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Borough Adopts 2011 Budget; Spending Down, Taxes Up

By Jane Dornick

The South Plainfield Borough Council voted 4-1 to adopt the 2011 Municipal Budget at a special meeting held on July 25. Democratic Councilwoman Chrissy Buteas was the lone no vote and Councilman Franky Salerno was not present.

Three Parade Grand Marshals Chosen

Public Celebration Committee has chosen three heroes to be the grand

marshals at the 54th Annual Labor Day Parade on Monday, Sept. 5. This is

They are veterans Joseph Belardo, who served in the Vietnam War, Trista

Moretti, who was only 27 years-old when she was killed in Iraq on June 25,

2007 and Michael Santoro, who served in World War II. Santoro passed

away last week (see his obituary on page 9). All are life-long residents of

the first time the Labor Day parade will have three grand marshals.

South Plainfield who have served their country with honor.

See next week's Observer for more on these three individuals.

In keeping with this year's parade theme, "Honoring Our Heroes, the

The new tax rate of 1.261 will see the average home assessed at a \$123,000 increase by \$43.05 a year. The total budget for the borough this year is \$25,886,207, down \$84,983 from 2010. The 2011 tax levy is \$17,892,863.10. South Plainfield will be receiving \$2,715,291 in state aid which is down \$102,841 from

last year. In 2009, Governor Chris Christie took office and began slashing government assistance to New Jersey municipalities. The borough typically had been receiving aid averaging \$3.5M.

According to CFO Glenn Cullen's presentation at the coucil meeting, spending is down \$1M since 2009 (fiscal year 2008-2009 budget) after removing increases in state mandated pension payments. When switching over to a calendar year budget there was a brief six month transitional budget from July to December 2009.

The Library Board, which is a separate governing body with its own state mandates, is contributing \$146,302 out of their coffers towards this year's budget. When the council originally came out with this year's figures, they had hoped to receive

\$750,000 from the board and provide a slight tax cut. After a recent auditor's report was produced, the Library Board had only to relinquish the \$146,302 from their \$2.3M surplus toward tax relief. A new law that went into effect last October states that independent libraries must transfer surplus funds above 20% back to the town where they are located. The audit showed that most of the \$2.3M had been transferred into capital reserve accounts to use for upgrades to the library and was not included in the required 20%.

In the fourth quarter tax bills, property owners will now see a new "library tax" which had previously been included in the municipal tax. The tax levy for the library this year is \$1,355,350.

Another factor affecting the budget this year is the steady decline of tax rateables, or revenue generated by homes and businesses. A decline in real estate values and a surge of numerous tax appeals has reduced the ratable base by \$9.5 this year.

Even with the recent pension and healthcare reform enacted by Gov. Christie, the borough is still seeing a rise in those areas. This year's pension contributions are up by \$386,000 and healthcare benefits increased by \$305,000. According to Cullen, the borough will not see a real savings in these areas until the 2013 budget.

Overall, taxpayers will see a 2.85% increase from 2010 to 2011 in the municipal portion of their tax bill as compared to the county tax, which rose by 9.07% over the same period of time. The open space tax is up this year by 48.28% and school taxes increased 3.25%. Compared to the borough calendar year 2009 the county tax has risen a total of 19.3%, open space 2.5%, school tax 2.4% while the municipal tax has decreased by 8.2%. As a result the average household will pay \$279.21 more than last year.

Councilman Alex Barletta commented, "Spending is down for the second year in a row. If it were not for the Library Board's disappointing (Continued on page 10)

OE Recalls 49 Teachers and Aides encouraged" the funds be used for

By Libby Barsky

The Board of Education held a special meeting on July 20 to recall 22 teachers and 27 duty aides from the Reduction in Force (RIF) list after an additional \$560,402 in state aid was received by the district.

The RIF list was instituted in April after the school budget was voted down and then further reduced after review by the borough council. Acting Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Gary Bowen said at the time that 110 staff members, including teachers, aides and bus drivers, would need

In announcing the increased aid to school districts across the state, Governor Chris Christie had "strongly

property tax relief; however, the board will use the additional state aid to reinstate the 49 teachers and aides. The board also designated where the returning teachers will teach.

Nine contracted teachers and nine instructional support aides will teach in a school other than the one they taught in the previous year; two teachers will be teaching a different subject. Janine Turrise, who taught kindergarten at Kennedy School, will be the art teacher at Riley School, replacing Barbara Harris who retired in June. Staff Developer Mary Rodger will teach at Grant Elementary School.

The following teachers will return to their previous positions, or be

High School: Art-Allison Dressler; English-Christina Briskin; Spanish-Yaritza Albarran; social studies-Shannon Lorenzo, Bryan Holt and Toni Ann Nicodemo; Math-Jessica Kubek (high school math teacher Mallory Christ was recalled, but she had already accepted a position in another district.); Music-Joan Stassio transferred from Grant School; Duty aides-Patricia DeSantis, Cathy Dorey, Pamela Dudak, Marion Gallagher, Lee Ann Graziano, Donna Helgesen and Joan Moon.

Middle School: Math-Robert Gorman; Music-Sarah LiVecchi; Science-Julie Zoleta; Social studies-Jon Foscolo; Special Education-Jennifer Pascale transferred from Roosevelt (Continued on page 12)



Series Continues August 7 & 14

The Garden State Smyphonic Band to Perform

The Middlesex County Board of Chosen Freeholders' free summer concert series, "Music-in-the-Park" continues this Sunday, Aug. 7 in the Spring Lake Park Gazebo on Maple Avenue, 6:30 to 8 p.m. featuring The Garden State Symphonic Band, Chris Pedersen-leader, performing movies, musicals, marches and classical selections

The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, contact Jackie Neill, Recreation Supervisor, at (732) 745-3936 or visit www. co.middlesex.nj.us.

Summer Drama Workshop Celebrating 40th Season



Summer Drama Workshop President William Mott accepts a proclamation from Mayor Matt Anesh on celebrating its 40th season this year.

By Patricia Abbott

The South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop (SDW) will celebrate their 40th season with this year's presentation of Disney's High Musical. More than 60 students, between seventh grade and post first year of college, have been hard at work preparing the musical for yesterday's official opening. Additional performances are tonight and tomorrow August 5-6 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, August 7 at 2 p.m.

The annual SDW musical has become a tradition in South Plainfield. Students learn much more than the work that goes into a production; the program also helps build confidence, teaches teamwork and responsibility while students just plain have fun.

Students learn acting, singing, dancing, lighting, building and painting sets. They are guided through all the steps necessary to present South Plainfield with a quality production by an experienced, professional staff along with college age interns. In just a few short weeks Disney's hit went right on up and through auditions a page to a full scale musical on stage. The cast and crew worked five days a week perfecting the production. The team who worked with the group to pull it all together are: Director Eric Hafen, Wayne Mallett, Laurie Piro, Duane Cosby and Matt Tietjen.

Hafen became an important part of the SDW family in 2000 with the group's production of 42nd Street and 12 year's later he is still directing, teaching, encouraging and inspiring the current group of young thespians. The rest of the staff are also returning team members. They include Wayne Mallett, vocal director; Laurie Piro, who has been the SDW choreographer for several years; Duane Cosby, stage manager/assistant director and Matt Tietjen, technical director, who along with his crew, created the amaz-

The SDW Production Board begins planning for next year shortly after the current production is over. Various committees continue their work

from pages in a script, music notes on when work on the actual production begins

SDW Board President Bill Mott said; 'This year as in so many in the past the time of rehearsal has seemed to pass quickly. This year's students have shown great enthusiasm towards the production of High School Musical. In addition, this year's staff have shown great dedication and inspiration for the students. This along with their use of motivational techniques has brought out the best in the students of SPSDW. That dedication and hard work of both the staff and students will show all the nights of the show. Come and enjoy our 40th Anniversary show knowing "We're all in this together."

The Summer Drama Workshop was born in 1972 when parents, PTA members and others decided that a (Continued on page 12)



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Agenda Meeting August 15

August 15 September 6 (Tuesday)

Public Meeting

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planning

September 6 (Tuesday)

Meets second and fourth Tuesday of the month, *except where noted. Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7641 Aug. 9, Aug. 23, Sept. 13, Sept. 27, Oct. 11, 25, Nov. 1,* Dec. 13*

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Meets second and fourth Thursday of the month, *except where noted. Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7641 Aug. 11, Aug. 25, Sept. 8, Sept. 22, Oct. 13, Oct. 27, Nov. 10*, Dec. 8*

boardofeducation

Meets Wednesdays at Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave. Committee of the Whole meetings (begin at 6:00 p.m.) Aug. 17, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9, Dec. 14, Jan. 11, Feb. 8, March 14 and April 4. Regular Public Meeting (begin at 7:30 p.m.) Aug. 17, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16, Dec. 21, Jan. 18, Feb 15, March 21 and April 11.

