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Nominations Sought for Parade **Grand Marshal**

South Plainfield Borough's 53rd annual Labor Day Parade is upon us and the Public Celebrations Committee is seeking nominations for Honorary Grand Marshal. The theme of this year's parade is "Vision Family Industry."

If you know of an individual who has contributed outstanding service to the Borough of South Plainfield, please send the Public Celebrations Committee a detailed letter stating reasons why this person should be considered for Honorary Grand Marshal. In the letter include the candidate's name, address, evening phone number, your phone number, and detailed list of volunteer activities and accomplishments.

Deadline for accepting nominations is July 23. Nominations may be sent to The Public Celebrations Committee, Chairman John Sorrentino, 225 Hopkinson St., South

rentino, 225 Hopkinson St., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080. The Labor Day Parade is also a great opportunity for all to meet the community. If you or your organization is interested in marching in the parade, building a float, having a concession stand, or informational table (Continued on page 2)



Future Stars Preschool graduates See page 6.

Library Board Votes No on Surplus Return

The Library Board of Trustees voted unanimously at their June 8 meeting to deny the Borough Council's request to return 10% of its surplus to the borough to be used for tax relief. The request was made via a resolution passed by the council on April 19. Previously, all departments within the borough had been asked

to cut their budgets by 10%.
According to Library Director
Sundra Randolph, the borough was seeking to tap the surplus the library has accumulated over 20 years from estate gifts and other sources, such as library fines, book sales and fundraisers held by Friends of the Library, not from the yearly amount the borough appropriates for the (Continued on page 9)



Girl Scouts gather around stone and flagpole memorial for Trista Moretti.

Franklin Flag Dedication **Honors Former Student**

Ceremony Marks Moretti's 30th Birthday

By Libby Barsky

Flag Day, June 14, would have been Sergeant Trista Moretti's thirtieth birthday, and the Franklin School PTO chose the day to honor the former student with a formal dedication of the addition of a flagpole and flag to the school's Trista Moretti Memorial Garden.

Despite the threat of rain, the cere-mony began outside with Principal Ellen Decker-Lorys welcoming Trista's parents, Fred and Judy Moretti; her sister and husband, Jennifer and Juan Crespo and their son, Mateo, as well as Congressman Leonard Lance and assistants, Brad Myhre and Ron Holden; Christina Zak and Miriam

Ramirez, assistants of State Senate Majority Leader Barbara Buono who was unable to attend; Mayor Charles Butrico, Councilman Ray Rusnak, Borough Administrator Glenn Cullen, Superintendent of Schools Jose Negron, Assistant Superintendent of Instruction Lorraine Cella, Board of Education members Sharon Miller and Debbie Boyle, Middle School Principal Steve Novak and 329 Franklin School students dressed in red, white and blue clothing and bearing

American flags.

Girl Scout Troop #883 led The Pleage of Allegiance, then presented a summary of the history of the flag and Flag Day since its adoption by (Continued on page 12)



Trista Moretti's sister, Jennifer Crespo with her husband, Juan; son, Mateo; and Trista's parents, Judy and Fred Moretti

By-Laws Revisions Fuels Controversy

Mayor Charles Butrico was furious when By-Laws Committee Chairman Rob Bengivenga announced the changes that the Borough of South Plainfield By-Laws Committee is recommending. Butrico claims the changes were authored by former Republican Chairman Bob Jones and that the bulk of the modifications seek to diminish the power of the office of

Butrico said that the recommendations are in retaliation for his refusal to appoint Jones to the Zoning Board of Adjustment at January's reorganization meeting. Jones was appointed to the board two days later at the first regular public council meeting.

The By-Laws Committee was

formed after arguments ensued as to whether the mayor had the authority to appoint members to the Dismal Swamp Preservation Commission just prior to the Republicans taking control of the council in January.

Some of the suggested by-laws changes include forcing the distribution of all correspondence received by the mayor and council to be shared amongst all council members and giving the authority to choose the voting order to the council president. Bengivenga explained that

the committee was merely "cleaning up some language" and the changes were only up for discussion. Butrico who works in the computer field, produced a Microsoft Word document with the proposed changes apparently written on a Word file authored by Robert J. Jones, Esq. "Anyone with any intelligence can look up and see who made the changes," said Butrico. Bengivenga explained that he had purchased a new computer last fall and Jones had graciously loaned him his Word program and that is why his name was on the document.

Butrico noted that the Word document was dated January 6, 2010, just days after Jones had threatened to "take away [his] power." Jones was quoted in the January 8 Observer saying, "...I will do everything within my means to see that he is not re-elected and that he no longer wields the power that he so flagrantly abuses."

The By-Laws Committee was officially formed at the January 19 council meeting, two weeks after the date on the *Word* document containing the by-law changes. "It isn't about who actually wrote the changes or when they were written that concerns me, it's the fact that they (Continued on page 12)



George Hogan and James Schulkes hold the American Flag with teacher Denise Hogan. Shayna Hodge holds the certificate and is pictured along with some of the students who sent postcards to the servicemen

Middle School Receives Thank You Gift From Soldier

Middle School teacher Denise Hogan wanted her students to do something special for the U.S. troops overseas during the December holidays.

"I know you cannot send a general mailing," said Hogan, who sought to find specific servicemen to be recipients of her classes' greetings. She discovered that student Shayna Hodge's stepdad, George Hogan (no relation to Denise Hogan), abroad, as well as James Schulkes' stepdad, South Plainfield Police Ofcer John McConville. Fellow teacher John Gonzalez's cousin was also stationed in Iraq.

Hogan had each of her students

write a postcard to all three men with hopes of brightening their day. She found out upon their return that they had all shared the greetings amongst their fellow servicemen.

As a thank you for their efforts, George Hogan presented the teacher and students with an American Flag in a case with a certificate. He said that the flag had been flown at Forward Operating Base Camp Bucca in Iraq on May 10. "We were thrilled," said Denise Hogan, also noting that the flag will be hung in the school cafeteria for all to enjoy.



GOP Fined for Filing Errors

The South Plainfield Republican Organization was fined \$3,200 by the New Jersey Election Law Enforcement Commission (ELEC) for late and non-filing of contribution and expenditure information during the 2006 calendar year. They were also found to be late in filing their Political Party Committee-Designation of Organizational Treasurer and Depository as required by the N.J. Campaign Contributions and Expenditures Reporting Act.

The original complaint, dated September 30, 2009, alleges that the Republican Party failed to enter complete addresses for 15 campaign contribu-tors and payees in 2006. According to the ELEC Consent Order and Final Decision document dated May 18, 2010 the errors were corrected and received by the commission on November 12, 2009; therefore, they were also considered late in filing all of their information, over 1,000 days late.

Bob Jones, the Republicans' legal counsel in the suit, said that the errors were made at that time by a previous treasurer, Anne Buckelew. "Our old treasurer, a volunteer, was late in filing. The reports are extremely time consuming and she was not able to keep up," explained Jones. "She did not think they [addresses] were required. The other problems we fixed as soon as they [ELEC] notified us." Buckelew stepped down and was replaced by Kim DeAngelis, Matt Anesh's wife, and as of Monday at their reorganization meeting, the new trea-

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at the middle school at the end of the

parade, complete an application lo-cated in Borough Hall or at www.

southplainfieldnj.com. Send com-pleted application to the Public Cel-ebrations Committee, Borough of

South Plainfield, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.

surer is Cynthia Frank.

