

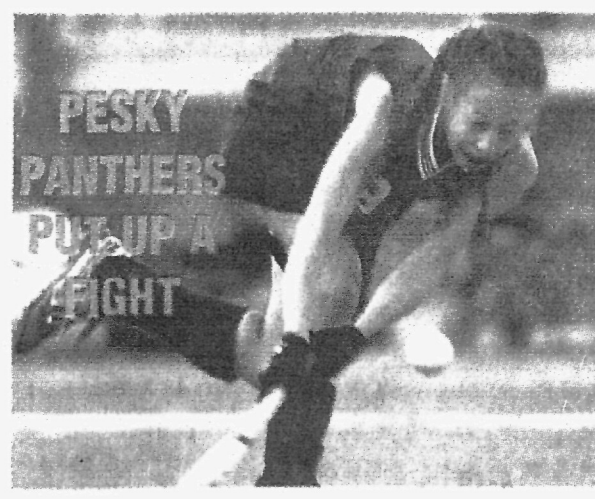
Cathy Borden watches as trainer Pam Kundro shows the correct way to hold a puppy. The pups are being trained by North Star Foundation volunteers to work as dogs for children with learning and developmental disabilities.

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He's sure the Geico gecko is jealous of his job, he doesn't mind hard work, he thinks his team will win the championship next year and, yes, he is a boy. It's Sparkee, the Somerset Patriots mascot, "speaking" up for the first time.

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Bridgewater-Raritan High's field hockey team gave unbeaten Eastern perhaps its toughest game of the season Sunday, but the Camden County school still captured its eighth straight State Group 4 championship.

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Realtors honor own

Judith R. "Judy" Lewis, a broker associate with Somerset Hills Real Estate Group, has been named Realtor of the Year by Hunterdon Somerset Association of Realtors.

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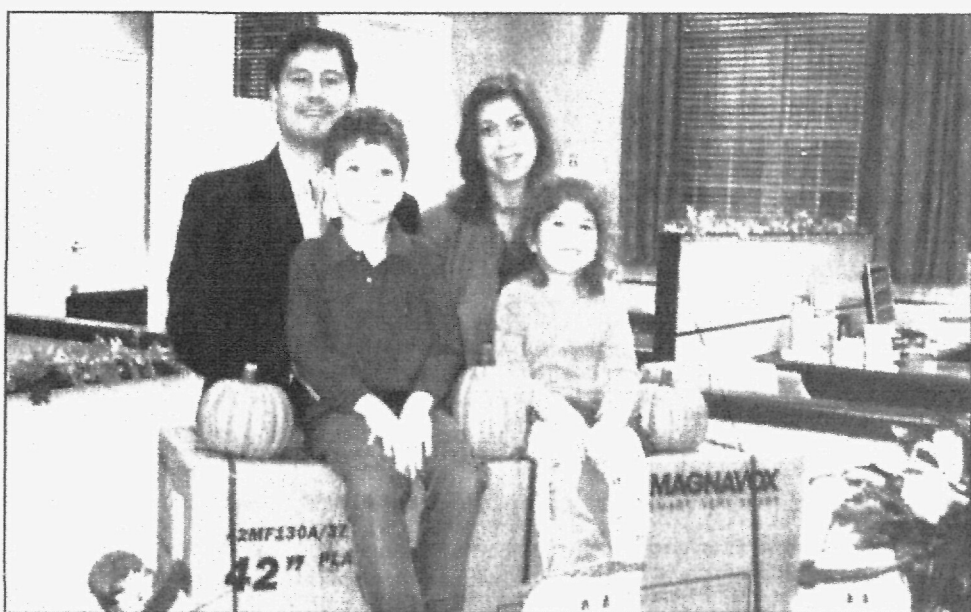
Wrestling, for a cause

EDISON — The Clara Barton First Aid Squad holds its first-ever pro wrestling benefit Saturday, Dec. 2 in the gym at Herbert Hoover Middle School, 174 Jackson Ave., just off Amboy Avenue. First bell is 7:45 p.m. National Wrestling Superstars, no strangers to the area, have gone all out to headline with two former WWE Superstars in an already loaded card. The two are Brutus the Barber Beefcake who will participate in a Loser Gets a Haircut Match and Matt Hyson, formerly Spike Dudley from the WWE and now known as Brother Runt on the Thursday night TNA show in a Hardcore Tables Match.

Many more pro standouts like Edison's Nicky Oceans, Perth Amboy's Paco Libro and Rutgers' own pro wrestler known as Prince I Am Smarter will all add to the local flavor of this dynamite card. Tickets are priced at \$17 for adults, \$15 for children and seniors. Advance tickets are on sale at the Clara Barton First Aid Squad, 1079 Amboy Ave.; Party Fair, 775 Route 1 South, in the Edison Mall; the video store in Mill Plaza, 2595 Woodbridge Ave. at Mill Road; Donna's Hometown Deli, 1018 Amboy Ave.; Frannie's Kids Hair Salon, 535 New Brunswick Ave., Fords; and Pete's Barber Shop, 18 New St., Metuchen. You can also order your tickets online at www.doubleplaytixx.com or call the NWS office at (732) 883-1704.

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Matthew and Marin Baltuch of Martinsville, with their son Reid, left, and daughter Jayden, right, at the presentation of their top prize — a 42-inch plasma TV — won at Millington Savings Bank's Martinsville branch grand opening. The Baltuch's donated the TV to the Bristol-Myers Squibb Children's Hospital at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, where Jayden overcame an unusual post viral infection.

Helping hands inspire donation to hospital

BRIDGEWATER — It all started with the desire to have an account at the bank that had just opened a new branch down the street from the home of Matthew and Marin Baltuch of Martinsville.

It ended up with a new plasma TV being installed in The Bristol-Myers Squibb Children's Hospital at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick.

While attending the treasure-chest-themed grand opening celebration of Millington Savings Bank's new Martinsville branch, the Baltuch's entered the bank's prize drawing and won a 42-inch plasma TV.

But as they were moving furniture around the home to make room for their new television, the Baltuch's began to feel haunted by something they recently experienced.

On an August morning a couple of years ago their (then) 2-year-old daughter Jayden woke up unable to walk. The Baltuch's rushed Jayden to The Bristol-Myers Squibb Children's Hospital in New Brunswick.

They spent several hours in a procedure room where parents and children wait together as the doctors conducted their initial examinations of Jayden.

After two full days of testing, it was finally discovered that she had an unusual post viral infection. Although no special treatments were required, Jayden was in need of some good rest, so the infection could run its course and her body could cure itself. According to her parents, she responded like a champ and was eventually released.

With the memory of this experience fresh on their minds, and feeling grateful for the positive outcome with their daughter, the Baltuch's decided that their new television would serve a greater purpose by being donated to that same hospital where they sat waiting, hoping for the best for Jayden.

The Baltuch's got in touch with the hospital, which has gratefully accepted the gift.

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Piscataway nurse earns state honors

NEWARK

Administrators and staff at Newark Beth Israel Medical Center, an affiliate of the Saint Barnabas Health Care System, join the New Jersey League for Nursing in congratulating Piscataway resident, Leslie Wright-Brown, administrative director, Nursing Education, Quality and Performance Improvement, on being named the league's 2006 Nursing Recognition Award Winner.

Wright-Brown, a 20-year nursing professional at NBIMC, was singled out among a select group of outstanding nurse professionals. She will be honored by the NJ League for Nursing at their 2006 Autumn Gala and Recognition Awards dinner at The Pines Manor in Edison on Nov. 3.

Wright-Brown holds a bachelor's in nursing from Seton Hall University and Masters in Critical Care Nursing from Rutgers University. She has served on numerous health care committees including the JCAHO National Patient Safety Goal Implementation Steering Committee and is a member of several professional and (or) community organizations, including the American Association of Critical Care Nurses; the American Association of Diabetes Educators; the American Nurses Association; the New Jersey State Nurses Association, Sigma Theta Tau, Lambda Iota Chapter.

At The Beth, Wright-Brown is responsible for administrative oversight of education, staff development and nursing quality in the Patient Care Services Division. She serves as performance



Leslie Wright-Brown

improvement liaison to the Quality Resource Management Department and is also the Professional Advancement System Coordinator for Registered Nurses and Assistant Nurse Managers. Prior to her role as a nursing administrator, Wright-Brown spent years as a clinical nurse specialist.

"Ms. Wright-Brown is an extraordinary nurse who serves as an exemplary advocate, teacher, mentor and role model for the nursing profession," Nancy Shendell-Falik, vice president of Patient Care Services, said. "She demonstrates an exceptional commitment and dedication to patients, staff and the nursing profession."

During her tenure at the hospital, Wright-Brown has instituted many initiatives that have benefited the NBI nursing staff and patients. One example is SNAP, the Student Nurse Apprenticeship Program, which is the transi-

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Garden State Writers penning 30th chapter

By AMY S. BOBROWSKI
Staff Writer

When Karen Rostoker-Gruber was writing "Bandit," a story about a cat who moves to a new home, she couldn't separate herself from her work and read it as an outsider.

"You're so married to your words that you sometimes can't tell what it needs," said the Branchburg writer.

But the members of her children's authors critique group Garden State Writers came through for Rostoker-Gruber.

"I'm a humor writer and they said 'Where's your humor?'" she recalled. "They said I needed a stronger voice."

Now "Bandit" is scheduled to be published in 2008.

Since the establishment of the organization in 1976, the members of Garden State Writers have published more than 200 books and stories. The group was formed by a several women who in 1976 had taken a Writing for Children course offered by

Rutgers Cooperative Extension and wanted to keep developing their craft. Thirty years since its creation, the group still maintains six original members.

