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Remembering
September 11
2001

A Prayer Service honoring those who lost their lives in the September 11, 2001 terrorist attacks will be held on Monday, September 11 beginning at 8:45 a.m. at the Fireman's Memorial (next to the Senior Center). The public is invited.

Police Officer Struck by Car

South Plainfield Police Officer Sherlyn Courtney was struck by a car as she was investigating a downed tree blocking the northbound lanes of Park Ave. near the Golden Acres Shopping center last Saturday.

Courtney's marked police car was parked in the southbound lane of Park Ave. while she was in the northbound lanes, clearing away debris. A 2000 Toyota Camry, operated by John Drosdick, 73 of Edison, was traveling northbound on Park Ave. when

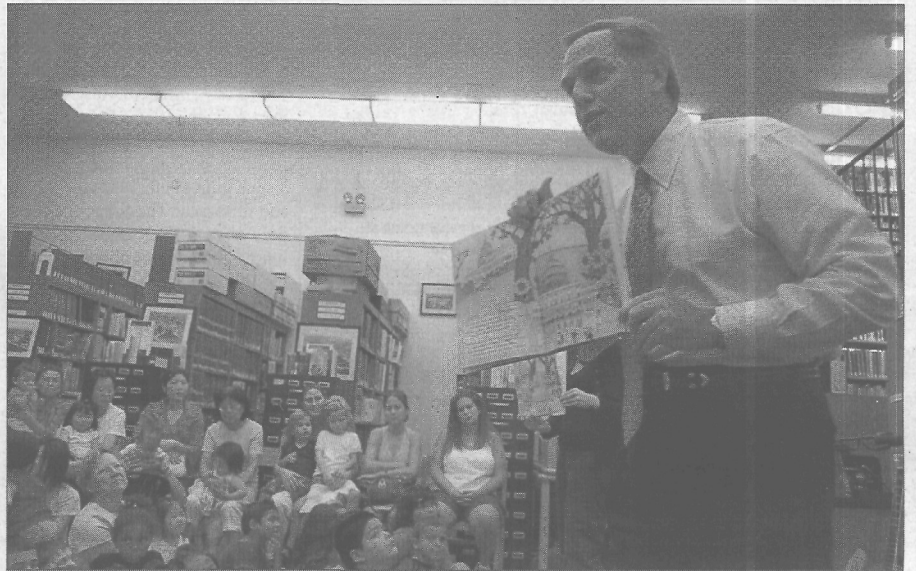
he struck the downed tree and then Officer Courtney. She was dragged approximately 20 feet.

The South Plainfield Rescue Squad treated her at the scene and transported her to Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick where she was treated for minor injuries.

John Drosdick was cited for careless driving. The crash is being investigated by Officer Michael Grasso and South Plainfield Police Traffic Safety Unit.



The intersection of New Market Ave. and Hamilton Blvd. is now open to traffic.



Mike Ferguson reads to children at South Plainfield Public Library just before Mr. Kurt performed "Silly Songs" to celebrate the end of the library's annual summer reading program. For more on Mr. Kurt, see page 8.

Hamilton Blvd./New Market Ave. Intersection Opens in Time for School

The intersection of Hamilton Blvd. and New Market Ave. was re-opened last Friday; however, work on the boulevard is not yet complete.

The intersection, closed for a month while repairs were being made, caused headaches for businesses and motorists along the boulevard. Even though the intersection is open, traffic is still only allowed to travel south along Hamilton Blvd. between New Market and Belmont avenues. There is also a telephone pole in the middle of the New Market intersection that has yet to be removed, but traffic is not affected.

Businesses have suffered finan-

cial losses all along the boulevard. Color coded signs were put up to help customers locate businesses, but they were still affected during the construction, some even choosing to close. With the first day of school Wednesday, police were present to help with the traffic flow. There is only one driveway into the Roosevelt School parking lot and the same one is used to exit. Construction crews are expected to pave up to Harvard Ave. this week and then traffic will be allowed to travel both ways that far on Hamilton Blvd. Northbound traffic will be restricted to only local

use and no trucks will be allowed past Belmont Ave.

According to Councilman Charlie Buttrico, Hamilton Blvd. traffic will remain southbound only for the next month. The traffic will be diverted from the southbound lane to the northbound lane while sidewalks and curbs are installed on that side. Work on the roadway between Belmont and New Market avenues is expected to be completed by the end of September or by the first week of October.

Police were also assigned to all of the schools on opening day to help keep traffic flowing.

Sun Shines on the Borough's Annual Labor Day Celebration

Organizers of the Labor Day Parade spent an anxious weekend watching the weather reports as Tropical Storm Ernesto threatened to ruin the planned festivities. Heavy rains poured all day Saturday and a portion of Sunday morning, accompanied by strong winds. Portions of the PAL field were flooded. This is the area that vendors set up their booths. Trees and branches were strewn along the parade route. However, as in past years, the sun came out and the weather was perfect for a parade.

The 49th Annual Labor Day Parade was huge, with more floats, more marchers and plenty of politicians, including Governor Jon Corzine. This year also saw one of the largest crowds lining the parade route and the mood of the crowd was festive. Marchers from almost every youth group in South Plainfield were joined by 10 bands, hundreds of veterans, as well as vintage cars, clowns, motorcycles, fire engines, dancers and area churches.

This year also saw more vendors at the PAL than ever before and after the parade, the field was filled with hundreds of people visiting the booths, enjoying the food and musical entertain-

ment by Forrester, a South Plainfield-based band.

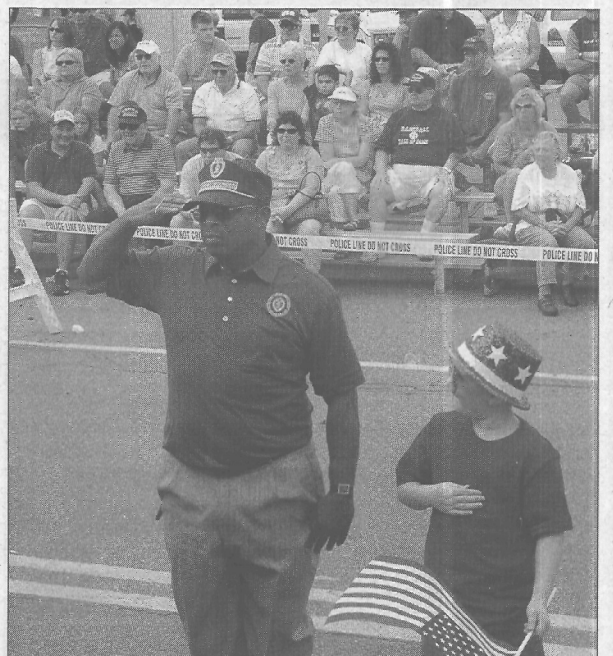
Just about every candidate running in the November election walked the parade route, shaking hands and greeting as many people as possible. Political signs were visible everywhere. Governor Corzine marched the entire route and spoke at both Borough Hall and at the PAL reviewing stand. He has participated in the South Plainfield Labor Day Parade six times and promised to return again.

The day began with the 5K race and 1.5 mile fitness walk, with the largest number of entrants ever. It was a perfect day for a run or walk. Winning the 5K race was South Plainfield resident Mike Loenser, with an excellent time of 4:59 minutes. Participating in this year's race were runners and walkers ranging in ages from 12 to 60+. Watch an upcoming issue for a listing of winners.

The evening festivities began with a concert at Spring Lake Park by Sound Investment. All children received free clappers as they entered the park. The evening concluded with a spectacular fireworks display by Garden State Fireworks.

Labor Day in South Plainfield proved to be another huge success thanks to the hard work of so many volunteers who work tirelessly, planning each little detail for months and then getting up at dawn and working throughout the day. If you see any member of the Public Celebrations Committee, tell them thank you. They are John Sorrentino, Ray Petronko, Matthew Anesh, Don Alexa, Christine Buteas, Michelle Cerami, Kim Gallagher, Marion Gallagher, Kevin Hughes and Joseph Scudato. Also deserving a special thank you are the parade marshals, who keep the parade moving in an orderly fashion; announcers Bill Cochrane and Al Czech; Emergency Management Coordinator Mike Zushma; the CERT volunteers; R.A.C.E. radio operators; and public works employees, who were out at 5:30 a.m. to clean up debris along the parade route. And of course, to all those who marched in the parade—you did a great job! It takes hundreds of volunteers to make this one day such a success and everybody deserves a thank you.

For a listing of trophy winners, please turn to page 7.



An Order of the Purple Heart member salutes the dignitaries assembled at the reviewing stand during the Labor Day Parade.

