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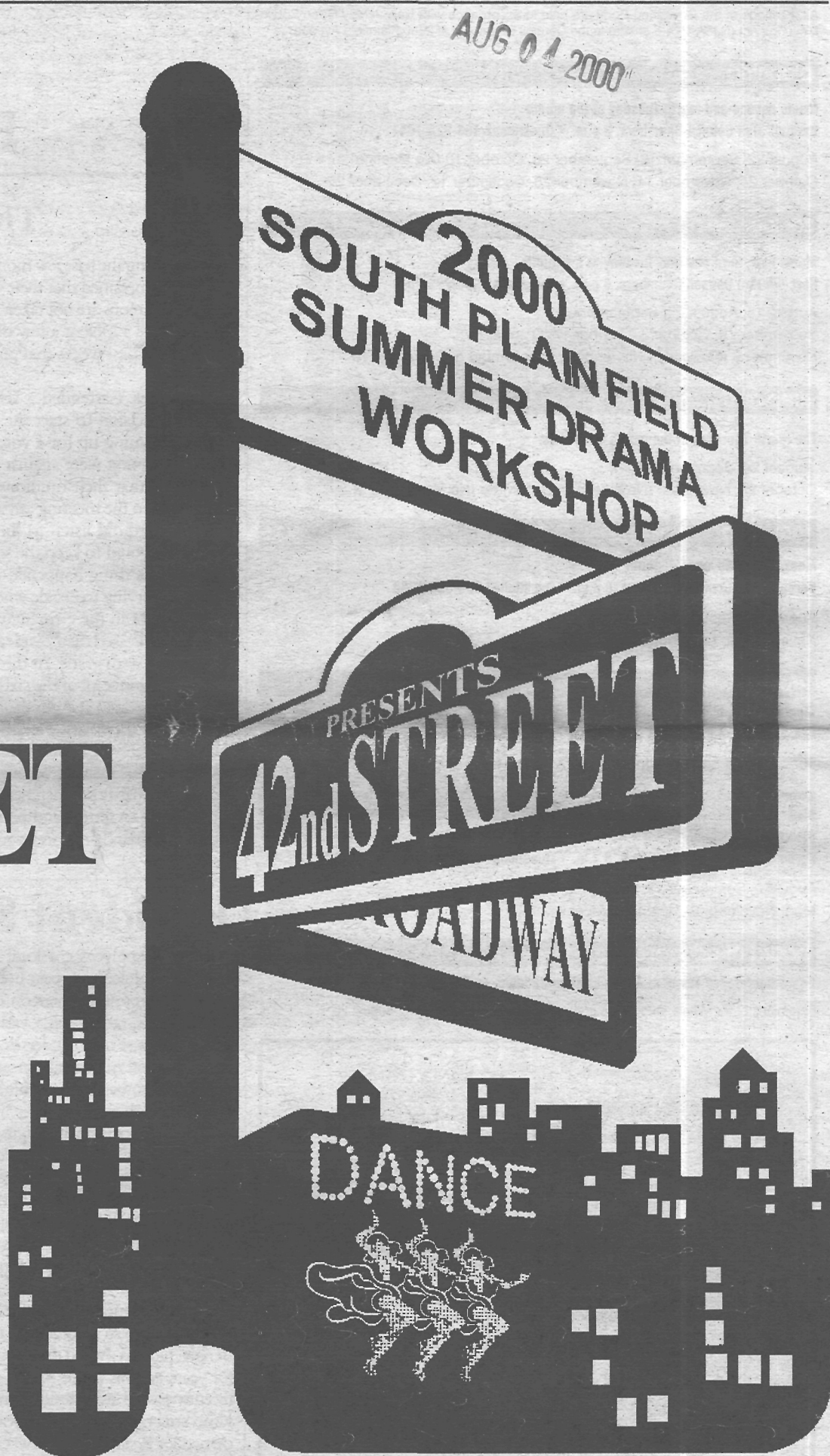
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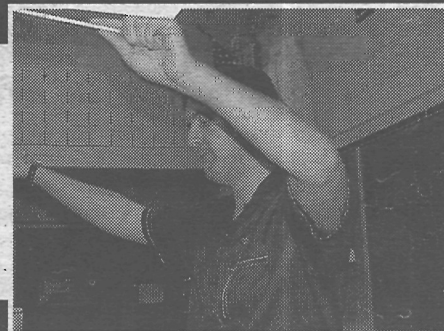
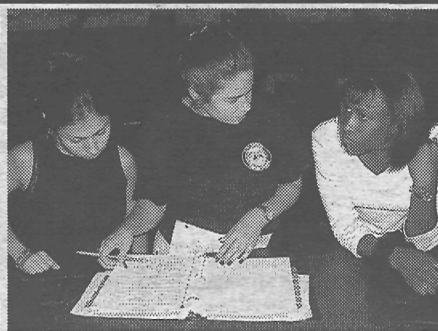
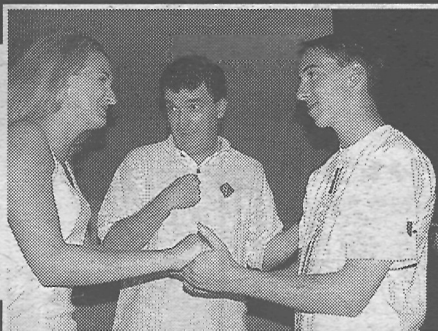
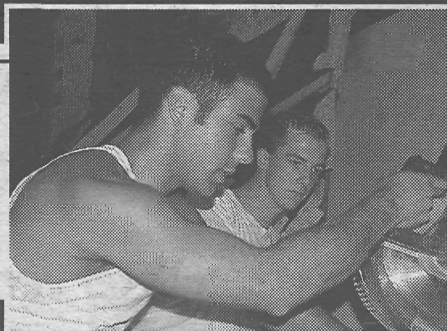
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council meetings

Meets twice a month

Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-754-9000

AGENDA MEETING PUBLIC MEETING

SPECIAL MEETING : July 31

Monday, August 14 Thursday, August 17
Monday, September 11 Monday, September 18
Monday, September 25 Thursday, September 28
Tuesday, October 10 Thursday, October 12
Monday, October 23 Thursday, October 26

All meetings of the Governing Body are held in accordance with New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act (NJSA 10:4-6 et seq) in the Council Chambers at 2480 Plainfield Avenue.

planning board

Meets second and fourth Tuesday of the month

Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641

August 22, September 12, September 26, October 10 (No Meeting),
October 24, November 14, November 28, December 12, December 26

zoning board of adjustment

Meets first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month

Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641

August 15, August 29, September 5,
September 19, October 3, October 17, October 31,
November 8 (Thursday), November 21, December 5, December 19

siteplace sub-committee

The fourth Thursday of the month as follows:

August 24, September 28,
October 26, November (No Meeting), December (No Meeting)

recycling commission

Meets Thursday, once a month

Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-561-8280

August 24, September 28, October 26,
November (to be announced), December 28

recreation commission

Meets once a month

PAL Building, Maple Ave. 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7716

Tues. September 12, Mon. October 2, Mon. November 6, Mon. December 4

environmental commission

Meets once a month

Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-561-8280

August 9, September 13, October 2,
Mon. November 6, Mon. December 4

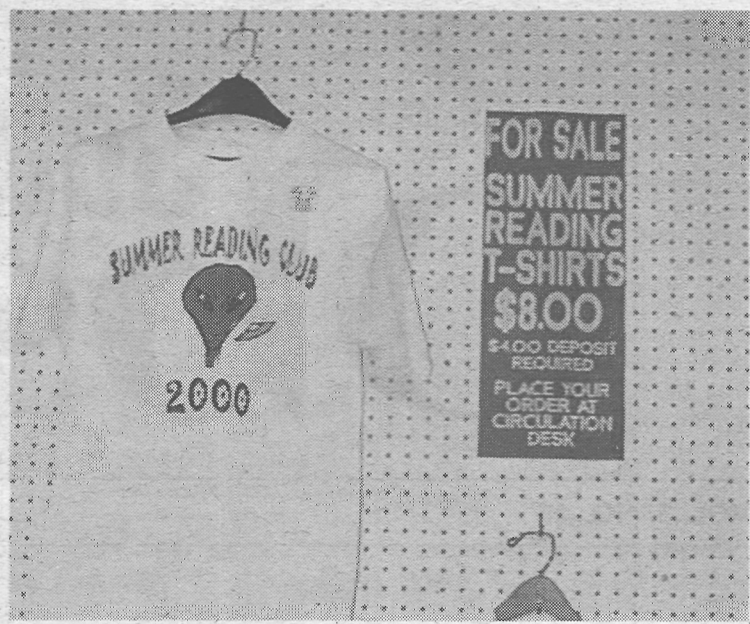
board of education meetings

Board Conference Room at Administration Building, on Cromwell Place

Committee of the Whole, Aug. 22, 8 p.m.; Regular Board Mtg. 8 p.m., August 29

Summer Reading Club 2000

Summer Reading T-Shirts can still be ordered at the Library. The cost is \$8. A \$4 deposit is required when placing the order. Just check at the circulation desk at the library.



From the Publisher

The Squeaky Wheel... Works

During the past few months many residents have complained that their voices are not heard and opinions are not taken into consideration.

Well, take a look at a few decisions that have been made in the past weeks that put that theory into question.

Last week I attended a school board meeting at which a decision to start the school year three days late was coming up for a vote. Many people attending the meeting were against the plan and expressed their view that their opinions would not count, but they came to the meeting anyway. Lo and behold, the school board did listen to those who spoke and immediately voted to keep the school calendar intact.

The same thing happened in the spring when the board was trying to decide whether to keep a few sixth grade classes in the elementary school. Parents came out and expressed their displeasure at the idea of splitting up the sixth grade. At the next meeting the board decided to move all of the sixth grade classes to Grant School.

Last month, Solaris Health System said it was disbanding Mercy 7, a mobile intensive care unit out of Muhlenberg Hospital because there wasn't enough volume to justify its existence. Once word got out, an outpouring of letters and petitions resulted first in a delay to disband and later a reversal. Mercy 7 will re-

main on duty to give advanced life support to our rescue squad.

Also, keep in mind how the council changed its minds about the proposed billboard amendment last year. Residents were against this amendment and their voices did count!

These are just a few examples of how people who care can make a difference. Just these few instances show how very powerful, we the citizens, really are in our community.

So don't say your opinions don't count. They do – but you have to come out and express yourself to make a difference. Don't stay at home and wait until after a decision or vote is taken. Come to the meetings that affect your future.

And while we're at it – voting in the upcoming election is another way to express your views. If you don't vote, your voice will not be heard. Those who took the time to attend the school board meetings or write a letter to Muhlenberg can be proud they took a stand and should get the credit for the final decisions that were made. Good job!

Remember, meetings are usually posted on page 2 of each *Observer*. Try to attend just meeting one in the next few months. You might be surprised what your voice can do.

Nancy Grennier, Publisher

Resident Seeks Variance

Robert Bengivenga, a local resident, is scheduled to appear in front of the Board of Adjustment on Tuesday, Aug. 15, requesting a variance to build a house on an undersized lot he feels would not have been necessary if the town had sold him the property adjoining his own.

The vacant lot is situated right next to the property he wants to build the house on. He tried to purchase the property from the borough last year and after waiting for months, he received a letter saying the borough wasn't interested in selling the property.

The lot in question is located on Ralph Ave., which is a dead end street. Bengivenga has owned this property for years and his father Ralph, who recently passed away, resided on this same street. In fact, the borough-owned lot is situated in between his parents' house and the lot where he proposes to build. "I tried to purchase the lot in order to conform to the zoning requirements, but now in order

to build on the property, I must ask for a variance," said Bengivenga. The present lot is 50' x 100' and with the borough's property of the same size, he would conform with a 100' x 100' foot lot.

