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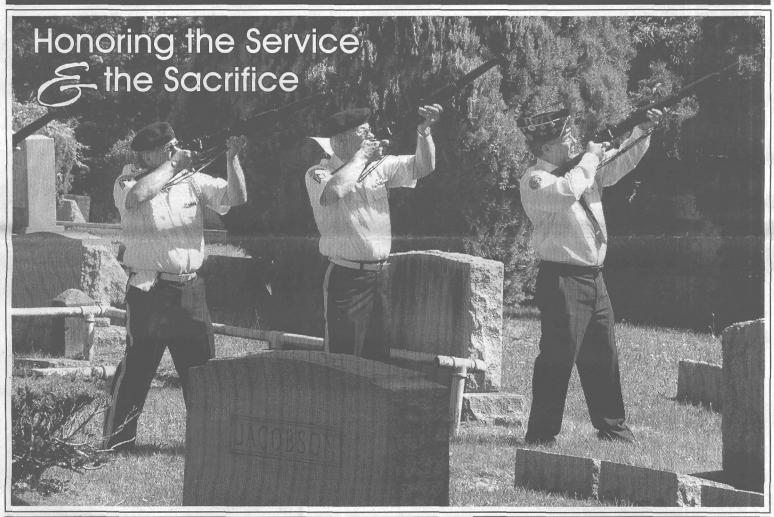
JUNE 4, 2010















Members of VFW Post #6763 and the American Legion Chaumont Post 243 were joined by South Plainfield officials, Boy Scout Troops 125 and 207, several past and present high school band students and local residents in honoring the servicemen and women who lost their lives while serving their country.

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The somber ceremonies began at the VFW and continued on to



the three local cemeteries and the senior center, and concluded at the American Legion where members of the traveling high school choir performed.

school choir performed.

At each stop members
from the VFW and American Legion led
the way to the gravesites as a drum roll
played. They offered a prayer, placed a
wreath, performed a three-gun salute
and the playing of *Taps* by bugler Cory
Singer. The drum roll was performed
by SPHS band students Matt Kanaley



and Russell Teller. They were joined by former SPHS band members Andy Kerage, who attends Centenary College and James Sansone, who attends Middlesex County College. This year, one of the largest crowds in recent history attended the ceremonies.

South Plainfield Police Officer John McConville, who had just returned

South Plainfield Police Officer John McConville, who had just returned from his third tour of duty in Iraq and Afghanistan, presented to the American Legion an American Flag that was flown in Kandahar, Afghanistan.



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council

Meets twice a month on Mondays, *except where noted.

Borough Hall Council Chambers • Questions? 908-226-7605 Public Meeting Agenda Meeting

June 7 June 7 June 21

All Agenda Meetings begin at 7 p.m. followed immediately by the Public Meeting, unless Otherwise noted. Meetings of the Governing Body are held in accordance with the N.J. Open Public Meetings Act (N.J.S.A. 10:4-6 et seq.) in the Council Chambers at 2480 Plainfield Ave.

planningboard

Meets second and fourth Tuesday of the month, *except where noted. Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7641 June 8, June 22, July 13, July 27, Aug. 10, Aug. 24, Sept. 14, Sent 28 Oct 12 Oct 26 Nov 9 Dec 7

zoning

Meets second and fourth Thursday of the month, *except where noted Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7641 June 10, June 24, July 8, July 22, Aug. 12, Aug. 26, Sept. 9, Sept. 23, Oct. 14, Oct. 28, Nov. 11* and Dec. 9.*

boardofeducation

Meets Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave. Committee of the whole meetings: June 9, July 14, Aug.11, Sept. 15, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8. 2011: Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 2 and March 30. Regular Public Meeting: June 16, July 21, Aug. 18, Sept. 22, Oct. 20, Nov. 17, Dec. 15. 2011: Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 16, April 6.

BOF

Meets once a month on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. in 2nd floor conference room, Roosevelt Administration Building on Jackson Ave.

BOE

Meets second Monday of the month at 7 p.m., 2nd floor conference room, Roosevelt Administration Building

recreation

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

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.

Meets once a month on the third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m. July 20, Aug. 17, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov.16, Dec. 21

environmental

Meets once a month (second Wednesday) Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7621 June 9, July 14, Aug. 11, Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan, 12 2011

business

Meets once a month (first Wednesday) Borough Hall Council Chambers, 5 p.m.

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Questions? 908-226-7605 Monday, June 28



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Plainfields Chapter of UNICO held its annual scholarship awards dinner at Giovanna's in Plainfield on May 26. Students who were honored received the Brian Piccolo Award in April, as well as a scholarship from UNICO based on academics, athletics and community service. Front row (L-R): Deputy District Gov. Robert Bengivenga, Sr., Brian Piccolo Sports Award recipient Philip Longo, scholarship recipients and Brian Piccolo Sports Award recipients Katie Muglia and Dylan Papa, Plainfields Chapter UNICO President Anthony Bengivenga and former South Plainfield Superintendent of Schools Leonard Tobias. Back row (L-R): South Plainfield Councilman Rob Bengivenga, former South Plainfield Board of Education member Robert Jones and BOE member Debbie Boyle.

In My Opinion

Opinions expressed in this column are not necessarily those of the publisher, nor do we guarantee accuracy.

To the Editor:

As the co-directors of the Grant School Drama Club, we thought it was important to mention the parents who helped with this year's production of High School Musical, jr. We are certain that the show would not have been successful without their help.

Thank you to Mr. Licato, Josh Rochotte, Mrs. Ward and Filipe Rodriguez for making sure that our stage was secure enough for our entire cast to dance on. All details and set decorations were taken care of by Mrs. Lar-sen, Mrs. Rochotte, Mrs.Ward, Mrs. DeCarlo and Mrs. Cullen. We couldn't have done it without you.

