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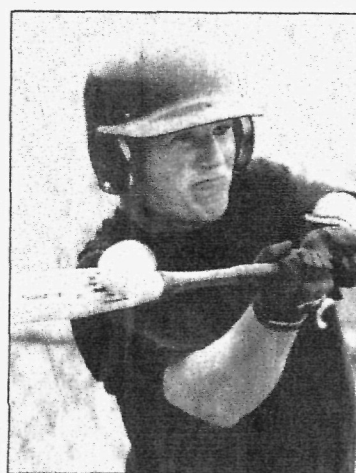
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One step short

Bridgewater Post 507 came within a game of playing in the Connie Mack State Tournament's final round before it was upended by Ridge 6-1 Monday night. Bridgewater concluded the summer with an overall 14-10 record. Page A7.

A folk life celebration

NEW BRUNSWICK — The Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission and the Folklife Program for New Jersey present "Guelaguetza" at 1:30 p.m. Sunday at the Crossroads Theatre. A Zapotec word indicating an offering, Guelaguetza was the term used to describe the ceremony and celebration held every year in Oaxaca, Mexico, to appease the gods in return for a bountiful harvest. This ceremony took place midway through the rainy season when it was essential that the rain continue moderately and without excess to bring forth the best crops. Today the festival is held the last two Mondays of July in the city of Oaxaca de Juarez. This celebration of dance, music and traditional clothing is one of the most representative folk festivals in Oaxaca as it brings together the principal artistic traditions of the seven regions of that state. The Mexican American Organization Folkloric Dance Group will present a variety of traditional dances associated with the Guelaguetza festival. Each dance will be accompanied by regional folk clothing and music. The mission of the Mexican American Organization is to support the social and cultural aspects of the Mexican community in New Jersey. Founded in October 2003 and based in New Brunswick, the organization promotes the culture of Mexico through workshops in dance, theater, visual arts and language, and promotes activities that benefit families, especially children. Admission to "Guelaguetza" is free. Registration is required; call (732) 745-4489. The Crossroads Theatre is at 7 Livingston Ave., off George Street in the New Brunswick theater district.

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County's first magnet school takes shape

By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI
Staff Writer

BRIDGEWATER — The new Academy for Health and Medical Sciences, a partnership between Raritan Valley Community College and the Somerset County Vocational and Technical Schools will welcome 33 high school freshmen from across the county in September, and preparations for the opening of the new program have been underway since June.

"We started gutting right after school ended," said Michael Maddaluna, superintendent of the vocational and technical schools, on a recent tour of the construction related to the academy.

It's not just construction. It's the planning, scheduling, and hiring of teaching staff in preparation for the opening of the school, the county's first magnet school program. The students, who had to apply and pass an entrance exam to enter as freshmen

this fall, will exit the high-intensity academic program in four years with both a high school diploma and an associate's degree.

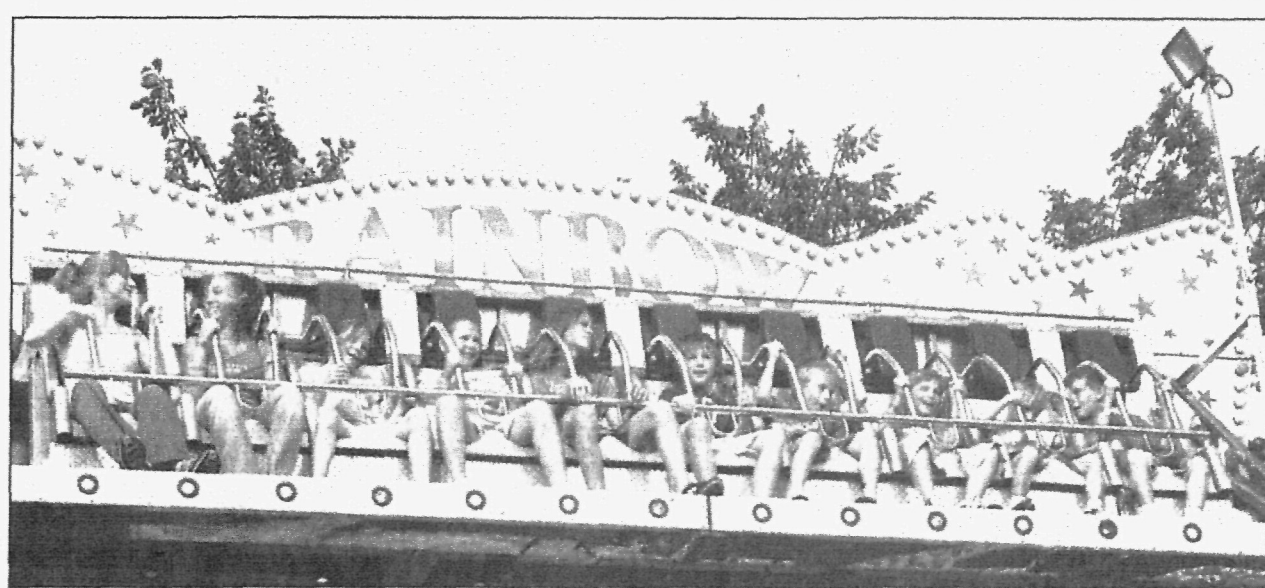
"The thing in my mind that's most important is getting ready for opening day; making sure the teachers are hired, the books are ordered and the rooms are ready," Maddaluna said.

There are two areas at the school that are being refurbished for the academy. One, the former home of a Cisco computer systems lab, will

become academic classrooms. The students, who will be split into two groups, will have all their academic classes — except for science — in those two rooms, and the teachers will rotate in and out.

"Basically, all that has to be done is the physical part: the walls and furniture," said Maddaluna, pointing out how the large, open space will be divided to form two classrooms and a

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Thrills and chills

Thrill seekers, top, get their fill on the Rainbow ride at the Fireman's Fair in Hillsborough Tuesday. At right, Nick Linker, 12, and C.J. Lacasto, 13, try their hands at a water gun game.

GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER



Roosevelt director speaks at conference

EDISON — Dr. Frank Damiani, director of resident care at the Roosevelt Care Center, discussed long-term and rehabilitative care as part of a two-day conference for South Asian American senior citizens.

The United Way of Central Jersey asked Damiani to speak at a conference on "Successful Aging," organized to educate the county's South Asian American senior residents about the many programs and opportunities available to them. It was held last week at the Middlesex County Fire Academy in Sayreville.

Damiani talked about post-surgical rehabilitation and wound care options, trends in long-term care, how to choose a facility for oneself or a loved one and financial programs in place to help pay for long-term and rehabilitative care.

"There are all manner of new approaches and techniques for rehabilitative and long-term care," he said. "Hopefully, those who attended the conference came away with a better understanding of what a facility like Roosevelt Care Center can do for them or their loved ones."

Damiani said he and his staff welcome events such as the "Successful Aging" conference because they not only inform but start dialogues between residents and the agencies

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Somerset Medical Center nurses are honored

SOMERVILLE — Registered nurse Joan McKibben, of Harmony Township, director of medical/surgical nursing at Somerset Medical Center, has received the medical center's top nursing honor, the 2006 Jean Dougherty Award.

The award, named in honor of a late nurse who worked at the medical center for more than 30 years, was recently presented to McKibben during National Nurses' Week in recognition of her nursing leadership, focus on professional development, dedication to nursing, adherence to nursing values and significant impact on the medical center's quality of care and performance improvement.

"Her reputation among her colleagues is that she will get the job done, follow through and promote the best in patient care," said registered nurse Kathy Cummins, director of Somerset Medical Center's Center for Nursing Excellence, who presented the award.

Cummins also praised McKibben for her organizational skills, fair decision-making, fostering collaboration, boosting morale and exemplifying integrity and trust. McKibben is the type of manager who puts employees first, Cummins said. She is often stopping off at a bakery at 5:30 a.m. to pick up bagels for her staff, bringing in birthday cakes for staff birthdays and voluntarily working on holidays so other supervisors can stay home.

