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Passenger Service Returning to South Plainfield

The Lehigh Valley Railroad is planning to build a new passenger terminal in South Plainfield and resume passenger service to the area in the next year.

South Plainfield had been a stop on the line years ago. After the passenger service was terminated, the station deteriorated and was torn down in the late 1980s. The members of the Historical Society have asked if they can work with the railroad in hopes of duplicating the former terminal's design. The terminal will be located on Front Street on the opposite side of the tracks across from Sherban's Restaurant and Diner.

The railroad is expected to draw hundreds of passengers daily and a plan is in the works to build a parking lot near the terminal, but no plans have been released as to an exact site.

Since the terminal will be built on railroad property, no borough approval will be required.

HAPPY APRIL FOOLS' DAY!



Observer Names 2011 Employee Of the Year

Sir Frasier Xavior IV has been recognized as the *South Plainfield Observer* 2011 Employee of the Year.

The cheerful, happy dog with the steadfast inquisitive and proud expression has served in the position of primary customer greeting representative at the *Observer* for the past 12 years.

This 20-pound pup is no cotton ball when it comes to his daily responsibilities of welcoming visitors.

Frasier's exemplary performance has earned him an annual bonus that has been graciously donated by the Nestle Purina Petcare Company.

The Bichon Frise is a descendant of the Water Spaniel and first appeared in the 13th century. The breed was traded by Spanish sailors and became a favorite of 16th century French royal courts. The breed often appeared in the works of Spanish painters.

The American Kennel Club has recognized Frasier as an exemplary specimen of the Bichon-Frise breed and has awarded him with a two-week vacation on the French Riviera.

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The former Cornell-Dubilier site is the home of the future "SuperFun Water Park."

SuperFun Water Park Coming To Former Cornell-Dubilier Site

The present owners of the Hamilton Industrial Site, the superfund site formerly owned and operated by Cornell-Dubilier, are planning to sell the property to a company which plans to convert it to a water park. They were not willing to release the name of the company until the deal is completed.

The DEP has been in the process of cleaning up the superfund site since 1997. In 2009 they began to remediate the contaminated soil through a process that utilizes a special furnace to remove the contaminants and then spread the cleaned soil around the area. The clean up is expected to be completed in about two years at a cost of more than \$30M.

The water park developers plan to continue remediation during the park's construction.

With the accessibility of the Borough of South Plainfield just off of Rt. 287 in conjunction with the newly upgraded Hamilton Boulevard and New Market Avenue, the buyers feel confident the property is the right location to open a water park in Central New Jersey. The facility will also include retail space and they have already received inquiries from a major surf shop.

The 25-acre new water park would include water slides, pools, a wave section and much more. The surrounding area will include a restaurant, a retail area and plenty of parking for guests. It is expected to open in about four years. The company plans to sell

discounted advance purchase tickets beginning in 2013.

The owners will have to abide by the EPA's strict building codes during construction. Workers may be required to wear protective suits and oxygen masks while construction is underway.

Surrounding businesses have expressed positive feedback to the news of the park. Those in the downtown area plan to construct a bridge above the train tracks to lure shoppers to their stores. Liquid Assets, located nearby on New Market Avenue, is planning to promote a ghost tour at

their location to feature the resident ghost who resides on the property and has been filmed several times at night.

According to the owners of the property, there have been many others interested in purchasing the property after it is cleaned up, including a trucking company, a movie theatre, a recycling company and even the borough. After extensive contract negotiations the property owners felt the water park would be the best fit for the property.

As of presstime, no closing date has been set.

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Name Change Contemplated for Borough



A study is underway by a special commission to change the name of the borough to something other than South Plainfield. With three towns using Plainfield in their names, (Plainfield, South Plainfield and

North Plainfield), there has been a lot of confusion as well as an identity problem since South Plainfield was incorporated in 1926. Even though the three Plainfields are situated next to each other, each is actually located

BOE NEWS

BOE Unveils Plan to Feed Its Own

The Board of Education is kicking off a pilot program in the school district. The board, in an effort to provide nutritious, homecooked meals for students, and at the same time save teachers' jobs that have been eliminated due to budget shortfalls, has opted to re-hire the ousted teachers to provide foodservice for the district.

Teachers who have been laid off will be hired in the foodservice department to grow and prepare homecooked food for students in kindergarten through high school. Teachers will undergo an interview process to determine who is the best qualified for each position.

The BOE plans to raise livestock and install a four-acre vegetable garden to meet the foodservice needs of the approximately 3,500 students in the district. The new menu will include seafood fished from local waters. Menu choices will include whatever fresh food is slaughtered, harvested or caught on a daily basis. To obtain menu choices in the early morning, the BOE will launch a new website sometime this spring.

In an effort to secure success for the new program, students will be required to purchase their meals from the school cafeteria. Parents will be assessed a monthly fee that will be deducted directly from their checking accounts.

To apply for a position on the foodservice staff, please email your resume to the sewer department which is handling applications.

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in three different counties, which also adds to the confusion.

With the evolution of global navigation positioning (GPS), many units are unable to locate which town they are heading towards. Manufacturers of the GPS systems have asked South Plainfield to choose another name to make their jobs easier.

The commission has been meeting since the beginning of the year, and still has not come up with a name. They studied the borough's history to see if there is a notable person who is deserving of having a town named after them. Thus far, no one has stood out in the town's entire history. They have been tossing around a few ideas, including Gotham City, Camptown, New Market City and Samptown.

The commission is asking residents to submit names worthy of consideration. They hope to have five choices on the ballot in the fall and let the voters decide.

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Police Ask Residents for Help in Identifying Robbery Suspect

The South Plainfield Police Department is investigating an armed robbery which occurred at the Nice Price Convenience Store, located at 409 Hamilton Blvd. The robbery occurred last Saturday about 1:30 p.m.

The suspect is described as an African American male in his 20s, approximately six feet tall, wearing a black hooded jacket, black jeans and a dark Boston Red Sox cap. He had a mustache and facial hair.

The suspect entered the store and threatened the store clerk with a stun gun. He took cigarettes and an unknown amount of cash. The robber struggled with the clerk and attempted to use his stun gun, prior to fleeing on foot. The suspect is believed to be the same person in a robbery which occurred at the same location on February 17.

Police are asking that if anyone recognizes the suspect's photo or has ad-



ditional information, they should contact Detective Vincent Campagna at (908) 226-7669.

Want to stay informed about the business of your Council and BOE?

FYI Borough Council meetings air on Comcast Channel 96 Mondays at 7 p.m. BOE meetings air on Thursdays at 7 p.m.
To purchase a complete copy of a council or BOE meeting, contact the Observer.

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council meetings

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

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

Agenda Meeting Public Meeting

April 4 April 4

April 18 April 18

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

planning board

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April 12, April 26, May 10, May 24, June 14, June 28, July 12, July 26, Aug. 9, Aug. 23, Sept. 13, Sept. 27, Oct. 11, 25, Nov. 1, * Dec. 13*

zoning board of adjustment

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April 14, April 28, May 12, May 26, June 9, June 23, July 28, Aug. 11, Aug. 25, Sept. 8, Sept. 22, Oct. 13, Oct. 27, Nov. 10*, Dec. 8*

board of education

Meets Wednesdays at Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave.

Committee of the whole meetings (begin at 6:00 p.m.)

April 6

Regular Public Meeting (begin at 7:30 p.m.): April 13

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.

In My Opinion

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

To the Editor:

Let me first introduce myself. My name is Michael Gregov and I am a candidate for the South Plainfield school board. I have lived in South Plainfield for the past four years and been a New Jersey resident for the last 31 years. I am married with one child, a little boy, who I hope to someday send to the wonderful schools in our town.

The education system in New Jersey is one of the best in the nation. But it is flawed in a great many ways. School budgets are out of control. There are superintendents who make more than the governor and have one school in their entire district. Principals are being forced to cut programs and teachers instead of reigning in spending. These, among many other things, need to be changed. By running for a position on the school board, I hope to convince others we need to make these changes and put this town and state back on the right path.

I am not naive enough to believe that things will change overnight. They probably will not change during my term, should I get elected. My goal is to be the voice of common sense and reason.

I will fight to reduce costs and reign in the reckless spending by promoting "zero start budgeting." For those who do not know, this is where you do not simply add on more money from the previous years budget. "Zero start" budgeting is exactly what it states, starting at zero each year and budgeting for only those things that you need each year.

