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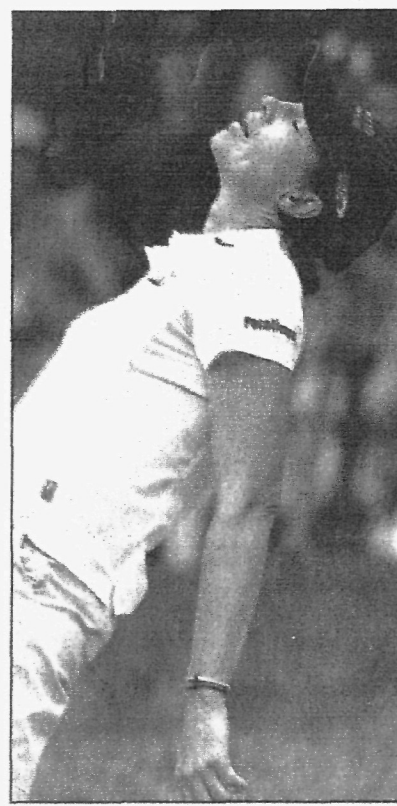
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Hemingway will speak

BRIDGEWATER — The Shimon and Sara Birnbaum Jewish Community Center in Bridgewater will present An Evening with Mariel Hemingway, 7:30 p.m. Thursday. Hemingway, an internationally acclaimed actress and author, will discuss healthy living from the inside out. The program will take place at the center, 775 Talamini Road, and is open to the community. The fee for the program is \$25 per person in advance and \$35 at the door. For more, call (800) 483-7436 or visit friendshealth-connection.org.

Argentinean art is at J&J

The Johnson & Johnson World Headquarters Gallery, New Brunswick, presents a new exhibition of artwork by eight talented young graduates of the ProyectArte Fine Arts School in Buenos Aires, Argentina. The exhibition will run through Jan. 15. It features 20 paintings in various media by the precocious, emerging artists from this unique institution, which recreates the Renaissance-era master-apprentice model by pairing a diverse and talented group of teenagers with some of Argentina's most distinguished professional artists for long-term arts instruction. Despite their young age the school's young graduates have given group shows at the Centro Cultural Recoleta, Buenos Aires' most visited public exhibition space, and the Chelsea Art Museum in the Chelsea section of Manhattan. The gallery is located in J&J's head office at 1 Johnson & Johnson Plaza, George and Hamilton streets, and is open by appointment only. For more, call (732) 524-6957.

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One day at a time

By ALLISON ELYSE GUALTIERI
Staff Writer

Seventy-six days ago, Linda and John Fitzgerald were in Westport, Mass. John called home, just after midnight, to make sure his 16-year-old son Patrick was all right and to make sure their cats were inside for the night.

Seventy-six days ago, Linda and John Fitzgerald got a phone call in the wee hours of the morning.

Through a crackling cell phone connection, they heard "Raritan Police... son has been injured... fire."

John called back. This time, he heard: "House, significant fire, Patrick, St. Barnabas."

Seventy-six days ago, 16-year-old Patrick Fitzgerald was taken by helicopter to St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston, and the house the

Fitzgeralds had designed and built for themselves two decades ago was still in flames.

Seventy-six days ago, the John and Linda came home to Raritan to find much of their house a shell, and their son in a coma. He was in intensive care with third-degree burns on the back and front of his legs and the front of his torso. The doctors told John and Linda that their son had a "better than 50 percent chance of survival." He faced five surgeries, including three skin grafts, for the burns from a fireplace accident.

Each of those 76 days, John, in the online journal he keeps to let friends and family know how the family has been doing, writes, "Patrick is alive today, and I am confident he will be alive tomorrow."

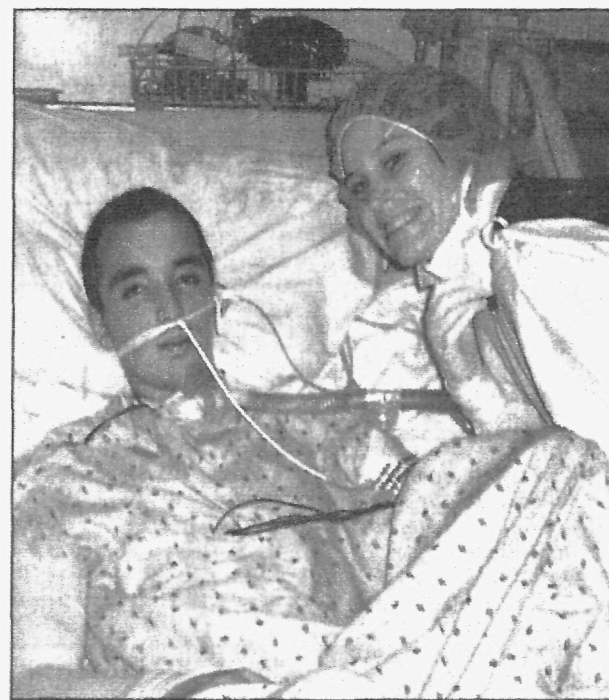
Their story has been disseminated around the world via the Web site the family set up devoted to Patrick's recovery, and notes of support, offers of help, and stories from survivors have been sent to the family, from across the country and across the world. From Somerville to Seattle to Australia, people have reached out to the Fitzgeralds with tokens of aid and support.

"Almost every day there's a new post in the guestbook," said Linda.

"We had other survivors writing us and telling us their stories and telling us what can happen," he said. As of Tuesday morning, their Web site had almost 10,000 hits.

One visitor and burn sur-

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COURTESY THE FITZGERALD FAMILY

Patrick Fitzgerald, of Raritan, is recovering from wounds he sustained in a house fire. His sister, Jenny, is by his side at the Kessler Rehabilitation Institute in West Orange.

Holiday decorators rewarded in borough

HIGHLAND PARK — One of the most prolific holiday traditions is beautifully decorated downtown storefront windows.

As part of the festivities this holiday season, Main Street Highland Park sponsored "Project Window," a storefront window display contest. Shoppers judged the best decorated storefronts Dec. 14 and 21 as part of the weekly "Holidays in the Park" celebration along Raritan Avenue.

The winning business owners — who have transformed their store windows into miniature holiday worlds — will receive a great prize and bragging rights all year long. Voters were also eligible to win a free \$50 gift check from the Highland Park Chamber of Commerce.

The enormous support

that "Project Window" received from so many businesses in the borough made this creative competition a not-to-miss event. The project is a collaborative effort to various merchants to make downtown even more festive during this season.

