

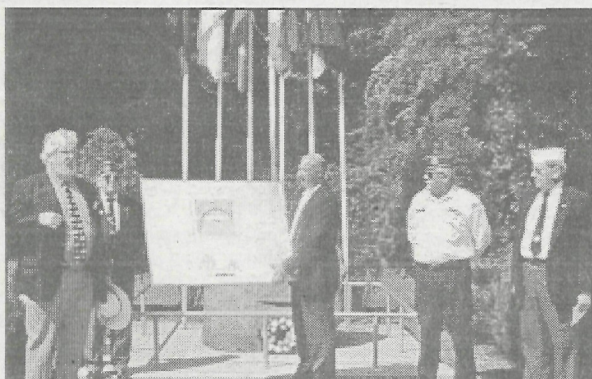
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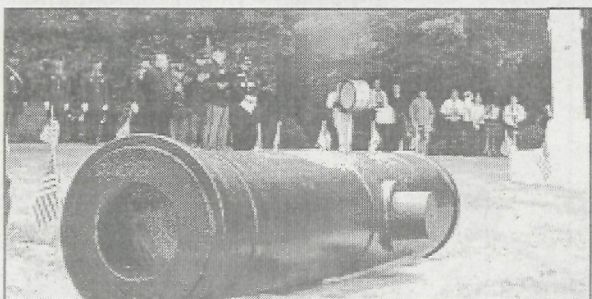
## MEMORIAL DAY SERVICES PAY TRIBUTE TO VETERANS



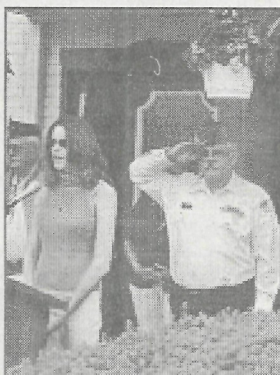
Councilmen Ed Kubala and Dennis Cerami unveil the plans for expanding the Veterans' Memorial in front of Borough Hall.



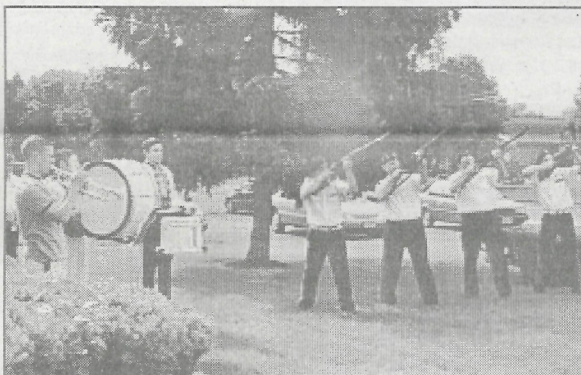
An Eisenhower Green Ash tree was planted in front of the VFW Post 6763 last Saturday, in memory of World War II Veterans. Pictured helping to plant the tree are Matty McElhane-3rd Army, Julius Peterson-86th Division, John Trocodeo-US Navy CB's, Mike Santoro-US Marine Corps and Art Moose Bullwinkel-US Submarine Finback (this is the sub that rescued President Bush after his plane was shot down).



The members of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, Gen. George A. Custer Camp No. 17 held re-dedication services at the Memorial Burial Site at Hillside Cemetery. The site contains the graves of 33 Union Veterans. Participating were SPMS band members Sara Grillo, Kathy Morgan, Kristen Coffey, Andrew Roibal, Peter Kelly and SPMS band members Chris Bubnick and Derek Smith. Benediction was given by Rev. James Stanley of the Pilgrim Covenant Church. Members from the American Legion and VFW also attended the ceremonies.



Pan Janizak sings the National Anthem as Joe Penyak salutes.



Steve Janizak plays taps, accompanied by Derek Smith and Chris Bubnick on drums as the members of the American Legion salute the Veterans.



VFW Commander Rudy Poczak and Women's Auxiliary member Joan Jepson lay a wreath during a ceremony.



A Veteran salutes his comrades, while Steven Janizak plays taps.

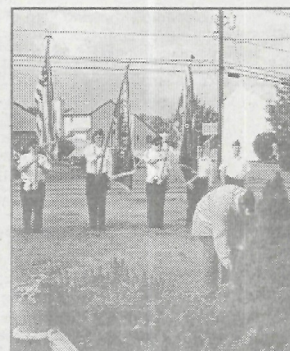
Park and Hillside Cemetery. Hillside was added this year to attend the re-dedication of the Civil War Memorial. Closing ceremonies were held at VFW Post 6763.

A large group was on hand for the beginning ceremonies and the crowd seemed to swell at each stop. Opening ceremonies included Middle School student, Pam Janizak singing the *Star Spangled Banner* and Steve Janizak playing *Taps*. In addition, students Chris Bubnick and Derek Smith played drums as the Veterans marched to from one venue to the next. At each cemetery the routine was the same, remembering all Veterans with a short essay, a prayer, placing a wreath and the playing of *Taps* with an Honor Guard gun salute. Those in attendance could not help but feel pride and respect for all who have served our country after these ceremonies. Afterwards, the VFW hosted a luncheon for the large group to enjoy.

Veterans from all branches of the service attended the ceremonies, many in uniform decorated with medals. They came to honor and pay tribute to their fallen comrades. Also in attendance were Council President Jim Vokral, Councilmen Dennis Cerami, Ed Kubala and Ray Petronko, Police Chief Robert Merkler and Lt. Robert Bender, who was recently named Outstanding Officer of the Year.

While at Veterans Park, Councilmen Ed Kubala and Dennis Cerami announced plans to expand the Veterans Monument that stands in front of Borough Hall. Recently, an updated list of Veterans had been compiled and these new names will simply not fit on the present site. The new monument will be circular and the flag pole, now on the side, will be placed in back. Kubala said it will be paid for with donations from various businesses and organizations. He added it should be ready for a dedication before the Labor Day Parade. Anyone interested in donating should contact Ed Kubala.

We noticed that at each stop, people stopped what they were doing and stood still as the Veterans marched to the beat of the drummers. At both the American Legion and the VFW, cars slowed down and even stopped during the ceremonies, reminding everyone what the day is really about.



Placing a wreath at the American Legion is Frederick Bladon.



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for the latest  
meeting agenda

### 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, June 4 ..... Thursday, June 7

Monday, June 18 ..... Thursday, June 21

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

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

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 plan sub-committee

The fourth Thursday of the month as follows:

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

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

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, June 12, 7 p.m., Regular Board Mtg., June 19, 8 p.m.

July -- No Meetings

### 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

June 27, July 25, Sept. 26, Oct. 24, Nov. 28 and Dec. 26.



In June, it will be one year that Vito Ratti and his family opened their second liquor store, Oak Tree Buy Rite, located in South Plainfield on Oak Tree Road.

Vito and his family have resided in South Plainfield for 36 years. They have three sons, David, Dean and Daniel, who were students in our town's school system. Dave and Dan have purchased homes and settled in our community with their wives and children.

The Ratti's have made their two stores a family affair. Vito and Dan, along with their spouses, operate Oak Tree Buy Rite Liquors, while Dave manages VW Liquors & Bar located in the Wick Plaza on Route 1 in Edison, NJ.

To show their appreciation for a successful year, an anniversary celebration is planned for the entire month

of June. Four color TV's will be raffled off during the month, one each week-end beginning on June 9. There will also be free give-a-ways. This is the Ratti family's way of saying thanks for the support they have received from their customers.

Oak Tree Buy Rite Liquors is a spacious, clean and customer-friendly place to shop. There is plenty of parking and easy access at the traffic light on Oak Tree Rd., across from McDonald's in the A&P Shopping Center. The store has the largest selection of beer and wine in the South Plainfield area. Gift baskets for any occasion can always be found ready to go or made up quickly upon request. Premium cigars are also available at the store.

Buy Rite Liquors is a "lucky" New Jersey Lottery Agent, having sold two Pick 5 winning tickets and one Big

Game winner for \$150,000.

In addition to the always friendly service, Chin Vaghela, the Wine Manager, is ready to assist customers by answering wine questions and providing an education on wine for those who are interested. Hard-to-find wines are his specialty. Look him up!

Oak Tree Buy Rite will soon be introducing a "CLUB CARD" which will entitle "CARD" customers to discounts on special items. Also, look under "Events Around Town" in the Observer for upcoming Wine Tasting Dinners and Events.

Hours are Monday thru Wednesday 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., Thursday thru Saturday 9 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sundays 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Congratulations and Happy Anniversary to Vito and his family!

Be sure to stop in and partake in their celebration.

## In My Opinion

Dear Marjorie M. Reedy,

In response to your second letter, I must again clarify some information. The Mayor and Council appoints a liaison to the Board of Education and a member of the Board of Education regularly attends Council meetings.

You miss the point that Board of Education members are elected to develop and be responsible for the budget, which they are. The Mayor and Council develop and take responsibility for the Borough Municipal portion of the budget. Members of the Council do not wait until the community votes on the budget, but respond, according to law, to meet with members of the Board of Education to recommend acceptance or reduction. Once again, Board members are legally empowered to develop the budget, not the Mayor and Council, and the governing body respects that authority.

Secondly, your efforts to explain Democrats being in "control" is why there hasn't been a Republican in the Borough Council for several years. There is very good reason for this. As a Republican, you must know your party position and action taken by Republicans; increased spending at 1 million dollars per year for five years, a 400% increase in debt service, increased taxes, no road improvements, no senior housing, no senior recreation center, no expanded PAL, no resident input, and refusing to hear

residents at Council meetings. The Republican policy of borrow, spend and tax is long over and will not return to South Plainfield. Again, I remind you that the Council is comprised of dedicated, professional and caring people who give their time, meet with and listen to our residents and happen to be Democrats with a terrific record of service and accomplishments.

There have been 19 meetings of the Mayor and Council this year up to May 24, 2001. You have attended only one. I again suggest that you attend meetings and see the process first hand.

SINCERELY,  
DANIEL J. GALLAGHER

Dear Editor,

I don't know if it is practical, but I have an idea for the use of the train car in the center of town.

Let's use that area for a farmers market similar to what Scotch Plains

and Highland Park have. There is plenty of parking. The train car can be used by civic organizations as a coffee and snack center in order to raise donations.

When not being used as a farmers market, we can have music by the brook evenings. Bands can be set up outside the train car, while everyone sits along the brook listening to music on a warm summer night. Again the train car can be used as a coffee house where we mingle.

During the cold months, the entertainment could move inside the railcar to create a musical coffee house. While the number of people will be limited, the car will still be used, which would possibly reduce the potential for vandalism. The historical society could decorate the car with pictures of South Plainfield from the past.

This would attract visitors to the center of town which was the reason we spruced it up.

