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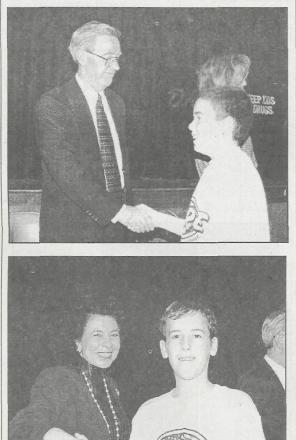
# **D.A.R.E.** Graduation **Marked at Five Schools**

During the past week D.A.R.E graduations ceremograduations ceremonies took place in the fifth grade classes at Riley, Franklin, Ken-nedy, Roosevelt and Sacred Heart School.

This is the culmination of a 17 week course that teaches week course that teaches fifth graders the dangers of drugs and alcohol and how to cope with pressures related to them Each year South Plainfield officials, including members of the board of education, the mayor, council and police de-partment are on hand at each of the schools to show their sup-

graduations taking pictures of each class and all the essay and poster winners. Pages 6-11 con-tain each schools DARE class as well as other pictures.

port for this important program. The Observer attended all five



**Board Votes NO to Iboards Along Rt.** 28

The Board of Adjustment voted unanimously to deny all three billboard applications at Tuesday night's meeting.

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A crowd of 30-40 residents were on hand asking board mem-bers to reject all three the billboards. Residents have been attending the previous four meet-ings, listening to the expert testi-

mony of the applicants. Three applicants for billboards, two from Carole Media, and one from AMI, were asking to erect billboards along Route 287. All three billboards were v-shaped, 2sided signs, 50 feet high. Both sides would have been lit with five 400 watt bulbs from dusk to dawn. A similar billboard has already been erected in Bridgewater and can be seen for miles. The first proposed billboard would have been on property next to four residential homes. The applicant's maps had houses marked incorrectly, putting them even closer to the billboard. The second billboard would have been on the roof of Flex-Pak on Durham Ave. It would have been visible to motorists on both Durham and Hadley. The third would have been erected behind the BP Gas station. The base would have been placed 50 to 100 feet into the ground, only eight feet away

from the underground gas tanks. Board Chairman William Tho-mas stated he felt the applicant's did not demonstrate or offer proof that more appropriate sites could

have been found along Route 287. He said the billboards would definitely be visible by the residents surrounding them, even though their planner testified oth-erwise. He added that just be-cause DOT issued a permit and the signs were the size, distance and height regulated by the state, didn't mean the board had to approve the application. He felt they would affect traffic and would be a distraction to motorists.

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Thomas added that South Plainfield recently passed a Bill-board Ordinance and he did not feel the Board of Adjustments should vote to overturn that ordi-nance. The applicants is expected to appeal the boards decision in court

# **Ricochet Racquet Club Sold** To The Club at Woodbridge

One of South Plainfield's wellknown landmarks, The Ricochet Racquet Club, is under new ownership. Ricochet, located on St. Nicholas Ave. has been owned by South Plainfield resident, Gary Hamrah for 22 years. The Club was purchased in January by Ray Zirpolo, president of The Club at Woodbridge. Hamrah started the club 22

ears ago with two partners, Harold Snyder and Ron Luster. In the beginning it was strictly a racquet club and a much smaller facility. A year later when Snyder died, Hamrah bought out the remaining partner and took over complete ownership.

In the early 1980s, Hamrah realized that the club needed to expand and he added aerobics, a fitness center and finally an Olympic size swimming pool. Rico-cher's pool has been rated first in New Jersey and 12th in the country

When Ray Zirpolo, president of The Club at Woodbridge, approached Hamrah and made an offer to purchase the Ricochet, Hamrah said that he thought it over and decided it was time. He wants to spend more time with his wife, Candy, his children and his grandchildren. After 22 years of working almost seven days a week, Gary and his wife Candy are looking forward to spending time with their family and doing

Hamrah said he has known Zirpolo for over 25 years and feels very comfortable with putting both the club, the members and it's employees in Ray's hands. He said he would never have consid-



ered selling Ricochet to a national chain, but was willing to sell the club to Zirpolo because of their long-time friendship. He knows that Ray will continue the close relationship the Club has with the South Plainfield community.

According to Ricochet's Gen-eral Manager Rudy Willemsen, members will not be affected in any way by the sale. In fact, a spe-cial promotion is being offered club members which allows them to use both the Woodbridge and South Plainfield facilities at no extra charge. Ricochet has also jus completed upgrading the

swimming pool. The entire staff will stay in place, including Rudy, who has worked at the club since 1989 and been general manager for seven

years. Willemsen added that no changes will be made with any of their popular programs, includ-ing their Summer Day Camp, or with Project Graduation, which has been held at Ricochet for years. They also intend to continue sponsoring the 5K run at the Labor Day Parade and will continue to stay involved in the South Plainfield community.

Zirpolo said the only changes he will make will be to change to the clubs name to The Club at Ricochet to match the name of

the Woodbridge facility, know as the Club at Woodbridge. In a closing, Hamrah remarked that he still lives in South Plainfield and plans on remain-ing an active member of the community.

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# councilmentings

Meets twice a month on the first and	i third Thursday.
Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. •	Questions? 908-754-9000
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Monday, February 5	
Tuesday, February 20	
Monday, March 5	
Monday, March 19	
Monday, April 2	
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Meets second and fourth Tuesday of the month

Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641 February 13, February 27, March 13, March 27, April 10, April 24, May8, May 22, June 12, June 26, July 10, July 24, August 14, August 28, Sept. 11, Sept. 25, Oct. 9, Oct. 23, Nov. 13, Nov. 27, Dec 11 and Dec. 25(no meeting)

# zoningboardofadjustment

Meets first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month

Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641 January 30, February 6, February 20 (no meeting), March 6, March 20, Aprill 3, April 17, May 1, May 15, May 29, June 5, June 19, July 3, July 17, July 31, August 7, August 21, Sept. 4(no meeting), Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Oct. 16. Oct 30, Nov. 6(no meeting), Nov. 20, Dec. 4 and Dec. 18. taxpayers advisory group

The Taxpayers Advisory Group (TAG) meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at Borough Hall at 2480 Plainfield Ave. at 7 p.m.

# siteplacesub-committee

### The fourth Thursday of the month as follows:

January 25, February 22, March 22, April 26, May 24, June 28, July 26, August 23, September 27, October 25, November 22(no meeting), December 27

# recreationcommission

Meets once a month on the second Monday of the month, except July and August

PAL Building, Maple Ave. 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7716 February 12, March 12, April 9, May 14, June 11, September 10,

# October 8, November 12, December 10

# environmental commission

Meets once a month (second Wednesday) Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-561-8280

Feb. 21, March 14, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, Sept. 12, Oct.10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12 and Jan. 9, 2002

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# In My Opinion

To the Editor,

I just received some junk mail from the Board of Education. Soon it will be time to vote again. In election number one, we voted NO to a new Roosevelt School In election number two, we voted NO to put an addition on the

building. Now the Board of Education, came up with a brain storm. They are taking old Cedarcroft School, which they ruined to make administrative space out of and they want money to expand and use it for a school again, after they renamed it Grant School-we had a Grant School that is now being used by the Keystone People. That was an excellent building which we didn't need anymore, so it was sold. Now we are back to building a new Roosevelt School we do not NEED!

In 10 years the school system has increased by only 400 chil-dren. That will be the most of it, as the building is finished in South Plainfield. So we don't need to build another Roosevelt School. Does anyone think a new building will bring better education?

### Send us Your Letters/Opinions.

We want to hear from you concerning what is going on around town. We will omit your name by request, but you must give us your name and phone number when you submit your letter. Send your letter/opinion to: The South Plainfield Observer, 1110 Hamilton Blvd., South Plainfield 07080. You can email us at GGNAN@aol.com or fax to 908-668-8819.

Why don't they add classrooms where the gym is now? When I attended Roosevelt School, we had no gym. We used the basement and on nice days went outside. I think our generation learned well.

Or put trailers if the classes are over crowded, which again was caused by our great Board of Education decreasing the sizes of classes to cause overcrowding.

We do not need this extra tax increase in South Plainfield and the sad part about it is the Board of Education doesn't even know how much the new budget will be? How well can they be trusted? We do not need a new Roosevelt School! Make the classrooms to state regulations in size! Don't decrease them, increase them. We are paying the teachers enough money, let them earn it for once!

