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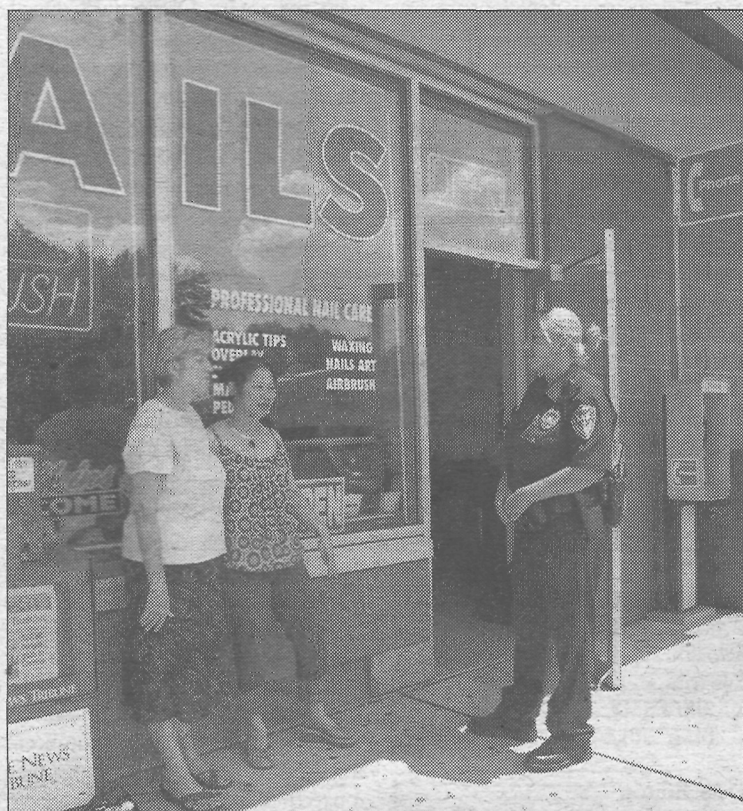
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South Plainfield Police Officer Sherlyn Courtney speaks with pedestrians at a shopping mall on Park Avenue. Courtney is patrolling on foot as a result of the department's "Park and Walk" program aimed at saving on fuel costs. Other efforts taken by the police department to save fuel include the consolidation of trips by detectives and administrators, the doubling up of police officers in patrol cars when possible, and the shutting off of police cars instead of idling when parked. Chief John Ferraro emphasized that at no time will the safety of residents be compromised.



Students from the SPHS French, Spanish and National Art Honor Societies congratulate and bid farewell to art teacher, Denise Timinski, who is retiring.

Art, Spanish, French Honor Society Members Inducted

Formal ceremonies were held recently in the media center of South Plainfield High School to induct new members to three honor societies: the National Art, French and Spanish.

Inductees to the National Art Honor Society were seniors Brittany Burton, John Horvath, Gina Lampasona, Jordan Leopino and Jeff Pagdonsolan; juniors Steven Chen, Kelli Ann Friday and Joanna Nastarowicz. Artwork was displayed as each student explained the type of media their work represented.

The induction ceremony committee consisted of Kristen Partesi and Chelsea Soisson. At the ceremony's conclusion, students presented a bouquet of flowers to teacher Denise Timinski, who is retiring after 39 years at the high school. Special art awards, were presented

to Jeff Pagdonsolan and Kelli Ann Friday.

La Société Homorair de Français was founded by the American Association of Teachers of French for students of French in American secondary schools. The South Plainfield chapter has been active since 1980. The society demands a high level of scholarship and achievement in French studies and seeks to promote interest and enthusiasm in the study of Francophone culture and civilization.

Inducted this year into the French Honor Society were Francesca Bayak, Lindsay Fredericks, Jeremiah Magpile, Kirsten Nuber and Susan Tian. The president of the SPHS French Society is Pauline Eskander.

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Road Project Completion Doesn't End Council Debate

By Jane Dornick

Heated arguments dominated the June 16 Borough Council agenda meeting. The debate focused on the necessity of paving the dirt portion of Metuchen Road. The road was by paved by the Public Works Department (DPW) shortly after resolutions were approved along party lines at the June 10 meeting, at a cost to the borough of \$67,000.

The paving came about after a notification that Edison intends to repair the Park Avenue bridge near Oak Tree Road. Metuchen Road would serve as a route emergency vehicles could use during the closure to serve residents who live on the few blocks just over the bridge.

Council President Bengivenga read a letter from the Middlesex County Department of Engineering to John Medina, Edison Township engineer, addressing safety concerns the town may have if South Plainfield paves its portion of Metuchen Road. Accord-

Juvenile Speeder Charged in Accident on Metuchen Road

An accident occurred on the newly paved section of Metuchen Road on June 18, less than one week after the road was paved. The driver of the car, a 17-year-old borough juvenile, was speeding and hit two road signs, a telephone pole and ran off the road ending up in a grassy area.

There were four 17-year-old pas-

sengers in the car. Police reported that there were no injuries.

The driver was charged with reckless driving, speeding, failure to report an accident and violation of a provisional license. He was also criminally charged with hindering.

According to Police Lt. Kevin Murtagh, the accident investigation is still ongoing.

ing to the letter, the county engineers did a "visual inspection" of the Edison portion, siting it was "not in good condition" and "if South Plainfield improves their portion, it will create a hazard and additional traffic onto the Edison portion of the roadway which is a residential area." The letter also stated that the road could possibly be removed, blocked or vacated

if necessary.

Bengivenga said he was "truly upset" over the letter and wanted to know why the county would be interested in a borough road and who had directed the county to send the letter. He stated that they [Edison] are putting a "Berlin Wall up around our town to prevent us from going out"

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Hamilton Boulevard Truck Weight Restriction Ordinances Reintroduced

Ordinances to lift the truck ban on Hamilton Boulevard and Belmont Avenue were reintroduced at Monday evening's Borough Council agenda meeting despite Mayor Charles Butrico's recent veto and arguments over Council President Robert Bengivenga Jr.'s potential conflict of interest in the matter. Bengivenga decided to abstain from voting until Borough Attorney John Sordillo could research the issue.

At the June 19 meeting Sordillo announced that he had reviewed the legal issues based upon Mayor Butrico's claim of the possibility of Bengivenga's employment by a trucking company influencing his vote. Sordillo said he found no conflict of

interest for Bengivenga based upon his lack of ownership in the company he worked for or that he might benefit from his vote.

Councilman Ray Petronko claimed that because Bengivenga is employed by Marpal Disposal, a division of Republic Services of New Jersey which also owns Midco Waste Systems, a firm located in South Plainfield whose trucks use borough roads, it would be ethical to recuse himself. He also felt that the Republicans were looking for loopholes in the ethics laws so that Bengivenga would be able to vote.

Mayor Butrico told Bengivenga that he felt "ethically and morally it's a decision you have to make on your own." He even recommended

waiting for a decision on the truck route reversal until November to see which party the people elect. Sordillo, however, did say, "I was not finding a loophole, I was just evaluating the facts as they were given to me."

Petronko and fellow Democratic Councilman Joe Scrudato were unable to attend Monday night's meeting as both of their daughters were at graduation ceremonies at the Middle School. However, the remaining Republican council voted 4-0 to put the ordinances back up for adoption.

A final vote will likely come at the July 14 regular public meeting. Mayor Butrico said that he intends to veto the ordinances again.



Top row (L-R) Robert Bengivenga, Sr., Council President Robert Bengivenga, Jr., Mayor Charles Butrico, Derryk White and Kathie DeLucca with South Plainfield seniors after a rally to show support for Muhlenberg Hospital at the South Plainfield Senior Center. Many seniors were unable to attend the rallies held in Plainfield, so they held a rally at the center.

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETINGS air on Mondays at 7:30 p.m.
AGENDA and/or Other SPECIAL Meetings air Saturday at 8 p.m.
BOE meetings air Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

(Check community bulletin board for last minute time changes.)



To purchase a copy of a complete Borough Council or BOE meeting, contact the *Observer*.

council meetings

Meets twice a month on Mondays, except as noted.* All meetings begin at 7 p.m.
 Borough Hall Council Chambers • Questions? 908-226-7605

Agenda Meeting	Public Meeting
July 7	July 14
August 4	August 11
September 2 (Tuesday)	September 8

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.

ad hoc alternative truck route committee

Meets second and fourth Thursday of the month
 Senior Center, 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7605

July 10, July 24, August 14, August 28, September 12, September 26

zoning board of adjustment

Meets second and fourth Thursday of the month, *except where noted.
 Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7641

July 10 and 24, August 14 and 28,
 September 11 and 25, October 9 and 23, November 30*, December 11*.

board of education meetings

Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave. unless otherwise noted

Committee of the Whole, Wednesdays 7:30 p.m.: July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10, January 14, February 11, March 11 and April 1.
 Regular Public Meeting, Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m.: July 16, August 20, September 17, October 15, Nov. 19, Dec. 17, January 21, February 18, March 18 and April 8.