JOE SCALERA

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### Milestones

#### Susan Shershinger, Robert Galambos Announce Engagement

Howard and Bertha Shershinger of Cranford have announced the engagement of their daughter, Susan Shershinger to Robert Galambos, son of Richard and Lena Galambos of South Plainfield.

The bride-to-be received a Bachelor of Science from Montclair State University in Business Administration with a concentration in Management and is employed by Pension Perspectives in Summit.

The groom-to-be received a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from DeVry Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Ga. He is currently employed as a staff accountant for Harvard Industries, Inc. in Lebanon, NJ.

An August wedding will be held in Evangel Baptist Church in Springfield, NJ.



Susan Shershinger and Robert Galambos

## AARP Chapter #4144 Volunteers Recognized



Each year at the May meeting of the Members of the American Association of Retired Persons (AARP), Community Service Volunteers are recognized with a special cake.

These volunteers provide a variety of services to the community. Some help patients in nursing homes and hospitals in the area. Another group helps nonprofit organizations such as NCADD (National Council on Alcohol and Drug Dependency), The



March of Dimes, Easter Seals, Huntington's Disease and the Institute for Education of the Arts and Humanities with bulk mailings. The needlecrafters meet each Wednesday afternoon at the Senior Citizen Center and make items for distribution to nursing homes and hospitals. Two volunteers work in the "Mr. Fixit" program sponsored by the Salvation Army through RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program-Middlesex County).

At no cost to the homeowner, fire extinguishers, smoke detectors, bathtub safety rails and other safety related items are provided. Each year, from January through April 15, volunteers assist seniors with Federal and State income tax forms, property tax rebates and PAAD forms. Other volunteers work with "Listening to Children" programs, assist seniors with finances, and provide transportation to medical facilities.

Members of the AARP meet on the third Friday of each month (except December, June, July and August) at the PAL building on Maple Ave. The Chapter President is Bill Hannah; Vice President is Marian Fischer; Secretary is Mary Stevens and Treasurer is Jerry Mendel.

The following is a list of AARP volunteers: Sylvia Boyd, Sadie Del Negro, Hanna Fuerst, Lisa Kugis, Stephen Machat, Marge Machat, Bill McAllister, Jean McAllister, Rose Miron, Rose Charles, Mary Finnegan, Eleanor Jarema, Julia Masselli, Fran Segarra, Ida Shepard, Mildred Strani, Ethel Bruscatto, Bernadette Medick, Alex Miron, Tina Morretti, Rose Penkunas, Florence Rein, Daniel Gianfrancesco, Marian Fischer, Mary Stevens, Jim Taylor, Bill Hannah, Judy Hannah, Helen Gulick, Margaret Askew, Grace Donnelly, Margaret Serago, Rosa Bragg, Norma Cassio, Thelma Gandy, Mary McNerney, Rose Santoro, Rosemary Smith, Elsie Webster, Marie Cucuzzo, Jean Decker, Margo Lane, Ethel Hoffman, Lee Peterson, Joe Formica, Jerry Mendel, Chris Vanderhelm, Eleanor Haines, Fleurette Taylor, Janet Kolvites, Bessie Sopher, Dorothy Simmons.

Submitted by Bill McAllister

## Unity Bank Will be Open On Sundays

Starting the week of June 3, Unity Bank introduces a new approach to convenience: Sunday banking. Unity will begin opening on Sundays in the lobby and at the drive-up at its South Plainfield branch. In addition, Unity's South Plainfield branch will introduce extended evening hours during the week—staying open as late as 9 p.m. on Thursdays at the drive-up.

Unity Bank President Tony Feraro is mindful of the communities he serves. He gets involved, and so does the Unity family. "We are listening and what we hear is that folks want to bank when it's convenient for them. We know our customers are busy. That's why we've added more hours and are opening our branches during non-traditional hours," Feraro said.

At the South Plainfield branch, lobby hours will be from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday. On Thursday and Friday, the lobby will open at 9 a.m., as usual and remain open until 6 p.m. Saturday lobby hours will be 9 a.m. to noon and Sunday lobby hours until be 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Breakfast will be available for Sunday bankers.

Extended drive-up hours at South Plainfield are as follows: Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Thursday 8 a.m. to 9 p.m.; Friday 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Saturday 9 a.m. to noon; Sunday 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

But Unity Bank hasn't stopped

there. "We're offering, under one roof, the kinds of professional financial services that until now forced people to travel to several locations," Feraro said. "Now within the comfort of familiar surroundings, our customers can apply for a mortgage, invest in the stock market, get a small business loan, and more."

Unity Bank has created alliances with the U-Vest Corp. and developed a mortgage referral alliance with First Hallmark Mortgage. These services are available to Unity Bank customers at Unity Bank branches, Individuals and businesses alike will benefit from this approach.

As a result of these efforts, Unity Bank was recently identified by the U.S. government as the fifth largest lender in State of New Jersey and named a preferred lender winning the Silver Award for small business administration.

"We're involved in our communities because, quite simply, we are part of them," Feraro said. "Our branch managers and senior officers join the local Rotary clubs and chambers of commerce. Unity Bank donates computers and other technology as well as our expertise to schools, religious and community organizations wherever we work and live. We define 'Community' in community banking."

Unity Bank is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Unity Bancorp, Inc., and has served New Jersey since 1991. Unity Bank provides a full range of commercial and retail banking services through twelve Retail Financial Service Centers across Central New Jersey, including its South Plainfield office. For more information call (800) 618-BANK or visit the website at unitybank.com.

## So. Plfld. Recycling Program Supports Project Graduation

"Recycling Pays" is a slogan that continues to ring true, even in the face of weak paper markets and local over-supplies of green glass. The South Plainfield Recycling Program has donated the proceeds from the sale of used clothing to the High School's Project Graduation program.

The Recycling Center on Kenneth Ave. hosts used clothing collection boxes from the READ Foundation. The READ Foundation's principal mission is to provide funds for local drug and alcohol education programs. They sell the used clothing and donate the proceeds to charitable organizations.

READ pays the Recycling Program \$20 for each full drop-off box they collect.

The Recycling Center's boxes have been filling up about once a month and the Recycling Program made its first pass-along donation to Project Graduation this week, sending a check for \$240 to the High School PTA. Alice Tempel, Recycling Coordinator, urges all residents to support the program by bringing used clothing and other textiles to the Recycling Center. Recycling is open on Tuesdays from 12 to 7 p.m. and on Fridays and Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m.

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## Need to Contact the Mayor or Council?

Recently, South Plainfield's Mayor and Council released new phone numbers that residents can use to directly contact them.

All numbers are area code 908. The numbers are as follows:

Mayor Dan Gallagher	226-7691
James Vokra	226-7618
Ed Kubala	226-7619
Darlene Pinto	226-7658
Dennis Cerami	226-7659
Raymond Petronko	226-7626
Robert Cusick	226-7648

## Borough News

### Council Notes

- Howard Evert has been hired as a groundkeeper.
- David Ramos has resigned as a part-time communications officer.
- William Reedy has been hired as a part-time senior citizen van driver at a rate of \$10.90 per hour.
- Scott Thomas, senior engineering aid, has resigned effective May 25.
- CME has been awarded the contract to perform engineering services for the Borough effective July 1, 2001.
- Pumping Services, Inc. has been authorized to perform repairs to the sewer pump on New Market Ave. at a cost of \$3,489.
- Two laptop computers were authorized to be purchased for the police department.
- A grant for \$30,000 was received from the New Jersey Division of Criminal Justice for Safe and Secure Communities.
- A Grant for \$88,178 has been received from the New Jersey Economic Development Authority for the clean-up on Pulaski Street.
- Filomena Viola has been appointed to the Senior Citizen Advisory Committee.

### Planning Board

Commerce Bank was granted a final site plan approval to build a bank on the corner of Lane and Plainfield Ave.

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# Events Around Town

## First Baptist Church To Hold Yard Sale

June 2

The First Baptist Church Women's Evening Circle is sponsoring a yard sale, to be held on Saturday, June 2, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at adjoining locations of 111-115 Jerome Ave. (off Park Ave.). Featured items for sale include used household items, white elephants and small treasures.

## Columbiettes Plan Trip to Bingo World in Baltimore

June 2

The South Plainfield Columbiettes are sponsoring a bus trip to Bingo World in Baltimore on Saturday, June 2.

The bus will leave the Knights of Columbus Hall on Hamilton Blvd. at 7:30 a.m. and return after the last game of the afternoon session.

Cost is \$55, which includes driver gratuity and admission pack for the main session. We will arrive in time to purchase discount early bird packs.

For information and reservations, call Mary Ann at (908) 226-1222.

This trip is open to Bingo lovers.

## VFW Plans Country Breakfast

June 3

VFW Post #6763, located on Front St., will hold a Country Breakfast on Sunday, June 3 from 8 to 11 a.m. They will have a varied menu and also a children's menu is available. Donation is \$5.

The breakfast is sponsored by Pup Tent 41, Military Order of the Cooti. Proceeds go toward parties in the wards at the Lyons VAMC. For more information phone (908) 668-9751.

## Flo's Safari Recital at Rain Forest Cafe

June 3

On Sunday, June 3, students from Flo's Piano Studio in South Plainfield will be putting on a Safari Piano Recital, complete with Safari Clothes. Afterwards, they will be treated to a Safari Lunch, held at the Rain Forest Cafe in Menlo Park Mall. The recital will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., and the party is from 10:30 a.m. until 12 noon.

## 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.

## SP Rescue Squad Plans to Hold Open House

June 9

On Saturday, June 9, the South Plainfield Rescue Squad invites everyone to attend their Open House. It will take place from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Rescue Squad Building, 2520 Plainfield Ave. The Open House will feature extrication, first aid, CPR, automated external defibrillation demonstrations, ambulance tours, blood pressure screenings and child car seat safety checks. Refreshments will also be provided, which include hot dogs, soda, popcorn and cotton candy.

## Elks to Hold Outdoor Chinese Auction

June 9

The South Plainfield Elks Club will be holding an outdoor Chinese Auction on Saturday, June 9. Doors open at 1 p.m., auction starts at 3 p.m.

There will be plenty of food and refreshments available, including hot dogs and hamburgers cooked on the grill. Rain date is June 10.

Prizes include Diamond Club Mets, Yankees and Somerset Patriots tickets and many gift certificates. Admission is \$5. For ticket information call Lisa at (908) 668-9750.

## South Plainfield Rec Department and SAFTE Fishing Club Host Derby

June 16

The South Plainfield Recreation Department and the South Plainfield High School S.A.F.T.E. Fishing Club invites everyone under the age of 18 to participate in their Annual Fishing Derby.

The Derby will take place on Saturday, June 16, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. It will be held in Spring Lake Park, and prizes will be given out to the winners. If you are planning to attend this event, please bring your own fishing equipment.

## Trip to The Lion King

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.

