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Junior Jam creator Jeff Eisenberg "high fives" a participant in the South Plainfield Library sponsored program which marked the end of the summer reading program. See story and additional photos on page 6.

Frank Esposito Named Special Serv. Supervisor

Libby Barsky

Frank Esposito was appointed the new Supervisor of Special Education beginning July 1 at the June 13 Board of Education meeting. As supervisor, Esposito will be expanding the involvement of parents of special education students.

"I will be initiating and helping to create a special education advisory committee for the parents of students who are eligible for special education services—something the state mandates and we don't now have," Esposito said.

According to Esposito, the advisory committee is designed to be run by parents who will establish their own board and develop a needs survey with the resources of the district.

"I will shortly put out a notification to all parents inviting them to meet to form an advisory committee and inform them of what the laws are and what rights they have. We will also be educating staff and parents about different types of disabilities and the programs we have, what we are actually doing, and what the needs are for the district."

When Esposito began his position in July, supervising the entire Future Stars Program was added to the responsibilities of the special services director. Future Stars, a pre-school program for three and four year olds and financed by parental fees, was initiated 25 years ago by then Adult School Director Jim Lenox. Esposito is in the process of developing the curriculum for Future Stars and the IDEA-mandated Sunshine program for disabled three and four year olds. Esposito is considering realigning and streamlining both programs which



Frank Esposito

had some students combined into an inclusion program since 2001.

For the past three and a half years Esposito had been Supervisor of Elementary Education in Special Ed in Bloomfield. There he developed seven autistic programs for severely impacted autistic students.

"Of the 48 students, all were doing some level of inclusion. Depending on their readiness, inclusion occurred during snack time, in gym and in academic classes. The advantage of having students kept in the district is having control of their program, delivery of instruction and the ability to have access to non-disabled peers. No private school has access to someone who is not disabled. The deficits of autism primarily are in social skills and language development. These behaviors are byproducts of the difficulties of expressing themselves and not being able to read the verbal cues of persons they are

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2012 Honorary Labor Day Parade Grand Marshal Marge Reedy

Reedy Named Parade Grand Marshal

The members of the Public Celebrations Committee have announced Marge Reedy as their choice for this year's Labor Day Parade Honorary Grand Marshal.

Reedy was chosen not just for her many years of volunteerism, but because her ties to the community run deep, which goes along with this year's parade theme, "Throughout the Years, 1960-Present." Reedy's great-great-great grandfather, Bethume Duncan Dunham, was the very first postmaster general of South Plainfield. Her step-grandfather, William Norman, was the owner

of KC's Korner, (formally known as Norman's Bar and Grill).

Reedy has been volunteering her time in South Plainfield with various organizations for many years. She served on the Board of Education as both a member and president. She has been the president of the South Plainfield Education Foundation (SPEF) since 2002, volunteering at all of its fundraising events, including the golf outing, annual telethon and the 5K race held before the Labor Day parade. Every year she prepares the paperwork for the more than 50

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Labor Day 5K Race and 1.5M Walk to Benefit Substance Abuse Awareness

South Plainfield Alliance for Substance Awareness (SPASA), The Club at Ricochet and the South Plainfield Education Foundation (SPEF) will hold the 22nd annual Labor Day 5K Race on Monday, Sept. 3. This year you can also participate in the race to raise funds for a scholarship in Brayden-Carr's memory for students with a seizure disorder (website: www.BraydenCarrFoundation.org).

In addition to the race, there will

once again be a 1.5 mile family fitness walk this year. More than 40 walkers participated in the event last year and organizers hope to increase that number in support of family togetherness and a positive drug free, fun-filled fitness lifestyle. Entry fee for walkers is \$5 per person and/or family. T-shirts and substance awareness information packets will be given to the first 40 participants who pre-register for the walk.

Entry registration for the 5K run is \$20. The first 100 5K entrants who pre-registered will receive a T-shirt and a packet of various items and substance awareness information.

Computer timing will be handled by Best Race Systems; race results will be posted at www.bestrace.com.

The race will begin and end on Lake Street next to the South Plainfield Middle School. Both the 5K run and the 1.5 mile walk will begin at

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

All proceeds from the race support the efforts of the SPASA and the SPEF in making the South Plainfield community drug free and to inspire students to achieve academically with positive incentives and education grants and scholarships.

Mail-in registration will no longer be accepted. Entry forms can be downloaded from www.southplainfieldnj.com. Bring completed forms with your check made out to South Plainfield Education Foundation with you on the day of the race.



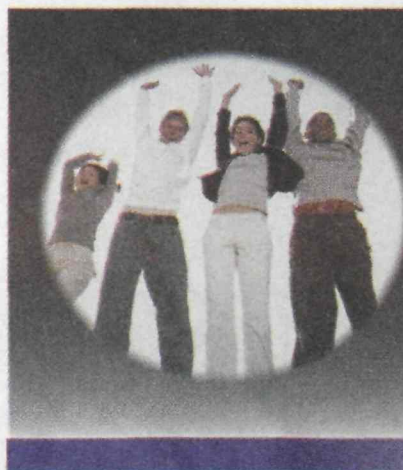
SPPD Invites Donations for New K-9 Unit

The South Plainfield Police Department (SPPD) will be purchasing two K-9 dogs from Birkenhof Kennels in Connecticut the week of September 3 for its new K-9 unit. Two police officers will begin training with the dogs on September 17 at the Union County Police training facility.

The borough and the police department are accepting donations and any open grants to help offset the K-9 unit's startup costs. Corporate or private donations would be graciously appreciated.

A table with information about the K-9 unit will be set-up at the Middle School during the post Labor Day parade festivities, located near the beverage tent. Officers will be present to answer any questions the public may have about the unit. There will also be video demonstrations to explain the functions of the new unit.

Any additional questions can be directed to Det. Sgt. David DeLair at (908) 226-7682 or email ddelair@southplainfieldnj.com.



Next week's Observer offers exclusive information on the Labor Day Parade, festivities, 5K race and 1.5 mile walk, fireworks and more, all wrapped up in an issue that's delivered to every home and business in the borough.