McKibben began working at the medical center in 1981 as a unit secretary.

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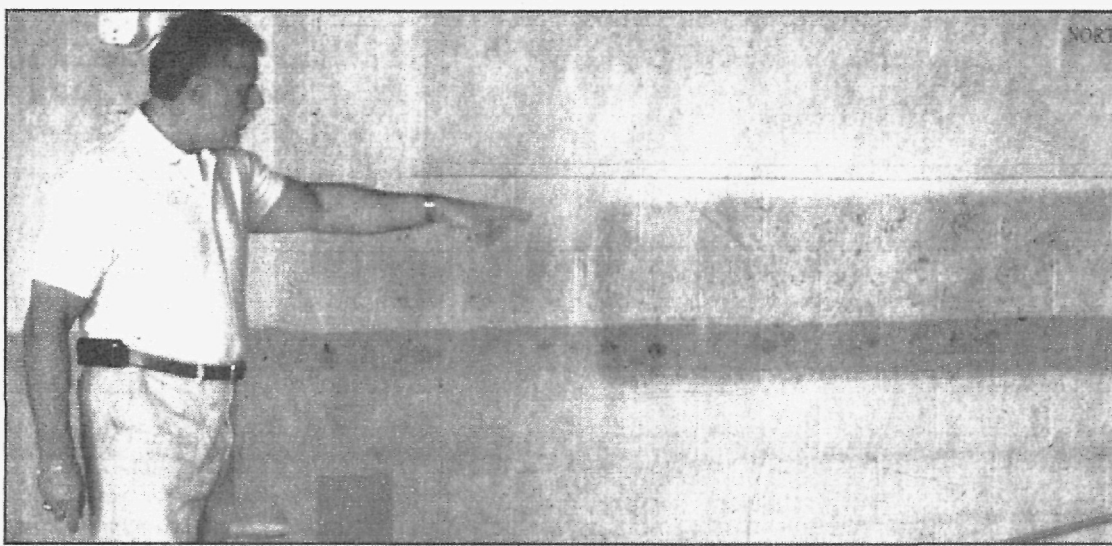
Registered nurse Joan McKibben, of Harmony Township, center, recently received Somerset Medical Center's highest nursing honor. Among those congratulating McKibben on her award were, from left to right, Dr. Robert Lustig, president of Somerset Medical Center's medical/dental staff, registered nurse Kathy Cummins, director of Somerset Medical Center's Center for Nursing Excellence, Ken Bateman, Somerset Medical Center's president and chief executive officer, Doug Hulse, chairman of Somerset Medical Center's board of trustees, registered nurse Maureen Schneider, vice president of patient care services and chief nursing officer, and John von Stade, chairman of the Somerset Medical Center Foundation board of trustees.



Everything Jersey

Michael Maddaluna, superintendent of the Somerset County Vocational and Technical Schools, surveys a state-of-the-art science lab under construction at the Academy for Health and Medical Sciences.

ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI/
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SMC nurses are honored

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retary in the medical center's Emergency Department. The following year she became a staff nurse on the medical center's orthopedic unit and since then served in several leadership roles at the medical center, including assistant nurse care coordinator, patient care coordinator and nurse manager. She has held her current position since 2004, helping to facilitate the April 2005 opening of the John and Mary Obzansky Surgical Pavilion.

During a special ceremony as part of National Nurses' Week, Ken Bateman, president and chief executive officer, Doug Hulse, chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Robert Lustig, DO, president of the medical/dental staff, thanked the medical center's nurses for their efforts to provide the highest quality care to patients and their families.

Registered nurse Maureen Schneider, vice president of patient care services and chief nursing officer, also presented the following Nurse of the Year Awards:

- Behavioral Health — Registered nurse Kathleen Zavala, of Monmouth Junction
- Perioperative — Registered nurse Priscilla Gillespie of Bridgewater
- Maternal & Child Health — Registered nurse Doris Crowell of Warren
- Critical Care — Registered nurse Barbara Roxbury of Bridgewater
- Medical/Surgical — Registered nurse Maria Reyes of South Plainfield
- Specialty Nurse — Registered nurse Roberta Rusin of Clinton
- Patient Care Assistant — Carlos Espinoza of Somerville
- Manager of the Year — Registered nurse Joann Gortler of Flemington.

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County's first magnet school

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corridor, which the teachers' offices already in existence will face.

The second area, of course, is the science lab. Where once there was the print shop and a science lab, there will be two state-of-the-art labs with a small prep room in between. Those rooms have had much more extensive work done to them. Right after school ended for the summer, everything in the rooms was moved out and work began, including

adding pipes for the lab tables. Maddaluna said construction in that area is expected to be completed in another four weeks.

Planning for the students' schedules has also been ongoing, as the day that students from 14 different municipalities in two counties — including Montgomery, Watchung, Hillsborough, and Green Brook — enter to become the first class. According to Maddaluna, they will be split into two classes and will stay together for all their subjects,

including gym, in an effort to build a community of learners.

"Essentially, what we're trying to do is keep the academy students together. Not to isolate them from the other students, but to give them the instruction they need," he said. "This is a special program."

There also have been two new teachers hired, which Maddaluna said would bring "fresh blood" to the school. One is a history teacher that has worked in Central and

South America as an anthropologist, while the other is a new biology teacher. Both were hired to replace retiring staff members, but with an eye towards addressing the needs of the academy students.

The next step, he said, would be to recruit people from the companies in the business to form an advisory board for the school, and to form relationships between the academy and those businesses to find opportunities for the students to shadow employees, and for internships.

Roosevelt director speaks at conference

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and individuals who serve them.

"Conferences like this give us the opportunity to hear from the public what their needs and wishes are," he said. "It helps us remain relevant and responsive to the community's needs."

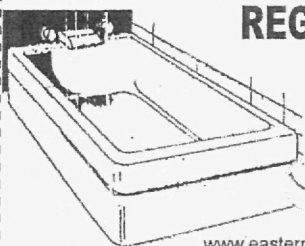
"Successful Aging" was part

of the New Americans Program at the United Way of Central Jersey. The conference included a keynote speech from New Jersey State Ratepayer Advocate Seema Singh and workshops on medical and nutritional issues, long-term care, government programs, financial issues facing seniors and others.

For more information about the conference, e-mail jvasudev@uwcj.org or call Jagdish Vasudev at (732) 247-3727.

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In The Towns

Open house at RU gardens

NEW BRUNSWICK — "Feel the Spirit" at the 42nd annual open house of the Rutgers Gardens, on the Cook College campus of Rutgers University in New Brunswick.

The open house is from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, July 29, rain or shine. Tours showcase the Donald B. Lacey Display Garden and the latest annuals to bloom. You can "Ask the Experts" in a clinic, hear talks on gardening and purchase plants for your own garden.

Admission is by a donation for parking. Bring your own garden cart to transport your purchases. Early birds will not be admitted.

For more information, visit www.rutgersgardens.rutgers.edu or call (732) 932-8451. All net proceeds directly support the Rutgers Gardens.

Take a tour of Earth Center

SOUTH BRUNSWICK — Guided tours of the Middlesex County Earth Center are now available by appointment.

The Earth Center includes a 1,000 square foot vegetable garden and a 13-bed herb garden, plus a display of shade trees and ornamental trees. All are found at Davidson's Mill Pond Park.

Clubs, scout troops and other organizations are welcome to take these tours. A fee is

charged for each tour.

For more information, call (732) 398-5262.

Creative arts camp coming to area church

DUNELLEN — The Dunellen United Methodist Church has a creative arts camp open to children ages 3 years-up.