The mayor and council are trying hard to keep the budget down and to not raise taxes. Did anyone notice we had contractors plowing the streets after it snowed, because we don't have enough of equipment down at the DPW to plow our streets! This extra tax is not needed!

All taxpayers come out and vote NO again for this Board of Education which is a joke and is trying it's best to push this on the towns people. They ruined schools and renamed them and now wish to build a new Roosevelt School again we DO NOT NEED! Remember we always have students moving on, or moving out of the area.

Did you read what our new president did? He signed a bill that will take money from ailing schools like South Plainfield and is going to give parents the money

# **SPJBC** Accepting Nominations For Little Miss Baseball 2001

Once again, it is time to crown Little Miss Baseball 2001 Nominations will be accepted for Little Miss Baseball from Feb. 7 through Feb. 26. Girls must be between the ages of 8 and 11 years old and

be South Plainfield residents. To nominate someone, call 754-2090 and leave her name, phone number and age on the answering machine. Finalists will be phoned on Feb. 27. Little Miss Baseball 2001 will be chosen by the "penny-a-vote" system. Boxes (with finalists' pictures) will be placed in Ciccio's, Quick Chek and B&C Deli starting March 3 and will remain there until March 30. They will then be removed and counted for the announcement of the winner on Opening Day, April 7.

Girls nominated are asked to march with the Baseball Club pa-rade on April 7. The parade ends at the Baseball Complex and dur-ing Opening Day Festivities we will announce Little Miss Baseball 2001. A requirement for the winner is that she must be present to be crowned.

Get out and vote for our 2001 Little Miss Baseball. If you have any questions, please call Stacy Lake at 757-9531. instead, to send their children to private or Catholic Schools to get a better education, so they will not be forced to suffer getting a bad education and will have a chance in life. I think the Board of Education should be happy with any money they received from the State and use it as needed.

I still want to know now for the 10th time what happens to the money left over at the end of the year? Those poor students in the Middle School are still going without heat and without air condi-tioning for the second straight year! How dreadful that must be! I was willing to install a new boiler made in China for half the price.

VOTE NO against a worthless Board of Education!

TONY PISANIELLO P.S. I use my real name.

# **Clerk's Office Open** Late on Feb. 5 for Voter Registration

The Borough Clerk's Office will remain open until 9 p.m. on Feb. 5 for voter registration. A special bond referendum will be held on March 6, 2001 and this is the last day you can register to vote in that election. Forms are also available at the clerk's office in Borough Hall and the Observer office on Hamilton Blvd.

You can also pick up a form at any New Jersey agency, such as the Division of Motor Vehicles located in the Middlesex Mall or the post office on Oak Tree Ave. Just fill out the form and mail it back in the self-addressed envelope. You don't even need a stamp.

To register on the web, you can download a voter registration form and instructions at www.fed.gov/votregis/rr.htm or www.wvnj.org.



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# February 2, 2001

# From the South Plainfield Library Bookmapks

### By Kenneth Morgan

As we move into February, here's some news from the South Plainfield Library:

We'll start this week by running down some upcoming items from the Friends of the Library. On Sunday, they'll be presenting the special program, "A Visit with George Washington" at 2 p.m. William Sommerfield, an actor with the American Historical Theatre, will portray Washington. Admission is free and no pre-registration is required. On Tuesday morning at 10:30, the Friends will hold their next regular meeting at the Library. Members and nonmembers are welcome to attend. Finally, the Friends are still accepting Romance books, in both hard cover and paperback, for their sale on Saturday, Feb. 10. Please put your donations in the marked container near the main desk.

We'll be following our usual Storytime schedule next week. For those unfamiliar with said schedule, the programs are held on Tuesday mornings at 10:30, Wednesday evenings at 6:30 and Thursday afternoons at 1:15. Each program is for children ages three and older. No pre-registration is required. If you have any questions, please check with Children's Librarian Linda Hansen.

A bunch of videos have just been added to our collection. In our general section, the new additions include *This is Spinal Tap*, *The Unsinkable Molly Brown*, a tape of short subjects from the *Mystery Science Theater 3000* series, *The Perfect Storm* and, on DVD, *Jurassie Park* and *The Lost World*. Over in the juvenile section, we now feature Pokemon the Movie 2000, two tapes featuring Rotten Ralph, Fantasia 2000, Chicken Run and Franklin and the Green Knight. In addition, the group of Circuit videos for February is now in place. Videos and DVDs may be borrowed, four at a time, for two days.

As more and more people come to the Library looking for tax forms, we should note one important fact: We at the Library are limited in the kind of assistance we kind provide. We can give you specific tax forms you request, either original forms or photocopies. And, we can provide you with contact information (phone numbers, addresses, etc.) for the various tax agencies. However, we are strictly prohibited from giving specific tax advice, like which forms to file, which deductions to take, and the like. For that, you're much better off checking with a qualified tax advisor, like an accountant.

Finally, a note about paging of the non-book kind. Our phone system allows us a modest public address capability. This is usually used for closing announcements and warnings like, *Tour lights are* on. On occasion, we can also page people to the main desk in response to phone calls. However, please be advised that this is a courtesy and should only be used in urgent or emergency situations. Please bear that in mind.

And please bear in mind that you can get the latest Library news every Friday right here. Thanks for your time. See you next week.

# Former Resident Vincent Maglio, Donates \$1.5 M to St. Joseph's Building Fund

# By Patricia Abbott

Vincent Maglio, a former South Plainfield resident, recently returned to New Jersey to bequeath a gift to his alma mater, St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen. St. Joe's, founded in 1961, had begun a \$6.5 million "Building for the Next Century" campaign. The Alumni Association approached him and told him of the fundraising effort that will culminate in a major expansion and renovation of the private school. They inquired if he would be interested in helping the building fund. This was a chance for him to give back just a bit of what the school had given him.

A supportive family and his years at St. Joe's were important influences in his life. Vincent believes that St. Joe's helped shape his life; the school pointed him in a positive direction and gave him the conviction to succeed. The 1966 graduate felt compelled to give his support to the school, he made a generous donation of \$1.5 million dollars.

Vincent grew up in South Plainfield and lived on Clinton Ave. between Cherry and Walnut streets. His early years saw him attending kindergarten at the

# Rescue Squad Gets Special Tire Chains

The South Plainfield Rescue Squad will be getting a state of the art set of automatic chains for one of their rigs.

During recent snowstorms, the squad had to make a choice of driving with or without chains when answering emergency calls. Chains cannot be used on cleared roads, because they will damage both tires and the roadway. When we had the recent snowstorms, chains were put on and then taken off numerous times.

During a snowstorm, the main roads are cleared down to the surface, but the side streets are not cleaned as quickly. So the squad has to decide whether or not to use chains on just about every call. Chains take a long time to put on and remove.

The new automatic chains are installed under the rig and with just a push of a button, automatically come down in front of the rear tires and rotate. The chains do not have be constantly installed and removed by squad members, saving hours of time. They will also save the wear of the tires of squad vehicles, as well as saving our roads from damage.

Councilman Dennis Cerami asked the council if they could purchase just one set this year and explained the problems the squad was having iin the snow during the winter months.

The winning bidder was Absolute Fire Protection, who bid \$2,575 and the council voted to accept the bid during January's council meeting.

council meeting. According to Rescue Squad Lt. Ron Sward, "This will greatly aid the squad for the rest of winter. We hope that next year, we can purchase another set and have two rigs winter ready."



Vincent Maglio with South Plainfield resident and St. Joe's student Brian Andaya

former Willis School on New Brunswick Ave. After Willis he attended Sacred Heart for grades one through eight. He recalled his seventh and eighth grade teachers as Sister Susan and Sister Elizabeth, while uncertain he vaguely recalls a Sister Alma as the principal. Additional South Plainfield memories include sledding on the hill by Stockoff Farms, now the corner of Laurel and Clinton Ave. He remembers the fresh corn and tomatoes purchased from the farm, lemon ices at Esposito's Market and getting his hair cut at Charlie LaCosta's Barbershop on Plainfield Ave. His parents felt very strong

His parents felt very strong about parochial education because of the discipline and values instilled in students in this type of education. His initial introduction to St. Joe's was less than ideal, he failed to pass the entrance exam. He explained how his parents pleaded to have him accepted, promising that he would perform better once he was at the school. He remembers the tuition in those days as \$300 and he had to work at Mondoro's farm on New Brunswick Ave. to help pay for his tuition.