The storefront decorations were done by a combination of store owners and design experts who volunteered their services. Among these volunteers were Carmen Crea, owner of Haven; Mark Froelich and Doug Otrimsky, owners of Roberts Florals; and Bianca Freda, an interior stylist.

"An attractive, well-maintained storefront is one of the most valuable promotional tools a business can use," Otrimsky said. "It

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And the winner is ...

By JIM WHITE
Staff Writer

BRANCHBURG — Roseann and Fred Boehm learn their limits come Christmas season. From just after Thanksgiving through the first week of January, there is a delicate balance of power going on inside and out of their Holland Brook Road home.

"I can't do wash at night," she said with a laugh.

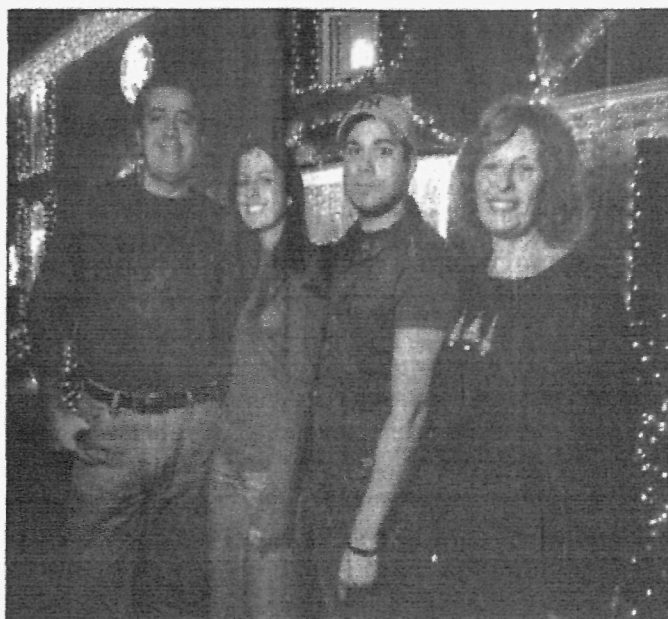
"We can't use the oven after 6," he said, adding even the occasional use of a hairdryer can mean a tripped breaker and, well, lights out.

But the couple said their evening sacrifices are well worth it.

"We find boxes of candy in the driveway with notes (from neighbors) that say 'Thanks for the show,'" said Roseann Boehm.

Adorned with 12,000 bulbs, the Boehms' home was chosen

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PHOTOS BY GEORGE PACCIELLO STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

The winning home of The Chronicle's "Decorate — and win" contest, above. The Boehm family stand outside their Branchburg home. From left to right are Fred, Amanda, Christopher and Roseann.

Grant is used for program on job safety

The Rutgers Occupational Training and Education Consortium and New Labor, a nonprofit workforce development organization, have received a \$181,000 Susan Harwood Grant from the Occupational Safety and Health Administration to create a bilingual fall prevention health and safety training program for Latino workers and contractors employed in residential construction.

The program will be available in Spanish and English to New Jersey residential contractors, subcontractors, construction workers, religious and community organizations.

The consortium is a unit of the Rutgers School of Management and Labor Relations, which operates on the Livingston College campus in Piscataway and the Cook College campus in New Brunswick.

During the past four years the consortium and New

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Patrick

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vivor — a former fireman whose burns covered 90 percent of his body — sent Patrick a hand-turned pen he made out of olive wood from the Holy Land. After the burns took his fingers, he became a woodworker, got married, and now has four children.

People closer to home have come together to help Patrick in his recovery. The staff of The Only Game in Town in Somerville — a favorite hangout of Pat's — hosted a blood drive, with the units collected dedicated to Patrick.

"They told us Pat was going to need blood. The hospital told us we'd be lucky to get 10 units," said John. "I think we've gotten close to 50."

"I didn't ask Sandy (Bonnell, the store's owner) to organize it, she just did it and I was so thankful," said Linda. "It's not a trivial thing."

A cousin and regular blood donor, Bob Durfee, was on his way from Massachusetts to California, and detoured to New Jersey to donate his 99th pint of blood for Pat.

The Fitzgeralds' oldest son, Jack, is a lawyer in New York City. The opposing counsel from one of his cases donated money to the family. So did Linda's classmates at Smeal School of Business at Pennsylvania State University, where she is pursuing her master's degree, and her co-workers at Cheetah Learning.

And then there are the gift cards.

"We have more gift cards for Barnes and Noble. If we went, we could buy out the store," said Linda.

The gifts have not ended there. In the early days, the family was offered the use of two houses while theirs is being rebuilt, but their insurance company, Manufacturer's Insurance of New Jersey, has put the couple up in a Bridgewater townhouse while theirs is being rebuilt. The two say both their homeowners' insurance and health insurance companies have been wonderful.

Food has been on offer, too. "Never in my life did I ever think people would be bringing dinner to my house, and it would be the best thing," said Linda. "We had people we didn't even know, friends of Pat's, bringing us dinner."

Pat's friends have also sent

gifts, offered to mow the lawn and wash the cars, and other various chores for the family.

All those gestures, those favors, those acts, have inspired the couple to give something back to other families going through a similar situation. While visiting the burn unit, they've seen other families come in, and remember the fear and confusion of their own first experience. It has inspired John to put together what he's tentatively calling the "Book of Days," which he intends to be a collaborative guide for families facing a similar situation. He wants to work with the groups and people he's met through the Web site to put it together.

"Your world turns upside down, and you don't know what to expect," he said. "Our thought is that other people who have been there say, 'This is what to expect.'"

So that other families will know, while doctors and nurses are rushing around without time to speak to them, that the first thing the hospital staff does is make sure the patient is not in pain. That fact was something that gave John and Linda great comfort.

The book will let people know what to expect, from

others who have been told that, like John and Linda, the hospital staff cannot cut a patient's nails. It won't explain what, for example, a Foley catheter is, John said, but it will be a sharing of what to expect. John envisions the book as something that can be handed to a family when they arrive at the hospital, while the patient is being stabilized and the staff doesn't have time to explain, so the family is not sitting in the waiting room getting more anxious.

"It's part of surviving, is not worrying. It's what you need to focus on each day," he said.

Right now, the family is focused on Pat's continued recovery and rehabilitation. Pat, who had started school this fall at Tinicum Art and Science in Ottsville, Pa., isn't even worried about missing school, though his education has been interrupted by his accident and recovery. He and his father have been playing chess at the hospital, and his mental acuity seems fine.

