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## A SOUTH PLAINFIELD TRADITION CONTINUES

The 53rd celebration of South Plainfield's annual Labor Day parade and festivities, including community picnic with entertainment, games and rides, and fireworks kicks off with a 5K race and Family Fitness Walk on Monday morning at 9:30 a.m. For complete details, see pages 12-15.

# Join Us!



Honorary Parade Grand Marshal, Mayor Charles Butrico, with the trophies that will be presented at the Labor Day parade.



Nancy McMahon with her family, friends and Ponytail Softball coaches who participated in the Tiger Nation for Nancy "Expect Miracles" fundraiser.

## Hundreds Rally in Support of Local Transplant Recipient

"Expect Miracles," the second Tiger Nation for Nancy fundraiser, was held for Nancy McMahon on August 26. It was attended by more than 500 residents who jammed field four at the Junior Baseball Club to watch South Plainfield play Team 95.5 WPLJ. Most of the crowd was forced to watch the game standing because all the bleachers filled up early. The first Tiger Nation fundraiser was held in June of 2009, and the turnout was overwhelming.

Mary Cargill is credited for getting Team 95.5 WPLJ to come to South Plainfield and play the coaches and scorekeepers from the Ponytail Softball All Stars. Cargill contacted the radio station, and after she explained who the fundraiser was for, they graciously agreed to participate. In addition to the WPLJ ball players, the WPLJ Fan Van was on hand distributing prizes throughout the evening.

Team 95.5 WPLJ was coached by Tony Mascro. Players included two popular deejays, Jeff Mile and Jonathon Cooper, who were joined by employees from the station's production and sales departments.

Nancy McMahon is a 16-year resident of South Plainfield. Last year, she was suddenly stricken with a serious heart malfunction and the first fundraiser was organized. On June 26, Nancy received a new heart. She is recovering from the transplant very well. McMahon and husband Rick have been very active in coaching the children of South Plainfield, as well as in Ponytail Softball.

"We can rally like no other town," said Recreation Director Kevin Hughes, as he thanked the huge crowd for attending the fundraiser. McMahon, assisted by her daughter Shannon, threw out the first ball to her other daughter, Megan.

Members of the powerful South Plainfield team were: Ricky McMahon, Shannon McMahon, Don Panzarella, Bill McGlaughlin, Cheryl Hughes, Kevin Hughes, Dave Ratti, Sally Gillis, Tom Gratta, Ernie Nieves, Al Pace, Al Vill and Mary Cargill.

The umpires who volunteered for the game were Bob Bors, Bill DeNitzio and Tom Curtis.

South Plainfield defeated Team 95.5 WPLJ. All who attended agreed the evening was an overwhelming success and approximately more than \$7,000 was raised.

## Cochrane and Plate Named 2010 Cappy Award Winners

The South Plainfield Recreation Department and the South Plainfield Police Athletic League have named William Cochrane, Sr. and Richard Plate 2010 Cappy Award recipients.

The award, named for the late Tulio Capparelli, is given to residents who have dedicated their lives to helping the children of South Plainfield.

William Cochrane Sr. lives in South Plainfield with his wife, Georgeann. He has four children, Brian, Bill Jr., Michelle and Chris, and seven grandchildren.

Richard Plate lives in town with his wife Joann. He has two children, Nicole and Janine, and five grandchildren.

Cochrane was nominated by the Capparelli and English Families, and Plate was nominated by his daughter, Nicole.

The two men will be honored at a dinner on Saturday, Nov. 27 at the Senior Center which begins at 6:30 p.m. Tickets can be purchased at the PAL for \$15 per person.

### Annual Mayor's Cup Softball Game Today

The annual Mayor's Cup softball game between the South Plainfield Police and Fire departments will be held tonight at 6 p.m. (rain date September 10) at the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club on Kenneth Ave. See page 9 for complete details.



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Borough Hall Council Chambers • Questions? 908-226-7605

Agenda Meeting ..... Public Meeting

\*September 7 (Tuesday) ..... September 7

September 20 ..... September 20

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Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7641

Sept. 14, Sept. 28, Oct. 12, Oct. 26, Nov. 9 Dec. 7.

## zoningboardofadjustment

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Sept. 9, Sept. 23, Oct. 14, Oct. 28, Nov. 11\*, Dec. 9\*

## boardofeducation

Meets Wednesdays at 7:30 p.m. at Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave.

Committee of the whole meetings: Sept. 15, Oct. 13,

Nov. 10, Dec. 8, 2011: Jan. 12, Feb. 9, March 2 and March 30.

Regular Public Meeting: Sept. 20 (date change), Oct. 20, Nov. 17, Dec. 15, 2011: Jan. 19, Feb. 16, March 16, April 6.

## BOE curriculum/technology/student activities

Meets once a month on Wednesdays at 4 p.m. in 2nd floor conference room,

Roosevelt Administration Building on Jackson Ave.

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

Roosevelt Administration Building

## library board of trustees

Meets once a month on the second Tuesday, at the library at 7 p.m.

## recreation commission

Meets once a month on the second Tuesday of the month, except July and August

PAL Building, Maple Ave. 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7716

## taxpayers advisory group

The Taxpayers Advisory Group (TAG) meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at

Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Ave. at 7 p.m. Questions? 908-769-0786.

## site plan sub-committee

Meets once a month on the third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m.

Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21.

## environmental commission

Meets once a month (second Wednesday) Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m.

Questions? 908-226-7621

Sept. 8, Oct. 13, Nov. 10, Dec. 8, Jan. 12 2011

## business advisory group

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

## ad hoc alternative truck route committee

Monday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. in the Senior Center Questions? 908-226-7605

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# In My Opinion

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

## To the Editor:

Monument Park, dedicated on July 17, 2004, was created to recognize those men and women who served our community and country with loyalty and dignity. The McCrisky-Gustafson Home For Funerals will see that the park stays maintained at a quality level to honor and respect the value and intentions the park symbolizes.

In May there was a well-deserved clean up performed at Monument Park. The initial clean up efforts included weeding of all the mulch beds as well as spreading new mulch donated by KLK Trucking, the removal of all garbage and debris throughout the entire park, planting flowers which were donated by P&M Plants and cutting of the grass by Nu-Scape Landscaping.

We would like to thank Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas for her assistance, Nu-Scape Landscaping, KLK Trucking and a combination of Girl Scout Troops and Boy Scout Troop 207, along with some troop leaders, mothers and parents who participated and donated their time in an all day effort to clean up the park.

On July 5, The McCrisky-Gustafson Home For Funerals adopted Monument Park under the town's "Adopt-A-Spot" program. We formulated the idea of asking several local landscapers to donate their maintenance services.

The following businesses are taking time out of their daily working schedule and donating their services for the upkeep of the park: New Image Landscaping, Bolesta Landscaping, Nu-Scape Landscaping, Lawn Control, Schulz Landscaping, J. Gaster Landscaping, Charlie George and K. Bulla Property Maintenance. In addition new sprinkler heads for the irrigation system were also donated by Aquarius Supply and installed by Outdoor Innovations.

With this in mind, we would like to formally recognize and thank these companies for their services and also ask the residents of our community to do the same.

**SINCERELY,  
RICK MCCRISKIN AND  
JIMMY GUSTAFSON**

## To the Editor:

I am writing to let you know about the seventh annual Buddy Walk of South Plainfield-Serving Central New Jersey and kindly request that you consider supporting this year's event, which will be held on Saturday, Oct. 2 at Putnam Park. We appreciate those who made last year a great success in which we raised over \$32,000 and had over 500 people participate.

The Buddy Walk was developed by the National Down Syndrome Society in 1995 not only to promote awareness and inclusion for people with Down syndrome but also to raise money for research and education programs. The program has expanded from just 17 walks the first year to more than 280 worldwide in 2009. Last year, over \$10.5M was raised nationwide for the Down syndrome community.

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Send your letters to South Plainfield Observer, 1110 Hamilton Blvd., Suite 1B, South Plainfield, NJ 07080, or fax to 908-668-8819, or via email: spobserver@comcast.net. **Deadline is Monday, 5 p.m.** Letters must be accompanied by a name and telephone number for verification. Limit letters to no more than 200 words. We reserve the right to refuse a letter, to edit for clarity or length, and to limit the number of letters submitted on the same subject. Submission is not a guarantee of publication. We do not accept anonymous letters. Letters are strictly opinion.

In 2010, we will be working once again with the Central NJ Down syndrome Parent Advocacy Group and Network 21. This year some of the proceeds will once again go towards creating packets/gift baskets for new parents of children with Down syndrome, implementing a program on educating healthcare professionals that deal with Down syndrome, NDSS, Central NJ DS PAG Network 21 and DSRTF (Down Syndrome Treatment and Research Foundation).

If you are interested in getting involved in this year's Buddy Walk of South Plainfield-Serving Central NJ, here are some ways you could support us:

Organize a company team to participate in the Buddy Walk on October 2; provide a monetary donation to fund local programs and services; provide an item that can be used for our raffle.

All sponsors will be displayed on our website: [www.buddywalkofsouthplainfield.com](http://www.buddywalkofsouthplainfield.com) and included in our ad book. Thanks in advance.

**SINCERELY,  
MICHELE BETH**

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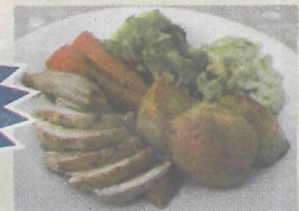
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# Events

## Elks Family Picnic

September 4

The South Plainfield Elks, 1254 New Market Ave. will hold a family picnic on Saturday, Sept. 4 (raindate September 5) from 1 to 6 p.m. Adults: \$15 in advance or \$20 at the door; children seven to 17: \$7 in advance or \$10 at the door; under seven, free.

A variety of picnic foods, kiddie carnival with planned activities for the kids and their own buffet and a horseshoe tournament.

For tickets, call (908) 668-9750 or Barbara Muller at (732) 690-3871.

## Blackrose to Perform

September 6

Blackrose, a band playing classic rock & roll music and today's hits, will perform at the South Plainfield

Middle School on Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 6 from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

## St. Stephen's International Festival

September 10-12

St. Stephen's Church, 609 Lane Ave. will hold an International Festival on Friday, Sept. 10, 4 to 11 p.m.; Saturday, Sept. 11, 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. and Sunday, Sept. 12, 2 to 8 p.m. International foods, American delicacies, desserts, shrimp and clam bar, kids corner, deejay and more.

For more information, call (908) 756-0410.

## Scouts Activities Day

September 11

The Boy Scouts and Cub Scouts of South Plainfield would like to invite all boys between the ages of six and 18 to come join them for an activities day on Saturday, Sept. 11 at the South Plainfield American Legion, 243 Oak Tree Ave., 1 to 4 p.m. Activities include vari-

ous scouting skills, races and games.

Evening ceremonies will be held from 7 to 9 p.m. and will include a 9/11 memorial and flag retirement.

For details and to pre-register, log on to: [www.troop07080soplainfield.ScoutLander.com](http://www.troop07080soplainfield.ScoutLander.com).

## Elks Patriot Day

September 11

On Saturday, Sept. 11 the South Plainfield Elks will hold their annual Patriot Day Service at 5 p.m. to honor the memory of the firefighters, police and emergency personnel and all of the innocent victims who lost their lives in the attacks on the World Trade Center, the Pentagon and on Flight 93, which crashed near Shanksville, Pa. nine years ago. We also honor the servicemen and women who have served and continue to serve our country.