## OLC/Knights of Columbus Blood Drive

July 10

Our Lady of Czestochowa Church

and South Plainfield Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a blood drive. It will be held at the South Plainfield Knights of Columbus Hall on Hamilton Blvd. from 3 to 8:30 p.m. on July 10.

Contact Carolyn Yankoski at 908-755-2516 for more

## Knights to Sponsor Mom's Night Out Dinner

July 20

The South Plainfield Knights of Columbus is sponsoring a "Mom's night out all you can eat" dinner for the family on July 20, from 5-7 p.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall.

Call 908-625-4843 or 908-755-

—Out of Town—

## Brass Lantern To Host 'Artisan's Day'

June 2

The Brass Lantern, at 335 Main St., Metuchen, will host 'Artisan's Day', on Saturday, June 2, from 1-3 p.m. The event will feature four local artisans; Vivian Hight, author; Diane Rubin, award winning poet; Dawn Rodriguez, member of the Doll and Artisan's Guild - Porcelain Doll and Fairy Artist; Lars Sorensen, acrylics, water colorist, oil painter, pen and ink and sculptor.

## Learn Your Genealogy in a Workshop

June 2

Learn how to trace your family tree on Saturday, June 2 at 1:30 p.m. A genealogy workshop will be held at the Buccleuch Mansion on Easton Ave. in New Brunswick.

The workshop is sponsored by the Daughters of the American Revolution Jersey Blue Chapter.

For information, call Lorraine Lenkevich at (908) 754-5898.

## Lecture For Singles

June 5

Mind, Body, Spirit, Holistic Expo of Somerset will be hosting a free lecture "For Singles - Places to Go, People to Meet and Greet" at the Franklin Township Public Library. The lecture will take place on Tuesday, June 5 from 7 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call (732) 748-0298 or contact Lecture@EGSCorp.com.

## KISMET Dance Party

June 8

KISMET will host a Dance Party on Saturday, June 8, from 8:30 p.m. to Midnight. The dance will be held at The Inn at Mount Bethel, 181 Mount Bethel Road, Warren. \$35 at the door includes music by DJ Winn Balou and open bar. Proper attire is required; jackets for men is appropriate. For more information, contact KISMET at (908) 232-8827.

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## From the South Plainfield Library

# Bookmarks

By Kenneth Morgan

Let's start up June with news from the South Plainfield Library.

Don't forget that we're closed on Sundays throughout the summer. Sunday operating hours will return in September. On the other hand, we'll now remain open regular hours (9 a.m.-5 p.m.) on Saturdays year-round. This break from previous years has been made for the convenience of our patrons. We hope this meets with your approval.

The next meeting of the Friends of the Library is set for Monday afternoon at 1 Both members and non-members are welcome to attend. No meetings are scheduled in July or Aug.; they'll pick up again in Sept.

Next week, we'll be staying with our usual schedule of children's Storytime programs. Those programs are held on Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday at 1:15 p.m. These programs are for children ages three and older; you don't need to pre-register. And, in answer to some patrons' questions, we'll be following this schedule throughout the summer. If you'd like more information about our children's programs, please check with Children's Librarian Linda Hansen.

Today, we're between groups on the Video Circuit. The next group should be available by Monday afternoon. Also, we've made another change in our internal arrangement. The DVD and Circuit Video display boxes are now kept on a brand new rotating shelf unit. Furthermore, they're now found in the spot previously occupied by the Young Adult

paperback rack, which now occupies the spot where the Circuit Video and DVD display boxes used to be kept. Confused? Don't be; they're easy to spot in front of the Circulation Desk.

Here's a request from the Library staff. Sometimes, when a patron leaves us a phone message, it can be difficult to understand them or figure out who they are. Please be sure to speak clearly and identify yourself; spelling your last name would be a help. Also, if you're calling to renew items you've borrowed, please tell us specifically what they are so there's no confusion. (In the case of renewals, you can also take care of them via our automated Elvis system at (908) 757-3280. Please have the items and your library card handy as you'll need the bar code numbers from them.) We'd appreciate your cooperation on this.

And here's another advisory: There are times when you've picked out, or even checked out, a bunch of items, but you're unable or unwilling to lug them around with you. (Like, for example, when you need to use the rest room.) If that happens, please don't leave them unattended on a table or at the Circulation Desk. If you do, the odds are we'll assume that the items are either unwanted (if they're on a table) or have just been returned (if they're on the desk) and we'll re-shelve them. This results in unnecessary work for the staff and unneeded trouble for you. Instead, please bring your selections to the desk and let us know; we'll put your selections aside for you until you're ready.

That'll wrap it up for now. Thanks very much for your attention. See you next Friday.

## Summer Drama Workshop Looking For Cast and Crew

The South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop, celebrating its 30th season, is seeking actors, backstage help and musicians for this year's production, *Bye, Bye Birdie*.

Any eligible students interested in participating in this year's program are invited to the audition nights on June 4, 5 and 6 at the South Plainfield Middle School. Backstage help and musicians interested in playing in the orchestra are asked to come one of those nights and fill out a sign-up sheet.

Students who will have completed the sixth grade this June, through those students who will graduate high school, are eligible to participate in this worthwhile program. South Plainfield residents who attend borough schools or other area schools are welcome to come out and audition.

Copies of the script and cast album are available for review at the South Plainfield Library.

Auditions will be held between 6:30 and 9 p.m. each night at the South Plainfield Middle School, a new location this year. Students are asked to wear comfortable clothes and shoes and bring a non-returnable photo. A short dance routine will be taught and you will get a chance to sing and read from the script. Prepared audition songs are not necessary, but if you will be performing your own selection, please bring sheet music. An accompanist and tape player will be available.

For more information, please call (908) 561-5255 and leave a message. Information and a downloadable sign-up sheet are available at our website, [www.spsdw.com](http://www.spsdw.com)

## Labor Day Parade Committee Asking Residents for Grand Marshal Nominees

It's that time of the year again. The Labor Day Committee has been busy meeting for the past few months, signing up bands and making plans for our Annual Labor Day Parade. This year is South Plainfield's 75th birthday, so the committee is planning to make the day even more memorable. The parade is scheduled for Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 3.

The first order of business is who will be this year's Grand Marshal. The Labor Day Committee is asking residents to send their nominations for Grand Marshal.

If anyone knows an individual who they feel has contributed outstanding service to the community,

they are asked to send a letter stating the reasons why this person should be considered for Grand Marshal. If you submitted a name last year, you must submit it again this year.

Include the candidate's name, address and telephone number and send the nomination to John Sorrentino, 225 Hopkinson St., South Plainfield, NJ 07080. Email: [jmsorrentino@home.com](mailto:jmsorrentino@home.com) or fax (908) 753-4003.

If you are interested in marching in the parade, entering a float, or need more information, please contact Councilwoman Darlene Pinto at (908) 561-1517.

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## Family Fun Day Held For Future Stars



On May 19, Future Star Parents Group hosted Family Fun Day. Family Fun day was held for the present students, as well as for students entering Future Stars in September. The children were excited to see 21 baby animals at the petting zoo. The zoo included: sheep, cows, goats, pigs, many different kinds of chickens, chicks, and much more. The children got to feed and pet the animals. They especially liked watching four-month-old Wilbur dig in the mud with his snout and then roll in it.

The children got to ride the merry-go-round and the choo-choo train that circled the playground. They jumped in the moonwalk, crawled in the airplane crawl and showed their creative side with spin art.

Family Fun day is made possible from the support of the parents fundraising throughout the year. This free event was open to the whole family, not just the students.

The Parents Group would like to thank the teachers who volunteered and the parents for making this possible for our children.

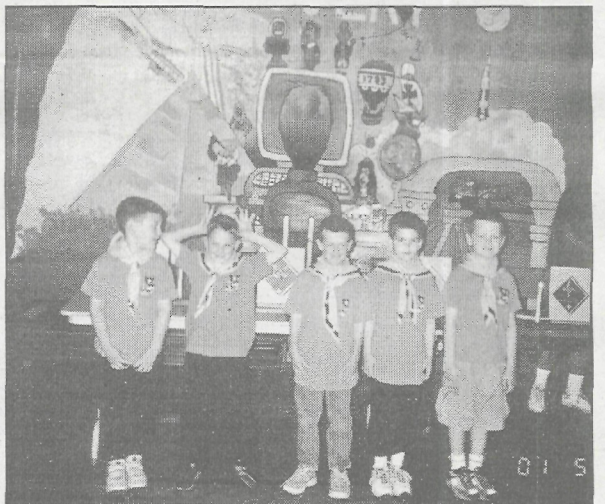


## South Plainfield Scouting



### Girl Scouts Participate in Fashion Show

Junior Girl Scout Troop 786 from Riley School recently attended a seminar and participated in a fashion show at *Limited Too* in Menlo Park Mall in Edison. Pictured are Shakera Jones, Patricia Robles, Michelle Slover, Kelly McCormack, Brittany Heron, Amanda Hunterton, Courtney Easterday, Srevie Stark and Deunca Jones. Missing from picture are Ashley Galon and Jelissa Williams.



### Tiger Scouts Graduate To Wolf Scouts

Tiger Scouts from J.E. Kennedy Pack #324 graduated to become Wolf Scouts on May 17. Pictured are Dominic Eosso, Troy Kurilew, Jack Green, Ryan Riccardi and Michael Grzenda.

Down By the Old Mill Stream...

## Larry Randolph to Talk on South Plainfield's History

Relish a past time when children swam in the mill race by Spring Lake, families frolicked at the Holly Pond Resort, and the Swift-Sure Stage Line traversed Sampton Avenue. These are some of the memories relived in "The History of South Plainfield, New Jersey", an informative and entertaining program scheduled for Tuesday, June 19 at the South Plainfield Public Library from 7 to 9 p.m.

Program presenter Larry Randolph, Chairman of the South Plainfield Environmental Commission, has spent a life-time researching the town's history and learning its legends and lore. His interest in regional history and archaeology comes about

quite naturally, for the Randolph ancestral roots date to the founding of Piscataway Township in 1666. Randolph, a member of the Executive Board of the Archaeological Society of New Jersey, has worked on excavations across the state and also deals with preservation matters for the South Plainfield Environmental Commission.

The 45-minute slide program will explore how the geology of the region influenced many events, from paleo-indian occupation 5000 B.C. to early settlement by the Dutch and English colonists. Randolph will touch upon the Wisconsin Glacier and South Plainfield's location in the

lower Raritan Drainage Basin, a situation that has modern-day flooding consequences.

Although part of sprawling Piscataway Township until 1926, South Plainfield did not develop into a rural farming community like the rest of the region. Randolph will explore the town's early industrial development — the grist mill, saw mill and later the railroad, which put a distinctive economic and social stamp on the town. He will address the early church influences, slavery, and involvement in the American Revolution.