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council meetings

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

Date	Agenda Meeting	Public Meeting
September 19	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
October 3	7:00 p.m.	8:00 p.m.
October 17	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 (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq) in the Council Chambers at 2480 Plainfield Avenue.

planning board

Meets second and fourth Tuesday of the month, *except where noted.
Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641
Sept. 12, Sept. 26, Oct. 10, Oct. 24, Nov. 28, Dec. 12 and Dec. 26.

zoning board of adjustment

Meets second and fourth Thursday of the month, *except where noted.
Borough Hall Council Chambers, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641
Sept. 14, Sept. 28, Oct. 12, Oct. 26, Nov. 30* and Dec. 14.

board of education meetings

Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave. unless otherwise noted
Committee of the Whole, Wednesdays 7 p.m.—Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13,
Jan. 10, Feb. 14, March 14 and March 28.
Regular Meeting Wednesdays 8 p.m.—Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15,
Dec. 20, Jan. 17, Feb. 21, March and April 4.

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 plans sub-committee

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

recreation commission

Meets once a month on the second Tuesday of the month, except July and August
PAL Building, Maple Ave, 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7716
(No meetings July and Aug.) Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14 and Dec. 12

environmental commission

Meets once a month (second Wednesday)
Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7621
Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13 and Jan. 10.

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 (No Meeting in August)

board of education curriculum/technology meetings

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IN YOUR OPINION

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

My name is Danielle Schweers. I have been a proud member of the South Plainfield community for 21 years. Within those years, I have had the opportunity to display that pride in many athletic events. In return, I was fortunate enough to have received much support and encouragement. To this day, I still sincerely appreciate that support.

I am currently training for the Marine Corps Marathon, which will take place on Oct. 29 in Washington D.C. I am not only running the 26.2 mile race for my own pride; I am running for Tom Ferguson and his family. Mr. Ferguson is the borough administrator for Spring Lake, who was diagnosed with cancer in February 2005. Just recently, his doctors diagnosed his disease as terminal, and have given him three to six months to live. He is currently undergoing intense treatment, straining his family both emotionally and financially. The Spring Lake Police Association has set out to raise as much money as possible to help defray the high medical costs of his treatment. I, along with several members of the Spring Lake Police Association and Spring Lake community members, am going to run the marathon, while the association hopes to raise pledges and sponsorships from each of the runners. Every penny of the money raised will go directly to the Ferguson Family at the completion of the race. For further information regarding the fund, feel free to visit www.runfortom.com.

Growing up in South Plainfield, I have witnessed first-hand what it means to truly help another human being. As I stated before, I am a proud citizen of South Plainfield. We are a small town consisting of those with huge hearts. I ask of you, if it is at all possible, to help and support me in this cause. No donation is too small, as anything and everything is deeply appreciated. If it is not possible to make monetary donations, I only ask you to please keep Mr. Ferguson and his family in your prayers.

Make checks payable to: The Spring Lake Police Association, with a note in the memo of "Run for Tom." Mail them to: Run for Tom Fund, 311 Washington Ave., Spring Lake, NJ 07762. Once again, thank you in advance for your support and encouragement.

SINCERELY,
DANIELLE SCHWEERS

To All Residents,

Did you know the South Plainfield Fire Department is 100% volunteer?

The South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department is seeking new members to increase the number of volunteer firefighters for the Borough of South Plainfield. The fire department operates a 100% volunteer firefighting force to respond to over 1,000 calls for assistance each year. The fire department will provide for all expenses to meet the training requirements for new firefighters as required by the State of New Jersey. There are openings for both the junior fire department, which is for young adults between the ages of 15 and 18 years old, and the senior fire department that is for anyone over the age of 18.

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Volunteerism throughout the nation is at an all time low with the responsibilities that the prospective volunteer has to maintain a household and family. The time that is required to work and attend to daily obligations, along with extracurricular activities, leaves little to no time to volunteer for any organization. Every day there are municipalities that have no choice but to appoint paid individuals to fill the vacant positions once held by volunteer members. The South Plainfield Fire Department is attempting to avoid this action by lifting some restrictions that have been in place for 100 years.

Recently, the fire department, in its efforts to increase its membership, has lifted some of the residency requirements. If you reside in the borough, work in the borough or reside within a reasonable response time to the borough you can become a member of the fire department. If you are interested and would like additional information or would like to arrange an appointment with the fire chief and recruitment officers, contact the fire department at (908) 769-9817.

SP FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fly the Flag On Monday, Sept. 11

Take a moment to think back to how you felt on Sept. 11, 2001 and let those sentiments guide you. On Monday, Sept. 11, Americans are asked to display a flag outside their home, apartment, office or store.

Every individual should make it their duty to display the American Flag on this fifth anniversary of our country's worst tragedy. Do this in honor of those who were killed on 9/11, their families, friends and loved ones who continue to endure the pain and for those who today are fighting at home and abroad to preserve our cherished freedoms.

In the days, weeks and months following 9/11, our country was bathed in American flags as citizens mourned the incredible losses and stood shoulder-to-shoulder against terrorism. Sadly, those flags have all but disappeared. Our patriotism pulled us through some tough times, and it shouldn't take another attack to galvanize us in solidarity. Our American Flag is the fabric of our country and together we can prevail over terrorism of all kinds.

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What You Can Do To Keep Spring Lake Clean?

This is a request to all residents who live near a storm drain: please pick up the litter.

When the rain falls hard on South Plainfield, a lot of it runs into Spring Lake. Spring Lake Park was designed as a flood detention basin. It fills up, water overflows the paths, but the basements of the surrounding houses stay dry. After the rain stops, the lake sinks to its usual level. The high water line is marked by a drift of litter left behind in the wake of the ebbing flood.

Where does all this trash come from? Do the people who walk, jog and bike in the park really throw litter in the lake? Most people are very proud of Spring Lake Park. It is hard to believe they could be so thoughtless.

Actually, most of the litter in the lake is not thrown there directly. It comes from debris that is carelessly dropped in the roadways around the borough. A heavy rain washes it into the storm sewers. Storm sewers are designed to collect surface water and carry it underground to the nearest stream. Those in the central part of the borough empty right into the lake.

Some people throw litter into storm sewer catch basins intentionally, mistakenly thinking the water goes to a sewage treatment plant where impurities are removed. These people have good intentions—they don't want to just drop their discards in the street—but they produce the same negative results as the anti-social litterbug.

New Jersey recently adopted a series of regulations requiring municipalities to prevent rain water from being contaminated in the storm sewers. One measure is to replace old-style catch basins with new "eco-grates." They have smaller holes, to keep debris from washing into drains. These new drain grates must be installed as part of road work projects, so that eventually all the old grates will have to be replaced. Some have already been installed along Belmont Ave., for instance.

The new grates are effective at keeping larger items, such as bottles, cans and fast food wrappings out of the

storm drains. As the number of eco-grates increases, the amount of "floatable" litter in Spring Lake should decrease.

But the bottles and cans don't just vaporize. They sit on top of storm drains, trapping other debris and leaves. It doesn't take long before storm drains clog. Then heavy rains flood the streets. In the winter, ice slicks can form.

Therefore, all borough residents should be careful about keeping litter out of the streets. Use a litter can, or hold onto your refuse until you get home. When setting out your recyclables for pickup, be sure to secure containers so they don't tip over. On windy days, set your stack of newspapers on top of the bottles and cans to keep them from blowing out.

Residents who live near a storm also drain should take the responsibility of periodically cleaning up any accumulated litter. The borough's public works resources are limited, and the only way we will keep the streets clean and the drains clear is if the community works together to achieve that goal.

Remember also that in addition to the visible contaminants like litter and pet waste, invisible pollution washes down the drain into Spring Lake and the Bound Brook. Motor oil and antifreeze drips in driveways; lawn fertilizers, weed killers and de-icing salts are all washed by storm water into our lakes and streams. For more information about what you can do to improve the quality of our water supply, visit the Department of Environmental Protection's website at www.state.nj.net/dep/stormwater.



South Plainfield Knights of Columbus, Council #6203 recently helped Sacred Heart Church by cleaning up the planting beds and putting down more than 10 yards of mulch. The project was headed by Knights member Vinny Butrico, who obtained the mulch donation, as well as a tractor to move the mulch. The following Knights helped: Grand Knight Tony Moskal and his wife, Kathy; Past Grand Knight Joe Scudato, Deputy Grand Knight Bill Butrico, Gerry Butrico, James Butrico, Steve Belanger, Kevin Keane, Bob Barone and the youngest helper, Jack Scudato.

Keystone Vocational Program Renews Adopt-a-Spot Contract

The Keystone Vocational Enhancement Program has renewed its adoption of Front Street for another year. Keystone first adopted the street, from Maple Avenue to the railroad tracks, in 1997. About 10 people go out on weekly cleanups, which include sweeping sidewalks, picking up litter and pulling weeds from the curb.

In a separate contract with the Clean Business Association, Keystone provides litter removal services at borough parks and municipal buildings.

This Adopt-A-Spot is important to the downtown area. The CBA is

looking for more businesses to adopt spots in the commercial districts. Hamilton Blvd., Church St., South Plainfield Ave. and Oak Tree Ave. are all subject to littering. Another area that needs regular maintenance is the

stretch of Plainfield Ave. between the Middle School and Sampton Ave.