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

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, 7 p.m.
 July 15, August 19, September 16, October 21, November 18, December 16.

environmental commission

Meets once a month (second Wednesday)
 Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. • Questions? 908-226-7621
 July 9, August 13, September 10, October 8, November 12, December 10, January 14.

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 on the fourth Wednesday of the month at 7 p.m. in the Conference Room, Borough Hall

board of education curriculum/technology meetings

Meets once a month on Mondays at 8 p.m. in the 2nd floor conference room at Roosevelt Administration Building on Jackson Ave.

IN MY OPINION

The opinions expressed in this column are not necessarily those of the publisher.

To the Editor:

On June 9 Future Stars held its 28th Preschool Graduation in the South Plainfield High School Auditorium. The proud parents, family and friends of over 100 students anxiously awaited the start of our program. Preparations for this event began several months prior to this special evening.

This particular evening was marred by soaring heat and humidity, which in turn caused a brownout situation at the high school. In the midst of this, there were silent heroes working to avert a disappointing cancellation.

Our staff would like to extend their gratitude to Lori Alcaro Jackson, stage director at SPHS, along with her husband Bob. Lori remained calm throughout the crisis, while her husband located a back up generator and emergency lights in the event that there was a full power failure. They did everything in their power, above and beyond, to ensure a flawless evening. Their efforts, along with those of Custodial Manager Pat Mahoney and her staff, worked feverishly allowing for an enjoyable, memorable program for the children and their families.

Present and former students of the high school stage crew assisted Jackson in providing the necessary lighting and sound elements for our production. Videographer Alex Ruchavsky of Abacus Video Productions of South Plainfield obtained back up lighting to compensate for the reduced power. We are also grateful to him for donating his time during the performance.

The Future Stars staff would also like to thank Superintendent Jose Negrón, Assistant Superintendent Fred Oberkehr and Board of Education members Jim Giannakis, Sharon Miller and Debbie Boyle for their attendance at our graduation ceremony that evening. We truly appreciate your support in our preschool program.

THE FUTURE STARS STAFF

is directed by the Diocese of Metuchen and Catholic Relief Services.

During my visit I will have the opportunity to help the people who are malnourished and severely oppressed. Many of the villages that I will visit do not have running water. Some projects planned are repackaging and distributing food, planting fruit trees as a source for future food and giving out gifts, toys, candies and educational supplies to the children.

My family and I want to thank the many people who helped sponsor this trip. Their generous donations are very much appreciated. We would like to thank Rochelle Marie Ales, Mr. and Mrs. Brian Anderson, Sam Boghdan, Mr. and Mrs. Vince Bonacker, Matthew Devito, Emil Habeeb and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Vokral; Kennedy School teachers Michele Fidler, Barbara Habeeb, Barbara Harris, Sheryl Lawrence, Kevin McCann and Ann Witkowski. We would also like to thank South Plainfield High School Peer Leadership, Twin City Pharmacy, Sacred Heart Rosary Altar Society, Sacred Heart Home School Association, South Plainfield Columbiettes, St. Vincent DePaul Society, The Knights of Columbus and all of the anonymous donors. My family and I are grateful to all of you.

I would also like to thank Fr. John at Sacred Heart Church for all of his help and support in preparing me for this trip.

SINCERELY,
 GINA VIOLA

Dear Editor,

The oldest trick in the books of politics says that when a candidate is guilty of a particular charge he should first deny it, then try to confuse it and if all else fails accuse the other party of doing the same thing. The belief is that if you take that approach, the public will never know who is telling the truth

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and the issue will not carry any weight with the voters. Obviously Council President Bengivenga and his political handlers must have put that book on his summer reading list.

In last week's *Observer* Bengivenga accused me of conflicts of interest. At first I got angry. But after I calmed down, I thought "Nice try Robert." Why would he make such a political attack now at the end of June? The election isn't until November and most people are ready for summer vacation. Because he is about to once again vote on the ordinances which will return trucks to Hamilton Boulevard, even though he knows he has a conflict of interest.

Let me repeat the history of this sad story:

In May the Republicans passed ordinances which will permit 18 wheelers back on Hamilton Boulevard. As Mayor, I vetoed the ordinances. In order for them to override the veto, the Republicans needed all four of their votes on the council. At the meeting I pointed out that Bengivenga gets a paycheck from one of the trucking companies that will benefit from putting the trucks back.

At that point Bengivenga realized his conflict was exposed and he abstained from the vote. The veto stood and reasonable people would have thought the issue was at an end.

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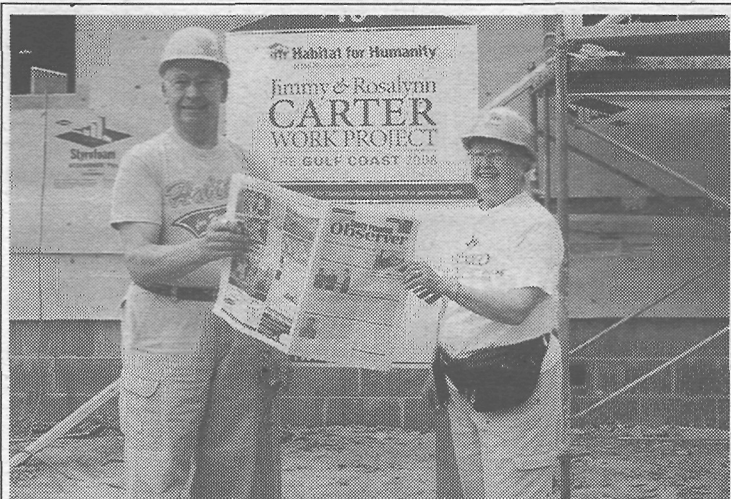
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Don and Rosemary (Niemczyk) Swier catch up on South Plainfield news while volunteering at Habitat for Humanity's 2008 Jimmy and Rosalynn Carter Work Project in the Gulf Coast area. They were two of 1,790 volunteers in Pascagoula, Gulf Port and Biloxi, Miss. who built, repaired or framed 100 houses for families who, in 2005, had lost their homes during Hurricane Katrina.

Help for Seniors with Medicare

Volunteer Senior Health Insurance Assistance Program (SHIP) counselors are available at the South Plainfield Senior Center. Information you get by mail, phone and newspaper is confusing. Seniors need someone to explain what all that information is about. They need a breakdown of that information which is pertinent to their health and financial needs and learn the best plans and costs that are available to them.

Health insurance and prescription costs are increasing every year and causing hardships. Counselors at the Senior Center have been able to help

seniors save on prescription plans, health insurance and get them extra help. They can also help with other Medicare problems.

For those turning 65, call the center at least three months before you reach 65 for an explanation of benefits available to you.

Call the Senior Center for information on how to receive help at (908) 754-1047.

Giovanna's Restaurant was the setting for the closing meeting of the Suburban Woman's Club of South Plainfield on June 5. As usual, the tables with individual centerpieces designed by Diane Gallo looked lovely. A floral piece was given as a souvenir to each club member. We were welcomed by Grace Bertucci, who was the chairman of the luncheon. After a short business meeting presided over by President Mary Ann Iannitto, we heard the Historians report which included all the activities during the 2007-2008 year. Treasurer Lucy Hudson supplied a written year-end financial report.

Having concluded the business for the 2007-2008 year, Past District Vice President of the College District of the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs Rosemary Seghatoleslami installed the officers for the upcoming year. They are Mary Ann Iannitto-president, Marge Reidy and Rose Cucurello-co-vice presidents, Diane Gallo-recording secretary, Frieda Walker-corresponding/federation secretary and Lucy Hudson-treasurer.

As a result of this year's activities the club was able to make donations to the following organizations: South

Plainfield High School Swim Team, Women Aware Inc. (furniture and phone cards), American Legion, South Plainfield Rescue Squad, South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department, South Plainfield Free Public Library, and the Knights of Columbus. These donations amounted to more than \$5,000. In addition, two scholarships were awarded to two graduating seniors from SPSHS, Samantha Smith and Brittany Burton.

The next meeting of the South Plainfield Suburban Woman's Club will be held on Thursday, September

4 at 1 p.m. at the American Legion Hall, 243 Oak Tree Ave. If you are interested in joining us in our philanthropic endeavors, please come to the meeting.

Next year the New Jersey State Federation of Women's Clubs will focus on raising funds to aid in the research of autism. The fundraising committee will begin work during the summer on this project.

If you are interested in joining the committee, call Natalie Bergen, chairman, at (908) 756-8679.

Submitted by Gloria M. Breuning,

Recycling Complex Closed on July 4

The South Plainfield Recycling Center on Kenneth Avenue will be closed on Friday, July 4 for Independence Day.