"We've taken steps to try to make sure that these problems are not re-peated," said Jones, who believes that the anonymous complaint was filed by local Democrats.

The Republicans, in previous campaign literature, allege that information omissions and late filings have also plagued the other party. According to the ELEC website, elec.state. nj.us, no complaints have ever been filed against the South Plainfield Democratic Party.

"We may have filed a couple of days late, but not 1,000. They are consistently late," said Butrico, who claims to have no idea who brought the errors to the commission's attention. "We [the Democrats] do, however, want to know who is contributing to their campaign, otherwise the com-mission loses its effectiveness. They were cited by the ELEC for gross filing errors and like to put a good spin on things.'

The commission received a payment of \$512 on March 22 as partial payment of the fine.

Established in 1973, ELEC monitors the campaign financing of all elec-tions in the state. Whether the election is for governor or mayor, member of the legislature or a city council, candidates and campaign organiza-tions are required to file with the commission contribution and expenditure reports. Their website currently contains over 1,600 complaints and final decisions against individuals and political parties throughout the state.

Chrissy Buteas at christinebuteas@

In addition, parade marshals are needed to assist in the facilitation of

the parade. All marshals must be 18

If interested in assisting or for fur-

years or older.



Girl Scout Troop 14 Junior Division

Sixty-Five Compete in Powder Puff Derby

The second annual Powder Puff Derby took place on June 4. Sixty-five girls from nine local Girl Scout troops participated in what has become one of the most anticipated Girl Scout events of the year that allows dads the opportunity to be part of the Girl Scout experience and work on cars with their daughter.

The race was broken into two divisions, Brownies and Juniors. Trophies were awarded for the top three racers.

Winners for the Brownie Division were: first place, Jessica Forbes; second place, Cara Makoski; and third place, Kelssey MacPherson

Winners for the Junior Division were: first place, Stephanie Waters; second place, Christina Lobosco; and third place, Asha Deskins.

Troop 14 Co-Leaders Amy Battista and Tricia Obregon would like to extend their gratitude to the following for their help with the derby: John and Janet Wizda, Ken Wolpin, Phillip Battista, Glen Gwiazda, and of course, Cub Master Scott Waters.

In My Opinion

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

To the Editor:

I would like to send thanks to all of the local, county and independent organizations that have honored me by selecting me to be a recipient of one of their scholarship awards. It is due to the support of my family, friends, school administrators and teachers, and the organizations themselves, that I have been able to pursue my goals and continue to do so in the coming years.

THANK YOU EVERYONE. EMILY PIEKARSKI, SPHS CLASS '10

right). On June 7 at 4:30 p.m., I hastily grabbed a stack of envelopes from kitchen table, drove to the USPS, and deposited them in the outdoor mailbox. What I didn't realize is that to the bank the next morning.

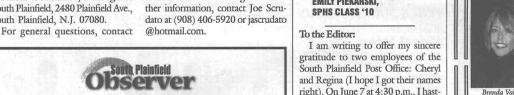
These wonderful ladies used the name off the deposit slip, called information, got my phone number, and called me to say that they had the money. My faith in humanity is restored. Thank you both for your kindness and honesty.

GOD BLESS YOU,

KATHY KEENAN

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one of the envelopes contained a cash bank deposit of \$700 that was to go





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Ex-Rescue Squad Deputy Chief Charged with Sex Assaults

According to Middlesex County Prosecutor Bruce J. Kaplan and Acting Chief Paul Brembt of the South Plainfield Police Department, a former borough rescue squad worker has been arrested and charged with sexu-ally assaulting two males in separate incidents

Ronald Sward, 46, of Matis Street was arrested on June 7 and charged with aggravated sexual assault and en-dangering the welfare of a child.

Sward, who resigned immediately from his post as the deputy chief of the South Plainfield Rescue Squad, was charged after an investigation by the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office and the South Plainfield Police Department determined he sexually assaulted an eight-year-old boy over an eight year period, beginning in

An additional count of sexual assault was then filed against the defendant after the investigation by South Plainfield Police Detective Daryl Strotherand and Investigator Frank DiNinno of the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office determined that

Sward sexually assaulted a 17-year-old male on various occasions in South Plainfield and Woodbridge between January 2010 and May 2010.

The investigation also determined that Sward knew both victims

Sward, who had been a member of the first aid squad for about 10 years, was held at the Middlesex County Adult Correction Center in North Brunswick in lieu of \$325,000 bail, which was set by Superior Court Judge Joseph Paone. The judge ruled the defendant must post the full amount before he could be released

from custody.

On June 12 bail was posted and Sward was released.

Anyone with information on these, or similar, incidents is asked to call Det. Strother of the South Plainfield Police Department at (908) 755-0700, or Investigator DiNinno of the Middlesex County Prosecutor's Office at (732) 745-3600.

As is the case with all criminal defendants, the charges against Sward are merely accusations and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty

Mayor Seeking Volunteers for Library Feasibility Study Committee

Mayor Charles Butrico recently announced the establishment of a Library Feasibility Study Committee. The committee will be comprised of the mayor, two councilmembers, two members

> Please note that the regular meeting of the South Plainfield Mayor and Council originally scheduled for Monday, July 12 has been changed to Monday, July 19 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers at Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Ave

from the Library Board of Trustees and two members of the public.

The task of the new committee will be to consider possible solutions to adequately meet the needs of the community's library facilities and to submit a plan to the governing body for further action.

Borough residents interested in serving on the Library Feasibility Study Committee are invited to submit a request/bio to Municipal Clerk Joann Graf, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.

For more information, call the clerk's office at (908) 226-7606 or email Graf at jgraf@southplainfield nj.com. Please respond by June 25.





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The photo of Adam Butrico, the overall first place winner in the Sacred Heart School 5K run on June 5 was omitted in last week's Observer. Also, the race photos were submitted by Mark Rosal.

Mr. Kurt Returns To the Library

Kurt "Mr. Kurt" Gallagher will make a return appearance at the library on Monday, June 21 at 6:30 p.m.

Mr. Kurt has been a favorite of South Plainfield audiences for many years. Once again, he'll lead a children's sing-along program, featuring his trademark silly songs, as well as long-time favorites. The program is designed for children up to age eight. No pre-registration is required. In lieu of an admission charge, attendees should bring non-perishable food items for the Middlesex County Community Food Drive.

For more information, please call the library at (908) 754-7885 or visit southplainfield.lib.nj.us. You can also visit Mr. Kurt's website at kurtgalla gher.com.

To Promote & Protect Public Health & Welfare MIDDLESEX COUNTY PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT

By Ronald G. Rios, Chair, Committee of Public Health & Education

Men's Health Week June 14-20

Father's Day is just around the corner. What better way to show the fathers, brothers, husbands and sons in your life that you care, than bringing their attention to National Men's Health Week.

Since 1994, National Men's Health Week has been providing education to heighten the awareness of preventable health problems and encourage early detection and treatment of disease among men and boys. This year, Men's Health Week will be observed from June 14-20, ending just in time for Father's Day. The goal of this year's event is to raise awareness and to teach men and their families about the importance of positive health attitudes, yearly check ups and other preventative health practices

It's no surprise that men need to pay greater attention to their preventative health care. Many of the health risks that men face, like heart disease. diabetes and prostate or colon cancers, can be successfully treated with an early diagnosis. Yearly exams and other tests can help find diseases like these early on, when they are at their easiest to treat.