His parents' persistence paid off. Vincent describes himself as an average student who was motivated by St. Joe's environment to strive for more and *Continued on page 14* 

# Voters in Districts 6 and 11 Assigned New Polling Place

Beginning with the Special School Referendum to be held on Tuesday, March 6, the polling place for residents in Districts 6 and 11 will be at the South Plainfield Rescue Squad Building at 2520 Plainfield Ave.

For further information, call Mary Blue at (908) 226-7606.





# News From Grant Central Sixth Band

The Grant School Band, under the leadership of Paul A. Sturm, performed for the first time on Wednesday, Dec. 6. The opening selection was 25 or 6 to 4. Next, the group played God Rest Ye Merry Gentlemen. Last but not least was Clash and Roar, always a big crowd pleaser.

This group now has several section leaders, Alex Viscosi, Katie Reichert, Brittanie Wong, Phuong Le, Sean Walsh, and Danny Becker. Recently, two Grant School students were selected by Mr. Sturm as "Most Improved Players": Kyla Rouse on flute and Nick DeSimone on drums.

The Grant School Band is looking forward to their next performance at the annual All District Music Festival, on Friday, Mar. 30 at 7 p.m. in the Anthony Cotoia Gymnasium at SPHS. Sturm will be conducting *Variations* by Frank Erickson. Mr. Baldwin and Ms. Mr. Veiss is the special advisor. In order to expand the repetorie of the band, these compositions

are currently being prepared, Variations, 25 or 6 to 4 Trombonanza, Space Echoes, and I Believe I Can Fly. Recently, Sturm announced the

current line up for The Grant School/Central Six Wind Ensemble 2000-2001. In order to be selected, excellent attendance, attitude and a level of individual performance skills were reviewed. The first two pieces that are being prepared by the Wind Ensemble are *La Banda Nescente* and *Mission Impossible*.

Special thanks to the following people for supporting these groups got to Mr. Doggett, Mr. Young, Mrs. Younken, Mrs. Tedeschi, Mr. Veiss, and Mrs. Stasio.

Submitted by Paul A. Sturm



# **entral Sixth Band** Schimpf will also be conducting. Mr. Veiss is the special advisor.

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### Senior Citizens Meeting February 2

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The Senior Citizens will have their meeting on Friday, Feb. 2 at the PAL Building, 1250 Maple Ave., at 11:00 a.m. Coffee and bagels will be served after the

meeting. Call (908) 754-1047 for further information or transportation.

# Girl Scout Troop Sponsors Blood Drive February 3

South Plainfield Girl Scout Troop 117 and New Jersey Blood Services are sponsoring a blood drive on Saturday, Feb. 3 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the Wesley United Methodist Church at 1500 Plainfield Ave.

To donate blood, you must be 17 years old (with parental con-sent) to 75 years old, weigh at least 110 pounds and not have donated blood within the last 56 days. The need for blood affects us all. Nine out of ten of us will need blood some time in our lives.

Your blood donation is critically needed during these winter months. Illness and bad weather add to the decrease in volunteer donors, creating a blood shortage for our area hospitals.

For more information, contact Nancy Regan at (908) 756-4530.

# **VFW Plans Country** Breakfast

### February 4

A Country Breakfast is planned on Sunday, Feb. 4 from 8 to 11 a.m. at VFW Post 6763 at 155 Front St. The menu will be varied and a children's menu is avail able. The cost for adults is \$5. children to 12 years are \$2.50. The breakfast is sponsored by Pup Tent 41, Military Order of the Cootie. Proceeds from breakfast go toward Ward Bingo Parties at the Lyons Veterans Ad-ministration Medical Center.

For more information, phone (908) 668-9751 after 3 p.m. daily and after 12 noon on weekends

# George Washington to Visit SP Library February 4

The Friends of the South Plainfield Library are inviting



Observer. To advertise, call 908-668-0010.

everyone to "A Visit With George Washington." William Sommerfield, from the American Historical Theatre, will por-tray George Washington on Sunday, Feb. 4 at 2 p.m. at the South Plainfield Library. Admission is free and refresh-ments will be served. This program is made pos-

sible through funding from the NJ Council for the Humanities and the National Endowment for the Humanities

### Library Hosts "Romance Book and Bake Sale" February 10

The Friends of the South Plainfield Library will host a spe-cial "Romance Book and Bake Sale" from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10 in the South Plainfield Library, 2884 Plainfield Ave.

The event will showcase the hardback and paperback romance novels that wring a tear and a sigh from many a soft heart and should bring additional friends to help support the library.

### **AARP Meeting Features** A Guest Speaker February 16

AARP Chapter #4144 of

South Plainfield will meet on Friday, Feb. 16 at 12:30 p.m. at the PAL Building on Maple Ave. The speaker will be Professor Carroll Wilson, Professor of English at the Raritan Community

College. Professor Wilson, who received his Masters at Kean University, will speak on the eminent emergence of Black au-thors in the field of literature.

### Cultural Arts Comm. Presents 'A Stitch in Time' February 18

The Cultural Arts Commission of South Plainfield invites you to "A Stitch in Time: Seven Quilts for Seven Sisters," a program for Black History month on Sunday, Feb. 18, at 2 p.m., in the PAL Building on Maple Ave. Admission is free and refresh-

ments will be served.

Come for a memorable expe-rience back in time to the Old South and the days of stories, quilts, etc.

For more information, please call Natalie at (908) 756-8679.

# AARP Trip Planned February 21, 22

AARP will sponsor an overnight trip to Atlantic City and the Three Little Bakers Theater on Feb. 21 and 22. Transportation, admission, show and lunch at Baker's, lodging in At-lantic City with continental breakfast, \$20 casino bonus, beef and seafood dinner are all included. Hotel and restaurant gratuities included. Double occupancy is \$155, single is \$185. For reservations, call Mary at (732) 752-3764.

'Mainstreet Brass' Concert Coming to Sacred Heart February 23

Sacred Heart Church will host

the Mainstreet Brass in concert

on Sunday, Feb. 23. The concert will begin at 3 p.m., with light refreshments to follow. Tickets are available at the Sacred Heart Parish Center, or by calling Creighton Pfeifer at (908) 561-4230 General admission is \$12, senior citizens are \$10 and children 12 and under are \$5. To learn more about this truly unique musical group, visit their website at www.musicpresentations com

### **Roosevelt Hosts Casino** Night/Chinese Auction March 3

The Roosevelt School fifth Grade Stokes Trip Committee will be sponsoring a Casino night/Chinese Auction on Saturday, March 3, from 7 p.m. to midnight.

The event will be held at the VFW Post #6763 at 155 Front

Tickets are \$20 per person. which includes admission, \$50 in chips and an open bar. Contact Pam Heilmann at (908) 754-9226 for tickets or information.

### Auction/Raffle to Support **Project Graduation** March 10

South Plainfield High School is holding an Auction/Raffle to support Projection Graduation on Saturday, Mar. 10. This year they feature a "Super" Raffle, which is a Dell Computer with a monitor. There will also be an overnight at Caesar's Palace in Atlantic City, a TV, DVD player, microwave, VCR, mini-refrig-erator, show tickets, baseball tickets, theme baskets and much more

Admission is \$7 in advance and \$10 at the door. Tickets are on sale now. Call Ellen at (908) 756-3731 or Pat at (908) 756-6512 for tickets or more information. The proceeds from the Auction/Raffle supports Project Graduation. Come out and support our graduating seniors.

# AARP Sponsors Defensive **Driving Course**

March 20, 21

AARP Chapter #4144 is spon-soring a 55 ALIVE Defensive Driving Course to be held Tuesday and Wednesday mornings, 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Mar. 20 and 21, at the Piscataway Senior Center. Any legally licensed driver can take this "in classroom" course, which will entitle him to a three year discount on automobile insurance

Call Mary at (732) 762-3764 for further information and registration. Class is limited, so apply early.

### Rec Announces Trip to Papermill Playhouse Mav 9

The South Plainfield Recreation Department is sponsor-ing a trip to the Papermill Playhouse to see Funny Girl.

