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SPHS Traveling Cheerleaders take first place in competition - See page 8 for story and photos.

Heavy Storm Warnings Cancel Referendum Vote, Council Agenda Meeting

All during the weekend weatherman warned that a winter nor'easter was poised to slam the area on Monday and Tuesday, with snow estimates as high as two feet. Board of Education President Frank Mikorski and Superintendent of Schools Guy Ferri listened to the reports and began asking what would happen to the March 6 school referendum vote.

Two elections commissioners were contacted, Bob Reck and Matt Vaughan, and the possibility of cancelling the election was discussed. On Monday, Judge Yolonda Cicconi ordered that the election be cancelled. The threat of heavy snow and the staffing of the election polling places were all considerations.

The Council also postponed their agenda meeting until Thursday night at 7 p.m., immediately

prior to the regular Council meeting. The presentation of the new Senior Center plans were also rescheduled for Thursday evening.

By Tuesday morning, only a few inches of snow were on the ground, and the heavy storm warnings were lifted. But the vote had already been cancelled.

At the School Board meeting on Tuesday evening, the board brought up rescheduling of the referendum. They are considering three dates, March 17, April 17 and dates between May 8 and 15. The April 17 date seems to be the most popular choice. Regular school board elections will be held on that date. It would save the board almost \$30,000 to put the referendum on the ballot along with the school budget and board candidates. The will make a decision in the next few weeks.

Dr. John Krewer Named New Superintendent of Schools



Dr. John Krewer

At a special meeting held on Tuesday night, the Board of Education named Dr. John Krewer to head the South Plainfield School District for the next four years at a salary of \$128,390. His appointment begins on April 15.

In order to name a new superintendent, the position must be vacant. Therefore, Guy Ferri, who announced that he intended to retire at the end of this school year, resigned and was named Deputy Superintendent of Schools. He will remain to assist with the transition.

Board member Sue Peck voted no on the resignation of Ferri. She objected to paying two high salaries. Other board members disagreed. The vote was 6-1. Steve Bohn and Jeffrey Seider were absent. The vote for the new superintendent was 6-0-2. Both Steve Bohn and Sue Peck abstained. They both emphasized that they were not voting against Krewer's appointment, but the manner the contract had been drawn up.

Nominees Sought for Hall of Fame

The South Plainfield Hall of Fame Committee is beginning their search for candidates for induction into the Hall of Fame.

The Hall of Fame was established at SPHS to recognize outstanding graduates who are leaders in their fields and could serve as role models for current and future graduates.

To be eligible, all Hall of Fame candidates must have graduated South Plainfield High School at least 15 years prior to nomination, and they must have achieved a prominent position in their careers or made a significant contribution to the world/community. Also eligible are those who graduated from a designated high school for South Plainfield students prior to 1957.

Selected candidates will be honored at a luncheon and inducted into the Hall of Fame at the High School's Academic Awards Program in June. The nominees will have their photographs and biographies displayed on a "Hall of Fame" at the high school.

The selection committee is comprised of one Board of Education member, two high school administrators, one high school faculty member, one PTA member and four community members.

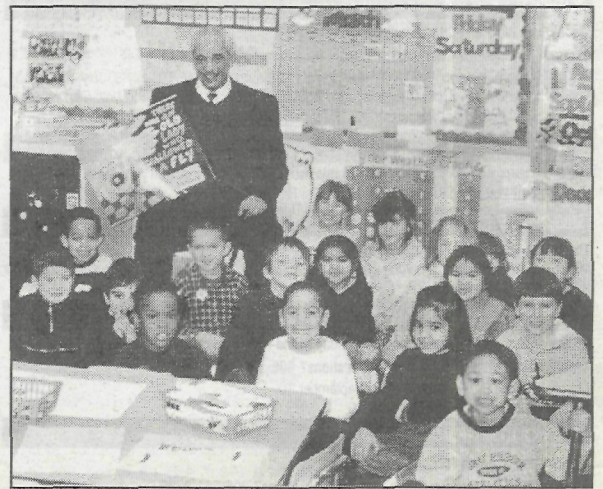
Community members interested in obtaining a nomination form should call Mr. Massaro at (908) 754-4620. The application deadline is April 6, 2001.

Former Police Chief Named Chair for Annual Art Auction

Former Police Chief Steven Merkle was named honorary chairperson for South Plainfield Vision 2001 Education Foundation's Sixth Annual Art Auction. The event will be held on Friday, Apr. 20, at 7 p.m. in the South Plainfield High School Cafeteria.

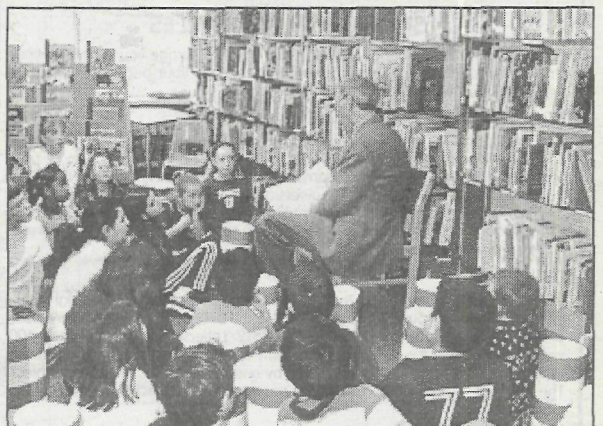
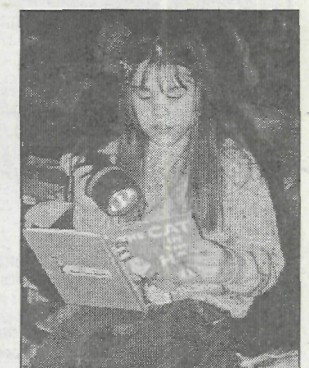
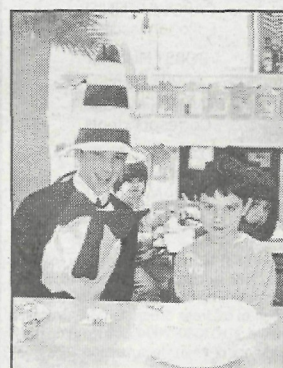
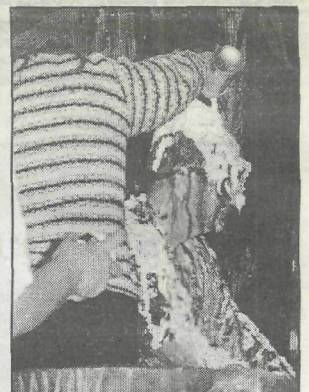
Vision 2001 seeks to recognize residents who have had a positive impact on the children of South Plainfield and felt that Chief Merkle's service to South Plainfield has had such impact.

Previous Honorary Chairpersons are James Curcio from the Recreation Department; Sergeant John Alles from DARE; Girl Scouts Co-Community Manager Arlene M. Kelley; Thomas McCreech from Junior Baseball and Georgeann DiGrazia, who has supported many student activities, including the high school's Gold Card program.



Read Across America

Read Across America, observed each year on the birthday of Dr. Seuss, Theodore Geisel, was March 2. South Plainfield schools celebrated in a variety of ways, but reading was the theme of the festivities. (See more photos and story on pages 6 and 7).



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council meetings

Meets twice a month on the first and third Thursday.

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

AGENDA MEETING PUBLIC MEETING

Monday, March 5 Thursday, March 8

Monday, March 19 Thursday, March 22

Monday, April 2 Thursday, April 5

Monday, April 16 Thursday, April 19

Monday, May 7 Thursday, May 10-All meetings of the Governing Body are held in accordance with New Jersey Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 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

March 13, March 27, April 10, April 24, May 8, 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).

zoning board of adjustment

Meets first, third and fifth Tuesday of the month

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

March 20, April 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.

site place sub-committee

The fourth Thursday of the month as follows:

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

recreation commission

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

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

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

board of education meetings

Grant School Gymnasium on Cromwell Place unless otherwise noted

Committee of the Whole, Mar. 13, 7 p.m., Regular Board Mtg., Mar. 20, 8 p.m.

Formal Budget Hearing, Tuesday, March 27, 2001

Committee of the Whole, Apr. 3, 7 p.m., Regular Board Mtg., Apr. 10, 8 p.m.

business advisory group

Meets once a month (first Wednesday)

Borough Hall Council Chambers, 5 p.m. • Questions? 908-757-8100

traffic safety advisory commission

Meetings, held at 7:00 p.m. in the Conference Room, Borough Hall

Mar. 28, Apr. 25, May 23, June 27, July 25, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28 and Dec. 26.

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In My Opinion

Dear Editor:

My name is Nicholas Jefferys, I was a member of the South Plainfield Pop Warner Eagle Football team since I was five years old. This was my final year with the program and I am pleased to say that I ended my time with Pop Warner with an undefeated team.

First I would like to thank all of the coaches, assistant coaches and parent volunteers who helped make my nine years in the program years of learning and fun. Without all of the volunteer time donated the football players and cheerleaders would not have a program at all. Many hours are donated away from their families to help us become more than good football players, but teaching us discipline and good sportsmanship.

This year, though, our parent volunteers went above and beyond, we had a record season and they felt it should be celebrated in some way. Our parent volunteers set to work to commemorate our success with a celebration. A group of parents set out to fundraiser and plan a really nice dinner and each player was given a leather and wool 'varsity like' jacket. Most people in town have probably noticed them, since we haven't taken them off since we received them! They proudly announce our record of 8-0 for the season.

I would like to thank all those who made this possible: Joseph DeAndrea Architect, Haisch's Bakery, Park Travel, ECI Communication Corp., Sportsworld, J&L Auto, The South Plainfield PBA Local 100, The South Plainfield PAL, The Knights of Columbus, Buy Rite Liquors (Park & Oak Tree), John Cottone, The one Stop Barber Shop, GAR Equipment, Sherban's Diner, Patrick Diagnan Attorney, The South Plainfield Democratic Organization, Stilo Excavating, Voortman Cookies, Pathmark, John & Janet George, John Atchunas Insurance, John Cecchetti Insurance, Power Solutions, Sal's Spirit Shop, DMC Squared (Degussa Huls), Absolute Fire Protection, The South Plainfield Golf Association, and Transworld System.

