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## SHS Bids Farewell To School Principal

In a moving ceremony last Friday, students at Sacred Heart School said thank you and bid farewell to Sister Cornelia Ramirez, school principal for the past 10 years.

Sister Cornelia will be going on a religious sabbatical this summer and will then take up a new assignment in Edmonton, Alberta, Canada.

After the First Friday Mass, Father John Paul Alvarado asked Sister Cornelia to come forward for a farewell ceremony. As she walked up to the front of the church, students along the way presented her with roses while they sang "The Circle of Love."

The children formed a circle around Sister Cornelia while two eighth graders recited a special poem dedicated to her which was written by teacher Mrs. Geene. The fifth graders then recited several special blessings in Sister's native language, Filipino. The students had been practicing for weeks, with the help of Dan Mahoney, Director of Music at Sacred Heart.

Everyone present could feel the love and respect the children felt while they presented their special

tribute to Sister Cornelia. Many teachers and parishioners attending were moved to tears as the children sang and recited their blessings.

Speaking to the students, Sister Cornelia reminded them of the words she said on her first day as principal 10 years ago, "If you see God in everyone you meet, you will always be happy."

She ended by saying, "God is always with us, we can see him everyday in everything we do."

A farewell gathering is planned to thank the Sisters of the Religious of the Virgin Mary who have served the parish community for more than a decade. The event will be held in the Sacred Heart School cafeteria on Sunday, June 27 following the 11:30 Mass.

A new principal for Sacred Heart School was named recently. Sr. Mary Nadine, RSM, will begin her ministry on July 1. She is a member of the Congregation of the Sisters of Mercy of the Americas in Watchung and has 30 years expertise as a Catholic School principal.



Sacred Heart School Principal Sister Cornelia Ramirez with Father John Alvarado within the "Circle of Love".

## 100th Anniversary Celebration Kicks Off!

The 100th Anniversary celebration at Sacred Heart Church will officially begin with services Friday evening on The Feast of the Sacred Heart.

The opening ceremonies are set for 7:30 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church. A piano, donated by a 102-year-old parishioner, will be blessed and dedicated, followed by a piano and choral concert. At 8 p.m. a special Mass of the Sacred Heart will celebrate the beginning of the 100th year anniversary.



Following the Mass, a reception will be held in the breezeway between the rectory and church.

Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend the concert, Mass and reception and become part of the year-long celebration.

The year-long celebration will include special services and events and culminate with a banquet at the Pines Manor.

Watch the *Observer* for an upcoming calendar of events.

## Test Scores on the Rise "There Is No Silver Bullet!" says Superintendent

By Dr. Robert J. Rosado,  
Superintendent of Schools

During my career in education I have never written a letter regarding any topic without being asked, or unless it was in response to an issue. However, information regarding our academic progress we received this past week has been so fantastic, I would be remiss if the significance of the accomplishment was not shared with the community.

As you may know the state requires students to take rigorous exams at the middle and high school level. The acronyms for those exams, GEPA and HSPA respectively, are well known by parents, students and staff. In the four years of the GEPA and three of the HSPA, we have had the most difficulty

in the area of mathematics. Although our scores are still not outstanding, we have witnessed a combined dramatic improvement in these scores that are the best in district history.

High school scores improved a remarkable 20% over their prior year's scores and put us at our highest level of students passing the math exam since the inception of the HSPA. At the Middle School the growth was even more stunning with a 40% gain in scores and also the establishment of our highest scores to date.

Therefore, the question to ask is how did it happen? What magical new program did we purchase and implement? Well, unfortunately these magic programs do not really exist. There is no silver bullet for improving academic achievement. We have made many improvements to programs over the past year. However, as I assessed why we demonstrated such an incredible improvement in student achievement there is one factor that stands above the rest. Quite frankly, it was simply due to the hard work of the staff in all subject areas! Nothing magical or new, it was simply their refusal to allow our chil-

dren to remain at a standard they felt was not a true measure of our student's ability. So they spent countless hours outside of the classroom raising the bar and figuring out ways to pull your children over that bar. In fact, elementary scores were also at their high point on the new state test and the Language Arts scores at the High School are at an all time high for the HSPA.

We have learned a few valuable lessons this year and still realize we have to continue to raise standards and expect more. Therefore, during this summer if you see any of our staff in town, take a moment to thank them for pushing your children to new heights. More importantly, let them know that you want them to keep raising the bar and that you will be right there alongside of them in helping your children be the best they can be.

Thank you for your continued support of our students and my thanks to the entire staff for the remarkable effort they put forth this past year. Please feel free to call my office if you would like to discuss the progress we've made.

See next week's *Observer* for test score results.

## Knights of Columbus Hold All American Celebration

Members of the South Plainfield Knights of Columbus Council 6203 hosted their third annual All American Day Celebration on June 12. Boy Scout Troop 207 joined in the opening flag ceremony, as well as the flag retirement ceremony. Veterans from the Menlo Park VA Hospital were guests of the Knights of Columbus.

After the opening flag ceremony, a memorial service was held for Knights of Columbus, the United States Flag

and Veterans. A display of hand crafted soldiers, re-creations of war memorials and other handmade military miniatures were on display. Afterwards everyone was treated to hot dogs, hamburgers, ice tea, lemonade and red, white and blue ice pops.

The celebration ended with the retirement of several United States Flags by the Boy Scouts of Pack 207. A good time was had by all.

—Submitted by William C. Hartmann



Knights of Columbus at the flag ceremony at the All American Day Celebration held last Saturday.



## To make next week's edition...

Copy and advertising must be received by Monday, June 21 at 5 p.m. to be included in the Friday, June 18 edition.

## Mark Your Calendars

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for the latest meeting agenda

### council meetings

Meets twice a month on the first and third Monday.  
Borough Hall Council Chambers • Questions? 908-226-7605

	Agenda Meeting	Public Meeting
Monday, June 21	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Monday, July 12	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
Monday, August 9	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.

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

### planning board

Meets second and fourth Tuesday of the month  
Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641  
June 22, July 6 and 20, Aug. 10 and 24,  
Sept. 21, Oct. 12 and 26, Nov. 16 and 30 and Dec. 14 and 28

### zoning board of adjustment

Meets second and fourth Thursday of the month  
Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641  
June 24, July 8 & 22, Aug. 12 and 26, Sept. 9 and 23, Oct. 14 and 28,  
Nov. 4 and 18 and Dec. 2 and 16

### board of education meetings

Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave. unless otherwise noted  
Committee of the Whole meets Tuesdays at 7 p.m.—July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9,  
Dec. 14, Jan. 11, 2005, Feb. 8, March 8 and April 5  
Regular Board Meeting held Tuesdays at 8 p.m.—July 20, Aug. 17, Sept. 21, (Monday) Oct. 18, Nov.  
16, Dec. 21, Jan. 18 2005, Feb. 15, March 15 and April 12

### taxpayers advisory group

The Taxpayers Advisory Group (TAG) meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Ave. at 7 p.m. Questions? 908-769-0786.

### site plan sub-committee

Meets once a month on the third Tuesday of the month, 8 p.m.  
July 20, Aug. 17, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16 and Dec. 21

### recreation commission

Meets once a month on the first Tuesday of the month, except July and August  
PAL Building, Maple Ave. 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7716  
Aug. 3, Sept. 7, Oct. 5, Nov. 2 and Dec. 7

### environmental commission

Meets once a month (second Wednesday)  
Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7621  
July 14, August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8  
January 12, 2005

### business advisory group

Meets once a month (first Wednesday)  
Borough Hall Council Chambers, 5 p.m. • Questions? 908-757-8100

### traffic safety advisory commission

Meets once a month (fourth Wednesday) at 7 p.m.  
in the Conference Room, Borough Hall

### board of education curriculum/technology meetings

Meets once a month on Mondays, (except where noted) at 8 p.m. in the 2nd floor conference room at Roosevelt Administration Building on Jackson Ave.  
(Tuesday) June 22, July 19, August 16, September 13, (No meeting in October), November 15,  
December 13, January 31, 2005, (No meeting February) and March 21

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### Letter to the Editor

I live in the Lutheran Ministries Senior Residence on Morris Ave. In reading a recent letter from Walter Pasacrita and Ray Rusnak, I realize that some in South Plainfield are not very knowledgeable of senior life at 151 Morris Ave. We didn't even have an address displayed until last week and we thank the South Plainfield Post Office for delivering the mail, even though we were in violation.

Apparently, the principal of Riley School doesn't know what's happening across the street. His claim that he is not overburdened is obviously because he has a sufficient parking lot for his teachers and a driveway for the busses. Parents pick up the students on the street, a very narrow street, with no parking allowed on the other side. Come here between 8 and 9 a.m. and see how heavy the traffic really is. With busses, teachers and parents dropping off children and seniors going to work, this becomes a heavily traveled road. Also, the principal probably isn't aware that some parents park in our parking lot, even though they are asked not to. During school events, the entire neighborhood, not just our lot, is packed with cars.

There are 100 units in this building and most residents have cars. Two years ago, when we first moved in, our parking lot only had spaces for 60 cars and no parking is allowed on the street. It took over two years of petitions, meetings, arguing, etc. for an additional lot to be built and it is still not completed. Residents had no choice but to park on the grass, in the access roads and fire zones. The entrance was blocked by cars most of the time and often the rescue squad and fire department had difficulty getting in there. And believe me the rescue squad is called here weekly.

The minimum age requirement for residents is 55. There are many who still work and are on the road at peak hours. Their biggest problem is finding a parking space when they come home in the evening. Many of us gave up going out after 3 p.m. just to prevent losing our space and having their family pick them up when they did have to go out. This problem isn't obvious to people just driving by, if you can find us. Only the postman knew for sure that we were #151. You have to live here to realize the congestion.

Now someone thinks this is a great place to build another building! Where are these residents going to park? The property narrows as it extends to the next street and if there is enough room for a building, there is not enough room for a parking lot. We are very selfish about our new parking lot and will not share it with another building full of residents.

Yes, I agree that the Tingley Rubber plant site is not a good place for a senior residence and yes, South Plainfield does need more affordable and low income housing, but not on Morris Ave. It isn't a question of "Not In My Backyard" but rather "There's No Room In My Backyard."

Next time you are in the area, don't just drive by and assume, stop in and talk to the people who live here. The parking isn't the only problem. A



# IN YOUR OPINION

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word of wisdom, "don't make the same mistake twice."

**SINCERELY,  
A SENIOR RESIDENT OF  
151 MORRIS AVENUE**

### To the Editor,

On May 1, the Special Olympics of South Plainfield took part in the 2004 Middlesex/Union County Track & Field Special Olympics at Carteret High School. The results were incredible and all 15 athletes qualified for the New Jersey State Special Olympics at the College of New Jersey in Trenton.

This past weekend, the athletes finally got their chance to take the track after preparing for over a month for the State Special Olympics. Although not all of the athletes were able to compete because of injuries, 11 athletes charged on to the track in hopes of accomplishing their goal of becoming the best Special Olympics athlete in the state.