I will do what I can to convince administrators that cutting programs is not the way to save money. They need to stop demanding more money and use what they are given more efficiently. We live in the age of technology. We need to utilize that technology to make our schools more efficient and cost effective.

The problem is not the schools or the teachers. The problem is that the system has stagnated. We need to re-energize our teachers and students. We need new youthful ideas and a modern way of thinking.

If you elect me I will bring that and much more.

I will gladly answer any questions,

to the best of my ability. Simply email me at michael.gregov@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support,
MICHAEL GREGOV

To the Editor:

On April 21, The Salon Professional Academy will be hosting "The World Couture Hair Show" with proceeds benefiting the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey. This event is being held at The Forum Theatre, 314 Main St. in Metuchen.

The Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey grants the wishes of children with life-threatening medical conditions to enrich the human experience with hope, strength and joy. A wish gives a child the chance to forget treatments and hospital stays as they plan their own unique wish, anticipate it, experience it to the fullest, and then relive it through happy memories that will sustain them and their family through the days ahead.

Last year, we granted 420 wishes for seriously ill children in the state of New Jersey. Each wish was as unique as the child and limited only by his or her imagination. Although many children wished to go to Disney World, we also helped children attain their dreams of meeting celebrities and having their own computers, traveling abroad and so much more. One young lady wished to visit Italy and Switzerland so that her extended family could reunite for the first time in over a decade and we helped make that happen. But, we could not have done this without the generosity of our donors.

The bearer of this letter is representing the Make-A-Wish Foundation of New Jersey. Please help them in any way that you can either through a monetary donation or by donating merchandise for their silent auction. With your generous donation, we can work together to make dreams come true for seriously ill children.

Thank you for sharing in the power of a wish.

**KRISTINA MAGLIETTA,
DIRECTOR OF EXTERNAL EVENTS**

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter to share with my fellow community members my strong interest in seeking election to the South Plainfield Board of Education. I am a lifelong resident of South Plainfield who was given a great start as a young adult due to the education that I received in the South Plainfield Public Schools. Serving as a South Plainfield Board of Education member is one important way in which I

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believe that I can give back to the community which I call home and to support the school system that helped me to get my start in the world.

After graduating from South Plainfield High School, I attended Penn State University, earning both a bachelor of science degree in mathematics and a bachelor of science degree in economics. My postgraduate studies led me to a masters of arts degree in education administration and supervision from Saint Peter's College and a juris doctor degree from Seton Hall University School of Law.

My work experience includes 17 years and counting of New Jersey public school experience as a teacher of mathematics, vice principal and high school principal.

I am a member of the New Jersey Bar Foundation's Law-Related Education Committee. In addition, I have been a Geraldine R. Dodge Foundation education grant recipient. Furthermore, I have served as a council member, legislative committee member and constitution review committee member for the New Jersey Principals and Supervisors Association (NJPSA).

In terms of my leadership philosophy, I believe that the primary role of a South Plainfield Board of Education member is to help our South Plainfield Public School students to succeed academically and as good citizens. Maintaining and enhancing a dynamic educational program that coordinates the efforts of all members of our school community along with the other resources available to our members is my responsibility as a Board of Education member. I will seek to support authentic and rich experiences for the students of our school community. I believe that success for all requires the courage to ask the tough questions and the perseverance to discover meaningful, responsibly-tailored solutions, maintaining high ethical standards, a positive outlook, and, as appropriate, a supportive sense-of-humor.

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BOE Adopts Final 2011/2012 Budget

By Libby Barsky

The Board of Education adopted the final version of the 2011/2012 school budget at a special meeting held Monday evening.

The total of the 2011/2012 budget is \$52,675,285. If approved by the voters, residents will pay an additional \$184.50 (\$15.38 a month) for a home assessed at \$123,000, \$225 (\$18.75 a month) for a home assessed at \$150,000, or \$262 (\$21.88 a month) for a home assessed at \$175,000. This is less than the tentative budget introduced last month which would have increased property taxes an estimated \$211 a year for a home assessed at \$123,000.

The \$41,858,297 amount to be raised by taxes (\$40,665,182 general fund and \$1,193,115 for debt service for bonding), was reduced from an earlier amount of \$42,136,706.

Acting Superintendent of Schools Dr. Gary Bowen noted that the budget conforms to the 2.5% increase to meet Governor Chris Christie's standards. With less state aid, the local levy, or the amount raised by property taxes will be 77%. To stay within the budget constraints there will be a reduction of 30 or more staff positions. Programs including full day kindergarten will continue, but class sizes will be increased and only special education classes with more than nine students will have an aide.

Last year's budget called for eliminating 16 staff positions and some athletic programs. Most positions were reinstated when 17 teachers retired. Dr. Bowen said that he has not received any resignations. He added that if the budget is voted down, more cuts in staff will occur.

Dr. Bowen's office is currently setting up a schedule with PTOs, PTAs and other interested groups for him to give a budget presentation and or be available for questions. For further information, call (908) 754-4620, ext. 225.

School board elections take place on Wednesday, April 27. Polls are open from 2 to 9 p.m. In addition to voting on the budget, voters will be electing three board members.



Boy Scout Troop #309 participated in the 2011 Klondike Derby held on March 19 at Watchung Reservation. Although there wasn't any snow on the ground, the race was still held. Troop #309 came in second out of 14 competitors in the junior division. Pictured in the front row (L-R): Troy Harzula, Ben Sheaffer and Douglas Veit; back row: William Walsh, Chris Duffy, Matthew Waters, Matt Frank and Edward Sheaffer. —Submitted By Jeff Pauls

Arrest Made in Assault of 76 Year Old

Thomas J. Deschaine, 23 of Avenel has been charged with robbery in connection with a strong armed robbery that occurred at the A&P Supercenter, 907 Oak Tree Ave. on March 23. At approximately 8 p.m., a 76-year-old woman from Edison was placing her groceries in her vehicle when Deschaine approached her from behind and grabbed her purse, fleeing the area on foot.

The victim's purse was found on March 24 and most of the contents were recovered in a trash receptacle behind the Burger King at 1517 Park Ave. Deschaine was then identified as a suspect in the incident.

Deschaine was observed walking in the Woodland Manor Complex on Pomponio Avenue on March 25 at about 1 p.m. by Officer Daryl Strother and Detective Garrett Cassio. He was apprehended after a brief foot chase by Officer Michael Hoppe.

Deschaine is being held on bail in the amount of \$35,000. Charges are pending in Edison, where he will be charged with using the victim's credit cards. The credit cards were used at the Quick Stop Convenience Store on Inman Avenue and the Lukoil Gas Station on Oak Tree Road and Wood Avenue.

The investigation was led by Detective Anthony Pacillo.

Borough Internship Program Applications

This summer, highly motivated high school students living in South Plainfield may be able to participate in the borough's internship program and learn about the functions of local government.

Interested students can apply for unpaid-internship opportunities designed to introduce them to the many aspects of South Plainfield's government services. Students will work various hours per day starting July 1 through August

31 with borough employees in the health department, clerk's office, finance department, assessing department, recreation department, senior center and building department.

Interested applicants may obtain an application from Marie Dudek, aide to the borough administrator, at mdudek@southplainfieldnj.com or call (908) 226-7604. Interviews will be set up once all applications are received. The deadline is April 20.

Borough Budget Introduced; Tax Rate Will Remain Flat

By Jane Dornick

At a special Borough Council meeting held Monday evening, members of the Library Board of Trustees learned that \$750,000 of the nearly \$2M in surplus funds, which they have been putting aside for a new library, will be used by the town to balance the 2011 municipal budget.

The council introduced a 2011 budget figure of \$25,899,182, with \$16,040,365 of that amount to be raised through tax dollars. The total budget is down \$72,008 from last year, however taxes will remain flat at 1.225 or approximately \$225 a month based on a home assessed at \$123,000, according to CFO Glenn Cullen.

A new law enacted last week states that the money collected from taxpayers to fund a local library has to be separated in future tax bills. Therefore, property owners will now see a municipal tax dollar amount in their yearly bill at a rate of 1.13 and a library tax figure at .095, both of which were previously included under the heading of "municipal taxes."

Another new state law, Bill A2911, signed by Gov. Chris Christie on October 27, 2010 states that independent libraries that are not part of a county-run library system must transfer their surplus funds above 20% to the municipality in which they are located. Each municipality can then spend the money for general purposes, which may include property tax relief.