Randolph's extensive research on that war's military action in and around South Plainfield will bring alive long-forgotten heroism, sacrifice and struggle. He will continue through the Civil War period, the growth of the railroad, and 20th century development.

This unforgettable program is a must-see for area residents. The program is organized by the Friends of the Woods, Inc., a sub-committee of the South Plainfield Environmental Commission community education committee. The program is free, and no registration is required. Artifacts depicting South Plainfield's history will be on display in the library's cases for the month of June. The Library is located on Plainfield Ave., between the Rescue Squad and Borough Hall.

For more information, log on to the Friends of the Woods website at: <http://community.ru.com/cc/friendsofthewoods> or call Dorothy Miele (908) 754-3073.

### Sacred Heart's Smokeless Bingo Is a Success

Sacred Heart has initiated a smokeless bingo at their Tuesday night bingo. It has proved to be a great success.

According to Council President Jim Vokral, the smokeless Tuesday bingo is becoming more popular than the Sunday night bingo.

Plans call for the Sunday night bingo to also become smokeless in the future. No date has yet been set for the Sunday night to go smokeless.

## Residents are Asked to Support Senate Bill S-2075

The council passed a resolution at last week's meeting to ask the State Senate to adopt Senate Bill S-2075, providing a grant of \$2,000,000 for Turning Point Inc., the largest short term residential alcoholism drug addiction treatment program in New Jersey.

Turning Point, Inc. has always been located on the grounds of the Essex County Hospital and that facility is no longer available. The grant will be used for relocating expenses.

Councilman Ed Kubala is asking residents to write and urge adoption of Senate Bill S-2075.

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## South Plainfield High School Announces Third Marking Period Honor Roll

The following is a list of students grades 9-12 who made the Honor Roll for the third marking period.

**Grade 9:** Elaine Alexander, David Allara, Jamaal Allen, Jonathan Alves, Ari Amin, Almasa Amini, Jacqueline Arango, Danielle Aronowitz, Robert Barone Jr., Shannon Boyles, Jonathan Buggy, Kaitlin Bundy, Kelly Butrico, Tarryn Carlton, Michael Carmon, Jonathan Chiang, Jeanine Christopher, Shade Coleman, Gregory Copeland, Lori Cushner, Christopher Czaplinski, Justin Czarnik, Kelly Daley, Ryan Decker, Christina Del Genio, Kevin Demarest, Brittany DeNizio, Christopher Dickerson, Frank Dietzold, Claire Dolling and Jenee Douras.

Brian Edwards, Chelsea Falato, Catherine Flannery, Aricella Fumosa, Matina Ganiaris, Gregory Garbowski, Miguel Garcia, Dana Genova, Sarah Green, Robert Hoffman, Christopher Horn, Janice Hussain, Jamie Irber, Tara Israel, Joshua Jackson, Austin Michael Johnston, Katherine Kaczka, Wadij Kanj, Kyle Kazimir, Angelica Keller, Christopher Kelly, Wendy Kollarik, Courtney Krajcik, Kristen Kunie, Daniel Lammi, Kristina Latonio, Brittany Lee, Pauline Lee, Heather Loenser and Jordan Lynch.

Charlyn Magat, Stephanie Manuel, Earl Marcelo, Jennifer Martinez, Ashley Mazellan, David Miglis, Eileen Milcarek, Ngozi Oparacke, John Okuski, Eric Paprocka, Francesca Pasquale, Ankit Patel, Anuj Patel, Hardik Patel, Harsh Patel, Julie Patel, Oscar Perez, Natalie Picciottoli, Bonnie Pornovets, Amanda Rasteli, Ashely Ritchey.

Jonathan Rodger, Josef Rodriguez, Michael Salerno, Shari-Liane Sangster, Matthew Santone, Rachel Schwarzer, Andre Scott, Daniel Sierzege, Susan Smela, Jenna Smith, Lauren Smithline, Lisa Sniscak, Carly Stoeckel, Alex Tierney, Christine Tinana, Chiara Tomei, Adam Toth, Stephen Turrisse, Kenneth Wakefield, Erin Walsh, Jessaka Whitsitt, Meagan Wilson, Chrisann Zushma, Robin Zushma.

**Grade 10:** Christopher Addvensky, Joseph Adona, Ashley Allocco, Alain Amazan, Christopher Baron, Heather Barrett, Jason Basile, Christine Benak, Rebecca Bianchi, Tiffany Boyle, Eric Brandes, Milton Bravo, Jr., Jenny Cai, Jennifer Castro, Jody Chepulic, Michael Conrad, Meredith Cooper, Gary Curcio, Jr., James Curcio, Jr., Kristina Cwiekalo, Nadia Deba, Christina Dematos, Jenna DeSimone, Denise DiMiglio, Andrea Doell, Kimberly

Dziomba, Shante Edelen, Nicole Esposito, Abbalonia Falato, Cathleen Fodor, Kristen Fredericks, Christina Furka, David Garrantino, Janara Krista Garcia, Hollie Gaster, Amanda George, Jamie Glowacki, Jennifer Goolsaran, Shelly Graziano, Nicholas Green, Francisco Guevara, Kristen Gumina, Melissa Harrah, Kelly Hart, Amanda Hermann, Jaclyn Hondo, Nadisha Hoscini.

Alexander Huynh, Apprameya Iyengar, David Jacobs, Lauren Kacka, Amit Kalia, Meredith Kalman, Michael Kasmer, Timothy Keller, Jillian Kelley, Elizabeth Kittell, Michelle Kravetsky, Danielle Larisch, Nathalie Londono, Christina Lorance, Michael Martinez, Sejal Mehta, Daniel Melick, Alexis Montanaro, Jamie Morris, Richard Muglia, Sherin Navasca.

Tai Thanh Nguyen, Kristen Nietzer, Kristina Ogonowski, Ellery Pagala, Laura Painton, Chirag Patel, Dipika Patel, Herry Patel, Rupel Patel, Gabriela Pineda, Kristin Pozarycki, Cindy Prybella, Brian Publik, Megan Pulomona, Priscilla Quevedo, John Rayho, Joseph Reach, Juan Rincon, Eva Rodriguez, Elayne Russell, Meaghan Schweers, Melissa Scotto, Dhara Shah, Jennifer Silhanek, Danielle Skoba, Joseph Smalley, Steven Sobel, Crystal Soto, David Spayder, Allison Stolloff, Richard Sullivan, Stephanie Tackach, Justin Toth, Janine Turrisse, Denise Vita, Ryan Vroom, Matthew Wells, Jeffrey Williams, Nicole Woo, Frank Wrublewski, Victoria Zappi.

**Grade 11:** Mohammed Alli, Kathy Almanzar, Puja Amin, Brielle Anderson, Matthew Bizup, Cassie Bosse, Christopher Bumback, Jennifer Butrico, Christopher Catalfamo, Pamela Cianfrocca, Christopher Cornish, Jenevieve DeLosSantos, Joseph Dezmin, Jr., Rafael Diaz, Luis Dimajce, Scott Doerr, Tamara Dombrowski, Gina D'Urso, Meghan Elsmann, Mena Fahmy, Andrew Falocco, Christopher Fortunka, Jonathan Fredericks.

Justin Gaynor, Ryan Gianneschi, Stephanie Golonka, Daniel Gonzalez, Alan Graziano, Sean Grevious, Norma Guevara, Colombino Headley, Sabrina Hollis, Jessica Honeywell, Violet Huynh, Jessica Irber, Rula Kanj, Elliot Kaplan, Antonia Katsantonis, Valerie Katsonis, Janelle Kenny, Eric Kim, Allison Kravetsky, Kimberly Kulick, Daniel Lahey, Amy Leso, Matthew Liebl, Julio Lopez, Danielle Lyrwyn, Jennifer MacDougall, Christine Magat, Christine

Martinez, Krystal McCullen, Jeffrey McKnight, Robert Merkle, Jr., Sarah Miele, Karen Mohareem, Timothy Morgan, Jr., James Nguyen, Matthew Noll, William Olson, Michelle Oppelt, Mary Odwoski, Destiny Owen, Erica Parks, Jigar Patel, Pooja Patel, Michelle Paterek, Matthew Peloquin, Kevin Petrocelli, Kimberly Pfeifer, Victor Pichardo, Adina Ramos, Billie Jean Sarullo, Lauren Scaduto, Martin Seiz, Sally Serago, Joseph Sierzege, Jr., Thomas Sniscak, Michelle Socha, Debby Soriano, Dattesh Suthar, Rebecca Thalheimer, Philp Thomas, Thomas Troia, Michael Tudor, Jr., Matthew Vance, Stephanie Veersamy, Ryan Ventura, Jacqueline Wong.

**Grade 12:** Nicole Adona, Lindsey Aiello, Sam Alexander, Steve Allara, Eric Ambielli, Kristin Anderson, David Aquino, Jason Bataille, Kimberly Benson, Shannon Bishop, Nick Bloodgood, Kyan Bowman, Allie Butrico, Johanna Camino, Michael Cardona, Justina Carubia, Kristyn Ciarlariello, Jason Cisz, David Cupo, Tom Daly, Jacquelyn DeAngelis, Mike DeSimone, Michelle Dietzold, Mark Dimacje, Michael Edgecombe, Josh English, Rachel Feller, John Foscolo.

Bobby Freeman, Emma Fulton, Angelique Ganiaris, Erich Gaub, Rich Gebauer, Alissa Gittens, Janet Golon, Jamie Grubesh, Shannon Hecht, Melissa Jamieson, Shelly Jankowski, Mindy Kovacs, Amanda Kress, Paul Larisch, Maria Leonardi, Erin Mackey, Joe Maglaque, Sarah Manfredo, Matthew McKnight, Megan Melanson, Joanne Michalski, Sabina Montanaro, Adrienne Nagy, Armi Navasca, Huy Nguyen, Huyen Thi Nguyen, Lam Nguyen, Joseph Nicolay, Bryan Novajosky, Daniel Novajosky, Gregory Ogonowski, Sarah Oppelt.

Jennifer Pagala, Julie Palmer, Annette Papa, Roxana Parrero, Jessica Pasco, Bimal Patel, Daksha Patel, Millie Patel, Heather Pedersen, David Penyak, Jessica Persa, Milady Pichardo, Steven Popp, Ralceigh Price, Stephanie Prybella, Christina Raimondi, Shannon Regan, Caroline Reilly, Lauren Richardson, Anthony Rowlands, Pamela Russo, Martin Schreck, Karl Schuetz, Jeff Smith, Jessie Spayder, Kristin Spisso, Douglas Tackach, Christopher Thalheimer, Alison Tietjen, Anh Trinh, Kristin Turner, Patrizia Volpe, Lacey Walter, Justin Woo, Eman Younes, Veronica Zappi, Qiu Ping Zhang.



