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Patriots top the Ducks

Jeremy Owens went three for four to help the Somerset Patriots top the Long Island Ducks 7-1 Tuesday and even their second-half record at 6-6 following a 0-4 start. **Page B1.**



Rail security increasing

In response to the terrorist attacks on the London mass transit system, NJ Transit has put new security measures into place, including random passenger searches. These checks will eventually trickle down to local train and bus stations. **Page A3.**

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Bike tour to aid Habitat for Humanity

The Middlesex County chapter of Habitat for Humanity will hold its eighth annual Bicycle Tour on Aug. 13 to raise funds for home building projects for low-income families. The event, which originates at Thompson Park in Jamesburg, will kick off with a 100-mile ride at 7 a.m., followed by 50- and 62-mile courses beginning at 8 a.m., and 12-

, 25- and 35-mile rides at 10 a.m. Pre-registration is \$30 for adults (\$35 if the rider wishes to receive a T-shirt) and \$10 for those 18 and younger. Registration forms may be obtained online at www.middlesex-habitat.org or by contacting Holly Ely at (732) 634-6898. Riders can also register on the day of the bike tour at a fee of \$35. However, T-

shirts will only be available for pre-registrants. Food will be provided at the start of the rides, including bagels, bananas, energy bars, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, and rest stops will be set up along the routes. At the conclusions of the rides, Subway sandwiches, beverages and souvenirs will be avail-

able. Volunteers are still needed for the day of the event to check in riders, help with food and drinks and with activities after the ride. Anyone wishing to volunteer can do so on-line at www.middlesex-habitat.org or by calling the Habitat for Humanity office at (732) 251-7200.

Time to say goodbye



Fresh Air Fund fun ends, N.Y. children return home

By AMY S. BOBROWSKI
Staff Writer

There were words of wisdom, hugs, kisses and even tears as families from Somerset and Union counties said goodbye on Tuesday to the New York City children who had spent two weeks in their care.

"I'm going to miss you. Be good. I love you," Bernardsville resident Lauren McHale said to 8-year-old Kwaceem Maloney right before he boarded the bus to go back to his home in Brooklyn. Kwaceem responded by giving McHale a huge hug.

"Oh, I forgot my helmet," said Kwaceem, referring to a bike helmet the McHale family bought for him.

"Don't worry sweetheart," said McHale. "I'll save it for the next time you come to see us."

Kwaceem, with the help of the Fresh Air Fund, spent the last two weeks vacationing in the rural New Jersey suburbs where he spent his days playing baseball and lacrosse, tearing up the quiet tree-lined street on a bicycle or a scooter, jumping off the diving board at the local pool and spending time with the McHale family on various outings.

Kwaceem is just one of the hundreds of New York City children spending two weeks in the rural New Jersey suburbs as part of a Fresh Air Fund vacation. A non-profit organization, the Fresh Air Fund allows inner city children to enjoy free summer vacations in the country. After two

weeks of fun in the 'burbs, the children met in the parking lot at New Providence High School and headed back to New York City Tuesday.

"My favorite thing was going to work with Big Joe," said Kwaceem. Big Joe is Joe McHale, husband of Lauren McHale, who works at Novartis, a pharmaceutical company. "I got to meet his friends and play."

When Kwaceem boarded the bus, the McHale family stood by, waving frantically until the bus left the parking lot and was out of sight.

Kevin Ali, 7, who had been the guest of the Auletto family, also Bernardsville residents, returned home to New York City on Friday.

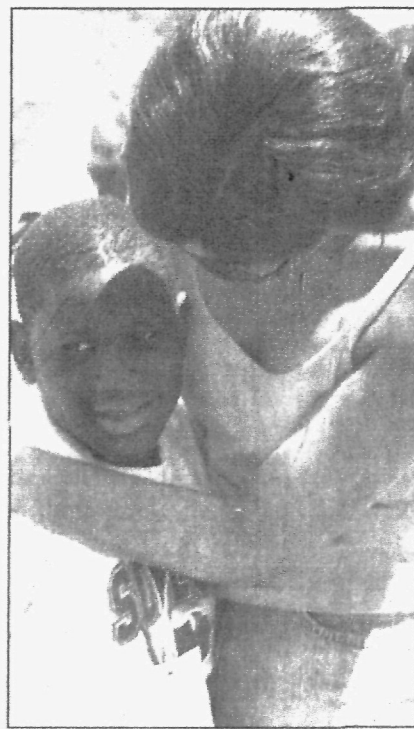
"I'm going to miss them," said Kevin of the Auletto family. "I got to go bowling — I never did that before. I liked going with them to eat and having fun."

For Kevin, the highlight of his trip was being able to go to the community pool almost every day.

"I can't swim, but I can in the little pool," said Kevin as he put his head underwater and crawled along the bottom of the baby pool. "I like to go underwater."

But by Friday, Kevin was ready to go home.

"I miss my mom and my grandmother and my baby brother," he said. "But I like it here. At home there's nothing. Here at Rob's (the Auletto house) there's stuff, like toys, bikes and tools."



GEORGE PACCIELLO STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Kwaceem Maloney, above, gets a hug Tuesday from Lauren McHale, a Bernardsville resident whose family hosted the Brooklyn boy for two weeks as part of the Fresh Air Fund. Kevin Ali and Alexa Auletto, at top, cool off in the municipal pool in Bernardsville last week. Alexa and her family hosted Kevin, who is from New York City.

PISCATAWAY

Mayor speaks about MTBE

PISCATAWAY — Mayor Brian C. Wahler joined Reps. Lois Capps, D-Calif., Henry Waxman, D-Calif., Edward Markey, D-Mass., Hilda Solis, D-Calif., and local water district officials at a recent press conference in Washington, D.C., to talk about their concerns regarding MTBE contamination issues.

Wahler represented the United Conference of Mayors, a non-partisan organization that represents over 1,100 cities with populations of 30,000 or more, and the National League of Cities, the largest non-partisan organization that represents more than 18,000 cities, towns and villages of all sizes.

Congress is currently working on a final agreement on the energy bill, H.R. 6, so that it can be sent to President Bush before adjourning for the August recess. The bill is likely to exempt manufacturers of MTBE from any liability for contamination of local drinking water supplies despite the Senate's position to the contrary.

"I am here to reiterate our strong opposition to the MTBE liability waiver that is in the House-passed energy bill ... now before the energy conference committee," Wahler said. "The cost of this exemption is an estimated \$25-85 billion and will be an unprecedented cost shift to local taxpayers, who will be faced to foot the bill for the cleanup and even replacement of local water supplies due to MTBE contamination."

"Not one member of the Conference of Mayors, the National League of Cities or other partner organizations have been consulted or asked to participate in these discussions. We must be at the table and it must be a fair deal or no deal."

"This would be one of the largest, if not the largest, unfounded mandate handed down by Congress," he said. "We urge Congress to keep this unjustified MTBE liability protection out of the final conference agreement on the energy bill."

Branchburg man on vacation from Iraq

By JIM WHITE
Staff Writer

SOMERVILLE — Only home for a few hours, Richard J. Razillard still had sand from Iraq stuck in his boots when he stepped from his '73 Mach 1 Ford Mustang onto Main Street.

"Yeah, we were still pretty dirty," said the 21-year-old Branchburg man, who, after arriving back in New Jersey last Friday, headed straight for Somerville's Cruisers Night scene.

"I've been living here a long time," he said. "I go to Cruisers Night every chance I get."

Razillard, a 2002 graduate of Somerville High School, enlisted in the Army the following year and has been in Iraq since March 23.

Currently on a 15-day leave, he paid a visit to this newspaper on Tuesday to talk about his experiences since being deployed and what it's like being home.

"It's amazing," Razillard said, adding he has really come to miss the little things some people in this country might take for granted — like rain.

"I haven't seen rain since I've been there," he said. "Monday (in New Jersey) was the first time since going over there."

"Driving. I love to drive. And swimming, or just tinkering around on a car or a truck," he said. "I got buddies over there. I want to get back and help them out, but you can't beat it here in the United

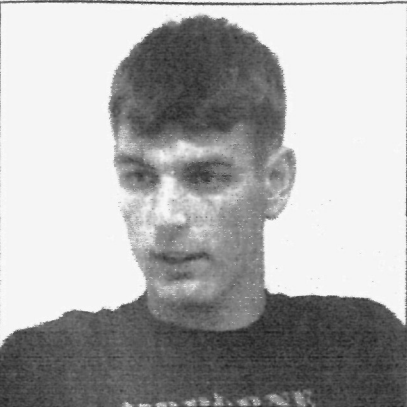
States."

While in Baghdad, Iraq, assigned to the Army's 319th Military Intelligence Battalion, electronics is Razillard's trade. It is his job to ensure all communications equipment and subsystems are in working order to allow the Army to track and direct troop, aircraft and watercraft movement.