Thank you to Mrs. Ward and Jeff

Sallas for helping on Saturday morning with our beautiful backdrop, which was designed by Michael Delice, a talented sixth grader.

Thank you to Mrs. Rochotte, Mrs. Scalera, Mrs. Young and Mrs. Licato for taking the time to sell tickets both during school hours and at night.

And what would we have done without the patience of Mrs. Ro-chotte, Mrs. Cavalarie and Mrs. Rodriguez who helped supervise our entire cast. Mrs. Rodriguez, thank you for donating snacks for our students.

Mrs. Young and Mr. and Mrs. Scalera, thank you for helping us raise money for our drama club. Mrs. Rochette, the tshirts looked great; thank you for your willingness to help at all times. We truly couldn't have done this without you.

And Mrs. George once again ensured that flower sales were a success. We will miss you next year. Not only are we grateful to Mrs. Cochrane for her kindness in lending us beautiful flowers to decorate our stage, but we also appreciate the amazing banner that was created for our show

Mr. Buggey, thank you for the use of the basketball uniforms. And special thanks to all the parents who helped transform the basketball uniforms from Tigers to Wildcats.

Mrs. Larsen, our cheerleaders shined with school pride thanks to your uniforms. We give our sincere appreciation to the Grant School PTO for their constant support. Mrs. Nuber, thank you for taking the time to buy snacks for our students. We would also like to thank Mr.

Whalen, Mr. Richkus, Mrs. Papa, Mrs. Ranger, Mrs. Lee and the rest of the Grant School staff for everything they did to help us with the show.

Mr. Tweed, thank you so much for helping with the sound. Sean Walsh, thank you for the lighting system and

your help during the show.

Mr. Negron, Dr. Cella, Mrs. Boyle
and Mr. Seesselberg, thank you for attending our show; it meant the world to our students.

It was truly humbling to work side

by side with such a splendid group of parents. You made it all possible. Thank

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you to Mrs. Buccino, Mr. Hunt and Mrs. Barnett for allowing us to transform your gymnasium into a theater. We sincerely apologize if we failed to mention any parents.

This was an experience your chil-dren will never forget and treasure always. Please continue to support programs such as this one. Once again, thank you for everything.

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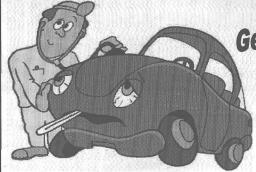
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Zoning Board Rejects Plans for Library Move

By Libby Barsky

The Zoning Board of Adjustment voted unanimously, 6-0, not to approve the Library Board of Trustees' request to relocate the library to 901 Montrose Ave. Set in an area zoned for industrial use and currently housing three businesses. Zoning Board Chairman Alex Barletta objected to the application based on safety concerns due to the lack of sidewalks and the location next to neighboring industrial businesses.

"I recognize the need for the move but I'm not supporting this applica-tion. This is a very dangerous, isolated area," said board member Maria Campagna, in making the motion to deny the library's application.

Before the vote, the board heard from realtor Richard DeAndrea who read a list of 15 potential sites currently available for the library to lease. Most sites were located in an industrial zone with a few in commercial

and brandishing a handgun. The man-

ager immediately called the police prior to the person gaining access to the

restaurant. The individual then fled the scene on foot. No proceeds were

taken. On May 9, an employee of

Burger King reported that a male entered the establishment brandishing a

black handgun and demanding cash.

The employee gave the gunman the proceeds, totaling \$118, at which time

the robber fled the scene on foot. No

one was injured as a result of both of

Sgt. Dan Noonan, Detective Chris-

topher Colucci and Detective Garret

Cassio arrested James Richardson, 19.

of Elizabeth for the conspiracy of

both robberies as a result of the investigation. Richardson is being held in lieu of \$50,000 bail at the Union

County Correction Facility. The de-

tectives also charged and took into custody two juveniles, ages 16 and 17, whose identities are being with-

Police are asking anyone with in-

formation to contact Detective Chris-

held because of their age.

the incidents.

areas such as Middlesex Mall, Golden Acres Shopping Center, Durham Professional Plaza and the former Sears store on Oak Tree Road.

Only the Montrose Avenue location was found to be suitable and affordable, said Sundra Randolph, library director. The library's plan was to sign a 10 year lease with owner DeAndrea, who would modify the interior of the building to the library's specifications.

"The Montrose Avenue site was carefully chosen after much study. Through the arrangements we had made with DeAndrea there would be no extra cost to the taxpayers of the borough," Randolph said.

While disappointed, Randolph said area, but we decided against it because

The Library Board can appeal the board's decision. They will discuss whether or not to pursue the appeal route and what other alternatives are available in their attempt to relocate to a more suitable location at its next meeting on Tuesday, June 8.

she was not surprised that the applica-tion was turned down. "They requested the library to do-a traffic study of the the study would be expensive and wouldn't change the result," she said.

SPHS Music Boosters

Music Notes

A reminder to all band, chorus, color guard and orchestra students: The SPHS Music Boosters annual dinner banquet will be held on Friday, June 4 from 6 to 11 p.m. at the Italian American Social Club in North Plainfield. The cost is \$25 per person.

For more information, please contact Donna at RTeller3@comcast.net.



Father Maciei and Al Musmanno prepare to cut the ribbon to officially open Our Lady of Czestochowa's Feast of St. Anthony. They are joined by 4th Degree Knight Gene Buldowski, Don Jackson and Elsie and Ed Larsen. The feast continues through 11 p.m. on Saturday.

Summer Drama Workshop Auditions

Those interested in being a part

If you are interested in orchestra.

please register on Monday, June 14; bring your instrument and be pre-

pared to do scales and play a piece of

held on June 14, if necessary.