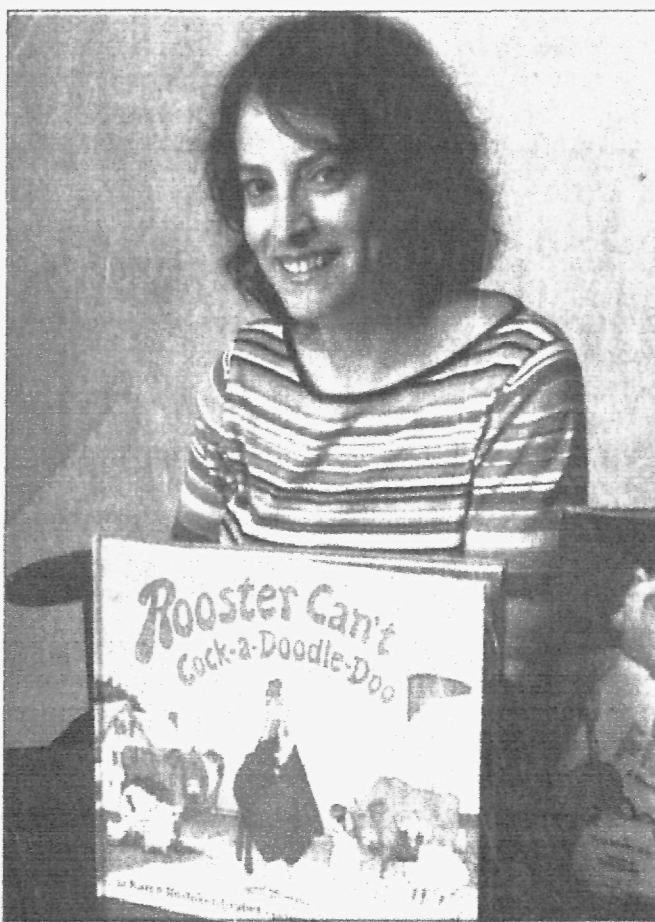
One of those is Nancy Evans Cooney.

"It's been a very good experience," she said. "We're all good friends and we all write children's books."

The Bridgewater resident is the author of "The Wobbly Tooth," "Donald Says Thumbs Down," "The Blanket Had to Go," "Go Away Monsters, Lickety Split!" "The Umbrella Day," and "Chatter-Box Jamie." The stories address issues and help preschool-aged children prepare to attend school.

While the focus of the group is primarily on children's books, members are diverse. Some write picture books, others write chapter books for young adults. There are poets, illustrators, educators, historians, media profession-

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Author Karen Rostoker-Gruber, of Branchburg, is a member of the Garden State Writers, a children's book critique group formed 30 years ago.

Borough letter carrier awarded

HIGHLAND PARK — Tom Russo is among a select group of local letter carriers who have been recognized with the National Safety Council's Million Mile Club awards for more than 30 years each of safe driving.

Russo, whose current route includes business and residential deliveries along Karitan Avenue, has more than 34 years of driving for the Postal Service without a preventable accident.

In addition to Russo, awardees included New Brunswick letter carriers Phil Forti and

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Sparkee speaks, sort of

By JIM WHITE
Staff Writer

Late September. Bottom of the ninth. Two outs. Bridgeport Bluefish leftfielder Norm Hutchins fans the plate on a 2-2 pitch from reliever Hector Almonte, and the Somerset Patriots win 2-1.

The bittersweet victory marked the end of the 2006 season for the Patriots, who failed to make the playoffs this time around. It, however, kicked off another busy off-season for Sparkee, the beloved mascot of the Patriots, who appears free of charge at more than 200 community events throughout Central New Jersey each year, including charitable gatherings and fundraisers, parades, schools and nearly anywhere else the dog is invited.

Sparkee was born on July 11, 1998 at the Atlantic League All-Star game at The Sand Castle in Atlantic City, where fans got their first look at the now famous mascot. In fact, the pooch has gotten so popular since then, that now, after years of signing autographs for adoring fans and visiting local schools to promote literacy, Sparkee has actually learned how to write, fluently, mind you. Funny, intelligent and

often witty, Sparkee recently sat down for a question and answer session with *The Reporter* where the mascot offered thoughts, with pad and pen in hand, on baseball, fame and what it's like being the county's top dog.

Q: Sparkee, can you explain the odd-year championships?

A: "Yes. Basically, we've won every other year... '01, '03 and '05. Hence the odd-year championships... Just kidding. I can't really explain why it happens. It just seems to be that we have been the champs every other year."

Q: Got a prediction for next season?

A: "Well, it is an odd-numbered year... We are going to have a lot of excitement because it will be our 10th season anniversary. I think our fans will enjoy our best season yet."

Q: Sparkee, even Santa Claus gets some down time, why not you?

A: "Santa does work all year long. Remember, he also has to keep his Naughty or Nice List current throughout the year. Santa does work harder than anybody on Christmas, having to deliver toys to all the kids around the world. I guess he does deserve a little bit of a break. As for me, I space out my work all year long."

Q: What kind of dog are you (and, a boy or girl)?

A: "I am an oversized gray schnauzer... and a boy, thank you very much."

Q: Which mascot in the Atlantic League is your biggest competition?

A: "All the mascots in the league are my friends, but I don't think that they could compete with me."

Q: Who is your favorite player?

A: "Jeff Nettles. I think he is a great player on both offense and defense. He makes some great plays and has been the leader for this team for the past few years."

Q: What was your favorite fan encounter?

A: "I like them all. The Patriots have the greatest fans in the world. They always make me feel special. I love getting hugs and taking pictures at the ballpark and all around the community."

Q: Favorite chew toy?

A: "Jeff Nettles' shoes. Don't tell him it was me though."

Q: Favorite dog food?

A: "I like all food. That explains my round mid-section. I usually run around the ballpark and eat whatever I can find."

Q: What's General Admission (the other Patriots

mascot) really like?

A: "He's cool. Except when he stops me from winning the race around the bases. I can't tell you how many times I would have won, and then he does something to get in my way. Besides that, I like him."

Q: What's Patriots manager Sparky Lyle really like?

A: "He's always been very good to me. He's helped me get my moustache just right. I guess if you are going to be named after somebody, Sparky is a good one. To keep us separate, because we look alike, I spelled my name with two E's at the end."

Q: What was your worst dog-day afternoon?

A: "I would say being swept in back-to-back championship series in 1999 and 2000 was the low-point. We've turned it around since, but those times were very tough."

Q: Over the years, you've lost so many key players to Major League Baseball. How do you cope?

A: "I am happy when the players get a chance to get to the majors. That is why they are here."

Q: The Philly Phanatic — jealous?

A: "I think he might be."

Q: The Geico lizard — jealous?

A: "He probably is too. He claims he saves people a lot



GEORGE PACCIOLLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Sparkee, beloved mascot of the Somerset Patriots, has learned to write, and recently sat down for an interview with *The Reporter*.

of money. I probably help them save more, because I provide affordable entertainment at the ballpark for the whole family."

Some of Sparkee's recent and future appearances include the Whiton School Literacy Day event in Branchburg; a miniature golf fundraiser, also in Branchburg; Bizmania in Woodbridge; breakfast at the

Center for Educational Advancement in Flemington; the Day of Giving event at Menlo Park Mall in Edison; a private birthday party in East Brunswick, and the Woodbridge Holiday Parade.

If interested in booking Sparkee for a special event, contact Matt Rothenberg at (908) 252-0700, Ext. 210 or mrothenberg@somersetpatriots.com.

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Nurse

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tion program from nurse extern to student nurse apprentice program and lastly, to the nursing fellowship program. Under her leadership, 22 nursing schools use the hospital as a major clinical site for their students.

She has also instituted programs and chaired committees

that address the needs of seasoned nurses or the adult learners and the issues they encounter daily that impact their practice.

Wright-Brown designed the hospital's Professional Advancement System giving Level I, II and III nurses opportunities for professional development and advancement. She has successfully recruited and retained international nurses and implemented cultural sensitivity programs to meet the needs of

the diverse patient population and nursing staff.

With support from the Healthcare Foundation of New Jersey, Wright-Brown has brought in students from various Newark schools to the hospital for tours and discussions with health professionals. She also coordinates visits by the nursing staff to these respective schools for mentoring.

Newark Beth Israel Medical Center is a 673-bed regional referral teaching hospital with specialized programs includ-

ing heart, kidney and pancreas transplantation, cardiac

surgery, robotic surgery, oncology, and maternal/child health services. Newark Beth Israel is home to Children's Hospital of New Jersey and the Saint Barnabas Heart Center (at Newark Beth Israel).

The New Jersey League for Nursing is dedicated to advancing the promotion of quality health care through the collaborative efforts of nurses, consumers and other providers of health care.

Donation

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"During Jayden's illness, we experienced first hand the fear and anxiety that parents have when their kids

need important medical care," explained Matthew Baltuch, "and sitting there as they were being diagnosed and treated, we also recognized that a nice TV may provide a calming influence in this often stressful environment, where it's not unusual to spend hours on

end when an urgent need arises. It is to these children and their families that we wanted to bring a small amount of relaxation and enjoyment through our donation of the TV."

Millington Savings Bank's Martinsville branch manager, Kathy Kardan, said:

"When we came up with the treasure chest theme for our grand opening, we never knew, in our wildest dreams, what a treasure this TV would eventually become. We're proud of the Baltuch's for this generous contribution, and are thrilled that we could be a part of it."

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Writers

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als, essayists and librarians among the mix. They are all veterans in their field. Members travel from near and far to gather with the Garden State Writers.

Dianne Ochiltree, Pennsylvania resident and the author of "Lull-a-Bye, Little One," "Sixteen Runaway Pumpkins," "Pillow Pop," and others, has another book set to be published in 2008.

"Firefly Night" is the story of a boy and his father capturing

and counting fireflies told in rhythm and rhyme. During the writing process, Ochiltree knew the writing group would help her sort out inconsistencies with the work.