"It doesn't look like he's any more brain-damaged than he was before he tried to start a fire with gasoline," John said. His wry humor is helping him get through the situation.

There has been good news this week. Patrick has been



COURTESY THE FITZGERALD FAMILY
Patrick Fitzgerald recovers from fire burns at the Kessler Rehabilitation Institute in West Orange.

transferred from the Burn Unit at St. Barnabas Medical Center to the Kessler Rehabilitation Institute in West Orange, a move from acute care to rehabilitation, on Day 68.

He spent Christmas at Kessler with his family, on Day 73.

As his father wrote in the Day 72, Christmas Eve, journal, just watching him sleep is a pleasant activity.

"I know this sounds a little bit goofy but I cannot imagine anything better than him being alive," John wrote.

To read the journal visit www.patricksjourney.com.

Winner

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as the winner of *The Chronicle's* "Decorate — and win" contest. Readers were asked to submit photos of their decorated houses for the chance to win a \$50 gift certificate from What's In The Ice Box II in Somerville.

The Boehm's winning brick-face colonial is a beauty. White lights outline everything, from the mailbox up the driveway to the doors and windows to the roof. Multi-colored lights dress the shrubs and trees. There's illuminated snowflakes, and a large star sits on the roof.

"There's only so much you can do with 14 breakers," said a modest Fred Boehm, who, in years past, has gone with as many as 15,000 lights.

"I'm glad we cut back. It looks a little bit cleaner," he

said. Fred Boehm gets to work shortly after Turkey Day. There is a day of prepping and then about four half-days of ladder work.

"We know to just leave him alone and don't bother him for a week," said his wife.

The holiday tradition is something the couple learned from their own families while growing up.

"Both our fathers always decorated," Roseann Boehm said. So each year it is expected.

One of the couple's three children, Christopher, teaches kindergarten at Whiton School and reports back to them that come late November the pupils start asking him "Are the lights on yet?"

They will be for years to come.

"Until he can't get on the roof anymore," said Roseann Boehm. "That's when we'll have to put our kids on the roof."

Decorators

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demonstrates to shoppers that the Highland Park merchants truly care about the community while creatively promoting our products and services. Also, it demonstrates to the customers that we want to do everything we can to enhance their downtown shopping

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Labor have worked together on several occupational safety and health projects. In 2003 the two organizations established the Latino Occupational Safety and Health Initiative to address the growing number of occupational injuries and fatalities

experience.

"We hope all the local businesses throughout Highland Park continue to decorate their storefronts throughout the year," he said.

The window display competition is part of the "Holidays in the Park" event with most stores remaining open until 9 p.m. A number of participating businesses had open houses with discounts, promotions, live music and refreshments.

ties among the Latino workforce. Through the initiative the consortium and New Labor have received state and federal grants for partnerships with employers, unions, religious and community organizations.

"These partnerships have enabled LOSHI to develop emergency response, chemical hazards, and general awareness health and safety training programs; to train more

than 100 worker trainers; and to deliver thousands of hours of training to low-wage Latino workers employed in a wide range of occupations," said Carmen Martino, who is on the School of Management and Labor Relations faculty.

The consortium's Residential Construction Fall Protection Health and Safety Training Program will provide workers and contractors with information to increase their

wrapping for shoppers with little time for cutting, folding and taping.


"Holiday time is when Highland Park truly shines," said Graham Copeland, executive director of Main Street Highland Park. "This is the perfect time to experience the downtown renaissance happening here for great shopping and dining. We invite our residents and visitors to think global and shop local."

overall health and safety awareness and provide information about the types of fall protection they should use on jobsites. During the next year the program will reach more than 400 construction workers and contractors, Martino said. The training grant is named for Harwood, a former director of the Office of Risk Assessment in OSHA's Health Standards Department who died in 1996.



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★★★ Police News ★★★

SOUTH PLAINFIELD
A man who allegedly drove into a police detective has been arrested on related warrants.
Dameen Scruggs, age not given, was taken into custody Dec. 19 in his hometown of Plainfield on charges of aggravated assault, resisting arrest and possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose. He is free on \$50,000 bond.
Scruggs was said to have hit Detective Sgt. Dan Noonan after being spotted by the South Plainfield police detective near the scene of a burglary in South Plainfield, according to a release announcing the arrest. Noonan was not injured.
The suspect was at large for about a month before his arrest, according to the release.

MIDDLESEX
A briefcase filled with \$7,000 cash and personal papers was reported stolen Dec. 8. According to police, the briefcase belonged to the owner of Hercules Industrial Equipment on Lincoln Boulevard and had been left behind in the parking lot when he drove home.
The back window of the Middlesex Auto Service on Bound Brook Road was removed in a late-night burglary Dec. 8. Police said the burglars tried to get into the drop safe but were not successful.
It was not immediately known if anything was taken.
A compact disc player and 16 CDs were reported stolen Dec. 9 from a 1995 Jeep parked in front of a house on Jay Place. Police said the Jeep had been unlocked.
Frank Lemongello, 44, of Middlesex was arrested Dec. 10 and charged with driving while intoxicated following a traffic stop on Fairfield Avenue at 12:11 a.m.
A purse belonging to a Lyndhurst resident was stolen Dec. 10. According to police, the woman left

the purse on a table at Tim Kerwin's Tavern on Bound Brook Road and came back to find the purse was gone. The purse and its contents had a total value of \$40, police said.
An unlocked bicycle was stolen Dec. 11 from in front of Romano's Pizza on Bound Brook Road. Police said the bike is valued at \$230.
A laptop computer was reported stolen Dec. 12 from a desk at W&W Public Relations on Union Avenue. The laptop is valued at \$1,618, police said, but it was not known how the office was entered.
James Breslin, 60, of Middlesex was arrested Dec. 12 and charged with driving while intoxicated as the result of a police investigation at Fisher and Vail avenues at 5:30 p.m.
A 1996 Acura was reported stolen Dec. 13 from where it was parked on Fifth Street. Police were told the Acura is valued at \$7,000 and had been locked.

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Middlesex County aids two local parks

The Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders has authorized the use of more than \$960,000 in open space and recreation funds to help Metuchen and New Brunswick improve local parks.

The projects will be funded through the county Open Space and Recreation and Farmland and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

"We established the grant program to help our municipalities, especially those that are built out, improve their recreational offerings for their residents," said Freeholder Director David B. Crabiel.