(908) 561-5255.

your choice. Call backs will also be

For more information, please call

of the crew should also come and

register on these dates.

Auditions for South Plainfield a non-returnable photo.

Summer Drama Workshop's (SDW)

2010 production Seussical will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, June 9

and 10 at the Middle School from 5

to 9 p.m. Auditions are open to all South Plainfield residents finishing

sixth grade through freshman year of

Please bring a prepared song, pref-

erably with sheet music. A short dance

routine will be taught. Please bring

Three Charged With Attempted Robbery

One adult and two juveniles are in custody on charges of the attempted robbery of Wendy's, 736 Oak Tree Ave., and the armed robbery of the Burger King restaurant, 1517 Park Ave.

The incidents occurred during the weekend of May 7. On May 7, the manager of the Wendy's reported that she observed an individual attempting to gain access to the drive thru window wearing a dark colored mask

Erika Lynn Foundation Music and Arts Festival

The Erika Lynn Foundation is sponsoring a music and arts festival on Saturday, June 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Erika Lynn Thrift Store, 2601 Hamilton Blvd. A donation of \$5 is

requested, or a clothing donation.

Live local bands will perform, and the stage will be open for an "open jam" after 3 p.m.; so bring your instrument if you like. The artwork that will be displayed was created by those with developmental disabilities. Vendors and a food pavilion will also be available.

The mission of this event is to show the true talent of our friends and to help others see their capabilities.

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9:00 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday 7:00 p.m. Monday (Church), Thursday (Parish Center Chapel)

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Around Town

Open House at **Nature Center**

Tune 5

The Friends of the Woods is holding an open house and guided nature walks at The Highland Woods Environmental Education Reserve located at 115 Sylvania Place (off South Clinton Avenue) on Saturday, June 5 from 1 to 4 p.m. Bring your camera. Free and open to the public; a donation of bird seed is welcome and appreciated.

For more information, email spnaturetrails@verizon.net.

Rescue Squad Flea Market/Craft Sale

The South Plainfield Rescue Squad will hold a flea market/craft sale on Saturday, June 5 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the rescue squad building lo-cated on Plainfield Avenue. Tables are available for \$25.

For additional information or to reserve a table, call (908) 917-7920.

First Annual 5K Run And Family Fun Walk

Sacred Heart School is holding its first 5K run and walk on Saturday, June 5. Race time is 9 a.m.; check-in

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For more information, call Carl Adlassnig at (908) 757-1933.

SP Republicans Comedy Show

The South Plainfield Republican Organization presents South Plainfield's best comedy show, Comedy Night 2010, featuring Uncle Floyd and two other top-name comedians, on Saturday, June 5 at 8 p.m. at the American Legion, 243 Oak Tree Ave. Tickets: \$50 in advance; \$60 at the door; includes dinner

For tickets, call (908) 753-0247.

VFW Country Breakfast

The South Plainfield VFW, located at 155 Front St. will hold a country breakfast on Sunday, June 6 from 8 to 11 a.m. The public is welcomed. Any questions? Call (908) 668-9751.

Historical Society Monthly Meeting

Tune 8

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The next meeting of the South Plainfield Historical Society will be

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held on Tuesday, June 8 at 7 p.m. in the History Center in the Board of Education Administration Building. Parking and the lower level entrance to the center are on Jackson Avenue. Quilt raffle books for the Labor Day event should be ready for distribution. New members are always welcome.

The History Center is open Tuesdays from 2 to 4 p.m. Why not come in and have a look around? See Chuck Caparelli's model of the Hadley Air-

Franklin Kindergarten Orientation

All children enrolled in kindergarten at Franklin School in September 2010, along with their parents, are invited to participate in the kindergarten orientation on Tuesday, June 8 from 3-4 p.m. to see the school and meet some of the faculty.

Feast of Sacred **Heart Celebrated**

Tune 11

A Mass to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart will be held on Friday, June 11 at 7 p.m., followed by an evening of sacred music featuring the talents of the Sacred Heart Handbell Choir, children's choir and adult choir under the direction of Daniel Mahoney.

Walking For a Cure

Tune 11

Please join John E. Riley School for the third annual "39 Minute Walk To A Cure" on Friday, June 11 at 1:30 p.m. at Riley School

Bring friends and family to show support for Riley students walking ard a cure for breast cancer.

— Out of Town —

Blackrose to Perform June 5

Blackrose, a band performing classic rock and roll music and today's

Rt. 28 in Middlesex on Saturday, June 5 at 10 p.m. No cover charge.

JORBA Bike Festival

The Jersey Off-Road Bicycle Association (JORBA) third annual bike festival will be held on Saturday, June 5 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at the Waterloo Concert Field in Stanhope. We gladly accept donations of any nonperishable food items.

For more information, please visit www.njfoodbank.org.

Annual Pancreatic Cancer Walk

June 5

The Middlesex County Public Health Department and the Middlesex County Cancer Coalition second annual Pancreatic Cancer Walk will be held on Saturday, June 5 from 9 to 11:30 a.m. at Roosevelt Park on Rt. 1 in Edison. Register at www.cinjfoun dation.org/forms/pancwalk.php. Registration is free, but donations are encouraged.

For info, call (732) 745-3140 or email padma.arvind@co.middlesex.nj.us.

Medical Qi Gong **Meditation Class**

Tune 5

A free medical QiGong class is being offered at Willow Grove Presbyterian Church in Scotch Plains on Saturday, June 5, 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

For more information, call (908)

Upscale Singles Dance Party

Tune 5

Steppin'-Out Singles is hosting an upscale singles dance party on Saturday, June 5 at 8:30 p.m. at Crowne Plaza Somerset, 110 Davidson Ave. in Somerset. Ages 40 and up; no jeans/ sneakers. Admission: \$15.

