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South Plainfield Police Officer Lloyd McNelly

Officer McNelly Graduates Police Academy With Awards

One of South Plainfield's recent hires, Police Officer Lloyd McNelly, graduated from the Somerset Police Academy on Thursday, June 24 and received two honors.

McNelly, who was selected to serve as the Second Squad Leader while at the academy, received both the NJ Police Training Commission Merit Award and the Honorable George Esposito Citizenship Award.

The NJ Police Training Commission Merit Award is presented to the recruit who, in the opinion of his peers, will most likely excel in their career in law enforcement.

The Honorable George Esposito Citizenship Award is presented to the recruit who displays those qualities of citizenship which will impact the community in a positive manner.

McNelly is the son of Gordon and Darlene McNelly of South Plainfield. He graduated from South Plainfield High School in 1996 and is serving in the U.S. Army reserves. He and his wife Aneca are the parents of a 10-month-old son, Alexander.

Monument Park Dedication Saturday

Construction on South Plainfield Monument Park, dedicated to military veterans from South Plainfield who served in a theatre of operations during a time of foreign conflict, as well as police officers and rescue squad members who served our community, is nearing completion.

A formal dedication ceremony will be held on Saturday, July 17 at 9 a.m. at the park on Plainfield Ave. across from Spring Lake Park. All members

of the community are cordially invited to come and participate in the official opening and dedication of the park.

Parking is available at the Senior Citizen Center (located adjacent to the park) or behind the Public Library.

If you have any questions or need more information, please contact Police Chief Robert K. Merkler at (908) 226-7676 or OEM Coordinator Michael Zushma at (908) 753-3775.



Police Officer Dave Franchak celebrates with some of this year's graduates at the DARE picnic held at the community pool. See story on page 5.

Middle School Student Earns Wallenberg Awards



Left to right are Principal Fred Oberkehr, Leslie Samayoa and Middle School NJ Peer to Peer Advisor Ellyn Schwartz

Story/photo by Patricia Abbott

Just prior to graduation the Middle School, student Leslie Samayoa

received two awards from the Wallenberg Foundation of New Jersey. During the ninth annual awards ceremony she was presented with

the Wallenberg Foundation Honors Award and the Wallenberg Foundation Honoree Award.

For the Honors award she received a

trophy, certificate and a video entitled, "One Day Crossing." As the Middle School Honoree for Middlesex and Somerset Counties she received a \$1,000 savings bond and a plaque honoring the Wallenberg traits.

Leslie was a member of the school's NJ Peer to Peer Program and was nominated by advisors Elynn Schwartz and Dale Salisbury. Their letter nominating stated, "The one student we feel not only meets, but exceeds, the criteria is an honest, brave, responsible and caring young woman. As part of NJ Peer to Peer she take part in outreaches for younger students and peer mediation activities. She always volunteers her time to help her teachers before, during and after school. This student has even risked her own reputation by helping the teachers and administration identify students who are at risk of harming themselves or others in potentially dangerous situations. Without her our school environment would not be the same. We wish that more of our students displayed the courage and compassion that this young woman shows day in and day out."

Raul Wallenberg was a Swedish diplomat credited with saving thousands of lives in Hungary towards the end of World War II.

Gas Attendant Foils Robbery Attempt

policereport

Early last Friday, an armed robbery occurred at the Exxon Service Station located on Park Ave.

A man approached the 34-year-old attendant and struck a replica 9mm

handgun in his chest and demanded money. A struggle ensued and the attendant was able to wrestle the handgun away from the robber.

The perpetrator then fled the area on foot without obtaining any cash. The robber is described as a white

male, 20-25 years of age, 5'6", 175 lbs., thin build, short light brown hair, wearing a black baseball cap, blue jeans and a light blue buttoned shirt. Anyone with information should contact Det. Gary Cassio at (908) 226-7663.

Purse Snatching at Petland Discounts

Early last Wednesday afternoon a robber entered Petland Discounts on Stelton Rd. and removed an employee's wallet from her pocketbook that was located in a rear storage area. The robbery was observed by another employee, who chased him outside the store and

into the parking lot, but lost him in the area of Taco Bell.

A short time later, the robber was apprehended by police. He was identified as Jarrett Holley, age 19, of Piscataway. Holley was charged with theft. Bail was set in the amount of \$7,500 by South Plainfield Municipal

Court judge John Jorgensen. Holley was incarcerated in the Middlesex County Adult Correctional Facility in default of bail.

The victim's property was located later in the day by an unidentified person who returned it to the victim.

Police Department Receives \$90,000 in Aid

The South Plainfield Police Department, who have been vigorously keeping up with the demands and recommendations on terrorism that have been issued by Homeland Security, is getting some financial from the State of New Jersey.

The cost of implementing many of these new programs suggested by the Homeland Security Department include educating our officers in terrorism and any new equipment needed to implement the programs. Terrorism has been one of the top priorities for the members of the South Plainfield Police Department.

South Plainfield will be getting \$90,000 in Municipal Homeland

Security Police Assistance Aid. The aid cannot be used to hire new officers, but it can be used for anything already in the police budget which are identified by the police chief and mayor. The amount of aid we received was determined by South Plainfield's population.

When the \$90,000 in funding was announced during Monday evenings Borough Council meeting, CFO Glenn Cullen said, "In a sense it is actually a form of property tax relief, since it will hold down the tax rate in the area of police expenses. He said, "The money will help when forming next years fiscal budget, which should be introduced next month."

To make it in next week's edition...

Copy and advertising must be received by Monday, July 19 at 5 p.m. to be included in the Friday, July 23 edition.

Mark Your Calendars

Log on to southplainfieldnj.com 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

Monday, August 9	Agenda Meeting	Public Meeting
Tuesday, September 7	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
	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 July 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 July 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 20*, Aug. 17*, 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. *Meetings will be held in Roosevelt Elementary School Gym

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 August 11, September 8, October 13, November 10, December 8 and 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. 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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IN YOUR OPINION

To the Editor,

On Saturday, June 5 the first annual COACHES CARE golf tournament took place at Heron Glen Golf Course. The weather forecast called for rain all day, while not conducive to golf, it was definitely up to CoachesCare standards. As a matter of fact, the rain held up enough to actually complete the entire tournament. As has been in the case in our years with the softball tournament, the proceeds of the event went to The Children's Fund at JFK Medical Center and this year we will donate half of the proceeds to the Open Your Heart to Children Battling Cancer Foundation. With a sold out 144 golfers and over 40 sponsors, there are many people that made this a great day for sick kids. First and foremost is the committee that made this all possible. Tony Cassano, Charlie Decker, Bill DeNitzio, Tom Lanza, Guy Moretti and Ted Tucker provided the manpower that made this event possible. Aside from meeting on a weekly basis, these gentlemen recruited golfers, collected door prizes and selflessly took time away from their families to make the lives of sick children better. To the women who volunteered their time to be witnesses and salespeople on the par three's, Toni Moretti, Colleen Hubner, Sharon Tucker, Nancy Guiliano, Marianne Decker, Mary Jane DeNitzio, Laura McCreesh, Janice Stochlinski and Cathy Thomas, your efforts will have a far reaching impact on this charity and I can't thank you enough. A special thank you to the following businesses and people who were hole sponsors: Custom Fence and Deck, Brunswick West, Inc., Santoro and Santoro, A.J Dellavalle Builders, Nischwitz and Company, Lynn Reed Associates, Bongiovanni and Company, L & F Martin Landscape Co., Hughes and Stricker, Honeywell, Andy Singer, Acme Manufacturing Company, Newton-Land Surveyor, Binder Machinery, Goodwin Associates, FD Fasteners, Buttafucio, Arce and Price, HBC Electric, Garage Hogs, South Plainfield PBA 100, Rob Pearson, Century 21-Moretti Realty, South Plainfield Soccer Club, Shotman Basketball, James W. Conroy Funeral Home, James E. Clarkin, Esq., UNICO, Thatcher and Lanza, Pro-Care Physical Therapy and R.T Tech Electric Company.

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Each year we have gathered more momentum regarding this charity and look to make next year even better. There have been a few people that have inspired me to begin and continue this

charity and this year it hit close to home. While my dad's illness prohibited him from participating physically this year, his spirit, love and care were there in the shape of his children, friends and family, for it is him and my mother who laid the foundation for everything that transpires within the framework of this charity. I look forward to playing with him in year two, on June 4, 2005. In our program, I quoted the line from the movie *Willie Wonka* as an inspiration: "If you want to view paradise, simply look around and view it. Anything you want to, do it. Want to change the world, there's nothing to it." As long as you are sur-

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rounded by great people and to be sure, I am. Thank you to all and I hope see you next year.

TOM MCCREESH

Charity Softball Tournament to Benefit Ailing Police Officer

By Jane Dornick

The South Plainfield Police PBA Local 100's annual charity softball tournament will be held this year on Saturday, July 24, starting at 8 a.m. The recipient of this year's proceeds is fellow police officer Det. Gary Muccigrossi who is suffering from a lung disease called Pulmonary Fibrosis, which is a scarring of the lungs. Muccigrossi is in desperate need of a lung transplant. The origin of the illness that he contracted two years ago is still unknown, but because of this condition, he was forced to retire in March of this year.