The soldier would not go into what he has or has not witnessed as far as combat goes, but said morale in his unit is up.

"Morale has always been high. They take care of us over there," he said.

Razillard said, so far, a Toby Keith concert has been the highlight of his stay in Iraq.



GEORGE PACCIELLO STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Richard J. Razillard, of Branchburg, assigned to the Army's 319th Military Intelligence Battalion, is on a 15-day leave from Iraq and stopped by The Chronicle newspaper this week to talk his experiences since being ed.

Hot air balloon ride offers solitude and sweeping views

By AMY S. BOBROWSKI
Staff Writer

READINGTON — The 85-foot-tall, 40-foot-round RE/MAX hot air balloon was aloft by 6:30 a.m. Tuesday, slowly drifting and floating in the hazy blue sky above Solberg Airport.

The fog and the mist that hugged the ground at the airport quickly wore off in the already bright morning sun.

"I was a little concerned about the fog this morning," said Mark Schilling, a Moorestown resident and the pilot of the RE/MAX balloon. "You don't want to take off and not see where you're going to land."

Schilling, a veteran balloon pilot of 20 years, will fly the RE/MAX balloon (dubbed Maxine) during the 23rd Quick Chek Festival of Ballooning this weekend at the airport.

"After 20 years of flying, it's still magic," said Schilling. "Every flight is exciting. Part of it is never really knowing where you're going to wind up or where you're going to land. Another big part of it is sharing the excitement with other people."

Schilling drove the RE/MAX Hot Air Balloon Team van into the center of the field at Solberg Airport around 6 a.m., and along with the help of his wife, Jan Schilling, and Ashley Bowes, a 20-year-old ground crew member, pulled the wicker gondola out of the vehicle. Everything they need for a flight, including the gondola, the balloon envelope, burners and propane was in the van.

Jan Schilling filled a small black party balloon with helium and let it go into the air. With her neck stretching toward the sky, she watched the balloon until it was out of sight.

"It's called a pibal," she said, observing the balloon going almost straight up. "It lets the pilot know the wind speed at different altitudes."

The crew team kept busy hooking up cables, laying out the balloon envelope, pulling out the radio and setting up a giant fan. "The fan is used to fill the balloon with cold air

while it's laying on the ground," said Mark Schilling. "Then we use the burner to heat that air up and the balloon will stand upright."

It takes 10 to 12 minutes to completely fill the balloon with cold air. The whole time, Jan Schilling pulled on a rope attached to the crown, or top, of the balloon envelope.

"I keep it stable as it's inflating," she said. "Sometimes, when it's breezy, it's harder to hold down. You run to the side the balloon is drifting, lock it down and run back to the other side."

Mark Schilling used the burner to let hot air in the balloon. Once the balloon was upright, Schilling climbed in the basket and did a radio check with Jan Schilling and Bowes who make up the ground crew. As Mark Schilling lifted off, Jan Schilling and Bowes climbed back in the van ready to follow the balloon from the ground.

"The crew can get a head start on us," said Mark Schilling. "Once we figure on a landing spot, I call down to the crew to contact the land owner and get permission. Land owner relations, next to safety, is very important. Quite often, we land in big back yards and people are almost always welcoming."

Ready for lift off, Mark Schilling pulled on the burner cord and the balloon quietly, peacefully lifted him away. "In the morning we catch a lot of joggers out and see a lot of people in bathrobes on their back porch with their coffee," he said.

Typically, balloon pilots schedule flights around sunrise or sunset, when the winds are the calmest. Mark Schilling and his crew follow weather patterns with a flight weather service that's available to pilots.

"We get a complete weather briefing before a flight," said Schilling. "The worst part of ballooning for Jan and I is having to call people and cancel because of the weather."

The rest of the job is smooth sailing for the Schilling family, who also own Odyssey Balloons (www.odysseybal-

loons.com), a private balloon company.

"Mark was interested in ballooning every since one time when we were driving home from Philadelphia and we saw hot air balloons crossing the Delaware River. We chased them down to where they landed," said Jan Schilling. "For his birthday that year, I got him a mini-adult course on ballooning and he's been in love with it ever since."

Hot air balloon pilots must be certified by the Federal Aviation Administration. In order to become a hot air balloon pilot, individuals must complete 25 hours of flight instruction, take a written test and a flight test. For Mark Schilling, the decision to make a career move to ballooning was an easy one.


"When I was a little kid, I wanted to be in the Navy and fly jets, but that takes perfect eyesight, something I don't have...I was in a career that just wasn't satisfying to me anymore," said Mark Schilling, who previously spent 10 years as a customer service supervisor for a fleet leasing company. Schilling would fly his balloon from a big field near a RE/MAX regional office. "When they had an opening for a pilot they made me an offer."

Mark Schilling, who also works as the director of Information Technology for RE/MAX, let the balloon drift slowly from an altitude of 2,000 feet back to the ground.

With a thud and a few bounces, the balloon landed. Jan Schilling and Bowes, who had been trailing the balloon, pulled up in the van, hooked the balloon to the van and started to push the air out of the giant envelope. Deflating, dissembling and folding up the balloon only takes about 15 minutes. Then it's back on the road to fill up the propane tanks for the next flight.

The Quick Chek Festival of Ballooning continues through Sunday. For tickets and additional information, call (800) HOT-AIR9 or visit www.ballooningfestival.com.





Stefan Sirko

Stefan 15, is a resident of Bedminster and has lived in Massachusetts, Ohio and Illinois. Stefan is an honor student at Oratory Preparatory School. He is a Boy Scout and one of his goals is to hike the entire Appalachian Trail. Stefan has played the cello for ten years. He plans to attend a small college where he can focus on Civil War history and Spanish.

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NJ Transit security checks have begun

By JIM WHITE
Staff Writer

Waiting on a train at the Somerville Station, Joey Pinto said he wouldn't mind if a police officer searched his bag prior to him boarding.

"It's a good thing as long as you're not guilty, of course," said the 41-year-old Jersey City man, who was in town Monday visiting his brother. "I've been through a lot. I used to work in Saudi Arabia, and it's a lot worse."

This new security measure comes in the wake of the recent terrorist attacks throughout the London transit system. Acting Gov. Richard J. Codey announced last Friday that on Monday NJ Transit

police officers would begin inspecting the bags and containers of randomly selected passengers at randomly selected stations and terminals throughout New Jersey's mass transit system.

Dan Stessel, a spokesman for NJ Transit, said inspections are not being conducted at Somerset County stations at this time, but eventually they will be.

On the Raritan Valley line there are train stations in Bound Brook, Bridgewater, Flanders, North Branch, Raritan and Somerville. The Gladstone Branch includes Basking Ridge, Bernardsville, Far Hills, Peapack-Gladstone, Lyons and Peapack.

"They're holding it close to the vest," Stessel said of NJ Transit's plans for future inspections. He said in most cases, officers are told only an hour in advance that they will be conducting searches.

"I wouldn't be offended," said Tejas Shah, 27, of New York City, who commutes into Somerville for work. "Giving the color of my skin, I guess it's just a matter of time. But I haven't seen any riders searched yet."

Kristine Hall of Somerville, who was on her way to Plainfield, said she didn't like the idea of random searches.

"I don't think everybody should be searched. Foreigners, maybe," she said.

Deborah Jacobs, executive director of the American Civil Liberties Union of New Jersey, said while the ACLU appreciates measures to keep travelers safe, random searches are not the way to go about doing it, and, ultimately, the practice is an invasion of privacy.

"The likelihood of finding a potential bomber is not high," she said. "If you're looking for a needle in a haystack, why make the haystack bigger?"

Jacobs said random searches are "feel good political measures," and, "only symbolic."

"It's a misdirection of resources," she said. Jacobs said instead of random searches, police should

use bomb-sniffing dogs and stop people based on behavioral profiles.

"People have medications, condoms, checkbooks with balances," she said. "Things they don't want policemen digging through."

She said people can find out about their rights at

www.aclu-nj.org.

NJ Transit urges customers who see any suspicious activity or unattended packages to call NJ Transit Police at (888) TIPS-NJT. Individuals should leave a detailed message on the tips line, which will be immediately forwarded to NJ Transit police.

Briefs

Photography class at the Metuchen Y.M.C.A.

METUCHEN — Participants will focus on how to take better pictures and how to get a better understanding of the science of photography at the summer program sponsored by the Metuchen Y.M.C.A. located at 65 High St. on Wednesdays, Aug. 3-24. The class will include trips to Metuchen Artworks, Roosevelt Park and downtown Metuchen. Cost will be \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members. Call (732) 548-2044 for details.