## JFK Elementary Holds Spring Concert/Art Show

Last Wednesday night, May 16, all of John F. Kennedy Elementary School's musicians performed their Spring Concert. The show included performances from the string ensemble, band and chorus. The students delighted friends and family with pieces they'd been practicing for the big night.

The string ensemble, conducted by Carleen Tedeschi, was the first to perform. The third, fourth and fifth grade string players started off with a number called *Folk Dance*. Next the fourth and fifth graders performed *Shadows*, and all the musicians joined in for *Musette*. Finishing the orchestra's performance was *Tango*, which featured fifth grade violin players Taylor Kurilew, Chelsea Moubarak, Kathryn McGee and Raymond Lee.

Making up the JFK string ensemble are Violin I: Taylor Kurilew, Chelsea Moubarak, Kathryn McGee, Victoria Tran, Kelly McCormack, Andrew McGee and Steven Grzenda; Violin II: Amber Scott, Sara Johnson, Lisa Migliore, Jenna Heckel, Danielle Campanella, and Manraj Singh; Viola: Raymond Lee, Harrison Lee, Mathew Santos, Andrew Muhlgeier and Bria Edmonds; Cello: Arham Jain, Holly McDede, Robert Scott and Rudacia Thomas; Bass: Jimmy Bijlani.

Toby Baldwin led the school band next. The first piece performed was *Overture 1812, Opus 49*, followed by *Regal March*. The band ended with *When the Saints Go Marching In* and *Down the Field March*.

The School Band includes Flutes: Elizabeth Valentino, Ashley Prete, Elizabeth Rodger, David Quiroga, Danielle Atcachunas, Jennifer Disch, Katherine Baldassarre, Noelle Aguilar, Cheryl Lipuma, Nicole Rann; Alto Saxophone: Robert McGregor, Nicholas Jeglinski, Andrea Vedutis, Danielle Ranger, Joseph Menutti; Trumpet: Keith Heckel, Austen

Lynch, Andrew Orhiska, Kenneth Breslaw, Anthony Louise, Joseph Lacerda, Jorge Alvarez; Percussion: Christopher DeOliveira, Richard Harzula, Ian McGregor; Oboe: Aaron Wright; Clarinet: Raymond Lee, Chelsea Moubarak, Joanna Luzny, Alan Kasmer, Gina Viola, Alyssa Sutherland, Kaitlyn Pangborn, Annie Polanco, Tiffany Tangora; French Horn: Samantha Rivera, Elizabeth Diamant, Jeanne Ulacia; Trombone: Ryan Szumski, Barry Brown, Anthony Simms, Russell Nash; Baritone Horn: Louis Rivera; Percussion: Michael Dezmim and Timothy Moskal.

Barbara Habeeb directed the chorus to end the concert. The mistress of ceremonies was Tiffany Rouse. The chorus started their performance with *Gloria Deo*; next was *My America*. *Hand Me Down My Silver Trumpet* and *Just a Tree* ended the chorus's performance and the annual concert.

Participating in the Fourth and Fifth Grade Chorus are Noelle Aguilar, Katherine Baldassarre, Elizabeth Blackford, Gina Caruso, Steven Chen, Caitlin Davies, Christopher DeOliveira, Jennifer Disch, Cindy Garzon, Richard Harzula, Sara Johnson, Alan Kasmer, Jordan Leporino, Joanna Luzny, Mark Mackintosh, Ian McGregor, Joanna Nastarowicz, Britany Okosko, Danielle Pasquale, Annie Polanco, Danielle Ranger, Samantha Rivera, Amber Scott, Tiffany Tangora, Andrea Vedutis, Danielle Atcachunas, Kristin Billich, Kenneth Breslaw, Vanessa Castellano, Christina Cornelius, James DeLillo, Elizabeth Diamant, Constance Flanagan, Jason Gray, Terry Ho, Jenna Kanaley, Taylor Kurilew, Nicole Listorti, Austen Lynch, Kelly McCormick, Chelsea Moubarak, Meghan Nigro, Kaitlin Pangborn, Daniel Phillips, Ashley Prete, Nicole Rann, Tiffany Rouse, Sarah Shulte, Elizabeth Valentino, Courtney Wilhelm.

## Feigley's Gymnastics Summer Program

Feigley's School of Gymnastics and Cheerleading is teaming up with JoAnn's Dance Studio for a summer of fun and learning.

The two studios are offering a Theater Camp, which includes gymnastics, dance, singing and costuming. Both three week sessions end with an original performance.

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arts and crafts.

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# 300 Kids Visit Fourth Annual Bike Rodeo



## To The Residents of South Plainfield:

On May 19, the South Plainfield Police Department hosted its Fourth Annual Bicycle rodeo at Spring Lake Park. Over 300 children attended the event, which promoted bike safety and theft prevention. The children first had a safety check performed on their bike, by the staff at Bike N Gear of Middlesex. They then took part in a safety obstacle course staffed by State Farm Insurance and upon completion they received a photo "license."

As part of the "Baron Von Pedaloff" anti-theft program, approximately 100 children registered their bikes with the police department. This program, designed by retired South Plainfield Officer William Frink, encourages the children to register their bikes with the police department in the event they are stolen.

The Department distributed 80 bicycle helmets to those children who didn't have a helmet. The helmets were purchased with funds donated by the South Plainfield Traffic Advisory Commission and Halls Fast Motor Freight.

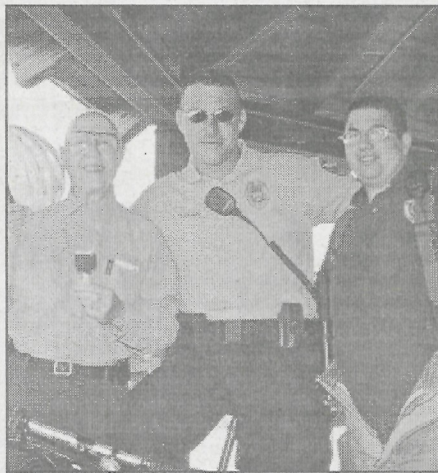
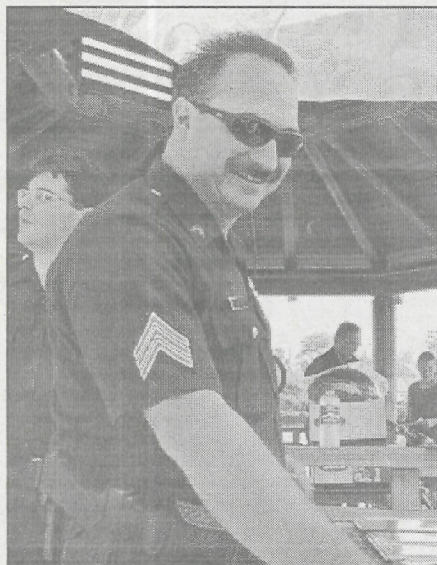
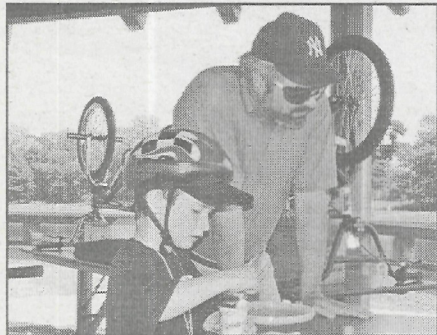
Children feasted on hot dogs, soda, Haagen Daz ice cream and Rita's Italian Ice. Rita's, Halls Fast Motor Freight, Freihofer's Bakery, Roma Foods, and Pepsi Co. donated these items. The Middlesex County Comprehensive Traffic Program donated frisbees and key chains and Halls Fast Motor Freight supplied cameras, clothing items and toy trucks as prizes.

Finally, two lucky children each won a "Dyno" 20 inch bike. The first winner, pictured above, was Claire Kelly, 11, of South Plainfield, who won a bike donated by Lynn and Ron Sward of the Physical Therapy Center of South Plainfield. The second winner, pictured below, is Michael Mocharski, 8, of South Plainfield, who won a bike purchased with funds donated by Halls Motor Freight.

I would like to personally thank the sponsors for their generous support of this annual event. It is nice to see that their efforts have a positive impact on protecting the safety of our children.

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# Oldies Concert Performs to a Sell-Out Crowd

## A Star is Discovered Right Here in South Plainfield

By Patricia Abbott

The Happenings, a 60's group with a list of hits that includes, *See You in September*, performed to a full-house show at the Fire Department's Annual Oldies Concert held recently, at SPSHS. They have just released a new CD called, *The Happenings—Still Going Strong*, their first new work in 30 years.

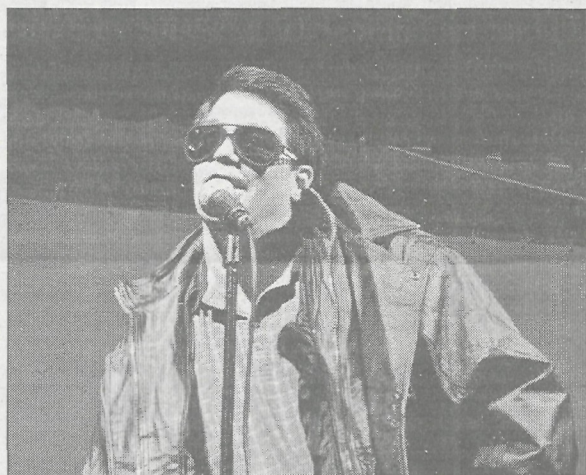
The show, a fundraiser for the SPFD opened, with the hysterical tirades of Georgia-born comedienne, Sheila Van Dyke. She is a member, of the International Thespian Society and has performed stand-up comedy extensively from North Carolina to Massachusetts. She found humor in everything from growing up in the north, to being single and her marriage to a Polish man. Delivered in her southern accent she kept the audience laughing, as she has done for a good portion of the east coast.

When Sheila left the stage the music began even before the curtain opened. Their first song, the upbeat *Rock and Roll Heaven* set the pace for the evening. Familiar songs of the 1960's filled the SPSHS auditorium as The Happenings played their hit songs, *Go Away Little Girl*, *I Got Rhythm* and *My Mammy*. They kept the crowd clapping with renditions of songs from a wide variety of artists from song writer, Carol King to Neil Diamond, the Beach Boys, Frankie Valli, the Four Seasons, Righteous Brothers, The Drifters and even Dion's *Teenager in Love*.

The Happenings are made up of lead singer Bob Miranda, Bob Kulik and George Rizzi. The group was formed in 1964 by four high school students from Patterson. They were originally called The Four Graduates. With so many groups using the word "four" in their names, it was decided to look for a different name. The word "happening" fit the bill and in 1966 they became The Happenings.