Gary began his career in law enforcement 16 years ago working for the Plainfield Police Department. In 1993 he was hired by the South Plainfield Police Dept. and, up until his illness, he had been working in the detective bureau. He and his wife, Gina, and son Anthony have resided in South Plainfield for 17 years.

The softball tournament consists of three divisions; men's slow pitch

double elimination, women's slow pitch double elimination and co-ed slow pitch single elimination teams. There will be food and drink available all day. So come on out and watch some great ball games and enjoy the food and competition, all to benefit a truly worthy cause.

A rain date of has been scheduled for Sunday, July 25. All games will be played at the South Plainfield High School complex of ballfields. Any other donations would be greatly appreciated to help defer the cost of lab fees and medical expenses for Gary. For more information contact Det. Gary Cassio at (908) 226-7663, Det. Chris Colucci at (908) 226-7662 or the PAL at (908) 226-7714.

The Somerset Patriot baseball team will also be sponsoring a "Gary Muccigrossi Day" on Sunday, August 15 at 1:35 p.m. A portion of the proceeds from ticket sales collected by the PBA will also be donated to Gary. For tickets and information contact Det. Chris Colucci at (908) 226-7662.

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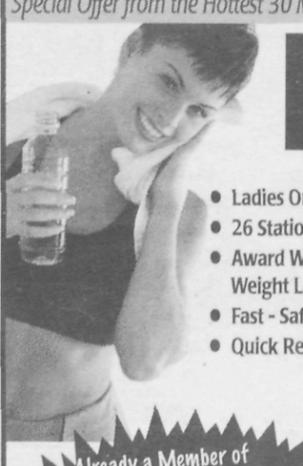
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The South Plainfield Lions Club awarded \$1,000 scholarships to four South Plainfield High School students at a recent meeting. Pictured are Guy Severni, Christopher Abbott, outgoing Lions President Bob Desch, Keith Ridler and Rachel Schwartz.



Ron DeScalfani, the newly sworn in president of the South Plainfield Lions Club, takes the gavel from Past President Bob Desch.

From the South Plainfield Library

Bookmarks

Humans have been living in Central New Jersey for centuries and we are having a program on Monday, July 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the South Plainfield Library. "Lessons in Lenape Lifeways" will be presented by Lenape Lifeways Inc. This program will explore the life, culture and customs of the Lenape people (the original inhabitants of this area). The program is suitable for ages six and up; registration is required. This can be accomplished either by stopping by the library on Plainfield Ave. or by calling (908) 754-7885.

Even though our Summer Reading Program, "Explore New Frontiers," is going full speed, it's not too late to join. All you need to do is stop in the library and see any staff member and we will take care of all the registration. All you need to do is read. And when you do you can earn great prizes from toy horses up to cowboy hats. And we even have great t-shirts for sale so everyone can see how much fun you are having this summer.

Also, the library has been purchasing all the hottest new books, movies, and music. We own Bill Clinton's massive autobiography, "My Life," Janet Evanovich's new book, "Ten Big Ones," movies such as academy award winning "Lost In Translation" and "Along Came Polly," and music including George Michael's new "Patience" and Melissa Ethridge's, "Breakdown." This is just a small sample of what we own, so always first think of the library to meet your reading, viewing and listening needs.

Finally, we are still requesting community input on the new library build-

ing the Borough of South Plainfield is scheduled to erect. There are surveys in the library for patrons to fill out to let us know their wants and needs. So now is the time for your input.

Respite Care Program Openings

The Middlesex County Department on Aging currently has openings under the Respite Care Program. This program provides assistance to families by giving caregivers a break from the family responsibility of caring for an elderly or disabled relative or friend. The program is designed to assist the caregivers of individuals who are over age 65 or who are 18-65 and disabled.

The individual being cared for must reside in Middlesex County; have income below \$20,304 (single) and \$40,508 (couple) with less than \$40,000 of liquid resources (assets that can be converted to cash within 20 working days) and have a chronic physical or mental disability which would require supervision or assistance with basic daily needs from a caregiver.

The type of assistance available includes homemaker/home health aide, social or medical adult day health care, private duty nursing, in-patient care and companion. Up to \$3,000 worth of annual service is available for eligible individuals.

Contact the Middlesex County Department on Aging to obtain an application for this program. For more information, call (732) 745-3295.

New AARP President Dies

Virginia Atkinson, who was installed June 25 as President of AARP Chapter #4144 of South Plainfield, passed away suddenly on July 8. Atkinson had joined the Chapter in the year 2000, served on its board of directors and was program chairman before being elected president.

Atkinson was a resident of New Brunswick. Her funeral service took place Thursday, July 8 at the AME Church in Piscataway.



Members of Sacred Heart Parish bid farewell to the Sisters of the Religious of the Virgin Mary at a party given in their honor recently. The sisters have served Sacred Heart since 1990 and are now leaving for new assignments. Sister Cornelia (right), who was the principal at Sacred Heart School, will be taking a sabbatical and then move on to a new assignment in Edmonton, Canada. Sister Jesusita Bernate is returning to the Philippines and Sister Mansuela will be going to Elizabeth.

Celebrations Committee Seeks Nominations for Grand Marshal

The 47th annual Labor Day Parade will be held Monday Sept. 6, at 10 a.m.

This year's theme is "The Youth of Today, Our Leaders of Tomorrow."

Novelty, comedy, musical, civic and patriotic entries by area individuals and organizations are welcome.

The committee is seeking nominations for honorary grand marshal. To nominate an individual who has contributed outstanding service to the Borough of South Plainfield, send a letter stating why this person should

be considered, along with the name, address, telephone number and accomplishments to: The Public Celebrations Committee, John Sorrentino-chair, 225 Hopkinson St., South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

To apply for a place in the parade, entries must be submitted by Aug. 15. Later entries will be placed at the end of the parade.

Applications may be picked up at South Plainfield Borough Hall, visit www.southplainfieldnj.com or call Kim Gallagher at (908) 755-9874.

PUBLIC HEARING

Please be advised that the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield will be holding a Public Hearing on Monday, August 30 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers, 2480 Plainfield Avenue for the purpose of discussing the Application for Renewal of Municipal Consent to Construct and Operate a Cable Television

System in the Borough of South Plainfield which has been filed by Comcast of Plainfield, LLC.

Anyone interested in reviewing the application can do so at the Municipal Clerk's Office which is located at the above noted address between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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Events Around Town

SDW Holding Pizzeria Uno Fundraiser

July 18

The South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop is holding a fundraiser at Pizzeria Uno on Stelton Rd. on July 18 from 4 to 9 p.m.

Pizzeria Uno will donate 20% of each check accompanied by a coupon to the group. Coupons are available by contacting any member of the group, through email at spsdw.com, or by calling (908) 561-5255. Coupons good for eat-in or take-out.

Lenape Lifeways Program at Library

July 19

The program "Lessons in Lenape Lifeways" will be presented at the South Plainfield Free Public Library on Monday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m.

The program will focus on New Jersey's first peoples, the Lenape. It will explore the life, culture and customs of the Lenape people. The program is for adults and children over age six. Pre-register required. The program is presented by Lenape Lifeways, Inc., in conjunction with the library's Summer Reading Club, "Exploring New Frontiers at Your Library."

For information, please call (908) 754-7885 or visit their website at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us.

Cedarcroft Plans Vacation Bible School

July 19-23

Cedarcroft Bible Chapel will hold its Vacation Bible School (The Son Games), from July 19-23 from 7 to 9 p.m. for children who have completed kindergarten through grade eight. Register by phone at (908) 756-8244 or online at www.cedarcroft.org.

What's happening in JULY

Daily Events
9-11 AM Coffee & Cake
9 AM-4 PM Cards & Pool
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Senior Center EVENTS

The Senior Citizen's Center is open Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
NOW OPEN SATURDAYS 9:00 AM-12:30 PM—CREATIVE PAINTING 10AM

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<p>EVENTS</p> <p>We are looking for volunteers to help our Labor Day Parade Committee Sign Up at the Center</p> <p>Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see "Heat Wave" - July 29</p> <p>Trip to AC Taj Mahal - Aug. 5</p>			<p>Weekly Shopping 15 Pathmark 9am Practical Crafts 10-11am Computer Class 11&1pm Foxwoods Trip</p>	<p>Bingo 10am-2pm 16 Pizza lunch available Meditation 9:30am</p>
<p>Knitting/Crochetting 9:30-11:30am 19 Yoga 10:30am-11:30am Drawing Class 11:30am Parade Committee 1pm</p>	<p>Bingo 10am-2pm 20 Ladies Social 10am</p>	<p>Exercise 8:30am 21 Line Dancing 10am Movie Time 11:30am AARP Crafts 1pm Computer Class 11 & 1pm</p>	<p>Weekly Shopping 22 Pathmark 9am Practical Crafting 10am Computer Class 11&1pm</p>	<p>Bingo 10am-2pm 23 Lunch available Mediation 9:30 am</p>

TO SIGN UP FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SENIOR CITIZEN'S CENTER, VISIT THE CENTER.