"I had the critique members read it aloud," she said. "That's important to tell if the rhythm and rhyme are working. If I read it, I can fudge it to make it sound right, but when they read it, I could hear the parts that weren't working."

The group, which has about 15 members, meets monthly at the Somerset County Library in Bridgewater. The members distribute their manuscripts to the other writers a few weeks

before the meeting. At each gathering, group members share their news — a letter of rejection or a contract — before taking time to discuss each manuscript.

"When you send your manuscript to an editor, you want it to be perfect," said Rostoker-Gruber, the author of several books including "Rooster Can't Cook-a-Doodle Doo," "Food Fright," "The Unofficial College Survival Guide" and "If Men Had Babies."

Since she started submitting her work in 1991, Rostoker-Gruber has received 484 rejection letters. But she doesn't let those get her down.

Letter carrier

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Michael W. Szebenyi. The three veteran carriers received their awards in a Nov. 7 ceremony at the U.S. Postal Service carrier annex in New Brunswick. Presenting the awards were Michael Rizzolo, the area postmaster; Vito Cetta, Central New

Jersey District manager; and William Gilmarin, Central New Jersey District safety manager.

The Million Mile Club is the National Safety Council's highest safety honor among professional drivers. In order to gain this distinction, a professional driver must have driven for over a million miles or more than 30 years without having had a preventable accident.

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In The Towns

Craft fair fundraiser being held at school

PISCATAWAY — A craft fair this weekend is the biggest fundraiser of the year for St. Frances Cabrini School.

Craft fair hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today in the school at 2300 Cooper St. Over 50 dealers sell a wide variety of Christmas, seasonal and home gifts. Three 50-50 drawings and a bake sale also will be held. Pictures with Santa will be available.

A "Tricky Tray" auction is at 4 p.m. and the winner need not be present.

For more information, call Denise Girardi at (732) 261-5155.

Bereaved people are 'Not Alone' at church

PISCATAWAY — "We Are Not Alone" is the theme of a spirituality day for bereaved people and those who minister to them.

The program is at 9 a.m. today in the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, the Diocese of Metuchen offices at 146 Metlars Lane. Brother Andre Mathieu of the Passionist Preaching Ministry is the main presenter.

Cost of \$30 includes lunch. For more information, call (732) 562-1990, Ext. 1624.

Holiday gifts in library feature

SOUTH PLAINFIELD —

Johanna's Creations are found throughout the South Plainfield Free Public Library.

A display in the library all month long features creative treatment applied to photographs, along with specialized gifts and similar items.

Johanna Salvemini of Middlesex visits the library at 2 p.m. tomorrow to tell how these goods were created. She'll take orders from patrons for special holiday gifts in the same style. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the library.

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

Open dance held for widows and widowers

WOODBIDGE — Woodbridge Widows or Widowers hold an open dance from 7:30-11:30 p.m. tomorrow in the Elks lodge at 665 Rahway Ave.

Music is by Sentimental Journey. Admission of \$8 for members and \$9 for non-members includes refreshments. All are welcome.

For more information, call (732) 381-7239 or (908) 757-0515.

'Twilight' stories for parent, child

PISCATAWAY — "Twilight Tales" are stories and activities for parents to share with their children ages 3-5 years old.

The program is at 7 p.m. Monday at Westergard Library, 20 Murray Ave., off Stelton Road. No registration is necessary.

Also, teens ages 12-18 are invited to celebrate National Games Week at Westergard Library, 20 Murray Ave.

They can bring a favorite game to play between 3-4 p.m. Tuesday or play one of the many games on hand. Snacks will be provided.

FISH of Dunellen looking for coats

PISCATAWAY — FISH Inc., Dunellen Area, is in need of coats for needy children.

The all-volunteer agency is now accepting donations of washable winter coats for kids. Blankets, comforters and sheets are also wanted. All items should be clean and in good condition.

Bring your donations to the FISH facility at 456 New Market Road between 9 a.m.-noon Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. The facility faces the parking lot and is adjacent to the First Baptist Church of New Market.

Cash donations are also welcome. You can send them to Treasurer, FISH Inc., Dunellen Area, P.O. Box 8565, Piscataway, NJ 08855-8006.

For more information, call (732) 356-0081 and a volunteer will return the call.

Story program for youngsters held

PISCATAWAY — "Once Upon a Story" is a story program for preschoolers and kindergartners ages 3-5 years old.

This half-hour program is at 1:30 p.m. Tuesday at Westergard Library, 20 Murray Ave., off Stelton Road. No registration is necessary.

'Paper Clip' pins on sale

METUCHEN — The Sisterhood of Congregation Neve Shalom invite you to take part in the Paper Clip Project to support the Children's Holocaust Museum.

A paper clip pin is available for \$18 through the Sisterhood's gift shop. Order by Monday to have it in time for Hanukkah.

For full information, call (732) 548-2238. Visit www.marion-schools.org/holocaust for details on the Paper Clip Project.

Free program is a 'Stroke Alert'

NEW BRUNSWICK — "Stroke Alert" is a free program sponsored by the Stroke Center at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital and the American Stroke Association.

The program is from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday, Nov. 27 in the Arline and Henry Schwartzman Courtyard at the New Brunswick hospital.

Pharmacists will be on hand to review all prescriptions, over-the-counter medicine, vitamins and supplements you're taking. Blood pressure, sugar and cholesterol screenings are also offered.

Appointments are required for screenings and the pharmacist review; call (732) 418-8110 by Friday, Nov. 24.

Learn to care for holiday plants

A garden workshop this month shows you "How to Care for Your Holiday Plants."

The workshop is at 6 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29 at the Earth Center in Davidson's Mill Pond Park, South Brunswick. This program is the final gardening workshop of the year sponsored by Rutgers Cooperative Research and Extension of Middlesex County.

Cost is \$25. Registration is required; call (732) 398-5262 by Friday, Nov. 24.

Foot doctors buy back candy

PISCATAWAY — Family Foot and Ankle Specialists held its annual "Candy Buyback" Nov. 2 in the medical practice's offices in Piscataway and Hillsborough.

A record 180 pounds of candy was collected from area trick-or-treaters. Each child received \$1 per pound of candy donated.

"There are many drawbacks to eating candy," said Peter

Wishnie, one of the physicians in the medical practice.

"I was thrilled to see how many kids were willing to trade their candy for cash," he said. "Not only is it healthier for them, but it teaches them responsibility, a way to achieve their goals, by saving their own money."

All the candy collected was donated to several organizations that dedicate their time to helping families in time of need. One of these organizations is a church that makes clothing for needy children; some of the candy will be included with every piece of clothing given.

Hearing care in free seminar

METUCHEN — Total Hearing Care has a free community seminar and lunch at 10:30 a.m. Tuesday, Nov. 28 at the Metuchen Inn, 424 Middlesex Ave.

The public is invited. For reservations, call (732) 205-1845.

Nursery rhymes right at bedtime

PISCATAWAY — "Bedtime Rhyme Time" offers bedtime stories for children ages 6-36 months old, accompanied by a parent or caregiver.

This fast-paced program is at 6:30 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29 at Kennedy Library, 500 Hoes Lane. Arrive early to play in the children's room. No registration is necessary.

Campus Notes

Milisha M. Shah of Edison has received a four-year scholarship sponsored by National Starch and Chemical Co.

She graduated in June from Edison High School, where Shah was a member of the National Honor Society, French Honors Society, Interact Club, French Club, marching band and girls tennis team. She also was a tutor in the school's interactive tutoring program and summer school.

The daughter of Mukesh and Smita Shah plans to study for a doctor of pharmacy degree from the Ernest Mario School of Pharmacy at Rutgers University.

Five students from Edison were scheduled to begin the fall 2006 semester at American University in Washington, D.C., on Aug. 28.

They are Alan Chang, Joshua Offsie, Joshua Safran and Vered Shigel, all of whom graduated from John P. Stevens High School in June; and William Rodriguez. Offsie also received a Dean's Scholarship awarded to incoming freshmen in the top 20 percent of their applicant pool.

Iram Shahzadi of Edison participated in the Cooperative Education program of Saint Peter's College in Jersey City. He was an intern over the summer at Johnson & Johnson Sales and Logistics Co.

Laura H. Painton of Middlesex was named to the Pennsylvania State University dean's list for the summer 2006 session. She attends the University Park campus in State College, Pa.

Joshua Safran of Edison participated in the "Freshmen Service Experience," a com-

munity service project for incoming freshmen at American University in Washington, D.C. He graduated from John P. Stevens High School in June.

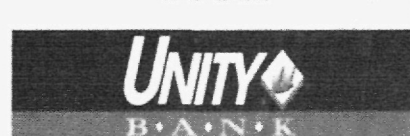
Amanda Rastelli of South Plainfield is spending the fall 2006 semester in London, England, at the Sigmund Weiss School of Business.

She is a junior majoring in entrepreneurship and human resource management at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pa.

The daughter of Amy and Ken Rastelli is a 2004 graduate of South Plainfield High School.



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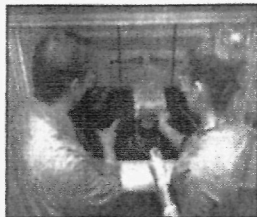
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Middle & Upper School
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Grade 5 through Grade 12

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This Weekend

Saturday, Nov. 18

BRIDGEWATER - Seminar for parents of Grade 8 students interested in Health and Medical Sciences Academy. Somerset County Vocational and Technical School, Vogt Drive, 10 a.m. (908) 526-8900, Ext. 7243.

BRIDGEWATER - Blood Drive at Ethicon Inc., Route 22 West, 10 a.m.-3:30 p.m. Donor requirements: (800) 933-BLOOD.

BRIDGEWATER - Young Sierrans: meeting of Sierra Club members ages 20-39. Somerset County Library, 1 Vogt Drive, 2:30 p.m. Registration required: MistyAngel22@aol.com or (732) 764-9073.