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Agenda Meeting	Public Meeting
Tuesday, September 4	Tuesday, September 4
Monday, September 17	Monday, September 17

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planningboard**Meets second and fourth Tuesday of the month, *except where noted. Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7641**
Aug. 28, Sept. 11, Sept. 25, Oct. 9, Oct. 23, Nov. 13, Nov. 27, Dec. 11**zoningboardofadjustment****Meets first and third Tuesdays of the month, *except where noted. Borough Hall Council Chambers, 7 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7641**
Sept. 18, Oct. 2, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 4, Dec. 18**boardofeducation****Meets Wednesdays at Roosevelt Administration Gymnasium on Jackson Ave. Special Business Meeting—Wednesday, Aug. 29, 6 p.m. Committee of the Whole meetings (begin at 6:00 p.m.)**
Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 7, Dec. 12
Regular Public Meeting (begin at 6:30 p.m.) except where noted*
Sept. 19, Oct. 17**BOEcurriculum/technology/student activities****Meets once a month at 4:30 p.m. in 2nd floor conference room, Roosevelt Administration Building on Jackson Ave.****BOEbuildings & grounds****Meets second Monday of the month at 7 p.m., 2nd floor conference room, Roosevelt Administration Building****culturalarts commission****Meets the third Tuesday of the month at the PAL at 7:30 p.m.**
Aug.-No Meeting, Sept. 18, Oct. 16, Nov. 20, Dec. 18**libraryboard of trustees****Meets once a month on the second Tuesday, at the library at 7 p.m.**
Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11**recreationcommission****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**
Sept. 11, Oct. 9, Nov. 13, Dec. 11**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 (third Wednesday), 7 p.m.**
Sept. 19, Oct. 17, Nov. 21, Dec. 19**environmentalcommission****Meets once a month (second Wednesday) Borough Hall Conference Room, 8 p.m. Questions? 908-226-7621**
Sept. 12, Oct. 10, Nov. 14, Dec. 12, Jan. 9**businessadvisorygroup****Meets once a month (first Wednesday) Borough Hall Council Chambers, 6:30 p.m.****South Plainfield OBSERVER**

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In My Opinion

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

Dear Editor,

On July 28, a homecoming party and luau was held for Major Rob Fessock at KC's Korner in South Plainfield. I want to thank Walter Kurilew and the entire staff at KC's Korner for hosting the party; my band, Amp'd, for providing the music; and everyone from the community who attended to welcome my brother home from Afghanistan. There was food and fun for the entire family, and we were able to raise \$500 for the South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club.

My brother and I will be riding in a 1981 Corvette in the South Plainfield Labor Day Parade, and we will also be selling t-shirts at 6 p.m. that evening in Spring Lake Park to benefit the SPJBC. My band, Amp'd, will also provide the musical entertainment in the park before the fireworks. Be sure to stop by and say hello!

SINCERELY,
PAUL FESSOCK, AMP'D

To the Editor:

I strongly disagree with the conclusions reached by the "Task Force on the Closure of State Developmental Centers" which directs the closure of the Woodbridge Developmental Center. The Woodbridge Developmental Center, founded in 1965, is an intermediate care residential facility for individuals with developmental disabilities. The binding recommendation of the task force directs the New Jersey Department of Human Services to develop a plan to close the Woodbridge Developmental Center within the next five years.

To a large extent a society is evaluated on how it treats its most vulnerable population. Although I respect advocates who support community-based services we must protect individuals with profound disabilities who can not be properly cared for in community placement.

The rush to privatize and downsize these services is not only unwise; it is insensitive to the wishes of the families of those who can not care for themselves. Just last year the Christie Administration announced the closure of Hagedorn Psychiatric Hospital, which provided unique care to geriatric patients with severe mental disabilities. In addition, funding for essential mental health care programs have been cut across the board.

To compound the situation, the conclusions of the task force are binding and can not be appealed. I do not question the members' motives, credentials or intentions. I can only ask that they revisit this decision and preserve the Woodbridge Developmental Center.

PATRICK J. DIEGNAN, JR.
(D-MIDDLESEX)

To the Editor:

I just reviewed the brochure containing the South Plainfield High

Submit Your Letters to the Editor

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

School graduation photo packages that are offered to students by Prestige Portraits. Their intro package provides two 5x7, four 4x5 and 24 wallets for a total price of \$169. If the student needs retouch, it's \$40 extra. The intro is meant to introduce families to extortion. The price-gouging continues to the "Chapter 7 Bankruptcy" special premire package which assigns a point system to each photograph's size; it is called the 60 point system. This coercion offering is \$539, plus the retouch of \$40.

What should happen is, the owners of Prestige should have their photos taken and then hung in the "Wanted" section of the post office for robbery.

JOHNNY HAGY**MCC to Offer Saturday Hours**

Students and future students who need enrollment services at the main campus of Middlesex County College may take advantage of special hours on Saturday, Aug. 25. The of-

fices will be open from 8:30 a.m. to noon. The college is located at 2600 Woodbridge Ave. in Edison.

"This is a convenience for adult students and others who might work during the day and find it easier to take care of enrollment procedures on Saturdays," said Marla Brinson, dean of enrollment and student support services. "Students can come in and register for fall classes."

Offices that will be open on August 25 include the Enrollment Center, Cashier's Office, Admissions, Financial Aid, the Registrar's Office, the Testing Center, Counseling and Career Services, Student Activities, Academic Advisement and the College Bookstore.