For more information about the Adopt-A-Spot program, contact the Clean Communities Coordinator at (908) 226-7621.

Auditions Set For Halloween Show

Auditions for Almost Famous Players 2006 Putnam Park Haunted Woods Tour will be held at the PAL on Sept. 10, 1:30-4pm. Many roles are available, as well as incidental scares. Acting experience is a plus but not nec-

essary. Must be available for show dates, Oct. 26, 27, 28, 29 and for weekend rehearsals. Crew members are needed as well, stop by to sign up. For info, email almostfamousplyrs@aol.com or call (908) 346-2290.

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SP History Center Open

Just a reminder that the South Plainfield Historical Society History Center is open to the public every Tuesday from 2-8 p.m. The room, located in the Roosevelt Administration Building, is chock-full of archival material including newspaper clippings, scrapbooks, vintage clothing, reference material, non-lending library books and photographs that illustrate the borough's history.

The History Center is located on the lower level via the "boys" entrance on Jackson Ave. Arrangements can be made for a speaker to address school and scouting groups or clubs of up to 25 individuals. Contact SP HistoricalSoc@cs.com or phone Dorothy Miele at (908) 754-3073. More information is available on the website at <http://geocities.com/sphistoricalociety>.

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VFW Picnic/Pig Roast September 9

VFW Post #6763, located at 155 Front St., will host their annual picnic and pig roast on Saturday, Sept. 9 from 12-5 p.m. Tickets are \$17 in advance and \$19 purchased at the door. Kids are \$7.

St. Stephen's Church Sunday School September 10

Sunday School at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church, 3145 Park Ave. begins Sunday, Sept. 10 from 9:15-10:15 a.m. Come and hear stories, music, play games and make crafts while learning about God and our church! Register by calling (908) 756-2537 or email us at Billich@att.net.

Responsible Pet Ownership Day September 10

Plainfield Animal Hospital, located on Park Ave., will host a program on microchipping, information on proper nutrition and zoonotic diseases on Sunday, Sept. 10 from 2 to 4 p.m. Refreshments, contest and fun. All proceeds go to Help-A-Pet Fund. For information and reservations, call (908) 755-2428.

Music Boosters Meeting September 13

The SPHS Music Boosters will hold their monthly meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 13. The meeting will begin at 7 p.m. in the Chorus Room. All chorus, band and orchestra parents are welcome to attend. Membership is \$5 per family, but is not required to come to our meetings. Please join us and help us plan our October Festival!

For more information call Nancy Pauls at (908) 755-6133.

AARP Safe Driving Course September 16 and 23

An AARP Safe Driving course will be held on Saturday, Sept. 16 and 23, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. at Muhlenberg Re-

South Plainfield SENIOR CENTER

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gional Medical Center in Plainfield. Both sessions must be attended to receive a three year discount on automobile insurance. Cost is \$10 to be paid upon registration with Mary at (732) 752-3764. Space is limited, so call immediately to reserve your spot.

AARP Chapter #4144 Meeting September 18

AARP Chapter #4144 will hold its meeting on Monday, Sept. 18 at 12:30 p.m. at the South Plainfield Senior Center. A program on hearing loss and hearing aid technology will be presented by Total Hearing Care of Watchung.

Call Jean, (732) 752-0358, for info.

Blackrose to Appear At KC's Korner September 16

Blackrose, the band, will be performing classic rock music and today's hits at KC's Korner on Saturday, Sept. 16, 9:30 p.m. No cover charge.

Come meet the band, Brendan Hynes, Tony Decarlo, Roger Mauro and Joe Horniacek. KC's Korner is located on the corner of Oak Tree Ave. and Front St.

SP Parents' Ponytail Meeting

September 26

The Parents' Ponytail meeting for Tuesday, Aug. 22 was canceled. The next Parents' Ponytail meeting will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 26 beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the PAL building on Maple Ave. Hope to see you there!

Antiques Appraiser at the Library September 24

Certified antiques appraiser Alan G. Snyder will be at the library on Sunday, Sept. 24 from 2-4 p.m.

Participants are limited to two items per person; appraisals will be given on a first come, first served basis. The program is being presented free of charge; no pre-registration is required.

For information, call (908) 754-7885 or visit the library's website at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us.

OLC Blood Drive September 29

A blood drive will be held on Friday, Sept. 29 at OLC Hall on Hamilton Blvd. from 3 to 8 p.m.

For more information call (908) 757-4490.

— Out of Town —

Young Sierrans Hike September 9

Young Sierrans 20s/30s will hold a hike on Saturday, Sept. 9 at 11 a.m. at Harriman State Park, Rt. 87, exit 15A to 7 Lakes Drive in Sloansburg, NY.

Meet hike leader in first parking area. Rain cancels. No cost. RSVP required to MistyAngel22@aol.com or (732) 764-9073.

"Art on the Green" to Benefit Local Charities September 9

Moretti Realty Century 21, in conjunction with the Dunellen/Green Brook Rotary Club, is sponsoring the 34th annual "Art on the Green" art show on Saturday, Sept. 9 (rain date: Sept. 16) from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Washington Park in Dunellen. Work from area fine artists and craftspeople will be on display to enjoy and purchase, all to benefit the local communities. Food, beverages and a variety of snacks will be sold.

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Yard Sale to Help Homeless Pets September 10

People for Animals is holding a yard sale on Sunday, Sept. 10 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. in the parking lot at its Low Cost Spay/Neuter Clinic, 433 Hillside Ave. in Hillside. Rain date is Sept. 17. There will be a wide variety of merchandise for sale including clothing, household items, bicycles, electronics and much more. Call (908) 964-6887, ext. 201.

Concert at Edison Valley Playhouse September 10

The Edison Valley Playhouse on Oak Tree Rd. in Edison proudly presents the Central Jersey Wind Ensemble, Nicholas Santoro, conductor on Sunday, Sept. 10 at 3 p.m. Admission is \$5. Proceeds benefit Edison Valley Playhouse.

For information call (732) 586-3493 or www.evplayhouse.com.

Edison Arts Society "Harvest of Poetry" September 10

The Edison Arts Society presents "Harvest of Poetry," a free reception and reading celebrating the fifth anniversary of the Edison Literary Review on Saturday, Sept. 10 from 3-5 p.m. at the Sheraton Edison Hotel at Raritan Center in Edison. For information call (908) 753-2787.

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All About Pets....

By Dr. Anthony Loomis DVM, Veterinarian at Plainfield Animal Hospital

Our pets bring us joy on a daily basis and can lead us to a longer, healthier life. However, pet-owning households with young children, pregnant women, and people with weakened immune systems need to be aware that their animals can be a source of disease.

On rare occasions people can catch diseases from their pets. Diseases transmitted from animals to humans are called zoonotic diseases. Usually, contracting a pet-borne disease requires very close contact with animals or their excretions, so zoonotic diseases can be avoided with common sense, cleanliness and regular pet examinations and vaccinations.

Toxoplasmosis is an infectious disease that some cats carry and can transmit to people through feces. Cats can get toxoplasmosis from eating raw meat or prey of animals such as mice. In most cases, cats will show no signs of being infected. People who have contracted toxoplasmosis may exhibit mild, flu-like symptoms. However, the problem is more serious for pregnant women or immuno-compromised individuals. An unborn child of a woman infected during pregnancy may develop birth defects. Immuno-compromised individuals developing toxoplasmosis usually have a reactivation of a previous infection. To prevent transmission someone other than a pregnant woman or immuno-compromised person should clean the litterbox every day. Daily cleaning is important since the feces of an infected cat becomes infectious after 36-48 hours.

Roundworms can be excreted in the feces of dogs and cats infected by the parasite. Children may be at a higher risk for contracting roundworms because they play near pets or touch infected feces and put their hands into their mouths. Because of the risk to children, all cats and dogs should be taken to their veterinarians for regular fecal examinations.

Cat scratch fever is caused by a bacteria transmitted by cats to humans through scratches. The bacteria is found on nails or claws and can cause

high fever, loss of appetite, weakness and swollen lymph nodes in humans. Be sure to wash scratches thoroughly to prevent transmission.

Ringworm is a fungal infection of the skin. It starts out as a circular hairless lesion that can rapidly spread. People can become infected by contacting lesions.

Scabies, also called mange, is a skin disease caused by mites. Scabies cause intense itching and scratching that can result in severe eczema. Humans can be infected through contact with infected animals.

Fleas and ticks are common parasites that can infect dogs and cats. Our pets can therefore bring them into our homes and be a source for fleas and ticks to affect us. By using monthly flea and tick preventatives you can minimize the potential for spread.

The most effective way to prevent zoonotic diseases and ensure your good health is to ensure good health for your pets.