Volunteer chefs are needed for elderly

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MetroStars offering summer soccer camp

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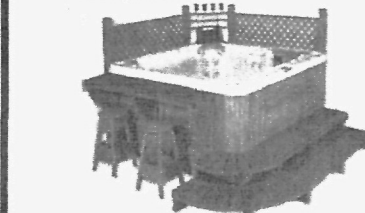
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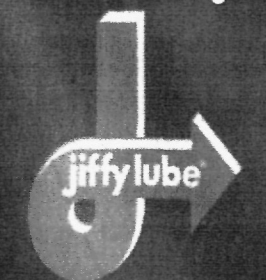
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Opinion

Blame the drivers, not cigarettes

One bit of advice teens are given when they get behind the wheel for the first time is this — don't take your eyes off the road or your hands off the wheel. In short, pay attention out there.

It's something that most of us forget every time we hit the road.

Right now New Jersey smokers, "Big Brother" conspiracy theorists, conservatives, liberals and the collective industries that have built up around our car-driven culture are up in arms about a proposed law to ban smoking in cars.

Yes, we all lose something when lawmakers propose bills like this. A keystone in the founding of our nation was protection of civil liberties. But those liberties come at a price. The price is that we do not abuse them.

We have the right to own weapons, we also have the right to defend our property and ourselves — in some states with the use of those weapons — but we do not have the right to use a weapon in a way that jeopardizes others. We can't shoot our neighbors because they happen to cut across our front lawn. Those living in a subdivision can't target practice in their backyard.

To some this may be a silly comparison, suggesting gun laws can be placed in the same league as a ban on smoking in cars?

But consider this — Everyday people become distracted when they drive. They talk on their cell phone. They eat a burger while driving. They light up a cigarette. Sometimes they even read a book or conduct a meeting, complete with charts and tables, while driving.

Driving is a privilege — not a right. Just as gun ownership is a privilege. Convicted felons cannot own a gun, for example.

Recently, New Jersey passed a law that prohibits people from using a cell phone while driving, unless it has a hands-free device. Still, a study released recently by the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety found that driving

while using a cell phone — regardless of the way it is used — quadruples the risk of a crash with series injuries.

One state law maker, Assemblyman John. S. Wisniewski, D-Middlesex, has a bill pending that would have police report on what drivers were doing when an accident occurred, in particular if they had taken their eyes off the road. The goal, Wisniewski said, is not to place blame, but to compile information on why accidents happen.

Yes, it may be a leap — comparing guns to cars. But the same argument made by those who protect gun owners' rights by claiming it isn't the weapon — but the person and how they use it — can be applied to cars.

Do we need these laws? Most would say no, and to target only smokers is to pick on only one group of people — and to assume that they are a cause of accidents. Perhaps the best measure is to make all types of distracted driving — from smoking to eating — a motor-vehicle offense, similar to, say, careless driving, which can add points to a driver's license and dollars to the insurance bill.

We live in a congested state with constant distractions, and each day people are spending more time doing other things than simply getting in their car and driving. It would wonderful to think of a utopian existence on our roadways, where everyone was driving defensively, and paying attention. The reality is far different.

So, when someone proposes a law such as this, before picking up the phone to yell at them, or forming a grass-roots e-mail campaign to gather volunteers to have them tarred and feathered, try this instead — focus the frustration on those who are at the root cause of the problem — the distracted drivers themselves. And maybe these laws can be taken off the books.

Edison's pay to play rule doesn't go far enough

To The Editor:

The Edison Township Council earlier this week unveiled its plan to curb pay to play, the practice of businesses or individuals making campaign contributions to politicians in return for favors such as no-bid government contracts.

For the past two years, the township council has dragged its feet on this campaign-finance reform initiative claiming it was waiting for direction from the state.

Now with an election just around the corner with the mayor's and several township council seats up for grabs, including those held by Council President Parag Patel's, Vice President Robert Diehl's, Councilmen Anthony F. Massaro and Salvatore Pizzi, the council has suddenly decided to forge ahead with pay to play legislation.

In fact, the council intends to have it implemented before the November election.

The council's proposed plan, however, doesn't go far enough. It fails to address competitively bid government contracts and it does

not provide protection in the post-contract award period when a contract can be changed and poor performance can be excused. It also substitutes an undefined and subjective competitive process for meaningful political contribution restrictions.

Clearly, the proposed legislation is not in the best interest of Edison taxpayers. And that should be any government's priority. New Jersey Common Cause, a citizen advocacy group that proposes strict campaign finance reform, puts the issue and its proposed ordinance in the hands of the electorate — which is where it should be.

Our Constitution was established on the premise that government was instituted "by the people" and "for the people."

It's time to put pay to play legislation on the ballot in November and let the people decide.

BILL STEPHENS

Edison

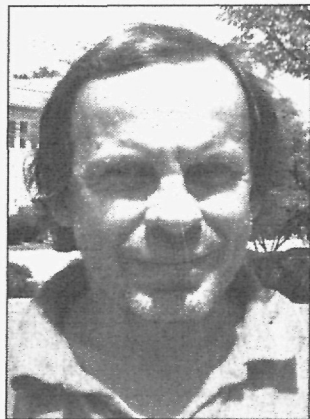
The writer is a mayoral candidate running on The People's Choice ticket.

Quotable

"(NJ Transit's plan to have random security searches is) a good thing as long as you're not guilty, of course. I've been through a lot. I used to work in Saudi Arabia, and it's a lot worse."

Joey Pinto

Question of the week: Should there be a ban on smoking in cars?



JUAN ESPINOZA
Somerville
"Yes."



CATHERINE PASLAWSKI
Bridgewater
"I have no problem with people smoking in cars."



KAY MURPHY
Trenton
"Get rid of the idiot's with cell phones in cars, but no ban on smoking."



LYNN PIROZZI
High Bridge
"We're (smokers) so discriminated against as it is — next it will be no smoking in public. It's our choice; leave us alone."



LISA GRACCHI
Piscataway
"We have rights and freedoms. You start banning too many of our rights, and you start changing the purpose of the constitution."

Letters to the Editor Parking woes

To The Editor:

This is in response to the article (July 14) concerning resident parking in Somerville.

This is not an issue about students parking on streets near Immaculate High School. This is an issue of Immaculate owning up to its responsibility to provide parking for its students.

Borough ordinances require large complexes to provide adequate parking for their people. Why is Immaculate exempt from following the rules?

Immaculate should have investigated alternative parking solutions before restrictions were instituted several years ago.

I find it interesting that borough officials have talked with Immaculate Conception Church officials but not the residents who are impacted by this situation. Phil Decker could be further from the truth in saying that this won't present a problem. Joelle Kessler was an outspoken proponent for resident parking and now she is in favor of it.

The problems caused by student parking before were numerous. Last time school officials said they would monitor and clean up. That happened perhaps six times over the years the problem existed.

The street in front of my house is too narrow for parking on both sides. Trucks, emergency vehicles and larger cars could not pass one another without the restrictions. There is also the issue of service vehicles trying to park to do their work.

Trash pickup is yet another problem. There are only three residences on my block. We were told the last time if parking didn't improve we would have to make other provisions

for pickup. There is the issue of street sweeping. The sweeper can't get close to the curb with parked cars to clean up the litter left by the students. Despite paying our taxes in part for street sweeping are we going to go without clean streets again from September until June? Other streets in town at least have restricted parking once a week for this vital service.

Why is Kessler only worked about students parking too close to driveways on Mountain Avenue? We on Prospect Street and North Doughty Avenue had the same problem last time and will again if this proposal is adopted.

Finally, I disagree with Decker's contention the hospital area is a different situation. Hospital visitors come and go which allows for parking spaces at times. Most visitors to the hospital are adults, they don't litter and they don't party in the street at dismissal time.

I am very disappointed in our elected officials not involving the residents who will be directly affected by this change. It will ruin what real estate agents call the most desirable neighborhood in town.

When our property values fall will our taxes do likewise?

To accommodate for the most part out-of-town students who have no regard for the neighbors because Immaculate won't own up to its responsibilities is a grave error on the part of the town. If this change is adopted then all resident parking in town, regardless of location, must be eliminated. To do otherwise will be discriminatory.

DAVID J. HARDGROVE
Somerville

Protecting privacy

To The Editor:

I am writing this letter to correct a misconception on the part of a recent writer regarding documents available to the public.

A copy of the ad hoc Economic Development Committee report which outlined the recommendations of the committee to the mayor and Township Council, is a public document and can be obtained as all public documents can by making a request of the Township Clerk.

The Open Public Records Act is a NJ State Statute which contains provisions for copying charges and response times.

In the mayor's comments to council regarding this position, the recommendations of the ad hoc committee were discussed in detail as basis for supporting the item for council consideration.

If successful, the Economic Development Officer will provide tax savings to residents by increasing commercial ratables where appropriate, and

reduce the tax burden of the average resident. The matter was discussed in subsequent public hearings required for the ordinance including the number of candidates and the recommendation resulting from the Administration.