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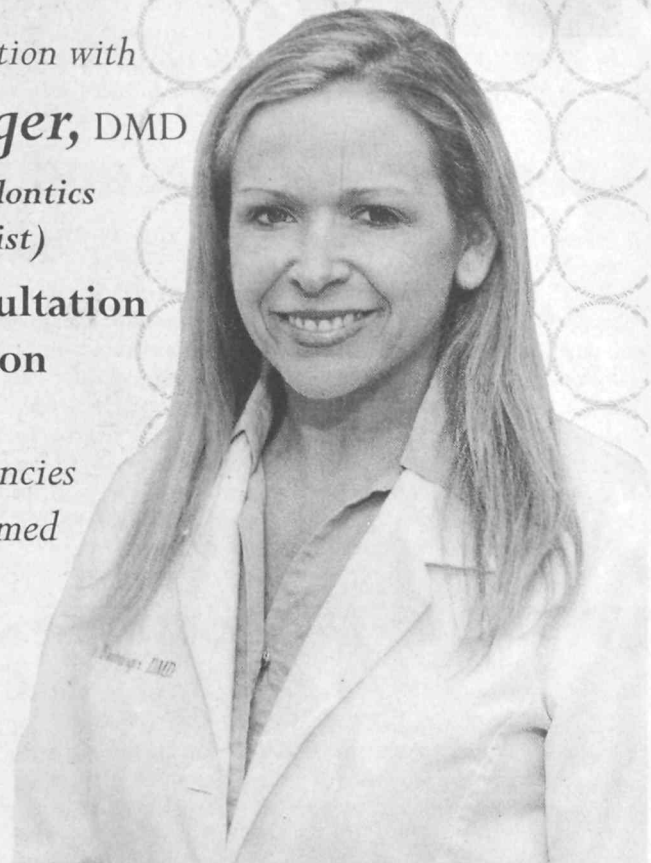
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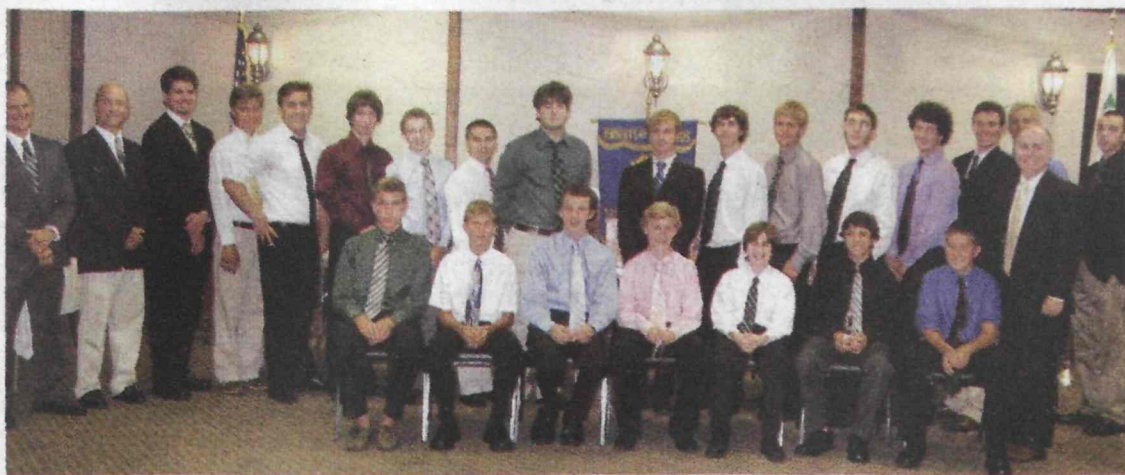
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Newly inducted Squires along with fellow members and leaders Bill Butrico, Steve Belanger and Jeff Pauls.

Knights of Columbus Squires Induct New Members

The South Plainfield Squires held a ceremony to induct new members on August 7. New Squires are: Scott Riccardi, Caleb Kuberiet, Christopher Kuberiet, Jason Belanger, Matthew Roesch, Nolan Berry and Enzo Butrico.

The Squires are a youth service organization under the auspices of the

Knights of Columbus. This chapter was founded in 2008. In just four years, the Squires have helped numerous residents in town, donating to local causes, painting for the elderly, building ramps for those in need, repairing sidewalks, helping at local functions, and their most ambitious

project, building a training prop for the South Plainfield Volunteer Fire Department.

Any boy between the ages of 14-17 is welcome to join the Squires. Contact any Squire or Bill Butrico via email at wbutrico@aol.com if interested.

Last Chance to Sign up to Participate in Labor Day Parade

The 55th annual South Plainfield Labor Day parade is on Monday, Sept. 3. This year's theme is "Throughout the Years, 1960-Present." The parade is just the beginning of a whole day's events in South Plainfield. After the parade, the annual community picnic will be held on the front lawn of the Middle School with live musical entertainment, food, games, rides and more. The celebration concludes at Spring Lake Park in the evening with fireworks.

If your group or organization is planning to march in the parade, please contact Debbie Boyle at (908) 803-1573, to reserve a place for your float or to march in the parade.

As a business owner, this is the perfect opportunity to network with

the community.

Both parade entries and vendor applications are available by visiting www.southplainfieldnj.com and clicking on "Labor Day Parade" under Quick Links.

Return your completed applica-

tion as soon as possible. Mail vendor checks to: Borough Hall, Attn: Debra Anne Leporino, Public Celebrations Committee, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080. You may also drop off the completed application and check at borough hall.

County Office of Health Announces Rabies Alert

The Middlesex County Office of Health Services has announced that a bat tested positive for rabies in Piscataway in the vicinity of Pleasant Avenue and West 4th Street.

This is the fifth rabid animal reported within Middlesex County in 2012, and the first rabid animal reported in the municipality of Piscataway.

The Piscataway animal control officer responded on August 12 to a report that a bat was found inside a resident's home. The officer captured the bat and it was sent to the New Jersey State Department of Health Laboratory for testing, where it subsequently tested positive for rabies. The county Office of Health Services is distributing rabies advisory flyers and fact sheets in the area.

The Office of Health Services continues to monitor rabies cases within the county. Residents should report wild animals showing signs of unusual behavior to their local animal control officer. Additionally, it is recommended that residents should avoid contact with wild animals and immediately report any bites from wild or domestic animals to the local health department and consult a physician as soon as possible. Finally, be sure that all family pets are up to date on their rabies vaccinations and licenses.

Rabies is caused by a virus which can infect all warm-blooded mammals, including man. The rabies virus is found in the saliva of a rabid animal and is transmitted by a bite, or possibly by contamination of an open cut. New Jersey is enzootic for raccoon and bat variants of rabies.

The Middlesex County Office of Health Services is advising residents to follow these guidelines in order to prevent rabies from being transmitted to themselves or their pets:

1. Immediately report a bite from a wild or domestic animal to your local health department. Wash animal bite wounds thoroughly with soap and water as soon as possible after the bite.

2. Immediately report any wild animal showing signs of unusual behavior. Signs of unusual animal behavior could be that the animal may: move slowly; act as if it is tame; appear sick; have problems swallowing; have an increase of saliva; have increased drooling; act aggressive; have difficulty moving; have paralysis; and/or bite at everything if excited.

Residents should avoid any contact with the animal and call your local animal control officer or local police department.

Be sure that all family pets are up to date on their rabies vaccination.



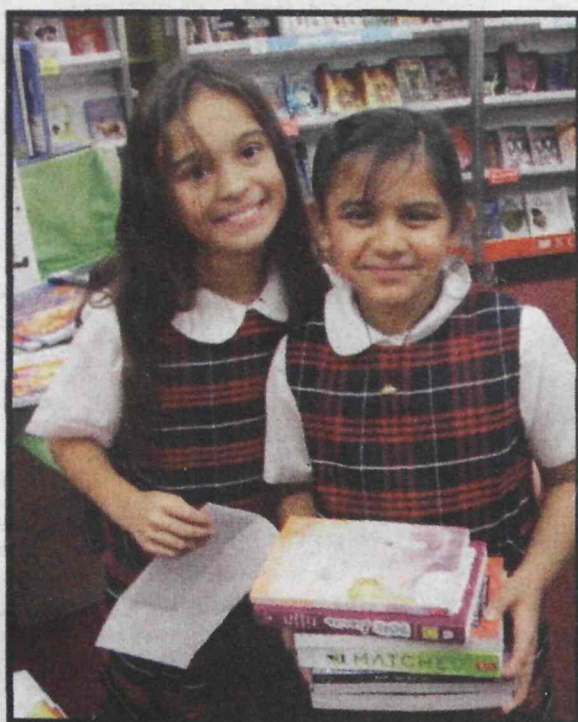
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Around Town

Elks Family Picnic

September 1

The South Plainfield Elks will host its annual family picnic on Saturday, Sept. 1 from 1-6 p.m. (rain date: September 2).