Last month Bengivenga attended a council meeting to ask why the borough won't sell the property. Mayor Gallagher told him that the council does not make these decisions and that he should go back to Land Management. Frustrated, Bengivenga decided to ask for the variance.

Submit Letters to the Editor:

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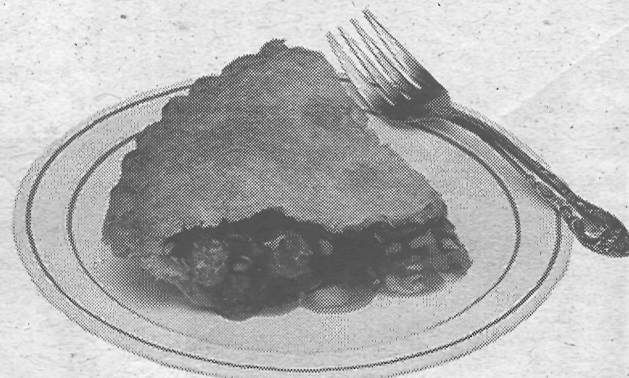
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The Hamilton Industrial Site, which has been declared a Superfund Site, may be redeveloped with the okay of the EPA.

Redeveloping Superfund Site Discussed at Town Meeting

A special town meeting was held on Monday evening to inform the public on redevelopment plans that two of the former owners of the Hamilton Industrial Park, located on Hamilton Blvd., are proposing.

Residents living near the site and members of several municipal boards and commissions attended the meeting. The planners were delighted with the dialog which took place and said many of the suggestions would be considered.

Of the 18 residents who spoke, eight brought up problems of traffic, but all agreed the site would benefit from improvement. The mayor assured everyone that these plans are still in the early stages and that traffic will be addressed as the plans move forward.

At the close of the public meeting the council unanimously passed a resolution endorsing the conceptual plans that the EPA expedite the clean up of the site so that redevelopment plans can be implemented. The planners will now take the input they have received from the public and seek approval from the EPA.

The companies, Cornell-Dubilier Electronics and Dana Corporation, no longer own the property, but are responsible for cleaning up of the site. The 27-acre property was designated a Superfund site in 1998 by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and any redevelopment of the site would come only after the cleanup is completed or while the site is redeveloped.

The proposed redevelopment would consist of retail stores along Hamilton Blvd., including parking spaces, a pedestrian bridge to access the railcar and the downtown area, a mini-storage area and flex office space. The balance, about 40 percent, would be devoted to open space. The present buildings would be removed and replaced with modern buildings.

The EPA has hastened Superfund site redevelopment through the "Brownfields" program. The Brownfields program calls for a timely cleanup, which focuses on the future reuse of the property. Through this redevelopment process, the site would be cleaned up and returned to productive use much faster.

Labor Day Parade Bands And Activities Announced

The South Plainfield Public Celebrations Committee has announced the bands that will be participating in the 43rd Annual Labor Day Parade. This year's theme is, "South Plainfield Celebrates Family, Fun and Community," along with some of the activities which will follow in Veterans Park and later in Spring Lake Park.

The parade will lead off with the South Plainfield High School Marching Band, accompanied by the SPHS Cheerleading Squad.

Marching in this year's parade (not necessarily in order) will be The Westfield Fife and Drum Corps, The Legionnaires Senior Marching Band, The Oriental Band of the Salaam Temple, The Funny Factory, The Atlantic Watch Pipes and Drums, The

Ragtime Band and the Motor Corps of Salaam Temple. To date, seven floats have signed up to march.

At Veterans Park immediately following the parade the band *Backsplash* will again entertain the community for several hours. At this time the judging for the largest zucchini and tomato contests will be held along with the recreation-sponsored games and the pie and watermelon eating contests.

The evening activities will begin with entertainment provided by *The Sound Investment* at the Gazebo in Spring Lake Park. The fireworks will follow at dusk.

Everyone should plan to spend the day in the town and celebrate "Family, Fun, and Community."

Food Concessionaires Wanted, Grand Marshal Applications Still Accepted

The parade committee is still accepting applications for Honorary Grand Marshal. The marshal will be named on Aug. 14. Anyone who knows of an individual who has contributed outstanding service to the community should write a letter stating the reason why this person should be considered for Grand Marshal. Include the candidate's name, address and phone number and send the nomination to John Sorrentino, 225 Hopkinson St., So. Plfd., NJ 07080. Email: jmsorrentino@home.com or fax (908) 753-4003.

The Labor Day Parade takes place on Monday, Sept. 4, starting at 10

a.m. Festivities begin earlier in the morning with a 5K run and 1.5 mile family fitness walk. Activities are planned for the entire day with plenty of food, fun and games for the whole family.

If your organization would like to participate in the parade, it's not too late to sign up. It's a great way to strut your stuff in front of your hometown neighbors. Concessionaires are also needed for Veterans' Park. This could be a great fundraiser for your organization.

For info, or to sign up as parade participants or concessions, call Darlene Pinto at (908) 561-1517.

Mercy 7 Rescued

Muhlenberg Regional Center announced last week that Mercy 7 will remain as an active part of their program.

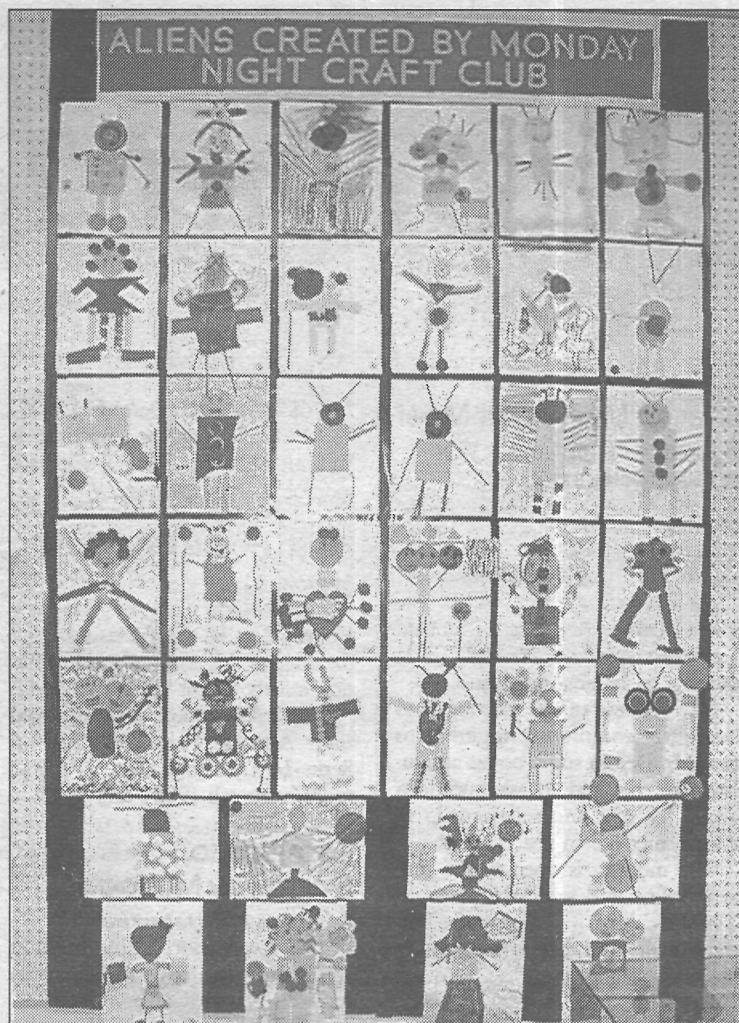
Last month Solaris Health System, which operates three Mobile Intensive Care Units (MICU's), announced they would be discontinuing one of the mobile units, Mercy 7. Originally the date to disband was set for July 7, but that date was extended to August 7.

Objections to the shut down were raised by local rescue squad members, residents and officials from surrounding municipalities, and South Plainfield. South Plainfield began an aggressive letter writing campaign and several petitions were passed around town.

Solaris Health Systems claimed there wasn't a large enough volume of calls to sustain Mercy 7. Mercy 7 was temporarily relocated to the Edison No. 2 First Aid Squad on New Dover in North Edison. During that period a study revealed that relocating the unit to an alternate site increased the number of Advanced Life Support (ALS) responses to Mercy 7.

Since 1998 Mercy 7 has served the community on a 12-hour shift out of Muhlenberg, along with two other 24-hour units, Mercy 6, also out of Muhlenberg and Mercy 9, out of JFK Medical Center.

Word of the change in status of Mercy 7 was met with delight by members of the rescue squad who were instrumental in the delay of its demise and then in the decision of keeping Mercy 7 as a third mobile intensive care unit.



These aliens were created by South Plainfield kids at the Public Library's Kidcraft program. The program is held on Monday evenings during the summer and is for kids aged six and up. Signup is required in advance.

Teachers Volunteer to Transfer Grant School

At last week's Board of Education meeting board member Frank Mikorski introduced some the teachers who would be teaching sixth graders at Grant School.

Mikorski said he and the board

were very pleased that so many teachers volunteered to teach at the new central sixth grade facility. In fact, he said more teachers volunteered than were needed.

Middle School teachers moving to Grant School are Camille Duetsch, Judith Dias, Joann Haus, Barbara Hepburn, Karen Kellerman, Lori Kowalski, Annmarie Nelson, Katherine Wilson, Robyn Mikaelian, Barbara Florio, Kelly Panuzzo and Cathy Coyle. The board has not yet been determined what teaching assignments each teacher will be filling and plan to announce the assignments in the near future.

Also moving to Grant School are Denise Hogan (computer), Joan Stasio (music), Julie Flasser, Gina Capizola, Ann Holtz, Lynn Reebe (special ed), Bruce Hunt (physical ed), Kara Giorgio (art) and Patricia Benward (teacher aide).

Middle School Principal Robert Dogget has already voluntarily transferred and been named principal of Grant Central Sixth Grade Elementary School.

WE WANT YOUR NEWS!!

If you have news about South Plainfield people or events, send us a note or give us a call (908) 668-0010. We would like to include your story in the paper.

southplainfieldpeople Milestones

Local Resident Achieves Top Honors

The Pingry School is pleased to announce that Thao "Liz" Nguyen has been appointed to their year-end academic honor roll. Honor Roll recognition is given to those middle and upper school students who have achieved an academic average of B+ or better.

Thao "Liz" Nguyen, a South

Plainfield resident, is a ninth grader at The Pingry School.

Founded in 1861 in Elizabeth, by Dr. John F. Pingry, the school is recognized nationally for its academic excellence, sports programming, honor code and a universal concern among faculty, advisors and staff for each student in the school.

Backman Named to Dean's List MCC

Carola Backman, a freshman at Middlesex County College, was named to the Deans List this past fall and spring.

Ms. Backman, who is majoring in liberal arts, resides in South Plainfield. She is originally from Orrviken, Sweden.

Herzog Named to Dean's List at Kean

Thomas M. Herzog, a senior at Kean University was named to the Deans list for this past fall and

spring. Herzog, who is majoring in elementary education, resides in South Plainfield.



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Around Town

Special Meeting to Meet Borough Administrator Planned by TAG

August 3 • 7 p.m.

Frank Derosa, the newly appointed Borough Administrator/Chief Financial Officer, will be the guest speaker at the South Plainfield Taxpayers Advisory Group (TAG) meeting to be held on Aug. 3.

The purpose of the meeting is to bring the community together to hear Mr. Derosa speak on his administrative role and to ask questions about his role and relationship to community life in the borough.

The meeting is open to the general public and will take place on Thursday, Aug. 3 at 7 p.m. in Borough Hall. Everyone is welcome to attend.

First Baptist Church Vacation Bible School

August 7-11 • 6 p.m.