Recycling will be open instead from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Thursday, July 3. Recycling will be open as usual from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday, July 5. The Yard Waste site will also be open as usual on Saturday.

Regular Recycling Drop-off Center hours are noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

Regular Summer Yard Waste hours are noon to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays.

2008 Yard Waste Decals are available in the Municipal Clerk's office in Borough Hall from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday-Friday. Bring the registration of the vehicle you will be using.

Note: Curbside recycling collection in the Friday section will be done on Saturday, July 5 instead of on Friday, July 4.

For updates, call the recycling hotline at (908) 226-7620.

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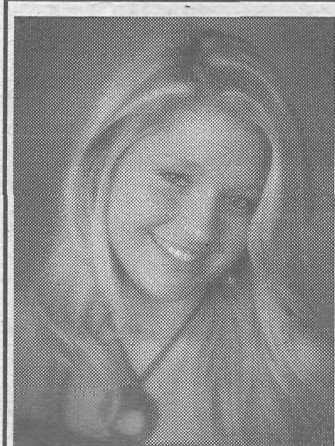
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Around Town

Blackrose to Perform

June 27

Blackrose, the band, playing classic rock and roll music and today's hits will be performing at Tim Kerwin's Pub, located on Rt. 28 in Middlesex on Friday, June 27 at 9:30 p.m. No cover charge.

Stuffed Cabbage Dinner at VFW

June 27

The South Plainfield VFW, located on Front Street, will be hosting a stuffed cabbage dinner on Friday, June 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. Public is welcome.

For information, call (908) 668-9751.

Cedarcroft Vacation Bible School

June 29 - July 3

Cedarcroft Bible Chapel, 1715 Kenyon Ave., will have its annual vacation Bible school on Sunday, June 29 through Thursday, July 3 from 6:30 to 9 p.m. There will be Bible stories, crafts, skits, games and songs. Any child entering first through eighth grade is invited to this free event.

For more information or to register, call (908) 757-7598 or visit www.cedarcroft.org.

Vacation Bible School at Sacred Heart

July 7-11

Sacred Heart will be holding a vacation Bible school Monday, July 7 through Friday, July 11 from 9:15 a.m.

What's happening at the

SENIOR CENTER

JUNE/JULY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 24 - Hunterdon Hills Summer Musical Luncheon, bus, show - \$65

August 7-Summer Picnic - Noon All You Can Eat; Live Entertainment; \$12

Crocheting 9:30am-11:30am
Yoga 10:30-11:30am
Art Class 11:30am

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Bingo 10am-2pm
Ladies Social Group 10am

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Aerobics 8:30 am
Computer 10am, 11:30am, 1pm
Line Dancing 10am
Crocheting 1pm
Tai Chi 2pm
Taj Mahal 9am

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Pathmark Shopping 9am
Crafts Class 10am
Computer Class 10am, 11:30am, 1pm
Exercise Class 1:15pm

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Bingo 10am-2pm
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CLOSED FOR 4TH OF JULY HOLIDAY

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

to noon for children grades pre-k through fourth. Cost is \$25 per child. A daily snack is included. Adult and older teen volunteers are still needed.

For information, call (908) 756-0633, ext. 43.

Elks Lodge First Classic Cruise Night

July 18

The South Plainfield Elks Lodge #2298 is holding its First Classic Cruise Night from 6 to 10 p.m. at 1254 New Market Ave. Cars (1932-1975) and motorcycles are welcome. Food, music, trophies, 50/50. Rain date is July 25.

For more information please contact the lodge at (908) 561-4433 or (908) 668-9750.

SPHS 1968 40th Class Reunion

July 19

The South Plainfield High School 1968 40th reunion will be held at the American Legion on Oak Tree Avenue from 7 to 12 p.m. on Saturday, July 19. Cost is \$50 per person with a cash bar.

For information, call Bonnie Gundersen Risoli at (908) 896-7739.

AARP Chapter #4144 Bus Trip

August 18 to 22

AARP #4144 will run a charter bus to the Hudson Valley Resort, August 18 to 22. Transport, tips, taxes, rooms, meals, use of all facilities including pool, gym, spa, games and live entertainment. Cost \$530 double occupancy.

For information or to register call (732) 752-3764 or (732) 752-8506.

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— Out of Town —

Vacation Bible School at Mt. Virgin

June 27-July 3

Our Lady of Mt. Virgin School, 450 Drake Ave. in Middlesex, will offer "Son World Adventure Park" themed vacation Bible school from Friday, June 27 through Thursday, July 3. There will be crafts, songs, game time and snacks each day. Fees are \$25 for one child; \$35 for two; \$45 for three or more.

Call (732) 550-3547 for information or to register.

"Grease" at Bucks County Playhouse

through June 29

The rock and roll hit musical "Grease" is bringing the 50's alive at The Bucks County Playhouse in New Hope, Pa. through June 29. Performances are Friday, June 27 at 8 p.m., Saturday, June 28 at 4 p.m. and 8 p.m. and Sunday, June 29 at 2 p.m.

All tickets are \$23 and are available by calling (215) 862-2041.

Woodbridge WOWs Open Dance

June 29

Woodbridge Widows Or Widow-

ers will hold an open dance on Sunday, June 29 from 7:30 to 11:30 p.m. at The Elks, 665 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. Music by Jimmy Ray. Everyone is welcome. Admission: \$10 members; \$12 guests.

For more information, call (732) 381-3255 or (908) 757-0515.

Pet Adoption at PetSmart

July 5 & 6

People for Animals, a nonprofit animal welfare organization, will sponsor cat and kitten adoption events on Saturday and Sunday, July 5 and 6 from 11 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the PetSmart store in Bridgewater's Promenade Mall, intersection of Rt. 28 and 287. All are current with their vaccinations and litter box trained; they will be altered prior to adoption.

For low cost spay/neuter information, call at (973) 282-0890.

duCret School Student Art Exhibit

July 12-31

A multi-media showcase of works by 20 young award-winning artists selected from the Annual Juried Student Exhibit at the duCret School of Art will be the summer exhibit July 12 through July 31 at Swain Galleries, 703 Watchung Ave. in Plainfield. The opening reception is Saturday, July 12 from 5 to 7 p.m.

For more information, call (908) 756-1707.

Country Western Night Outside

July 12

A Country Western Night Outside will be held on Saturday, July 12 from 5 to 10 p.m. at the Deutscher Club of Clark, 787 Featherbed Lane. Dance to the live music of the Thunder Hill Country Western Band. Gates open at 5 p.m.; music from 6 to 10 p.m. German and American food will be available; no outside food or beverages permitted. Picnic tables and free parking. \$5 donation per person, children under 12 free. Rain or shine (covered pavilion).

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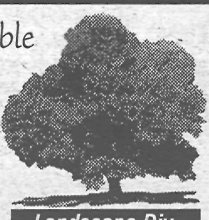
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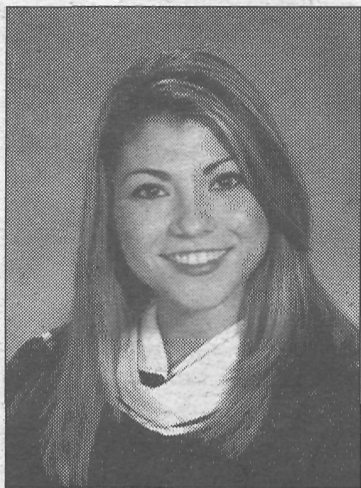
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southplainfieldpeople Milestones

Jennifer Silhanek Graduates from Fairleigh Dickinson University

Jennifer Silhanek, daughter of Diane and Edward Silhanek, gradu-



Jennifer Silhanek

ated magna cum laude from Fairleigh Dickinson University, with a bachelor of arts in psychology. Jennifer made dean and honors list in all of the semesters at Fairleigh Dickinson. She was president of the Psychology Club, and inducted into the Psi-Chi National Honors Society having a 3.5 GPA in her major.

Jennifer will continue her studies in the fall at Kean University, where only 30 students were chosen out of 400 applicants into the graduate medical program in occupational therapy.

She is currently a rehab aide at JFK Rehabilitation Hospital and wants to be an occupational therapist working with older adults and geriatrics with a concentration in brain trauma and stroke.

Jaclene Prongay Graduates from Platt

Jaclene Prongay, a 2004 graduate of South Plainfield High School, graduated from Platt College in San Diego.

She double majored in video production and 3D animation in order to complete her bachelors degree on June 18. She received her associates degree in graphic design in April 2007. Jaclene made the dean's list each se-

mester during the two and a half years at Platt College, maintaining a 4.0 grade point average and doubling up on classes during the last semester.

Jaclene participated in many art exhibits such as The Del Mar Fair, Platt College and Mountain Dew Surprising Facts.