The bus leaves the PAL at 12:30 p.m. Cost is \$35 per person. Register at the PAL on Maple Ave.

Trip to See The Lion King Planned July 5

The Rec Department is sponsoring a trip to Broadway to see The Lion King on July 5, 2001.

The cost is \$95 per person and includes your ticket and the bus. Purchase your ticket at the PAL. The bus leaves at 4 p.m.

The PAL is open weekdays 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

### Trip to Cape Cod, Still Taking Reservations September 10-14

The PAL 5-day, 4-night trip to Cape Cod was been sold out, but according to Mike English, a second bus is being hired. The

trip is Sept. 10-14, 2001. The package includes four nights accommodations, four breakfasts, four dinners, includ-ing a lobster bake, fully escorted tours of the Hyannis area, the historic Massachusetts towns of Sandwich, Boston, Quincy Market, Plymouth and Provincetown and the Hyannis Harbor Cruise. A visit to Foxwoods Casino enroute home, an evening of entertainment, a welcome recep-tion, baggage handling, all taxes and standard gratuities and motorcoach transportation will all also be included in this trip.

Prices are \$325 per person double, triple and quad occu-pancy. Single supplement is \$78. For more information and reservations, contact Mike English at (908) 226-7714.

day" Class Reunion for May of 2001, to be held as an all day outdoor event at Forest Lodge in Warren. Many people from a diverse range of graduating classes find the idea of a multiclass reunion appealing. It offers an excellent way to renew old friendships. Some classes lack reunion coordinators, sufficient

School.

Pass the word to all alumni you have contact with. If they have an interest, contact either Sandy Spisso Connelly or Bobby Cobb at the following email addresses: spdcon@aol.com or racobb@ epix.neto

Out of Town-

# There and Back Again. a history presentation February 15

On Thursday, Feb. 15, at 7:00 .m., the NJ Vietnam Veterans' Memorial Foundation will host an oral history presentation "There and Back Again" by Dave Martin.

Martin shares his personal account of a young man who leaves his home to go to war in a distant land. During the way, Martin was a participant in the siege of Con Thien and in Operation Buffalo. Martin extended his tour of duty to prevent his brother, who was also in the Marine Corps, from being sent to Vietnam. Having survived a "world of hurt" in Vietnam, Martin returned home to New Jersey only to find a world of change and little thanks for his national service.

Lecture attendees are asked to RSVP one week prior at (732) 335-0033. A donation of \$5 per person is suggested. The Vietnam Era Educational Center is located adjacemt to the New Jersey Viet-nam Veterans' Memorial off the Garden State Parkway at exit 116 in Holmdel, NJ.

# **KISMET Events**

February 22

KISMET presents "The Basics of Investing: Surviving Market Volatility," an event for singles.

The event will be held on Thursday, Feb. 22 from 7:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m., at 109 North Avenue (next to Blockbusters Video), third floor, Westfield. Please note that there is ample parking. \$10 at the door includes presentation and refreshments.

For further information on this event, contact KISMET at (908) 232-8827 or visit www.thatskismet.com.

# Tourette Syndrome Meetinas

March 8, May 10

The Tourette Syndrome Association of Middlesex/Union County Family Support Group meetings have been scheduled for the following dates, Thursday, March 8 and May 10. The meetings are held at JFK Medical Center in Edison, in the Neurofrom 7 to 9 p.m. Please note that the meeting night is differ-ent. For more information, call 732-283-1439 after 6 p.m. or contact www.tsanj.org.

# **Submit your Events** for Around Town:

Mail or drop off stories and photos to South Plainfield Observer, 1110 Hamilton Blvd., Suite 1B, South Plainfield, NJ 07080, or fax (908)668-8819; email ggnan@aol.com.



Multi-Class Reunion

An invitation is extended to all SPHS graduates from Sandi Spisso Connelly and Bobby Cobb, SPHS Class of 1969. The 1969 alumni are planning a special "Golden 50th Birth-

number of alumni or both.

In view of this interest, we, of the Class of 1969, have opened the invitation for the event to all SPHS alumni. The 60's Boardwalk theme will celebrate all those who once walked the halls of South Plainfield High

The newly formed Kathleen

McCriskin Brain Arteriovenous Malformation (AVM)/Aneurysm

Support Group will meet for the first time on Tuesday, Feb. 27 at

7 p.m. in the Neuroscience Con-ference Room at JFK Medical

The group was named in honor of the late Kathleen McCriskin of

South Plainfield by her husband

Kathleen McCriskin lived with

AVMs, tangles of abnormally con-

necting arteries and veins leading to the brain, for more than 20

years and received treatment in

Center, in Edison.

and mother.



**Cub Scouts Visit Police Station** Den 6, from Kennedy School's Pack 324, recently visited the South Plainfield Police Department. Officer Allen LaMonda showed them the records room, fingerprinting procedures and what it's like to be in jail. Pictured are Griffin Lynch, Austin Lynch, Michael Eosso, Patrick O'Connor and Sean McDede.

# **Mainstreet Brass to Perform** at Sacred Heart Church

Okay all you music lovers, here's your chance! Sacred Heart Church will be hosting the Mainstreet Brass in concert on Sunday, Feb. 23.

Formed in 1986, the Mainstreet Brass performs to enthusiastic audiences at performing arts festivals, colleges and concert series throughout Pennsylvania and New Jersey.

The quintet presents a diverse repertoire spanning the 16th to the 20th centuries. It embraces standard brass literature, Jazz and the quintet's own arrangements of classical works and popular themes.

Members of the Mainstreet Brass have been trained at leading schools, including the New England and Cincinnati conservatories and they hold principal positions in orchestras and symphonic bands throughout the mid-Atlantic region.

You can learn more about this truly unique musical group by vis-iting their website at www.musicpresentations.com, or you can experience their delightful band of musical entertainment first, hand. The concert will begin at 3 p.m., with light refreshments to follow.

Tickets are available at the Sacred Heart Parish Center, or by calling Creighton Pfeifer at (908)561-4230. General Admission is \$12, seniors are \$10 and children 17 and under are \$5.

the later stages of her life at the New Jersey Neuroscience Institute at JFK Medical Center. The new group will meet once a month and is open to survivors, Does your back ache? Do you suffer from chronic fatigue or migraines? Or does your head throb because you have a science project

due tomorrow and a report due two days later on cheetahs, lemurs, or toucans? Need help? In this age of one-stop shopping, there is a common solution, your public library. We have over 400 new books, videos and journals that specifically target your health, science and math questions! The South Plainfield Public

Library was awarded a competitive New Jersey Library grant for the fiscal year 2000. The library received \$10,000 for collection development in the science, math and health areas. Various staff prepared the grant. The library's collections in both

science and health were outdated and inadequate to serve the infor-mation needs of our public and students. Within walking distance of local schools, the public library

Rich McCriskin, Kathleen's husband and Eileen Pike, her mother, donated the funds to start the AVM/Aneurysm Support Group after noticing how impor-

The NJ Neuroscience Institute at JFK Medical Center To Initiate New Support Group

family members and friends who have been affected by AVM or

aneurysms. Guest speakers will be

arraigned to address the concerns

and questions of the group. Par-ticipants are encouraged to listen

to one another and share their con-

knowledge.

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cerns, feelings, experiences and

The group gatherings will also serve as a source for accurate in-formation regarding AVM and

aneurysms and a tool for strength-

ening the coping skills of individu-als who face long term conse-

quences of these vascular irregu-

tant it had been to Kathleen to share her experiences in dealing with AVM with others in a similar support group in Boston, Mass.

AVMs are abnormal connections between arteries and veins. The blood coursing through the abnormal vessels of an AVM is under high pressure and moves too quickly to supply the brain with the oxygen it carries. AVMs can put pressure against the adja-cent brain, resulting in seizures, or can rupture, resulting in hemorrhagic stroke. The Kathleen McCriskin

AVM/Aneurysm Support Group is free of charge and open to all community members. For more information, call group coordinator Susan More, RN at (732) 321-7000, ext. 61767.