Knights of Columbus Wendy's Fundraiser

July 20-21

The Knights of Columbus is having a fundraiser at Wendy's on Oak Tree Ave. in South Plainfield.

Please come to Wendy's and bring this article between the hours of 4 and 9 p.m. on Tuesday, July 20 and/or Wednesday, July 21. Wendy's will donate a portion of their profits to the Knights.

Rainbow Academy Plans Open House

July 21

Rainbow Academy Child Care Center, located at 2177 Oak Tree Rd., will hold an Open House on Wednesday, July 21, from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

In addition to the Open House, you are invited to visit the center for a tour

during normal operating hours. For directions and information, visit their website at www.rainbowacademy.com.

Police 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 SPSHS ball fields.

Teams may register by calling (908) 226-7663, (908) 226-7662, or call the PAL 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. The rain date is July 25.

Trip to Dover Raceway

July 29

The Polish National Home is sponsoring a trip to Dover Raceway for Sept. 26. for the Nascar race. For information and to sign up for the trip, call (908) 668-9442 and speak to a bartender. The deadline is July 29.

Trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse

July 29

A trip to Hunterdon Hills Playhouse is scheduled for Thursday, July 29 to see the summer musical revue "Heat Wave." The great songs, music and dances of popular music will be brought to life in a fresh theatrical format you can't find anywhere else. The cost of \$50 includes transportation, a luncheon and show. This trip is open to the public. For a reservation, call the Senior Center at (908) 754-1047.

SDW Presents Pirates of Penzance

July 29, 30, 31 and Aug. 1

The 2004 South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop will present Gilbert and Sullivan's, *The Pirates of Penzance* at the SPSHS on July 29, 30, 31 at 7:30 p.m. and Aug. 1 matinee at 2 p.m. The auditorium is air conditioned. Tickets are \$10, adults and \$ 8 for senior citizens and students. Four adult tickets purchased together in an advance are only \$30. Sign language interpreted shows at the July 30 and Aug. 1 performance.

For information call (908) 561-5255 or email contactus@spsdw.com.

Wesley Methodist Vacation Bible School

August 9-13

Wesley Church, located on Plainfield Ave. will hold a Hero Quest Vacation Bible School, Aug. 9 through 13, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

The Hero Quest program is designed to lead children through four power-booster phases. Children will meet biblical heroes of faith. They will experience the power of faith in God through stories, games, crafts and music.

To register, contact Pastor Thompson at (908) 757-2838.

— Out of Town —

Student Art Exhibit

Through July 31

A multi-media showcase of works by 19 young award-winning artists selected from the Annual Juried Student Exhibit at the duCret School of Art will be on exhibit now through July 31 at Swain Galleries in Plainfield, 703 Watchung Ave.

Hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Swain Galleries, a 135-year-old family business in Plainfield featuring fine art. For more details, call (908) 756-1707.

One-Act Festival

July 23 & 24

Circle Players, the community the-

ater of Piscataway, will present its Second Annual One-Act Festival on Friday and Saturday, July 23-24 at 8 p.m. Following a sold-out festival last year, this year's event jam-packs nine one-act plays from eight different directors into one evening for only \$5 a ticket.

Performances are Friday and Saturday, July 23 and 24, 8 p.m. Tickets are \$5 each.

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

B'nai B'rith Ketubah BBQ

July 25

The B'nai B'rith Ketubah Married Couples Unit (40+) will hold their Annual BBQ on Sunday, July 25 at 1 p.m. at a member's home in Scotch Plains. The food will be Kosher. Cost is \$25 per member couple; \$28 per non-member. If a non-member joins Ketubah Unit at the BBQ, they can attend the event for free. RSVP to Elaine by July 23 at (908) 232-0062.

Middlesex County Fair

August 2-8

The Middlesex County Fair Association is looking for non-food vendors. The fair will be held Aug. 2-8 at the fairgrounds on Cranbury Rd. in East Brunswick.

For information, contact Mary Lou Conover at (732) 416-1929.

USS Isle Royale Reunion

August 5

The USS Isle Royale AD is having its first reunion on Aug. 5-8, at the President's Casino in Biloxi, MS. Contact the reunion coordinator through the web page at: www.ussisleroyale.com, or mail to: George Lowell, Box 307, Hatfield, AR 71945.

Moonrakers "Meet and Greet"

August 10

The New Jersey Moonrakers Tall Club, Inc., serving people of "taller-than-average" stature in the NJ/NY metropolitan area, will hold its monthly "Meet and Greet" social at Saddle Brook Marriot hotel, located between Route 80 and the Garden State Parkway in Saddle Brook on Tuesday, Aug. 10 at 8 p.m.

For a schedule of our social events, call (973) 267-3648 or visit our website at <http://www.njtall.org> or email at newjersey@tall.org.

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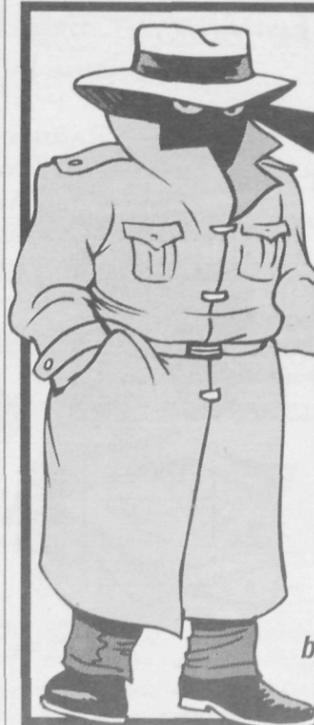
Cedar Oaks' Snoezelin, or sensory room, was created to offer a place where such residents could reduce anxiety and agitation in lieu of pharmacological intervention. This same concept was introduced at Cedar Oaks to provide our Alzheimer and Dementia residents with a pleasing atmosphere that may enhance their quality of life.

Families and staff have found Alzheimer and Dementia residents who utilize our sensory room to be less agitated and confused. Alzheimer residents who used to wander the halls at night have enjoyed a better night sleep which assists them in their confusion of time and place. Facility staff can utilize this room to tackle their stress at work and home as well.



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For additional information, please feel free to visit Lorie Antonelli, Director of Recreational Services, Cedar Oaks Care Center, 1311 Durham Ave., or call at (732) 287-9555 ext. 139.



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Students DARE to Have Fun at Pool Picnic

By Jane Dornick

Even though it was a cloudy day, the chilly weather didn't stop the Grant School fifth graders from jumping in the water and having a good time at the annual DARE picnic held at the South Plainfield Community Pool.

After spending several months learning about drug awareness from South Plainfield DARE Police Officers Allen LaMonda and David Franchak, the DARE graduating classes look forward to spending a relaxing and fun filled day at the pool with classmates, teachers and the officers.

Beside swimming, the students played volleyball, shuffleboard, basketball, dodgeball and enjoyed just hanging out with their friends. They dined on hot dogs and hamburgers on the grill for lunch with ice cream for des-

sert and officers LaMonda and Franchak raffled off numerous small prizes.

On behalf of officers LaMonda and Franchak they would like to thank the following people: Chief Robert Merkler, Mayor Gallagher and the borough council, Sgt. Chuck Siedenburgh,

Mike English for use of the pool and lifeguards, Manny from Marriot, the South Plainfield Elks Lodge 2298, the Grant School PTA for providing the food, Hall's Fast Motor Freight and Warehouse for the ice cream and everyone else who helped make this year's picnic a success.

southplainfieldpeople Milestones

Zweers and Makowski are Engaged

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Zweeres of South Plainfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Rebecca Dawn Zweeres to Frank Joseph Makowski, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Makowski of South Plainfield.

The bride-to-be works for Gambro Healthcare Daily Incorporated in Plainfield.

Her fiancé works for Petro HVAC in Clark.

The couple will be married on Oct. 8 at The Olde Mill Inn in Basking Ridge.



Frank Makowski & Rebecca Zweers

Gorka Graduates Magnum Cum Laude

Christine Gorka graduated magnum cum laude on May 19 with a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the Philadelphia College of Pharmacy. Christine achieved high honors during her entire academic term at the university, being appointed to such honoraries as Alpha Lambda Delta Freshman Honor Society and Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Fraternity. Christine has also achieved Dean's List status every term through the six-year Doctor of Pharmacy curriculum. She has also been recognized in Who's Who Among America's College Students, as well as the Dean's List of America's Finest College Students.

She graduated with a 3.8 GPA and received a monetary award from Johnson & Johnson for her contribution towards research and develop-



Christine Gorka

ment. Christine has currently accepted employment from Walgreens Pharmacy in South Jersey.