BOEcurriculum/technology/student activities

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

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

culturalaris commission

Meets the third Tuesday of the month at the PAL at 7:30 p.m. No meeting in August – Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 20

libraryboard of trustee

Meets once a month on the second Tuesday, at the library at 7 p.m. Aug. 16 (new date), Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

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 No meetings in August - Sept. 13, Oct. 11, Nov. 8, Dec. 13

taxpayersadvisorygroup

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.

siteplansub-committee

Meets once a month on the third Tuesday of the month, 7 p.m. Aug. 16, Sept. 20, Oct. 18, Nov. 15, Dec. 20

environmentalcommission

Meets once a month (second Wednesday) Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7621

businessadvisorygroup

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

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To be announced, 7:30 p.m. in the Senior Center Questions? 908-226-7605

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To the Editor:

This year's Chaumont Post #243 American Legion Picnic was truly the effort of many hands. First, thanks to the veterans whose generous donations enabled us to purchase a new canopy tent. The Sons of Legion also donated two 10' x 20' canopies which were assembled by Steve Zarra and Fred Bladon III. The additional shade was welcome under the hot July sun. The South Plainfield Knights of Columbus also lent us two pop-up tents for the horseshoe tournament and the refreshment stand. The Knights of Columbus Squires provided parking assistance.

Thanks go to Robert "Cappy Capparelli of the South Plainfield DPW who arranged for fencing, barricades, handicapped parking signs and recyclables collection bags. Also important in the preparation work were Jim Yednak and John Welgos who set up the fencing and did the landscaping work that was coordinated by Mike Collucci. Pam and Norman Junge cleaned the outside of the food serving area.

David and Michael Kornas of Peter Pan Pharmacy donated the tickets. Costco donated a gift card and Witty's Liquors also donated a bottle of liquor. Debbie Boren and Greg Gifford of Fitness 19 donated a six month membership for a family of four. Charlie and Debbie Kurland of Hometown Heros donated the bread for the sausage and peppers sandwiches and two large trays of their famous potato salad

Tremendous last minute help was given by Joel "Bubba" Burton who provided a smoker for warming the chicken and pulled pork sandwiches. DJ "Stick Shift" Eddie was able to fill in for the deejay.

On the day of the picnic many volunteers pitched in to make the event run smoothly. My wife Angela and Dee-Ann Hunter did the kitchen prep work. They were helped by Rosemary McConville, Jean Pacifico and Betty Austin, who also donated salads. George Fidecaro shucked the fresh Jersey sweet corn, while Bob Bengivenga made dozens of pulled pork sandwiches. Post Commander Joe Penyak and his wife Madeline donated a gas grill which Joe used to cook hot dogs and burgers.

Others whose donation of time was most valuable included Tony Mann at the ticket booth; Juli Stranzenbach and Nancy Fidecaro, who sold tickets for the Ladies Auxiliary raffle; and Glenn Scott who ran a successful horseshoe tournament.

Finally, Mary Ann Molino, auxiliary president and her volunteers created a dessert room with a Hawaiian luau theme. They provided a sweet ending to a great picnic.

Proceeds from the picnic will benefit Post #243's activities at the Menlo Park Veteran's Home.

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To the Editor:

My name is Ryan Drumbore and I am 14 years old. I live in South Bound Brook and I have been a member of Boy Scout Troop 207 in South Plainfield for the past two years. I am working towards earning my Eagle Scout Rank, which is the highest honor you can receive in scouting.

My Eagle project is to redo the landscaping in front of the South Plainfield Municipal Building. I have been granted permission to place a donation box in the municipal building. Along with the donation box, there will also be a sign-up sheet for anyone who may be interested in helping with this project. Any assistance would certainly be appreciated. If anyone would like to make a mon-

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etary donation by check, they should make it payable to Troop 207 for this Eagle project. I am planning on starting this project in September.

Any funds that are left over will be donated to Operation Jersey Cares. This is a nonprofit organization that collects items to be shipped to our military service personnel who are overseas

Should you have any questions or concerns about this project, call me at (732) 356-4959.

Thank you for any assistance you may be able to give

YOURS IN SCOUTING, RYAN DRUMBORE

Special Buildings and **Grounds Meeting**

The South Plainfield Board of Education announced a special Buildings and Grounds Committee Meeting to be held on Tuesday, Aug. 9 at 6 p.m.

The meeting will be held in the second floor conference room of the Roosevelt Administration Building, 125 Jackson Ave.



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From the South Plainfield Library

By Danielle Aronowitz

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We now loan out video games. We have games for the Playstation 3, X-Box 360 and the Nintendo Wii. We are just beginning to build our collection, so we do not have that many games yet. If you don't find anything on your visit, come back and check again. Patrons can check out one video game per card and are allowed only one renewal. Video games circulate for one week and the fine for video games is the same as DVDs, \$2/day. There are no holds allowed on video games.

We also now have Playaway Views. They are different than the other Playaways we have in our collection. Playaway Views are pre-loaded video players with multiple videos, and contain up to six hours of content. Most of our views are for children. There are some non-fiction that may appeal to older patrons. Patrons can borrow two Playaway Views per person. The Playaway Views circulate for one week and can be renewed one time. The fine for Playaway Views is \$2/day.

We will be following our regular schedule for the children's programs. Miss Mija will be showing a movie on Monday, Aug. 8 and 15 at 10:30

New Recreation Pre-School **Exercise Program**

The South Plainfield Recreation Department is introducing a new Pre-School Fun and Fitness Class for 31/2 and 4 year-olds on Tuesdays from 10:30 to 11:15 a.m. to be held at the PAL. A Thursday class will be created if Tuesday fills up. Session runs eight weeks and begins September 13. Cost is \$40; non-refundable

The new program will include, but not limited to, exercising and stretching to music, having fun with hula hoops, developing balance, movement games to develop basic motor skills and so much more

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a.m. For title information, please call or stop by the library. The Storytime program for 2s & 3s is held Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday mornings at 10:30. Storytime for ages four and up is held Wednesday night at 6:30, and Thursday afternoon at 1:15. The Babytime program for ages up to two years is held Friday morning at 10:30. These programs do not require registration. Please try to get to the Storytime programs on time because it can get very disruptive for Miss Linda and Miss Mija and the children if people come in the middle of the program. For more information about the programs, call (908) 754-7885 and ask for Miss Linda or Miss Mija.

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The library now has a Facebook page where we post information about upcoming events and special programs. You can find it at facebook. com/southplainfieldlibrary.

For more information, call (908) 754-7885 or visit us on the web at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us.

Barclays Discount Tickets

United Way Greater Union County will offer discount tickets for this year's The Barclays Classic golf tournament through the PGA's "Tickets Fore Charity" program.

The \$50 weekly grounds ticket includes full access to the grounds for all four days of the tournament as well as practice and pro-am events, August 25-28 at the Plainfield Country Club.

To purchase tickets, call (908) 353-7171, ext. 100 or visit: brownpapertickets.com/event/179290.

CONTRACTORS WELCOME

District Working to Improve Grant Scores

By Libby Barsky

The NJ ASK test scores for Grant School have been rising, but not enough. In the tests taken in 2010 the results showed 38 out of 40 subgroups passed the NJ ASK test, but two subgroups-disabled and special education students in fifth and sixth grade-didn't pass the test in language arts and math. As a result, the school has been designated as a "School In Need of Improvement" according to the No Child Left Behind Act. Grant School has had this designation for four consecutive years.

Grant School's educational program was examined on four days in March by members of a Collaborative Assessment and Planning for Achievement (CAPA) team sent by the N.J. Department of Education as required by the No Child Left Behind Act. The CAPA team included 78 classroom visitations, four general observations, interviews with 78 teachers, four district administrators, seven building leadership and administrators, 66 students, 11 support staff and 10 parents.