Men can follow these steps to live healthier and safer life: learn your family health history; know your blood pressure, cholesterol and blood glucose (sugar) numbers; get a checkup; talk to your doctor about vaccine-preventable diseases; know the signs and symptoms of diseases and conditions; get enough sleep (seven to nine hours per night for adults); eat healthy-eat more fruits and vegetables and limit food and drinks high in calories, sugar, salt, fat and alcohol; get active; be smoke free; and work and play safely.

I cannot stress enough the importance of having regular checkups and screenings and becoming educated about male health issues in general.

I encourage everyone to talk to the men in their lives, and all men to talk to their doctors-because early detection can save lives.

For more information about adult health services, call the Middlesex County Public Health Department at (732) 745-3100.

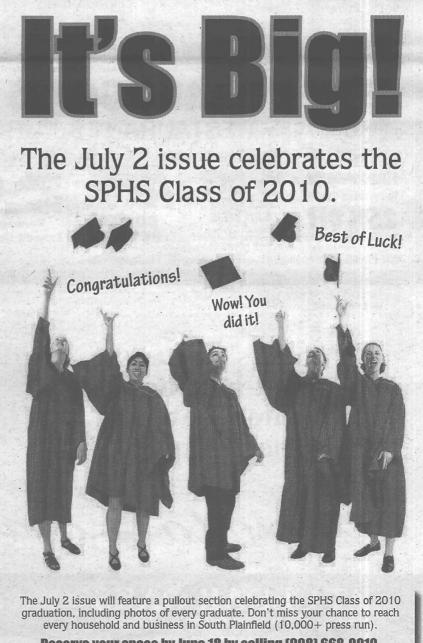
For additional information about

Men's Health Week or men's health, visit www.menshealthmonth.org/ week/index.html or www.cdc.gov/features/healthymen/.

SPHS Half-Day Sessions, Graduation

South Plainfield High School will hold half-day sessions on Friday, June 18 and Monday and Tuesday, June 21 and 22.

Class of 2010 graduation ceremonies will be held on Tuesday, June 22 at 6:30 p.m.



Reserve your space by June 18 by calling (908) 668-0010.

Around Town

SENIOR CENTER Calendar

Coming Up.....

Oct 11-15 Indian Head Resort nter for more info)

MONDAYS

Silver Sneakers	8:45	am
Crocheting	9:30-11:30	am
Yoga	10:30	am
Art Class	11:30	am

TUESDAYS Bingo Ladies Group 10 am-2 pm

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Aerobics 8:45	am
Computer10 am, 11:30 am, 1	pm
Line Dancing 10:30	am
Crocheting 1	pm
Tai Chi	pm

THURSDAYS	
Active Seniors	8:45 am
Shopping Trip	9 am
Crafts Class	10 am
Computer 10 am, 11:	
Exercise Class	1:15 pm

FRIDAYS .. 10 am-2 pm

Daily Activities: Morning coffee, pool, cards, board games, computer classes, exercise, art, Tai Chi, yoga and crafts. Lunch Served Monday-Friday.

Call (908) 754-1047 for more info or visit www.southplainfieldnj.com

Send Your Events to: spobserver@comcast.net

For info on submitting your event, visit www.spobserver.com.

Little Treasures Open House

June 19

Little Treasures, 2177 Oak Tree Rd. in Edison, will hold an open house on Saturday, June 19 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. They provide infant care through kindergarten and summer camp for children ages five to eight. State-of-the art atmosphere and providing each child with the experience to open their minds and expand their abilities.

For more information, call (908)

Father's Day Brunch At the Elks Club

The South Plainfield Elks will host a Father's Day brunch on Sunday, June 20 from 11 a.m. until 2 p.m. Featured will be a carving station, omelet and waffle stations, pasta, breakfast meats, fruits, salads, cereal, muffins, breads, yogurt and desserts. Eggs made to order will also be available. A mimosa is included in the price of admission for those 21 and over only. Cost is \$15-adults, \$13-seniors, \$8-

12 and under. Proceeds will benefit the Youth Activities Committee. For tickets or information, please call Sharon Reuter at (908) 791-1214.

Father's Day Service at Tabernacle Church

Tune 20

De'Andre Salter, senior pastor at The Tabernacle, believes Father's Day is a day of victory for African Ameri-

life. This year, The Tabernacle plans to celebrate fatherhood in a dynamic and innovative way. A sermon entitled "More than a Game" will teach men the steps they need to take to win at life and will be delivered in an atmosphere that is unconventional. Ushers will seat people in referee attire while the congregation will be sporting the gear of their favorite NBA teams and players.

Every man's victory begins this Father's Day, June 20 at 11 a.m. at The Tabernacle located at 1253 New Market Ave.

More information regarding The Tabernacle and their ongoing community services and events can be found at www.thetabernacle.com.

Wesley Church to Celebrate Marriage

Wesley United Methodist Church, 1500 Plainfield Ave., as part of their 50th anniversary celebration, is holding a service to celebrate marriage on Sunday, June 27 at 10:30 a.m. The service will be devoted to honoring couples who were married at Wesley and celebrating all married couples. We invite you to share in the renewal of your vows during this special service.

For more information, call (908) 757-2838.

Knights of Columbus **Blood Drive**

The Knights of Columbus will hold a blood drive on Sunday, June 27 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Sacred Heart School cafeteria. Give the gift of life! Donors receive free cholesterol screening and a free Chick-Fil-A sandwich coupon.

— Out of Town -

Susan G. Komen for The Cure Reception

The Central and South Jersey Affiliate of Susan G. Komen for the Cure eighth annual Spirit of Jane Rodney Celebration will be held on Friday, June 18 beginning at 6:30 p.m. at Rider University. The event will feature a reception with music by the Jack Furlong Quartet, followed by a sit-down dinner and lively auction in the Cavalla Room at the Bart Luedeke Center. Tickets are \$150 per person.

For more information, visit www komencsnj.org/spirit2010 or call (609) 896-1201.

Steppin' Out Singles 'Dress Down' Dance

Tune 18

Steppin' Out Singles is hosting a dress down dance on Friday, June 18 at the Woodbridge Hilton, 20 Wood Ave. South in Iselin. Ages 40 and up; neat jeans OK. Admission: \$15. For more information, call (732)

656-1801

Father's Day Picnic

Deutscher Club of Clark, 787 Featherbed Lane in Clark is hosting

Waldfest Father's Day picnic on Sunday, June 20 from noon to 6 p.m. Open to the public; outdoors-rain or shine. Picnic tables and parking available. Bernie's Orchestra for your danc-ing and listening pleasure. Children's activities, ice cream parade and Petals the Clown. German American beer and food available. No outside food or beverages. Donation: \$5 per person; children under 12 free

For more information, call (732) 574-8600.

Celebrate Life Day For Seniors

June 25

The Diocese of Metuchen Family Life Office will sponsor its annual, "Celebrate Life," a day for seniors over the age of 55, at the St. John Neumann Pastoral Center, 146 Metlars Lane in Piscataway, on Friday, June 25 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mass at 11 a.m. with Bishop Emeritus Edward T. Hughes, and Msgr. John B. Szymanski, P.A., V.G., Emeritus, as the guest homilist followed by a lunch and musical entertainment.