The First Baptist Church of South Plainfield, 201 Hamilton Blvd., invites children entering kindergarten through those entering fifth grade to attend their Vacation Bible School from August 7 to 11.

The theme is "2000 Ark Avenue: God's Great Get-Together." VBS will run from 6 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. The fee is \$5 per child with a \$10 per family maximum. For more information or registration form, call 908-753-8224. Join us at the "Ark"!

Sunshine Vacation Bible School

August 14-18

South Plainfield is holding their annual Sunshine Vacation Bible School from August 14-18. Those children 5 years through fifth grade are welcome.

The school includes a special "Mothers and Others" group. For details, call Lesley (732) 287-4529.

Ninth Annual NJ State PBA Golf Tournament

August 28

The South Plainfield P.B.A. Local #100 will be holding their Ninth Annual Golf Tournament on Monday, Aug. 28. Shotgun starts at 12 p.m. at the Gamblers Ridge Golf Course, Burlington Rd., Cream Ridge. One low price of \$85 includes all green fees, golfcart, lunch at the turn, a chance to win one of numerous prizes including a television and an awards banquet (following the tournament and featuring a buffet barbecue). The tournament will also offer prizes for longest drive, closest to the pin, low score and more.

To register, call Kevin at (732) 294-8530, Matthew at (908) 561-6937 or Brad at (908) 412-8328.

SPHS Tigers to Host South Plainfield Open

August 9

The South Plainfield Golf Association announces plans to hold the *SOUTH PLAINFIELD OPEN* on Wednesday, Aug. 9, at Bunker Hill Golf Course.

Entry fee of \$75 includes greens fee, cart, prizes, food and beverages. There will be prizes for men and women, including low gross, low net, low team score, longest drive, closest to pin and special hole-in-one prize.

Proceeds support the activities of the High School Golf Team. Registration deadline is July 24. Tee times are assigned on a first come basis.

For more information and tee times contact Mike Kavaka, 908-

753-6578 or Dick DeAndrea, 908-755-1700. Sign up for a tee time or find out about becoming a corporate sponsor at www.spga.org.

Polish Home Golf Outing

August 13

The Polish National Home's Eighth Annual Golf Outing is set for August 13. For more information call the bar at (908) 668-9442.

The Polish Home will also hold their Annual Family Picnic on Sept. 16 (raindate Sept. 17). For more info, call (908) 668-9442.

Rec Trips to Broadway Musicals

August 31 & December 17

The Recreation Department is sponsoring two trips to Broadway musicals.

• *Jesus Christ Superstar*, Thursday, Aug. 31, 8 p.m. performance. Bus leaves PAL at 5:30 p.m. Tickets are \$70 per person.

• *A Christmas Carol*, Sunday, Dec. 17, 2 p.m. performance. Bus leaves PAL at 10:30 a.m. Tickets are \$66 per person.

Purchase at the PAL, 8:30-4:30 p.m. First come, first serve. 226-7713.

Trip to Three Bakers Dinner Theater

August 27

The Caring and Sharing Group of Sacred Heart Church is sponsoring a trip to Three Bakers Dinner Theater to see *The King and I*.

The trip is scheduled for Sunday, Aug. 27. Bus will leave from the South Plainfield Borough Hall parking lot at 9 a.m. and will return at approximately 7 p.m. The cost is \$50 per person and includes bus, dinner, show and driver gratuity.

For information and reservations, call Lydia at (908) 755-1596.

SPHS Class of 1985 Plan 15th Reunion

September 3 • 7 p.m.

South Plainfield High School Class of 1985 will hold its 15-Year Reunion-Family Picnic on Sunday, Sept. 3, at Forrest Lodge, Warren.

Please return your response ASAP. If you'd like information, please contact Lisa Baunach Rojas at 732-836-9235 or Wesley Spear at wspear@bns.nec.com.

Tenth Annual 5K Labor Day Run and Family Fitness Walk

September 4 • 9:15 a.m.

South Plainfield Alliance for Substance Awareness and Ricochet Health and Racquet Club will host the Tenth Annual 5K Labor Day Run and 1.5 Mile Family Fitness Walk on Monday, Sept. 4 starting at 9:15 a.m.

The race will begin and end at Veterans Park. The entry fee for the 5K Run is \$10, if received by August 28; \$12 on the day of the run. Entry fee for the Fitness Walk is \$5 for individual or family. For information or an entry form call Bill Beagle at (908) 754-4620.

Visit Lake George

September 13-15

The Recreation Department is sponsoring a trip to Lake George for 3 days/2 nights. Bus transportation, deluxe hotels, four meals, boat cruise,

shopping, Sept. 13-15. The cost is \$245 per person. Only 40 tickets are available. Purchase tickets at the PAL on Maple Ave.

Cruise Planned on the Cornucopia Princess!

September 17

The South Plainfield Historical Society will be sponsoring their Second Annual Brunch Cruise on the Cornucopia Princess. Sailing takes place on Sunday, Sept. 17 at 12 noon out of the Perth Amboy Smith Street Dock. Boarding begins at 11 a.m. and cruise returns at 2:30 p.m.

A buffet-lunch will be served with a large selection of items, such as broiled salmon, a carving station with roast beef and chicken, cooked to order-while you watch-omelets, shrimp, a variety of salads, fruits, pastries, coffee, tea and a cash bar.

For tickets or more information, call Bill Tuthill at 756-9876; Arlene Anthony at 753-7852 or Dot Rotola at 753-2519. The cost is \$49, tax and gratuities are included. Mail your check or money order to the South Plainfield Historical Society, P.O. Box 11, South Plainfield, NJ 07080

Events In Surrounding Towns

Singles Events

August 5, 9, 15 & 17

"Single Professionals' After Work Socials" are scheduled for the following dates:

• Tuesday, Aug. 15 at Panera's, 143 East Broad Street, Westfield, 6:30-10 p.m.

• Thursday, Aug. 17 at The Inn at Mount Bethel, 6:30-10 p.m.

The cost for each event is \$10 and includes refreshments.

• Saturday, Aug. 5, "Culinary Seductions" Full Participation Cooking Class for Singles at Classic Thyme Cooking School, 161 East Broad Street, Westfield.

"The Basics of Investing: Surviving Market Volatility" will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 9 at 8-10:30 p.m. at Paine Webber, 109 North Ave., Westfield. There is ample parking. The cost is \$10 at the door and includes the presentation and refreshments.

Contact (908) 232-8827 or www.thatskismet.com.

First Baptist Church of New Market Adult/Youth Vacation Bible School

August 13 thru 18

An adult and youth vacation bible school will be held at the First Baptist Church of New Market, located at 450 New Market Rd., Piscataway. The bible school, *God's Great Get Together*, is for youths two years through eighth grade and runs Sunday, Aug. 13 through Friday, Aug. 18, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Various adult classes will be held each night for teens and adults. All are free.

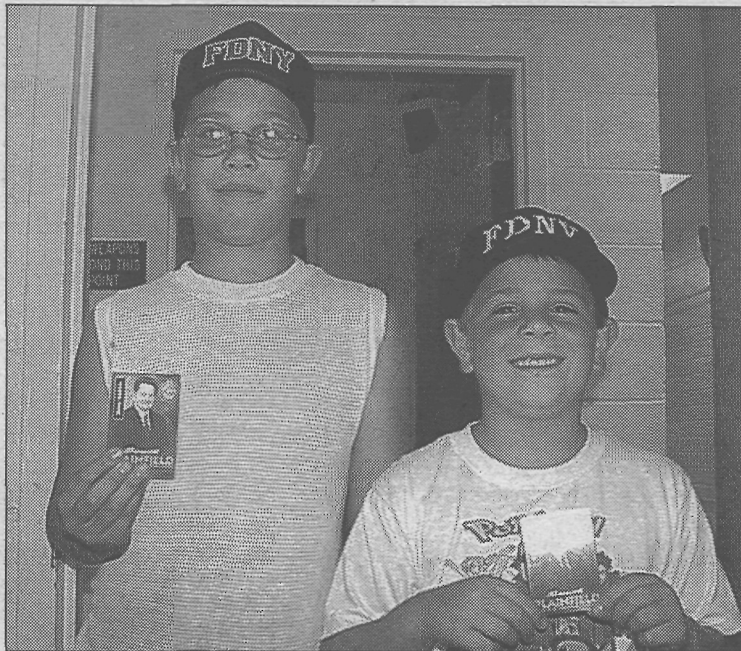
To register call 732-968-6290.

Craft Festival Planned, Crafters Wanted

October 14 • 10 a.m.

Crafters are wanted for the 15th Annual Autumn Craft Festival at Hillsborough Presbyterian Church located on Rt. 206 and Homestead Road in Belle Mead. The festival takes place on Saturday, Oct. 14 from 10 a.m. until 4 p.m.

For info, call Nancy (908) 369-7910 or Kathy (908) 371-1941.



John and Michael Mocharski show off their trading cards.

Police Trading Card Program Well Underway

The South Plainfield Police Trading Card Program is well underway. Local children have been visiting the offices of the *South Plainfield Observer* to add to their collections.

Kids can approach officers, visit police headquarters or the *Observer*. Collect all 30 cards. Bring checklist and cards to Police Headquarters to register for prizes.

At their booth at the Labor Day Parade, the *Observer* will present a free

t-shirt to the first 20 kids who show their completed set (with at least half signed). To assist in collecting, cut out the checklist below.

Throughout the summer, there will be card signings at various locations that will be announced.

Any questions regarding the program may be directed to Lt. John Ferraro at (908) 226-7681 or by leaving a message at (908) 226-7688.

SP Police Trading Card Program Checklist

Chief Steven Merkler	Ptlm. Charles Siedenburgh
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Lt. Michael Lane	Det. James Darby
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From the South Plainfield Library

Bookmarks

By Kenneth Morgan

Once again, it's time for news from the South Plainfield Library:

We'll start with our Children's programs. This morning at 11, there's our Children's video presentation, title to be announced. (Miss Linda likes surprises.) Next, here's an important word about the Summer Reading Club: Tomorrow, repeat tomorrow, is the last day for you to check in books. Moving along, there's the Monday Kidcraft program, for children ages six and over, at 6:30 p.m.; please sign up so we know how many to expect. Then there's our usual schedule of children's Storytime programs for children ages three and over. They take place on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday at 1:15 p.m. No registration is required. Wednesday morning at 11, there's our Game Gang program, where kids can play one of our board games or bring in one of their own. Lastly, there's the next installment of our live reading of *Harry Potter and the Goblet of Fire* Thursday night at 7:00. If you have any questions about these programs, be sure to ask Children's Librarian Linda Hansen.

Here are a couple of additional Summer Reading notes. First, time is running out for you to order Summer Reading T-shirts; they cost \$8 each. Second, the details of the closing program for Summer Reading are still being finalized. We'll keep you informed.

On the Circuit front, the new group of Circuit videos is now available. This month's titles in-

clude *Drop Dead Gorgeous*, *Crazy in Alabama*, *Snake Eyes*, *Home Alone 2* and, on DVD, *The Out-of-Towners*. This group will be around until August 28. Also, we've received the first group of Circuit books on CD. Like the books on cassette, they'll circulate for two weeks. At present, they're kept behind the circulation desk; for details on the available titles, check the Circuit audiobook list in the green binder at the desk. And, while you're at it, why not see about one of the Library's permanent collection of books on CD. (We don't have books on DAT yet, but give it time.)

Finally, a word about A/V items and who can borrow them. Some recent news reports have focused on questions at other libraries regarding children borrowing videos. Our policy is that pretty much anyone can borrow pretty much anything. In the case of A/V items, parents must sign a consent form, in our presence, before their kids can borrow such items on their own. After that, they're free to take out anything, including R rated videos. (We feel that parents are much better qualified to monitor their children's viewing habits than we are.) However, parents do have the right to revoke such consent, if they so choose. We realize that this is a delicate subject and that we're treading a fine line. We strongly urge parents to do their part in this area, while we are more than willing to render what assistance we can.