The CAPA team's observations and interviews resulted in a report with the following recommendations to improve educational achievement at Grant School and the district:

· Make basic skills classes for students available during the school day. After receiving the report, Interim Assistant Superintendent of Schools Dr. Frank Cocchiola acted immediately to implement basic skills instruction by having teachers use their duty periods to teach during the school day. Schedules for the fall have been redesigned so students will not be pulled from fine arts classes or attend classes after school. Supplemental basic skill classes during the school day will also be held for students in the middle school and

• Revise the mathematics program with the new mathematics pro-

gram, Go Math. Using consumable workbooks and text by Houghton Mifflin Harcourt for K-6 reflecting Current Core Curriculum Content Standards

- · Establish collaboration by making common preparation time available for classroom and special education teachers to coordinate teaching plans, analyze test results and share data.
- · Through five- to ten-minute "walk-through" in the classroom, principals will visit up to 15 teachers a week evaluating their methods and student response.
- · Starting a student newspaper to promote student writing skills and creating a student recognition program at Grant School is under consideration.

Suspect Arrested And Charged With Lewdness

On July 18 at approximately 7:15 p.m., a 38 year old female was approached while shopping at the A&P Supermarket located on Oak Tree Road. The female reported that a black male approached her and asked for directions to Target. While giving the male directions, she observed the male touching his genitals through his clothing and appeared to be masturbating.

Information was developed and a positive identification of the suspect was made. On July 27, Detective Anthony Pacillo arrested Marvin Wiggins, 50, of Colonia and charged him with lewdness.

Wiggins was held on \$10,000 bail set by Municipal Court Judge Spencer Robbins and transported to the Middlesex County Adult Correction Center in North Brunswick



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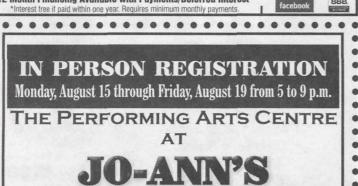
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SDW Presents High School Musical

Through August 7

South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop will present Disney's *High School Musical* through Saturday, Aug. 4-6 at 7 p.m. and Sunday, Aug. 7 at 2 p.m. The show will be held in the SPHS auditorium. Tickets are \$12 for adults and \$10 for students and senior citizens. Saturday night is SDW Alumni Night. Alumni will receive a flower and be asked to stand and be recognized.

For more information, call (908) 561-5255.

First Baptist Vacation Bible School

August 8-12

Spread the Word! Join First Baptist Church of South Plainfield, 201 Hamilton Blvd., for Vacation Bible School, August 8-12, 6:30-8:30 p.m., for a week of exciting games, crafts, songs and Bible stories. \$5 per child entering kindergarten through fifth grade.

To pre-register, call (908) 753-2382 or visit our website: www.fbc southplainfield.com.

St. Stephen Church Vacation Bible School

August 8-12

St. Stephen Lutheran Church, 3145 Park Ave., will celebrate its third annual Vacation Bible School, Monday-Friday from 6:30 to 8 p.m., August 8 through 12. This year's theme is "ReNew: The Green VBS."

Registrations are being accepted for children in pre-K through sixth grade by emailing Michele Billich at Billich@att.net or calling (908) 756-2537. Provide child's name, age and grade they will be entering in September.

Library Board of Trustees Meeting

August 16

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The August meeting of the South Plainfield Library Board of Trustees has been rescheduled to Tuesday, Aug. 16 at 7 p.m. Members of the public are invited to attend and learn more about the library's current and future plans, including the proposed library relocation project. There will be a public comment and question time midway through the meeting, before new business is addressed. No pre-registration is required.

For more information, please call (908) 754-7885 or visit www. southplainfield.lib.nj.us.

SPHS Class of 1976 To Hold Reunion

August 20

South Plainfield High School Class of 1976 will hold their 35th reunion on Saturday, Aug. 20 with a rain date of August 21.

For more information, email sphs classof 1976@hotmail.com or visit classmates.com or facebook.com.

SPHS Freshmen Orientation

August 25

South Plainfield High School Freshmen Orientation will be held on Thursday, Aug. 25 at 9 a.m. in the high school auditorium.

Students are asked to dress school appropriate. The program will end around 11 a.m.

A ninth grade parent meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept. 27 at 6 p.m. in the high school auditorium.

Sacred Heart Parish Golf Outing

September 14

Save the date! Sacred Heart Parish will hold its second annual golf outing at Cranbury Golf Course in West Windsor on Wednesday, Sept. 14 with a 9 a.m. shotgun start.

For more information, email plo rance@churchofthesacredheart.net.

Wildwood Vacation Package

September 25-29

The Wildwood vacation package includes: four nights lodging, four breakfasts, two full course dinners, two visits to Atlantic City and the casinos, casino bonus, Dolphin Watch sightseeing cruise, visit to historic Cape May, visit to the Towne of Historic Smithville, souvenir gift, luggage handling, all taxes, meal gratuities and motorcoach transportation.

For reservations, call Sandi Connelly at the senior center, (908) 754-1047.

SPHS Class of 1961 Reunion

October 1

South Plainfield High School Class of 1961 will host their 50th reunion on Saturday, Oct. 1 at the Hilton Garden Inn at Raritan Center in Edison.

For more information regarding tickets and plans, email Brenda Belardo Ribar at class1961sphs@gmail.com.

SENIOR CENTER Calendar

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Annual Picnic
September 29, 1-3 p.m.-\$15

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

 Ladies Group
 10 am

 WEDNESDAYS
 8:45 am

 Aerobics
 9 am

 Line Dancing
 10 am

 Computer. 10 am, 11:30 am, 1 pm
 1 pm

 Tai Chi
 2 pm

FRIDAYS Bingo......10 am-2 pm

Exercise Class.....1:15 pm

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visit www.southplainfieldnj.com Senior Center is open daily 8 a.m. to

4 p.m. Closed Saturdays & Sundays.

— Out of Town —

Aerie Eagle Charity Motorcycle Run

August 6

Somerset Aerie Eagle Riders Club motorcycle run to benefit our veterans will be held at Eagles Aerie, 350 Woodside Lane in Bridgewater on Saturday, Aug. 6. Sign-in from 9-11 a.m. \$20 per rider, \$15 per passenger/walk-ins. Includes registration, food, beverage and band after the run. Classic cars welcome.

For more information, email eaglesriders@njfoe.org.

Plainfield Senior Center Indoor Flea Market

August 6

The Plainfield Senior Citizens Center is holding an indoor flea market at 400 E. Front St. on Saturday, Aug. 6 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Interested vendors should contact Colin Baptiste at (908) 753-3506 between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Grace Alliance Vacation Bible School

August 8-12

Grace Alliance Church, 2008 Ethel Road in Piscataway, presents "Inside Out and Upside Down On Main Street" Vacation Bible School, Monday through Friday, Aug. 8-12 from 5:45-8:30 p.m. for children in grades pre-K through fifth. Games, crafts, Bible stories and dinner for the entire family, all free.

For more information or to register, visit www.gracealliance.org or call (732) 424-0404.

Woodbridge WOWs Business Meeting

August 10

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

German-American Cultural Festival

August 14

The German-American World Historical Society is sponsoring a one-day bus excursion to the historic and cultural German Alps Festival at Hunter Mountain, New York on Sunday, Aug. 14. Bus leaves 8 a.m. from the Senator Lounge, Schuetzen Park in North Bergen. Open to the general public. Adults: \$43; children age four to 12: \$34. Cost includes round-trip transportation, admission to the festival and refreshments on the bus

For reservations and an application, call Johannes at (201) 553-2689. Leave a message.

Singles Dance Party

August 20

Steppin' Out Singles is hosting an upscale singles dance party on Saturday, Aug. 20 at 8 p.m. at the Woodbridge Hilton, GSP Exit 131A. Ages 40 and up; no jeans/t-shirts/sneakers/ shorts. Admission: \$17.

For more information, call (732) 656-1801.

Oktoberfest/45th **Beauty Pageant**

August 21

The German-American Oktoberfest will be held at Schuetzen Park in North Bergen on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 20-21. The 45th annual Little Miss Schuetzen Park Beauty Pageant will be held on Sunday. The pageant is open to young girls ages seven through 12 of German or part German ancestry

For an application, call Kathleen Solorzano at (201) 927-5898 or (201) 867-3585, ext. 249.

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South Plainfield High School students Danny Sims and Joey Palazzo will be appearing at the Producers Club in New York City in "An Evening of Scenes" on Tuesday, Aug. 23 at 7 p.m. Both boys are students of the KPAC Conservatory where they study acting, musical theater and dance. For further information and reservations, call (908) 962-1047.