This camp meets from 6-8 p.m. Monday, July 24 through

Thursday, Aug. 3 in the church at 150 Dunellen Ave. Camp-goers get to produce and perform their version of the Bible story "Through the Roof." Cost is \$5 per family.

For more information, call Janet Urban at (732) 752-1866 or Rev. Hazel Shue at (732) 968-

6676.

County softball leagues forming

Slow-pitch softball leagues in Middlesex County are open to men and women.

These leagues begin in late August and run into October or early November, depending on rainouts and playoff schedules.

Men's leagues play at Thomas Edison Park in Edison and Warren Park in Woodbridge. The men's single-game league plays at 6:45 p.m. Monday and Wednesday. The men's double-header league plays at 6:45 p.m. Tuesday and Thursday.

A women's league plays at Warren Park in Woodbridge;

games are at 10:30 and 11:45 a.m. Sunday.

Rosters must be submitted by Aug. 4 to the Middlesex County Parks & Recreation Department, which sponsors the leagues. Space in each league is limited. Up to five players on each team may live outside the county.

For an application form and fees, e-mail Erin.Carroll@co.middlesex.nj.us or call (732) 745-4222.

Bookmobile adds summertime stop

PISCATAWAY — The library's Bookmobile will roll out its summer schedule in July with a new stop at Camp Cabrini on Tuesday afternoons.

In addition to the regular neighborhood stops, the Bookmobile will also return to Piscataway Township's "What's Up Youth Center" on alternative Monday afternoons; the Piscataway School Summer Camp at Martin Luther King School on Thursday afternoons, and the Piscataway Recreation Department park sites at Tara and Irishtown Parks on Friday mornings.

Copies of the Bookmobile summer schedule will be available at all Library locations and on the Library web site at www.piscatawaylibrary.org. For further information about the Library and its programs, contact the Reference Department at (732) 463-1633, Ext. 6.

Military Honors

Seamen Recruit Lauren C. Evans, Michael K. Liu and David M. Pellicane have completed Navy basic training at Great Lakes, Ill.

Evans is the niece of Jill S. McConey of Piscataway. Liu, a 1999 alumnus of Edison High School, is the son of Jaw Liu of Edison. Pellicane, a 2004 alumnus of Piscataway High School, is the son of Patricia A. Lewis and Steve R. Pellicane of Piscataway.

Army National Guard Pvt. Stalin M. Mosquera and Army Pvt. Alcides E. Sabio have graduated from basic training at Fort Jackson, S.C.

Mosquera is the son of Digna Mosquera of Bound Brook Road, Dunellen, and a 2005 alumnus of Dunellen High School. Sabio is the son of Elsa Alvarez of Harvard Avenue, South Plainfield, and the nephew of Blanca Mata of Arlington Avenue, South Plainfield.

Army Pvt. Christopher J. Ratoff has graduated from the Light-Wheeled Vehicle Mechanic Advanced Individual Training (AIT) course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, Md.

The course is designed to train soldiers to perform unit maintenance and recovery

operations on gasoline and diesel fueled light-wheeled vehicles, including prime movers designated as five-ton or less and their associated trailers, and associated items.

Soldiers were trained to perform maintenance and recovery operations on track and heavy-wheeled vehicles, and on material handling equipment; maintain power assisted brake systems, vehicle suspension systems, wheel/hub assemblies, mechanical steering systems, hydraulic power steering systems, and crane/hoist/winch assemblies.

Ratoff is the son of Ronald and Carol Ratoff of Edison. He is a 2000 graduate of St. Peters High School, New Brunswick.

Army Pfc. Alexis Marulanda has been decorated with the Afghanistan Campaign Medal and the Global War on Terrorism Service Medal for participating in Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan.

The soldier has returned to the 5th Maintenance Company, Kaiserslautern, Germany. He is the son of Jorge Marulanda of Edison and Adriana Sepulveda of Piscataway. The soldier is a 2003 graduate of Piscataway High School.

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Senior Citizens Calendar

Bound Brook

The Bound Brook Seniors meet at 7 p.m. the first Wednesday of each month in Asbury Hall of the Bound Brook United Methodist Church, 150 W. Union Ave. and the corner of Livingston. All seniors are welcome to join including non-residents. Meetings include informative programs, refreshments, information about upcoming trips and bingo.

Upcoming Trips and Events: Atlantic City trips are held the third Tuesday of each month. Call Ed Kimmel at (732) 469-1263 for details.

For more information about the planned trips, call Frank at (732) 356-6310.

For detailed information about the club, call President Frank Gilly at (732) 356-6310. Non-members are welcome on trips if space allows.

The Senior Leisure Club of St.

Mary's Bound Brook club sponsors Atlantic City trips to the Taj Mahal casino the fourth Tuesday of each month. The bus departs from the church parking lot at 10:15 a.m.

The Senior Leisure Club of St. Mary's meets at 1 p.m. the second Monday of every month in the cafeteria of Holy Family Academy, 201 Vosseller Ave., Bound Brook. For further information, call President Sal Barbat at (908) 725-5444.

Aug. 14 — Membership Meeting and Luncheon

Dunellen

The Dunellen Senior Citizen Club is open to all Dunellen residents 60 years and older. Meetings are held at 10 a.m. each Friday at the new seniors building on Orange Street in Columbia Park. Bingo is played each Friday after the meeting. Bus transportation is provided. New members are welcome. Coffee and tea are provided; bring

your own sandwiches.

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

Edison

Edison Chapter of AARP #3346 meets the third Monday of the month at 1 p.m. (except August) at the Edison Job Corps center, located at 500 Plainfield Ave. New applications are being accepted.

Jewish Family and Vocational Services — The volunteer program at Elderday, "Chef for the Day" needs volunteers to prepare lunch for the elderly members of the social adult day program in Edison from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. For more information, call E.J. Berman at (732) 777-1940, Ext. 122.

Elderday Care (a Social Day Care Program) for folks with memory loss and various degrees of dementia has a few immediate openings available. Transportation is provided with sliding scale fees. Interesting program includes meals, snacks; and activities that all can easily participate. Consider this a great safe way to provide social activities for your loved one. Call (732) 777-1940 for information.

Openings are now available for CAMEO (Challenging Adult Minds and Energizing Ourselves), a social day care program tailored to the needs of adults who are

physically disabled, but cognitively alert. Some of the activities designed for CAMEO are book reviews, exercise, day trips, painting, discussions of current events and special interest group activities. Transportation is provided with sliding scale fees. Call (732) 777-1940.

Metuchen

The Metuchen Chapter 3208, AARP, holds a monthly board meeting at noon on the second Monday of the month at noon. The general meeting starts at 1:15 p.m. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 17 Oak Ave. and Middlesex Ave. (Route 27). Refreshments will be served. Guests are welcome at our meetings, and this chapter is currently accepting new members; for information about joining the chapter call Mary or John McCabe at (732) 603-3967.

For additional information about trips, call Miriam Dingle at (732) 548-9395

Middlesex Borough

Bus transportation is available for borough seniors. Sign up by calling (732) 356-0414. Wednesdays are Senior Day at the club.

The Middlesex Borough Office on Aging is collecting old cell

phones to distribute to the home-bound for 911 use. If you have one to donate, call the office at (732) 356-0414.

For information and to register for any of the above programs or issues of interest to the senior population in Middlesex Borough, contact Sheila at (732) 356-0414.

Our Lady of Mount Virgin Seniors meet at 1 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 8 in the parish hall at 650 Harris Ave. There will be a speaker on the Medicare prescription plan.

Upcoming events: Aug. 16 — Hunterdon Hills "Broadway Sally" choice of luncheon \$67 per person. Bus leaves OLMV school parking lot at 10 a.m.

Sept. 12 — Picnic in Riverside Park on River Road, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. This annual event takes the place of the monthly meeting. Cost is \$8 for members and \$10 for non-members. Tickets are available beginning Aug. 16; call John Turick at (732) 356-3111, Bill Kozik at (732) 356-9189 or Dot McLaughlin at (732) 469-7572.