You can view her portfolio Web site at www.JProngayProductions.com.



Olivia Smith

Olivia Smith Graduates from Kent Place School

On June 7 the Class of 2008 graduated at the 114th Kent Place School commencement. Among the 60 members of the class of 2008 is South Plainfield resident Olivia Smith.

Olivia, a National Achievement Scholarship finalist and National Merit Commended Scholar, received distinctions in drama during graduation. She was the vice president of Film Club and acted in numerous plays. She was an active and talented member of the Performance Company and received performing arts recognition during Class Night.

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Kiczula Inducted into Greek Honor Society at Susquehanna University

Thomas Kiczula of South Plainfield was inducted into the Susquehanna University Chapter of The National Order of Omega.

Thomas, a rising senior majoring in writing, is a 2005 graduate of South Plainfield High School and the son of Thomas and Victoria Kiczula.

The Order of Omega is a national Greek honor society founded to recognize fraternity men and women who have attained a high standard of leadership in Greek activities, to encourage them to continue along this line and to inspire others to strive for similar recognition; to bring together members of the faculty, alumni, and

student members of the institution's fraternities and sororities on a basis of mutual interest, understanding and helpfulness; and to help create an atmosphere where ideas and issues can be discussed openly across Greek lines.

To be eligible for membership, a student must be a junior or senior member of a social Greek organization, have a cumulative grade point average (GPA) equal to or higher than the all-Greek GPA, and be an active participant in their own chapter, Greek life and campus life. Susquehanna's Epsilon Gamma chapter was chartered in 1983.

Allyson Paterek Wins NJ Association Of School Librarians Essay Contest

Pat Massey, librarian/media specialist at South Plainfield High School, has announced that Junior Allyson Paterek has been selected as a winner of the statewide essay contest, "Why My School Library is Important to Me" sponsored by New Jersey Association of School Librarians (NJASL).

Allyson will receive a Barnes and Noble gift card and her winning essay was published, with parental permission, in the June 2008 edition of "Bookmark," the newsletter of the NJASL. Massey has also been notified that her essays were published by

NJASL during National Library Legislative Day in Washington D.C. May 13-14. This year's winning essays can be accessed at www.njasl.org/documents/LibraryContestessays2008.doc

This was the second year of the essay contest and five SPHS students submitted essays. Each participant received a certificate for their participation. It is quite an honor for the district that one of its students placed first in the high school category both times. Amanda Harzula's essay was selected last year when she was a senior.

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Sports

Junior Baseball Club 8U Competes in All-Star Father's Day Tournament

The 8U South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club All-Star baseball team played in the annual South Plainfield Father's Day Tournament two weeks ago. The team played four competitive games against Green Brook, Monroe, South Brunswick and North Brunswick. They went two and two and were tied with North Brunswick and Monroe for a chance to play in the championship game, but lost a tie breaker to Monroe who had scored more runs against them in the tournament to make the finals on February 16. The 8U team came in third place in the tournament.

It was a total team effort with excellent pitching by Billy Keane, Jean Sapini and Ryan Stankan, who all pitched great. James Moore and Brandon Wizda also did a great job catching during the tournament. Austin Feltham had a great tournament with three doubles and four singles, Jacob Rivera also batted great in the clutch as well as Eric Brinks.

The team is managed by Joe Scrudato with Assistant Coaches Mike Sprigle, Bill Stankan and John Wizda.

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SPJBC 8U All Star team played in the annual Father's Day tournament. The 8U team includes players Eric Brinks, Steven Colicchio, Austin Feltham, Joe Heilmann, Billy Keane, James Moore, Jacob Rivera, Jean Sapini, Jack Scrudato, Owen Sprigle, Ryan Stankan and Brandon Wizda.



South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club Pony B Season Champs—Standing (L-R): Coach Joe Zipp, Erik Elsmann, Colin Wilson, Brandon Shaw, Mike Tangorra, Brenden Wilson, Diamond Weeks, Joey Zipp and Coach Brian Shaw; Kneeling: Zach George, Matt Ward, Nick Demarco and Nick Huber. Not pictured: Justin Harris.



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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE 1827

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

#1827 entitled: A BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCES NUMBERED 1815 AND 1816 OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, FINAL ADOPTION ON APRIL 4, 2008. IN ORDER TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PROJECTS, REDUCE APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS AND INCREASE THE SECTION 20 COSTS AND PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS NEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, APPROPRIATING \$385,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$248,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH, \$128,250 OF THE BONDS ARE NEW BORROWING AND \$120,000 IS FROM ORDINANCES 1815 AND 1816 was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, June 27, 2008, and that a public hearing be scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD ORDINANCE 1827

BOND ORDINANCE AMENDING BOND ORDINANCES NUMBERED 1815 AND 1816 OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, FINAL ADOPTION APRIL 4, 2008. IN ORDER TO AMEND THE DESCRIPTIONS OF THE PROJECTS, REDUCE APPROPRIATIONS AND AUTHORIZATIONS AND INCREASE THE SECTION 20 COSTS AND PROVIDING FOR VARIOUS NEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS, APPROPRIATING \$385,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$248,250 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH, \$128,250 OF THE ORDINANCES 1815 AND 1816.

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

Section One. Sections 1, 2, 3(a), 6(c) and 6(d) of Bond Ordinance numbered 1815 of the Borough of South Plainfield (the "Borough") finally adopted April 7, 2008 are hereby amended to reduce the original appropriation from \$440,000 to \$395,000 and the original authorization of bonds or notes from \$418,000 to \$373,000, revise the purpose and other related changes to read as follows:

"Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of South Plainfield, New Jersey (the "Borough") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$395,000, including a \$250,000 State Fiscal Year 2007 Department of Transportation Municipal Aid Grant (the "Grant") to the extent that this Grant is received for the improvement or purpose referred to in Section 3(a), and further including the sum of \$22,000 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$373,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be

issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the resurfacing of Tompkins Avenue, from Clinton Avenue (County Route 605) to Plainfield Avenue (County Route 603), Caffrey Terrace (in total), and Kosciuszko Avenue, from Belmont Avenue to Smith Street, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

Section 6. (c). The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$373,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

Section 6. (d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$90,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement."

Section Two. Sections 1, 2, 3(a), 6(c) and 6(d) of Bond Ordinance numbered 1816 of the Borough finally adopted April 7, 2008 are hereby amended to reduce the original appropriation from \$360,000 to \$285,000 and the original authorization of bonds or notes from \$130,000 to \$55,000, revise the purpose and other related changes to read as follows:

"Section 1. The improvement described in Section 3 of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough of South Plainfield, New Jersey (the "Borough") as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section 3, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$285,000, including a \$230,000 State of New Jersey Department of Transportation 2008 Municipal Aid Grant (the "State Grant"). Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40A:2-11(c), no down payment is provided for the costs of the improvement since the project described in Section 3(a) hereof is being partially funded by the State Grant.

Section 2. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the above-referenced State Grant, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$55,000 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section 3. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the resurfacing of South Plainfield Avenue, Phase II from Joan Street to Park Avenue, Caffrey Terrace (in total), and Kosciuszko Avenue, from Belmont Avenue to Smith Street, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

Section 6. (c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$50,000, and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

Section 6. (d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$100,000 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement."

Section Three. The new improvement described in Section Five of this bond ordinance is hereby authorized to be undertaken by the Borough, New Jersey as a general improvement. For the improvement or purpose described in Section Five, there is hereby appropriated the sum of \$385,000, including the sum of \$130,000 from the developer contribution and further including the sum of \$6,750 as the down payment required by the Local Bond Law for the \$135,000 appropriated as part of the \$385,000 not otherwise provided for by the \$130,000 developer contribution and the aggregate \$120,000 in reduced authorizations referenced in Sections One and Two hereof. The down payment is now available by virtue of provision for down payment or for capital improvement purposes in one or more previously adopted budgets.

Section Four. In order to finance the cost of the improvement or purpose not covered by application of the down payment and the developer contribution, negotiable bonds are hereby authorized to be issued in the principal amount of \$248,250 pursuant to the Local Bond Law. In anticipation of the issuance of the bonds, negotiable bond anticipation notes are hereby authorized to be issued pursuant to and within the limitations prescribed by the Local Bond Law.

Section Five. (a) The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is the installation of approximately 700 feet of storm sewers, road resurfacing and the installation of traffic calming devices and signage on Linden Avenue, and the installation of calming devices on East Hendricks Boulevard, Oxford Avenue, Selene Avenue, Terrace Avenue and East Crescent Parkway, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

(b) The estimated maximum amount of bonds or notes to be issued for the improvement or purpose is as stated in Section 2 hereof.

(c) The estimated cost of the improvement or purpose is equal to the amount of the appropriation herein made therefor.