Cost is \$25 per person. Pre-registration required by calling (732) 562-1624 or visiting www.diometuchen.org.

"Tiny Tot Shabbat" At Beth Israel

June 26

Congregation Beth Israel in Scotch Plains will hold a "Tiny Tot Shabbat" service on Saturday, June 26 from 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. This service, especially designed for young children ages three to six, is open to the com-munity. Regular Shabbat services will be conducted that morning in the synagogue's main sanctuary at 9:30 a.m., followed by a kiddush lunch. Congregation Beth Israel is located at 18 Shalom Way in Scotch Plains. For info, call (908) 889-1830.

Trash & Treasure Sale

June 26

Oak Tree Presbyterian Church, 445 Plainfield Road in North Edison is holding a trash and tresaure sale on Saturday, June 26 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Rain or shine. Furniture, baby items, jewelry, bikes, kitchen, sports, household, bric-a-brac.

For information, call (732) 549-4178 or visit www.oaktreechurch.org





SPHS Project Graduation 2010 Reminders

The South Plainfield High School Project Graduation celebration will be held at The Club at Ricochet on June 22 from 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. on June 23. This event is made possible because of the combined efforts between the SPHS PTA and the SPHS.

Students-If you have not yet handed in the "Rules of Conduct" and permission slips and/or the contest forms and want to attend Project Graduation, please submit the forms to the main office at the high school by Monday June 21. You will not be permitted to attend if you have not completely filled out the rules of conduct and permission slips and handed them in. If you need additional forms, they can be found in the main office. Parents/guardians and students please read all forms before signing. Everyone must arrive between 10 and

10:30 p.m. Please do not be late. The pool will be open so bring your bathing suit and a towel. There are locker rooms available as well as lockers to store your belongings; however, the lockers do not contain locks. You may bring your own locks. Remember your props and costumes for the lip sync contest, volleyball contest and Video Star (make your own music video). You will not need to bring any money, everything at this event is free! It will be a fun-filled night. We look forward to seeing all of you there.

Volunteers/Chaperones-To the volunteers/chaperones who signed up to help out at the Project Graduation celebration we thank you and want you to know we greatly appreciate your support. Upon entering Ricochet, please sign in either at the tables or the office located on the left side as

you enter the building. There you will receive a name tag as well as a schedule indicating your assigned locations. If you have any problems or questions regarding your volunteer times, contact Pat Fabino at (908) 757-6843. We could use the help of a few more dads between 12 and 3 a.m. If you are able to volunteer, contact Pat.

If anyone has any questions regarding the Project Graduation Celebration, contact me at (908) 754-6461 or the main office at the high school:

The Class of 2010, the SPHS PTA and the SPHS sincerely appreciates everyone who has supported and helped with making this important event happen. The main thing to remember is that it is all about the kids and providing them with a truly unforgettable night.

Submitted by Sharon Miller

policereport

. On June 1 Eric M. Bardaii, 19, of Middlesex was arrested for driving while intoxicated, careless driving, pos session of drug paraphernalia and driving while intoxicated under 21 years of age.

- Amanda K. Miller, 20, of South Plainfield was arrested for possession of drug paraphernalia.

 An Engine City Technical Institute student reported that their vehicle had been entered through a rear sliding window and a Tom Tom GPS was

 On June 2 Rachel Ambroise, 22. of Brooklyn, N.Y. was arrested at Party City for shoplifting a Tootsie roll.

• A Lafayette Place resident re-

ported the theft of a laptop computer from their unlocked vehicle.

On June 3 four Engine City Technical Institute students reported that their vehicle had been scratched and a driver's side mirror broken.

• On June 5 Joy C. Bolden, 25, of Plainfield was arrested for driving while suspended and an outstanding

· A Plainfield Avenue resident reported the theft of their 1998 Ford E150 truck.

· On June 6 Cesar Arturo Loja-Novillo, 35, of Plainfield was arrested for driving on a suspended license, failure to inspect, failure to exhibit a valid insurance card and an outstanding

· Luis N. Aguas-Aramburo, 19, of Plainfield was arrested for driving while intoxicated, driving while intoxicated under 21 years of age, possession of an open container of alcohol in a motor vehicle and careless driving.

 On June 7 Franklin School reorted that a window had been broken by a golf ball.

On June 8 a Michael Street resident reported the theft of a Milwau-kee reciprocating saw from their shed.

Famularo Drive resident reported the theft of a chimmenia from their deck

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Milestones

Michael F. Hanley Graduates from Keystone College

Keystone College celebrated its 139th commencement during ceremonies on the college's campus in La Plume on May 22. Degrees were conferred upon 352 students.

Keystone President Dr. Edward G. Boehm, Jr. presided over the ceremony. Vanessa Race, one of the most recognized and respected educators in Thailand and a 2000 Keystone College graduate, provided the keynote address. Race was also awarded an hon-

orary doctorate degree.

Dr. Robert Cook, dean of academic affairs, and William H. Bender, chair of Keystone's board of trustees, conferred the degrees to the graduates, including Michael F. Hanley of South Plainfield who received a bachelor of

science degree.



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John and Louise Geczy

Couple Celebrates 50 Years of Marriage

John and Louise Geczy of Lake Mary, Fla. celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on June 12 at the Italian American Club. Family and friends attended the surprise dinner party arranged by the couple's children.

The Geczys were married at The Slovak Presbyterian Church in Linden on June 4, 1960.

John Geczy worked at Public Ser-

vice Electric and Gas for more than 30 years before retiring in 1991. He is an Army veteran. Louise worked for Meeker Trucking and retired in 1985

They have three children, John and his wife Sharon of South Plainfield, Kathy Porter of Southern Pines, N.C. and Kristeen Sullivan and her husband Howard of Lake Mary, Fla.



John and Louise Geczy on their wedding day, June 4, 1960.

children, Johnny, Jerry, Chrissy, Matt, Cory, Baily, Brandon, Megan and

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Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Pig Roast

The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Orthodox Church will hold a pig roast on Saturday, July 10 from 12 to 5 p.m. Admission is \$20; eight and un-

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and the Happy Times Band, basket raffles, outside games for the kids.

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Rainbow Room PM-Teacher Janice Early and assistants Debbie Miller and Patty Remsing

hirty Years and the Stars Are Still Glowing



South Plainfield Future Stars Preschool held the thirtieth annual promotion ceremonies for eight classes of four-year-olds on June 7. The graduation was divided into two ceremonies in the high school auditorium. The first ceremony for the Red, Yellow and Blue AM classes

By Patricia

Abbott

began at 6 p.m. The second ceremony for the Rainbow, Starlight and Blue, Red and Yellow PM classes began at 7 p.m.

Children and parents gathered in the school cafeteria where their teachers quickly organized each class for group photos. Then the fun began as the classes marched down two aisles and took to the stage.

There was a multitude of smiles, waves, laughter, applause, giggles, whispered comments and a few tears from both youngsters and adults alike.



Children recited The Pledge of Allegiance, then sang and danced and showed off the many skills acquired during their time at Future Stars Preschool.

After the performances each child climbed a small slide, offered a wave and blew a kiss, then slid down and walked or ran to cross the bridge clearly marked "Th Way to Kindergarten" when they received a 'diploma' from Superintendent Jose Negron. Each ceremony ended with the youngsters back on the stage for final songs before parents collected the young 'graduates.'