# SP Library Receives a \$10,000 Grant

is the primary resource for many of our community's students. School assignments are regularly assigned in the health and science curriculums The library collection was care-

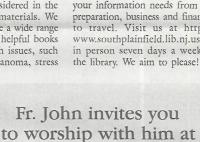
fully evaluated. Outdated mate-rials were pulled from the collection and replaced with books, audiovisual titles, and journals. These materials were selected with the interests of our public in mind, as well as the school assignment needs of our students.

Currency, accuracy and the reading level of the materials were carefully considered in the purchase of new materials. We also tried to provide a wide range of interesting and helpful books on common health issues, such as cancer and melanoma, stress

reduction, arthritis, alternative medicine, etc.

New books in our science collection run the full gamut of subjects: biology, astronomy, earth sciences, math, physics, chemistry, ecology, environmental science, evolution and animal study.

All these materials, including videos, are free to library card-holders. With over 400 new items to choose from, there is something for everyone. In addition to these materials which can be borrowed, the library also offers a website with useful links for all your information needs from tax preparation, business and finance, to travel. Visit us at http:// www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us or in person seven days a week at the library. We aim to please!



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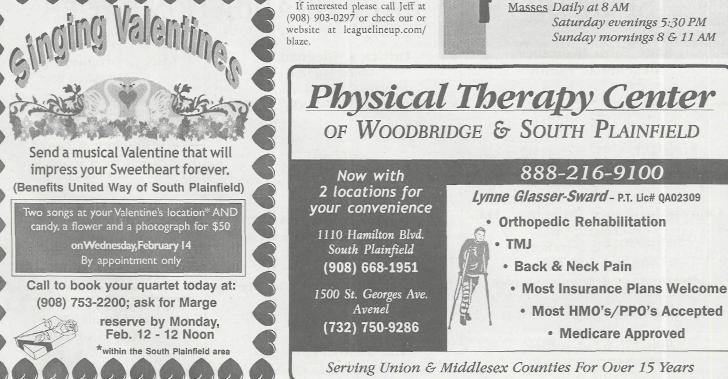
# 16-18 yr. Old Independent Baseball Club

We are looking for serious cere commitment to team and learning. We will be seeking to compete in some national tour-

naments/showcases for the 2001 season. We will hold tryouts on Sunday mornings at TABS from 9 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., starting with the first Sunday after New Years

Day. If interested please call Jeff at (908) 903-0297 or check out or website at leaguelineup.com/

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group-participation, cooperative-learning activities which are designed to encourage students to solve problems of major

importance in their lives. An important element of DARE is the use of student leaders who do not use drugs as positive role models in influencing younger students. The DARE program-offered in con-cert with other school-based prevention ac-

tivities and intervention strategies for the identification, early intervention and aftercare support of students at risk for substance abuse-may be viewed as a comprehensive substance abuse program that meets the goals of the federal Drug-Free Schools and Communities Act.



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Whate is DA.R.E.? D.A.R.E. (Drug Abuse Resistance Edu-cation) is a collaborative effort by DARE Researchers have identified certain protecweek for one semester to conduct weekly tive and social bonding factors in the famlessons in grades five or six. DARE offers a variety of interactive, certified law enforcement officers, educaily, school and community which may fostors, students, parents and the community to offer an educational program in the classter resiliency in young people, in other words, the capacity of young people for healthy, independent growth in spite of adroom for the prevention and reduction of

drug abuse and violence among children and youth. Emphasis on helping students recognize and resist the many direct and subtle pressures that influence them to ex-periment with alcohol, tobacco, marijuana, inhalants or other drugs or to engage in violence

The DARE program offers preventive strategies to enhance those protective factors — especially bonding to the family, school, and community — which appear to foster the development of resiliency in young people who may be at risk for substance abuse or other problem behaviors.

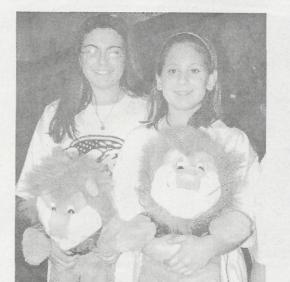
verse conditions. These strategies focus on the development of social competence, communication skills, self-esteem, empathy, decision making, conflict resolution, sense of purpose and independence, and positive alternative activities to drug abuse and other destructive behaviors.

**Congratulations to the** 

2001 Dare Graduates!

The program content for DARE is organized into seventeen 45- to 60-minute lessons to be taught by a law enforcement officer with suggested extended activities to be integrated into other instruction by the classroom teacher. A specially trained officer is assigned to the school one day a

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Gina Lampasona, essay winner and Dana Alexa, poster winner



Allison Huffsmith, reading her winning essay.



Essay winner Shivani Patel.



Poster winner Andrea Lazarito.





Poster winner Chris Smith.



Essay winner Erica Linick.



Mike Sopko receiving congratulations.







Grade Roosevelt Fifth DARE Graduates

Mrs. Decker-Frederickson—Dana Alexa, Ashley Alvarado, Jennifer Capparelli, Brooke DeNitzio, Timothy Durnak, Timothy Gaughan, Danielle Heilmann, Nabia Khan, Gina Lampasona, Christina Maher, Angel Mera, John Mills III, Diana Nasar, Lauren O'Day, Brendan O'Shea, Dora Orellana, Gopi Patel, Rinkalben Patel, Joseph Ragno, Jacob Rosocha, Rachel Senz, Christopher Spayder, Christopher Steger, Brandon Ullom and Katie Jean Zacek.

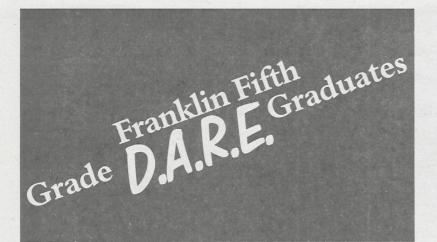


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Julia Zappi reads her winning essay as Officer Allen LaMonda listens.

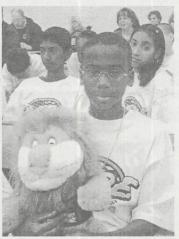


Essay winner William Smith.









Poster winner Chris Ward.







Elizabeth Diamant essay and poster winner in Ms. Sosnak's class.



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Kristin Billich poster winner and Taylor Kurilew essay winner in Mr. Montemurro's class.





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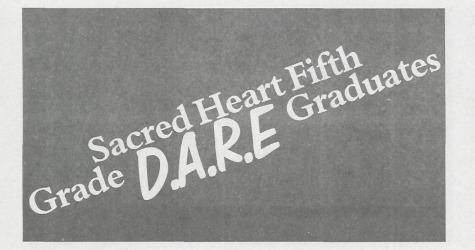
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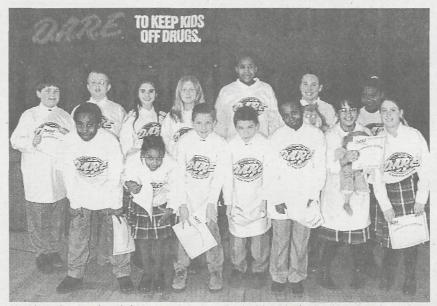


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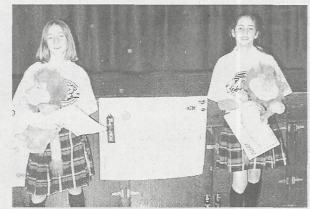


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Student class representatives Allison Whitefleet and Stephanie Penny present a thank you gift to Police Officers Allen LaMonda and Joe Pappa from the Sacred Heart fifth grade students.





Essay winner Megan McHugh and poster winner Camille Romano



D.A.R.E. program from Sacred Heart.





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Nicole Brooks, poster winner, and Vinnie Padula, essay winner from Mrs. Elster's class



Peter Adorna, poster winner, and Ashley Peterson, essay winner, from Mrs. Gaffney's class.

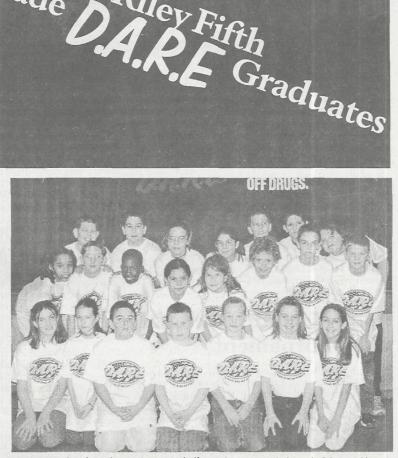


Meghan Toolan, essay winner, and Ryan Bunting, poster winner, from Mrs. Sottitiou's class.