The service is open to the public, who are encouraged to attend. Light refreshments will follow the service.

For more information, call Exalted Ruler Bill Reuter at (908) 791-1214.

## VFW Breakfast

September 12

South Plainfield VFW Post #6763 on Front St. will hold a country breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 12 from 8 to 11 a.m. The public is welcome. For information, call (908) 688-9751.

## SPHS Field Hockey Car Wash

September 12

A car wash sponsored by South Plainfield Tiger Field Hockey Association will be held on Sunday, Sept. 12 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the PAL parking lot on Maple Avenue. Come support our girls. Cars: \$5; trucks or vans, \$7. Proceeds benefit South Plainfield Hockey Association.

## Rally Day at Wesley Methodist Church

September 12

Wesley Methodist will hold a rally day on Sunday, Sept. 12 beginning at 10:30 a.m. on the church grounds, 1500 Plainfield Ave. The theme is "Jesus Christ is the hope of the world." All are invited to this outdoor service for great music, inspiring word, games for children and a picnic.

Sign up for Sunday School, youth fellowship, confirmation class and bible study programs.

For more information, call Pastor Nehemiah at (908) 251-3992.

## Sacred Heart School Golf Outing

September 15

The Sacred Heart School Advisory Council has announced that the school will be hosting a golf outing at Cranbury Golf Club in West Windsor on Wednesday, Sept. 15.

Registration/continental breakfast: 8 a.m.; shotgun start: 9 a.m.; prizes for closest to the pin and longest drive; dinner buffet included. Cost per golfer: \$130; \$520 per foursome.

For more information, call (908) 355-3000, ext. 17.

## SENIOR CENTER Calendar

### Coming Up....

Oct 11-15 Indian Head Resort (Call the center for more info)

### MONDAYS (Closed Labor Day)

Silver Sneakers ..... 8:45 am  
Crocheting ..... 9:30-11:30 am  
Yoga ..... 10:30 am  
Tai Chi ..... 11:30 am

### TUESDAYS

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

### WEDNESDAYS

Aerobics ..... 8:45 am  
Computer...10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm  
Line Dancing ..... 10:30 am  
Crocheting ..... 1 pm  
Tai Chi ..... 2 pm

### THURSDAYS

Active Seniors ..... 8:45 am  
Shopping Trip ..... 9 am  
Crafts Class ..... 10 am  
Computer ..... 10 am, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm  
Exercise Class ..... 1:15 pm

### FRIDAYS

Bingo ..... 10 am-2 pm

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## Cory Kline Memorial Golf Tournament

September 29

The inaugural Cory Kline Memorial Golf Tournament will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 29 at Rutgers Golf Club, 777 Hoes Lane West in Piscataway. Cost: \$150 per player in advance.

Registration 7 to 8 a.m.; shotgun start, scramble format at 8:30 a.m.; reception and lunch at 1:30 p.m.; and awards ceremony at 2 p.m.

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American Flyers Flight School located on the west side of the Morristown Airport, 50 Airport Road will be hosting an open house and free barbeque lunch on Saturday, Sept. 4. Arrive at 11:45 a.m.; lunch will be served at noon. This free event is designed to bring those with a curiosity about flying small airplanes to the airport for a fun-filled and informative afternoon. No registration required; guests are encouraged to bring friends and family.

For more information, call (973) 267-3223 or visit [www.americanflyers.net/about/aviation\\_seminars.asp](http://www.americanflyers.net/about/aviation_seminars.asp).

## Indo-American Fair September 4 & 5

The eighth Grand Indo-American Fair-2010 will be held on Saturday and Sunday, Sept. 4 and 5 (rain date: September 6) at Mercer County Park in West Windsor.

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## Jerseylicious Premiere Party September 5

Gatsby Salon will host a viewing party at 4Sixty6 Lounge in West Orange on Sunday, Sept. 5 at 6 p.m. to celebrate the second season of the Style Network's *Jerseylicious*. Open to guests 21 and over. A \$10 donation at the door will benefit St. Jude's Children Hospital. RSVPs are required.

To RSVP, email Nikki at [RSVP@thehiveevent.com](mailto:RSVP@thehiveevent.com).

## Labor Day Upscale Singles Dance Party September 5

Steppin' Out Singles is hosting an

upscale singles dance party in the grand ballroom at the Woodbridge Hilton, 120 Wood Ave. South in Iselin on Sunday, Sept. 5 at 8 p.m. Admission: \$15; ages 40 and up; no jeans/shorts/t-shirts/sneakers.

For information, call (732) 656-1801.

## Woodbridge WOWs Business Meeting September 8

Woodbridge Widows Or Widowers will conduct a business meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 8 starting at 7 p.m. in the Children's Room of the Main Library, George Fredrick Plaza, Rt. 35 in Woodbridge. All widows and widowers are welcome to attend.

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

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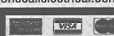
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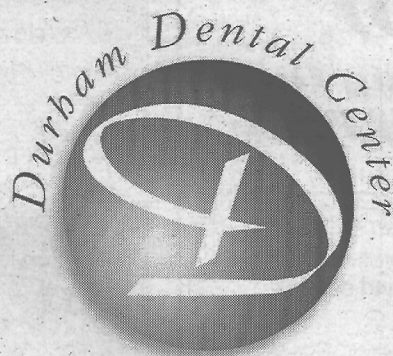
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The New Market Avenue Extension—The intersection of New Market Avenue and Hamilton Boulevard was milled and paved this week. On Tuesday workers striped the lanes.

## Borough Officials to Meet with DEP to Discuss Hollywood Avenue Truck Route

By Jane Dornick

Several members of the Ad hoc Alternate Truck Route Committee will hold a preliminary meeting with N.J. Department of Environment Protection (DEP) Commissioner Bob Martin in Trenton on September 13 to discuss their intentions regarding the Hollywood Avenue truck bypass route prior to submitting design plans and permits in October.

According to Remington & Vernick engineer Terry Vogt, the survey and traffic study are 95% complete. The borough, however, still must obtain written consent from several property owners who will be affected by the project.

Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas, who arranged the meeting with the commissioner and other high ranking officials, plans to attend, along with Mayor Charles Butrico, Council President Matt Anesh, ad hoc committee member Frank Mikorski and representatives of the engineering firm.

The purpose of the meeting, says Buteas, is to get the "new administration up to speed" with the project so there are "no surprises" when the permit application is submitted.

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"I think it is imperative that the ad hoc committee meet with the DEP and the new administration in Trenton and brief them on the most important project pending in South Plainfield. I am pleased representatives of the DEP will meet with us to discuss such a critical issue to our residents and businesses," explained Buteas.

Anesh also plans to formally request a meeting with Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno and Governor Chris Christie as he feels this project warrants their attention.

Ad hoc Chair Mike English suggested that the council pass a resolution at its next meeting on September 7 endorsing the project. The borough passed an ordinance in June, bonding for \$122,000 to be used toward the initial costs associated with the engineers' design and permits. Application fees for the permits are estimated at approximately \$50,000, and it is uncertain at this point as to how long the approval process will take.

"Roughly four years ago, the idea of extending Hollywood Avenue was thought to be merely political baloney," said Anesh, who is pleased that the

proposed extension is nearing the application phase with the support of the council. "While the project still faces challenges in the near future, including a potential legal fight and millions of dollars of funding, the filing of the permit will force the DEP to evaluate the project and will bring us one step closer to meeting the additional challenges that lie ahead." Anesh continues to meet with Congressman Leonard Lance to discuss future federal funding opportunities to complete the road.

The ad hoc committee was formed shortly after environmental group, Edison Wetlands Association (EWA), helped put an end to the Helen Street Extension Project almost four years earlier. EWA Chairman Bob Spiegel voiced his objections to the Hollywood Avenue project after the committee tried to gain his support a year ago. The new truck route, which will connect Hollywood Avenue (off Hamilton Boulevard and Ryan Street) to Metuchen Road, will sizably reduce the amount of truck traffic passing through the borough. It will have a lesser impact on the 660-acre Dismal Swamp wetlands than the defunct Helen Street Project, which the EWA wants to protect at all costs.

"I am hopeful that we will have the opportunity to lay out our plans for the truck route," said Butrico. "We need to explain why this is so important to our community and how we have to balance the safety of our residents, the Dismal Swamp and nature."

The truck committee's next meeting is scheduled for Monday, Sept. 27 at 7 p.m. at the Senior Center and is open to the public.

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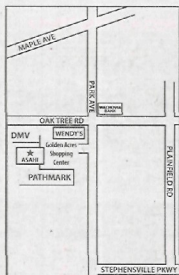
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The Pompa Family with scholarship recipient Rocco Petriello.

## South Plainfield Lions Clubs Awards \$6,500 in Scholarships to Community Residents

The South Plainfield Lions Club recently awarded four scholarships to community members. This is one of the ways the club disperses the funds that it raises in the community. The club has been doing this since its inception in 1947, demonstrating its commitment to higher education.

A dinner was held at Paulo's Restaurant in South Plainfield in order to present the annual scholarships, honor the recipients, and to thank all the volunteers who have contributed toward the success of the club during the year. Over 50 people attended the dinner, including relatives of the scholarship recipients.

Three \$1,500 scholarships were awarded. Recipients included Michael Belle, who is attending the Muhlenberg Harold B. & Dorothy Snyder Schools of Nursing, Medical Imaging and Therapeutic Sciences; Kristy Bryant, who will be attending East Stroudsburg University; and Cassie Capparelli, who will be attending Montclair State University.

In addition to the South Plainfield Lions Club scholarships, the club is pleased to award the \$2,000 Paul Pompa Sr. Memorial Scholarship named for the former club member who passed away in 2000. Pompa was a dedicated mem-

ber of the club for 30 years.

The scholarship began in 2000, and this year's recipient is Rocco Petriello, who will attend The Culinary Institute of America in New Hyde Park,

N.Y. This is his third year as a recipient.

The scholarship was presented by Paul Pompa's wife, Rose. There were six members of the Pompa Family at the dinner.

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The Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders in conjunction with the borough will sponsor a free paper shredding event on Saturday, Sept. 25 at the Senior Center, 90 Maple Ave.

Residents can bring confidential

papers to be shredded for recycling. The mobile truck shreds the paper on-site, so residents can watch their papers being destroyed.

The truck will be at the senior center from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., or until it fills up. There is no need to remove staples, paper clips or paperboard binder covers.

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# County Officials Address Concerns About Condition of Spring Lake Park

Mayor Charles Butrico, Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas, Environmental Specialist Alice Tempel and Environment Commission Chairwoman Dorothy Miele met with the director of the Middlesex County Parks and

Recreation Department to discuss concerns about the condition of Spring Lake Park. Borough officials raised concerns about the debris that has been found in and around the lake, along with the vegetation growing in the lake.

The debris which appears in Spring Lake Park is a result of garbage washing down the storm drains from towns north of us, as well as from South Plainfield streets. The county maintenance team works every day to pick up debris in and around the lake to keep our park clean for all to enjoy. The Mosquito Control Commission also cut down a large area of vegeta-

tion where mosquitoes frequently breed, which is caused by the silting in the lake that has reduced the free flow of water. The county is in the process of filing for a permit from the DEP to dredge a portion of the lake, which would remove the silt and remaining portion of the vegetation.

Mayor Charles Butrico commented, "The park is a reflection of the community and it's important to keep it clean. I am happy that the county works hard every day to pick up trash and is planning to clean up the vegetation in the lake as well."

Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas added, "I appreciate the county's

quick response to resident concerns. They are already working on measures that will address a few of the concerns we raised."

Please help keep the lake clean by picking up any litter on the ground, which will prevent it from entering storm drains and the lake.

Adopting a spot through the Clean Communities Adopt-A-Spot program is also a great way to keep the community clean.

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## Freeholder Support Grant Application Deadline Extension

The deadline for Middlesex County social services agencies to submit Freeholder Support Grant applications has been extended to Monday, Sept. 13 due to the shortened Labor Day work week and the Jewish holiday of Rosh Hashanah. The original deadline for submission was September 10.

"The purpose of these support grants is to provide assistance to Middlesex County's most vulnerable

populations, including the homeless, low-income households and others, and we are pleased to be able to provide them," said Freeholder Blanka B. Valenti, chair of the Human Services and Senior Services Committee.

Completed support grant applications are due no later than 1 p.m. on September 13 at the Middlesex County Department of Human Services, Division of Social Work Services, 5th Floor Administration Building, 75 Bayard St., New Brunswick, N.J. 08901. Applications will not be accepted after the submission deadline.

Submission of a 2011 support grant application does not constitute a guarantee of funding for new or previously funded programs.

For an online application, visit

[www.co.middlesex.nj.us/human\\_services/index.asp](http://www.co.middlesex.nj.us/human_services/index.asp) and click on the "2011 County Support Grants" tab on the left side of the page.

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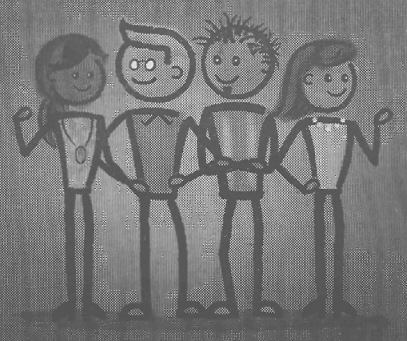
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The event, scheduled for Friday, Sept. 3 at 6 p.m., will take place at the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club located at 450 Kenneth Ave.

New at this year's Mayor's Cup will be a Home Run Derby, which is open to the public. Participants can enter the contest for a nominal fee of \$10 to compete for home run bragging

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The home run derby begins at 6 p.m. with the benefit softball game immediately following. There will be food, beer and soda available throughout the evening. Refills of beer will be available with the purchase of a \$10 commemorative mug.

The South Plainfield PBA #100 and the South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department will donate all proceeds from the home run derby and the sale of commemorative mugs and food to

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Matthew, who turned four years old on August 30, has suffered from Ewing's Sarcoma since he was seven months old. He attends weekly physical therapy since losing an arm to the disease.

Alyssa is six years old and suffers from Neuroblastoma. Alyssa has already had a kidney transplant and must have treatments every six weeks to treat an iron overload.

If you are interested in entering the home run derby or if you are a local business that would like to sponsor part of the event with a sign, banner, or product, please contact Officer Pete Magnani of the South Plainfield Police Department at (908) 226-7693 or email him at [pmagnani@southplainfieldnj.com](mailto:pmagnani@southplainfieldnj.com).

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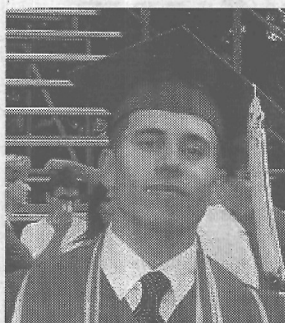
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Michael Boyle

### Michael Boyle Named to Dean's List at Pace Univ.

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Michael's commitment to academic excellence and strong record of service to his community has led to his induction into Lambda Sigma, the National Honor Society for Second Year students, and Beta Beta Beta, the National Biology Honor Society.

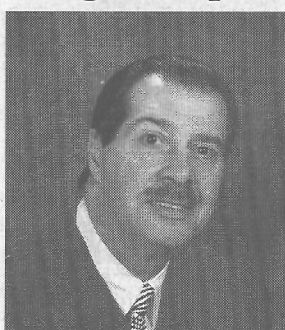
Michael was also selected to serve as a student teacher at an English-learning language camp in Thessaloniki, Greece this summer. He is currently majoring in biology and health science.

### Albert J. Musmanno Recognized by Cambridge Who's Who

Albert J. Musmanno, a four time Teacher of the Year winner who specialized in science education for the City of Plainfield Board of Education, has been recognized by Cambridge Who's Who for demonstrating dedication, leadership and excellence in education. Musmanno enjoyed a fruitful 41 year career as an educator.

As a lead teacher, Musmanno taught science classes, and mentored and trained other teachers on instruction techniques and classroom management. He also developed parent-teacher science workshops and ensured adherence to the New Jersey State Science Core Curriculum Content Standards through teacher training in workshops and as the head of the NSTA's Building a Presence for Science Program in the state of New Jersey. He is also a published author who has written science songs and poems in order to make learning enjoyable for students. Musmanno's philosophy is: "The magic of rhyme will make learning easier most of the time." His book represents this philosophy.

Respected by his peers for his expertise, Musmanno was selected to coordinate Plainfield's science curriculum for students from kindergarten to the eighth grade. He also served as an open classroom usage consultant, science demonstration teacher and curriculum coordinator, and held state-



Albert J. Musmanno

wide workshops at public and private schools. In addition, he developed school system science fairs as well as "regional" science fairs for grades K-8 at Union County College in Plainfield. He was even asked to travel to Puerto Rico and South Korea to train science teachers and school principals.

Though officially in retirement, Musmanno continues his involvement in the academe by consulting on curriculum, hands-on science workshops, and other related issues. He spends time judging science fairs in Plainfield and is presently participating in community work by operating a carnival-type fundraiser for his church. Additionally, he is in the midst of writing a book about fundraising for school systems and groups as well

as another book containing poems and songs about science. He attributes his success and longevity to two of his two role models: Mr. Jones, his high school biology teacher, and Dr. Peck, the head of the Center for Elementary Science at FDU.

Musmanno received a master of education in science in 1982 and a bachelor of arts in science in 1968. He is a certified science teacher (K-12) through the State of New Jersey. Additional affiliations include the New Jersey Education Association, the National Education Association, the New Jersey Science Teachers Association, the New Jersey Science Convention Committee, the National Science Teacher Association, the Knights of Columbus and many national science organizations. In recognition of outstanding commitment to the field of academics as well as his unprecedented professional longevity, Musmanno was selected as Cambridge Publishing's VIP of the Year for the 2010/2011 year.

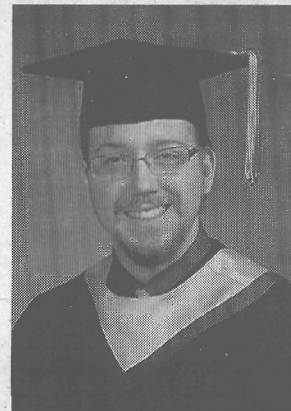
### Beverly Jamieson Graduates from Ball State University

Beverly Jamieson graduated with a bachelor of science degree from Ball State University, located in Muncie, Ind.

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Jeffrey Seesselberg

### Jeffrey Seesselberg Graduates from Hofstra University

Jeffrey Seesselberg graduated this spring from Hofstra University with a bachelor of arts degree in film studies and production, and a minor in psychology. He is a 2006 graduate of South Plainfield High School.

During four years at Hofstra, Jeffrey was named to the dean's list, directed his own film projects and worked on many others, worked on-air and behind the scenes at the campus radio station WRHU-FM, and performed onstage and as a member of the male a capella group "Drastic Measures."

He was also a member of the Communications Honor Society, Lambda Pi Eta, and the Freshman Honor Society, Phi Eta Sigma. He is looking forward to working in the film industry in the area of cinematography and camera operation.

Jeff is the son of Bill and Dianne Seesselberg.

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## Milestones

## DeVany Shoots 79 for Junior Tour Win

Justin DeVany of Moorestown shot 79 for first place on August 11 in the South Jersey Junior Tour golf event at Ramblewood Country Club. DeVany finished two strokes ahead of runner-up Dave Galin of Moorestown and Joseph Southern of Cherry Hill tied for fourth at 85.

DeVany finished two strokes ahead of runner up Dave Galin of Moorestown in the high school division. Sean Hickey of Medford was third with a 83, with Michael Kassak of Moorestown and Joseph Southern of Cherry Hill tied for fourth at 85.

Colin Geary of Marlton shot 35 over nine holes to finish first in the

Future Players Division. That put him nine shots ahead of second place Greg Tandourjian of Mount Laurel. Dillon Davis of Medford was third at 48, placing ahead of Tommy Wiker of Medford Lakes on a match of cards.

The Caddy Division winner was Nick Varava of Columbus, who carded a 23 over six holes. Alex Ryden of Moorestown was second (28) and Kyle Hare of Medford was third (31).

Justin is the son of Lori DeVany and the grandson of Mike and Sandy Kavka, the South Plainfield High School Golf Coach. Both are residents of South Plainfield.

## Maguras to Celebrate 40th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Magura, former residents of South Plainfield for over 20 years, will be celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary on Sunday, Sept. 5.

Mr. and Mrs. Magura were married at the former Our Lady of Mount Carmel in Niagara Falls, N.Y. on Sep-

tember 5, 1970. They lived in New Jersey where they raised two children. Daughter Stephanie (Magura) Deusing and son-in-law Adam now live in Philadelphia, Pa., and son Evan.

The Maguras, along with their son Evan, have lived in Kalamazoo, Mich. since 2007. Mr. Magura is currently the director of the Evaluation Center at Western Michigan University. Mrs. Magura is currently a registered nurse at an adult day care center in the Kalamazoo area.

## Opening Day Menu for District Schools

South Plainfield Schools open on Wednesday, Sept. 8. The opening day menu will be as follows:

## Elementary Schools

Choice of: grilled cheese sandwich, hot dog on a bun, ham sub, or fun bag which includes yogurt, baked pretzel, hard boiled egg or cheese cubes, carrot sticks, juice and milk. Lunch also includes choice of two sides and milk.

## High School, Middle School and Grant School

Choice of: grilled cheese sandwich, French toast sticks with syrup, made to order deli sandwiches, homemade pizza. Lunch also includes choice of two sides and milk.

## Lunch Prices

Elementary: \$2, milk \$.55; middle school and Grant School: \$2.15, milk \$.60; high school: \$2.40, milk \$.80. Reduced lunch at all schools \$.40.

## Breakfast

Beginning on September 8 a cold grab and go breakfast will be available daily for all students at the high school, middle school, Grant School and all elementary schools. Breakfast will be available before homeroom. The high school also offers a hot breakfast sandwich available daily.

Breakfast price: \$1.35, reduced \$.30.

## SPHS Music Boosters

## MUSIC NOTES

On Monday, Aug. 23, over 60 high school students boarded buses to band camp. They headed out for a five day stay at Camp Cayuga in Honesdale, Pa. Even though the weather did not cooperate, it did not stop the marching band from working very hard! The pouring rain did not stop the kids, and they truly enjoy their time together.

Thanks to Mr. Vroom and Ms. Hartong for keeping it all together while the rain poured down. The Boosters would like to thank the following parents who volunteered their time at band camp: Tracey Hartmann, Pam Rutowski, Sue Firmin, Liz Morella, Karen Blackford, Maryann Decker, Hodge Kanj, Maryann Aiello, Egla Cabanas, John McCarthy, Maryellen Miller and to our terrific truck driver Chuck Miller. Thank you all for your help with making band camp run so smoothly.