The theme is "Kiddie Carnival" and there will be plenty of activities and contests for the children including the Piscataway Fire Department's "House on Fire," a Bounce-o-rama, games and crafts. Special buffet for the children and a variety of food, beverages and entertainment for the adults.

Adult tickets: \$15 in advance, \$20 at the door; children 7-17, \$5 in advance, \$7 at the door; children under 7 are free!

For tickets, call the lodge at (908) 668-9750 or Dan Uken at (908) 930-8304.

VFW Country Breakfast

September 2

We're back! The VFW Post #6763 will hold a country breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 2 from 8 to 11 a.m. Come in, enjoy and talk to old friends and have a delicious breakfast.

For more information, call (908) 668-9751.

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2012 New Jersey Senior Olympics

September 7-9

Join more than 1,000 senior Olympians from around the state to compete in a three-day Olympic competition in Woodbridge. World-class competition venues. Registration required by August 25.

To register, sign up at the Senior Center or call (908) 754-1047.

Annual Sacred Heart Golf Outing

September 12

Sacred Heart Church will host its third annual golf outing on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at the Cranbury Golf Course in West Windsor. Shotgun start at 9 a.m. Prizes for closest to the pin, longest drive and hit the green. Snacks at the turn and a luncheon buffet.

Register online with a credit card at www.churchofthesacredheart.net.

Wish Upon A Hero at TD Bank Ballpark

September 12

Join Wish Upon A Hero and the Somerset Patriots on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at 7 p.m. for Wish Upon A Hero Night at TD Bank Ballpark in Bridgewater. Listen to spokesperson Cory Singer perform the National Anthem; WishMaster Dave Girgenti will throw out the first pitch. Come

see us grant a wish-LIVE! Tickets: \$10. Proceeds support WishSeekers in NJ.

For more information, call Jill Pavel at (732) 423-2070.

Senior Health & Fitness Walk 2012

September 19

Middlesex County Senior Health & Fitness Walk 2012 will take place on Wednesday, Sept. 19 from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Roosevelt Park in Edison. Join our group as we "walk into better health." Health screenings, wellness info, entertainment, box lunch, giveaways, raffles. Registration required.

Sign up at the Senior Center or call (908) 754-1047.

Wednesday at 7 Meet & Greet

October 2

Grow your business with Wednesday at 7 Networking Meet and Greet on Tuesday, Oct. 2 from 5 to 7 p.m. at Paulo's BBQ, 2341 Plainfield Ave. Refreshments and light fare will be served. Bring your business cards; door prizes.

For more information, call Jill Pavel at (732) 423-7727.

Fabulous 50s Weekend in Wildwood

October 12-14

Pack your bags for a "Fabulous 50s Weekend" with the South Plainfield Senior Center, Friday-Sunday, Oct. 12-14. The trip to Wildwood includes roundtrip deluxe motor

The South Plainfield Elks Veterans Committee is selling the Entertainment Book for \$30.

Contact Lou Peralta at
(908) 756-6406.

coach transportation, two nights oceanfront hotel, two full breakfasts, two sumptuous dinners and a fabulous 50s concert on Friday night; Saturday afternoon street fair features car show, vendors, doo wop back to the 50s tour, a visit to Cape May, Atlantic City and so much more! Cost is \$260pp. Reservations required; booking up fast!

For reservations, call Grace at the Senior Center at (908) 754-1047.

— Out of Town —

Authentic German Biergarten

August 24

Deutscher Club of Clark, 787 Featherbed Ln., will hold an authentic German biergarten and Volkswagen car show on Friday, Aug. 24 from 5:30 to 10 p.m. Rain or shine, open to the public. Admission: \$2 per person. Live music, German and American food and beverages available. No bicycles, skates, skateboards, scooters or glass containers permitted. No pets.

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

Singles Dance Party

August 25

Steppin' Out Singles is hosting an upscale singles dance party on Saturday, Aug. 25 at Snuffy's Restaurant, 250 Park Ave. in Scotch Plains. Ages 40 and up. No jeans/t-shirts/sneakers/shorts. Admission: \$15.

For more information, call the 24-hour hotline at (862) 397-4723.

Vacation Bible School At Hydewood

August 25 & 26

Hydewood Park Baptist Church, 100 Norwood Ave. in North Plainfield, will hold its Vacation Bible School, "Rocky Point Lighthouse," on Saturday, Aug. 25 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday, Aug. 26 at 10 a.m.

SENIOR CENTER Calendar

ZUMBA Fitness at the Senior Center, Monday and Wednesday, 7:30-8:30 p.m. \$7 per class. Call (908) 754-1047 for more info.

MONDAYS

Zumba Gold 9:30-10:30 am
Crocheting 9:30-11:30 am
Yoga 10:30 am
Art Class 11:30 am

TUESDAYS

Bingo 10 am-2 pm
Ladies Social Group 10 am

WEDNESDAYS

Exercise Class 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 9:00 am
Crafts Class 10 am
Computer.. 10, 11:30 am, 1:00 pm
Exercise Class 1:15 pm

FRIDAYS

Bingo 10 am-2 pm

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followed by a church picnic. Games and Bible activities on Saturday. Instead of a craft activity, participants will do a community service project, putting together a hearty soup mix for the North Plainfield-area food bank. Lunch will be provided. Children of all ages are welcome to attend. Free; pre-registration is requested.

For more information, call (908) 754-6363, or visit the website at www.hydeewood.org.