The State Special Olympics festivities began on Friday night when Governor Jim McGreevy spoke powerfully to the athletes and then opened the 2004 State Games. The athletes were able to enjoy time dancing, meeting other competitors and watch the beautiful fireworks light up the sky. During the opening ceremonies, the eagerness of the athletes could be felt as they wished other athletes good luck during the weekend of competition.

On Saturday morning, the coaches woke up to a gloomy day and their thoughts quickly turned to last year's cancellations due to the inclement weather. Although the coaches seemed to be a bit pessimistic, the athletes swiftly got ready for the day's competition and bus ride to the track. Their enthusiasm and determination to compete never went away throughout the entire weekend. It seemed that the athletes' countless hours of training and preparation for their events were more than enough incentive to compete in any weather. After dodging the storms over the track, the athletes once again proved to be a team that ranks among the best in the state. They ended the day with 12 gold medals, four silver medals, one bronze medal and two fourth place ribbons.

On Sunday, the athletes faced the chilly weather and the possibility of rain ruining their hopes of becoming

the state's best. For most athletes, this would mean that they would not be able to compete in their events and the season would not be a success because they did not fulfill their goal of winning. This was not the case for our Special Olympians. Each athlete thought about how hard they prepared for their events and they never once wanted to give up their chances of competing due to the rain and cold weather. After the second day of competition, the athletes collected another five gold medals, five silver medals, two bronze medals, a fifth place ribbon and a sixth place ribbon. Although the track and field seemed to interfere with their events, the athletes persevered to give each event their all. Their determination was evident as they stood victorious on the awards podium.

In the end, the athletes from South Plainfield loaded the bus for the ride back home with 17 gold medals, 9 silver medals, three bronze medals, two fourth place ribbons, one fifth place ribbon and two sixth place ribbons. What an outstanding weekend of competition at the 2004 New Jersey State Special Olympics! The people of South Plainfield should be more than proud of how our athletes represented the town in Trenton.

As I look back at the weekend and think about all of the events and memories, I captured one paramount feeling that sums up everything that our athletes and the Special Olympics represent in our town. After weeks and weeks of practicing through rain, heat and darkness, the athletes once again represented themselves and the town of South Plainfield with success and pride. The Special Olympics continues to provide opportunities to develop fine athletes and respected citizens. Our South Plainfield Olympians enjoyed themselves throughout the weekend and they also competed as determined athletes. Although every athlete did not win a gold medal, each athlete continued to be positive and support one another the entire weekend. The Special Olympics oath is, "Let me win, but if I cannot win, let me be brave in the attempt." Each one of our athletes portrayed this oath fully and should be commended for their courage, sportsmanship and joy in each event they participated in. Every athlete pushed their limits and managed to secure positive results.

Without their coaches, Addison William and Sharon McGrath, the athletes would not have been so well-trained. Their countless hours of time spent with the athletes in practice and on the days of the events are portrayed by how well the athletes are prepared for their events. Your dedication to the athletes is inspirational and truly appreciated.

I would personally like to thank all of the high school volunteers who

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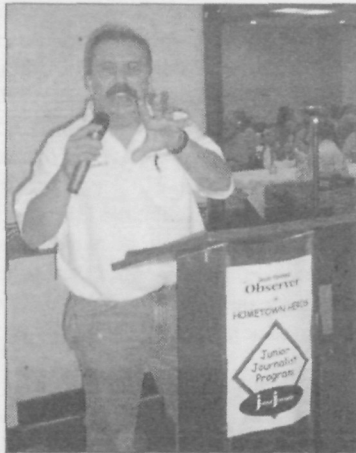


## Junior Journalists Honored at Banquet



Junior Journalist winner Michelle O'Sullivan is pictured here with her family, Charlie and Debbie Kurland and Nancy Grennier.

Junior Journalists winners and their families were honored at a banquet held recently by the program's spon-



Charlie Kurland's enthusiasm for writing inspired him to create the Junior Journalist contest.

sors, Hometown Heros and the South Plainfield Observer. Special guests included Mayor Dan Gallagher, Superintendent of Schools Dr. Robert Rosado and Roosevelt third grade teacher Michael Bertram, who recited

one of his original poems to the delight of the audience. Bertram encourages his students to express all of their fears, delights, gripes and successes in verse.

The Junior Journalist contest was the inspiration of Charlie and Debbie Kurland of Hometown Heros, who wanted to recognize kids for their creativity. Charlie loves to write and thought this would be a way to encourage students to express themselves in any writing form. The Kurlands contacted Nancy Grennier, publisher of the *South Plainfield Observer* and asked her to co-sponsor the contest and she was happy to do so.

At first only a few students entered their essays, stories or poems, but as winners were announced each week, more and more entries were received. In the end, a winner was chosen from every school in South Plainfield, ranging from a talented kindergarten student all the way to high school.

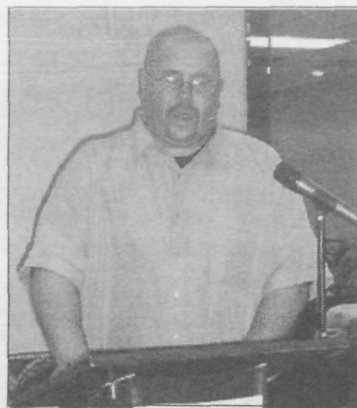
Each week after a winner was selected, the *Observer* would arrive at the winner's school and take his or

her picture with the teacher and principal. Charlie and Debbie would then prepare a dinner for the entire family and deliver it on an evening of their choice. To the Kurlands, the smiles of delight of both the winner and proud parents were memories they will always cherish.

The banquet was held at the Italian American Club and, of course, catered by Hometown Heros.

As each winner and their family arrived, they were greeted by Debbie, Charlie and Nancy, and a group photograph was taken. The photos are proudly displayed on a poster at Hometown Heros. Winners received certificates for their winning entries and books containing all of the winning essays and poems.

*Editors Note: I cannot say enough about the generosity of the Kurlands who each week faithfully delivered dinner to the winners' families, no matter how many and what the weather outside was like. They deserve a big thank you from the community for their volunteerism in South Plainfield.*



Roosevelt School Third Grade Teacher Michael Bertram recites his poem about writing.

## Four Streets Slated for Paving In "Pay As You Go" Budget

In the past South Plainfield has paid the Middlesex County Roads Department to pave some borough roads. This summer the county will be back in town to pave four roads and a portion of the fire department driveway.

According to Mayor Gallagher, the yearly road paving project has always been paid for on a pay-as-you-go ba-



Visit the antique fashions and photographs on display at the Public Library this month.

## Fashion and Photo Exhibit at Public Library Through June

Fashions and photographs from yesteryear are on display at the South Plainfield Public Library for the month of June. The antique dresses and hats are a small sample from the "Ida Rose Collection" donated to the South Plainfield Historical Society by clothing expert and borough resident Alice DiNizo. The dresses date from around 1850 to WWI and are typical of what women who lived in Samp-town and New Brooklyn, the previous names of South Plainfield, wore in those days.

All the dresses are sewn on a sewing machine and are hand finished. The sewing machine, which was first patented in the 1840s, was mass-produced in the 1850s. Very few dresses after 1856 are entirely hand sewn, although hand finishing of finer detail is seen into the 20<sup>th</sup> century. Buttons,

hooks and eyes are used to fasten these dresses.

The oldest dress would be typical widow's-wear of the mid-1800s. Over 140 years ago, the dress was altered from the popular "V" waist in style in the 1850s to the round, higher waist popular in the 1860s.

Another Civil War era dress, this one a gold silk tea gown, has dropped shoulders, pretty standup ruffled collar, front dress inset and hooped skirt. It is original to South Plainfield. It would have belonged to someone of social position such as Rebecca Manning, wife of well-to-do farmer Samuel Manning of Evergreen Farm, South Plainfield. She would have worn it in the afternoon to go visiting her wealthy family in Plainfield, or receive callers at home.

Also on exhibit are a high-style two-piece suit of the 1880s, which was worn with a bustle; a typical blue-print summer dress with "pneumonia neckline" from the 1912-20 era and a sheer white voile dress with embroidered sailor collar from the Edwardian years (1910-14).

The South Plainfield Historical Society welcomes new members interested in preserving the history of the Borough.

For more information, email SPHistoricalSoc@cs.com, or write the Society at P.O. Box 11, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

## Emergency Preparedness Guide Available

The Middlesex County Health Department has prepared a guide book called, "Emergency Preparedness Guide." The book is meant to assist residents on how to prepare and protect themselves and their families during an emergency event.

The guidebook contains important information on preparedness for family members and pets and also has

telephone numbers and contact information to be added to family preparedness plans.

The booklet contains information on how to prepare for an emergency, what to put in an emergency supply kit, pets preparedness, information on shelters, radio and TV stations, evacuation and much more.

Copies of the nineteen page guide

are available in the clerks office in Borough Hall and the South Plainfield library.

Additional booklets can be obtained and presentations to community groups are available to accompany the booklet by calling John Dowd at the Middlesex County Health Department at (732) 745-3135.

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# Around Town

## Installation of Officers at American Legion

June 19

The American Legion Chaumont Post, located on Oak Tree Ave. will hold their installation of officers ceremonies on Saturday, June 19, beginning at 7 p.m.

The public is invited to attend.

## Summer Solstice Program, Nature Walk

June 20

The Friends of the Woods will be holding their annual Summer Solstice Program and a nature walk on Sunday, June 20 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Highland Avenue Woods, located on Sylvania Place.

This year's storyteller is Catheryn Fryczan and Dr. Emile DeVito will lead the Nature Guide.

Bring lawn chairs or alternative sit-upons and insect repellent. There will be give-a-ways for the kids. Bring your friends. Rain date is June 27.

## Church of Nativity Pierogi Sale

June 24

There will be a pierogi sale on Thursday, June 24 at the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Orthodox Church, located at 400 Delmore Ave. (corner of Belmont and Delmore).

The pierogis sell for \$4 a dozen. They are handmade and freshly cooked by parish Sisterhood and Brotherhood members and come in two choices, potato with cheese or sauerkraut.

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## What's happening in JUNE

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	Adult Crafts 9:30-11:30 21 Yoga 10:30-11:30 Drawing Class 11:30	Bingo 10am-2pm 22 Ladies Social Grp 10am Computer Class 12 or 2pm	Exercise 8:45-9:45 23 Line Dancing 10-11:30am Movie Time 11:30am AARP Crafts 1pm Computer Class 11am & 1pm	Weekly Shopping 24 Pathmark 9am Practical Crafting 10-11am Pinochle Club 1pm
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## AARP Chapter #4144 Installation Lunch

June 25

The South Plainfield Chapter of AARP will hold its Installation Luncheon promptly at noon on Friday, June 25 at The Willows Restaurant in Green Brook.