Library Board of Trustees President Eric Aronowitz questioned Cullen's authority to include the \$750,000 in the budget. Cullen replied that "it's the law," but agreed with Aronowitz that a resolution by the council needs to be in place to use the funds. "The paperwork needs to be in place before it's a done deal," said Aronowitz, who also questioned why he, nor any library board member, was informed of the money being taken or the amount before the budget was introduced. "It's a matter of courtesy. We have a right to know," Aronowitz remarked.

Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas was against using the money, calling it a "plug with a one-time revenue" and

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Around Town

Rock Darfur Concert

April 1

The Rock Darfur Concert will be held on Friday, April 1 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the PAL Building on Maple Avenue to raise money for Help Darfur Now. Admission is \$5. Food, music and games all for a good cause. Performers include b.Funk, The Battle Begun, Feels Like Saturday, Lainie Harris, Swag Nation, Mike Grzenda and Cameron Bashner.

Creative Kids Multi-Family Yard Sale

April 2

Creative Kids Academy, 1615 Clinton Ave. will be holding a multi-family yard sale on Saturday, April 2 from 9 a.m. to noon (rain date: April 9). Come browse and see what we're selling. Something for everyone!

Boy Scout Troop 207 Spaghetti Dinner

April 2

Boy Scout Troop 207 annual spaghetti dinner will take place on Saturday, April 2 from 4 to 8 p.m. at the American Legion Chaumont Post #243 on Oak Tree Avenue. Cost: \$5

per person includes salad, drink, bread, meatballs and spaghetti. Purchase in advance or at the door.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call Linda at (908) 705-2519 or John at (908) 757-3369.

All proceeds will go towards troop equipment and events.

SPHS Class of 1995 15 Yr. Reunion

April 2

The South Plainfield High School Class of 1995 15 year reunion will be held Saturday, April 2 at Maggiano's Bridgewater from 7 to 11 p.m. Ticket price is \$85 per person.

For more information, email sphsclassof1995@gmail.com or visit our Facebook page: SPHS class of 1995.

Columbiettes Easter Bunny Brunch

April 3

The South Plainfield Columbiettes will hold their annual Easter Bunny Brunch on Sunday, April 3 beginning at 10 a.m. in the Sacred Heart School cafeteria. Continental style breakfast. Games and prizes for the youngsters, followed by a visit from the Easter Bunny. No cost for the event, but a

goodwill basket will be available for those wishing to contribute. Reservations are recommended so we can get a head count of how many children will attend and their ages.

To register, call Kathy at (908) 756-3772 or Emma at (732) 287-2346.

VFW Country Breakfast

April 3

The South Plainfield VFW on Front Street will hold a country breakfast on Sunday, April 3 from 8 to 11 a.m. The public is welcome.

For more, call (908) 668-9751.

Concert at Sacred Heart Church

April 6

Sacred Heart Church presents inspiring Christian music star Tony Melendez in concert on Wednesday, April 6 from 7 to 9 p.m. Born without arms, he plays guitar with his feet while delivering his message of hope for all people. A free will offering will be taken.

SPHS Presents the Musical Footloose

April 7

The annual South Plainfield High School musical, under the direction of Chrissy Brikin, *Footloose* will hold four performances starting Thursday, April 7 through Sunday, April 10 at South Plainfield High School.

Footloose tells the story of Ren McCormack, an energetic dancer who moves to a small Texas town where dancing has been outlawed and is illegal due to the influence of the Reverend Shaw Moore. Moore's daughter, Ariel, and many friends find they can't stop dancing once they start to move.

Plainfields UNICO Blood/Food Drive

April 9

The Plainfields' Chapter of UNICO will hold a blood and food drive on Saturday, April 9 from 10 a.m. to 4

p.m. at South Plainfield Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Ave. as part of the day of service. Free refreshments.

For more information, call Rick McNally at (908) 510-0264.

Parish Lenten Mission

April 11, 12, 13

Mark your calendars! Our Lady of Czestochowa Parish, 807 Hamilton Blvd. will hold their Parish Lenten Mission on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, April 11, 12 and 13 at 7:30 p.m. each night. Confession will be available on April 13, following the mission session.

The mission leader will be Rev. James E Spera. There is no charge and all are welcome. For more information, call the parish at (908) 756-1333.

Historical Society Monthly Meeting

April 12

The next meeting of the South Plainfield Historical Society will be held on Tuesday, April 12 at 7 p.m. in the History Center at the Board of Education building, 125 Jackson Ave. Parking and entrance to the center is on Jackson Avenue. Everyone is welcome. The center is open Tuesdays from 2 to 4 p.m., or by appointment to groups. Do you know what a "pot-belly" stove was? We have one, and it has a bit of history. Learn a bit about Hadley Airport and why it was important in its time.

Annual Easter Egg Hunt at the PAL

April 16

The South Plainfield Recreation Department will hold its annual Easter egg hunt at the PAL Memorial Field on Saturday, April 16 at 1 p.m. All residents ages one through 10 are welcome to join in the fun. Please bring a bag for the eggs and a camera to take a picture with the Easter Bunny.

Call (908) 226-7657 after 9 a.m. in case of inclement weather.

SENIOR CENTER Calendar

Coming Up.....

Membership fee due. (Collected Monday, Wednesday and Thursday)

MONDAYS

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

TUESDAYS

Bingo 10 am-2 pm
Ladies Group 10 am

WEDNESDAYS

Aerobics 8:45 am
Line Dancing 10 am
Computer..... 10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm
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, 1:30 pm
Exercise Class 1:15 pm

FRIDAYS

Bingo 10 am-2 pm

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

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

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

Food Fest & Bake Sale

April 16

Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Orthodox Church, 400 Delmore Ave. will be holding a food fest and bake sale on Saturday, April 16 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Easter breads, loaf cakes, poppy seed rolls, cabbage and noodles, kielbasa and kraut, pierogies, chili, Easter candy (solid bunnies and lollipops), and other home cooked goodies.

— Out of Town —

"Knight" of Comedy

April 1

The Knights of Columbus OLMV Council #12700 will sponsor its second annual "Knight of Comedy" show on Friday, April 1 at 8 p.m. at Our Lady of Mount Virgin School, 450 Drake Ave. in Middlesex, featuring Vinnie Brand. BYOB cocktail hour with complimentary hors d'oeuvres. Tickets are \$25 and can be purchased by calling David at (732) 469-1139.

Alternatives, Inc. Annual Cash Raffle

April 1

Alternatives, Inc. will hold its fifth annual cash raffle in conjunction with the 24th annual Dignity Gala on Friday, April 1. Tickets are \$25; five for \$100.

For more information or to purchase tickets, call (908) 685-1444 or visit www.alternativesinc.org.

Blackrose to Perform

April 2

Blackrose, the band, playing classic rock and roll music and today's hits, will be performing at Rug's & Riffy's Bar and Grill, 493 Rahway Ave. in Woodbridge on Saturday, April 2 at 9 p.m. No cover charge.

Singles Dance Party

April 2

Steppin' Out Singles will hold an upscale dance party on Saturday, April 2 at 8 p.m. at the PNC Arts Center Reception Center, Garden State Parkway Exit 116 in Holmdel. Ages 40

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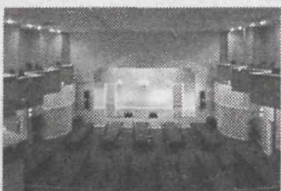


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Mini Bible Conference

April 2 & 9

Jersey Shore Gospel Music Fellowship will present a mini Bible conference on two Saturdays, April 2 and 9 at 7 p.m. at the Francis Asbury Chapel, 70 Stockton Ave. in Ocean Grove.

For more information, call (732) 897-0800.

Swap Meet/Flea Market/Craft Show

April 3

A swap meet/flea market/craft show will be held at The Spinning Wheel Diner, Rt. 22 East in Lebanon on Sunday, April 3 (rain date: April 10) from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

For more information, call Ron at (908) 482-0008.

Ancient Practices for Today Speaker Series

April 4

Voices of September 11th, 84 Albany St. in New Brunswick presents Ancient Practices for Today on Monday, April 4 from 1 to 3:30 p.m. featuring Eileen Ellis, a full-blooded Mohawk Indian Medicine Woman. Refreshments will be served.

For reservations, call Sheri Burkart at (732) 543-2300.

