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Board of Ed to Honor Arbitrator's Verdict

The Board of Education met in a special meeting on Monday, and voted 9-0 to honor the final opinion of the arbitrator which was released on May 23. The lawsuit, which has been ongoing for more than seven years, centers around 22 teachers who charged they deserve to be credited with the time they taught in other districts and to be compensated for that time.

The courts had earlier ruled in favor of the teachers and an arbitrator had been asked to rule on whether the district had enough resources to pay the settlement amount, and to suggest how those payments should be made. The arbitrator ruled that the district does have enough money.

During last week's Board of Education meeting, some of the teachers

named in the lawsuit settlement asked the board to approve the arbitrator's findings and end the lengthy litigation that has been going on for more than seven years.

On Monday the board voted to pay the amount due to the teachers in several installments. Teachers still in the district will be placed on the proper step (or pay scale), recognizing their past teaching experience and will be paid accordingly. If a teacher retires or goes on disability, they will receive payment immediately. Others will be paid one-half of the settlement by Aug. 30, 2003 and the other half by Aug. 30, 2004.

The board's decision officially brings to an end the lawsuit that went all the way to the Supreme Court.



Pictured with Father John Skwara, (second on right) are Frank Mikorski, Carolyn Yankoski, Metuchen Bishop Paul Gregory Bootkoski and Councilman Ed Kubala. See page 3 for story.

Photo by Bill Tutthill

Seniors Campout for Last Hoorah

By Patricia Abbott

The SPHS Class of 2002 will long be remembered for having MTV and B2K attend their senior prom, ensuring their place in SPHS history.

This, however, wasn't enough for senior Chris Catalfamo. He and fellow senior Sean Wilson hatched a plan for a senior prank that will be difficult for future classes to top. Catalfamo and Wilson decided it would be the

perfect prank to have the senior class stage a midnight campout in the school's parking lot.

Catalfamo came up with the idea months earlier, but didn't act on it until the Friday before. They were quite pleased with the turnout. Catalfamo said, "You can get a lot accomplished in 48 hours! Over 100 students took part in the prank."

On a Tuesday night just before midnight, carloads of students arrived in the high school parking lot. Tents were erected, lawn chairs and coolers appeared, and a gas grill was fired up. A homemade banner proudly bearing the words "Class of 2002" awaited signatures.

The "campers" played volleyball and frisbee and enjoyed watergun battles. The flash of cameras competed with the lightning bugs while the students sought to fill their final days at

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Photo by Chris Abbott

Golden Acres Renovates!

By Patricia Abbott

The long awaited renovation of Golden Acres shopping center is well underway. Steady progress has been made, and the new facade is taking shape. A start has been made on new columns and the sidewalk has been replaced or repaired. The former bank

and shoe store entrances have been brought flush to the rest of the mall. A large dollar store is slated for this location. Near the corner of Oak Tree Rd. and Park Ave., construction has begun on a Wendy's. The popular fast food eatery will feature an outdoor dining area.

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Fiber Optic Cable Contract Going to Bid

Last week the Board of Education voted to award a contract to New Jersey Business Systems, Inc. for \$449,702, to lay fiber optic cable between all of the schools, passing Borough Hall and the Fire Department building. Before the vote, Board member Sue Peck raised several legal questions which had not been addressed prior to the vote being taken. The vote was then taken contingent on the ap-

proval from the Board of Education lawyers on the questions Peck had raised.

The Board was told on Monday that the company is not an authorized state contractor for fiber optic cable. The company is an authorized state contractor, but no one in the state is authorized for fiber optics.

Now the entire project will be put out to bid and the installation of fiber

optic cable will be put on hold until bidding is complete. The cable would have connected the schools by telephone and computers. It would also have connected the schools with the fire and police departments.

Mayor Dan Gallagher also had questions about the project when it was brought up at last week's council meeting, saying he was not aware of any of the specifics of the plan.



INMYOPINION

To the Editor

On Saturday, May 25, we held our second annual Coaches Care Softball Marathon and Auction. As the chairman of the event, I was fortunate to have many good people at the club who were very instrumental in helping the day become a reality. I'd like to thank the committee which consisted of Tony Cassano, John Stallone, Keith Heckel and Kurt Ullom. Special thanks to the teams that participated: The JFK Medical Center, Pop Warner Coaches, Softball Coaches, Soccer Coaches, Umpires, CBRBL and the Police and Fire Departments.

It is truly growing into an event that the community is rallying behind. To the people that donated food: Coca-Cola, Roma Foods, Wonder Bread, Larry Muhlgeier, Herrs, Rick Walton, Mary Jane DeNitzio and Tom Pryor, words alone cannot thank you. To Rick Walton and Bob Pasternak who spent 12 hours cooking, a special thanks to special people. To Mary Jane DeNitzio and my wife, Laura who spent the entire day in the snack stand and only sold "one" Powerade, thank you.

I'd like to extend a special thanks to those that donated gifts, Adam Elliott, Jonathon Schach, Don Pollin, Tom Kiczula and Sportsworld, Chris Hansen, Jack Vanacore, Kevin Lykes, Jerry Wyckoff, Tom Lanza, Tony Cassano, Sharon and Ted Tucker, Mike English and the Recreation Dept., Charlie Decker and my brother Glenn.

Thanks to Dennis Moskal who did his best to make sure the day ran smoothly from field play to the trophies. To the countless number of people who donated money and or time to this cause, your reward is that children who have to spend time in the hospital receive a gift, helping to ease their stay. I hope that none of you ever have to experience our gift to the hospital. Thanks to Kevin Lykes for the use of the SPJBC Complex. Thanks to the Dunphy-Smith Com-

pany for providing the Ward Burton simulator on Friday and Saturday and for Rick Bridgmon for going above and beyond the call of duty. To Bill DeNitzio and Jim Colapietro thank you for umpiring all day.

To Ted Tucker who brings more enthusiasm than anyone I know, a special thanks for your help and support. Our first two years of this charity have been rewarding as well as a learning experience in dealing with people, and I'd just like to thank those who "get it". My lasting memory will be of having my brothers and sister with me on the same infield, if for but one game, it was a memory I will truly cherish.

This day would not happen without the support and volunteer efforts of the people mentioned, along with many others, and I feel truly blessed to have such wonderful friends and family to rally around a worthwhile cause. To RH for continuing to provide an inspiration, and the hope that people understand what is really important.

**TOM MCCREESH
CHAIRMAN COACHES CARE**

To the Editor,

I would like to thank the couple that "rescued" me and my groceries on Tuesday, June 18, in the Pathmark parking lot. After buying bags full of frozen products, I discovered I had gotten a very flat tire.

A couple, that were a few cars down saw it too. They got out of their own grocery-laden car and came over to offer assistance. The man got underneath my car on a hot pavement to try to get at my spare tire. When he couldn't get it off, the couple transferred my groceries into their car and drove me home to put my frozen food away and to contact my husband to drive me back to my car to wait for AAA. They even offered to drive me back themselves, but I thought

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they had already done more than enough and declined their offer.

I was so nervous and hurried that I neglected to get their name. I hope they read this and know how much I appreciate their kindness. Coming across such wonderful people made the whole experience somewhat heartening. It's these "random acts of kindness" that help make the world a better place.

**THANK YOU,
MARY PIEKARSKI**

To the Editor,

I want to say thank you to Mrs. Sophia Domogala for her dedication to our Roosevelt School students. You were put in our school as Acting Principal and did an outstanding job. You kept us all together. You made each and everyone of our students feel special in their own way. You have touched our hearts with your dedication and love that you put into our daily routine. Your dedication has not gone by unnoticed. You were there for all of us. Thank you for all your support with PTA issues. The children, parents and staff appreciated everything you have done. You have touched our hearts in a very special way and we will miss you dearly. Thank you for making my son's last year at Roosevelt memorable. You will really be missed. You will always be a part of our Roosevelt's Family.

**LORI JANKOSKI,
ROOSEVELT SCHOOL PTA PRES.**

Dear Editor,

I am a parent of a recently graduated SPHS senior and I am extremely concerned with the illegal alcoholic drinking in this town. I do trust my daughter to stay in control at all times. I cannot and won't be with her 24 hours times seven. She knows she can call any family member at any time of day or night for help. I hope that all our children know this.

What I cannot fathom is why parents choose to serve alcohol to those by law who are not allowed to drink. It is especially difficult to understand why some of these same parents would serve alcohol to someone else's underage children. I just know that if my child were to be served and then got hurt in some way that would be associated with her being "under the influence," whoever served her would be at fault.

Golden Acres Renovates!

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According to Paul Multz of Polemini Realty, there are currently four tentative leases - one is for the entire 70,000 sq. ft. that once housed Bradlees. Tony's Pizza, the oldest tenant at over 30 years, just signed a lease to relocate to the site of the former Chinese restaurant which sits on the opposite corner from the large Bradlees location. This will double the size of the well-known establishment. Employees noted they hope to be open by September or October.

The *Observer* will continue to inform readers of updates as the progress continues.

I already have and intend to continue to make calls to the parents of my daughter's friends who are having parties and ask whether they are serving alcoholic beverages. I don't intend to keep my daughter home if she chooses to go to one serving them but I can let the parents know how I feel. I encourage all others concerned to do the same.

JANE MILLER

Dear Editor:

It's an old political trick: distort the other guy's position, and then attack the distortion. This is exactly what one of the Democratic politicians did in the June 13 issue of your paper.

In his letter to the editor, a Democratic councilman attacked council candidate Geoff Champion. Champion had questioned the process used to fill the town's CFO post. He never questioned the abilities of the person offered the job. To the contrary, he took pains to praise the young man.

The June 13 letter, however, criticized Champion for "questioning [the new CFO's] abilities and credentials" and "disparaging a good person." Yet Champion only questioned the hiring process. He wanted to know why he could not get straight answers about how the process played out. We shouldn't forget that the public purse pays the CFO's salary - a salary totaling over 80 grand. Given this, Champion had legitimate concerns.

Questions are essential when one party holds absolute power. I, for one, am glad watchdogs are looking over the politicians' shoulders. Questions about a hiring process are not an attack on anyone's character, and to say so distorts the truth.

It's ironic. The Democratic machine now wrongly accuses Champion of making personal attacks when it, in the past, would savage the reputations

of Republican appointees. I find it disingenuous for these politicians to now cry foul given their past behavior.

Regardless of which party is in power, residents should be able to ask legitimate questions without having to suffer insults for doing so. When politicians use these tactics, it makes me wonder why. More importantly, though, it makes me see the need for two-party government.

**SINCERELY,
ROBERT J. JONES, JR.**

Dear Editor:


SPHS Project Graduation is over and it was truly a wonderful time for the graduates once again! The Club at Ricochet is the perfect setting for such an event and the night could not have been what it was without the support of this club.

To support a drug- and alcohol-free overnight for graduating seniors is a very commendable action. Along with The Club at Ricochet, the other business/organizations that helped make all this happen include Mohn's Florist, Imperial Deli, Ponytail Softball, Junior Baseball League, Athletic Boosters, Sal's Spirit Shoppe and the South Plainfield Police Department.

We had at least 30 parent chaperones during the night and others that prepared for the night in many ways. Actually, the PTA and Administration start in the beginning of the school year to plan this event. All during the year, parents, teachers and many other South Plainfield organizations/businesses support efforts to fund Project Graduation.

We are a community that comes together and works together to make something happen. Thank you to all involved. I hope we all feel great about what we've accomplished.

**CORDIALLY,
SPHS PTA**



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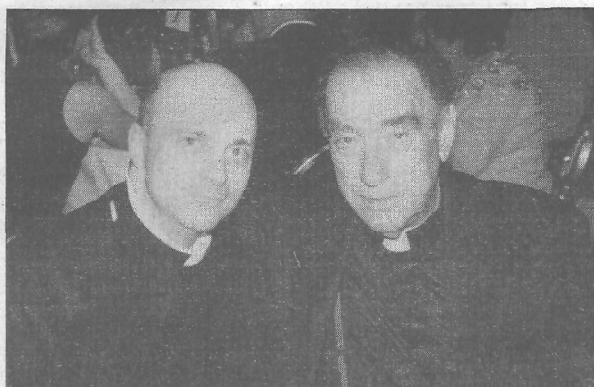
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Father George Pisanello, who was appointed temporary administrator at Our Lady of Czestochowa with retiring Pastor Father John Skwara.

Retiring Father John Skwara Receives Praise and Thanks

Last Sunday afternoon the Pines Manor was filled with people who wanted to say 'thank you' and 'we love you' to Father John Skwara, who is retiring after 30 years as pastor of Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish, something nearly unheard of in today's church. Normally, a priest moves on after a few years at one post.

Councilman Ed Kubala welcomed those attending. To Father John he said, "Everyone in this room and the people who couldn't attend respect you for who you are. They respect you for what you've been to them and they love you for those very same things."

Kubala also introduced Father John's replacement, Father George Pisanello and warmly welcomed him on behalf of the entire Our Lady of Czestochowa (OLC) church family.