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Silver Sneakers . Crocheting 9:30-11:30 am 10:30 am Yoga Art Class .. 11:30 am

TUESDAYS

.... 10 am-2 pm Bingo Ladies Group

WEDNESDAYS

THURSDAYS

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8:45 am

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Call (908) 754-1047 for more info or

Senior Center is open daily 8 a.m. 4 p.m. Closed Saturdays and Sundays.

Youth Sunday at Willow Grove Church

Tune 6

Willow Grove Presbyterian Church, 1961 Raritan Road in Scotch Plains invites children ages four through high school to join them on Sunday, June 6 at 10 a.m. to experience a special service.

For info, call (908) 232-5678.

YMCA Community Trip to Sunshine Boys Tune 8

Take a trip with the Metuchen Branch YMCA on Tuesday, June 8 to the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse to see Neil Simon's hilarious comedy classic, The Sunshine Boys. \$73 includes transportation and choice of gourmet lunch. Bus departs Metuchen Municipal Pool parking lot at 9:45 a.m.

For info, call Jean Vick at (732) 543-2044, ext. 217 or by email to jean. vick@metuchen-edisonymca.org.

Special Olympics Opening Ceremony

Tune 11

Law enforcement officers will take part in the 27th annual Torch Run on a 27-leg journey that brings awareness about the 2010 Special Olympics New Jersey Summer Games to communities throughout New Jersey on Friday, June 11.

The torch will be carried by officers representing various law enforcement agencies before being run into the opening ceremonies at Lions Stadium at The College of New Jersey and handed off to an athlete to light the cauldron. Opening ceremonies will begin at 7:30 p.m. with a concert by the BStreetBand, the original Bruce Springsteen tribute band, as well as an extraordinary display of fireworks. All events are free and open to the

For information, visit www.sonj. org or call (609) 896-8000.

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Bill Butrico solicits donations for the Knights of Columbus Special Citizens fund drive at Pathmark on Oak Tree Road.

Knights of Columbus Raises Funds for Special Citizens

The South Plainfield Knights of Columbus, Council #6203 held their 2010 Special Citizens Drive last month. Almost \$12,000 was collected during the four day drive from canning at local businesses for this great cause. Another \$1,900 was collected by the Knights from donations by local businesses in town as well.

Mayor Charles Butrico donated \$1,000 from weddings that he performed this year, and another \$800 was collected throughout the year from cans at the following local businesses: Hometown Heros, The Corner Deli, Sherban's Diner, Oak Tree Liquors and Mr. Subs. This brought the total amount collected so far this year to \$15,600. All proceeds will be donated to three local special needs organizations: The Keystone Community, The Midland School and The McCauley School, all of which the South Plainfield Knights of Columbus support throughout the year.

The Knights would like to thank

the following businesses for allowing them to collect in front of their stores this year: Sherban's Diner, Mr. Subs, Quik Chek, CVS, A&P, Pathmark, Super Stop and Shop, Shop Rite, The Bagel Pantry, Ciccio's Pizza, 7-11, TD Bank, Front Street Farmers Market, Witty's Liquor Store and Oak Tree

Co-chairmen of this drive were Ioe Scrudato and Grand Knight Billy Butrico who would like to thank all of the Knights' and their family members who this year collected a record amount of money. The Knights would like to thank each and every South Plainfield resident who supported the Special Citizens Drive.

Lastly, we would like to personally thank three people who came down each day to help count the money: Theresa and Joe Bielinski, and Irene Butrico. Theresa, Joe and Irene put many hours into accurately counting the money that was collected

Franklin Math-**A-Thon Benefits** Children's Hospital

Franklin School students recently participated in the St. Jude Math-A-Thon program and raised \$3,619.50 to benefit St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the premier center for the research and treatment of childhood cancer and other deadly diseases. Now in its 30th year, Math-A-Thon is one of America's largest education-based fundraisers. More than 10,000 schools across the country participate in the

The Math-A-Thon not only encourages students to work out math problems, but it teaches the importance of helping others.

To date, Franklin School has raised \$72,196.72 for St. Jude through the Math-A Thon. This year third grader Hallie Bisgaard brought in the largest amount of donations, \$581! All of the participants did a great job and should feel good they have helped so many others with their donations.

BOE Approves Appointments

The BOE reappointed the following at its May meeting: district accountant, Lori Tirone; transportation supervisor, Marlene Steele; high school director of guidance, Elaine Gallo; high school assistant principal, Joseph Ciriglilano; Middle School principal, Kevin Hajduk; Kennedy principal, Lisa Parker; Roose velt principal, Robert Diehl; registered and practical nurse, Anne Marie Mc-Manus, Roosevelt Administration registered nurse; Lee Ann Thompson, out of district registered nurse; high school registered nurse, Carol Ullom and Dorothea Bohn as substitute caller and part time Roosevelt secretary.

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Education Foundation Wine Tasting Fundraiser

By Patricia Abbott

The South Plainfield Education Foundation and Oak Tree Discount Wine and Spirits held their Fine Wine, Spirits and Craft Beer Tasting Fundraiser on May 7. The third annual event was held at the Italian American Club located on Garabaldi Avenue.

Oak Tree Discount arranged the vendors and donated over \$75 worth of ice. Guests had the opportunity to sample a variety of wines, beers and other spirits. They also enjoyed food donated by Hometown Heros, Flanagans, Ferraro Foods and Debbie and Bob Boyle. Over 70 people attended the event. The Italian American Club donated the hall for the evening.

Foundation member Rob Richkus, assistant principal of Grant School said, "Everyone raved; lots of fun,

good times and good conversations were had by all. The wine tasting is still among the 'best in town'."