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Congratulations SPHS Scholarship & Award Recipients Class of 2004

◆ Scholastic Honor Society

The Scholastic Honor Society is comprised of seniors who have attained a 3.25 or higher grade point average by the end of their junior year. The following students have demonstrated academic excellence and are awarded membership in the South Plainfield High School Scholastic Honor Society:

Ravi Patel, Pauline Lee, Daniel Sierzega, Kristina Latonio, Wajdi Kanj, Ryan Decker, Adam Toth, Jacqueline Arango, Kyle Kazimir, Matina Ganiaris, Almasa Amini, Anuj Patel, Wendy Kollarik, Frank Dietzold, Victoria Boley, Michael Salerno, Ashley Ritchey, Jonathan Buggie, Charlyn Magat, Danielle Aronowitz, Michael Carmon, Josef Rodriguez, Elaine Alexander, David Allara, Christopher Horn, Amanda Rastelli, Shannon Boyles, Kristie Butrico, Matthew Santone, Tara Israel, Catherine Flannery, Kaitlin Bundy, Ankit Patel, Katherine Kaczka, Carly Stoeckel, Robert Barone, Arti Amin, Tarryn Carlton, Brittany Lee, Christinna DelGenio, Jordan Lynch, John Okuski, Chelsea Palato, Brian Edwards, Susan Smela, Janice Hussain, Julie Patel, Christopher Czaplinski, Chrisann Zushma, Christopher Dickerson, Sarah Green, Alexander Tierney, Jennifer Martinez, Miguel Garcia, Jonathan Rodger, Robin Zushma, Elvis Diaz and Gregory Garbowsky.

◆ Principal's Award For Educational Improvement

(\$500) presented by Dr. Kenneth May Andrew McGill, Zachary Coppola, Lauren Laferrera, Tim Barkolow



◆ Principal's Award For Citizenship (\$500) presented by Dr. Kenneth May Jennifer Martinez, Jeanine Christopher, Shawn Brown, James Bataille, Jermaine Thomas

◆ Emil Leporino Memorial Scholarship (\$1,000) presented to Guy Severini

◆ Suburban Woman's Club (\$1000) presented by Filomena Viola and Frieda Walker-Jacqueline Arango

◆ VFW and Ladies Auxiliary #6763 Scholarship (\$1,000, \$500) presented by Commander Harold



◆ Flanagan's Mark DeLair Memorial Scholarship

(\$1,500) presented by Steve Novak-Jeanine Christopher

◆ South Plainfield Senior Citizens FLA Scholarship

(\$500) presented by JoAnn Graf and Loretta Conroy-Julie Patel

◆ Claire and John Graf Family Foundation

(\$500) presented by JoAnn Graf-Josef Rodriguez

◆ South Plainfield Football Eagles

(\$500 each) presented by Darren Gorman and Christina Butrico-James Bataille, Joe DeBiase, Robin Zushma

◆ Connie Mason Memorial Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Judy Hartpence-Matina Ganiaris

◆ American Association of University Women Scholarship

(\$1,000, \$500) presented by Judy Hartpence-Jacqueline Arango, Catherine Flannery

◆ South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop

(\$500) presented by Jayne Mott-Chris Abbott, Tristan More

◆ South Plainfield Historical Society Scholarship

(\$250) presented by Dorothy Miele-Greg Publik

◆ Franklin School PTA/Thomas B. Lenahan Memorial Scholarship

(\$1,000) presented by Genevieve Zipp-Robert Hoffman

◆ Alice Boffa Memorial Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Carol Grennier-Tarryn Carlton

◆ Jim Tierney Memorial Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Karen Steingart-Christopher Kelly

◆ John F. Kennedy School PTO Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Tree Olano-Brittany Lee

◆ John F. Kennedy School Betty Bogeatzes Memorial Scholarship

(\$800) presented by Sandra Doyon-Sarah Green

◆ John F. Kennedy School Joyce Papp Memorial Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Sandy Doyon and Gregg Papp-Jenee Douras, Kenneth Wakefield

◆ Roosevelt School PTA

(\$750) presented by Mr.Decker-Christopher Czaplinski

◆ South Plainfield High School PTA Scholarship

(\$1,000) presented by Joann Haus and Marge Reedy-Wendy Kollarik, Brittany DeNitzio, Alex Tierney

◆ Austin Huslage Memorial Scholarship

(3-\$500, \$1,500) presented by Theresa Huslage-David Miglis, Joshua Jackson, Tara Israel, James Bataille

◆ South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Co. Joseph Delaney Memorial Scholarship

(\$2,000) presented by Ed Silhanek-Danny Sierzega, Robin Zushma

◆ South Plainfield Police Athletic League

(\$750) presented by Detectives Chris Colucci and Gary

◆ South Plainfield Middle School PTA Christian DeRose Memorial Scholarship

(\$350) presented by Fred Oberkehr and Debbie Bishop-Sarah Green, Brittany Lee, James Bataille

◆ South Plainfield Junior Woman's Club Mary Ann Helfrich Memorial Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Eileen Boettger-Ngozi Okparaeke

◆ South Plainfield Wrestling Club Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Joseph DeBiase and Jim Conroy-Guy Severini, Joe DeBiase, Frank Demerest, Chris Czaplinski, Carly Stoeckel, Kelly Butrico

◆ South Plainfield High School Field Hockey Association Scholarship

(\$300) presented by Sharon Miller-Ngozi Okparaeke, Heather Loenser, Amanda Rastelli

◆ Adele deLeuw Scholarship Fund

(\$1,000) presented by Dick DeAndrea-Kyle Kazimir, Jennifer Martinez, Danny Sierzega

◆ South Plainfield Golf Association Scholarship

(\$500) presented by Dick DeAndrea-Guy Severini, Billy Weaver, Danny DeAndrea, Mike Alvarez



Cassio-Jackie Arango, Chris Dickerson

◆ South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club Scholarship

(\$1,000) presented by Bill DeNitzio-Daniel Sierzega, Kyle Kazimir

◆ South Plainfield Parents' Ponytail Softball Association Scholarship

(\$500) presented by James Bishop-Amanda Rastelli, Brittany DeNitzio, Vicky Boley

◆ South Plainfield High School PTA Scholarship

(\$1,000) presented by Joann Haus and Marge Reedy-Wendy Kollarik, Brittany DeNitzio, Alex Tierney

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(\$500) presented by Rich D'Urso-Ashley Ritchey, Kristie Butrico, Guy Severini, James Bataille

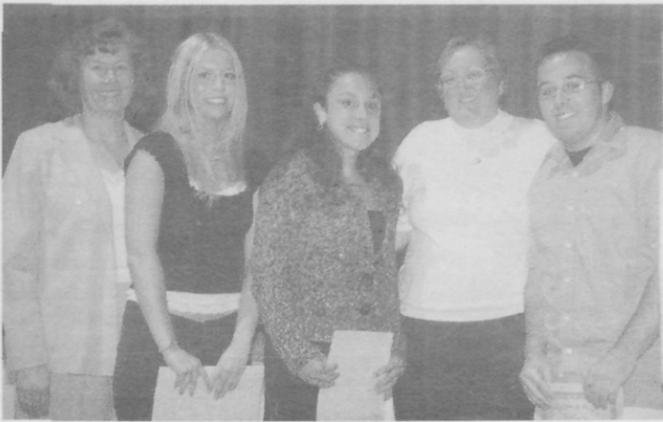
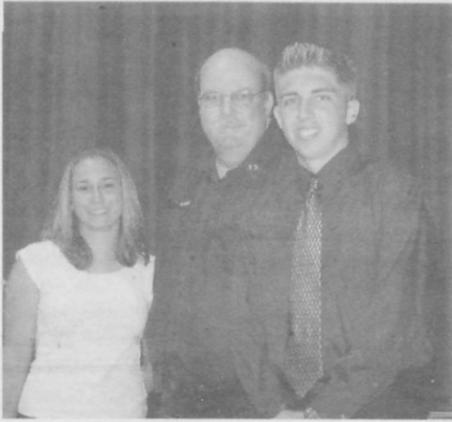
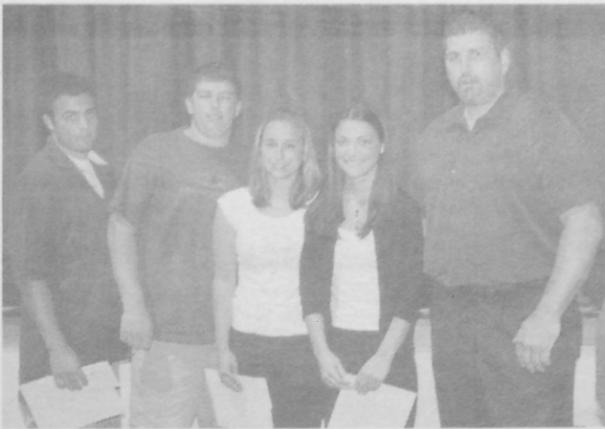
◆ South Plainfield Education Foundation Scholarships

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◆ **Giakas Family Foundation Scholarship**
(2-\$2,000, \$5,000) presented by Mr. Giakas-Carly Stoeckel, Laura Papp, Renee Stopherd

◆ **Jeannette Smalley Memorial Scholarship**
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◆ **Robustelli Family Foundation**
(\$1,000) presented to Tara Israel, Frank Dietzold, Catherine Flannery

◆ **Mary Smyllie Memorial Scholarship**
(\$400) presented by Michelle Cochran Morin-Tarryn Carlton