## Upcoming Events:

• **Labor Day concessions**—anyone interested in helping out with the hot dog and soda sale, the times and shifts needed: set up 7-10 a.m., handlers 10 a.m.-4 p.m., breakdown 4 p.m. If you are interested, please contact Donna at (908) 896-8799.

• T-shirt and clothing order forms for students and adults have been

handed out. This is a great way to show your Marching Tiger Band pride.

## Important Dates to Remember:

**Monday, Sept. 6**—Labor Day parade and boosters hot dog sale.

**Wednesday, Sept. 8**—Marching band "Show and Tell" at 6 p.m. on the practice field.

**Wednesday, Sept. 8**—Music Booster's general meeting at 7 p.m. in the chorus room.

**Wednesday, Sept. 8**—Sweatshirt, shirt orders due.

**Friday, Sept. 10**—Student "Shout Out" boosters due.

**Monday, Sept. 20**—Applebee's fundraiser; 10% of orders between 5-10 p.m. will be donated to the Music Boosters.

**Monday, Sept. 20**—Ads due for the Music Booster program.

Submitted by Donna Teller

## MEETING CHANGE

Please be advised that the Special Board Meeting scheduled for Thursday, Sept. 2 regarding personnel matters has been changed to Friday, Sept. 3 at 6 p.m. This meeting will be held at the Roosevelt Admin. Bldg., 125 Jackson Ave. Action will be taken.

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# South Plainfield Labor Day Parade

## Labor Day 5K Race to Raise Funds for Alliance for Substance Awareness

The South Plainfield Alliance for Substance Awareness, the staff at The Club at Ricochet and the South Plainfield Education Foundation are sponsoring the 20th annual Labor Day 5K Run on Monday, Sept. 6.

To add to the more than 250 runners last year, the 1.5 Mile Family Fitness Walk will once again be held this year. More than 30 walkers participated in this event last year, and organizers hope to increase this number in support of family togetherness and a positive drug free, fun filled fitness lifestyle.

The entry fee for walkers is \$5 per person and/or family. T-shirts and

substance awareness information packets will be given to the first 40 participants who pre-registered by August 26 for the walk.

Registration fee is \$20. The first 105 pre-registered 5K entrants who registered prior to August 26 will receive a t-shirt along with a packet of various items and substance awareness information.

Computer timing will be handled by Best Race Systems and race results will be posted on the Internet at [www.bestrace.com](http://www.bestrace.com). The race will begin and end on Lake Street next to the South Plainfield Middle School. Both the 5K run and the 1.5 mile

walk will begin at 9:30 a.m., depending on the parade marshals, with registration starting at 8:15 a.m. There will be two tables set up, one for pre-registered runners and another for race day registrations.

All proceeds from the race support the efforts of the South Plainfield Alliance for Substance Awareness and the South Plainfield Education Foundation, who aid in making the South Plainfield community drug free and inspire our students to achieve high academically with positive incentives and education grants and scholarships.



The South Plainfield Historical Society is once again raffling off a hand-made quilt at the Labor Day parade on Monday, Sept. 6. The quilt is queen size, double wedding band pattern shades of blue on a cream background, handstitched by the Mennonites of Missouri. Raffle tickets are \$2 each and can be purchased by calling Kathy Horvath at (908) 754-7268 or William Tuthill (908) 756-9654. They can also be purchased at the Historical Society booth on Labor Day. Drawing will be on Labor Day; winner need not be present.



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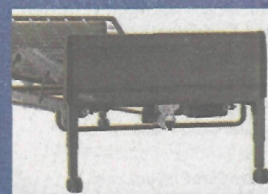
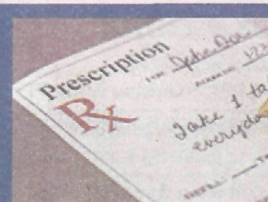


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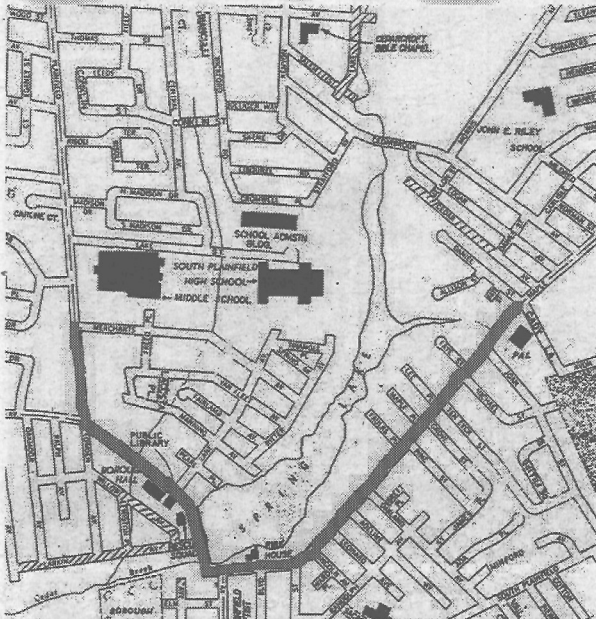
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# South Plainfield Labor Day Parade



## Schedule of Activities

(All times are approximate and subject to change)

- 8:15 a.m. Registration starts for 5K Run and 1.5 mile Family Fitness Walk at 9 a.m. (at the Middle School)
- 9:00 a.m. All major roads will be closed in town
- 9:30 a.m. 5K Run and 1.5 Mile Fitness Walk begin
- 10:00 a.m. **Parade Kicks Off at PAL on Maple Avenue**
- 11:30 a.m. DeeJay Taylor Nichuk Entertains
- 12:00 p.m. Parade Ends/Activities Begin
- Trophies are awarded • Food and drinks all afternoon on the Middle School lawn
- 12:00 p.m. Entertainment by Living Hope Church
- 12:00 p.m. **Activities Begin at Middle School**
- Supervised activities and contests for the kids
- Power Plant Obstacle Run • Super Slide
  - Ocean Adventure • Rock Climbing Wall
- 12:30 p.m. Entertainment by "Black Rose"
- 6:00 p.m. **Evening Activities Begin at Spring Lake Park**
- Entertainment by "Amp'd"
- 8:45 p.m. Fireworks by Garden State Fireworks

## Parade Entries

South Plainfield Mayor Charles Butrico, Council President Matthew Anesh, Councilmembers Raymond Rusnak, Robert Bengivenga, Jr., Timothy McConville, Christine Buteas and Frank Salerno; McGruff the Crime Dog; South Plainfield Football Eagles and Cheerleaders; South Plainfield Police Department; NY Giants Letter People; Daren the D.A.R.E. Lion; Red, White and Blue Stilt Walker; South Plainfield Rescue Squad; Driverless Comedy Car; South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department; 1929 Model A Ford-Phillip Burgess; South Plainfield High School Marching Band & Color Guard; South Plainfield Soccer Club; South Plainfield High School Cheerleaders; American Red Cross-Tri-County Chapter; Snow White; Calli-A-Bike (Next Day Fire Department); Jose Negron-Superintendent of Schools with BOE President Jim Giannakis and BOE Vice President Pio Pennisi; 1956 Chevy Belair-Thomas DeStefano; Democratic Organization: NJ State Assemblymen Patrick Diegnan, Peter Barnes, Middlesex County Freeholders Millie Scott, County Clerk Elaine

Flynn, Congressional Candidate Ed Potosnak, Council Candidates Michael English-Mayor, John Sorrentino and Jeffrey Williams-Council; Alice in Wonderland; Military Order of the Purple Heart Chapter #10; Majestic Towing Transport & Recovery 2009 International 4300 21' Flatbed, 2010 Ford F550 Wrecker; Cookie Monster; Red, White & Blue Stilt Walker; Republican Organization: Governor Chris Christie, Lt. Governor Kim Guadagno, Congressman Leonard Lance, Candidates: David Rosenthal, Jordan Rickards, Richard Franks, Freeholders; Keith Hackett, Sheriff; Harold Kane, County Clerk; Council Candidates: Matthew Anesh-Mayor, Raymond Rusnak and Timothy McConville-Council; Gilson Heating and Cooling Truck; Moms Club of South Plainfield; Circus Gorilla Comedy Car; South Plainfield Elks #2298; Boy Scout Troop 124; 1981 Corvette-Paul Fessock; Living Hope Outreach Center Church; South Plainfield Girl Scout Community; Belle; Boy Scout Troop 309; Buddy Walk of South Plainfield; Sponge Bob; Somerset Medical Center EMS Rig; Funny

Factory Stunt Car; VFW Memorial Post #6763; ATA Black Belt Academy; Funny Factory Cowboy Mobile; South Plainfield Right to Life; Sacred Heart School; Elmo; 1967 Chevelle SS-Joseph Scotto; South Amboy First Aid & Safety Squad; RG Fuel Oil Truck; Weather Makers Heating and Cooling; South Plainfield Knights of Columbus; Jo-Ann's Dance Studio-The Performing Arts Centre; Old Timers Motorcycle Club; Caruso Photo-Charlie Chaplin and his Dog; South Plainfield Wrestling Club; Boy Scout Troop 125; Ninja Turtle; Mad Hatter from Alice in Wonderland; Car Nutz Car Club; Holy Steppers; Beast from Beauty & the Beast; Cub Scouts of South Plainfield Packs 207, 224, 324; Home Depot; JJ Gardner Marine Detachment; American Legion Chaumont Post #243; 1937 Chevy 1/2 ton Pickup Truck-Townley Family; The Unforgettable Autos & The Slant-Six Club; 1967 Ford-Sal Esposito; 1913 Antique Model T Ford-Wesley Roll.

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1970 IRVING BABES  
1971 JOHN A. BORI  
1972 GEORGE L. AND MARIE PAGE  
1973 FRANK X. MITTERMEIER  
1974 JOSEPH A. MONDORO  
1975 JULIUS "SUPE" CELENTANO  
1976 ANNA TOM  
1977 LOUIS DEFILIPPO

1978 GEORGE RUDE  
1979 HANRY APGAR  
1980 MARY MAZEPA  
1981 JOHN SHAW  
1982 JOSEPH BORI & JAMES SAVERD, FRANK DIANA & JOHN COTONE  
1983 NICOLA RISOLI  
1984 HARRY SCHULTE  
1985 ESTHER ARMSTEAD  
1986 REVEREND CHARLES MINGLE  
1987 JOHN GEORGE  
1988 EDWARD NIEMCZYK  
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2007 OWEN KELLY  
2008 RICHARD MCCRISKIN  
2009 ED KUBALA

## The Public Celebrations Committee

The following people have been working behind the scenes to make this year's parade a success. They deserve thanks for all the work and time they have put in. Everyone on the committee is a volunteer. The only compensation they receive is the satisfaction of putting together this once-a-year parade. (What would this town be without our volunteers?)

**John Sorrentino**  
Choir

**Chrissy Buteas**  
Council Liaison

Matthew Anesh, Don Alexa, Ray Petronko, Pat DeSantis, Joseph Scudato, Gary Prendergast, Debbie Boyle, Jeffrey Williams, Debra Anne Leporino and Jignesh Shah

Also working very hard on the parade are members of the police department, CERT members, rescue squad, fire department, emergency management, R.A.C.E. radio operators and the public works employees.

