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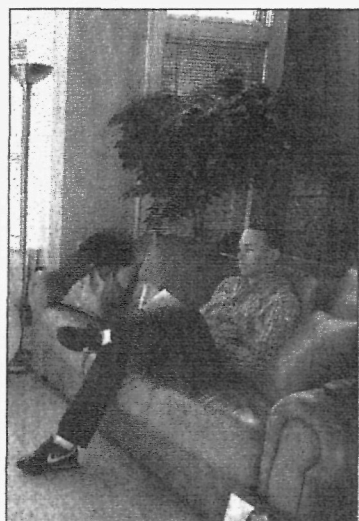
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Living on Main Street

For many people who work or own a business in Somerville, living in the borough makes perfect sense. Rand Pitts, owner of the Sound Exchange/Xpress Gear is one of them. The third week of a five-week series titled the Changing Face of Somerville continues inside. Page A6.



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Melissa Melendez of Edison, a senior biochemistry major at Rider University, spent time in the lab as part of a biochemistry research project. Page A5.

Art exhibit work sought

EDISON — The Edison Arts Society is sponsoring two upcoming visual art exhibits that have deadlines fast approaching: the Members Only 2006 Art Gallery exhibit and photographs for "Gardens of the Garden State." Submit all entries to Edison Arts Society, 340 Raritan Center Parkway, Edison, NJ 08837. The Members Only 2006 Exhibition requires digital entries in jpeg format only and is open to members of the Edison Arts Society, age 16-up. Deadline for submissions is Friday, Sept. 8. A \$15 fee must be included with the discs. Residents of New Jersey are invited to submit up to 2 photographs of their gardens or segments of it for the "Gardens of the Garden State" art and photography exhibit by Friday, Sept. 15.

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Domestic violence on the rise

Several communities see increase, but not sure why

By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI
Staff Writer

While reports of domestic violence around the county are up, from 2,303 reported incidents in 2004 to 2,347 last year, places like Somerville, Watchung, Bridgewater and Raritan showed large increases in the incidence of domestic violence, and local police departments and advocacy groups are unsure exactly why.

Capt. Gary Stramaglia, of the Raritan Borough Police Department, said that while his numbers differed from the state figures — which show

an increase of 65 reports, while the Raritan figures show 44 incident increase — there are still more reports from 2004 to 2005.

"I couldn't tell you why. Maybe it's just that we're getting more calls," he said, which means that more reports are filed. "Regardless of whether charges get pressed or people don't want to sign a complaint, a report gets filled out."

In Somerville, the number of domestic violence reports rose from 94 reports in 2004 to 136 last year. In Watchung, the number of domestic

violence incidents rose from 34 to 56; however no officials from the borough were available to comment on the increase as of press time. The data came from the state's latest Uniform Crime Report, a annual tracking of criminal activity in municipalities and counties throughout the state.

Stramaglia said while police do internal training, there has been no awareness campaigns or public education efforts by the police department that would result in more calls, he said, and the way local police

departments submit reports to the state has remained the same.

The higher number of reports in Raritan, which dropped from 69 incidents in 2003 to 55 in 2004 before rising to 120 last year, according to state figures, is also not necessarily the result of repeat offenders.

"We'll have some repeat calls, to the same house or apartment, maybe two or three times a year," he said.

So far, he said, the borough has received 59 reports in the first seven

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Julie Jagiello of Branchburg leans in to kiss Artie Lange during his movie premier party at The Rail in Bound Brook last week.

Fans pack Rail to see Howard Stern sidekick

By JIM WHITE
Staff Writer

BOUND BROOK — As hundreds of fans packed The Rail for a chance to get an autograph, a picture and a few words with Artie Lange, John Jagiello, who attended the appearance with his wife Julie, was having some jealousy issues.

"She loves Artie. She dreams about the guy. I don't know why. She doesn't dream about me," said the Branchburg man, half serious.

"I love Artie," admitted Julie Jagiello. "He's just a normal guy that everyone can relate to."

Best known as a member of the Howard Stern Radio Show, Lange was at The Rail last Thursday to promote his upcoming movie,

"Artie Lange's Beer League," which hits theaters Sept. 15.

It's a raunchy comedy about "Artie," an unemployed, unmotivated drunk who still lives with his mother. Artie is on a losing softball team, and he and his teammates

are facing the end of their playing days if they can't pull it together. But when love enters his life, it unexpectedly alters Artie's low self-esteem and the odds of winning, not only the league trophy, but a new life, seem possible. A trailer of the film played in a loop on dozens of televisions throughout the evening Thursday as Lange and two of the movie's costars, Michael Deeg and Jimmy Palumbo, patiently signed movie memorabilia and posed for pictures. The film also stars Ralph Macchio of

"Karate Kid" fame; Laurie Metcalf, who played "Roseanne's" TV sister; Tina Fey from "Saturday Night Live;" comedian and SNL veteran Jim Breuer, and comedian Jim Florentine.

Lange, a Jersey guy from Union, is friends with The Rail's owner Mike Ruane. Twenty years ago he hired Lange to play a part in a dinner theater show he was directing. At the time, Lange was driving a cab.

Lange would later go on to perform standup comedy, act in a number of movies, and make the cast of "Mad TV." But he earned most of his fame when he joined the Howard Stern crew in 2001, and accompanied "The King of all Media" on the jump to Sirius Satellite Radio.

Sailors' history is discussed

PISCATAWAY — The Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission presents "African American Sailors in the Union Navy" with Joseph P. Reidy at 2 p.m. tomorrow at East Jersey Olde Towne Village, 1050 River Road. This lecture is the first in the two-part "We the People" series focusing on the United States Constitution.

This lecture is co-sponsored by the Metuchen-Edison Branch of the NAACP and the Paul Robeson Center at Rutgers University. This program is funded in part by the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission, the Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders and the We the People Initiative of the National Endowment for the Humanities, through a grant from the New Jersey Council for the Humanities.

Reidy, associate provost and professor of history at Howard University, will speak of the little-known integrated crews of Union naval vessels and discuss the significant role of African Americans in the Civil War Navy. Using photographs of sailors and images of enlistment and service records, he will focus, in part, on the life of Lewis T. Johnson, a 15-year-old African American who served on board the USS Weehawken, one of the five ironclads built in Jersey City. The 13th and 14th Amendments to the Constitution will be the basis for contrasting remarks.

Reidy has taught in the history department at Howard University since 1984 and was associate dean of its graduate school from 1998-2001. He earned his bachelor's degree from Villanova University and his master's degree and Ph.D. from Northern Illinois University, specializing in 19th-century United States

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Millstone Valley Chorus names officers

The Millstone Valley Chorus recently installed its 2006-07 officers.

Outgoing management team coordinator, Corynn Ganley officiated at the ceremony, which was held at the Clubhouse at Williamsburg Square in Hillsborough.

Ganley turned her title and responsibilities over to Trish Wolfe. Both Ganley and Wolfe are Hillsborough residents.

"It's been a lot of fun and work getting our chorus to a new level of performance readiness and competition placement," Ganley said. "We have lots of momentum for the coming year."

Wolfe, a former treasurer for the organization, is looking forward to serving the chorus in a new capacity.

Other newly appointed members of the management team include Jean

Mayo, events team leader, Diane Trampe, treasurer, and Alice Tempel, secretary. Each woman will serve a two-year term. Remaining team members Anita Barry, membership team leader, and Carole Auletta, communications team leader, who were elected last year, will serve for one more year before completing their terms.

Ganley also earned the title "Sweet Adeline of the Year" at the ceremony. The chorus voted to give her this award because of her outstanding service in performances, fundraisers and rehearsals. Former recipients, Jean Ferguson, 2004 and Robin Carberry, 2005, presented a silver necklace and charm to Ganley.