◆ **James and Doris Boyle Memorial Fund**
(6 \$2,000, \$3,000) presented by Deborah, Meghan, Michael and Patrick Boyle-Johanna Hedler, Catherine Flannery, Christopher Abbott, Christopher Czaplinski, Jon Buggey, Matthew Santone, Jessa Jones

◆ **Chad Cook Memorial Scholarship**
(\$1,000) presented by James Cook-Shawn Brown

◆ **Michael DeCarlo Scholarship**
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◆ **United States Marines**
presented by Sgt. Rano; Scholar-Athlete Awards-Kyle Kazimir, Catherine Flannery

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◆ **P.D. Foundation**
(\$100) presented by Helen Gottlieb-Ravi Patel, Pauline Lee, Danny Sierzega

◆ **Plainfield's Chapter of UNICO**
presented by Donna Ship-Heather Loenser, Brittany DeNitzio, Elaine Alexander, Brittany Lee, Kristin Kunie, Jonathan Buggey (Brian Piccolo Award)

◆ **Edward J. Bloustein Distinguished Scholars Program:** This award is given to a select number of students in New Jersey who are ranked in the top 10% of their class and who have combined SAT scores of 1260 or higher. They will receive \$950 annually if they attend a New Jersey College or University-Jonathan Buggey, Michael Carmon, Ryan Decker, Wajdi Kanj, Kyle Kazimir, Wendy Kollarik, Pauline Lee, Anuj Patel, Ravi Patel, Josef Rodriguez, Michael Salerno, Daniel Sierzega and Adam Toth.

◆ **World Languages Department Awards**
presented by Anthony Encinas
Outstanding Achievement in Spanish-Victoria Boley
Outstanding Achievement in French-Wendy Kollarik

◆ **English Department Awards**
presented by Donna Timko
Outstanding Achievement in English-Ashley Ritchey
Outstanding Achievement in Journalism-Elaine Alexander



◆ **Physical Education Department Awards**
presented by Bill Schulte
Outstanding Achievement in Physical Education-James Bataille, Johanna Hedler

◆ **Mathematics Department Award**
presented by Cameron Green-Outstanding Achievement in Mathematics-Ravi Patel



◆ **ESL Department Awards**
presented by Barbara Boyer
Outstanding Achievement in ESL-Karolina Blazejowicz

◆ **Social Studies Department Awards**
presented by Anthony Barca
Outstanding Achievement in Social Studies-Tara Israel, Ashley Ritchey

◆ **Science Department Awards**
presented by Angela Green
Outstanding Achievement in Biology-Pauline Lee
Outstanding Achievement in Chemistry-Ravi Patel
Outstanding Achievement in Physics-Frank Dietzold
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◆ **Art Department Awards**
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Outstanding Achievement in Art-Almasa Amini



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Contribution to SPHS Stage Crew-Chris Kelly

◆ **Presidential Award for Educational Achievement**
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◆ **South Plainfield High School Leadership Program**
presented by Anthony Encinas-Marcellus Abrams, Brian Acrin, Sandra Amaya, Jonathan Buggey,

Jeanine Christopher, Shade Coleman, Joseph DeBiase, Christopher Dickerson, Brittany DeNitzio, Catherine Flannery, Arielle Fumosa, Corey Gilmore, Will Hamilton, Gary Houston, Marissa Judd, Wajdi Kanj, Margaret Lay, Francesca Pasquale, Greg Publik, Katie Scialabba, Jermaine Thomas, Alex Tierney, Chiara Tomei, Adam Toth, Tia Williamson, Meagan Wilson, Nicole Carlson and Guy Severini.

◆ **Academic Team Awards**
presented by Dolly Cammarere-Ravi Patel, Anuj Patel, Tristan More, Kristina Latonio, Wajdi Kanj, Daniel Sierzega, Josef Rodriguez

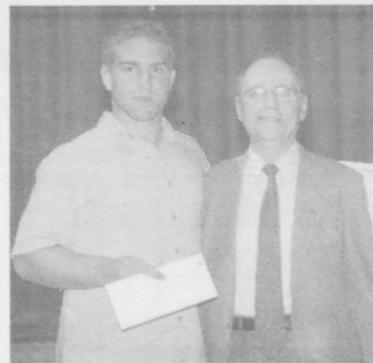
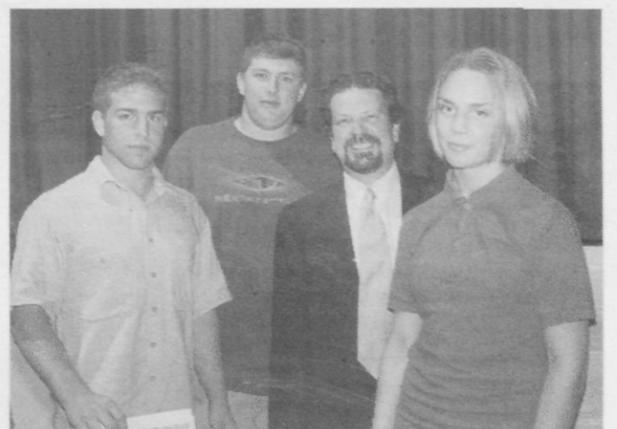
◆ **Henry Banker Memorial Scholarship**
(\$250) presented by Lindsay Ardis-Chris Abbott

◆ **New Jersey School Counselors Association**
presented by Eileen Boettger-Brittany DeNitzio

◆ **South Plainfield Education Association**
(\$1,500) presented by Eileen Boettger-Wajdi Kanj

◆ **South Plainfield High School Guidance Department Scholarship**
(\$250) presented by Eileen Boettger-Dani-Jo DiMaria, Claire Dolling, Arti Amin, Lauren Smithline

◆ **Presidential Award for Educational Excellence**
This award is presented to students who have attained a 3.5 or higher grade point average and achieve in the 85th percentile or higher on SAT's or receive recommendations.
Ravi Patel, Pauline Lee, Daniel Sierzega, Brittany DeNitzio, Wajdi Kanj, Ryan Decker, Adam Toth, Jacqueline Arango, Kyle Kazimir, Almasa Amini, Anuj Patel, Matina Ganiaris, Frank Dietzold, Wendy Kollarik, Victoria Boley, Ashley Ritchey, Dainelle Aronowitz, Michael Salerno, Michael Carmon, Jonathan Buggey, Charlyn Magat, Josef Rodriguez, Elaine Alexander, Kristie Butrico, Christopher Horn, Matthew Santone, Carly Stoeckel, Katherine Kaczka, Amanda Rastelli, Ankit Patel, Catherine Flannery, Robert Barone, Brian Edwards, Jordan Lynch, Brittany Lee, Janice Hussain and Christopher Dickerson.



Sports

Tiger Sharks Compete in Roycefield Meet

On July 11, the South Plainfield Tiger Sharks Swim Team participated in the Roycefield Swim Club Sprint Meet in Hillsborough. Twenty teams from Central New Jersey competed in 25-yard-sprints in the following strokes: butterfly, backstroke, breaststroke and freestyle. Swimmers competed by gender as well as age group. South Plainfield swimmers made an excellent showing in the high point category.

Swimmers are given a designated point for the ten top positions. After the four events, the points are totaled and the swimmer with the most points is the overall winner in that age group.

CalvinJohn Smiley was high point scorer for boys 16-18. He accumulated 37 out of a possible 40 points. This is the seventh year since he was nine-years-old that he has won the high point scorer, making him the only swimmer in the history of the meet to accomplish such a feat.

Dylan McDermott received a perfect score of 40 points in the boys 10-year-old category. Dylan has won this award for the last four years, since he was seven-years-old.

First time winner Taylor Aljian won the girls eight-year-old category with a score of 38 out of a possible 40. Each of these swimmers received a trophy.

Placing second in high point scores were: Aidan McDermott-boys seven-

and-under category, with a total of 37 points; Kevin Jan-boys 10-year-old category, with a total of 35 points and Philip Luzny-boys 15-year-old category, with a total of 34 points.

Medals were awarded to swimmers who placed first, second, or third and ribbons from fourth to 10th place in the individual events. There were a total of 461 athletes competing. South Plainfield swimmers did exceptional well, especially some of our new or first time swimmers. The following are the names and place of our award winning swimmers.

Boys—ages seven-and-under: butterfly, second Aidan McDermott; backstroke, second Aidan McDermott; ninth Enzo Butrico; breaststroke, first Aidan McDermott; freestyle, second Aidan McDermott and fourth Enzo Butrico

Age 8: butterfly, seventh Charlie Butrico; ninth Joey Valentino; backstroke, seventh Joey Valentino; 10th Charlie Butrico; breaststroke, sixth Charlie Butrico; ninth Joey Valentino; freestyle, eighth Joey Valentino and ninth Charlie Butrico

Age 9: butterfly, fifth Liam McDermott; backstroke, sixth Liam McDermott; breaststroke, second Liam McDermott and freestyle, fourth Liam McDermott

Age 10: butterfly, first Dylan McDermott; second Kevin Jan; backstroke, first Dylan McDermott; third



Kevin Jan; breaststroke, first Dylan McDermott; second Kevin Jan; freestyle, first Dylan McDermott and second Kevin Jan.

