MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

Notice is hereby given that the following Ordinance was adopted at a public meeting of the Borough Council of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, held on the 28th day of June, 2005 in the Municipal Building, 1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, New Jersey.

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE NO. 1653-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONS SEEKING APPOINTMENT TO THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH POLICE DEPARTMENT TO PROVIDE FOR GRADUATES OF THE

"ALTERNATE POLICE PROGRAM" Notice is hereby given that the following Ordinance was adopted at a Public Meeting of the Borough Council of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, held on the 28th day of June, 2005 in the Municipal Building, 1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, New Jersey.

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE NO. 1655-05 AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOTS 17, 18, 19 IN BLOCK 229 ON THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH TAX MAP, LOCATED ON ROCK LAKE, MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

The above ordinance was introduced at a public meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, held on June 28, 2005, and will be further considered for the final passage after a public hearing at a Public Meeting of said Borough Council to be held at the Municipal Building, in said Borough on July 12, 2005 at 7:30 PM. Kathleen Anello, RMC Borough Clerk B131 17 7205

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION ORDINANCE NO. 1657-05 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE SALE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOTS 23 & 24 IN BLOCK 229 ON THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH TAX MAP, LOCATED ON ROCK LAKE, MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF CO-OP APARTMENT Notice is hereby given that pursuant to Article 9 of the Northridge Tenants Corp. New Jersey, the law of the State of New Jersey, and the law of the State of New Jersey, the following property is being offered for sale.

The above described property is located at 348 College Blvd., Suite 100, Northridge Tenants Corp., together with any substitute, replacement or additional shares of the Corporation issued and allocated to 348 College Blvd., Suite 100, Northridge Tenants Corp., together with any substitute, replacement or additional shares of the Corporation issued and allocated to 348 College Blvd., Suite 100, Northridge Tenants Corp., together with any substitute, replacement or extensions of the lease, articles of incorporation and bylaws of Northridge Tenants Corp., as amended, effective February 2, 1984 between Andrew Frisco & Dorothy Robinson and Northridge Tenants Corporation, and subsequently amended, and all other documents and instruments in and to the said property, together with any substitute, replacement or extensions of the lease, articles of incorporation and bylaws of Northridge Tenants Corp., as amended, effective February 2, 1984 between Andrew Frisco & Dorothy Robinson and Northridge 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