Middlesex WOWs Business Meeting

April 4

Middlesex East Widows Or Widowers will conduct a business meeting on Monday, April 4 at 7 p.m. at the Carteret Community Center located at Pershing and Cooke avenues in Carteret. All widows or widowers are invited to attend.

For more information, call (732) 969-2228 or (908) 757-0515.



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Metuchen-Edison Women's Club Mtg.

April 6

The Metuchen-Edison Women's Club will hold its monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 6 at 7:30 p.m. at The Heritage at Clara Barton, 1015 Amboy Ave. in Edison. Guest speakers will be auctioneers Jack Barry and Michele Monaco of The Gilded Lillie, Main Street in Rahway, specializing in used furniture, antiques, auctions, appraisals, estate and tag sales, liquidations, cleanouts, internet sales and services. Club members are asked to bring items to be auctioned off as a fundraiser for the club. Guests are welcome. Light refreshments.

For more information, call Karen at (732) 742-6869.

Casino Night Fundraiser at MCC

April 8

The Middlesex County College Foundation will hold a casino night fundraiser on Friday, April 8 at The Rosewood, 2863 Woodbridge Ave. in Edison. Admission of \$75 includes \$50 in fake chips, buffet with desserts and one drink per person. Doors open 5:30 p.m.; games begin at 6 p.m.

For more information, call Venetta Ellerbe at (732) 906-2564.

Breakfast with the Easter Bunny

April 9

Grace Alliance Church presents breakfast with the Easter Bunny on Saturday, April 9 from 9-11 a.m. in the Timothy Christian School Chapel, 2008 Ethel Road in Piscataway.

Join us for a picture with the Easter Bunny, treats for the kids, a pancake breakfast for the family, all free!

For more information and directions, visit www.gracealliance.org.

Meet the BOE Candidates Night April 7

The Middle School PTO is sponsoring a Board of Education Meet the Candidates Night on Thursday, April 7 at Kennedy School on Norwood Avenue at 7 p.m. Incumbents Steve Bohn, Pio Pennisi and Sharon Miller and newcomers are John Farinella, Michael Gregov, Jinesh Shah and Joseph Sorrentino will be vying for three open seats on the board.

The format for the evening will be opening and closing statements from each candidate as well as a question and answer session with them from the audience. Bill Cochrane will be the moderator and coffee and cake will be served.

It is important to attend, as three of these individuals will be making decisions concerning future school budgets and overseeing the operation of all schools in the district.

Elections for school board members will take place on Wednesday, April 27, as well the vote on the 2011/2012 school budget.

Talent Showcase Auditions April 9

The South Plainfield Cultural Arts Commission (SPCAC) will present its third annual Talent Showcase on Sunday, May 1 at 2 p.m. and they are inviting residents of all ages to audition for the show.

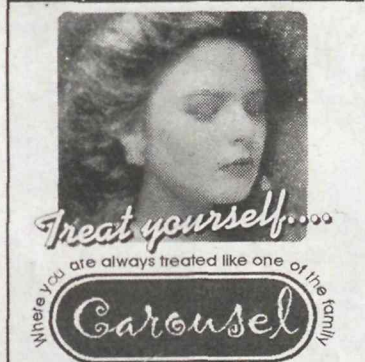
Open auditions will be held on Saturday, April 9 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. and on Sunday, April 10 from 3 to 6 p.m. at Fellowship Hall at Wesley Methodist Church, 1500 Plainfield Ave.

All ages and types of acts are welcome to try out, so come and share your unique talent with the community. Bring your own instruments or items you will need for the audition. The talent showcase is open to everyone.

For information, contact Ken or Audrey Reisch at (908) 769-5938 or email spcac.nj@gmail.com. Follow the SPCAC on Facebook.

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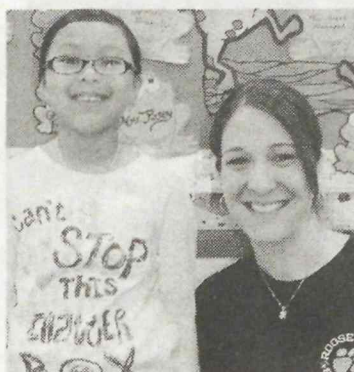


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JUNIOR JOURNALIST

Vivian Huynh Named Junior Journalist



Junior Journalist winner Vivian Huynh with teacher Allison Riccardo.

Vivian Huynh, Roosevelt School second grader, is this week's winner in

the Junior Journalist program. Her poem, "Summer Days," has earned Vivian dinner for her family, courtesy of Hometown Heros.

Students should submit their original written works to their teachers, Hometown Heros or to the Observer at 1110 Hamilton Blvd.

Winners have the opportunity to win a \$1,000 savings bond and other prizes. Winners and their families will receive a catered dinner from Hometown Heros and will be honored at a year-end banquet on May 11.

For more information, call the Observer at (908) 668-0010.

Summer Days

By Vivian Huynh

Summer days, by the bays
The days get longer, days get hotter
Sometimes you might read a Harry Potter book or
Listen to the radio
You might hear
Katy Perry
Miranda Cosgrove
Taylor Swift
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And you fall asleep in the sun
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There are still winners yet to be named in this year's Junior Journalist Program. If you are selected as a winner, your family will receive a catered dinner courtesy of Hometown Heros and you will be in the running for a \$1,000 savings bond. Your winning entry will appear in the Observer and you (and your family) will be honored at a year end banquet in May. What are you waiting for? Tell your teachers that you want your poems, short stories, essays, etc. entered in the contest, or bring your entries to the Observer at 1110 Hamilton Blvd. or to Hometown Heros at 340 Hamilton Blvd.



Claude Zaki, Brian Scarpa and Julia Scarpa enjoy the meal.



Chef Peter Day prepares the meal.

The Lenten season in South Plainfield means an abundance of Friday fish dinners and Saint Stephen the Protomartyr Church located on Lane Ave. is no exception. The church held their first fish fry on March 11 in the church's new banquet hall. The event was organized by Brian Scarpa and Peter Day; Day did the cooking.

Guests enjoyed a meal of fish, a side of potatoes or vegetable, salad, beverages and dessert. They hope to hold the fish dinner on a monthly basis. The next event is tentatively scheduled for April 29, 6 to 8:30 p.m. There is wheelchair access via a ramp at the back of the building.

For more about Saint Stephen's, visit www.ststephenchurch.net.

Teachers Attend Webinar to Improve Student Proficiency

High school world language teachers participated in the webinar, "American Counsel for Teaching Foreign Languages," given by Dr. Chantal Thompson on March 23. The hour-long presentation included integration of functions, content, accuracy and text type in course design and lesson planning. The goal of the webinar was to offer a higher-order of learning approach to all elements of the language and strategies to help students move along the proficiency spectrum in more efficient ways.

A webinar, short for web-based

seminar, is a presentation, lecture, workshop or seminar that is transmitted over the Internet, specifically a blend of web and seminar, to describe a specific type of web conference. It is typically one-way, from the speaker to the audience with limited audience interaction. A webinar brings programs all around the world and introduces an assembly to any size group in a classroom setting. This is the first of its kind in the district and is unique because teachers do not have to leave the school to attend such a workshop.

Teachers attending the webinar were Yaritza Albarran, Jacki Barton, Claude Delne, Stephanie Danella, Aracelli Gilpedreschi, Shannon Lorenzo, Leonardo Pererro and Marla Vandermark.