Senior Artists' Work on Display

Art work from professional and non-professional Middlesex County artists over age 60, who participated in the Middlesex County Department of Senior Services Senior Art Contest, is currently on display at The Studio Art Gallery in the Middlesex County College Performing Arts Center at Middlesex County College in Edison.

The works are part of a county contest, which includes artwork in nine media categories. First-place winners in the county contest will compete in the New Jersey Senior Citizens Art Show this fall.

The Middlesex County contest was judged by Rosalyn Neal, arts grants coordinator of the Middlesex County Cultural and Heritage Commission; Margaret M. O'Reilly, curator of fine art for the New Jersey State Museum; and Stacy Smith, manager of membership and publications for the Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum in New Brunswick. Professional and

non-professional entries were judged separately.

"We are lucky to have such a wealth of artistic talent in Middlesex County," said Freeholder Blanquita B. Valenti, chairwoman of the county's Human Services and Senior Services Committee. "I am proud of all our local artists and wish our winners luck as they compete in the state art show this fall."

"I would like to congratulate all our senior artists," said Freeholder Director Christopher D. Rafano. "Middlesex County is always well represented in the state contest, and I expect this year will follow in that tradition."

All works entered into the county contest will be on display at The Studio Art Gallery in the Middlesex County College Performing Arts Center through August 11. Hours are 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Mondays through Thursdays. The show is free and open to the public.

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BOROUGH NOTES

The following took place at the Borough Council meeting held on August 25.

- · After a public hearing, the 2011 municipal budget was passed.
- · A \$380,000 bond ordinance was passed for various road and storm sewer improvements.
- · A contract was awarded to Stilo Excavating, 2907 South Clinton Ave. Stilo was the lowest responsible bidder for the resurfacing of Rahway and Kenyon avenues at a cost not to exceed \$341,328.25.
- · The council authorized the borough's participation in the Volunteer Tuition Credit Program (P.L998, c. 145) for firefighters and rescue volunteers in the municipality.
- Frank Mikorski's resignation as an alternate member of the Planning Board was accepted.
- · The South Plainfield Municipal Alliance was authorized to file a grant application for 2012 funding.
- The mayor and municipal clerk were authorized to execute a contract with Edison Heating & Cooling for boiler repairs at a cost not to exceed
- · John Pabst was appointed to the position of part time zoning officer, effective July 26.
- · Mary Beth Khidre was appointed to the full time position of board secretary to the Planning Board and Zoning Board of Adjustment, effective July 26.

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Summer Drama Workshop



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Kelly Kline



Ryan Lind



Jade McDonnough



Will Mott



Christine Nau



Erin O'Connor



Joe Palazzo



Sean Piersanti



Cory Singer



Catherine Emery

Who's Who in High School Musical

Amanda Hoagland (Gabriella Montez) is a beautiful biracial child and is going to be a freshman at Saint Peter's College in the fall. She is super excited to be a part of her first ever South Plainfield summer drama production. Amanda was last seen in South Plainfield High School's production of Footloose as Betty Blast. In her spare time, she spins flag and weapon in colorguard and dances in the dark to Lady Gaga. She would like to thank all of her friends for influencing her to join the theater program because she has grown to love it very much and plans to pursue it in college. Amanda would also like to thank Eric, Lori, Duane and Wayne for working so hard to help us have an amazing show and to all of the cast, "follow your dreams and go,go,go!"

Tyler Holoboski (Chad Danforth) is going to be a senior at South Plainfield High School this year and is thrilled to be a part of SPSDW's 40th show. He has been dancing at Ms. Doreen's Fabulous Feet for 14 years and student teaching for six years. He has performed in Disney World, Six Flags, the Tropicana in Atlantic City, and many more. Tyler is no stranger to theatre. He has been doing shows since the age of six. Tyler's past roles include The Cat in The Hat and

a Wikersham Brother in Seussical, Charlie Brown You're a Good Man Charlie Brown, Samuel in Pirates of Penzance and he was the dance captain in the last two SPSDW productions of Fame

Kelly Kline (Kelsi Nielson) is honored to be spending her last year with SPSDW after years of performing on the South Plainfield High School Stage. She has been a member of SPSDW for seven years, appearing in various shows such as Seussical (Mayzie), Fame (Ms. Bell), and Damn Yankees (Lola). You may have also seen her in South Plainfield High School's productions of Cabaret (Sally Bowles) and Beauty and the Beast (Belle). Kelly has been dancing since the age of four and currently dances with Montclair State University's Rhythm Nation.

Ryan Lind (Ryan Evans) This is Ryan's fourth production with SPSDW. Previous credits include The Sound of Music (Uncle Max), Seussical (Wickersham Brother), Wizard of OZ (Coroner, Tree, Jitterbug). In the fall he plans to attend DeSales University to study musical theater and secondary education. He wants to thank Wayne and Duane for making him sing well, Laurie and Rocco for making him dance well,



Eric for making him speak well and especially his parents, bother and friends for always giving their love and support.

Jade McDonnough (Martha Cox) This is Jade's fifth year with SPSDW. She has last been seen in the Bishop Ahr production of *The Sound of Music* as Sister Sophia. Other productions include Seussical (Gertrude Mc Fuzz), Fame (Dancer), Damn Yankees (Baseball Player) and HTSIBWRT (Secretary).

Will Mott (Troy) has been part of SPSDW for eight years. He began in stage crew for three years, then made his acting debut in HTSIBWRT (policeman) and also appeared in Damn Yankees (Van Buren), Fame (Jack) and Seussical (Wickersham Brother/Yertle the Turtle). He has also appeared in SPHS Productions of The Music Man, Beauty and the Beast (LeFou), Cabaret (Bobby) and Footloose (Wilbur).

Christine Nau (Ms. Darbus) This is Christine's fifth and last year at SPSDW. Her other shows include Carousel, HTSIBWRT, Damn Yankees and Seussical, where she played the Sour Kangaroo. Her SPHS credits include Cabaret and Beauty and the Beast. Christine is very upset that this is her last year at SPSDW, but excited to have been a part

of the program. Participating in SPSDW has not only led her to many friendships but has made her grow so much as an artist.

Erin O'Connor (Sharpay Evans) is thrilled to be acting in her sixth SPSDW production this summer! She has plans to attend the University of Tampa next year and hopes to continue acting and singing during her time there studying environmental science.

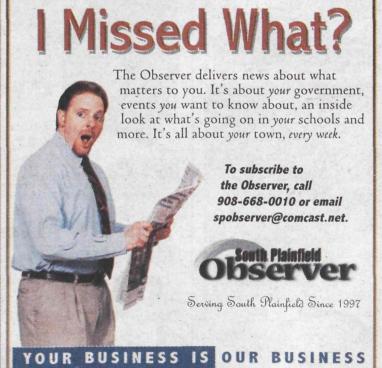
Joe Palazzo (Coach Bolton) is happy to return for his fifth production with SPSDW. Come September, he'll be a senior at SPHS, as well as at Kelsea's Performing Arts Center, where he studies tap, jazz, ballet, hip-hop, lyrical and acting/musical theatre. In addition, Joe studies voice with Doris Younken.

Sean Piersanti (Zeke) This is Sean's third and final production with SPSDW. He's appeared in Fame (ensemble) and in Seussical (Wickersham Brother/Cadet). He is a Bishop Ahr alumni, where he appeared in the school's production of the Wizard of Oz (Winkie/Ozzian) 2010. This fall he will start his second year at The College of New Jersey.

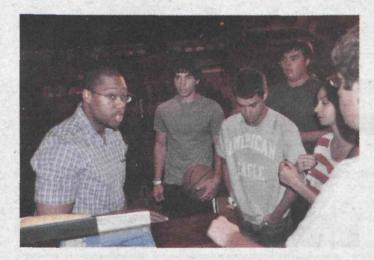
Cory Singer (Jack Scott) - This is Cory's fifth year with SPSDW. Cory has been performing since the fourth grade and was Prince Duantless (Once Upon A Mattress), Goody Goodman (Fame), Mr. Mayor (Seussical), Herr Schultz (Cabaret), Rev. Shaw Moore (Footloose). In addition to performing in local theater (Edison Valley Playhouse) he was a featured performer at the Philadelphia Zoo this summer, singing Broadway tunes and participating as the National Anthem at some of the Rutgers Basketball Games during the 2012 Season. Cory will be performing at the GottaSingNYC Cabaret in New York City this summer.