The Millstone Valley Chorus is a

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At an Installation dinner and ceremony, The Millstone Valley Chorus recently selected its 2006-07 management team. From left, Jack Pinto of Hamilton, chorus director, Trish Wolfe of Hillsborough, team coordinator, Anita Barry of Hillsborough, membership chair, Jeanne Mayo of Skillman, events planner, Diane Trampe of Hillsborough, finance manager, and Alice Tempel of Piscataway, secretary. Not shown is Carole Auletta of Bound Brook, communications coordinator.

Area domestic violence is on the rise

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months of 2006, he said. There have been outreach efforts to try to educate the public around the county, said Paloma Amar-Coleman, executive director of the Resource Center for Women and their Families in Hillsborough. Her organization has run events and sessions to help educate the public, which she specu-

lated was part of the reason domestic violence reports have increased.

"It's actually a reverse trend from the rest of the state," she said. "They've seen a one percent decrease, while we've seen a two percent increase overall."

While the shelters in the area are currently full, she said that situation is typical for this time of year, as

women leave with their children before school starts up again. Overall demand for services, however, has not increased significantly, she said.

There is also increased awareness of different types of abuse that go beyond physical violence, she said, such as financial abuse.

"If you're living in a multi-million dollar house and you

don't have a penny to your name, that's financial abuse," she explained, adding that victims are also getting help earlier in the cycle of abuse, instead of waiting until they are ready to leave.

Chief Dennis Manning, of the Somerville Police Department, also said that he didn't know why the borough's reports have increased over the last few years, from 94

reports in 2004 to 136 last year, and didn't want to speculate on possible causes. Like Raritan, the Somerville squad has not done any additional outreach or education efforts, he said, just the internal training so that his officers are aware of the state guidelines.

While the number of reports county-wide increased in 2005 from the previous year, the number of reports of domestic

violence in the county have decreased significantly over a five-year period, State Police figures show. In 2001, there were 2,485 reports, and the numbers dropped in 2002, 2003, and 2004 as well.

In Watching the number of domestic violence incidents rose from 34 to 56, however no officials from the borough were available to comment on the increase as of press time.

Civil War sailors' history is discussed tomorrow

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history. He has published extensively on slavery, the Civil War and slave emancipation in both scholarly and popular journals. Reidy's current research focuses on the experience of black sailors in the U.S. Navy during the Civil

War. He published "Black Men in Navy Blue During the Civil War" in "Prologue: Quarterly of the National Archives and Records Administration" vol. 33 (fall 2001). His essay "Armed Slaves and the Struggles for Republican Liberty in the U.S. Civil War" appears in "Arming Slaves:

From Classical Times to the Modern Age," edited by Christopher Leslie Brown and Philip D. Morgan (Yale University Press, 2006). Reidy also directed the Civil War Sailors Database produced from a 10-year partnership with Howard University, the Department of the Navy and

the National Park Service.

Admission is free. Registration is required; call (732) 745-4489.

The second lecture in the "We the People" series will focus on the life of Elizabeth Downes Franklin, wife of William Franklin, the last royal governor of New Jersey.

This lecture will be presented by Marilyn Hulme of the Nontraditional Career Resource Center at Rutgers University at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 22 at East Jersey Olde Towne. Hulme has written about Mrs. Franklin in "Past and Promise: Lives of New Jersey Women."



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In The Towns

Metuchen businesses hosting car show

METUCHEN — The Metuchen Area Chamber of Commerce is holding an Antique and Classic Car Cruise Nights on Sept. 6. Music and entertainment are provided.

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.

— Second annual Highland Park Arts Festival — 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 17, along Raritan Avenue.

— Fifth annual Autumn in the Park — 6-9 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 19, along Raritan Avenue.

Band anniversary DVD is planned

PISCATAWAY — The Superchief Band at Piscataway High School marks its 35th anniversary this year.

To mark the occasion the Superchief Band Parents Association is producing an anniversary DVD. Videotapes, 8 mm film and still photos are wanted.

Those who wish to share their personal collection can e-mail pwaychair@yahoo.com or call Pat Hatfield at (732) 248-9426.

County organization seeking volunteers

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

Volunteers are needed to cook lunch for elderly members in a social adult day program.

Those who are available at least one day a month and are interested can call E.J. Berman at (732) 777-1940, Ext. 122.

SBB school board meetings

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

Meetings are scheduled for 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.

Piscataway offering introduction to travel

PISCATAWAY — "Trip Night" is an introduction to day trips

and longer excursions sponsored by Piscataway Community Education.

Day trips leave from the Municipal Complex on Hoes Lane. Among these trips are:

Battleship New Jersey, Saturday, Aug. 26. Cost is \$39 for adults and \$34 for children.

"Trip to the Big Apple," Greenwich Village, Little Italy and Chinatown, Saturday, Sept. 2. Cost is \$49.

"Trip to the Big Apple," Roosevelt Island and Gramercy Park, Saturday, Sept. 30.

World War II veterans memorial and Gettysburg, Pa., Oct. 8-9.

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four-part harmony women's chorus that performs for private, civic and charitable groups throughout the area. Under the direction of Jack Pinto, the Millstone Valley Chorus has over 50 members from throughout New Jersey and areas of Pennsylvania.

The chorus meets Monday evening for rehearsals at Trinity Church, Mercer Street, Princeton. Guests and prospective members are welcome at all rehearsals.

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Manville fundraiser brings '32 Ford home

By JIM WHITE
Staff Writer

Classic cars and hotrods are near and dear to many who have grown up in Manville. They've brought joy to some, heartbreak to others, and, occasionally, whether it be coincidence or fate, are driven back into the lives of people who never thought they would see them again.

Enter John Kropewnicki. A few years ago he was attending a street rod car show in York, Pa. when suddenly his jaw dropped open. The Manville native, who now lives in Hillsborough, just couldn't believe what he was seeing.

"I was walking around and I stopped in front of this vehicle," he recalled. "The lettering on the door said 'Steve's Tire Service, Manville, New Jersey.'"

It was the 1932 Ford pickup used to haul tires when Steve's Industrial Tire Service was located in the borough, before it moved to the Findernie section of Bridgewater.

"I said 'Boy this brings back memories from high school.'"

Kropewnicki, 63, and a 1962 graduate of Manville High School, went to school with the former co-owner of the pickup — Jerry, the younger brother of Steve Perun, president and owner of the tire service business.

"We were in shop class together. I would see Jerry at race tracks," Kropewnicki said. "And when I needed tires I always went to Steve's."

So that day in York, Pa., Kropewnicki couldn't help but strike up a conversation with the current owners of the truck, Maggie and Steve Turner, who reside in Westminster, Md. And in a matter of hours a friendship had been made.

That seemingly twist of fate now appears to have come full circle, because today, the Manville High School Marching Band will hold a car show fundraiser, and that '32 Ford pickup is expected to be there.

"Four days ago I got a phone call, and (the Turners) said they needed a list of hotels in the

area," Kropewnicki said last week.

Reached by phone at their Maryland home, Steve Turner confirmed he and the wife will drive the truck up to New Jersey for Saturday's fundraiser.

The news has been overwhelming for Steve Perun, who was brought to tears talking about the '32 Ford.

"Old trucks are a part of my life. My brother, it was a part of his, and a part of my father's life. People are different. My whole life was always about trucks," said Perun, who currently owns a '38 Ford, a '73 Dodge pickup and '48, '64 and '76 Internationals. "You sell things. You don't want to sell them. You can't keep everything, but it's still very important to you."

Perun, 67, bought the truck from a friend in 1958, paying \$125 for it.

It ran up until the mid-1960s, when the flathead gave out, and then was warehoused for many years.