Father John has seen his small parish grow in 30 years, from only 50 families to over 500 families. Through his perseverance, a new church was consecrated on Dec. 5, 1976 and today the entire debt and mortgage has been paid off.

Father John was ordained a priest in 1959. He was born in Trenton to Walter and Mary Skwara and was the youngest of nine children.

Father John is a fourth degree member of the South Plainfield Knights of Columbus and one of the originators of the South Plainfield Ecumenical Ministers Group. He served as the chaplain for the Cedar Oaks Care Center on Durham Ave. Under his direction, a special group of men and women helped him minister to the sick by bringing them the Holy Eucharist, reciting the rosary, singing hymns and visiting with them.

He also commissioned an Italian artist to design and carve a unique one-of-a-kind, full life-size statue of Our Lady of Czestochowa, the only one of its kind in the world.

Father John has been well known for visiting his parishioners, sharing meals with them, rejoicing, weeping

and laughing; and most of all praying with them.

The retirement dinner was attended by many clergy in the area, including Metuchen Bishop Paul Gregory Bootkoski. Also attending were Mayor Dan Gallagher, Assemblyman Patrick Diegnan, several councilmen, businessmen from town and hundreds of well-wishers from South Plainfield.

Father will be enjoying his retirement years at the Maria Regina Retirement for Priests in Somerset.

Alert Mailman Saves Home From Fire

Many of us are fast to complain when our mail is late or we don't get the *Observer* on time, but there is a mailman in South Plainfield who is receiving praise and thanks from a homeowner on Oakmoor Ave.

Russell Ehrlich, the regular mailman in that area, was delivering mail last week and noticed smoke coming from the side of a house on Oakmoor Ave. near Sampton Ave. The smoke was coming from a compost pile outside the house, but located right next to the house.

When Ehrlich realized that no one was home, he rang the door bell at a neighbor's house, Ralph Lodes, who lives across the street. Together, Lodes and Ehrlich grabbed a garden hose and put out the fire. If unchecked, the fire might have spread to the house and caused considerable damage.

This is an example of someone who saw a potential problem and cared enough to do something to help. We suggested that Lodes call Hometown Heros, located on Hamilton Blvd. and tell them about Ehrlich. Hometown decided to make him the hero of the month for July. "Good job!"

From the South Plainfield Library Bookmarks

By Kenneth Morgan

Once again, here's another tightly packed bunch of announcements from the South Plainfield Library:

We're between groups on the Video and Large Print Circuits today. New videos will be here next week; new LPC books will be here ASAP. Meanwhile, tomorrow is the last day of availability for titles from the Audio-book Circuit. Those titles include *Fahrenheit 451* by Ray Bradbury, *Ghost Soldiers* by Hampton Sides, *Cradle and All* by James Patterson, *A New Song* by Jan Karon and, on CD, *High Five* by Janet Evanovich. Audiobooks may be borrowed, four at a time, for two weeks. We've also added a new group from the Foreign Language Book Circuit; it includes adult and children's titles in Gujarati, Hindi, Korean and Vietnamese.

Turning to children's activities, this Monday night (every Monday night through Aug. 5) we'll have a special Kidcraft program at 6:30. It's for children ages six and over and is in conjunction with our Summer Reading Club, "Go On a Safe-Read!"; kids will make a different animal each week. Next, there's our usual schedule of children's Storytime programs Tuesday morning at 10:30, Wednesday

evening at 6:30 and Thursday afternoon at 1:15. Those programs are for children ages three and over; no pre-registration is required. And there's the return of our Game Gang program on Friday, July 5, at 11 a.m. Children can play one of our board games, or bring one from home to share. That program will be held each Friday until Aug. 9. For info, please call us at (908) 754-7885 and ask for Miss Linda.

Oh, getting back to the Summer Reading Club, Monday will be the first day when participants may check in the books they've read. To check in books, or to sign up for the club, stop in the Children's Room or ask at the Circulation Desk.

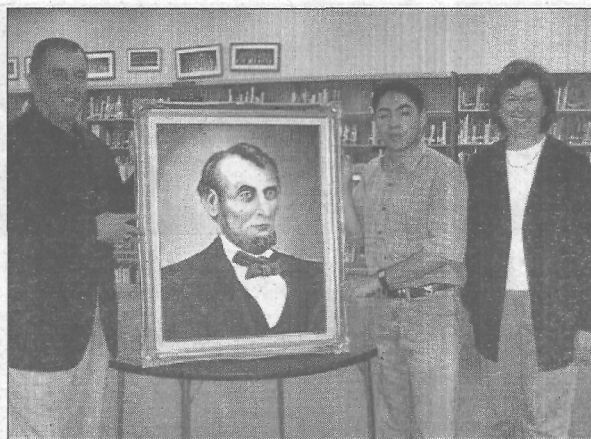
On Monday evening at 7:30, there will be a meeting of Homeschooling parents, or those parents interested in Homeschooling. The meeting will be held in the Children's Room; no pre-registration is required.

There is no meeting scheduled for the Friends of the Library in July or August. However, if you're interested in joining the group, please call us and ask for Mrs. Fenn.

We've recently made a change in one of our policies. Previously, if books that belong to a local public or private school were returned to us in error, we would see to sending them back to the school. Unfortunately, due to complications involving shipping and our new delivery schedules, we will no longer be doing this. So, please be very careful that you don't return schoolbooks here, as it will cause all sorts of hassles for all involved. However, in accordance with our MURAL agreement, we will still accept books from other MURAL libraries and will attend to their return.

Finally, a reminder that the Library will be closed on Sundays throughout the summer. Sunday operating hours will return in September. And, for those wondering why we're closed, it has nothing to do with public reaction. Actually, the public response to Sunday opening has been overwhelmingly favorable. Unfortunately, our present funding level simply doesn't allow us to stay open all week year-round, given the costs involved with things like air conditioning and computers. We apologize for the inconvenience and appreciate your consideration in this matter.

That's all for now. See you in July.



SPHS Principal Anthony Massaro (left) accepts a painting of Abraham Lincoln from Jose Lopez as Pat Massey looks on.

Recent SPHS Graduate Donates Original Artwork

An oil painting of Abraham Lincoln will soon be proudly displayed in the Information Room at South Plainfield High School.

Class of 2002 graduate Julio Lopez, known as Jose, asked school Librarian and Team Leader Pat Massey if he could donate an oil painting he was working on in art class. Of course, Ms. Massey gladly accepted his offer, knowing how extremely talented this young student is.

Jose had taken out many books

from the library with pictures of Lincoln, trying to figure out exactly which picture he would work with. When completed, he had it framed and presented it to the Information Center on June 19.

In September Jose will attend Middlesex County College and he hopes to major in Fine Arts.

Ms. Massey and Principal Tony Massaro are sure they will be able to find just the right place to hang Jose's artwork.

South Plainfield's Code Book is Converted to a CD

South Plainfield's code book which has to be updated a few times a year at a cost of almost \$500 has been copied to a CD, thus making it easier to read and much more economical.

The book, which contains hundreds of pages, was also available for purchase at a cost of \$300.

Councilman Ray Petronko has been trying for the past few years on how to convert the book to a CD.

Petronko scanned the pages, retyped some sections and using Acrobat Reader copied it to a CD. The end product is much smaller and cost effective. Now looking up something is done simply by using the search key on a computer.

Plans are to meet with the technology committee and see if it is possible to sell the CD to residents at a fraction of the cost of a book.

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Music Booster Mtg.

July 10

The next scheduled Music Booster meeting will be held on July 10 at 7 p.m. in the band room. All parents are encouraged to attend. We will be discussing band camp and Labor Day.

Seniors Tour of New York Harbor

July 11

Seniors are invited on a tour of New York Harbor, Ellis Island and Lady Liberty on "The Lady." There will be a buffet lunch. Departure will take place at the PAL, 9 a.m. on Thursday, July 11. Tickets are \$40. Call (908) 226-7713 or visit the PAL.

Piano Recital at St. Stephen's Church

July 12

A benefit piano recital by Rev. Richard A. Mathisen will be held at St. Stephen Lutheran Church on Park Ave. on Friday, July 12, at 7 p.m.

Rev. Mathisen's recitals have been enjoyed by all listeners, even those who are not usually fans of classical music. He studied piano with Klaus Goetze of Cambridge and Jan Gorbaty of Forest Hills.

Rev. Mathisen is the former pastor of St. Luke's Evangelical Lutheran Church in Dunellen and is now Interim Pastor at Resurrection Lutheran Church in Levittown, Pa.

For information, contact St. Stephen Lutheran Church, (908) 757-4474.

All proceeds will go to benefit the "Stand With Africa" campaign of the Lutheran Church to stop AIDS and

alleviate hunger. Suggested donation is \$7. Refreshments will be served.

Riley Hubner Bone Marrow Drive Planned

July 20

A 'Rally for Riley' softball tournament and bone marrow drive is planned to help Riley Hubner, a nine-year-old South Plainfield resident with leukemia. (See ad on this page.)

The event will take place on Saturday, July 20, 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at SPHS ballfield on Lake Ave. The rain date is Sunday, July 21.

The blood drive will be held in the high school cafeteria. Residents are encouraged to come out and enter into a national bone marrow registry and help Riley Hubner.

The softball tournament will consist of two divisions. Teams can register at the PAL on Maple Ave. or by contacting Det. Garry Cassio at (908) 226-7663 or Bill Ashnault at Twin City Pharmacy (908) 755-7695.

SPHS Tigers To Host Eighth Golf Open

August 7

The South Plainfield Golf Association has announced plans to hold this year's South Plainfield Open on Wednesday, Aug. 7, at Bunker Hill Golf Course. This is the eighth annual golf tournament held for the benefit of the SPHS Golf Team.

The entry fee of \$85 includes greens fee, golf cart, prizes, food and beverages. Check-in is at 7 a.m., while a continental breakfast will be served. A dinner and awards ceremony will follow, with food and beverages avail-

able throughout the tournament.

Play will begin with a shot-gun start at 8 a.m. Prizes will be awarded for both men and women, including low gross, low net, low tea.

Corporate sponsorships are encouraged. Proceeds go to support the activities of the high school golf team and the SPGA's college scholarship program. A Platinum sponsorship includes entry fees for one foursome. Gold, Silver, Bronze, Hospitality and Beverage sponsorships are available.

Registration deadline is July 21. For information, call Ken Martin (908) 769-4305 or Dick DeAndrea (908) 755-1700, or register on-line and find out about the corporate sponsor programs at www.spga.org.

Wesley Methodist Bible School

August 12-16

Wesley United Methodist Church, located on Plainfield Ave. announced they will hold a Vacation Bible School entitled, "God's Great Gallery."

Register now for the program which takes place Aug. 12 through 16 each evening from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. There will be plenty of music, crafts, games and fun. Call the church office at (908) 757-2838 and register early!

Tickets for Mets and Yankees Available

August 15 & September 3

Let's Go Out to A Baseball Game! Mets or Yankees... A trip to Shea is scheduled to see the Mets! When? On Thursday, Aug. 15. The bus leaves at 10 a.m. Cost is only \$30 per person!

Also, a trip to Yankee Stadium is planned to see the Yankees vs. the Red Sox on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Bus leaves at 4 p.m. Tickets are \$25 per person!

Tickets for either or both games may be purchased at the PAL.

SPHS Class of 1969 Reunion Planned

August 31

South Plainfield High School Class of 1969 will be reunited on August 31 at the Willows Restaurant, 1013 N. Washington Ave. in Green Brook.

For more information, call Jody Buccellato at (404) 847-0960 or Elizabeth Don at (732) 942-5170.

Thomas T. Moore Congratulations on 10 Years of Retirement



Congratulations Daddy on 10 years of your retirement. Thomas T. Moore retired on June 16, 1992, from the South Plainfield Board of Education. He enjoyed his job and loved working in South Plainfield, where he is a lifelong resident.

May God continue to bless you in whatever you do. Thanks for being the greatest to all of us and everyone, says one of his children. He and his wife Eveline have seven children, 16 grandchildren and one great grandchild. He says the children keep him young, happy and they keep him busy.

He is pictured above holding his youngest grandson.



SPJBC Raises Over \$6,500 For Children's Fund

On Saturday, May 25, the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club held its Second Annual COACHES Care Softball Marathon and Chinese Auction. COACHES Care stands for Coaches Offering Assistance for Children's Health and all proceeds from the day were donated to the Children's Fund at JFK Medical Center.

The day began at 9 a.m., with the SPJBC coaches playing teams from the Medical Center, Pop Warner Coaches, Soccer Club Coaches, Ponytail Coaches, SPJBC Umpires and the CBRBL. The day concluded with the Police Department defeating the Fire Department 23-17 under the lights on Field 2.

All of the prizes and food were donated, which allowed the baseball club to raise over \$6,500 this year and a total of almost \$12,000 in the first two years. There are still checks being sent in and the hope is the final figure will reach \$7,000 this year.

The day was highlighted by a trip from the New Jersey 101.5 prize van and the Ward Burton #22 Caterpillar

Simulator.

While there were a few injuries throughout the day, the enthusiasm enjoyed by the participants, ensured a strong future for COACHES Care.