I would also like to thank the parents who worked so hard to make this

all happen, we had a great night celebrating our success and I know I speak for my team mates in saying THANK YOU! You made us feel special!

Mrs. Toolan, Mr. and Mrs. Ceaser, Mr. and Mrs. Kenny, Mr. Beverly, Mr. and Mrs. Agrillo, Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Merkle, Mr. and Mrs. Pedersen. Last but not least to our coaches Coach Gene Bastille, Coach Eugene Green, Coach Ray Diaz, Coach Dan Kenny and the Pop Warner organization, Mrs. Carolyn Parisi, Mr. and Mrs. Prendergast, Mrs. Doreen Darr, Mr. Ken Martin, and Mr. Bob Jenkins.

There are many past coaches who deserve a thank you for helping us build the foundation that helped us become a winning Midget squad, to all our past coaches thank you!

SINCERELY,
NICHOLAS JEFFERYS

Dear Editor:

On Friday, Feb. 23, John E. Riley School's Fourth Grade hosted a Pasta Dinner. The event was a tremendous success. As a result, we were able to raise the balance of funds needed for their trip to Stokes State Forest. We have many people and local businesses to thank.

The major reason this dinner was such a financial success is due to Mr. Robert Boyle, fourth grade parent at Riley School and Vice President at Roma Foods. Roma Foods graciously donated the majority of items needed to accomplish this task from paper products to meatballs. The food was delicious and plentiful. Sherban's Diner provided additional food and condiments to complete our menu. Sal's Spirit Shoppe supplied the ice for our beverages. These generous donations allowed our committee to keep costs to a bare minimum thus maximizing the profits for our students. CVS and BJ's Wholesale Club donated items to be raffled for door

prizes. In addition, several local businesses made a sizable cash donation to our cause. They included Century 21 Moretti Realty, McCrisky's Funeral Home and Thatcher & Lanza, Attorneys at Law. Our local newspapers and merchants publicized the event. We are grateful to each and every benefactor.

The other reason this event proved so successful was due to fourth grade parent/student/teacher involvement. Each class was asked to donate beverages and desserts. Every student and his/her parent were asked to sign up to work an hour and a half shift. Each fourth grade teacher kept the class informed and motivated for the event. Parents staffed the kitchen and students worked the floor to make the evening go smoothly. The parents who volunteered their time and energy to organize the event are to be commended. A special thanks to Thom Lanza for chairing the committee and to Mrs. Severini for her special touch in the kitchen.

Of course, no event is successful without the support from our patrons. I'd like to thank everyone from the Riley School community to the greater South Plainfield community for joining us for dinner. We hope you enjoyed your meal. It was our pleasure to serve you!

IN APPRECIATION,
DEANNA FREDERICKS,
CHAIRPERSON

Last Chance to Submit Theme for Labor Day Parade

South Plainfield students can still submit a theme for this years 44th Annual Labor Day Parade to the Parade Celebrations Committee.

This year also marks the 75th Anniversary of South Plainfield.

The winning entry will receive \$100 in cash.

The contest is open to all school students grades 1 through 12. Only South Plainfield residents are eligible.

The winning theme will be chosen by members the Public Celebrations Committee and their decision will be final. The deadline for submission is March 8, 2001.

Submit your entries to South Plainfield Public Celebrations Committee, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield 07080.

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.

Corrections

In last week's issue of the Observer, we omitted the name of Pat DeSantis when listing the names of those who are running for Board of Education seats. DeSantis has served as a member of the Board. She decided not to run last year when her term expired, saying she would return to the board, and indeed she has decided to run again.

When listing Vinnie Buttiglieri's qualifications for Municipal Clerk, we stated that he was certified and registered. Buttiglieri is registered, but not certified. Former Deputy Clerk Mary Blue is both certified and registered.

In the caption on page one, we did not capitalize the word Bible.

We regret these errors.

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Milestones



Salvatore and Doris Esposito

Esposito's Celebrate 50th Anniversary

Salvatore and Doris Esposito celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary recently.

The couple were married at St. Vincent De Paul Church in Stirling, New Jersey on January 27, 1951.

The former Doris Jackson lived in Rahway and Salvatore Esposito is from Clark. They have resided in South Plainfield for the past 50 years.

The Esposito's have four children, Sally Ann, Joseph, Sal and Charles. They also have nine grandchildren, Christine, Peggy, Andrew, Kevin, Nicole, Laura, Jessica Sal, Jr. and Jacob.

The 50th anniversary celebration took place at a dinner party at Michael Anthony's Restaurant in South Plainfield.

Liz Nguyen Named To Honor Roll

Headmaster John Neiswender of The Pingry School has announced that South Plainfield resident Liz Nguyen, grade 10, was recently appointed to the Honor Roll. This recognition is given to those students who have achieved an academic average of B+ or better.

Liz Nguyen is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tan Nguyen, of South Plainfield.

The Pingry School, with a Lower

School campus in Short Hills (K-6) and an Upper School campus in Martinsville (7-12), currently enrolls 1,011 students from 12 New Jersey counties and more than 90 communities.

Founded in 1861 in Elizabeth, NJ by Dr. John F. Pingry, the school is nationally recognized for its academic excellence, sports programming, Honor Code, and universal concern for each student in the school.

Jonathan Ciampi Earns Eagle Scout Award

Jonathan Ciampi, of South Plainfield, was awarded the ranking of Eagle Scout, on February 26, at a Court of Honor Ceremony held at Riley School.

Jonathan and his mother, Joann, both received pins recognizing his Eagle Scout accomplishment. Councilmen Dennis Cerami and Jim Vokral presented a plaque signed by the mayor and council. Jonathan also received letters of congratulations from Rep. Robert Torrecelli, Rep. Mike Ferguson, New Jersey Governor DiFranco, Rep. John Lynch, Assemblyman Jerry Green, the Middlesex County Freeholders, the Boy Scouts of America and the Flint & Steel Organization. The Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) also presented a special plaque and he will be given the opportunity to apply for several scholarships.

Jonathan started his scouting in Pack 202 at Sacred Heart School where he attended grade school, and where he and his family are parishioners. He advanced in the ranks and



Jonathan Ciampi (left) with his mother, Joann, and (right) receiving a special certificate from Councilman Dennis Cerami on behalf of the mayor and council.



eventually earned the Arrow of Light, Cub Scouting's highest honor.

After joining Troop 124, Jonathan held the positions of Assistant Patrol Leader, Patrol Leader, Troop Guide, and is presently the Junior Assistant Scout Master. In addition, he attended Junior Leadership Training over the summer. He participated in many Boy Scout activities, helping the troop to be successful at camporees and at summer camp. Jonathan is also a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow.

For his Eagle Project, Jonathan organized an Easter food drive. Working with Mrs. Ackerman of the South Plainfield Welfare Department, he collected food from all of the schools, Cub Scout Packs, Boy Scout Troops, and two supermarkets. Jonathan led many scouts in the process of publicizing the food drive, collecting food, counting food, and delivering it to the food closer in Borough Hall. About 3,000 cans of food were collected.

Jonathan has also been active in school and other activities during his Boy Scout years. He was a member of the St. Joseph High School Track and Lacrosse teams in his freshman year. He currently participates in the Weightlifting, Creative Writing and Automotive Clubs. In addition to his sports activities, he has been recognized for his academic accomplishments by being inducted into the National Honor Society at his school.

Apart from his school activities, Jonathan has also participated as a member of a recreational bowling

league and works as a caddie for the Plainfield Country Club and a clerk for the A&P in South Plainfield. Jonathan will graduate in June, 2001 and plans to attend college.

Many young men have advanced to Scouting's highest rank and yet they total only about 1 1/4 percent of the millions of Scouts who have started off on the Eagle trail since 1910.

The rank of Eagle Scout is always respected, not only because a boy has earned 21 merit badges and acquired certain knowledge and skills, but because he has become familiar with the meaning of initiative, persistence, service and leadership. The Eagle badge has a deep influence on a boy during the years he is earning it and all the years of his life to come.

South Plainfield Rescue Squad Seeking New Volunteers

The South Plainfield Rescue Squad is seeking new volunteers.

No experience is necessary.

Training and uniforms are provided, free of charge. Start today, help save a life!

For information or to become a member, call (908) 754-2323.

AARP Chapter 4144 Changes Tax Counseling Site

Due to construction at the South Plainfield PAL Building, Chapter 4144 of AARP has moved its tax counseling site to the Senior Center at the corner of Hamilton Blvd. and South Plainfield Ave.

Trained volunteers will be available from 9 a.m. to 12 noon, Tuesday and Thursday, through April 12. No appointment is necessary. Please bring copies of last year's tax forms and all income records, real estate taxes, etc.

If you have completed your returns, the volunteers can review them before you file the returns.

SP Recycling Center to Start Spring Schedule

The South Plainfield Recycling drop-off on Kenneth Ave. will begin spring hours starting March 16. The Recycling Center will be open Tuesdays noon to 7 p.m., and on Fridays and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The Yard Waste Site will be open on Tuesdays from noon to 7 p.m. and on Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. Note that Yard Waste is not open on Fridays.

Yard Waste decals from last year are still valid and you do not need to get a new one. To get a decal, bring your vehicle registration to the Borough Clerk's office in the Municipal Building. Decals cannot be provided for vehicles with commercial plates.

For updates, call the Recycling Hotline at (908) 226-7620 or contact the Recycling Coordinator at atempel@southplainfieldnj.com.