Years later, because both Perun and his brother were still so fond of the truck, their mother decided to give it to Jerry Perun's son, Dustin, and, in turn, end any rivalry the brothers had over it.

But in an unexpected move, Dustin Perun then sold it for \$1,000 so he could purchase a computer, and the truck was no longer in the family.

The recent resurfacing of the truck has Steve Perun thinking about the old days, before he left his late father's tire business to start his own.

"My father sold tires to A. J. Foyt (considered to be one of the greats in American racecar history)," he said, noting that before one of Foyt's dirt track races in Reading, Pa., his father gave him slick tires he had cut grooves in for better traction.

"He wouldn't have won that race (without those tires), and that's a true story," he said.

"I'll never forget this," Perun said about what he remembers his father telling Foyt before the race. "Don't worry, I got the hot

setup! That was my pop. I was very close to him. He was very important to me."

The homecoming of sorts for the '32 Ford pickup also is extra special for Perun because his brother has not been doing well as of late — this, after surviving battles with polio and cancer.

"I'm excited. I'm very excited (about Saturday)," he said. "I'm going to bring my brother."

Current owner Steve Turner, 62, also is looking forward to it, and he understands what all the fuss is about.

"It's an amazing truck. Everywhere I go people stop and tell me stories about it," he said. "I was in Kentucky, and a guy said 'I used to live in Manville. I remember that truck.'"

And during one of the numerous car shows Turner has attended, he said a man who used to hitchhike in the Somerset County area remembered always seeing the truck go by with tires piled in the back.

Turner said he purchased the Ford in February 1999 for \$9,200 from the person Dustin Perun sold it to after seeing it at a show in York, Pa. And he was encouraged by everyone he knows to keep its appearance the same — white with red trim and the business lettering on the side.

"I always wanted to get to Manville, to see where the truck worked. We're going to hop in the thing and head on up," Turner said. "I'm really looking forward to it. It's gonna be a hoot."

The car show fundraiser, hosted by the Manville High School Marching Band and the Street Dreams Car Club, will help pay for band trips.

The event takes place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. today at the high school on Brooks Boulevard. Rain date is Aug. 26. There will be trophies and door prizes, food, music, 50/50s, muffler rapping, flame throwing, and tug-of-wars. It costs \$15 to get in. Flea market vendors are wanted; \$20 per space.

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The goal of the campaign is to raise awareness about the dangers of drinking and driving through high-visibility enforcement, and to arrest motorists who choose to drive while impaired by drugs or

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HIGHLAND PARK — To mark the first anniversary of

Hurricane Katrina, the Highland Park Musicians Cooperative is collecting instruments to be sent to musicians in New Orleans, La.

The instrument drive is from noon-6 p.m. Sunday, Aug. 27 at PJ's Coffee, 315 Raritan Ave. The Somerset Jazz Consortium and other bands will provide music.

In addition to the instruments, the Musicians Cooperative will accept cash donations for the New Orleans Musicians Hurricane Relief Fund. Donations are tax-deductible to the extent allowed by law.

Military Honors

Army Reserve Pfc. Jared J. Santos has graduated from the Power-Generation Equipment Repairer Advanced Individual Training course at Aberdeen Proving Ground, Aberdeen, Md. During the training, Santos was trained to perform unit, direct support or general support maintenance functions on power-generation equipment.

This included repair and overhauling internal combustion engines, tactical utility, precise power generation sets, and other associated equipment. Santos is the son of April J. Santos of Highland Park.

Army Pvt. Alcides E. Sabio has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

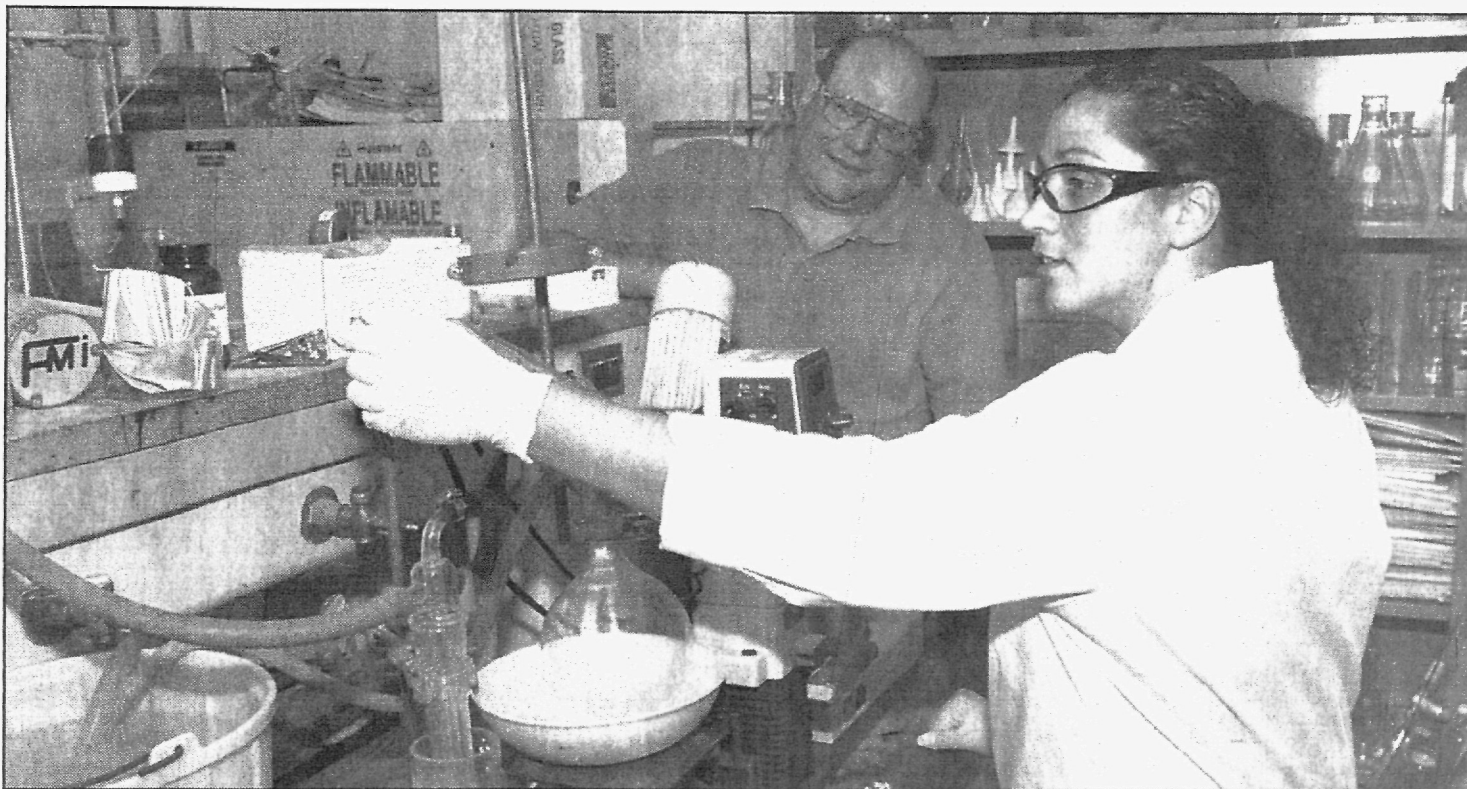
During the nine weeks of training, the soldier studied the Army mission, history, tradition and core values, physical fitness, and received instruction and practice in basic combat skills, military weapons, chemical warfare and bayonet training, drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice system, basic first aid, foot marches, and field training exercises.

Sabio is the son of Elsa Alvarez of South Plainfield and nephew of Blanca Mata, also of the borough. He is a 1997 graduate of New Brunswick Adult High School.