With that, we'll wrap it up for this week. See you next Friday.

Volunteers Sign Up For Committees at BOE Meeting

Members of the Board of Education were pleased Monday night, not only with the turnout, but also with the enthusiasm of residents willing to serve on one of four committees. Over 60 residents attended and at least a dozen, who were unable to attend, called to say they would like to sign up for a committee.

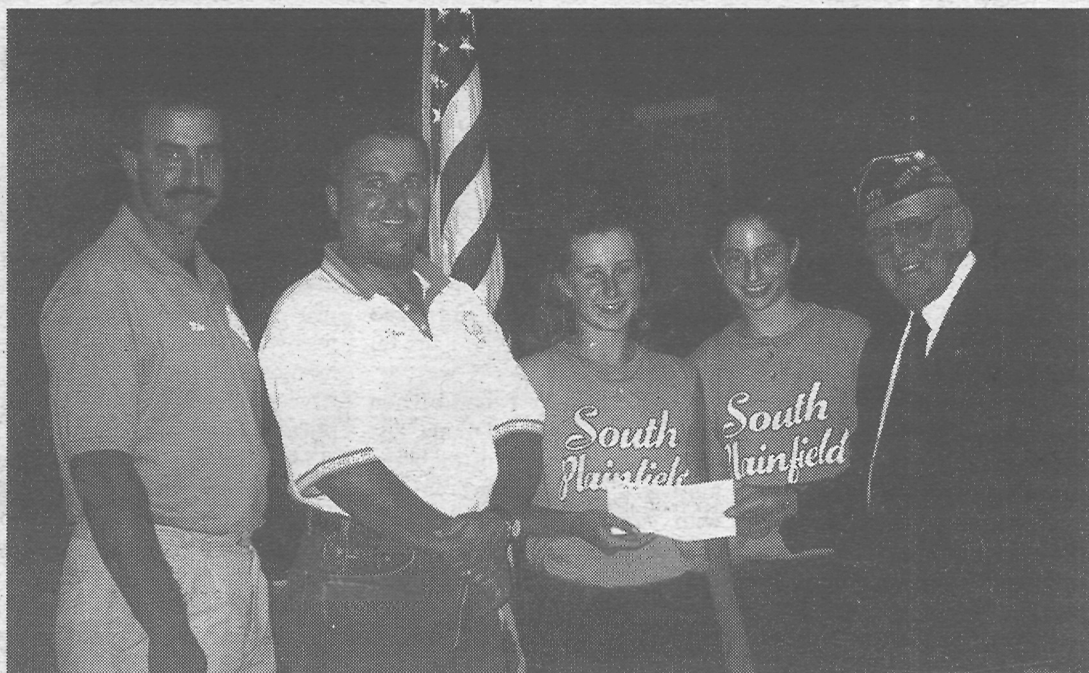
The four committees formed are, architecture, curriculum, technology and public relations. Members of the board of education and representatives from Prisco & Edwards, the architecture firm hired by the board, will also be on hand to answer questions and gather any information the group may need.

These committees will meet through September and ultimately make recommendations to the board. The board will take this

information and a referendum will be scheduled for December. By asking residents to participate in the planning, the board feels the next referendum should receive voters' approval. Voters have already rejected two school bond referendums this year.

The committees will be meeting every Thursday night to report on their progress. Keeping the public informed at each step is very important to the board. Most residents who attended Monday's meeting did not have all the facts dealing with overcrowding and what was covered in the previous referendums.

If anyone would like to join a committee, they are welcome to attend a Thursday night meeting and volunteer. The meetings start at 7 p.m. and are held at Grant School on Cromwell Place.



VFW Donates \$1,000 to Ponytail Softball

The VFW recently presented a check for \$1,000 to representatives of the South Plainfield Ponytail Softball League. VFW Commander Rudy Poczak, far right, presents the check to Jessica Senz and Allison DiMeglio as a donation to support the South Plainfield Ponytail Softball League. Also on hand were, far left, Steve Senz, president and Mike DiMeglio, vice president of the South Plainfield Parent's Ponytail Association.

Grant Renovations On Schedule

Superintendent of Schools Guy Ferri reported on the progress of the renovations of the new sixth grade Grant School. The school has been home to the administrative offices, adult school, special education classes, Future Stars and Juvenile Police Bureau. Most of these offices are moving, some are being condensed and others are relocating to the middle school.

Ferri explained that demolition happens much faster than renovations. He said in some instances they are ahead of schedule and in others, behind. He is confident the school will be ready for September opening.

Renovations are taking a little longer. Many of the removed classrooms had been used for other purposes during the past years and are in need of thorough cleaning. Floors need to be

scraped and sanded, especially where cabinets and cases stood. Walls require extensive patch work and all classrooms needs painting.

The halls are lined with lockers which all need locks installed. A fence will be needed in the building's rear to separate younger kids and their playground equipment. Light bulbs in all classrooms must be brought up to code.

The intercom system needs upgrading throughout the school. The communication equipment and fire detection system must be upgraded as well.

Another large project will be moving desks and books from the middle school. The teachers have volunteered to come in early and get the school prepared.

Crews are working hard to handle tasks and problems as they arise.

Historical Society's Raffle Quilt Now on Display at Library

The South Plainfield Historical Society has put on display in the library the quilt they have purchased for their Annual Quilt Raffle scheduled for Labor Day, September 4. The winning ticket will be selected in Veterans' Park at 2 p.m. after the parade.

Tickets will be available shortly. Watch the *Observer* for details.

This is one of the most beautiful quilts the Society has ever had for their annual fundraiser—a "log cabin" design.

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"42nd Street" Rocks the Summer Drama Workshop 2000 Stage

Twenty-nine years ago a group of people banded together to form a children's summer theater. Little did they know that this small group, offering a different take on available summer fun, would, in time grow to include casts of 85 plus students. Summer Drama Workshop (SDW) has come a long way. While minimal funds boosted 1972's *Bye Bye Birdie*, expenses have skyrocketed, making each

the program.

While the new staff worked with the performers, the *Observer* caught up with them and asked them to share their thoughts on the program.

Choreographer Patti O'Brien said, "The Summer Drama cast of *42nd Street* is one of the most motivated groups I have worked with. *42nd Street* is an extremely challenging show. This cast has proven that with hard work and

which makes the jobs of the director and assistant director hundreds of times easier. I realize that many of the people involved with SDW have been here for many years. As a newcomer, I have received nothing but support and encouragement."

Director Eric Hafen provided the *Observer* with detailed take on Summer Drama Workshop and children in theater. (See below)

The show features incredible tap dancing, a fast-paced storyline and classic Broadway hits such as the title song, *Lullabye of Broadway*, *We're in the Money* and more. The cast of *42nd Street* invites you to "Come and meet their dancing feet!" *42nd Street* runs Thursday, Aug. 3-5 at 7 p.m. and Aug. 6 at 2 p.m. in the SPHS auditorium. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for students/senior citizens. Four adult tickets can be purchased for the price of three; just \$30. For tickets call 561-4416 or 668-0010.



The cast of the Summer Drama Workshop 2000 production of *42nd Street*.

year a study in planning and compromising. SDW took the leap into the current era when they became incorporated this past year. Instead of a few producers holding it all together despite incredible odds, now there is a board of 19 to delegate the work. Parents are now required to help and support the show instead of simply signing up a child.

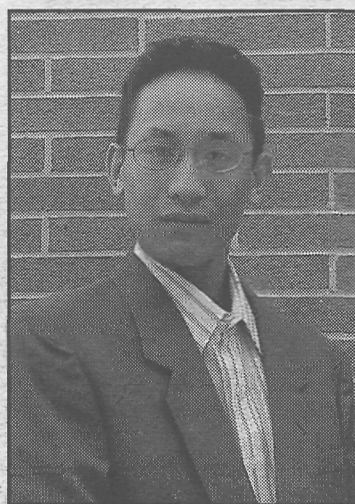
Times have changed and over the past few years Summer Drama Workshop has moved forward in leaps and bounds. Their 2000 production may well be one of the most difficult shows they have performed to date. Students portray adults in the last days of the Great Depression. Despite the complexity of the show, rehearsals suggest that the kids will more than pull it off. This year's staff for SDW is unique in that most are not from town and don't know the kids or the program. Some saw this as a drawback, but in reality it has been a blessing. There were no preconceived notions when the children auditioned. Each child went in facing a stranger, the same as they were to the staff. The SDW staff during the past few years has been made up of local residents, several of whom were former students who returned to share their talents with

dedication they can meet that challenge."

Vitto Garcia, vocal director, agreed with O'Brien when he said, "*42nd Street* is rarely done at this level of theatre. It's a pleasure to see such a young cast perform as a family of professionals."

Former SDW student Melinda Fore returns to the program as assistant vocal director. She offers a view that can only be gained by seeing the program through the eyes of a student and a staff member. Melinda said, "As part of the production team, I finally realized the grueling amount of work that goes on behind the scenes; not including the actors. It takes a lot to put this program together, more than it takes to put on a professional gig, because we incorporate education into the mix. It has been so rewarding for me to put back into the program that I grew from."

Assistant director/stage manager Heather Giorgio had this to say about SDW, "I have never worked with a student program before which was as organized and as prepared as the South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop. We have very dedicated people helping in all aspects of the props, costuming and sets,



Leo Campos



Emma Fulton



Tammy Dombrowski



Jenevieve De Los Santos

Why Do A Summer Drama Workshop Like South Plainfield's?

By Eric Hafen

With the lack of funds available at the secondary school level for non-revenue generating programs, the Summer Drama Workshop gives students the active opportunity to express their creative side. It is amazing what you discover when you lift off the lid of a shy or insecure child—you find a bubbling artist just trying to get out. There is no better way to build self confidence in students than

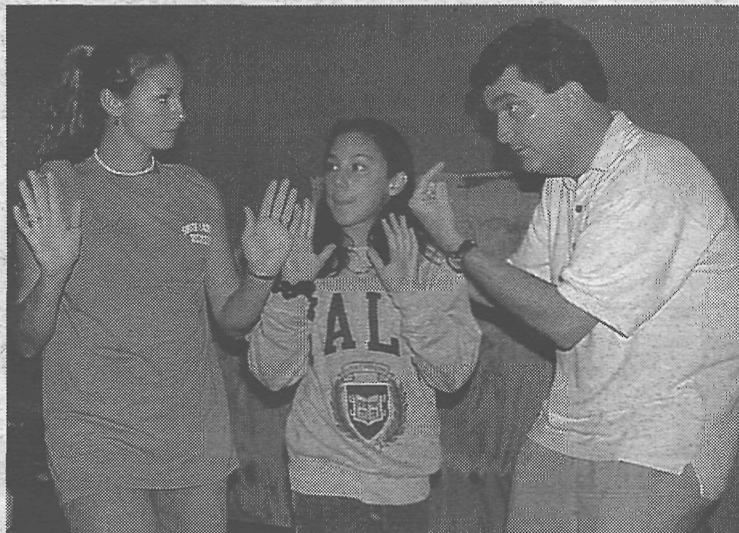
in the theatre. They are allowed, even encouraged, to try anything within the parameters of the script and given an opportunity to express themselves.

Live theatre at times seems so foreign to students. Yes, an occasional visit to the local professional theatre fits nicely into a school curriculum and the obligatory symphony concert. But actually doing theatre—the mounting pressures—the demands on the individuals—the living breathing audience watch-

ing you. It's an entirely different dynamic. *42nd Street* gives youths the opportunity to explore their individualism within a crowd, within a chorus. There are many crowd scenes. But part of the charm is the crowd (the chorus), the important part of the musical, often times (as in *42nd Street*) the meat and potatoes of the show. The musical is about the chorus, "the crowd," and one girl's chance to break away from the "crowd" and to become a star. But all in all, she too remembers that there is life and beauty in "the crowd".