Little Miss Baseball Finalists Announced

The finalists for Little Miss Baseball 2001 are Corey Black, Elizabeth Gratta and Kelly McCormick. Voting boxes with pictures are located at Ciccio's, Quick Check and B & C Deli. Voting is cast by the "penny-a-vote" system. The boxes will be collected and counted on March 30. The winner will be announced at Opening Day ceremonies at the baseball complex and receive a \$25 mall certificate from the Women's Auxiliary.

So, come on out and cast your vote for Little Miss Baseball 2001. If you have any questions, please call Stacy Lake at 757-9531.

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Events Around Town

Lenten Fish Dinners at Sacred Heart Church

March 9, 16, 23, 30; April 6

Back by popular demand, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul of the Sacred Heart Church in South Plainfield, will again be hosting their famous Lenten Fish Dinners on March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 and April 6.

Dinners will be served in the Sacred Heart School cafeteria, 149 So. Plainfield Ave., from 5 to 7 p.m.

The menu will feature fillet of fish (fried, broiled, parmigiana) or pizza, fresh garden salad, french fries or macaroni and cheese, cole slaw, coffee, tea or cold drink, plus dessert. Take out orders are also available.

Admission is \$8 for adults, \$7 for seniors and \$4 for children. Pay at the door.

Stations of the Cross will be held in the Church at 7 p.m.

'Hoops For Horne' Fundraiser Planned

March 9

"Hoops For Horne", a benefit basketball game sponsored by the SPMS PTA will be held on Friday, Mar. 9 at the Middle School Gym from 7 to 10 p.m., for the Robert Horne family. Robert Horne was injured in a work related accident, which resulted in him being paralyzed. The basketball extravaganza will feature the Cops vs. the Coaches: South Plainfield's Finest and Bravest against South Plainfield's Coaching Elite.

Tickets will be sold at the door and there will be some big ticket raffles. The cost is \$3 for adults and \$2 for students and children.

For more information, call 754-2692. This event is being sponsored by the SPMS PTA.

Auction/Raffle for Project Graduation is SOLD OUT

March 10

Thanks to the overwhelming demand, admission tickets to the South Plainfield High School Auction/Raffle have SOLD OUT.

There will be NO tickets sold at the door on Saturday, March 10. Refreshments will be sold.

For ticket holders, doors will open at 6 p.m. sharp!

Historical Society Meeting Next Tuesday

March 13

The South Plainfield Historical Society will hold their monthly meeting next Tuesday, March 13 at in the library at South Plainfield High School at 7:30 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

Elks Holding Annual St. Patrick's Dinner

March 17

The South Plainfield Elks Veterans Committee is sponsoring its annual all-you-can-eat corned beef and cabbage dinner, on Saturday, Mar. 17, from 4:30 to 9 p.m. Beverages are included. Cost is \$9.50 for adults and \$5 for children.

Franklin School PTA Hosts Annual Auction

March 24

The Franklin School PTA will be holding their Fifth Annual Auction/Raffle Night. The event will be held on Saturday, Mar. 24, at 6:30 p.m. in the South Plainfield High School Gym.

Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door. For tickets call (908) 753-7117 or (908) 753-2864.

For directions or more information, call (908) 668-9750.

Polish Home Sponsors Show Boat Casino Trip

March 18

Polish National Home's Scholarship Committee is sponsoring a bus trip to Show Boat Casino on Sunday, Mar. 18. Cost is \$17 per person with a \$16 coin return. Bus will leave Polish Home parking lot at 12 p.m. Please call Millie at (908) 757-3428 or Ann at (908) 561-6551 for reservations or questions.

AARP Sponsors Defensive Driving Course

March 20, 21

AARP Chapter #4144 is sponsoring 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 them 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.

Columbiettes To Host Lunch with Easter Bunny

April 1

The South Plainfield Columbiettes will host their second annual Lunch with the Easter Bunny, on Sunday, Apr. 1 at the K of C Hall, 334 Hamilton Blvd.

The luncheon will feature a hot and cold buffet. Doors open at 12:30 p.m. and the cost is \$10 per person.

All children seven and under will receive an Easter basket. There will be door prizes and the Easter Bunny will have gifts for all who attend.

Reservations must be made in advance by calling Mary Ann at (908) 226-1222. The deadline is Mar. 15.

Girl Scouts Sponsor Flea Market/Craft Show

April 7

South Plainfield Junior Girl Scout Troop #14 will be sponsoring a Flea Market/Craft Show on Saturday, Apr. 7, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The event will be held outside at J.F. Kennedy School, 2900 Norwood Ave.

Vendors are currently being sought. Spaces are being sold for \$20 and you will need to bring your own table and chairs. All proceeds from this event will go toward a troop trip this summer to Hershey Park.

For information or a vendor reservation form, contact Robyn at (908) 769-7395.

Recreation Dept. Announces Annual Easter Egg Hunt

April 7

The South Plainfield Recreation Department will hold their Annual Easter Egg Hunt, on Saturday, April 7, at 1 p.m.

All South Plainfield children, ages newborn to 9 years old, are invited to attend the hunt behind the PAL building. Harvey the Bunny will be present.

Business Asso. To Host Golf Outing

May 1

On Tuesday, May 1, the South Plainfield Business Association will host a golf outing, at the Cranbury Golf Club in West Windsor.

The event will include green fees and cart, continental breakfast, open bar, BBQ luncheon, and prizes.

For additional information, contact Bob Longo at (908) 753-7004.

Rec Announces Trip to Papermill Playhouse

May 9

The South Plainfield Recreation Department is sponsoring 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.

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.

Multi-Class Reunion Planned

May, 2001

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 Birthday" 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 *multi-class* reunion appealing. It offers an excellent way to renew old friendships. Some classes lack reunion coordinators, sufficient number of alumni or both.

In view of this interest, the Class of 1969 is inviting all SPHS alumni. The 60's Boardwalk theme will celebrate all those who once walked the halls of South Plainfield High 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@cpix.neto

Trip to Cape Cod, Taking Reservations

September 10-14

The PAL 5-day, 4-night trip to Cape Cod has 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 night accommodations, four breakfasts, four dinners, including 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 Cruisean evening of entertainment, a welcome reception, baggage handling, all taxes and standard gratuities. A visit to Foxwoods Casino enroute home, and motorcoach transportation will all also be included in this trip.

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

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events

Out of Town

—Out of Town—

Circle Players Present Diary of Anne Frank

The Circle Players will be presenting the Diary of Anne Frank on Fridays and Saturdays evenings at 8 p.m. on March 9, 10, 16, 17 and 23, 24. Sunday Matinees will be held on March 11 and 18 at 2 p.m.

The Circle Players is located at 416 Victoria Ave., Piscataway. For ticket information call, (732) 968-7555.

WOWs Sponsoring Dance March 9

Middlesex East Wows Carteret Chapter will hold a dance for widows and widowers on Friday, Mar. 9, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m., at St. Demetrius Community Center, 681-691 Roosevelt Ave., Carteret.

Admission is \$7 for members and \$8 for guests. Live music will be featured and refreshments will be provided. For more information, call (732) 969-1123 or (908) 757-0515.

Sri Ramchandra Consciousness Offering Free Meditation Course March 10

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Consciousness (ISRC) is offering a free one-day training course on meditation on Saturday, Mar. 10 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., at 125 Northfield Ave., West Orange.

This is a spiritual event being organized by the ISRC, a non-profit organization.

For more information, contact Madhu Kumar at (908) 324-1470; kumarmm@yahoo.com, or http://www.sriramchandra.org/isrc/.

Share the Rainbow Experience With Godspell March 17, 18, 24, 25

"Godspell," is a musical based upon the Gospel according to St. Matthew. There will be four performances; Mar. 17 and 18 at 8 p.m. at the First Congregational Church in Westfield and Mar. 24 and 25 at 8 p.m. at the United Church of Christ in Plainfield.

Tickets may be purchased in Westfield at Marylou's Memorabilia, 17 Elm St., (908) 654-7277; Town BookStore, 255 East Broad St., (908) 233-3535, and in Plainfield at Margie's Cakebox, 1348 South Ave. and at the Plainfield Performing Arts Center, 390 Leland Ave.

Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$6 for children under five. For further information, call the First Congregational Church of Westfield at (908) 233-2494, and United Church of Christ at (908) 755-8658.

"A" Team FX Club Music Event March 24

Come for a night of club music and dance by "A" Team FX, the new DJ team of Steve and Eric Ambicelli. The event will be held on Saturday, Mar. 24, from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. at

Wesley United Methodist Church on Plainfield Ave. The cost for admission is \$5. Tickets will be sold at the door, or can be reserved by calling (908) 561-4781 or email at AreamFX@hotmail.com. Tickets can also be purchased by calling Bill Mott at (908) 756-6461. Food and drinks will be sold. The event is being sponsored by the South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop.

Former Novicky's Students Invited To Anniversary Party March 31

Novicky's Music and Dance Studio, formerly located on S. Main Street in Manville, is looking for students and colleagues to come to a party on Saturday, Mar. 31, to commemorate 46 years of music and dancing.

To join us for the event, please RSVP by Mar. 10. Call Regina Novicky at (908) 245-1525.

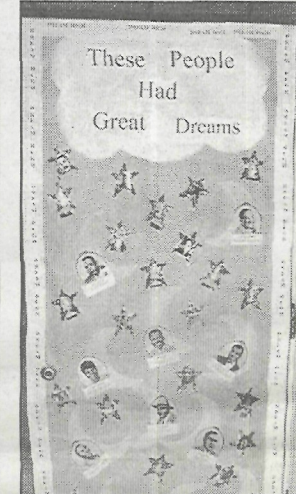
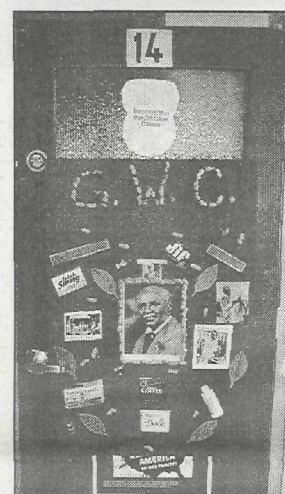
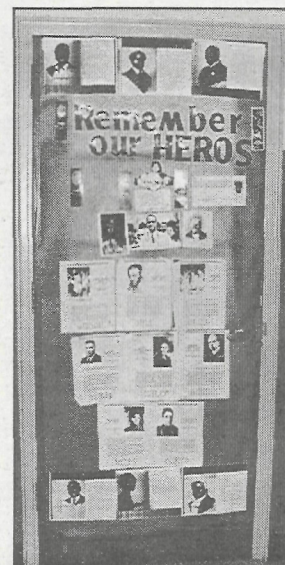
Come and eat and share your music or dance memories with us.