Anyone wishing to donate to the Children's Fund, can still send their check to JFK Foundation Office, 65 James St., Edison, NJ 08818.



Allison,

May all your dreams come true. We are all very proud of you.

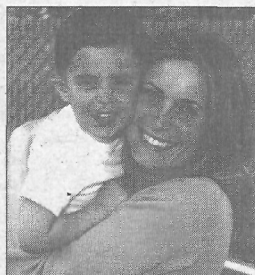
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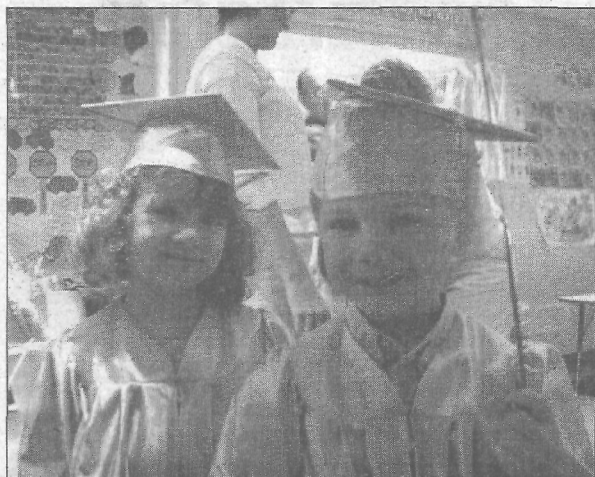
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Creative Kids Holds Graduation



Graduating from Kindergarten were: Nina Bavosa, Joseph Bernudez, Kayla Bridges, Anthony Chirumbolo, Natalie Fontana, Jonathan Grenier, Shanequa Johnson, Tucker Merkle, David Neidzielski, Corey Neiper, Alysson Piersanti and Inan Sikel.

Preschool Graduates were:

Ms. Lynne's Pre-K Classes—David Ardizzone, Ian Brewer, Frank Butrico, Mark Butrico, Michaela Butrico, Nicole Bythell, Ben Cochrane, Jill Dave, Lauren DiCellis, Christopher Graves, Amanda Larson, Taylor Maistackle, Kayla Massaro, Alyssa Maurath, Danielle Maurath, Steven Merrill, Matthew O'Brien, Melanie Rajpal, Leonard Scarpitto, Sarah Walsh.

Ms. Robin's Pre-K Class—Gina Aucello, Sara Bichler, Valerie Cecchetti, Jessica Dandola, Jordan Handwerker, Cheyenne Locklear, Dakota Pauls, Christopher Prasek, Robby Puckett, Alyssa Russo, Katie Simmonds, Tyler VanBlarcom, Matthew Vargas and DaQuan Williams.



Red Cross Alerts Hospitals to Blood Shortage

Type O is Needed Most, But All Donors Can Help

The chief medical officer of the Penn-Jersey Region of American Red Cross Blood Services alerted hospitals that a blood shortage could affect patients at any time.

"A sharp drop in blood donations since Memorial Day has depleted our supply. We will have a serious blood

shortage in a matter of days unless donors respond now," said Stanley C. Roberts, CEO of the Penn-Jersey Red Cross Region. The Red Cross is the major provider of blood to hospitals in southeastern Pennsylvania, southern New Jersey and portions of central New Jersey and distributes nearly 2,000 blood products daily.

Especially needed are donations of type O blood, the type used in emergencies. There is less than a one-day supply available locally.

Blood shortages can force patients to wait for care, receive less blood than their doctor ordered, or mean patients will not get the exact blood product their doctor ordered because there is not enough to go around.

"Today, we cannot say with confidence that we will have enough blood for tomorrow. We are asking donors not to wait to give blood because it takes 48 hours to ready your donation to help someone," said Roberts.

If You Want to Help Today

To find a blood drive near where you work or live, visit the Red Cross Website, <http://www.pleasegiveblood.org>, or call 1-800-GIVE-LIFE. (800-448-3543)

Who can Give Blood

Most healthy people who are at least seventeen years of age or older and who weigh 110 pounds or more are eligible to give blood. In New Jersey seventeen-year-olds must bring a signed Red Cross parental consent form with them when they donate blood. Federal regulations require donors to wait 56 days between donations. Please bring some form of ID.

What to Do Before You Give

Drink plenty of fluids and eat normally before giving blood. Between donations give your body plenty of iron. Foods rich in iron include red meat, fish, poultry, broccoli, beans, raisins and prunes.

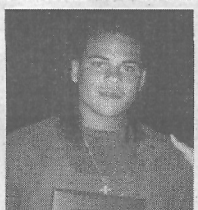
Carousel Cut-a-Thon to Aid Sunshine Kids

Marty Papa owner of Carousel Hair Salon on Oak Tree Ave. is still selling gift certificates for her cut-a-thon during the entire month of June.

By purchasing a gift certificate, owner Marty Papa can raise more money than a one day hair event. Certificates will be good for the year.

If you would like to read about the Sunshine Foundation, look them up at their website: sunshinefoundation.com. To purchase a gift certificate or make a donation, call Mary Papa at the Carousel at 668-8397.

Congratulations
Thomas T. Pender



We knew you could do it. Best wishes—God's love to you always. Daddy, Mommy, Dominique Jr., Divon, Ma & Dad Moore, Uncle Junie, Mimi, Daniella, Aunt Patty, Cedar Croft Bible Chapel, etc.

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Milestones

Martin Seiz is Named SPEA Scholar for 2002

The South Plainfield Education Association has announced that Martin Garrett Seiz has been named its SPEA scholar for 2002 and has been awarded a \$1,500 scholarship. Over the years the SPEA has donated over \$30,000 in scholarships to South Plainfield High School seniors pursuing higher education. Martin will attend Leigh University to study mechanical engineering.

Some of Martin's high school achievements include Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar,

Who's Who Among American High School Students, National Honor Society, French Honor Society and Art Honor Society. Martin's paintings have been displayed at The College of New Jersey and Atlantic City.

In addition he has earned a varsity letter and pin for Cross Country and was a member of the Special Olympics Unified Team.

He was also an after school tutor for National Honor Society and a volunteer in the "Read Across America" program.

Leigh Ann Gregory Graduates From Kean University

Leigh Ann Gregory of South Plainfield, recently graduated from Kean University with a double major in Elementary Education/History and a minor in English.

Leigh was named to the Dean's List in the fall of 2001, as well as the fall of 2000 and the summer of 2000.

Leigh has spent her summer months as a counselor at Camp Ricochet since 1998 and she had been a counselor-in-training since 1994.

Leigh is the daughter of Kenneth and Claire Gregory of South Plainfield.

Sarah Anne Schulte Competing in Pre-Teen New Jersey Contest

Sarah Anne Schulte, daughter of Robert and Christine Schulte of South Plainfield, has been selected as a finalist in the Pre-Teen New Jersey Scholarship and Recognition Program to be held Aug. 15-18 at the Hilton Hotel in Parsippany.

Pre-Teen New Jersey is a by-invitation only scholarship and recognition event involving young ladies ages seven to 12, based on their school academic records, awards and honors won and/or their participation in outside activities. Additionally, young ladies are invited who have been recognized publicly for their outstanding personal achievements, volunteer ser-

vices, school involvement, leadership abilities or creative talents.

State finalists will be evaluated on their academic achievement; volunteer service to community; school honors and activities; development of personal skill and abilities; general knowledgeability; communicative ability and on-stage acknowledgment of accomplishments.

Pre-Teen New Jersey will award more than \$5,000 in educational bonds, prizes and awards. Sarah Schulte is very grateful to Triple S Industries of Linden, who have enabled her to attend this prestigious event.

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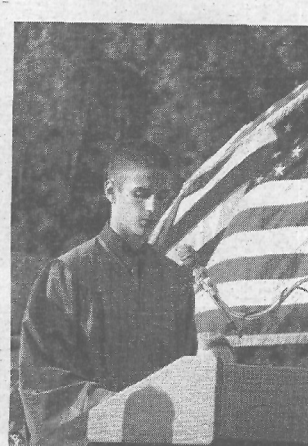
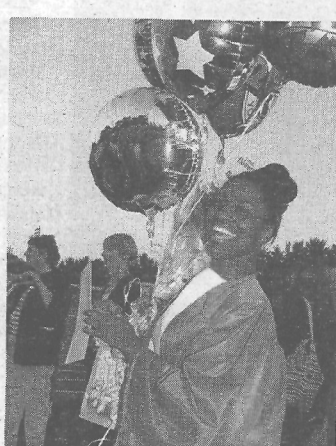
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Alyssa Marie Babinetz
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Daniel F. Bayak
Frank Igino Bechtle
Troy Anthony Benson
Jamar T. Beverley
Darice A. Bishop
Ashley Elizabeth Bodner
James Boles
Aliuska Karenina Borrero
Autumn M. Boryesne
Kevin Christopher Boyles
Ashley Nicole Britton
Anjelica Margrall Brooks
Darius Tyree Brooks
Alex Ivan Brown
Andrew Russell Brown
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Terrence Justin Brown
Kodi Allan Butler
Jawwaad Amir Caldwell
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Preetsookhinder S. Dhaliwal
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Dunia Aracelli Galarza
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Kristine Gawroriski
Vincent Nick Genova
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Jarrel Chavar Godette
Jane Gomez
Jeanette Pamela Gorman
Kevin George Graham
Aisha Monique Gray
Zachary Edward Gray
Kristen M. Gualano
Ingrid Vanessa Guardado
Brian Guevara

The Middle School graduation was held last Thursday evening. Eighth grade students were all smiles as they marched onto the high school athletic field. The bleachers were packed with family and friends all cheering them on. Student Council President Zachary Gray, Valedictorian Samantha Deffler and Salutatorian Kevin Siedenburgh all spoke, thanking their teachers and family, as well as encouraging their fellow students to remember the past years as well as the future years. Dr. John Krewer, Principal Frederik Oberkehr and Board of Education President Frank Mikorski also spoke to the graduates. Assistant Principal Phyllis Savage announced the names of the students who received Presidential Awards. The SPMS Class of 2002 had just officially become the SPHS Class of 2006.



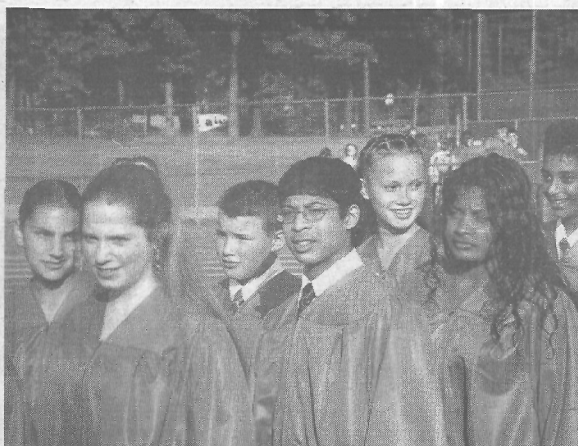
South Plainfield Middle School 8th Grade Presidential Award Recipients For: Outstanding Academic Excellence (Gold Certificate)

Qualifications: Total. GPA = 92% or higher Terra Nova Score 85% or higher

Nicole Aiello	Breanne Fore	Christopher Reed	Kevin Seidenburg
Ashley Bodner	Brittany Frazer	Eric Reiner	Ryan Smith
Eileen Cameron	Zachary Gray	Angelique Rualo	Melissa Szelliga
Jeffrey Cupo	Ramit Kalia	Nicole Sacchi	Natalia Tamzoke
Kazuki Daimo	Kristi Lombardi	Brian Schulte	Lee Tetreault
William Daly	Bryan Milicia	Jessica Schwartz	Amanda Veinott
Samantha Deffler	Alexander Nau	Jeffrey Seesselberg	Krystal Williams
Joseph DeNizio	Heather Palitto	Gina Severini	Megan Wilson
Keith Dezmin	Kaitlyn Pollock	Devanee Sewdat	Matthew Zebrowski



Class of 2002

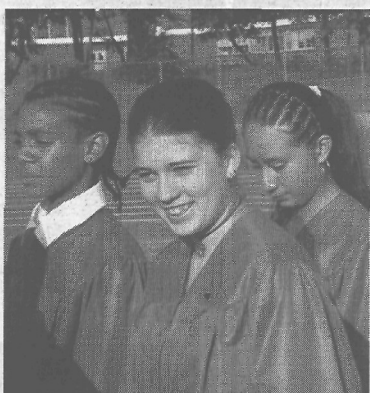
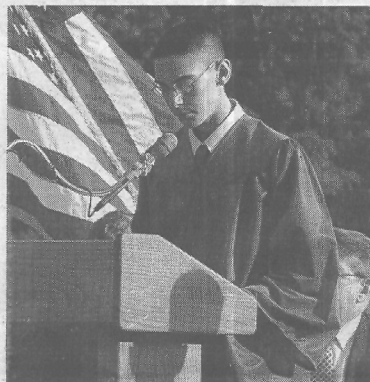