Members are asked to arrive no later than 11:45 a.m. George Vasiliades, Area District Chairman, AARP, will perform the installation ceremony.

Guests are Senator Barbara Buono and Assemblyman Peter Barnes, guest speaker is Police Officer Louis Sgro of Philadelphia, whose topic will be on the newest scams being perpe-

trated on the public today.

After a summer recess, meetings of the Chapter will resume Sept. 20 at 12:30 p.m. at the South Plainfield Senior Center.

## Baseball Club Chinese Auction

June 25

A Casino Royale and Chinese Auction is being sponsored by the SPJBC on Saturday, June 25 at the Italian American Club from 7 p.m. to midnight.

The cost is \$50 per person and includes an open bar and buffet. Each guest receives \$500 in play money to be redeemed for auction tickets and used as chances to win one or more prizes.

For tickets contact Stacy Lake at (908) 757-9531.

## Class of 2005 Holding Car Wash

July 10

The Class of 2005 will be holding a car wash on Saturday, July 10 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Middle School parking lot.

Cars are \$5 and trucks are \$7. Please come out and help support our class!

## Charity Softball Tournament

July 24

A Charity Softball Tournament will be held on Saturday, July 24 at 8 a.m. to benefit Gary Muccigrossi, a South Plainfield police officer in need of a lung transplant. The tournament will take place at the South Plainfield High School ball fields.

The tournament will consist of three divisions: a men's division—men's slow pitch, double elimination, \$250 entry fee, \$500 prize (first place) and \$250 prize (second place); a women's division—women's slow pitch, double elimination, \$200 entry fee, \$200 prize (first place) and a charitable—co-ed slow pitch, single elimination, limited homeruns, \$200 entry fee. Deadline for registration is July 10.

Teams can register by contacting Det. Gary Cassio at (908) 226-7663 or Det. Chris Colucci at (908) 226-7662. You may also call the South Plainfield PAL on Maple Ave. at (908) 226-7714.

All other donations will be greatly appreciated to help defer all costs of the lab fees and medical costs for Muccigrossi.

## — Out of Town —

## UNICO Plans Annual Golf Outing

June 21

The Plainfields' UNICO Chapter will be holding their seventh annual Plainfields' UNICO Golf Outing on Monday, June 21 at Beaver Brook Golf Club, Rt. 31, in Clinton.

Registration begins at 12 and the shot gun start is at 1 p.m., buffet dinner is at 6 p.m. and awards are presented at 7 p.m. Awards will be given for the longest drive, most honest golfer and the closest to pin (all par 3's). There will be many door prize.

Registration is \$140 and includes green fees, cart, buffet dinner and locker storage, individual dinner is \$45.

For information or to register, contact Renato Biribin, president at (908) 561-9898; Frank Licato, co-chair at (908) 757-5500 or Rick McNally, co-chair at (908) 755-8686.

## Developmental Disabilities Program

June 23

On Wednesday, June 23 at 6 p.m., individuals with developmental disabilities and their family members are invited to attend a meeting to learn about Essential Life Style Planning.

The program will be held at the

Jewish Family and Vocational Service of Middlesex County, 515 Plainfield Ave., Suite 201 in Edison.

For more information or to RSVP, call Helene Lener at (732) 777-1940 ext. 141 or email to [h.lener@jfv.org](mailto:h.lener@jfv.org).

## Art Muglia Memorial Golf Outing Planned

June 25

The first "Art Muglia Memorial Golf Outing" it will take place on Friday, June 25 at Spooky Brook Golf Course.

Art Muglia was an active businessman in South Plainfield. He spent many years volunteering his time to improve communications between the Borough and businesses. Muglia died suddenly last year and this golf outing is a way to remember him and to help his favorite charity. Proceeds will be donated to Art Muglia's favorite charity: the Matheny School for people with developmental disabilities. The cost is \$100 for golf, cart, food and awards.

Anyone interested should contact Jim Muglia, either by calling (973) 667-2466 or email at [nopaino@yahoo.com](mailto:nopaino@yahoo.com).

## 2004 4-H Chrome City Car Show

June 26

If you own a Hot Rod or are part of an Auto Club, Middlesex County 4-H is looking for you to join the fun as we host the 2nd Annual Chrome City Car Show. The show takes place on Saturday, June 26 (rain date Sunday, June 27) and is sponsored by the 4-H Teen Council and the Renegade Racers RC Car club.

Registration is \$15. Check in time for the event is 7 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. Gates will open to the public at 9 a.m.

For information on the car show in general, contact (732) 213 4486 or email [suzieQ4783@aol.com](mailto:suzieQ4783@aol.com).

## CHATS Adoption Support Meeting

June 28

Adoption Support, CHATS (Connected Hearts Adoption Triad Support), will meet 7:15 to 9:15 p.m. on Monday, June 28, at Watchung Avenue Presbyterian Church, 170 Watchung Ave. in North Plainfield. Topic is "A Reunited Family Greets Baby Kelley." Check our new website at [www.chatsnj.com](http://www.chatsnj.com) or call Alyce at (732) 227-0607 for information.

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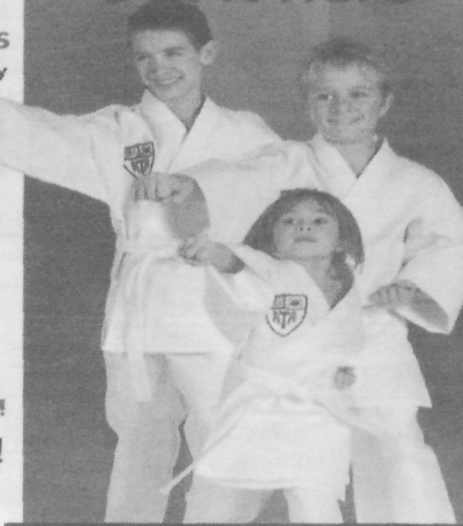
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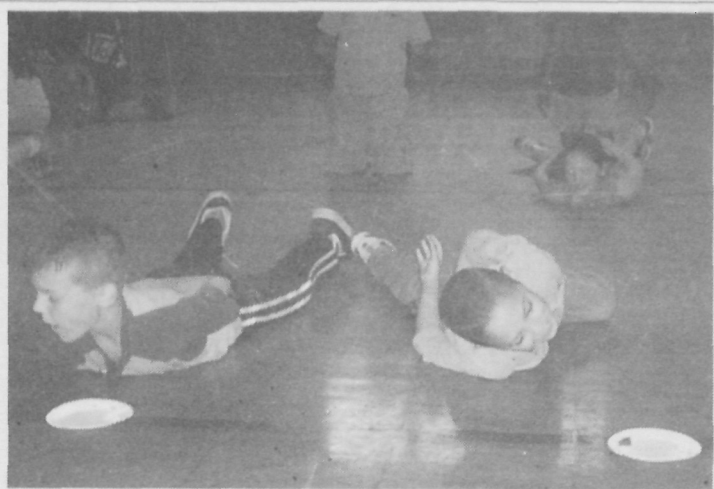
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**Zoo Games**—Riley School third graders recently participated in a Zoo Games program held in the gym. Students were split into groups and played different games involving zoo animals for fun and learning.

From the South Plainfield Library

## Bookmarks

By Kenneth Morgan

We've got a lot of news from the South Plainfield Library this week, so let's get right to it:

The library will be closed on Sunday in observance of Father's Day. In fact, the library will be closed every Sunday until September. We'll let you know when Sunday hours resume. (Actually, this might be a good time to review our operating hours: 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday; 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Tuesday and Friday, and 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday.)

At this writing, there's still space available for the Scrapbooking program this morning (June 18 at 10:30). Participants will learn how to put a scrapbook together and get tips on preserving family photos. Please call us at (908) 754-7885 for details, but you'd better hurry.

We're between groups on the CD Circuit today. The next group will be available later this month. However, the current group of Circuit videos and DVDs (including titles like "A Mighty Wind," "Memento," "The Scorpion King," "Peter Pan: Return to NeverLand" and on DVD, "The Hulk") will be around until June 26. Also, the current Audiobook Circuit group will be available until July 3. Those selections include *Three for the Chair* by Rex Stout, stories by Washington Irving, *Odd Thomas* by Dean Koontz, *A Year in Provence* by Peter Mayle, *Blessings* by Belva Plain, and on CD, *The Five People You Meet in Heaven* by Mitch Albom.

Turning to our children's programs, our Books-N-Babies program for children up to ages three is scheduled for this morning at 10:30—no registration necessary. Next week, though, all of our Storytime programs have been cancelled. They'll return the following week.

Meanwhile, Miss Linda has been

busy preparing for this year's Summer Reading Club: "Discover New Frontiers @ The Library!" Registration for the club will begin on Monday, June 28 and will continue throughout the summer. The club's kick-off program, featuring magician Joe Fischer, is scheduled for Wednesday, July 7, at 6:30 p.m. For more details about the club, our storytimes, or any of our children's programs, be sure to ask Miss Linda. We're also offering Summer Reading T-shirts for \$7.50 each. Please stop by the Circulation Desk for ordering and purchasing details.

We have a couple of new displays in place. Our display wall features some vintage period fashions and photographs provided by the South Plainfield Historical Society. Our display cabinet features an assortment of green Depression era glassware provided by a library staff member and South Plainfield resident Millie Condon. These displays may be seen throughout the month.

And here's a note regarding our website: There's been a good amount of interest in the library's on-line book clubs, where users may view chapters from new and upcoming books. Recently, we've expanded the number of book clubs available for access. If you're interested in using this service, just log onto our site at [www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us](http://www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us).

Here's a request from the library staff, and it's mainly directed towards our school-age patrons: A fair amount of our budget is devoted to running our AC system. To keep costs down during the summer months, it's best that the cool air stay in the building as much as possible. So, we'd appreciate it if you kids didn't keep constantly going in and out of the building, allowing the air to escape. To be blunt, make up your minds, people: in or out. As always, thanks for your help.

That wraps it up for today. We'll have more news next week.

## southplainfieldpeople Milestones

### Spangler Graduates From University of South Carolina

Nicole Michele Spangler, daughter of Susan and Michael Spangler of South Plainfield graduated on May 7 from the University of South Carolina with a Bachelors of Science degree in Chemical Engineering and a minor in Environmental Science.

While attending USC, Nicole was a member of Epsilon Sigma Alpha Sorority, where she dedicated over 25 hours each semester to community service and was named to the National Deans List.

She was a member of the American Society of Chemical Engineers and the Society of Woman Engineers. Nicole is a 1999 graduate of Bishop George Ahr High School.



Alfonse Muglia receives a State Award Certificate at a special ceremony held at Rutgers University-Newark.

### Alfonse Muglia Scores Among Highest in State Mathematics

Alfonse Muglia, a sixth grade student at Sacred Heart School, was recognized for being among the highest scoring participants in the State of New Jersey in Mathematics in the national academic talent search organized by the Johns Hopkins University Center for Talented Youth. The State Award Certificate was presented to Alfonse and other top academically talented students at a special ceremony held at Rutgers University-Newark on Saturday, June 12.