The Education Foundation, in existence since 1994, promotes numerous educational and incentive programs such as the Gold Card and scholarships for South Plainfield students. To date, the Education Foundation has awarded over 50 scholarships totaling over \$283,150, and over \$130,000 in endowments. The Education Foundation has also given back more than \$41,000 in curriculum programs, \$33,000 in academic incentive programs and \$18,000 for school equipment to the students of South Plainfield.

For more information about the Education Foundation, visit their website at www.vision2001.org

Salon Professional Academy Recycles Hair to Aid Gulf Coast

By sweeping up hair clippings and mailing them to Matter of Trust, The Salon Professional Academy will be helping to contain the oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

Matter of Trust (matteroftrust.org) is stuffing loose hair into nylon stock ings to create "booms" that surround, contain and soak up oil spills. The "hairmat" was developed by Phil Mc-Crory, a hair stylist from Alabama. He observed that the fur on Alaskan otters were completely soaked with oil while watching coverage of the 1989 Exxon Valdez oil spill. He began testing how much oil he could collect with the hair clippings from his salon and then invented the hairmat, which has other uses, including fertilizer.

The recent BP spill threatening U.S. coastlines spurred The Salon Professional Academy Owner Lori Sickles into action. "We sweep about a pound of hair every day and might as well put it to good use," Sickles said.

The Salon Professional Academy pays to mail the hair clippings to Matter of Trust, where it is sorted, stored and stuffed into nylon stockings.

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An appeal has been filed by Michael Mercurio requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit shed which exceeds shed allowance; (2) sheds max; not to exceed 200 square feet; (1) existing; (1) proposed; and other variances that may be required, said property being located at 1947 Plainfield Avenue, Block 122, Lot 36; Zone R-7.5 on the South Plainfield Tax Map.

For the purposes of hearing objections to or pro-tests against the granting of said appeal, the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Thursday, June 24, 2010 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey at 7:00 p.m.

The files and documents pertaining to this appeal are available for public inspection in the Planning/Zoning Office in Borough Hall between the hours of 8:00 a.m and 4:00 pm.

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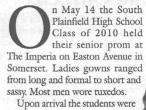












greeted by a line of administration and faculty members.

Waiters served hors d'oeuvres. There were approximately 20 staff members on hand enjoying the evening's festivities, chatting with students and dancing.

The buffet dinner included chicken parmesan, penne vodka, fried calamari, seafood newburg, eggplant rollatini and more. There were 320 guests; most were seniors. The theme of the prom was "Masquerade." The tables held vases with colorful masks. The class of 2010 chose two songs for their senior prom: Forever Young by Alphaville and All My Life by KC & Jojo.

As the evening came to an end prom-goers looked ahead to celebrating with after-prom parties

and the traditional trips down the

One week prior on May 7, the South Plainfield Class of 2011 danced the night away at their junior semi formal at the Pines Manor in Edison. There were 183 people in attendance; 124 were juniors.

The event was organized by Junior class advisors Bonnie Vigneri and John Angeline and a com-mittee that included class officers Carly Ashnault, Karly Sanko, Joelle Butrico and Rachel Alexa.

While not as elaborate as the senior prom, the students looked wonderful dressed in semi formal attire. In addition to dancing, the students enjoyed a buffet dinner.













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Air Force Lt. Colonel Blake Uhl and daughter Jessica Uhl, SPMS student



American Flag before being lowered to half mast.

Memorial Day Celebrated at Middle School

By Libby Barsky

For some, Memorial Day marks the beginning of summer and it has become a day for shopping or family picnics, but not for the students at South Plainfield Middle School.

The middle school held its Memorial Day services on May 28 with an assembly program that began with the band, under conductor Andy Veiss, playing The National Anthem. The choir, directed by Donna Markiewicz, sang God Bless America, and Jenna Howarth and Sam Persad played Taps.

Standing at attention and saluting the flag were James Yednack, commander of the American Legion Post #243; Jake Marinez, past district commander of VFW Post #1637; and VFW members Metro Kopchak, Leo Grabowski and Mike Pancza.

Middle School Student Council President Jessica Uhl, whose father Lt. Colonel Blake Uhl serves in the United States Air Force, sat next to her before she addressed her fellow students. She welcomed Superintendent of Schools Jose Negron, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Loraine Cella, Business Administrator Richard Guarini, Board of Educa-tion member Debbie Boyle, Mayor Charles Butrico, Councilman Ray Rusnak, Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas, Principal Steve Novak and Assistant Principal Kevin Hajduk.

rear-Armed Forces Day, Veteran's Day and Memorial Day-to honor the men and women of our military, past and present," said Jessica, adding that Memorial Day was "the most solemn



Veterans attending the SPMS program include Metro Kopchak, Jake Martinez, James Yednak, Leo Grabowski and Mike Pancza. Joe Blondo (center), middle school teacher, arranged the program.

and emotional day." Reviewing the history of how Memorial Day came into being on May 30, 1869 to honor

Union and Confederate soldiers killed in the Civil War, the day has been set aside to honor those who died in every war, including present ones.
"Sadly, many of us forget the true

meaning of Memorial Day," Jessica concluded, offering the following ways to demonstrate patriotism: "Placing flags on the graves of veterans, displaying the American Flag in our homes and wearing patriotic colors are a few of the activities we can take part in."

The assembly program, which was organized by history teacher Joe Blondo, also featured remarks by Novak, who emphasized that the soldiers' sacrifices preserve the freedom we have in this country.

The program ended with the middle school band playing, Lest We Forget and The Liberty Bell March.



Sam Persad prepares to play Taps.