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Julianne Hudak
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Lindsay Nicole Hunsicker
Shivani Itwaru
Lamar William Jackson
Padminie Jaikaran
Beverly Jane Jamieson
Jonathan Stan Jarema
Matthew Robert Jeglinski
Victoria D. Jennings
Ramit K. Kalia
Guiliana Kay
Carlie Eileen Kazimir
Victoria E. Kedmenec
Brian W. Kelly
Justin Kelly
Cherly T. Kotelsky
Kathryn Anne Koury
Cassandra Ann Krajcik
Nicholas Kratz, Jr.
Nikit Kumar
Alyssa Ann Kurilew
Eric Christopher LaFontaine
Binh Thai Lam
Jonathon Joseph Lazar
Kyle Anthony Lendach
Charlie Leon
Jake Levine
Stephen G. Lindgren

Lindsay Marie Loiacono
Kristi L. Lombardi
Denise Maria Lopez
Kaitlin Mackenzie
Toni-Lynn Maiorino
Ariana Michelle Makoski
Barry Jamal Malone
Justin E. Martin
Kristina Marie Mascolo
Shawn Patrick McCarthy
Ericka Antoinette McKnight
Saira A. Memon
Walter Menna
Chad Andrew Meyers
Bryan Dominick Milicia
Alicia Ann Montanaro
Rebekah Moore
Samuel Joseph Mootoo
Brett A. Morris
Tabatha Marie Mosher
Alexnader F. Nau
Maria Dominee Naylor
Kaitlyn Ann Negron
Tony Nguyen
Anthony Michael Niemczyk, Jr.
Michael Lawrence O'Rear
Ryan P. O'Shea
Eric P. Occhipinti
James Thomas Olson
Jennifer Lynn Olson
Kelly Marie Orlandini
Jacqueline Ortega
Heather Noelle Palitto
Amit R. Patel
Bhavesh J. Patel
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8th Grade Presidential Award Recipients

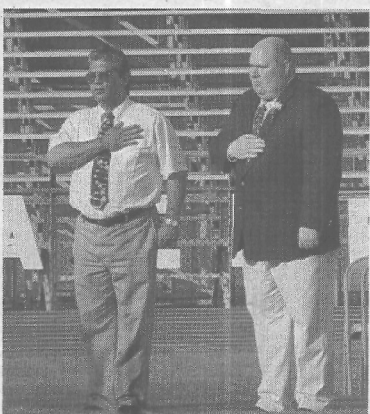
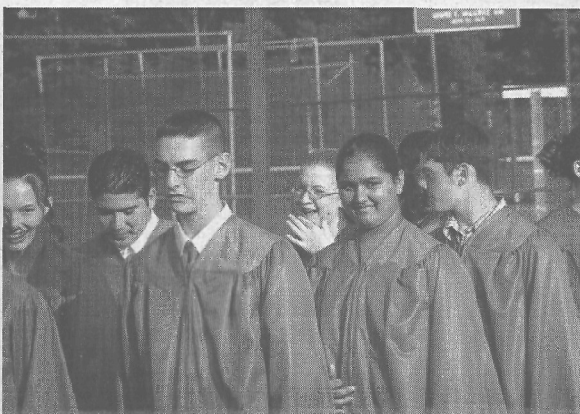
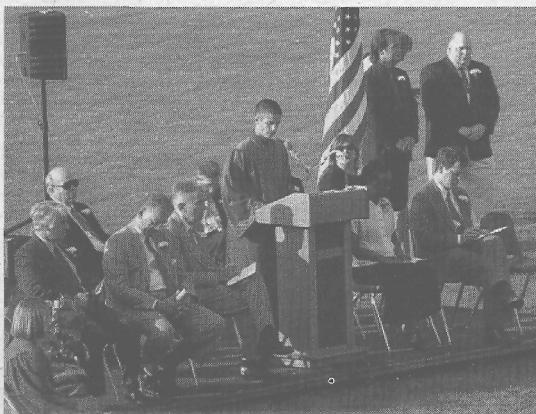
For: Outstanding Academic Achievement (Silver Certificate)

Qualifications: Total GPA = between 91% Terra Nova Score = 85% or higher

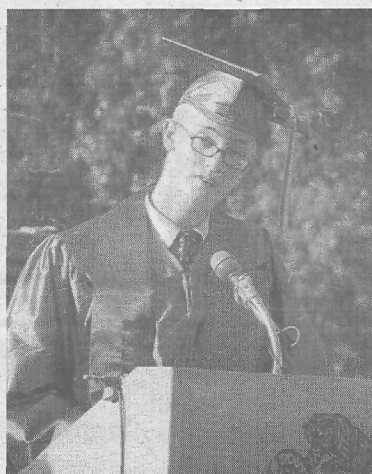
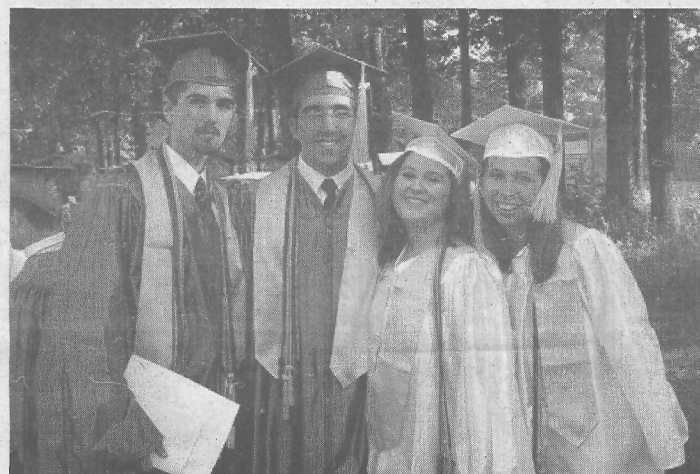
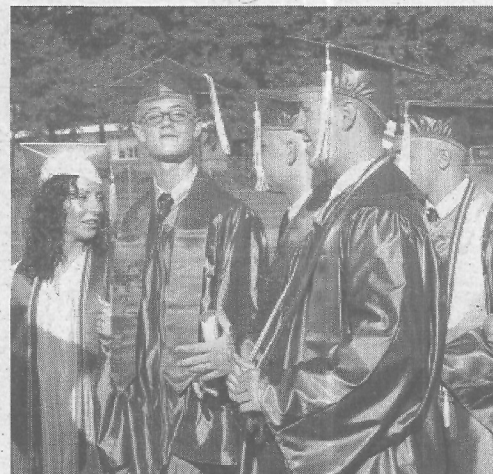
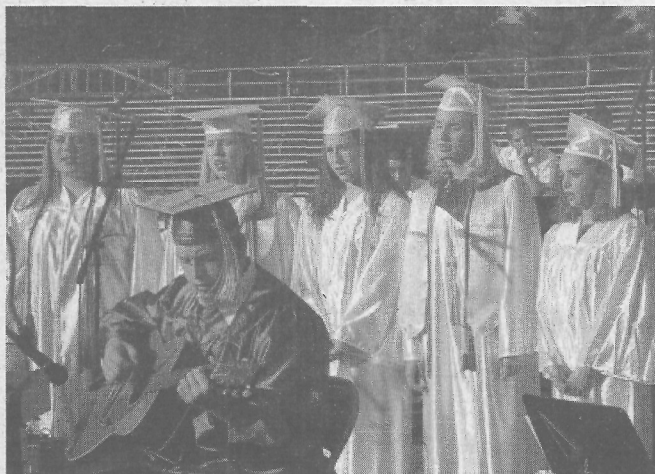
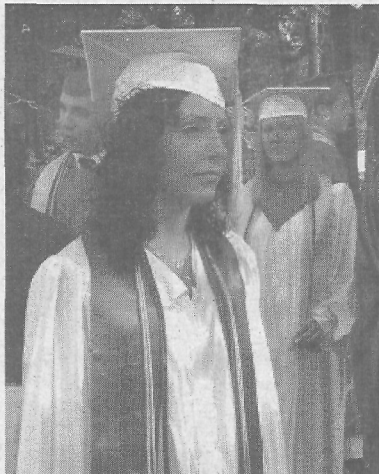
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Congratulations South Plainfield High School



The SPHS class of 2002 graduated last Friday evening to ideal weather conditions. Principal Anthony Massaro, Superintendent Dr. John Krewer and Board of Ed President Frank Mikorski all gave speeches, but the most popular speakers were the graduates. Each drew applause and cheers as they spoke. Student speakers were: Student Council President Matthew Anderson, who will be attending Lehigh University; Salutatorian Joseph Sierzega (4.45 gpa, SAT score of 1280+), who will be attending the University of Maryland; Valedictorian Jeffrey McKnight (4.63 gpa, SAT score of 1500+), who will be attending Bucknell University and Class President Billie Jean Sarullo, who has been the class president for all four years of high school.

The South Plainfield High School chorus featured the seniors singing together for the last time. It was a very touching moment to perform for one last time together and it was evident by the emotions showing on their faces.

The South Plainfield High School Graduating Class of 2002, along with their awards (in alphabetical order) are:

A

Malika Aaron
Performing and Fine Arts Wall of Fame for Vocal Music, Performing and Fine Arts Wall of Fame for Instrumental Music
Stephanie Lauren Allen
Amy Marie Alles
European Academy of Cosmetology Scholarship
Mohammed Ali
KOBO Business and Finance Award
Kathy Estefany Almanzar
Spanish National Honor Society, Principal's Award for Educational Improvement, English Department Award in Journalism, St. Peter's Keys Scholarship
Puja Jyotindra Amlin
Scholastic Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, VFW Memorial Post #6763 Award, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Brielle Kristina Anderson
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence
Matthew J. Anderson
South Plainfield Wrestling Club Scholarship
Marc Peter Arancio
Lindsay Christine Ardis
Kimberly Ann Arms
Rick Daniel Attanasio

B

Kamel Yussef Conde Barbosa
Lincoln Technical Institute Scholarship
Angela Rose Bayak
DuCret School of the Arts Scholarship
Lindsey Marie Bechtle
Somerset County Technical Institute
Julio Roberto Lopez Bedoya
Fine Arts Department Award, Performing

and Fine Art Wall of Fame for Achievement in Art

James Daniel Bender
Noah Benson
Emmanuel Biney-Anim
Kimberly Debra Bishop
South Plainfield Parents' Ponytail Association Scholarship, James and Doris Boyle Memorial Scholarship, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence
Matthew Wayne Bizup
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, Plainfield Chapter of UNICO Award
Jennifer Emma Bodyl
Monmouth University Scholarship
Cassie Marie Bosse
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Company Scholarship, Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar, English Department Award in English, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, Educational Trustee Scholarship NYU
Patrick Joseph Brennan
Taniel Sherelle Britton
Michael David Brooks
Michael Partick Buck
Christopher John Bumback
Michael George Buteaus
Dana Marie Butrico
Jennifer Ann Butrico
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, Seton Hall University Scholarship

C

Salvatore James Carrano
Christopher James Catalfamo
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, Joyce Papp Memorial Scholarship, Vision 2001 Scholarship, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Pamela Lynn Cianfrocca
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, French National Honor Society, Business Education Department Award, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence
Eddie Albert Colletti, Jr.
Stephen Copeland

Juan Coreas
Christopher Cornish
Principal's Award for Educational Improvement, Jeanette Smalley Memorial Scholarship, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Candace Crystal Cort
Jaclyn Cox
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, Italian-American Progressive League Scholarship
Shannon Ann Louise Dabrio
Thomas Ryan Cupido

D

Gina Marie D'Urso
National Honor Society, Scholastic Honor Society, Plainfield Chapter of UNICO Award, South Plainfield High School PTA Scholarship, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, Italian American Progressive League Scholarship
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Allison Emily Dressler