Anthony Loomis, DVM, grew up in Scotch Plains and attended St. Joseph's High School. He majored in Animal Health at the University of Georgia and attended Oklahoma State University for veterinary school. His special interest is exotic animal medicine and surgery.



Bengivenga, Barletta and Sesok Announce Parks and Playgrounds Initiative

Clinton Ave. and Tomkins Ave. This is an entranceway to our town, and we've got to look our best there.

• Adding dog parks to two existing parks, one on the north side and one on the south side—dog parks are becoming popular in lots of nearby towns. The parks are inexpensive and can easily be added to a park on the north side of town and one on the south side of town, making them easily accessible to residents. By making these additions, our parks will be even more family friendly, because they'll provide recreation for the family pet.

• Upgrading playgrounds at Walnut Street Park, Shadyside Park, and Cotton Street Park—Families with younger children know that these parks could use upgrading. In addition, thanks to Republican Councilman Matt Anesh, the parks are now more family friendly, with smoking no longer permitted near young children.

• Seeking grants from the County Open Space and Parks Trust Fund to make these improvements—On everyone's tax bill is a special property tax that funds the County's Open Space and Parks Trust Fund. South

Plainfield will be putting in about a million dollars this year toward that fund. Seeking funding from the trust fund would pay for these improvements without increasing the local budget. In addition, if we apply together, we might even be able to get funding from other grant programs to do a combined program where we can upgrade some of the playgrounds at the schools. This would be in line with our goal of having shared services with the school system.

"We always say that youth is South Plainfield's greatest asset. I agree," said council candidate Dave Sesok. "That's why we need to invest in our parks and playgrounds."

"By focusing on families, we're focusing on our future," added Bengivenga. He expressed the feelings of all three candidates by summing up this year's Republican campaign: "Families, and especially our seniors, need help. This means both controlling spending and taxes, while at the same time, improving quality of life. Alex, Dave, and I have the new leadership and new solutions to make that happen."



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All proceeds to benefit the Help-A-Pet Fund, a non-profit organization dedicated to helping sick and injured pets.





Butrico, Petronko, Scrudato Set Forth Democratic Campaign Plan

Now that Labor Day is over (as hard as it is to believe) the 2006 campaign for South Plainfield's next mayor and two council members has officially begun. The Democratic team of Charlie Butrico for mayor and Ray Petronko and Joe Scrudato for council are excited about the opportunity to set forth their vision for South Plainfield's future. "Its all about the future." Mayoral candidate Butrico said, "Over the next two months, Ray, Joe and I will continue to provide our residents with a detailed plan for improving our great borough. I am proud to run with individuals of the intelligence, commitment and integrity of Ray Petronko and Joe Scrudato. I am confident that when Election Day comes our residents will have a clear understanding of why the Democrats are the team with a vision for the future."

Council member Ray Petronko expanded on his running mates comments saying, "Charlie Butrico is correct when he says this campaign is about the future, but I believe that

how an individual has performed in the past is a clear indicator of what can be expected in the future. Charlie Butrico has been a great member of the Borough Council. He is the individual who has tackled the incredible traffic problems in our borough and has developed a thoughtful plan that is already being implemented. But even before he became a council member, he was always known as a caring, honest, hard working member of the community. Everyone who knows Charlie will tell you he is a terrific human being and he will make a great mayor. Although this is his first election, Joe Scrudato is well known to a large portion of our residents. For Joe, it's all about family. You can always find Joe with one of his kids at a ball game or some other family activity. When he's not supporting his kids he's supporting his church. Joe just finished his term as Grand Knight of the Knights of Columbus where he has spearheaded numerous projects to help others in need. Simply stated, Joe Scrudato is

just the type of person we need serving our residents as a member of the Borough Council."

Joe Scrudato summed up the Democrats comments, "I couldn't be more excited. The upcoming campaign will provide me with the opportunity to meet our residents and share with them our vision for South Plainfield's future. Of equal importance, we will use this opportunity to listen. Charlie Butrico, Ray Petronko and I have been conducting a listening tour around our borough. The campaign will be a continuation of that effort. Everybody knows the Butrico family is synonymous with what makes South Plainfield great. No one loves our borough more than my friend Ray Petronko. The work that Ray has done to improve our parks, community pool, PAL and senior facilities is extraordinary. He is one of the finest men I know along with being a tremendous council member. I am honored to run with Charlie Butrico and Ray Petronko and I feel confident that after the campaign is over, our residents will agree that it's all about the future and the team of Charlie Butrico for mayor and Ray Petronko and Joe Scrudato for council are the people who will do the job."

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF PROPOSED CHANGE IN MAXIMUM PERMITTED RATES

PURSUANT TO 47 C.F.R. 76.900 ET SEQ.

Comcast of Plainfield, LLC ("Comcast")

On March 1, 2006, Comcast filed a Petition with the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities, in Docket Number CR06030139, for the approval of changes in rates associated with regulated equipment and installation for the basic service tier as required by 47 C.F.R. 76.923 and Consolidated FCC Form 1205. Under Comcast's proposal, the maximum permitted rates for equipment and installation would change. The present and proposed maximum permitted rates, excluding sales tax and franchise fees, are as follows:

EQUIPMENT AND INSTALLATION CHARGES/MONTHLY LEASE RATE	PRESENT	PROPOSED
Standard Installation-primary outlet (standard installation: 150 ft. or less from tap) (aerial & underground)	\$42.35	\$45.10
Non-standard Installation-primary outlet (non-standard installation: over 150 ft. from tap) (aerial & underground)	\$33.55/hr.	\$34.20/hr.
Service Area Relocation Installation / Transfer of Service (existing customer moves within service area and takes current equipment to a new residence that is already cabled)	\$24.50	\$29.35
Additional Outlet Installation (cabled or non-cabled, same trip)	\$17.10	\$14.45
Additional Outlet Installation (cabled or non-cabled, separate trip)	\$25.20	\$24.25
VCR/DVD or Picture-in-Picture Installation (same trip)	\$8.35	\$7.25
VCR/DVD or Picture-in-Picture Installation (separate trip)	\$15.10	\$15.80
Relocation of Outlet (interior work only, same trip)	\$17.10	\$19.40
Relocation of Outlet (interior work only, separate trip)	\$23.40	\$19.40
Premium Service Installation (same trip)	No Charge	No Charge
Premium Service Installation (separate trip)	\$16.75	\$16.45
Video Game or A/B Switch Installation (same trip)	No Charge	No Charge
Video Game or A/B Switch Installation (separate trip)	\$15.10	\$15.80
Parental Control Device Installation (same or separate trip)	No Charge	No Charge
Converter or Remote Control Unit Installation (same trip)	No Charge	No Charge
Remote Control Unit Installation (separate trip)	\$6.70	\$6.80
Remote Control Unit Installation (customer picks up)	No Charge	No Charge
Unnecessary Trip Charge	\$6.70	\$6.80
Converter Installation (separate trip)	\$15.10	\$15.80
Reconnect Charge - Limited Basic Service or Expanded Service	\$24.50	\$29.35
Reconnect after Temporary Suspension of Service (4 month maximum)	\$24.50	\$29.35
Relocation of Drop (exterior only)	\$25.20	\$24.25
Service Calls - (non-cable related problem [a problem not caused by a defect in the facilities or of the services provided by the Company] or damage caused by customer negligence)	\$24.70	\$25.30
Hourly Service Charge	\$33.55/hr.	\$34.20/hr.
Fishing Walls, Pre-Wiring or Post-Wiring	\$33.55/hr.	\$34.20/hr.
Rerun of Exterior Drop (at request of subscriber)	\$42.35	\$45.10
Add Service (installed other than with primary outlet and technician goes to home)	\$16.75	\$16.45
Delete Service (technician goes to home)	\$10.75	\$15.30
Add or Delete Service (subsequent to initial install and (a) customer picks up or drops off converter or (b) addressable addition or deletion)	\$1.99	\$1.99
Service interruption or Service Restoration	\$1.99	\$1.99
In Person Collection of Past Due Balance	\$18.60	\$18.95
Limited Basic Service Only Converter (Non-addressable)	\$0.35	\$0.35
Limited Basic Service Only Converter (Addressable)	\$1.25	\$1.10
Analog or Digital Addressable Converter	\$4.60	\$4.00
Standard or Universal Wireless Remote Control	\$0.25	\$0.20
Digital Converter, with High Definition Television (HDTV) capabilities	\$10.25	\$9.90
Cable Card	No Charge	\$1.90

The proposed rate changes will go into effect on February 1, 2007 as permitted under the Federal Communications Commission rules and regulations. Actual rates implemented may be lower than the above proposed maximum permitted rates and may be subject to refund with interest if not approved by the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities.

Pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:17-6.17, notice is hereby given that Comcast's subscribers and other members of the public may submit their views in writing to Murtaz Bar-Brown, Administrative Law Judge, Office of Administrative Law at the address appearing below:

Honorable Murtaz Bar-Brown
Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Law
33 Washington St.
Newark, New Jersey 07102-3011

Comments must be submitted within thirty (30) days of the publication of this notice or October 8, 2006.