"These grants and an open space preservation program help keep Middlesex a great place to live and raise a family," said Freeholder Camille Fernicola, liaison to the county's Open Space Advisory Committee.

Metuchen will receive \$500,000 for site and access improvements to support the recently constructed synthetic turf field and other park facilities at Myrtle and Charles Park.

New Brunswick will receive \$461,240 to completely rebuild 14 tennis courts in Buccleuch Park, including the removal of existing courts and the installation of court posts, anchors and nets.

As part of the grant agreement, both projects will be completed within two years.

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In The Towns

New Year's Eve party sponsored by club

METUCHEN — A New Year's Eve party at 9 p.m. tomorrow is sponsored by the Men's Club of Congregation Neve Shalom, 250 Grove Ave.

Cost is \$75 per couple or \$37.50 per person, BYOB. Food, music and dancing are included.

For reservations, call Lou at (732) 381-0014 or Abe at (732) 494-6427 by Monday, Dec. 11.

Holiday fare in Olde Towne

PISCATAWAY — East Jersey Olde Towne Village offers "Seasonal Traditions" this month.

Victorian ornaments are on display through Jan. 14. Glass ornaments, paper tree ornaments, Kugels from Germany, early light sets, prints and lithographs are included.

Registration is recommended for the Holiday Program; call (732) 745-3030. East Jersey Olde Towne Village is at 1050 River Road, at the stop light with Hoes Lane West.

New health care programs at MCC

EDISON — Two new non-credit health care programs begin at Middlesex County College in the new year.

Phlebotomy Technology can be taken part-time for 13 weeks starting Jan. 23 or full time for five weeks starting Feb. 5. Half the program is classwork; the other half is an externship.

Electrocardiogram Technician can also be taken part-time or full time. The part-time program is on Saturdays starting Jan. 20 and the full-time program starts April 23.

For more information and fees, call Susan Edwards at (732) 906-7740.

Dunellen library offering programs

DUNELLEN — The Dunellen Public Library has these programs for the public:

"Baby Buddies," 10:30 a.m. Wednesdays. This play group is for children under age 3, accompanied by an adult. No registration is necessary.

"Imagination Station," 10:30 a.m. Thursdays. This storytime program is for children ages 3-5. Registration is required.

For registration where it is required, call (732) 968-4585 or visit the library on New Market Road.

FISH seeking food donations

MIDDLESEX — FISH Inc. helps feed families who are in need, especially at Christmas.

Donations of food are accepted any time at the Middlesex

Public Library on Mountain Avenue next to the Municipal Building. You can also bring donations from 9 a.m. to noon Monday, Wednesday and Friday to the FISH food pantry at 456 New Market Road, Piscataway, adjacent to the First Baptist Church of New Market.

Among the foodstuffs most needed are powdered milk, hot cereal (not sugared), high-protein cereal, canned tuna, canned ham, canned chicken, peanut butter, jelly, spaghetti, canned tomato sauce, canned fruit, canned vegetables, beans of any type, canned soup (especially low-sodium), infant food, infant formula and cranberry juice.

Financial contributions are always welcome and can be sent to FISH Inc., P.O. Box 8565, Piscataway, NJ 08855-8006.

For more information, call (732) 356-0081.

Volunteers needed for adult programs

EDISON — Volunteers are needed to work with older adults in adult day programs sponsored by the Jewish Family & Vocational Service of Middlesex County.

These programs meet three days a week at Temple Emanuel-EI on James Street. Programs cover arts and crafts, music, cultural activities, lectures, demonstrations, book reviews, dance and poetry. Volunteers are also needed to help prepare and serve lunch.

If you are interested, e-mail ej.berman@jvsv.org or call (732) 777-1940, Ext. 122.

Learn Braille, sign language in 4-H club

Your young ones can learn sign language and Braille without having to travel very far.

The "Communication Sensation" 4-H club is seeking new members who would like to learn sign language and Braille. Meetings are held Tuesday evenings in East Brunswick. Guest speakers include blind people and deaf people.

Children of any age are welcome, whether they are blind, deaf, sighted or hearing. Parents' participation in meetings and activities is also welcome.

For more information, leave a message for Joyce Pacholek at (732) 246-4775.

Edison teens can now apply for scholarships

EDISON — Applications are now available for college scholarships sponsored by a foundation with ties to the owners of Menlo Park Mall.

The Simon Youth Foundation will award scholarships of up to \$1,500 to high school seniors

from Edison who plan to go on to college. The foundation is funded by Simon Property Group, which operates Menlo Park Mall on Route 1.

For an application, visit www.syf.org or stop by the Guest Services booth at Menlo Park Mall. All applications must be filled out and returned, with supporting documentation, by Jan. 31.

HP coffeehouse adds kosher fare

HIGHLAND PARK — PJ's Coffee on Raritan Avenue has expanded its kosher menu to cover the entire day.

"We wanted to expand our menu choices for all customers to enjoy while accommodating our kosher customers," according to Craig Cadmus, the coffeehouse's owner.

"Highland Park is ... home to a large Jewish community," he said. "We want to make sure that PJ's Coffee caters to their strict dietary needs, especially during the busy holiday season when they are out shopping."

The PJ's location in Highland Park is part of a New Orleans-based chain.

Metuchen YMCA offering programs

METUCHEN — Please take note of the following upcoming events sponsored by the Metuchen Branch YMCA:

— Scrabble Club for adults, 7:30 p.m. Fridays and noon on Saturdays.

No fee is necessary to play Scrabble.

— Preschool/After-School Care — Register now for preschool classes. Kindergarten with wraparound care.

"Kinderkonnektion" and "Y Tots." Full-service school-age child care before and after school (kindergarten-Grade 7). Fees vary.

— New Session — Of parent-child classes, adult enrichment programs, swimming lessons, fitness classes and more.

— Book Club — Meets the last Wednesday of every month. Adult Scrabble Club — Meets from 7:30-9:30 p.m. every Friday.

It is open to all and there is no fee.

— Middlesex County Knitting Meet-Up Group — Meets from 7-9 p.m. the first Thursday of each month.

There is no fee to join.

— Moms Walking Club — Beth Thomas leads this group of women with small children on a walk around Metuchen from 9-10 a.m. twice a week. Walkers receive a tank top on registration and a bottle of water each week.

Fee is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.