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This summer, Melissa Melendez of Edison, a senior biochemistry major at Rider University, investigated the effects of chemical substitutions on the nitrogen atom of trisubstituted pyrroles with Bruce Burnham, associate professor of chemistry at Rider University. Previously, Burnham's lab had been synthesizing 2,3,4-trisubstituted pyrroles and testing for their ability to lower lipid levels (i.e., cholesterol and triglycerides) in the blood of mice. As a follow-up study this summer, his students are currently carrying out the N-substitution reactions, which they anticipate will provide for better lipid-lowering effects of the pyrroles. Additionally, the new pyrroles are to be evaluated by Dr. Jonathan Karp, associate professor of biology, for their effects on certain chemicals in the brain, such as the neurotransmitter norepinephrine. A graduate of Newburgh Free Academy High School, Melendez is the daughter of Ernesto and Maria Melendez.

Campus Notes

Four area students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2005 semester at Syracuse University in Syracuse, N.Y. They are:

Janara Garcia of South Plainfield, a junior majoring in architecture.

Miroslav Milanov of Bound Brook, a freshman majoring in industrial and interaction design.

Joshua Seidner of Edison, a senior majoring in architecture.

Ryan Walsh of Edison, a junior majoring in drama.

Shannon Clegg of Piscataway was named to the dean's list for the fall 2005 semester at Springfield College in Springfield, Mass. She is a senior majoring in athletic training.

Matthew J. Connors of Piscataway has been awarded a chemistry scholarship sponsored by National Starch & Chemical Corp. He is a sophomore majoring in mathematics and chemistry at Rutgers College, on the New Brunswick campus of Rutgers University.

Connors is the son of Dr. & Mrs. Thomas F. Connors.

Betty Zhou, a student at JP Stevens High School in Edison, was invited to perform for the Suburban Music Study Club's annual Young Student Invitational Festival.

Zhou is 15 and has performed in recitals and on television since she was 5. She played "Concerto in D, first movement op. 35" by Tchaikovsky.

Lauren Kaczka of South Plainfield and Jose Rodriguez of Dunellen were

named to the dean's list for the fall 2005 semester at Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pa.

Six area students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2005 semester at Quinnipiac University in Hamden, Conn. They are Kristina Armer and Caitlin Macaulay, both of Middlesex; Veronica Bogomazova and Megan Fitzpatrick, both of Dunellen; Stephanie Caiella and Jonathan Licciardi, both of Piscataway.



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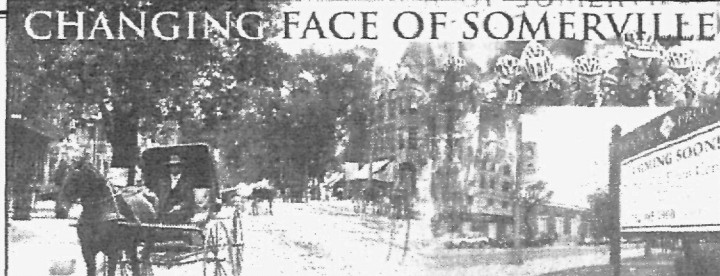
				
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CHANGING FACE OF SOMERVILLE



Borough workers are living it up downtown

By AMY S. BOBROWSKI
Staff Writer

SOMERVILLE — When there is an event on Main Street, Rand Pitts always has a front-row seat.

Pitts, the owner of the Sound Exchange/Xpress Gear, lives in a second-floor apartment on Main Street and his long bay windows overlook the main drag.

"The view is great," he said sitting on the sofa in his living room, where a decorative mantle, high ceilings and detailed molding make the space appear luxurious. "I probably have the best seat in the house for all the events downtown. All I have to do is open the window. The bike race starts right down there."

His commute to work can't be beat.

"It takes me about a minute to walk to work," he said.

Pitts typically wakes up around 7 a.m. Before reporting to work, he takes a walk around the downtown, showers and has breakfast. When he's ready to go to the store, Pitts walks out the door of his apartment, though the hallway with exposed brick. After closing the door to the apartment building, he walks down the stairs and across a few parking lots to the door of store.

"If I leave something at home, I go and get it," he said. "There is a bad side to this (living so close to work). Some days when you want to lay in bed, you just do."

Dennis Felter, a bartender at Mannion's Pub & Restaurant who lives along the western edge of the downtown, has a slightly longer commute, but to him it's just a leisurely stroll.

"It's a five minute walk to work," said Felter, who has also lived in the downtowns of Chester, Summit and Westfield.

Living in the downtown also helps Felter save money. "I save money on gas and if you don't use your car to go to work, you can save money on your car insurance," said Felter, whose apartment is on a yearly lease. "I plan on staying for as long as I'm working at Mannion's."

As a single man who does-

n't cook often, Felter frequents downtown restaurants on a regular basis.

"I love all the diversity of all the restaurants we have downtown," he said. "We've got Irish, of course, Italian, Thai, Chinese."

Cynthia Nannen, owner of The Back Door and a member of the District Management Corporation, also lives in the downtown. She moved to an apartment on the west side of downtown Somerville about two years ago when she was appointed to the DMC board. Nannen, like others who live in the area, dines, shops and runs most of her errands on Main Street.

"I shop for groceries here," she said. "I dine here. I get my hair done here. I support other businesses. I'm very community-oriented with living in Somerville and owning a business. I want to continue that commitment."

Before moving to Somerville, Nannen commuted almost 50 minutes each way from Flanders, Pa. to her shop on Main Street, where she sells decorations, gifts and home goods.

"It was on a very slow moving Route 206," she said. "Now my commute is a two minute walk."

Pitts, who moved into the downtown three years ago, loved the apartment the second he saw it.

"I broke my (old) lease to move in here," he said of his flat, which features a kitchen with a breakfast nook, walk-in closet, arched hallways and a spacious bathroom. "The bathroom is amazing. It's so big."