Oct. 18 — Mystery trip. Cost is \$62 per person. Nov. 10 — Christmas show at American Music Theatre plus a smorgasbord lunch at the Shady Maple. Cost is \$63 per person.

For trip reservations, call Ellie Procacci at (732) 752-3093 or Mary Jane Stoddard at (732) 752-2093.

The Myrtle Beach trip sched-

uled for Sept. 17-23 has been canceled.

The Older Adults Fellowship of the Middlesex Presbyterian Church meet on the first and third Tuesday of each month, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Older adults are invited to the Middlesex Presbyterian Church located at 1190 Mountain Ave. (between Rt. 28 and Lincoln Boulevard, adjacent to Middlesex Borough Hall) for lunch, fellowship, hymn singing and Scripture reading. All are welcome. Contact the church office at (732) 469-4498 if you would like to attend.

Piscataway

The Piscataway Senior Center has announced its schedule of upcoming events at the center, 700 Buena Vista Ave., off Hoes Lane behind the Kennedy Library. Group meetings for Tai Chi will be from 10-11 a.m. Wednesday. This is a drop-in class. Sign up at the reception desk.

The Visiting Nurse Association will visit the center at 1 p.m. the third Wednesday of each month at no cost. Sign up at the Reception Desk at the center.

Upcoming Events:

Aug. 21 — Hunterdon Hills Playhouse "Broadway Sally" \$63.25, depart: 10:15 a.m. return 4:30 p.m. Sign up by July 7 at Piscataway Senior Center. (732) 562-1133.

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Victor Cromwell Park is ready to reopen

EDISON — A fishing derby registration will begin at 12:30 p.m. July 30 as part of activities surrounding the reopening of Victor Cromwell Park.

There will also be a dedication of the new Mayor Zuccarelli Bridge. The derby begins after the dedication.

Summer programs offered at library

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The South Plainfield Public Library has summer programs for children and teens.

Several programs are at the same time every week in July and August:

"Storytime" for ages 3-up, 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. Wednesday and 1:15 p.m. Thursday. No registration is necessary.

"Time for 2's and 3's," open to ages 2-3 years old, 1 p.m. Tuesday and 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. No registration is necessary.

"Books-N-Babies" for those up to age 3 years old, 10:30 a.m. Thursday and Friday. No registration is necessary.

"Reading with Miss Mija" for children ages 6-up, 6:30 p.m. Thursday. No registration is necessary.

Chess Club for beginner and advanced players, 3:30 p.m. Friday. No registration is necessary.

Other programs are at a specific time and day:

"Make Your Own Candy Sushi" for young adults, 6:30 p.m., Thursday, July 20. Registration is required.

"Kidcraft" for ages 6-up, 6:30 p.m. Monday, July 24, 31, Aug. 7 and 14. There is a \$1 materials fee each week. Registration is required.

"Decorate a T-Shirt," 6:30 p.m. Thursday, July 27. Young adults should bring an old T-shirt or a plain new T-shirt. Registration is required.

An "Earring Craft" for young adults, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 3. Registration is required.

End-of-summer party for young adults, 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 17. Registration is required.

For registration, call (908) 754-7885 or visit the library at 2484 Plainfield Ave.

Bible school heads to 'cove'

PISCATAWAY — "Treasure

Cove" is the theme of this year's Vacation Bible School at All Saints' Lutheran Church, 5205 Deborah Drive.

Vacation Bible School runs from 6:30-8:30 p.m. Monday, July 31 through Friday, Aug. 4. All children age 3 years old through Grade 6 are invited to join a search for the treasure that lasts.

Search parties will participate in a treasure hunt through theme-related Bible stories, games, songs and crafts. Snacks are provided.

For registration, call (732) 463-1510.

Coffeehouse for local teens

PISCATAWAY — Teens are invited to promote their own writing and listen to others do the same at "The Write Stuff Coffee House Showcase."

This free program is at 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 1 at Kennedy Library, 500 Hoes Lane. Seating is limited.

For registration, visit the library's reference desk or call (732) 463-1633, Ext. 6.

Library has couple 'Wild About Books'

PISCATAWAY — Beth and Scott Bierko combine work as singer-songwriters with arts in education.

This couple is the principal performers in Beth & Scott & Friends. Their new presentation is "We're Just Wild About Books" and can be seen at 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 3 at Kennedy Library, 500 Hoes Lane.

Families with children ages 3 years old and up are invited to this free program. No registration is necessary.

Bible school is a 'Fiesta'

PISCATAWAY — Christ United Methodist Church holds its Vacation Bible School at 9 a.m. Monday through Friday, Aug. 7-11.

This year's theme is "Fiesta: Where Kids Are Fired Up About Jesus!" Cost is free and space is limited.

For registration, call (732) 463-1517. The church is adjacent to the Municipal Complex at 485 Hoes Lane.

MCC magazine earns honors

EDISON — For the second year in a row the Middlesex County College literary and arts magazine *Myriad* has garnered national awards.

Myriad received the 2005 Silver Crown Award of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. The magazine is published in the spring and dis-

tributed free of cost to the MCC community.

The college also received four Gold Circle Awards from the association for individual achievement. They went to Caroline Calogero, for her essay "Living Legacy," Andrew Lowe of Edison, Nicole Weik and Barbara Quilla, for spread design; John Baginski, for black-and-white photography, and Brian Cole of South Plainfield, for color photography.

All awards were presented at the association's annual conference at the Roosevelt Hotel in Manhattan. In addition, the students who received individual awards were honored at the annual dean's tea on the MCC campus.



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The birthday party guests each got their picture taken, most barely able to sit still for the shot, so eager were they to go back and play. Snacks of birthday cake and ice cream cones were available for guests, and some of the dogs even pooped happily for the occasion. This was a birthday birthday party, however, as the guests were of the four-legged variety and the cake was a canine-friendly concoction donated by The Humane Society in Somerset. The doggy attendees were celebrating the first birthday of Camp Bow Wow in the region.

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for a good cause: the Somerset Regional Animal Shelter.

In exchange for a discounted rate to be donated to Friends of the Somerset Regional Animal Shelter, dogs got to enjoy the playful atmosphere and company of other canines at the event, which owners Randy DeFazio and Sherri Hayes hope to make an annual event.

"This is quite the turnout. We had a lot more than we expected," said DeFazio, estimating that the total donation to the shelter group will be near \$1,000. "We're so

excited about this because our customers have really risen to the occasion. A lot of our dogs are shelter dogs, so if our clients could adopt a million of them, they would."

There were contests for the dogs as well, with prizes awarded to the youngest dog, the oldest dog, the shaggiest dog, the dog who lives the furthest, the one who sits the best, and the best kisser.

The biggest dog, by far, was Diesel, a 265-pound mastiff in a straw cowboy hat, who had his picture taken with Conrad, a maltese and the day's smallest dog, weighing in at a grand total of 5

pounds and proudly sporting his yellow-and-white bandanna.

While a recent "dog wash" fundraiser was rained out, the birthday benefit for Friends of the Somerset Regional Animal Shelter went off without a hitch last month, with over 60 dogs total and at least half there just for the party.

Donna Deery, a board member for the organization, came out to celebrate, though her Brittany spaniel Zorra, a shelter adoptee, had to stay home.

"I'd like to bring her in here to play. She'd really like

another dog to play with," Deery said, as she watched the dogs roll, and tumble with each other in the four indoor-outdoor pens at the facility, which provides boarding, training, and grooming services in addition to day camp. A four-year volunteer for the organization, Deery said she was happy that Camp Bow Wow was helping get out the word about the shelter. "We just want to get our name out there," she said. "Our business is to get out of business. We'd like to have all our dogs in happy homes and playing in here all day."

Board member Joan Beard, though a cat owner herself, also enjoyed the event even though the happy barks were a bit on the loud side.