Red Room PM-Teacher Elyne Foscolo and assistants Juliann Bickunas and Janet Whalen Blue Room PM-Teachers Denise Walker and Patti Waters and assistant Patty Petronko





Yellow Room PM–Teachers Lisa Eggert and Colleen Lazar



Starlight–Teacher Sue Butrico and assistants MaryAnn Fasullo and Donna Riccardi



Yellow Room AM–Teachers Lisa Eggert and Colleen Lazar and assistant Janet Whalen



Red Room AM–Teachers Elyne Foscolo and Denise Walker and assistant Joanne Cox

From the South Plainfield Library

Bookmarks

By Chris Grippo

As many of you already know, the South Plainfield Library is getting a new circulation system and we are revamping our website (the URL will remain the same). This changeover will be accompanied by some major changes to certain circulation policies. First of all the \$.50 charge for holds will now be applied when the hold is placed and you will be charged whether or not you pick up the hold or cancel it.

More importantly is the new policy we are starting concerning new movies on DVD. You will no longer be able to place holds on new movies on dvd. The new DVDs will be placed on a spin rack next to the circulation desk and will be available on a first come basis, nor will you be able to call and request that we hold one of these movies for you. We have found that unfortunately these movies spend more time on the holds shelf than they do in patron's hands. This new policy, therefore, should dramatically reduce the waiting time to see hot new movies.

We will soon have handouts available at the library outlining all the coming changes. Please stop by and pick up one to familiarize yourself with the changes. Finally, to facilitate the changeover to the new system the library will be closed on Monday, June 28. We expect to be open on Tuesday, June 29. At the same time ELVIS may be on vacation. As part of the new circulation system we are also giving ELVIS a new home and while it is being installed he will be out of the building.

The new system will allow you to be notified that your holds are ready for pick-up by email. It will also let you know if you owe fines and send courtesy emails letting you know that the due date for your materials is about to arrive.

The first day to sign up for the South Plainfield Public Library Children's Summer Reading Program "Make a Splash" will be Tuesday, June 29. Miss Linda and Miss Mija have worked very hard to line up performers to entertain and prizes to reward participants, so come join your neighbors and friends at the South Plainfield Library this summer

Plainfield Library this summer.

There will also be a young adult summer reading program called "Make Waves at Your Library." The prizes will be young adult oriented. Miss Linda has developed programs including Japanese language, mehndi,

and other activities that young adults will enjoy.

We will be closed for Father's Day this Sunday, June 20 and will be closed on Sundays for the rest of the summer. We will reopen on Sundays after Labor Day.

Lastly, Miss Linda and Miss Mija will hold their regularly scheduled programs this week. That means Storytime for three and up is Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday at 1:15 p.m. Time for 2's and 3's is Wednesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m., and Books and Babies is Friday at 10:30 a.m. Miss Mija and Miss Linda request that you please arrive on time so your child can get settled down and also request that adults please keep your conversations to a minimum since they can be very disturbing during the program. Of course Miss Mija will be showing her movies Monday morning at 10:30 a.m. And as a special treat this Monday, June 21 Mr. Kurt will be at the library with his always enjoyable sing-along. The program will begin at 6:30 p.m. and participants are requested to bring canned food which will go to the local food bank. In fact the library has a container right inside the door for any non-perishable food donations you can bring anytime for the food bank. In this time of uncertainty most food banks are in desperate need of goods to help members of the community, so you need not wait until a special time to contribute.

If you have any questions, visit the library at 2484 Plainfield Ave (next to Borough Hall), call us at (908) 754-7885, or visit our website at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us where we post the latest information about what is going on at the library.

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Contest Offers Compelling Incentive for Physics Students



Every year South Plainfield High School physics teacher Dr. Brian Panek hosts a catapult-building contest amongst the Honors and Advanced Placement Physics classes.

Students had to construct a catapult or trebuchet meeting certain size restrictions and able to hit a stationary target: Dr. Panek. The catapults had to launch a water balloon over a hurdle three meters high at the teacher, who was seated six meters away from the hurdle.

It began at 7:30 a.m. when students brought in their finished projects and water balloons. They then went to class and waited for the fourth period bell to ring, announcing the start of the much-anticipated water

balloon launch; they would spend the remainder of the school day outside.

The 11 projects were rated based on four categories: prettiest, most unique, best constructed and most likely to succeed. Veronica Ruiz, Talia Lopez and Ellen Zinsky's catapult "The Power House" was voted the prettiest. This group was also commended for their outstanding display of team spirit, having made matching t-shirts. A trebuchet built by Charlie Huber, Mis Krusinowski and Jeff Gillen out of PVC pipe claimed the other three titles.

When it was time to start, each group

When it was time to start, each group had three attempts to launch a water balloon and hit their teacher. After 10 unsuccessful catapults, the chance of getting him wet was unpromising. The first of three water balloons landed near the teacher's chair. The second one landed even closer. The third water balloon flew over the hurdle and landed in Dr. Panek's lap. Everyone cheered, and the two partners of "The Tigress," Julie Tran and Joana Sa, were excited to have successfully hit the teacher.

"It was the best group of catapults Pve ever seen at South Plainfield High School," Dr. Panek said, applauding his students for their efforts; every catapult launch came close to hitting him. After all the excitement and leftover water balloons, the day concluded with a massive water balloon fight.

massive water balloon fight.

The day was both fun and educational. After a year of hard work, students were finally able to get their revenge. This project shows the ability to problem-solve and engineer,



which is something Dr. Panek highly advocates. Using the concepts learned throughout the year, they were able to apply physics and build the best group of projects he had ever seen. The opportunity to fire water balloons at a teacher was an added bonus.



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Congratulations to the Cardinals, the Junior Baseball Club "A" League Champions-Standing (L-R) are Coach Darin Alba, Brian Csobar, Andreas Ochoa, Kevin Adams, Jordan Handwerger, Nick Polizzano and Coach John Polizzano. Sitting (L-R) are Jake Alba, Zach Severini, Sal Dente, Dillon Harris, Nick Pezzola and James Moore.

Sottiriou Wins Level 7 Championship



Nicole Sottiriou

Nicole Sottiriou won the N.J. State Championship for Level 7 Women's Gymnastics in the 12-year-old division. The competition took place at Matawan High School on May 23, and had 40 girls competing for the Nicole earned first place in the All Around by scoring 9.550 on the uneven bars, 9.60 on the vault, 9.625 on the floor exercise and 9.2 on the balance beam for a total of 37,975 out of a possible 40.0.

Preceding the state championship, Nicole won the All Around in five out of six competitions, which include "Christmas on the Chesapeake," in Maryland, the "Robin Cone Memorial Classic" and two sectional meets.

Nicole trains at American Gymnastics Academy in Edison. She is thankful to all her coaches who have worked with her, and to all her family and friends who have supported her throughout her training to win the state championship.