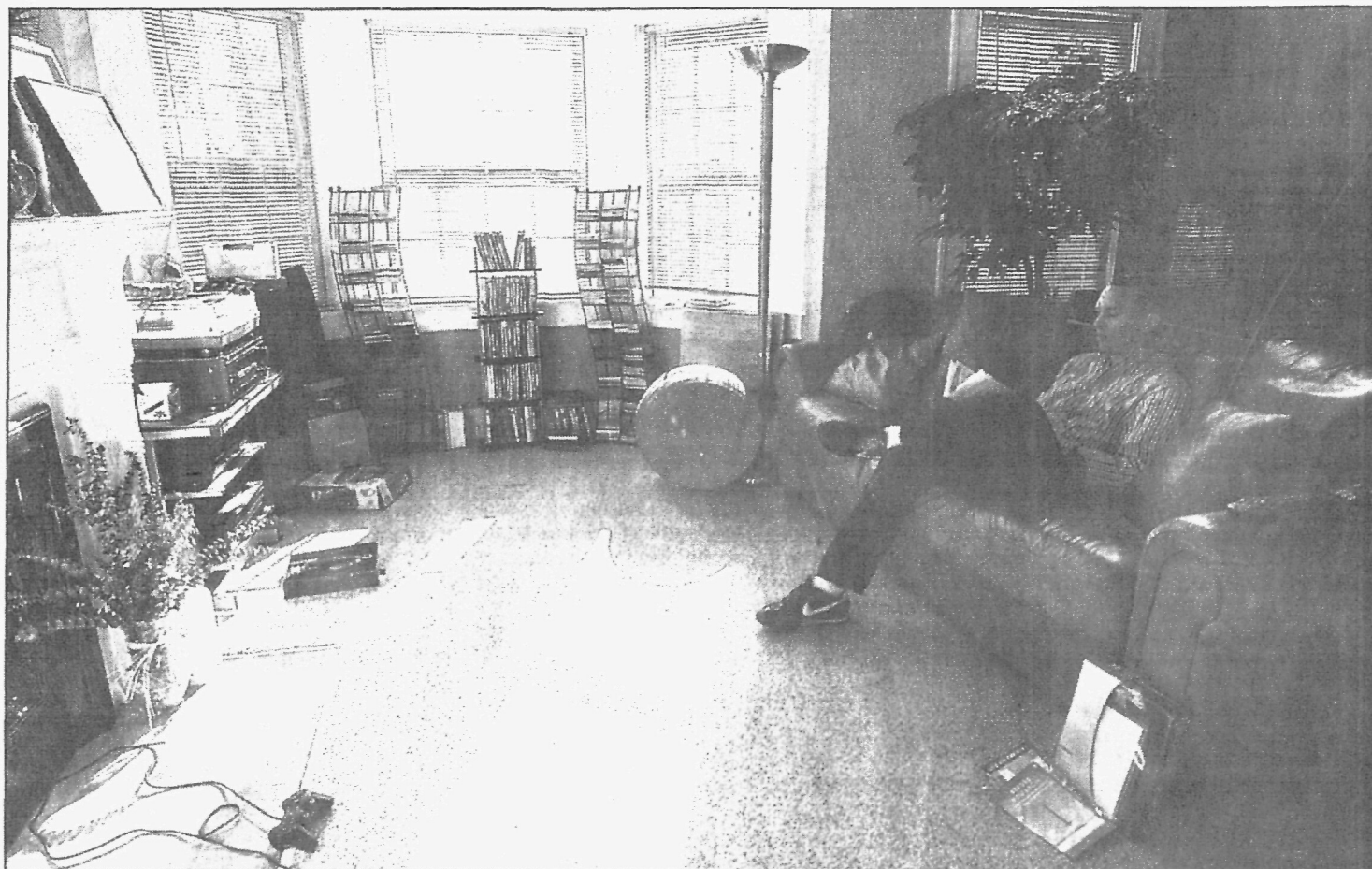
Both Pitts and Felter said the very visible police force also makes living in a downtown setting appealing.

"It's safe," Pitts said. "I can go for a walk at night. The police are always walking around checking on doors to make sure everything is locked up."

Felter, who's on the night shift at Mannion's, typically doesn't get out of work until after the bar closes — and that can be as late as 3 a.m.

"I feel safe walking home at night because of the police presence," he said.

But for Pitts, the nightlife in Somerville is almost a lit-



Rand Pitts, above, owner of the Sound Exchange/Xpress Gear, relaxes inside his Main Street apartment in Somerville. Dennis Felter, below, is a bartender at Mannion's Pub and Restaurant in Somerville and also lives in the borough.

tle too peaceful. After a long day, he hardly ever spends time relaxing at his apartment.

"I pretty much only sleep here," he said. "I go into Manhattan a lot. If you said, 'Rand, let's go to Manhattan right now,' I'd go. But in Somerville, I like to go to Wasabi. To me, that place has an atmosphere like New York."

When he visits the Big Apple, Pitts often frequents a lounge in Union Square called Republic or hits the ESPN Zone.

"I love the upstairs," said Pitts of the sports-themed bar. "It's like an arcade for kids."

He thinks Somerville could use more of those types of activities.

"We need something exciting — something to do here," he said.

Felter agrees. In his free

time, he'll catch a train to Westfield to visit family and friends, go into New York City to check out a blues club or he might just walk the streets of the borough.

"I enjoy walking," he said. "That's my exercise of choice. I'll go out and walk for two hours. There's a lot of different neighborhoods and historical houses."

While Nannen doesn't necessarily think there's anything missing from downtown Somerville, she'd like to see a cultural arts or performing center and more retail shops come to town.

Both Pitts and Felter hope the redevelopment of the downtown Somerville Shopping Center will bring some more excitement to the borough. But they also hope that construction won't be too dirty or too loud.

"I'm hoping people will get excited about the things hap-

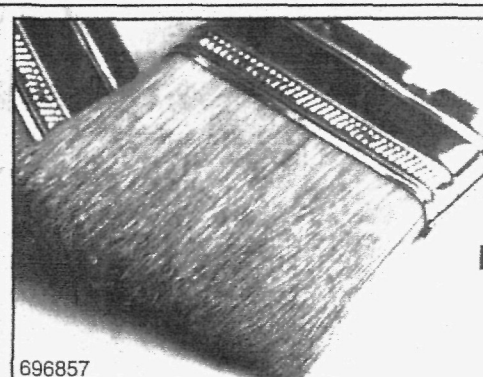
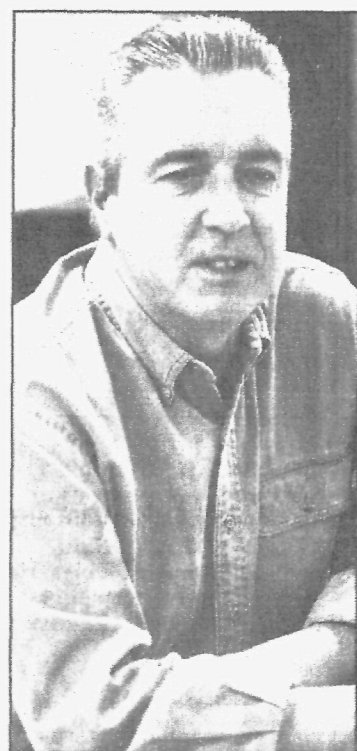
pening in town and not get discouraged," Pitts said. "I'm hoping it (the hustle and bustle of construction) won't affect us (his business). We'll cross that bridge when we get to it. And I'm hoping they won't start (construction) until at least 8 (in the morning). I'm right by there."

Felter thinks the construction could have advantages for the pub and restaurant.

"All those guys have to eat, maybe they'll come into Mannion's for lunch," he said. "And then after work, maybe they'll take advantage of happy hour specials."

However, because Felter works the night shift, he's worried that construction sounds could wake him from his sleep.

"I'm a little concerned about the noise, but I'm sure I'll get used to it," Felter added. "I wonder how noisy it's going to be."



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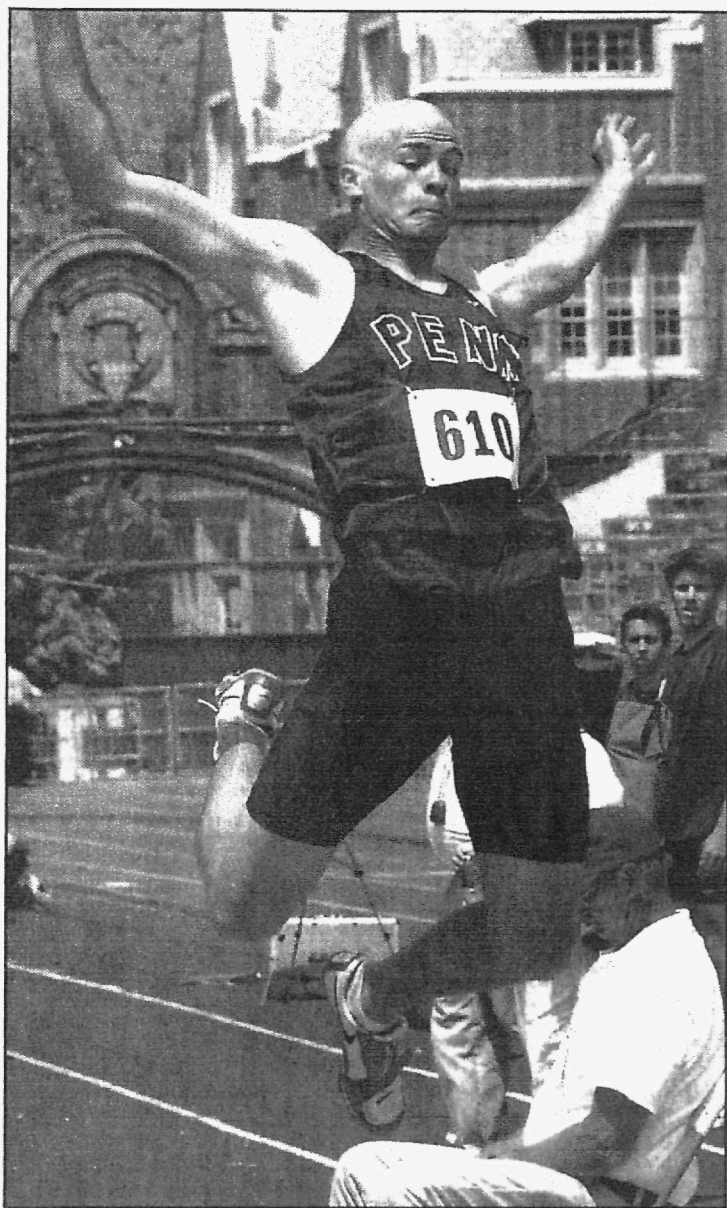
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Kyle Calvo, the State Meet of Champions high jump winner as a Somerville High senior, has developed into one of the nation's top collegiate decathlon competitors at the University of Pennsylvania. He finished 14th in the NCAA Championships in June.