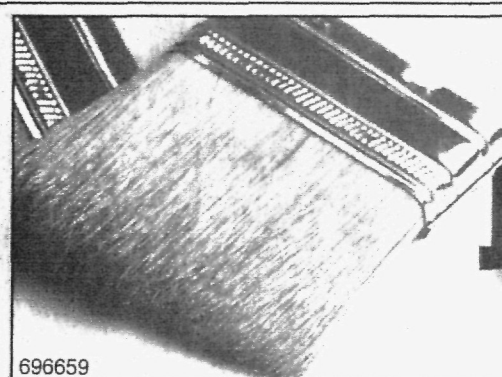
"This is so nice. I know that a lot of our volunteers bring their dogs here, and they love it," she said. "A lot of them work during the day and volunteer in their spare time, and they say their dogs are so happy here."

With dozens of dogs visiting Camp Bow Wow every day, DeFazio and Hayes wanted to give something back to the animals they love.

"We've worked with

(Somerset Regional Animal Shelter) before, supporting some of their activities, and it's one of the real reasons we wanted to get into this," said DeFazio, noting she has also worked with other shelter groups. "We have to make a living, but we want to do something for all the dogs."

As the party wound down and the guests got a bit pooped, tongues lolling and tails wagging, each got to go home with their photos and a doggie bag: a small red carton containing treats and a measuring scoop for doling out kibble.



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Sports

Sturdy pitching not enough for Post 507

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

PARAMUS — Bridgewater's bid for the Connie Mack Baseball Tournament's state title ended a couple of games short of the mark despite some impressive pitching along the way.

Facing Pyramid Baseball League and Somerset County rival Ridge for the right to face North Haledon in the final, Post 507 failed to convert at the plate in key situations and it proved costly in a 6-1 setback that ended its season Monday.

Coming off a 3-1 conquest of previously-unbeaten North Haledon earlier in the day, Bridgewater continued its stretch of strong pitching against Ridge as Andrew Priece allowed just one run through five innings before allowing the go-ahead run in the sixth and four two-out runs in the seventh when he ran out of gas.

Post 507 Head Coach Brian Trapani, while somewhat disappointed with the final outcome, was more than satisfied with his club's showing at Paramus Catholic High School.

"I thought we had a chance to win it, but Ridge played well, and hopefully they can beat North Haledon (for the championship)," he said Monday night. "I thought we played well throughout the tournament. The kids played hard, and they did a good job."

"We weren't out-played at all in the tournament. We weren't over our heads at all. I thought North Haledon, Hoboken, Ridge and us were clearly the best teams. North Haledon and Hoboken are the kind of teams we're used to seeing during the

BRIDGEWATER
LEGION BASEBALL

regular season. I thought both Ridge and us represented our league very well."

After closing out the American Legion campaign by winning eight of its final 10 games, Post 507 put together a good effort in Connie Mack play, especially on the mound where Bridgewater hurlers recorded four straight complete-game performances, not allowing more than seven hits in any outing.

"We definitely got good pitching the whole tournament," Trapani said. "Even Andrew Priece pitched well in that last game. He deserved a better fate. We left a lot of runners on base in that game."

"In the first game today we only got a couple of opportunities, but we were able to cash in on them. In the second game we had more chances, but we didn't take advantage of them. We had chances and let them go by. We kind of let one get away tonight."

Post 507 finished the season with a 14-10 record after starting out 4-6, so it proved to be a nice turn-around for Trapani's squad.

"I'm extremely happy with the season because of where we started and then where we finished," he said. "We weren't playing very good baseball for while, but then we went on a three-week stretch where we gave ourselves a chance to win every day. We competed very well. I hope it carries over to the fall and into next year for the kids coming back (to the Bridgewater-Raritan High var-

sity)."

Bridgewater scored the game's first run in the third on a walk to Corey Frankosky and a two-out double by Eric Guida (2 for 4).

But Ridge tied the game in the top of the fourth and moved in front in the sixth when Pat Riley, a pickup from Bernards along with teammates Kyle Schneider and Joe Fernandez, singled and scored on a double by Dan Shapiro.

Priece entered the seventh having allowed four hits while striking out three and walking two, but lost his control when he walked three more batters — the third a bases-loaded pass to Schneider for Ridge's fourth run. Shapiro had an RBI single and Matt Glassman capped the rally with a two-run single.

Pat Smith went all the way for Ridge, coming up with his biggest pitches when he needed them the most, finishing with a six-hitter, five strikeouts and four walks.

Bridgewater stranded runners at second and third in the second when Smith struck out the last two batters, and left the bases loaded in the fourth when Smith fanned the final batter. In the fifth Priece led off with a triple but Smith got a ground ball and two strikeouts. In the sixth Mike Shedlosky was at second with none out but failed to score.

Bridgewater 3, North Haledon 1 — Ryan Sapp fired a two-hitter, fanning seven and walking four while allowing an unearned seventh-inning run, and Post 507 did all of its scoring during the first two innings Monday as it handed North Haledon its first loss of the tourney.



LARRY MURPHY/CORRESPONDENT

Corey Frankosky, here connecting for a hit during regular-season action July 15, was among the steady players for Bridgewater Post 507, which was eliminated from the Connie Mack State Tournament Monday. Post 507 concluded the summer with an overall 14-10 record.

Nick Loughlin had a hand in all the Bridgewater runs, leading off the bottom of the first with a walk, moving to second on Frankosky's sacrifice and scoring on Priece's double, and then delivering a two-run triple in the second after Matt Yaney (2 for 3) singled and Ryan Zulpa walked.

Bridgewater 8, Paramus Catholic 1 — Facing the host

team Sunday in the rain-delayed losers-bracket first round, Loughlin hurled a three-hitter, striking out nine and walking just one and the offense pounded out 12 hits en route to an easy victory.

After spotting Paramus Catholic a 1-0 lead in the top of the first, Post 507 took command with a four-run second keyed by run-scoring singles by

Zulpa and Chris Verdone, while a pair of errors plated a run apiece.

Bridgewater pushed the advantage to 7-1 with three more runs in the fourth. Singles by Zulpa and Loughlin along with a walk to Verdone loaded the bases, while a walk to Frankosky, a single by Priece and Mike Zangrillo's ground-out plated a run each.

Hard-hitting 'Sharks rip Pats

Pounding Somerset pitching for 17 hits Tuesday night, the Camden Riversharks romped to a 9-1 Atlantic League of Professional Baseball victory in front of 2274 fans at Campbell's Field in Camden.

The loss left the Patriots with a second-half season 4-7 record, 37-37 overall for the year, while Camden improved to 4-6. Somerset managed just four hits, including Ryan Radmanovich's 13th home run, a wallop to the far reaches of right-center field leading off the seventh inning. Kevin Nicholson, Larry Barnes and Jeff Nettles had the other hits.

Camden jumped on starting pitcher Robert Averette (2-1) in the fourth, turning four hits, three walks and a Nettles error into the game's first six runs. Averette went 5 2/3 innings, yielding 13 hits and eight runs (six earned).

The Patriots host the Road Warriors 7:05 tonight, 1:35 tomorrow afternoon and again 7:05 Monday.

Patriots 11, AC 9 — Boosted by a Nettles home run, Somerset scored six runs in the final three innings Monday to rally from a 9-5 deficit against the Surf as 1505 spectators looked on at Bernie Robbins Stadium in Atlantic City.

Nettles' 13th homer, a three-run shot, sliced the Pats' deficit to 9-8 in the seventh and they completed the comeback victory in the ninth.

Immaculata High product Tony Gsell led off the Somerset ninth with an infield hit off closer Jason DiAngelo, who then committed an error on Henri Stanley's bunt. After Nicholson struck out, a walk to Larry Barnes loaded the bases and DiAngelo injured his finger pitching to Nettles.

