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By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI
Staff Writer

SOMERVILLE — Patrick Cashman had been trying to quit smoking for 10 years the day his 3-year-old daughter brought him a pack of cigarettes and asked if they were his.

Cashman, a 20-year smoker, decided then that he needed to quit for good, and not just make what he called "Monday morning" resolutions. Thanks to a newspaper advertisement, Cashman found out about and sought help from the Somerset Medical Center Tobacco Quitcenter. Five months later, he's tobacco free.

"As a mentor, a friend, a neighbor, an employer, a son, a brother, I realized I had to quit," he told the crowd gathered at the Somerset County Courthouse

lawn to celebrate World No Tobacco Day.

The day, sponsored by the county's council on alcoholism and drug dependency and the high school program Reaching Everyone by Exposing Lies, employed stories and shoes to get across its anti-tobacco message.

The shoes — 1,200 pairs spread out across the lawn — represented the number of people who pass away each day from tobacco-related illnesses, said Brenda Esler.

"No one can fill their shoes," she said. Esler's father passed away a year ago, at age 59, though he had quit smoking in 1998.

"His death was sudden and unexpected," Esler said, adding that her father's doctors had reached a diagnosis of cancer, but wanted to wait to tell him the

news until after the Memorial Day weekend.

They never got the chance. "After enjoying a beautiful and relaxing Saturday, he passed away peacefully in his sleep," she said.

The program sought to raise awareness not only about the health and social effects of tobacco use, but the resources available for those that wish to quit and education so that some will never start.

"This display will draw awareness to lung cancer and other tobacco-related illnesses," said freeholder Peter Palmer. "With the right tools and support, people can quit using tobacco. With education efforts like this, young people will never start."

"Our society as a whole suffers from

the effects of tobacco use," said Chris Kotson, director of the hospital's QuitCenter. "We witness daily the emotional distress of tobacco use. For many, it can take years or decades to break the grip."

Kotson urged smokers to contact the center, which has helped 500 people stop using tobacco over the last four years.

"All smokers who are considering quitting — about 70 percent — should reach out," he said.

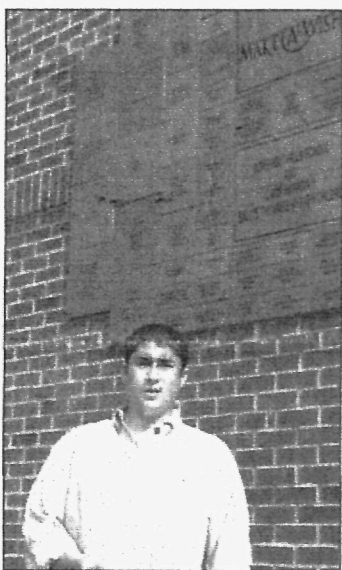
For Cashman, who credits Kotson's group with his quit effort, no longer says that he is trying to quit.

"A lot of people count the days, but I don't," he said. "I just quit."

Now, his daughter Cara brings him his gum instead of his cigarettes.

Peaking Pennino

Watchung Hills High senior Jeremy Pennino threw the javelin a personal-best distance of 195 feet, six inches to win the State Group 4 championships last weekend in Egg Harbor Township, Atlantic County. Pennino was to compete in the State Meet of Champions yesterday. **Page A8.**



Dreams come true

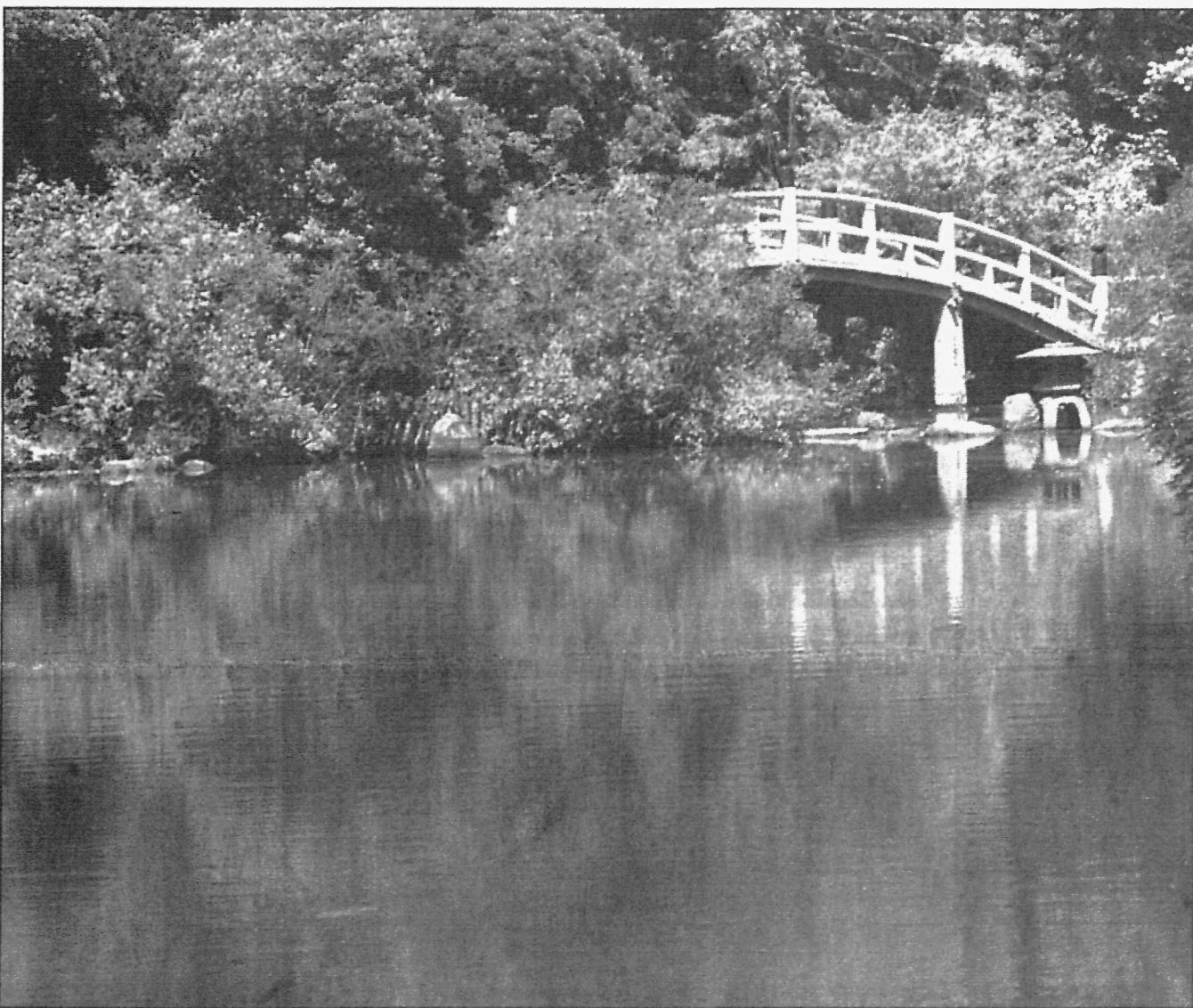
Brick by brick, Bret Kaye of Warren and the Make-A-Wish Foundation have made two area families very happy. **Page A7.**



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Bedminster school pupils wowed during science day. **Page A3.**

Private retreat opens to public



GEORGE PACCIELLO STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

There are three wooden foot bridges crossing over ponds in the Japanese Garden on the Duke estate, one of which is shown here.

Doris Duke's lush Japanese Garden encourages tranquility, reflection

By AMY S. BOBROWSKI
Staff Writer

HILLSBOROUGH — The serene, natural green environment of the Japanese Garden at Duke Farms is a stark contrast to the vibrant colors and pristine arrangements of the estate's indoor display garden.

The Japanese Garden is an outdoor habitat created as an area for contemplation and meditation, while the display gardens are where visitors say "ooh" and "aah" at the wild layout and shapes of the 1,500 plants that are housed in the 11 different greenhouse garden rooms.

The display gardens, showing plants from all around the world opened to the public, in the early 1960s. But the Japanese Garden, which lies in the woods behind the Duke family home, served as Doris Duke's private on-mise escape and therefore access to the public has never been permitted.

Until now, that is. On June 1, the outdoor Japanese Garden opened to visitors for the first time. Originally created as an oriental garden by Doris' father, James Buchanan Duke in the early 1900s, Doris renovated the area and developed a Japanese stroll-style garden, which will allow visitors to

stroll the area and view and experience the natural environment from multiple vantage points.

The estate will offer one-hour guided walking tours that begins crossing the south lawn — or the big back yard — behind the Country Manor. From there, visitors view the vast lands, the luxurious 55-plus room mansion, several of the property's nine man-made lakes and wooded knolls planted by J.B. Duke nearly 100 years ago. Throughout the tour, guides will offer information about the plant life, wildlife habitats and the natural processes happening on the property. The tour features a short walk through a woodland trail before reaching the garden, which boasts hidden pathways and winding trees.

"It's a tranquil place where you can be with nature," said Joanne Vogel, a tour guide. "You never see the whole garden from one vantage point. It's meant to be explored."

Concrete lantern sculptures, which originated from Buddhism, are placed at points where the path bends or splits.

"The lantern lights not only our path, but our spiritual paths," Vogel said.



GEORGE PACCIELLO STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The gnarled and twisted branches of a mature cut leaf Japanese maple tree lend character to the canopy of leaves in the Japanese Garden on the Duke estate.

During the tour visitors will cross three wooden foot bridges.

"It was often thought that passing

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Park concert series marks 50th anniversary

BRIDGEWATER — In celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Somerset County Park Commission, a series of free concerts has been scheduled for the summer. Concerts will be held Sunday evenings from June 25 through Aug. 27, at both Duke Island Park on Old York Road and North Branch Park on Milltown Road, both in Bridgewater.

The 2006 schedule will offer an array of musical styles. Concertgoers are encouraged to bring blankets and lawn chairs on Sunday evenings beginning at 7 p.m. with special presentations beginning at 5:30 p.m.