I have directed these students to explore their individual contributions to the musical, from a game of craps to a hot dog vendor to a girl playing hop scotch. Everyone is contributing to the whole, with the sole purpose of entertaining an audience. These students have worked hard and are ready to show what they can do.

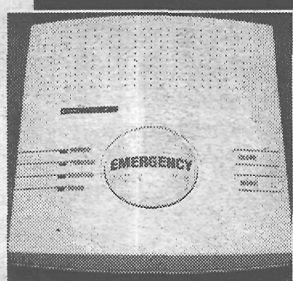
Eric Hafen serves as director for the Summer Drama Workshop. He is intent on providing an opportunity for introducing the theater, and thereby a sense of childhood confidence and self-esteem, into the lives of South Plainfield's children.



(Left to right) Summer Drama Workshop students Patty Reach, Britteny DiNitzio and Director Erik Hafen.

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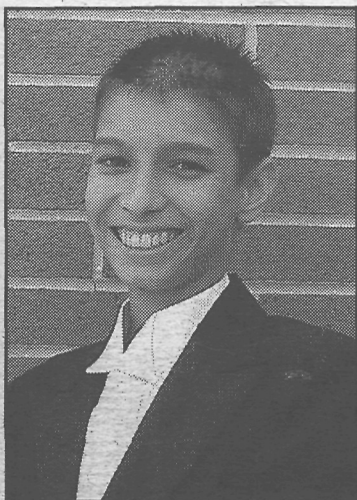
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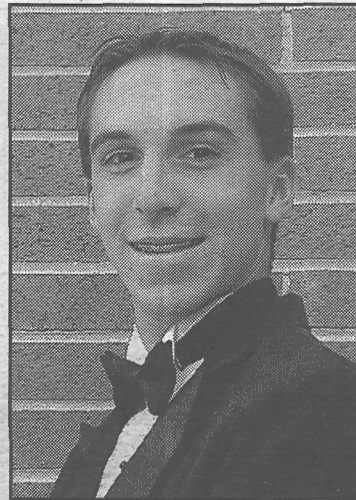
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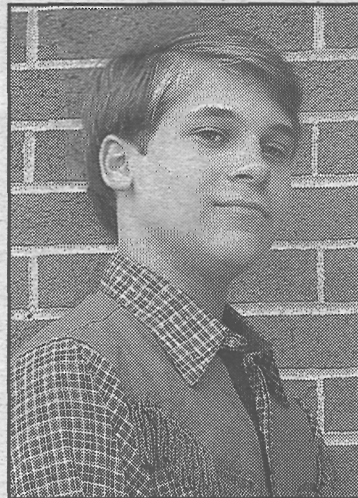
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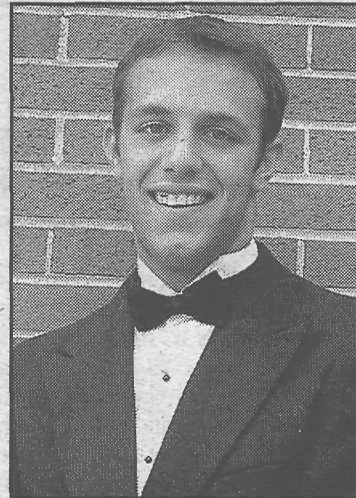
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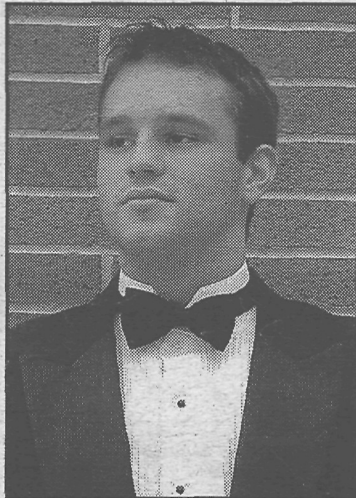
Greg Publik



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Eric Ambielli



Steve Ambielli



Mindy Kovacs

Who's Who in "42nd Street"

Cast

DOROTHY BROCK	JENIEVE DE LOS SANTOS
PEGGY SAWYER	TAMMY DOMBROWSKI
MAGGIE JONES	ALLISON PROVAIRE
ANN REILLY (ANYTIME ANNIE)	MINDY KOVACS
PHYLLIS DALE	AMY LESO
LORRAINE FLEMING	PATTY REACH
GLADYS HUMMER	KRISTIN TURNER
ANDREA (ANDY) LEE	EMMA FULTON
JULIAN MARSH	BRAD TIERNEY
BILLY LAWLOR	STEVE AMBIELLI
BERT BARRY	VINIE CARUBIA
MIC	ERIC AMBIELLI
PAT DENNING	LEO CAMPOS
ARNER DILLON	GREG PUBLIK



42nd Street Assistant Vocal Director Melinda Fore and Accompanist Adam Toth

Ensemble

Chris Abbott... Nicole Aiello... Nicole Aquilar... Jenn Braco...
 Joe Bundy... Kristie Butrico... Justina Carubia... Toni Ciccio...
 Ariel Curtis... Brittany DeNitzio... Stacey Diana... Katie Fasolo...
 Breanne Fore... Melanie Foscolo... Eva Humber...
 Chris Imbrosciano... Jacob Levine... Jordan Lynch...
 Marianne McBride... Alicia Montanaro... Katie Mott...
 Jacqueline Muglia... Jesse Nietzer... Kristen Nietzer... Eric Reiner...
 Shannen Rivers... Todd Rivers... John Roesch...
 Nicole Sacci... Marianna Sansone... Jessica Schwartz...
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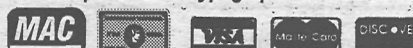
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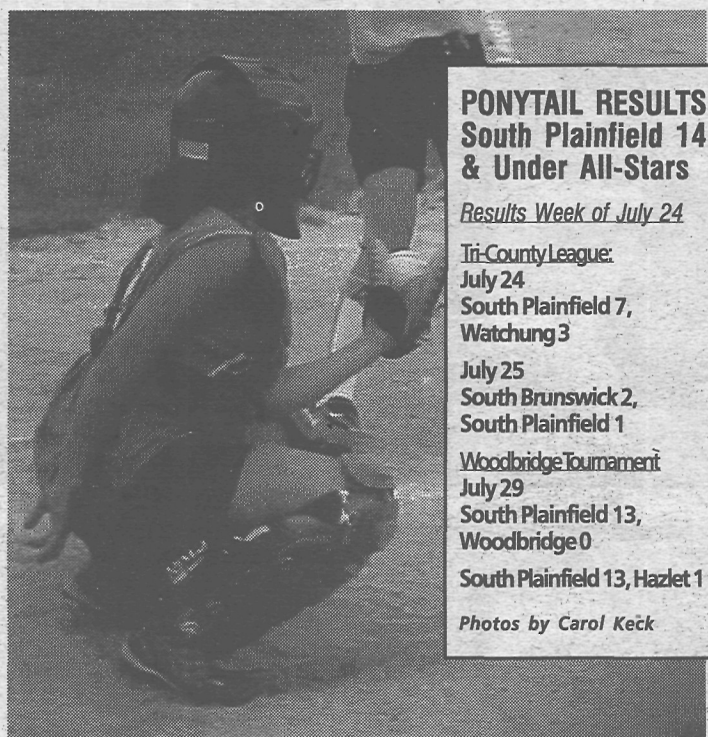
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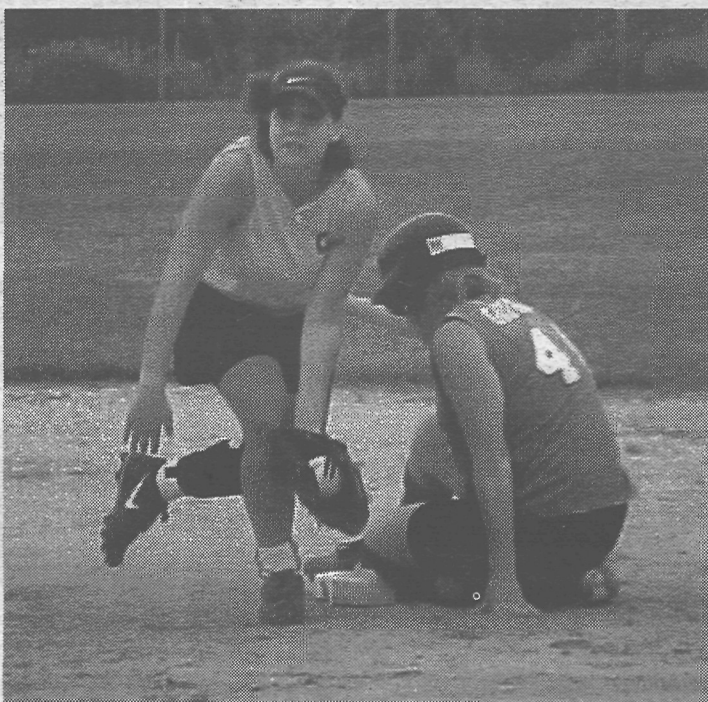
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Amanda Fugate contributes a big hit against Watchung

Roma Food Claims Third Championship

Roma Food won an unprecedented third championship in a row on Tuesday, July 25, at Veterans Memorial Park to be Men's South Plainfield "A" League Champions. Guided by the leadership of player/manager Bob Boyle, Roma came storming back to win the final two games in the best of three series after dropping the opener to the Bazookas 11-3.

Roma, which finished in first place during the regular season, had to call on its battle tested six straight championship finals lineup to deliver the come-from-behind victories in the last two games.

Although Roma pitcher Frank Delgado had been pitching well, he and his Roma mates found themselves trailing by a run late in the pivotal second game. It was at this point in the top of the sixth that Roma needed its veteran players to step up — and step up they did, as Ricky Bolesta, Jim Parker and John Bjorlo opened the inning with consecutive base hits. Steve Bolesta and Bill Mosier followed with back to back doubles to give Roma a four run inning that proved to be the difference in the 7-5 victory.

In the deciding final game, Roma once again found itself trailing in the fourth inning when, after a double by Jim Parker, shortstop John Bjorlo hit a massive homerun to left center field. Not to be outdone, Steve Bolesta stepped up to the plate and delivered a titanic homerun which put Roma in the lead in what proved to be the champi-



onship clinching run.

Roma's defense slammed the door after that and secured the 7-3 victory.

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Stanley Cup Star, Newscaster and Politicians Join Forces To Support Annual Leukemia Walk

The Northern New Jersey Chapter of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society are pleased to announce the honorary chairpeople for their upcoming *Light the Night Walk*, which takes place in six locations throughout northern and central New Jersey over the weekend of Sept. 22-24.

The Northern New Jersey chapter has selected Dennis Marco, vice president of External Affairs and Corporate Communications for Horizon Blue Cross Blue Shield of New Jersey, as their overall, Honorary Chairperson for *Light the Night*. Mr. Marco himself was diagnosed with Acute Myelogenous Leukemia (AML) in March of 1996. His treatment, which consisted of three high doses of chemotherapy as well as an Autologous Bone Marrow Transplant—stem cell rescue, was performed at St. Joseph's Hospital & Medical Center in Madison. His treatments were successful and we are happy to say that Mr. Marco is currently in remission.