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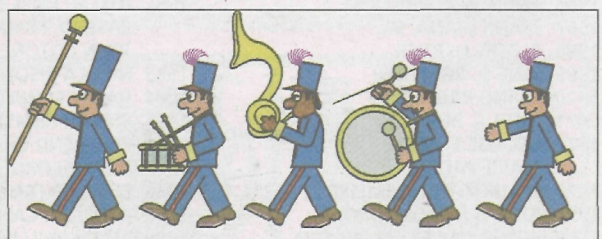
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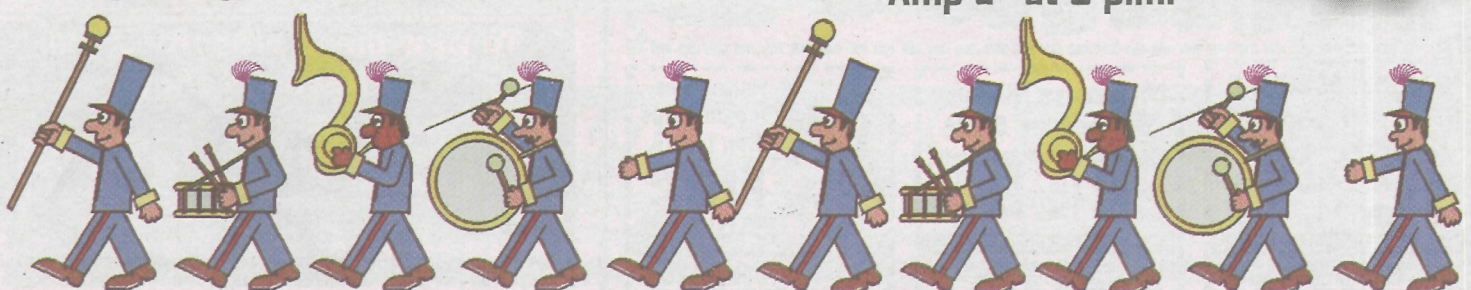
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## Holiday Schedule at the Recycling Complex and Curbside Collection

Curbside recycling collection in District 1 will be postponed from Monday, Sept. 6 to Saturday, Sept. 11 due to the Labor Day holiday. The Recycling Complex on Kenneth Avenue will be open as usual on Saturday, Sept. 4 from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Recycling and Yard Waste sites also will be open as usual from 12 to 7 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 7.

Regular hours at the Recycling Center are 12 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Fridays and Saturdays. Regular summer hours at the Yard Waste Site are 12 to 7 p.m. on Tuesdays and 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturdays. Call the Recycling Hotline at (908) 226-7620 for updates.

## Fifth Annual Run for the Children Oct. 3

The Old Timers Motorcycle Club and Century 21 Moretti Realty, along with Open Your Heart to Children Battling Cancer Foundation, Inc., will once again team up to raise funds for local families with children battling cancer on Sunday, Oct. 3.

This year the Run For The Children Battling Cancer will originate from the Kenneth Avenue Football fields. After the ride, participants will enjoy a picnic, live entertainment by the band, Mirage, and a classic car show. Vendors will also display their wares.

Sign-ups for the run begin at 9:30 a.m. The ride will leave at 11:15 a.m. sharp, led by the South Plainfield Police Department and the Volunteer Fire Department. Riders will embark on a 55-mile round trip run through scenic Somerset County. Free food, drinks, prizes, vendors and a live band await their return at 1 p.m. Cost is \$20 per rider, \$10 per passenger. Walk-ins are also welcome at \$10 per person.

A \$50 minimum donation is required of vendors interested in selling or displaying products. Vendors must supply their own tables, tents, etc. Sign-ups begin at 9:30 a.m. for vendors who are also riders; all other vendors should arrive by 11:30 a.m. Please reserve your spot at least two to three

weeks in advance.

Once again this year, Street Dreams Car Club and Ron Fusco will run the classic car show. Cost to sign up for the car show is \$20. To sign up, contact Fusco at (908) 482-0008.

For more information on the run,

or to sign up as a vendor, email or call Rich D'Urso at [offthebear@aol.com](mailto:offthebear@aol.com), (732) 406-2826; Greg Rhein at [oldtimers\\_mc.greg@yahoo.com](mailto:oldtimers_mc.greg@yahoo.com), (908) 405-7753, or Guy Moretti at [morettig@morettiirealty.com](mailto:morettig@morettiirealty.com), (908) 755-5300.

### SAVE THE DATE

## Volunteers Sought for Fall Cleanup

The South Plainfield Clean Communities Advisory Board will sponsor a public lands cleanup on Saturday, Sept. 11. Coolidge Street runs between Helen Street and Talmadge Road in the industrial area behind Durham Avenue. It runs along much of the southern edge of South Plainfield's portion of the Dismal Swamp. This environmentally sensitive land should be protected from litter, but

Coolidge Street is the kind of back road that encourages illegal dumping.

The cleanup is planned to run from 1-3 p.m. Gloves, bags and other equipment will be provided. Volunteers will meet near Brenntag at 1000 Coolidge St.

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#41 Ed Kobilis sets up a running play for QB Bryan Scipio Jr.



QB Bryan Scipio Jr. (28) takes the hand off from center Dheer Patel (96) at the start of a play in the Pee Wee game against Hillsborough.

## SP Eagles Football and Cheer Season Opener a Huge Success

The South Plainfield Eagles Football and Cheer held the season's first home game on August 29 at the Eagles field located on Kenneth Avenue. The opponent was Hillsborough Dukes.

The Flag Football team (five to seven year olds) started the day. Mitchell Dudak passed to Johnny Padavono for a 30 yard touchdown. Mark Molinaro had a 20 yard run and also an excellent defensive tackle. Jacob Leonard made several defensive tackles, as did Gregorio Zambrana and Chris Poggio. Ashton Donovan also had a defensive tackle and made the first touchdown of his Pop Warner career.

Additional touchdowns were scored by Zachary Bolesta and Chris Poggio. Michael Kurlew and Solomon Chainey were also tough on defense with some critical tackles. Jalen Russel led the entire B team in an eight minute defensive stand on the goal line right before halftime to stop Hillsborough from scoring. Brian Sosa, Anthony

Nigro and Julian Irizarry also had key plays on the field.

The flag coaches were thrilled with the game, and appreciate the hard work these kids are putting in at practice each week.

The Mighty Mite team (seven to nine year olds) was up next. The first quarter started off with a sack by Alex Amato for a two yard loss. Then Daniel Smith had a tackle behind the line of scrimmage for a five yard loss. Joe Sacco had two tackles behind the line for additional lost yardage against Hillsborough. The second quarter started with Jordan Hamberg and a 12 yard run. Kenny Clevenger aided the team with a fumble recovery. Jordan Hamberg then had an open field tackle that prevented a Hillsborough touchdown.

The third quarter started with an open field tackle by Nicholas Fager.



Sebastian Santos followed with a tackle behind the line of scrimmage.

Nicholas Fager completed a tackle behind the line of scrimmage, and then made the crowd go wild with a 75 yard run for

a touchdown. Joe Sacco ran the ball in for the extra point. Jordan Hamberg and Josiah Harvey both completed backfield tackles. Sebastian Santos and Nicholas Fager both had a fourth down tackle behind the line that resulted in a turnover for South Plainfield. Samuel Nieves was also able to complete an open field tackle. The game ended with a win for South Plainfield with a final score of 7-0.

The Junior Pee Wee team (ages nine to 11) played the third game of the day. Zahveac ("Z") Thorne and Charles Lovett started South Plainfield off with a sack of Hillsborough's quarterback. Michael Marrero kept things

moving with a 47 yard kickoff return and a 55 yard run for the teams' first touchdown of the season. Later in the game, Marrero had a one yard run that resulted in the teams second touchdown. Chance Jones had a tackle that resulted in a five yard loss for Hillsborough. Brenden Hedden helped out with multiple tackles in the backfield. Other key players for JPW team were Nikolas Peterson (#5) as the teams quarterback, who showed strong passing skills. Connor Adams, Jacob Painton and Jalil Palms all had multiple tackles.

Although the JPW team lost to Hillsborough, with a final score of 26-12, the team showed a lot of heart and overall played great despite the 95 degree heat.

The Pee Wee team (ages 10-12) finished out the day's games. Bryan Scipio Jr. lead the attack on offense as quarterback, guiding the young team through their plays. Fullback Ryan Marston cleared the path for some strong runs by Damarquis Price and Dominic Labruzzo through the middle. Dheer Patel anchored the line

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# Sports

TIGERS SHARKS SWIM TEAM

By Cheryl Nagel-Smiley

## Tiger Sharks Take Third Place at Swimming Championship

By Cheryl Nagel-Smiley

The South Plainfield Tiger Sharks Swim Team hosted the NJSDC "A" League Championships on July 31 at the Community Pool.

Participating in the championship were the East Brunswick Sandpipers (first place), Hillsborough YMCA (second place), South Plainfield Tiger Sharks (third place), Bridgewater Blue Dolphins (fourth place), Cranford Gators (fifth place), Middlesex Water Wrats (sixth place) and Chatham Colony (seventh place).

Each swimmer was allowed to swim two individual events and two relays, or three individual events and one relay. Swimmers 12 and under swam the morning events, while swimmers 13-18 swam in the afternoon. Swimmers who placed first through sixth received both a medal and points for their team.

South Plainfield Tiger Sharks who

placed from first to tenth place were:

**Individual medley** (10 and under): Chandler Carter-second; Mark Stanik-second; Andrew Galarza-sixth; Brendan Tang-ninth; 11/12: Brianna Tang-fourth; Megan McDermott-eighth; Daniel Galarza-second; Paul Stanik-sixth; also participating was Jennifer Huber.

**Medley Relay** (eight and under): Amanda Pina, Shannon Yan, Kristy Tam, Alexandra Galarza-second; Joseph Anesh, Harrison Anesh, Maxwell Strasburger, Dominic Faustini-second; Adam Nathoo, Noah Karch, Jack O'Shaughnessy, Colin Carey-third; also participating-Brianna Padovano, Kristina Kwan, Cara Makoski, Katiana Carter; 9-12: Chandler Carter, Megan McDermott, Brianna Tang, Aubrey Marish-second; Jenna Yan, Darlene Fung, Jennifer Huber, Jiyeung Kang-seventh; Paul Stanik, Daniel Galarza, Mark Stanik, Brendan Tang-second; Miles Green, Nicolas Gurrieri,

Isaac Nathoo, Andrew Galarza-ninth.

**Freestyle** (eight and under): participating in the event-Shannon Yan, Cara Makoski, Alexandra Galarza, Amanda Pina, Katiana Carter, Olivia Olan, Brianna Padovano, Allyson Betyeman, Danielle Bythell, Jessica Forbes, Joseph Anesh, Dominic Faustini, Harrison Anesh, Noah Karch, Maxwell Strasburger, Colin Carey; 9/10: Aubrey Marish-second; Chandler Carter-fourth; Mark Stanik-second; Andrew Galarza-fourth; Brendan Tang-eighth; also participating-Stephanie Chiu, Maggy Mogollon, Lynda Farinella, Claudia Aljian, Miles Green, Andrew Toapanta, Aris Chung, Adam Nathoo, Nicholas Farinella, Ryan Carey, Caleb Ivaniuc; 11/12: Brianna Tang-third; Daniel Galarza-1st; Paul Stanik-second; also participating-Emma Piedilato, Grace Chung, Justice Lipuma, Gina Cummings, Matilda Mercer, Elissa Mackenzie, Olivia George, Benjamin Sheaffer, Danny O'Shaughnessy, Gregory Forbes, Timmy Nuber, Drew Mackenzie.