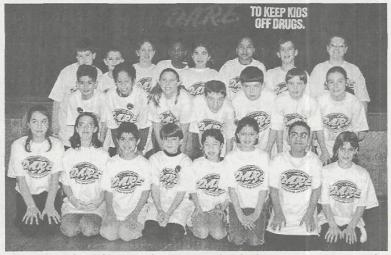




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# **RECREATION WRESTLING**

# **Recreation Wrestlers Slam Middlesex 72-12**

### By Bob Hunter

South Plainfield Recreation Wrestlers continued the winning ways with a 72-12 win over Middlesex. Tyler Hunt (50), got the crowd going with an exciting 4-3 decision over Josh Biederman.

The Tigers then lost the next two match's and were trailing in the match 9-3, when Robert Gentile (60), gave the Tigers the spark they needed by pinning Tony Dispenziere at 1:39 to tie the score at 9-9. Nick Heilmann (63), won a tough 6-5 decision over Eric Norgard. Patrick Hunter (67), wasted little time scoring the fail at 1:08 over Justin Wookham. John Wylam (70), got early back points and won a 3-1 decision over Matt Madjeski. Tim Gaughan (73), faced Bill Dessino and won a 7-1 decision.

Billy Ashnault (77), pinned Jake Perez at 1:16. Bryan Hunt (80), followed with a pin over Chris Chambergo at 1:52. Nick Dorey (85), scored a reversal in the third period and then the fall over Jerome Lzlery with two seconds left. Sam Martin (90), Mark Wagner (95), and Brad Martin

Three Claim Titles at Mat Rat Tournament

Five South Plainfield Recreation Wrestlers claimed medals this past weekend at the 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Mat Rat Midget Wrestling Tournament in Old Bridge. Mike Wagner (72) Bantam, claimed the first Tiger championship when he pinned Charles Yonchiuck of East Brunswick at 1:26. In the semi finals he pinned Jeff Grossman of Marlboro at 1:57. Nick Pauls Midget (53), won his opening match by fall at 1:28 over Brian McNutly of North Brunswick. Pauls lost his semi final match, but came back strong to win 7-5 in OT over Mat Polusso of Monroe for third place. Patrick Hunter Midget (63), won his semi final match by tech fall 16-0 over James Hayes of Old Bridge at 1:28. In the finals he won by major decision 18-6 over Darrin White of South Brunswick for the second

Tiger championship. Joe Gonzalez Midget (64) won

his first match, but lost his semi final match 8-2 and his consolation match 7-3 for fourth place. In the Junior division Robert Gentile (57) won his opening match by tech fall 16-1 over Chris Belfi of North Brunswick at 2:15. He lost his semi final match but came on strong in the consolation round by winning by tech fall 15-0 over Justin Valentino of Old Bridge at 2:17 for third place. Mark Wagner Junior (84) won his opening round by fall at 1:52 over Jimmy Gibbons of Monroe. In the semi finals he only needed 45 seconds to pin Brian Nesi of Metuchen. In the finals Wagner won by major decision 10-1 over Scott Danielson of Sayerville for the third Tiger championship of the day. (102), all won by forfeit. Danny Pompilio (110), pinned Ryan Little at 1:23. Rocco Petriello, heavyweight, down 2-1 got a third period takedown and the fail over Bobby Wagner at 2:08.

Also wrestling were Jeff Conroy (53), and Ryan Sacco (57).

# Novice Wrestlers Claim 13 Medals

South Plainfield wrestling fans will be happy to know that the recreation program has a lot of talent coming up to fill the ranks. Fourteen novice wrestlers (1 & 2 years experience) competed in the annual. Middlesex Novice Wrestling Tournament and came home with 12 overall medals. In the Pee Wee division Anthony Ashnault (36) claimed the title by winning his final by major decision 12-3. Also placing in the Pee Wee division were: Andrew Sanchez (44) fourth place, Ryan MarCoux (53) fourth place, Ryan Hughes (60) third place, Shawn Gorman (69) third place.

In the Bantam division Kyle Pompilio (55), claimed the title with a 3-1 decision giving the Tigers their second champion. Also placing were Ryan Billich (60) third place, Jimmy Gorman (75) third place, Jake Smithline (70) lost by decision in his final for second place. Rocco Severini (84) fifth-sixth and Robert Morelra (hwt) fourth place.

Morelra (hwt) fourth place. Also winning matchs but not placing were Dylan Dorey (51) and Austin Jenkin (57).

# Middle School Wrestlers Keep Rolling Along

**RECREATION WRESTLING** 

### By George D'Alessandro

South Plainfield Middle School wrestlers upped their record to 15-1 and remained unbeaten in head to head league matches. After beating Phillipsburg for the second straight year, the middle school team steamrolled past Randolph 78-12, Rahway 51-24, Hillsborough 58-16 and Roselle Park 42-18 and capping off their run with an 85-0 roust of South River.

Boasting one of the most balanced lineup in recent years, the team has had only one serious challenge in their 15 wins. Leading the way for the Middle School were eighth graders, Anthony Costante, Paul Ritchie, Peter De Andrea, Kyle Bostick, Rob Masticle and Jeff Toolan. These six were a combined 25-1.

Seventh graders Jimmy Conroy, Matt D'Alessandro, Nick Curcio, Anthony Niemczyk, Jomar Beverly, Kevin Crilley and Anthony Fierro also did very well, combining for a 16-8 record over the same time period. The sixth grade class, which has proven to be one of the strongest and deepest in recent years, has made the light weights very formidable for this team. Lead by Robert Gentile, Billy Ashnault, Nick Dorey, Bryan Hunt, Mike Jakubik, and Sam Martin, these six combined for a record of 16-1.

The Middle School wrestlers also fared well in the Roselle Park Tournament. Putting nine wrestlers in the finals, the team was lead by Jimmy Conroy and Kevin Crilley, who took first place in their respective weight classes.

Eighth graders, Kyle Bostick and Rob Mastcle took second place along with Jomar Beverly, Robert Gentile, Billy Ashnault, Nick Dorey and Justin Huffsmith. Anthony Costante and Shawn Mc Carthy took home fourth place finishes.

Also winning matches but not placing in the tournament were Greg Yefko, Bryan Hunt, Peter De Andrea, Paul Ritchie, Sam Martin, and Anthony Niemczyk.

# 2001 Golden Gloves Coming to So. Plainfield High School

The 2001 Golden Glove Quarter finals will be held on March 31 at South Plainfield High School on Lake Street. Last year this event drew such a large crowd at the Middle School that is was moved this year to the High School, which has a larger gym area. The event is sponsored by the South Plainfield PBA and SPHS Athletic Boosters Club.

All bouts are sanctioned by the New Jersey Association of USA

Boxing, Inc.

Doors open at 7 p.m. and bouts will start at 8 p.m.

General admission is \$8. A Special Ringside ticket may also be purchased at a cost of \$75 and includes dinner at Cafe Piancone, starting at 5 p.m. For tickets or reservations, call

For tickets or reservations, call 226-7662 or 561-0649.

Tickets can also be purchased at Sal's Spirit Shoppe, Durham Deli, and the PAL Building.

Tigers Win Over High Point, Now 11-1

# By Bob Hunter

After big wins over Livingston 46-23, Watchung 54-12, South River 55-9 and Piscataway 59-12, the Tigers looked for a challenge from High Point who are the fourth ranked Group III school in the state. That however was not the case.

TIGER WRESTLING NEWS

The Tigers, who came out

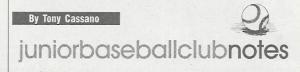
ready to wrestle, did not lose a match until they forfeited at heavyweight. Dan DeAndrea 103, got the Tigers going with a fall over A. Paluzzi at 3:10. Rich Gebauer 112, then scored a tech fall over D. Swartz 15-0 at 4:46. Rick Ringel 119, held off a late surge by B. Veltri to win a 9-7 decision. Matt Anderson 125 then faced state qualifier K. Hunsicker and took early control and went on to win 9-2.

Roberto Ramos 130, scored a major decision 13-4 over D. Russel. Matt Gati 135, in a wild and exciting match with S. Perdisatt, won a 14-10 decision. Scott Doerr 140, pinned T. Pagliara at 0:32. Glenn Gross 145, then scored a tech fall at 4:33 17-2 over D. Pelt.