Depression/Bipolar Support Meeting

August 29

The Depression and Bipolar Support Alliance monthly meeting will be held on Wednesday, Aug. 29 at 7:30 p.m. at the Morristown Unitarian Fellowship, 21 Normandy

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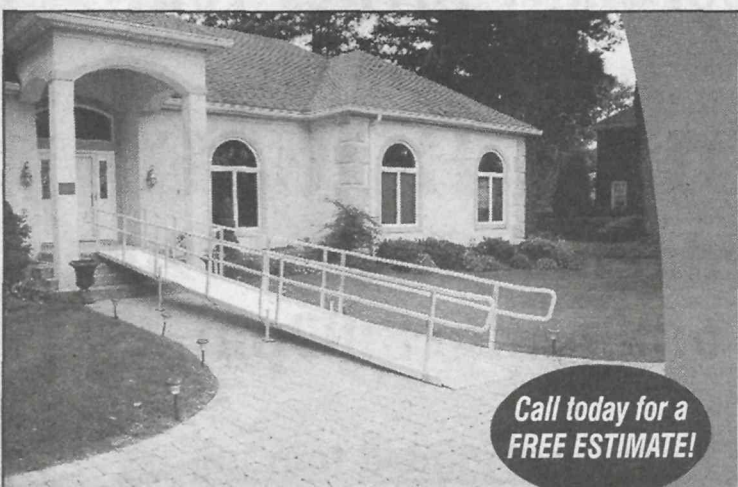
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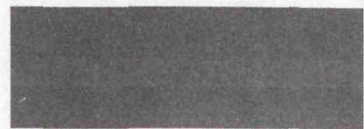
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Labor Day Singles Dance Party

September 2

Steppin' Out Singles is hosting a Labor Day singles dance party on Sunday, Sept. 2 at 8 p.m. at the Woodbridge Hilton, 120 Wood Ave. South in Iselin. Ages 40 and up. No jeans/t-shirts/sneakers/shorts. Admission: \$15.

For more information, call the 24-hour hotline at (862) 397-4723.

World Trade Center Survivor to Speak

September 5

Victor Guarnera, a World Trade Center survivor, will be the guest speaker at the Metuchen-Edison Women's Club on Wednesday, Sept. 5 at 7:30 p.m. at The Heritage at Clara Barton, 1015 Amboy Ave. in Edison. The program is free and open to everyone.

For more information, please call Diana at (732) 548-0925.

St. Helen's Caregiver Support Group

September 10

St. Helen's Church Caregiver Support Group, for those caring for elderly or chronically ill loved ones, will meet on Monday, Sept. 10 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Center on Lamberts Mill Road in Westfield. Informational and sharing sessions.

For more information, call Marilyn Ryan at (908) 232-1214.

Free Bridge Lessons

September 24

Essex Bridge Center, located upstairs in the VFW Post #2856, 95 W. Mt. Pleasant Ave. in Livingston, will be offering beginning bridge lessons starting Monday, Sept. 24. The morning session will be held from 9:10-11:40 a.m.; evening session from 6:30-9 p.m. The first six lessons are free. No partner necessary. Light refreshments will be served.

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South Plainfield Mapping Goes Green

By Jonathan Walezak, SP Green Team

Over the past year, the South Plainfield Green Team has been compiling information about the borough to develop an interactive map of community assets, or "Green Map," as part of its Sustainable Jersey certification.

Through the use of online software, the Green Map will act as a tool for current and future residents to understand more about the resources they have in their community. Important places and people (including sustainable, recreational, academic, civic, historical, faith-based, people of exceptional community knowledge, etc.) will be plotted, reviewed and open for discussion to resident users.

As opportunities for new development becomes increasingly scarce, the need for sound policy creation is extremely important. By identifying constraints and opportunities in the borough, the Green Map will serve as an excellent tool for planning and policy making. The interactive features of the map will give South Plainfield residents a means for voicing their concerns and constructive feedback, while affording decision makers an opportunity to connect

with the community in a new way.

A link to the Green Map will be posted online later this year on the borough's website.

The South Plainfield Green Team is a sub-committee of the Environmental Commission, and is comprised of borough residents and associated members with unique skill sets and levels of experience. The Green Team is looking for full and associate members to join the team and get involved with their exciting projects, including the Green Map, the mayor's Health and Wellness Campaign, Anti-Idling Campaign and Green Fair.

If you are interested in joining the Green Team or learning about any of these exciting projects, please email Dorothy Miele at spnatrretrails@verizon.net, or Jonathan Walezak at jwalezak@gmail.com.

For more information about the South Plainfield Green Team or to view more articles, visit www.southplainfieldnj.com and click on "SP Green Team" in the Quick Links section.

For more information about the South Plainfield Environmental Commission, view the official site on Facebook at www.facebook.com/SPEnvironmental.

Visit the Green Team's Labor Day Booth

Labor Day is coming up! The SP Green Team will have a booth at the festivities on Monday, Sept. 3 which take place after the parade at the Middle School. All are invited to stop by and play our game-spin the wheel and answer questions to win prizes.

We will also be handing out brochures on the anti-idling campaign. This campaign encourages residents

to shut off their vehicles during prolonged stops. Doing so will reduce fuel use and emissions that contribute to pollution and global warming. Information on storm water management, recycling, trees and preventing water pollution will be available as well. We will also offer coloring books for children and other give-aways. We hope to see you there!

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Jack Cochrane, 13, of South Plainfield, took first place in Showmanship, first place in overall two year-old Nigerian, and second place in fitting at the Somerset County 4H Fair where he showed his Nigerian Dwarf Goat, Frankie. The highlight of the fair was the Round Robin show on the final evening; Jack qualified for the event by winning showmanship in his division and won the title of "Junior Grand Champion Showman 2012."

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Summer Reading Concludes with Junior Jam Sign Language and Singing

By Patricia Abbott

The conclusion of the South Plainfield Library Summer Reading program featured a visit by Junior Jam and their award winning music for children on August 16. The program, entitled "Sing and Sign a Performance," incorporated creative props, fun activities and sign language. The youngsters watched in delight as Junior Jam creator Jeff Eisenberg and his singing partner, Elayne Kessler, entertained them with original songs, accompanied by sign language.

Eisenberg set up a picture board and the children identified each ob-

ject and learned the correct sign for it; they learned to sign square, circle, rectangle and more. The words were in the songs and the children concentrated on using the signs they had just learned. Some of the parents in the audience attempted the signs as well. They learned the signs for opposite, in and out, happy and sad and other simple signs.

After Kessler taught the sign for the word "sticky," she sang a song about sticky things, and each time she said the word the children signed it. Junior Jam's original songs covered a wide variety of topics including *Hip-Hop Hop*, *Clap, Snap, Tap, Share*, *Sticky Stuff* and other silly songs.

Both Eisenberg and Kessler are fluent in sign language and are certified Kindersign instructors. Kindersign teaches sign language to hearing babies.

The benefits of Sing and Sign are to learn a new language, have the fun of communicating without speaking and improving language acquisition in addition to being motivating and just plain fun.

Junior Jam has performed extensively throughout the New York/New Jersey area. They have four CDs available with songs for children.

More details about Junior Jam can be found at www.juniorjam.com.

police report

- On August 8 Dominic Vocisano, 78, of Piscataway was arrested at Home Depot for shoplifting a Quasa speed blade worth \$99.