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Meghan Marie Elsman
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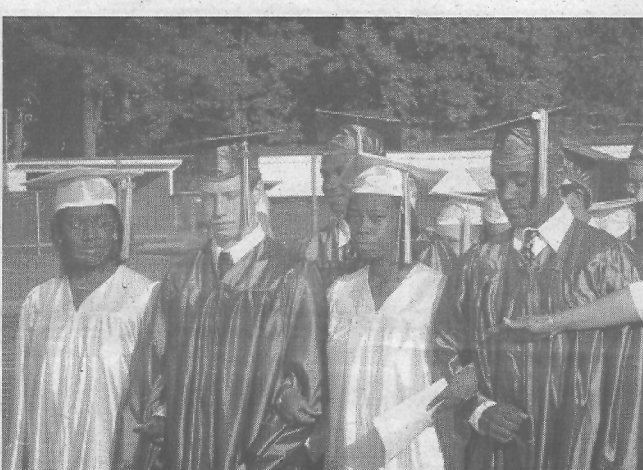
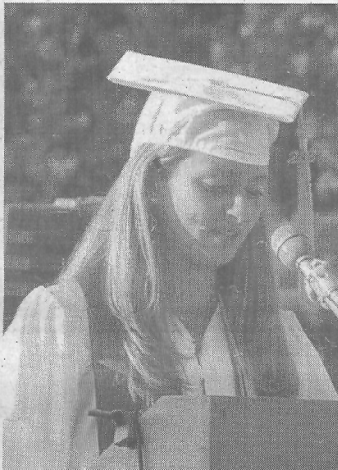
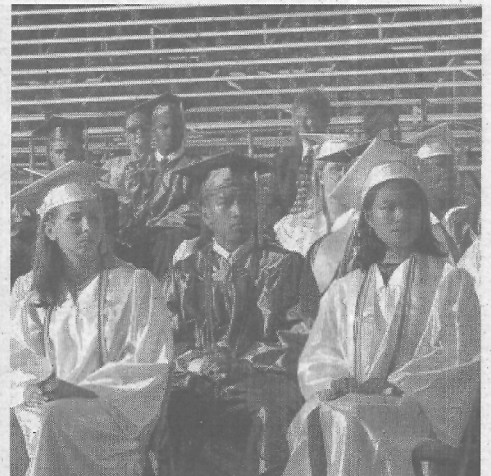
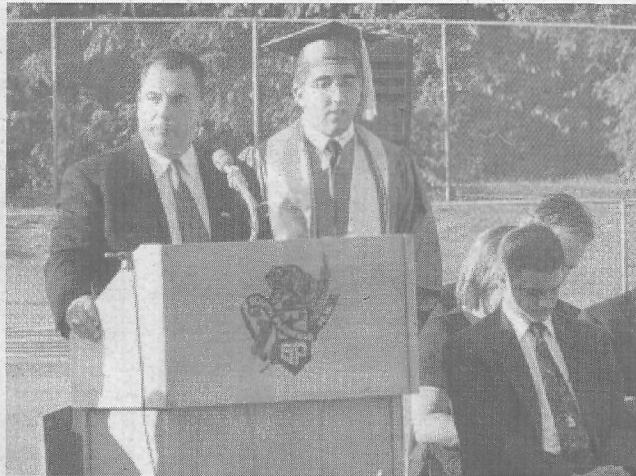
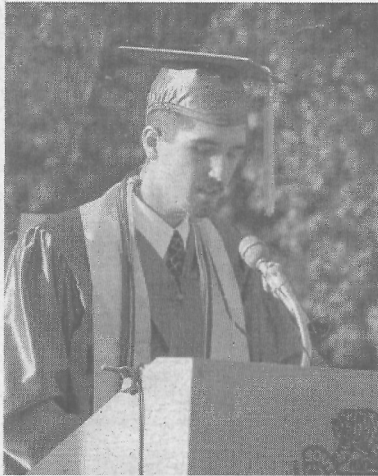
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John Michael Giordano
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Sean Anthony Grevious
 Appointment to United States Military Academy at West Point
Christopher Charles Grevious
 Appointment to United States Military Academy at West Point

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 DeVry College of Technology Scholarship
Michael Joseph Hamm
Colombino Armando Headley, Jr.
 William Paterson University Trustee Scholarship
Kandice Heffernan
Erika Jennifer Heisler
Cheryl Hoh
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Sabrina Hollis
 Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
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 South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Company Scholarship, Vision 2001 Phone-A-Thon Scholarship, KOBO Science and Technology Award
Veronica Chanel Howard
 Central Carrer School Scholarship
William George Humber
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Caitlin Forsythe Hunter
Violet Huynh
 Scholastic Honor Society, Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence

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Rami Ibrahim
Jessica Ashley Irber
 Scholastic Honor Society, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement, University of Tampa Dean's Scholarship

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Jason Tyler Jackson
 South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop Scholarship, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Michael George Jaghab
 American Legion CE Scholarship
Devin Peter Jittan
 Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Tory Lamar Joe
 CE Outstanding Achievement
Nicole Chanel Johnson
 William Paterson University African-American Scholarship
Jacqueline Elizabeth Jones
Peter Michael Judd

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Kathryn Katsiaticas
Valerie Christen Katsonis
 Principal's Award for Educational Improvement
Janelle Lynn Kenny
 Scholastic Honor Society, French National Honor Society, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Hyun Soo Kim
Allison Leigh Kravetsky
 Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Roseanne Krylowski

Kimberly Marie Kulick

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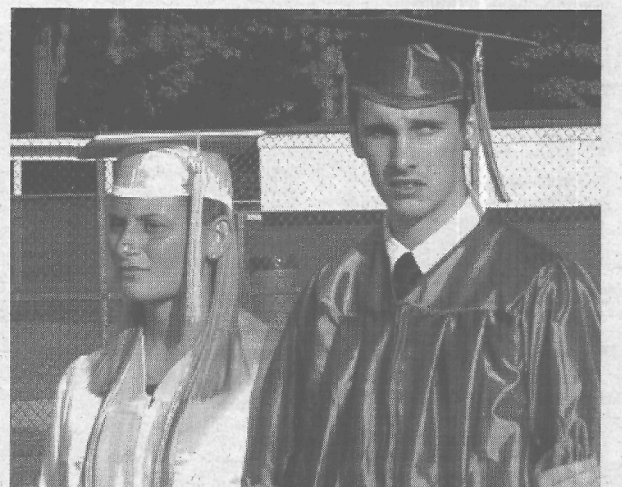
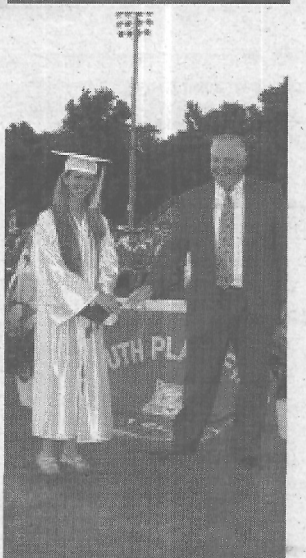
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Erica Marie Levendusky
Matthew Kenneth Liebi
Desiree Mortique Lilly
Tamika Anunta Limerick
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Timothy Craig Lowich
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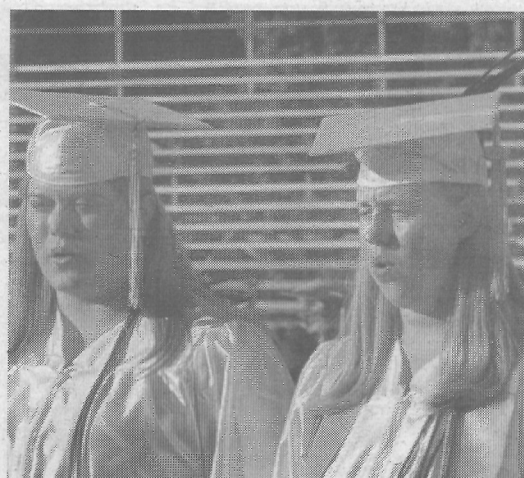
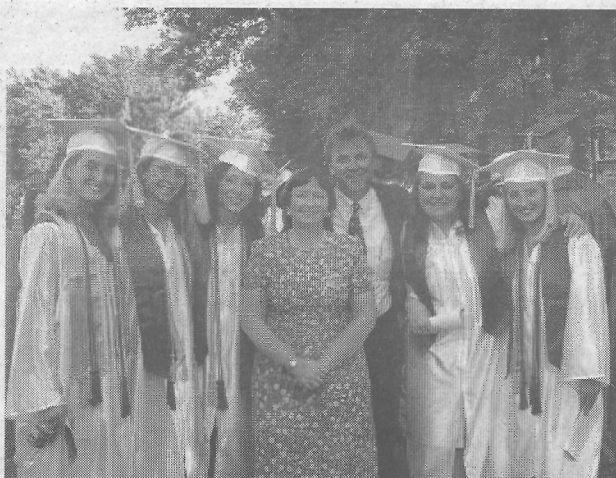
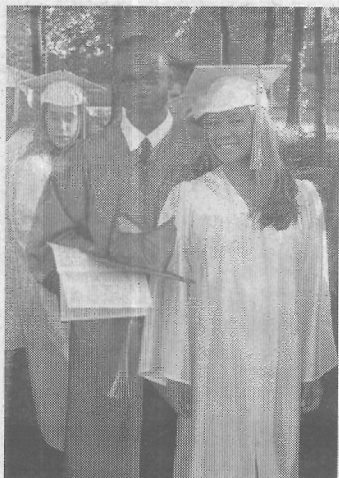
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Jeffrey Nicholas McKnight
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Sarah Amy Miele
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Gregory Louis Moore
Thelma Christina Morgan
Timothy Ignatius Morgan, Jr
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Joseph Robert Mortimer
Andres Mosquera

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Ngoc Thanh Nguyen
Tawanna Tameal Nichols
The Cititene Institute Scholarship
Matthew Robert Noll
South Plainfield Elks 2298 Scholarship, CE Outstanding Achievement Award

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William Frank Olson
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Michelle Elizabeth Oppelt
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Cynthia Mishelle Orellana
Mary Elizabeth Otowski
MacCauley Scholarship
Destiny Nicole Owen
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Jay Michael Pacifico
Norma Yaneth Guevara Palacios
Aaron Vince Parks
Erica Lynn Parks
Kumaripooja Patel
Jigarkumar Rajnikant Patel
Jay Harshad Patel
Michelle Anne Paterek
Valeria Pellegrino
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Victor Amaury Pichardo
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Alicia Amanda Pompey
The Cititene Institute Scholarship
Raleigh Eugene Price
Allison Anne Provalre
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Adina Ramos
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Richard Ringel
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Kelly Ann Ritchey
Benjamin James Rodger
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Nicholas S. Ronzo
Ulysses Tyree Russell
Thomas John Rutter
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Frank Joshua Salerno
Brick Computer Science Institute Scholarship
Sally Salib
Billie Jean Sarullo

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Hifza Shafqat
Tayyab Hasan Shah
Tyrone Edwin Sharpe, Jr.
Joseph Alfred Sierzege, Jr.
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Presidential Award for Educational Excellence, Italian-American Progressive League Scholarship, South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club Scholarship
Giancarlo Silva
Maria Sivo
Joseph Edward Smela
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Jennifer Katherine Smith
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Michelle Lee Smith
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Scholastic Honor Society, Spanish National Honor Society, Alice Boffa Memorial Scholarship, NJ Golf Association Caddie Scholarship, South Plainfield Gold Association Award, Vision 2001 Scholarship, Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholar, the Prudential Spirit of Community Award, Presidential Award for Educational Excellence
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Michelle Socha
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Debby Soriano
Spanish National Honor Society
Paul Chase Spisso
Cathy Lynn Sporman
Derek John Staats
Kyle Patrick Stoeckel
Oscar Ismael Yanchapanta Supe
Dattesh M. Suthar
Catherine Louise Sylvester
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Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Award, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Jammel Thomas
Phillip Michael Thomas
MacCauley Award
Thomas James Toolan
Brian Vincent Tramontano

Somerset County Technical Institute Scholarship
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Scholastic Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, Rotary Club Scholarship, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement, Pratt Institute Presidential Scholarship
Michael Alfred Tudor, Jr.
National Art Honor Society, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Darnell Ivann Tyson

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Fidelia Chinatu Uko
National Association of University Women Award, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement

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Performing and Fine Arts Wall of Fame for Instrumental Music, Presidential Award for Educational Achievement
Allison Lee Vaughn
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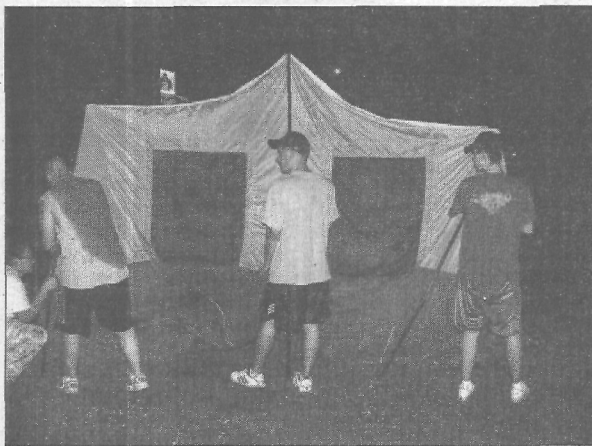
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Seniors Campout for Last Hoorah

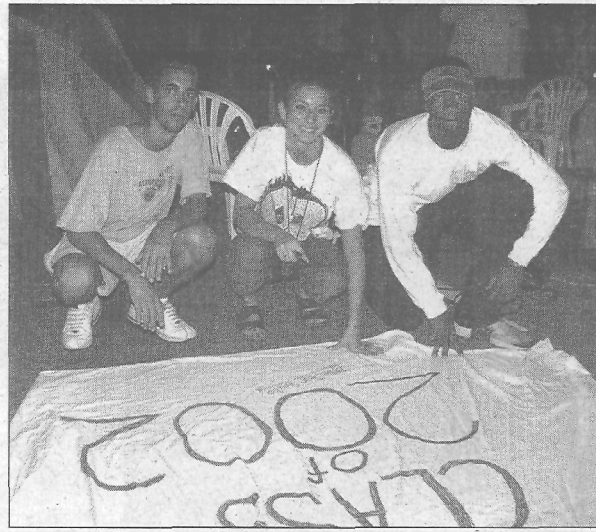


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South Plainfield High School with a few more memories. Neighbors made

kets, most knew they wouldn't sleep that night.