Mike Buteas 152, won his third match in a row with an 8-3 decision over M. Perry. Steve Johnston 160, faced J. Maciag and won a tough 4-3 decision. Joe DeBiase 171, took early control over Joe Fricchione and won a 4-2 decision.

High Point then forfeited against John Foscolo 189. Ryan Elliott 215, scored the first takedown over S. Wesolowski and cruised to a 7-3 decision. The Tigers forfeited heavyweight, with the final score South Plainfield 53 High Point 6. The ninth ranked Tigers are now 11-1 on the season.

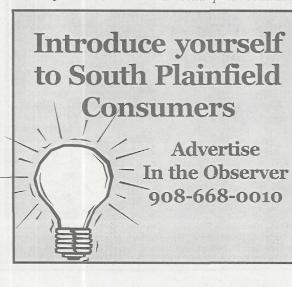
This weekend the Tigers will defend their GMC County title when the County Tournament starts on Friday night at Piscataway High School.



**OUR NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED** monthly meeting will be held this upcoming Monday, Feb. 5 at 7:30 p.m. We are only two months away from Opening Day (Saturday, April 7) and we have a lot to do as we prepare for the 2001 season. Volunteers are still needed for several committees. Current and new members are welcomed. We encourage you to attend and participate.

**WOMAN AUXILIARY MEETING**—Thursday, Fcb 8 at 7:30. The next scheduled Woman Auxiliary meeting is set for the first Thursday in February, Fcb. 8 at 7:30 at the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club (SPJBC) Clubhouse. The meetings are open and volunteers are needed and always welcomed. For any further details or information, please call Stacy Lake President at 908-757-9531.

**FEBRUARY COACHES CLINIC**—Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 7:30 P.M.—This months 'free' Coaches Clinic is set for Tuesday, Feb. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at the SPJBC Clubhouse. Topics to be discussed are practice organization, coaching fundamentals, hitting, pitching, fielding and catching. Attendance will be kept. Any past managers and assistant managers or any new individuals interested in coaching this year at the SPJBC are welcome.



BOWLING

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# Ed Niemczyk's Youth Basketball League

Over 400 boys and girls, ages 7-14 in four groups, participate in this Recreation Youth Basketball League. Forty-eight teams play every Saturday in the Middle School and PAL building, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.

# Results from January 27 games.

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Celtics	David Alston
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# Lady Tigers Unbeaten Streak Broken by Colonia

Despite Melissa Jamiesons' games of 191 and 221 and 575 high set and Sabina Montanero's games of 197 and 191 and 554 high set, the girls bowling team was knocked off from the unbeaten ranks when they could not keep up with the hot shooting Patriots of Colonia. The Tigers tried to settle for a tie, but Colonia eked out a six pin victory in the first game and a four pin edge in the finale. The loss dropped the Lady Tigers to 15-1-1

# No. 1 State Team Stops **Boys Bowling Team**

The Boys Bowling Team bowled well, but was over-matched by the state's number one team, as they absorbed a three game sweep. Ray Tomei's games of 207 and 215 for a 588 set, led the Tigers in the upset bid. Chipping in were Paul Larisch with games of 196 and 191, Eric Gaub's 244 game and Rishi Ramgobin games of 183 and 187. The boys record stands at 10-5.

### Lady Tigers Rebound in "Must" Win Over Middlesex

With Melissa Jamieson sidelined, Sabina Montenaro picked up the slack as the Girls Bowling Team cruised to a shutout victory over Middlesex. Sabina's 213 high game and 528 set received sup-port from Danielle Larisch with a 190 game, Meredith Cooper with a 165 and Vicky Boley, who bowled a 160. The Lady Tigers, with their 16-1-1 record, face rival Carteret in the Division Crown next.

# **Tiger Boys Upset** Middlesex Again

The Boys Bowling Team, 11-5, shutout a very good Middlesex squad by almost 200 pins. Paul Larisch led the Tigers as he fired games of 225 and 230 for a high 624 set. Ray Tomei bowled a 230 and Eric Gaub who bowled games of 223 and 190, for a 578 set, also bowled well. Chipping in were Jeff Smith with a 189 game and Jay Patel with a 186 game.

# Lady Tigers Crush Carteret To Win White **Division Championship**

The Girls Bowling Team faced once beaten Carteret in a showdown match to decide the White Division Championship. The Tigers, with accuracy, de-

termination and a solid team effort swept all three games in convincing fashion to claim the crown. Leading the way were Melissa Jamieson with games of 214 and 207, for a 602 set. Freshman Vicky Boley bowled a 245 high game and 566 set. Sabina Montenaro bowled games of 181 and 205, for a 518 set.

Also three solid games from

# Meredith Cooper and Rachel Feller with a 176, Kristen Herzog, with a 172 as the third seeded Ti-gers improved their record to 17-I-1 and prepare for the GMC Tournament action next week. Congratulations girls!

# **Tiger Boys Rip Carteret** by Almost 300 Pins

The Boys Bowling Team im-proved to 12-5 as they routed the Ramblers by almost 300 pins. Paul Larisch bowled games of 243 and 210, for a 620 set. Eric Gaub had games of 206 and 203, for a 601 set. Ray Tomei bowled games of 237 and 202 to lead the Tiger charge.

Chipping in were Jeff Smith with a 211, Rishi Ramgobin with a 165, Anthony Ingerto with a 155 and in his debut, Herry Patel, with a 143 games.

The Boys are the 11th seed in the coming GMC Tournament.

# Trip to World **Champion Yankees** Versus Red Sox

The South Plainfield Recreation department is sponsoring a trip to see the World Champion New York Yankees versus the Boston Red Socks on Wednesday, May 23. The bus leaves the PAL at 4:30 p.m. Cost is \$45 per person. Reg-ister at the PAL Building. Only 45 seats available



# Obituaries

# Frank W. Golembeske, 85

Frank W. Golembeske died on Thursday, Jan. 25 in Rahway Hospital.

Born in Paterson, he resided in Maplewood and Scotch Plains, before moving to South Plainfield 46 years ago.

Mr. Golembeske received his Mechanical Engineering Degree from NIT in Newark and along with his late wife, Connie, founded the Evergard Steel Corporation in Linden in 1961. He was the president and CEO.

He was an active member of Our Lady of Czestochowa Church in South Plainfield and had been a member of the St. Anthony Feast. He and his family ran some of the food stands for the feast, including the hamburger booth. He was presently serving as President of the Holy Name Society, was serving as an usher, a collector for the church and was also a member of the Rosary Society.

He was a Third and Fourth Degree member of the South Plainfield Knights of Columbus Council #6203, where he was also serving as Admiral. Frank was also a member of the Bishop Charles P. Greco Assembly #2147. He served in the United States

Navy during WWII and was an accomplished sailor. He and his wife loved to travel and they traveled to many parts of the world.

His wife, Connie C. Golembeske, died in July of 2000.

Surviving are four daughters, Leslie Curley, of Mass., Catherine Smith and Connie Macellara, both of South Plainfield and Tracey Golembeske of Scotch Plains; five sis ters, Madeline Knonpka, Lucille Poplawski, Helen Parsons, Elizabeth Brackon and Ida Mae Perry; two brothers, Robert and Sonny Golembeske. Also surviving are his grandchildren, Adam, Jenna and Chelsea Smith, and Catherine, Ned and Laura Curley. Funeral services were held at the

McCriskin Home For Funerals. Memorial contributions in his

memory may be made to the South

Plainfield Knights of Columbus Council #6203, PO Box 184, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080. Susan Frances (Toner)

# Kirchofer, 87 Susan Frances (Toner) Kirchofer

died on Saturday, Jan. 27. Born in Cooktown, County Tyrone, Ireland, she sailed to the United States with her mother and sister at the age of three to meet her father in Tarrytown, NY. They resided

in Elizabeth and settled in Roselle. She began her nursing career at Bonnie Burn in 1932. She gradu-ated from the NJ Practical School of Nursing in Berkley Heights in 1935. After her graduation, she continued to work at Bonnie Burn until she married in 1942. She lived in Scotch Plains until 1948, settling in Plainfield before moving to South Plainfield in 1967, where she resided until her husband's death in 1976. Mrs. Kirchofer then moved south

to Brick for 15 years, before returning to the Cedarbrook Apartments in Plainfield.