Tourette Syndrome Meetings 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 Neuroscience Institute Department, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Note that the meeting night is different. For more information, call 732-283-1439 after 6 p.m. or contact www.tsanj.org.

Doors in the Middle School Honor Black History Month



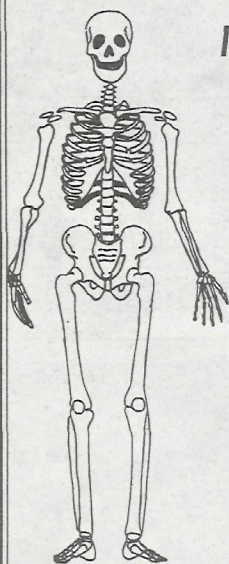
The Middle School halls took on a decorative look recently, as one by one the doors of the classrooms were decorated in honor of "Black History Month."

Students who worked on the doors in celebration of Black History month were:

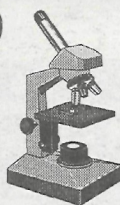
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Bolda; Room 4A: *People with Great Dreams* done by Karen Barientos, Joshua Pendergast, Jesse Cribb, Ileana Lopez, Alissa Decarlo, Jennifer Jackson and Room 14: *George Washington Carver* done by Vanessa Cassano, Alyssa Kurilew, Sandya Dowlet, Jennifer Young, Mulihia Phillips.

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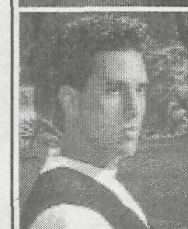


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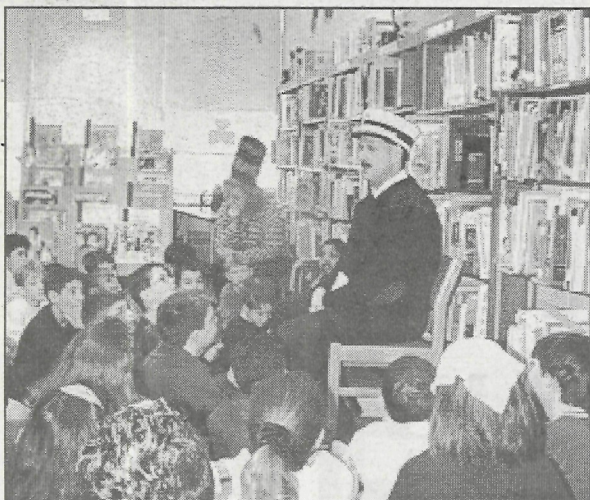
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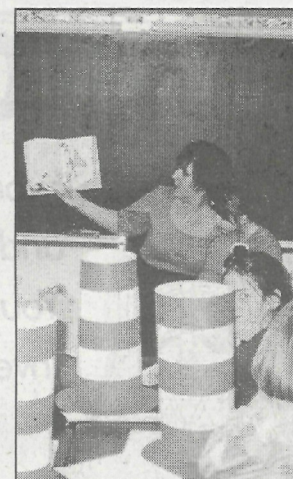
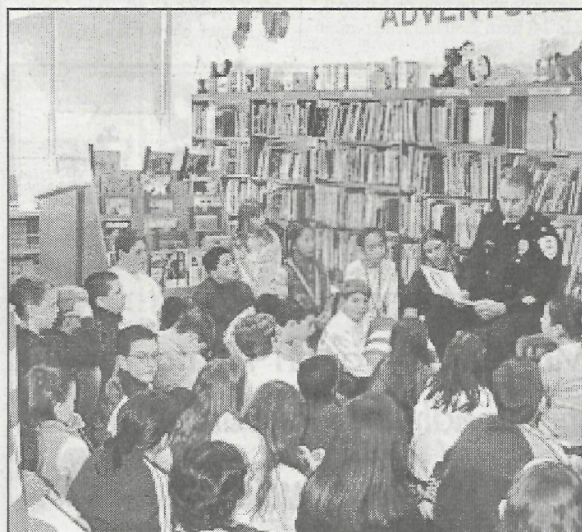
Read Across America



"One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish"



"I Can Read With My Eyes Shut"



Read Across American was celebrated nationwide last week in honor of Dr. Seuss' birthday, March 2. This year the theme was "Ob The Places You'll Go!" Morgan Freeman, a three-time Academy Award nominee headed the celebration. Joining Freeman were NFL players from around the league. Last year over 25 million people participated in this celebration. Celebrities, public officials, members of the community and others were all invited to our schools and libraries and read to the students. The response was overwhelming. It was a way for our community to become involved with education, particularly to promote reading.

Students around South Plainfield celebrated Dr. Seuss' birthday in a variety of ways. Each school had their own unique way of saying, "Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss."

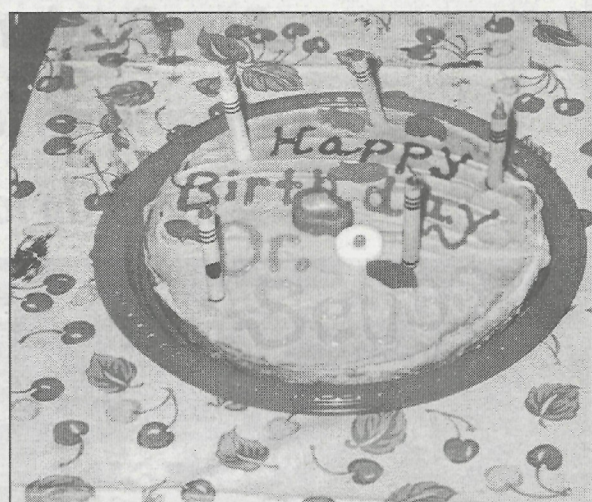
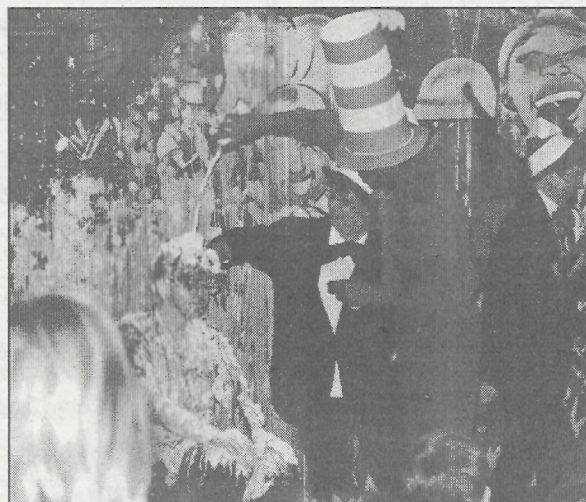
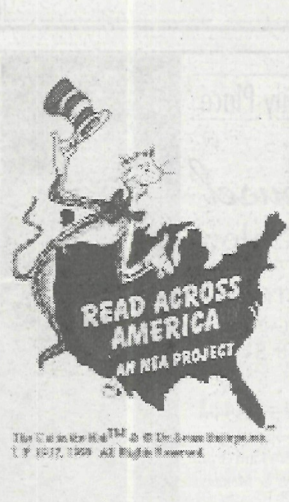
Celebrations were held all week in all of the schools. Saturn donated hats to many of the schools and they were visible in the halls and classrooms. The "Cat in The Hat" could be seen everywhere we visited, with his red and white striped hat. Dr. Seuss books were the most popular reading source, but many readers choose their favorite book to read.

Students at Grant Central Six Grade spent the week, visiting the Future Stars classes and reading books to the youngsters.

On Thursday and Friday, Riley hosted many town officials, including Mayor Gallagher, Fire Chief Joe Abbruzzee and Police Chief Robert Merkle. Each read their favorite book to the students. The library was filled with students from different grades as each guest read.

Roosevelt also had volunteer readers visit their school. Each guest was escorted to the classroom by the members of the Student Council. The PTA sponsored classroom parties

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In South Plainfield

Continued from previous page with creative deserts, Red Fish, Blue Fish cupcakes, Green Eggs and Ham and decorations on pies and cupcakes.

John F. Kennedy students, after reading over 20,000 books, spent the morning dousing their principal, Al Czech, with whip cream, chocolate sauce and cherries. They literally turned him into a human sundae. Each year Mr. Czech does something outrageous to reward his students for reading so many books. In the past Mr. Czech has been tarred and feathered, had his head shaved and dyed his hair green.

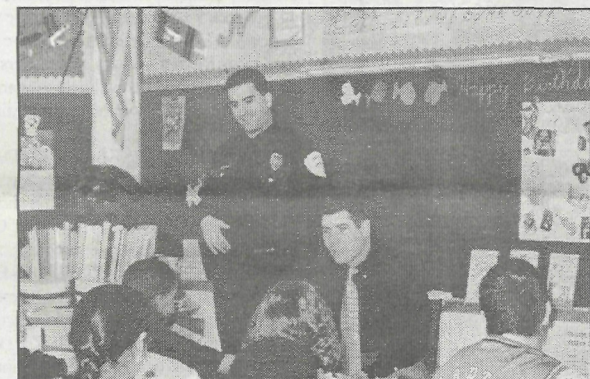
Franklin School held an after school pajama/birthday party in the gym. Kids came in pajamas, with sleeping bags and flashlights and proceeded to read away. They also had guest readers come to the classes.