Age 15: butterfly, second Philip Luzny; backstroke, second Philip Luzny; breaststroke, fourth Philip Luzny and freestyle, second Philip Luzny.

Ages 16-18: butterfly, first CalvinJohn Smiley; backstroke, second CalvinJohn Smiley; breaststroke, third CalvinJohn Smiley and freestyle, first CalvinJohn Smiley.

Girls—Ages seven and under: butterfly, seventh Kelly O'Brien; backstroke, first Kelly O'Brien; 29th Megan McDermott; breaststroke, fifth Kelly O'Brien; freestyle, fourth Kelly O'Brien and 25th Megan McDermott.

Age 8: butterfly, first Taylor Aljian; backstroke, second Taylor Aljian; breaststroke, second Taylor Aljian and freestyle, first Taylor Aljian.

Age 9: butterfly, seventh Gracie Piekarski; 10th Kaitlyn Kenny; 18th Allison Quintanilla; backstroke, sixth Gracie Piekarski; 12th Kaitlyn Kenny; 17th Allison Quintanilla; breaststroke, second Gracie Piekarski; 11th Kaitlyn Kenny; freestyle, third Gracie Piekarski; 10th Kaitlyn Kenny and 21st Allison Quintanilla

Age 10: butterfly, eighth Maggie Valentino; 20th Michelle O'Sullivan; backstroke, seventh Maggie Valentino; eighth Kate O'Brien; 22nd Michelle O'Sullivan; breaststroke, first Kate O'Brien; third Maggie Valentino, 19th Cristina Butrico; freestyle, second Maggie Valentino; 15th Kate O'Brien; 21st Michelle O'Sullivan and 29th Cristina Butrico

Age 11: butterfly, second Sarah Konops; sixth Chelsea Cullen; backstroke, sixth Chelsea Cullen; eighth Sarah Konops; breaststroke, fourth Sarah Konops; ninth Chelsea Cullen; freestyle, third Chelsea Cullen and fourth Sarah Konops.

Age 12: butterfly, sixth Emily Piekarski; 10th Teresa Gustafson; 13th Michelle Gustafson; backstroke, fifth Emily Piekarski; ninth Teresa

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Tiger Sharks Dive Team Results

On Monday, July 5, the Tiger Sharks dive meet was held at our own wonderful South Plainfield pool and the opposing team was Frog Hollow. The kids all did a great job!

In the eight-and-under age group: coming in third place for the boys was Eddie Kobilis, following in fourth was Jacob Alba. For the girls; taking first place was Taylor Aljian, second place went to Janet Kelly, third place was taken by Jamie Bohn, and fourth place went to Anna Caruso.

In the 9/10 age group: Taking first place was Jena Cianfrocca for the girls, with Alexis Alba placing third. Taking second was Patrick Boyle in the boys.

In the girls 11/12 age group: Geri Pinto took second place and Julia Caruso took fourth in the girls. George

Graves won first place, with Josh Biggs bringing home second for the boys.

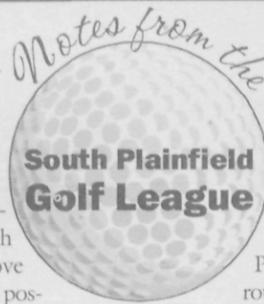
In the 13/14 age group: Clare Kelly took second place, Julie Zappi placed third and Rachel Milliron came in fourth for the girls. Stephen Kelly won first place, Ian Collins came in second, Michael Boyle took third, and Stephen Wagner took fourth for the boys.

In girls 15/18: Kayleigh McGovern brought home the first place prize, with Megan Boyle in second.

The Tiger Sharks Dive Team did a great job and they are all beautiful to watch! The next meet at South Plainfield Community Pool is on Monday July 19. It starts at 6 p.m.

Come out and see our Tiger Sharks Dive team perform!

Submitted By Bob Nilan



Captain George Popik's rousing pep talk to his struggling Masters team that sported a winless 0-3-1 record at the time really lit a fire—Masters won its fifth match in-a-row to move from last place into sole possession of first place in the tight American Division race.

Danny Griffin turned in another terrific round for Masters with a 35, Alfie Schroeder showed his true talent with a fine round of 37 and Al Szumski contributed a 38 to lead Masters to a 14-6 victory over Witty's. Howard Adler of Witty's again shot a beautiful round of golf with an even-par 33.

Aiello Chiropractic got good efforts from Ed Banach with a 36 and Fred "Catfish" Kirchofer and Phil Aiello, Sr., both had 38's, but they had too many strokes to give as they dropped their match to Hank's Hackers, 16-4. Todd Sherman fired a two-over 35 for Hank's and Kevin Boyce continued his fine play with another solid round of 37.

Mark Chichvar and Mike Sikanowicz both had 37's to lead Plainfield Animal Hospital to a 14-6 win over KC's Korner. Dan Conti of KC's Korner earned medalist honors for his team with a nice round of 36.

In the National Division, where things are also tightening up, league-leading Sport & Social was upended by the South Plainfield Elks who seem to have finally come to life. Captain Dale Dube led the way for the Elk's 14-6 victory with a 39; Dennis Bibby's 40 was the low score for Sport & So-

cial that maintained its slim first-place lead.

Patti's Construction held onto second place despite being crushed by Pornovets, 16½-3½. Frank Oades of Pornovets had the low-round of the match with a

40.

In the most lopsided win of the night, Twin City enjoyed an easy romp over the VFW, 19-1. Joe Dillar's 40 was the low-score for Twin City and Bob Nilan had a 42 to gain medalist honors for the VFW.

Mark Chichvar of PAH won the closest-to-the-pin competition on the third hole and Adam Thomas of KC's Korner earned his sponsor's luncheon-for-two prize for his fine tee shot on the fifth hole.

Low Scores for the Night: Howard Adler- 33; Danny Griffin- 35; Todd Sherman- 35; Dan Conti- 36; Ed Banach- 36; Mark Chichvar- 37; Mike Sikanowicz- 37; Alfie Schroeder- 37 and Kevin Boyce- 37.

LEAGUE STANDINGS:

American Division	W	L	T
Masters	5	3	1
PAH	5	4	0
Aiello	5	4	0
KC's Korner	5	4	0
Hank's	4	4	1
Witty's	2	7	0
National Division	W	L	T
Sport & Social	6	3	0
Patti's	5	3	1
Twin City	5	4	0
Pornovets	5	4	0
Elks	2	5	2
VFW	2	6	1

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Obituaries

Ruth E. Testa, 83

Ruth E. Testa died on Thursday, July 7 at John F. Kennedy Medical Center in Edison.

Born in Bayonne, Mrs. Testa grew up in the Iselin Section of Woodbridge Township and settled in South Plainfield in the late 1940's.

She was extremely family-oriented and loved to cook and bake. She had spent many years working for her daughters in their deli, The Corner Deli.

She is predeceased by a daughter, Judith Krempa, who died in 2003 and a brother, Howard Krommes.

Surviving are her husband, Salvatore "Sam;" two daughters and their husbands, Ruth "Cookie" and Frank Ferraro and Doreen and Stanley "Butch" Bolesta, all of South Plainfield; a sister, Doris Cheslak of Brick and seven grandchildren, Frankie, Tony and Allison Ferraro, John Krempa and Steven, Ricky and Christine Bolesta. Also surviving are five great grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

William E. Golden, 88

William E. Golden died on Friday, July 9 at his home.

Born and raised in Shamokin, Pa., Golden resided in Plainfield before settling in South Plainfield in 1958.

Employed as a freelance draftsman for many years, he began his career with Mack Truck in Plainfield and later worked for Chemplant Design in New York City and Eagen, Inc. of Funderene before his retiring.

Mr. Golden enjoyed his past time golfing.

He is predeceased by a son, Gregory W., who died in Jan. of 1989.

He is survived by his wife, Julia (Indico) Golden; a daughter, Verna Lucas of South Plainfield and a brother, Robert Golden of Shamokin, Pa.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

Harold R. Cox, 79

Harold R. Cox of Forked River, formerly of South Plainfield, died on Thursday, July 8 at the Community Medical Center in Toms River.

Harold was born in Newark and was raised in Randolph and Irvington. He was a former 30-year resident of South Plainfield before moving to Forked River 24 years ago.

Harold was a driver for Hossman Beverage and Pabst Brewing Com-

pany in Irvington for 44 years before retiring in 1986.

Harold served his country during WWII, serving in the 107th CD's of the United States Navy. He was stationed in the Tinian Islands in the South Pacific when the Enola Gay dropped the atomic bomb. He was a member of the VFW Post 9503 in Bayville and the American Legion Post 351 in Seaside Heights.

He was a member of the Lacey BPO Elks Lodge 2518 and the Forked River Moose Lodge 1907.

Harold was dedicated to the youth of South Plainfield and in 1975 was recognized by the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club for 20 years of outstanding service. He was a longtime coach and served as commissioner in 1975. He was a member and coached the Pee Wees for the South Plainfield Pop Warner Football Eagles and served one term as commissioner.