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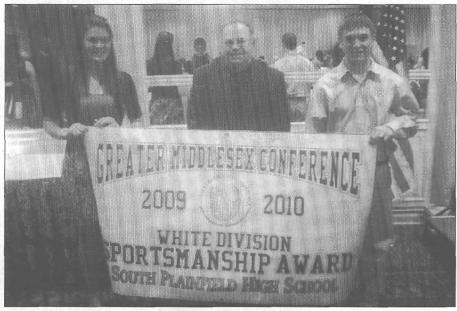
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Sports



Katie Muglia, Athletic Director Michael Buggey and Nick Heilmann.

SPHS Earns GMC Sportsmanship Award

East Brunswick Athletic Director and Greater Middlesex Conference Sportsmanship Chairperson, Frank Noppenberger announced the 2009-2010 Conference Sportsmanship Award winners.

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South Plainfield High School was honored as the GMC White Division Sportsmanship Award winner. In a memo to South Plainfield Athletic Director Mike Buggey, he writes, "Congratulations to you and your athletic program on earning the Division Sportsmanship Award. You will receive your recognition banner at the GMC Sportsmanship Luncheon on May 19 at the Pines Manor. Sportsmanship is one of the GMC's top priorities. The GMC created this award

to recognize schools in the conference who best display the qualities of sportsmanship throughout their program. Once again congratulations to you and the South Plainfield athletes and coaches on earning this prestigious award."

The Greater Middlesex Conference also announced their Individual 2009-2010 Sportsmanship Award winners. Award winners for South Plainfield were senior athletes Nick Heilmann and Katie Muglia.





Pictured (L-R): Fred Behr, Lenny Padula, Tom Casavant, Jack Kudrick, Joe Sosnak, Ralph Fech, Michael Behr and Frank Chirichillo.

Pocono "Ryder Cup" Champions

The 2010 Pocono "Ryder Cup," a grueling three-day, 63-hole event, was played at a trio of top-notch Pennsylvania courses.

Hideaway Hills and Olde Homestead were the sites for the first two days, while the finale was played at Riverview. The top two scorers at each course were: Hideaway Hills, Mike Behr and Jack Kudrick, 69; Olde Homestead, Mike Behr, 84; and Riverview, Mike Behr, 77.

The challengers overtook the field on the second day by sweeping the best ball format and playing evenly in the scramble and individual portions of the event as they chalked up an exciting 29-25 victory.

Submitted By Bob Nilan

There was an error in the scoring of the Roughriders-KC's Korner match on May 11, and it turned out that the Roughriders did not win, 11-9, as initially reported, but actually lost the match by the same score. Consequently, the Roughriders were not undefeated more

Roughriders were not undefeated when they teed off against Twin City Pharmacy, and both teams had the same 2-1 records.

Led by Guy Severini's solid round of 36, Twin City hardily defeated the Roughriders, 15-5, to move into a tie for first place with Witty's Liquors. Andy Hayward earned the medal for the Roughriders with a 38.

Bob Chase had a nifty 35, Sean Brooks posted a 36, and Nick Tonzetich pitched in with a 38 as Witty's Liquors put on a display of their firepower in whipping Oak Tree Dental, 12-8. Brooks almost earned the distinction of being the first player in league history ever to hit a ball out-of-bounds on the second hole. He is still bewildered how he could ever hit such a horrendous drive that almost wound up on Woodland Avenue. Somehow, from his most unusual lie, he made a miraculous par. Making that extraordinary four was important in what developed into a very close match. Efrin Solis had a good night with a 36 in a losing effort for Oak Tree Dental.

Ted Stanik of Unique Sports Accessories has been playing some of the best golf of his life this past month. Stanik recently fired a superb round of 67 at Ash Brook and continued his excellent play by shooting a marvelous even-par 33, the best round of the night, to spark his team to a convincing 15-5 triumph over the defending league champions, 2 Buds, 2 Dubes. Captain Chris Dillon made a fine contribution with his 36 for the victors.

Jeff Orth of 2 Buds, 2
Dubes, was the medalist
for his team with a 39.
Captain Dale Dube returned to his team's
line-up after being out
because of knee surgery.
Dale has resumed his regular playing schedule, but
it's olyvously going to take

it's obviously going to take more time before he regains his old form.

When the season began, it clearly looked like Alfie's Boys was the team to beat for the National Division title. Now it looks like Alfie's Boys has some unexpected problems in fielding a full four-man team. Bill Mann was the only golfer present for Alfie's Boys so KC's Korner waltzed to an easy 16-4 victory. Mann won all four of his points on his way to a 38. Dan Conti just loves playing from the middle of the fairways so he plans to continue to sleep with his driver over the objections of his wife. Conti registered a 38 to lead the undefeated KC's Korner to sole possession of first place.

Last week Captain Frank Matthews

Last week Captain Frank Matthews called a meeting and gave a stirring motivational speech to light a fire under his team, and the oratory worked-Matthews got his own message and shot a 39 to move Sport & Social to a 14-6 win over the Italian American Club. Frank Ferraro had a 43 for medalist honors in a losing effort.

Tom Kaufman did not have the services of his usual partner, last season's Player-of-the-Year, Ray Starnick, but he still managed to post a good number, a 36, as the Polish National Home edged out McCriskin's Home For Funerals, 11-9. Steve Schock had a 38 for McCriskin's who lost a very tough match.

Low scores for the night: Ted Stanik, 33; Bob Chase, 35; Sean Brooks, 36; Chris Dillon, 36; Tom Kaufman, 36; Guy Severini, 36; Efrin Solis, 36.

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Witty's Liquors 3 1 0	KC's Korner 4 0 0
Twin City 3 1 0	Polish Home 3 1 0
Unique Sports 2 2 0	Alfie's Boys 2 2 0
Oak Tree Dental 2 2 0	Sport & Social 1 3 0
Roughriders 2 2 0	Italian American Club 1 3 0
2 Buds, 2 Dubes 1 3 0	McCriskin's 0 4 0

LEACUE STANDINGS



The 10U All Star team.