Approximately 30 to 40 Middle School parents visited the classes and read to the students Friday morning. Also Principal Frank Oberkher dressed up as 'The Cat in the Hat' (tail and all) He visited every classroom, much to the delight of the students and teachers.

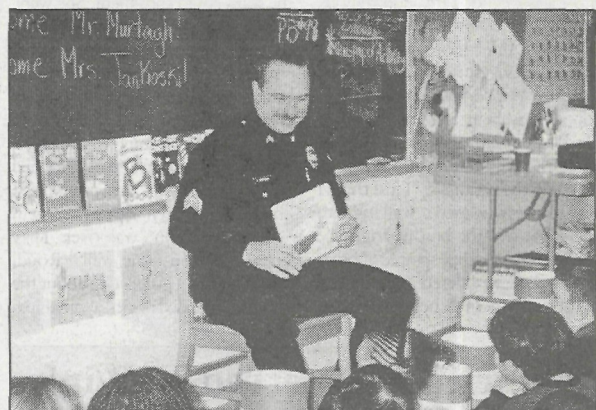
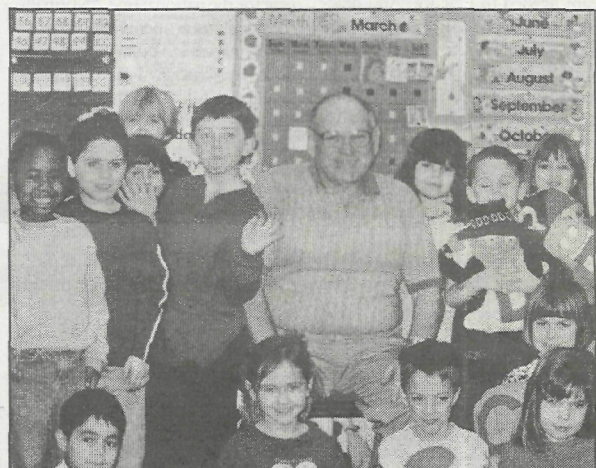
The Grant Central Sixth Graders hosted New Jersey author, Amanda Harte, who was a featured speaker at an assembly on Friday.

Sacred Heart School held a book exchange. Eighth grade student Kevin Hohner dressed up as Dr. Suess was also present, handing out candy. He also visited the preschool children, who were busy eating Green Eggs and Ham.

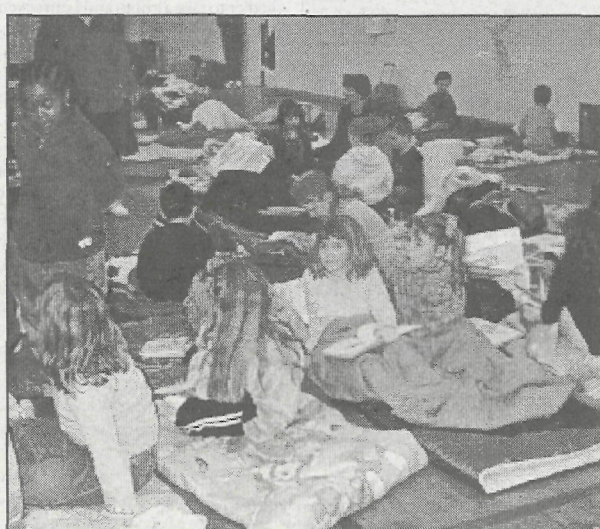
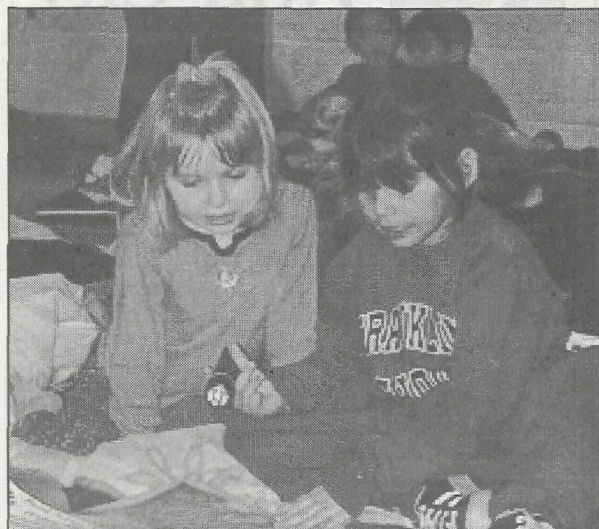
Future stars preschoolers celebrated Dr. Suess Week. They darned Cat in the Hat bow ties. Students from Central Sixth delighted the students, reading Dr. Suess Stories as part of their Read Across America Program. The children would like to thank the sixth grade students for their participation of our celebration.



"Green Eggs and Ham"



"Oh, The Thinks You Can Think"



Traveling Cheerleaders Place First in Competition

On Thursday, February 22 The South Plainfield Competition Cheerleading Team, Coach Lianne Roudi and parent chaperones left South Plainfield with a dream and a goal. Their destination was the Florida National Cheerleading Competition and the goal was to return as Champions. They not only succeeded in meeting their goal, but had quite an adventure on the way.

Coach Roudi shared some of their adventure with the *Observer*.

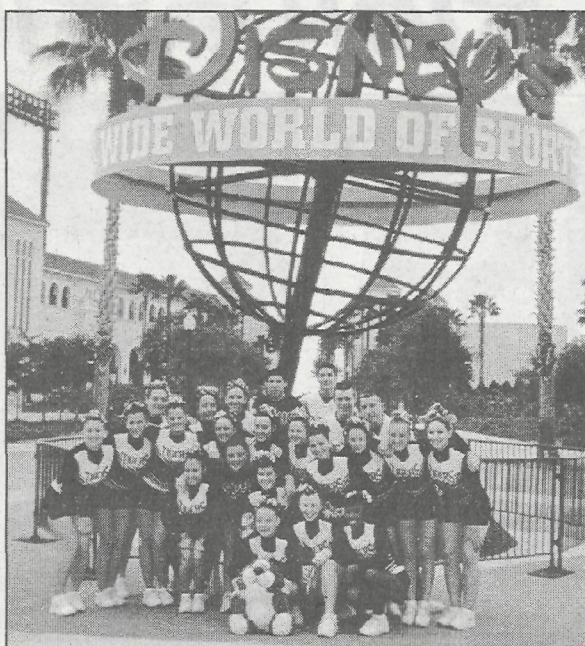
They left in the midst of a snowstorm, arriving at the airport expecting to leave on a 3:40 p.m. flight and sat on the runway for an hour waiting for their turn to takeoff. When the plane started its take off, they slipped down the runway, until finally becoming airborne.

After arriving in Orlando, the girls relaxed in the hotel courtyard eating and singing karaoke. Team member Justina Carubia, known as a shy girl, shocked everyone when she got up to sing, then surpassed them again with her lovely voice. They joined in a game of Twister that had an unusual twist to it, the board was covered in baby oil, making it slippery to play and hysterical to watch.

On Friday they spent the day at Disney World. It was after a day of fun and sun that nerves began to claim Roudi's calm. The big event was scheduled for the next day and the team needed to practice. And practice they did, on the front lawn of the hotel, with only the street lights to illuminate them. The practice went very well and the kids were getting excited, but the butterflies in Roudi's stomach were growing considerably.

When they returned to their rooms they began the task of putting hair rollers on 15 girls, a job that lasted until midnight. The day of competition the team was allowed to sleep until 11 a.m. They awoke to a 'hair nightmare.' The girls hair had not dried overnight and they had just a few hours to dry everyone's hair and recurl each head with a curling iron—a time consuming task finished just in time to board the bus to the competition.

Spirits were high as the song, *Eye of the Tiger*, echoed through the bus on the short ride to the Wide World of Sports Arena. For Coach Roudi, it was the longest ride of her life. She was bombarded with emotions and found herself in tears as the team climbed off the bus—happy tears because they had fulfilled the dream of reaching the nationals. "I just think I was so overwhelmed... walking into the arena was the best feeling," she said. Each time they spotted another team, they wondered "Is this our competition?" They began to warm-



up and soon their teams name was called, meaning they had 10 minutes to go through their routine. Lianne said, "When the music started, I was calm for the first time in 24 hours."

The roles were reversed, as nerves took over her team. "My team fell apart in warm ups. I think it finally hit them that they were going to compete for the national title." Normally confident team members began to display nerves at a point where confidence was crucial. "I called them together and told them that right now was not the time to fall apart. I reminded them they had worked too hard to get where they were." After a few minutes the team began to relax, but the routine still had not run smoothly. It was now or never, the team made their way to the main floor to await their turn. They were the first to compete in their division.

Coach Roudi was not allowed to stay with the team, "It just killed me that I couldn't be with them." She said she was shocked at the size of the crowd when she left the performing area. The parents were easy to spot, all were wearing the same shirts, so the team could spot them. She went to her place at a table in front of the judges. The team entered yelling and smiling. They got into position and the music began. "I've never seen them so into their routine. They were just perfect. Every stunt went up solid, just the way it always does. They had the biggest smiles I have ever seen. I couldn't have been happier for them when the routine was over. They knew they had done well," Roudi said. She had a gut feeling about the team, but decided not to say anything.



There were still almost two hours before the awards started. When award time arrived there was still a wait. They had about 10 division ahead of ours.

Roudi vividly described the final moments before the title became theirs, "I think my heart might have stopped. We all piled on one another's laps and held hands with our heads down. I sat right in the middle of the seniors. We were squeezing hands so hard I don't know how they didn't break."

Third place was called, Augusta Prep Day School from Martinez, Georgia, then second place, O.P. Walker High School from New Orleans, Louisiana. Agonizing seconds went by before they heard the announcer say, "And this year's 2001 National Championship goes to South Plainfield High School of New Jersey!"