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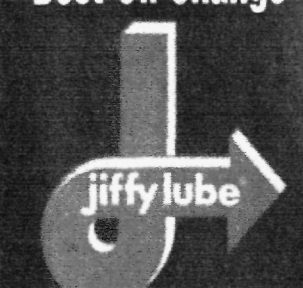
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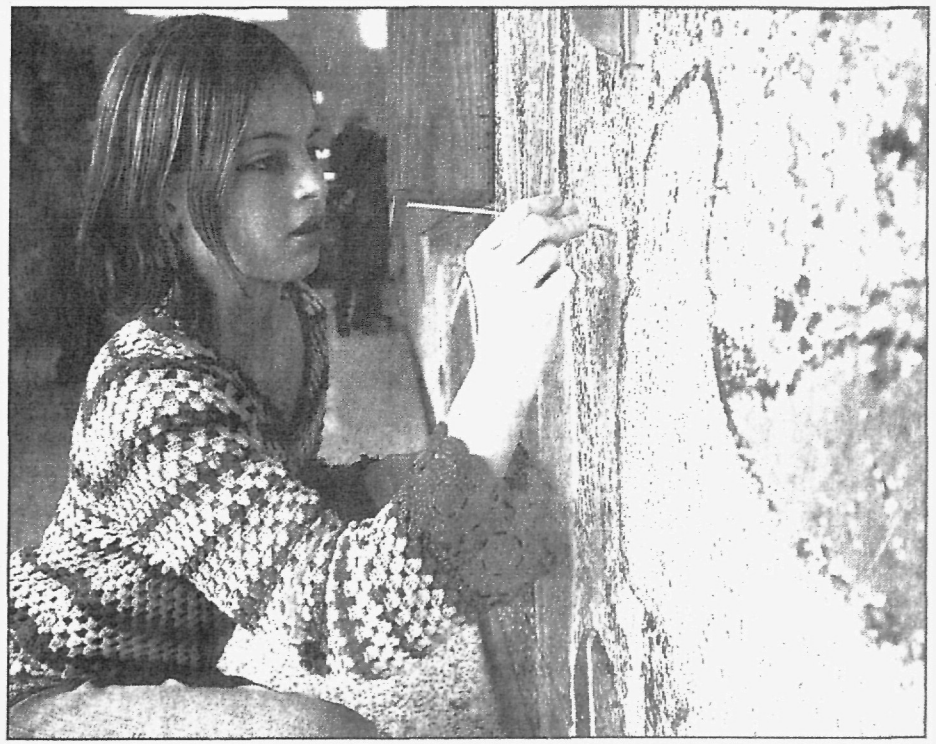
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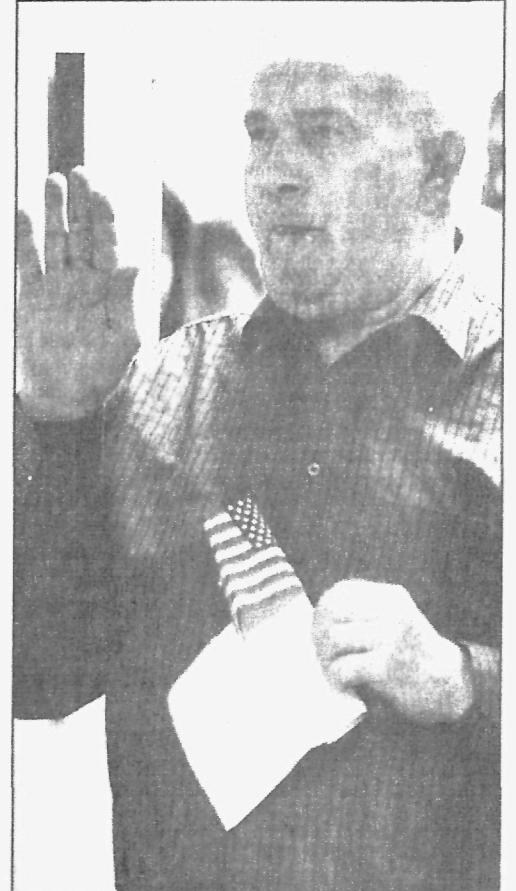
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2006 — the year that was — remembered in photos



This was a year of celebration. Somerville's Immaculata High School, left, celebrated winning a state football title while Mieczyslaw Bieniek, seen at right, celebrated his first year as an American citizen. The longtime Manville resident, who has been living with a brain tumor for several years, fulfilled a dream and became a U.S. citizen in a ceremony in Newark in March. It was a year of discovery, as Jessica Gold, a 10-year-old student at Eisenhower Intermediate School in Bridgewater, learned about life in the ocean while painting a mural at the school as part of the Marine Activities and Resource Education program, above right. It was also a year of loss and change. In March, firefighters from around the county — and beyond — were called in to aid Branchburg volunteers, seen above left, battle a blaze at a building supply company. The fire continued burning for days, forcing the already-exhausted Branchburg firefighters to remain on an around-the-clock vigil at the scene.



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Sports

Robinson to play for Rutgers

By ALLAN CONOVER
Sports Editor

SOMERVILLE — It's a degree from a highly-regarded university, not a collection of bowl game mementos, that was the ultimate factor in Mason Robinson's decision to matriculate at Rutgers.

On the other hand... "If Rutgers was still losing like they did for so many years, I'd be lying to you if I said I'd still be interested," said the Somerville High senior football standout. "Their success on the field did affect my decision. I definitely didn't want to go to a losing program. I want to win."

Chances are, he's going to eventually get every opportunity to help the Scarlet Knights do exactly that. Robinson last week announced that after months of being the recruiting target of numerous big-time schools throughout the country, he'll attend Rutgers, located just a short drive from his Somerville home.

But it's hitting the books — not just hitting the right hole at the right time — that Robinson is also highly anticipating.

"The really big thing that sold me on Rutgers were the academics and the history of the school and the alumni that went there," said

Robinson, who at this point would like to pursue a business degree. "It's mainly the academics, and I enjoyed talking to some of the professors."

The 5-foot-11, 182-pound Robinson, also among the state's elite track-and-field sprinters besides being a superb two-way back on the gridiron, is quite familiar with the Rutgers program from attending several games and summer instructional camps there. But it was his official visit the weekend of Dec. 8-10, and interacting with Head Coach Greg Schiano and several of his Scarlet Knights, that basically cemented his decision.

"It's close to home, and the players were all just cool," he said, "and I just like Coach Schiano as a man. He always tells the truth and always looks you in the eye. I think he's a great guy. Rutgers really was a tough school to pass up."