Mike Brunet came in to pitch and fanned Nettles, but a wild pitch allowed the tying run in. Radmanovich then smacked a two-run single to right to put the visitors in front.

Radmanovich went 3 for 5, including a homer, and Barnes, Nettles and George

Sandel had two hits apiece for the Pats. Somerset starting pitcher Keith Ramsey was hit unusually hard (11 hits, eight runs in 5 2/3 innings) but winner Andy Pratt and Dave Elder each threw an inning of shutout ball to close out the victory.

AC 4, Patriots 1 — Hard-throwing Surf righthander Mark Persails (6-3) allowed four hits and no walks while fanning nine batters Sunday night in front of 1635 fans at Robbins Stadium.

Turning in his second route-going effort of the season while lowering his earned run average to 2.61, Persails yielded hits to only Nicholson, Barnes, Jim Burt and Patrick Boran. He outdueled Ben

Crockett (5-6), who gave up seven hits and four earned runs in 7 1/3 innings.

AC scored a run in each of the first two innings before Somerset got on the board in the fourth when Nicholson doubled and came home on Barnes' hit. Crockett, who's second among the league's starters with a 2.59 ERA, gave up his final two runs in the eighth when he hit two batters and uncorked a wild pitch while trying to issue an intentional walk.

Patriots 4, AC 0 — Desperately strapped for a starting pitcher Saturday night, Somerset Manager Sparky Lyle — who was celebrating his 62nd birthday — decided to let four relievers take their turns against the Surf and it couldn't have turned out better.

Jeff Urban and Jason Olson combined to pitch the first seven innings before Elder and Mike Johnson finished up, with Olson (4-3) earning the victory. He pitched 3 1/3 innings, allowing two hits and one walk while fanning three batters. In all, Somerset's hurlers gave up eight hits and three walks with eight Ks. The scheduled starter, Andy Van Hekken, had signed with the Kansas City Royals the previous night.

The Pats, who had six hits, scored in the first stanza when leadoff man Stanley doubled



GEORGE FAGGIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The Somerset Patriots' Travis Anderson slides into second base under the tag of Lancaster shortstop Danny Gonzalez July 19 at Commerce Bank Park. The Patriots continue their 10-game Atlantic League of Professional Baseball home stand 7:05 tonight when they meet the Road Warriors.

and moved to third when the rightfielder mishandled the ball, then came in on Barnes' single to right.

Third baseman Nettles, who made acrobatic plays to rob hits from Melvin Rosario and Ozzie Timmons with runners in scoring position, smacked an RBI single in the fifth when the Pats scored twice for a 3-0 cushion.

Sandel's fly ball in the sixth sent in the visitors' final run. Nicholson saw his 18-game hitting streak come to an end.

AC 11, Patriots 8 — While eight runs would be more than adequate to lift the Pats to victory in just about any game this year, that wasn't enough to win July 21 in front of 4018 Atlantic City fans.

Following an intentional walk to Timmons in the ninth, Clyde Williams jumped on the first pitch from righty reliever Saul Solveson and lofted a high-arcing shot to left-center for a three-run homer, snapping an 8 all deadlock.

Somerset scored two runs, one coming in on Nettles' hit, to tie the game in the top of the ninth but left the bases filled. In the home half of the inning, Raul Marval led off with a single and moved to second on a sac bunt. Cleanup batter Timmons, a righty swinger, was intentionally walked by Solveson to bring up lefty Williams, setting up a hopeful double-play situation for the Pats. But it didn't work out that way.

SOMERVILLE LEGION BASEBALL

Pitching woes cost Somerville

Never able to put any kind of winning streak together, Somerville Post 12 had to settle for a spot just outside of the promised land.

Stymied by a couple of key losses in the pitching department, Somerville struggled at times in keeping the opposition off the scoreboard and finished the summer with a 10-10 record, which was good for seventh place in the Pyramid Baseball (American Legion) League.

With the league receiving six state tournament berths, Post 12 wound up the odd team out despite closing out the season with three straight victories, including a 10-8 verdict over Bernards July 17 at Manville High.

While Somerville went into the summer with a competitive group, Head Coach Gregg Snyder didn't consider his team's finish a letdown.

"I can't say I'm totally disappointed not making the state tournament," he said. "I did think we'd do a little better, especially when I found out there were six spots for the state tournament. The 10 wins, though, is the most I've had since I've been coaching I believe."

"It's been a difficult season. We ran into pitching problems. Our Number One pitcher (Brett Connor) stopped coming, and our Number Two (Ryan Zamorsky) hurt his arm and couldn't pitch. Losing our top two pitchers really hurt us. I give our kids credit because they hung in there."

"We lost some close games. We played some close games against some of the top teams in the league where we got a hit here or there and we win. In some of those games we didn't get them."

Somerville, which went 3-7 against squads that qualified for state play and had four of those losses decided by three runs or less, closed out the season with a triumph over Immaculata July 15 and back to back decisions over Bernards the next two days.

On July 14, Post 12 dropped a pair of games, bowing 13-0 to Clinton on the field and then having a game that was suspended June 30 after four innings with Somerville trailing 8-0 to Warren Hills declared official and put in the books as Somerville's 10th loss.

Post 12 got off to a fast start against Bernards in its finale, building a 6-0 lead on the strength of a six-run second inning. Bernards, however, came back to claim a 7-6 lead before Post 12 snapped a 7-7 tie with a three-run sixth.

Tim Nevolo and Matt DeMarco keyed Somerville's big second with Nevolo capping it with a two-run homer and DeMarco stroking a two-run single, while Mike Kaminski added an RBI single.

Lenny Rotledge led the winners' 14-hit attack with a 3-for-4 effort, while Nevolo, Kaminski, Kyle Lefkus and Matt DeMarco added two hits each.

Somerville 11, Bernards 4 — Locked in a close game through four innings, Somerville scored seven times over its final three at-bats to pull away from host Bernards July 16 as Danny Weglarz scattered nine hits, struck out five and walked one in a route-going effort.

A three-run triple by Nevolo and an RBI single by Joe Arcella put Somerville up 4-0 in the top of the second, but Bernards answered in the bottom of the inning with three of its own, one on a double by Robbie Steinkopf and the other two on errors.

Acosta singled home two runs in the fifth, Lefkus doubled home a pair in the sixth when Brandon Holderbaum singled in a run, while Arcella and Holderbaum had RBI doubles in the seventh as Somerville pulled away.

Holderbaum finished 4 for 4 with a pair of doubles to lead Somerville's 16-hit assault, while Arcella went 3 for 5 and Acosta and Pat Rubin chipped in with two hits apiece.

In The Towns

Reading support
group for children

PISCATAWAY — The

Piscataway Public Library offers a reading support program for young children this summer. The program pairs teen volun-

teers with children who will enter Grades 1-3 in the fall. Sessions are at Kennedy Library, 500 Hoos Lane, through Aug. 10.

Interested parents can fill out an application at the adult reference desk of Westgard Library, 20 Murray Ave., or the adult reference desk of Kennedy Library.

For more information, call (732) 463-1633, Ext. 6.

Metuchen businesses
hosting spring events

METUCHEN — The Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce sponsors these spring events: Antique and Classic Car Cruise Nights on Wednesdays, Aug. 2

and Sept. 6. Music and entertainment are provided.

Memorial Day parade, Monday, May 29. All scouts and youth groups are encouraged to participate.

For more information, visit www.metuchenchamber.com or call (732) 548-2964.

Highland Park has
summer fun planned

HIGHLAND PARK — The following are upcoming events being held in the borough.

The events are part of a series of activities organized or hosted by the Main Street Highland Park organization.

— Random Acts of Fun — 5-8 p.m. Aug. 3. Features a different block each week, along Raritan Avenue from Cedar to 5th Avenue.

Police honor
15 with awards

PISCATAWAY — The Police Department held an awards ceremony at the Municipal Complex for policemen who performed outstanding service in the past two years.