**Breaststroke** (eight and under): Kristy Tam-seventh; Jack O'Shaughnessy-sixth; also participating-Kristina Kwan, Olivia Olan, Jessica Forbes, Danielle Bythell; 9/10: Jenna Yan-1st; Darlene Fung-third; Chandler Carter-fourth; Elizabeth Chiu-fifth; Stephanie Chiu-10th; Andrew Galarza-fourth; Brendan Tang-eighth; also participating-Kaitlyn Kwan, Lynda Farinella, Maggy Mogollon, Isaac Nathoo, Adam Nathoo, Andrew

Toapanta, Aris Chung; 11/12: Brianna Tang-second; Daniel Galarza-fourth; also participating-Gennifer Huber, Grace Chung, Matilda Mercer, Justice Lipuma, Gina Cummings, Timmy Nuber.

**Longer Freestyle** (10 and under): Aubrey Marish-first; Darlene Fung-second; Elizabeth Chiu-seventh; 11/12: Emma Piedilato-eighth; Jiyeung Kang-ninth; Paul Stanik-first; Nicolas Gurrieri-seventh; also participating-Justice Lipuma, Benjamin Sheaffer, Timmy Nuber, Gregory Forbes.

**Backstroke** (eight and under): Kristy Tam-fourth, Joseph Anesh-seventh; also participating-Kristina Kwan, Amanda Pina, Brianna Padovano, Cara Makoski, Allyson Betyeman, Olivia Olan, Danielle Bythell, Alexandra Galarza, Jessica Forbes, Dominic Faustini, Noah Karch, Maxwell Strasburger, Colin Carey; 9/10: Jenna Yan-sixth; Miles Green-tenth; also participating-Elizabeth Chiu, Stephanie Chiu, Kaitlyn Kwan, Isaac Nathoo, Nicholas Farinella, Ryan Carey, Aris Chung; 11/12: Jiyeung-eighth; Nicolas Gurrieri-eighth; also participating-Grace Chung, Gina Cummings, Matilda Mercer, Benjamin Sheaffer, Danny O'Shaughnessy, Gregory Forbes,

Drew Mackenzie.

**Butterfly** (eight and under): Shannon Yan-ninth; Harrison Anesh-ninth; also participating-Allyson Betyeman; Jack O'Shaughnessy; 9/10: Mark Stanik-first; 11/12: Shannon Pepe-fourth.

**Freestyle Relay** (eight and under): Cara Makoski, Kristy Tam, Alexandra Galarza, Shannon Yan-fourth; Amanda Pina, Brianna Padovano, Olivia Olan, Kristina Kwan-seventh; Dominic Faustini, Jack O'Shaughnessy, Harrison Anesh, Joseph Anesh-fourth; Noah Karch, Maxwell Strasburger, Colin Cary, Ryan Carey-fifth; 9-12: Aubrey Marish, Darlene Fung, Jiyeung Kang, Shannon Pepe-second; Erin Pepe, Jenna Yan, Jennifer Huber, Emma Piedilato-fifth; Miles Green, Nicolas Gurrieri, Benjamin Sheaffer, Andrew Toapanta-seventh; Adam Nathoo, Aris Chung, Isaac Nathoo, Danny O'Shaughnessy-ninth; 13-18: Maggie Valentino-seventh; Michelle Gustafson-eighth; Lauren Shea-ninth.

**Medley Relay** 13-18: Teresa Gustafson, Samantha Soto, Maggie Valentino, Ali Huber-fifth; Gracie Piekarski, Kelly O'Brien, Amy Zinsky, Emily Piekarski-seventh; Patrick Osia-

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## SPSC Reminders and Upcoming Events: Mark Your Calendars!

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**Canning**—Will be held September 3, 4 and 12, and October 1-3 and 8-10. These are the only canning dates for the fall season. Shifts are 2½ hours. You can choose any of these days; all you need to do is contact Laura Sansone to arrange your shift. Call Laura at (908) 755-3626 or (908) 370-8118. Canning is mandatory for all players in the club, so be sure to make arrangements to get it done early so you do not miss out on a spot.

**Our Second Annual Kick Off Party**—will be held at the fields on Saturday, Sept. 18 from 4-10 p.m. We



all had such a great time last year and we are very excited to present it again this year. It is the club's way of saying thanks to all our families for being a part of the club and giving everyone a chance to get together and socialize. There will be food, music and fun for everyone. Save the date. We hope everyone will be able to attend and join us in kicking off the season! More details to follow.

**Our season kicks off the weekend of September 18 and 19**—and much is needed to get our fields and facilities ready. If you would like to help out and satisfy your work bond, contact Bob Sanko for a spot on our Fields and Facilities Day, Saturday, Sept. 11 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

**Training with our Red Bulls trainer** will begin the week of September 5—Coaches will be notifying their teams of their assigned sessions very soon. This will be your weekly session throughout the Fall season.

Remember to check your email inboxes for more club info and you can always go to our website at [www.soplfdsoccerclub.com](http://www.soplfdsoccerclub.com).

## Sacred Heart to Hold First Annual Golf Outing

The School Advisory Council of Sacred Heart School has announced its first annual golf outing at Cranbury Golf Course in West Windsor on Wednesday, Sept. 15. The beneficiary will be Sacred Heart School.

Registration for the golf outing will begin at 8 a.m. at the golf course, accompanied by a continental breakfast, followed by a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Hot dogs, soda and beer will be available at the turn. Prizes will be awarded following the outing for the longest drive, closest to the pin, etc. with a dinner buffet following. A Hole-In-One Package offers four prizes (one per par 3) including: Hapuna Beach for two; Newport Dunes Golf Package for two; PGA Village Golf Package for two; and Pine Needles Golf School for two. The individual golfer fee is \$130 or \$520 for a foursome.

The Golf Outing Committee, chaired by Manuel P. Sanchez Esq., is also seeking both corporate and individual sponsors for the event. A Platinum Sponsorship is \$1,000 and in-

cludes a foursome, your corporate banner and sign on the first tee and recognition at the event. A Gold Sponsorship is \$750 and includes a foursome, a sign on the 18th tee and recognition at the event. A Silver Sponsorship is \$500 and includes a two-some, a tee sign and recognition at the event. A Personalized Sponsorship is available for \$250 and includes your personalized sign on any hole of your choosing. A Non-Golfing Sponsorship is available as an event sponsor for \$600, which includes your corporate banner and recognition at the event. Breakfast Sponsors and Beverage Cart Sponsors are also needed at \$250 each. If your business or organization would like to donate raffle prizes or door prizes, recognition will be made of your donation. For registration forms or to reserve a place, please contact Manuel P. Sanchez Esq. at (908) 355-3000, ext. 17.

For almost 60 years the beneficiary, Sacred Heart School, has offered an outstanding education for grades K-8, including small classes, a safe envi-

ronment, committed teachers, help outside the classroom if needed, and a challenging curriculum.

Sacred Heart School, named a "Spotlight on Education" school by the Diocese of Metuchen in 2009, is the most culturally diverse parochial school in the Metuchen Diocese. Personal responsibility, responsibility for others, compassion and service are a part of each school day.

## Travel Soccer Looking for U-11 Players

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# Obituaries

## Paul C. Thievon, Jr.

Paul C. Thievon, Jr. passed away on Thursday, Aug. 26 in the Haven Hospice within JFK Medical Center in Edison after a long illness.

Born in Plainfield, Paul resided in South Plainfield all of his life.

He was a graduate of South Plainfield High School where he excelled in basketball. He was a key player on the varsity team which was undefeated during its regular season. Paul was selected to the All State and All County Teams.

Paul owned and operated a commercial and industrial paint contracting company for many years and prior to his retirement he joined his wife as a real estate agent.

He was a sports enthusiast, enjoyed playing golf, was a past member of Raritan Valley Country Club and a fan of the New York Yankees.

He is predeceased by his parents, Loretta and Paul.

He is survived by his wife, Maryhelen (Perdie); four children, Lori Thievon Wright and Daniel Levine of Scotch Plains, Paul and Amy Thievon of Middlesex, John and Trisha Thievon of Westlake, Texas and Liz Thievon and Jeff Orth of South Plainfield; a sister, Rita Mullin of Alexandria, Va.; his mother-in-law, Mary Perdie; as well as several nieces, nephews, extended family members and dear friends.

Also surviving are eight beloved grandchildren; Alexander (AJ) and Mackenzie Wright, Alexa and Nicholas Thievon, Jack, Harrison and Ava Thievon, and Jade Orth.

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

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to the charity of one's choice.

## Edward R. Donahue, Sr., 83

Edward R. Donahue, Sr. passed away on Thursday, Aug. 26 in Wilkes-Barre General Hospital.

Born and raised in South Plainfield, Edward lived in town for most of his life before retiring to Retta, Pa. in 1987.



He was a graduate of North Plainfield High School and had attended Rutgers University.

As a Navy veteran, Edward enlisted in 1945 and served aboard the USS Perry serving in Hawaii and Japan as a fireman first class before his honorable discharge.

He retired 25 years ago from the South Plainfield Road Department where he worked for 30 years.

He was a former member of the South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department and is a senior member of the South Plainfield Double OO Gun Club where he has been a member for 61 years.

Edward enjoyed the outdoors. He was an avid hunter and fisherman and also enjoyed spending time farming and gardening.

Predeceased by an infant son, Todd, he is also predeceased by three brothers, James, Joel and Charles, and by a sister, Ruth Symonds.

Surviving is a dear son, Edward R. Donahue, Jr. and wife Christine of

Dallas, Pa.; two sisters, Mary Dudak of South Plainfield and Theresa Young of Easton, Pa.; three grandchildren, Amanda Havyar and husband Edward, Karissa and Edward S. Donahue.

He also leaves behind his dear friends, Tammy Youells and the girls at the Rush Store, as well as several nieces and nephews.

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

## Robert "Bobby Bananas" Tanganelli, 59

Robert "Bobby Bananas" Tanganelli of Manalapan, beloved husband, son, father, brother and Pop-Pop, entered into eternal rest on Saturday, Aug. 28 at RWJ University Hospital in Rahway.

Born in Elizabeth, Robert was raised in Edison and resided in Manalapan for 12 years.

A successful businessman in the produce industry for 34 years, he owned Tanganelli's Produce Company in South Plainfield, and more recently, was the manager of the Front Street Farmers Market.

Robert was predeceased by his father, Eugene.

Surviving are his wife of 22 years, Linda Tanganelli (Petruzzi); his mother, Angelina Tanganelli of Linden; children, Andrea Tanganelli of Manalapan, Joseph Tanganelli of South Plainfield and Nicole Davis and husband Brian of Manalapan; a sister, Jeanne Romanovsky and husband John of Howell; two grandchildren, Andrew Robert Yaccarino and Robert Joseph Davis; his mother-in-law, Phyllis Petruzzi of Manchester; two brothers-in-law, Salvatore Petruzzi and Laurie Gutkowski of Edison and Andrew Petruzzi.