The *Light the Night Walk* will also be supported by some very notable New Jersey residents. Joining the society as honorary chairpeople will be State Assemblywoman, 34th Dist., Marion Crecco; State Assemblyman, 31st Dist. and Mayor of Bayonne, Joseph V. Doria, Jr.; Congressman, 7th Dist., Bob Franks; State Assemblywoman, 5th Dist., Marge Roukema; team captain and member of the 2000 Stanley Cup Championship NJ Devils, Scott Stevens; Senator Robert Torricelli; and "Good Day NY" correspon-

dent, Cheryl Washington.

The *Light the Night Walk* is a 2-3 mile walk which takes place during the evening hours. Participants carry illuminated balloons to signify their commitment to the mission of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society—curing leukemia, lymphoma, Hodgkin's disease, and myeloma, and improving the quality of life of patients and their families.

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made in leukemia research during a post-walk festival.

Walk locations include: Hudson County Park in Bayonne, Brookdale Park in Montclair/Bloomfield, Millburn High School, Ramapo College in Mahwah, Douglass College in New Brunswick and Giralda Farms in Madison.

If you would like to volunteer behind the scenes, organize your own team of co-workers, family or friends or become a corporate or community sponsor, contact the Northern New Jersey office of The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society at (973) 376-9559.

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Members of the Tiger Sharks Swim Team. Pictured above left are ten years and younger swimmers and above right are the older team members.

Tiger Sharks Take Third Place in Championships

The South Plainfield Tiger Sharks swam into third place, competing against seven other teams in the NJ Swim and Dive "B" League 2000 Championships held July 29 at Frog Hollow Swim and Tennis Club in South Amboy.

Tiger Shark swimmers, individually and as a team, racked up a total of 267 points earning the team third place overall. The team placed second overall for the dual meet season, meaning that they had the second most wins when competing against one opposing team at previous meets held this summer.

The 13-18 Girls Free Relay earned a second place finish for Katie Kaczka, Sarah Blessing, Shannon Dabrio and Nina Byard. The girls came from behind and snatched the second place spot in one of the most exciting races of the championships.

The 13-18 boys also claimed second place for their Free Relay. Relay team members were CalvinJohn Smiley, Christopher Egan, Billy Moates and Karim Motani.

The Tigers took third place in both the 8-and-under boys Free Relay and the girls 9-12 Free Relay. Swimming on the relay teams were: Christian Leguizamon, James Sansone, Dylan McDermott and Alex Baldassarre; Jennifer Boyle, Lisa Primavera, Jessica Manning and Jill Rann.

Jennifer Boyle took second place in the 9-10 girls 50 Back and Matt Moates took second for the boys in that age group.

Jessica Manning placed first in the 11-12 girls 50 Back. In the 13-14 girls 100 Back Katie Kaczka took third and Nina Byard took fifth. In the 13-14 boys, CalvinJohn Smiley took first place and Devin Gunasekara placed sixth. In the 15-18 girls, Lisa Revolinski placed fifth.

Second place wins were recorded for both Christian Leguizamon in the boys 8-and-under 25 Fly and Danielle Atchachunas in the girls 9-10 50 Fly. Matt Moates placed third in the 9-10 boys 50 fly. Matt LeDet took sixth in the 11-12 boys age group.

In the 13-14 boys 100 fly event, three Tiger Shark swimmers placed. CalvinJohn Smiley placed second, Devin Gunasekara placed fourth and Billy Moates placed fifth.

Lauren Reed took one of her four first place gold medals in the 15-18 100 Butterfly and Sarah Blessing took fifth. Lauren also took first in her age group for 100 Freestyle and 200 Freestyle, as well as being on the 13-18 girls 200 Medley Relay team which took the gold medal. Her three relay teammates winning first place were Katie Kaczka, Shannon Dabrio and Nina Byard. Shannon also took a first place in girls 13-18 girls 200m Individual Medley.

Jessica Manning took first in the 11-12 girls 100 Individual Medley and Danielle Atchachunas took sixth in the 10-and-under girls event.

Swimmers for the boys 8-and-under 100 Medley Relay took second place. They were Anthony Baldassarre, James Sansone, Dylan McDermott and Christian Leguizamon. The girls relay in the same age group came in sixth with Maggie Valentino, Emily and Grace Piekarski and Jackie Dougherty.

Tigers placed third in the 9-12 girls Medley Relay with Jessica Manning, Katie Koury, Danielle Atchachunas and Jill Rann. The boys in that age group came in fourth with Matt LeDet, Chris Reed, Matt Moates and Drew LeDet swimming. Tiger Sharks grabbed a fourth place finish in the boys 13-18 200 Medley Relay with Billy Moates, Chris Egan, Karim Motani and Devin Gunasekara swimming.

Emily Piekarski took sixth place for 8-and-under 25 Free for girls and Christian Leguizamon took fourth for the boys in the same race. Jill Rann placed fourth for 9-10 girls 50 Free and Chris Reed took fourth for 11-12 boys 50 free.

Tiger Sharks also won in the 13-14 girls and boys 100 Free events. Katie Kaczka took first place for the girls and CalvinJohn Smiley took first place for the boys. Christopher Egan placed sixth.

The 8-and-under 25 Breast races were also good for the Sharks. Emily Piekarski took second place for the girls and James Sansone took second place for the

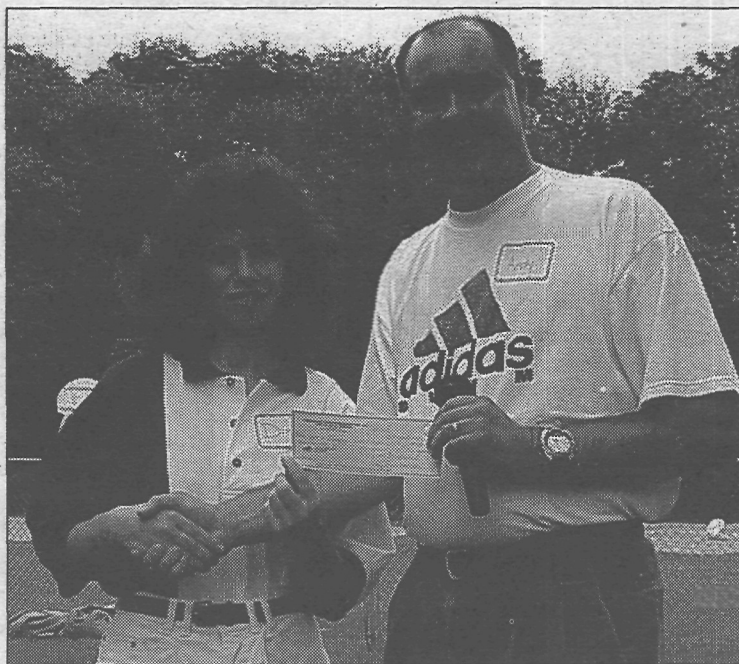
boys. In the 9-10 50 Breast boys event, Drew LeDet took third; for the girls in the same age group: Danielle Atchachunas took fifth and Talya Gunasekara took sixth.

Chris Reed took first place in the 11-12 50 boys Breaststroke and Chris Egan took sixth in the 13-14 boys 100 event. In the 13-14 girls, Becky Brzozowski placed third in 100 Breast and in the 15-18 age group, Shannon Dabrio took second and Sarah Blessing took fifth.

For the 10-and-under 100 Free girls, Jill Rann took third and in the boys' race in that age group, Michael Boyle took second.

In the 11-12 100 Free boys event, Matt LeDet placed fifth and Phillip Luzny placed sixth.

League championships are held every summer after the end of the

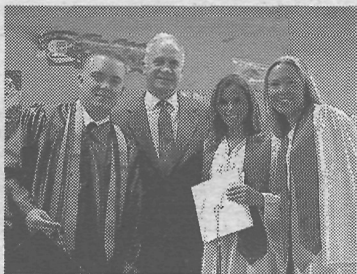


Dina Esposito, Middlesex County representative for Special Olympics, receives a check from Andy Reed, president of the Tiger Sharks Parents Association. A percentage of the Tiger Sharks canning was earmarked for donation to Special Olympics.

dual meet season and a lot of hard work and practice is required to place in any of the events, since swimmers are battling against oth-

ers of their age group from their own team as well as seven other area teams.

-Submitted by Donna Egan



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Obituaries

SALVATORE DI GIACOMO, 71

Salvatore DiGiacomo of South Plainfield, died on Tuesday, July 25, at the Cedar Oaks Care Center in South Plainfield.

He was born in Newark and was a former resident of East Orange before moving to South Plainfield 33 years ago.

Mr. DiGiacomo was a screw machine operator for Mechanical Art Works in Newark for 45 years before retiring in 1991.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia Holman DiGiacomo; three sons, Anthony of Garwood, Michael of South Plainfield and Joseph DiGiacomo of Piscataway and two grandchildren.

Private services were held at James W. Conroy Funeral Home.

ELIZABETH "BETTY" M. KEIFFER, 91

Elizabeth M. Keiffer died on Tuesday, July 25, in the McCarrick Care Center in Somerset.

She was born in Newark, where she had resided for many years before moving to South Plainfield in April, 1999.

Mrs. Keiffer had been employed by the Newark Board of Education as a cook for 25 years before retiring in 1979.

She is a member of St. Benedict's RC Church in Newark.

Her husband, Joseph Keiffer, died in 1952. She is also predeceased by her two grandsons, Daniel and Joseph Yorkanis.

Surviving are her daughter and son-in-law, Elaine and Bernard Yorkanis of South Plainfield; her son and daughter-in-law, Joseph and Jane Keiffer of Avon, Conn.; her brother and sister-in-law, Matthew and Regina Ballman of Ocala, Fla.; her late grandson, Joseph Yorkanis's wife, Cynthia Yorkanis of Toms River.

Also surviving are her grandchildren, Stephen and Karen Yorkanis, Kathleen and Keith Barrett, Diane and Scott Smith, Susan, Carolyn and Amanda Keiffer and her great grandchildren, Nicole, Zachery, Jake, Samuel, Heather, Jenny, Kristen and Kerry Lynn.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

CHRISTIAN FEIJOO, 2

Christian Feijoo died on Wednesday, July 26, at his home, after an eight month illness.

Christian was born in New Brunswick to his parents, Ulvio Feijoo and Loretta Valdez on May 18, 1998.

In addition to his parents, Christian is survived by two sisters, Karen and Kelley Garach and a brother, Louis Garach; his maternal grandparents, Stella DeParada and Eduardo Parada and his paternal grandparents, Amanda and Haraldo Feijoo.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

CONNIE C. (BRUTTANITI) GOLEMBESKE, 71

Connie C. (Bruttaniti) Golembeske died on Saturday, July 29, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Golembeske had resided in Maplewood and in Scotch Plains before settling in South Plainfield 45 years ago.

She was the owner and operator for Evergard Steel Corp. in Linden which she and her husband started in 1962. She retired in 1990, but remained instrumental on a part time basis helping to consult until recently.

She was a communicant of Our Lady of Czestochowa RC Church in South Plainfield.

Mrs. Golembeske enjoyed vacations in Aruba and going on a number of cruises, as well trips to Atlantic City.

Surviving are her husband, Frank W. Golembeske; four daughters, Leslie Curley of Massachusetts, Catherine Smith and Connie Macellara, both of South Plainfield and Tracey of Scotch Plains and two brothers, Mario of Absecon and Salvatore Bruttaniti of East Hanover.

Also surviving are her grandchildren Adam, Jenna and Chelsea Smith and Catherine, Ned and Laura Curley.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory may be made to Our Lady of Czestochowa RC Church, 102 Kosciusko Ave., South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

PUBLIC NOTICES

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

Ordinance #1543 entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE GUARANTY BY THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY OF THE PAYMENT OF AND INTEREST ON BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD GUARANTEED REVENUE BONDS (SOUTH PLAINFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS' HOUSING PROJECT) SERIES 2000 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000 AND AUTHORIZING PUBLIC HEARING THEREON AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION THEREOF**

The guaranty ordinance published herewith has been finally adopted by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex on July 31, 2000 and the twenty (20) day period of limitation within which a suit, as provided in the Local Bond Law (N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq.), has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this Statement.