Somerville Head Coach Kevin Carty also feels the Robinson-Rutgers matchup has great potential.

"You never really know about college choices," he said, "but this seems like the perfect fit. Rutgers likes everything about Mason and they feel he's a premier player, someone who has the ability to give them what they

need in terms of continuing to do what they're doing."

That, of course, is winning. After earning their first non-New Jersey bowl berth a year ago, when they lost an exciting shootout with Arizona State in the Insight Bowl, the Scarlet Knights had an even better season this fall. They went 10-2, which landed them a spot against Kansas State in Thursday's Texas Bowl at Houston's Reliant Stadium.

Rutgers actually narrowly missed earning an invitation to a BCS-level bowl as the Big East Conference champion when it lost an overtime heart-breaker at West Virginia in its final regular-season game.

Of course, Rutgers' vast success the past two seasons has prompted Schiano's name to frequently pop up in the rumor mill when there's suddenly a coaching vacancy at a major school, which happened last month after Larry Coker was fired at Miami (Fla.). But Schiano quickly halted any such talk and stated he intends to remain at RU, leaving the Knights and their recruits quite relieved.

"That definitely would have affected my decision," said Robinson. "But he's not leaving, so I don't have to worry about that."

Robinson also wouldn't

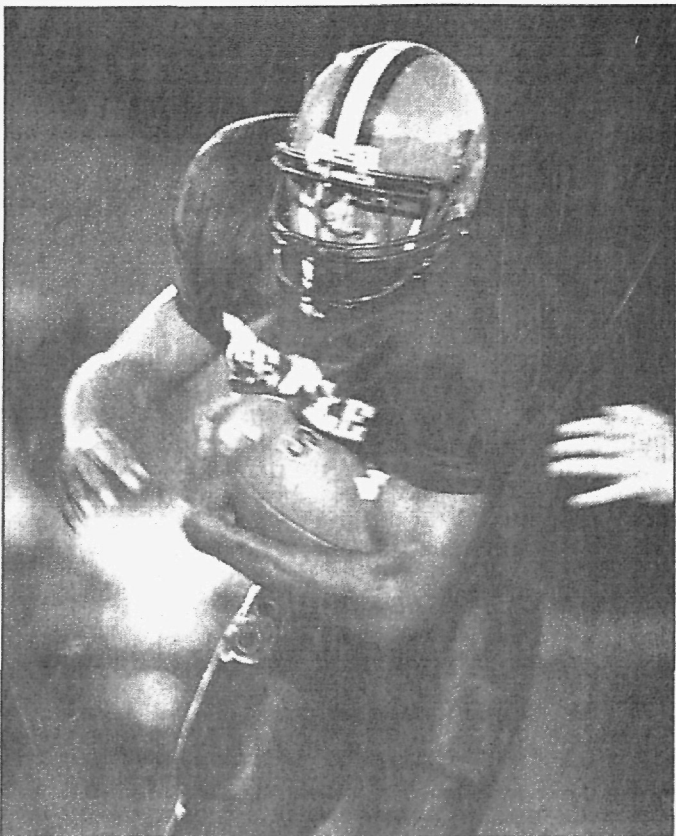
mind eventually taking a shot at filling the tailback slot in the same manner handled so adeptly this year by sophomore Ray Rice, who's picked up a bunch of individual post-season honors.

"I like that they have a real big offensive line and they run the ball a lot," he said. "They have a lot of team speed and use it well. That's how they've beaten a bunch of teams."

He also had nothing but positive things to say about oft-criticized soph quarterback Mike Teel, whose passing statistics have often been less than sensational but who did show progress in the season's latter stages.

"I know people are bashing him all the time," said Robinson, "but you can tell he knows what he's doing out there. He's a better quarterback than a lot of people think. He knows how to win. He knows how to get the job done. What does he have — two losses as a starter?"

While Robinson had narrowed his many choices to RU, Boston College, Iowa, Michigan State, Colorado and Maryland during the past few months, the only other school he made an official visit to was Michigan State. He cancelled his trip to Boston College when a coaching change was recently made there.



Somerville High's Mason Robinson, here breaking loose for a long-gainer against Blair Academy in September, has announced he'll accept a full-ride scholarship to Rutgers University.

"Rutgers was always at the top of my list," he said.

Robinson rushed for 1688 yards, averaging 8.7 a carry, and scored 17 touchdowns this year while leading Somerville to a 7-3 record. He also was a tremendous performer in the defensive

backfield but Rutgers seems likely to employ his talents in an offensive mode.

"He seems very happy," said Carty, "and likes what he's seen at Rutgers when he's spent some time there. And it's great they're playing at a bowl level right now."

Spartans, Pioneers dominate All-Skyland

Considering the kind of football season Immaculata High enjoyed, it's no wonder the names of plenty of Spartans dominate the roster of the All-Skyland Conference-Delaware West Division squad.

Immaculata, which went unbeaten and captured its first state playoff championship since 1994, put 11 players on the first team of the Delaware West team as chosen by league coaches.

A dozen Somerville players earned first-team All-Skyland-Raritan Division honors and Bridgewater-Raritan put one player on the All-Delaware East Division's top group.

Selected to the All-Delaware West offense from Immaculata were sophomore running back Theo Riddick, junior back T.J. Fabiano, seniors Chris Peltack (tight end), Ryan Bennett (tackle) and Jack Rice (guard) and junior place-kicker Mike Brownnett.

Spartans on the top defensive team are seniors John Zetterstrom (line), A.J. Albert (linebacker), Tom DeSchaine (linebacker) and Mike Sena (back) and junior lineman Jim Fisher.

Riddick stepped in as a starter this year and led the Spartans (12-0) in rushing with 1352 yards on 172 carries for an average of 7.9 yards a pop. He was the Somerset County scoring champion with 138 points on a school-record 23 touchdowns, including three via passes and one on a 90-yard kickoff return. He caught 13 passes for 157 yards and was also a defensive standout in the secondary, coming up with a team-best five interceptions and ranking sixth in total tackles with 46.

ALL-SKYLAND CONFERENCE FOOTBALL

Fabiano averaged 6.8 yards a carry (33-224) as the Spartans' No. 3 back and also caught a team-high 14 passes for 161 yards (11.5).

Peltack was employed almost completely as a blocking tight end by the Spartans, and along with the 6-foot-5, 280-pound Bennett and the 6-2, 235-pound Rice, they helped Immaculata average a whopping 260 rushing yards per game. But of the four passes Peltack caught, two went for TDs in state playoff action.