**Front Street Farmers Market** mourns the sudden passing of **Bob Tanganelli, Manager of Front Street Farmers Market**

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zi and wife JoAnn of Cream Ridge and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Costello-Runyon Funeral Home.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to set up a scholarship for his buddy, Andrew Yaccarino, 18 Smock Ct., Manalapan, N.J. 07726.

## Angelo M. "Babe" Butch, 84

Angelo M. "Babe" Butch of Bethlehem, Pa. died on Wednesday, Aug. 25 at Manor Care Health Services I in Bethlehem, Pa.

He was born May 9, 1926 in Orange, the son of the late Samuel and Antonetta (Palmieri) Butch.

He served in the US Army Air Corps during WWII and was a member of the American Legion Post #243 in South Plainfield.

Babe had careers as a partner with his cousin, Pat Ciccone, in their carpet business; he was an agent for Metropolitan Life Insurance and later worked in the IT Dept. of Public Service Electric and Gas Company.

He was known as "Mr. Fix It," and friends and family would bring him items that were broken and he always seemed to figure out how to make them work again. Babe was always there to

help with a project or when you were in need of an extra hand or to pick his brain. His expression of approval often came from someone he had been bragging to about you.

His hobbies included fishing, bowling and relaxing with a beer. He was a great guy, easy to talk to, a good listener, a lover of animals and he made friends wherever he went.

Babe was preceded in death by a brother, James M. Butch, of Myrtle Beach, S.C.

He will be lovingly remembered by his wife of 61 years, Helen; a daughter, Gale of Bethlehem, Pa., who cared for Angelo until the end; two sons, Kenneth of Madison, Wis. and Robert and wife Valentina of West Orange.

He will be dearly missed by two grandsons, Nicholas and Paul and by a great-grandson, Joseph.

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	Reception/Lunch	1:30 PM
	Awards	2:00 PM
	Completion	2:30 PM
*Players must arrive by 8:00am		
Format	Scramble	
Contests	Longest Drive	
	Closest to the Pin	
Awards	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> place	
Cost	\$150 per player	



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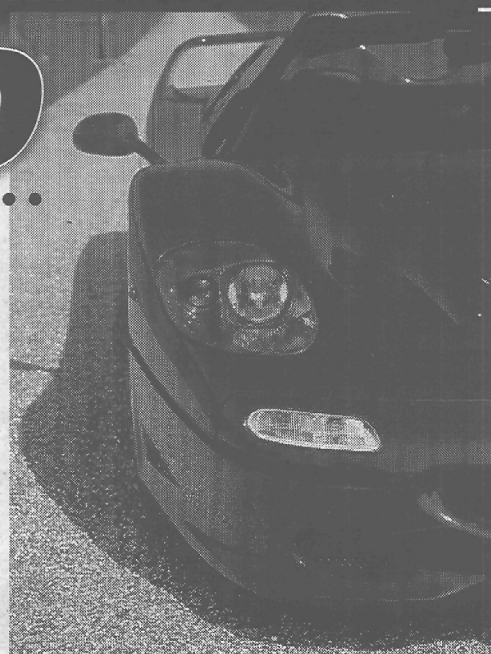
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# Former Resident Finds Success on the Big Island of Hawaii



Lorie Obra harvests coffee beans on the estate farm in the Ka'u region on the Big Island of Hawaii.

By Jean Fultz

Former South Plainfield resident Lorie Obra of Rusty's Hawaiian 100% Ka'u Coffee has received the 2010 Outstanding Producer Award for exceptional achievement in coffee farming by the Specialty Coffee Association of Europe (SCAE). Additionally, Rusty's Hawaiian won the Hawaii Coffee Association's 2010 Cupping Competition in July besting 67 other farmers throughout the state with a score of 91.1 out of 100.

Success was bittersweet for Lorie,

whose husband, Restituto "Rusty" Obra, passed away from cancer in 2006. It was Rusty's dream to make Ka'u coffee one of the elite coffees in the world; however, after his passing Lorie was not sure if she would continue to work the farm, or sell.

Since committing herself to seeing her husband's dream through, Lorie has single-handedly run the 12-acre estate farm, from harvesting and processing to roasting and marketing the coffee at the local farmer's market. Her hard work and determination was recently recognized with these two highly

regarded honors in the coffee industry.

The Obra's journey to Hawaii began in the early 1970s, when Rusty and Lorie immigrated to the United States from the Philippines, eventually settling in South Plainfield. For 28 years, they lived the American Dream, worked hard and raised their two children. Rusty Jr., 33, resides in Wharton with wife Amy. He is a chef at Copeland Restaurant in Morris-town. Daughter Joan, 36, resides in Fresno, Calif. with husband Ralph. She is the food writer for *The Fresno Bee* newspaper in Central California.

Rusty Sr., a chemist by trade, was offered early retirement from his job in 1998. He and Lorie, a medical technologist, knew that they wanted to relocate to the Big Island of Hawaii.

"They were thinking either a bed-and-breakfast or a Dunkin' Donuts franchise," said Rusty Jr. of his parents. "It was during a trip to a friend's coffee farm that they fell in love with what they saw. This was how Rusty's Hawaiian 100% Ka'u Coffee was born."

The two then embarked on a new chapter in their lives.

In 1999 Rusty cleared and prepared the land in the fertile Ka'u region of Hawaii. He planted 7,000 keiki trees, and by 2003 had purchased all the necessary machinery and equipment to begin the coffee production process. He and Lorie also formed the Ka'u Coffee Growers Cooperative to bring unity to the local coffee farmers.

While neither Rusty, Jr. or Joan ever lived in Hawaii with their parents, they both worked in various aspects of the business including farming, process-



Restituto "Rusty" Obra with Joey Obligation of South Plainfield during a farm visit.

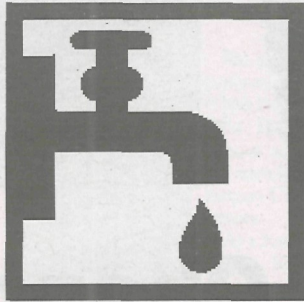
ing, bagging, marketing and even selling at the local farmer's market during yearly visits.

Hawaii is the only state in the country where coffee is grown. Most of the Hawaiian Islands have only two seasons: wet and dry. During the wet season, some areas of Hawaii receive up to 460 inches of rain annually. Combined with daytime temperatures in the mid 80s, and nighttime lows in the mid 70s, the climate is perfect for growing sugarcane, pineapples, macadamia nuts and coffee.

At the SCAE's annual Awards for Coffee Excellence dinner held in London on June 23, Board Member Colin Smith called Obra's accomplishments in coffee farming "exemplary and an inspiration to the specialty coffee industry." Andrew Hetzel, a Hawaii resident and organizer of the SCAE's recent tour of Hawaii Island's coffee farming regions, accepted the trophy on behalf of Obra.

For more information on Rusty's Hawaiian 100% Ka'u Coffee, or to order the award-winning coffee for yourself, visit [www.rustyshawaiian.com](http://www.rustyshawaiian.com).

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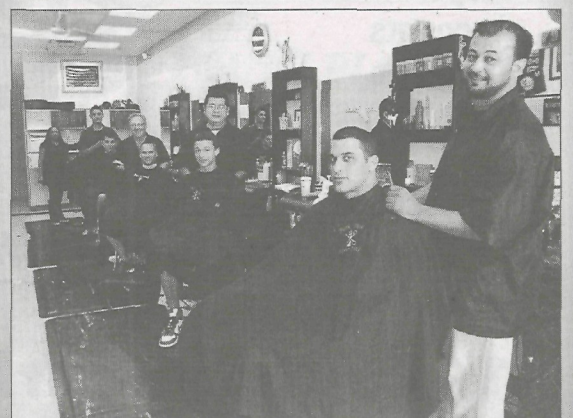
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# In My Opinion

(Continued from page 2)

Dear Editor,

This year's American Legion Chaumont Post #243 picnic was an example of legion members, auxiliary and Sons of Legion planning and working together with community volunteers for a positive cause—American Legion scholarships.

First, I'd like to thank Post Commander Jim Yednak who dedicated many hours toward the event. Fred Bladon III of the Sons of Legion was always reliable with his help before and during the picnic. Mary Ann Molino of the Ladies Auxiliary was helpful in planning; she also coordinated the dessert room. Many thanks go to all the hardworking volunteers from the post, especially Bob Aiken. Glenn Scott coordinated the horseshoe tournament superbly.

"Cappi" Capparelli of the South Plainfield DPW was extremely helpful by arranging for fencing and recyclable containers. Thanks also to the South Plainfield Fire Department for bringing a fire truck to the event.

Our professional entertainers—Ka-

ren and Eric Seiz, and DJ Aldo Velez—worked well together in providing music for the entire day.

Thanks to the businesses that gave donations: Pepsi Cola Bottling Group, Home Depot, Costco, Witty's Liquors and Hometown Heros.

Special thanks go to Sal Severini and Fred Pellegrino for cooking and smoking the meat; Sacred Heart Church, for lending us pop-up tents for the occasion; Dunellen American Legion Post #119 for helping us with the picnic tables and Pezz Electric, for parking arrangements. Our entire cleanup crew did a fantastic job.

Finally, a heartfelt "thank you" to my wife, Angela, for everything she did to support this Legion picnic.

**SINCERELY,  
RICH DOERR, THIRD VICE-COMMANDER, CHAUMONT POST #243**

Dear Editor,

While talking to residents I've been hearing a lot about how the Democrat candidate for mayor is telling people he'll cut taxes and spending if elected. Lots of politicians are big talkers, but they don't

back up their promises in office. It's hard to tell which candidates are all talk, but it's easier if the candidate has a record. In Mr. English's case, he has an extensive one. In light of that record, I'll let readers judge whether his promises are believable.

His first year as mayor (1983), English raised taxes 55%. I was shocked by that figure, so I confirmed it by looking at the official borough audit. It was true. Spending also soared that year, up almost \$1,000,000.

English's record as head of the South Plainfield Housing Authority also shed some light on his ability to manage and to control spending. That group was formed in 1986 and was charged with building senior housing.

Under English, the project languished for years and was plagued with constantly escalating costs. Money was being spent like there was no tomorrow, which prompted the *News Tribune* in 1994 to run an editorial called, "A Housing Authority Needs a Goal Beyond Spending." The opening line went like this:

"South Plainfield's housing au-

thority is an emblem of what people hate about government."

English's proposed plan was never built, and hundreds of thousands of dollars in engineering and architectural fees were wasted. Senior housing was indeed built many years later, but that was long after English's plan had been discarded. In the end, the town paid dearly in time and money for English's inexperience and mistakes.

Two decades later English resurfaced and got elected to the school board. Taxes soared again. School taxes went up over \$50 a home his first year (2004), and during his second year the average home saw a \$375 spike. Before English quit the board in 2005 he had raised taxes on the average home by over \$425 in just two years.

Mike English has probably raised taxes more than any elected official in South Plainfield history. Given this record, one has to wonder whether the talk about being a tax cutter has any credibility whatsoever. To me it's all bluster.

**ROBERT A. BENGIVENGA, JR.  
COUNCILMAN**

Dear Editor,

When walking door to door as a candidate for re-election to the Borough Council, a resident recently asked me what I thought was the most important vote I had cast that would benefit the town. After thinking about my answer, I thought I'd share it in this letter.

My proudest moment on the council took place on December 7, 2009. Democrat Mayor Charles Butrico was urging the council to approve a deal for 700 rental apartments on the Harris Steel property, and I joined my fellow Republicans in saying "no."