Green Machine Steals Memorial Day Tournament

The 10U South Plainfield Green Machine Junior Baseball Club Summer All-Star Team came out champions in their first tournament of the season this past weekend at the North Edison Memorial Day Tournament.

In the preliminary round, South Plainfield played North Edison, North Brunswick and the AAU Team Central Jersey Stampede, and ended with a record of two wins and one loss.

They earned the second seed after

the pool round for the semi-finals. In the preliminary games, South Plainfield was backed by solid pitching from Ryan Stankan, Michael Stanczak and Ryan Marston who filled in for injured pitcher, Billy Keane. Ryan Stankan, Ryan Marston, Billy Keane and newcomer Connor Wolpin also paced the team with many big hits.

Michael Stanczak, Owen Sprigle and Andrew Bisgaard were on base throughout the tournament and stole bases. Players Jack Scrudato, Brandon Wizda, Connor Adams and Justin Newman also had great pre-

liminary round games.

In the semi-finals game against the Jersey Stampede, South Plainfield took an early 5-2 lead after the third inning and then scored four runs in the fifth inning to pull away to win the game, 9-2. Jean Sapini and Ryan Stankan pitched a great game with a combined 13 strikeouts and gave up only three hits in the game.

In the championship game against North Edison, the Green Machine players were firing on all cylinders as they won the game, 24-8. All of the players had multiple hits and they won the game with a total team effort.

Jean Sapini, Ryan Stankan, Michael Stanczak and Ryan Martson all pitched a great game, limiting North Edison to just six hits. In the field, Andrew Bisgaard, Billy Keane, Jack Scrudato, Connor Adams and the rest of the team played a great defensive

The 10U South Plainfield Green Machine All Star team includes Connor Adams, Andrew Bisgaard, Billy Keane, Ryan Marston, Justin Newman, Jean Sapini, Jack Scrudato, Owen Sprigle, Ryan Stankan, Michael Stanczak Brandon Wizda and Connor Wolpin.

The team is managed by Joe Scru-

dato with Assistant Coaches Bill Keane, Mike Sprigle, Bill Stankan and John Wizda.

The team would like to thank Zach Wolpin, team motivator in the dug-out and manager-in-training, for all

The Green Machine coaches thank all of the parents, grandparents, friends and SPJBC Club Commissioner Mike Pellegrino and board member Jim Olano for coming this past weekend to support the 10U team; your cheers were heard throughout the tourna-ment. Coach Scrudato especially loved the water and Gatorade being dumped on him after the game. He and the rest of the coaches are extremely proud of the boys who have worked very hard for this since March.

The team's next tournament will be the South Plainfield Father's Day Tournament.



Obituaries

Zelda (Paul) Muchnick

Zelda (Paul) Muchnick passed away suddenly on Wednesday evening, May 26 at JFK Medical Center in Edison. Born in Newark, Zelda was raised

in Newark and Perth Amboy. She was a graduate of Perth Amboy High School and lived in the Bronx and Piscataway before settling in South Plainfield in the early 1960s.

Zelda was employed in the payroll department for the Plainfield Board of Education for 20 years before her retirement in 2001.

She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and special friend to many.

Surviving are her husband of 53 years, Lawrence "Larry" Muchnick; two daughters, Laura Muchnick of South Plainfield and Pamela Smith and husband Tim of Florida; three dear granddaughters, Alyssa, Courtney and Grace, as well as a host of extended family and friends.

Funeral services were held at Mc-Criskin-Gustafson Home For Funeral

John S. DeStefano, 55

John S. DeStefano died suddenly on Saturday, May 29 at Overlook Hospital in Summit

Born in Elizabeth, John grew up in Colonia and resided in South Plainfield for 14 years before moving to Fanwood two years ago.

He was active with the Boy Scouts of America and attended St. Bartholomew's RC Church in Scotch Plains.

Mr. DeStefano was a devoted husband father and son.

He is predeceased by his father, Sal. Surviving are his wife, Francine (Nudle); three children, Tina, Keith and Brian DeStefano, all of Fanwood; his mother, Dorothy of South Plainfield; two sisters, Angela Anthony and husband Buzzy of Edison and Laura Conrad and husband Bill of South Plainfield and two brothers, Anthony and wife Regina of Clinton and Jimi of Cranford.

Funeral services were held at Mc-Criskin-Gustafson Home For Funer-

Dedicated Youth Volunteers Sought for "Cappy" Award

The Police Athletic League, along with the Recreation Commission, announce that the selection process for the 2010 "Cappy" Award will begin as soon as local organizations and individuals nominate someone who meets the qualifications. Qualifications for the award are:

Service: Ten years of service in youth sports and/or recreation; volunteered as a parent-coach to more than his/her own children; should be voluntary service; during the period of service, nominee must have been a resident of South Plainfield. All nominees will be judged on a case-by-case basis.

Character: Exemplifies high moral values and ethical judgment; never been convicted of a felony; possesses dedication and commitment to the youth of South Plainfield.

Nominations are now being accepted through June 25. Recommendations should be sent in letter form, stating the qualifications of the candidate, to Kevin Hughes, Recreation Director, 1250 Maple Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080 or to Chris Colucci, PAL president, Police Department, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.

A dinner will be held in honor of the "Cappy" Award recipient in November. Any questions, contact Mike English, South Plainfield Recreation Commission, at (908) 755-1282.



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Twenty six scouts and 21 adult volunteers worked to create the successful afternoon. Cooking was done by the scouts and their parents; the food was served by the boys.