Catherine Emery (Taylor) is so excited to participate in her first year in South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop. She loves to sing and dance (even though she lacks rhythm). She would like to thank the directors, Eric and Dwayne for guiding her through her first year of acting in a big role. This is Catherine's second show, her first being Footloose in South Plainfield High School.



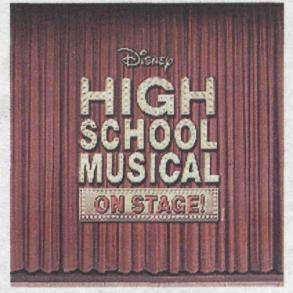


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Cast of High School Musical

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| Coach | . Joe Palazzo |
| Jack Scott | . Cory Singer |
| Zeke | . Sean Piersanti |
| Chad | . Tyler Holoboski |
| Darbus | |
| Ryan | . Ryan Lind |
| Gabriella | . Amanda Hoagland |
| Sharpay | . Erin O'Connor |
| Taylor | |
| Martha | |
| Cyndra | . Joanna Marston |
| Kelsi | |
| James | . Richard Duong |
| Susan | |
| Alan | . Danny Sims |
| Kratnoff | |
| Ripper | . Josh Rochotte |
| Mongo | |
| Kathy | |
| Tenny | |
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Ensemble

Alyssa Aiello, Becky Birath, Samantha Christilles, Shannah Conway, Katherine Dolinski, Madison Faustini, Victoria Gaydos, Casidhe Holoboski, Christina Kasmer, Jordan Katowich, Kaitlyn Kenny, Emily Kuchinski, Michelle Lesniak, Tommy Licato, Kimberly Lozarito, Sarah Mott, Rachael Pedersen, Michael Petritsch, Ally Piersanti, Melanie Rajpal, Emily Reineke, Sara Reineke, Tista Roy, Noelle Rutowski, Samantha Schulkes, Gina Taricani, Danielle Tramutola, Jennifer Wolak



Orchestra

Guitar 1 Guitar 2 Bass Keyboard 1 Keyboard 2 **DRUMS** Trumpet Saxophone Saxophone Saxophone Saxophone Trombone

Joshua Jackson Joe Stasio **Marc Stasio** John Brzozowski Alan Kasmer, Jon Dugan **Gabby Nilla Aaron Ritchie Emily Roseo Allison Wagner** Stephen Wagner Erik Rojas-Argueta

Stage Crew

Eric Makowski, Susan Pipolo, Andrew Ritchie and Drew Spahn

The Staff of High School Musical

Duane Cosby (Stage Manager) has been involved in musical theatre for 14 years. He recently has been seen on stage in Mystic Vision Players Aida. He has been affiliated with South Plainfield's SDW for six years, where he is assistant directing his second show. He has also been vocal and orchestra director in SDW past productions. High School Musical marks his fifth venture with SDW and he is so proud to work with such a talented staff and talented group of students.

Eric Hafen (Director) is the artistic director of the Bickford Theatre at



Museum Morristown. Originally from Pittsburgh, Hafen has been show business over 30 years, having worked

throughout New England, New York and New Jersey. He has led many theatre companies, including Theatre Stage Company, both of MA, and the Park Performing Arts Center in NJ and Six Flags Corporation. As an actor and director, he has worked with many companies including the East Lynne Company, Trinity Repertory, Worcester Foothills Theatre, NY Theatre Alliance, Hanover Theatre, Winter Theatre, Black Hills Playhouse, Lyric Stage Company, Rainbow Dinner Theatre, among others. Mr. Hafen began directing for SPSDW in 2000, when he staged the musical 42nd Street. Eleven musicals later, he is proud to be part of the 40th anniversary production.

Wayne Mallette (Music Director) is the director of Choral Activities at Summit High School in Summit. His choir program at Summit High School has received acclaim for their performances at festivals and venues nationally and internationally, including performing in Montreal, Canada, performing with the Westfield Symphony, and performing in an episode of NBC's --. He holds a Bachelors of Music from Rutgers University, Mason Gross School of the Arts, and a Masters Degree in Music Education from Northwestern University. He began musically directing shows while a student at Rutgers University. Wayne is honored to return to Rutgers University this fall with his choral group from Summit High School to perform for the 10th Anniversary of the University's South Africa Initiative. A gifted baritone, Mr. Mallette has performed in musical theater productions throughout New Jersey. He is also a member of the ACDA, and MENC. He has also been nominated for "Who's Who Among American Teachers" and "Who's Who in America."

Bill Mott (Producer) is entering his 13th year of involvement with SPSDW. He began as a parent of a student (Katie). He volunteered to assist in the building of the sets for The Music Man. Thereafter, he joined the SPSDW board, where he started as fundraising chairman, and later took on the role of vice president and is presently president of the organization. He has been a producer for 42nd Street, Bye Bye Birdie, Footloose, Crazy for You, Pirates of Penzance, The Pajama Game, Carousel, How to Succeed

in Business Without Really Trying, Damn Yankees, Fame, Seussical and this year's production, Disney's High School Musical. Each of his other children (Susan, William, and Sarah) have become involved over the past few years. Prior to becoming involved in SPSDW, Bill performed as a one-man band for various private occasions. He enjoys working with the cast, crew and staff and can be found every night at rehearsals. He would like to thank the staff for all the hard work they do, the volunteer board members who, without their help during the year, this program could not run.

Mark Piltz (Intern) is a junior at Rutgers University and is honored to be working with the South Plainfield Summer Drama Workshop once more. While Mark is most recognizable for his portrayal of the Cat in the Hat in Seussical in 2010, he also holds the distinction of being TIME Magazine's 2006 Person of the Year. Previous credits include: Once on this Island (Storyteller), Bat Boy: the Musical (Bat Boy), Seussical (The Cat in the Hat), Godspell (ensemble), and Box of Monsters (Koegan). This past fall, Mark participated at the Cabaret Theater in New Brunswick.

Laurie Piro (Choreographer) studied with Ronni Demarco, Bob Fosse and Luigi in New York City. Her dancing can be seen in many music videos, from Stray Cats to Michael Jackson. She appeared in the Bob Fosse story, All That Jazz. While at Boston College, she co-founded the awardwinning Dance Ensemble. She was also a choreographer for the Macy's Day Parade and choreographs for the Bickford Theatre. Other regional choreographic credits: Dance Connections, In Motion, North Jersey Dance, and NJ Ballet for five years.

Tim Ratti (Intern) is soon to be a junior at Fairleigh Dickinson University, majoring in film, and is most recognizable as TIME Magazine's 2006 Person of the Year, along with Musical Intern, Mark Piltz. Tim has been seen on the SPSDW stage as David Hassel in Seussical, Schlomo in FAME: The Musical, and many more. Other theater credits include Monsieur Darque in Beauty and the Beast, Tommy Djilas in The Music Man and the General-Lord Glossop and Spider in Jekyll & Hyde: The Musical. Tim would like to thank a number of people, including Matt Tietjen for being the best boss of all bosses, Mark Piltz, Sr. for being funny from the minute he arrives at the high school.

Nora Stasio (Intern) was a student at SPSDW for eight years and is returning as an intern this year. She attends Rutgers University and is majoring in psychology. She loves singing, film, directing, writing, and costume design. It has been a fabulous year so far, and she wants to let all the students know how proud she is of them and how much they amaze her every year. Good luck, cast and crew!

Rocco Severini (Intern) has appeared in over 50 productions, including eight years in summer drama. He was last seen as Horton in Seussical. He is very happy to get the chance to intern with SPSDW and come up with some of the choreography. He thanks Laurie for being absolutely fabulous in every way possible.

Matt Tietjen (Technical Director/Set Designer) is thrilled to be working with SPSDW again and to be designing the sets for High School Musical. He hopes that everybody has as much fun with this production as he



WEEKLY RESULTS

The Yan Sisters once again were

the only first place winners for the

breaststroke. Shannon (eight and

under) and Jenna (9/10) were happy

to add two more blue ribbons to their

collection. Finishing in second place

for breaststroke were: Stephanie Chiu

(9/10), Brianna Tang (11/12) and

Ali Huber (15-18). Gennifer Huber

(11/12) and Samantha Soto (13/14)

finished third in the same event.

Winning Free Relay events for the girls

were: Sasha Galarza, Amanda Pina,

Allyson Betyemann and Shannon Yan

(eight and under). Also taking a first

place for the 9-12 girls were Jenna Yan,

Stephanie Chiu, Aubrey Marish and

The boys won two Medley Relays.