South Plainfield simply can't handle 700 more apartments. That project would have been disastrous for the south side of our town. It would have flooded Roosevelt School with new kids (imagine the taxes), and it would have been a huge strain on our emergency services, including our fire department and police department.

Unfortunately, not everyone is willing to say no to these projects.

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# In My Opinion

Several months ago the planning board, which is composed of all Democrat appointees, approved several hundred units for the Tingley Rubber site. Defenders of the decision say they had no choice but to let the developer convert the project from age-restricted housing to regular housing.

I disagree. First, the council (then controlled by the Democrats) should never have rezoned the property to begin with. They were told that it would open the floodgates for more multi-family homes and that the developer would be back looking to convert it to regular housing. Second, the planning board should have simply said "no" to the project. It had the ability to say this was the wrong place for multi-family housing.

I have no doubt that Harris Steel will soon be back looking to get that project going again. A top goal for me if re-elected will be to continue to fight to keep that development and others like it out of our town. While the Democrats may not want to fight to keep these projects out, keeping our town's small-town atmosphere to me is something worth

fighting for.

**COUNCILMAN TIM MCCONVILLE**

Dear Editor,

Back when I attended SPHS, I never imagined that one day I'd actually run for mayor. Yet many years later (more than I'd like to admit), here I am doing just that.

Lots of people ask why I'd want to put my name on the line to run. My response is simple: South Plainfield was an amazing place to grow up, and I want to help keep it that way for the moms and dads raising their families now and in the future.

I also want it to be a safe, caring, and affordable community for our seniors, who shouldn't be forced out by skyrocketing taxes.

South Plainfield needs leadership that can deliver results. With people losing their jobs and homes due to the recession, controlling taxes is vital. The GOP team concentrated on taxes this year, and here are the results: I'm proud to say we were able to cut municipal property taxes \$178 for the average family. We worked hard to trim expenses, streamline

the borough workforce, and ferret out savings to make that happen.

I'm also proud we were able to bring down a proposed \$100 tax hike by the school board. Instead of going up, school taxes will be just under flat. Our reductions did not mean the loss of one additional teacher or program. In fact, we suggested ways the school board could bring back programs and teachers.

While taxes and spending were a top goal, we also were able to accom-

plish quite a few other things in only eight months. Borrowing is down, and the budget significantly slashes reliance on one-time revenue.

We'll be repaving Cherry Street shortly, and part of New Market Avenue is under reconstruction (using grant money). We're also expanding the Safe Streets, Safe Kids program and adding new playground equipment to Shadyside Park.

These are just a few of the things that have taken place this year, with

more in the works.

I'm looking forward to a spirited campaign on the issues as the race for mayor unfolds, and I also look forward to meeting many of you as I go door to door. In the meantime, please feel free to call me at (908) 769-5791 or email me at matthew.anesh@gmail.com with any questions or concerns.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT  
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# SPORTS

## Tiger Sharks Take Third Place at Swimming Championship

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dacz, Marcel Green, Liam McDermott, Anthony Gurrieri-second; Ian Muhlgeier, Eric Ivaniuc, Keith Horvath, Brian Babinetz-sixth; 13/14 Freestyle: Ali Huber-third; Marcel Green-first; also participating-Kaitlyn Faustini, Madison Faustini, Nicole Bythell, Rebecca George, Amanda Rowlands, Patrick Osiadacz, Marcos Toapanta, Eric Ivaniuc, Edward Sheaffer.

**Freestyle** (15-18): Emily Piekarski-fourth; Gracie Piekarski-fifth; Chelsea Cullen-eighth; Maggie Valentino-ninth; Anthony Gurrieri-second; also participating-Teresa Gustafson, Evy Peregrin,

Kristen Forbes, Brian Babinetz, Keith Horvath.

**Breaststroke** 13/14: Samantha Soto-sixth; Amy Zinsky-eighth; Marcos Toapanta-10th; also participating-Madison Faustini, Nicole Bythell, Kaitlyn Faustini, Rebecca George, Eric Ivaniuc; 15-18: Michelle Gustafson-eighth; Anthony Gurrieri-fourth; Liam McDermott-ninth; also participating-Evy Peregrin, Brian Babinetz.

**Longer Freestyle** (13-18): Emily Piekarski-third; Gracie Piekarski-eighth.

**Butterfly** (13-14): Samantha So-

to-fifth; Kelly O'Brien-10th; Marcel Green-first, also participating-Amy Zinsky; 15-18: Michelle Gustafson-fifth; Ellen Zinsky-seventh; Kristen Forbes-tenth; Ian Muhlgeier-eighth.

**Backstroke** (13/14): Taylor Aljian-fourth; Ali Huber-ninth; Patrick Osiadacz-eighth; also participating-Kelly O'Brien, Nicole Bythell; 15-18: Teresa Gustafson-seventh; Lauren Shea-tenth; Ian Muhlgeier-fifth; also participating-Ellen Zinsky, Kristen Forbes.

**Freestyle Relay** (13-18): Chelsea Cullen, Maggie Valentino, Ali Huber, Samantha Soto-first; Gracie Piekarski,

Kelly O'Brien, Emily Piekarski, Amanda Rowlands-second; Keith Horvath, Eric Ivaniuc, Brian Babinetz, Ian Muhlgeier-third; Patrick Osiadacz, Liam McDermott, Anthony Gurrieri, Marcel Green-fifth.

There were 19 pool records broken by the various teams, but it was Tiger Shark Swimmer Daniel Galarza who broke both the pool and team record for the 11/12 boys 50M freestyle with a time of 34.06.

Featuring our older swimmers, many who swim for the South Plainfield High School Swim Team or other high schools, "Y", or club

teams in the area are: Brian Babinetz, Cristina Butrico, Chelsea Cullen, Kristen Forbes, Anthony Gurrieri, Michelle Gustafson, Teresa Gustafson, Keith Horvath, Dylan McDermott, Liam McDermott, Ian Muhlgeier, Michelle O'Sullivan, Evy Peregrin, Emily Piekarski, Gracie Piekarski, Lauren Shea, Sydney Smith, Maggie Valentino, Caroline Vill, Ellen Zinsky.

Some of these older swimmers who have graduated high school will be moving on to college or the service. Due to age restrictions for the league all but one of our graduating seniors will not be able to swim for the Tiger Sharks next year. A swimmer is not eligible if they are 19 or on before June 30.

Graduating senior Chelsea Cullen will be swimming for Montclair University and will be able to return to the Tiger Sharks for her last season next summer. Other graduating seniors are: Michelle and Teresa Gustafson who will be attending Ramapo College. Both girls will be playing field hockey for the college. Emily Piekarski will be attending Marist University and swimming for the university. Ian Muhlgeier will be attending the University of Hartford where he will participate in club swimming and water polo. Brian Babinetz has enlisted in the U.S. Air Force and will serve his country.

We wish all of our graduating seniors best wishes and good luck in their future endeavors.

A few days after the championship for League A, a Conference Championship was held at the Frog Hollow Swim Club. Top swimmers from leagues A, B, C, D participate in this event. Daniel Galarza: 11/12 100M freestyle-first and second in the 11/12 100M IM; Brianna Tang: sixth in the 11/12 100M IM; first place in the 200M Freestyle Relay were: Daniel Galarza, Brendan Tang, Andrew Galarza and Nicolas Gurrieri; 9-12 200M Medley Relay: Brendan Tang, Daniel Galarza, Nicolas Gurrieri, Andrew Galarza-fourth; Chandler Carter: 9/10 50M butterfly-third; Samantha Soto: 13/14 200M IM-fifth; Andrew Galarza: 9/10 100M Freestyle-second and 50M freestyle-second; Brianna Tang: 11/12 50M Breaststroke-second; Ali Huber: 13/14 100M Freestyle-third; 13-18 200M Freestyle Relay: Samantha Soto, Maggie Valentino, Gracie Piekarski, Ali Huber-fifth.

The Tiger Sharks would like to thank Recreation Director Kevin Hughes, pool managers Alicia, Calvin John, Phillip, Destiny, all the lifeguards, parents, and supporters for another successful season.

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## SPORTS



### Eagles Football And Cheer

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as center, his first time in this position and with such short notice he had no time for practice. The defense was anchored by Noah Chainey, Mike McCormick, Mike Sota and Will "Big Hit" McLaughlin.

Irvin Arevalo, Ed Kobilis, Anouar Faïda, Danny O'Shaughnessy and Joseph Penyak played in their first ever football game on both offense and defense. Joshua Ward provided the punting and sent several 30 yard kicks deep into the opponents end.

The PW team was not successful against Hillsborough with a final score of 26-0. This final score was not indicative of the game played by these boys, since three of Hillsborough's TDs came on broken plays following near sacks/losses in the backfield. But the team gained valuable insight into their strengths and weaknesses and are looking forward to their next game.

All five Eagles cheer squads were also on the field, cheering the boys on and encouraging the fans to make some noise. The cheer squads performed hello cheers and halftime routines, keeping everybody entertained.

Despite the heat, it was a gorgeous day at the SP Eagles fields, and the teams and squads are now getting ready for the next home game on Sunday, Sept. 12. Come on down to Kenneth Field and get ready for some SP Eagles Football and Cheer!

To stay up to date with the SP Eagles Football and Cheer, visit our new website, [www.leaguelineup.com/speagles](http://www.leaguelineup.com/speagles).

Submitted by Terry Housel

## policereport

- On August 17 Samantha C. Phillips-Greene, 29, of Plainfield was arrested for driving on a suspended license and an outstanding warrant.
- Susan Angela Linarducci, 56, of Orange was arrested for driving on a suspended license, no insurance and an outstanding warrant.
- On August 18 a Piscataway resident reported that the windshield of their vehicle had been smashed by a rock while parked at The Club at Ricochet.

- On August 19 a Delmore Avenue resident reported that the rear windshield of their vehicle had been smashed.
- A South Plainfield resident reported that the driver side of their vehicle had been keyed while parked at Restaurant Depot.
- On August 20 Rosemary Renee Belton, 40, of Newark was arrested for driving on a suspended license, no insurance, failure to exhibit a registra-

tion card and insurance card and an outstanding warrant.

- On August 21 Edward N. Roach, 18, of Plainfield was arrested for careless driving and an outstanding warrant.
- A Walter Street resident reported that the front passenger window of their vehicle had been smashed with a piece of concrete.

## Rally Day at Wesley Methodist

Wesley Methodist is holding a rally day on Sunday, Sept. 12 beginning at 10:30 a.m. on the church grounds, 1500 Plainfield Ave. The theme is "Jesus Christ is the hope of the world." All are invited to this outdoor service for great music, inspiring Word, games for children and picnic.

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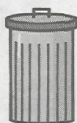
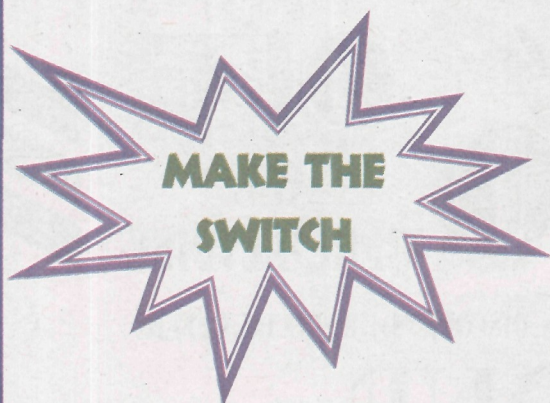
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