"I am not sure if I was breathing, but we ran down the arena steps to the main floor. It was a feeling I can't explain. They handed us a four-foot-tall trophy and gave us a three-foot-long banner that said National Champs. They tried to group us together to take a photo and I can't even remember if I was in it! I was so excited I couldn't stop crying and jumping up and down," Roudi recalled.

Sunday, the cheerleading champions spent the day celebrating and relaxing. They went to Planet Hollywood for breakfast, then on to Epcot Center and MGM Studios. They ended the evening at the Disney Fantastic Light Show. Parents and team member, Jennifer Reynolds, told someone affiliated with the show that their team had just won the Cheerleading Nationals the night before. She briefly interviewed the team and they did a cheer over the microphone. Over 3,000 people now knew that the SPHS cheerleaders were National Champs.

The National Champs returned home to their proud family and friends late Monday evening.

Sports

By Tony Cassano



juniorbaseballclubnotes

MARCH MONTHLY MEETING RESCHEDULED FOR MONDAY, MARCH 12 at 7:30—Due to the snow earlier this week, our regularly scheduled monthly meeting was postponed. It has been rescheduled for this coming Monday, March 12, at 7:30 p.m. FYI, all voting members have been notified regarding a special vote to be cast for two proposals made at the February meeting. Attendance is required to vote on both issues. With only six weeks to go to Opening Day, Saturday, April 7, we still have a lot to do as we prepare for the 2001 season. Volunteers are still needed for several committees. Current and new members are always welcome. We encourage you to attend and participate.

PRE-SEASON WORK DETAIL TO START THIS SATURDAY at 9 A.M.—Weather permitting, the first work detail for the 2001 season has been set for this Saturday, March 10, starting at 9 a.m. Managers, coaches and volunteers are needed to pitch in. Work detail will be held every Saturday in March. Any volunteer with a pick up truck/wheel barrel who can bring it along, is encouraged. Work detail times/shifts will run from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and/or 11 a.m. until 1 p.m.

MARCH COACHES CLINIC TO BE HELD ON TUESDAY, MARCH 13 at SPHS—The last coaching Clinic for the 2001 season will be held this coming Tuesday, March 13 at 7 p.m. at South Plainfield High School gym. Coach Ray Cicciwiz, Head Coach of the South Plainfield Tigers will be conducting the clinic inside the gym. Come watch as Coach Ray works with his staff and players. Thanks again to Tom Kiczula, co-owner of Sportsworld, for all his time and effort in organizing the monthly Coaching Clinics over the past five months.

2001 C-LEAGUE ORIENTATION ON SATURDAY, MARCH 17 BETWEEN 9 A.M. TO 10:30 A.M.—This season, we are inviting all C-League parents, coaches and players to join us on Field 1 on Saturday, March 17 between 9 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. We will be holding our first 'Future Foundations' C-League Orientation. There will be 12 individual stations with instructions for both adults and players. As you begin your tenure with the SPJBC, we know this will help you and your child with the transition. Stations will include, pitching, batting, fielding, Women's Auxiliary, boosters, snack stand and more.

LITTLE MISS BASEBALL UPDATE—The SPJBC Woman Auxiliary has received three names for Little Miss Baseball for the 2001 season. Pictures of all nominated girls are now on display in three local stores. They are Ciccio's Pizza, Quick Check and B & C Deli. The winner will be announced during the Opening Day ceremonies on April 7.

IN NEED OF SIGN SPONSORS FOR ALL FIELDS—Our Sign Sponsor Committee, headed by Guy Moretti and Charlie Decker, both of Century 21-Moretti Realty, is currently contacting our local business community and any other interested parties regarding sponsoring a sign for the 2001 season. All signs (4 by 8 feet) are handed painted with the customers company logo and all pertinent info. It's a great way to advertise and lend support to the SPJBC. Costs are \$300 for one year and \$400 for two years. Renewals are less once the sign is painted. For further details call Guy or Charlie at 908-755-5300 or the SPJBC at 908-754-2090.

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These Kids Deserved To Win!

The SPHS Competition Cheerleading Team is still in its youth compared to other schools. The team was formed just three years ago. They set their sights on reaching Florida and have worked diligently towards that goal since then.

Coach Lianne Roudi explained, "We worked hard to get to Florida just to compete. I never thought we would win our first year there! I told the kids before we left to just go do their best and have fun. I was just proud of them to be going. Well, they did their best and they won it all! I will take that anyway! I couldn't be more proud of my team. It was an experience I will never forget for the rest of my life. It means more to me that this team won the nationals the first time, because the juniors and seniors on the team this year were on the team when we started. They are Lacey Walter, Kristyn Ciararello, Jen Reynolds, Jessie Spayder, John Tempe, Kristin Turner, Gina D'Urso, Adina Ramos, Brielle Anderson, Jenn Butrico, and Billie Jean Sarullo. These 11 kids who started the team, made them what they are today. The rest of the team has also worked very hard. We would not be national champs if it wasn't for the teams closeness throughout the year. I am so proud of them all."

Principal Tony Massaro offered his congratulations to the Championship Team, "I was so very pleased that our kids were able to even participate in the Disney-sponsored Tournament of Champions. The fact that our competition cheering team is so new makes this an even more rewarding experience. My hat goes off to our kids, coaches, advisors and parents."

Sports

HIGH SCHOOL WRESTLING

Tigers Send Eight Wrestlers to State Tournament

By Bob Hunter

Eight South Plainfield High School wrestlers advanced to the state tournament by placing at the Region 3 tournament held at Union High School. The Tigers claimed four individual titles. The Tigers have set a new school record by sending eight wrestlers to the finals.

Dan DeAndrea 103, lost a tough 10-4 decision to Brian Marcofulli of Parsippany Hills for

second place. DeAndrea, a freshman wrestling in his first region tournament, surprised the field by knocking off second seed, Jack Decker of Seton Hall Prep 9-6.

Rich Gebauer 112, won his title with a 5-1 decision over Armin Queen of Elizabeth. Gebauer a senior now 32-0, won his first Region 3 title.

Matt Anderson 119, had the toughest test of the day when he faced number two seed, Dan Appello of Roselle Park. Each

wrestler traded escapes, noting the score at 2-2. No points were scored in OT and in the double overtime, Appello won the toss and elected to take bottom. Anderson rode him out and won 2-2 criteria rideout, for his second region title.

Roberto Ramos 125, won his first Region 3 title by major decision 15-5 over Chris Wells of Parsippany. Ramos was a state qualifier last year.

Senior Matt Gati 135, in a tough match against Kevin Bryan

of Seton Hall Prep, got caught and pinned at 4:57 for second place and is advancing to the state tournament for the first time. In the quarterfinal round, Gati pinned John Donnelly of Delbarton at 3:08.

Scott Doerr 140, who is on a mission, made it to his first region final, but came up short, losing a 1-0 decision to Anthony Mangione of Delbarton, the runner up at 130 in the state tournament last year. Doerr, who could not participate last year, qualified for his first state tournament.

Glenn Gross 145, made it to his first region final and lost a tough 5-4 decision to Rob Verhoeven of Cranford. Gross won three matches to reach the finals and got a little payback by beating Jon Graci of Colonia. Graci won by disqualification, because of a disputed call for unnecessary roughness after a cross face in the district semi finals. Gross was winning 7-2 when Graci said he could not continue.

Senior John Foscolo 189, a state place winner last year at 215, kept his state title hopes alive by winning his Region 3 title by fall over Gary Cousar of Scotch Plains at 2:47. Foscolo dominated the field by winning in the quarterfinals by tech fall 15-0, and in the semifinals by major decision 12-2.

Good luck to all the wrestlers, we're proud of you all.

RECREATION WRESTLING

Recreation Wrestlers Win League And Tournament Titles

By Bob Hunter

The South Plainfield Recreation wrestling team captured the Central Jersey Midget Wrestling League Championship with a perfect 14-0 record, after beating Scotch Plains 56-16 last week. This past weekend, the Junior Tigers hit the mats in the annual Central Jersey League Tournament held at South Plainfield High School. League teams include North Hunterdon, Berkeley Heights, Kenilworth, North Plainfield, Bridgewater, Roselle Park, Delaware Valley, Flemington, Middlesex, Voorhees, Westfield, Scotch Plains, Union and Cranford. They squared off for the tournament team championship along with individual titles.

Our Tigers were the team to beat going in, but proved to be

too much for the field, winning their third consecutive league tournament championship with 73 points. Kenilworth finished second with 52 points and Scotch Plains was third with 39 points.

The Tiger Varsity team sent seven wrestlers to the finals and claimed four titles and three seconds. Winning titles in the varsity division for the Tigers were, Robert Gentile 62, who won by decision 5-2 over John Calderon of Kenilworth. Nick Heilmann 65, won 6-0 over Steve Harmon of North Plainfield. Billy Ashnault 79, pinned Steve Margolin of Kenilworth at 1:12. Bryan Hunt 82, won by criteria (rideout) in double overtime over Wayne Hampton of Kenilworth.

Finishing in second place for South Plainfield were Patrick Hunter 69, Sam Martin 92, and Mark Wagner 97. Third place went to Ryan Sacco 59, Nick Dorey 87, and Rocco Petriello heavyweight. Fifth place went to Tyler Hunt 52, Tim Gaughan 75, Brad Martin 104, and Danny Pompilio 112. Also winning matches but not placing were Jeff Conroy 55 and John Wylam 72.

Winning titles in the Junior Varsity division where Anthony Ashnault 40. This little fire cracker won his first two matches by fall and won by decision 8-5 over Mathew Rehl of Delaware Valley in the finals. Corey Hay 62, won by major decision over fellow team mate Kyle Hughes 8-0. Mike Jakubik 82, won by decision 7-1 over Tommy Volkmann of Scotch Plains. Sal Soto 104,

won his title by decision 7-1 over Dan Chonko Delaware Valley.