Swimming for the eight and under

relay were Ryan Park, Justin Tam,

Max Strassburger and Tyler Wu; the

oldest boys team to place first with Eu-

gene Kim, Anthony Gurrieri, Daniel

The team was excited with this win

and thank their coaches for all that

they do. Coaching the Tiger Sharks is

head coach Laurie Post who is celebrat-

ing her twentieth year as the South

Plainfield Tiger Sharks' coach. Her as-

sistant coaches are former Tiger Shark

swimmers Mary Otlowski, Shannon

Dabrio and Greg Bellizi. Volunteer

Galarza and Bryce Uzzolino.

same event.

Brianna Tang.

Tiger Sharks Make a Splash in East Brunswick

By Cheryl Nagel-Smiley

The South Plainfield Tiger Sharks defeated the East Brunswick swim team on July 13 with a score

of 157-119. South Plainfield and East Brunswick have been swim rivals for many years. This win gave the South Plainfield Tiger Sharks a great boost.

Brendan Tang started the meet with a first place win in the 10 and under Individual Medley. Andrew Galarza took third place for the 11/12 age group, but then the older boys swept their event by taking a first, second and third. They were Anthony Gurrieri, Bryce Uzzolino and Wayne Chan.

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Freestyle events gave five first place ribbons. For the eight and under group, Darlene Fung placed first and Jenna Yan placed second for the girls, while Corey He took a first and Tyler Wu took a second for the boys. Ali Huber

JUNIOR BASEBALL CLUB

As mid-July passes and tempera-

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placed first for the 13-18 age group, and Brianna Tang placed second for the 11/12 year olds. In the 9/10 boys, Matthew Chan and Brendan Tang placed second and third respec-

tively. Andrew Galarza and Nicolas Gurrieri placed second and third for ne 11/12 age group. Daniel Galarza took the blue ribbon and Eugene Kim took the red ribbon for

the 13/14 boys. Finishing the event was Anthony Gurrieri taking first and Dennis Popov taking third for the oldest boys.

Backstroke gave three first place wins by Shannon Yan (eight and under), Darlene Fung (9/10) and Maggie Valentino (15-18). Stephanie Chiu took second and Kristy Tam took third in the 9/10 age group causing them to sweep their heat. Aubrey Marish (11/12) also placed third finishing the event.

Butterfly gave Corey He (eight

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Notes from the **Jim** and under), Matthew Chan (9/10), **Pornovets** Eugene Kim (13/14) and Bryce Uzzolino (15-18) first place wins. Tyler Wu (8 and under) placed third, Nicolas **Memorial Golf League** Gurrieri (11/12) also placed third. Daniel Galarza (13/14) and Dennis Popov (15-18) placed second for the



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By Bob Nilan

The leprechauns were frolicking and dancing with delight watching their little darling, Irish Danny Griffin, put together his best round of the season, a sparkling 2-under 31 that fired his first-place Alfie's Boys to a 13-7 victory over Sport & Social. The wee people only had to intervene a few times to keep Griffin's ball out of the nasty bunkers and thick grass. So as not to raise any suspicions about their presence, they only allowed Griffin to make par on the fourth and eighth holes, the two easiest holes on the course. Mike King had a gem of his own, a lovely even-par 33, Bill Mann continued his excellent string of rounds with a 1-over 34 and John Gaven, who is now playing with such confidence that he lit up his Red Auerbach victory cigar on the fifth hole, came through with a 39.

Griffin's good fortune continued after his round was over as the leprechauns led him over to a pot of gold-Griffin's ticket was drawn from the 50/50 raffle for the third time this season. His good luck is too good, proclaimed Dale Dube who demanded that a full-scale investigation be conducted.

Pat Romano was the medalist for Sport & Social with his round of 41.

Joe Diller of Twin City Pharmacy showed why he is a serious contender for Player-of-the-Year honors this season by carding three birdies on his way to an impressive 1-under 32; Jay Coppola looked really sharp in posting a 35 and Frank Gaspari had a nice round of 37, but all their fine efforts were not enough as Twin City dropped a tough match to the Italian-American Club, 11-9.

Jeff Gross recorded a 40 and earned the medal for the victors.

Steve Schock and Mark "Mr. Steady" Chichvar fired a pair of 38s that were good enough to earn backto-back victories for McCriskin's Home For Funerals to move them up to a tie for second place in the National Division. Mark's mother-in-law Eleanor announced that weekly pep rally sessions will continue for the rest of the season.

Dirty Harry and friends unleashed a secret weapon in Kevin McCormack who had a terrific 1-over 34 and Charlie Oats continued his fine play with a 37 in a losing effort.

KC's Korner finally had all four golfers show some of their old form as they pulled off an upset win over the National Division leaders, Unique

Sports Accessories, 14-6. Billy "Cappy" Capparelli is crushing that yellow ball of his and had a 36 to lead the way for KC's Korner. This week he was ably assisted by his entire team as Dan Conti got his driver back under control and recorded a 38, while Tony Cotone, Jr. and Rich Steele contributed a pair of 39s to help KC's Korner gain a tie for second place in

the American Division.

Mike Citrano had a lovely 2-over 35 for Unique Sports Accessories and Captain Chris Dillon had some scorching drives on his way to a 38, and Jay "The Sexy One" Bertleson showed off some of his power with a 39. Despite the loss, Unique Sports Accessories remained in first place with a two-game lead with just two (Continued on page 10)

get acclimated to a larger field. It's also coach is also a former Tiger Shark, and mail to the address on the form. Jen Otlowski. a good time to work on sharpening

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Obituaries

Michael Louis Santoro, 91

Michael Louis Santoro, affectionately known by his family and friends as "Mike," a Marine Corps veteran and lifelong resident of South Plain-



Michael Louis Santoro Roosevelt

field, died on Monday, July 25 following a brief illness. Mike was

born in South Plainfield, the son of Italian immigrants. He attended School in

South Plainfield and North Plainfield High School, graduating in 1938.

Prior to America's involvement in World War II, he volunteered for the Marine Corps and became a member of the newly formed First Marine Division. He advanced to become a platoon sergeant and was an expert in the use of pack howitzers, highly mobile artillery pieces suited for jungle warfare. After serving in the early war defense of Australia, he fought in the Battle of Guadalcanal, a key victory in the "island-hopping" strategy of the Pacific War. He was also involved in the fight for Papua, New Guinea. Just prior to his honorable discharge in 1945, he married his high school classmate, Rose Estelle Fittipaldi, to whom he would remain married for more than 66 years.

In 1947, he joined the then twoperson South Plainfield Post Office and worked as a letter carrier until his retirement in 1982. He also served as a local union representative for the National Association of Letter Carriers.

After he retired, he volunteered at the Veterans Administration Hospital in Lyons for more than 25 years. He was well-known for helping veterans obtain all the benefits due them and visiting disabled veterans who had no family or friends in the area. In 2007 former VA head Anthony J. Principi hailed Mike as a "true patriot and unsung hero of veterans everywhere."

He was a lifelong communicant of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church in South Plainfield, as well as a proud member of the Marine Corps League, the First Marine Division Association, the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the American Legion.

He is predeceased by two older sisters, Christina Gearino and Celeste Danyus; and a beloved granddaughter, Paula Rosina Santoro.

He is survived by his wife, Rose; three sons and their families, Michael Louis Santoro, Jr. and Martha Santoro of Richmond, Va., John Santoro and Pamela Bennett-Santoro of Morristown, and Daniel Santoro of Johnstown, Pa. He is also survived by three grandchildren, Mary Catherine Santoro of Martinsville, Va., Michael John Santoro of Morristown and Anne Loomis and husband Gregory of Arlington, Va., the parents of Mike's great-grandchild, Jason, born in 2010. Mike loved and greatly appreciated the many devoted members of his extended family and had friends from all generations.

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

In lieu of flowers, the family is requesting donations in Mike's name to The Paula Rosina Santoro Foundation, P.O. Box 9265, Morristown, N.J.

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07963-9265 or to a charity of your choice which reflect Mike's interests

Anna (Ratkovich) Rowe, 93

Anna (Ratkovich) Rowe passed away peacefully on Wednesday, July 27 at the Peggy's House at Hope Village located within the Center for Hope Hospice in Scotch Plains.

Born in Wilkes Barre, Pa., Anna was a resident of South Plainfield for most of her life.