BRIDGEWATER - Christian Singles: "Seekers of His Heart" for ages 30-up. Evangel Chapel, 505 Route 28, 7 p.m. \$3. (908) 725-7777 or www.evangelchapel.org.

SOMERVILLE - Pop Theology: Frank Ancona on "The Da Vinci Code — Fact or Fiction?" Somerville Public Library, 35 West End Ave., 1 p.m. Free.

Registration: (908) 725-1336, Ext. 10.
SOMERVILLE - Local Brass: show tunes and band standards with the Skylands Concert Band. United Reformed Church, 100 W. Main St., 8 p.m. Free. (908) 953-9979.

Sunday, Nov. 19

BRIDGEWATER - Jewish Life: Ruth Messinger on "Jews as Global Citizens." Shimon and Sara Birnbaum Jewish Community Center, 775 Talamini Road, 10:30 a.m. \$15.

Registration: (908) 725-6994, Ext. 201.
WARREN - Dinner Theater: special show of "Tony n' Tina's Wedding." Forest Lodge, 11 Reinman Road, 4 p.m. \$35. Tickets: (908) 753-8000, Ext. 222.

BOUND BROOK - Charity Basket auction of Congregational Church, 209 Church St., 6:30 p.m. (732) 356-6070.

EAST MILLSTONE - "Deciduous Detectives" for ages 7-9. Colonial Park, Mettlers Road, 2 p.m. \$7.50. Prepayment required: (908) 766-2489.

Monday, Nov. 20

BRIDGEWATER - Monthly Meeting of Washington Valley Garden Club. Somerset County Library, 1 Vogt Drive, 10 a.m. Guests welcome. (908) 722-1436.

RARITAN - Jazz Social for professional and business singles. Acqua Ristorante, 777 Route 202, 6 p.m. \$10 before 6:30 p.m., \$12 after 6:30 p.m. (888) 348-5544 or www.pbsninfo.com.

SOMERVILLE - First Aid course of American Red Cross, 14 W. Cliff St., 6:30 p.m. Nov. 20, Dec. 18. \$45. Registration: (908) 725-2217.

SOMERVILLE - Male Bonding: Men Mentoring Men, support group for adult males. Men's Center, 125 West End Ave., 7:30 p.m. Nov. 20, 22. (908) 707-0774.

SOMERSET - Food and Spirits: 10th annual! Culinary Invitational. DoubleTree Hotel & Executive Conference Center, 200 Atrium Drive, 6 p.m. \$75; no tickets sold at the door. (908) 218-4300.

Tuesday, Nov. 21

BRANCHBURG - Biotechnology seminar with Kathleen Keller. Raritan Valley Community College, 6 p.m. (908) 526-1200, Ext. 8533.

BRANCHBURG - "Gentlemen's Guide to Good Manners for Fathers and Sons" ages 8-up. Raritan Valley Community College, 6 p.m. \$68. (908) 526-1200, Ext. 8404 or oce@raritanval.edu.

BRANCHBURG - Book 'Em: "QuickBooks for Small Business," first in two-part course. Raritan Valley Community College, 6 p.m. \$99. Registration: www.sbdcrvc.com or (908) 526-1200, Ext. 8516.

WATCHUNG - Go Native: program "Celebrating Native American Indian Culture" for ages 4-6. Watchung Public Library, 12 Stirling Road, 4 p.m. Nov. 21, 28. Registration: (908) 561-0117.

WATCHUNG - Chess Club for players in Grade 2-up. Watchung Public Library, 12 Stirling Road, 6 p.m. Nov. 21, 28, Dec. 5, 12. Registration: (908) 561-0117.

BASKING RIDGE - "The Power of Brainstorming" with Andrea Mastrobattista. Somerset Hills YMCA, 140 Mount Airy Road, 7 p.m. \$35. Registration: (908) 766-7898, Ext. 500.

MANVILLE - Vaccination against flu and pneumonia. VFW hall, 600 Washington Ave., 10 a.m.-1 p.m. Free for Medicare Part B; \$15 for others. (908) 725-2300, Ext. 1982.

Wednesday, Nov. 22

BRIDGEWATER - Blood Drive at Bridgewater Commons, 1-6:30 p.m.

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After completing his nearly half-year of training, Boog will be placed in a household with an autistic child. North Star places puppies with caring families who train the dog for a lifetime of service to those with autism. Below, pet trainer Pam Kundro holds Boog, a silver lab.

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Puppies begin lifetime of service

North Star Foundation unites dogs with families in need

"We all decided it was a great cause. We're a little nervous about having to say goodbye, but I think we know it's a good cause so it will hopefully be easier."

Carol Kominsky
Volunteer,
North Star Foundation

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first in an occasional series that chronicles the journey a puppy makes as it learns to be a North Star dog. North Star provides therapy dogs to children with learning or developmental disabilities.

By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI
Staff Writer

Brittany Scott cradled her 4-month-old puppy Yogi, a brown-and-white springer spaniel, just the way trainer Pam Kundro had shown the class.

Despite Kundro's directions, Yogi wouldn't stay quietly, squirming and wriggling — and voicing his displeasure about sitting still — in a vain attempt to get out of Scott's arms.

The Somerville resident asked if she could take him outside to visit the bushes, as perhaps what Yogi needed right now was a bathroom break. Sure enough, he came back into the gym at the Ted Blum 4-H Center in Bridgewater a much calmer puppy.

Yogi isn't just any puppy, however, and Kundro's class isn't just any training course. Yogi is a North Star Foundation dog, and will become an assistance dog for a child diagnosed with an autism spectrum disorder. Specially bred and soon-to-be specially trained for the job, Yogi is one of seven puppies being raised by local families volunteering for North Star through the 4-H program.

While Yogi came from a breeder in Jackson, the rest of the puppies — a variety of breeds — came from specially selected breeders from around the country.

"I really joined for two reasons: one, how can you say no to that? I'm a pushover for puppies," said Sharon Carpenter, the director of the program in Bridgewater. "But the real reason is that I wanted to teach my children about service."

Carpenter, a resident of Florham Park, has been involved with the group for a few years, and has fostered and finished puppies for the organization.

Fostering and training a North Star puppy is a complex process, she said. They are trained for a specific child, and the waiting list to get a North Star puppy is almost two years long.

Carpenter has been working with Kundro, who is also a trainer for St. Hubert's Animal Welfare Center, to teach the volunteers train and socialize their puppies properly.

North Star works with breeders who bred therapy dogs to select puppies that are good candidates for their program. While the dogs are in their foster homes, the foundation pays for all food and vet visits.

Families with a child who has a learning or developmental disability can get a dog by first applying to North Star. A representative from the organization interviews them and, if they are selected, places their name on a waiting list. Families are asked to make a contribution of \$2,500 to help offset the cost of having an animal go through the training. The foundation also subsidizes on donations from individuals.

At the first training session last Wednesday, the puppies had a long way to go. With their temporary "parents" at the other end of the leash, they tried to play, chew and scamper instead of listen.

After a few minutes of work and a small amount of free play — so Kundro could show the

volunteers how to properly lure their puppies away from each other — Jordan Kominsky's foster puppy, a silver Labrador retriever named Star, had worn himself out.

He was fast asleep on the floor instead of sitting and learning his name.

Part of the problem may have been that Star is still getting over a bit of illness, according to Carpenter. While the Kominskys did get to work with Star last week, they have not yet gotten to take the puppy home, although Carpenter has checked their home and dog for potential trouble spots and given them the thumbs-up to be a North Star family.

Jordan's mother, Carol Kominsky, said that her son, a student at Gill St. Bernard's School in Peapack-Gladstone, called home from school immediately after hearing Carpenter give a presentation at the school about the North Star program.

"He asked right away," said Kominsky, who lives in Warren. "My son has been a part of a group for a few years helping autistic children play sports, so he was excited about this."

While the family has never fostered a puppy before, they do have a former shelter dog of their own. After discussing the idea around the dinner table, the family decided to do it.

"We all decided it was a great cause. We're a little nervous about having to say goodbye, but I think we know it's a good cause so it will hopefully be easier," she said.

The Kominskys have already heard from the family of the 4-year-old child the puppy will be going to. The family wants the child to have something that will give him unconditional love, said Kominsky, and will be coming up to meet the puppy and its foster family over the Thanksgiving holiday.

According to Carpenter, those meetings and contact are encouraged between foster families and the families who will receive the puppies, and foster families are even allowed to visit the puppy after it has gone to its permanent home.

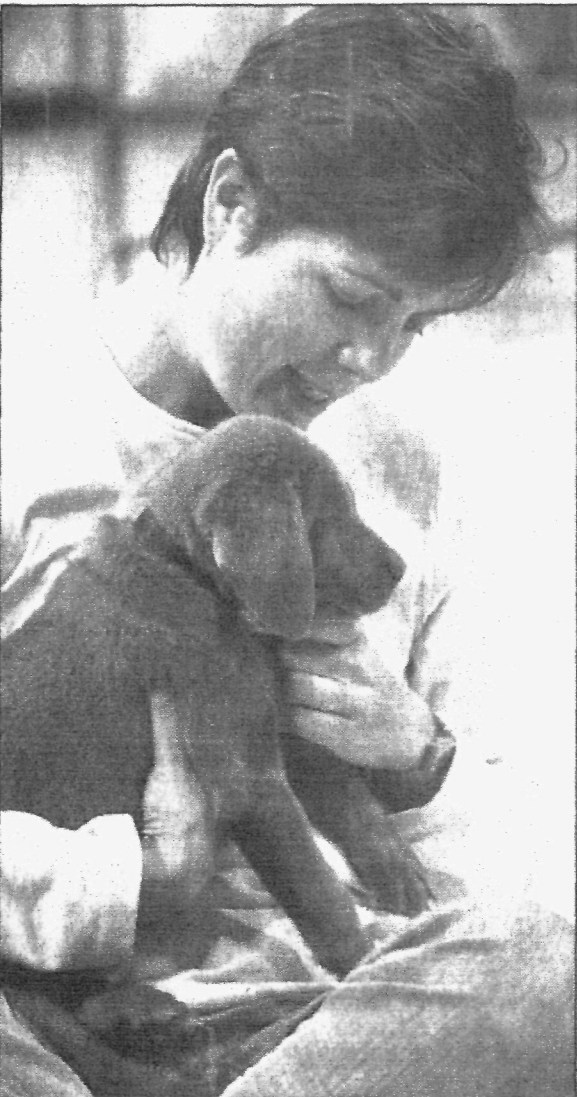
That time for Yogi and Star is still a ways off. The puppies will be raised by the foster family for about four months, where they will become socialized and start their training, and then go to a "finisher" for an additional four months to complete their training. While the foster families can also finish their foster dogs, Carpenter said that part is more flexible because of the long-term commitment.