Service Areas: City of Plainfield, Borough of North Plainfield, Borough of South Plainfield

\$213.50

September 8, 2006

FROM THE DESK OF DEBBIE BOYLE

The South Plainfield High School Athletic Booster Club Super 50/50 fundraiser for the Jost Field ticket booth and indoor high school bleachers began on Monday, Sept. 4. Thank you Teri Pileggi for helping me with our kick-off by selling 50 raffle tickets on the first day. The ticket booth and the snack stand revenues support all the coaches' requests for athletic equipment during the year. The bleachers seat spectators during our basketball, volleyball and wrestling events, graduations and the all-district music festivals. Please help us to support our many programs by investing in our 50/50 raffle fundraiser. The winning ticket will be drawn at the Thanksgiving Day home football game. The winner does not have to be present.

Congratulations to Kennedy School Principal Fred Oberkehr and his wife on the birth of their son on Aug. 29. Best wishes to all of you.

Thank you to Rich D'Urso's graphic arts students Ryan Egan, Angela Carney, Angela Furka and Stephanie Kelly for taping and interviewing parade viewers during the Labor Day Parade. You all did a fantastic job. Watch for the parade which will be shown on Comcast channel 74.

On Oct. 4, the council and mayoral candidates' debate will take place at the South Plainfield Senior Center.

Rich D'Urso's graphic arts students will be taping the debates for viewing on Comcast channel 74. The debate will be hosted by The South Plainfield Observer. Please come out and ask the candidates questions so you are well informed when you cast your vote at the polls in November.

Thank you to Tom and Sherry Hardy for hosting the South Plainfield High School Girls' Soccer Team breakfast on Monday, Sept. 4, before the 5K run. The proceeds from the 5K run will benefit the South Plainfield Education Association. Thank you to Fred Oberkehr, Rob Richkus and William Beegle for helping organize the run/walk.

The Labor Day Parade was wonderful, along with the festivities after the parade and the day ended with a beautiful display of fireworks. Thank you to all those volunteers who worked so hard to make this day the best for all of South Plainfield.

Thank you to the Faye Street residents for the hospitality at their annual block party. The prepared food and desserts were delicious and all the chefs who grilled into the evening did a terrific job. A great time was enjoyed by all.

Dr. Rosado will be speaking at Grant Elementary Back-to-School night on Wednesday, Sept. 20 at 6 p.m. Please plan to attend and meet Principal Whalen, Assistant Principal Richkus, the staff and your children's teachers and actually participate in your child's scheduled classes. Your interaction is your hands-on knowledge of the daily fine tuned mechanics of Grant School.

2007 Budget Hearings

The 2007 SFY Budget, Departmental Budget Hearings will be held on Sept 14 at 5:15 p.m. at the Municipal Building, and on Sept 13 at 5:15 p.m. at the Senior Center.

LEGAL NOTICE

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

ADVERTISEMENT AND NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals received by the Borough to South Plainfield for the "IMPROVEMENTS TO THE INTERSECTION OF BELMONT AVENUE AND METUCHEN ROAD" and publicly opened and read aloud at the Borough of South Plainfield, Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080 on Thursday, September 28, 2006, at 10:00 a.m. prevailing local time.

The project generally consists of the widening of the intersection of Belmont Avenue and Metuchen Road within the Borough of South Plainfield, including bituminous concrete milling, hot mix asphalt base course pavement installation, 2" average compacted thickness of hot mix asphalt surface overlay, including sweeping, tack coating and other pavement preparation and related work, concrete curb construction and drainage system repair and all other associated work as contained in the Contract Documents or as ordered by the Engineer.

Contract documents and plans for the proposed work prepared by David J. Samuel, P.E., Borough Engineer, CME Associates, may be examined at the office of said engineer at 3141 Bordentown Avenue, Parlin, New Jersey, and at the office of the Borough Clerk, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey, during business hours and may be obtained at the Borough Engineer's office until 48 hours prior to the time set for the opening of bids upon payment of \$100.00 per set. No refunds will be made. Proposals and the Contract addressed to mayor and Borough Council, Borough of South Plainfield and must be accompanied by a Statement of Consent of Surety from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the owner. All bids submitted prior to the bid opening shall be mailed or delivered to the Borough Clerk at 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check or cash in the amount of not less than ten (10%) percent of the Bid, but not more than \$20,000.00, payable without any conditional endorsement as a guarantee that in case the contract is awarded to the bidder, he will within ten (10) days thereafter execute such contract and furnish satisfactory performance bond. Upon failure to do so he shall forfeit the deposit as liquidated damages and the acceptance of the bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirements by the bidder. No interest shall be allowed upon any such certified check or cash. A bid bond in the amount of ten (10%) percent of the bid, but not more than \$20,000.00, may be substituted for certified check or cash.

Each bid must also be accompanied by a certificate from a bonding company licensed to do business in the State of New Jersey guaranteeing that if the proposal of the bidder be accepted they will furnish the bond set forth in paragraph one of the General Conditions of the contract and the acceptance of the bid will be contingent upon the fulfillment of this requirement.

The Borough reserves the right to increase and decrease quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications. The Borough reserves the right to award this contract based on funds available.

All bidders are required to be registered with the New Jersey with the New Jersey Department of Labor if they elect to bid public works project. The bidder shall be required to comply with "The Public Works Contractor Registration Act" (N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.48), as identified in Section B-1 Instruction to Bidders paragraph B3.13 and in the Appendix of these Specifications. All Contractors and Subcontractors working on prevailing wage projects, which have a public building component, must attach a certificate of registration from the Department of Labor, to all bids.

All bidders are required to submit "Proof of Business Registration" to the contracting agency if they elect to bid public works projects. Proof of business registration shall be a copy of a Business Registration Certificate issued by the Department of the Treasury, Division of Revenue. The bidder shall be required to comply with business registration provisions of N.J.S.A. 52:33-44 (PL.2004, C.57), as identified in Section B-1 Instruction to Bidders paragraph B3.14 and in the Appendix of these specifications. All Contractors and Subcontractors working on public work projects must attach a Business Registration Certificate of all bids.

The successful bidder shall be required to comply with the provisions of the New Jersey Prevailing Wage Act, Chapter 150 if the laws of 1963, effective January 1, 1964.

During the performance of this contract the Contractor agrees to comply with the requirements of N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 and N.J.A.C. 17:27 et seq., all requirements of the State of New Jersey Worker Health and Safety Act (N.J.A.C. 12:110 et seq.) as amended and the United States Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA) (29 CFR 1910), as amended with regard to worker and jobsite safety.

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening thereof. The successful bidder will be required to furnish a surety company bond in the full amount of contract price indemnifying the Borough of South Plainfield, New Jersey, for all proceedings, suits or actions of any kind of description and conditional for the faithful performance of the work. All bid security will be returned to all Bidders except the three (3) apparent lowest bidders within 10 working days after the opening of bids, and to the three (3) apparent lowest bidders within three (3) working days after the successful Bidder has executed the Contract and his Contract security has been approved by the Borough.

The Borough reserves the right to reject any or all bids if in its opinion it is in the best interest to do so and to award the contract for any and/or all terms.

BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR AND BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk

\$147.00

September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

August 30, 2006-Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Planning Board at its meeting held on August 29, 2006.

- Case #699-J.P. Morgan Chase Bank. Block 528; Lot 51; 5201 Stellan Road. The applicant's request for waivers & preliminary & final site plan approval w/ additional voluntary conditions was hereby GRANTED.
- Case #06-07-Texas Eastern Transmission Corporation. Block 494; Lot 1; Coolidge Street. The applicant's request for a waiver and minor sub division approval w/additional voluntary conditions was hereby GRANTED.
- Case #08-08/Minor/V-Jane L. Crawford and Albert C. Hladish. Block 134; Lots 6 & 20; 1147 South 9th Street and 1130 South 10th Street. The applicant's request for bulk variances and minor sub division approval w/ additional voluntary conditions was hereby GRANTED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Beth Khidre
Planning Board Secretary

\$33.25

September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

August 29, 2006-Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Board of Adjustment at its meeting held on August 24, 2006.