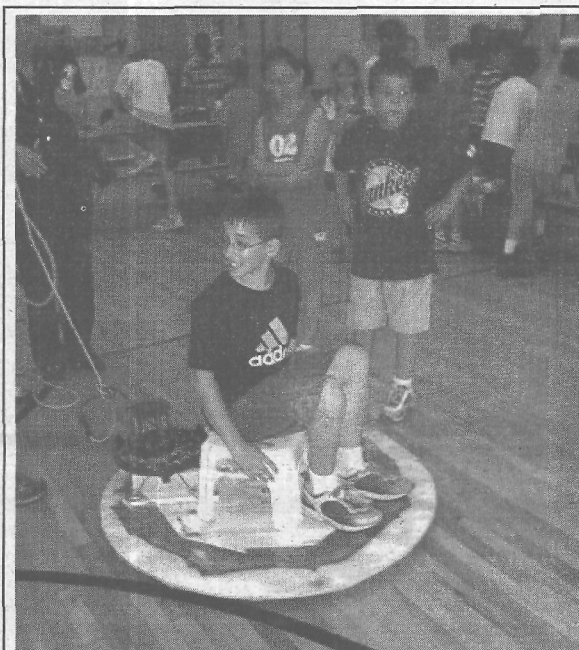
In the morning, high school Principal Tony Massaro visited the scene and spoke to the students. He told the *Observer*, "On June 12, 2002 at 6:30 a.m., I received quite a pleasant surprise after being tipped off an hour earlier by our head custodian. In the high school parking lot there was a significant number of seniors who had camped out on school grounds overnight. Senior leaders told me it was a way to express unity and school spirit in their last days at SPHS. All of the students pledged to be present in all of their classes. In our post Columbine world, I find this to be a wholesome activity based upon friendship. I am grateful that I work with and for the students of SPHS."

After breaking up camp, bleary-eyed but happy students made their



way to classes. But they had one more lesson to learn - best intentions don't always work out. For despite the

promise to Massaro, many seniors didn't make it through the day and went home to get some much needed sleep.



Annual Fifth Grade Science Fair at Franklin School

Fifth grade science students at Franklin Elementary School held their Annual Science Fair on June 11. Students were asked to choose and create a project, using one of the principles they had learned during the past school year. Students from the other grades were invited to the gym to view their scientific displays, which ranged from volcanos to electrical experiments. There was even a "hover craft" project in which a student had taken off of the Internet. It was a big hit and everyone enjoyed going for a ride.

MTV Visit Makes Christine Martinez a Celebrity

By Patricia Abbott

Since her appearance in an MTV Total Request Live contest, SPHS Senior Christine Martinez has become somewhat of a celebrity in South Plainfield. As winner of the contest, her prize brought MTV and a hot new group, B2K, to the 2002 SPHS Senior Prom. B2K escorted Christine and three of her friends to their prom-complete with MTV coverage of the event from start to finish.

Senior Class President Billie Jean Sarullo learned MTV was searching for area schools with a May 31 prom date. Her email to MTV began the chain of events that shot Christine into the limelight. Four South Plainfield senior girls were chosen to speak to an MTV Total Request Live (TRL) casting director; Billie Jean, Destiny Owens, Christine Martinez and Gina D'Urso. Christine was chosen to appear on TRL. The contest spotlighted B2K.

Christine said, "I began studying everything I could get my hands on!" She credits Junior Shante Edelen with helping her win the contest. She loaned Christine magazines, CDs and provided her with web sites such as MTV.com, BET.com and fan based sites. Christine studied everything; memorizing details large and small in the event they were among the questions. On April 24 Christine, counselor Tim Baker and friends Destiny Owens and Debby Soriano traveled to New York City for the 2 p.m. show. The competition intimidated Christine, but she refused to panic, "I kept telling myself that I was going to be on TV and have fun that's all. It's the experience not the outcome that counts."

Jitters gave way to excitement as the three contestants were brought before the audience. Christine was first. She correctly answered seven questions about B2K in 45 seconds. As the contest ended, it was several more long

seconds before she realized she had won! In those 45 seconds Christine had won not just for herself and friends but for all the seniors attending the SPHS 2002 prom. She chose three friends to share the B2K Prom escorts; Debby Soriano, Nakia Tate, and Safiyah Sadiq.

them. A crowd of students awaited their arrival. Christine said, "I felt like a movie star. Everyone watched me as I got out of the limo." The night was a blur of excitement and activity. They didn't even have time to eat. The dance floor filled to bursting when the DJ played the group's two hit singles.



Christine had just one week to prepare for the date of a lifetime. Shopping became a priority. She wanted to look perfect. "My sister and I went shopping for hours. We spent tons of money on my dress, shoes, etc. which my sister mostly picked out." Christine joked she'd be paying her family back for a very long time to come.

On May 31 the MTV film crew arrived at the school at 11:30 a.m. and Christine's day in front of a camera began. She was transported by limo to get her hair done. The pace picked up upon her return home. There was makeup to apply, misplaced shoes to deal with and a wrinkled dress to iron. Christine and the other girls met at Safiyah's house where they anxiously awaited the four members of B2K.

There was no need for nerves, during the limo ride to the Martinsville Inn the girls discovered the boys, who are 16 and 17, were teenagers just like

There were picture sessions, interviews and music.

Christine described the limo ride home as 'the best time.' She said, "It was the first time we had to ourselves the whole night; no other people, no MTV, no cameras, no microphones. They were great dates and made our night memorable for the rest of our lives!"

The special aired on June 4. The long day and evening of filming had been pared down to about eight minutes. Christine thought it was too short, but was happy with the publicity it gave to SPHS.

Christine's future plans include her own climb into the spotlight. This talented teen speaks four languages, French, Spanish, Kreyol and English. She has been dancing and singing since she was three. She will attend Fairleigh Dickinson in Madison for two years then head to New York University as a performing arts major.

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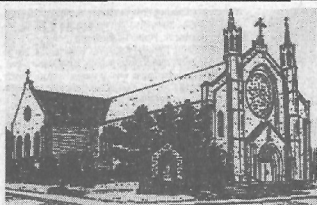
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Sports



Ponytail Softball Batters Box

By Sharon Miller

Due to the large turnout of girls who came out to the 12U All Star tryouts, a second 12's team has been selected to allow more girls to participate and benefit from the summer All-Star softball program. This team will also be part of the Parkway Invitational Softball League and a part of their National Division. Congratulations to each of the following players. Good luck and enjoy a great summer of softball.

Dana Alexa, Katelyn Conrad, Kim Arki, Rebecca Dacchilli, Katie Baldassarre, Sydney Gentile, Dorian Bishop, Kate Reichert, Erica Bowden, Ashley Sacks, Dorothy Cameron and Lori Sepkowski.

Courtney Irber has been selected as the newest member of the 10U "A" team. Congratulations Courtney on this achievement.

ALL-STAR PARKWAY INVITATIONAL SOFTBALL LEAGUE SEASON, Week of June 30—The All-Star softball season is in full swing. This year we have entered a new league, the Parkway Invitational Softball League. The other teams in this league are from Westfield, Clark, North Plainfield, Cranford, Union, Scotch Plains, Colonia, Roselle Park, Metuchen, and Berkeley Heights. There are two divisions in this league. Our 14U, 12U and 10U "A" teams are in the American league while our second 12U "N" team is in the National league.

Our 14U "A" team will be playing Clark on July 2 in Clark.

Our 12U "A" team will be playing No. Edison on July 1 at the Pitt Street Park Complex. The July 3 game will be against Cranford also at the Pitt Street Park Complex.

Our 10U "A" team will be playing against Cranford on July 2 at the Pitt Street Park Complex.

All games begin at 6 p.m. unless noted above.

Please come out and join us for another wonderful season of All-Star softball. Good Luck to all players and coaches for a great season.

NORTH EDISON TOURNAMENT, June 28-June 30—Our 14U, 12U and 10U "A" teams will be competing in the North Edison Tournament on June 28, 29 and 30.

Edison Game Schedule

U14	June 28 (Fri)	8 p.m.	3	Not Yet Known
	June 29 (Sat)	1:15 p.m.	4	Saddle Brook
	June 29	8:15 p.m.	4	Brookfield
12U	June 28 (Fri)	6 p.m.	5	North Edison Blue
	June 29 (Sat)	11:30 a.m.	6	Sparta White
	June 29	4:45 p.m.	6	Hudson Valley
10U	June 29 (Sat)	8 a.m.	6R	Bergenfield
	June 29	11:30 a.m.	9	Livingston
	June 29	6:30 p.m.	9	Edison Angels

The game schedule for June 30 (Sunday) will be announced after Saturdays games. There is a complete snack bar facility located at this complex.

• **14U NORTH BRUNSWICK TOURNAMENT**, July 12, 13 & 14—Our 14U team will be competing in the North Brunswick Tournament on July 12, 13 and 14.

• **14U UNION TOURNAMENT**, July 20, 21—Our 14U team will be participating in the Union Tournament on July 20 and 21. Please come out and support our team.

• **12U READINGTON TOURNAMENT**, July 20 & 21—Our 12U team will be participating in the Readington Tournament on July 20 and 21.

• **14U AND 12U MONROE TOURNAMENT**, July 26, 27 & 28—Our 14U and 12U teams will be competing in the Monroe Tournament on July 26, 27 and 28. The main complex is located on Gravel Hill Spotswood Road. The Thompson Park complex is located on Perrineville Road. The main complex has a snack bar, which offers light snacks and drinks. The Thompson Park complex does not have a snack bar facility.

PLEASE NOTE: directions to the fields will be provided by the coach. Additional information on this these tournaments will appear in the Batter's Box as they become available. Please come out and support our teams. The best of luck to both players and coaches.

PONYTAIL SOFTBALL WEBSITE—Visit Ponytail Softball online anytime at SPONYTAIL.com. You will find the latest news/events, team rosters/schedules, game highlights/pictures, information on our Parents' Association.

TRACK -- PART 2

By Tim Morgan, Jr.

High School Boys' Spring Track Synopsis

At the GMC Relays held recently, the team placed fifth and took home the White Division GMC Relay Championship. The 4*1600 team of Galen Johnson, George Watkins, John Wiekowski and Tim Morgan took sixth place; the sprint medley team of Sean and Chris Grevious, Ervin Williams and Tim Morgan took fourth; the 4*200 team of Sean and Chris Grevious, Ervin Williams and T.K. Ahmed took fifth; the long jump team of Sean and Chris Grevious and Chinny Okparakee took fifth. The shuttle hurdle team of Alan Dummett, Chinny Okparakee, Phil Thomas and Ian Levine took fourth.

In the GMC Individuals, Tim Morgan started things off by placing fourth

in the 3200 (9:47). From there, Sean Grevious took third in the 100(11.2) and third in the long jump (20-11) and Chris Grevious placed sixth in the 100 (11.5).

One of the biggest achievements this season took place at the State Sectionals held on May 24 and 25. The Tigers took fifth place in the Central Jersey Group 3 division, their best ever. It was a pleasant surprise for the Tigers when they put 32 points on the board and crowned two sectional champions. The 3200 was the most productive event. Tim Morgan won a first place with a time of 9:48 and Galen Johnson pulled an upset with a sixth place in a time of 10:24. In the 400, Jeff Williams ran 51.0 to place

sixth in the 1600, Tim Morgan placed fourth with a time of 4:32. Sean Grevious was crowned as the second champion for the Tigers in the longjump with 20 feet, 11 inches. Lastly, the 4*400 team of Jeff Williams, Ervin Williams, and Sean and Chris Grevious placed third with a time of 3:27.

These six athletes competed at the State Groups on May 31 and June 1. It was a fierce competition and the boys performed their best. The 4*400 team ran a personal best collective time of 3:25.96. Sean Grevious jumped onto the long jump right after running, which hindered his ability. Tim Morgan suffered the biggest heartbreaker of all. The senior narrowly missed advancing in both events, placing seventh in the 3200 with a time of 9:52 and taking eighth in the 600 with a personal best time of 4:27.7 (With these times, he would have been champion in both events in Group 1, as would the 4*400 team).

This spring track season is easily the best in the school's history and also the largest, with 47 athletes on the roster. This year has set a standard that next year's team will be expected to follow. Excellent job to everyone on the team and good luck next year!

Gold League at West Nine

Al Szumski and Greg James combined to lead undefeated Masters to an 18-2 win over Patti's Construction in the South Plainfield Golf League at West Nine. Sport and Social, captained by Frank Matthews, breezed to an easy 16-4 win over Hank's Hackers to remain just one game behind league-leading Masters. Also in the National Division, Bob Amorosi and Bob Nilan sparked the VFW to a 15-5 victory over the South Plainfield Police.

In the American Division, John Cotone showed the way in leading first-place Hummel to a resounding

18-2 win over slumping Aiello Chiropractic. Joe Glowacki with a 36 and Howard Adler's 37 propelled Witty's to defeat Twin City, 14-6. The up-and-down Pornovets team put it all together and trounced floundering Plainfield Animal Hospital, 17-3.