Winning second place medals were Kyle Pompilio 65, Nick Pauls 59, Kyle Hughes 62 and Jonathan Conroy 87. Third place medals went to Andrew Sanchez 40, Frank DeBiase 59, Ryan Billich 62, Nick Vallone 79 and Patrick Millard 97. Fourth place medals went to John DiDio 40, Scott Whalen 47, Stephen Petriello 59, Jake Smithline 72.

Winning matches but not placing were Kyle Brady 40, Corey Stransenko 47, Randy Jakubik 55, Mike Molinaro 62, Shawn Gorman 69, Zach Mitchell 75 and Mike Wagner 79.

SPJBC Accepting Applications For College Scholarship

The South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club is now accepting applications for their college scholarship. The applications can be picked up at the guidance department of the South Plainfield High School or by contacting the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club at (908) 754-2090.

Applicants must be a graduating high school student this June, be a South Plainfield resident and have participated in the SPJBC for a minimum of five years. Filing deadline is April 1, 2001.

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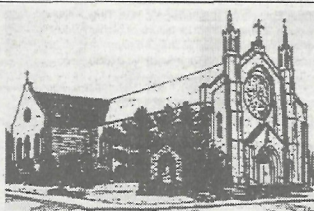
Monday Eve. Mass with Miraculous Medal Novena Prayers 7 p.m.

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and after 5 p.m. Vigil Mass



2001 T-Ball/Teener Ball Registration

Registration for the 2001 T-Ball/Teener Ball seasons is now underway. Registration is open to So. Plfd. boys/girls, grades K-2.

T-Ball covers children 5 years old as of Oct. 1, 2000 and Teener Ball is for children who were 6-7 as of Oct. 1, 2000. Teener Ball will have two divisions for registration; girls play softball, boys play baseball. Parents who wish to coach are also encouraged to sign up. A coaches clinic will be offered to assist any parent.

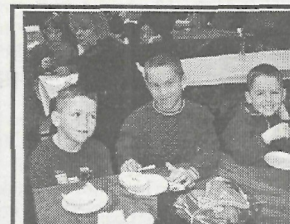
Registration is \$15 per participant (before Mar. 21) or \$20 (after Mar. 21). Register at the Recreation Office Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Registration takes place Feb. 14 to April 2. Birth certificates and proof of residency are required new participants.

If you have any questions, call the Rec Office at (908) 226-7714.

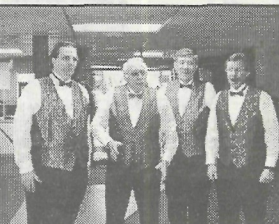
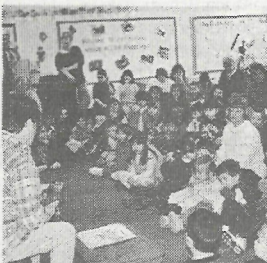
Trip to World Champion Yankees Versus Red Sox

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



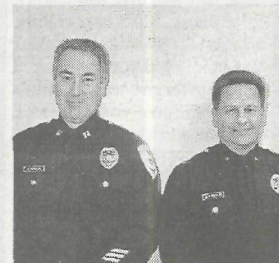
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Obituaries

Helen M. Moench, 63

Helen M. Moench died on Tuesday, Feb. 27 in her home.

Born in North Plainfield, she resided in the Arbor section of Piscataway and the Dunellen and Middlesex area.

Mrs. Moench was employed on the manufacturing line for Thielex Plastic Co. of Piscataway for nine years.

Surviving are her husband, Robert A. Moench and her son, Robert Moench, of South Plainfield. Also surviving are several cousins.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

James I. Ritter, 25

James I. Ritter of South Plainfield, died on Thursday, March 1 at St. Claire Hospital in Vernon, N.J., as a result of injuries sustained in a ski accident at Mountain Creek Ski Resort.

Born in Plainfield, he was a lifelong resident of South Plainfield. He was a 1994 graduate of St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen, where he was an outstanding member of the varsity track team. While attending high school, he was a member of Boy Scout Troop 125 in South Plainfield and reached the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest scouting rank. He graduated from Stockton State College in 1998 with a bachelor's degree in criminal justice and did post-graduate study work at Rutgers University in Newark. At the time of his death, he was a second-year law student at Villanova University School of Law.

Surviving are his parents, Stephen P. Ritter Jr. and Christine (Terry) Ritter; a brother, Stephen P. Ritter III of Scotch Plains; a sister, Michelle

Ritter of South Plainfield; his paternal grandparents, Stephen and Mildred Ritter of Fanwood; his maternal grandparents, Irving and Frances Ann Terry of Vero Beach, Fla. and many aunts, uncles and cousins.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to St. Joseph's High School, Plainfield Avenue, Metuchen NJ 08840 for the creation of a track scholarship in his memory, or to the American Cancer Society, P.O. Box 815, Elizabeth, NJ 07207.

Letters of condolence may be e-mailed to the family at SRITTER-CLASS@aol.com.

Patrick J. "Smoooth" Dunbar, 72

Patrick J. "Smoooth" Dunbar died on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at the Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Mr. Dunbar was born in Jackson Heights, N.Y. He grew up in Ireland and returned to the United States in 1946. He resided in Westfield and in Plainfield, before settling in South Plainfield, where he has lived since 1956.

He served in the United States Army as a Sergeant in Germany.

Mr. Dunbar was employed as a Machinist for General Dynamics in Avenel for 10 years, before his retirement in 1997. He was previously employed by Walter Kiddee Co. of Bellville, the former Mack Truck Co. of Plainfield and the former Art Color of Dunellen.

He was a communicant of Sacred Heart RC Church in South Plainfield and had served as an usher at the 12 noon Mass for many years. He was also a member of the Knights of Columbus Council #6203 of South Plainfield.

He is predeceased by three brothers, John E. Robert and Frank and a sister, Mary Miller.

Surviving are his wife of 47 years, Mary (McCann) Dunbar, two daughters and sons-in-law, Ann-Marie and Michael Markus of Dunellen, and Cher and John Brower of Hackensack; four sons and daughters-in-law, Michael and Debbie Dunbar of Middlesex; Patrick "Chip" and Sara of Sebastopol, Calif.; Kevin and Cathy of Clearwater, Fla.; and John J. Dunbar of Edison.

Also surviving are ten grandchildren, Travis, Kit and Alex Dunbar; Sean, Rian, Caitlin and Owen Markus and Karissa, Jordan and Trianna Brower.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

Frank Muir Power, 75

Frank Muir Power died on Wednesday, Feb. 28 at the JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Mr. Power was born in Pittsburgh, Pa. and he had resided in Maryland, Virginia and in Japan before moving to South Plainfield in 1962.

He had served with the U.S. Army 503 RD Air Service Group as a fighter

pilot during WWII. He held the rank of Second Lieutenant. He saw action in the European theater.

After the war, Mr. Power attended the University of Pittsburgh where he earned a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering and he later attended various schools in air mechanics, airframe and power plant systems. Through 1965, he held positions in aeronautics and mechanical systems analysis with various companies, including the Sintas Skyway Service at Detroit Airport, the Martin Co. in Maryland, Lockheed Electronics Co. in Plainfield and with the Boeing Verol Division in Morton, Pa.

From 1965 until his retirement in 1984, Mr. Power had worked as a mechanical analyst and later, in security with various companies in the Middlesex and Union counties area.

He was a communicant of Sacred Heart RC Church in South Plainfield, where he was a former member of the Holy Name Society.

His wife, Maryanna Power, died in 1984 and his brother, Thomas Power, also predeceased him.

Surviving are three daughters and sons-in-law, Margaret "Megan" and Richard Bittle of Edison, Virginia and George Maizenaski of Middlesex and Maureen and Greg Gorski of Bartonsville and a son, Michael Power of Elizabeth. He is also survived by four grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were by McCriskin Home For Funerals.

Memorial donations may be made to the Haven Hospice at JFK Medical Center, 80 James St., Edison, NJ 08818.

Ketty Soderstrom Benedickson, 74

Ketty Soderstrom Benedickson died Saturday, March 3 at Hunterdon Medical Center in Flemington.

Mrs. Benedickson was born in Esberg, Denmark. She came to the United States 50 years ago, settling in Washington D.C. She lived briefly in Newark and in Florida. She resided in Edison for 40 years before moving to Hampton, N.J. two years ago.

She had owned and operated Betty's Beauty Salon in Edison for 30 years, before retiring 16 years ago.

Surviving are her husband, Hank Benedickson, her daughters and son-in-law, Marianne and Doug Jones of Flemington and Lise Hasara of Myrtle Beach, S.C.; her son and daughter-in-law, Gene and Barbara Soderstrom of Amsterdam, NY; three stepdaughters, Lynn Benedickson of Washington, N.J., Lori Benedickson of Glen Gardner and Susan Nieroda and her husband, Steve and by two stepsons and their wives, Rod and Mary Ann Benedickson of Clinton and Scott and Alison Benedickson of Ringoes. She is also survived by 12 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

Memorial donations in her memory may be made to the Deborah Hospital, PO Box 820, Browns Mills, NJ 08015.

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LEGAL NOTICES

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD March 6, 2001

Public notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Planning Board at its meeting held on February 27, 2001.

A. Case #638—Hall's Warehouse Corp.—Block 255, Lot 11.02; 501 Kentile Road—Applicant's request for preliminary and final site plan approval to add two emergency generators, was hereby GRANTED, with conditions and waivers.

Janice J. Muccilli

Recording Secretary Planning Board

\$15.00 1T March 9, 2001

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD NOTICE OF SALE

Take notice that the undersigned shall expose for sale, in accordance with RS. 39-10A at public auction on Monday, March 12, 2001 at 9:00 a.m. at On Time Towing, the below described vehicle:

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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Vincent Raiello requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the erection of a 7' x 14' roof over existing patio, proposed roof lacks the required 8' side setback, 6.65' being proposed and any other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 122 Lot 25 on the South Plainfield Tax Map.