The writer's request for personal contact information of each candidate can not be honored as this is a personnel matter and those candidates have the right to expect that their interest in the position will remain confidential.

The requirements regarding the release of confidential and privileged information restricts and prevents the release of this information because the confidentiality and privilege is with the applicant.

I provide the above information to demonstrate the measures the administration and council have taken to include the public and keep the process open and transparent.

JAMES T. NAPLES
Bridgewater township administrator

Criticism is unfair

To the Editor:

In her recent letter, Angela Perone of Raritan Borough unfairly and inaccurately criticized the mayor and Borough Council.

She claimed, "When ordered by county officials to revalue all property, they took four years to comply."

I have a copy of the letter sent to us on Feb. 6, 2003 by the county. The first line reads, "On Jan. 8, 2003, The Somerset County Board of Taxation ... issued an Order for the Borough of Raritan to undertake a revaluation of all property in the borough to be effective for the 2005 tax year." We complied fully with that order.

A revaluation is an equalization process. After it's completed, every property is at their correct value and everyone will now pay their fair share of the taxes. The last revaluation was done in 1987 for the 1988 taxes. In theory, it should be done every 10 years.

The Republicans controlled the council until April 1999. Why didn't they call for a revaluation? She also claims the lack of a revaluation caused the big increase in last year's school taxes. In 2001-02, our school tax share was 11.6

percent. The following year, it went down to 10.3 percent without any revaluation.

In 2003-04, Raritan's share was 10.5 percent. Last year, it jumped to 11.4 percent because our property values (based on sales) grew at a faster rate than Bridgewater. The rates can fluctuate from year to year regardless of a revaluation. This year our school tax share went down to 10.5 percent while Bridgewater's share went up.

The assessed value of all properties in Bridgewater and Raritan are up to date, which is the ideal situation for us.

Perone asks the question, "How much did the inflated value of the equalized property also add to Raritan's portion of county taxes?"

The answer is it doesn't add to it. For example, if the property values of a town are assessed at 50 percent of market value, the county will determine their rate based on 100 percent value. Now that we had a revaluation, the county will use that figure instead of its own estimate. She calls that value "inflated."

JAMES FOOHEY
Raritan
The writer is a borough councilman

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Kate Brittain, who lives in Branchburg and works at Rutgers University, shows off the two boxes she packed for U.S. troops in Iraq.



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STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Jersey girl does the right thing

By JIM WHITE
Staff Writer

It's everyday people like Kate Brittain who make Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 tick. She's a Jersey girl at heart, loves the Mets and owns a bulldog named Mugsy.

On a recent visit to downtown Somerville, during Cruizers Night — when classic cars line the curbs of Main Street — Brittain, 28, of Branchburg, came across a sidewalk table where she learned about Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 — a joint effort between this newspaper and numerous organizations, companies, families, veterans and volunteers to collect, package and ship supplies to U.S. soldiers and Marines serving in Iraq and the Mideast region.

"I picked up a flier and said 'I can do this,'" she recalled thinking to herself. "I just felt it's such an easy thing to do. Any one of us can go to the store and buy some toiletries and provide our men and women with some comforts of home."

"My husband was a Marine," she said. "If he were over there I would want someone to

do the same for him. ... Whether you support the war or not, everyone should support the troops."

Brittain stopped by *The Chronicle* office last week to drop off the two shoeboxes she stuffed with personal supplies — one for a male soldier, another for a female. She included stationary, pens, gum, teabags, cereal, Q-Tips, sunblock, Chapstick, Swedish fish, mini first aid kits, moisturizer and personal hygiene products.

In each box she also included a letter, not a "Hi. How are you? Thank you for serving" kind of letter, but a detailed and humorous write-up of how things are back in the states.

Her letter reads: "I'm from New Jersey — and no I don't have long fingernails, high hair or talk with an accent. New Jersey hasn't been a bad place to grow up — it gets a bad rap. Granted, it's congested, but I like to think it's because everyone wants to live here!"

Brittain said she purposely made the letter conversational.

"My feeling is, if you're far away from home, it's nice to receive a message from home, a personal message. It's uplifting. I wanted to go above and beyond in that area," she said.

Brittain's letter goes on to describe her job as an employee in Rutgers University's alumni relations department, and how she will soon have to head west to host an alumni event at a Colorado Rockies-Mets game.

Her letter continues: "I think my job is pretty darn cool — since they are paying me to go out to Denver to watch the Mets!"

She continued: "My husband and I don't have any children yet — we're both 28. I guess we're waiting to fully grow up before we tackle the huge responsibility of parenting. For the time being we have a bulldog named Mugsy — and she pretty much rules the house. She's 14 months old and has us both wrapped around her paw!"

She concluded her letter with words of encouragement: "May God bless you and bring you home soon. We are so proud of all of you!"

Somerville Supply Line looks to enlist volunteers

We're just two weeks away from joining hands with volunteers young and old who have been signing up to wrap and ship boxes destined for U.S. troops in Iraq during the Aug. 12 "Somerville Supply Line" event.

Headquarters for "Somerville Supply Line" will be on West Main Street at the former Goodwill store in the Somerville Shopping Center. Mayor Brian Gallagher and Councilman Sean Decker along with volunteer staff from Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 have been working behind the scenes to organize the event, hoping to duplicate the success of the first Supply Line held May 14 when more than 200 volunteers were on hand to help box, wrap and ship 600 packages to U.S. soldiers and Marines from the Central New Jersey area who are deployed in Iraq.

Volunteers, donations of goods, and financial support are needed. Gallagher expects to attract "walk-ins" from the huge crowds which normally pack Somerville on Friday nights for the Classic Cruizers car show.

For those who regularly visit downtown Somerville to experience the car show, we'd ask that you please bring along a bag of groceries to drop off, and if you're feeling generous, perhaps drop a few dollars into our money jugs to help defray the cost of shipping. Each month, we spend between \$6,000 and \$8,000 to ship our gift packages to the soldiers and Marines overseas.

Oldies' radio station WMTR-AM, which has helped to spread the word about Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005, will be on hand for a live broadcast, and will provide updates as the evening progresses. Tune in over the next few weeks for more details.

We'll need packers beginning at 5 p.m., and we should finish up by 9 p.m. Refreshments will be provided. Volunteers will also be needed a few days ahead of time to set up the storefront with tables and chairs, as well as transporting the items to be packed from

Rod Hirsch
Executive
Editor



The Chronicle office, where the pre-sorting takes place.

You must sign up ahead of time to help out. We need an accurate count of volunteers to ensure a successful event. Call (908) 253-3348 or (908) 575-6684 for further information.

Long way to go

The Classic Cruizers have helped OPSHBX spread the word about its program, and equally important, have provided a platform for us to raise money.

Last week, \$225 was dropped into our money jugs on the street in front of The Reformed Church where OPSHBX sets up its tables each Friday night. Hundreds of dollars of donated goods were placed in our blue collection box as well, including items from Dorothy Moreno of Morristown and Karen Levine of Butler, both of whom heard about OPSHBX during the live broadcast on WMTR.

This was Moreno's second trip to Somerville; she visited the table a month ago and dropped off a huge bag of socks, but left before we could get her name.

We'd like to thank her and Mrs. Levine, as well as everyone else who stopped by to make a donation. We'll be there again tomorrow night to accept your contribution for the troops.

Greetings from Iraq

A full-color postcard carrying the greeting "Hello from Operation Iraqi Freedom" arrived in the mail this week. The front features a map of Iraq and its Mideast neighbors, encircled by the flags of those nations that are assisting in the rebuilding of the country.

The reverse side has a handwritten message:

"Thanks. I received the package you sent me. Just knowing that

we have the support back home keeps us going. Keep up the good work. The best don't rest. Sgt. Dixsoin."

I don't know what unit the sergeant is attached to, nor anything about him or her.

What I do know is messages like this one validate our efforts, and serve as a reward for the work we do.

Patriotic salute

The Somerset Patriots Baseball Club will host the 3rd annual Veterans of America Day Sunday, Aug. 14 beginning at 12:30 p.m. at Commerce Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater.

Volunteers from Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 will be on hand to accept your donations for the troops, as well as salute the winners of the "What is a Patriot" essay contest. Winners will be announced in *The Chronicle* next week.

The ceremonies will salute veterans of the Iraq war, as well as all veterans who have served in the armed forces. A highlight will be a flyover tribute by vintage aircraft.

The event precedes the 1:35 p.m. game against the Bridgeport Bluefish. All veterans are invited to participate.

Discount tickets are available in advance. Call (908) 252-0700 for further information.

4-H Fair

The 4-H Fair is one of the oldest, longest-running events in Somerset County, and we're pleased to say that the organizers have asked Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 to become part of the three-day event Aug. 17-19 at North Branch Park off Milltown Road in Bridgewater.