Section Six. All bond anticipation notes issued hereunder shall mature at such times as may be determined by the chief financial officer; provided that no note shall mature later than one year from its date. The notes shall bear interest at such rate or rates and be in such form as may be determined by the chief financial officer. The chief financial officer shall determine all matters in connection with notes issued pursuant to this ordinance, and the chief financial officer's signature upon the notes shall be conclusive evidence as to all such determinations. All notes issued hereunder may be renewed from time to time subject to the provisions of the Local Bond Law. The chief financial officer is hereby authorized to sell part or all of the notes from time to time at public or private sale and to deliver them to the purchasers thereof upon receipt of payment of the purchase price plus accrued interest from their dates to the date of delivery thereof. The chief financial officer is directed to report in writing to the governing body at the meeting next succeeding the date when any sale or delivery of the notes pursuant to this ordinance is made. Such report must include the amount, the description, the interest rate and the maturity schedule of the notes sold, the price obtained and the name of the purchaser.

Section Seven. The Borough hereby certifies that it has adopted a capital budget or a temporary capital budget, as applicable. The capital or temporary capital budget of the Borough is hereby amended to conform with the provisions of this ordinance to the extent of any inconsistency herewith. To the extent that the purposes authorized herein are inconsistent with the adopted capital or temporary capital budget, a revised capital or temporary capital budget has been filed with the Division of Local Government Services.

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

(a) The improvement or purpose described in Section

Six of this bond ordinance is not a current expense. It is an improvement or purpose that the Borough may lawfully undertake as a general improvement, and no part of the cost thereof has been or shall be specially assessed on property specially benefitted thereby.

(b) The period of usefulness of the improvement or purpose within the limitations of the Local Bond Law, according to the reasonable life thereof computed from the date of the bonds authorized by this ordinance, is 10 years.

(c) The Supplemental Debt Statement required by the Local Bond Law has been duly prepared and filed in the office of the Clerk, and a complete executed duplicate thereof has been filed in the office of the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs of the State of New Jersey. Such statement shows that the gross debt of the Borough as defined in the Local Bond Law is increased by the authorization of the bonds and notes provided in this bond ordinance by \$128,250 (such amount being \$248,250 of debt authorized herein, less \$120,000, consisting of the \$45,000 reduction in prior authorization referred to in Section One hereof and the \$75,000 reduction in prior authorization referred to in Section Two hereof, both of which have previously been included in prior Supplemental Debt Statements of the Borough), and the obligations authorized herein will be within all debt limitations prescribed by that Law.

(d) An aggregate amount not exceeding \$38,500 for items of expense listed in and permitted under N.J.S.A. 40A:2-20 is included in the estimated cost indicated herein for the purpose or improvement.

Section Nine. Any grant moneys received for the purpose described in Section 3 hereof shall be applied either to direct payment of the cost of the improvement or to payment of the obligations issued pursuant to this ordinance. The amount of obligations authorized but not issued hereunder shall be reduced to the extent that such funds are so used.

Section Ten. The chief financial officer of the Borough is hereby authorized to prepare and to update from time to time as necessary a financial disclosure document to be distributed in connection with the sale of obligations of the Borough and to execute such disclosure document on behalf of the Borough. The chief financial officer is further authorized to enter into the appropriate undertaking to provide secondary market disclosure on behalf of the Borough pursuant to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities and Exchange Commission (the "Rule") for the benefit of holders and beneficial owners of obligations of the Borough and to amend such undertaking from time to time in connection with any change in law, or interpretation thereof, provided such undertaking is and continues to be, in the opinion of a nationally recognized bond counsel, consistent with the requirements of the Rule. In the event that the Borough fails to comply with its undertaking, the Borough shall not be liable for any monetary damages, and the remedy shall be limited to specific performance of the undertaking.

Section Eleven. The full faith and credit of the Borough are hereby pledged to the punctual payment of the principal of and the interest on the obligations authorized by this bond ordinance. The obligations shall be direct, unlimited obligations of the Borough, and the Borough shall be obligated to levy ad valorem taxes upon all the taxable real property within the Borough for the payment of the obligations and the interest thereon without limitation of rate or amount.

Section Twelve. This bond ordinance shall take effect 20 days after the first publication thereof after final adoption, as provided by the Local Bond Law.

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Acting Municipal Clerk

\$376.20 June 27, 2008

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE # 1825

Ordinance No. 1825 entitled: AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$1,500,000.00 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF A SYNTHETIC GRASS FIELD, FENCING, PLAY STRUCTURE AND OTHER IMPROVEMENTS ON THE FIELD AT THE REAR OF THE PAL BUILDING IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held by the Mayor and Council on Monday, June 23, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Acting Municipal Clerk

\$23.75 June 27, 2008

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE #1824

Ordinance No. 1824 entitled: A BOND ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR IMPROVEMENTS TO VARIOUS ROADS IN AND BY THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, IN THE COUNTY MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY, APPROPRIATING \$420, 000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF \$399,000 BONDS OR NOTES OF THE BOROUGH TO FINANCE PART OF THE COST THEREOF was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held by the Mayor and Council on Monday, June 23, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Acting Municipal Clerk

\$23.75 June 27, 2008

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY Legal Notice

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey on **Thursday, July 17, 2008 at 10:00 AM** prevailing time in the Council Chambers of the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey at which time and place bids will be opened and read in public for:

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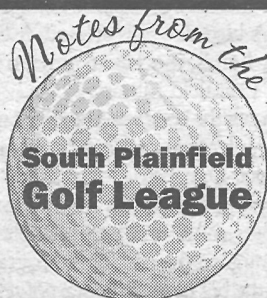
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ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Acting Municipal Clerk

\$38.95 June 27, 2008

Sports

Submitted By Bob Nilan



After dropping to the cellar last season, KC's Korner has bounced back this year due, in large measure, to the superlative play of Mark Dugan. In what was expected to be a very tough match against Twin City, KC's Korner won handily, 15-5, as Dugan came through once again, this time posting a sparkling 1-over 34. Tony Cotone, Jr. kept his booming drives in the fairway in shooting a 38. For Twin City, Jay Coppola continued his fine play, registering an impressive 2-over 35 while teammate Joe Diller contributed a 37.

The Roughriders held onto their share of first place in the National Division with KC's Korner by downing the B-Datt Squad, 12-8. Jerry Foglia, who has turned out to be a most welcome addition to the Roughriders roster, earned the medal for his team with a solid round of 37. Matt Kurlew turned in another nice round for the B-Datt Squad, a 2-over 35, and playing partner, Sam Martin, had a 39. After getting off to a terrific 3-0 start,

the talented B-Datt Squad has hit a slump and has dropped four in-a-row.

Dale Dube was the only golfer in his match to break 40 as 2 Buds, 2 Dubs set down Sport & Social, 13-7. Dube shot a 39 for the victors. Sport & Social won its opening match of the season against KC's Korner and now has a six-match losing streak. Captain Frank Matthews is thinking about flying his entire team to Myrtle Beach for a long weekend to work out their problems. Pat Romano said he's packed and ready to go.

Over in the American Division, the Hackers unfortunately played with

one-man short and lost their match to Buy-Rite Liquors, 16-4. Mike King of Buy-Rite fired another terrific round, a 1-over 34, and John Gavin provided strong support with a 3-over 36. Curtis Melton of the Hackers tied for the low-round of the night with a marvelous even-par round of 33.

Unique Sports Accessories moved up to a three-way tie for first place by defeating last year's champions, Pornovets, 12-8. Jack Todaro earned the medal for USA with his gem, an even-par 33, Captain Chris Dillon had a nice round of 37, and Jay Bertleson notched a 39. Frank Oades had a 38 for Pornovets who sank further into the cellar with their 1-6 record.

Plainfield Animal Hospital recovered from their 18-2 thrashing by the Hackers last week and walloped Witty's, 15-5. Mark "Mr. Steady" Chichvar was his usual consistent self, shooting a 4-over 37, while teammate Wally Heinzer chipped in with a 39. For Witty's, Marty Simpson shot a 38 in a losing effort. Kevin "Boom Boom" Bickunas of Witty's is still searching for his "boom booms."

Low scores for the night: Curtis Melton, 33; Jack Todaro, 33; Mark Dugan, 34, Mike King, 35; Matt Kurlew, 35; Jay Coppola, 35; John Gavin, 36; Mark Chichvar, 37; Chris Dillon, 37; Jerry Foglia, 37; Joe Diller, 37.

LEAGUE STANDINGS

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Witty's	3	4	0	2 Buds, 2 Dubs	2	5	0
Pornovets	1	6	0	Sport & Social	1	6	0

LEGAL NOTICES

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE # 828

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

Ordinance No. 1828 entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1748, HEREBY MODIFYING THE WEIGHT RESTRICTION ON A PORTION OF HAMILTON BOULEVARD WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD** was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, June 27, 2008, and that a public hearing be scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

ORDINANCE No. 1828

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NO. 1748, THEREBY AMENDING THE WEIGHT RESTRICTION ON HAMILTON BOULEVARD WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD.