*Entertainment Magazine* recently listed The Happenings hit *See You in September* in the top 100 summer song of all time. They are internationally known and have traveled throughout Europe and South America as well as the United States. They have shared the stage with The Beach Boys, Roy Orbison, The Drifters and more. Their music has spanned nearly 40 years. Concert Promoter Richard Nadar said, "The incredible sound of The Happenings is as good today as it was in the 1960's."

The Happenings may have dis-



covered a new talent in South Plainfield, when they brought Councilman Ray Petronko to the stage to sing *Teenager in Love*. The transformation began with simple sun glasses and progressed to black leather jacket and pompadour type wig. The audience watched as Ray sang and morphed from a mild-mannered councilman to rock and roll star much like Clark Kent's switch from a quiet reporter to his superhero alterd Superman.

Ray explained how he ended up on stage. He was seated in the front row with his daughter, Alexandra, when lead singer Bob Miranda came off stage with the microphone and headed for that row. Miranda encouraged a few people to sing

along and noted that the front row was from Piscataway. Seated near the end, Ray was the next vocalist to belt out the chorus to *Teenager in Love*. When Miranda asked him where he was from, Ray decided to have some fun and replied "Pennsylvania!" The next thing he knew he was being brought on stage where everyone discovered his hidden talents.

Ray was also the mystery MC announcing the show. As a probationary member of the fire department, Ray arrived early to offer help. Ed Silhanek asked him to announce the comedian and he decided he liked the idea of just announcing an act, much like the Tonight Show, so he remained backstage and opened the show.

Unbeknownst to most, The Happenings brought with them a touch of South Plainfield. Group member Bob Kulik, vocalist and percussion, is married to Eileen Olsen, a 1975 SPSHS graduate.

## LEGAL NOTICE

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD  
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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD IN THE  
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NOTICE OF \$12,636,000 SCHOOL BOND SALE

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SEALED PROPOSALS will be received by the Business Administrator/Board Secretary of The Board of Education of the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey at the Administrative Offices of the Board of Education, 305 Cromwell Place, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080 on June 28, 2001 until 11:00 a.m., at which time they will be publicly opened and announced for the purchase of the following Bonds of the School District due (subject to prior redemption) on July 15 as follows:

Year	Principal Amount	Year	Principal Amount
2003	\$ 55,000	2013	\$ 805,000
2004	\$ 50,000	2014	\$ 845,000
2005	\$ 55,000	2015	\$ 890,000
2006	\$ 55,000	2016	\$ 935,000
2007	\$ 35,000	2017	\$ 930,000
2008	\$ 630,000	2018	\$ 1,035,000
2009	\$ 660,000	2019	\$ 1,085,000
2010	\$ 890,000	2020	\$ 1,140,000
2011	\$ 730,000	2021	\$ 1,198,000
2012	\$ 765,000		

All bidders for the Bonds must be participants of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York or affiliated with its participants. The Bonds will be issued in the form of one certificate for the aggregate principal amount of the Bonds maturing in each year and will be payable as to both principal and interest in lawful money of the United States of America. Each certificate will be registered in the name of Cede & Co., as nominee of The Depository Trust Company, New York, New York, which will act as securities depository (the "Securities Depository").

The certificates will be on deposit with The Depository Trust Company. The Bonds will be entitled to the benefits of the New Jersey School Bond Reserve Act, P.L. 1980, c. 72.

The Bonds will be dated July 15, 2001 and will bear interest at the rate or rates per annum specified by the successful bidder hereafter in accordance herewith, payable semiannually on the fifteenth day of January and July in each year until maturity or prior redemption, commencing on July 15, 2002, by payment of money to The Depository Trust Company or its authorized nominee. The Depository Trust Company will credit payments of principal of and interest on the Bonds to the participants of The Depository Trust Company as listed on the records of The Depository Trust Company as of each next preceding January 1 and July 1, respectively (the "Record Dates").

The Bonds of this issue maturing prior to July 15, 2012 are not subject to redemption prior to their stated maturities. The Bonds of this issue maturing on or after July 15, 2012 are redeemable at the option of the Board of Education in whole or in part on any date on or after July 15, 2011 upon notice as required herein at par plus accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption.

Notice of Redemption shall be given by mailing by first class mail in a sealed envelope with postage prepaid to the registered owners of such Bonds not less than thirty (30) days, nor more than sixty (60) days prior to the date fixed for redemption. Such mailing shall be to The Owners of such Bonds at their respective addresses as they last appear on the registration books kept for that purpose by the Board of Education or a duly appointed Bond Registrar. Any failure of the depository to advise any of its participants or any failure of any participant to notify any beneficial owner of any Notice of Redemption shall not affect the validity of the redemption proceedings. If the Board of Education determines to redeem a portion of the Bonds prior to maturity, the Bonds to be redeemed shall be selected by the Board; the Bonds to be redeemed having the same maturity shall be selected by the Securities Depository in accordance with its regulations.

If Notice of Redemption has been given as provided herein, the Bonds or the portion thereof called for redemption shall be due and payable on the date fixed for redemption at the redemption price, together with accrued interest to the date fixed for redemption and no further interest shall accrue beyond the redemption date. Payment shall be made upon surrender of the Bonds redeemed.

Each proposal submitted must name the rate or rates of interest per annum to be borne by the Bonds and the rate or rates named must be multiples of 1/8 or 1/20 of 1%. Not more than one rate may be named for Bonds of the same maturity. There is no limitation on the number of rates that may be named. If more than one rate of interest is named, no interest rate named for any maturity may be less than the interest rate named for any prior maturity. Each proposal submitted must state the principal amount of Bonds the bidder will accept, which shall be all of the Bonds or any lesser amount that is a multiple of \$1,000 and the purchase price specified in the proposal must be not less than \$12,636,000 nor more than \$12,837,000. The Bonds will be awarded to the bidder on whose bid the total loan may be made at the lowest net interest cost. Such net interest cost shall be computed, as to each bid, by adding to the total principal amount of Bonds bid for the total interest cost to maturity in accordance with such bid and by deduction therefrom of the amount of premium, if any, bid. No proposal shall be considered that offers to pay an amount less than the principal amount of Bonds offered for sale or under which the total loan is made at an interest cost higher than the lowest net interest cost to the Board of Education under any legally acceptable proposal. The purchaser must also pay an amount equal to the interest on the Bonds accrued to the date of payment of the purchase price.

The right is reserved to reject all bids, and any bid not complying with the terms of this notice will be rejected.

Each bidder is required to deposit a certified, treasurer's or cashier's check payable to the order of the BOARD OF EDUCATION OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX for \$252,720 drawn upon a bank or trust company, and such check must be enclosed with the proposal. When the successful proposal has been ascertained, all such deposits will be promptly returned to the persons making them, except the check of the successful bidder, which will be applied in part payment for the Bonds or to secure the School District from any loss resulting from the failure of the bidder to comply with the terms of its bid. Award of the Bonds to the successful bidder or rejection of all bids is expected to be made within two hours after opening of the bids, but such successful bidder may not withdraw its proposal until after 3:00 p.m. of the day of such bid opening and then only if such award has not been made prior to the withdrawal.

The Bonds will be delivered on or about July 15, 2001 at the offices of the Board of Education's bond counsel, McManimon & Scotland, L.L.C., Newark, New Jersey or at such other place as may be agreed upon with the successful bidder. PAYMENT FOR THE BONDS AT THE TIME OF ORIGINAL ISSUANCE AND DELIVERY SHALL BE IN IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE FUNDS.

Each proposal must be enclosed in a sealed envelope and should be marked on the outside "Proposal for Bonds." If mailed, proposals should be addressed to and in care of the undersigned at The Board of Education of the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, 305 Cromwell Place, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

The successful bidder may at its option refuse to accept the Bonds if prior to their delivery any change in the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended ("Code"), shall provide that the interest thereon is taxable or shall be taxable at a future date for federal income tax purposes. In such case the deposit made by the successful bidder shall be returned and it will be relieved of its contractual obligations arising from the acceptance of its proposal.

If the Bonds qualify for issuance of any policy of municipal bond insurance, the purchaser of the Bonds may, at its sole option and expense, purchase such insurance. Any failure of the Bonds to be so insured or of any such policy of insurance to be issued shall not in any way relieve the purchaser of its contractual obligations arising from the acceptance of its proposal for the purchase of the Bonds.

It is anticipated that CUSIP identification numbers will be printed on the Bonds. The CUSIP Service Bureau charge for the assignment of the numbers shall be the responsibility of and shall be paid for by the purchaser.

The obligation hereunder to deliver and to accept the Bonds shall be conditioned on the availability and the delivery at the time of delivery of the Bonds of the approving opinion of the law firm of McManimon & Scotland, L.L.C., Newark, New Jersey, which will be furnished without cost to the successful bidder, such opinion to be substantially in the form set forth in the Official Statement distributed in preliminary form in connection with the sale of the Bonds and certificates in form satisfactory to that law firm evidencing the proper execution and delivery of the Bonds, the receipt of payment therefor and the compliance with the requirements of the Code necessary to preserve tax exemption and the absence of litigation pending or (to the knowledge of the signer or signers thereof) threatened affecting the validity of the Bonds. A copy of the approving opinion will appear on the Bonds.

The successful bidder will be required to certify the initial offering price to the public at which a substantial amount of the Bonds of each maturity were sold.

The Board of Education has authorized the distribution of a preliminary official statement deemed final for purposes of Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission. Final official statements will be delivered to the purchaser of the Bonds within the earlier of seven business days following the sale of the Bonds or to accompany the purchaser's confirmations that request payment for the Bonds.