Sticking with tradition, the fair is free — no admission, no charge for parking. Hours are 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. each of the three days.

OPSHBX will have collection boxes at several sites on the fairgrounds.

Valerie Kreutler, 4-H program coordinator, is asking everyone who attends the fair to please bring a bag of items that can be boxed and shipped to the soldiers and Marines overseas.

T-shirts for sale

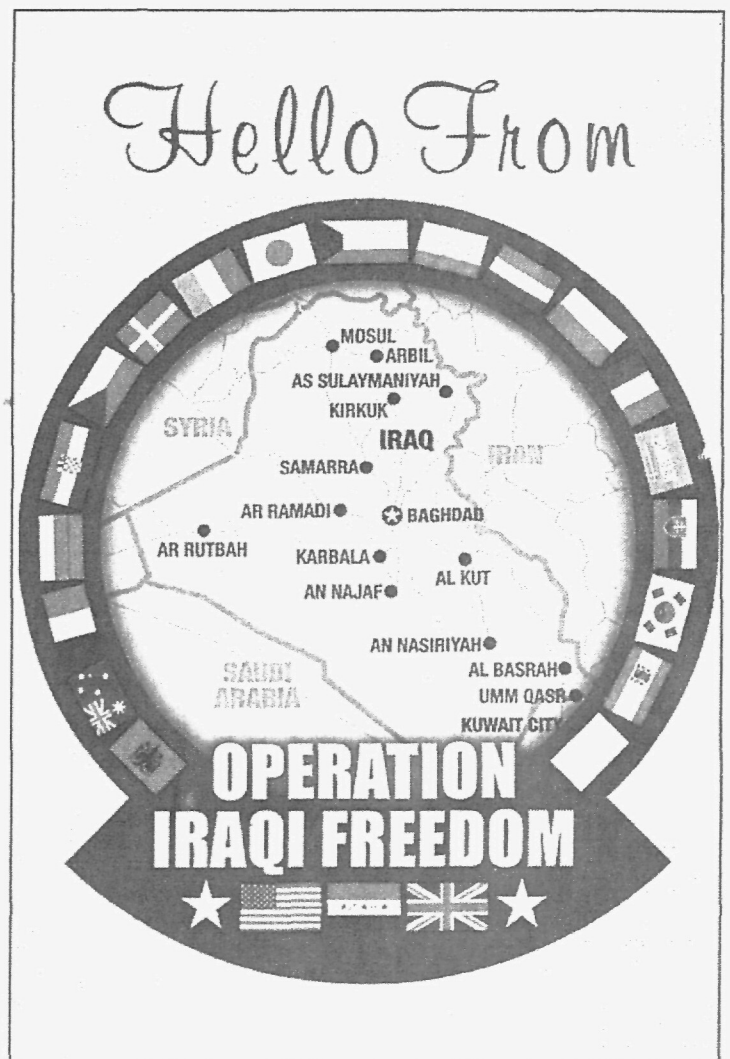
Quality T-shirts with the hand-made Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 poster and logo are available.

Several stores on Main Street in Somerville are selling the shirts, which feature the distinctive red, white and blue Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005 logo, and a full-color reproduction of the Operation: Shoebox 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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Sergeant Dixsoin sent this "Greetings from Iraq" postcard to *The Chronicle* to thank those who support Operation: Shoebox New Jersey 2005.

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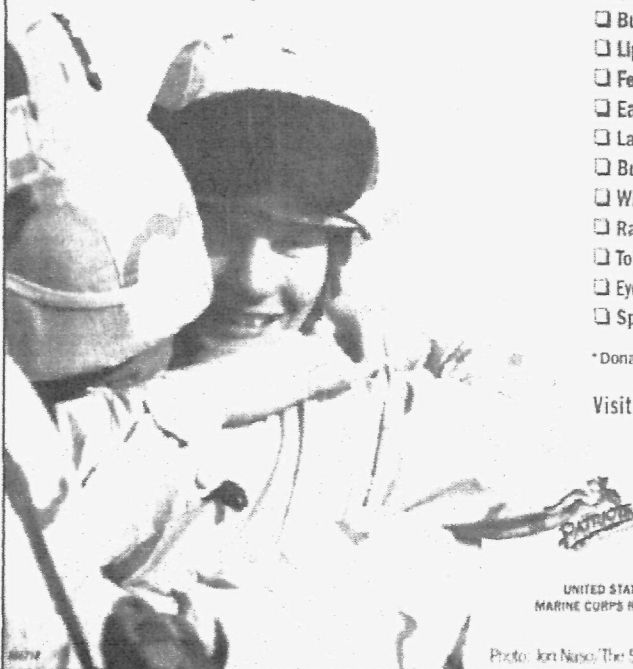
Look for our drop-off boxes at a store or business near you! Pick up The Reporter each week for updates and information. For details on becoming a drop off location, contact The Reporter's Executive Editor, Rod Hirsch at (908) 575-6684. Send your message of support today!

We're collecting the following items to be sent to our troops overseas:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Laundry detergent | <input type="checkbox"/> Cereal/protein bars |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bug wipes/bug strips | <input type="checkbox"/> Fleece blankets |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Wipes (travel size) | <input type="checkbox"/> Microwaveable foods |
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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
Lloyd's Furniture, 130 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
Neshanic Station Country Café, 419 Olive St., Neshanic

Station Dorelli & Sons Locksmith, 20 W. Somerset St., Raritan
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
Learning 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
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Evelyn Shellhamer

PISCATAWAY — Evelyn F. Shellhamer, 82, died July 19, 2005 at Buffalo Valley Lutheran Village in Lewisburg, Pa.

Born Sept. 24, 1922 in Wilkes-Barre, Pa., she was a daughter of the late Edwin and Grace Banker Shafer.

Mrs. Shellhamer lived in Piscataway for 49 years before moving to Lewisburg. She retired in 1988 after 15 years as an office assistant to the Piscataway tax collector. She earlier was a teller with the Dunellen Savings & Loan Association.

She was a former treasurer of the Piscataway Senior Citizens Club and the auxiliary to American Legion Post 261 in Piscataway. Mrs. Shellhamer was active on the committee that conducted the Piscataway Fishing Derby.

A member of Faith Lutheran Church in Lewisburg, Mrs. Shellhamer was a former member of All Saints Lutheran Church in Piscataway.

Her husband, Louis R., died in 2001.

Surviving are a daughter, Elaine Joseph of Los Alamos, N.M.; two sons, Raymond and wife Barbara of Neshanic Station and Rev. Ronald and wife Kathie of Shamokin, Pa.; a sister, Mildred Miller of Wilkes-Barre; seven grandchildren; four great-grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held July 22 at Faith Lutheran Church under the direction of Rev. John D. Yost, its pastor, and Rev. Margareta Breden, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church in Shamokin. Committal was held Saturday in Memorial Shrine Cemetery, Wyoming, Pa.

Donations may be sent to Shamokin Public Library, Evelyn Shellhamer Memorial Fund, 210 E. Independence St., Shamokin, PA 17872.

Arrangements were by the Galen R. Betzer Funeral Service in Muncy, Pa. To send a condolence, visit www.betzerfuneral.com.

Jean Heyl

SOUTH BOUND BROOK — Jean Heyl, 76, died July 20, 2005 at Somerset Medical Center in Somerville.

She was born May 3, 1929 in South Bound Brook and lived in the borough all her life.

Ms. Heyl retired in 1985 from RBH Dispersion in Piscataway. Preceding her in death were a brother, Kenneth Stovel, and a nephew, Carl Stovel.

Surviving are a sister, Marjorie Stovel of South Bound Brook; two nieces, Barbara Stovel of Bound Brook and April Kelly of Annandale; a nephew, David Stovel of Blairstown; three grandnieces; two grandnephews; a great-grandniece; and her canine companion, Scooter.

Services were held July 22 at the Hagan-Chamberlain Funeral Home in Bound Brook. Burial was in Springdale Cemetery, Warren.

Margaret Lake

SOUTH BOUND BROOK — Margaret Vroom Lake, 99, died July 20, 2005 at the Willow Creek Rehabilitation and Care Center in Somerset.

She was born Feb. 17, 1906 in the New Germantown section of Oldwick, a daughter of the late John and Ella Sutton Vroom.

Mrs. Lake lived in Flemington before moving to South Bound Brook in 1946. She was a member of the Flemington Grange and sang in its ensemble.

Her husband, Russell, died in 1982. A daughter, Dorothy Hendersen, died in 1994.

Surviving are a son, Harry, and a daughter, Ella Mae Pongratz, both of South Bound Brook; a brother, Cecil of Oldwick; 11 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren; and many nieces and nephews.

Bruce H. Douglas

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Bruce H. Douglas, 84, died July 24, 2005 at the Bridgeway Care Center in Bridgewater.