She had also been employed as a nurse for Abbott Manor Nursing Home in Plainfield. She was a member of the former Ancient Order of the Hibernian's of Plainfield, an active and past president of the Jefferson School PTA, a cub scout den mother for Jefferson School and the South Plainfield VFW Memorial Post #6763 Ladies Auxiliary. She was predeceased by her hus-

band, William A. Kirchofer, who was a partner in the former Maple Bar & Restaurant of South Plainfield and her two sisters, Theresa Young and Mary Ellen Callahan.

Surviving are her daughter, Susan V. Kirchofer of San Clemente, Calif., her daughter and son-in-law, Patricia and Thomas J. Wyckoff and her son and daughter-in-law, William A. Jr. and Geraldine Kirchofer, all of South Plainfield; a brother, Gerald Toner of Roselle, two grandchildren, Robert Gaydos of South Plainfield and Mary Hawkins of Kingswood and two great grandchildren, Holly S. and Erica M. Hornick.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

# Vincent Maglio Donates \$1.5M to St. Joes

Continued from page 3 achieve his potential. He was a member of the school's track team for four years. Described as a prolific shot putter in his senior year, he capped his track career with a win and a meet record at the NJ Catholic Conference Championship with a throw of 58'9 <sup>1</sup>/4". Even today the 35-year-old record would place him in the top five in the state.

After graduating, Vincent earned a degree in accounting. A stint in the military ended in 1973, and he joined A. J. Maglio Company as an electri-cal estimator and worked his way up to president by 1985. In 1986 he founded the Maintech Corporation, which specialized in the outsourcing of mechanical and electrical maintenance services for mission critical environments. The company quickly became the only mechanical/electrical service worldwide to be "ISO 9002" certified. In 1997, he sold Maintech and retired to Florida where he remains a trustee on several corporate boards.

When asked what it was about St. Joe's that remained with him for 35 years and prompted his gift, Vincent replied, "What makes St. Joe's special is the ability to take an ordinary student and mold that boy into an extraordinary man. The school and



faculty focus their efforts on the process not the results. The teachers promote the fundamentals; hard work, education, morals and participation. These values are necessary for us to achieve our potential as human beings in every phase of our lives. Success is measured in how much you improve, not what place you come in. Competition is internal and used as a motivational tool not a yard stick."

Memories of St. Joe's are about the Brothers of the Sacred Heart as "car-ing and very committed men." His high school days were a peaceful time, where the school and the Brothers were "...nurturing, and supportive, providing structure to my life with

great ease at a time when I needed it. These lessons have carried over to ev-ery facet of my life." Vincent described St. Joe's as "The school of choice for young men in central NJ. I want to sustain the traditions of the Brothers of the Scared Heart, who had such a profound influence on my life and the lives of so many others My hope is that St. Joseph's continues to provide an environment where young boys can grow into young men with the character, fortitude and knowledge necessary to not only pursue but accomplish their dreams

He concluded with a simple, but heartfelt sentiment. Referring to his gift Vincent said, "I am grateful for the experience and humbled by them for letting me participate in the future of so many other young men." In recognition of his generosity and dedication to St. Joseph High School, the new athletic complex will be named in his honor.

An additional substantial gift was made by Steven J. Pozycki, class of 1969, who donated \$1 million to the campaign. The funds will help build three new science laboratories, two lecture classrooms, an athletic com-plex, a new library and media center, all featuring state of the art equipment and technology. Ground breaking is scheduled for April of this year.

### Elks are an Sponsoring Essay Contest

The 'Why I Am Proud To Be An American,' Essay Contest, sponsored by the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, is underway. The South Plainfield Elks Lodge

are accepting the essays and choosing a local winner, which will be forwarded to the grand lodge for final judging

· Eligible participants must be U.S. citizens or legal permanent resi-dents of this country, enrolled in the fifth, sixth, seventh or eighth grades at the time of the contest.

Essay may not exceed 150 words, must be typed or legibly printed in ink. One must have participant's name, grade, social security number, school they are attending and sponsoring Elks Lodge on it.

You must turn in your essay to the Elks Lodge, on New Market Ave. Division 1, which includes fifth and

sixth graders, first place wins a \$500 bond; second place a \$300 bond and third place a \$200 bond.

Division 2, which includes the seventh and eighth graders, first place

# **RESOLVE** of New Jersey **Presents Adoption Day**

RESOLVE of New Jersey will present an Adoption Day on Sunday, Feb. 11 at the Olde Mill Inn in Basking Ridge. This half-day seminar, running from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., is de-signed to provide a wealth of infor-mation to those who are considering or have made the commitment to building their family through adoption. Participants will be given an opportunity to learn about the different pathways to adopt including over-views of domestic and international processes as well as exploring the emotional aspects of bringing an adoptive child into the home. Meet informally at the exhibitor fair with adoption professionals, attorneys and mental health experts from all over New Jersey who will provide pertinent and accurate information on current adoption issues.

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dealing with infertility. To register for the seminar, please call our toll-free number, 888-RNJ-2810 x5 and leave your name, address, phone number and how many people will be attend-ing. Registration fees begin at \$20 for RESOLVE members and \$25 for non-members and includes a continental breakfast, afternoon snack, resource packet and entrance to the exhibit hall. Walk-ins are welcome the day of the event for an additional \$10 fee. For a seminar syllabus and discounted registration options, please

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wins a \$500 bond; second place a \$300 bond and third place a \$200 bond.

The South Plainfield Elks will be giving a \$100 bond to each division winner.

Essays should be presented to South Plainfield Elks on New Mar-ket Ave. on or before Feb 12, 2001, attn: Dan Uken.

# **Pop Warner** Football and Cheerleading Registrations Pop Warner has announced that

registration will take place for both football and cheerleaders at the Eagles Fieldhouse on Kenneth Ave., (across from the recycling area). Rooster sizes are limited, so make sure you register

early. There will be no waiting list. Registration is open to all South Plainfield children ages 5 to 14 (by Aug. 1). Coaches are welcome. A reg-istration fee is due at sign up.

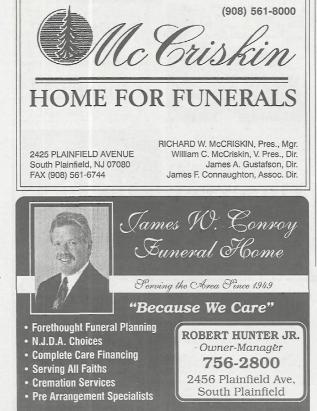
Register on Friday, Feb. 2 from 6 to 8 p.m., Sat. Feb. 3 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon and March 2 from 6 to 8 p.m.; Saturday, March 3 from 10 a.m. to 12 noon.

# **Community Pool Memberships Rates Remain the Same**

*Early Specials Until April 15* Rates at the South Plainfield Community Pool will remain the same in 2001 as last year, according to an ordinance introduced at last months council meeting.

Once again thi	s year there will be early bird	rates in effect until April 15.
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Group	On or before 4/15	After 4/15
Family	\$250 plus 10 free	passes \$280
Family/FT child o	care \$305 plus 10 free	passes \$335
Husband and Wi	fe \$195 plus 10 free	passes \$225
Individual	\$140 plus 10 free	passes \$170
Individual/family	\$ 70	\$100
Single Parent Fan	nily \$220 plus 10 free	passes \$250
Senior Citizen	\$ 50 plus 10 free p	basses \$ 60
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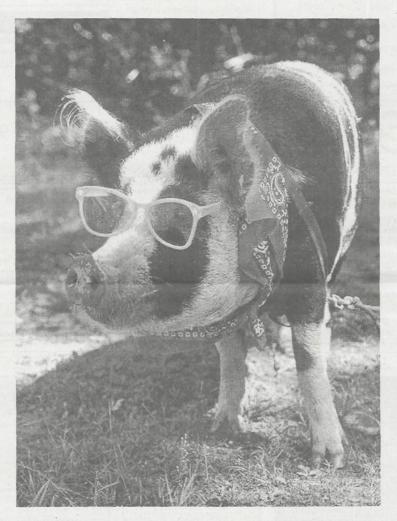
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