Sgt. Arthur Randolph and Patrolman Philip Zmuda received the Chief's Achievement Award. Detective Dearn Petrillo received the Medal of Merit. Patrolman Kevin Parmalee, Patrolman David Piro and Detective Michael Trojanowski received the Lifesaving Award. Patrolman Michael Nols received an Honorable Service Award.

Awards were presented to officers who used the department defibrillator to save lives. Patrolman Albert Annuzzi was honored for saving two lives.

Patrolmen Mark Portnoy, Thomas Slover, Michael Smith and Rodwick Solomon, along with Detective Lance Williams, were honored for each saving a life. Williams also received an Honorable Service Award.

In addition, David Locke and Patricia Schibanoff received the Civilian Service Award for providing services that may be deemed beneficial to the department or the township.

Such service may include apprehending a criminal or responding to an emergency.

County organization
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EDISON — The Jewish Family & Vocational Service is seeking those interested in being a "Chef for the Day."

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Campus Notes

James R. Urbaniak of Piscataway has graduated from Rutgers College on the New Brunswick campus of Rutgers University. He received a bachelor's degree in English and history, with highest honors, at commencement exercises May 18.

Urbaniak was elected to Phi Beta Kappa and received the Dean's Award for Academic and Co-Curricular Excellence. He was a co-founder of the Tinsley Volunteers, an organization for Rutgers students who live outside New Jersey. He also was a member of the National Society of Collegiate Scholars and of Phi Alpha Theta honor society in history.

The highest honors graduate received the William H.S. Demarest Scholarship, the Class of 1945 Scholarship and the John Perrine Scholarship through Rutgers College. He was named to the dean's list for the spring 2006 semester.

Urbaniak is a student senator to the Rutgers Graduate School of Education in New Brunswick, where he will study for a master's degree in education. The son of John and Francesca Urbaniak is a 2002 alumnus of Piscataway High School.

Two Edison teens have received scholarships from the David B. Crabiel Scholarship Foundation. William S. Plastine, who attends John P. Stevens High School, received a \$3,500 award. Matthew Sheptuck, who attends St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen, received a \$1,500 award. Both awards were based on academic achievement and extracurricular activities.

Middlesex County College held its Celebration Day convocation May 16 to recognize special faculty members and longtime employees.

Honored as the Alumnus of the Year was Paul Avery, who graduated from MCC in 1979 and is now chief operating officer of Outback Steakhouse Inc. He shared some of his college experiences to the audience of more than 250 faculty and staff. Before the main program, the college held a luncheon at which President Joann LaPerla-Morales presented gifts of appreciation to each employee celebrating an anniversary. Among these employees, with department and length of service:

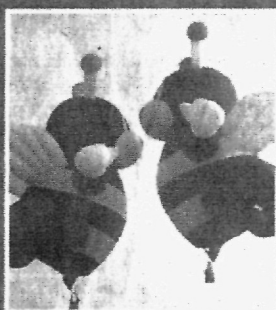
Louis Egly of Edison, facilities maintenance, 40 years. Elliot L. Pasternack of Highland Park, assistant professor of history and social behavior, 40 years. Francis J. Burke of Edison, chairman of the computer science department, 35 years. Michael Greenhouse of Metuchen, associate professor of history and social behavior, 35 years. Niki L. Luther of Edison, assistant in media services, 35 years. Doris C. Morgan of South Plainfield, associate professor of biology, 35 years. Brian DeUriarte of Edison, assistant professor of business administration and management, 20 years. Gary V. Noto of Edison, general mechanic, facilities maintenance, 20 years. Mark A. Banyacski of Edison, assistant to the director of finance, 10 years. Raymond Battaglia of Highland Park, programmer analysis, information technology, 10 years. Jameson E. Eichert of Metuchen, facilities maintenance, warehouse, 10 years. Shunfu Gao of Edison, assistant professor of chemistry and physics, 10 years. Joseph J. Misuraca of Piscataway, assistant professor of mechanical and civil/construction engineering technology, 10 years.

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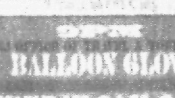


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Obituaries

Barbara Ann Lipman

DUNELLEN — Barbara Ann Haines Lipman, 76, died July 15, 2006 at Saint Peter's University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Born June 18, 1930 in Mount Holly, she was a daughter of the late Robert Templeton and Harriet Isabel Ruster Haines.

Mrs. Lipman lived in Tabernacle, Fort Collins, Colo., and Dunellen before moving to Warren in 1955. She moved to Linwood in 1995 and most recently resided in Somerset.

She was employed at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield in 1980 and for Dr. Paul M.

Hadley in Watchung from 1981-89. Mrs. Lipman received a degree in medical technology from Douglass College of Rutgers University in 1951.

As a choral singer she performed with the Hills Community Chorus in Basking Ridge and the New Jersey Schola Cantorum of Plainfield. Mrs. Lipman was a church school superintendent and vestrywoman at Holy Innocents Episcopal Church, where she sang in the choir and was in the St. Dunstan's Choir Guild; that church is now known as St. Francis Episcopal Church.

Mrs. Lipman was a Girl Scout leader, organizer and

consultant in the Washington Rock council for 10 years. She was a volunteer with FISH Inc., Dunellen Area, as well as a former co-chairman with Star-Fish of Passaic and Warren.

She also was a member of the auxiliary to Mantz-Cavaliere Post 293, American Legion, in Warren.

Her husband, Nathan, died in 1988.

Surviving are two sons, Robert H. and wife Mary Ann of Long Valley and Joel T. and wife Sandy of Somerset; four daughters, Judith A. Sullivan and husband Daniel of Scotch Plains, Carol Beth and husband Mark Lerner of South

Orange, Ellen Persechino and husband Vincent of Chester and Amy H. Jurek and husband Michael of Oak Ridge; a sister, Carol Horan and husband John of Hobe Sound, Fla.; six grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were held July 20 at St. Francis Church. Burial was in Somerset Hills Memorial Park, Basking Ridge.

Arrangements were by the Mundy Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to St. Francis Episcopal Church, 400 New Market Road, Dunellen, NJ 08812 or FISH Inc., Dunellen Area, P.O. Box 8565, Piscataway, NJ 08854.



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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.

Eugenia Marinich

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Eugenia Kargalsky Marinich, 70, died July 17, 2006 at her home.

Mrs. Marinich was born in Rykynice, Slovakia, and lived in Austria before coming to the United States at age 15. As a resident of New York City she became an American citizen in 1962. She had lived in South Plainfield since 1969.

She retired in 1997 as an administrative assistant with the South Plainfield Board of Education. Mrs. Marinich earlier was a dance instructor for the Arthur Murray dance studio. She attended the Fashion Institute of Technology.

In addition, Mrs. Marinich was a volunteer driver for can-

cer patients who needed transportation to doctors' visits and treatments. She was a member of the Terra Nova Garden Club and the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Orthodox Church.

Surviving are her husband, Oleg; three sons, Victor, Andre and Mark; a stepson, George; and eight grandchildren.

A Divine Liturgy was held July 20 at the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Church. Burial was in St. Vladimir's Russian Orthodox Cemetery, Jackson.

Arrangements were by the McCrisky Home for Funerals. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Orthodox Church, 400 Delmore Ave., South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

Carl Zakzewski

BOUND BROOK — Carl F. Zakzewski, 74, died July 20, 2006 at his home in Somerville.

Born Sept. 17, 1931 in Bayonne, he was a son of the late Mary and Carl Zakzewski.

Mr. Zakzewski lived in Bound Brook and Whitehouse before moving to Somerville over 41 years ago. He was an office worker with Egan Machinery Co. and Air Products Co. for over 30 years, retiring in 2000.