Athletics Win "B" League Championship

The 2010 South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club "B" League season came to an end on June 10 with the Athletics beating the Yankees, 11-2. During the regular season, the Athletics completed a perfect 16-0 record and after winning their playoff games, finished up the year with a perfect 20-0 record on the season. With great pitching all year from Billy Keane, Mike Stanczak, Marc Giordano and Jack Scrudato, the A's gave up very few runs and their defense was just as outstanding in the

In the championship game with the A's leading 5-2 in the fourth inning, Jack Scrudato came in to pitch and held the Yanks scoreless over two innings while the A's scored six runs in the fourth inning. Mike Stanczak started for the A's and pitched a great game, giving up only five hits and striking out seven in three innings. Closer Marc Giordano came in for the sixth inning and pitched a perfect last inning to win the championship. Chris Shine and Alex Amato pitched a great game for the Yankees.

Members of the A's are Adam Abdeljaber, Marc "Lights Out" Giordano, Donny Grabinsky, Troy Harzula, Billy "The Kid" Keane, Charles Lovett, Michael Menkin, Brian Nassy, Sean Ramos, Jameer Robinson, Jack "The Hammer" Scrudato and Michael "Polish Hammer" Stanczak.

The As coaching staff would like to recognize Jameer Robinson, who broke his thumb at the start of the season but came to each and every game



The 2010 South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club "B" League Champions, the

to support his team.

The manager of the A's is Joe Scrudato and coaches are Bill Keane, Steve Giordano and June Robinson, Team mom is Shehnaz Abdeljaber, who supplied bagels, Dunkin Munchkins and water for each game. The A's would also like to thank the sons of the players who helped out as bat boys, Rachel Scrudato who was the official scoreboard girl for the A's.

SOCCER CLUB

By Dawn Hutchison

SPSC Awards Scholarships

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Each year, the South Plainfield Soccer Club awards two recipients a \$500 scholarship, Requirements for eligibility are that the applicant is a South Plainfield High School senior graduating in June, has played at least four seasons of traveling soc-

cer in the SPSC and enrolled for college beginning in the fall. This year, we have presented these scholarships to SPHS seniors Jenna Heckel and James Seyffart.

Jenna played in the SPSC for seven years. She began with the club on the team Power, and continued playing in the club with team Strikerz. During the course of her time in the club. Jenna had developed the skills and the disciplines to help her achieve success beyond the SPSC. As a high school soccer player, Jenna was garnered with numerous awards and recognition, such as Rookie of the Year in her freshman year, captain in her senior year, co-captain in her junior year, All Area Blue Division, All State Honorable Mention, All Conference All Team and MVP in her senior year.

Jenna credits much of her continued success on and off the soccer field to the traits that she learned early on in her soccer training with the club. From patience, leadership, self-actualization, group acceptance and good sportsmanship, she has been able to excel in all areas of her life and attributes much of this to her years in the soccer club. Jenna plans to continue her soccer career in college as a Spartan for the College of Pennsylvania team.

James Seyffart played with the SPSC for 11 years. He began playing in the recreation program when he

learned of the SPSC soccer program. James began playing in the club on the team Blast, and then eventually played with Fire. He continued to play in the club through this past season. James enjoyed the

game so much, he decided to get involved beyond playing the game-he got involved in refereeing. This afforded James the opportunity to watch the game, get paid doing so and help the players on the field get a true understanding of the rules of the

All that James learned in the club helped him become a strong player for the SPHS team. James was a three year starter on the varsity soccer team. He was named Rookie of the Year and captain of the freshman soccer team. Tames also excelled in winter and spring track, being named captain, MVP and four All White Division selections for winter and spring track. In addition, James maintained honor roll status for all marking periods, National Honor Society, Spanish Honor Society, and was involved with Peer Leadership, Heroes and Cool Kids, a Camp Haze volunteer counselor and church volunteer.

James will be continuing his education at The College of New Jersey.

The qualities that both Jenna and James possess are exactly what this scholarship was founded on and the SPSC is proud to have both of these individuals as this year's recipients. The SPSC family wishes Jenna and James much continued success in all their future endeavors. They have well-represented the club, their families and their community.

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Submitted By Bob Nilan

Tony Cotone, Jr. played otes from a key role for KC's Korner when they won back-toback championships in 2005 and 2006, and he South Plainfield seems determined to Golf League gain another title this season for his favorite watering hole in South Plainfield. Cotone fired a 37 with an impressive birdie on the final hole to lead his team to yet another narrow victory, an 11-9 win over a tough Witty's Liquors squad.

Dan Conti had some erratic drives, but his putting saved him as he contributed a 39 to help KC's Korner remain the only undefeated team in the league. Sean Brooks continued his fine play for Witty's, turning in a terrific round of 35 in a losing effort. Last season's Player-of-the-Year, Ray

Starnick, and his stellar partner, Tom Kaufman, kept the Polish National Home just one game behind KC's Korner in the National Division race by whipping the Roughriders, 15-5. The dynamic duo from Gotham City was in fine form as Starnick led the with a solid 2-over 35 and Kaufman, despite some putting prob-lems, was just one stroke higher with a Andy Hayward had a good score of 37 for the Roughriders who suffered because they were unable to field a full four-man team.

Bill Mann of Alfie's Boys was in top form as he posted the best round of the night, a sparkling even-par 33, and his playing partner, Captain Irish Danny Griffin, in one stretch had three consecutive bogeys, but otherwise played extremely well on his way to a 36. Despite their fine play, Alfie's Boys dropped a close match to Oak Tree Dental, 11-9: Efrain Solis and Martin Lillis both had 37s, and Bill Thorn pitched in with a 39 as Oak Tree Dental moved into a three-way tie for second place in the American

Like a lot of other golfers in the league, Jay Coppolo struggled in the lousy weather in the first few weeks of the season and posted some unusually high scores. As a result, the Player-of-the-

Year two years ago found him-self sporting a 7-handicap-six strokes higher than his handicap of two years ago. Coppola, playing under beautiful conditions, finally showed his true form in firing a nifty 2-over 35 as Twin City Pharmacy soundly defeated the Italian-American Club, 14-6. Coppola got some nice support from Joe Diller who shot a 37 and from Guy Severini who registered a 38. With this victory, Twin City moved into sole possession of first place in the American Division.

Pat Romano of Sport & Social usually rips his drive on the first hole right down the middle-not overwhelmingly long, but straight. Unfortunately, that often turns out to be his best shot of the night. But not this week. Romano took notes when Captain Frank Matthews delivered his inspirational address last week at KC's Korner and went on to shoot a 39 to earn medalist honors for his team. Unfortunately, Romano's fine performance alone was not enough to gain a win as Sport & Social dropped their match to Unique Sports Accessories, 13-7. Captain Chris Dillon had another good round, a 37, as Unique Sports improved to a record of 3-2, just one game behind Twin City.

The defending league champions, 2 Buds, 2 Dubes, were eager to get their 1-3 start to the season turned around, and they got the spark they needed from their captain, Dale "The Needler" Dube, who is still recuperating from recent knee surgery but nevertheless turned in a 41, good enough to earn the medal for his team. But that was feeble compared to the strong showing by McCriskin-Gustafson Home For Funerals who finally broke into the win column by crushing 2 Buds, 2 Dubes, 17-3. Steve Schock and Wally Hienzer both had very enjoyable evenings turning in a pair of 37s and Mark "Mr. Steady" Chichvar had a few hiccups along the way but still managed to post a 39.

There are a couple of early-season showdown matches set for next week: in the American Division, league-leading Twin City Pharmacy will take on second-place Unique Sports Accessories while over in the National Division undefeated KC's Korner will tee off against the Polish National Home with their formidable twosome of Starnick and Kaufman.