- Case # 39-06/V-Zoma Terrell. Block 190; Lot 9; 231 Cedarbrook Avenue. The applicant's request for a front yard setback variance from Mellon Street in order to erect a 1st story deck was hereby GRANTED subject to additional voluntary conditions.
- Case # 42-06/V-Somers Valley Bank. Block 528; Lot 27; Stellan Road and Hadley Road. The applicant's request for a variance to permit (3) facade signs on the existing bank building was hereby GRANTED.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Beth Khidre
Planning Board Secretary

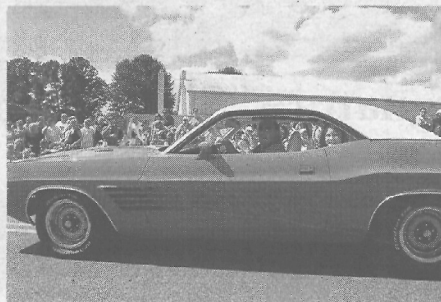
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Awarded by judges to the best youth group
American Martial Arts

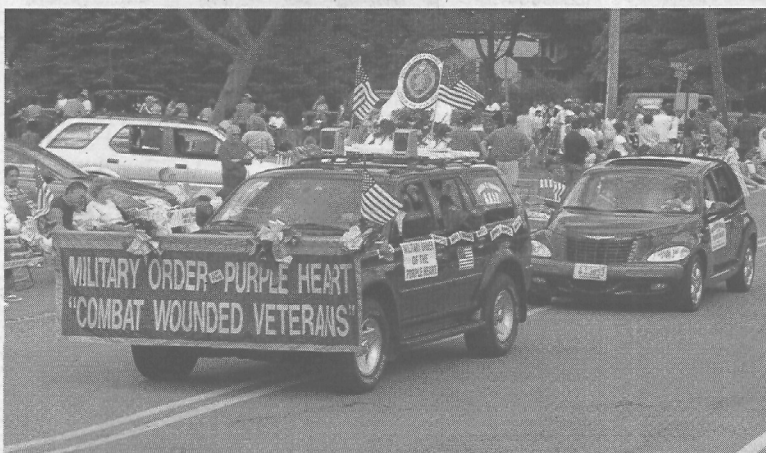
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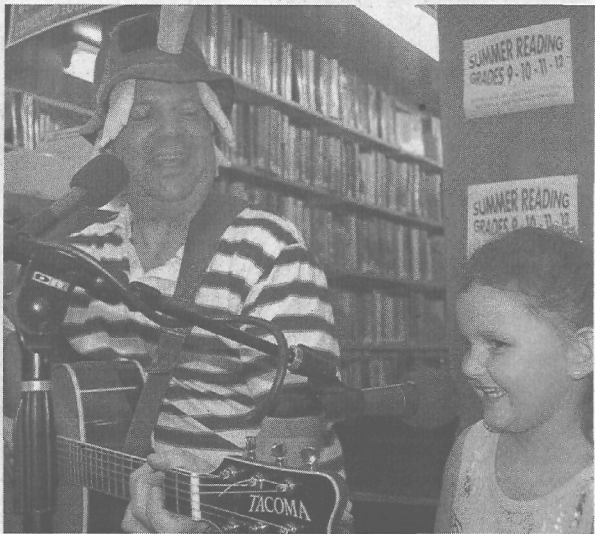
Most Patriotic Entry
Military Order of the Purple Heart

Most Outstanding Visiting Entry
Awarded to Best Appearing Entry from
outside South Plainfield
*NJ Women's Roller Derby
Morristown Madams*

Best Antique Vehicle.
Awarded to Best Appearing Antique Vehicle Entry
of any kind entered as Separate Unit
1973 Dodge Challenger-Alan Graziano

Marie D. Page Trophy
Awarded to Best Overall Marching Entry
Pop Warner Football Cheerleaders





Mr. Kurt Performs Signature “Silly Songs” at Library

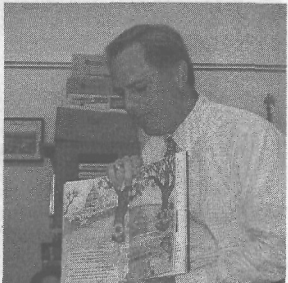
By Patricia Abbott

On Wednesday, Aug. 23 Mr. Kurt returned to the South Plainfield Library to perform his signature silly songs. Mr. Kurt helps celebrate the end of the Summer Reading Program at the library. This year 337 children participated, reading over 13,000 books.

Kurt is an absolute favorite with the youngsters; many know his songs by heart. He has their undivided attention while he sings his way through his repertoire. Using a guitar and a variety of other instruments and props, he has the children laughing, clapping and singing along. They act out whatever his songs suggest, danc-

ing, hopping, flapping and having a wonderful time. The youths and their parents also enjoyed a special surprise that evening when Congressman Mike Ferguson made a surprise appearance to read to the audience. His appropriate choice of reading material was *House Mouse*, *Senate Mouse*, written and

illustrated by Peter and Cheryl Barnes. The book teaches children about our nation's Capitol and how our laws are made, from the research of a bill, through the signing at the President's desk. Both Congressman Ferguson and Mr. Kurt were heard by a standing room only crowd.



LEGAL NOTICE

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE ORDINANCE 1751

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

Ord. 1751 entitled: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL LAND KNOWN AS BLOCK 361, LOT 3 TO PINTO BROTHERS DISPOSAL, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$146,000.00 was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, September 8, 2006 and that a public hearing be scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ORDINANCE NO. 1751
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE SALE OF MUNICIPAL LAND KNOWN AS BLOCK 361, LOT 3 IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY TO PINTO BROTHERS DISPOSAL, LLC IN THE AMOUNT OF \$146,000.00.

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield is the owner of property known as Block 361, Lot 3, said property being situated on Lorraine Avenue, in the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as set forth in Appendix A attached hereto, and

WHEREAS, Pinto Brothers Disposal, LLC is the owner of a contiguous parcel, and

WHEREAS, the Borough of South Plainfield by and through its governing body and the Economic Development Sub-Committee has deemed that Block 361 Lot 3 is not needed for public purpose or use, and

WHEREAS, New Jersey Statute provides for the sale of said parcel to a contiguous owner without the need for public sale;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED BY THE MAYOR AND COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, that the said property shall be sold to said contiguous owner on September 19, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building of the Borough of South Plainfield, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey and will be made subject to the following conditions;

1. That conveyance by the Borough of South Plainfield shall be by Bargain and Sale deed without covenants and without representations as to the marketability of title. In the event that the purchaser shall determine that title of the property in question shall not be good and marketable, and questions as to the marketability of title shall be submitted to the Borough Clerk's Office within forty-five (45) days of the date of sale. In the event said questions have not been raised within said forty-five (45) day period, then and in that event all questions relating to the marketability of title shall be deemed waived and this matter shall proceed to closing of title within ninety (90) days of the date of sale.
2. Easements, both of record and not of record.
3. Restrictions of record.
4. Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield as presently constituted without representations as to the use to which said property can be put.
5. In the event that the purchaser is unable to close title within ninety (90) days of the date of sale, they shall forward to the Borough of South Plainfield a check representing the balance of the purchase price to be placed in the general fund of the Borough.
6. In the event that the purchaser fails or refuses to close title and/or pay the consideration therefore within the ninety (90) day period, then in the event, the Borough of South Plainfield, may, by resolution of the Mayor and Council, declare the transaction null and void and the purchaser's deposit shall be retained by the Borough of South Plainfield as liquidated damages.
7. At the time of second reading of this Ordinance, ten percent (10%) of the purchase price plus \$1,000.00 shall be paid by the purchaser representing the cost of advertising, legal fees and associated costs incurred by the Borough. The purchaser shall be credited the cost of any appraisal previously paid by the purchaser as

required by the Borough of South Plainfield.

8. The purchaser shall make application for any required approvals, including but not limited to subdivision approval, on site and site improvements as required by appropriate Borough Boards, Agencies and Officers, and all costs shall be paid by the purchaser.
9. It is expressly agreed by the purchaser that if the subject parcel does not require Planning Board or Board of Adjustment review, then in that event, the purchaser will make all required improvements as determined by the Borough Engineer. The necessary performance guarantees shall be posted for same prior to the issuance of any building permits.
10. Purchaser recognizes that the sale is subject to development standards to be set by the Planning Board, Board of Adjustment and/or the Borough Engineer in addition of the Middlesex County Planning Board, if applicable. This sale is made without representation as to same and is subject to same.
11. The subject parcel shall merge with and become a part of the contiguous parcel owned by the purchaser and shall not be subdivided at any future date.
12. Purchaser will take any action required by the Borough Engineer and/or the Borough Environmental Officer to protect any designated wetlands or flood plane existing on the subject parcel.
13. Certain properties within the Borough of South Plainfield may be designated as contaminated sites by the Environmental Protection Agency and/or the Department of Environmental Protection. One such property is the "Cornell Dublier" facility now known as the Market Avenue which has been designated as a Super Fund site. The purchaser acknowledges knowledge of such locations and the existence of same will not be a basis for avoidance of buyer's obligations.