ATTEST: Mary G. Blue
Deputy Municipal Clerk

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 1543

AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE GUARANTY BY THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY OF THE PAYMENT OF PRINCIPAL OF AND INTEREST ON BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD GUARANTEED REVENUE BONDS (SOUTH PLAINFIELD SENIOR CITIZENS' HOUSING PROJECT), SERIES 2000 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY IN AN AGGREGATE PRINCIPAL AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$6,000,000 AND AUTHORIZING PUBLIC HEARING THEREON AND AUTHORIZING PUBLICATION THEREOF

WHEREAS, the Middlesex County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") has been duly created by resolution of the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the "County"), duly adopted September 6, 1990, as a public body corporate and politic pursuant to the County Improvement Authorities Law, constituting chapter 183 of the Laws of 1960 of the State of New Jersey, as amended and supplemented, N.J.S.A. 40:37A-44 et seq., (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined pursuant to the Act to finance a portion of the costs of the construction of 101 units of low/moderate income senior citizens' housing within the Borough of South Plainfield (the "Initial Project"); and

WHEREAS, the Local Finance Board, Division of Local Government Services, Department of Community Affairs issued positive findings on the Initial Project on May 10, 2000; and

WHEREAS, to provide funds for, among other things, payment of the costs of the Initial Project, the Authority will issue its Borough of South Plainfield Guaranteed Revenue Bonds (South Plainfield Senior Citizens' Housing Project), Series 2000 in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 (the "Bonds") as more fully described and authorized in a Trust Indenture, by and between the Authority and Commerce Bank, National Association, Cherry Hill, New Jersey, as trustee (the "Trust Indenture"); and

WHEREAS, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80, the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex (the "Borough") is authorized to unconditionally guarantee the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on any obligations issued by the Authority pursuant to the Act, by ordinance duly adopted by the Borough Council in the manner provided in the Local Bond Law of the State of New Jersey, N.J.S.A. 40A:2-1 et seq., (the "Local Bond Law"); and

WHEREAS, the County is required to consent to the undertaking of the Initial Project by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has requested the County's consent to the undertaking of the Initial Project and the financing thereof by the Authority; and

WHEREAS, the County has consented to the undertaking of the Initial Project by resolution duly adopted May 4, 2000; and

WHEREAS, to provide an inducement to the prospective purchasers of the Bonds to purchase same and to provide security to the holders thereof, the Borough desires to provide for the guaranty of the Bonds issued by the Authority in accordance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY (not less than two-thirds of all the members thereof affirmatively concurring), as follows:

SECTION 1. Pursuant to and in accordance with the terms of N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80, the Borough is hereby authorized and does hereby unconditionally and irrevocably guarantee the punctual payment of the principal of and interest on any Bonds issued by the Authority, which Bonds shall be in an aggregate principal amount not to exceed \$6,000,000 at any one time Outstanding, to be issued for the purpose of undertaking the financing of the Initial Project, as described in the preamble hereof, such Bonds to be dated, to be in such form, to mature, to

bear such rate or rates of interest and to be otherwise as provided or established in or by the Authority's Trust Indenture in a manner which is consistent with the exercise of its public responsibility. The guaranty authorized herein shall be given solely in accordance with the guaranty agreement (the "Guaranty Agreement") to be executed by and between the Borough and the Authority, which Guaranty Agreement shall be substantially in the form attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference herein and which form of Guaranty Agreement is hereby approved. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged for the full and punctual performance of said guaranty and, unless paid from other sources, the Borough shall be obligated to exercise its power to levy ad valorem taxes upon all taxable property within the Borough to meet its obligation to make such payments, without limitation as to rate or amount.

SECTION 2. The Mayor of the Borough is hereby authorized and directed to execute on each of the Bonds, by manual or facsimile signature, and to affix the seal of the Borough, language evidencing such guaranty by the Borough of the full and punctual payment of the principal of and interest thereon. The Guaranty shall be in substantially the following form:

"GUARANTY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Pursuant to the provisions of the County Improvement Authorities Law referred to in the within Bond, the payment of the principal of and interest on the within Bond is hereby FULLY AND UNCONDITIONALLY GUARANTEED by the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, and the Borough of South Plainfield is unconditionally liable for the payment, when due, of the principal of and interest on said Bond in accordance with its terms.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, has caused this Guaranty to be executed on its behalf by the manual or facsimile signature of its Mayor of the Borough, and the seal of the Borough of South Plainfield to be impressed, imprinted or otherwise reproduced hereon, all as of the date of the within Bond.

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD,
COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX,
STATE OF NEW JERSEY

By: Daniel Gallagher, Mayor"

SECTION 3. The Mayor of the Borough is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Guaranty Agreement attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein containing the additional terms and conditions as may be agreed to between the Authority and the Borough as reflected in this Guaranty Ordinance, and the Mayor of the Borough is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Guaranty Agreement on behalf of the Borough and the Clerk or the Deputy Municipal Clerk of the Borough are each hereby authorized and directed to attest to such signatures and to attest to the seal of the Borough thereon, and each of said officers and the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all further instruments and documents and to do and perform such other acts and things as may be necessary and advisable to secure the performance by the Borough of its obligations under the Guaranty Agreement and to fully effectuate the same and the purpose of this Guaranty Ordinance. Upon execution and issuance of the Bonds, the Mayor or Chief Financial Officer shall report in writing to the Borough Council setting forth the terms of the Bonds so executed and issued.

SECTION 4. The following additional matters are hereby found, determined and declared by the Borough:

(a) the maximum principal amount of Bonds of the Authority hereby and hereunder guaranteed as to the payment of principal of and interest shall not exceed \$6,000,000;

(b) the purpose described in this Guaranty Ordinance is not a current expense of the Borough and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be assessed on property specially benefited thereby;

(c) the Bonds shall mature within thirty (30) years of the date of issue;

(d) the guaranty authorized herein shall remain effective until all the principal of and interest on the Bonds shall have been paid or payment duly provided for in accordance with their terms and pursuant to the Trust Indenture notwithstanding the occurrence of any other event; and in such event, the Guaranty authorized herein will cease to exist to the extent that such Bonds cease to be outstanding under the Trust Indenture;

(e) upon the introduction of this Guaranty Ordinance, a supplemental debt statement of the Borough shall be duly made and filed by the Chief Financial Officer in the office of the Clerk of the Borough and a complete executed duplicate thereof shall be filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services of the State of New Jersey prior to the final adoption of this Guaranty Ordinance, and such debt statement shall show that while the gross debt of the Borough, as defined in the Local Bond Law, is increased by this Guaranty Ordinance by the amount of the Bonds issued by the Authority, which principal amount shall not exceed \$6,000,000, upon satisfaction of the conditions set forth in N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80, in accordance with the provisions of the Act, the net debt of the Borough is not increased by this Guaranty Ordinance, and the obligation of the Borough authorized by or incurred pursuant to this Guaranty Ordinance is permitted by an exception to the debt limitations of the Local Bond Law, which exception is contained in the Act; and

(f) the Borough hereby consents to the entering into the Guaranty Agreement with the Authority.

SECTION 5. This Guaranty Ordinance may be adopted notwithstanding any statutory or other debt limitation, including particularly any limitation or requirement under or pursuant to the Local Bond Law, but the aggregate principal amount of Bonds guaranteed pursuant to this Guaranty Ordinance, being an amount not in excess of \$6,000,000, shall be reflected in the debt statements of the Borough in the manner provided in N.J.S.A. 40:37A-80.

The principal amount of Bonds guaranteed pursuant to this Guaranty Ordinance and included in the gross debt of the Borough shall be deducted from, and is deemed to be a deduction from, such gross debt under and for all purposes of the Local Bond Law (a) from and after the time of issuance of the Bonds until the end of the fiscal year beginning next after the completion of the acquisition of the Initial Project being financed from the proceeds of the Bonds, and (b) in any annual debt statement filed pursuant to the Local Bond Law, as of the end of such fiscal year or any subsequent fiscal year if

the revenues or other receipts or moneys of the Authority relative to the Initial Project in such year are sufficient to pay its expenses of operation and maintenance, including the expenses of administration of the Initial Project, in such year and all amounts which are payable in such year on account of the principal of and interest on all such guaranteed Bonds, all bonds of the County, the Borough or any municipality issued as provided in N.J.S.A. 40:37A-79, and all bonds of the Authority issued under the Act, or shall be deducted as otherwise provided by law, are duly and timely paid in accordance with their terms.

SECTION 6. The Clerk or the Deputy Municipal Clerk of the Borough are each hereby authorized and directed to cause the publication of the text of this Guaranty Ordinance in full after introduction and final adoption in accordance with applicable law and to arrange for the public hearing thereon and final adoption thereof.

SECTION 7. The Borough hereby covenants and agrees to comply with the secondary market disclosure requirements of Rule 15c2-12 (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, and agrees to covenant to such compliance in the Guaranty Agreement. The Mayor, the Clerk of the Borough, the Deputy Municipal Clerk of the Borough, the Chief Financial Officer or any other Authorized Borough Representative are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver all certificates, documents and agreements to the Authority in connection therewith, including a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, and to file budgetary, financial and operating data on an annual basis and notices of certain enumerated events as required to comply with and in accordance with the provisions of the Rule.

SECTION 8. Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to such terms in the Trust Indenture.

SECTION 9. Subsequent to the effective date of this ordinance, the Clerk or the Deputy Municipal Clerk of the Borough are each hereby authorized and directed to send originally certified copies of the authorization proceedings reflecting the adoption of this ordinance and an originally certified copy of this ordinance to representatives of the Authority.

SECTION 10. The execution of the Certificate of Guaranty by the Mayor of the Borough on any Bonds issued by the Authority shall create a conclusive presumption that such Bond is unconditionally guaranteed as to the payment of principal thereof and interest thereon in accordance with the provisions of this ordinance.

SECTION 11. This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by law.

ATTEST:
Mary Blue, Deputy Municipal Clerk
Borough of South Plainfield

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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
July 26, 2000

Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Borough of South Plainfield at its meeting held on July 25, 2000.

Case No. 24-00-Gary & Marlene Toth-Block 152; Lot 89; 921 Worth Drive-Applcants's request for a variance from exceeding lot coverage to construct a wood deck; were hereby GRANTED.

Case No. 20-00-So. Plfd. Recreation Dept.-Block 204, Lot 1; 1250 Maple Ave.-Applcants's request for a use variance, preliminary and final site plan, is hereby GRANTED, with conditions.

Case No. 27-00/1-Anthony Juliano-Block 258; lots 2 & 3; 28 South Plainfield Ave.-Applcants's request for an interpretation that a dance studio is a business service use is hereby DENIED.

Case No. 52-99/5-Lordina Budders, Inc.-Block 372; Kenneth Ave. & James Place-Applcants withdrew his application for a use variance and the case was DISMISSED without prejudice.

Case No. 13-98-Patrick Murray-Block 472; Lot 29.01, South Clinton Ave. & Gardner Ave.-Applcants's request for an extension of the variance approvals is hereby GRANTED.

Case #13-00/S/V-New Era Development-Block 538; Lots 3 & 4, Hamilton Blvd. & Easton Blvd.-Applcants's request for a use variance to construct a warehouse distribution office and retail facility was hereby GRANTED.

Janice J. Muccilli
Secretary/Zoning Board of Adjustment

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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Whereas, there exists a need for Construction Management Services for the New Senior Housing Project, and

Whereas, the Local Public Contracts Law (N.J.S.A. 11:1-1 et seq.) requires that the resolution authorizing the award of the contract for Professional Services without competitive bidding must be publicly advertised.