The Talent Search is open to students scoring in the top three percent on standardized tests. Alfonse earned the right to participate by scoring in the 99<sup>th</sup> percentile on the Terra Nova test he took in the fifth grade at Sacred Heart, which administers the Terra Nova to all students first grade and above each year. Subsequently, Alfonse performed outstandingly on the PLUS, an above-grade level exam, to merit the State Award.

### Union Catholic Graduates Three Local Students

Union Catholic High School, located in Scotch Plains, held their annual Commencement Exercises on Saturday, June 5. Heather Hanley, Kristina Lopez and Aileen Monroe, residents of South Plainfield, were part of the graduating class of 2004.

### Sacred Heart Church Joins Adopt-a-Spot Program

Sacred Heart Church parishioners have adopted Putnam Park for litter cleanup and maintenance. Putnam Park has recently been expanded and renovated. Three adults will check the park weekly. If a large cleanup is needed, they will recruit a scout group to help.

Putnam Park, at the corner of Oak Tree and Park avenues, tucks into a commercial corner of the borough. Litter from the shopping centers blows over and collects along the fence. This adds to the litter that seems to accumulate as a matter of course from normal park use. Sacred Heart

hopes to keep the park in good condition so that it will provide residents with an enjoyable environment for recreation.

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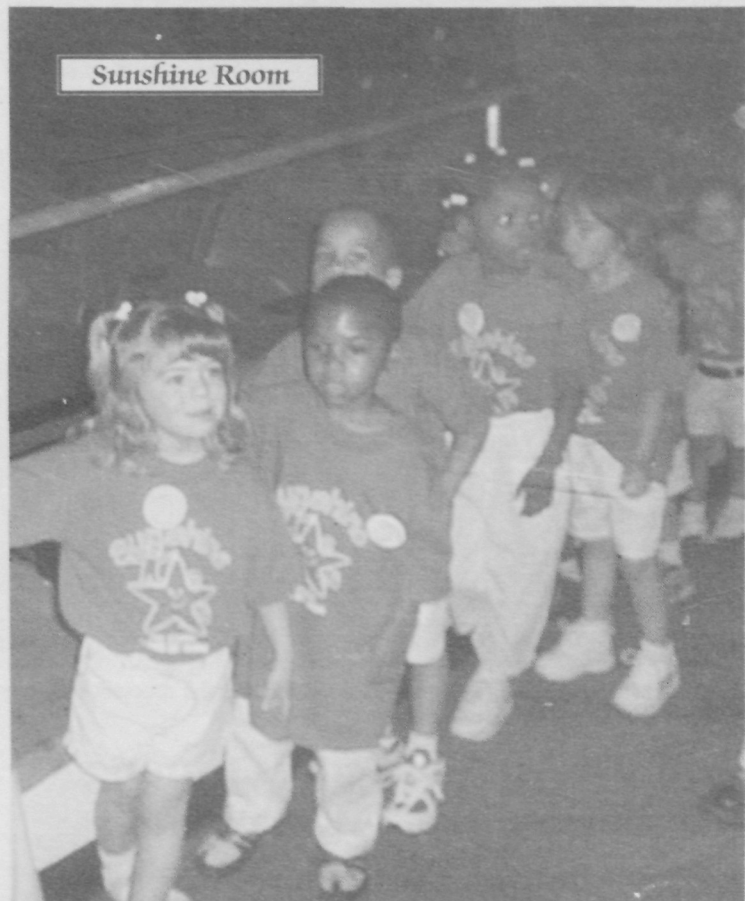
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# Future Stars Graduates Class of 2004



Sunshine Room

The Future Stars Preschool graduated 111 preschoolers at the SPHS auditorium on June 7. The excited and anxious students readied to take the next steps to kindergarten. They prepared songs and dances for weeks prior to the ceremonies.

The Future Stars Preschool is designed for children two- to five-years old. Activities the children were involved in this year included a Fall

Harvest Festival, Halloween Parade, Breakfast with Santa, School Spirit Day, baby chick hatchings, a butterfly project, class trips, Family Fun Day and Spring Olympics. All activities are sponsored by the parents group through annual fundraising.

Before crossing the bridge ceremonies began, the kids sang songs and recited poems. Parents and relatives snapped pictures and applauded them

during and after the show.

The graduates are: **Rainbow Room**, Mon.-Thurs. AM—Jose Arrubla, Cristofer Baratta, Ashli Bell, Nora Bogart, Jason Cieszkiewicz, Jenna Dickerson, River Dress, Gregory Forbes, Gavin Jones, Reshaan Kalra, Phillip Malavara, Matthew Ozbalik, Alec Paez, Nicholas Plate, David Shawiak, Christian Thomas and Rena Voelkel. Teachers are Cyndy Bloch, Sherry Butrico, Dottie Ewing and Robin Cannone Frank.

**Rainbow Room**, Mon.-Fri. PM—Jason Belanger, Sabrina Fisher, Kayla Glowacky, Caleb Kuberier, Anthony Lacasale, Patricia Lacasale, Stephanie Lacasale, Michael Lampasone, Tommy Licato, Emily McCann, Daniel Persaud, Christopher Robinson, Natalie Romano, Katherine Vill and Lauren Villares. Teachers are Cyndy Block, Sherry Butrico and Dottie Ewing.

**Yellow Room**, Mon., Wed. and Fri. AM—Meghan Rose Barry, Anand Bhagat, Alyssa Meenakshi Budhan, Lauren Elizabeth Chempiel, Sydney Christian, Steven James Clemente,



Ella M. Dick, Christa Marie Iazzetta, Emily Nicole Kearney, William J. McLaughlin, Alisa Hoang Nguyen, Justin Nguyen, Dylan John O'Connor, Anthony P. Palmeri Jr., Paschal D. Park, Elie F. Paul, Meagan Mary Praul, Jaime Rochotte, Ryan Michael Stankan and Kyle Whalen. Teachers are Sue Butrico, Janet Errico and Gail Klamm (aide).

**Yellow Room**, Mon., Wed. and Fri. PM—Serenity Rose Batson, Sam Campbell, Zachary Alex Cocozza, Amanda Cooney, Matthew Ryan Cox, Lindsey Morgan Diamant, Anthony Eastman, Julio Gonzalez, Khushi Handa, Jakob M. Harman, Sarah Michelle Joergensen, Nicholas T. Matos, Scott Riccardi, Kaylah Genesis Ruiz, Pooja Sindha, Tiffany Alexa Weresow and Jason Alexander Yanchapanta. Teachers are Sue Butrico, Janet Errico and Gail Klamm (aide).

**Blue Room**, Tues./Thurs. AM—Leann Noel DeCillis, Allianna Ashley Makowski, Michael Marko, Ryan Marston, Emily Mazellan, Jagger David Mendez, Jason Amir Mendoza, Nicole Murtagh, Helen Nguyen, Scott David O'Brien, Pooja H. Patel, Samantha Nicole Pisano, Vincent M. Savoca, Brian S. Silva, Owen Michael Sprigle, Tomasz Tarnawski, Elijah Manuel Torres, Victoria E. Walker, Brett Michael Willey and Nicole Zultowski. Teachers are Lynn Loalbo, Patti Waters and Patti Petronko (aide).

**Red Room**, Mon./Wed. PM—Carlos Miguel A. Baybay, Magyn DeCarlo, Matthew Louis Dolan, Alejandro Garcia, Niyati Kasibhotla, Jorge Ariel Lizano, Ashley Julissa Martinez, Ethan Montalvo, Sana Sheikh, Robyn Maryah Stewart, Sandra Vordzorgbe and Andrew J. Vota. Teachers are Elyne Foscolo and Patti Petronko (aide).

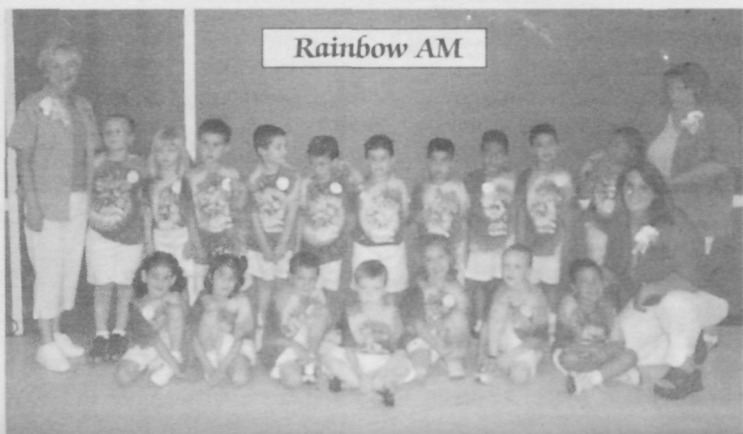
**Sunshine Room**, Mon./Thurs. PM—Bryce Griffin, Brett Hawn, Adanna Ibeku, Joseph Lacasale, Sera Mann, Michael Oduro, Wesley Peters, Justin Rodriguez and Vera Squero. Teachers are Sandy Acker, Mary Jane DeNitzio (aide) and Leslie Melick (aide).



Blue Room AM



Yellow Room PM



Rainbow AM



Yellow Room AM



Rainbow PM

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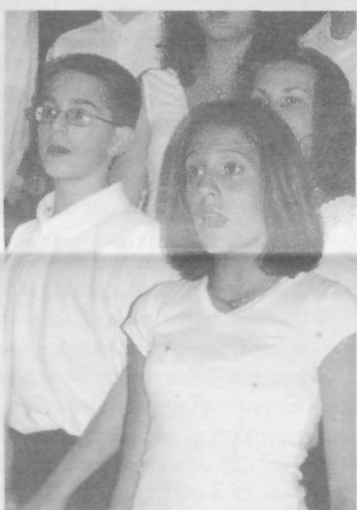
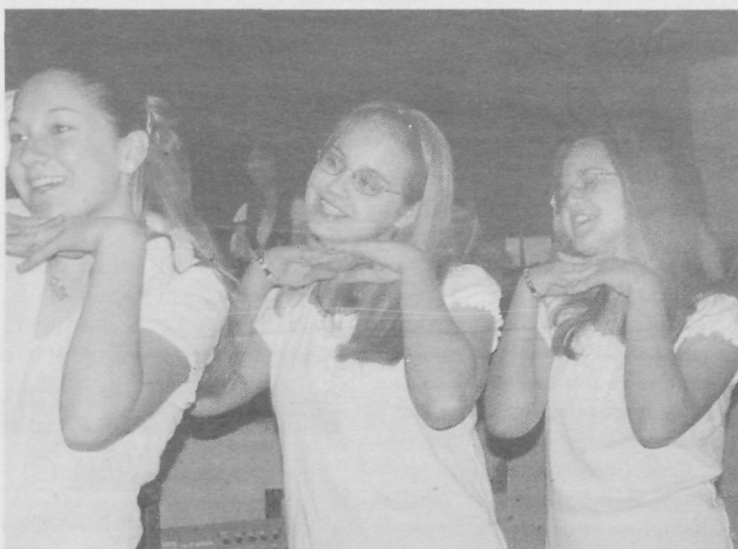


# Middle School Performs Spring Concert

Photos/Story by Patricia Abbott

The South Plainfield Middle School held their annual Spring Choir and Orchestra Concert recently. The evening began with a brief welcome by Principal Fredrik Oberkehr followed by the Pledge of Allegiance, led by student Jeannine DeAndrea and the Star Spangled Banner by the select female choir, the Gems.