Dan Griffin of Masters again displayed his mastery of the third hole at West Nine by winning the closest-to-the-pin competition for the second week in a row and the third time this season.

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Golf League

Danny Griffin's one-over-par 34 and Al Szumski's 36 powered undefeated Masters to a 13-7 win over the VFW in the South Plainfield Golf League. Sport and Social, with some fine play by Dennis Bibby and Todd Gregory, had no problem defeating Patti Construction, 17-3, to remain just one game behind league leading Masters. In other action in the National League, South Plainfield Police edged Hank's Hackers, 11-9.

Playing a solid, steady round, John Cotone with help from teammate Mark Dugan, led Hummel to a 13-7 victory over Pornovets, picking up ground over second-place Witty's Li-quors, who lost a close match, 11-9, to Plainfield Animal Hospital.

Also in the American League, Fred Kirchofer showed signs of breaking out of his early season slump in helping Aiello Chiropractic to a 11-9 win over Twin City.

In the individual competition for Player-of-the-Year honors, Stan Lipka, Kevin Bickunas and Joe Glowacki are currently in a three way tie for the lead.



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Obituaries

Jacquelyn Mackie Barone, 66

Jacquelyn Mackie Barone of South Plainfield died on Sunday, June 23 at home.

Jacquelyn was born in Scranton, Pa. and was a former resident of Throop, Pa. before moving to South Plainfield 42 years ago.

Jacquelyn especially loved spending time with her grandchildren, cooking and working in her garden.

She is predeceased by her beloved husband Frank Barone, who died in 1990.

She is survived by two sons, Frank M. Barone and South Plainfield Police Lieutenant Robert Barone and his wife Wendy, all of South Plainfield; a brother Robert Mackie of Olyphant, Pa.; a sister, Sandra Moran of Scranton, Pa.; her beloved grandchildren, Anthony, Robert, Nicholas and Jennifer.

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

Margit (Emanuelson) Kopf, 92

Margit (Emanuelson) Kopf died on Monday, June 17 at Buena Vista Regional Medical Center in Storm Lake, Iowa.

Born in Norway, Ms. Kopf came to the United States at the age of 16. She had resided in Staten Island for some time before relocating to Piscataway. She resided there until 1998, at which time she settled to Iowa with her grandson.

Ms. Kopf is predeceased by her husband, John; a son, Richard and a brother, Henry Emanuelson.

She is survived by two sisters, Ann Mixson of New York and Evelyn Elms of Ariz. She is also survived by three grandchildren Stephen, Susan and Stacy, as well as five great grandchildren and four great step grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home for Funerals.

Marian (Winkle) Jones, 79

Marian (Winkle) Jones of South Plainfield died Monday, June 24, at

home.

Born in Long Island, NY, she resided in Bayonne, Nebraska and Garwood before moving to South Plainfield 16 years ago.

Mrs. Jones was a homemaker. She was a member of AARP and the South Plainfield Senior Citizens. She enjoyed her many trips to the Atlantic City casinos.

She is predeceased by her husband James, who died in 1980, a son James, who died in 1973 and a brother, Robert Winkle.

Surviving are her daughters and son-in-law, Deborah and Frank Pasquale of South Plainfield and Beverly Decker of Franklin Park and a sister, Dolores Chiodo of Elizabeth.

Also surviving are four grandchildren Stacey, Francesca, Nicholas and Danielle.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home for Funerals.

Deborah (DeWolf) Sabik, 45

Deborah (DeWolf) Sabik died on Sunday, June 23, at her home (of natural causes).

The daughter of Dorothy DeWolf of Dunellen and the late Charles DeWolf, Debbie was born in Plainfield, and grew up in South Plainfield, where she lived for most her life. She was a 1975 graduate of South Plainfield High School. She moved to Tobyhanna, Pa. 10 years ago, following the death of her husband, Edward Sabik.

She was a member of the VFW Post 6763 Ladies Auxiliary in South Plainfield.

Surviving are her sons and daughters-in-law, Charles and Kim Gougeon, III of Port Reading, NJ, Michael and Krystal Sabik and Matthew Sabik all of Tobyhanna; three granddaughters, Emma and Jill Gougeon and Victoria Sabik; her step mother, Marlene DeWolf of North Plainfield and by her sisters and brothers, Kathy Sheedy, Margaret Purcell, Cyndi Adamczyk, Sharon Pellerano, Tracey Peardon, Denise Lamb, Chuck DeWolf and Bob Peardon.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations to the family would be appreciated.

LEGAL NOTICES

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 1597

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

Ordinance #1597 entitled: AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE DESIGNATED REDEVELOPMENT AREA IN THE VICINITY OF THE HAMILTON BOULEVARD INDUSTRIAL SITE be adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, June 28, 2002 and that a public hearing be held at 7:00PM on Monday, July 15, 2002 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

ORDINANCE NO. 1597

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE REDEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR THE DESIGNATED REDEVELOPMENT AREA IN THE VICINITY OF THE HAMILTON BOULEVARD INDUSTRIAL SITE.

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, by Resolution dated February 21, 2002, designated and declared that the area commonly known as the Hamilton Boulevard Industrial Site, is an area in need of redevelopment, as that term is recognized and utilized within the Local Redevelopment Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq., and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council caused to be prepared a proposed "Redevelopment Plan" as authorized pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7, and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council forwarded the proposed "Redevelopment Plan" to the Planning Board of the Borough of South Plainfield, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-7(e) for its review and report, and

WHEREAS, the Planning Board considered the "Redevelopment Plan" at its open, public meeting on June 11, 2002, and approved of the same, and reported favorably to the Borough Council with regard to the adoption of the "Redevelopment Plan",

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The "Redevelopment Plan for the Designated Redevelopment Area in the Vicinity of the Hamilton Boulevard Industrial Site," annexed hereto in its entirety, is hereby adopted and shall be incorporated into the Land Use Laws of the Borough of South Plainfield.

This Ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

STATEMENT

The purpose of this ordinance is to adopt the Redevelopment Plan for the Hamilton Boulevard Industrial Site area, so as to guide the planning, development, redevelopment and rehabilitation of the Hamilton Boulevard Industrial Site area, pursuant to and in accordance with the Local Redevelopment and Housing Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:12A-1 et seq.

Approved June 20, 2002
Daniel J. Gallagher/Mayor

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$80.50 June 28, 2002

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 1595

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

Ordinance #1595 entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO VACATE A PORTION OF JACKSON AVENUE WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held thereon by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield on Thursday, June 20, 2002 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$20.00 June 28, 2002

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield wishes to facilitate a proper financial transition, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield has solicited a proposal from Frank DeRosa to assist in such transition, and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded to Frank DeRosa for a three (3) month period, July 1 - September 30, 2002 at a fee not to exceed \$28,000.00, and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a), and

WHEREAS, funds for said contract are available in the Fiscal Year 2002 Budget.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield that authorization is hereby given to enter into a Professional Services contract with Frank DeRosa for the three (3) month period from July 1 - September 30, 2002 to facilitate a proper financial transition for the Borough of South Plainfield.

FURTHER BE IT RESOLVED that the Mayor and Municipal Clerk are hereby authorized to execute said agreement.

Approved June 20, 2002
Daniel J. Gallagher/Mayor

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$42.00 June 28, 2002

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

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

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield requires the services of a licensed appraisal company, and

WHEREAS, a proposal to conduct said appraisal services for the period July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003 has been submitted by Fleming White Appraisals as per the attached, and

WHEREAS, this contract is being awarded without competitive bidding as "Professional Services" in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-5(1)(a), and

WHEREAS, funds for said contract will be made available in the SPY 2003 Assessing Budget, account # 3-01-20-150-000-235.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that:

1. This contract is not to exceed \$30,000.00.
2. This resolution shall be printed once in The Observer, as required by law.

Approved June 20, 2002
Daniel J. Gallagher/Mayor

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$36.75 June 28, 2002

BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The lease ordinance published herewith was introduced and adopted upon first reading at a meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, held on June 20, 2002, and will be further considered for final passage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of said Borough Council to be held at Borough Hall, South Plainfield, in said County, at 7:00 PM on July 15, 2002.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
ORDINANCE NO. 1598

AN ORDINANCE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY, APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE ENTERING INTO, EXECUTION AND DELIVERY OF A LEASE AND AGREEMENT WITH THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY RELATING TO THE ISSUANCE OF COUNTY-GUARANTEED CAPITAL EQUIPMENT LEASE REVENUE BONDS, SERIES 2002 OF THE MIDDLESEX COUNTY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY

WHEREAS, the Middlesex County Improvement Authority (the "Authority") is authorized to issue its bonds pursuant to the provisions of the County Improvement Authorities Law, chapter 183 of the Laws of New Jersey of 1960, as amended and supplemented (N.J.S.A. 40:37A-44 et seq.) (the "County Improvement Authorities Law"), and other applicable provisions of law; and

WHEREAS, the Authority has determined to issue its revenue bonds for the purpose of financing the acquisition of capital equipment for the purposes of the same to various municipalities located in the County of Middlesex in the State of New Jersey (the "2002 Program"); and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the "Municipality") has determined to participate in the 2002 Program; and to lease certain capital equipment from the Authority; and

WHEREAS, there has been prepared and submitted to the Municipality the form of the Lease and Agreement (the "Lease"), to be entered into by and between the Authority and the Municipality, which Lease has been approved by the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey (the "County") and which is attached hereto as Exhibit A, providing for the acquisition and leasing of certain items of Equipment from the Authority, which Equipment is described in Exhibit B attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. All terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the same meanings ascribed to such terms under the Lease.

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

Section 1. Pursuant to section 78 of the County Improvement Authorities Law, N.J.S.A. 40:48-1 et seq., the Municipality is hereby authorized and directed to enter into and perform the Lease, which Lease provides for the leasing of certain items of Equipment acquired with the proceeds of County-Guaranteed Capital Equipment Lease Revenue Bonds, Series 2002 (the "Bonds") to be issued by the Authority under a resolution of the Authority to be adopted by the Authority entitled, "Resolution of the Middlesex County Improvement Authority Authorizing the Issuance of County-Guaranteed Capital Equipment Lease Revenue Bonds" (the "General Bond Resolution"). The Lease, in substantially the form submitted herewith in Exhibit A (a copy of which is on file in the office of the Clerk of the Municipality), is hereby approved with such changes, amendments or modifications as may be approved by counsel or bond counsel to the Municipality and bond counsel to the Authority and the County.

Section 2. The full faith and credit of the Municipality are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the obligations set forth in the Lease authorized by this ordinance, including without limitation, (i) all Basic Rent and Rent obligations of the Municipality under the Lease including, Authority Administrative Expenses and Additional Rent, (ii) all amounts due and owing to the County as a result of payments made by the County on behalf of the Municipality under the Lease pursuant to the County Guarantee, including County Guarantee Costs and (iii) all direct and indirect costs of the Authority and the County related to the enforcement of the Lease and the County Guarantee ((i), (ii) and (iii) collectively, the "Lease Payment Obligation"). The Lease Payment Obligation under the Lease shall be a direct, unlimited and general obligation of the Municipality, not subject to annual appropriation by the Municipality pursuant to the County Improvement Authorities Law, and unless paid from other sources, the Municipality shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable property within the Municipality for the payment of the Lease Payment Obligation thereunder without limitation as to rate or amount.

The Mayor or other Authorized Municipal Representative (as defined in the Lease) is hereby authorized and directed to execute the Lease on behalf of the Municipality in substantially such form as attached hereto in Exhibit A and the Clerk of the Municipality is hereby authorized and directed to attest to such signature and affix the seal of the Municipality thereto and the Lease is authorized to be delivered to the Authority. All representatives, officials and employees of the Municipality are hereby authorized and directed to enforce and to implement provisions of the Lease.

Section 3. The following additional matters are hereby determined, declared, recited and stated:

(1) The maximum Lease Payment Obligation for which the Municipality shall be obligated hereunder, which, *inter alia*, will be used for the payment of principal and of interest on the Bonds of the Authority shall not exceed the sum necessary to (a) acquire the Municipality's Equipment described in Exhibit B which will be subject to the Lease, (b) pay interest on the Authority's Bonds allocated to the Municipality and used to acquire the Municipality's Equipment, and (c) pay the Municipality's share of the costs of issuance, Authority Administrative Expenses, Additional Rent, County Guarantee Costs and all other amounts required to be paid by the Municipality under the Lease.

(2) The Bonds shall mature within ten (10) years from the date of issue.

(3) The Lease Payment Obligation authorized herein shall remain effective until all the Authority's Bonds shall have been paid in full in accordance with their terms and/or when all obligations of the Municipality under the Lease have been satisfied, notwithstanding the occurrence of any other event, including but not limited to the termination of the Lease with respect to some or all of the items of Equipment leased thereunder.

(4) The Items of Equipment described in Exhibit B are hereby approved to be leased from the Authority in accordance with the terms of the Lease, with such changes, amendments or modifications as may be approved by counsel or bond counsel to the Authority.