Brownnett booted six field goals, five of them between 30 and 39 yards, and was 38 for 44 in conversion kick attempts.

Albert was the Spartans' top tackler with 105, including 10 for minus yardage, and also forced three fumbles. On the offensive side he was Immaculata's busiest ball-carrier with 195 carries for 1169 yards (6.0) and 11 touchdowns. He and Riddick became the first Immaculata backs to rush for at least 1000 yards in the same season.

DeSchaine was second in tackles with 84, nine behind the line of scrimmage, and also had a pair of interceptions on which he totaled 55 yards in returns. Rice, who also picked off two passes playing defense, and Sena tied for third on the team in tackles with 57.

Fisher, sidelined for several late-season games by an injury before returning in the playoffs, had a team-leading five quar-

terback sacks and also recovered three fumbles and picked off a pass.

Somerville's All-Raritan offensive stars are seniors Dan DiLella (quarterback), Mason Robinson (running back), Dan Cuzzo (wide receiver), Mike Johnson (tight end) and Len Rutledge (line), juniors Stephen Robinson (wide receiver) and Chris Mentuck (line/kicker) and sophomore wideout Mike Naples.

On the defense for Somerville, which finished 7-3 overall, are senior linebackers John Schettini and Florentine Maurasse and juniors St. Clair Watson (linebacker) and Will Haduch (line).

The 6-foot-5 DiLella was second in Somerset County passing yardage behind Montgomery's Kevin Watson with 1547 and tied Watchung Hills' Joe Giaimo for second in touchdown passes with 13.

Mason Robinson, among the most highly-recruited backs in the state, amassed 1688 rushing yards (8.7 per carry) and scored 17 touchdowns. He also caught 15 passes for 275 yards and two more TDs and his 102 points were second-most in the county.

With the Pioneers' explosive spread attack, it's no surprise they put three wideouts on the top offensive group. Cuzzo caught six TD passes, including a 91-yarder, and Naples grabbed three scoring passes. On defense Schettini was a superb middle linebacker, totaling 97 tackles (11 for minus yardage).

Although Bridgewater-Raritan suffered through another losing season, a bright spot for the Panthers was junior Mike Rice, who earned All-Delaware East first team honors as a defensive back.

Sharp Panthers post five pins in triumph

By DAVE ALLENA
Staff Writer

BRIDGEWATER — In a rivalry that has often been decided late in the match, the Bridgewater-Raritan High wrestling squad left no doubt as to its superiority over Somerville Saturday.

Fueled by five falls, including three straight in the upper weights, and helped by a pair of forfeits, the Panthers breezed to a 51-18 decision on their home mat in a Skyland Conference crossover match for their second consecutive victory to start the season.

Bridgewater-Raritan never trailed and limited the Pioneers to winning four weight classes in a performance that surpassed even their expectations.

"Coming in we felt it was going to be a tighter match, but we wrestled very well," Panther Head Coach Greg Evans said. "I was really impressed with the way some of our younger kids wrestled. We had kids step up with wins, and we had kids step up by not giving up big steps."

"I think that was the key. For the most part we got the bonus points I thought we'd get, but we also didn't give up a lot of bonus points. We also got a couple of wins we weren't sure we'd get."

Some of those bouts — like Ryan Radwanski's 8-4 decision at 112 pounds to wrap up the match and an 11-5 verdict by Eric Willis early in the contest — weren't lost on their teammates.

"We really thought it was going to be a lot closer match," said Roy Dragon, whose pin in 1:12 over Josh Sadler gave the Panthers a commanding 48-12 advantage. "A lot of kids we weren't sure of did very well."

BRIDGEWATER-RARITAN-SOMERVILLE WRESTLING

Seeing that it's Somerville, kids go out a little more focused than in some other matches."

The Somerville-Bridgewater battle usually takes place later in the season, but the early fray didn't take away any of the intensity.

"The team is little more pumped up for the start of the season, but we're always pumped up for Somerville, whether we wrestle them now or later," said Drew Ives, who decked Tom McCartney in 1:04 at 125.

"Somerville has always been a rival, so it's nice to beat them. We expected to win, but by a few points. We were more dominant than we expected to be."

For Somerville, which was coming off a 48-24 romp over Hillsborough, the loss was its second in three starts, and the showing was short of what had been anticipated.

"We expected it to be a little more competitive today," co-Head Coach Brent McGuinness said. "Right now Bridgewater is a more experienced team. We had a couple of tough matches against North Warren and Hillsborough, and I thought we were a little flat today, but Bridgewater is a very good team."

"I wouldn't consider this a step backwards. This is a young team, and it's still early in the season. There are some things we can learn from, though. We were just too inconsistent. We had some guys wrestle well. Rob Bolomey wrestled very well. He was probably our best wrestler today."

Bolomey, who wrestled the final two periods with a broken nose, outlasted Danny Liss 8-7 at 145, but unfortunately for the Pioneers they couldn't build any momentum off his victory.

Leading 12-9 following the Bolomey decision, the Panthers won seven of the final nine bouts. The ground work for the rout, however, had been laid in the first three matches.