- A South Plainfield resident reported the theft of a handicapped placard from their unlocked vehicle that was parked at the A&P.

- A Kaine Avenue resident reported the theft of a mountain bike

from the rear of their yard.

- On August 10 Jean T. Manouchka, 35, of Plainfield was arrested for failure to use headlamps and an outstanding warrant.

- A Woodbridge, Va. resident reported the theft of an Apple iPhone from their room at the Ramada Inn.

- A&P reported that a female left the store without paying for board games valued at \$79.

- On August 12 Oscar G. Chipantiza, 27, of Plainfield was arrested for driving while suspended and five outstanding warrants.

- Yunio N. Cuevas, 40, of New

Brunswick was arrested for driving while intoxicated and reckless driving.

- Tonia Molloy, 31, of Ringoes was arrested for driving while intoxicated and failure to exhibit a valid registration and insurance card.

- An employee of Red Lobster reported the theft of an Apple iPhone from their purse.

- On August 13 Marguerit Mbida, 24, of Hillside was arrested for driving on a suspended license and an outstanding warrant.

- On August 14 an employee of Hobby Lobby on Hadley Road reported the theft of an Apple iPhone.



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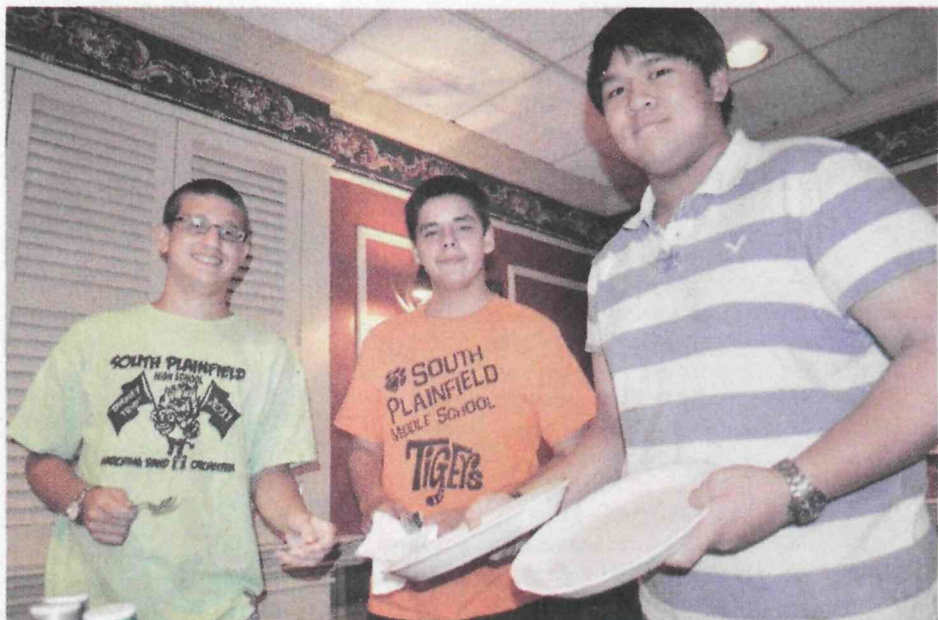
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Student volunteers work the serving line during Disney trip fundraiser.



Donna Teller and husband Russell (left) serve meals along with fellow volunteers.

Elks Efforts Boost Fundraising for Music Students' Disney Trip

By Patricia Abbott

The South Plainfield High School Boosters of the Musical Arts are working hard to reach a very important goal, "Destination: Disney." This is an incredible opportunity for the music students. The chorus, color guard, orchestra and marching band will head to Walt Disney World in Florida on November 29 for a five day trip. Each group will be performing in one of the Disney Theme Parks.

The expenses for this trip are high (\$975 per person). Those planning to travel to Florida include approximately 75 students accompanied by music staff members Roger Vroom, Bruce Mikolon and Donna Markiewicz, as well as 13 parent chaperones. The Music Boosters want to ensure that every student can make this trip. This entails fundraising, which is an exhausting and time consuming endeavor and one which the boosters

have been working on since May.

The South Plainfield Elks Lodge once again stepped up to help the cause by holding a spaghetti dinner on August 12. The food was supplied and cooked by Elks members and

served buffet style by members of the Music Boosters. Students helped bus tables and serve food.

The boosters would like to thank Debbie Boyle and Trudy at Haisch Bakery for their very generous dona-

tions towards the food. The menu consisted of spaghetti and meatballs, garlic bread, salad, hot and cold beverages and a variety of desserts.

Working in the kitchen were Elks members Bill Reuter, Ken Purcell, Janice Campos, Al Mateyka, Kim Hoff, Tom Hoff and Sharon Reuter.

Serving the buffet style meal were Music Boosters President Donna Teller and husband Russ, Cathy and Bob Parillo, Madeline and Ed Christilles and Ibtihaj Kanz.

The South Plainfield Elks can always be counted on to help a worthy cause. This dinner marks the Elks second effort to help send the students to Disney. Several weeks ago they held a very successful breakfast to help fund the trip. The Music Boosters have held numerous other fundraisers, including a car wash (Priscilla Zawadski), two canning weekends (Carol McCarthy), cookie dough sales (Joan Rochotte and Cathy Parillo), candle sale (Marianne Decker) and sports

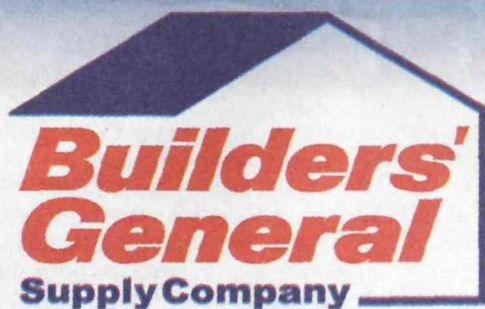
items sales (Cathy Parillo).

Upcoming fundraising events planned for September are Entertainment books (Joan Rochotte), Tastefully Simple (Christa Reineke), and an October canning weekend (Joan Rochotte). Information about these fundraisers and all music booster news can be found at www.sphsmusicboosters.webs.com.

Music Booster President Donna Teller said, "I am truly grateful for the wonderful parents who have stepped up to chair, help and organize many of these fundraising events. The executive board of Cathy Parillo, Madeline Christilles, Egle Cabannas, Sue Marston and Pam Rutowski have been working very hard to help these kids earn their goal. This will be the second Disney trip that I will have the pleasure of attending. I am so proud of our musical arts kids; they are such a great group of kids who deserve to be recognized for all of the very hard work and dedication."



A young fan of the chocolate dessert!