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2006, the Borough of South Plainfield adopted Ordinance No. 1748, which established a weight restriction of four (4) tons gross weight vehicles on Hamilton Boulevard, between St. Nicholas Avenue to Spicer Avenue within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, as Hamilton Boulevard is a County road, pursuant to N.J.S.A. 39:4-197.2, Ordinance No. 1748, was reviewed and consented to by the County of Middlesex by way of Resolution No. 06-1616; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1749 was approved by the New Jersey Department of Transportation ("NJDOT"), however, no truck route was established and approved by the NJDOT pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-16.1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, since the establishment of the weight restriction, signage was placed throughout the Borough setting forth a truck route for vehicles exceeding the weight limits of the Ordinance, to proceed throughout the Borough; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the Ordinance and the establishment of the weight restrictions, there has been an increase in traffic issues and concerns along said route; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield now finds it to be in the best interest of the Borough to amend Ordinance No. 1748, along with eliminating the corresponding truck route throughout the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Ordinance No. 1748 is hereby amended by amending Section 1 of Ordinance No. 1748 as follows:

Trucks over four (4) tons gross vehicle weight are hereby excluded from the following described roadways, except for the pick-up and delivery of material on said roadways:

Name of Street Location
Hamilton Boulevard Belmont Avenue to Spicer Avenue

2. The truck route established by the placement of signage throughout the Borough as a result of the weight restrictions set forth in Ordinance No. 1748, herein repealed, is hereby eliminated.

3. Any and all signs, posts, bolts, or other materials erected or posted in connection with the establishment of the weight restrictions pursuant to Ordinance No. 1748, except as herein amended, or the corresponding truck route, shall be removed upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

4. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect.

5. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Code of the Borough of South Plainfield are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

6. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage, publication according to law and upon approval of the same by the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of New Jersey, as appropriate.

7. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to submit a certified copy of the within Ordinance to the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of New Jersey immediately upon passage.

8. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of the within Ordinance to the County of Middlesex.

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Acting Municipal Clerk

\$130.15 June 27, 2008

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE #1829

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

Ordinance No. 1829 entitled: **AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1749, THEREBY ELIMINATING THE WEIGHT RESTRICTION ON THE ENTIRE LENGTH OF BELMONT AVENUE WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD** was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, June 27, 2008, and that a public hearing be scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

ORDINANCE No. 1829

AN ORDINANCE REPEALING ORDINANCE NO. 1749, THEREBY REPEALING AND ELIMINATING THE WEIGHT RESTRICTION ON BELMONT AVENUE WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD.

WHEREAS, on August 22, 2006, the Borough of South Plainfield adopted Ordinance No. 1749, which established a weight restriction of four (4) tons gross weight vehicles on Belmont Avenue, between Hamilton Boulevard and Spicer Avenue within the Borough; and

WHEREAS, Ordinance No. 1749 was approved by the New Jersey Department of Transportation ("NJDOT"), however, no truck route was established and approved by the NJDOT pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:67-16.1, et seq.; and

WHEREAS, since the establishment of the weight restriction, signage was placed throughout the Borough setting forth a truck route for vehicles exceeding the weight limits of the Ordinance, to proceed throughout the Borough; and

WHEREAS, since the passage of the Ordinance and the establishment of the weight restrictions, there has been an increase in traffic issues and concerns along said route; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield now finds it to be in the best interest of the Borough to repeal Ordinance No. 1749, along with eliminating the corresponding truck route

throughout the Borough;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

1. Ordinance No. 1749 is hereby repealed in its entirety.

2. The truck route established by the placement of signage throughout the Borough as a result of the weight restrictions set forth in Ordinance No. 1749, herein repealed, is hereby eliminated.

3. Any and all signs, posts, bolts, or other materials erected or posted in connection with the establishment of the weight restrictions pursuant to Ordinance No. 1749, herein repealed, or the corresponding truck route, shall be removed upon the effective date of this Ordinance.

4. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect.

5. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the Code of the Borough of South Plainfield are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

6. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage, publication according to law and upon approval of the same by the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of New Jersey, as appropriate.

7. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to submit a certified copy of the within Ordinance to the Commissioner of Transportation of the State of New Jersey immediately upon passage.

8. The Borough Clerk is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of the within Ordinance to the County of Middlesex.

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Acting Municipal Clerk

\$115.90 June 27, 2008

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE #1823

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

Ordinance No. 1823 entitled: **AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD TO ACCEPT A RECREATION EASEMENT FROM THE SOUTH PLAINFIELD POLICE ATHLETIC LEAGUE, INC. IN CONNECTION WITH THE GRANT FROM THE COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX FOR THE PURCHASE AND INSTALLATION OF A MULTI-PURPOSE TURF FIELD AND RELATED IMPROVEMENTS ON THE PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS LOT 1 BLOCK 204 IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF NEW JERSEY** was presented for adoption after a public hearing was held by the Mayor and Council on Monday, June 23, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Acting Municipal Clerk

\$33.25 June 27, 2008

Library Sponsors Magic Show at the Senior Center

South Plainfield Public Library is sponsoring a children's magic show, "Hocus Pocus with Joe Fisher," on Monday, July 7 at 6:30 p.m. The program will be held at the South Plainfield Senior Center, located at 90 Maple Ave., down the street from the library.

The program is suggested for children age three and over. The program

is being presented free of charge. No pre-registration is needed.

South Plainfield Free Public Library is located in the South Plainfield Municipal Complex at 2484 Plainfield Ave.

For more information, please call (908) 754-7885 and ask for Miss Linda, or visit the library's Web site at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us.

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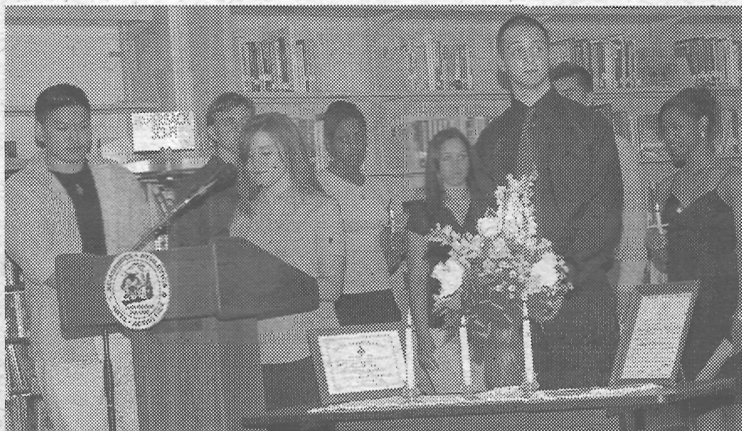
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Art, Spanish, French Honor Society Members Inducted

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secretary is Katie Nuber.

La Sociedad Honoraria Hispanica was founded by the American Association of Teachers of Spanish and Portuguese in 1953 for students of North American high schools. The original chapter at South Plainfield was founded by Doris Cerwin in 1960. This honorary society demands a high level of scholarship in Spanish studies and entitles members to apply for study and travel scholarships. They may also contribute original works of art, prose and poetry to the official publication,

"Albricias."

This year 60 students were inducted into the Spanish Honor Society. There were Angela Ang, Mirna Arevalo, Ashley Aya, Elizabeth Balon, Lindsay Barton, Morgan Bethea, Michael Boyle, Maxwell Butler, Ashley Capparelli, Jurt Carlson, Henry Carrillo, Jessica Catalini, Sunect Chandler, Steven Chen, Sean Coffey, Ann Dang, Taylor Deskins, Christian DiCarlo, Faryn Evans, Kelliann Friday, Allen Garcia, Ashleigh Gray, Jessica Handwerker, Alexander Horn, Anthony Jackson, Christopher Kedmence, Jenae Keith,

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From the South Plainfield Library Bookmarks

By Kenneth Morgan

Boom! Pow! Crack! Just getting you in the fireworks spirit before the nation's birthday rolls around. Meanwhile, here's the latest news from South Plainfield Library.

First off, the library will be closed next Friday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day. Also, we're closed on Sundays throughout the summer. Sunday hours will resume in September.

Turning to the children's programming, the big news is the start of registration for the Summer Reading Club. Stop by the children's room for details.

We have a somewhat abbreviated schedule of children's story programs next week. "Storytime" for children ages three and over will be held (as usual) on Tuesday morning at 10:30, Wednesday evening at 6:30 and Thursday afternoon at 1:15. "Time for 2's & 3's," for children ages two and three, will be held (as usual) on Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 10:30. And, due to the fourth of July closing, "Books & Babies" will not be held next week.