He was a former commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 6763 in South Plainfield, where Mr. Zakzewski was the

present quartermaster and adjutant. He also was a charter member of Military Order of Cooties Pup Tent 41.

He was an Army veteran of the Korean War.

Surviving are a sister, Joan Lick; a brother, John; and many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

Services were held Monday at the Bruce C. Van Arsdale Funeral Home, Somerville, followed by a funeral Mass at St. Mary of Czestochowa Roman Catholic Church. Burial was in Resurrection Burial Park, Piscataway.

G. Douglas King

SOUTH BOUND BROOK — George Douglas King, 72, died July 22, 2006 at Hunterdon Medical Center in Flemington.

Born Dec. 6, 1933 in Somerville, he was a son of the late Russell A. and Dorothea Snyder King.

Mr. King lived in Bedminster and South Bound Brook before moving to North Branch in 1959. He was a heavy equipment operator for the past 30 years with R&R Construction Co. Inc. in Chester.

He was an exempt fireman with the North Branch Volunteer Fire Company, of which Mr. King was a former chief and trustee. He was a

member of the North Branch Reformed Church in Bridgewater.

His wife, Anna Maranich King, and a brother, Richard R., died in 2002.

Surviving are two sons, Stanley of Berkeley Springs, W.Va., and Douglas Alan of Bath, Pa.; a sister, Carol K. Jacobus of High Bridge; and four grandchildren.

Services were held Wednesday at the Layton Funeral Home in Bedminster. Burial was in North Branch Cemetery.

Donations may be sent to the Cardiac Care Unit of Hunterdon Medical Center, 2100 Wescott Drive, Flemington, NJ 08822.

Legal Notices

NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE NO. 1695-06

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE PURCHASE OF CERTAIN PROPERTY KNOWN AS LOTS 5 THROUGH 19 AND AS LOTS 22 THROUGH 24 IN BLOCK 225 ON THE MIDDLESEX BOROUGH TAX MAP WHICH PROPERTY IS LOCATED ON 7TH STREET, ROCK LAND AND 6TH STREET AND CONTAIN APPROXIMATELY 42,000 SQUARE FEET OF LAND, WHICH LAND IS IN THE FLOOD ZONE WITH THE EXPRESS PURPOSE OF IMPOSING A CONSERVATION EASEMENT UPON SAID LAND TO GUARANTEE THAT SAID LAND WILL NOT BE DEVELOPED AT SOME FUTURE DATE.

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 25, 2006 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 8, 2006 at 8:00 PM.

Kathleen Anello
Borough Clerk
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NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION

ORDINANCE NO. 1696-06

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 407, VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC, ARTICLE IV, PROHIBITED PARKING TO INCLUDE SECTION 407-12 WILL OF DRIVE.

PROHIBITED PARKING; SIGNS; PENALTY 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 25, 2006 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 8, 2006 at 8:00 PM.

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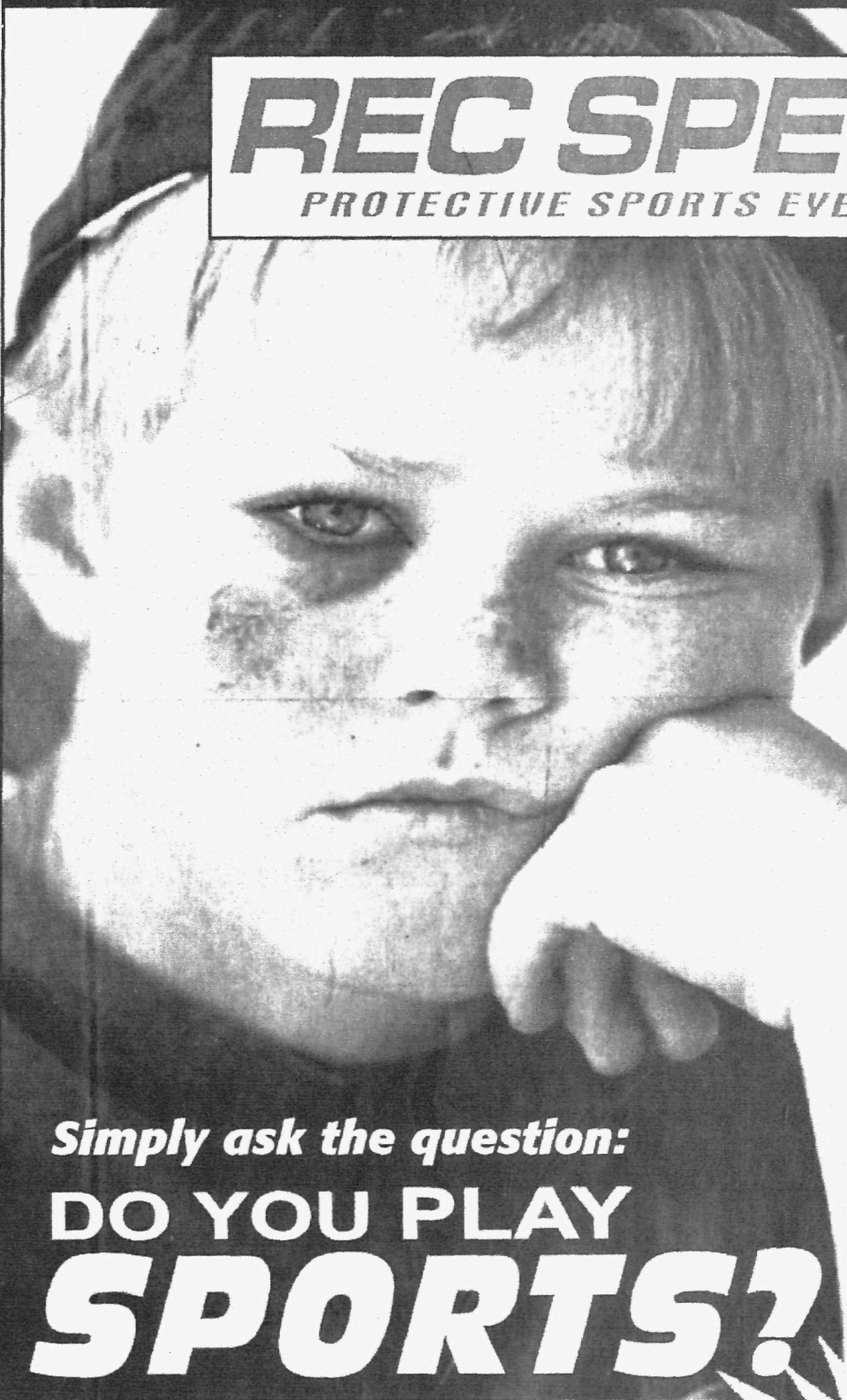
Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Borough of Dunellen for the "Columbia Park Improvements - Phase 3" and publicly opened and read aloud at the Dunellen Borough Hall at 355 North Avenue, Dunellen, New Jersey 08812 on Tuesday, August 22, 2006 at 11:00 AM prevailing time. The proposed improvements generally consist of road, way and access drive construction, fencing, sports lighting, barrier netting and other related work. Contract Documents and plans for the proposed work prepared by Michael J. McClelland, P.E., Borough Engineer, CME Associates may be examined at the office of the Engineer, at 3141 Bordentown Avenue,

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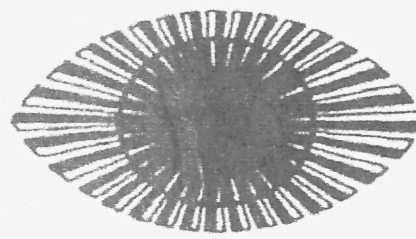


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We seek person to load bins at Concrete plant. Call Al Brong at 908-782-3619 or apply at Hunterdon Concrete, 1087 Route 173, Asbury, NJ.

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Part-Time Help 255**Dog Daycare & Boarding Help**

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Homes For Sale 330**MILFORD VINTAGE BEAUTY**

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