While they are raising the dogs, volunteers must keep a log book, so that way they can keep track of the puppies' growth, development, food and veterinarian visits, and must also join an online message board to ask each other questions and share any problems or obstacles they might run in to. Later, they will be taken on social outings — to the mall or to the grocery store, for example — to help them get used to crowded places that they might have to go as assistance dogs.

At the first meeting, Carpenter showed a video made by a volunteer last year that depicted her former foster dog, who went to live with a family in Florham Park.

"I still visit him, I still see him a few times a week," she said.

For more about North Star, visit www.northstardogs.com.



Hills Realtor earns HSAR's top honors

BASKING RIDGE — Judith R. "Judy" Lewis, a broker associate with Somerset Hills Real Estate Group, has been named Realtor of the Year for the Hunterdon Somerset Association of Realtors.

She has also been elected to serve as the president of the association for 2007.

Lewis said the designation is not hers alone, but, rather, belongs to all Realtors in the association.

"For the past three out of four years, members of HSAR have been honored as New Jersey's Realtor of the Year, so I am surrounded by a group of Realtors who give unselfishly to each other and the community," Lewis said during a ceremony where she was presented with the designation. "The joy I get back working with (all those in real estate business) is

overwhelming. Volunteering at the state level has given me an opportunity to work with Realtors from all over New Jersey who give their time, talents and energy, and I get to share with them, get to know them and have become friends with many of them. For this, I am thankful."

She added that the camaraderie Realtors have with each other, as well as their desire to share knowledge about the industry with others, are also reasons she is thankful for being in the business.

"Working on projects in the community has afforded me the opportunity to give back," she added. "For this, I am grateful because I get more than I give."

Richard A. Weidel, president of Weidel, which owns Somerset Hills Real Estate

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Group, said the firm was pleased to learn Lewis had been selected as Realtor of the Year.

"We are so proud of Judy and all her accomplishments," Weidel said. "She is a very talented individual whose dedication and efforts as a consum-

mately professional have positively added to the industry as a whole."

Lewis, who has been a licensed, full-time Realtor since 1984, obtained her brokers license in 1987. She holds the designations of Graduate Realtor Institute, Certified

Residential Specialist and is a Notary. She is also an instructor for New Jersey Real Estate licensing and ethics courses, GRI program courses and New Jersey Cultural Diversity initiatives.

"Judy's commitment to her clients, associates and the community are what set her apart," said Eric R. Nahm, managing partner of Somerset Hills Real Estate Group. "It is a privilege to have Judy as part of the Somerset Hills team and we are pleased that she has been so appropriately recognized by her peers."

Lewis is a long-time resident of Somerset County, having lived in Warren and, more recently, Basking Ridge. She has listed and sold properties throughout Somerset, Hunterdon, Middlesex and Union counties.



Judith R. "Judy" Lewis

In The Towns

Catholic groups plan open house

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The Knights of Columbus and the Columbiettes are having an open house at 8 p.m. Monday at the Knights' hall, 334 Hamilton Blvd.

Both organizations are looking for new members. For more information, call Brian Cargill at (908) 755-9717. Refreshments will be served.

MCC alumni pick president

EDISON — William J. Egbert III has been elected president of the Middlesex County College Alumni Association.

Egbert received an associate's degree in liberal arts, with highest honors plus a concentration in political science, from MCC in 2004. He also was the alumni representative to the MCC board of trustees.

He received a bachelor's degree in political science with a minor in history, with highest honors, from the Eagleton Institute at Rutgers University in May. Egbert plans to attend graduate school with a career goal in public service.

Seminar looks at funeral planning

EDISON — The Edison Free Public Library sponsors a seminar on "The Benefits and Wisdom of Prearrangement" for funerals.

This seminar is being held in the Main Branch at 340 Plainfield Ave. Program will be held 1 p.m. Monday.

Presenter Margaret Chelnik is with CMS Mid-Atlantic Inc., a cemetery management services firm. A question-and-answer period will follow.

For registration, visit the circulation desk of the Main Branch or call (732) 287-2298, option 1.

Red Cross has food drive for Thanksgiving

Many people cannot afford the big Thanksgiving dinner that so

many have come to expect.

For this the Tri-County Chapter of the American Red Cross will donate food baskets to people in its coverage area, which includes Dunellen and South Plainfield.

Donations of nonperishable food are welcome. These include canned yams, potatoes, vegetables, canned fruit, gravy, cranberry sauce, rice, stuffing, soup, macaroni and cheese mix. Bring them by Monday to the Red Cross office at 332 W. Front St., Plainfield.

The Red Cross also will accept perishables — including frozen turkey, frozen chicken, ham, roast beef and pies — at the same location on Tuesday only.

For more information, visit www.tricountyredcross.org or call (908) 756-6414.

Community School classes open to public

MIDDLESEX — The Middlesex Community School has a number of courses open to the public.

Except where indicated, courses meet at Middlesex High School off Bound Brook Road.

The schedule:

"Basic Crochet," 6:30 p.m. Tuesday. Fee is \$15.

"Ornamental Holiday Basket," 7 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29. Fee is \$10 to the Community School in advance, plus \$10 to the instructor the night of the class.

"Mommy and Me" cookie decorating class, 12:30 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2. This class is open to children over age 6, accompanied by an adult. Fee is \$10.

"Holiday Floral Workshop," 6:30 p.m. Monday, Dec. 4 at America's Florist in Bound Brook. Fee is \$10 to the Community School in advance, plus \$25 to the instructors the night of the class.

Child care is available for an additional fee.

Registration forms are found under "Community School" on the homepage at www.middlesexnj.org.

sex.k12.nj.us. For additional information, call (732) 317-6000, Ext. 20206 for registration.

Elks lodge serves meal with Santa

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — "Breakfast with Santa" is from 8 a.m.-noon Sunday, Dec. 10 at the Elks lodge, 1254 New Market Ave.

The menu includes eggs, bacon, pancakes, sausage, French toast, cinnamon raisin toast, home fries, coffee, tea and juice. Cost is \$6 for adults, \$4 for children ages 5-10 and free for children under age 5.

Hanukkah events held at synagogue

METUCHEN — Two Hanukkah-related events are scheduled at Congregation Neve Shalom, 250 Grove Ave.

A "25th Hour" program is at 5:15 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 16 with Sabbath stories, songs, music and Havdalah blessings. A catered family-style dinner follows the program. Cost is \$14 for adults, \$5 for children ages 2-12 and free for children under age 2. Reservations are required by Sunday, Dec. 10.

"Hanukkiyada" for ages 5-12 takes place as part of Hebrew school at 9:40 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 17. Crafts, hands-on activities, computer games and videos are included.

Children can make Hanukkah candy and bake Hanukkah cookies!

For full information and reservations, e-mail can211@aol.com or call (732) 548-2238.

Church selling coupon books

DUNELLEN — The Dunellen United Methodist Church is selling Entertainment 2007 coupon books with savings on dining and entertainment.

Six editions are available at \$25 each. To purchase a copy, call Shirley at (732) 752-7437 or Brenda at (908) 647-6797.

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 (Oct. 8) in the cafeteria of Holy Family Academy, 201 Vosseller Ave., Bound Brook. For further information, call President Sal Barbati at (908) 725-5444.

Nov. 19 — Mass for deceased

members at 9:30 a.m. followed by light breakfast in cafeteria

Nov. 28 — Atlantic City trip to Taj Mahal Casino

Dec. 10 — Membership meeting, 2 p.m., school cafeteria

Dec. 18 — Christmas dinner, 1-5 p.m., Rosina's Restaurant

Dec. 19 — Atlantic City trip to Taj Mahal Casino

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. 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

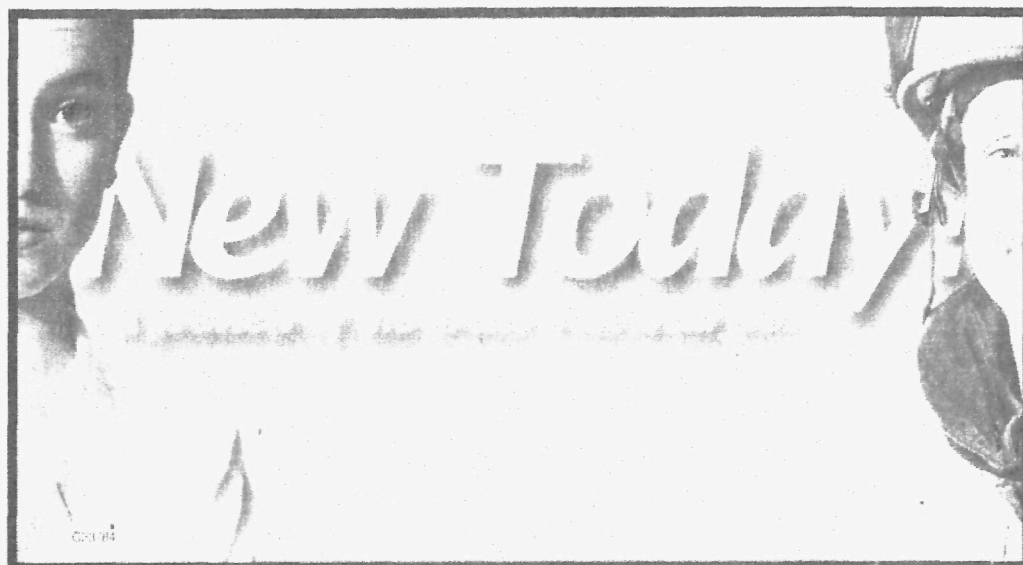
Elderday Care (a Social Day Care Program) for folks with memory loss and various degrees of dementia has a few immediate openings available. Transportation is provided with sliding scale fees. Interesting program includes meals, snacks; and activities that all can easily participate. Consider this a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

Openings are now available for 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.