Anna worked for the South Plainfield Board of Education as a crossing guard in front of Sacred Heart Church and was also a member of Sacred Heart RC Church where she spent over 50 years as the cook and assisted with the cleaning for the parish priests. In her earlier years, Anna worked in the housekeeping department for the former Muhlenberg Hospital and worked at the former Cornell Dubilier in South Plainfield.

She is predeceased by a daughter, Anna Marie Connaughton, who died in 1989; her husband, Walter, who died in 1967; and all her siblings, Olga, Sonia, Mary, Helen, Dot and John.

Surviving are her granddaughters and their families, Laura and Tom Timmerman, Amy and Denton Cinquegrana; a grandson, Mark Mondoro; six great-grandchildren, Steven, John, Jaclyn, Matthew, Jayson and Anamarie; and a son-in-law, James F. Connaughton.

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

Catherine (Bottone) Conselina, 91

Catherine (Bottone) Conselina died on Wednesday, July 27 in the Haven Hospice at JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Born in Italy, Mrs. Conselina grew up in Plainfield and settled in South Plainfield over 40 years ago.

Catherine served her family as a homemaker and was a member of the Sacred Heart RC Church in South

She is predeceased by her first husband, Andrew Santa Barbara; her second husband, Patrick Conselina; a daughter, Marie Corbo; three sons, Walter and Andrew Santa Barbara and Vincent Conselina; two sisters, Angelina Bottone Vurtullo Lisko and Antoinette Bottone Pasko; and by three brothers, John Bottone Sr.,

Matthew and Angelo Bottone. She is survived by three children, Reverend Robert Santa Barbara of New Brunswick, Anthony Conselina and Betty Ann Dziuba, both of Pennsylvania; a sister, Caroline Bottone Russo of Plainfield; eight grandchildren, Louise, Lisa, Gail, Edward, Walter, Diane, Andrew and Michelle; and by eight great-grandchildren. Also surviving are numerous extended members of the Conselina Family as well as several nieces and nephews.

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

Haydee Munoz-Bermudez, 53

Haydee Munoz-Bermudez of South Plainfield passed away on Sunday, July 31 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick.

Born on January 11, 1958 in Aguada, Puerto Rico, she lived in Linden for 28 years before moving to South Plainfield in 1997. Mrs. Munoz-Bermudez earned a bachelors degree from Rutgers University in New Brunswick. She was a dental assistant for the UMDNJ in New Brunswick. She was also the treasurer for the American Dental Association.

She was predeceased by a sister, Norma Munoz.

Surviving are her husband, Samuel Bermudez; two sons, Samuel and Joseph Bermudez of South Plainfield; her parents, Antonio Munoz, Sr. and Leonor Munoz of Linden; a brother, Antonio Munoz, Jr. of South Plainfield and her sister, Marilyn Brooks of Linden. She is also survived by two nieces and five nephews.

Funeral services were held at the South Plainfield Funeral Home

In lieu of flowers, donation checks may be made payable to Marilyn Brooks, (who is creating the Samuel and Joseph Bermudez Education Fund), 830 Ercama St., Linden, N.J.

Bethany (Pizzolato) McCue, 41

Bethany (Pizzolato) McCue passed away on Thursday, July 28 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital

in New Brunswick after a two year battle with pancreatic cancer.

Born in Plainfield, Bethany was a resident of the borough for most of her



Bethany McCue

She worked for many dental offices throughout Plainfield, North Plainfield and Warren. Most recently, Bethany was the office manager for Associated Periodontist in Warren.

She was a member of the Church of the Holy Cross in North Plainfield. Bethany loved spending time with her family, she enjoyed shopping and has participated in many walks to benefit cancer awareness.

Bethany leaves behind her husband, Michael McCue; two stepchildren, Matthew and Ryan McCue; her mother and stepfather, Judy and John Murphy of Hendersonville, N.C.; her father, Phillip Pizzolato of South



Plainfield; and siblings, Phillip and Ellie Pizzolato of Fanwood, Cristine and Michael Evans of Las Vegas, Nev. and Stephanie and Patrick Mann of Middlesex.

She also leaves behind many extended family and friends as well has her dog, Teddy.

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

In lieu of flowers, the McCue family has requested donations be sent in Bethany's name to the Pancreatic Cancer Action Network, 1500 Rosecrans Avenue, Ste. 200, Manhattan Beach, Calif. 90266, www.pancan.org.

George J. Seitzmeyer, 82

George J. Seitzmeyer died on Tuesday, July 26 in the Haven Hospice at JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Born in Newark, George grew up in Maplewood and lived in Newark, Irvington and South Plainfield before moving to Middlesex several years

Mr. Seitzmeyer began his career as a wireman with Western Electric and continued his career in the same capacity for nearly 50 years with Bell Labs in Murray Hill.

He is predeceased by his wife, Dorothy; and by a brother, Robert Charles, who died on June 13, 1945 in Italy during WWII.

Surviving are two sons, Robert and wife Teresa of Piscataway and George and wife Karen of Edison; five grandchildren, Rebecca Seitzmeyer, Tracy Sesta, Ryan Edmondson and April and Nicole Zapata; three greatgrandchildren, Grace and Brian Sesta and Devon Zapata. Also surviving are his fiancé, Dottie Giammarco and her daughter, Mary, both of Middlesex.

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

In lieu of flowers donations can be made to the Plainfield Area Humane Society, 75 Rock Ave., Plainfield, N.J. 07063.

Janet (Mannion) Kolvites, 77

Janet (Mannion) Kolvites died on Friday, July 29 at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New

Born in Scranton, Pa., Mrs. Kolvites grew up in Plainfield and had resided in South Plainfield since 1957.

Janet worked for Bell Labs in Murray Hill as an office clerk and later worked as a teacher's aide in the special education department for the South Plainfield school system. She also volunteered for several years at the former Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

She was a longtime communicant of Sacred Heart RC Church in South Plainfield and was a member of the Rosary Altar Society.

Mrs. Kolvites was very active with her children's childhood activities. She attended the South Plainfield Senior Citizens Center where she enjoyed bingo; but most importantly, she loved her grandchildren.

In addition, Mrs. Kolvites was a member of the Friends of Bill pro-

She is predeceased by a son, Paul, in 1970; her mother, Loretta Mannion, in 1989; and by a brother, Jack Mannion, in 1983.

Surviving are her loving husband of 55 years, Albert; a daughter, Lori MacManus and husband Colin of Warren; two sons, Robert and wife Janine of South Plainfield and William and wife Colleen of Barnaget; a sister, Helen Johnston and husband Bradford of Pennsylvania; seven grandchildren, Anthony, Kimberly, Adam, Bobby K., Dylan Kolvites and Carly and Ashley MacManus.

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





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Notes from the Jim **Pornovets Memorial Golf League**

(Continued from page 8) weeks to go in the regular season.

Jim Parker was in a zone and was all-even after seven holes when he stepped to the tee on the eighth hole and decided to keep his driver that has the Bickunas virus in his bag. The result: hiccup number one. Parker made the same decision on the final hole. The result: hiccup number two. Except for these two glitches, Parker had a marvelous round, his best of the season, a lovely 2-over 35, as Witty's Liquors routed the South Plainfield Funeral Home, 17-3. Eric Beegle finished strong with a 36 that could easily have been a few strokes better and Kevin "Boom Boom" Bickunas showed some flashes of his bachelor days with a 38.

So the question arises: If these guys on Witty's Liquors are so good, why was their team in last place when the evening began?

For the South Plainfield Funeral Home, this was a tough loss that dropped them from second place down to fourth. Wayne Lavender was the low-man for his squad with a score of 40. Bob Nilan secretly contacted Mark Chichvar's motherin-law, Eleanor to sign up his squad



for her award-winning seminar in an effort to get out of the slump the South Plainfield Funeral Home has experienced these past two weeks. She said, "You should have contacted me sooner, Bob, but don't tell Mark."

Jeff "Mr. 30" Orth stroked some beauties off the tee on his way to a 36, and Dale "The Needler" Dube didn't do any grumbling about slow foursomes or noisy butterflies and stayed focused and had one of his better rounds in weeks, a solid 37, as 2 Buds, 2 Dubes won a close win over Oak Tree Dental, 12-8.

Marty Lillis played extremely well and posted a wonderful 1-over 34, and Frank Oakes pounded them long and straight on his way to a 37.