The concert featured the Symphony Orchestra, Chamber Orchestra and String Orchestra conducted by Carleen Tedeschi and the Concert Choir, Gems and A.M. Choir directed by Donna Kregler. They were assisted by Laura Reimer and Christina Szczepkowski, professional interns. The audience was surprised and pleased to have Oberkehr join the students playing the violin in the Symphony Orchestra.



## Riley Fourth Graders Read Flat Stanley

As part of the novel unit of their Language Arts program, Christine Dispenziere's fourth graders at Riley School read *Flat Stanley* by Jeff Brown. In the story, Stanley gets flattened by a bulletin board. Since he is so thin he can be sent anywhere by mail.

The children sent their cut out of Flat Stanley to relatives all over the world. They also wrote friendly letters and sent Flat Stanley to our Superintendent, Dr. Rosado. In addition, Flat Stanley traveled to an Army base in Korea and to an Air Force unit in

Afghanistan. Meanwhile, each child took their own Flat Stanley home to share the winter break with their family. After a short while, the children received responses concerning Flat Stanley's whereabouts and adventures and in the process, learned about many different customs and regions of the world. The children enjoyed receiving all these messages.

Flat Stanley's global adventures and accompanying photographs are posted on the main bulletin board at Riley School for everyone to see and read.

# Suburban Womans Club Install New Officers

Officers of the G.E.W.C. Suburban Womans Club of South Plainfield were installed at BG Fields Restaurant in Westfield.

Christin Sienkielewski, the outgoing Sixth District Vice President installed the following officers: President-Marge Reidy, Vice President-Mary Ann Iannitto, Recording Secretary-Ginger Pierce, Corresponding/Federation Secretary-Rose Cucurello and Treasurer-June Flannery.

The luncheon banquet was chaired by Marge Reidy, who welcomed members to the event. Following the luncheon, a brief business meeting was conducted by Beverly Montwid, the outgoing Co President. The program continued with Mary Ann Iannitto

briefly explaining her new position and duties as incoming sixth district vice president, who also gave a special touching tribute to recently deceased charter member, Lois Traphagen.

The Historian's report was presented by Cathy Wells, who highlighted the monthly programs held during the past year and the wide range of fund raisers successfully achieved by club members since last fall.

Renee Pasacrita presented 25 year plus Certificates of Achievement to the following: June Flannery, Mary Ann Iannitto, Beverly Montwid, Jean Popik and Marge Reidy.

Floral arrangements for the event were created by Jeannine Kimmel.

# Students Help Teacher Raise Money for Breast Cancer

On Friday, May 28, the students of John E. Riley School rallied around one of their teachers, Christine Dispenziere, to help her raise money for the Avon Walk for Breast Cancer. The Student Council, along with their advisors Angela Raimondo and Kendall Shellhamer, sponsored a "hat and sunglasses" day at the school. Children who wanted to wear their hat and sunglasses in class during the school day were asked to make a small donation.

Teachers also wore hats and sunglasses in support of this project. The children raised over \$500 for this worthy cause. The teachers also participated in a separate fundraising effort to support their colleague.

Dispenziere is training hard in preparation for her 39 mile walk, which will take place in New York this October. Dispenziere and nine of her family members plan to participate in their fight against breast cancer.

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# Sports



"B" League Champions, the Lady Robins (left to right, front to back) Alyssa Scrudato, Chelsea Cullen, Lucy Roseo, Daniella Tranolola, Jullian Rutowski, Kate Muglia, Nicole Usuriello, Emily Roseo, Taylor Adorna, Kristie Crilley, Michele Schuetz, and coaches Tim Crilley and Glenn Cullen.

## Lady Robins Win Ponytail "B" League Championship

Taylor Adorna pitched six scoreless innings, while Kate Muglia singled, doubled and tripled to lead the Lady Robins to a 7-0 victory over the Lady Blue Jays to win the Ponytail "B" League Championship. Stellar defensive work by Kristie Crilley, Nicole Usuriello, Chelsea Cullen, Taylor Adorna and Kate Muglia helped preserve the shutout.

The Lady Robins defeated the Lady Doves and Lady Eagles to make it to the championship game. The Lady Robins outscored the opposition 35-

9 over their three game playoff run. Ace Taylor Adorna gave up just three runs over 12 innings, while Kristie Crilley, Kate Muglia and Lucy Roseo helped shut down the opposition. A few timely double plays by Taylor Adorna and Chelsea Cullen helped assist the Lady Robins in their playoff run.

The Lady Blue Jays battled the Robins the entire game. Gutsy performances by Liz Gratta and the entire team kept the Lady Blue Jays in the game until the very end.



Lady Robins celebrate the Ponytail B Championship.

## Varsity Boys' Spring Track Review

By Tim Morgan

The SPHS Boys' Spring Track team continued their resurgence this past season by holding onto two notable streaks. For the third straight season, they were White Division Champions and went undefeated with a record of 8-0, bringing their three year total to 25-0.

Third year Head Coach Scott Horowitz attributed this year's success to a lot of athletes stepping up into major roles on the team to make up for the talent lost last year. Horowitz said that a number of the kids stepped into events that they had never done before and this helped them score points in the meets that they otherwise would not have gotten. This was especially important in the JFK meet, where the Tigers' victory came down to the last event, which they won.

"The big thing this year is that we were solid in every event and that's what helped us win the dual meets. We didn't have any holes," Horowitz said. "Our expectations were exceeded and a lot of young kids stepped up this year."

Horowitz also said that one factor that motivated the Tigers "to succeed even more" is having major meets like the GMC Coach's Relays, GMC Individuals, State Sectionals and Meet of Champions on their home track. Aside from dual meets, the Tigers had a number of victories throughout the season at the GMC Coach's Relays, Cougar Classic and Millburn Invitational, most notably the sprint medley, distance medley, 4\*200, high jump and pole vault teams. Horowitz, who has been coaching track at South Plainfield for a total of five years and for six years overall, was selected as the White Division Coach of the Year for the third year in a row, marking a third streak for the Tigers.

When asked why he enjoys coaching track and field so much, he responded, "I participated in it, I enjoyed it. I think it takes a lot of mental discipline and toughness. I like being around the sport and teaching it. I think sports in general build a foundation to work hard and be committed to something as an adult."

Senior Zac Coppola was a solid javelin performer again this year, placing second in the State Sectionals and becoming the GMC Individual Champion. Senior Alan Dummett, a hurdler for four years, was the most successful performer in assaying a new event, clearing over twenty feet in the long jump and placing fifth in the Sectionals in it. Senior Will Hamilton, this year's MVP, placed fifth in the 200 in the

Sectionals.

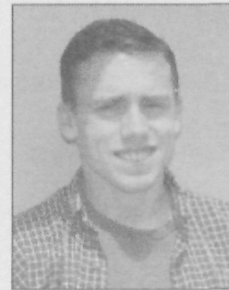
The pole vault team of juniors Chris Bajarski, Paul Corrado and Jon Donahue, a crew that has progressed unexpectedly well in the past few years, swept every dual meet except for JFK. They also collectively placed fourth in the GMC Relays.

In the weights, senior Jermaine Thomas was the top discus thrower and shot putter, junior Kyle Thomas consistently threw above forty feet in the shot put and freshman Otheo Muse threw 136 feet in the javelin. Coppola and senior Chris Uffer combined to become GMC Relay Champions in the javelin. It is also worth mentioning that Otheo cleared 5'6 in the high jump and 18 feet in the long jump and was a 100, 200, and 400 runner.

Seniors Tom Holowka, Galen Johnson and Kyle Kazmir, junior Jeremy Rodas and sophomore Jimmy Conroy formed a concrete distance team while seniors Ian Levine and Jon Rodger, along with Dummett, were the key hurdlers. Levine also made significant contributions in the 400 and

4 \* 4 0 0 . Seniors Shawn and Marcellus Abrams and junior Mike Williams rounded out the rest of the 4\*400 squad. Also, senior Chris Dickerson was a key sprinter and jumper.

Abrams, Brown, Coppola, Corrado, Dummett, Hamilton, Johnson, Levine and Williams were all selected for White Division All-Star honors and Coppola was an All-GMC Team selection. Coppola, Dickerson, Hamilton and Johnson were the captains. Third year Assistant Coaches Kevin McCann and Christopher Fish greatly aided the program by coaching the distance team and weight team, respectively. Horowitz commented that hard and grueling workouts, commitment, determination and a desire to be a part of a winning tradition and to continue it were all things that fueled the success of the Tigers this season.



Tim Morgan, Jr.

By Lee Flanagan

## JUNIOR BASEBALL CLUB NOTES

Our 2004 season will be coming to closure this week. All of our 35 teams played at least 17 games. League champions will be crowned in all five leagues. This will be the first time in many years that we will have league champions crowned in each league. Next week we will announce the league champions.

I would like to thank our many volunteers that worked on fields, the complex, the snack stand and those who volunteered their time coaching at the SPJBC. After the playoff season is completed, along with our Summer Invitational Tournament, we will begin the process for next season. We still have projects to complete before the summer is over, so if you still need to do your field duty come on out and give us a hand.

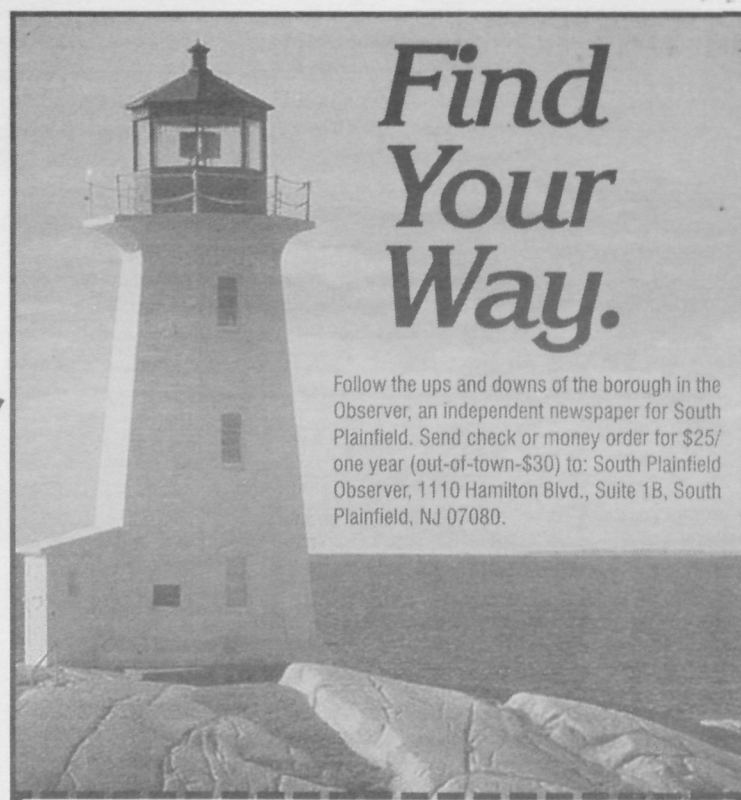
Equipment will be collected from all teams on Saturday, June 26 from 1 to 5 p.m.; please do not hold onto your

equipment bag, it must be turned in immediately.