Middlesex Borough

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

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Obituaries

JoAnn Marie Alligier

PISCATAWAY — JoAnn Marie Alligier, 49, died Nov. 9, 2006.

Born Dec. 9, 1956, she lived in Piscataway for most of her life.

Mrs. Alligier graduated from Piscataway High School and was a secretary with Pinnacle Insulation Co. in Trenton.

She was preceded in death by her father, Michael, in 1983; and

a brother, John Renner, in 2006.

Surviving are her husband of 30 years, Robert Sr.; her mother, Doris Virgilio of Piscataway; three sons, Robert Jr., Michael and Matthew, all of Piscataway; a daughter, Carrie Ann Packin and husband Brian of Manhattan; three sisters, Patricia Green and husband John of Dunellen, Kathleen

Hernandez and husband, Hildredando of Somerville and Michelle of Kentucky; a sister-in-law, Genevieve Renner of Neshanic Station; two dogs, Phoebe and Saranac; and a grandpuppy, Bella Bear.

Services were held Monday at the Bongiovi Funeral Home in Raritan. Burial was in Hillside Cemetery, Scotch Plains.

Janet Stroke

MIDDLESEX — Janet E. Stroke, 49, died Nov. 6, 2006 at Somerset Medical Center in Somerville.

Miss Stroke was born in Plainfield and lived in Middlesex all her life.

Surviving are her mother, Ethel; and two sisters, Debra Dempsey and Patricia Guering.

Private arrangements were by the Middlesex Funeral Home.

Peter Paraskevopoulos

MIDDLESEX — Peter Panagiotis Paraskevopoulos, 24, died Nov. 11, 2006.

Mr. Paraskevopoulos was born in Somerville and had lived in Middlesex.

A Divine Liturgy was held Tuesday at St. George Greek

Orthodox Church in Piscataway. Burial was in Bound Brook Cemetery.

Arrangements were by the Middlesex Funeral Home. Online condolences may be sent by visiting www.middlesexfuneralhome.com.

Michael Drahus

Michael Drahus, 77, of Roselle died Nov. 10, 2006 at JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Services were held Wednesday at the South Plainfield Funeral Home.

Entombment was in the Holy Redeemer Mausoleum, South Plainfield.

Online condolences may be sent by visiting www.southplainfieldfuneralhome.com.



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Legal Notices

NOTICE OF PUBLIC SALE OF CO-OP APARTMENT

BY VIRTUE OF A DEFAULT UNDER that certain Security Agreement, recorded January 7, 2005 and made by Vadim Edelman (the "Debtor") in favor of Everbank ("Secured Party").

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that pursuant to Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code the Secured Party will sell the collateral hereinafter described at public auction on Wednesday, December 6, 2006.

Said public auction will commence at 10:00 a.m. at the offices of Summit Agency, Inc., Robert Donahue, Broker, 97 Main Street, 2nd Floor, Chatham, N.J. at which time the following collateral will be sold:

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Judge: Corbin, R. Thomas

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ORDINANCE NO. 1701-06

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE POLICE
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The ordinance published herewith was introduced at a public meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, held on November 8, 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 November 28, 2006 at 8:00 PM.

Kathleen Anello
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In The Towns

MCC theater has 'Urinetown'

EDISON — "Urinetown" is the first production this season for the Performing Arts Center at Middlesex County College.

Showtimes are 8 p.m. today plus 2 p.m. tomorrow. A musical, "Urinetown" won two Tony awards after moving to Broadway from Off-Broadway in 2002.

Admission is \$10 for adults, \$7 for students and seniors. For tickets, call (732) 906-2589.

Area school plans craft fair

PISCATAWAY — St. Frances Cabrini School, 2300 Cooper St., holds its annual craft fair from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today.

A Tricky Tray auction is at 4 p.m. The winner need not be present.

School seeks crafters, vendors for craft fair

PISCATAWAY — Crafters and vendors are wanted for the annual craft fair of St. Frances Cabrini School, 2300 Cooper St.

The craft fair is from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. today. Spaces are \$30 for a 6-foot table to sell new, high-quality products. Baked goods are not wanted.

For space reservations, call Kathy at (732) 699-1970.

'Fame' dinner for BB alumni

BOUND BROOK — The Bound Brook High School Alumni Association holds its second Hall of Fame Dinner at 6 p.m. today at the Elks lodge on East Second Street.

Nine students will be inducted: Leonard Blumberg (1932), William Gottlieb (1934), Raymond Trombadore (1947), Joseph Vischetti (1950), William Woldin (1951), Michael Sandusky (1953), Ronald Naldi (1960), Patricia Rork Stanislawski (1964) and Diana Zuckerman

(1968).

Also to be inducted are Dr. George Daniel and Victor Saganario, two members of the BBHS staff.

Cost is \$30. Checks may be payable to "Bound Brook Alumni Association" and sent to Nancy Yuznik, 894 Sebring Ave., Bound Brook, NJ 08805. Call (732) 563-4012 for more information.

Public invited to 'business' meeting

The Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce has these events open to the public:

Employer Legislative Committee breakfast, 8 a.m. Tuesday at the Sheraton Edison Hotel in Raritan Center, Edison. Cost is \$20.

"Business After Hours" social, 5:30 p.m. Tuesday at the Washington Mutual bank in New Brunswick. Cost for members is \$15 in advance and \$20 at the door. Cost for non-members is \$25.

Human Resources Council seminar, 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, Nov. 29 at the chamber office in South Brunswick. President William Margareta is president of the New Jersey State Safety Council.

For registration, e-mail deb@mcrc.org or call (732) 821-1700, Ext. 202.

Holiday weekend brings train show

EDISON — Immerse yourself in the world of model railroads at the Great Train Expo.

This two-day show runs over Thanksgiving weekend at the New Jersey Convention Center in Raritan Center. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday and Sunday, Nov. 25-26.

Admission is \$7 for adults and free for children under age 12. For full information, visit www.greattrainexpo.com or call (732) 417-1400.

Insurance agent receives grant

EDISON — Zhiya "Amy" Sun has received the Agency Hands in the Community Award from the Allstate Foundation.

She is an agent in Edison for Allstate New Jersey Insurance Co. The foundation is providing Sun with a \$500 grant to benefit the FCD Chinese School, an Edison school that provides instruction in Chinese language and culture.

Library issues receipts for books

PISCATAWAY — The Piscataway Public Library now provides printed receipts when you check out books and DVDs.

These receipts work just like a food-store receipt; they list the items checked out and the date when each is due back. Receipts are issued when you check out materials from Kennedy Library on Hoes Lane or Westergard Library off Stelton Road.

You can also check due dates on the library's website; click "Online Catalog" from the homepage at www.piscatawaylibrary.org.

Three displays in one library

PISCATAWAY — Kennedy Library on Hoes Lane has three displays for October.

The "History of Our Lady of Fatima School" covers the history of the Catholic school in New Market. Matchbox cars from the collection of Martin McKale are featured.

"Piscataway Library Anniversaries" are featured in the New Books section. Kennedy Library opened in 1966 and Westergard Library, in 1965 in New Market, opened in 1981.

Edison printer receives award

EDISON — A local printer has been named a Regional Supplier of the Year by the National Minority Supplier Development Council.

Carl A. Venable Inc. was named a Class I winner for the region that includes Northern New Jersey. The company operates an AlphaGraphics franchise in Edison.

Venable's company does commercial printing for Johnson & Johnson, NJ Transit, Rutgers University, the University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey and several other companies. Vice President Bernice Venable is a volunteer at Rutgers and the Middlesex County Regional Chamber of Commerce.

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Saturday, November 18, 2006

Sports

Gritty Panther effort can't topple Eastern

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

TOMS RIVER — It's hard to imagine how an outstanding field hockey team that's already won 21 games could put together its best effort of the season and still lose 2-0 while being out-shot 20-0.

That, however, is exactly what happened to Bridgewater-Raritan High Sunday when the Panthers had to go against Eastern, possibly the best high school program for any one sport in the state, in the NJSIAA state Group 4 tournament title match at Toms River East High.

With an incredible 181-0-4 record the past eight seasons against New Jersey competition during which it has won the Group 4 championship each year, Eastern had its lowest-scoring game of the season and still easily handled the Panthers.

Despite the loss that left the Panthers with a final mark of 21-2-1, Bridgewater-Raritan had plenty of which to be proud.

"I think we played the best we have all season," said Head Coach Kathie DeBonis, whose Panthers fell to Eastern 4-0 a year ago in the state final. "Our kids did all they could. They did everything possible. I was absolutely happy with our performance."

"After losing to Eastern last year we definitely started the season wanting a rematch. Our goal was to win the game. We didn't go in looking to keep it close for a moral victory. Afterwards, we realized what we'd accomplished this year. We were proud of what we did, and this one game didn't diminish anything."