Low scores for the night: Bill Mann, 33; Sean Brooks, 35; Ray Starnick, 35; Jay Coppoloa, 35; Danny6 Griffin, 36 and Tom Kaufman, 36.

Library Board Will Not Return Surplus

(Continued from page 1) operation of the library.

Eric Aronowitz, chairman of the Library Board of Trustees, explained the library's position for denying the re-quest by pointing out that the only funds to be considered for return to the borough would be funds the borough gave to the library, not current state aid, interest on investments, fines or lost book fees, nor funds accumuilated over a long period of time.

"If they think that they are entitled

to the money we have accumulated over the last several years, the state statute says they are not entitled to it. Funds restricted for capital projects and grants are excluded. They [the borough] are only entitled to excess surplus amounts which is based on the last year for which an audit was done, less 25% of the municipal appropriation, which we by statute have to maintain a surplus," Aronowitz wrote in his letter to the council. According to the audit, the 25% amount of surplus from the municipal appropriation was not met in 2008.

The audit identifies the borough 2008 appropriation to the library as \$1,288,493 with 25% (\$259,973) to be set aside for surplus; however, after deducting \$1,038,937 for library expenditures, the balance was \$249,556 or \$10,178.45 less than the 25% state statute surplus standard.

"The library board would also be required to adopt a three-year capital plan before considering any transfer of excess funds," Aronowitz noted. Since the board is committed to relocating the library and because of the uncertainty of the future funding formula, "the trustees would be imprudent and fiscally irresponsible to trans fer any funds to the borough," Aronowitz concluded

Library trustees believe they have already done their share by paying \$112,000 of library funds for repair of the roof on the borough-owned building.

"They [the borough] should have put the new roof on the library, not the library," said Aronowitz. "The \$112,000 came from a \$250,000 fund intended to pay bonding and other costs associated with building a new library previously advanced to the borough and not used when the public voted down building a new library.

According to Aronowitz, the amount of \$150,000 listed in the audit as a "refunded prior year expenditure," is actually the library's money that was initially part of the \$250,000 the library gave to the borough to cover the costs of building a new library.

"They are using that revenue as additional funds given to the library. They are giving us back our own mone That money should not be included in that number," Aronowitz said.

Mayor Charles Butrico, who was present at the board meeting, thanked the board for their help in putting up a new roof. He again proposed forming a committee consisting of six members, two from the library board. two borough councilmembers and two members of the public who use the library to further explore moving the library from its current location. Aronowitz suggested that the mayor head the committee and also requested "a definite time frame" to report on their findings. A date of October 15 was discussed and decided upon.

Aronowitz announced that the li brary board would not appeal the decision of the Zoning Board of Adjust-ment denying their application to re-locate the library to 910 Montrose Ave.

"The appeal would serve no useful urpose and would not be fair to Mr. DeAndrea [the property owner]," said

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KC's Korner	500
Polish Home	410
Alfie's Boys	230
Sport and Social	
Italian American Club	140
McCriskin's	140

SPGA Announces 16th Open Golf Tournament

The South Plainfield Golf Association (SPGA) has announced that this year's South Plainfield Open will be held on Thursday, August 5 at Gambler Ridge Golf Club. This is the 16th annual golf tournament held for the benefit of the South Plainfield High School Golf Team. The tournament

will be a scramble format.

The entry fee of \$115 includes greens fee, golf cart, prizes, food and beverages. Check-in is at 11 a.m. Lunch will be provided from noon to 1 p.m. There is a shotgun start at 1 p.m. Dinner and awards will be from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. Food and beverages will be provided throughout the tournament. Prizes will be awarded for low team score, longest drive, closest to the pin, closest to the line and a special hole-in-one prize.

Registration and payment are due by July 23. Players are encouraged to sign up early to secure a place in the tournament. You can register for the tournament at www.spga.org or print

out and mail their entry forms.

Corporate sponsorships are available and all proceeds from the event support the activities of the SPHS Golf Team as well as the college scholarship program. Each Platinum Sponsorship includes this year's tournament entry fees for one foursome.

Gold, silver, bronze, hospitality and beverage sponsorships are also available. Sponsorship information is also available at the web site.

For more information about the tournament, sponsorships and entry forms, contact Mike Alvarez (732-259-0591), Dick DeAndrea (908-755-1700), Matt Ward (908) 754-4766) or visit www.spga.org.

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AN ORDINANCE APPROPRIATING \$73,000 FOR THE ACQUISITION AND INSTALLATION OF RADIO AND RELATED COMMUNICATION EQUIPMENT FOR FITE SOUTH PLAINFIELD FIRE DEPT. LOCATED WITHIN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, STATE OF, NEW JERNSEY was adopted on first reading and advertised in the Observer on Friday, June 18, 2010 and that a public hearing be scheduled for Monday, June 28, 2010 at the Public Meeting which will begin immediately following the 7:00pm Agenda Meeting in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plaintield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080.

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

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

Acquisition and installation of radio and related communication equipment TOTAL \$73,000.00

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

It is hereby determined and declared by this Mayor and Borough Council as fol-

- That the maximum estimated amount of money to be raised from all sources for the purposes stated in Section 1, hereof, is \$73,000.00.
- B. That the cost for said projects shall be financed by a \$65,901.00 FEMA Grant AND \$7,909.00.
- C. The estimated useful life of said improvements is hereby determined to be ten (10) years.

That the total amount of the appropria-tion to be expended for Architectural and inspection costs, legal costs, ad-vertisement of ordinance and other ex-penses as provided in Section 48:2-20 of the Revised Statutes, is not to exceed

This ordinance shall take effect at nal passage and publication in a dance with the law.

ATTEST: Joann Graf/Municipal Clerk

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June 18, 2010

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANT SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION Middlesex COUNTY DOCKET NO. F-27912-10

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Sherry L. Natkie

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon GOLDBECK McCAFFERTY & McKEEVER, A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, McKEEVER, A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is Suite 5000 – Mellion Independence Center; 701 Market Street; Philadelphia, PA 19106-1532, phone # (215) 627-1322, an answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action, in which HSBC Bank USA, National Association for the Benefit of ACE Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-NC3, Asset Backed Passthrough Certificates is plaintiff, and Charles A. Cole and Margaret C. Cole, hiv, et al are the defendant(s), pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Middlesex County, and bearing Docket No. F-27912-10 within thirty-five (35) days after June 18, 2010 exclusive of such date or if published after June 18, 2010 (35) days after the actual dated of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex - CN 1971, Trenton, New Jersey, Better the courts. This action has been instituted for the purpose of

in accordance with the rules of governing the courts. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (I) foreclosing a mortgage dated September 22, 2006, made by Charles A. Cole and Margaret C. Cole, h/ w as mortgagor(s), to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., acting solely as a nomine for New Century Mortgage Corporation recorded on October 16, 2006, for Middlesex County in Book 11885 Page 0337 Instrumerts MG 2006 049484 of Mortgages for said County, which mortgage was assigned to the plaintiff, HSBC Bank USA, National Association for the Benefit of ACE Securities Corporation Home Equity Loan Trust, Series 2006-NC3. Asset Backed Passthrough Certificates, by Assignment dated February 19, 2010; and (2) to recover Asset Backed Passthrough Certificates, by Assignment dated February 19, 2010; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premierapossession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 245 4th Street, Dunellen, NJ 08812. Lot: 3.01 Block: 12.