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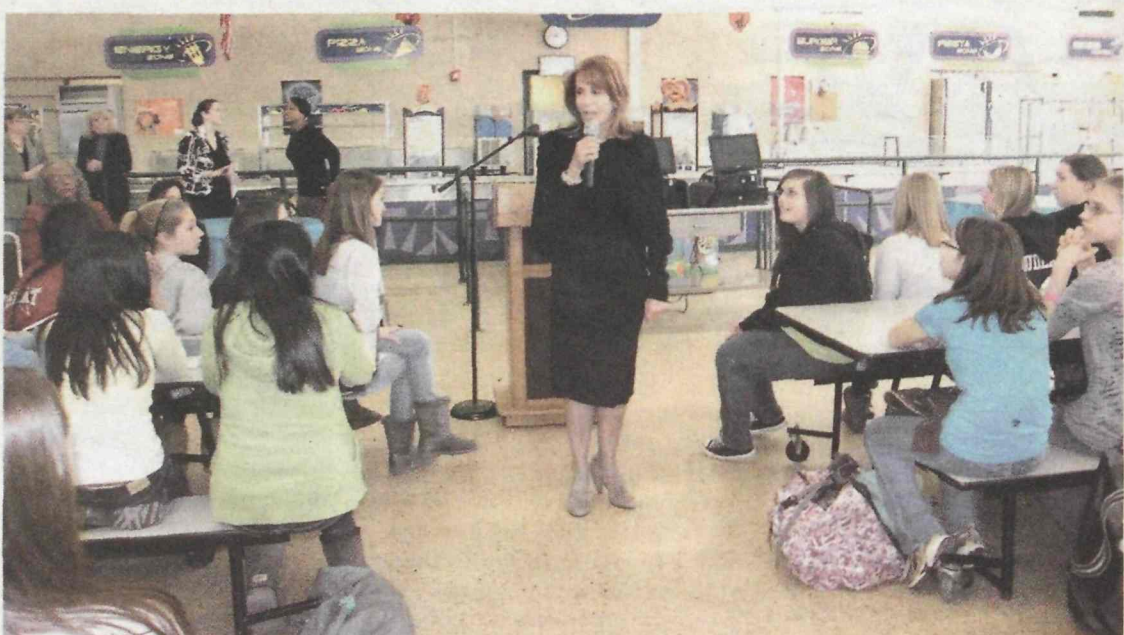
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State Senator Barbara Buono addresses seventh and eighth grade girls at the middle school.

Seventh and Eighth Grade Girls Draw Inspiration from Empowerment Program

By Jane Dornick

In celebration of Women's History Month in March, the South Plainfield Women's History Committee invited three professional women to speak to an audience of seventh and eighth grade girls at the middle school on March 25. The program's theme was "empowering young women to strive to reach their fullest potential."

The first speaker was Assistant Principal Tamekia Grier. Grier earned a B.S. in environmental and biological sciences from Rutgers University in New Brunswick and an M.A. in educational leadership from Caldwell College. Before becoming assistant principal at the middle school, Grier was a vice principal at John F. Kennedy High School in Paterson and prior to that taught math and science. In addition, Grier was chosen as a candidate to serve as an educator at the Oprah Winfrey School for Girls in South Africa.

The Honorable Judge Joan Robinson Gross, chief judge for the Plainfield Municipal Court, spoke about her career inspirations and how she was bullied in school. Gross is a graduate of Plainfield High School, holds a degree



The Honorable Judge Joan Robinson Gross, chief judge for the Plainfield Municipal Court, speaks at the empowering women program.

in sociology from Douglass College, Rutgers University and received a law degree from Columbia University School of Law in New York City. Judge Gross was appointed in 1985, making her the first female employed at the municipal court level in Union County, and since 1987 (by order of the N.J. Supreme Court) has served as the presiding judge of municipal courts for the county. She is also the mother of Rebecca Gross, Grant

School sixth grade social studies teacher.

Senator Barbara Buono, New Jersey's first woman senate majority leader, was also invited to speak. Buono recalled her struggles and perseverance in the male dominated fields of law and politics.

Buono received her law degree from Rutgers University. She began her career as a criminal trial attorney for the N.J. State Department of the Public Advocate and later went into private practice. She served as a Metuchen councilwoman and as a member of the General Assembly for seven years prior to being elected to the State Senate in 2001 representing the 18th Legislative District (Middlesex County). Buono was a ranking Democrat on the Assembly Budget Committee and is currently chair of the Legislative Oversight Committee and was the first woman to chair the Senate Budget and Appropriations Committee up until January 2010.

Along with the three speakers, Women's History Committee Chair Councilwoman Chrissy Butcas and members Debbie Boyle, Nancy Pender and Pamela Stefanek attended the program.

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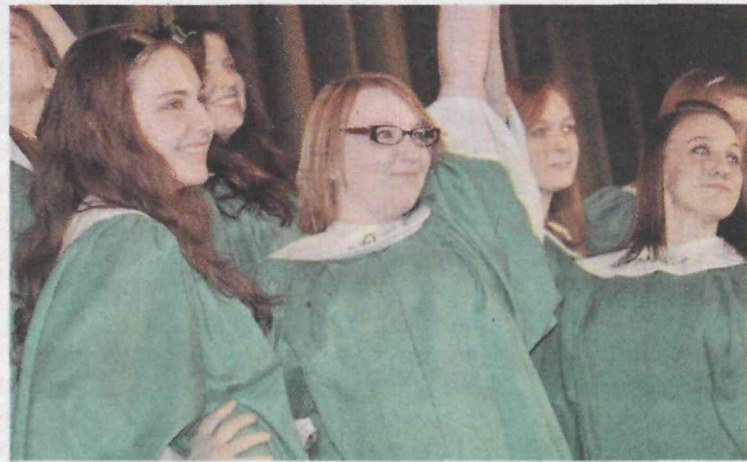


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The choral portion began at 7:30 p.m. and featured the Grant Elementary Chorus, Middle School Concert Choir and high school chorus.

At 8:40 p.m. the band portion began, featuring Grant Elementary Band and Elementary Jazz Band, Middle School Concert Band, high school jazz band and concert band. The high school Winter Guard performed in the gym during the breaks between each session.

The first festival was organized in 1969 by Peter Franks, high school choral director, and David Haining, high school band director, and featured a junior-senior high school concert. The elementary schools were invited the following year and a select elementary chorus and band were formed.

The art exhibition was added in 1991. The first festival featured 349 students performing; this year there were over 600 youths displaying their talents.



By Patricia Abbott

The South Plainfield School district held the 42nd annual All District Music Festival and Art Exhibition on March 27. The event featured band, orchestra and choral groups from Grant School, the middle school and the high school.

The hallways were filled with artwork from the various schools and offered guests a well rounded representation of the arts in the schools.

The event was divided into three sections. The orchestral portion began

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Revenue and Appropriation Summaries

Summary of Revenues - Current Fund	Anticipated	
	2011	2010
1. Surplus	1,210,000.00	1,465,000.00
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	6,553,465.00	6,470,647.13
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	740,000.00	525,000.00
4. Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	16,040,367.10	17,510,542.63
5. Minimum Library Tax	1,355,350.00	
Total General Revenues	25,899,182.10	25,971,189.76

Summary of Appropriations - Current fund	2011 Budget	2010 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	10,101,965.00	10,354,729.15
Other Expenses	10,546,120.00	10,369,730.61
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	2,509,506.10	2,109,748.00
3. Capital Improvements	50,000.00	175,000.00
4. Debt Service	1,277,591.00	1,585,382.00
5. Judgments	34,000.00	25,700.00
6. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	1,380,000.00	1,350,900.00
Total General Appropriations	25,899,182.10	25,971,189.76
Total Number of Employees - Full & Part Time	113	115

2011 Dedicated Sewer Utility Budget		
Summary of Revenues	Anticipated	
	2011	2010
1. Surplus	162,699.37	5,000.00
2. Miscellaneous Revenues	6,455,000.00	5,835,775.00
Total Revenues	6,617,699.37	5,840,775.00
Summary of Appropriations	2011	Final 2010 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	468,133.00	440,770.00
Other Expenses	5,543,800.00	4,792,505.00
2. Capital Improvements	4,000.00	4,000.00
3. Debt Service	502,000.00	528,000.00
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	99,766.37	75,500.00
Total Appropriations	6,617,699.37	5,840,775.00
Total Number of Employees - Full & Part Time	6	5

2011 Dedicated Swim Pool Utility Budget		
Summary of Revenues	Anticipated	
	2011	2010
1. Surplus	1,000.00	2,559.66
2. Miscellaneous Revenues	236,977.00	220,000.00
Total Revenues	237,977.00	222,559.66
Summary of Appropriations	2011 Budget	2010 Budget
1. Operating Expenses: Salaries & Wages	155,977.00	145,559.66
Other Expenses	59,500.00	52,000.00
2. Capital Improvements	500.00	500.00
3. Debt Service	14,000.00	19,000.00
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	8,000.00	5,500.00
Total Appropriations	237,977.00	222,559.66
Total Number of Employees - Full & Part Time	5	5

Balance of Outstanding Bonded Debt 12-31-10	
	General & Sewer
Interest	222,940.00
Principal	4,122,000.00
Outstanding Balance	4,344,940.00

Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the Borough Committee of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex on March 28, 2011.

A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at the Municipal Building on May 2, 2011 at 7:00 (PM) at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the year 2011 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.

Copies of the detailed budget are available in the office of the Municipal Clerk during the hours 9:00 to 4:00.