Calvo among nation's best

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

TRACK & FIELD

It's not often you see an athlete make a switch from specific excellence to general competitiveness, but Kyle Calvo appears to have made the transition smoothly.

A former standout jumper and hurdler at Somerville High, where he led the Pioneers to a pair of Group II state championships, won six Group II individual gold medals and captured a Meet of Champions title in the high jump, Calvo has moved on to the most grueling of all the track and field events — the decathlon.

This spring the soon-to-be University of Pennsylvania junior reached the NCAA National Championships in Sacramento, Calif., where he placed 14th in the decathlon, and 20th in the long jump.

Calvo's first attempt at a multi-tiered competition came in the high school nationals as a senior where he won the pentathlon, but the distance events left him uncertain about his future in that kind of competition.

Two years later, though, Calvo has embraced the decathlon. "It's gotten to be a lot more fun the better I've gotten at it," he said. "It's such a mental event because if you have a bad day in one thing you have nine others to make it up, and you have to get past the bad one. Last year I had a tough time getting past having a bad day."

"It's more enjoyable now. When I first started it was tough because I was coming from being really good in four events to where I had to be good in 10. I'm competitive, and I want to win everything I'm in, and it's hard for me not to be very good in everything."

Had it not been for a late-season injury this spring, Calvo might have been good enough to earn All-America status with a top-eight finish at the nationals.

Matching his career-best of 7370 points he scored at the Princeton Quad in April would have placed Calvo sixth in Sacramento, so he knows he already fits in with the country's best collegiate athletes in the event.

"I really wasn't feeling well that week (June 7-10) because I hurt my hamstring about a week-and-a-half before the meet," he said. "I couldn't push myself like I wanted. I didn't get the results I wanted."

"As far as goals next year I usually play it by ear, but I just want to keep improving in the decathlon and be a contender for the nationals, and pretty much the same for the long jump."

"My best score would've placed me in the top eight at the nationals and I think I can improve another 200-300 points, so I don't think finishing in the top eight next year is out of reach at all."

Reaching the nationals was a big moment for Calvo, who enjoyed

the atmosphere and the continued support of his parents, Glen and Janet.

"I loved it out there," he said. "It's even fun being there if you're not competing. I like watching really exciting. It was great having my parents there. I love having my parents at my side and cheering for me."

Obviously, Calvo has shown steady improvement in the early stages of his decathlon career. He owns three Ivy League titles — the indoor heptathlon and long jump this past winter and this spring's decathlon — and he took the IC4A long jump championship this spring, matching his career-best with a jump of 7.57 meters (24 feet 10 inches).

One of the best — if not the best — track and field athletes to come out of Somerville High, where he holds a number of school records, Calvo has taken well to the decathlon.

"I'm definitely happy with the progress I've made," he said. "I haven't done what I've wanted to do in the high jump (reach 7 feet), but in the other events I've gotten better. I'm not putting things together in the high jump like I used to, but it's hard to do with nine other events to worry about."

"The toughest events for me are the throws and the jumps. The throws have never been consistent, especially the discus. The running events are usually the most consistent."

"There's no doubt I'm working harder now than I did in high school. I think of practices a little differently. You have to be competitive even during practice in college. In high school you basically went through the motions looking to get better."

And Calvo has accomplished all he has on the track while competing as well in the classroom at Penn, where he's enrolled in the rigorous Wharton School of Business.

"Things are going well with school," he said of campus life in Philadelphia. "I like it at Penn. It's been fun. It's tough, obviously, and challenging for me, but I've been doing OK. I thought it was going to be this hard, but I've never really done this much work before, so you don't know how you'll do until you do it."

"I didn't know what I was getting into. I knew the work would be tough and I'd be surrounded by a lot of smart people. It's a lot of hard work, but I'm learning and having fun."

What the future holds for Calvo remains to be seen. Expect continued progress on the track that could eventually lead to the sport's biggest stage.

"People talk to me all the time about the Olympics, and I just laugh," he said. "It's hard to put a lot of emphasis on something like that when you're this young, but I guess it's possible. It's something that's a goal for everyone. If I get there that will be great. We'll see."

Panther frosh show promise for future

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

BRIDGEWATER — Bridgewater-Raritan High's freshman baseball squad came of age this summer after a so-so spring showing.

Competing in the Bob Feller Division (age 15-and-under) of the Pyramid Baseball League, the Panthers coasted to the championship in the five-team circuit by posting a 13-3 record, and then came within a hit of advancing to the state Final Four in their age group.

All in all, it was a pretty solid summer campaign for a team that had played .500 ball during its first year of high school, putting together a season that was better than expected.

"I thought we'd have a pretty good team, but I didn't expect to be as good as we were," said Walt Fitzsimmons, who shared coaching duties with Robert Hering and Bob Kwiatek. "They basically played .500 ball during the high school season, but they play very well together. These kids have played together a long time."

"I thought it would be tough to win our league because of the teams we play, but we won some games early and got on a nice roll. That gave them a lot of confidence. I knew we'd play well, but playing well and winning don't always go hand in hand."

"They always had been the smallest team on the field, but they're starting to get bigger and stronger as they older, and with the ability they have they're starting to have some success. I can't single anyone out because I'm not with the high school, but I think all of

them have a chance to get time with the varsity the next couple of years."

Outscoring its league rivals 128-84, Bridgewater relied on a well-rounded game to get the job done this summer with 11 of its 14 players hitting between .290 and .400, while on defense the Panthers averaged less than two errors a game.

While pleased with the balance his club showed at the plate, Fitzsimmons believes the success Bridgewater enjoyed was due to the other two areas.

"We had solid pitching and a strong defense," he said. "Our pitchers threw strikes. They don't walk a lot of batters, and our defense averaged only 1.5 errors a game. We had an excellent catcher in Billy Freyberger. After he threw out a runner early in the game teams wouldn't run on him any more."

"We had speed at the top of the order and we relied on timely hitting. Only a couple of our kids struggled at the plate this summer, so just everybody had a good season. They don't single each other out. They just play very well together."

Bridgewater's final two games proved to be the most difficult for the coaching staff to accept as the Panthers dropped a pair of one-run decisions in district play of the American Legion State Tournament after opening with a pair of easy victories.

After a blown call by the home-plate umpire turned the momentum in the first loss, Bridgewater had its worst start to any game the following night and then saw a comeback from a nine-run deficit fall short in

an 11-10 loss to Marlton Aug. 8 at the Prince Rogers Baseball Complex.