For information on the concerts, call (908) 722-1200 or NJ Relay at 711 for individuals with a hearing or speech impairment. Over the weekends, in case of inclement weather please call (908) 722-1200, Ext. 351.

The concert series schedule is as follows:

— June 25, eighth annual Party in the Park featuring SMOOTH at Duke Island Park, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

— July 4, Fourth of July Family Festival featuring The Demensions and Total Soul at North Branch Park, 5 p.m. - 11 p.m.

— July 9, THE DUBS at Duke Island Park, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

— July 16, JAY BLACK AND THE AMERICANS at Duke Island Park, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

— July 23, BLACKTHORN at Duke Island Park, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

— July 30, JAMES COTTON at Duke Island Park, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

— Aug. 6, 11th annual Bayou Fest at Duke Island Park featuring The VoodooFest, 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. Rosie Ledet, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

— Aug. 13, MICHAEL BURKS at Duke Island Park, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

— Aug. 20, BLUEGRASS FEST at Duke Island Park featuring Michelle Nixon & Drive, 5:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

David Peterson & 1946.

— Aug. 27, JIMMY STURR AND HIS ORCHESTRA at Duke Island Park, 7 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Information on this event and other Somerset County Park Commission activities may be found on the internet at www.somerset-countyparks.org.

Actors and stage hands wanted for summer theater

PISCATAWAY — Registration is now going on for aspiring actors and stage hands between 10 and 18 years of age to join the Library Players Summer Theater Group at Piscataway Public Library.

An introductory meeting is scheduled for 2 p.m. June 27 at the J. F. Kennedy Library to discuss plans for this year's play, an adaptation of The Vile Villain. Rehearsals will be held on Tuesdays, beginning July 11 - Aug. 15th from 2 - 4 p.m. at the J. F. Kennedy Library; the play will be performed in August. Teens are needed to act and to work on

scenery, make-up or costumes. Interested students may register to join the Players either at Kennedy Library or by telephone at (732) 463-1633, Ext. 6.

The Library Players began at Piscataway Public Library in 1992 in response to a need in the community to give aspiring young actors a chance to perform. The students meet once a week during the summer for two hours. During these sessions, the young actors play theater games and are directed in theatrical improvisation. These activities help them to develop performance skills and provide back-

ground for the play rehearsals that begin after the first few weeks. Each summer, approximately 200 people attend the performances. Other plays have included "The Wizard of Oz," "The Golden Goose," "Aesop's Fables" and "Jack's Beanstalk Mystery."

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over a bridge was like passing from one world to another," Vogel said.

Doris' own red footbridge, where she would have crossed from the lawn to the gardens, is closed for preservation purposes.

In the middle of the Japanese lake, which separates the garden from the lawn, sits a small island known as the Island of Immortals.

"In Japan, an island often symbolizes our wishes for immortality," Vogel said. "They're usually built in the shape of a crane or a turtle which represents longevity. It is said that a turtle lives for 10,000 years and a crane for 1,000 years."

But here, in an effort to preserve the habitats of the hundreds of species that call the 2,700 acre estate home, the island is and will remain overgrown. A semi-circle of stone benches underneath the Japanese and silver maples

near the lake provide an area for rest or peaceful viewing. The chirps and calls of birds are indicative of a wildlife habitat, but remind humans that they're uninvited. Birds, including the blue heron, red tailed hawk and bald eagles live on the property. Small robins, which are nesting in the garden even chirp out, annoyed that people have invaded their home.

Just down the path, past a Juniper tree and a flaming azalea bush, about a dozen brown bats have called the Garden Arbor their home. Surrounded by bamboo and with a view of the lake is the Arbor, which with just one wall and a roof supported by beams served as a private sanctuary to Doris.

"This is her area where she could back and be contemplative," said Rich Feldman, group leader of the tour and retail programs. "You can almost imagine Miss Duke sitting here on a pillow."

The end of the tour winds back to the yard across "Musicians Island" where bronze statuettes of children

play hand instruments.

The staff at Duke Farms has been working to clean up the garden since late last year. They placed fresh mulch and cleared plants along the pathways. They removed fallen logs and debris. But the staff hasn't planted any new plants. All the plants in the garden were originally placed by Doris or her father.

"The elements over time weather the plants. They have the wind swept looks," Vogel said. "But that's how it's supposed to be."

The guided walking tour of the Japanese Stroll Garden is less than one mile and will run at 10:30 a.m. and 3 p.m., Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays through the summer and into November. Walks will commence rain or shine and comfortable, weather proof walking shoes are recommended. The garden is not handicap accessible and the tour is not recommended for children under the age of 8. Tickets are \$10. For tickets, call (908) 722-3700 or visit www.dukefarms.org.



A monarch butterfly lends its color to the palette of nature's work at the Duke estate's Japanese Garden.

GEORGE PACIELLO/
STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

'Mad Mouse' author will be at Barnes & Noble June 14

EDISON — Chris Grabenstein, a former resident of Metuchen, will be reading from his new mystery thriller "Mad Mouse" at 7 p.m. June 14 at Barnes & Noble in Menlo Park.

His first book "Tilt-a-Whirl," a murder mystery set on the Jersey Shore, was hailed as one of the best mysteries of 2005 by the Christian Science Monitor and several syndicated columnists.

"Mad Mouse," the second

novel in the continuing John Ceepak series, has already won a coveted starred review from Kirkus. Mystery Scene magazine called the book a "nearly perfect read."

Grabenstein said he set out to write the type of fast-paced page-turner he enjoyed reading when, for six years, he was a daily commuter from Metuchen to his job as an advertising executive in New York City.

"A good story makes the train ride move a whole lot faster," he said. "These are beach books

that take place on beaches everybody in [New] Jersey will recognize."

His first boss in advertising, current best-selling thriller writer James Patterson, called Grabenstein's first novel "a fast-paced thrill ride with lots of twists and turns and good writing from start to finish."

According to Booklist, one of the nation's leading library journals, "Grabenstein's second seaside amusement-park-ride mystery 'Mad Mouse' lives up to the problem of his smash-hit debut 'Tilt-a-Whirl.'"

"Mad Mouse" takes place in the fictional resort of Sea Haven, loosely based on the Jersey Shore village Beach Haven. In fact, a police chief on Long Beach Island acts as an informal technical adviser on Grabenstein's books.

The "Mad Mouse" story begins in late August. It's almost Labor Day and the end of summer could mean the end of someone's life. Young Danny Boyle, the part-time summer cop down the Shore in Sea Haven, gets taken on a wild ride when he and his longtime beach

buddies become the unwitting targets of a madman's twisted scheme for revenge. Fortunately John Ceepak, the cop with a soldier's unshakable code of honor, stays at Danny's side to help him negotiate the quick twists and turns that threaten to destroy his life, his friends and everything about the world he loves.

Whipping from the boardwalk (reminiscent of the one in Seaside Heights) to the beach and back again, "Mad Mouse," like "Tilt-a-Whirl," keeps zigging and zagging at a breakneck

pace, all the way to the surprising finish.

In addition to reading from "Mad Mouse," Grabenstein will sign copies of that book and of "Tilt-a-Whirl." He will also answer questions and discuss both books.

When he lived in Metuchen he was a member of St. Luke's Episcopal Church and somewhat famous every Halloween for his haunted house on Eggert Avenue.

For more information you can visit the author's website, www.chrisgrabenstein.com.

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broken and outdated items like chains, charms, rings and more. "Everyone has bits of gold just lying around which can be turned into cash" says Richard Zakroff, VP of marketing. "Even old dental gold has value." ScrapGold.com processes over 10,000 recycle Kits per month. People can get a free GoldKit at 1-800-283-4700 or ScrapGold.com.

Creative drama workshop offered

PISCATAWAY — Piscataway Public Library is sponsoring a Creative Drama Workshop — "How Does an Actor Create A Character?" — for students, ages 10-18, who are interested in acting and theater work and in joining the Library Players Theater Group. The program, presented by Youth Stages, a professional theater group, is being held on June 28 from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the J. F. Kennedy Library located at 500 Hoes Lane. No registration is required.

Youth Stages founder, Jean Prall Rosolino, will teach the students the

basics of creating a character both physically and vocally. Using characters from literature and from this summer's play, The Vile Veterinarian, students will experiment with different character interpretations.

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Chemistry, critters wow sixth-graders

By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI
Staff Writer

BEDMINSTER — Hands clapped tight over their ears, the sixth-grade pupils waited, watching the blue balloon intently, as the lit match extended toward the balloon, the anticipation building until it was palpable.

With a loud bang and a ball of fire, the balloon erupted, eliciting gasps and cries of "Wow!" and "Whoa!" from the audience — all part of a demonstration at the May 26 Bedminster School Science Day.

Bernards High School student Chris Kenny, who had extended the match to set off the explosion, explained the science behind the explosion to the dazzled class. The balloon had been filled with two parts hydrogen and one part oxygen, providing the fuel for the explosion, the Gladstone resident said. Once the flash was over, all that was left was some shredded latex and some water vapor, in contrast to the oxygen-filled and hydrogen-filled balloons he had touched

off earlier.

One 11-year-old, Gareth Rose, understood why the mixed gases lead to a larger explosion than just the hydrogen, which had flamed less violently. "If you look at the second one versus the third one, there was no lag time, because the hydrogen didn't have to find the oxygen," he said, demonstrating that he had learned what Kenny, an Advance Placement Chemistry student, had tried to teach the class.

From honeybees to eggs dropped from a crane, the day offered subjects to appeal to every budding scientist, though many, like Rose and his friend Ray Goettel, liked the big bang.

"The explosion, the hydrogen and oxygen balloon, was definitely my favorite," Goettel said, adding that he is interested in learning chemistry when he gets to high school.