Sports

By Gary Lampasona

JUNIOR BASEBALL CLUB NOTES

We really need some help from Mother Nature. Here's hoping for sunshine and warmth.

Even with the frozen ground last Saturday, a good group showed up, and progress was made on all fields. If Mother Nature cooperates, we're confident that all fields will be ready by opening day. Details for the last week of field duty are below, but we could use all the help we can get.

- Saturday, April 2 at 8 a.m.-Parents of 13, 15 and 16 year olds.

The SPJBC is again proud to sponsor the third annual high school baseball game at TD Bank Park which will be held on Saturday, April 23 at 4 p.m. against JFK (Islin). Tickets are \$10 each and if you buy three, you get one free. Call the clubhouse to



purchase tickets. Please see a board member once the season starts.

Most preparations for the season are complete. Teams are practicing, snack stand sign-up is complete and the fields are coming together. All we need is some good baseball weather and we'll be playing the games.

Opening Day Countdown-April 9 is only one week away.

You can find all this and more information on our website, www.league lineup.com/spjbc.

"There are three things you can do in a baseball game. You can win, or you can lose, or it can rain."-Casey Stengel

Let's hope for more of the first two and less of the third.

SOCCER - SHARKS

By Nicole Plate

Sharks Devour Elizabeth Rebels

The U-9 Sharks played their third game of the spring season on a cool Sunday afternoon. The Sharks started the game off very strong with Justin Plate, Cooper Smith, Tav Baldassarre, Sebastian Rohrer, Samir Daoud, Brian Cruz and Sebastian Alonso alternating between defense and offense.

The Sharks kept the ball mostly on their end of the field the entire first half. About five minutes into the first quarter Gabe Mont scored off an assist from Ashwin DeGroot, and two minutes later Kevin Velez kicked from almost midfield and scored with a shot over the goalie's head.

In the second quarter, Brian Cruz

scored his first goal of the season that put the Sharks up 3-0 going into half-time.

With great goalkeeping from Nick Smiljanic, Nick Atehortua and Sebastian Alonso who split time in goal, Elizabeth only had one goal which came in the third quarter. The Sharks came out in the third quarter and scored another two goals. One goal came from Ashwin DeGroot and the other from Cooper Smith. Brian Cruz would score again in the fourth quarter, giving the Sharks a 5-1 win over Elizabeth Rebels. The coaches and parents are very proud of the Sharks.

Go Sharks!

SOCCER - ECLIPSE

By Jenn Curtis

Eclipse Battle to 1-1 Tie

Fast forward to another week of this early season and the result is another tie with the South Plainfield Soccer Club U-10 girls travel team, Eclipse, which battled to a tie against Scotch Plains, 1-1.

Again the girls played hard, and as a team they were evenly matched on a Sunday at the Kenneth Avenue fields. Jill Holoboski continued her offensive streak with the only goal of the game for Eclipse. Scotch Plains tied the game on the only goal allowed by goalie Mackenzie O'Brien. The girls

have fought hard to maintain a season record so far of 1-0-2.

Team Eclipse consists of Lynda Fari-nella, Victoria Meono, Kaitlyn Smith, Kathryn Delair, Kristen Smith, Olivia Leonardis, Cameron Marks, Gianna Sacco, Alexis Curtis, Jill Holoboski, Erika Rems, Samantha Pullen and Mackenzie O'Brien. The coaches are Gino Leonardis and Ken Curtis.

The girls travel to Millburn on Sunday. Please come out and support the girls.

Congratulations Joseph!

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JUNIOR JOURNALIST

Debbie and Charlie Kurland of Hometown Heros deliver dinner to Junior Journalist winner Joseph Sacco, pictured with his parents, Nadine and Joe; sisters, Jordan and Jenna; grandparents, Joe and Davey Sacco and Chris LaFreniere; and great-grandmother, Cassie Forgash.

Sports

SOUTH PLAINFIELD SOCCER CLUB

By Dawn Hutchison

Open House at Soccer Club Saturday

The South Plainfield Soccer Club will be holding an open house at the Kenneth Avenue fields this Saturday, April 2 from 10 a.m. to noon. We welcome children from ages seven to 13 to come out and experience what the club is all about. Come see a few of our teams in action, take to the field for skills and drills, meet representatives from the New York Red Bulls, the club's trainers, and participate in a "shoot out" contest. The Red Bulls will also be sending their street team, which will perform amazing skills and trick shots—don't miss it. Be sure to wear your cleats and shin guards and comfortable clothing to be a part of the fun. Board members and club members will be on hand to answer any questions you might have about being a part of the SPSC.

The SPSC is offering its annual scholarship awards to two recipients. We will be awarding a \$500 scholarship to each of the winners selected by the scholarship review panel. Require-

THIS WEEK'S SOCCER CLUB GAMES

<i>Ambush</i>	Saturday, April 2	4 p.m.	Memorial Field
<i>Magic</i>	Sunday, April 3	1 p.m.	Kenneth Field#1
<i>Strikerz</i>	Sunday, April 3	5 p.m.	Kenneth Field#1
<i>Ambush</i>	Sunday, April 3	11:30 a.m.	Kenneth Field#2
<i>Arsenal</i>	Sunday, April 3	1:30 p.m.	Kenneth Field#2
<i>Spartans</i>	Sunday, April 3	3:30 p.m.	Kenneth Field#2
<i>Mustangs</i>	Sunday, April 3	1:30 p.m.	Memorial Field
<i>Thunder</i>	Sunday, April 3	3:30 p.m.	Memorial Field

Good luck to all our teams this week!

ments of eligibility are that an applicant must be a resident of South Plainfield, a senior in high school graduating in June 2011 and attending college in Fall 2011. Applicants must have played for the SPSC for a minimum of four seasons. Deadline for filing an application is May 20, and all applications should be turned into the guidance department at SPHS in a sealed envelope marked "SPSC Scholarship" or mailed to SPSC Scholarship, P.O. Box 543, South Plainfield, N.J. 07080. No late entries will be

accepted. Proof of college enrollment may be requested prior to release of scholarship funds. Forms are available in the high school guidance department or at our website: www.soplfd.soccerclub.com.

Canning begins this weekend and runs throughout the month. The dates available are as follows: Thursday, April 7; Friday, April 8; Saturday, April 9; Sunday, April 10; Thursday, April 14; Thursday, April 21; Thursday, April 28; Friday, April 29; Saturday, April 30 and Sunday, May 1.

These are the only dates that we have secured for the spring canning session, so be sure to arrange your date as soon as possible to ensure you get a date and time that works for you. In order to schedule your date, please contact Laura Sansone at (908) 755-3626 (h) or (908) 370-8118 (c). Please see full details regarding canning in your emails from the club and your coaches. Remember, represent the club well during canning. We appreciate the support the public gives us during the drive and we should be respectful of the businesses that allow us to "can" outside their establishments.

This week's games are listed above. Please come on out and support our teams as they take to our home fields this weekend.



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Obituaries

Marc A. Stenersen, 50



Marc A. Stenersen

Marc A. Stenersen died on Wednesday, March 23 at his residence.

Born and raised in New Brunswick, he had lived in Staten Island for three years and has been a resident of South Plainfield for 14 years.

Employed as a global safety manager for GE Industrial in North Bergen, Marc graduated from Kean College in Union with a bachelor's degree in business management.

He enjoyed playing baseball and was a 20-year member of the N.J. Mens Senior Baseball League. Marc was an avid weight lifter who enjoyed spending time golfing, and was a member of the South Plainfield Environmental Commission.

He is predeceased by his parents, Norman and Geraldine (Melofchik) and by a brother, Neil.

Marc is survived by his wife, Maria L. Stenersen; a daughter, Jacqueline; and a brother, Eric Stenersen of Tobyhanna, Pa. He also leaves behind his father and mother-in-law, Gus and Deanna Di Leo of Jackson and many extended family and friends.

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

In lieu of flowers, memorial donations in his memory may be made to his daughter Jacqueline's college fund, c/o Maria Stenersen, 2425 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.



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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS

By Kelly Stashko

Softball, Golf Highlights....

Varsity Softball—Last season's varsity softball team were White Division winners of the GMC and had a 25-3 record, which tied a school record with the 25 victories won in 1985 and again in 2005. Those players returning this year with hopes of reaching higher ground are: Liz Gratta, pitcher/third base; Jessica Jazikoff, catcher; Lauren Conrad, centerfield; Jamie Quail, shortstop; Tyler Stranzbach, right field; and Shannon McMahon, pitcher/third base.