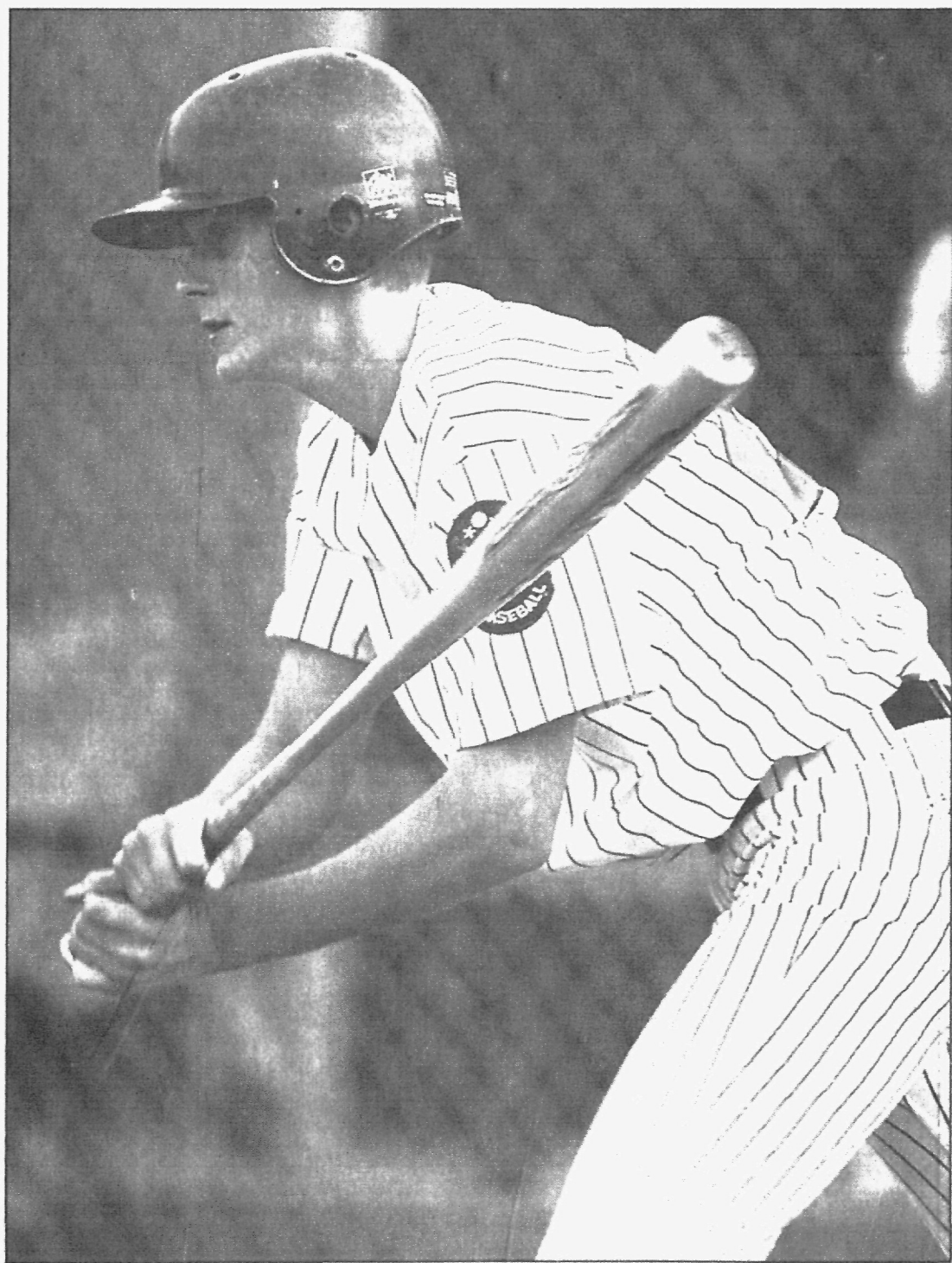
"When you're 15-year-old boys it's disappointing for about 15 minutes and then they're talking about what they're going to do the next day," Fitzsimmons said. "For the coaches it's going to take a little longer to get past it. It'll probably take us to the first pitch of fall ball."

"We were vindicated on the call at the plate when the head of the tournament said the umpire made a mistake, but it was still tough. It was also nice that both teams who beat us said Bridgewater was the best team in the tournament and they felt fortunate getting out of there beating us."

Bridgewater pitchers once again threw strikes, but seven errors paved the way to eight unearned runs, including six that went against the record of starter Vinny Troise. He left after allowing six runs (five unearned) in the top of the third that put the Panthers in an 8-1 hole.

Greg Grande, who gave up four hits and one earned run in 1 2/3 innings, and Eric Hess (three innings, two hits, one unearned run) followed and kept the Panthers in the game, allowing their comeback.

With just a third-inning run, produced by Ryan Artfitch's triple and a ground ball by Ryan Mormello, on the board, Bridgewater got started in the bottom of the fifth with a pair of runs. Singles by Artfitch (3 for 4) and Justin Hering and walks to Freyberger and Jason Colavito got the first run in, while Nate Radell singled home the second.



GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Eric Hess, here making contact during the Junior American Legion state tournament at Prince Rogers Field, helped the Bridgewater 15-under team stay in the game with three solid innings on the mound before the squad was eliminated by Marlton 11-10 last week.

Patriots must win without Radmanovich, Nicholson

BRIDGEWATER — Now in a situation where they need every victory they can get, the Somerset Patriots will be without two of their most important players for the next 16 games.

Veteran rightfielder Ryan Radmanovich and shortstop Kevin Nicholson left the squad following Thursday's contest with Newark to join Team Canada for an Olympic qualifying tournament in Havana, Cuba.

Both expect to return to Somerset by Thursday, Sept. 7, when the Patriots will be hosting the Road Warriors. During that stretch Somerset will play nine straight games

against three of the Atlantic League of Professional Baseball's better teams — Lancaster, Bridgeport and Long Island.

Another Patriot, relief pitcher Mike Johnson, will also compete for Team Canada and actually made his exit from the team following Sunday's game in Lancaster. He won't be back to finish the ALPB season.

With Hector Almonte once again filling the closer role in the Somerset bullpen after playing in the Mexican League two months, Johnson's departure shouldn't affect the Pats too much. He also hadn't been overly effective lately.

However, the Somerset lineup is certain to feel the losses of Radmanovich and Nicholson, both of whom were central figures in last year's ALPB championship effort.

The lefty-swinging Radmanovich, who celebrated his 35th birthday a week ago, again ranks among the league's most dangerous hitters. He entered the week leading the ALPB in home runs with 21, on-base percentage (.430) and slugging percentage (.602) and tied with teammates Jeff Nettles and Larry Barnes in extra-base hits (43) and is near the top in average (.303) and runs scored (59).

Nicholson's offensive numbers, which include a .229 average, three homers and 35 runs batted in, aren't nearly approaching the level he finished with a year ago (.281, 11, 74). But he's still a reliable, steady shortstop.

"It's tough leaving, but this opportunity doesn't come too often," said Nicholson early Monday afternoon after doing some batting cage work in the depths of Commerce Bank Park. "And this is the last time baseball will be in the Olympics, so it's important to have the best guys to represent your country."

Somerset Manager Sparky Lyle has become accustomed

to losing players during the season, although it usually occurs when they're signed by major league-affiliated clubs or elect to go overseas or to Mexico. But with the Patriots already desperately trying to stay in the race for a post-season playoff berth, this certainly isn't going to make their challenge any easier.

"I think Cuba scheduled this strategically so it makes it tough for teams to get the guys they want," said Nicholson, referring primarily to the major league season which doesn't end until early October. "It's just the timing of it. If it was late October or November, it would be better."