Born in Plainfield, he lived in South Plainfield before moving to Martinsville in 1964.

Mr. Douglas retired in 1981 after 20 years as a sales representative with the Aaron Lippman Co. in Newark. He was a volunteer with the SWIM program at the Somerset County YMCA in Bridgewater.

Surviving are his wife, Edith Robbins Douglas; a son, Alan of Bridgewater; a sister, Joyce

Groszman of North Carolina; and a grandchild.

A memorial service was held Thursday at the Wilson Memorial Union Church in Watchung.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Martinsville Rescue Squad, P.O. Box 296, Martinsville, NJ 08836; Care Alternatives, Bereavement Department, 70 Jackson Drive, Cranford, NJ 07016; SWIM, c/o Bridgewater YMCA, 601 Garretson Road, Bridgewater, NJ 08807; or Wilson Memorial Union Church, 7 Valley Road, Watchung, NJ 07069.

Jean Dougherty

BOUND BROOK — Jean L. O'Donovan Dougherty, 70, died July 26, 2005 at Somerset Medical Center in Somerville.

Born in Hazleton, Pa., she lived in Bound Brook before moving to Bridgewater in 1963.

Mrs. Dougherty retired in 2000 after 43 years with Somerset Medical Center, where she was a registered nurse and a night supervisor. The hospital presented her with its first Nurse of the Year award in 2000; that award has since been renamed the Jean

Dougherty Award.

Surviving are her husband of 49 years, James J.; two sons, James D. and wife Hedy of Toms River and Richard of Hillsborough; a daughter, Lynn Barone and husband Robert of Hillsborough; and three grandchildren.

Private arrangements were by the Branchburg Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to Somerset Medical Center, 110 Rehill Ave., Somerville, NJ 08876. To send a condolence, visit www.branchburg-funeralhome.com.

Michael Patrick

EDISON — Michael Patrick, 78, died July 21, 2005 at the JFK Haven Hospice.

Born in Clinton, he lived in Middlesex and Ewing before moving to Edison in 2000.

Mr. Patrick was a machinist with General Motors Corp. in Ewing and Mack Truck in Plainfield until his retirement in 1994.

He was a member of the

American Legion and St. Matthew's Roman Catholic Church.

He was an Army veteran of the Korean War.

Surviving are his wife, Marina Macias Patrick; two stepdaughters, Mariann Kozar of Somerset and JoAnn Shamy of Edison; three step-grandchildren and a step-great-grandchild.

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EDISON - Bereavement Support: Aug. 10 (and every second Wednesday of the month) 2 to 3 p.m. at Barbara E. Cheung Memorial Hospice for Middlesex County residents. Sessions are free. Call (732) 321-9335 for details.

MIDDLESEX - Yankee Stadium Trip: Aug. 13 bus leaves 10 a.m. from Middlesex H.S. game starts 1:05 p.m. Cost is \$40 includes game ticket and transportation. Sponsored by Middlesex Boro Republican Organization. Yankees vs. Texas Rangers. Call Geri at (732) 752-2048 to reserve ticket and details.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD - Disney on Ice: Nov. 25 at the Meadowlands. Prices to be announced in August. Tickets go on sale in Sept.

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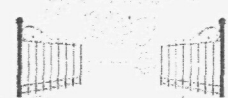
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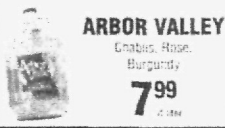
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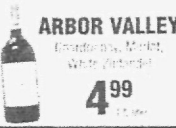
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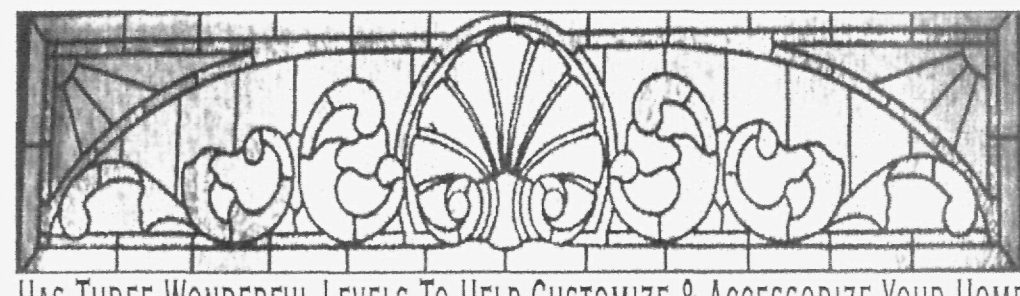
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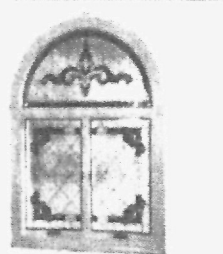
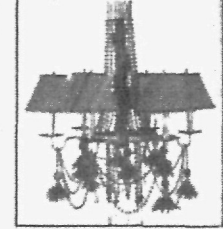
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NOTICE OF BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

BOND ORDINANCE NO. 1659-05
The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, on July 26, 2005 and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this ordinance. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:
Title: "Bond Ordinance Providing a Supplemental Appropriation of \$180,000 for Preliminary Planning Expenses in Connection with a New Police Headquarters and Borough Hall Renovations in and by the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey and Authorizing the Issuance of \$171,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough for Financing Part of the Appropriation."
Purpose: Preliminary planning expenses in connection with a new police headquarters and Borough Hall renovations as more fully described in bond ordinance #1621-04 of the Borough finally adopted October 28, 2004, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.
Appropriation: \$180,000
Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$171,000
Grants Appropriated: N/A
Section 20 Costs: \$180,000
Estimated Life: 15 years

Kathleen Anello, Clerk
B158 1T 7/30/05

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE NO. 1660-05
AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE REGULATION OF PERMITTING, LICENSE AND/OR PERMIT FEES
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 July 26, 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 August 9, 2005 at 7:00 P.M.
Kathleen Anello, RMC
Borough Clerk
B159 1T 7/30/05

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Ordinance was adopted on second and final reading by the Borough Council on July 26, 2005.

OR: NO. 05-13 - SALARY RANGE ORDINANCE

ATTEST:
DONNA MARIE GODLESKI, RMC
BOROUGH CLERK
APPROVED:
FRANK J. RYAN, MAYOR
B160 1T 7/30/05

LEGAL NOTICE

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK
ORDINANCE NO. 2005-14
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held on the 26th day of July, 2005 in the Borough Hall, and that said Ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at a meeting of said Borough Council to be held in the Borough Hall, 230 Hamilton Street, Bound Brook, N.J. on the 9th day of August 2005 at 7:00 P.M. at which time and place all persons interested therein may be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same. A copy of this notice has been posted on the Bulletin Board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Borough Hall of the Borough, and a copy is available up to and including the time of such meeting to the members of the general public of the Borough who shall request such copies, at the office of the Clerk in said Borough Hall in Bound Brook, New Jersey.

Donna Marie Godleski, RMC
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ORDINANCE NO. 05-14
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 05-07, SECTION IV; ORDINANCE NO. 05-08, SECTION V; ORDINANCE NO. 05-09, SECTION IV; ORDINANCE NO. 05-10, SECTION V; ORDINANCE NO. 05-11, SECTION IV; AND ORDINANCE NO. 05-12, SECTION IV, BY AUTHORIZING THAT THE PROVISIONS OF EACH OF SAID ORDINANCES MAY BE ENFORCED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN ADDITION TO OTHER ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES.
BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bound Brook in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, as follows:
SECTION 1. Amendment of Ordinances: Section IV of Ordinance No. 05-07, Section V of Ordinance No. 05-08, Section IV of Ordinance No. 05-09, Section V of Ordinance No. 05-10, Section IV of Ordinance No. 05-11, and Section IV of Ordinance No. 05-12, which are entitled "Enforcement," are hereby amended to read as follows:
"This ordinance shall be enforced by the Police Department, the Code Enforcement Office, and the Department of Health of the Borough of Bound Brook."
SECTION II. Construction: Where consistent with the context in which used in this ordinance, words importing the singular shall include the plural; words importing the plural shall include the singular.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE
The purpose of this Ordinance is to increase the fee for the initial period a taxicab driver's license and thereby equalize the fee for the initial license period and for any

lar, and, words importing one gender shall include all other genders.

SECTION III. Inconsistency:
Should any provision of this ordinance be inconsistent with the provisions of any prior ordinances, the inconsistent provisions of said prior ordinances are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION IV. Severability:
In the event that any provision of this ordinance, or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is declared invalid by a court of competent jurisdiction, such declaration of invalidity shall not affect any other provision or application of this ordinance which may be given effect, and, to realize the intent and meaning of the text of any section.