The following students are currently vying for various positions on the team: Jackie Dvorak, Becky Eustice, Shannon Hughes, Gina Louise, Kathryn Podlovits, Kate McLaughlin and Emily Skula.

Leading the young women in the league are Head Coach Don Panzarella and Assistant Varsity Coach Nick Panzarella. Play ball!

Golf—The South Plainfield golf team finished last season with a 15 and 5 record. Former senior Richie Szeliga was the GMC champion. The team finished second in the division and fifth at the GMC tournament.

Returning this year as seniors are Riley Hubner, Matt Little and Kyle Pompilio. Juniors are Kevin Flanagan, Tony Franczak, Austin Jenkin, Joe Krawiec, Andrew Sanchez and Albert Vill. Sophomores include Anthony Ashnault, Kyler Griffin, Jesse Masters and Matt Ward. New freshman arrivals are Paul Canó, Sean Flanagan, Ryan Harris, Matt Resende and Brian Roesch. Each will be following the lead of Coach Michael Kavka on the greens. Fore!

Spring season sports began April 1; please come out and enjoy the various events, both in and out of town.

The following is next week's varsity softball schedule: Saturday, April 2 at 10 a.m. in Perth Amboy; Tuesday, April 4 at 3:45 p.m. in North Brunswick; and Thursday, April 7 at 3:45 p.m. at home versus Monroe Township High School.

Golf matches begin at 3:30 p.m. and start today at West Nine on Woodland Avenue against Piscataway; Monday, April 4 at Raritan Landing against Edison; and against J.P. Stevens at West Nine.

From the South Plainfield Library

Bookmarks

By Chris Grippio

The makers of batteries have changed the chemical composition of non-rechargeable batteries so that the batteries can now be discarded in your household trash. Therefore the library no longer has a battery disposable canister. If you do have rechargeable batteries they will have to be taken to the town recycling center. If you have any questions, please contact Alice Temple at (908) 226-7621.

Do you have a digital camera that you do not know how to work? (I do). Then you need to come to our program Digital Camera "Hands-On" Workshop on Sunday, April 10 at 1:30 p.m. Well-known New Jersey photographer Walter Choroszewski will bring his patience, expertise and know-how for an introductory workshop helping attendees understand how to best use their digital cameras. The program is free but registration is required, and that can be done by calling the library at (908) 754-7885.

I am sure many of you have seen the ad on television for a product called audible.com. This is a subscription database where you can download audio books for a fee. My question is why pay to do something you can do free at your library? If you go to our website, www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us, you will see in the middle of the page an icon for free downloadable books. If you click on that icon you will be taken to the ListenNJ website. Here you can download both audio and e-books for free; there is a wide selection of titles and genres to choose from. This is just one of the examples where you can obtain materials from your library at no charge for which other companies want to charge you. And remember we do get at the same

time the identical new movies, music CDs and books that retail outlets get. So come check us out!

Miss Mija and Miss Linda are continuing their story/craft time programs. To remind everyone they are Tuesday at 10:30 a.m., Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. and Thursday at 1:15 p.m. for ages three and over. Wednesday and Thursday at 10:30 a.m. is "Time for 2s & 3s" and Friday at 10:30 a.m. is "Books and Babies." All programs are free and none require registration. The only thing Miss Mija and Miss Linda do require is that you arrive before the program starts so that the child can experience the whole program.

If you have any questions, call (908) 754-7885 or visit us at 2484 Plainfield Avenue (across from borough hall). Hours are 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Thursday, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Tuesday and Friday, Saturday 9 a.m.-5 p.m. and Sunday 1:30-5 p.m.

Borough Budget Introduced

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asked about the \$750,000 and how the council was going to "come up with that kind of money next year." She also believes, having once served on the library ad hoc committee, that the surplus was to go to offset the cost of a new library.

"A majority of the \$2M is taxpayer dollars and should be used for tax relief," said Council President and Finance Committee Chair Ray Rusnak. From the municipal budget, the library receives a payment of \$113,000 a month to operate the facility which is more than their total operating budget of \$1,355,350. "The \$750,000 will be made up by Labor Day," commented Rusnak.

Grade 12

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In My Opinion

(Continued from page 2)

Our school community can expect that I will focus on results. To that end, I will encourage the good faith efforts of our school and community members so long as they promote established goals and objectives and so long as they embrace *honesty, responsibility, competency, respect and patience*.

Furthermore, I will encourage the members of our school and community to take an active and inclusive role in shaping the landscape of our school community so that stakeholders can promote a professional and productive learning environment for our students.

I believe that as a South Plainfield Board of Education member I must seek to make it possible for each member of our school community to have the opportunity to achieve his/her goals in a manner that fosters excellence, pride and resourcefulness. In terms of accountability for me as a Board of Education member, I will seek to measure my overall success by seeking to celebrate and expand the individual successes and opportunities for all of our students, teachers, administrators, parents and other interested community members.

In my spare time, I enjoy spending time with my wife and three young children. My hobbies include running, biking, fishing, traveling and music.

In summary, I seek election to our South Plainfield Board of Education to further strengthen the many opportunities that the South Plainfield Public Schools offer to our students. I believe that each child in the South

Plainfield Public Schools can be successful if he/she is inspired, challenged and supported by caring and competent members of our school community and community at-large. So, "Go Tigers" with a vote for John Farinella on April 27, 2011 in support of my candidacy for election to our Board of Education. I look forward to meeting with you on "Candidates Night" on Thursday, April 7, 2011.

**SINCERELY,
JOHN T. FARINELLA, JR., J.D.,
BOARD OF ED CANDIDATE**

Dear Editor,

Everyone agrees these are tough economic times. Every town in New Jersey is being forced to provide essential services with significantly reduced state aid.

The South Plainfield 2011 municipal budget was introduced at Monday's council meeting. Taking into account the normal revenues and expenses, this budget has a \$500,000 increase in the tax levy. In order to balance the budget, the mayor and council majority have raided the money set aside for the new library. This is not responsible government. We should not forfeit our children's future for a one shot fix for the budget.

We cannot continue the "same old, same old" approach. Just as every family is doing, government must also learn to do more with less money. I encourage all members of the public to review the budget. Over the upcoming weeks we need to come together to put South Plainfield's financials on solid footing not only for this year but for the foreseeable future.

**SINCERELY,
COUNCILWOMAN CHRISSE BUTEAS**



The cast of *Footloose*

SPHS Production of *Footloose* Opens April 7

By Patricia Abbott

South Plainfield High School will present the musical, *Footloose*, in the high school auditorium Thursday through Sunday, April 7 through 10. Performances are at 7 p.m. on Friday and Saturday; Sunday performance is at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$8 for students and seniors. General admission is \$10.

A synopsis of the show explains that when Ren and his mother move from Chicago to a small farming town, Ren is prepared for the adjustment to his new high school. What he isn't prepared for are the local laws (including a ban on dancing) which are the brainchild of a local preacher bent on exercising control over the town's youths.

When the Reverend's rebellious daughter sets her heart on Ren, her

boyfriend Chuck tries to sabotage Ren's reputation, and many of the locals are eager to believe the worst about the new kid.

Ren perseveres to lead his classmates in a revolt around the law and Reverend Shaw Moore to prove that dancing doesn't lead to sin, and they organize a real senior prom.

The excellent cast features Danny Sims as Ren McCormack, Cory Singer as Reverend Shaw Moore, Kathleen Vincent as Ariel Moore, Will Mot as Willard Hewitt, Joanna Marston as Rusty, Joey Palazzo as Chuck Cranston, Christina Ferrer as Vi Moore, Danielle Tramutola as Ethel McCormack, Christina Kasmer as Urleen, Emily Reineke as Wendy Jo, Erin O'Conner as Principal Clark, Alyssa Aiello as Gloria Dunbar, Sarah Hagemen as Eleanor, Jordan Kato-wich as Lulu Warnicker, Josh Rochotte

as Wes Warnicker, Amanda Hoagland as Betty Blast, Brian Nguyen as Cowboy Bob, Nicole Stanczak as Cop, Tyler Holoboski as Lyle, Richard Rotella as Travis, Richard Duong as Bickl and Nii Mills as Garvin.

The citizens of Bomont are Allison Gorman, Kristen Hoelzel, Keely Joa-quim, Kim Walsh, Michelle Lesniak, Jamie Bohn, Sam Christilles, Catherine Emery and Abby LaBlanc.