Science Day, sponsored by the Bedminster School Parent-Teacher Organization, was first run two years ago, said

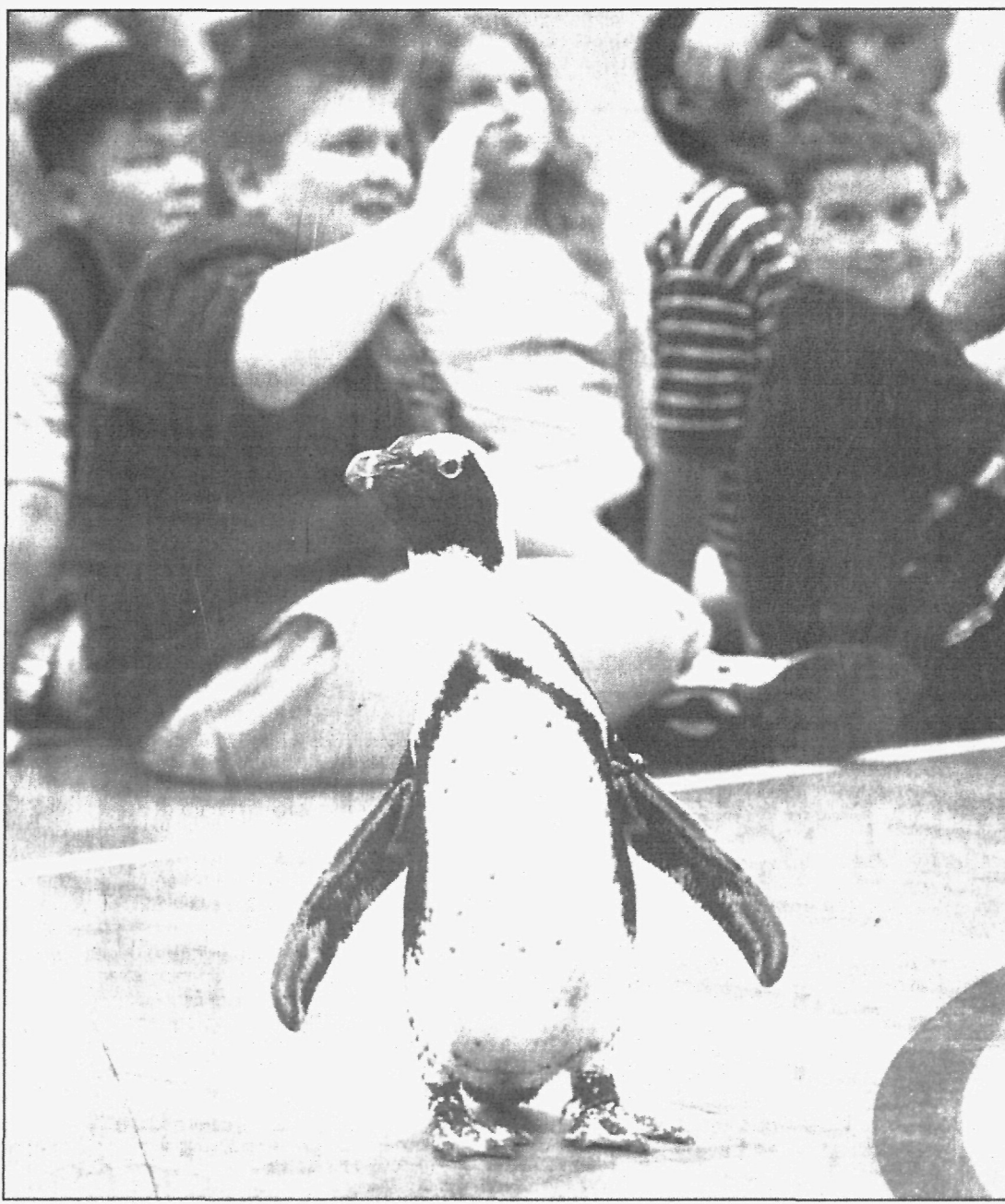
the organization's president, Mary Ann Garruppo, who listed the honeybee program as one of the best she'd seen that day.

"It was awesome; he was so good," she said, referring to "Dancing with Honeybees" presenter Cliff Sunflower of Bear Honey Farms in Bath, Pa. "He really involves all the kids. They were all laughing and dancing; they really enjoyed it."

Another popular program, featuring live penguins from Jenkinson's Aquarium in Point Pleasant Beach, had the crowd buzzing at the chance to see the animals up close and learn a bit about their behaviors and natural habitats.

For Bernards High School sophomore Nick Kashmanian, who had astounded the kids by creating multicolored foam, it was a chance to show off the demonstration he had spent the last few weeks preparing.

"It's going pretty well. We're getting a good reaction," he said. "They really like the typical chemistry stuff."



GEORGE PACCIOLLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Saba the penguin, from Jenkinson's Aquarium in Point Pleasant Beach, greets pupils last month during Bedminster School Science Day in Bedminster.

Twilight story time coming

PISCATAWAY — The Piscataway Public Library kicks off its summertime twilight story time for children with Puppy Tales Story Time being held 7 p.m. June 27 at the J. F. Kennedy Library located at 500 Hoes Lane.

Children, ages 3 through 5, with an adult, are invited to attend this 45-minute evening program filled with stories and activities for parents to share with their children! No registration is necessary.

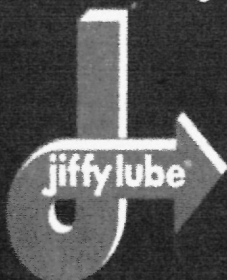
Piscataway Library, along with New Jersey public libraries throughout the state, is participating in the statewide summer reading program, "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales." Children

from birth through grade 6 (infants and preschoolers may be read to) are invited to participate. Throughout the summer, children will be entertained with crafts, story times and special programs all planned around the "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales" theme. They'll also be eligible for prizes as they read the summer away. Children will celebrate their summer reading achievements with an evening of fun and

games at a "Paws, Claws, Scales and Tales" Carnival planned for August.

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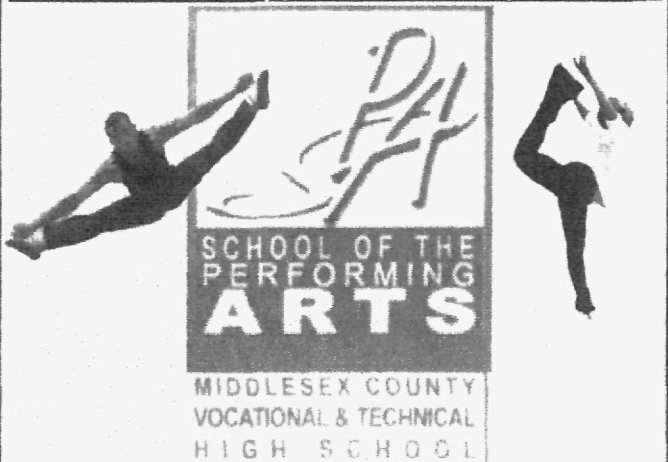
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Somerset County

SENIOR RESOURCE DIRECTORY AVAILABLE

The Somerset County Office on Aging has published its 2006 Resource Directory of Services for Seniors and Caregivers, which also is available on the county's eldercare Web site. Anyone wishing a copy of the 167-page directory may call the office's toll free number — (888) 747-1122. To view a searchable PDF file of the directory, go to www.somerseteldercare.com. The publications have been distributed to county libraries, municipalities, senior housing and county agencies.

SENIOR SINGLE WOMEN'S SUPPORT GROUP

Women 60 years of age or older are invited to join the Somerset County Single Senior Women's Group, which generally meets on the second and fourth Thursday of the month, with some exceptions.

The meetings will be held today and June 22, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 14 and 28, Oct. 12 and 26, Nov. 16 and Dec. 14.

Meetings are generally held from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in room No. 1, of the Office on Aging, located on the first floor at 92 East Main St. The organization is intended to provide moral support and social activities for independent, senior women. For more information, contact Rosemary Wells, Office on Aging, at (908) 704-6341 or toll free at 1 888-747-1122.

SOMERSET COUNTY SENIOR CENTERS

operated by the Somerset County Office on Aging announce the June program schedule. All programs begin at 11 a.m. unless otherwise listed. Call for lunch reservations by 11 a.m. the day

before you wish to come. For more information, call the appropriate centers. Individual town center activities follow:

Bedminster-Far Hills

THE BEDMINSTER-FAR HILLS SENIOR CITIZEN ASSOCIATION

meets at 1:30 p.m. on the third Tuesday of every month at The Clarence Dillon Library, Lamington Road and Route 206. Each meeting includes a special program and refreshments.

The membership is open to all persons 50 years or older residing in the Somerset Hills area.

For more information, call Marie Whipple at (908) 781-1923.

THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AT PLUCKEMIN

has launched a Lunch and Learn program for senior citizens.

Sessions take place noon to 1 p.m. the first Monday of each month in Fellowship Hall. Those attending can bring a bag lunch. Beverages and light desserts will be provided. There is no admission fee.

The Presbyterian Church at Pluckemin is located at 311 Routes 202-206 in the Pluckemin section of Bedminster. For more information, call (908) 658-3346 or visit www.ppch.org.

Bernardsville

BERNARDSVILLE SENIOR CENTER

meets in the Chapel of the Sacred Heart, Bernards Avenue and Maple Street, and can be reached at (908) 766-7434. All programs begin at 11 a.m. unless otherwise listed. Blood Pressure screening by the Visiting Nurses Association is held on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30 a.m.; nurse

consultation available.

Upcoming events: June 9 - Healthy Bones class at 10:30 a.m.; June 13, "Laugh Out Loud" with Yvette Halpin; June 20 - "Estate Planning" with Annmarie O'Neill; June 27 - PATH Exercise; Omelets to Order by Whitsons Catering - Call for reservations.

Branchburg

THE BRANCHBURG TOWNSHIP SENIOR CITIZENS CLUB

membership is open to Branchburg residents 55 years or older and spouses may join regardless of age. The club welcomes new members anytime.

For additional information, call (908) 371-0085. At the third Thursday of each month's meeting, members donate a non-perishable food item which is delivered to the local food bank.