Ellen B. Johnson, Business Administrator/Board Secretary

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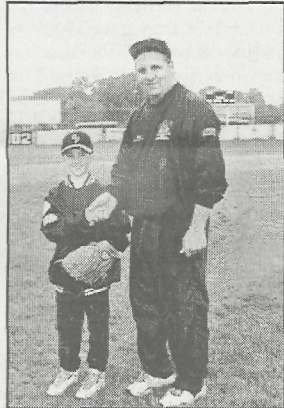
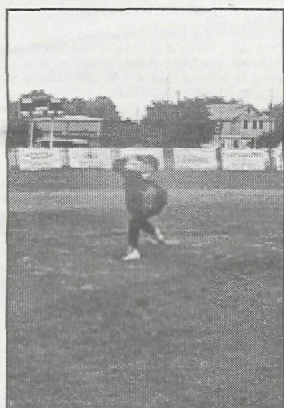
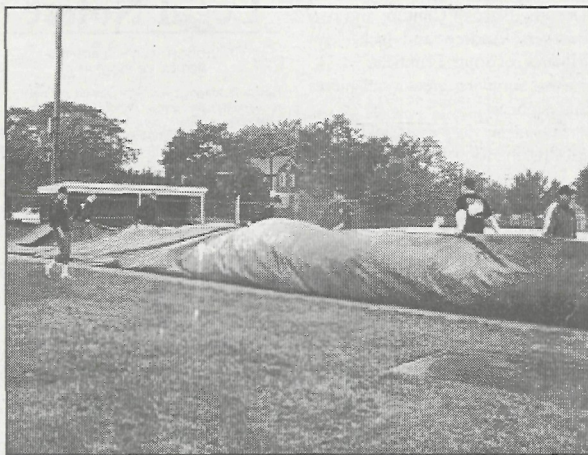
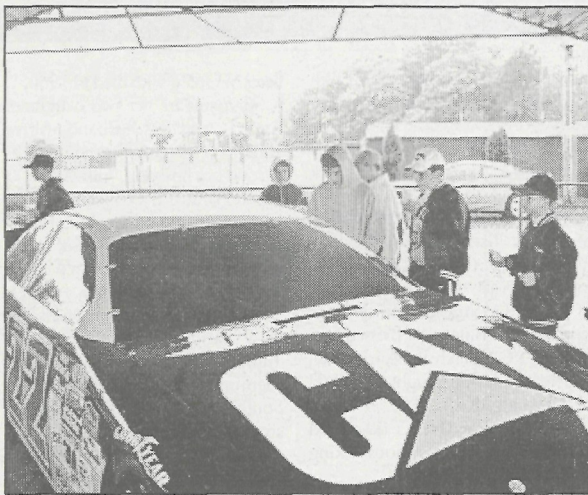
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## COACHES Care Held, Despite Inclement Weather

Despite the rain last Saturday and the forecast for rain all day, the COACHES Care Clinic was held and all of the games were played.

After the tarp on the field was removed, the Coaches played a total of seven teams throughout the day. They were JFK Medical Centre, SPJBC B league Coaches, SPJBC C league

Coaches, SPJBC Women's Auxiliary, Ponytail Coaches, Roma Foods and the South Plainfield Police.

Riley Hubner, an eight-year-old who plays pitcher and shortstop on C-League Read through out the first ball. Also on hand was the Ward Burton #22 Caterpillar NASCAR simulator.

## Summer Fun With South Plainfield Recreation's Summer Program

Don't spend your summer in front of the TV! Make new friends, Play fun games. Be a sport. Become an artist. Become a sculptor. Be a jewelry maker! Learn tennis. And most importantly — have fun!!

The South Plainfield Recreation Department is once again sponsoring their free Summer Parks Programs (Supervised Activities) at Roosevelt, Kennedy and Franklin Schools. Programs will be held from 8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 - 3:30 p.m., rain or shine, starting on June 26 and ending August 10. The Free Summer Tennis Program will again be back, held at Spring Lake Park. Ages 6-9 will be held from 9 - 10:30 a.m., and ages 10-14 will be held from 10:30 -

12 noon, from June 26-August 10. For the tennis program, participants must wear sneakers and bring their own tennis racket, plus one unopened can of tennis balls to first class.

To preregister, go to the Recreation Office, located inside the PAL Building. Proof of residency and parent's signature required. You will need to fill out emergency contact information, including participant's doctor's name and phone number.

For more information, please call the Recreation Office at (908) 226-7714 during office hours (Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.)

These programs are open to South Plainfield residents only. Proof of residency is required.

## 2001 Ponytail All-Star Teams Selected

Tryouts for the 2001 girls' summer All-Star softball teams have taken place and the All-Star players have been selected. Congratulations to each of the following players. Good luck and enjoy a great summer of softball.

**14 & Under:** Ashley Bishop, Mallory Cooper, Allison DiMeglio, Caitlyn English, Amanda Fugate, Kim Gaub, Allia Ghanim, Jessa Jones, Jessica Miller, Kathleen Morgan, Amanda Rasteli, Jessica Senz, Morgan Walter.

**12 & Under:** Darice Bishop, Darian Bishop, Julianne Bosse, Kelly Downes, Courtney Eustice, Elizabeth Flannery, Donna Garcia, Katie Hardy, Carlie Kazimir, Jackie Miller, Lacey Santone, Christina Schuetz, Melissa Szeliga, Stephanie Wieckowski.

**10 & Under:** Dana Alexa, Danielle Arcachunas, Katie Baldassarre, Jackie Bosse, Erica Bowden, Caitlyn Davies, Stephanie Decindio, Sydney Gentile, Theresa Huber, Allison Huffsmith, Jackie Kukuch, Rachel Senz, Alyssa Sutherland, Stephanie Szeliga.

*Submitted by Sharon Miller*

## Junior Golf Program

Become the master of your golf game! This program is designed to hone the skills of the avid player and to develop the skills of the novice. Participants play all summer long at West Nine Golf Course and various other golf courses (separate fee at other courses).

Players must have some golfing experience. This program is open to South Plainfield residents, ages 12-17. The course runs Monday through Friday, June 16 through August 10, with no program on July 4. The program is from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. and takes place at the West Nine Golf Course.

Cost is \$77 for the entire season (as many times as you want to go), or \$7 per visit.

By Tony Cassano

## juniorbaseballclubnotes

**COACHES CARE - SOFTBALL FUNDRAISER IS A SUCCESS—** Neither rain nor mud could stop this special event held last Saturday. In spite of the soggy conditions, the First Annual 'Coaches Offering Assistance for Children's Health' (COACHES Care) Foundation Softball Fundraiser Marathon was held without a hitch. The SPJBC and many volunteers supported the days events, from when the tarp on Field 2 was removed at 9 a.m. until when the mop was used in the snack stand at 10 p.m. All in all, the Coaches played seven games, starting with the first one vs. JFK Medical, followed by games vs. the B League Coaches, the C League Coaches, the Womens Auxiliary, the SP Police, the SP Ponytail Coaches and concluded with a game vs. Roma Foods. To all involved, thanks again for supporting a worthy event and raising money for the Children's fund for the JFK Medical Center. Special thanks to Tom McCreesh, who's idea several months ago become a reality and a testament to his dedication to worth while cause.

**WORK DETAIL WILL RESUME THIS SATURDAY & SUNDAY—** With the complex now reopen and the Memorial Day Weekend behind us, our standard scheduled weekend work detail will resume again at 7 a.m. on Saturday and 9 a.m. on Sunday. After signing in, please see Dennis Moskal for a work detail assignment. Additional volunteers are welcome to stop by on either day to lend a hand. Thanks again for your continued support.

**2001 ALL-STAR SUNDAY - THIS SUNDAY - JUNE 3**—Our annual SPJBC All Star Sunday festivities will be held this Sunday, June 3rd. The first ball will be thrown out and a special ceremony will be held prior to the start of the first games. Game times are as follows: ages 8, 10, 11, and 13 year olds will start at 12 noon, followed by the 9, 12 and 14/15/16/17 year old games at 3 p.m. Home Run Derby will resume this year for Small Fry and will be held following the first games on Field #1 at 3 p.m. and Field #3 for the later games at 6 p.m. Come out and support the SPJBC and enjoy the days festivities and baseball exhibition. I would also like to again thank Pat Muglia-All Star Sunday Director and his committee for organizing this years event.

**GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING-THIS MONDAY JUNE 4** at 8:30 p.m. Our regularly scheduled monthly General Membership meeting will be held Monday, June 4 at 8:30 p.m. As previously noted, at this months meeting, we will be holding our elections for the Executive Board and Trustee's. Several individuals have submitted their names for consideration. Good luck to all those individuals and any others that decide to run for the eight positions. Please note that all raffle tickets have been distributed and the date of the drawing has been moved to Monday June 18th at the mid month meeting. For the first two books of 20 raffles sold, the seller will be entitled to a \$10 gift certificate at Sportsworld, a \$5 bonus for each book sold thereafter. Traveling All-Star Tournament team tryouts have been completed and all teams will be selected by this Monday's meeting. As previously noted, we have affiliated ourselves with Babe Ruth Baseball and our All-Star teams will have the opportunity to compete at a local district, then regional and state level for the first time ever.

### UPCOMING EVENTS / IMPORTANT DATES

**June 3**—All Star Sunday. Start time is at 12 noon.

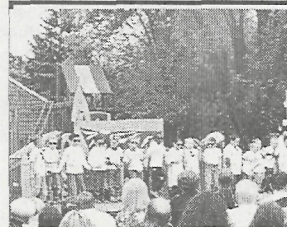
**June 4**—June monthly meeting at 8:30 p.m. Executive Board and Trustee's elections.

**June 8**—Somerset Patriot game, SPJBC complex will be closed. Contact John Rayho @ 754-8904 to pick up your tickets.

**June 10**—Raffles due back.

**June 17th** - Fathers Day - Club is OPEN, games will be played.

**June 18**—Raffle Drawing and Mid Month meeting to be held at 8:30.



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# Obituaries

## John J. "Joe" Pender, 80

John J. "Joe" Pender died on Monday, May 21 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Mr. Pender was born in Plainfield and has resided in South Plainfield since 1959.

He had worked for Public Service in Plainfield as a pipefitter for over 30 years, before retiring 18 years ago.

He served with the U.S. Marine Corps during WWII and was a member of Sacred Heart Church in South Plainfield.

Surviving are his wife, Lillian (Setnick) Pender; two daughters, Kathy Schiochetti and her husband Rocco of Albany, NY and Karen Pender of South Plainfield; two sons, Joseph W. Pender and his wife Dona, of Kingston, NH and John J. Pender of South Plainfield. Also surviving is his grandson, Sean Pender.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

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## Stanley W. Trimmer, 80

Stanley W. Trimmer of Plainfield died on Tuesday, May 22, at the Highlands Care One in Edison.

He was born in Peapack-Gladstone and was a former resident of North Plainfield before moving to Plainfield 25 years ago.

Mr. Trimmer was a warehouseman and forklift operator for U.S. Gypsum in South Plainfield for 28 years, before retiring in 1978. He then worked for Eastern Target Co. in South Plainfield for six years.

He was an Army Air Force veteran of WWII serving as a corporal. He received two Purple Hearts when his B-15 bomber was shot down twice, once in North Africa, the other over Italy. He was a Life Member of the American Legion Post 119 of Dunellen and the Disabled American Veterans Chapter 16 in Somerville. He was a member of the National Association of American Vets and a former member of the VFW Star Ritchie Post 506 of North Plainfield.

He was a devoted sportsman and loved the New York Yankees and Notre Dame football. He loved collecting baseball cards with a collection that spans over 40 years. He loved bowling and bowled for numerous teams and leagues throughout Central Jersey.

He is survived by his beloved wife of 52 years, Alice (Sypinewski) Trimmer; two daughters, Shirley Ann Legg and her husband, Al of Upper Black Eddy, Pa. and Mary Alice Boraski and her husband, Edward of Whitehouse Station; two brothers, John E. Trimmer of Sun City Center, Fla. and Harry K. Trimmer of Grand Rapids Michigan. Also surviving are six grandchildren, four great grandchildren and four nieces.