SECTION V. Purpose of Captions:
Captions contained in this ordinance have been inserted only for the purpose of facilitating reference to the various sections, and are not intended and shall not be utilized to construe the intent and meaning of the text of any section.

SECTION VI. Effective Date:
This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon final adoption, approval and publication in accordance with law.
Introduced: July 26, 2005
First Publication: July 30, 2005
Final Passage: August 9, 2005
Final Publication: August 13, 2005

FRANK J. RYAN, Mayor
ATTEST:
DONNA MARIE GODLESKI, RMC
Clerk

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to authorize the Department of Health to enforce the referenced ordinances in addition to the Police Department and the Office of Code Enforcement.
B161 1T 7/30/05

LEGAL NOTICE

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK

ORDINANCE NO. 2005-15
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Bound Brook, in the County of Somerset, State of New Jersey, held on the 26th day of July, 2005, in the Borough Hall, and that said Ordinance will be taken up for further consideration for final passage at a meeting of said Borough Council to be held in the Borough Hall, 230 Hamilton Street, Bound Brook, N.J. on the 9th day of August 2005 at 7:00 P.M. at which time and place all persons interested therein may be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same. A copy of this notice has been posted on the Bulletin Board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Borough Hall of the Borough, and a copy is available up to and including the time of such meeting to the members of the general public of the Borough who shall request such copies, at the office of the Clerk in said Borough Hall in Bound Brook, New Jersey.

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ORDINANCE NO. 05-15

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING A CERTAIN

PROVISION OF SECTION 9-5 OF CHAPTER IX,

ENTITLED "LICENSING TAXICABS," OF THE

"REVISED GENERAL ORDINANCES OF THE

BOROUGH OF BOUND BROOK (1967)"

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Bound Brook in the County of Somerset and State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT OF SECTION 9-5

The last sentence of Section 9-5 of Chapter IX of the "Revised General Ordinances of the Borough of Bound Brook (1967)" is amended to read as follows:

"The application shall be accompanied by a fee of one hundred (\$100.00) dollars for the initial license period."

SECTION II. CONSTRUCTION

Where consistent with the context in which used in this ordinance, words importing the singular shall include the plural; words importing the plural shall include the singular; and, words importing one gender shall include all other genders.

SECTION III. INCONSISTENCY

Should any provision of this ordinance be inconsistent with the provisions of any prior ordinances, the inconsistent provisions of said prior ordinances are hereby repealed, but only to the extent of such inconsistencies.

SECTION IV. SEVERABILITY

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

SECTION V. PURPOSE OF CAPTIONS

Captions contained in this ordinance have been inserted only for the purpose of facilitating reference to the various sections, and are not intended and shall not be utilized to construe the intent and meaning of the text of any section.

SECTION VI. EFFECTIVE DATE

This ordinance shall be effective immediately upon final adoption, approval and publication in accordance with law.

Introduced: July 26, 2005

First Publication: July 30, 2005

Final Passage: August 9, 2005

Final Publication: August 13, 2005

FRANK J. RYAN, Mayor

ATTEST:

DONNA MARIE GODLESKI, RMC

Clerk

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

The purpose of this Ordinance is to increase the fee for the initial period a taxicab driver's license and thereby equalize the fee for the initial license period and for any

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Post 435 bows to league rival Milltown

Squaring off with Milltown for the second time within a week with a big prize at stake Post 435 of Edison had to settle for a split Monday.

After edging Milltown 8-7 for the Middlesex County Senior American Legion Baseball League overall championship July 20 Father & Son had no answers in the District 3 Tournament winners' bracket final at Memorial Stadium in New Brunswick as Milltown rolled to an 18-0 victory to earn a spot in the state tournament.

Edison, which had won its first two district games and slipped to 20-6 with the loss, still had an opportunity to make it to the state tourney's final eight by taking the losers' bracket final Tuesday night.

Milltown (21-3) wasted no time in putting the District 3 game on ice as it smacked three home runs with two outs in the opening inning for a 6-0 lead. From there the Middlesex County Blue Division champions con-

tinued to expand the lead in every inning with three in the second making it 9-0.

Nick Meyers hardly needed the support, shutting down the Edison attack like no one else had done all season. In tossing a complete-game — a seven-inning contest halted by the mercy rule — Meyers limited Father & Son to just three hits while striking out five and walking three.

Edison 22, Springfield 0 — Exploding for eight runs in the first inning and 10 more in the second Post 435 scored all its runs in just three at-bats in a winners' bracket semifinal that went just four innings when Springfield surrendered after the top of the fourth, making things easy for pitcher Nick Rieder (3-2).

Cal Costanzo and Mike Shymanski had huge games at the plate as both finished 4-for-4. Costanza hit a grand slam in the second and totaled five RBI, while Shymanski drove in three runs, two on a home run in the first

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inning when he had a pair of hits.

Lee Cavico capped the scoring with a third-inning grand slam, while Kevin Dalton added two doubles and a single in three trips. Bryan Elvina knocked in three runs with two hits, while Keith Lorfing doubled twice and had two RBI, and Tony Greder chipped in with two hits and two RBI.

Edison 8, Gloucester 7 — Jon Mendez and Billy Alec shut down Gloucester with a combined five innings of shutout relief, and the Post 435 offense came on late after Gloucester had come back from an early deficit in the first round of district play Saturday.

Robert Hrapsky (2-for-5) drove in five runs to pace the attack, three coming on a first-inning home run and the other two on ground balls in

the second and eighth innings with one in the eighth snapping a 7-7 tie.

Lorfing finished 3-for-4 with RBI singles in the first and seventh inning when Dalton (2-for-3) also singled in a run as Father & Son overcame a 7-5 deficit with two runs to deadlock it at 7-7.

Mendez worked three innings and relied on his infield to retire Gloucester, while Alec fanned four batters in the final two innings to picked up the victory.

Edison 8, Milltown 7 — It took nine innings and an unexpected appearance on the mound from Dalton to get it done but Red Division champion Post 435 captured the overall MCSALBL championship by outlasting Milltown at Memorial Stadium July 19.

Entering a 7-7 game in the bottom of the seventh Dalton worked out of a bases-loaded no-out jam with two ground balls to Shymanski at third and a popup and then pitched score-

less frames in the eighth and ninth to gain the victory.

Edison won it in the top of the ninth when Costanzo and Dalton collected back-to-back singles with one down and Cavico, in the game as a pinch-hitter, hit a ball off the pitcher to the shortstop whose only play was to first, allowing Costanzo to score.

Costanzo came up big in the top of the seventh when he smashed a two-run homer to knot the game at 7-7. Lorfing, who went 3-for-4, had a solo homer in the fourth, while Edison added three runs in the fifth for a 5-4 edge before Milltown rallied to regain the advantage heading into the seventh.

South Brunswick 8, Piscataway 3 — In a meeting division runnerup with a district tournament berth at stake Post 261 of Piscataway fell behind 3-0 after one inning and could not recover and being eliminated from the playoffs in two straight by South Brunswick July 19.

No alarms required for early-rising Patriots

BRIDGEWATER — The bright yellow mass covering a portion of the Commerce Bank Park parking lot meant it wasn't a typical game-day for the Somerset Patriots.

By the time the first pitch was thrown late Tuesday morning, a total of 38 school buses — and maybe about the same number of cars — were stationed in the red lot.

It was the second of the Pats' three "Campers Day" specials of the summer, and with characters like BirdZerk and BirdZerk Jr. and BallZerk making between-innings appearances, the children who commandeered the ballpark were in their glory.

The Patriots? Well, let's just say an 11:05 first-pitch is a tad early for most of them. But they can live with it, especially considering the result — a 7-1 Atlantic League of Professional Baseball triumph over Long Island.

"You know it's there on the schedule," said catcher Chris Eickhorst, "but then you don't really think about it until the night before; when you say, 'Oh man, we've got an 11 o'clock game tomorrow.' But you know it's good for the kids, and baseball is about the fans. And we get the rest of the day off."

Exiting the Pats' locker room quickly after the three-hour contest, which was played in sunny 96-degree temperatures and high humidity, Manager Sparky



Lyle left no doubt about his feelings towards the early start following a night game the previous day.

"I don't like it," said Lyle, who usually drives back to his South Jersey residence after every home game but didn't Monday night. "It's tough on everybody playing these games, especially when you've got to run the same guys out there the next day."

Seven of the Pats who played Monday night — Billy Hall, Kevin Nicholson, Todd Betts, Jeff Nettles, Ray Navarrete, Jeremy Owens and George Sandel — were back in the lineup the next morning.

"It's hard on them," said Lyle. "And then you try to get them out of this game so you can play them tomorrow. So I don't want them here again until 5 tomorrow, so it's almost like a day off. They need it, especially in this heat. But these games are no fun, believe me."