Section 4. To the extent the Municipality is an "Obligated Person" (as defined under the Rule (as hereinafter defined)), the Municipality hereby agrees to comply with the requirements of Rule 15c-12 (the "Rule") promulgated by the Securities and Exchange Commission pursuant to the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended and supplemented, including the secondary market disclosure requirements contained therein, and agrees to covenant to such compliance in the Lease. The Mayor, Clerk, Chief Financial Officer or other Authorized Municipal Representative are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver a Continuing Disclosure Agreement, approve and "deem final" the Official Statement of the Authority and the preliminary form thereof to the extent the information contained therein relates to the Municipality and to execute and deliver all certificates, documents and agreements to the Authority in connection therewith and to file budgetary, financial and operating data of the Municipality on an annual basis and notices of certain enumerated events as required to comply with and in accordance with the provisions of the Rule.

Section 5. The Mayor, Clerk, Chief Financial Officer or Authorized Municipal Representative are each hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver any and all certificates, documents and instruments and to do and cause to be done any and all acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out the execution and delivery of the Lease, the leasing of the Equipment which is to be the subject of the Lease and all related transactions contemplated by this ordinance.

Section 6. Upon the payment of all amounts referenced in Section 3(i) herein, the full faith and credit pledge of the Municipality as to its Lease Payment Obligations authorized herein shall cease to exist.

Section 7. The provisions of this ordinance are severable. To the extent any clause, phrase, sentence, paragraph or provision of this ordinance shall be declared invalid, illegal or unconstitutional, the remaining provisions shall continue to be in full force and effect.

Section 8. This ordinance shall take effect twenty (20) days after final adoption and publication in accordance with applicable law.

ADOPTED ON FIRST READING
DATED: June 20, 2002

Vincent Buttiglieri,
Clerk of the Borough of South Plainfield
Daniel Gallagher, Mayor

EXHIBIT B

EQUIPMENT DESCRIPTION

TYPE	ESTIMATED COST
1) Fire Truck	\$400,000
2) Ambulance	\$125,000
3) Lawnmower	\$30,000
TOTAL	\$555,000
\$259.00	June 28, 2002

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

ORDINANCE NO. 1596

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

Ordinance #1596 entitled: AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING CERTAIN INTERSECTIONS AND PROVIDING FOR A STOP SIGN AT THESE LOCATIONS was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held thereon by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield on Thursday, June 20, 2002 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$21.00 June 28, 2002

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LEGAL NOTICES

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

June 24, 2002

Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment at its meeting held on June 13, 2002.

A. Case #19-02/C-Antonio Grasso-Block 347; Lot 8.03; Smith & Tremont Ave.-Applicant's request for an amended condition to their approval was hereby GRANTED.

B. Case #18-02/I-K-Land Corp.-Block 254; Lots 30, 30.01 & 31; Oak Tree Road-Applicant withdrew their application for an interpretation of the Zoning Ordinance.

C. Case #16-02-Douglas & Lisa Tjong-Block 38; Lot 16; 1520 Kenyon Ave.-Applicants request for bulk variances to erect a porch, deck and second story addition, were hereby GRANTED, with conditions.

D. Case #37-02-Grace McGinnis-Block 84; Lot 3; 2502 Audubon Ave.-Applicant's request for a 12' rear yard setback to construct a wood deck was hereby GRANTED.

E. Case #34-02/TU-Arch Personal Care Products, LP-85 Tyler Place; Block 467.01; Lot 33; 85 Tyler Place-Applicant's request for a temporary use permit to utilize a trailer for office/classroom was hereby GRANTED.

F. Case #41-02-New Era Development-Tremont Ave.; Block 347; Lot 8.07; R-10 Zone-Applicant's request for rear setback variance and lot over-coverage, for the construction of a new home with deck and pool, was hereby GRANTED with conditions.

G. Case #9-02/S-Estes Express Lines-Block 388; Lot 5; M-3 Zone; 460 Hollywood Ave.-Applicant's request for a use variance to create a bunk room was hereby DENIED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Janice Mucilli
Secretary Zoning Board of Adjustment

\$50.75 June 28, 2002

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Frank and Stephanie Chiricillo requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit a 16' x 26' two story addition and a rear cellar entry door. Proposed addition lacks the required 20' rear setback, 17' proposed and cellar door lacks the required 20' rear setback, 9' being proposed, and any other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 144, Lot 6 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 Thursday, July 18, 2002 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 28, 2002

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Michael DeCarlo requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the erection of a 576 s.f. deck, proposed deck lacks the required 30' front setback from Faye St. (a paper street), 15.5' proposed and to erect a roof over existing front porch, proposed roof lacks the required 30' front setback from Daniel Street, 27.8' proposed, and any other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 195, Lot 41 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 Thursday, July 18, 2002 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 28, 2002

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Toni Hereford-Boyce requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit the erection of a 40' x 28' detached garage; proposed garage constitutes a second principal structure and requires a use variance and any other variances that may be required, said property being located on Block 152, Lot 16.01 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 Thursday, July 18, 2002 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

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policereport

- On June 18 a Firth St. resident reported that the bottom right corner of a front window screen was torn. No access was gained.
- Federal Pipe and Steel on New Market Ave. reported the theft of a 1,200 lb. welding machine from the shop. Bolt cutters were used to cut the chain that was secured around it.
- On Thursday Arron F. Holman, 37 of Metuchen was arrested for shoplifting \$93.59 worth of Kodak film from the A&P.
- Greatland Coastal/Heartland Trucking reported that five apartment size refrigerators were stolen from their trailer on Sylvania Pl.
- A Piscataway woman reported the theft of \$200 from her purse which she had left on the bar at Sal's Spirit Shoppe.
- On Friday Eloy R. Trujillo, 28 of Newark was arrested at Motorola on Durham Ave. for the theft of \$400 worth of cell phones from his workplace by concealing them in a paper bag.
- An Audubon Ave. resident reported that sometime between 2 p.m. and 4 p.m. on Friday, someone had entered his rear yard, placed a patio chair by a side window and tried to gain access by pushing on the screen.
- A Bethlehem, Pa. resident was shopping at Shopper's World on Oak Tree Ave. When she put her pocketbook on a shelf, she later noticed it was missing and found it under some clothing with her wallet missing.
- On Sunday Danilo Fernandez, 39 of Edison was arrested at Home Depot for shoplifting \$2,300 worth of wood flooring.
- A Kohl's security guard reported the attempted theft of four pair of sneakers, socks and underwear by two black males who looked alike and were similarly dressed. The guard had followed them around the and noticed that both suspects dropped the items prior to leaving the store.
- A Delekas Ave. resident reported the theft of his men's 26" mountain bike from his garage. He was in the rear of the yard and the garage door was left open.

Congratulations to our Kindergarten Graduate
Monica Lynn Spooner



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We love you very much.
Love, Mommy &
Your Sister Michelle



Dear Ally,

As you begin your life as an adult, we wish you all the love and luck in the world. Always remember we are here for you and congratulations on your graduation from High School.

We love you,
Mimi, Daniella & Aunt Patty

- On Monday Katie Elizabeth Knierim, 23 of Garwood was arrested for processing fraudulent merchandise returns at Kay-Bee Toys.
- A Garden Dr. resident reported that a large pot with flowers was removed from the front porch.
- A Hamilton Blvd. resident reported that his clay flower pot had been thrown on the trunk of his parked vehicle.
- An Irving St. resident reported that her vehicle had been entered. The radio was damaged and the ignition switch was removed. A pry tool had been used on the passenger side door.

ATA Students
Plan Garage Sale

ATA Karate Academy on Maple Ave., will sponsor a National Kidney Foundation Garage Sale on Saturday and Sunday June 29 and 30 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. The fundraiser will be held at Woodland Manor apartments located off Hamilton Blvd. and Montrose Ave. All proceeds will go to the National Kidney Foundation. The event will be the second fundraiser sponsored by ATA director/owner Tiffany Lewis and her students and their friends and families. The first, a walkathon around Spring Lake Park held in Nov. raised \$2,500. On May 5, a walkathon held at Point Pleasant Beach raised \$650. For information call 755-5440.

Police to Conduct DWI
Checks on Friday

The South Plainfield Police Department, along with the Middlesex County Prosecutors Office Fatal Accident team, will be conducting a Drunk Driving (DWI) Checkpoint in South Plainfield, Friday June 28. This joint effort will be conducted to apprehend drunk drivers as well as educating the motoring public about the dangers of drunk driving. A grant administered by the Middlesex County Prosecutors Office and the Drunk Driving Enforcement Funds (DDEF), allotted to the Borough of South Plainfield will help fund this effort. This checkpoint is yet another tool utilized to apprehend and deter drunk drivers during the graduation and summer vacation seasons. Any inquiries should be directed to Sgt. Kevin Murtagh, South Plainfield Police Traffic Safety Unit (908)226-7679.

Robert Mondavi Woodbridge
Cabernet
750 ML
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Ecco Domani
Pinot Grigio
750 ML
\$7⁹⁹

Classic aromas of peach, slate, and vanilla. Powerful flavors of Granny Smith apple and pineapple with a hint of mango. It's a great match with seafood, especially salmon and sea bass, poultry, pasta dishes with vegetables, and sauces with fresh herbs such as basil, dill and tarragon.

Belvedere Healdsburg Ranches
Merlot
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Chardonnay
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THIS WEEKS WINE FEATURES

Miller High Life or High Life Light
12 oz cans
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Coors and Coors Light
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THIS WEEKS BEER SPECIALS

Natural Light or Ice 12 oz NR cans 2/12 pak case	8⁹⁹
O'Douls (Non-Alcoholic Lager or Amber) 12 oz NR btls or cans	11⁹⁹
Stella Artois 11.2 oz NR btls 2/12 pak case	11⁹⁹
Stolichnaya Citrona 12 oz NR btls	11⁹⁹
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Molson Canadian, Canadian Light, Golden, Ice 12 oz NR btls 2/12 pak case	16⁹⁹
Heineken 12 oz Keg Cans 2/12 pak case	18⁹⁹
Amstel Light 12 oz Cans 2/12 pak case	18⁹⁹
Beck's or Beck's Dark or Beck's Light 12 oz NR btls 2/12 pak case	19⁹⁹

THIS WEEKS SPIRITS & CORDIAL SPECIALS

Bentley's Gin 1.75 Liter	9⁹⁹	Romana Sambuca 750 ML	16⁹⁹
Paul Masson Grande Amber Brandy 750 ML	9⁹⁹	Licor 43 Cuarenta Y Tres 750 ML	16⁹⁹
Cruzan Banana, Coconut, Orange, Pineapple Vanilla Rum 750 ML	10⁹⁹	Seagram Canadian V.O. 1.75 Liter	18⁹⁹
Scotch Island Whisky 1.75 Liter	12⁹⁹	Martell VS Cognac 750 ML	21⁹⁹
Captain Morgan Parrot Bay Rum 750 ML	12⁹⁹	The Glenlivet Single Malt Scotch 750 ML	26⁹⁹
Gordon's Vodka 1.75 Liter	13⁹⁹	Bombay Gin 1.75 Liter	26⁹⁹
Wolfschmidt Vodka 1.75 Liter	13⁹⁹	Ketel One Vodka 1.75 Liter	29⁹⁹
Margaritaville Gold & Silver Tequila 750 ML	14⁹⁹		

Jim Beam Bourbon
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Johnnie Walker Red Label Scotch
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Smirnoff Ice
12 oz NR btls
\$11⁹⁹
12 Pak

Fleischmann Preferred Whisky
\$12⁹⁹
1.75 Liter

Samuel Adams Lager or Summer Ale
12 oz NR btls 2/12 pak case
\$19⁹⁹
Case

Bacardi Silver and Gold Rum
\$16⁹⁹
1.75 Liter

THIS WEEKS WINE SPECIALS

Seagrams Coolers All Types 4 Pak	3⁹⁹	Carlo Rossi Burg, White Grenache, Chablis, Sangria, Chianti 4 Liter	7⁹⁹
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Fox Hom Chardonnay 1.5 Liter	5⁹⁹	Franzia Burg, Rhine, Chab, Chianti 5 Liter	8⁹⁹
Kenwood Sonoma Valley White Zinfandel 750 ML	5⁹⁹	CK Mondavi Merlot 1.5 Liter	9⁹⁹
Vendange Chardonnay or Merlot 1.5 Liter	6⁹⁹	Almaden Cabernet, Chardonnay, Merlot 5 Liter Box	10⁹⁹
Melini Borgh Delsa Chianti 750 ML	6⁹⁹	B&G Blanc de Blanc 1.5 Liter	10⁹⁹
Mouton Cadet Red 750 ML	6⁹⁹	Beringer Stone Cellars Cabernet or Chardonnay 1.5 Liter	11⁹⁹
Nando Asti or Fragolino 750 ML	6⁹⁹	Veuve Clicquot Brut NV Yellow Label Champagne 750 ML	28⁹⁹

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