He was predeceased by his beloved wife, Lois Williams Cox, who died in 1988 and a brother, Kenneth Cox, who died in 1999.

He is survived by a daughter, Nancy O'Neil of Delaware, NJ; five sons, William C. Cox of Arizona, Robert H. Cox of New Orleans, Paul D. Cox of Mechanicsburg, Pa., Thomas J. Cox of Forked River and James E. Cox of South Plainfield; a brother, Frank Cox of South Plainfield; 13 grandchildren and two great grandchildren.

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

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory can be made to the Children's Specialized Hospital, 150 New Providence Rd., Mountaintop, NJ 07092.

Dolores (Bowman) Easton, 74

Dolores (Bowman) Easton died on Friday, July 10 in the Manor by the Sea Nursing Home in Ocean Grove.

Born in Elizabeth, she resided in Roselle before moving to South Plainfield in 1957.

Dolores was a homemaker. Her husband, William Easton, died in 1989.

Surviving are a daughter, Cathy Easton of Ocean; a son and daughter-in-law, Thomas S. and Cathy Easton of Green Brook; two sisters, Dorette Bobrowski of Cranford and Janet Glickson of Monroe Twp. and two granddaughters, Lauren and Chrissy.

Funeral services were held at the McCriskin Home For Funerals.

Sports



Kneeling left to right: Eric LaVerne, Mark Tomei, Dylan Dorey, Ryan Marcoux, Stephen Petriello and Shane O'Connor; standing left to right are Jonathan Horvat, Kurt Maniaci, Chris Kukuch, Tommy Bowden, Jared Aronowitz and Ryan Hughes. Coaches are left to right: John Petriello, Anthony Dorey, Bill Bowden and Jeff Marcoux.

10-Year-Old All Stars District Championships

The South Plainfield 10-Year-Old All-Star team successfully defended their Cal Ripken District Championship by defeating North Edison 5-0.

Excellent pitching highlighted South's run as no opponent scored

more than three runs in any game. Timely hitting, aggressive base-running and a sharp defense helped to complete the sweep of the Districts and a berth in the State Tournament to be held in Mt. Olive next week.

Currently the team is 10-3 with a third place finish in Clark in addition to the Ripken title.

Congratulations on an excellent job so far!

11-Year-Old All Stars Take Cranford Tournament

The South Plainfield 11-year-old Traveling All Stars defeated Wyckoff 12-2 in the final to win the Cranford Invitational Tournament on July 8 in Cranford.

The 11-year-olds are at it again. They took the bragging rights to another baseball tournament at the Cranford Invitational last week in Cranford.

A lopsided victory was accomplished in the final with a stunning offensive attack. Richie Szeliga went three-for-four with two runs scored. Danny Hansen went four for four with four runs scored. Brandon Downes went three-for-four with a home run, six RBIs and two runs scored. Riley Hubner threw a complete game allowing three hits and two runs in the final against Wyckoff.

The team's offense throughout the tournament was led by Brandon Downes, who posted 21 RBIs, hit a total of five home runs, two of them grand slams. Richie Szeliga and Dylan Papa also homered in the tournament. Danny Hansen hit seven doubles and led in runs scored with 17. Ryan Harrington reached base safely 17 out of 21 times at bat. Pitchers Ryan Harrington, Riley Hubner, Dylan



Kneeling: Vincent DaPonte, Danny Hansen, Coach Chris Hubner and Kyle Pompilio; middle row standing: Gerry Pinto, Brandon Downes, Zach Sikanowicz, Eric Niemeyer, Ryan Harrington, Riley Hubner. Feet off the ground is Richie Szeliga. Back row: Coaches Mike Downes, Bob Harrington and Chris Hansen. Not pictured are Matt Miceli and Dylan Papa.

Papa, Gerry Pinto and Matt Miceli combined to allow a total of 16 runs, and struck out 27 batters in seven games, while South Plainfield piled up a total of 70 runs against their opponents. Wyckoff proved to be the most formidable opponent that South

Plainfield has faced. Cranford holds an annual baseball tournament every year, much the same as the South Plainfield Junior baseball Club does. Cranford put on a very well organized tournament that was a big success.

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LEGAL NOTICES

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 1674

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

Ordinance #1674 entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE #521 ENTITLED: "AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A FIRE PREVENTION CODE PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS GOVERNING CONDITIONS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE OR EXPLOSION AND ESTABLISHING A BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION AND PROVIDING OFFICERS THEREFOR AND DEFINING THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES" was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, July 16, 2004 and that a public hearing be scheduled for 8:00 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 2004 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey.

ORDINANCE NO. 1674

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE ENTITLED "ORDINANCE #521 ENTITLED, AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A FIRE PREVENTION CODE PRESCRIBING REGULATIONS GOVERNING CONDITIONS HAZARDOUS TO LIFE AND PROPERTY FROM FIRE OR EXPLOSION, AND ESTABLISHING A BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION AND PROVIDING OFFICERS THEREFOR AND DEFINING THEIR POWERS AND DUTIES."

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, that Ordinance #775 the title of which is recited above is hereby amended and supplemented as follows:

Section 14.8 Automatic Fire Alarms - Residential Use:

- The Construction Official shall designate licensed inspectors to inspect structures used or intended for use for residential purposes. Said structures shall have a smoke sensitive alarm device on each level of the structure and outside each separate sleeping area in the immediate vicinity of the bedrooms, such as bedroom hallways, and located on or near the ceiling in accordance with National Fire Protection Association Standard No. 74-1984 for the installations, maintenance and use of household fire warning equipment. Each dwelling unit containing a fuel burning appliance or containing an attached garage shall have a listed carbon monoxide detector installed outside each separate sleeping area, such as bedroom hallways, in the immediate vicinity of bedrooms. (The smoke sensitive device shall be tested and listed by a product certification agency recognized by the Bureau of Fire Safety.

- Structures constructed prior to January 1, 1977. Installation of battery operated smoke sensitive alarm devices and carbon monoxide detectors shall be accepted as meeting the requirements of this section.
- Structures constructed after January 1, 1977. Installation shall be electrically operated smoke sensitive devices as well as either electrically operated or battery operated carbon monoxide detectors.
- An inspection of the lowest floor level which may have installed a sump pit and pump for the discharge of any ground water into any other discharge system approved by the Borough except that in no case shall the sump pump be allowed to discharge into the plumbing system of the dwelling unit. Such discharge systems shall be in conformance with the National Standard Plumbing Code.

- Any dwelling unit that is connected by and serviced by a central system shall require the following:
 - A representative or authorized agent of the company that manages the central system be present during the test;
 - Or in lieu of a representative or authorized agent, a knowledgeable person, homeowner, tenant, property manager or similar person shall be present to demonstrate and test the system;

- At the time of the request for smoke detector certification, a waiver shall be signed by the party requesting the inspection holding the Borough and it's officials, employees, officers and inspectors harmless in the event that a smoke detector device becomes damaged, inoperable or otherwise be put out of service.

- Fee Schedule
 - Certificate of Approval 1 to 4 family dwelling \$50.00 each
 - Multi-family dwellings 4 units or more \$40.00 each
 - All inspections requested at times other than the time designated by the Construction Official shall be twice the fee as set forth herein
 - Reprint of any issued certificate \$15.00 each

- Missed Inspections/Failure
 - If the inspector(s) cannot gain entry at any scheduled inspection, the applicant shall forfeit the fee posted and shall be required to submit a new application and fee.
 - If, after two inspections the dwelling unit is still not in compliance with this chapter, the applicant shall forfeit the fee posted and shall be required to submit a new application and fee.
 - If an inspector finds any required smoke or carbon monoxide detector not installed, the applicant shall forfeit the fee posted and shall be required to submit a new application and fee.

- Duration of Certificate of Approval
 - A certification of municipal compliance shall be valid for six months and shall be issued to the original owner. Any change of ownership or tenant shall require a new certificate of approval regardless of the length of time.

- Penalties

A certificate of municipal compliance shall be issued by the Construction Official prior to resale or re-occupancy when the dwelling unit(s) complies with the above. Failure to obtain a certificate of approval prior to resale, or re-occupancy, will result in the penalties:

First Offense Not more than \$500.00
Each subsequent offense Not more than \$2,000.00
Penalties shall be collected by the local enforcing Agency.
All other provisions of Ordinance #775 shall remain in full force and effect.
All other ordinances or parts of ordinance in conflict herewith are hereby expressly repealed.
This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication and adoption in accordance with New Jersey Law.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk

\$161.00 July 16, 2004

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 1673

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

Ordinance #1673 entitled: AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING VARIOUS BOROUGH INTERSECTIONS AS "STOP" INTERSECTIONS AND PROVIDING FOR STOP SIGNS AT THE SAID INTERSECTIONS was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, July 16, 2004 and that a public hearing be scheduled for 8:00 p.m. on Monday, August 9, 2004 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey

ORDINANCE NO. 1673

AN ORDINANCE DESIGNATING VARIOUS BOROUGH INTERSECTIONS AS A STOP INTERSECTION AND PROVIDING FOR A STOP SIGN AT THE INTERSECTION OF THE BELOW NOTED INTERSECTIONS.