Our mid-monthly meeting is coming up on this Monday June 21 at 8:30 p.m.; we will be looking for volunteers to assist the club in committee assignments for the 2005 season. So come on out and get involved for the kids of South Plainfield. Just sitting back and talking about is not the answer. GET INVOLVED!

## Rec Soccer Sign-ups

The South Plainfield Recreation's Youth Soccer Program will begin on Saturday, Sept. 18. Register now through Aug. 20. Children between the ages of 6-13 are invited to play. You must be six years old by Oct. 1, 2004. Fee is \$35 per child. Register at the PAL.



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In Your Opinion

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Regional Competition. Your time and support helped each one of our athletes achieve their goals for the year. Without all of you, the season would not have been such a success. You are all commended for representing the town of South Plainfield in such a positive manner. It is because of your commitment that helped our team compete so well on the days of competition.

Also, I would like to thank high school students Calvin Scay, Peter Deandrea and Nick Jefferys for their

support on the days of the State Competition. Your support was well-needed and appreciated by each of the athletes on the days of their events. Each athlete and coach appreciated your time to travel to Trenton to share your enthusiasm with the athletes.

Once again I would like to congratulate all of the athletes for a job well done.

Your exceptional poise and commitment to success on each day of the events proved to be well worth your hard work. I am personally honored to be part of such wonderful athletes.

The determination and commitment that you showed this past weekend and at Regionals will definitely be part of my memory for many years to come.

KEVIN HAJDUK,  
VOLUNTEER COACH

Dear Editor,

Last week voters turned out to choose candidates for November's Borough Council election. As the Republican candidates, we thank everyone who showed their support for our campaign and we promise to work hard to live up to your confidence.

We also want to thank the poll workers, both Republican and Demo-

crat. These people put in a long day to make sure democracy worked in South Plainfield. They started at 5:15 a.m. and didn't finish until after 8 p.m. We know working a primary is not the most exciting work, but it's necessary and we appreciate each person who worked that day.

This year's campaign has some important issues. Chief among them is the return of two-party government. The ills of one-party control are becoming painfully obvious. There is a long list of things that need to be done and over the coming months we will share our views on the issues, concentrating on what we plan to do if elected.

One of the most important things we plan to do if elected is listen. Listening to the public is important. In fact, over the next few months we will be going door-to-door to meet voters and talk about the issues. We're anxious to get started, but in the meantime, don't wait—call and let us know your concerns (Marge -561-3951, Ray-561-7076 and Bob-222-9435). As candidates, we know it's more important for us to listen than to talk. Only through listening will we be able to bring back good government to South Plainfield.

Again, thank you for your support.  
**MARGE REEDY, RAY RUSNAK AND BOB JONES—CANDIDATES FOR BOROUGH COUNCIL**

PUBLIC NOTICE

TAX SALE NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY FOR NONPAYMENT OF TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND/OR OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS

Public notice is hereby given that I, Richard Lorentzen, Collector of Taxes of the Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, will sell at public auction on, **Thursday, June 24, 2004** at the South Plainfield Municipal Complex, Council Chambers, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey, at **10:00 am** or at such later time and place to which said sale may then be adjourned, all of the several lots and parcels of land assessed to the respective persons whose names are set opposite each respective parcel as the owner thereof for the total amount of municipal liens chargeable against said lands respectively, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5-1, et seq. as computed to the 24th day of June, 2004.

Take further notice that the hereinafter described lands will be sold for the amount of the municipal liens chargeable against each parcel of said land assessed as one parcel, together with interest and costs to the date of sale. Said lands will be sold at the lowest rate of interest bid, not to exceed 18%. Payment for said parcels shall be made prior to the conclusion of the sale in the form of cash, certified check or money order, or parcels will be resold. Separate checks are required for payment of property taxes and for sewer fees and partial payments will not be sufficient to remove these items from the sale. Properties for which there are no purchasers shall be struck off and sold to the Borough of South Plainfield at an interest rate of 18%.

At any time, before the day of the sale, I will accept payment of the amount due on any property with interest and costs. Payments must be in the form of cash, certified check or money order. Industrial Properties may be subject to the Spill Compensation and Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10-23.11 et seq.), the Water Pollution Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10A-1 et seq.), and the Industrial Site Recovery Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1k-6 et seq.). In addition, the municipality is precluded from issuing a tax sale certificate to any prospective purchaser who is or may be in any way connected to the prior owner or operator of the site. The lands to be sold are described in accordance with the last tax duplicate as follows:

TAX SALE LIST

BLOCK	LOT/QUAL	OWNER NAME	AMOUNT	BLOCK	LOT/QUAL	OWNER NAME	AMOUNT	BLOCK	LOT/QUAL	OWNER NAME	AMOUNT
2	1	SCHRECK, JOY LYNN	\$827.30	164	9	CASSANO, TERESE M.	\$121.31	311	47	RAJKUMAR, RAYMOND & INDIRA BENI	\$2,799.01
2	8	CARELL, GLADYS C/O C. CARELL	\$321.73	169	7	VASQUEZ RAMOS, NANCY	\$284.95	311	49	TUWAIDAN, CHRISTIAN & VONNY	\$1,436.80
3	39	MATHESON, DEREK & FELLANTO, RUTH	\$170.65	170	38	REDDY, LORETTA T.	\$284.95	313	1	ORDONEZ, FAUSTO R & DIANA	\$284.95
4	9	TURNER, STARNELL A	\$1,017.26	171	16	HULSIZER, JAMES & DOROTHY	\$1,825.09	313	14	BEHARRYSINGH, MARGARET	\$5,300.30
7	9	ZIEMBA, LYNDA & GREENLAND, JUANITA C.	\$1,164.79	171	31	EODICE, MARY	\$1,050.33	315.01	4/C0002	POPE, PASQUALE & MARYANN	\$170.65
7	14.03	OKPARAEKE, VICTOR & BECKY	\$1,075.34	172	29	SWEIGART, LYN A. & BARBARA A.	\$284.95	315.03	3/C0002	BACHER, CAROL L	\$1,088.25
7	27	JACQUES, SR., ROBERT (V1)	\$3,144.35	172	30	CURTIS, ROLAND T. & SALLY	\$4,095.49	317	2	FERNANDEZ, ERIC & ADA	\$1,093.68
7	30	HASULAK, MARK J.	\$957.61	173	29	BOLEY, CAROLYN & GERALD	\$937.95	327	5	BALKARAN, RAMGOOLAM & CHANDRAWATI	\$284.95
7	34	FONTANA, GREGORY & YVONNE	\$1,630.05	180	9	KELLERMAN, CHRISTINE	\$170.65	327	6	ZAMPELLA, HEIDI MARIE	\$302.93
7	65	MILLER, WILLIAM D(V) & DORIS	\$3,699.82	184	12	DESANTI, CHRISTOPHER	\$3,210.10	327	11.02	MOORE-CLARK, BEVERLY	\$1,056.90
7	66	PEDERSEN, ALVIN C & SHIRLEY A.	\$1,110.38	184	20	OLSEN, ROBERT	\$1,330.76	328	11	BOYD, WILLIAM	\$284.95
8	5	MALLQUI, MIGUEL A	\$4,459.76	187	4	TORSKY, S. & D. & SESOK, S.L. SERV. CNTR.	\$8,020.14	335	11	CLARK, EARL E & MARGRALL	\$1,623.83
9	7	STAYNINGS, ANTHONY & MARY	\$170.65	188	44	NELSON, JR., HENRY C. & LOIS G.	\$786.58	336	2	ALVAREZ, MARGARET T. & MERCEDES A.	\$882.96
10	23	CURRAN, MARJORIE	\$982.10	188	53.02	PLATE, PATRICK F. & ALBINA M.	\$170.65	337	7	HOGAN, WILLIAM	\$284.95
11	4	CORDNER GRACE (C/O JOHN CORDNER)	\$1,861.91	188	57	R C J INC	\$779.87	343	6	FRANCZAK, ANTONI L. & DONNA L.	\$276.30
14	16	DAHAN, EDWARD	\$1,044.92	189	5	SILVA, ELINA	\$170.65	345	3	GALARZA, ADA	\$881.71
16	9	NICOLOSI, JONNA	\$170.65	192	4.01	CHURCH-PEOPLES BAPTIST	\$500.65	348	17	STRAZ HENRY & BEVERLY	\$1,067.81
22	7	MONT, MARCO T, ERICA S & PADILLO, R O	\$921.36	193	1	WATKINS, GEORGE L & JANICEA	\$1,398.36	357	6	SCOTT, SAMUEL & EILEEN	\$178.89
24	37	VALLE, STEPHEN & YASENCHAK, KAREN	\$3,926.09	193	12	MOORE, JAMES G. & SHARON D.	\$1,247.78	363	8	BARKALOW, MARK S. & EVA L.	\$713.17
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27	2	SANKS, DARRYL L.	\$890.01	194	9	MOSS, ROBERT & KATHERINE	\$2,388.13	378	4	MOREIRA, CESAR	\$159.01
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34	1	SCHIRIPA, VIRGINIA & PETER	\$1,338.14	198	18	EGAS, NADIA D & MARIA	\$1,126.98	406.02	1	TURNER, WAYNE & RAYCENE SMITH TURNER	\$1,097.36
35	12	DIAZ, LUIS M.	\$284.95	198	24	BRIZAK, ALICE R. & IRENE	\$925.98	406.02	16	BARDEN, HERBERT & DELLA	\$284.95
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54	4	SANCHEZ, ROSARIO B. & RENE	\$170.65	220	13	BUKOVEC, STEVEN & ULRICH, EILEEN	\$170.65	438	1	RANKINS, CAROL A. LEE & CLYDE S.	\$298.14
57	7	VENTRIGLIA, DANIEL(D1) & JUNE	\$1,123.34	221	24	HOLLOMAN, CORRINE (S)	\$174.98	448	4.04/C0002	NICHUCK, THOMAS & JILL	\$1,034.77
57	10.01	BOSSE, RONALD & LANZA CYNTHIA	\$1,227.51	222	1	KIR OAK PARK LP PO. 5020	\$602.89	456	1	STEWART, JR. RBT. C/O AMER. STL. RECTOR	\$3,034.14
65	11	DABNEY, WILLIAM & HUGHES-DABNEY, JANINE	\$674.98	222	30	DJSCH, BRYAN & HEALY, MAUREEN	\$1,151.96	456	2	STEWART, ROBERT C. JR.	\$296.42
67	2	FRANZSON, RICHARD F. & MARGARET MARY	\$284.95	225	1	WILLIAMS, BRUCE & PHYLLIS	\$284.95	457	1.01	AAA STORAGE DEPOT LLC	\$10,024.82
70	8	CESAREO, EDWARD & LAURIE	\$284.95	227	16	MATTICOLA, JOSEPH J & CHARLOTTE J	\$5,421.84	467.02	1.01	SP FIDELCO I, LLC	\$621.11
73	3.02	KILMAINHAM BUILDERS LLC	\$2,406.30	229	11	CARUSO, II, LOUIS	\$1,430.69	467.02	2	NORTHEASTERN PRODUCTS COMPANY	\$54,918.43
74	7	PEART, GEORGIA	\$170.65	229	21	SIMPSON, RONALD & ANGELA	\$2,575.25	468	4	RICA REALTY RENTAL GROUP LLC	\$110.20
77	19	CABANAS, JAMES	\$1,182.54	229	46	ALSTON, GREGORY & BRENDA	\$1,114.99	472	7	UNITED LAND SITES INC C/O TOSCO CO.	\$1,466.68
84	1	M. & D. PARTNERSHIP, M. FRIEDMAN MD	\$11,130.95	233	11	HOH, ANTONIA J.	\$1,038.47	472	19	GRYGO, ANDRZEJ J. & ZOFIA	\$8,491.97
99	9	PARAJON, MANUEL & ALLISON	\$1,212.10	234	29	MILLER, HERBERT W & HELBERG, DORCAS	\$1,248.69	472	20	GRYGO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY	\$3,318.68
101	1.01	PARK AVE. DINER REALTY, LLC	\$4,237.18	236	16	LACASALE, JR., J. & D. & DISESSO (LE)	\$1,076.43	472	29.01	MURRAY, PATRICK	\$420.25
107	23.01	THOMPSON, WALTER G. & LISA	\$170.65	238	8	BAYAK, PATRICK & PATRICIA	\$284.95	472	36	THE HOME DEPOT, DEPT.# 0903	\$6,746.81
107	26	MANN, ANTON	\$404.09	238	11	GASTER, JOHN & LEONE W	\$5,279.53	473.03	7	IARRAPINO, MICHAEL & EDWARD	\$671.68
109	18	PHILLIPS, PATRICIA & ROSEANNE M.	\$170.65	238	27	ANDES, PHOEBE C.-TRUSTEE	\$1,276.47	474	1	FRIENDWELL INVESTMENT L.L.C.	\$6,080.58
110	5.01	KNIGHT, ROBERT V. & LORRAINE	\$1,063.41	249	32	GONZALES, CONO & MARTHA E.	\$1,371.37	476	1.03	2624 HAMILTON OWNERS, L.L.C.	\$181.94
118	6	GREEN, EUGENE & CHRISTINE	\$3,251.47	254	22	DONAHUE, CHARLES & VIVIAN	\$1,550.83	477	4.01	RYAN STREET, L.L.C.	\$15,314.69
118	8.02	EVERETT, JR, ALBERT	\$1,669.08	254.02	3	INIGO, ERMINE & MILAGROS	\$4,151.00	498	8	KAPLAN, SUSAN	\$171.91
120	7	WILSON PAUL R. & TONYA P	\$4,811.06	255	13.01	RS.M. REALTY, L.L.C.	\$13,047.82	528	9	HAGEMAN, BERNARD & SUSAN	\$170.65
121	2	FONTI, RICHARD C.	\$5,245.84	255	13.03	ANGLIN CONSTRUCTION CO.	\$6,833.43	528	43/C0114	DUGGAN, K. & KAWCZYNSKI, S. & DAVIES, S.(LE)	\$198.79
122	39	HOLLIS, JULIUS JR. & KATHY	\$172.73	255	23.02	STEWART, RBT.C/O AMER. STL. RECTOR	\$3,117.41	528	43/C0227	PATEL, NITESH & URSHILA	\$1,020.54
123	20	HOWARD, JAMES & PATRICIA	\$935.19	255	24	PATEL REALTY, LLC	\$3,242.79	528	43/C0236	CAPONE, RAYMOND	\$170.65
129	16	CHANDLER, MARGARET YUKNUS	\$971.15	258	6.01	OMONIA HOLDING CO., INC.	\$181.94	528	43/C0411	KARNIWAR, SIDDHARTHA	\$170.65
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138	1	RUTIGLIANO, FRANCES (S)	\$826.48	271	1	MACELLARA, WILLIAM	\$1,054.14	528	43/C0628	VEERANKI, RAMBABU	\$170.65
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139	20	MORA, CARLOS	\$2,567.71	276	8	COHEN, GUSTAVE	\$358.41	528	43/C1127	RAVI, THIRUMALA	\$284.95
141	3	NIEVES, DAISY M.	\$284.95	277	1	MIGUEL, MARK	\$223.24	528	43/C2009	REEDER, MICHAEL & BEVERLY NIXON	\$284.95
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146	17	ETTERE, MATTHEW	\$284.95	280	9	PIREZ, ARMANDO P	\$171.71	528.01	46.04	MULTIPLEX INC.	\$63,184.49
146	18	DARLING, MICHAEL & DORIS	\$170.65	281	14	MARTIN, MARIA R.	\$170.65	528.04	15	QJEKERE, DANIEL A. & IDONGESIT	\$3,964.43
146	23	FLANNERY, JOSEPH F. & NANCY W.	\$2,660.44	282	52	DE LOS SANTOS, OSCAR & JULIA	\$1,130.67	528.04	38	HUGHES, JANINE C.	\$2,102.95
147	8	FOSCOLO, JOHN A. & ELYNE	\$170.65	282	66	HERRERA, IVAN & FELIX & MONTERO, NORMA	\$284.95	532	13	HUBER, MICHAEL & TINA	\$1,439.44
148	12	RAMOS, LENY & RUTH & CRUZ, GLORIA I	\$170.65	283	9	TERHUNE, JOHN (V) & MAUREEN	\$945.38	534	2	ASPK JAIPUR LLC	\$211.96
152	50	TRAORE, DEMBA	\$284.95	304	3	2 L HOLDINGS, LLC C/O	\$394.95	535	1.01	A S P K JAIPUR LLC	\$6,466.47
152	112	EJIOCHI, GABRIEL E. & MARY ROSE	\$284.95	304	4	HOFFMAN, JR., GUSTAVE J. & JOYCE E.	\$1,893.78	535	1.02	MATZEL, GERALDINE	\$27,020.43
158	15	ECKEL, PETER J. & KATHERINE	\$170.65	308	8	CRISAFULLI, JR., FRANK A. & CAROL J.	\$1,162.02	535	10.01	HAMILTON REALTY DEVELOPMENT LLC	\$6,329.29
160	29	HERNANDEZ, MAXIMO A. & ALICIA G	\$270.00	308	26	CRANDALL, JOSEPH N JR	\$2,150.58	537	1	HARTOBEY, JAMES	\$7,204.19
161	19	DE FREES, JAMES B. & MYRTLE	\$965.66	308	51/C0001	SMITH, CHRISTOPHER & CRAIG, MECHELE	\$162.20	550	4.01	CORPORATE REALTY INCOME FUND I	\$197,576.90
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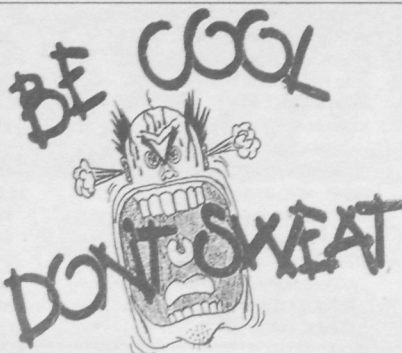
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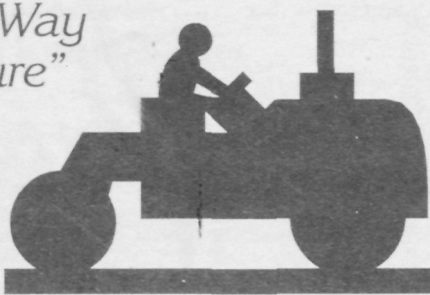
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## Obituaries

### Dorothy E. Yuill, 83

Dorothy E. Yuill died on Tuesday, June 8 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born in North Plainfield, she had resided in South Plainfield since 1949.

She was a member of the South Plainfield Senior Citizens and the Tri-County Senior Citizens, where she and her husband were members of the Tri-County Bowling Team.

Dorothy was a member of Sacred Heart Church and most recently had been attending Muhlenberg Hospital Adult Day Care Center.

She is predeceased by her husband, Leroy J. Yuill, who died in 2002 and her brother, Eugene LaFleur.

Surviving are three daughters, Patricia Blount of South Plainfield, Carolyn Gambardella of Fort Myers, Fla. and Barbara Jammal of Edison; a son, John Yuill of South Plainfield; two sisters, Beatrice Perrucci of Scotch Plains and Ruth Martino of Spring Hill, Fla. and three brothers, Frank LaFleur of Tamarac, Fla., Charles LaFleur of Piscataway and Edward LaFleur of Toms River. Also surviving are 15 grandchildren and 11 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

### Vera Brsec Devar, 76

Vera Brsec Devar of South Plainfield died on Wednesday, June 9 at the Cedar Oaks Care Center in South Plainfield.

Vera was born in Yugoslavia and came to the United States in 1955, settling in Elizabeth before moving to South Plainfield 36 years ago.

Vera was a school matron at Dunellen High School for 10 years before retiring in 1989.

She was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church.

She was predeceased by her beloved husband, Miklos Devar, who died in 1983.

She is survived by a daughter, Valerie and her husband, George Dvorsky of Piscataway; a son, Stephen W. De-

var of Bound Brook and two grandchildren, Eric and Mary Dvorsky.

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

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to the Alzheimer's Association, 299 Cherry Hill Rd., Parsippany, NJ 07054.

### Joseph Nowakowski, 82

Joseph Nowakowski of South Plainfield died on Saturday, June 12 at his home.

Joe was born in South Plainfield and was a lifelong resident.

He was a maintenance supervisor for the Buffalo Tank Division of Bethlehem Steel in Dunellen for 35 years before retiring in 1978.

Joe was a communicant of Sacred Heart Church and was an usher at the 5:45 p.m. Mass for many years.

He served his country as a machinist mate on the USS Dade in the United States Navy during WWII.