Bridgewater

BRIDGEWATER SENIOR CITIZENS

meet 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Senior Center on Somerville Road. Bridge is at 9:30 a.m. and billiards for men and women. Bingo on the first Tuesday of the month. Business meetings are on the second Tuesday. The third Tuesday features a special speaker. The fourth Tuesday features a birthday luncheon. During the week there are also computer classes. Also, healthy bones, aerobics, line dancing, ballroom dancing, yoga on Thursdays and Falun Dafa on Saturdays. There is an Atlantic City trip on the first Thursday of the month. Call Elizabeth Addison (908) 658-4185.

Call Helen (908) 722-2027 or Ruth (908) 722-1926 or Ida (908) 722-2027 for information about any upcoming trips. Non-members are welcome.

Green Brook

THE GREEN BROOK SENIORS

55 and older, meet from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. every Tuesday for cards and socializing at the Senior Citizen Building, 111 Rock Ave. Beverages and dessert are provided; bring own lunch. The fourth Tuesday of the month is reserved for a business meeting. Further information on tickets and activities call Evelyn at (732) 968-1460; for information on joining call Louise at (732) 968-2988.

Hillsborough

THE HILLSBOROUGH SENIOR CENTER

meets at 339 South Branch Road,

Hillsborough (908) 369-8700.

Each month, the center provides blood pressure screening at 10:30 a.m. on the third Tuesday of the month. Mini Massage on Tuesdays at 10:00 a.m.; Exercise every Tuesday and Thursday at 10:15 a.m., and postal visits on the fourth Tuesday between 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Upcoming Events: June 13 - Nutrition Program with Nancy Rosa-Mejias; June 16 - Father's Day Celebration; June 21 - Boardwalk Day.

Manville

THE MANVILLE SENIOR CENTER

located at South Third Avenue in Manville provides regular programs throughout the month. Blood Pressure Screening on the third Thursday of each month; Exercise every Tuesday and Thursday at 11 p.m.; Bingo every Wednesday at 11:15 a.m.; Healthy Bones, every Wednesday, 1 to 2:30 p.m. Birthdays are celebrated on the fourth Thursday of the month and the Mobile Postal Service comes on the fourth Tuesday of the month.

Upcoming Events: June 16, Father's Day Celebration; June 20 - "Plant Foods" with Nancy Mejias of the Rutgers Cooperative Extension Service.

Montgomery

THE MONTGOMERY SENIOR CENTER

at 256 Skillman Road in Skillman offers Blood Pressure Screening the first Monday of the month at 9:45 a.m.; Bridge lessons every Thursday at 10:30 a.m. (Dan Recht from Princeton University Bridge Club); Exercise every Monday at 10:10; Movie every Tuesday at 10 a.m.; ESL for Chinese, Wednesday and Thursday at 10:30; Pool table and Cards available daily; Knitting and Crocheting Group meets daily; Line Dance and Yoga, alternate Fridays - call for schedule. Today: the Many Uses for Vinegar; June 9 - Mind "Exercise" - HUB Word Game; June 12 - Dangerous Drug Interactions; June 14 - Share Your Souvenirs from trips; June 15 - Bridge Game and Watercolor Class; June 16 - Diamond Trivia and Quiz; June 19 - Reverse Mortgage for Seniors; June 21 - Beginners Learn to Knit at 10:30 a.m.; June 22 - Bridge Game; June 23 - National Ice Tea Month, try different flavors; June 29 - Bridge Game and Watercolor Class.

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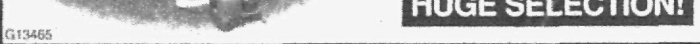
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New hip surgery available locally

A Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital surgeon is one of the first doctors in the nation trained in a breakthrough hip replacement technique recently approved for use in the United States.

David Harwood is one of approximately 50 surgeons in the U.S. offering the Birmingham Hip Resurfacing System, a bone-conserving alternative to total hip replacement surgery approved May 9 by the Food and Drug Administration. He is an attending orthopedic surgeon at the New Brunswick hospital and an associate professor of surgery at the UMDNJ.

Robert Wood Johnson Medical School.

The Birmingham Hip's approach preserves more of the patient's natural bone structure and stability, covering the joint's surfaces with an all-metal implant that more closely resembles a tooth cap than a hip implant. Rather than replacing the entire hip joint as in a total hip replacement, hip resurfacing simply shaves and caps a few centimeters of bone within the joint.

In use outside the U.S. since 1997, the Birmingham Hip's approach has been shown to reduce the postoperative risks of dislocation and inaccurate leg length. In addition, because the all-metal implant is made from tough, smooth cobalt chrome, it has the potential to last longer than traditional hip implants.

"This is one of the most exciting procedures to come along in years," Harwood said. "I see hip resurfacing as the ideal solution for many of my young, active patients who suffer from hip pain. As my patients are getting younger and younger, and are staying physically active much later in life, I've needed an alternative to total hip replacement that accommodates their age and lifestyle. The Birmingham Hip Resurfacing System is that alternative."

The Birmingham Hip implant is intended for patients suffering from hip pain due to osteoarthritis, dysplasia or avascular necrosis, and for whom total hip replacement may not be appropriate due to their increased level of physical activity. For this reason, most surgeons feel it will be ideal for patients under age 60 who live active lifestyles.

Harwood specializes in reconstructive surgery of the hip and knee. He is a leading surgeon in computer-assisted joint replacement and has been involved in joint replacement research and total joint prosthetic design.

E-mails from troops in Iraq, Afghanistan express deep thanks

More than 1,000 U.S. Priority Mail boxes packed at Commerce Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater by hundreds of volunteers May 27 have arrived in the Mideast.

Letters from grateful soldiers and Marines - including a photograph with the soldiers displaying the contents of a package - have already been received by Operation Shoebox New Jersey 2005, some less than one week after 1,192 packages carrying a special "Operation Shoebox Station" postal cancellation were loaded onto to U.S. Postal trucks for processing and shipping.

One of the letters asks that OPSHBX prepare additional packages to be sent to a medical unit in Afghanistan that has not been receiving as much good will from home. We will do so shortly.

This is what OPSHBX is all about - volunteerism and supporting our troops. It's also a tribute to all those who contributed to make this another successful OPSHBX event, especially the special team of U.S. Postal Service employees who were assembled for this off-site processing. Their assistance and expertise assured the prompt delivery of these care packages from Central New Jersey.

The letters appear below:

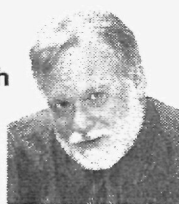
Good Afternoon,

Captain Don Cicotte, who is a Marine stationed in Qatar, came into our office this morning and with him he brought a package which he gave to Army Specialist Jennifer Sardam. Inside the box, AKA, Shoebox, were many thoughtful items which service members deployed to the Middle East miss from home. I can not state how much your kindness means to the service members you send these Shoeboxes to and how much it lifts their spirits knowing that even a stranger from home cares enough to send a package to them. Attached is a picture of the package that was received and the people who were touched by it.

Again, thank you very much for your support and thoughtfulness.

Respectfully,
Lt. Col. Martin P.

Rod Hirsch
Executive
Editor



Moerschell, USAF
ESGR Forward, Team Leader
USCENTCOM - Deployed

My name is Sgt Harkness and my unit has received several packages and letters from Operation Shoebox. I wanted to thank you all for everything that you have done and are doing. It means a lot to us over here to see support from back in the states. Your letters of support mean a lot to us as well, especially from the kids. I especially enjoy reading letters from the kids. Thank you so much for everything!

Sgt. Harkness
United States Marine Corps
Baghdad, Iraq

Operation Shoebox,

It is with the greatest appreciation that I am writing this letter to you. My name is SSG Erik K. Zlatkin. I am a medic on the 759th Forward Surgical Team. We have been in Afghanistan for over half a year now, providing medical support to our fellow soldiers and coalition forces.

This is the second and in some case third deployment for my teammates. We are still motivated and proud to be doing our duty overseas. There is no feeling that remotely compares with the acknowledgement and appreciation of our countrymen.

All of the boxes were terrific, and put a smile on the faces of countless soldiers. As you may imagine we are constantly running low on personal supplies. Other items such as candy bars and snack food are always a nice change to the daily routine of army food. Basically the packages hit the spot perfectly.

Seeing as how this is an ongoing operation, I would like to ask if you could help out our sister unit also located in Afghanistan. They have not been as lucky as us in regards to care packages from friends and family back home. They

are quite busy and could use the great support you have shown us and so many others. Their address is:

TF 2/87
759TH Forward Surgical
Team
FOB ANED
APO AE 09354

Please send our deepest thanks to everyone who has taken some small part in this wonderful operation. You are the reason we put on the uniform everyday. To all those who have kept us in their prayers, thank you. God bless you all, and God bless America.

SSG Erik K Zlatkin
759th Forward Surgical
Team
FOB Lagman
APO AE 09355

Dear Mr. Hirsch,

My name is Staff Sergeant Casey Wiley. I am currently deployed to Afghanistan with the 10th Mountain Division from Fort Polk, La. We have received a care package with various hygiene products, newspapers, and most importantly letters of support. The reason that I categorized the items that we received in this manner is because the letters are what my men like to see the most. It is the support from home that keeps us doing what must be done.

I would appreciate it very much if you would pass along my thanks to the following organizations: Marine Corps League Detachment 927 from Annandale, NJ, Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 2290 from Manville, NJ, Canal Walk Veterans' Club from Somerset, NJ, and of course everyone that either supports or volunteers with the Operation Shoebox organization.

I do have a pair of special thanks to mention that I would like help getting out also. First and foremost, there is a senior at Parsippany Hills High School in Parsippany, NJ who hand-wrote a very nice letter of support. Although she did not give her full name, I do know from her letter that she played soccer, softball, and basketball and wants to go to college as an elementary education teacher. To this young lady, I wish to say thank YOU very much for what you did.



COURTESY LT. COL. MARTIN P. MOERSCHHELL, USAF
Army Specialist Jennifer Sardam, at left, and two unidentified soldiers hold the U.S. Postal Service Priority Mail box and the items it contained after it was received last week in Iraq. The box was one of more than 1,000 packed and shipped May 27 by volunteers from Operation Shoebox New Jersey 2005. The commander of the unit, Lt. Col. Martin P. Moerschell, USAF, writes: "I cannot state how much your kindness means to the service members you send these Shoeboxes to and how much it lifts their spirits knowing that even a stranger from home cares enough to send a package to them."