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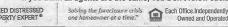
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(Continued from page 1) lied about it in a public meeting," emphasized Butrico, as he questioned the Republicans' trustworthiness and felt that councilmembers and the public were deceived.

According to Bengivenga, he and fellow committee members, Councilmen Tim McConville and Franky Salerno, had only met within the last two and a half months. Salerno verified that they had met twice recently and that he was "OK" with the changes.

Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas felt the changes were "one sided" and were meant to take away the mayor's power.

"This is petty and ludicrous," said Bengivenga about the allegations against him. "I can't believe the mayor is playing detective." Bengivenga said that he had been working on the bylaws prior to the January reorganization meeting. "I made the changes on my computer. Whoever the author is, then so be it," Bengivenga said. He does not feel the changes favored one party over another and were solely for discussion. "I was not forcing them down anyone's throat," added Bengivenga. He added there is no deadline on their final adoption.

Jones was asked to comment as to his involvement in authoring the changes, but didn't say whether he wrote the document nor if he was involved. "Normally, I would not respond to the mayor's conspiracy theories, but this one is so silly, it's hard to resist. The recommendations were bipartisan. Councilman Salerno, a fellow Democrat, contradicts the mayor, saying he took part in the discussions and favored the changes. The by-laws changes don't take away a single power of the mayor, as he suggests. They simply clear up some confusion and try to increase communication, an area where the mayor is sorely lacking," Jones commented.

Butrico concluded by saying that

they would not be voting on any changes to the by-laws that evening and he would be submitting his own recommendations

The June 7 council meeting can be viewed on Comcast Channel 96 on Monday at 7 p.m.

Franklin Flag Dedication

(Continued from page 1) the Second Constitutional Congress in 1777 and concluded with every one singing The Star Spangled Ban-

U.S Congressman Leonard Lance resented to the school an American Flag flown in memory of Trista over the Capitol Building on May 19. Jeff Heine, U.S. Army, attached the flag and raised it on the flagpole, setting it at half mast. Music teacher Glenn Parisi played Taps.

PTO President Barbara Rhoads remarked on Trista Moretti's life. "Trista attended Franklin School as a little girl who walked our halls with a smile and a laugh. She attended the middle school and high school and went on to college, and decided to join the Army in 2003. After basic training and airborne school, she was assigned to a security operations center in Texas, learning the cryptologic skills used to locate

and detonate roadside bombs. She was a signals intelligence analyst in Iraq for Bravo Company 425th Brigade Special Troops Battalion, 4th Brigade Combat Team Airborne 25th Army Division. She was sleeping when she was killed by an insurgent mortar attack on her base on June 25, 2007 in Iraq, and posthumously awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart and Combat Action Badge.
Rhoads recalled that when the PTO

board learned of the death of Trista, they voted to dedicate the recently completed new playground in her name. They also established an area near the edge of the playground to place a small memorial garden dominated with a large stone bearing a plaque with an inscription. The flagpole completes the memorial. The flag-pole, flag and installation were donated by the American Flag company of Union.

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Salvina "Sally" R.

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Salvina "Sally" R. Del Negro passed away on Thursday, June 10 at St. Peter's Medical Center in New Brunswick.

Born in South Plainfield, Sally was a lifelong resident of the borough. She owned and operated My Lady's Beauty Shop in North Plainfield for over 40 years before retiring in 1998 when she sold the business.

Sally was a loving sister, a very be-loved aunt and dear friend to many. In addition, she was a lifelong communicant of Sacred Heart RC Church in South Plainfield.

She is predeceased by four brothers, Peter, Larry, Joseph and Sonny; and by two sisters, Louise Jeavettorea and Connie Pisaniello.

Surviving are many nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews.

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

In lieu of flowers donations in her memory may be made to the National Kidney Foundation, 30 East 33 St., Third Floor, N.Y., N.Y. 10016.

Cesare J. "Pete" Bonini

Pete Bonini of South Plainfield died on Thursday, June 10.

Pete was born on May 18, 1927 in Valentano, Italy, and raised in Plain-field. He served in the U.S. Naval Service in Pensacola, Fla., and worked at Bendix Corporation as an electrical engineer.

Pete had many hobbies including HAM radio, riding his bike, going for walks, and bowling-which he did with his brother and many friends. But his lifelong love was flying! Every day he could, he'd be out there flying his model planes, which he built himself,

in both the air and on the water.

He is predeceased by his beloved wife, Betty Bonini, and son, Danny Bonini.

Surviving are his daughter, Eileen Bonini Notte and husband Gary; a son, Thomas Bonini and wife Shervl; two granddaughters, Zoe and Bridgette; a brother, Frank; a nephew, Frank; a niece, Laura; two great nephews, Frank and Dean; a great niece, Jessica and many dear and loved friends

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

For those who would like to re-member Pete, donations may be made to CPAMC-Options at Roosevelt Park, Oak Drive, Edison N.J. 08837 with a note stating that this is in memory of Pete Bonini and that the donation is designated for Options.

Ida O. (DeLorenzo) Milito, 91

)bituaries

Ida O. (DeLorenzo) Milito passed ray peacefully on Saturday, June 12 at Arista Care at Cedar Oaks in South Plainfield.

Born in Dragoni, Italy, near Na-ples, Ida came to the United States with her fam-



was raised in the Arbor section of Piscataway. She was married in 1947 to Joseph Milito of Liberty

ily at the age

of seven and

Ida O. (DeLorenzo) Milito Corner and resided in Plainfield and then South Plainfield for most of her married life. In 1980, they settled in Piscataway and helped to raise their grandsons, David and Peter.

Ida was a devoted mother and housewife for many years. She worked nights during WWII at a defense plant and then for the former Bronson Hat Factory in Plainfield and lastly for AT&T in Piscataway, assisting with stock distribution checks.

She was a special lady who had a passion for gardening and enjoyed cooking, but more importantly, adored her nieces, nephews, grandsons and beautiful great-granddaughter. Ida was a member of the New Durham Chapel in Piscataway. Her husband, Joseph, died in 2006.

She is also predeceased by her beloved sister, Eleanor Tucceri: a sister, Carmella and two brothers, Louie and Neil.

Surviving are a daughter, Jody Provenzano; a son, Neil and wife Sharon; a sister, Eva Santangelo; a brother, Alfred DeLorenzo; four adored grandsons, Peter Provenzano, David Milito and wife Mariel, Matthew Milito and Patrick Milito and a great-granddaughter, Emma.

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

Daniel J. Innes

Daniel J. Innes died suddenly and unexpectedly on Thursday, June 10 at home in South Plainfield.

Born in Plainfield he was a lifelong

resident of South Plainfield.

Daniel attended South Plainfield High School and had been employed in the heating and cooling industry for Aaron and Company of Piscataway, working in sales and installations.

Daniel was a witty and creative young man with a great sense of humor. He was also known for his musical talents, writing his own music and playing the guitar. He most recently was a member of the local band, TRAIST.

He is predeceased by his maternal grandfather, Jacque Stark; and by his paternal grandparents, Evelyn and James Innes.

Surviving are his parents, Russell and Linda (Stark) Innes; a sister, Jacquie Innes; a brother, Michael Innes and his maternal grandmother, Grace Stark, all of South Plainfield. Also surviving are several extended family members.

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