The 36-year-old Hall, limited to 30 games this year because of injuries, played right field in both games and certainly didn't look too bedraggled in the fifth inning, when he sin-



GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Centerfielder Jeremy Owens went 3-for-4 and stole a base as the resurgent Somerset Patriots whipped the Long Island Ducks 7-1 Tuesday to reach the .500 level at 6-6 for the second half following their 0-4 start.

gled in a run to help fuel a five-run outburst and then swiped two bases. Actually, he was picked off second but escaped a run-down and wound up at third.

"You can look at these

games both ways," said the Pats' leadoff man. "The day before you look at the schedule and see the 11 o'clock game and it's like, 'You're kidding me,' but in the same sense you try to be positive.

When the game's over, you've got the whole day off — you've got the whole day for your body to relax."

While Tuesday was one of the most uncomfortable days of the year because of the

extreme heat and humidity, Hall found it quite manageable.

"It wasn't bad on the field because there was a breeze," he said. "Now a couple of days last week, it was so humid you couldn't breathe. But today, by comparison, it wasn't bad at all."

Third baseman Nettles, who concluded the scoring by lofting a towering solo home run past the left-field foul pole in the eighth, his 10th homer of the year, also adjusts to the early game-time. But the humidity is another case for the native of Southern California.

"It kind of stinks when you're just waking up and think about how early you have to play, but by the time the game starts, you're kind of ready to go," he said. "I don't see too much of the morning during the season because I tend to not go to sleep for a while after a night game, so that throws you off a bit. It's just a little change of pace. We don't mind."

"But I'm not used to this kind of heat. I'm used to perfect heat, without all the humidity, where you don't even need to stay in the shade."

Eickhorst went 2 for 3 with a double during Monday's victory over Long Island and has enjoyed an increase in playing time since original starting catcher Ryan Kellner suddenly retired a month ago.

Ball-Kirch is eliminated from district tournament

WEST DEPTFORD — Although they reached their final destination in a somewhat roundabout way, in the end the Bulls just came up short on the mound and at the plate in their finale.

After finishing third in the Somerset-Hunterdon American Legion Baseball League when it lost its final two games Ball-Kirch Post 265 of North Plainfield still earned one the league's two state district tournament bids when second-place Ridge decided to enter Connie Mack State Tournament instead.

Given the opportunity North Plainfield took the two-hour ride to South Jersey Saturday and again Monday only to lose both games, the second a 17-3 setback to Gibbsboro in an elimination game. In between the Bulls trimmed Verona 10-6 Sunday.

For Jim Dilts, who coached the team Monday with Head Coach Rob Tumolo unavailable, it was short post-season wrought with varying situations.

"Obviously we would have rather played at Moody Field (Ewing), but in the end we wanted to play at the top level so we reached the objective we had at the start of the season," Dilts said Monday. "I think the combination of it being a long weekend and having the two-hour drive today caught up to us."

"And it was frustrating not having a full squad. We played with 11 guys on Saturday, 12 on Sunday and 11 today. I would have loved to have been down there with my entire roster of 16. I think we would have

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made some noise.

"As it was I thought we represented the league well. We played a great game against Brooklawn, and we threw a real scare into them. With a little more offense late in the game who knows what might have happened. We just didn't hit well down there. We really didn't as well as we were capable of hitting all season."

After proving to be pretty competitive for two games Post 265 just didn't have it in any way against Gibbsboro, which torched two Bull pitchers for six home runs and 17 runs, scoring eight runs in the fourth for a 10-0 lead and then adding six in the eighth to shorten the game by an inning on the mercy rule.

On offense North Plainfield managed only two hits, Mike Manganiello belted a solo home run in the eighth for the second, while Mike Benak had a single in the fifth. Four walks — the final one to Tyler Riccio — and a sacrifice fly by Andrew Miller accounted for two runs in the fourth.

North Plainfield 10, Verona 6 — Holding a 3-2 edge entering the bottom of the fourth the Bulls took command with three runs and later added five in the sixth, while Dave Dickerson pitched six innings in relief to earn the victory as Ball-Kirch remained alive Sunday with its triumph over Verona.

Nick Cesare started for Post 265 but twisted his ankle in the

third. Dickerson, however, came on to turned in a solid effort, allowing three runs on eight hits while striking out four and walking none.

Cesare and Riccio had run-scoring ground balls in the first and second innings, respectively, before North Plainfield really got going in the fourth when Bill Merkler delivered a two-run single and Parke Smith singled in the third.

In the fifth the Bulls put together five runs on six hits with Dickerson, Merkler and Miller notching an RBI single apiece and Riccio capping the rally with a two-run single. Merkler finished with three hits to lead a 12-hit attack, while Benak, Manganiello and Smith added two each.

Brooklawn 8, North Plainfield 2 — Taking on the state's most storied American Legion program in the opener Saturday the Bulls actually led 2-0 entering the fourth inning and trailed by just 4-2 after six innings before Brooklawn pulled away late.

Merkler hit a solo homer to center in the second and Benak walked and later scored on a wild pitch in the third, but that proved to be the Ball-Kirch offense as it managed only five hits with Smith picking up two.

R.J. Dilts, who was 4-0 in the regular season, pitched well before the winners started to get to him in the sixth when he gave up his second and third runs. Dilts allowed four runs on five hits while striking out three. He didn't walk anyone but hit three batters. Benak came on to work the final 2 2/3 innings.

Middlesex boosts offense, still defeated by to Union

UNION — Despite doubling its offensive output from the previous two years Middlesex County still didn't have enough firepower to match that of Union County.

Squaring off in the 12th renewal of the Snapple Bowl July 21 before 3500 fans at Kean University, the Middlesex County's football stars twice came back from one-touchdown deficits but could not do it a third time as they fell to Union County for the third straight season.

With Middlesex operating out of East Brunswick High's triple-option set the squad of graduated Greater Middlesex Conference performers surpassed the seven points they scored a year ago after being blanked in 2003, but it wasn't enough once again.

Union's third-quarter touchdown that snapped a 14-14 deadlock was the only scoring in the second half and the lead stood the rest of the way to send Union to its fifth victory in the past six years and a 7-5 advantage in the series.

The game continued to benefit Lakeview School for Cerebral Palsy in Edison and Children's Specialized Hospital in Mountainside, raising more than \$150,000 during the 12 years.

Ten area players were part of the Middlesex roster, including Robert Rose and Dean Masters from Piscataway, Middlesex's Mike Hall and Bryan Reilly, and Darryl Jackson and Billy Moats from South Plainfield, while Stephon Cooper of Metuchen, Dunellen's Ryan DeNapoli, Ed Kidney of Edison, Kyle Trueblood of J.P. Stevens were part of the team.

Union took its first lead on the first play of the second quarter, getting a gift touchdown when East Brunswick's Matt Mariano dropped the snap from center on a punt attempt and Mike Siessel of Johnson fell on it in the end zone for an easy TD. Steve Caprio of Cranford added the PAT kick.

Middlesex responded in only 67 seconds by traveling 91 yards in only five plays with Rose at quarterback. On the second play of the possession Rose hooked up with Dylan Bamrick turning in a huge play to set the

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stage for a 4-yard scoring run by South River's Eric McDaniel.

Rose hooked up with Bamrick on a 35-yard pass to midfield, and Bamrick turned it into a 71-yard catch-and-run that moved the ball to the Union 15. Three plays later McDaniel scored and with Mariano's conversion kick it was tied at 7-7 with only 1:12 gone in the period.

Union responded on its ensuing possession with Aaron Hale finishing off a drive with a 2-yard run with 11:02 remaining in the half. Caprio's extra-point kick boosted the lead to 14-7.

With Mariano at quarterback Middlesex put together its second 91-yard march of the half to knot the game at 14-14 with 56 seconds to go before halftime. Woodbridge's Matt Bouchard completed the sustained effort by hauling in a 15-yard scoring pass from Mariano, while Mariano's placement forged the halftime tie.

The defenses took over in the second half with Union taking the lead for good 5:34 into the session when Plainfield's Jamal Elder turned in a highlight catch in the end zone for a 39-yard TD reception from Cranford's Chris Dreschel. Caprio's third PAT kick finished the scoring.

Middlesex's final threat ended with three minutes remaining in the game when it fumbled the ball away at midfield while trying a halfback pitch.

Two quarterbacks came away with MVP honors with Dreschel gaining the award for Union and Mariano for Middlesex. Mariano had a productive day with 109 yards throwing the ball and another 53 on the ground.

Rose, meanwhile, finished the game connecting 8 of 13 attempts for 114 yards as Middlesex finished with a 252-60 advantage through the air and an overall 309-266 edge in total offense.

Cooper didn't have much success running the ball, finishing with minus 12 yards on 10 carries, but did pick up 321 yards on three pass receptions. Kidney gained 9 yards on two attempts, while Trueblood had one catch for 6 yards.

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