Your letter was extremely refreshing, and it could not have come at a better time if it were scheduled. Please know that you have personally made a difference in our operations through your support.

Next, I would like to thank the Somerset Patriots organization. In the newspaper copy that we received with the care package (The Reporter, dated Thursday, February 16, 2006), there is an article about the Patriots supporting the troops through ticket sale promotions. I believe that this is a shining example of how an organization can use their loyal fan base to support the young men and women who are fighting 8,000 miles from home. To the Patriots, I say this. Challenge everyone else to do the same. If they question your motives, give them my name.

Please pass along my thanks to these individuals and organizations for me. I will be passing my appreciations and the appreciations of my men along to them personally. I just wanted to ensure that they were thanked immediately, as it will take me much longer to do so. Also, please pass along my e-mail address to the senior if you could find her for me so that I can contact her directly. I will contact you again for assistance with contacting these people directly once I redeploy. Again, please spread my thanks.

Sincerely,
SSG Casey J. Wiley.
C Co 2-4 INF
U.S. Army

We also received a letter from the wife of a soldier now serving his second tour of duty in Iraq. The couple lives in Colorado.

I wanted to drop a line on behalf of my husband, his soldiers and myself to thank you for all that you have sent him in the past several months. It was very kind of you to keep them in your thoughts. I know that they have all appreciated everything and it brings a smile to their face when they get mail. I am so very sorry that this thank you took so long to get to you. We do appreciate everything and are grateful for all that you have done.

Thank you so very much
Tina Liptrap

Found money

The defunct Somerset County Mayors Association came to life briefly last week, long enough to contribute \$320.89 to Operation Shoebox New Jersey 2005.

Manville Mayor Angelo Corradino, who serves as treasurer of the organization, received a notice from Bank of America that the long dormant account maintained by the mayors' group - with a balance of \$320.89 - was about to be closed out, and the money forwarded to the New Jersey Secretary of State office.

Corradino, a strong supporter of OPSHBX, reached out to the other mayors and asked whether they'd agree

to donate the money to OPSHBX. They did, and we thank them for their gesture.

We need help

There's always much to be done behind the scenes, and we have two need major needs right now.

We need several volunteers to help man the portable concession stands at Commerce Bank Ballpark for the Somerset Patriots June 22 game against the Camden Riversharks. That's a Wednesday, with a 7:05 p.m. start. Volunteers need to arrive at the ballpark by 5:30 p.m. for orientation and instructions. OPSHBX also has three dates - all 7:05 p.m. starts - at the ballpark August 15, 16 and 17 for which we need volunteers.

We also need help filling out customs forms that are required to be attached to every package that is shipped overseas. It's tedious work, and a neat handwriting makes life easier for everyone who needs to read the label. This is a good group exercise for students, seniors, office groups and families. Once we show you how it's done, you can spend time at home, in the office or classroom filling them out. Please call if you are interested.

Rod Hirsch is executive editor of The Chronicle. He can be reached at (908) 575-6684; email rhirsch@njnpublishing.com, or check opshboxnj.org for further information.

Letters to the Editor

Now is right time to protest the war

To The Editor:

In Mayor Gallagher's opinion piece (May 25) to The Reporter on the meaning of Memorial Day he mentions that "It is very easy to demonstrate against issues." Going against the grain is never easy. Easier is to pretend everything is OK.

He writes that it is "far more important ... to demonstrate our support for those that carry out our nation's conviction."

Our message and purpose is in support of our troops. At a time when the Bush administration offers no timetable for withdrawing

troops, when veterans' benefits are put on the budget chopping block and our government passes \$70 billion in tax cuts for our nations wealthiest, it is time to stand up and demonstrate.

The tone of Mayor Gallagher's piece leaves no doubt as to the intentions behind his proposed ordinance to limit demonstrations at Borough Hall.

If our military is fighting to "allow us to live in a society that enables ... freedom of dissension," why is he trying to curtail that freedom. As we gather to demonstrate, we too "unite for a common goal ... fight

for a better vision, and (are) willing to give of the individual for the betterment of all."

We feel it is our moral obligation to speak out against a war that is too costly and painfully unnecessary.

As we demonstrate, we teach our children that we appreciate the sacrifices of our military, but that we want them home safely as soon as possible. We also teach them that speaking out against what we feel is wrong is our duty, our privilege and our right.

CLAUDIA BAYAIT
Somerville

Earn your citizenship

To The Editor:

I would like to make a few brief comments about the article "Immigration at a crossroads" that appeared in the May 4 issue of The Reporter.

The first thing I noticed was that the photo of Felix Garcia and the American flag hanging behind him. Either the photo was printed backward or the flag is improperly hung.

The blue field should be on the upper left and not the

right. Check with American Legion or VFW.

I was very happy with Felix going to work while other immigrants were protesting.

It is a shame that those protesters didn't take the time to realize what they were doing.

Illegal immigrants have committed a crime when they crossed the border or overstayed their visas intentionally.

To grant them amnesty is rewarding them for their

crime. Would you reward a bank robber for robbing a bank?

Why not go back to your country and protest to that government? Here, in the U.S., the biggest reward for coming here legally, working hard and learn to communicate in English, is U.S. citizenship.

Don't steal your way, earn it, like the rest of us.

TED ZYCHLINSKI
South Plainfield

Robert Yuzuik
Mack Trucks
Allentown, Pa.

I'm a
Patriot
How 'bout you?

Bob Yuzuik is a longtime OPSHBX volunteer whose son, a former Army captain, was part of the initial wave of American troops that invaded Iraq in 2003. Bob and his wife Terry have long supported US troops overseas, continuing on their own to ship care packages overseas to soldiers and Marines even after their son returned home. The Yuzuiks are regular participants in OPSHBX packing events and Bob has secured several shipments of donations from suppliers. He and his wife organized a neighbor

sale in Branchburg last October involving one dozen families which helped raise over \$900 for OPSHBX. Join The Reporter, Bob Yuzuik and other citizens and businesses who support Operation Shoebox New Jersey 2005. Salute the sacrifice of our brave servicemen and women serving overseas. Be a Patriot Support OPSHBX. Call Rod Hirsch, executive editor of The Reporter at (908) 575-6684 or click www.NJ.com/shoeboxnj for further information.

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Family in mourning thanks community

To all family and friends:

Due to the overwhelming amount of people who took the time out of their day to come and pay their respects to our son, it is impossible to send each an individual thank you. So, we just wanted to say thank you from the deepest part of our hearts. You held us in your arms, and your love for our son kept us tall. We were blindsided by the amount of people our son, Carmelo, had touched, and we feel that we need to respond to your support in this tragic period of time. On behalf of our son, Carmelo Sciortino, we have set up a scholarship fund in his memory and name, to inspire others on his philosophy of life. We could have never imagined that one teenager, with such quiet charisma, could have had such an extraordinary effect on so many diverse people! Every

moment is too short, and needs to be remembered, and he accomplished that in his time here with us. In Carmelo's favorite words, "Everything is alright." Lastly, on behalf of all our family, thank you once again.

Enrico, Geraldina, Angela, Olympia and Armando Sciortino and family
Bridgewater

The first Carmelo Sciortino Scholarship will be awarded to a student-athlete at Bridgewater-Raritan High School's sports banquet June 13 at the Bridgewater Manor. To contribute to the scholarship fund, make checks payable to B-R Panther Athletic Club. In the memo section write "Carmelo Sciortino Scholarship." Mail checks to Enrico and Geraldina Sciortino, 76 Bradley Lane, Bridgewater, NJ 08807.



Carmelo Sciortino, center, celebrates his 19th birthday with his family at home in Bridgewater April 13. Carmelo passed away May 21 when his heart stopped while he was playing baseball with friends. Pictured from left to right are his father Enrico Sciortino, sister Angela, Carmelo, his mother Geraldina Sciortino, sister Olympia, and brother Armando.

COURTESY SCIORTINO FAMILY

Support New Jersey farms and farmers

By MICHELE S. BYERS

Most people support preserving New Jersey's farmland. And many county and local governments now have farmland preservation funding to match New Jersey's State Farmland Preservation Program, all aimed at keeping strip malls and McMansions off prime farmland.

While voters deserve a pat on the back for supporting these programs, we can't overlook an everyday means of saving farmland: where we shop!

Even though builders often offer lots of money for farmland, many farmers don't want to sell. But the economic realities of farming can entice or force farmers to sell their land. For many New Jersey farmers, the difference between being in business and losing a farm that may have been in their family for generations, is just one or two bad harvests.

New Jersey farmers need lots of incentives, including the State Farmland Preservation Program and other ideas to keep farming viable! With this in mind, the New Jersey Conservation Foundation joined with South Jersey agricultural leaders to form the Tri-County Agriculture Retention Partnership — a collaborative effort to encourage the viability of family farms in Cumberland, Gloucester and Salem Counties. After all, farm-er preservation is one of the most effective ways to preserve farmland — financially

successful farms generally remain active farms.

One way you can help farmers and farms to stay in New Jersey is with your wallet!

When farmers sell directly to consumers they get the full value of their products by cutting out the many middlemen. It puts more money in their pockets and boosts their often razor-thin profit margins.

You can find local produce in lots of places:

— If you live near a farm — check out its farm stand! Contact the Northeast Organic Farming Association of New Jersey at www.nofan.org or (609) 737-6848 to find a local organic farm.

— Look for farmers markets in your area — The U.S. Department of Agriculture has a list at www.ams.usda.gov/farmersmarkets/States/NewJersey.htm, and a searchable list is also available at www.newfarm.org/farmlocator/index.php.

Another way to help support and save farms is Community Supported Agriculture, which takes many forms. You can become a "shareholder" in a farmer's harvest by investing in the farm at the beginning of each year. Shareholders receive weekly or monthly supplies of fresh produce.

So the next time you want to buy fresh fruits and vegetables, buy directly from the farmer!

Michele S. Byers is executive director of Far Hills-based New Jersey Conservation Foundation.