Nicholson, 30, isn't enjoying the steady success he had last year in his first Somerset season but is pleased to have landed a spot on Team Canada.

"I was a little worried because I've struggled a bit at the plate," said the Surrey, British Columbia resident. "But they know what I bring to the table, and when you get that opportunity, it's a nice honor."

Radmanovich and Nicholson played for Team Canada in the 2004 Summer Olympics in Athens, Greece and also competed in the first World Baseball Classic in March.

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Sherry Miller-Terry

PISCATAWAY — Sherry Miller-Terry, 31, died Aug. 7, 2006 at her home.

Born in Plainfield, she lived in North Plainfield and Bound Brook before moving to Piscataway in 1999.

Mrs. Miller-Terry was active in the Piscataway Schools PTA.

Preceding her in death were her mother-in-law, Jane

Luthman Terry; and an aunt, Sharon Miller Vassell.

Surviving are her husband, Keith Terry; her parents, John F. III and Joyce Scarbaci Miller; a son, Daniel; a daughter, Madysen; her father-in-law, Warren Terry; her paternal grandparents, John F. Jr. and Beatrice A. Miller; and her maternal grandparents, Joe

and Eleanor Scarbaci.

Services were held Aug. 12 at the McCriskin Home for Funerals, in South Plainfield. Entombment was private.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to Daniel & Madysen Terry Education Fund, c/o 964 Georges Road, Monmouth Junction, NJ 08852.

Dena Busico

MIDDLESEX — Dena A. Busico, 62, died Aug. 8, 2006 at Saint Peter's University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Ms. Busico was born in New Castle, Pa. She lived in Long Island, N.Y., before moving to Middlesex in 1985.

She was a delicatessen associate at ShopRite in

Piscataway.

Surviving are two sons, Vinny and wife Sherri of Knoxville, Tenn., and Stevie and wife Pam of Clarksville, Tenn.; two brothers, Sonny Naples and Norman Naples, both of Pennsylvania; two sisters, Angel Campos of Costa Rica and Margaret Naples of Long Island; four

grandchildren; several nieces and nephews; and her partner, Toni Laub and son Derek of Middlesex.

Services were held Aug. 11 at the Middlesex Funeral Home. Donations may be sent to a charity of your choice. To send a condolence, visit www.middlesex-funeralhome.com.

Caroline Villaume

BRIDGEWATER — Caroline Butler Villaume, 83, died Aug. 6, 2006 at her home in Martinsville.

Born April 6, 1923 in Rahway, she was a daughter of the late Thomas and Jeannette Butler.

Mrs. Villaume retired in 1995 after 20 years as the attendance officer of the Bridgewater-Raritan Regional School District. She received a number of patents in the 1940s and 1950s as a laboratory

supervisor with American Cyanamid Co.

An American Red Cross volunteer in World War II, Mrs. Villaume was a Girl Scout leader in the 1960s and 1970s.

Preceding her in death was a sister, Marion Haines.

Surviving are her husband of 52 years, Frederick; a daughter, Lauren Presley and husband Joseph of Long Valley; a sister, Frances Freile of Watchung; a grandson,

Thomas Presley of Long Valley; two nieces and three nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9 at the Martinsville United Methodist Church on Washington Valley Road.

Arrangements are by the Cusick Funeral Home in Somerville. In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Martinsville Rescue Squad or American Humane Society.

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No bids shall be received other than at the time and place herein designated for their receipt, unless mailed to the Authority for receipt at the designated time and place. At the time and place herein designated, the sealed bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. Each bid must be submitted in writing on the forms furnished by the Authority in the bid package and prepared and submitted in the manner designated therein. On or after Friday, August 18, 2006 the bid package may be obtained at the office of the Authority indicated above during regular business hours for a non-refundable fee of \$10.00. The Work under this procurement shall include furnishing, without limitation, all labor, equipment, materials and all other items or services necessary and/or required for the performance of FURNISHING AND DELIVERING OF SCREW FEEDER (WITH OUTBOARD BEARINGS).

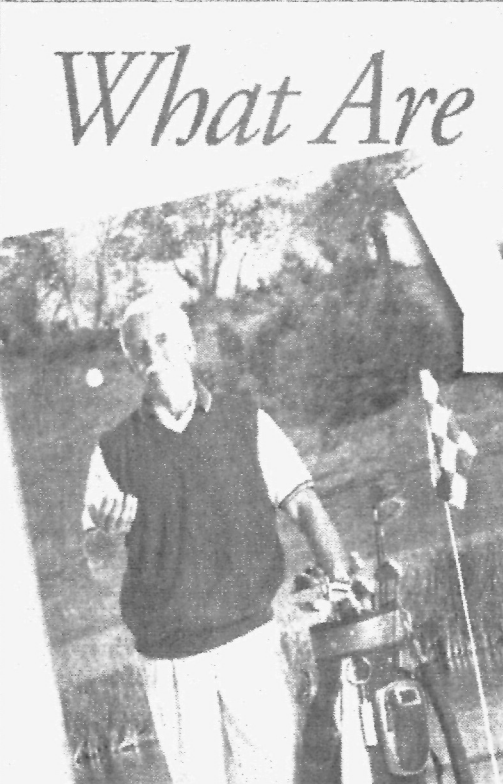
FOR SCHWING AMERICA, INC. SLUDGE PUMP, the term of the contract shall be for a period anticipated to commence on October 1, 2006 and shall continue through February 5, 2007.

A certified check, cashier's check or bid bond in the amount of ten percent (10%) of the total bid amount but not in excess of or \$20,000.00, whichever is lower, must be submitted with the bid as a guaranty that if a contract is awarded, the Bidder shall execute the Contract required by the Contract Documents. Where the specifications require a Contract of Surety in an amount equal to the one hundred and ten percent (110%) of the Contract Price will be required. If a Bid Bond and/or a Contract of Surety is being submitted, sureties shall be licensed and/or authorized to transact business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the Authority. Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, Chapter 127, "Affirmative Action Program, Equal Employment Opportunity, and Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990/42 U.S.C. §12101 et seq.), as applicable. Additionally, a copy of the Business Registration Certificate issued by the New Jersey Department of Treasury, Division of Revenue, for the bid must be submitted with the bid in conformance with P.L. 2004, c. 67. The Successful Bidder shall be required to comply with

all provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, as determined by the New Jersey Department of Labor and Industry.

Bids must be prepared and submitted in the manner designated, and shall also be accompanied by the other information requested, in the documents contained in the bid package. Each bid shall be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the Executive Director of the Authority, bearing the name and address of the Bidder, upon which shall be designated: "BID - FURNISHING AND DELIVERING OF SCREW FEEDER (WITH OUTBOARD BEARINGS) FOR SCHWING AMERICA, INC. SLUDGE PUMP". The Authority expressly reserves the right to reject any and all bids, to waive any informality and/or to accept the bid which, in its judgment, shall be in the best interest of the Authority, all in accordance with the New Jersey Local Public Contracts Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq. THE SOMERSET RARITAN VALLEY SEWERAGE AUTHORITY
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Has the following vacancies

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Needed for Bridgewater area family practice. Approximately 28 hours per week. Heavy phone work. Some computer skills & insurance billing exp. helpful. Pleasant office.
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Mature Individual to work with High Profile Plastic Surgery in Union County. Must have excellent computer, secretarial and people skills. Plastic Surgery experience a plus. Competitive salary and excellent benefit package.

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- Analyzing monthly financial results and investigating budget variances
- Assisting Sales Management in developing reports to monitor Sales Performance
- Be the Liaison with Corporate Accounting on all financial matters.

Requirements:

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- Proficient in Excel and Word

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Situations Wanted 280

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