WHEREAS both Green Street and Lorraine Avenue are totally self contained streets within the Borough of South Plainfield and have no direct connection with any street in any other municipality; and

WHEREAS the Municipal Engineer of the Borough of South Plainfield after investigation of the circumstances and under their seal as a licensed professional engineer has certified to the municipal governing body that the designation of the following intersections as a stop intersection and the erection of a stop sign at said intersections is in the interest of safety and the expedition of traffic and will conform to the current standards prescribed by the Uniform Traffic Control Devices for Streets and Highways as adopted by the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of New Jersey:

- Green Place eastbound at Kenneth Avenue
- Green Place east and westbound at Spicer Avenue
- Green Place east and westbound at Delmore Avenue
- Green Place westbound at Arlington Avenue
- Lorraine Avenue westbound at Arlington Avenue and

WHEREAS the Mayor and Borough Council support said designations in the interest of public safety:

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that pursuant to the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:4-140 that the intersections described is hereby designated as a "Stop" intersection. "Stop" signs shall be installed as provided.

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| Green Place east and westbound at Delmore Avenue | Green Place |
| Green Place westbound at Arlington Avenue | Green Place |
| Lorraine Avenue westbound at Arlington Avenue | Lorraine Avenue |

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

A certified copy of this ordinance shall be transmitted by the Clerk of the Borough of South Plainfield to the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of New Jersey as required by law.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk

\$105.00

July 16, 2004

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 1669

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

Ordinance #1669 entitled: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL LAND KNOWN AS BLOCK 524 LOTS 11 AND 12 TO DAVECO INDUSTRIES, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$142,000 was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held thereon by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2004 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk

\$22.75 July 16, 2004

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 1670

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

Ordinance #1670 entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 143 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD ENTITLED: "PEACE AND GOOD ORDER" was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held thereon by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2004 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk

\$22.75 July 16, 2004

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 1671

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

Ordinance #1671 entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 19 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD ENTITLED: "LICENSE FEES" was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held thereon by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2004 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk

\$22.75 July 16, 2004

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE NO. 1672

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

Ordinance #1672 entitled: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD AND THE METHODS OF COMPENSATION FOR SAID EMPLOYEES FOR THE YEARS 2004 THROUGH 2006 was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held thereon by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield at 8:00 p.m. on Monday, July 12, 2004 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

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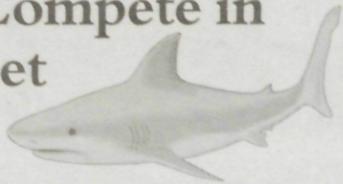
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Tiger Sharks Compete in Roycefield Meet



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Gustafson; 14th Michelle Gustafson; breaststroke, eighth Emily Piekarski; 14th Michelle Gustafson; freestyle, sixth Emily Piekarski; 13th Teresa Gustafson and 16th Michelle Gustafson.

Age 13: butterfly, 16th Anna Petritsch; backstroke, 14th Anna Petritsch; breaststroke, 17th Anna Petritsch and freestyle, 19th Anna Petritsch

Age 14: butterfly, ninth Joanna

Luzny; 12th Abigail Petritsch; 13th Liz Valentino; backstroke, ninth Abigail Petritsch; 12th Joanna Luzny; 13th Liz Valentino; breaststroke, ninth Joanna Luzny; 12th Liz Valentino; 13th Abigail Petritsch; freestyle, fifth Joanna Luzny; ninth Abigail Petritsch and 12th Liz Valentino.

Age 15: butterfly, fourth Leah Konops; Backstroke, ninth Leah Konops; breaststroke, eighth Leah Konops and freestyle, first Leah Konops.

Halfway through the meet the coaches had their turn to swim in the 100 Individual Medley. Assistant Coach Shannon Dabrio represented South Plainfield placing 13th. Shannon swims on the Rowan University Swim Team. The Tiger Sharks head coach is Laurie Post, who is always on deck encouraging and praising the swimmers.

The South Plainfield Tiger Sharks will be hosting the Odd Age Jubilee this Sunday, July 18, with a 7:40 a.m. starting time at the South Plainfield Community Pool on Maple Ave.

Elks Club Award Scholarships at Annual Flag Day Cememories

Story/photos by Patricia Abbott

The South Plainfield Elks Lodge recently held their annual Flag Day ceremony. Girl Scouts of all ages presented the flags for the event. At the conclusion of the ceremony, the lodge presented scholarships to eight SPSHS seniors: Daniel Sierzega, Brittany Lee, James Bataille, Derek Ray Smith, Jamie Irber, Ryan Andrew Yannetta, Catherine Flannery and Jennifer Lynn Buccino.

To be eligible for an Elks scholarship a student must be a graduating child, grandchild, stepchild, or step-grandchild of an Elk member in good standing of the lodge. The applications are reviewed by a committee and rated according to their application letter, financial need, letters of recommendation, and school and community involvement. The lodge normally chooses two youths, but this year they received additional monies. The scholarships are awarded in the memory of Gery Fantazir and Rose Napoliello. The Scholarship committee is made up of John and Barbara Muller.

In addition to the scholarships, the lodge presented awards to their Americanism Essay winners. They had sev-



L-R Daniel Sierzega, Brittany Lee, James Bataille, Derek Ray Smith, Jamie Irber, Ryan Andrew Yannetta, Catherine Flannery, and Jennifer Lynn Buccino.

eral winners from the lodge who competed at the Elks National Level Essay Contest entitled "Why I Am Proud To Say The Pledge of Allegiance".

Kaitlyn Salvatore won first place in the Central District. She received a \$100 check, a certificate and gift certificate for Sam Goody's from the Americanism Committee.

Melissa Valdivia won third place in

the Central District and first place State. She received a check and plaque from the state and a certificate and gift certificate for Sam Goody's from the Americanism Committee.

Geriana Pinto, Alexandra Fee and Adrienne Novak: Honorable Mention received gift certificates from Sam Goody's from the Americanism Committee.

LEGALS

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY
LEGAL NOTICE

July 9, 2004

Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Board of Adjustment at its meeting held on July 6, 2004.

A. Case #38-03/1—Carole Media, LLC. Block 537; Lot 2; Bedford Ave. The variance application for a proposed billboard was hereby DENIED.

B. Case #38-04—Engine City Technical Institute. Block 528; Lot 46.08; 901 Hadley Rd. The applicant's request to conduct a post high school technical school was hereby GRANTED with conditions.

C. Case #40-04—Central Jersey Orthopedics, PA. Block 64; Lot 1; 1907 Park Ave. The applicant's request to withdraw this application without prejudice was hereby GRANTED.

D. Case #41-04—Renata Dolinski. Block 239; Lot 6; 3208 Beverly Rd. The applicant's request for the erection of a fence was hereby GRANTED.

E. Case #44-04—Chandresh Mody, Block 254.01; Lot 13; 21 O'Loughlin Dr. The applicant's request for a rear yard setback variance for the construction of a first floor deck, 3 ft. high; 23 ft. wide and 14 by 16 ft. deep was hereby GRANTED.

F. Case #45-04—Continental Construction (Dahliwal). Block 254.01; Lot 6; 228 Oak Tree Rd. The applicant's request for a front yard setback variance to permit the construction of an addition to the existing two story frame dwelling with a two ft. cantilever and a front yard setback of 28 ft. or greater was hereby GRANTED.

G. Case #46-04—125 Liberty LLC. Block 295; Lot 1; 1907 Park Ave. The applicant's request that the subject property is a valid pre-existing non conforming two family use was confirmed by the South Plainfield Board of Adjustment.

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

\$49.00 July 16, 2004

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 and Home Generator. 1. Proposed garage addition lacks 30' setback from Terrace Ave., 25' proposed; 2. Proposed inground pool lacks 30' setback from Terrace Ave., 12' proposed; 3. Emergency generator not customary for residential home (interpretation or use variance); and 4. such other variances, waivers or relief necessary. 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, August 12, 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 July 16, 2004

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
Public Notice
RETURN OF PERFORMANCE BOND

To Dewitt and Joyce Giles for public improvements at 581 Arlington Ave. in South Plainfield, Lot 8.01, Block 366.

A public meeting has been scheduled by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield to hear objections, if any, to the release of a Performance Bond posted by Dewitt and Joyce Giles on Monday, August 9, 2004 for public improvements at 581 Arlington Ave., South Plainfield, NJ known as Lot 8.01 Block 366 listed on the official tax maps of the Borough of South Plainfield. Said public hearing will be held 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

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RETURN OF PERFORMANCE BOND

To David Sesok Jr. for public improvements at 60 Norway Lane Extension in South Plainfield, Lot 21, Block 174.

A public meeting has been scheduled by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield to hear objections, if any, to the release of a Performance Bond posted by David Sesok Jr. on Monday, August 9, 2004 for public improvements at 60 Norway Lane Extension, South Plainfield, NJ known as Lot 21, Block 174 listed on the official tax maps of the Borough of South Plainfield. Said public hearing will be held 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

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