Footloose is directed by Chrissy Bris-kin; Briskin is also the vocal director. Jessica Kubek is the choreographer and Loretta Tansey is the costume designer. Light and sound are de-signed by John Angeline and Roger Vroom is the orchestra director.

The *Footloose* phenomena began in February of 1984. The movie starred Kevin Bacon, Lori Singer, John Lith-gow and Dianne Wiest. It opened on Broadway in October of 1998.

LEGAL NOTICE

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by The Borough of South Plainfield for the interior alterations to the South Plainfield Senior Center located at 90 Maple Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080 together with all work incidental thereto in accordance with Drawings and Specifications prepared by Cornerstone Architectural Group, LLC.

Bids will be received by the Borough of South Plainfield, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey until 10:30 A.M. prevailing time on April 13, 2011 and will be opened and read aloud immediately thereafter. Bids must include all applicable allowances, unit prices, and numbered alternate bids.

Bids will be received for the following contract, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq.:

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Contract No. 1 Single Overall Contract Bid

The Instructions to Bidders, Form of Bid, Specifications, Drawings and other contract documents may be examined at the office of the Architect:

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and can be obtained by prospective bidders upon payment of (\$50.00) Fifty Dollars, "NONREFUNDABLE", for each hard copy set. Payment is to be in the form of a check made payable to "Cornerstone Architectural Group".

Bid documents will not be mailed to prospective bidders under any circumstance.

Bidders shall use complete sets of Bidding Documents in preparing Bids. Neither the Owner nor the Architect will assume any responsibility for errors or misinterpretations resulting from the use of incomplete sets of Bidding Documents.

All bidders are required to submit with their bid a guarantee certificate from a surety company authorized to do business in New Jersey and satisfactory to the Owner, stating that it will provide the Contractor with a bond for the faithful performance of all provisions relating to the performance of the Agreement with the Owner during the course of construction.

Each bid must be accompanied by a bid security deposit of an amount equal to at least ten (10%) percent of the amount of the base bid, but not in excess of \$20,000. The deposit may be either a certified check or cashier's check drawn on an incorporated bank or trust company payable to the order of the Owner, or a bid bond in favor of the Owner as a guarantee that, in case the contract is awarded to the bidder, he will execute such contract. Upon failure to do so, the bid security will utilized up to its full amount for any difference between the amount of his bid and the Contract which the Owner may be obliged to award another bidder or bidders.

The bid security deposits of all excepting the three lowest bidders will, if requested, be returned after ten (10) days from the opening of bids, Sundays and holidays excepted, and the remaining depos-

its will be returned when the contract of the successful bidder is approved.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish a New Jersey Statutory Performance Bond and a Labor and Material Payment Bond in the amount of the contract sum within (10) days of award.

The Owner reserves the right to waive any informalities in, or to reject, any or all bids in whole or in part.

Attention of the bidders is called particularly to the requirements of conditions of employment and to the minimum prevailing wage rates to be paid under the contract as stated in the Instructions to Bidders, the General Conditions of the Contract for Construction, and the Supplementary General Conditions.

Bidders are strongly encouraged to attend the non-mandatory pre-bid conference scheduled for 10AM on Wednesday, March 30, 2011 at the South Plainfield Senior Center located at 90 Maple Avenue, South Plainfield NJ.

Bidders are required to comply with the "Affirmative Action" requirements of P.L. 1975, c.127 (NJAC 17:27).

Bidders and bidders' subcontractors shall provide proof of compliance with "The Public Works Contractor Registration Act" and with the "Business Registration Act."

No bidder may withdraw his bid for a period of sixty (60) days after the actual date of the opening thereof.

If, prior to or at the time the public agency submits a contract for signing, a construction Contractor does not submit to the public agency evidence of an existing federally approved or sanctioned Affirmative Action Program; then no later than three (3) days after the Contractor signs the construction contract, the Contractor shall complete and submit the Projected Manning Table Form AA201-A (Building Construction) or AA201-B (Heavy Construction) to the public agency and the Affirmative Action Office. The Contractor should retain the copy marked "Contractor", submit the copy marked "Public Agency" to the Owner and the remaining copies shall be forwarded immediately to: Affirmative Action Office, Department of the Treasury, State House, CN 209, Trenton, New Jersey 08625

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Municipal Clerk

\$72.92 April 1, 2011

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

ORDINANCE No. 1924

ORDINANCE TO EXCEED THE MUNICIPAL BUDGET COST OF LIVING ALLOWANCE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2011 AND TO ESTABLISH A CAP BANK WHEN THE COLA IS EQUAL TO OR LESS THAN 2.5 PERCENT (N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14) was introduced on Monday March 28, 2011 at a public meeting of the South Plainfield Mayor and Council. A public hearing will be held on Monday, April 18, 2011 at the meeting of the Governing Body which began at 7:00 p.m. in the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ 07080

WHEREAS, the Local Government Cap Law, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.1 et seq., provides that in the prepara-

tion of its annual budget, a municipality shall limit any increase in said budget to 2.5% or the Cost-of-Living Adjustment (COLA), whichever is less, over the previous year's final appropriations, subject to certain exceptions; and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14 provides that a municipality may, in any year in which the COLA is equal to or less than 2.5% increase its final appropriations by a percentage greater than the COLA, but not to exceed the 3.5% rate as specified in the law, when authorized by ordinance; and,

WHEREAS, the COLA for 2011 has been certified by the Director of the Division of Local Government Services in the Department of Community Affairs as 2.0% and,

WHEREAS, N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.15a provides that a municipality may, in any year in which the COLA is equal to or less than 2.5%, may, when authorized by ordinance, appropriate the difference between the amount of its actual final appropriation and the 3.5% percentage rate as an exception to its final appropriations in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield in the County of Middlesex finds it advisable and necessary to increase its 2011 budget by more than 2.0% over the previous year's final appropriations, in the interest of promoting the health, safety and welfare of the citizens; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that a 3.5% increase in the budget for said year, amounting to \$394,415.40 in excess of the increase in final appropriations otherwise permitted by the Local Government Cap Law, is advisable and necessary; and,

WHEREAS, the Borough Council hereby determines that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED, by the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, a majority of the full authorized membership of this governing body affirmatively concurring, that, in the 2011 budget year, the final appropriations of the Borough of South Plainfield shall, in accordance with this ordinance and N.J.S.A. 40A:4-45.14, be increased by 3.5% amounting to \$394,415.40 and that the 2011 municipal budget for the Borough of South Plainfield be approved and adopted in accordance with this ordinance; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that any amount authorized hereinabove that is not appropriated as part of the final budget shall be retained as an exception to final appropriation in either of the next two succeeding years; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance as introduced be filed with the Director of the Division of Local Government Services within 5 days of introduction; and,

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED, that a certified copy of this ordinance upon adoption, with the recorded vote included thereon, be filed with said Director within 5 days after such adoption.

ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Municipal Clerk

\$59.69 April 1, 2011

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

March 25, 2011

Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Board of Adjustment at its meeting held on March 24, 2011.

A. Case # 34-05—D'Annunzio & Sons, Inc. Block 255; Lots: 15, 16, 16.01 & 17-20; Park Avenue. The applicant's request for amended preliminary & final site plan approval was hereby GRANTED subject to additional voluntary conditions.

B. Case # 36-10—Raceway Petroleum, Inc. Block 3; Lot 33.01; 1309 West 7th Street. The applicant's request that the proposed sale of candy, gum etc. is a permitted accessory use of the property was hereby GRANTED subject to additional voluntary conditions.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mary Beth Khidre
Secretary-Board of Adjustment
ATTEST:
Joann Graf/Municipal Clerk

\$31.34 April 1, 2011

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

Public Notice

RETURN OF PERFORMANCE BOND

To Gibraltar Management Co., Inc. for public improvements at Middlesex Mall, Hadley & Stelton Roads, South Plainfield, N.J. Lot 46.04 and 46.05, Block 528.

A public meeting has been scheduled by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield to hear objections, if any, to the release of a Performance Bond posted by Gibraltar Management Co., Inc. for public improvements at Middlesex Mall, Hadley & Stelton Roads, South Plainfield, NJ known as Lot 46.04 and 46.05, in Block 528 listed on the official tax maps of the Borough of South Plainfield. Said public hearing will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, April 18, 2011 in the Council Chambers of Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

Richard M. Schweitzer
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