The Panthers made it tough on a team that had won the previous seven Group 4 title

games by a combined 33-0, but surrendered two goals during the final nine minutes of the first half and they proved to be the difference.

Freshman goalie Erica Perrine delivered an outstanding 18-save performance against the Vikings (24-0), who'd won their state semifinal 8-1 over Rancocas Valley. But the Panthers' inability to take the pressure off was too much to overcome.

"Definitely their ability to generate an offense and get shots on goal was the difference," DeBonis said. "We knew if we could penetrate the circle we had a chance to score because their goalie used to play for Franklin and we'd faced her before, but couldn't penetrate the circle."

"Erica was amazing in goal. She stepped up to the challenge. She did everything she possibly could. The first goal was organized chaos in front of the cage. The second came off a corner. It was a lethal shot, a bullet."

Freshman Kelsey Mitchell gave Eastern a 1-0 lead with 9:33 left in the first half when she converted off a miss from close range. Senior Meghan Dawson accounted for an insurance goal when she fired a shot past Perrine with 2:06 to go before halftime.

"I really wasn't concerned being down 2-0 at halftime," DeBonis said. "We were playing. No one let up after those two goals. Morale was still high. We played to the last minute of that game and left everything we had on the field."

B-R 2, Middletown North 1 — While Eastern was rolling in its semifinal Nov. 8, the Panthers were pressed into overtime before eliminating North Jersey 2 champion Middletown North (18-3-1) on Taylor Luke's shot with 2:02 left in overtime.



GEORGE PACIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Freshman Carlee Dragon, here in action during the Somerset County Tournament, and her Bridgewater-Raritan High teammates put forth a valiant effort Sunday only to fall short to perennial state champion Eastern 2-0 in the Group 4 final.

Pioneers wrap up football season with victory

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

SOMERVILLE — With one final opportunity to wear the orange and black, Somerville High senior football players went out on a positive note.

Although it was a game no one really wanted to have any part of this season, the Pioneers' regular-season finale turned into their seventh victory as they smacked Spotswood 28-12 in the consolation-week matchup at

Brooks Field Nov. 10.

Seniors Mason Robinson, Dan DiLella and Dan Cuzzo played the biggest roles offensively as Robinson scored twice and went past the 1500-yard rushing plateau, while DiLella and Cuzzo combined for a pair of touchdown passes.

Still, it was a bittersweet triumph for the Pioneers (7-3), who had state playoff expectations this fall.

"It was nice to see the kids

go out winning, but it was a situation where no one in that locker room wanted to be in a consolation game," Head Coach Kevin Carty said. "We just had to go out and make the best of it."

"There were two possible outcomes. We could either win and finish with seven victories or lose and have that as our final game. We just had to have that focus. The kids decided to go out and have some fun. They put

things in perspective and did what they had to do."

Once again Robinson played a big role as arguably the county's best all-around player closed his career with another strong performance. He carried 19 times for 140 yards to push his rushing totals to 1595 yards on 196 carries (8.1 per attempt) while recording his 16th and 17th touchdowns.

DiLella completed 8 of 14 attempts for 147 yards and

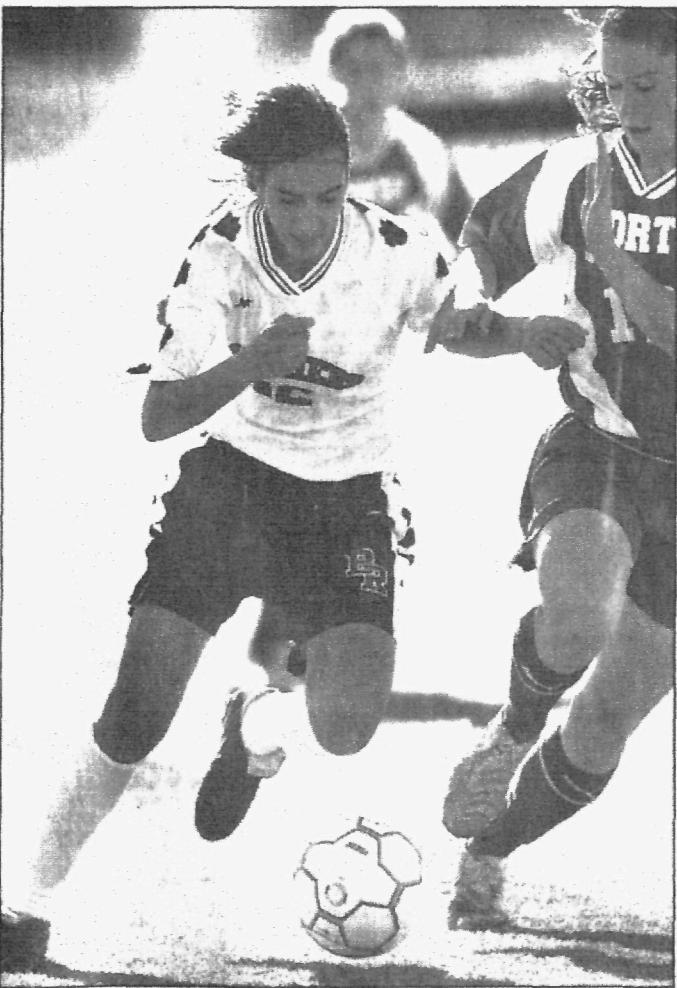
the two scores to give him 13 touchdown passes. Cuzzo had three catches for 110 yards and his fifth and sixth touchdown receptions.

"We played OK," Carty said. "It was a little sloppy but fine. The conditions were sloppy from the rain a couple days earlier and we had some unusual things in the game, but generally the kids did pretty well. Mason had another good game. He had a great season. With the condi-

tions being what they were, Dan did well throwing the ball."

Spotswood (3-6) actually drew first blood as quarterback Ben Becker broke loose on a 55-yard scoring run for a 6-0 first-quarter lead. SHS, however, went in front by the end of the session and then scored twice in the second period for a 21-7 halftime advantage.

Robinson knotted the game with a 40-yard run.



GEORGE PACIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Bridgewater-Raritan's Lina Staropoli, who scored a goal, tries to maneuver around an opponent Thursday during the Panthers' 3-2 state tournament loss to North Hunterdon.

B-R girls fall in section final

BRIDGEWATER — Desperately battling back after watching North Hunterdon High's girls score twice in the early going, Bridgewater-Raritan came close but couldn't catch the Lions in dropping a 3-2 decision in the North Jersey Section 2 Group 4 soccer playoff final Nov. 9.

Mary Kate Townsend, heading in a corner kick, put the Lions on the board four minutes into the game and Taylor Kinsley added another goal less than 60 seconds later, staking North Hunterdon (13-8) to a stunning 2-0 advantage over the Panthers at Basilone Memorial Field.

The Panthers (14-5) eventually retaliated at the 23-minute mark when Lina Staropoli

headed in Bianca Santulli's corner kick but North Hunterdon maintained a sharp attack and Kinsley found the net again eight minutes later on a rebound of a direct kick for a 3-1 halftime cushion.

With B-R applying massive offensive following the halftime break, North Hunterdon employed a double-sweeper defense and also got strong play from goalie Hilary Murray, who made five of her 14 saves during the final 15 minutes of action.

But Chelsea Regan drilled in a penalty kick with 14:51 to go, pulling the Panthers within 3-2, and Gabriella Guzman's header smacked off the crossbar in the last minute before the Lions could secure the triumph.

RU players inspire Panthers

Two days after receiving encouragement from players who'd just showed they know a few things about how to win a big-time college football game, the Bridgewater-Raritan Junior Midgets put the advice to good use in the Pop Warner playoffs.

The Panthers romped past Conestoga (Pa.) 32-7 in Sunday's quarterfinal-round clash of the East Region tournament at Bridgewater's Basilone Memorial Field.

During the Panthers' practice session the evening of Nov. 10, they'd gotten a visit from Rutgers University players Kevin Brock, Jean Beljour and Billy Anderson. The night before, they'd helped the Scarlet Knights come through with a 28-25 upset over Louisville in a nationally-televised battle of unbeaten in Piscataway.

Bridgewater-Raritan also remained unbeaten by ousting Conestoga, giving the Panthers a shot at avenging last year's region title game loss to the Charm City Buccaneers. The two squads will tangle again 5 p.m. today at Hunterdon Central High in Flemington.

Behind the running of A.J. Bartocci and A.J. Kolen, the Panthers marched to a touchdown on their first possession, with Jordan Blair scoring from 12 yards out. Tyler Thomas's 25-yard interception return set up Connor Smith's 4-yard second-period TD as they gained a 12-7 halftime lead.

B-R recovered a fumble, setting up Thomas's 19-yard TD sweep in the second half, and Eddie Hopeck's 39-yard scoring pass to B.J. Grill made it 26-7. Hopeck concluded the scoring with a 19-yard bootleg in the final period.

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Thomas's second interception wrapped up the victory and Charlie Dorsey's running kept the clock running. Leading a dominating B-R defense were Smith, Thomas, Grill, Richie Cellura, Razier Archer, James Burke, Jason DeFilippis, Sky Harjo, Scott Bieda, Michael Serrante, Colin Fischetti, Tommy Gardner, Michael Charewicz, John Wukovits, A.J. Pellegrini, Shane Carmody, Andrew Feldman, Anthony Sallo, Robbie Myers, Karin Abazic and Ray Mastrolaroni.

During the Friday practice Anderson, a Rutgers defensive back, told the Panthers he remembered his West Orange Pop Warner team losing to B-R in the playoffs several years ago and Panthers Head Coach Kevin Johnson recalled the game as well.

The RU players spoke to the 26 Panther players, most of whom are in grades 7-8, about the importance of teamwork, academic excellence, focus, discipline and sacrifice. They spoke very candidly about the Louisville game, answered questions from players and coaches for more than a half hour and autographed Rutgers football posters.