Now therefore be it resolved by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield as follows:

1. The cost of said services shall not exceed \$125,000.00.

2. The Mayor and Deputy Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute an agreement with AST Development Corporation, 111 Magee Avenue, Lavallete, New Jersey 08735.

3. This contract is awarded without competitive bidding as a Professional Service under the provision of the Local Public Contract Law because the services rendered are professional services of a recognized profession whose practice is regulated by law.

4. A copy of this resolution shall be published in The Observer as required by law within ten days of its passage.

Approved July 31, 2000


Daniel J. Gallagher/Mayor

ATTEST:
Mary Blue/Deputy Municipal Clerk

5. I hereby certify that funds are available for the purchase in the Capital Account X-03-103-403.

Frank DeRosa, Finance Officer

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101st Screaming Eagles Hold Annual Picnic

By Patricia Abbott

South Plainfield American Legion Chaumont Post 243 hosted the 101st Airborne Division Assn. Screaming Eagles, Gen. Anthony C. McAuliffe N.Y.-N.J. Chapter's Third Annual Vietnam Memorial Picnic on July 15. The event commemorates the 35th anniversary of the deployment of the 101st Airborne Division 1st Brigade to Vietnam on July 29,

1965.

Unfortunately the inclement weather forced the picnic to be held inside the American Legion.

The memories shared by these Vietnam Vets are strong and showed on their faces during the brief indoor ceremony.

The cramped quarters did little to dampen the spirits of these veterans. The flags they saluted were mere inches from their faces but the memories and camaraderie

were there.

Regardless of which era of combat they represented, the phrases "Welcome Home" and "Never Forget" were heard often. A few of these vets were from an era long before Vietnam or Desert Storm, going back to WWII, Korea and various small engagements in between.

Their motto hung in the air despite the carefree picnic fun, "We Remember! We'll Never Forget!"

policereport

• Joseph Walter Janus Jr. of Merchants Ave. was arrested last Thursday evening for impersonating a federal agent and claiming to be a DEA agent. Janus was released on \$25,000 bail. Impersonating a public servant is a misdemeanor crime in New Jersey. Earl Fielder, a spokesman for the DEA, said that Janus is not currently, nor has he ever been, employed by the DEA.

• Sherman Williams Store located on Park Ave. reported a missing bank deposit of \$266.68. The assistant manager had made the deposit in the night deposit box and stated that he was meticulous about checking to make sure it was properly dropped. The deposits from the previous and following days were recorded. The bank is taking steps to trace the whereabouts of the deposit. They plan to take the deposit box

apart to see if the missing deposit is stuck.

• Airborne Express on New Durham Rd. reported the theft of a tower cartridge and replacement battery for a computer, a box of women's dresses, a port replicator and a Macintosh laptop computer. The items were taken on separate occasions between July 17 and July 21. There are no witnesses or suspects.

• A Faulks Place resident reported the theft of a bike from the front of SPHS. The bike was not locked.

• CVS on Stelton Rd. reported an employee had observed a woman with a white shopping bag leave the store and trigger the security alarm. The suspect took an unknown amount of Tylenol. The employee obtained the plate number of the vehicle

the suspect left in and provided police with a description of the suspect, driver and passengers.

• John J. Traub of Hampton, NJ reported the theft of his cell phone from his vehicle. The car was parked at Spicer Ball Field on Kenneth Ave. The phone had been on the front seat of the unlocked car.

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By Cyrus N. Moon

Weekly Horoscope

8/4-8-10

LEO 7/23-8/22 If, at this focal time, you are experiencing tension and low energy, this is a sign you are not integrating properly. You must examine those needs that you are neglecting, and then do something about it. This is a good time to build up your self-esteem, so how about it?
VIRGO 8/23-9/21 Some of your ideas can become physical realities. Theories are given physical application, or travel may be on your agenda in the future because of an advantage you gain now. Also some situations may also lead to the purchase of machinery and the chance to learn how to use it.
LIBRA 9/21-10/22 This is a good week for pleasure and sociability. Also as

long as there are no other challenging transits, it might also be a good time for financial investments or a legal matter. Plan a social event. If you are starting a vacation it will be a good one. You may receive a gift.
SCORPIO 10/23-11/21 Be aware someone may be out to get you to change your way of thinking. Do not to get talked into doing something you don't believe in. If you are doing any research you can get to the truth at something that is being held back from you. This may involve a current relationship.
SAGITTARIUS 11/22-12/19 You have a wonderful chance to succeed if you seek to establish a solid, long-lasting relationship. A relationship that starts

this week will be based on friendship. And this can easily turn into romance. What more can you ask for? Seek a promotion, you deserve it.
CAPRICORN 12/22-1/19 Avoid trouble at all cost this week. If you turn the other cheek you can stay out of trouble by being at the wrong place at the wrong place. Even if you are right, people in authority may not like your attitude and opposing forces will then weld more power. Avoid "negativity".
AQUARIUS 1/20-2/18 If you try at this time to change a schedule without notifying the person involved on a project or not notify a superior, they will not be pleased. This week is just bad for those changes. They won't

work out the way you plan. Just stick to what is working and you'll be fine.
PISCES 2/19-3/20 While you may want to spend some time day dreaming, your time may be better spent reading romantic literature and poetry or listening to music. Any conversations that come you should not be about practical matters. Talk about fancies, dreams and ideals. Believe in your intuition.
ARIES 3/21-4/19 Information, ideas, and activities you encounter during this week have the potential to enhance your intellectual endeavors and boost your economic or social status. And don't be surprised if you receive some information about your father at this time. Avoid overconfidence!
TAURUS 4/20-5/20 A relationship that starts this week may be a long-lived

one. It will be characterized by loyalty and soberness. But on the other hand it will also signify saying goodbye to a loved one, either because of a temporary separation or because of the breakup of the relationship.
GEMINI 5/21-6/20 You may experience some of life's little stresses this week, nothing serious, but one that forces you to pay more attention to what is happening. Are there people who you may have been taking for granted? You should take the time to correct little problems as they arise.
CANCER 6/21-7/22 It's possible you will meet a new and exciting friend, or an old friend will come back in your life. Friends may help along opportunities for advancement or for getting away from your usual scene for awhile. Female friends are especially likely to play this role.

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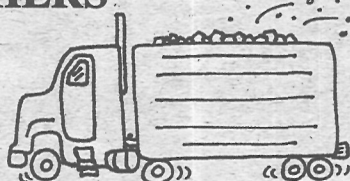
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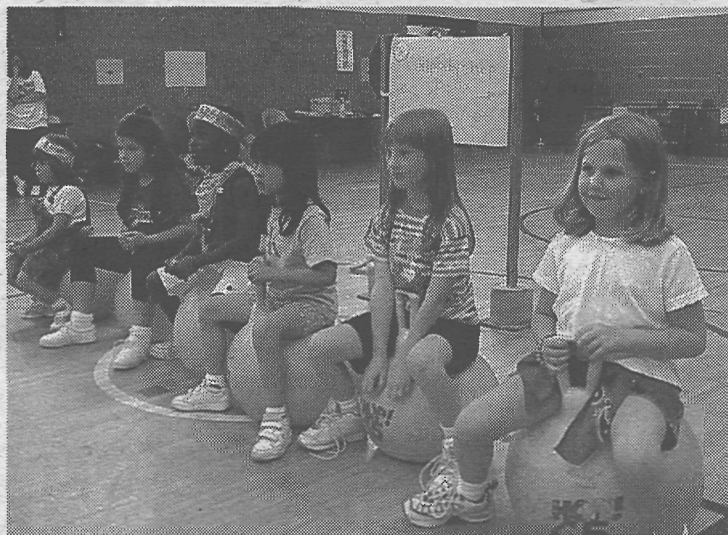
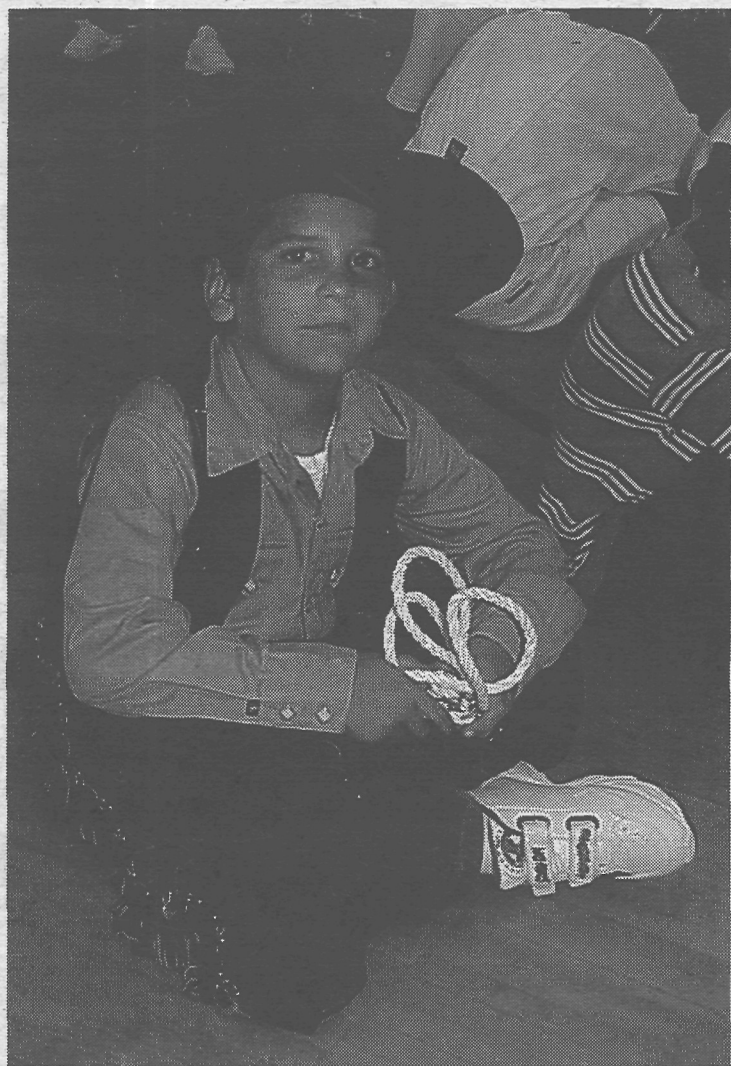
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Photos by Patricia Abbott

West Nile Virus Info

The summer weather brings with it warm temperatures and stagnant water which breeds one of New Jersey's biggest pests, the mosquito. This year many people are concerned over the reported cases of West Nile Virus.

The virus is a mosquito-borne illness. Humans get infected by being bitten by an infected insect. The mosquitoes become infected by biting birds who carry the virus. While birds may die of the virus they are not known to transmit it to humans. Symptoms include fever, headache, body aches, skin rashes, and swollen lymph glands. More severe symptoms may include meningitis, encephalitis, coma and on rare occasion, death. People over 50 and those with weak immune systems are at greater risk for more serious illness. There is no specific treatment for this virus and there is no vaccine. Most people recover completely within two weeks. In severe infections, hospital care may be necessary.

A little knowledge and preventative measures can go a long way towards alleviating fear and decreasing the risk of being infected.

Steps to protect your family include:

Eliminate standing water on your property. Clean clogged roof gutters. Empty plastic swimming pools and drain pool covers. Change water in bird baths and flush sump pumps weekly. Check/repair screen doors. Stay indoors during dawn, dusk and early evening hours when mosquitos are most active. Wear long sleeve shirts, long pants and socks when you are outdoors. Avoid areas with heavy bushes and trees. Apply insect repellent sparingly to exposed skin and follow the manufacturers instructions carefully. Don't apply insect repellent on children less than three years of age.

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