Letters to the Editor

Hunger doesn't take a vacation

To The Editor:

The month of June is the traditional start of vacation time. But for many adults and children in Somerset County, hunger doesn't take a vacation. You can help alleviate hunger in our communities by making a quick and easy donation at the curb on your recycling days in June.

All county households have received special orange plastic bags with instructions for the annual Curbing Hunger food collection printed on them. Please look for the orange bags tied to the handle of your blue recycling bucket and fill them with canned goods. Regular plastic bags marked with the words "Food" or "Curbing Hunger" can also be used.

Canned food donations will be collected at the curb on

your regular recycling days from June 5 through June 30. All donations will go to the Food Bank Network of Somerset County and local food pantries.

Somerset County proudly served as the pilot for the Curbing Hunger program created in 1995 by the Rev. Stephen Rozzelle of St. Mark's Episcopal Church in Basking Ridge. The county has enthusiastically participated in the food collection every year since — this is our 12th year.

To date, we've collected over half a million pounds of food in Somerset County. Our recycling and public works crews, along with many volunteers, have helped make this program a success year after year.

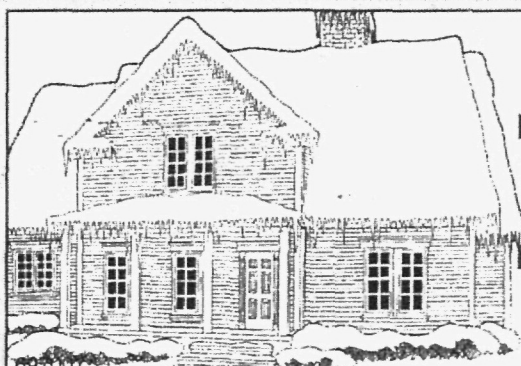
The Food Bank serves

about 2,500 people a month. During the summer months, food supplies are usually at a low since there are no holiday collections, many people are away on vacation and schools are closed. That's why the Curbing Hunger program is so critically important to families and individuals in need.

Somerset County enjoys a unique quality of life, partly due to the involvement and cooperation of its residents. I encourage everyone to continue this wonderful united spirit and do what you can to help make sure no one in Somerset County goes to bed hungry.

KEN SCHERER

Somerset County Freeholder
The writer is director of the Somerset County Board of Chosen Freeholders.



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Middlesex County Briefs

Dunellen school dresses up for ball

DUNELLEN — The Busy Bee Nursery School holds its second annual Bug Ball at 6 p.m. Saturday, June 10.

This royal event is in the religious education building of the Dunellen United Methodist Church, 316 Jackson Ave. Have your son or daughter ages 3-7 years old dress up as a favorite prince or princess. A king and queen of the ball will be crowned. Tiaras and wands will be provided.

Cost is \$10 per family and includes refreshments. All children must be accompanied by an adult. For tickets, call Kathy at (732) 968-7650.

Edison girl taking part in state 4-H program

Rutgers University will be host to the 2006 State 4-H Public Presentations Program to be held on Saturday, June 10 at Hickman Hall on the Cook/Douglass Campus in New Brunswick.

This event offers qualified 4-H members an advanced public speaking experience. Participants are encouraged to return from the contest and assist younger 4-H members in their county to develop their public speaking skills.

Nearly 130-150 4-H members in New Jersey are scheduled to attend, among them Sarah Rusk of Edison, a Somerset County 4-H member.

Judging will be done by educators and 4-H volunteers. Ribbons and Outstanding Presentation Awards will be given at the close of the program.

To qualify for this state 4-H event, members must be in Grade 8-up and have received an excellent rating in the county 4-H Public Presentation Contest.

Don't cook — eat with Knights

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The

Knights of Columbus hold their annual "Don't Cook on Friday" dinner June 16.

Servings are from 4-7:30 p.m. in the Knights' hall at 334 Hamilton Blvd. The menu includes pasta, sausage, meatballs, salad, bread, coffee, tea and dessert. Cost is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and \$4 for children under age 12.

For more information, call Bill Butrico at (908) 561-8128. Proceeds benefit the Knights' local charities fund.

Family agency is concert sponsor

BOUND BROOK — Family & Community Services of Somerset County sponsors a concert with the Orchestra of St. Peter by the Sea.

The concert is at 5 p.m. Sunday, June 25 at the Nicholas Music Center, on the New Brunswick campus of Rutgers University. The orchestra is under the direction of Rev. Alphonse Stevenson.

Admission is \$40. For tickets, call (732) 356-1082.

Library hosting concert July 8

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — At 7 p.m. on July 8 the South Plainfield Knights of Columbus will be hosting its second annual live acoustic concert with pop recording artists Billy and Rose Falcon.

Tickets are limited and are available by advance sales only. All proceeds will go towards the South Plainfield Knights of Columbus charity fund.

Tickets are \$20 for adults and \$15 for anyone under 18. This price includes the concert and the "after show" party where the performers will mingle with the audience and refreshments will be served. For tickets or additional information, call Brian Cargill at (908) 755-9717.

Anniversary parade par-

ticipants sought

BOUND BROOK — The Parade Committee for the Bound Brook 325th Anniversary celebration, being held Oct. 8, is looking for local groups to sponsor floats depicting various historical eras during the history of Bound Brook, from the signing of the deed with the Indians right up until today's redevelopment efforts.

The committee is looking for local organizations to sponsor a float in the parade.

Some float examples include: The making of the Betsy Ross flag, The Revolutionary War period, the founding of local churches, the opening of the borough's first school, the founding of the local library, the flood which took place in the 1800s, as well as Tropical Storm Floyd in 1999, or the railroad coming to the borough.

Any group interested should contact Phyllis Pournaras at (732) 356-0141. The organizers of the parade will make an effort to supply a flatbed truck, if needed, as well as give ideas on how to put together the float. The committee will have a list of historical times to give suggestions.

Middlesex poster contest winners

MIDDLESEX — Winners have been announced in the coloring poster contest sponsored by the Middlesex Alliance Committee.

Austin Brodnax was the overall grand prize winner.

Grade winners were Caroline Walter, kindergarten, Hazelwood School; Austin Brodnax, Hazelwood School Grade 1; Kate Petervary, Watchung School, Grade 2; and Lisa Hamilton, Watchung School, Grade 3.

Runner-up grade winners were Jeremy Arias, kindergarten, Hazelwood School; Ashley Dotey, Grade 1, Watchung School; Harry Sandho, Grade 2, Watchung School; and Jenna Martemucci,

Our Lady of Mount Virgin School, Grade 3.

All winners received awards and gift certificates at the Borough Council meeting on April 25. The winning posters will be on display at Borough Hall through June.

Support group for teens being formed

EDISON — A support group is being formed for teen victims of rape and sexual assault.

This support group is coordinated by the Rape Crisis Intervention Center of the Middlesex County Public Health Department. Group sessions begin in June and are open to those ages 13-17. Space is on a first-come, first-served basis.

An intake appointment is recommended. Those interested can call (877) 665-7273, Ext. 321, between 8:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Police Youth Week planned in July

PISCATAWAY — Police Youth Week has been scheduled for July 10-14.

This program is open to any student who will enter Grade 7 or 8 in September. Participants must live in Piscataway or go to school in the township.

The purpose of the weeklong program is to foster better communications between youth and police through education.

Applications are available in the police station on Sidney Road or any middle school in Piscataway. All applications must be completed and returned by Friday, June 9.

For more information, call Detective Calvin Laughlin at (732) 562-2349 or Detective Frank Hackler at (732) 562-2368.

Governor's School includes local teens

EDISON — Two Edison boys

have been accepted for Governor's School programs over the summer.

Jack Groshen was accepted for the Governor's School of Public Issues, a four-week program held at Monmouth University in West Long Branch.

Matthew R. Rodriguez was accepted for the Governor's School of Engineering and Technology. This four-week program is at the Rutgers School of Engineering in Piscataway.

Both students attend the Middlesex County Academy for Science, Mathematics and Engineering Technologies, located on the Edison campus of Middlesex County College. The academy is affiliated with the Middlesex County Vocational and Technical Schools.

Police lieutenant finishes program

EDISON — Patrick W. Kelly has graduated from the West Point Command and Leadership Program, held at the United States Military Academy in West Point, N.Y.

He is supervisor of the Community Policing Unit in the Edison Police Department with the rank of lieutenant. Kelly joined the Police Department in 1985, became a sergeant in 1994 and was promoted to lieutenant in 2004.

The program is open to officers in New Jersey police departments and is sponsored by the New Jersey State Association of Chiefs of Police.

Middlesex again a 'Tree City'

MIDDLESEX — This community has been named a Tree City USA for the 17th year.

Tree City USA is a program sponsored by the National Arbor Day Foundation in cooperation with the National Association of

State Foresters and the USDA Forest Service.

Middlesex has met the four standards to become a Tree City USA: a tree department, a tree care ordinance, a comprehensive community forestry program and a local observance of Arbor Day.

SBB school board meetings

SOUTH BOUND BROOK — The Board of Education has announced its meetings for 2006-07.

Meetings are scheduled for June 15, July 20, Aug. 17, Sept. 7, Sept. 28, Oct. 19, Nov. 2, Nov. 16, Dec. 14, Jan. 18, Feb. 1, Feb. 13, March 8, March 29 and April 5. All meetings begin at 7:30 p.m. in Room 140 at Robert Morris School.

BBHS Class of '66 plans 40th reunion

BOUND BROOK — The Bound Brook High School Class of 1966 holds its 40th reunion on Saturday, Nov. 25.

Those with information on "missing" classmates, call Becky at (908) 850-8559 or Amy at (908) 788-7194. Reservations for the event are now being taken.

Drunk-driving spot wins prize

The Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders awarded the Woodbridge campus of the Middlesex County Vocational and Technical Schools \$1,000 for a first place award in the seventh annual 3-D Middlesex County Public Service Announcement Video Contest, "Don't Drink and Drive."

Richard Donofrio, an occupational instructor at the Woodbridge campus, helped the students produce the 30-second announcement on the perils of driving drunk. NCADD will provide gift certificates to the students involved.