With this win, 2 Buds, 2 Dubes gained a tie for the second spot in the National Division with McCriskin's Home For Funerals.

Low scores for the night: Danny Griffin, 31, Joe Diller, 32; Mike King, 33; Marty Lillis, 34; Kevin McCormack, 34; Bill Mann, 34; Jay Coppola, 35; Mike Citrano, 35; Jim Parker, 35.

Borough Adopts 2011 Budget

(Continued from page 1) refusal to do its share we'd be seeing a tax cut again this year."

Fellow Councilman Rob Bengivenga attributed the outcome of this year's budget to "good fiscal planning" such as reducing the borough's debt by \$300,000 since last year and staff reductions through attrition. He also said that they are "reaping the savings of the renegotiated contract with the DPW employees and some savings from the newly negotiated PBA contract." "Smaller more efficient government has taken hold of South Plainfield," said Bengivenga.

"I am not able to support the budget. I wish I could," said Buteas. She feels it was "poor planning by the Republican Majority that has led to our tax increase." "They are blaming another government entity (Library Board) for the ills it has had to face for the tax increase by putting all of their eggs in one basket," Buteas said. in the law and taxpayers will now have to pay an increase."

"Every department has cut back," retorted Mayor Matt Anesh, "except every department in the borough has reduction in state aid.

made a contribution to keep taxes stable. We're not blaming the Library averted it (increase).

"The Council Majority last year stated that taxes would remain under control and this year, because of poor planning taxes are increasing," said Buteas. "I am very disappointed in the lack of leadership during this very troubling economic time and remain committed to working with my colleagues to identify long-term solutions to balance our budget, not one-time gimmicks," said Buteas. "The Republicans will claim spending is down. Yes it is and it should be. When our economy is suffering we simply can't afford to spend money we don't have. Yet, despite this, our taxes are still increasing."

Buteas also commented about the down trend of the rateables suggesting that "it is our job to attract businesses" and intends to host an economic summit to identify ways to reach out to "You did not follow proper procedure the business community and educate them on why the borough is the perfect place to locate a business. "We all know when businesses come to town so do jobs," said Buteas. She even the Library Board" which is funded urged council members to petition using a state formula. "It's a fact that the governor and legislature about the

Cullen anticipates the 2012 budget to be "consistent with this year" and Board. We're saying they could have he only expects a "nominal drop" in the ratable base.

> "We're working hard to control costs," said Anesh. "Like we saw when comparing our tax record to other towns last year, South Plainfield is leading the county in controlling taxes and spending. And we're working hard to keep it that way. We will be going into 2012 on strong footing."

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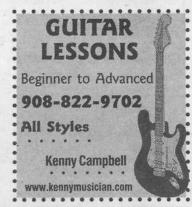
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LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by G & M Leonardis

requesting a variance from the requirements of the

Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plain-

field to permit (1) secondary front yard setback on

New York Avenue 30' required, 11' 9-5/8" proposed;

(2) detached garage exceeds 576 square feet,

1,156 square feet proposed; (3) rear yard setback

requires 15', 8'5-3/16" proposed; (4) height maximum is 15', 20' 21/4" proposed; and other variances

that may be required, said property being located

at 1302 Hamilton Boulevard, Block 427, Lot 12 on

For the purposes of hearing objections to or pro-

tests against the granting of said appeal, the South

Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold

a public hearing on Thursday, August 25, 2011

in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 2480

Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey

The files and documents pertaining to this appeal

are available for public inspection in the Planning/

Zoning Office in Borough Hall between the hours

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD,

MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY

LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Mr. & Mrs. M. Sacci

requesting a variance from the requirements of the

Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plain-

field to permit existing 16' x 25' (400 square foot)

aboveground pool encroaching into the secondary

front yard setback on Lexington Avenue by 9'9"; and

other variances that may be required, said property

being located at 2044 Sims Place, Block 415, Lot

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tests against the granting of said appeal, the South

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LEGAL NOTICES

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY LEGAL NOTICE

> **ORDINANCE NO.1938** NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, was introduced and passed upon first reading at a meeting of the governing body of the Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, on August 2, 2011. It will be further considered for final ssage, after public hearing thereon, at a meeting of the governing body to be held at the Municipal Building, in the Borough on August 15, 2011 at 7:00 o'clock p.m. During the week prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: "Bond Ordinance Providing for Road Improvements for New Market Avenue Phase II in and by the Borough of South Plainfield, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$350,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$50,000 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof."

Purpose: The resurfacing, repaving and road improvements for New Market Avenue Phase II including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

Appropriation: \$350,000

Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$50,000

Grant Appropriated: A grant in the amount of \$300,000 from the State of New Jersey Department of Transportation

Section 20 Costs: \$30,000

Useful Life: 10 years

Joann Graf, Clerk

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August 5, 2011

Emergency Relief Funds to Help Beat the Heat

Approximately 135,000 seniors and disabled households throughout New Jersey will receive help with home cooling expenses this summer in addition to winter home heating assistance through the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). Those New Jerseyans who need it most will soon receive an emergency \$100 supplemental benefit to help cope with the recent heat wave. An additional 47,000 households that received medically-required cooling assistance will also receive a \$100 supplemental benefit to address the hot summer temperatures and higher

electric utility bills. The benefits will begin distribution in mid-August.

Eligible households do not need to reapply for the program to receive supplemental benefits. These funds will be issued as credits to utility accounts or issued by check, if a credit cannot be processed. The benefits are available because additional LIHEAP funding was provided by the Federal Government after the initiation of the LIHEAP season.

Recently the Department of Community Affairs issued \$35,728,500 in Supplemental Benefits to 143,000 households in the current LIHEAP assistance program year.

To be eligible for LIHEAP benefits, a household must be responsible for home heating or cooling costs, either directly or included in the rent, and have a gross income at or below 200% of the federal poverty level.

The LIHEAP supplemental assistance is part of Governor Christie's broader commitment to protect seniors and the disabled, including direct property tax relief, pharmaceutical assistance programs, home and community based services and expand home care support services

BOE Recalls 49 Teachers and Aides

(Continued from page 1)

School and Duty aide-Renee Eggert.

Grant School: Music-Diane Lee; Music teacher-Donna Markiewicz transferred from middle school; Mary Rodger transferred from staff developer; Special education-Stephanie Kaneda transferred from Franklin School; Duty aides-Denise Hartje, Nancy Rubright, Theresa Tolischus; Instructional support aides-Virginia Anilo, Cindy DeSimone, Elise Cosma and Kathleen Wargacki.

Franklin School: Spanish-Francisco Guerrero; Duty aides-Stacey Eager, Gerilyn McKnight, Claire Mosier and Janita Pegram.

Kennedy School: Teachers-Shannon Collucci and Lauren Haus; Special education-Sandra Grasso transferred from Roosevelt School; Duty aides-Kathy Crilley, Yvonne Davisson, Sue Ann Gaster and Deborah Malecki; Instructional support aide-Theresa Cianfrocca, Tracy Hartman and Nancy McKee.

Riley School: Teacher-Nicole

Wrublevski; Janine Turrise transferred to Art teacher, replacing Barbara Harris who retired; Maria Barolo transferred from Grant School to media Specialist, replacing JoAnn Otlowski who retired; Valerie Hunterton, special education teacher transferred from Riley School; Duty aides-Eileen DeBiase, Janet Kratz, Laurie Kurilew, Margaret Panzarella; transferred

Instructional support aides- Marissa

Plancher and Elizabeth Smith.

Roosevelt School: Teachers-Shannon Boyles, Daniellel Chiera, Kristen Kunie, Patricia Santillo and Desiree Sparone; Duty aides-Isabel Clark, Maryann Mazellan, Diane Polizzano and Michelle Romano.

Special education teacher Steven Johnston was also recalled. It will be announced at the next BOE meeting where he will teach.

Summer Drama Workshop Celebrating 40th Season

(Continued from page 1) program was needed to help keep children busy during the summer

months. It was originally sponsored by the Grant School PTA and later became part of the district's Adult School. As SDW enters its 40th season it continues to grow. Many of the former students have gone on to careers in various forms of the arts.

Saturday night is SDW Alumni Night, alumni will receive a flower and ask to stand and be recognized.

Alumni should if at all possible call in advance so the board knows how many to expect, or you can give your name when you purchase your

The show will be held in the air conditioned auditorium at South Plainfield High School. Refreshments will be available for purchase during intermission. Tickets are adults \$12, seniors/students \$10. For more information call (908) 561-5255.



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