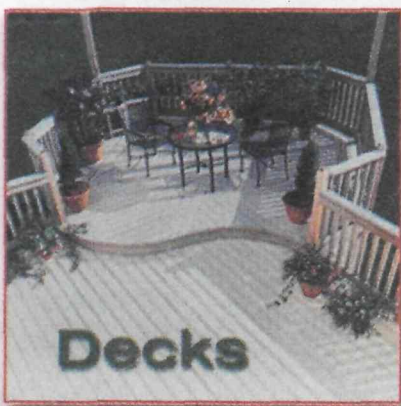
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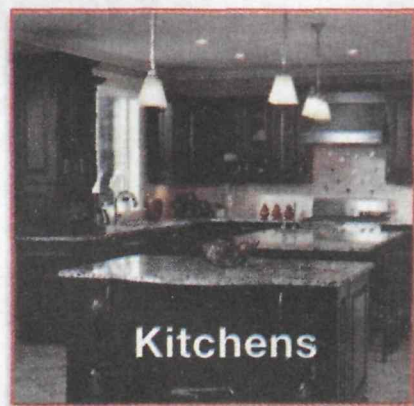
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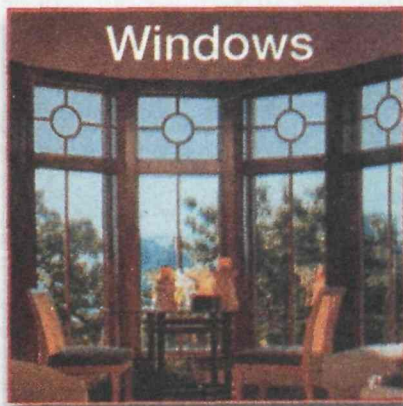
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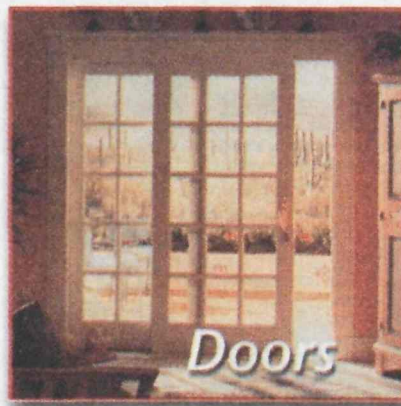
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Tiger Sharks Take Second in League A Championships

The Tiger Sharks Swim Team placed second in the New Jersey Swim Conference League A Championship at the Frog Hollow Swim and Tennis Club on July 27-28 with a score of 244 points. First place went to the Glen Ridge Gators with a score of 245.5 points. With such a close score the swim races were very competitive. East Brunswick Sandpipers came in third with a score of 193 points.

The older swimmers swam on Friday evening and the results are:

Girls (13-18) 200 yard individual medley: Samantha Soto-fourth place; 200 yard medley relay: Gennifer Huber, Grace Li, Samantha Soto, Ali Huber-fifth place; Grace Chung, Gracie Piekarski, Amy Zinsky, Kate Duhamel-eighth place. Boys (13-18) 200 yard

medley relay: David Wang, Charlie Butrico, Daniel Galarza, Bryce Uzzolino-second place; Enzo Butrico, Patrick Osiadacz, Marcel Green and Justyn Irizzary-sixth place. 100 yard freestyle (13-14): Daniel Galarza-first place; Ali Huber-third place; Gracie Piekarski-seventh place; (15-18): Marcel Green-sixth place. 100 yard butterfly (13-14): Daniel Galarza-first place; and Paul Stanik-third place. 100 yard butterfly (15-18): Samantha Soto-third place; Caroline Vill-tenth place; Bryce Uzzolino-first place; and Marcel Green-second place. 100 yard backstroke (13-14): Patrick



Osiadacz-ninth place. 50 yard freestyle (13-18): Ali

Huber-fourth place; and Bryce Uzzolino-second place. 200 yard freestyle relay (13-18): Ali Huber, Gennifer Huber, Samantha Soto, Grace Li-fourth place; Grace Chung, Gracie Piekarski, Amy Zinsky, Kate Duhamel-seventh place; and Bryce Uzzolino, Daniel Galarza, David Wang, Marcel Green-second place.

Also swimming for the 13-18 year olds were Nicolas Gurrieri, Danny O'Shaughnessy, Gregory Forbes, Timmy Nuber, Drew Mackenzie, Kristen Forbes, Stephanie Petrosino, Edward Sheaffer, Vito Pelliccia and Joe Krawiec.

The 12 and under swimmers participated on Saturday. Their results were: 100 yard individual medley (10 and under): Tracy Lu-eighth place and Samuel Zhang-ninth place. 100 yard individual medley (11-12): Darlene Fung-first place; Jenna Yan-third place; Aubrey Marish-sixth place; Matthew Chan-second place; and Andrew Galarza-third place. 100 yard medley relay (8 and under): Hope Best, Tracy Lu, Amanda Pina, Faith Best-first place; Grace Best, Jessica Park, Nicole O'Sullivan, Olivia Glynn-ninth place; Andrew Van Herk, Corey He, Ethan Tam, Ethan Lee-fourth place. 200 yard medley relay (9-12): Tyler Wu, Matthew Chan, Andrew Galarza, Samuel Zhang-fourth place; Peter Wu, Ryan Park, Achinth Poobalan, Zachary Brown-tenth place. 25 yard freestyle (8 and under): Amanda Pina-first place; Tracy Lu-third place; Faith Best-eighth place; and Corey He-third place. 50 yard freestyle (11-12): Darlene Fung-third place; Aubrey Marish-fifth place; Jenna Yan-seventh place; Andrew Galarza-seventh place; and Matthew Chan-eighth place. 50 yard breaststroke (9-10): Shannon Yan-eighth

place; Kristina Kwan-ninth place; Samuel Zhang-fifth place; and Ryan Park-eighth place. 50 yard breaststroke (11-12): Jenna Yan-second place; Darlene Fung-third place; Aubrey Marish-fourth place; and Matthew Chan-first place. 100 yard freestyle (11-12): Elizabeth Chiu-fifth place; Stephanie Chiu-sixth place; Andrew Galarza-first place; and Peter Zakrevski-second place. 25 yard backstroke (8 and under): Corey He-second place. 50 yard backstroke (9-10): Kristy Tam-fourth place and Tyler Wu-tenth place. 50 yard backstroke (11-12): Elizabeth Chiu-seventh place; Stephanie Chiu-ninth place; Peter Zakrevski-first place; and Adam Nathoo-tenth place. Butterfly (8 and under): Amanda Pina-third place; Faith Best-tenth place; and Corey He-second place. 50 yard butterfly (9-10): Kristy Tam-fifth place. 50 yard butterfly (11-12): Peter Zakrevski-first place. 100 yard freestyle relay (8 and under): Hope Best, Faith Best, Jessica Park, Amanda Pina-fourth place; Olivia Glynn, Amanda Hernandez, Grace Best, Nicole O'Sullivan-tenth place; Ethan Tam, Ethan Lee, Andrew Van Herk, AJ Johnson-fifth place. 200 yard freestyle relay (9-12): Shannon Yan, Kristy Tam, Stephanie Chiu, Elizabeth Chiu-fifth place; Peter Zakrevski, Tyler Wu, Samuel Zhang, Aris Chung-fifth place; and Ryan Park, Peter Wu, Zachary Brown, Miles Green-tenth place.