We also have some special programs for kids on the way. On Monday, July 7, there will be a magic show featuring Joe Fischer at 6:30 p.m. (Be advised: we're holding this program down the street at the Senior Center.) Our summer "Game Gang" program, where children can play our board games or bring in their own, starts on Tuesday, July 8 at 1:30 p.m. We've got two series of programs set to begin. On Monday, July 14 the Monday Morning Movie for children unreels (or, since it'll be a DVD, scans) at 10:30 a.m., while the Kidcraft program for children age five and over starts that evening at 6:30. (Again, be advised: you must pre-register for "Kidcraft" and there's a \$1 materials fee.) Mr. Kurt returns for another sing-along program on Thursday, July 17 at 6:30 p.m. And there will be a wild-life program featuring the Lizard Guys

on Wednesday, July 23 at 6:30 p.m. This will also be held at the Senior Center. To learn more about these programs, call and ask for Miss Linda or Miss Mija.

We've also got some young adult (YA) programs coming up this month. (What, you think we only care about kids around here?) We'll have movies for YA's on Thursday, July 3 and Thursday, July 24, each one starting at 6:30 p.m. There's a t-shirt craft program on Thursday, July 17 (also at 6:30 p.m.), a "candy sushi" program on Friday, July 25 at 3 p.m. and an insect scavenger hunt on Thursday, July 31 at 6:30 p.m. These are all for young adults in grades 5-12; you must pre-register for each program. To learn more about these programs, please call and ask for Jaimie.

And, so we're not leaving the grown-ups out, we've got a program on relationships and stress reduction set for Thursday, July 24 at 7 p.m. It'll be led by certified massage therapist Judy England-McCarthy. It's being presented free; no pre-registration is required.

Whew! With all that activity to go over, we've got barely enough space for a couple more announcements. First, we're between groups on the DVD and CD Circuits today. We'll have new groups from each available ASAP. And, second, your kids are now able to interrupt their vacations by picking up copies of the school-assigned Summer Reading books. Check at the main desk to see where the books you want have been shelved. If they're out, you can place a reserve on the needed title, or check with the Reference librarian about a possible inter-library loan.

That's just about it for now. If we've missed anything and you want to learn more, call us at (908) 754-7885 or visit our Web site at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us.

See you next time. Oh, and leave those fireworks to the professionals; we'd hate to lose a patron.

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Obituaries

Lillian P. (Harvey) Jones, 66

Lillian P. (Harvey) Jones died on Tuesday, June 17 at JFK Medical Center in Edison.

A loving daughter, supportive mother and special friend, she was a lifelong resident of Plainfield.

Lillian graduated from Plainfield High School and continued her education, receiving her LPN license. Later she continued her education at Union County College in Cranford, where she graduated with an associate's degree in nursing making her a registered nurse. She then worked as a charge nurse in the burn unit at St. Barnabas Medical Center in Livingston until her retirement in 2001.

Upon retiring from nursing, she worked part time at H&R Block, traveled and enjoyed spending time with her grandchildren.

She is survived by a daughter, Alicia S. Jones of Plainfield; two sons, Sandy E. Jones, Jr. of Plainfield and James R. Smith of Florida; her mother, Nora B. Harvey; two sisters and a brother, Carolyn Fuller, Shirley Myers and James Battle, all of Plainfield; eight grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin-Gustafson Home For Funerals.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions in the name of "Lillian P. Jones" can be made to the American Cancer Society. They may be sent to the family or by visiting <http://main.acsevents.org/goto/Lillian.P.Jones>.

Jean DeFillipo, 82

Jean DeFillipo, a lifelong resident of South Plainfield, passed away on Thursday, June 19 at home with her family.

In the 1980s, Jean was the manager of the Muhlenberg Hospital Auxiliary Gift Shop and continued as a volunteer there following her retirement. Prior to raising a family, Jean worked as a key punch operator at Cornell-Dubilier. She was also proud to be a member of the Sacred Heart Altar Rosary Society.

Jean is survived by her husband of 62 years, Henry DeFillipo; three children, Sharon Kubik and husband Stephen of Hillsborough, Valerie DeFillipo and husband Ioannis Pasparakis of London, England and James DeFillipo of Oakland; four grandchildren, Bryan Kubik, David Kubik, Christina Pasparakis and Kaitlyn DeFillipo; a sister, Anna Hobbib of Plainfield and many nieces, nephews, in-laws, relatives and friends.

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

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions can be made in her name to the South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department, 123 Maple Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.

John Murray, 90

John Murray died on Friday, June 20 in the Haven Hospice at JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Funeral arrangements were under the direction of McCriskin-Gustafson Home For Funerals.

Virginia "Ginger" L. (Bundy) Pierce, 76

Virginia "Ginger" L. (Bundy) Pierce died on Friday, June 20 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born in Kearny, Ginger was raised in the Newark area. She studied fine arts and graduated from the Arts High

School in Newark prior to settling in South Plainfield 43 years ago.

Ginger had a passion for oil painting. In addition, she was active in several organizations, clubs and had various hobbies. She was a member of the South Plainfield Suburban Women's Club where she served as past secretary, South Plainfield Senior Citizens and the Westfield Arts Society.

An avid swimmer, Ginger was one of the original members of the South Plainfield Community Pool. Throughout the summer weeks, Virginia and her lady friends would gather at the pool for their weekly swim and chats.

Mrs. Pierce enjoyed playing tennis and was one of the founding ladies of South Plainfield's local Oxford Avenue Women's "Club."

Ginger had briefly worked as a bookkeeper for the former Rickels in South Plainfield and for 43 years she was a communicant of Sacred Heart RC Church.

She was predeceased by her husband, Thomas, who died in 2002.

Surviving are five children, Virginia M. Pierce and fiancé Sam of Arizona, Jennifer Donohue and husband Scott of California, Thomas J. Pierce and wife Laurie of Hillsborough, Robert C. Pierce and wife Elaine of Fredon Twp. and John H. and wife Renee of Arizona; 11 grandchildren and eight grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin-Gustafson Home For Funerals.

Eleanor C. (Hobbs) Dencklau, 93

Eleanor C. (Hobbs) Dencklau died on Friday, June 20 at home with her daughter, Nancy and family, along with the family pet, Patches, at her side.

Born and raised in the Scranton, Pa. area, Eleanor had been a resident of South Plainfield for over 75 years.

She was employed as a production worker with Van Blarkins Curtains formerly of Dunellen and was previously employed as a private home healthcare worker.

In addition, Eleanor was a former member of the First Christian Assembly in Plainfield and was a longtime

faithful member of the Calvary Chapel North Plainfield.

She was predeceased by her husband, Charles; a daughter, Sandra; two sisters, Grace and Gladys and three brothers, Leroy, Donald and Robert Hobbs.

Surviving are four children, Nancy Connors and husband John of South Plainfield, Geraldine Sira and husband Eddie of Pennsylvania, Jennifer "C.J." Dencklau of Arizona and Albert Dencklau and wife Susan of Piscataway and a brother, Kenneth Hobbs and wife Beverly of Helmetta.

Also surviving are five grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at McCriskin-Gustafson Home For Funerals.

Frank (Uncle Buck) Benak, Sr., 78

Frank (Uncle Buck) Benak, Sr. died on Thursday, June 19 in Florida after a courageous battle with prostate cancer.

Born in Blandburg, Pa. on Nov. 27, 1930, he moved to South Plainfield in 1959 and then to Spring Hill, Fla. in 2004.

Frank served in the United States Air Force. He worked for Peter J. Schweitzer Company and Celotex as a machine operator. He was a coach for the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club for many years. He enjoyed hunting, fishing and watching his grandchildren play sports.

He is survived by his wife of 53 years, Ida; a daughter, Hannah Wragg and husband George of Spring Hill,

Fla.; three sons, Frank, Jr. and wife Marie, Stephen and wife Rose, both of South Plainfield and Dean and wife Eileen of Hernando Beach, Fla.; five grandchildren, Christine, Michael, Rose, Nicole, Mark and many nieces and nephews.

Services were held in Florida.

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LEGAL NOTICE
ORDINANCE 1826

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

Ord. No. 1826 entitled: AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 146 ENTITLED "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING (ORDINANCE #0008), AS SUPPLEMENTED AND AMENDED, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD" was adopted on first reading and advertised in The Observer on Friday, June 27, 2008, and that a public hearing be scheduled for Monday, July 14, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

ORDINANCE 1826

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 146 ENTITLED "PEDDLING AND SOLICITING (ORDINANCE #0008), AS SUPPLEMENTED AND AMENDED, OF THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD.

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

1. Section 146-9 entitled "License Fees" of Article I entitled "Peddlers and Solicitors" of Chapter 146 entitled "Peddling and Soliciting," as supplemented and amended, is hereby amended as follows:

§ 146-9. License fees.