14. This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon publication and adoption in accordance with New Jersey Law.
15. ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$159.25 September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE ORDINANCE 1745

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

Ord. 1745 entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CH. 165 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD ENTITLED: "SMOKING"

was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$23.62 September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE ORDINANCE 1746

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

Ord. 1746 entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CH. 48 OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD ENTITLED: "POLICE DEPARTMENT" was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$24.50 September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE ORDINANCE 1753

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

Ord. 1753 entitled: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$263,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MORE SPECIFICALLY FOR THE ACQUISITION OF BLOCK 341, LOT 6 AND BLOCK 403, LOT 8 AND FOR THE MONUMENT PARK FOOTBRIDGE was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, September 8, 2006 and that a public hearing be scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ORDINANCE NO. 1753
AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$263,000.00 FOR THE ACQUISITION OF VARIOUS IMPROVEMENTS WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY as follows:

Section 1. That there is hereby authorized pursuant to applicable statutes of the State of New Jersey, as a general improvement, the following improvements in the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, New Jersey:

Acquisition of Properties for Open Space	
Block 341, Lot 6 and	\$183,000.00
Block 403, Lot 8	\$80,000.00
Monument Park Footbridge	\$80,000.00
TOTAL	\$263,000.00

Section 2. That the improvements described in Section 1 hereof shall be authorized as general capital improvements for the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey.

Section 3. It is hereby determined and declared by this Mayor and Borough Council as follows:

- A. That the maximum estimated amount of money to be raised from all sources for the purposes stated in Section 1, hereof, is \$263,000.00.
- B. That the cost for said projects shall be financed by a \$183,000.00 Grant from the Middlesex County Open Space Trust Fund and \$80,000.00 from the Capital Improvement Fund
- C. The estimated useful life of said improvements is hereby determined to be twenty (20) years.

Section 4. That the total amount of the appropriation to be expended for Architectural and inspection costs, legal costs, advertisement of ordinance and other expenses as provided in Section 48-20 of the Revised Statutes, is not to exceed \$25,000.00.

Section 5. This ordinance shall take effect after final passage and publication in accordance with the law.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$85.75 September 8, 2006

If you would like information on advertising your business in the Business & Professional Directory, please call 908-668-0010.

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE ORDINANCE 1752

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

Ord. 1752 entitled: AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF VARIOUS MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES FOR THE FIVE YEAR PERIOD FROM JANUARY 1, 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010 was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, September 8, 2006 and that a public hearing be scheduled for Tuesday, September 19, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ORDINANCE 1752
AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD AND THE METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION FOR THE PERIOD JANUARY 1, 2006 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2010.

Be it ordained by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, as follows:

SECTION 1. The rates of compensation for each employee of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be on an annual basis as follows except where indicated. Such rates of pay shall be effective on January 1st of the years shown.

POSITION	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
PBA 100	3.90%	3.90%	3.90%	3.90%	3.90%
SENIOR PATROLMAN	82,096	85,297	88,624	92,080	95,671
CLASS A OFFICER	79,967	83,085	86,326	89,692	93,190
CLASS B OFFICER	73,106	75,957	78,920	81,997	85,195
CLASS C OFFICER	66,239	68,823	71,507	74,296	77,193
CLASS D OFFICER	58,106	60,372	62,727	65,173	67,715
CLASS E OFFICER	52,467	54,514	56,640	58,849	61,144
ACADEMY OFFICER	34,651	36,002	37,406	38,865	40,381

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$98.00 September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE ORDINANCE 1747

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

Ord. 1747 entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET APPROPRIATION LIMITS AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK IN ACCORDANCE WITH N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14 was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield on Tuesday, September 5, 2006 at 8:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ATTEST:
Vincent Buttiglieri/Municipal Clerk
\$24.50 September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

Please take notice that a hearing was held before the South Plainfield Planning Board on June 27, 2006 regarding the applications of Jane Crawford and Albert Hladish for approval of subdivision and variances for the properties located at 1147 South 9th Street, South Plainfield, Middlesex County, New Jersey (Block 134, Lot 6 on the South Plainfield tax map) (property owned by Jane Crawford) and 1130 South 10th Street, South Plainfield, Middlesex County, New Jersey (Block 134, Lot 20 on the South Plainfield tax map) (property owned by Albert Hladish). The applications were approved. The determination or resolution memorializing the approval of the applications is on file in the office of the South Plainfield Planning Board or the South Plainfield Municipal Clerk's Office and is available for inspection.

Anthony J. Marra, Jr., Counselor at Law, L.L.C.
Attorney for Applicant Jane Crawford
\$53.50 September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Glen and Susan Gwiazda requesting a variance or other relief from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit a 6 x 18 front porch with roof. Proposed porch lacks required 30' front setback; 24' proposed; and other variances that may be required, said property being located at 116 W. Elmwood Drive on Block 230, Lot 31 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, September 28, 2006 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 Friday, between 9:00 am and 5:00 pm.
\$38.50 September 8, 2006

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

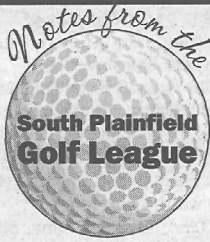
An appeal has been filed by Dorothy and Rosario Carubia requesting a variance or other relief from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit a side setback front porch. Proposed porch (1) lacks required 8' side setback; (2) proposed; (2) exceeds lot coverage; 1,250 allowed; 1,439 proposed; over by 189 sq. ft. or 3.8%; and other variances that may be required, said property being located at 213 Scaleria Street on Block 405.02, Lot 6 on the South Plainfield Tax Map.

For the purposes of hearing objections to or protests against the granting of said appeal, the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Thursday, September 28, 2006 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, at 8:00 p.m.

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Sports

Submitted By Bob Nilan



KC's Korner, who finished first in the American Division, completed a terrific season by overwhelming the National Division titleholders, Twin City, 12-3, to repeat as League Champions. Dan Conti turned in another fine round for KC's Korner, a 2-over 35, Mark "The Spark" Dugan had a 36 and Rich Steele posted a 39. Joe Diller's 34 was the only round below 40 for Twin City.

2 Buds, 2 Dubs showed their impressive firepower, pulling off their second shutout in a row, by totally demolishing Buy-Rite Liquors, 20-0. Dale Dube earned medalist honors for the victors with a sparkling 1-over 30 while Chris Nuzzo crushed some boomers and finished with a 36. Danny Griffin's beautiful round of 34 and Mike King's 38 were not enough to earn a single point for Buy-Rite. President Emeritus George Popik made a rare appearance for Buy-Rite and wowed the gallery around the first tee by splitting the fairway with his opening drive. But even the wily veteran, who really knows his way around the West Nine course, was no match for the powerful display put on by 2 Buds, 2 Dubs, who finished the year with such a great flourish.

Eddie's Grinders had to be at their best to beat the talented players on the Hackers, and the Grinders brought their A-game to the playoffs as they flattened their third-place counterparts in the National Division, 19-1. Ed Banach was in top form as he tied the low-round of the season, a superb 1-under par 32, while playing partner Fred "Carfish" Kirchofer, had a nice round of 37. Big hitters Bertleson and Chris Dillon consistently found the fairways and both carded solid rounds of 35. Bill Mann was low-man for the Hackers with a 36, and Todd Sherman and Kevin Boyce both had 38's, but their fine efforts fell short of matching the play of the red-hot Grinders.

Mark "Mr. Steady" Chichvar shot a 37 to lead Plainfield Animal Hospital's 10-1/2-9-1/2 victory over Sport & Social. Steve Schock pitched in with a 37 for PAH while Frank Matthews was on his game for Sport & Social and carded a 38.

The Behr Brothers and Billy "I'm Always Happy" Capparelli teamed up for Patti's Construction to give a sound whopping to the incredibly inconsistent Pornovets team. Mike Behr led the way for the victors with a 36, and brother Fred, in a substitute role, had a 39. Cappy, playing much better golf than he did in the opening weeks of the season, had a 37. None of the four regulars for Pornovets was able to break 40.

With both teams playing with just two men, Witty's breezed by the VFW, 7-2. Kevin "Boom Boom" Bickunas had a 38 for the victorious Witty's.

At the awards dinner held at the Italian-American Club, Irish Danny Griffin received the Player-of-the-Year Award given to the golfer with the best stroke-average for the season. Griffin also shared the award for the low round of the year, a net 32, with Jay Coppola, Mike King, and Ed Banach.

Jovial Matt Ward fired a 34 one night and, with his 8-handicap, his score of 26 earned him the low gross award. It remains a source of some bewilderment why a golfer who can drive the 274-yard eighth hole and who can easily reach the par 4, 241-yard fourth hole is sporting an 8 handicap.

KC's Korner donated a plaque to the league to honor their past captain, John Cotone, who passed away earlier this year. The John Cotone Memorial Award will be presented annually to the "Most Improved Golfer" in the league and will be kept on display in the clubhouse at West Nine.

Fittingly, the award this year was given to Mark Dugan of KC's Korner.

Commendations were extended to the 2006 league officers, President Fred Kirchofer, Treasurer Mike Behr, and Secretary Jim Pornovets for all their fine work. Frank Matthews of Sport & Social assumed the presidency for 2007 and Mike Behr of Patti's Construction agreed to continue in the position of treasurer.