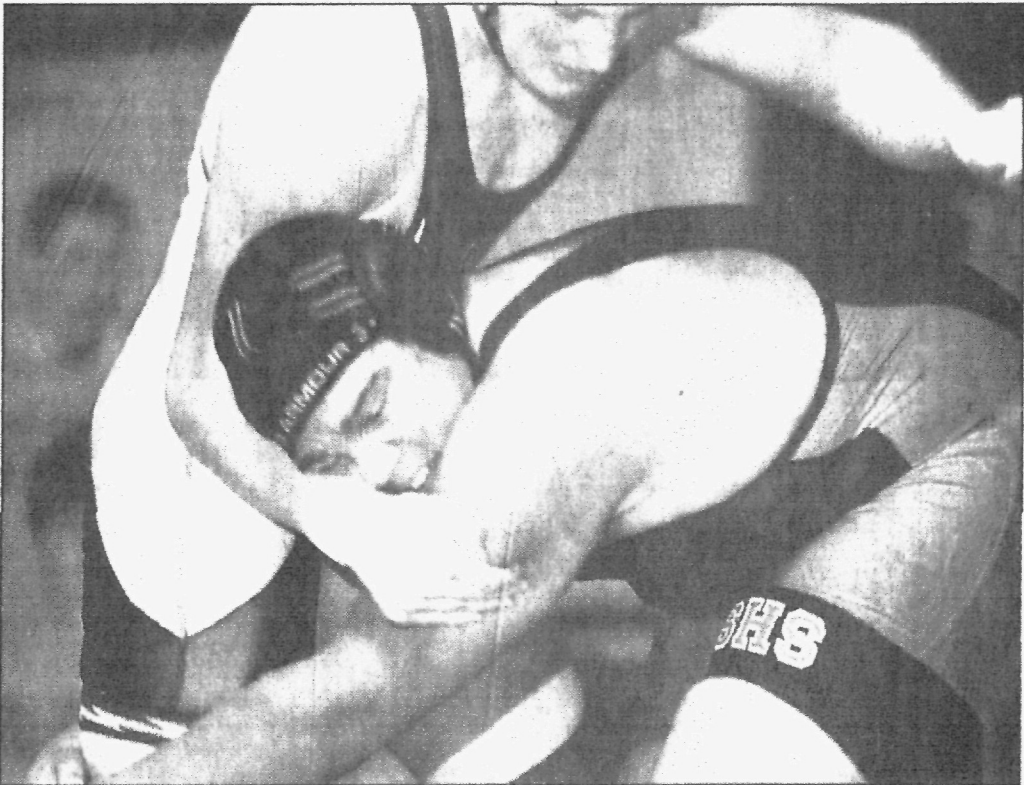
Andrew Conkin caught Tyler Sanders in a headlock early in their bout and needed only 34 seconds for a fall to start the match, and after Jimmy Kirchner caught Jon Friedman for a fall with four seconds left at 125, Willis handed Nick Stitley an 11-5 setback at 130.

"To get a fall at 119 and then to get a win at 130, I felt pretty comfortable at that point," Evans said. "Ordinarily we wrestle Somerville later in the year, and we have a good feel for them, but I didn't know what to expect from them in some weights."

"Even though they lost I thought John Friedman and Mike Nobrega both fought hard. I thought Ryan Radwanski had a nice match. Obviously, for two matches I'm very pleased with the kids and their performances. Overall, I've been pretty happy with their work ethic. I'm happy with their drilling, and that's where it's really at."

After Willis and Adam Friedman, who took a 4-2 decision at 135, won for Bridgewater and Bolomey edged Liss, the Panthers had six-point victories in six of the next seven bouts.

Tyler Riccio (145) and Sheriff Abozoid began the decisive push with forfeits and Wayne Hampton followed with a 1:16



Somerville High heavyweight Christian Mackey, bottom, struggles with Hillsborough's Max Borisenko during the Dec. 21 Skyland Conference clash. Aided by Mackey's 14-12 decision, the Pioneers posted a 48-22 triumph. But SHS had much less success two days later, falling to Bridgewater-Raritan 51-18.

pin of Biagio Mineo. James Santa Maria interrupted the run with a 12-5 triumph for Somerville over Nobrega at 171 to make it 30-12, but the Panthers then ran off three pins.

Andrew Hampton stopped Gio Balsamo in 3:12 at 189 before Ives and Dragon flattened their opponents. Chris Stitley then picked up the final points for the Pioneers with a fall in 1:45 against Cody Hreson at 103.

119 — Andrew Conkin (BR) p. Tyler Sanders 34, 125 — Jimmy Kirchner (S) p. Jon Friedman 5:04, 130 — Eric Willis (BR) d. Nick Stitley 11-5, 135 — Adam Friedman (BR) d. Kevin Shook 4:02, 146 — Rob Bolomey (S) d. Danny Liss 8-7, 145 — Tyler Riccio (BR) won by forfeit, 152 — Sheriff Abozoid (BR) won by forfeit, 160 — Wayne Hampton (BR) p. Biagio Mineo 1:16, 171 — James Santa Maria (S) d. Mike Nobrega 12-5, 189 — Andrew Hampton (BR) p. Gio Balsamo 3:12, 215 — Drew Ives (BR) p. Tom McCartney 1:04, HWT — Roy Dragon (BR) p. Josh Sadler 1:12, 163 — Chris Stitley (S) p. Cody Hreson 1:45, 112 — Ryan Radwanski (BR) d. Joe Stitley 8-4

Team Records: BR 24, Somerville 1-2
LAST WEEK:
Somerville 48, Hillsborough 22

(Dec. 21)
171 — John Mangini (F) d. James Santa Maria (S) 17-7, 189 — Tom McCartney (S) d. Jared Leon 9-4, 215 — Josh Sadler (S) p. Ken Lake 5-42, HWT — Christian Mackey (S) d. Max Borisenko 14-12, 103 — Zach Sanders (S) won by forfeit, 112 — Chris Stitley (S) won by forfeit, 119 — Joe Stitley (S) p. Matt Mileman 1:59, 125 — Jimmy Kirchner (S) p. Isaac Muck 1-11, 130 — Micah Blair (S) p. David Montagne 2:5, 135 — Will Goodless (H) d. Nick Stitley 12-8, 143 — Chris Ambrose (H) d. Kevin Stiles 9-1, 145 — Rob Bolomey (S) p. George Goodless 3:55, 152 — Frankie McLaughlin (H) d. Biagio Mineo 26-11 (technical fall at 5:48), 160 — Luke Dawson b5Ton by forfeit, 160 — Frank Fox (NW) p. Biagio Mineo 3:52

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A homemaker and pianist, Mrs. Lobby was a former organist at Our Lady of Mount Virgin Roman Catholic Church and a member of its Altar Rosary Society. She also was a member of the Piscataway Senior Citizens Club and Middlesex Senior Citizens Club.

She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years, Joseph, in 2001; a son, Joseph Jr., in 2000; a daughter, Elizabeth Barbato, in 1995; and a sister, Marlene Phillips, in 2005.

Surviving are three daughters, Jane Boone and husband Jack of Pine, Colo.; Patricia Sharpe and husband Peter of Bradley Beach and Nancy Lobby and fiancé Jeffery Hersey of Lake Worth, Fla.; a son-in-law, Francis Barbato of Milledgeville, Ga.; a brother, John Howe of South Plainfield; a sister, Virginia Trotter of Middlesex; a grand-

daughter, Chloe Sharpe of Bradley Beach; and a grandson, Joseph Barbato of Allentown, Pa.

A funeral Mass was held Dec. 20 at Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church, following services at the Middlesex Funeral Home. Burial was in Resurrection Burial Park, Piscataway.

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Eleanor Good

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