Jr. PeeWees Win

The Bridgewater-Raritan Junior PeeWees began play in the Gordon State Bowl tournament Sunday and claimed a 22-0 triumph over Howell in Jackson.

Russell Hawkins scored the first TD on a 50-yard run and Matt Birch scored the next two, one on a 35-yard interception return and the other on a 47-yard punt runback. Leading the defense were Matt Couch, Mark Cellura, Ryan Moran, Gus Grill, Michael Kolen, Kane Neaulo and Sean Page.

Another loss caps B-R season

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

WESTFIELD — The Bridgewater-Raritan High football team's closing act pretty much equaled the majority of the previous nine games, and because it did the Panthers had to endure another loss.

Taking on Westfield, a squad probably good enough to be a state playoff team but one that didn't have the power points to make it, Bridgewater-Raritan played pretty well for 14 minutes. But the Blue Devils finished with a 21-6 surge to close out a 35-18 decision in a consolation-week game Nov. 11.

In concluding a 2-8 campaign, the Panthers once again suffered from inconsistency.

"Considering some of the guys we had out because of

injuries and the number of younger kids we played, I thought we played well for a couple of quarters," said B-R Head Coach Tony Maglione.

"but that's been our story all season. We play well for two, three quarters but then fall apart. At least the kids kept fighting and didn't give up. That's important."

"Westfield had some good speed in the backfield and good size on the line. Their speed matches some of the better teams we've played, and their size is sort of like Immaculata's. Their starting back got hurt but they brought in a sophomore, who runs a 4.4 40 (yards), and he broke a couple in the second half."

The Blue Devils (5-4) took advantage of a blocked punt to

take the early lead, but B-R responded when Mike Rice took a puntback and sprinted 68 yards to a touchdown. The blocked conversion kick left it a 7-0 game in the opening period.

Westfield went up 14-6 in the second quarter, but the Panthers managed to close to within 14-12 when Matt Driscoll hoisted in 25-yard scoring pass from Alonzo Miller. Once again Bridgewater failed on the conversion attempt as the home team maintained the edge.

With two minutes left in the half, Westfield struck again to open a 21-12 advantage, and this time the Panthers had no answer. In the second half Westfield controlled the play, limiting the Panthers to one

touchdown, a second Miller-to-Driscoll hookup, this one for 30 yards.

Miller finished the game connecting on 13 of 23 passes for 126 yards and the two TDs, while Rice had by far the most productive day carrying the ball, picking up 79 yards on seven attempts.

"I don't think it was the most Alonzo has thrown this season, but it's more than in recent games," Maglione said. "We pretty much ran into a wall trying to run the ball without one of our better backs (Mike Shedlosky, out with a concussion, so I thought we had to throw more. Plus, we were behind."

"Defensively, they were able to trap us, which has been one of our problems this year. Once they got through the holes they just had too much speed for us to catch them."

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Drivers 230

FENCE
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HELPERS WANTED
Kasper's Digital Service EOE + 908-782-4962

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RESTAURANT
MAI TRED, Maggiano Little Italy Exp. Flex hrs. 7-11 April 24, M Th, 6-8B Comm. Wks. Bridgewater (908) 547-6045

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NEEDED For Store Evaluations. Get Paid to Shop. Local Stores, Restaurants & Theaters. Training provided. Flexible Hours. Email Required. 1-800-585-9024 ext. 6262

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NEEDED:
Part-time/Seasonal: February - June
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\$12.548/hr Full Benefits/ Paid Training. Work available in areas like Homeland Security, Law Enforcement, Wildlife and more! 1-800-320-9353 ext 2002

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HAIR STYLIST
Salon for kids looking for PT/FT cutter for all ways. Very saluta. in creditable pay, great tips, 2 weeks vacation, bonuses, health insurance available. Call Tony 908-590-0800

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MOVIE EXTRAS
Make \$250/day! All looks and ages 18-74-17501

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OFFICE CLERK- MULTI TASK
Mid size Union County CPA firm seeks a FT multi task clerk for professional office. Phone ability a must. Accounts payable experience a plus. Email resume to: tcastellano@moorecpa.com or fax to 908-272-7101. Attn: T. Castellano.

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Clinical lab seeks FT certified phlebotomist with 2+ years experience in Bridgewater, NJ. Fax resume to: 215-741-6076

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PORTER
Our apartments in Somerset need a FT person for indoor/outdoor cleanup and light maintenance. Must be reliable and able to pass a drug screen. Competitive pay and benefits. EOE M/F/D/V. Please send resume to: sflg@vnet.net or fax: 732-866-8655

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Upper and Lower Bay for Busy Flemington Quick Lube. Full and Part-time Experience preferred but not necessary. Apply in SHAMMY SHINE CAR WASH 131 Route 31, Flemington, NJ Call Kevin or Scott for Info 908-788-7676

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Our busy family practice has the following positions available:
CERTIFIED MEDICAL ASSISTANT, LPN, or RN
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In The Towns

Brass trio plays in area church

METUCHEN — Brass Roots is a trio that has created a new sound in chamber music.

This ensemble performs at 7:30 p.m. today at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Middlesex and Oak avenues. Admission of \$20 includes coffee and dessert after the concert.

For reservations, call (732)

548-4308, Ext. 10.

Library sets two public programs

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The South Plainfield Public Library has the following program:

— A seminar for would-be homeowners is at 2 p.m. today. Elise Counts from First Equity Home Loans is the presenter. A Spanish translation is available on request.

Registration is required for both programs; call (908) 754-7885 or visit the library at 2484 Plainfield Ave.

Blood drives at RWJUH

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital has two blood drives remaining this month.

They run from 11 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesday and 9 a.m.-3 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 28. Blood drives are in the Arline and Henry Schwartzman Courtyard at the hospital on Somerset Street, New Brunswick.

Donors must be in general good health, at least age 17, weight more than 110 pounds and not have donated blood in the previous 56 days. You must bring a photo ID and eat a meal before donating.

Questions can be referred to

the Blood Center at (732) 235-8100, Ext. 244.

MCC sponsors**senior workshops**

Middlesex County College sponsors four workshops aimed at senior citizens and caretakers.

All workshops are at 2 p.m. Tuesdays in the MCC New Brunswick Center at 140 New St., one block from Livingston

Avenue. Admission to each program is free. The schedule:

Nov. 21 — "Reverse Mortgages and Home Sharing Programs" with Shirley Clay.

Nov. 28 — "Legal Assistance for the Elderly" with Ann Zaun.

Dec. 5 — "Long-Term Care Options as You Age" with Dale Ofel-Ayisi.

Dec. 12 — "Tuition-Free Learning Opportunities" at the county college, given by John Kruszewski.

Registration is recommended; call (732) 745-8866.

Dance parties and lessons in November

EDISON — Brandis Dance Theatre holds dance parties and dance lessons in the VFW hall at 1970 Woodbridge Ave.

Dance parties are at 9 p.m. every Friday in November.

General dance parties Nov. 24 feature ballroom, Latin and swing. Admission is \$12.

Lessons are given every Monday in November: big band/swing styles at 7 p.m., fox trot at 8 p.m. and salsa at 9 p.m. Cost is \$8 for one, \$13 for two or \$18 for all three.

Country and Western dance lessons are at 8 p.m. every Tuesday in November. Cost is \$10.

Couples and singles of all ages are welcome. For full information, visit www.brandisdance.com or call (732) 388-4605.

FISH needs food**for needy families**

PISCATAWAY — FISH Inc., Dunellen Area, is preparing food baskets for almost 500 needy families for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

Frozen turkeys, frozen chickens, cranberry sauce, stuffing and gravy are most needed. Bring these items to the FISH food pantry at 456 New Market Road between 9 a.m. and noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Enter the food pantry in the rear of the building.

Cash donations are also welcome to purchase turkeys, chickens and other foodstuffs for holiday meals. Send cash donations to Treasurer, FISH Inc., Dunellen Area, P.O. Box 8565, Piscataway, NJ 08855-8006.

Those interested in being a FISH volunteer can leave a message at (732) 356-0081. A volunteer will return their call.

Jersey singer**leads workshops**

New Jersey folk singer Spook Handy leads workshops in songwriting and "Effective Stage Presence."

These workshops are at Linwood Middle School in North Brunswick under the direction of the Unlimited Potential Theater Company.

Songwriting is covered at 7 p.m. Monday. "Effective Stage Presence" is covered at 7 p.m. Monday, Nov. 27, Dec. 4 and 11.

Cost is \$20 for one class, \$30 for the full series in songwriting and \$45 for the full series in "Effective Stage Presence." Registration is required; call (732) 745-3885.

Dance studios spotlighted in show

EDISON — The Edison Arts Society presents "Jingle All the Way" at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 3 at John P. Stevens High School, 855 Grove Ave.

This holiday dance spectacular features over 150 dancers from six dance schools, five of which are in Middlesex County. The dance schools are:

Yvonne's School of Dance, Edison, under the direction of Yvonne Ambrosio and Dawn Belle.

Jo-Ann's Dance Studio — The Performing Arts Centre, South Plainfield, under the direction of Jo-Ann Orman and Tara Catalina.

Spotlight on Dance, South Plainfield, under the direction of Carolyn Stefanchik.

Metuchen Dance Centre, under the direction of June Vaganek.

Step in Time, Parlin, under the direction of Dana Prieto.

Lynn's Dance Connection Park Ridge, under the direction of Lynn-Marie Pearce.

Admission is \$14. For tickets, call (908) 753-0190.

Watercolor artist feted by the arts society

EDISON — Mary Ellen Brennan is being honored by the Edison Arts Society as its "Artist of the Season" for this fall.

Her biography and a work of her art are now featured on the Arts Society's Web site at www.edisonarts.org.

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