Mark Chichvar of Plainfield Animal Hospital was unanimously elected to be vice-president (and president-elect for 2008).

Low Scores for the Night: Ed Banach, 32; Joe Diller, 34; Danny Griffin, 34; Dale Dube, 34; Dan Conti, 35; Jay Bertleson, 35; Chris Dillon, 35.

Final Team Standings:

- 1 KC's Korner
- 2 Twin City
- 3 2 Buds, 2 Dubs
- 4 Buy-Rite Liquors
- 5 Eddie's Grinders
- 6 Hackers
- 7 Plainfield Animal Hospital
- 8 Sport & Social
- 9 Patti's Construction
- 10 Pornovets
- 11 Witty's
- 12 VFW

Girl Scouts Golf Classic Slated For Mid-October

The Girl Scouts of Greater Essex and Hudson Counties and Washington Rock Council are joining forces to present the Juliette Low Golf Classic and Tennis Round Robin. The event is slated for Monday, Oct. 16 at the Shackamaxon Golf and Country Club in Scotch Plains. This marks the initial collaboration between the two councils and represents the ninth renewal of the popular and fun-filled outing.

Both councils are currently seeking sponsors to partner with them to support this worthwhile cause. Sponsorships range from \$75 to \$10,000 with opportunities available to fit every budget. More information can be obtained by contacting Marion McCarthy at (973) 746-8200, ext. 136 or Ross Blacker at (908) 232-3236, ext. 1209.

For the first time participants will have the option of playing tennis. The

tennis portion of the day will get underway at 10 a.m. with a round robin tournament and clinic. Those wishing to hit the links can take full advantage of Shackamaxon's 6,615-yard layout. Designed by renowned architect A.W. Tillinghast, the course will test golfers with its tight fairways and firm greens. Prizes will be given for both golf and tennis in a number of areas including a Hole-In-One Shootout sponsored by Lincoln-Mercury NY Region. Following golf and tennis, there will be a cocktail reception at 3 p.m. and dinner which will get underway at 4 p.m. During dinner a silent auction and raffle will be held with a multitude of fabulous prizes offered. The cost for an individual golfer is \$325 which includes dinner. The cost for tennis only is \$125 and the cost of attending the cocktail hour and dinner only is \$125. There is no registration deadline but interested parties are encouraged to sign up soon while space is still available.

Combined, GSCGEHC and GSWRC provide the optimal Girl Scout experience to more than 17,000 girls and 5,500 adult volunteers in over 50 communities in five counties. Both councils operate under the auspices of Girl Scouts of the USA.

For more information on the Golf Classic and each council, point your web browser to www.gscgehc.org or www.westfieldnj.com/girlscouts.

SPJBC Super 50/50 Fundraiser

The Women's Auxiliary of the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club is holding a super 50/50. Tickets are \$5 each with one drawing on Sept. 9 at the annual baseball picnic. The proceeds go towards the club. For tickets or information contact Barbara Bythell at (908) 754-9629 or Janet McDermott at (908) 755-4830.

Obituaries

Albert T. Lucken, 86

Albert T. Lucken died on Saturday, Sept. 2 at St. Peter's University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Born in Newark, Albert was raised on a farm in Cranbury. He returned to Newark where he resided before moving to South Plainfield in 1957.

A veteran of WWII, he served in the Army from 1942-1945, before his discharge.

Working as a services tech for over 10 years, he was employed with H. Lutz & Company in Linden before his retirement in 1987. He had previously been employed by Hoffman & Hamilton of Newark in the same capacity.

His time was spent enjoying traveling, camping, fishing and boating. In addition, he enjoyed working with electronics and photography.

Surviving are his sister, Marion Gary of Arizona; a god-daughter, Carol Ann Haines of Piscataway; a niece, Kathy McCraine of Arizona and his long-time friend, George Stumm of South Plainfield.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

Ann Marie Eisenberg, 69

Ann Marie Eisenberg died on Tuesday, Aug. 29 at home with her family in Plainfield.

Born in Coaldale, Pa., Mrs. Eisenberg was raised in Tamaqua, Pa. and lived in Rahway and Edison prior to moving to Plainfield.

A member of the Telephone Pioneers of America, Ann Marie worked for Bell Atlantic in the New Brunswick and Perth Amboy locations for 30 years before retiring in 1999.

More importantly, Mrs. Eisenberg loved spending time with her grandchildren.

Surviving is a daughter, Debra Ann Magno and husband Sam of Jackson; a son, Michael E. and wife Teresa Eisenberg of Plainfield and three grandchildren, Christopher and Ashley Magno and Amanda Eisenberg.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin Home For Funerals.

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First Annual Run for the Children Seeks Vendors

The First Annual Run for the Children (Battling Cancer), sponsored by the Open Your Heart to Children Battling Cancer Foundation, Inc. will be held on Sunday, Oct. 1 at the PAL Building on Maple Ave.

The motorcycle run and picnic, in cooperation with the Old Timers Motorcycle Club, Century 21 Moretti Realty, Halls Motor Freight, and Integrated Wealth Management, is currently seeking vendors.

Vendors do not need to be affiliated with or be related to motorcycle products. Any vendor is welcome to come and advertise their business.

They are also looking for sponsors and donations which will help children who are battling cancer. All proceeds will be donated to these needy youth.

There are many ways to contribute financially. Signs or plaques will be made for sponsors and will be displayed at the event.

The event will begin with a sign-in from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The run will leave the PAL at 11 a.m. and ride through scenic Hunterdon County and return to the PAL at 1 p.m. Enjoy food, refreshments, two live bands, a bike show and contest, door prizes and more. The cost per rider is \$20 and

\$10 per passenger. The event is also open to non-riders at a cost of \$10 each. Everyone who rides motorcycles is encouraged to attend. Help us save our most precious asset, our youth.

If interested in riding or being a vendor for the event, contact Rich D'Urso at (908) 753-7629, Rudy Adams (908) 405-0836 or Guy Moretti at (908) 755-5300 or email openyourheart@morettirealty.com.

Mail donations to Open Your Heart Foundation, c/o Moretti Realty, 225 Maple Ave., South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

IRS Seeks Community Volunteers Throughout NJ

Looking for a rewarding volunteer experience? Do you like to help people? "The Internal Revenue Service is seeking volunteers for the Volunteer Return Preparation Program (VRPP)," said IRS spokesperson Gregg Semanick. "The IRS is looking for volunteers to take part in the VRPP throughout New Jersey."

During the tax filing season, VRPP volunteers, in community locations throughout the state, help prepare tax returns for older taxpayers, people with disabilities, non-English speak-

ing individuals and other people who cannot afford professional assistance. Many of the volunteer sites offer free electronic filing. The IRS provides VRPP volunteers with free instruction and all the materials needed to prepare basic income tax returns such as Forms 1040EZ, 1040A and 1040. Training for volunteers is generally held at convenient locations or online.

Although an accounting background is helpful, it is not required, but basic computer skills are neces-

sary. Additionally, it will be helpful if you have been preparing your own tax returns and are familiar with tax forms and the aspects of electronic filing. The VRPP also needs volunteers who are bilingual.

Interested in becoming a VRPP volunteer? Does your organization want to sponsor a VRPP site in your community? To get involved, contact Judi Kuzma at the IRS at (973) 645-3749 or send a fax to (973) 645-6691. You can also volunteer via e-mail to judith.kuzma@irs.gov.

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• On Aug. 13 a Madison Dr. resident reported rocks had been thrown at the house and scratched a vehicle.

• On Aug. 29 an employee of Air Ride Inc. reported the theft of a 2003 Mack truck from the DHL parking lot on New Durham Ave.

• On Aug. 30 Kevin A. Loncke, 32, of Piscataway was arrested at Macy's for shoplifting a Nike shirt worth \$20, a Liz Claiborne jacket worth \$120 and Timberland work boots worth \$145.

• Renee Elizabeth Ring, 30, of Piscataway was arrested for driving on a suspended license and an outstanding warrant.

• HK Truck Center on Hamilton Blvd. reported the theft of a 2007 Columbia Freightliner truck worth \$80,000. The driver side window was broken and the truck was hot wired.

• On Aug. 31 an Oak Tree Ave. resident reported that the front door of their mailbox had been pried open. No mail was taken.

• On Sept. 1 Esposito's Barber Shop on Front St. reported that their front window had been broken.

• An Elizabeth resident reported that eggs had been thrown at their vehicle while parked on Clark Ln.

• Mobile Storage Group on Roosevelt Ave. reported that windows had been damaged on 12 of their trailers.

• On Sept. 2 a Piscataway resident reported the theft of a 2006 Kawasaki motorcycle that was parked on So. Plainfield Ave. inside an open tent.

• Sept. 3 a Clinton Ave. resident reported the theft of a 2002 Suzuki dirt bike from their unlocked garage.

• On Sept. 4 a Wadsworth Ave. resident reported the theft of a Trek mountain bike worth \$900 from a locked shed.

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