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

## William Chabra, 69

William Chabra died on Wednesday, May 23, at the Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

He was born in Newark and lived in Iselin before moving to South Plainfield 33 years ago.

Mr. Chabra had worked in the receiving department of John Englehart & Sons in Newark for 15 years. He later worked as a truck driver for the Brennan Dairy Farm in Summit for 10 years, before retiring eight years ago.

He was an avid bowler and had bowled for many years in the Kings and Queens League at Stelton Lanes in Piscataway.

He was predeceased by his nine brothers and sisters.

Surviving are his wife, Joan Garrity Chabra; two daughters and sons-in-laws, Donna and Tommy Campanelli of Colorado and Wendy and Tommy Heim of South Plainfield and a sister, Irene Hinlicky of Iselin.

Also surviving are two grandchildren, Meghan and Tommy Heim.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

## Joseph J. Louise, 71

Joseph J. Louise died on Wednesday, May 23, at the Woodlands Care Center in Plainfield.

He was born in Bound Brook and had lived in Plainfield before moving to South Plainfield seven years ago.

Mr. Louise had worked as a dental equipment maintenance technician for various dentists in North Plainfield for over 15 years, before he retired eight years ago. Prior to that, he had worked as a machinist for various machine companies in Somerset and Middlesex Counties.

He served in the U.S. Air Force in the post WWII era and was stationed in England. He was a member of the Eagles in Plainfield.

His daughter, Debbie Louise, died in 1989.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy M. (Phillips) Louise; a daughter and son-in-law, JoAnn and Pete Gonzalez of North Plainfield; a stepdaughter, Ann Marie of Florida; three sons and daughters-in-law, Patrick and his wife Donna of Middlesex, Carmen and his wife Dawn of South Plainfield, and John and his wife Michelle of Bridge-water and a brother, Anthony Louise of Melbourne, Fla. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

## William J. Minarck, 74

William J. Minarck died on Wednesday, May 23, at his home.

Mr. Minarck was born in Plainfield where he grew up and had attended Plainfield public grammar and high schools. He has resided in Warren for the past 30 years.

Before WWII, he played baseball with the Detroit Tigers semi-pro team. He was a U.S. Navy veteran of WWII.

After WWII, he continued his education earning his Bachelor of Arts Degree from Bowling Green University in Bowling Green, Ohio. He became a teacher and had worked for the Berkley Heights Board of Educa-

tion for 30 years, teaching fourth, fifth and sixth grades, before he retired 10 years ago. His love of the sea kept him sailing for many summers, with the Merchant Marines out of New York City.

During the 1970's, he had worked with the Plainfield and Berkley Heights Recreation commissions, coaching basketball.

He held a great love of the Lord and was a parishioner at Blessed Sacrament RC Church in Martinsville, where he formerly taught CCD and was a youth advisor.

He also enjoyed bicycle riding and had participated in various biking events in the area.

Surviving are his son, Michael W. Minarck, of South Plainfield; a sister, Dorothy Nace of Clinton; and two brothers, Andrew and Jack (Joy) Minarck, of South Plainfield.

Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

## Raffael "Ray" Nargi, Jr., 85

Raffael "Ray" Nargi, Jr., died on Thursday, May 24 at the Somerset Medical Center in Somerville.

Mr. Nargi was born in Plainfield and had resided in Greenbrook for over the past 40 years.

While in high school, he began his career with the Grisby Nut Kitchen in Plainfield, as a Route Salesman for the Grisby's. During the 1960's, he and his wife bought the business from the Grisby family and had owned and operated the business for 15 years, until retiring 15 years ago when he and his wife sold the business.

He was a member of the Covenant Methodist Church in Plainfield. He was predeceased by his eight brothers and sisters.

Surviving are his wife of 63 years, Hazel (Rinker) Nargi; his daughter and son-in-law, Gail and George Hoag of Patchogue, NY; two grandchildren, Lauren Jacobs and George Hoag of Patchogue, NY and two great-grandchildren, Andrew and Elyse Jacobs. Also surviving are several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Greenbrook Rescue Squad or the Memorial Fund at the Covenant United Methodist Church, 631 E. Front St., Plainfield.

## Anna Marie DiCanto, 79

Anna Marie DiCanto died on Monday, May 28 at the JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Born in Fords, she resided in Toms River before entering the Roosevelt Care Center in Edison in 1996.

Surviving are her son and daughter-in-law, Carmen and Christine DiCanto of South Plainfield; three sisters, Bernice Chaplar, Trudy Osborne and Jeanette DiSciullo; and one brother, William J. Walters. Also surviving is a granddaughter, Allison C. DiCanto.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

## Amy L. (Sevasin) Obley, 89

Amy L. (Sevasin) Obley died on Tuesday, May 29 at JFK Haven Hospice in Edison.

Born in Middlesex Boro, Mrs. Obley had resided in Plainfield and in North Plainfield before settling in South Plainfield 17 years ago.

She is predeceased by her husband,

Peter V. Obley, who died in 1960.

Surviving are her two daughters, Amy L. and her husband, Alfred Tumolo of Flemington and Dorothy M. and her husband, John Miele, of South Plainfield; a twin sister, Edith Farmer of Brick; a sister, Esther Graziano of Bound Brook and a brother, Robert Sevasin, of Missou, Texas and six grandchildren, Alfred Jr. and Brian Tumolo, both of Piscataway; Sandra Burroughs, Janice Tumolo and Carolyn Ruffa, all of Flemington; and Sarah Miele of South Plainfield. Also surviving are six great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

# Legal Notice

## BOROUGH SOUTH PLAINFIELD NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey on Thursday, June 14, 2001 at 10:00 AM prevailing time in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey at which time and place bids will be opened and read in public for:

## SCHOOL CROSSING GUARD SERVICE FOR SCHOOL YEAR 2001/2002

Specification and other bid information may be obtained at the Clerk's Office in the Municipal Building at the above address during regular business hours 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM.

Bidders are required to comply with the requirements of P.L. 1975, c.127 (NJAC 17:27 et seq.), the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.25, Employment on Public Works N.J.S.A. 10:2, EOE, ADA.

Vincent Buttiglieri, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

\$38.00 June 1, 2001

## BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey on Monday, June 11, 2001 at 10:00 AM prevailing time in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey at which time and place bids will be opened and read in public for:

## RECREATION MATS

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Vincent Buttiglieri, RMC  
Municipal Clerk

\$35.00 June 1, 2001

## BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD NOTICE TO BIDDERS

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\$38.00 June 1, 2001

## BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Sandra Sklar requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the erection of a 30' x 16' wood deck, proposed deck lacks required 20' rear setback, 13' being proposed; and other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 201 Lot 14.04 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 June 19, 2001 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

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## Legal Notice

### BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Donald & Lisa Dress requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the 16' x 24' addition and a 6' x 31' covered front porch. Proposed addition & porch lack the required 30' front setback, 22.10' being proposed; and other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 146 Lot 4 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 June 19, 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.

\$35.00 June 1, 2001

### BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Kenneth Tramutola requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the erection of a 24' x 10.8' x 3.6' wood deck, proposed deck lacks required a 30' front setback, 20' being proposed; and other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 172 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 June 19, 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 PUBLIC NOTICE

#### RETURN OF PERFORMANCE GUARANTEE TO: RONALD SNYDER

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Ronald Snyder  
366 Vail Ave. Suite 8  
Piscataway, NJ 08854

\$35.00 June 1, 2001

### BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Giv Pantaleon requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the erection of a 12' x 40' wood deck, proposed deck lacks required a 20' rear setback, 9' being proposed; and other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 404 Lot 9 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 June 19, 2001 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

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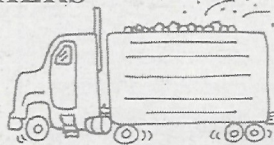
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## SPHS Co-Operative Education Is The Best Kept Secret

Every year, the seniors in the South Plainfield High School co-operative education/school to careers program train quietly with their teacher, Ms. Dee Falato, in the art of interviewing techniques and essay writing. Her students compete in various traditional colleges, technical schools and corporation sponsored scholarship competitions. A former coach, Ms. Falato treats each event as a competitive sport where students win money, confidence, and a resumé with a working advantage. Already this year, her students have won over \$123,000 in scholarships. Ms. Falato came on board in 1987 and revised the entire concept of cooperative education to keep pace with a national movement called "Schools To Careers." By the year 2000, the overall total scholarships exceeded 1 million dollars for the seniors at South Plainfield High School. The scholarships have ranged from tokens such as \$50 savings bonds to full rides for engineering majors.

Why is CE the best kept secret at SPHS? Ms. Falato says, "Look at my class list. Parents are my best recruiters. So many of my current 85 seniors this year had older siblings in my classes." Parents saw the incredible op-

portunities, scholarships, guest speakers, work shadowing, networking and excellent part time jobs. Over 600 students have passed through this program with over 85% going on to higher education. Thirty five percent of the students have been helped with scholarships, awards and financial support. The average CE student earns \$7,000 during the school year from part time paid employment, while still being involved in every aspect of school activities, sports and community services. These students have no time to waste and they know money doesn't grow on trees.

The CE students continue to ace job interviews and college interviews, certain career skills they will need throughout their lifetime. "My students are not wasting their parent's money going to college with no direction," says Ms. Falato. Success and pride is expected; it is built into the traditions for each CE student. Each year, Ms. Falato starts out telling her students the program motto: "Do what you love, love what you do, and deliver more than you promise." For such a well kept secret, it is certainly very popular with seniors, parents and community businesses.

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- On May 19, an employee of CVS on Oak Tree Rd., reported being harassed and assaulted by a customer.
- On May 22, a Trenton resident reported her pocketbook stolen out of her vehicle in the Middlesex Mall parking lot.
- A Manalapan resident reported that his vehicle, driven by his daughter, had been stolen from the parking lot of the Ramada Inn.
- On May 25, Staples reported that someone had used a phoney check and false information to purchase a cell phone and two pagers.
- Ed Shea reported the theft of a

- computer from a business education classroom.
- On Saturday, a Wooden Ave. resident reported that his vehicle had been stolen from his driveway overnight.
- Home Depot reported the theft of a mower and pressure washer.
- A Piscataway resident reported that his car antenna had been broken while parked at Red Lobster.
- On Sunday, a Park Ave. resident reported the theft of her hub cap and a broken antenna on her car.
- On Monday, a Piscataway women reported that her car had been keyed while parked at Regal Cinemas.
- On Tuesday, a Woodland Ave. resident reported that her rear passenger side window had been broken by

- a rock.
- An employee of Sherwin-Williams on Park Ave. reported his wallet missing from his fanny pack which was in the top drawer of a desk in the back of the store. He left the store briefly to get change from a neighboring business and returned to find a man and women exiting the parking lot.

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