The pasta dinner was a first for the oop. Their success will most likely troop. lead to future pasta dinners. The event was chaired by parent Barbara Rhoads. Scoutmaster is Jeff Pauls, assisted by Steve Belanger, Lou Duffy and John McCarthy. The troop received donations from Costco, Front Street Farmer's Market, Haisch's Bakery, KC's Korner and Roma Foods. Troop 309 would like to thank Wesley Methodist Church for the use of the hall.

Proceeds from the event will help defer the cost of the troop's annual week long summer camp trip in July. Rising costs now amount to over \$300 per scout making it difficult for scouts to attend



Ren Sheaffei

Middle School Announces Third Quarter Honor Roll

Eighth Grade High Honor Roll

Claudia Bashner, James Boettcher, Abhilasha Borad, Crystal Custodio, Cody Decker, Kaitlyn Faustini, Shannon Hughes, Veronika Jastrzebski, Carly Kensey, Michael Olano, Raj Patel. Heidi Pilla

Eighth Grade Honor Roll

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Pietschker, Michael Polizzano, Jonathan Prins

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Seventh Grade High Honor Roll

Philip Aguilina, Matthew Belanger, Vincent Butrico, Nicole Bythell, Melanie Cheng, Danielle DeVizio, Moriah Garcia, Imrin Goraya, Christopher Graves, Sara Reineke, Devora Rodriguez, Elizah Rodriguez, Allison Scarinci, Leonard Scarpitto

Seventh Grade Honor Roll

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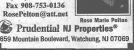


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Sam Persad led *The Pledge of Alle-*

ance and the Gems sang The Star Spangled Banner.

The orchestra, conducted by Sarah LiVecchi, performed Millennium, Follow the Drinking Gourd and In the Hall of the Mountain King. The chamber orchestra then played Beatles Forever and Danny Rocks.

Donna Markiewicz conducted the concert choir which sang I Dream a World, Beauty and the Beast, Reflection and You're the One That I Want. The Onyx then performed Hakuna Matata

The concert band, conducted by Andrew Veiss, concluded the evening playing The Liberty Bell, Let We Forget, The Maelstrom and The James Bond Theme.

Bookmanks

From the South Plainfield Library

By Kenneth Morgan

Okay, what's all this about the summer season starting this past weekend?
The kids are still in school and the calendar says the Summer Solstice isn't until the 21. This is somewhat confusing. Well, while we're figuring this out, here's some news from the South Plainfield Library.

First of all, the notary public (who's been known to write for this newspa-per on occasion) will be unavailable on Monday and Tuesday.

We'll stay with our usual schedule of children's programs next week. And, since we're not too pressed for space this week, here's that schedule again: the "Monday Morning Movie" for pre-schoolers will be shown on Mon-day morning at 10:30. "Storytime," for children ages three and up will be held 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 age two and three, will be held on Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 10:30. And

"Baby Time," for children ages two and under, will be held on Friday morning at 10:30. (We must have a serious attachment to weekday mornings at 10:30). Each program lasts about an hour. The story programs features stories, songs and a craft activity for older children. No pre-registration is required. If you'd like more information, please call us and ask for Miss Linda or Miss Mija.

Here's another kid-related note: this year's summer reading program is coming later on this month. To kick the program off, we'll be hosting another sing-along program with long-time favorite Mr. Kurt on Monday evening, June 21 at 6:30. (Yeah, we mentioned this last week, but it bears repeating, right?) Registration for summer reading will start the following Tuesday, June 29. We'll have some more details for you soon, including information about other summer reading activities we're planning. You can also ask Miss Linda or Miss Mija for more information.

And here are a couple of scheduling

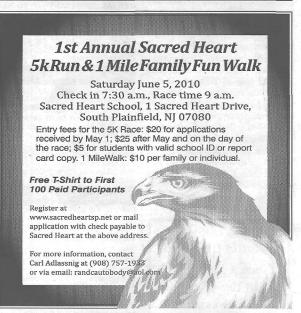
notes: first, Sunday, June 13 will be our last open Sunday for the season. Sunday operating hours will resume in September. The rest of our daily schedule will remain unchanged. Next, we'll be closed on Monday, June 28 for the installation of our new computer system. (You know, the one we've been training to use for a while now.) See below for another computer-related advisory.

The next meeting of the Library Board of Trustees is scheduled for Tuesday, June 8 at 7 p.m. Members of the public are invited to attend. This will be an important meeting and will include updates on the zoning board decision regarding our proposed move to the new location on Montrose Avenue, as well as discussion regarding proposed cuts in state and local library funding. There will be a public comment time early in the meeting. No pre-registration is required.

Lastly, here's that other computerrelated note: be advised that, starting this month, we have instituted new rules regarding use of our computers. These rules include restrictions on the issuing of guest passes and limitations on usage times. The new rules are clearly posted throughout the library and will be strictly enforced. If you have any questions, please ask the ref-erence librarian on duty.

That's all for this week. If you'd like more information, please call us at (908) 754-7885 or check our website at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us. Thanks for reading; catch you later. Oh, and the whole summer thing is still kind of perplexing. And let's not get into when the holiday season starts this year.







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A. Case # 10-10-Panda Restaurant Group Inc. Block 528, Lot 46.27; Haddey Center. The applicant's request for a use variance in order to permit outdoor dining/seating was hereby GRANTED subject to additional voluntary con-

pectfully Submitted, Beth Khidre retary-Board of Adjustment

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

May 26, 2010

Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Planning Board at its meeting held on May 25, 2010.

Case # 731/V/S-JSM @ Tingley/*Celebrations*. The applicant's request for: (1) waiver, (4) variances & amended preliminary & final site plan approval was hereby GRANTED subject to additional voluntary conditions.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Beth Khidre Recording Secretary-Planning Board