★★★Police News★★★

Branchburg

Kathleen Ayers, 45, of Branchburg, was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated at 4:36 p.m. June 5 following a stop on Kenbury Road for swerving. She was also issued motor vehicle summonses for driving while suspended, resisting arrest and careless driving.

Bridgewater

Officers stationed on Route 22 West noticed two motorcycles speeding in excess of 100 miles per hour at 11:50 on Wednesday, May 31.

Police followed the two riders as they disregarded red lights at Somerset Corporate Boulevard and Country Club Road before turning onto Milltown Road to get on Route 28 East. From there, one motorcyclist turned onto Meadow Road, and police followed the other, finally pulling over Michael R. Dunn, 21, of Somerville, just past the intersection of Vista Boulevard and Route 28.

Dunn, who was unable to produce a drivers license for the motorcycle, had fishtailed and tipped over as he pulled off the road, and his motorcycle appeared to be damaged and leaking fluid.

He told police he did not know who the other motorcyclist was, but had been playing around with a friend of his on Routes 22 and 287 all day, speeding and doing stunts.

Dunn was charged with eluding a police officer in the third degree, along with eight motor vehicle violations. He was taken to the Somerset County Jail.

Beth Krail, 31, of Bedminster, was stopped on Route 22 West in Bridgewater after police observed her Toyota Corolla traveling at 77 miles per hour.

When asked, Krail admitted to having five beers at Houlihan's and the Bridgewater Manor, and was unable to complete sobriety tests.

Police had her car towed and took her to the Bridgewater Police Department Headquarters, where they administered a breath test. Krail was issued summons for speeding and for driving under the influence, and released to the custody of a friend.

At 12:58 p.m. last Friday, police were called to the Bridgewater Mall after security officers for Lord and Taylor and Bloomingdales gave chase to a man suspected of shoplifting. Police caught the suspect, Jose Feliciano of Perth Amboy, on Prince Rogers Avenue.

Security personnel reported seeing Feliciano, first in Lord and Taylor and then at Bloomingdales, with two shopping bags that he lifted over the detectors at Bloomingdales to avoid setting them off. When the security guards confronted him, he dropped the bags and took off on foot.

In one of the bags was 14 pairs of DKNY jeans, valued at \$725.94. Feliciano, 34, was charged with shoplifting in the third degree, and was taken to the Somerset County Jail in lieu of \$25,000 bail with no 10 percent option.

Green Brook

Michael Gephardt, 42, of Bayonne was stopped on Route 22 East at 4:49 p.m. June 5 for driving on the shoulder. He was issued motor vehicle summonses for careless driving and driving while suspended.

Between 4:30 p.m. June 3 and 11 a.m. June 5 someone stole 100 car batteries and a transfer case from a pallet in the unsecured rear lot of Green Brook Pontiac GMC on Route 22 West. The batteries are valued at \$200 each and the transfer case is valued at \$6,296.

Naeem Boyd, 28, of Plainfield, was stopped at 11:26 a.m. June 5 on Route 22 East and was issued motor vehicle summonses for driving while suspended and being an unlicensed driver. Police also discovered more than \$24,000 in warrants from Union County, Perth Amboy and Tinton Falls for Boyd. He was turned over to the Union County Sheriff's Office.

Police stopped Bruce Anderson, Jr., 27, of Plainfield on for swerving on Route 22 East near the Ivory Tower Motel at 1:28 a.m. June 5. During the stop, Anderson gave police false identification information, reports said. He was issued motor vehicle summonses for hindering, driving while suspended, being an unlicensed driver, failure to maintain a lane and driving an unregistered vehicle.

Edison Nunez, 38, of North Plainfield, was arrested for obstruction after he failed to clear a fire scene. According to authorities, police responded to the report of a dumpster fire at Family Care, 257 Route 22 East, at 9:18 p.m. June 3, where they observed Nunez's car parked in between the building and the burning dumpster. Police had to ask Nunez several times to move his vehicle before he complied. Additionally, said police, Nunez failed to leave the fire scene when asked and struggled with police when they attempted to arrest him. He was charged with obstruction, resisting arrest and failure to obey officers.

Police stopped Tomas Franco, 30, of East Brunswick, at 2:43 a.m. June 4 on Route 22 East after he was observed swerving along the highway. He was arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated. Franco was also issued motor vehicle summonses for reckless driving, failure to maintain a lane and failure to exhibit a drivers license.

Somerville

A cafeteria employee at Somerset Medical Center reported \$200 missing from her purse, which had been in a room near where she worked, at 10:23 a.m. on Sunday.

Police questioned another employee, who had observed Danielle Rulka, also an employee, bending over the purse and putting something in her pocket. When Rulka was asked to reveal the contents of her pockets and purse, she initially refused, claiming she had \$3 with her. Finally, she complied, revealing three \$1 bills in her purse and two \$100 bills concealed between papers. Rulka, 55, told police she had brought the bills from home for the street fair.

After some discussion, Rulka admitted taking the money from her co-worker, who signed a complaint against Rulka. The money was returned, and no charges were filed.

Brandon Jones, 32, of Somerville stole several gift cards and the keys to a maroon 2004 Jeep Grand Cherokee SUV while at a party on Sunday, May 28. The vehicle was reported stolen from a lot on Brookside Avenue Monday morning by the owner, who discovered that her keys were missing.

Jones had been arrested on an outstanding warrant from Green Brook after being in an accident with the vehicle in North Plainfield. The vehicle, its contents — which included a Magellan RoadMate navigation system, two baby seats, and a number of CDs — and the gift cards were valued at almost \$49,000.

From Green Brook, Jones had been taken to the Somerset County Jail, where he was charged with theft by unlawful taking for the incident in Somerville. Bail was set at \$50,000.

Warren

The weekend getaway on Friday was snarled by a five-vehicle wreck that badly injured a motorist on Interstate 78.

Kevin M. Boland, 40, of Millburn was trapped inside his 2003 Honda Civic and had to be cut out of his car by the Warren Township Fire Department. He was flown to Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick with a severely fractured leg plus head and chest injuries.

State Police at the Somerville barracks responded along with the Fire Department, Warren Township First Aid Squad and township police.

The accident occurred at 4:25 p.m. at mile marker 36.3 as a 2003 Hummer H2 driven by Paula M. Krinski, 30, of Brooklyn was traveling westbound. The Hummer crossed the grassy median into the eastbound lanes and was hit in the passenger side by the Honda, according to a State Police report.

After the Honda hit the Hummer, according to the report, the Honda was hit on its passenger side by a 2000 Mercury Sable driven by Warren K.

Hanson, 62, of Westfield.

Two other vehicles tried to avoid the wreck but received minor damage. They were a 2003 Hyundai Santa Fe driven by Patricia Gialanella, 44, of Metuchen and a 2001 Mazda Protegé driven by Adrienne L. Collier, 51, of Irvington.

Kosinski suffered a minor leg injury but declined treatment.

A purse was snatched June 2 from a parked car at the Warren Racquets Club on Mount Bethel Road.

The Somerset County Road Department and Jersey Central Power & Light were summoned to repair utility boxes damaged in a one-car accident June 3. According to police, a car driven by Michael Mastroianni of Basking Ridge went off Mount Bethel Road near Mountview Road and collided with the utility boxes at 8:25 a.m. He was not injured.

Another accident on Mount Bethel Road occurred June 3 at the intersection with Mountain Boulevard. According to police, a car driven by Beata Halligato of Warren collided with a car driven by Catherine Golinski of Green Brook. Golinski declined treatment for a minor injury while Halligato was cited for careless driving.

Four citations were issued to Joseph Blazek of Stirling following a one-car accident early June 4. According to police, a car driven by Blazek went off Stirling Road and collided with a tree at 1:03 a.m. He was cited for leaving the scene of an accident, failure to report an accident, failure to maintain his lane and careless driving.

Watchung

Tire tracks were found May 26 on a lawn where two shrubs were run over. Police said the tracks measured almost 12 feet.

A 2005 Mercedes-Benz S600 sedan was scratched with a key May 26 at the Blue Star Shopping Center near Kohl's.

Amin J. Poole, 29, of Orange was arrested May 26 and turned over to Green Brook police on a warrant for failure to appear in that township. He was behind the wheel of a car that had a headlight out and was stopped by Watchung police on Route 22 East in Scotch Plains at 12:59 a.m. Poole was cited for the burned-out headlamp and also for driving with a suspended license.

A shoplifter took off from Sears, Roebuck & Co. on Route 22 East with under \$200 worth of clothing May 27. Police were not able to provide a description of the shoplifter.

A credit card was reported stolen June 1 from Valley Furniture on Stirling Road. According to police, who were notified of the theft the following day, the credit card was used at several stores for purchases totaling over \$1,500.

Making dreams come true

By JENNIFER ROSENBAUM
Correspondent

WARREN — Two area families can now utter that triumphant phrase "I'm going to Disney World" thanks to the fundraising efforts of Bret Kaye, who raised \$14,700 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey.

Kaye, 19, of Warren, was joined last week by family, friends and donors, as well as students and teachers, at the back of the Somerset Hills School building for the unveiling of bricks he sold in the Warren community and to local businesses to raise money for ill children.

The bricks, which went for \$100 to \$300, and are engraved with the names of those who purchased them, are now part of the back wall of the school.

"It is a great place for the wall to be on display and for everyone to enjoy," said Jerry Amedeo, executive director of the school and its summer camp, Camp Harmony.

"This fundraiser was a vision I had two years ago after being inspired by the work my dad has done for the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey," said Kaye, who raised the money during his senior year at Watchung Hills Regional High School.

Kaye's successful efforts will enable Make-A-Wish to grant

the wishes of two families with children who have life threatening medical conditions.

Fifty percent of the wishes Make-A-Wish receives in New Jersey are for Disney World trips, said Thomas P. Weatherall, president and CEO of the foundation. "A wish child going to Disney is VIP," he said.

Weatherall said he is "overwhelmed and impressed by the efforts every time and the individuality of each fundraiser."