For the purposes of hearing objections to or protests against the granting of said appeal, the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on March 20, 2001 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

The maps and documents pertaining to this appeal are available for public inspection in the Building Inspector's Office, South Plainfield Borough Hall, Monday through Thursday, between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Wesley Methodist Church requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the replacement and relocation of existing free-standing sign, not a permitted use in the zone and any other such variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 24 Lot 1 on the South Plainfield Tax Map.

For the purposes of hearing objections to or protests against the granting of said appeal, the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on April 3, 2001 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

The maps and documents pertaining to this appeal are available for public inspection in the Building Inspector's Office, South Plainfield Borough Hall, Monday through Thursday, between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.

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by Robert Hunter

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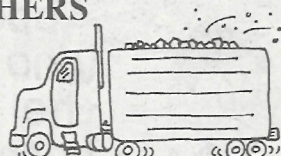
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• Innovative Carton on Durham Ave. had the battery stolen from a box truck.

• On Sunday, a Piscataway resident was arrested for shoplifting \$629 worth of items from K-Mart.

• The friend of a Sampton Ave. woman called to report that she told the resident was going to commit suicide with a gun. When police arrived she was drunk and disoriented and very emotional. Her brother had recently died from a drug overdose. No gun was found and the rescue squad was able to take her to UMDNJ for evaluation.

• On Saturday, a Bori Dr. resident reported leaving items for consignment at Heritage Marketplace on So. Plainfield Ave. She went back to see if the items were sold yet and found the store closed and empty.

• On Friday, a Piscataway woman claimed her wallet had been stolen from her purse while waiting in line at the cash register at Sterns.

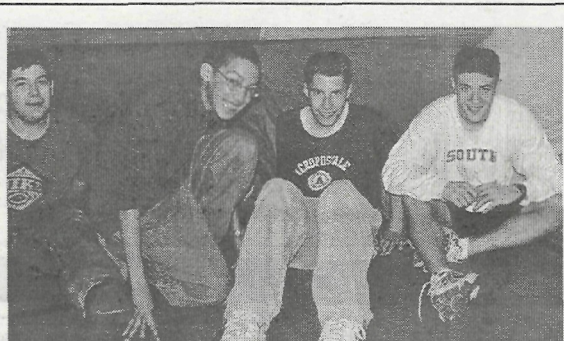
• An employee at Ferraro Food located on Hadley Rd. was arrested for stealing over \$6,000 in cash that he was supposed to be collecting from customers. He was confronted by another employee and was given 60 days to repay the money. He did not do so. A complaint was signed and he was placed under arrest.

• The fire alarm was activated at SPHS which was caused by a discharged fire extinguisher on the second floor.

• On Monday, a So. Plainfield Ave. resident was stopped by officers while staggering down Plainfield Ave. He claimed he had been assaulted by four males at Liquid Assets and became violent with the officers and was then placed under arrest.

• A high school student had his tire punctured while parked in the school parking lot.

• On Tuesday, an Acme worker's pocketbook was stolen from behind her register. A suspect was caught on tape.



Track Team Holds End of Season Party

The SPHS Track team celebrated the end of the season with a party at Roosevelt School. Pizza and fun were the order of the day. Coaches for the team are Mr. Malone and Mr. Horowitz.

Photos by Patricia Abbott



From the South Plainfield Library

Bookmarks

By Kenneth Morgan

As we dig out from the last snowstorm, here's a happy thought: The first day of spring is less than two weeks away. And here's another one: Here's news from the South Plainfield Library:

Here's another reminder about tonight's special program from 7-9 p.m. South Plainfield resident Dave Joshi and his family will lead a program on India and Indian culture. He'll also talk about the state of the thousands of people of Indian descent in the Tri-State area. The public is invited to attend this free program; no pre-registration is required.

Once again, we'll be following our regular schedule for our children's Storytime programs. The programs are held on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday at 1:15 p.m. Each program lasts approximately one hour and features stories, music and a craft activity. The programs are for children ages three and over; you don't need to register in advance. If you'd like more information, please check with Children's Librarian Linda Hansen.

The Library Board of Trustees will hold their next meeting on Tuesday night at 7:30. The public is invited to attend and learn the latest news about the Library's present and future plans. The meeting will include a public comment time, when guests may ask questions of and make comments to the Board.

We've got a couple of new displays in place for March. Our display cabinets feature a number of Indian items, in connection with the previous mentioned Indian cultural program. The items are

provided by Dave Joshi. Our display wall features a third exhibition of artwork by local resident Sarah Miele. The exhibit includes works in pastel chalk, gel pen and acrylic paint. Both displays may be seen at the Library throughout the month.

Here's another reminder regarding the use of cell phones and pagers in the Library. We understand that many patrons have a genuine need for such communication's hardware and that they provide a useful and even essential service. All we ask is that you don't disturb your fellow patrons. While you're in the Library, please set your cell phone and/or pager to inaudible mode. And, if you make or receive a cell phone call, please do so in our vestibule or outside the building. Or, if you have a cell phone that you don't need, you might want to consider donating it to the Donate a Phone program. They collect cell phones for use by the disabled or local law enforcement groups, or for recycling. Their telephone number is (800) 901-SAFE or you can reach them at www.donateaphone.com.

Finally, just in case the weather socks us again and you can't make it to the Library, don't forget about how to renew your items from home. You can either do it over the phone via the Elvis system at (908) 757-3280, or you can log onto our website at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us. Be sure to have the items and your Library card handy, as you'll need to input the bar code numbers.

That's all for this week. We'll be back next Friday with more news. Weather permitting, of course.

Middle School Announces Honor Roll Students

High Honor Roll

Grade 7: Samantha Deffler, Kristen Gualano, Harshel Patel, Gina Severini, Kevin Siedenburgh, Lee Terreault and Courtney Sacco

Grade 8: Christopher Bakazan, Michael Benak, Vijay Budhan, Justin Buendia, Pasquale Cantarella, Fabian Castebalanco, Nicholas Curcio, Cassandra D'Urso, Peter DeAndrea, Allison DiMeglio, Jonathan Donahue, Michael Downes, Caitlin English, Lauren Haus, Alyssa Maiorino, Stefanie Miller, Kathleen Morgan, Brian Murtagh, Deep Patel, Daniel Piwowar, Justin Shelton, Stephanie Stellakis, Sara Sukenik and Vincent Velez.

Heather Thompson, Stephanie Troia, Daryl Valerio, Amanda Veinott, Jesse Ventura, Bryan Wagner, Krystal Williams, Megan Wilson, Carla Zappi and Matthew Zebrowski.

Grade 8: Kyle Alligier, Shakel Amini, David Andes, Peter Aquino, Dawn Besser, Adam Bianchi, Christopher Bojarski, Matthew Boley, Kyle Bostick, Jennifer Braco, Gerry Butrico, Trisha Capparelli, Nicholas Cesare, Timothy Cheng, Mallory Christ, Toni Ciccio, Janine Clemente, Kristin Coffey, Paul Corrado, Seiichi Daimo, Louana DeLos-Santos, Stacey Diana, Douglas Dietzold, Christina DiFrancesco, Kaitlynn Disch, Michael Duquette, Jeffrey Eng and Karen Estonactoc.

Honor Roll

Grade 7: Courtney Alston, Gacelle Amazan, Alyssa Marie Babinetz, Darice Bishop, Ashley Bodner, Ashley Britton, Terrence Brown, Kodi Butler, Eileen Cameron, Melissa Caraballo, Jenny Cheng, Dana Chepulis, Jennifer Chiang, Shaunique Cisson, Jeffrey Cupo, Kazuki Daimo, William Daly, Amanda Deba, Nicholas Decillis, Joseph Denitzio, Keith Dezmin, Daniel Domzalski, Sandia Dundi and Daniel Erhardt.

Zachariah Famula, Breanne Fore, Gabrielle Franco, Dunia Galarza, Charles George, Zachary Gray, Scott Hartje, Julianne Hadak, Shivani Itwaru, Beverly Jamieson, Ramit Kalia, Guiliana Kay, Victoria Kedmenec, Kathryn Koury, Jonathan Lazar, Stephen Lindgren, Kristi Lombardi, Bryan Millicia, Rebekah Moore, Samuel Mootoo, Alexander Nau, Anthony Niemczyk, Heather Palitto, Satyam Patel and Kaitlyn Pollock.

Alisah Rahemtulla, Christopher Reed, Eric Reiner, Anthony Romano, Angelique Rualo, Nicole Sacci, Lauren Santillo, Brian Schulte, Jessica Schwartz, Devanee Sewdat, Ryan Smith, Melissa Szeliga, Natalia Tamzoke,

Aimee Maiorino, Krista Malecki, Jessica Manning, Allan Mazurak, Christopher McKnight, Jayne Merlo, Andrew Miller, Jessica Miller, Roosanna Mootoo, Krystal Morales, Katie Mott, Jacqueline Muglia, Cynthia Nguyen, Huan Khoa Nguyen, William Padula, Jean Pagdon-solan, Valerie Pasquarella, Dhruvi Patel, Kristen Penkunas, Amanda Prybella and Patrick Pryor.

Dwight Quicha, Alexa Reha, Justin Reid, Mayra Robles, Alison Schmidt, Jessica Senz, Jaret Shelton, Derek Smith, Alisha Stasenko, Melissa Sticco, Ryan Suleski, Darshan Suthar, Kelly Thomas, Marybeth Tran, Ashlen Udell, Jennifer Vasquez, Erik Vesper, Michael Williams, Philip Zazzara.

Fr. John invites you to worship with him at

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Saturday evenings 5:30 PM
Sunday mornings 8 & 11 AM

Hope Your Feeling Better.....From the Observer

Pat Vargo,
Who
Recently
Broke Her
Arm.

(Be Careful Where you Walk!)



Pattie
Abbott...
Who is in
the
hospital...

(Listen to your doctors and rest!)



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