The license fees shall be as follows:

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| A. Solicitors: | Fifty dollars (\$50.00) per year. |
| B. Distributors: | Fifty dollars (\$50.00) per year. |
| C. Peddlers: | Fifty dollars (\$50.00) per day up to a maximum of
Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00) per year. |

D. Transient merchants: licensees under this Article shall pay a fee of Fifty dollars (\$50.00), which said fee shall be paid upon the application being made. Such a fee, as well as all fees required under this Article, are to help defray administrative expenses to the Borough of enforcing this Article.

2. Section 146-11 entitled "License Fees" of Article I entitled "Peddlers and Solicitors" of Chapter 146 entitled "Peddling and Soliciting," as supplemented and amended, is hereby amended as follows:

§ 146-11. Violations and penalties.

Any person required by this Article to procure a license who violates its terms or who violates any provisions of this Article shall, upon conviction thereof, pay a fine of not more than five hundred dollars (\$500.) or be imprisoned in the county jail for a term of not more than thirty (30) days:

3. If any article, section, subsection, sentence, clause or phrase of this Ordinance is, for any reason, held to be unconstitutional or invalid, such decision shall not affect the remaining portions of this Ordinance and they shall remain in full force and effect.

4. In the event of any inconsistencies between the provisions of this Ordinance and any prior ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield, the provisions hereof shall be determined to govern. All other parts, portions and provisions of the ordinances of the Borough of South Plainfield are hereby ratified and confirmed, except where inconsistent with the terms hereof.

5. This Ordinance shall take effect upon final passage, publication according to law.

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Riley Students passed through an arch of pink balloons on their walk.

Riley School Students Walk for the Cure

How many people can say that they were an integral part of history in the making? Well, everyone who was at John E. Riley School on June 13 at 1:30 in the afternoon can.

John E. Riley Student Council sponsored its first "39 Minute Walk to a Cure," simulating the "39 Mile-Avon Walk for Breast Cancer." Student council members, along with Riley's faculty, students, and PTSO, worked very hard to get the walk organized.

Volunteers from Riley PTSO offered water, juice, and a lot of encouragement at comfort stations set up along the way. Some of the comfort stations were theme oriented. Walkers partied as they were given masks, noisemakers and beads at the Mardi

Gras station. Students dressed in the pink colors of support for finding a cure for breast cancer.

As the walk was wrapping up, walkers passed under a pink balloon arch that was constructed by Riley's PTSO.

Mayor Charles Butrico, Councilmen Matthew Anesh and Tim McConville, Board of Education members Debbie Boyle, Bob Jones and Sharon Miller, Superintendent Jose Negron and Assistant Superintendent Fred Oberkehr offered their support and encouragement as they walked along the route, too.

The student council has decided the "39 Minute Walk to a Cure" will be held again next year.

Submitted by Cate Bonanno

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Not so. The next meeting the Republican attorney said the law was not clear and Bengivenga could vote.

The Republicans immediately put the ordinances back on and Bengivenga is voting on them.

Let me quote the New Jersey local ethics law: "No local government officer shall act in an official capacity in any matter where... a business organization in which he or she... has a direct or indirect financial or personal involvement that might reasonably be expected to impair his objectivity or independence or judgment."

Council President Bengivenga is employed by Republic Services which has hundreds of trucks a day go in and out of its facility on Metuchen Road. The owners have openly lobbied to put trucks back on Hamilton Boulevard and Belmont Avenue because it will save them money. Can you connect the dots?

Mr. Bengivenga, your Republican political strategy of attacking those that tell the truth isn't going to work in South Plainfield. Our residents see right through you. I recommend that you try a different approach. Rather than talk about ethics in government, practice it and abstain from the vote

on putting trucks back on Hamilton Boulevard.

**VERY TRULY YOURS,
MAYOR CHARLES BUTRICO**

To the Editor:

About two weeks ago the council approved repaving the Metuchen Road extension. There were several reasons. First, the road was in disrepair and dangerous for our emergency services (fire, police, rescue) to drive on. Second, using the road would take some cars off main thoroughfares, including Oak Tree Road. Third, the road would offer an alternative route when the bridge on Park Avenue is being rebuilt.

Improving Metuchen Road offered lots of benefits. It was a no-brainer to most people.

Unfortunately, "most people" don't include the South Plainfield Democrats. As usual, they voted "no." It was unfortunate that the Democrats tried to obstruct the project at the council level, but what happened next is even worse. Just as the project was being completed, the county engineer got involved and suggested to Edison that it close and block its side of the road.

One had to wonder why the county, which is dominated by Democrats,

would poke its nose into a project it had nothing to do with. Metuchen Road is not a county road, and it's unheard of for the county to insert itself into local affairs. The mayor and his fellow Democrats deny having anything to do with this. But why would county officials get involved if they weren't asked?

Although the Democrats' behavior seems shocking, it really should come as no surprise. They've been trying to block progress in the Borough ever since losing power. They voted against repairing South Plainfield Avenue and Tompkins Avenue, even though both projects were almost completely funded by state grants. They also said "no" to the curb restoration program, even though borrowing is down dramatically. They even voted against receiving an \$80,000 grant to install handicapped ramps along Sampton and Franklin avenues.

After trying to block every public-works project proposed this year, can we really believe the Democrats had nothing to do with the county's interference and the attempt to put a "blockade" around our town? I'll let you decide.

COUNCILMAN TIM MCCONVILLE

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Road Completion Doesn't End Debate

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and surmised the letter was "political" in nature. His position is that the town is taking an "unsafe condition and making it safe for emergency vehicles".

"We paved the road at a twelve percent savings," Bengivenga said, over what the county charges and used the

borough's DPW to do the work. To prove his point, he showed a video clip recorded of a borough police vehicle enroute to a "live fire" on Delancey Street in Edison showing the rough terrain emergency vehicles had to endure prior to the paving.

After viewing the video Council-

man Ray Petronko argued that Metuchen Road is now more dangerous because of the smooth surface and that there is no curbing. He also stated that we are in "tough economic times" and that the money to pave the road now did not have to be spent. Councilman Matt Anesh pointed out that "we weren't in tough economic times when you [the Democrats] wanted to spend \$5M on a new library."

Mayor Charlie Buttrico said that he has never reached out to anyone in the county to prompt the letter and that the Park Avenue bridge repair is not scheduled to take place for another 18 to 24 months. "I'm not sure if it was \$67,000 that we needed to spend right now for the 15 or so South Plainfield residents that live off that road."

Bengivenga claims the usage of the road will "alleviate traffic from our town." The borough engineer stated that they were "going under the assumption that Edison wanted to start this fall" and "this was the time frame the borough was given."

police report

• On June 17 Bhargavbh Mistry, 29, of Piscataway was arrested for driving while intoxicated, careless driving, littering from a motor vehicle and failure to wear a seatbelt.

• On June 18 Jason J. Mclean, 31, of Perth Amboy was arrested for hindering apprehension, driving on a suspended license and being an unlicensed driver.

• Batin T. Eure, 34, of Plainfield was arrested at A&P for shoplifting \$232 worth of infant formula and toothpaste.

• On June 19 LA Fitness on New World Way reported that various lockers had been forced open and numerous items including wallets and cell phones had been taken.

• On June 20 Michael J. Valente, 28, of South Plainfield was arrested for driving while intoxicated and reckless driving.

• On June 21 Lai D. Hung, 34, of Somerset was arrested for driving while intoxicated and careless driving.

• Frank Rue, 54, of Naples, Fla. was arrested for failure to inspect and an

outstanding warrant.

• Terrence L. Jeter, 42, of Rahway was arrested for driving while intoxicated.

• On June 22 Ashish N. Patel, 36, of Edison was arrested for driving while intoxicated, refusal to take a breathalyzer test, improper u-turn and careless driving.

• John K. Weiser, 53, of South Plainfield was arrested for driving while intoxicated, reckless driving, failure to maintain lane and failure to exhibit a drivers license.

• Sarahi Bello, 22, and Victoria Louisa Lopez, 22, both of Linden were arrested at Target for shoplifting \$92 worth of DVD's.

• On June 23 Nadia S. Ward, 20, of Piscataway was arrested at Macy's for shoplifting \$418 worth of clothing and jewelry.

• Franklin School reported that two, four-way basketball hoops had been bent and book pages from a dumpster had been strewn around the parking lot.



Flag Day ceremonies were held at both the Knights of Columbus Hall and the Elks Lodge #2298. After flag raising ceremonies, the Knights honored members who had passed away in the last year, lighting a candle for each one. Special guests were veterans from the Lyons VA Hospital who enjoyed a barbecue lunch. The Elks ceremony commemorating the birth of the American Flag was held that evening. Boy Scouts from Troop 267 displayed flags of the past while the history of the flag was read.



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