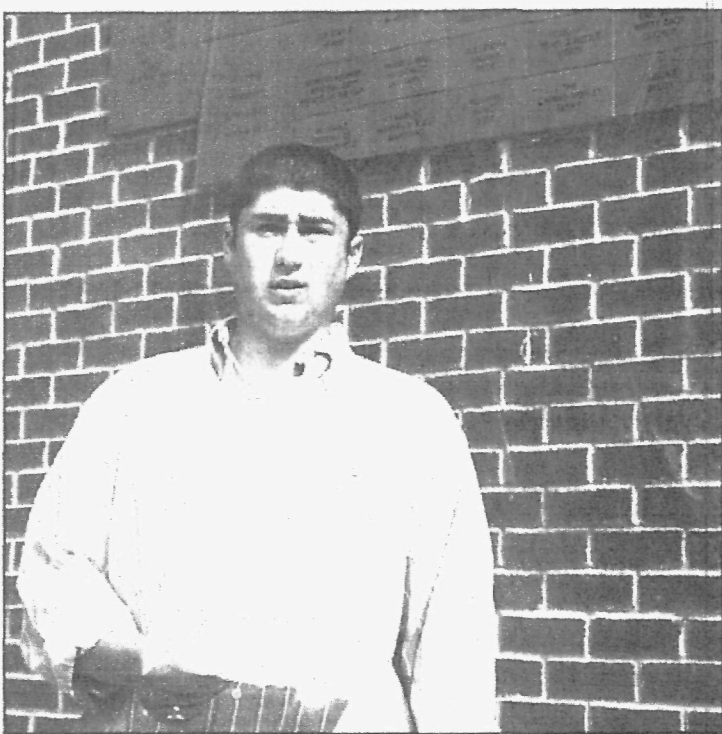
Kaye, who was a camper at Somerset Hills when he was younger, said he chose to permanently display the bricks at the school because of all the fun he had there.

Kaye described his efforts as "an eye opening experience," and he realized that "one person could make a difference."

One student from Somerset Hills School said he looks forward to seeing the brick wall on a daily basis.

"I feel good for the people (the two families). It makes me happy to see others happy," said 10-year-old John Paul Alfaro, 10.

Kaye, who just finished his freshman year at the University of Colorado at Boulder, where he is a business major, still remains active in charity work for the Make-A-Wish Foundation "by talking to people and trying to inspire them."



GEORGE PACCIOLLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Bret Kaye of Warren stands in front of bricks he sold to raise \$14,700 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. The bricks are permanently displayed at Somerset Hills School in Warren.

Pennino in gold-medal form

Reaches personal best to capture State Group 4 javelin

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

After falling off somewhat following his victory at the Penn Relays, Jeremy Pennino realized it was time to put things together for one final push.

With his sights set on the Watchung Hills High record and a chance at the Meet of Champions title, Pennino took a major step towards both objectives Saturday when he captured the Group IV javelin at Egg Harbor Township High School in the NJSIAA group track and field championships.

Pennino earned the lone gold medal by an area athlete during the two-day competitions, while Somerville's Mason Robinson was the only performer to advance in two events, taking third in the 100 meters and fourth in the 200 in Group II.

Kyle DeGhetto of Bernards

and Taylor Siegrist of Bridgewater-Raritan also posted top-five finishes — DeGhetto taking fifth in the Group II pole vault and Siegrist sixth in the girls Group IV javelin.

The top six finishers in each event along with the leading "wild card" performers from the six groups advanced to Wednesday's scheduled Meet of Champions. Adam Gruchacz of Bridgewater-Raritan and Watchung Hills' Brian Monetti, Krystina Laucik and Ryan Olexson all earned wild cards.

Although he had yet to be defeated this spring, Pennino entered the group meet having struggled to regain the form that gave him the Penn Relays crown. With a throw of 192 feet 5 inches on his initial attempt

and a personal-best 195-6 two throws later, the senior appears to have returned to form.

"It felt really good," he said. "It definitely felt like the break-through I needed. I hadn't been throwing well since the Penn Relays, so I really felt like I needed to do something."

"My best throw felt like the one I had at Penn. It was the most power with the hard-est pull. The second I let it go I knew I had a big one, and it didn't hurt at all. It was a dream throw. It was the kind of throw you wish you have every time."

"I was pretty happy for the most part with all my throws except for the 170. I was kind of feeling it. I was trying the same each time. I didn't have the same explosion in the finals but by then I was tired. My form was never compromised, but my endurance wasn't there."

As it turned out his first throw of the day would've been good enough to win as Steven Pierce finished second with a 187-8 on a day when conditions weren't the best.

"I was thinking 192 wasn't going to do it. Actually I was a little nervous," Pennino said. "It was raining and the air was really heavy, but the track was pretty good. It wasn't as desirable as the Penn Relays and other meets, but it was one of those things that I didn't think about it raining around me. I just blocked it out and threw."

Pennino's winning throw was the second-best effort of the day with Sean Biehn of Burlington City taking Group I with a heave of 199-11. For the season Pennino ranks behind Delbarton's Mark Paski (202-1) and Biehn (201-0).

"(Saturday) I took a little step, but I'm still not where I

need to be," he said. "Unless I throw my best by five to 10 feet I don't have a chance to compete with those guys. I have to believe I can do it or I won't. If I put every bit of energy I have and every bit of the energy I get from my family and friends, I can win."

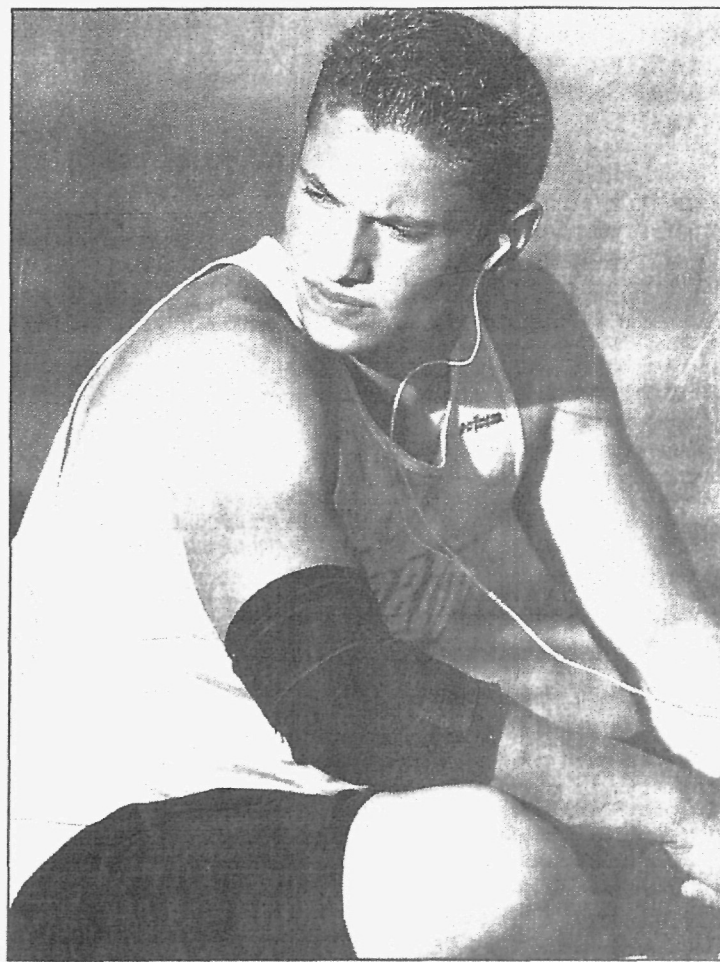
While Pennino celebrated his victory down in Atlantic County, Somerville's Robinson was lamenting his tough weekend. After winning three gold medals and one silver in the sectional meet, the junior managed to advance in just two of four events, failing to move on in the 400 and the 1600 relay.

Robinson did recover from a big problem in the 100 as he overcame a broken starting block to take third in 10.93 seconds behind West Deptford's A.J. Bunton (10.85) and Pleasantville's Lindsey Shannon (10.92), while he was fourth in the 200 (22.54) as Bunton won in 21.87.

"I could've done better, but I'll live with it," Robinson said. "I was a little disappointed with the 100. My start wasn't very good. My starting block kind of broke, and I didn't get off to a good start. In the 200 I didn't finish strong. For the first 100 meters I was second, but I think I got out too strong because I couldn't see where the faster runners were."

"The 400 was the same at the 200. The defending champion was in lane four and I was in six. I couldn't see where he was and went out too fast. I kind of fell into his race and didn't run mine. In the relay we didn't have as good a race as we should have. Cesar Garcia ran pretty well, but the rest of us didn't."

Despite his tough weekend in the Group II meet, which was in South Plainfield,



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Watchung Hills High senior Jeremy Pennino, here relaxing between throws during recent competition, established a personal best by heaving the javelin 195-6 to win the State Group 4 championship in Egg Harbor Township.

Robinson went into the Meet of Champions looking for gold.

"I'd like to place first in the 100 with a PR," he said. "In the 200 I'd like to place and PR there, too, but I'm really focusing on the 100."

Bernards had one pole-vaulter place in Group II but it wasn't the one everyone expected. DeGhetto, who's been No. 2 or 3 this spring for the Mountaineers, cleared 13 feet for fifth place.

Ricky Zamora, meanwhile, saw his appeal to be allowed into the group meet denied by the State Commissioner of Education. With the state's

third-best vault entering the weekend, Zamora looked for relief after sub-standard conditions at Parsippany High in the North Jersey 2 Group II Meet caused him to miss his opening heave.

B-R's Siegrist continued her quickly-improving freshman season in the javelin by placing sixth in Group IV with a top throw of 115-8.

Monetti and Gruchacz, meanwhile, both missed placing in Group IV by one spot with seventh-place efforts but their performances still earned them another opportunity to compete.

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The following ordinance, published in full, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the Governing Body of the Borough of Dunellen, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, on June 5, 2006. They will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of said governing body to be held in Municipal Building, 355 North Avenue, Dunellen, New Jersey, in said County, on June 19, 2006 at 7:30 p.m. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same:

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