Joe was a life member of the South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department and a life member of the South Plainfield Exempt Firemen's Association and the New Jersey Exempt Firemen's Association.

Joe was an avid gardener and loved growing various flowers and vegetables.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Elizabeth Vakerich Nowakowski, who died in 2003.

He is survived by his son, Joseph W. Nowakowski, Jr. of South Plainfield.

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

### Charles A. Jones, Sr., 71

Charles A. Jones, Sr., died on Friday, June 11 at Cedar Oaks Care Center in South Plainfield.

Born in Detroit, Michigan, Charles grew up and had spent most of his life residing in Newark before entering the care center.

He was a self-employed upholster

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## LEGAL NOTICES

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

An appeal has been filed by Robert J. Jonas requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit Garage - Inground Pool - Generator. Proposed garage addition lacks 30' setback from terrace. Proposed inground pool lacks 30' setback from terrace. Emergency generator not customary for residential home; and other variances that may be required, said property being located at 601 E. Hendricks Boulevard on Block 61, Lot 29 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 8, 2004 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 18, 2004

### BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY

June 9, 2004  
Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Planning Board at its meeting held on June 8, 2004.

A. Case #03-03—Lyndsey Development, Block 365; Lots 18, 19 and 12.01. Arlington and Kosciuszko Avenues. The applicant's request for final major subdivision approval was hereby GRANTED with conditions.

B. Case #668/V/S—Middlesex Crossroads, Block 528; Lot 46; 6000 Hadley Rd. The applicant's request for final site plan and major subdivision approval was hereby GRANTED with conditions.

C. Edgewood Properties, Block 517; Lot 1. The Planning Board of the Borough of South Plainfield recommends the adoption of the proposed ordinance to re-zone Block 517; Lot 1, for use as an age-restricted residential community.

D. Benderson Development Co., Inc. The Planning Board of the Borough of South Plainfield recommends that the Borough of South Plainfield Council consider and adopt amendments to the Borough of South Plainfield Zoning Ordinance.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary Beth Khidre  
Recording Secretary-Planning Board

\$33.75 June 18, 2004

### LEGAL NOTICE

### BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY

June 13, 2004

Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Board of Adjustment at its meeting held on June 10, 2004.

A. Case #91-03—St. Stephen the Protomartyr Church, Block 177; Lot 13; 609 Lane Ave. The applicant's request for a conditional use variance and amended site plan approval was hereby GRANTED with conditions.

B. Case #92-03—Jason J. Lee and Max C. Lee, Block 328; Lot 3; 420 Hamilton Blvd. The applicant's request to withdraw this application without prejudice was hereby GRANTED.

C. Case #24-04—Jerrel's Garden, Inc. t/a Curves. The applicant's request for sign area and graphics variances was hereby GRANTED.

D. Case #29-04—John Roesch, Block 12; Lot 29; 12 Delekas Ave. The applicant's request to enclose an existing porch was hereby GRANTED with conditions.

E. Case #31-04—Margerie Mingione, Block 215; Lot 8; 3005 Norwood Ave. The applicant's request for a front yard setback variance to allow a four ft. by 19.6 ft. porch roof and a 27 ft. front yard setback was hereby GRANTED with one voluntary condition.

F. Case #32-04—Andrew and Barbara Bythell, Block 391; Lot 8; 104 Smith St. The applicant's request for a front yard setback variance to erect a porch with roof measuring eight ft. by 16 ft. with a 21.78 foot front yard setback was hereby GRANTED with one condition.

G. Case #33-04—Bonnie Robertson, Block 363; Lot 1; 910 Belmont Ave. The applicant's request for a front yard setback variance to erect a four foot high 24 diameter above ground pool with a 15 foot front yard setback from Spicer Ave. was hereby GRANTED.

H. Case #36-04—David and Cindy LaDelle, Block 308; Lot 50; 432 Frederick Ave. The applicant's request for the erection of an 18 foot diameter 52 inch high above ground pool with a five foot front yard setback from Sylvania Place was hereby GRANTED.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Mary Beth Khidre  
Secretary—Zoning Board of Adjustment

\$54.25 June 18, 2004

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Franklin Elementary School Daisy Troop #678 held their bridging to Brownies ceremony last month. The troop leaders are Tina Ruhnke, MaryEllen Oehler and MaryAnn Bourbeau. Pictured are new Brownies Sarah Cargill, Angela Ruhnke, Rebecca Ng, Sarah Oehler, Miranda Boureau, Stephanie Velez, Stephanie Bohn, Alexa Gentile, Taylor Parajon, Annabella Vetusch, Emily Sukenik, Sabrina Gonzalez and Kelsy Prins.

## Obituaries

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in Newark for many years. He was previously working as a warehouseman for Foodtown in Linden doing food selections and truck loading.

A former member of the Zion Hill Baptist Church on Thornton Ave. in Newark, he was also a member of their church choir.

His wife, Ruby Jones, died in 1991. He is also predeceased by a brother, Sonny and a sister, Edna Overton.

Surviving are five children, Sharon Horton of Newark, Brenda Jones of Newark, Paulette Daniels of Irvington, Charles Jones, Jr. of South Plainfield and Kenneth Jones of Pennsylvania. Also surviving are a sister, Catherine Jones and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

### Milan Mateyka, 92

Milan Mateyka died on Sunday, June 13 at his home.

Born in Newark, he was raised in Maplewood and lived in Union for 60 years before moving to Somerset five years ago with his grandson and granddaughter-in-law.

For many years, he was employed as a pattern maker for Scandia Manu-

facturing of Clifton in their research and development department.

A cub scout leader in Union, Milan liked the outdoors and time spent with his great grandchildren.

He is predeceased by his wife, Anna (Uhrick) Mateyka, who died in 1997.

Surviving are a daughter and her husband, Joyce and Sheldon Tepper of South Lake Tahoe, California; a son, Alan Mateyka of South Plainfield; six grandchildren and six great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

### Helen E. (Ryan) Hughes, 94

Helen E. (Ryan) Hughes died on Wednesday, June 9 at Ft. Hudson Health Care Facility in Fort Edward, NY.

Mrs. Hughes was born and raised in Jersey City and had lived most of her life in South Orange. She had resided in South Plainfield for two years before moving to Lake George in May of 2001.

While in South Orange, Helen worked for 25 years as a bank teller, first with the former National Newark and Essex Bank, which later became PNC and then Mid-Atlantic

Bank. She retired in 1975.

Also in South Orange, she was a former member of Our Lady of Sorrows RC Church, where she belonged to the Rosary Alter Society. In addition, she was a member of the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary, the AARP and the South Orange Senior Citizens, where she was secretary for 25 years.

Her husband, John J. Hughes, Sr., died in 1972. She was also predeceased by a grandson, Michael Hughes; a sister, Mildred Farmer and a brother, James Ryan.

Surviving are a daughter and son-in-law, Kathe Ann Fawcett and her husband, Jim of Lake George, NY; three sons and daughters-in-law, Jim and Liz Hughes of South Plainfield, John J. and Peggy Hughes, Jr. of Florham Park and Robert J. and Jackie Hughes of Ponca City, OK; 10 grandchildren, Jim, Pat, Barb, Donna, Kelly, Jeff, Robby, Kim, Jimmie and Jason and by 15 great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

In lieu of flowers, donations in her memory can be made to the Organization of Autism Research, 2111 Wilson Blvd. Suite 600, Arlington, VA 22201.

### Henry J. Buchman, 70

Henry J. Buchman died on Tuesday, June 8 at his home in Edison.

Born and raised in Newark, he had been a resident of Edison since 1963.

A veteran of the US Army, Henry graduated from the Newark College of Engineering with a Bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering. He was employed as a packaging engineer with Schering Plough Pharmaceuticals in Kenilworth, retiring in 1995. During his career, Henry developed a pre-filled disposable syringe in which he held a patent for.

Henry was also a member of St. Francis of Assisi Cathedral in Metuchen.

He is predeceased by his wife, Patricia (Walsh), who died in 2001 and by a sister, Grace Buchman.

Surviving are a daughter, Kathleen Fredericks and her husband, Warren of South Plainfield; a son, Jack and his wife, Jennifer of Annandale and three grandchildren, Michael, Matthew and Kyle.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the JFK Hartwyck Adult Medical Day Care, 2050 Oak Tree Rd., Edison, NJ 08820.

## police report

• On June 5 a Field Ave. resident reported that his unlocked 1991 Chevy Blazer was stolen from the street.

• A Page Ct. resident reported that the driver's side window of her vehicle had been shattered by a rock.

• On June 7 and Oxford Ave. resident reported that his Columbia Bank card had been used to gain access to two porno sites. The card was still in his possession.

• On June 8 Staples reported receiving numerous hang-up calls.

• On June 9 a Piscataway resident reported the theft of laptop computer from his locked vehicle that was parked in front of K-Mart. A window appeared to have been tampered with.

• A Florence Pl. resident reported confronting a man who was setting in his unlocked vehicle. The suspect ran after being confronted. A neighbor also had some change taken from his unlocked vehicle.

• On June 10 Peter A. Calderoni, 20, of South Plainfield was arrested for

receiving stolen property after taking a cell phone from a Verizon van.

• Hollywood Video reported the theft of two DVD's and two video games.

• On June 11 a Nunnink Ln. resident reported finding mustard on his vehicle.

• On June 11 a George St. resident reported that their 1993 Mazda 929 had been stolen while parked on Dominick Ct.

• Inplane Photonics Inc. on Corporate Ct. reported that sexually explicit messages had been left on the company's voice mail.

• On June 12 Kenneth T. Baker, 22, of South Plainfield was arrested in the parking lot of Liquid Assets for eluding police.

• A Plainfield resident reported the theft of her cell phone, which was on her belt, at Our Lady of Czestochowa fair.

• A Palmer Ave. resident reported that someone had dumped a bottle of moisturizer on her vehicle, covering the entire driver's side.

• On June 13 a Caffery Terr. resident reported that eggs had been thrown at the front of his house.

• An Eleanor St. resident reported that the rear hatch window of his vehicle had been smashed. Nothing was taken.

• On June 14 Quality Electrical Construction Co. reported that while installing wiring at the Kenneth Ave. soccer fields, the lock was cut off an electrical box and \$1,000 worth of copper wires were taken.

• An employee of Spherion, located on Corporate Blvd., reported the theft of two magnetic company signs from a work van parked in the lot.

• A resident of Best Western Hotel reported receiving harassing phone calls in her room.

• On June 15 a Middlesex resident reported that the passenger window had been smashed out of his vehicle and a detachable face to his radio was taken while parked at Regal Cinema.

• Hi Tech Data Floors on Sylvania Pl. reported that someone has been dumping yard debris in the rear of the building.

• Northeastern Import export on Hadley Rd. reported that two clothing bins at the rear of Staples had been taken.

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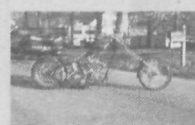
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