Also swimming for the younger Tiger Sharks were Kristina Kwan, Victoria Lu, Kaitlyn Kwan, Alexandra Galarza, Ezinne Ibeku, Leslie Mayta, Olivia Olano, Skylar Cochrane, Danielle Bythell, Jessica Forbes, Alyssa Moffitt, Anthony Van Herk, Noah Karch, Maxwell Strassburger, Adanna Ibeku, Lindsay Benko, Gabrielle Mine, Grace Best, Miles Green, Isaac Nathoo, Kelsie Niedenbach, Liam Glynn and Amanda Hernandez.

—Submitted by Cheryl Nagel-Smiley



Golden Tee RESULTS

Vince Powers won first place and Bob Pero and Vince Welch tied for second place in the Golden Tee individual stroke plan tournament held on August 15 at the Plainfield West Nine Golf Course.

The upcoming schedule for the 9-hole tournaments is: August 29-Individual Stableford; September 5-Man Scramble; September 12-Individual Callaway; September 19-Team Alternate Shot; September 26-Member Guest 18 holes (6 hole scramble, 6 hole best ball, 6 hole best ball).

Tournaments are held every Wednesday and are open to everyone. Non-members may play once without joining the club. Tournaments are \$20 which includes an 18 hole cart and green fees and a 9 hole event and prizes.

For more information, call Bill Castner, PGA golf professional at (908) 769-3672.

SPJBC NEWS

Last Chance to Sign Up for Fall Ball

Sign up for Fall Ball on Saturday, Aug. 25 from 9 a.m. to noon at the SPJBC clubhouse. All first graders and children seven years old by April 30, 2013 are eligible to play. The deadline to register is Friday, Aug. 31.

If you can't make it to the clubhouse, download the registration form from www.leaguelineup.com/spjbc.

Sacred Heart Church Annual Golf Outing

Sacred Heart Church will hold its third annual golf outing on Wednesday, Sept. 12 at the Cranbury Golf Course in West Windsor.

Registration and continental breakfast at 8 a.m. with a shotgun start at 9 a.m. Fee per golfer is \$130 and \$520 per foursome. Prizes will be awarded for closest to the pin, longest drive and hit the green. Golf sponsorships are available.

Prizes include Ka'anapali, Mexico Tres Marias and Mandalay Bay golf packages and Samsung 51" plasma HDTV.

Register online at www.churchofthesacredheart.net or mail the registration form and a check made payable to Church of the Sacred Heart, 200 Randolph Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.

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LEGAL NOTICE

August 15, 2012-Public Notice is hereby given that the following action was taken by the South Plainfield Planning Board at its meeting held on August 14, 2012.

A. Case # 741/Site-Pit Refuel, Block 208; Lots 1 & 2; OBC-1 Zone, 2300 Park Avenue. The applicant's request for final site plan approval was hereby GRANTED subject to additional voluntary conditions.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Beth Khidre
Recording Secretary-Planning Board

\$26.14 August 24, 2012

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD,
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LEGAL NOTICE

An appeal has been filed by Fausto Diaz and Maura Delsalto requesting a variance from the requirements of the Zoning Ordinance of the Borough of South Plainfield to permit (1) existing 12' x 10' wood shed is at 3' rear yard setback; 5' required; (2) shed height exceeds 15' max; existing at 16'; and other variances that may be required, said property being located at 1240 South 11th Street, Block 136, Lot 24, R-7.5 zone on the South Plainfield Tax Map.

For the purposes of hearing objections to or protests against the granting of said appeal, the South Plainfield Zoning Board of Adjustment will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, September 18 in the Council Chambers, Borough Hall, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, New Jersey at 7:00 p.m.

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

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COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX, NEW JERSEY
NOTICE OF INTRODUCTION

This Ordinance #1967 published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at the regular meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of South Plainfield held on August 20, 2012. It will be further considered for final passage after a public hearing to be held on September 4, 2012, at the Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Avenue, South Plainfield, NJ at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, at which time and place any persons desire to be heard upon the same will be given an opportunity to be heard. Copies are available free of charge at the Municipal Clerk's Office prior to the public hearing. This ordinance shall take effect immediately after final passage and publication according to law.

ORDINANCE # 1967

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE 1760A ENTITLED AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD AND THE METHOD OF PAYMENT OF SUCH COMPENSATION FOR THE YEAR 2012 THROUGH 2014

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey as follows:

SECTION 1. The rates of compensation for each Employee of the Borough of South Plainfield shall be on an annual basis as follows except where indicated. Such rates of pay shall be effective January 1st of the years shown. Salaries shown are based on a two tier scale with "A" representing new hires and "B" representing employees hired prior to December 7, 2009.

Position	2011		1.5% 2012		1.5% 2013		1.75% 2014	
	A	B	A	B	A	B	A	B
General Supervisor	34.85	47.80	35.37	48.517	35.90	49.24	36.53	50.11
Supervisor	32.03	45.27	32.51	45.95	33.00	46.64	33.58	47.45
Senior Sewer Repairman	28.19	40.36	28.61	40.97	29.04	41.58	29.55	42.31
Heavy Equipment Operator	28.19	37.64	28.61	38.20	29.04	38.78	29.55	39.46
Mechanic - Class A	28.19	37.64	28.61	38.20	29.04	38.78	29.55	39.46
Mechanic - Class B	27.16	33.27	27.57	33.77	27.98	34.28	28.47	34.88
Mechanic - Class C	22.55	20.62	22.89	20.93	23.23	21.24	23.64	21.61
Truck Driver	22.55	33.27	22.89	33.77	23.23	34.28	23.64	34.88
Sewer Repairman	22.55	33.27	22.89	33.77	23.23	34.28	23.64	34.88
Building Maintenance	22.50	33.27	22.84	33.77	23.18	34.28	23.59	34.88
Laborer IV			19.77	30.32	20.07	30.77	20.42	31.31
Laborer III	19.48	29.87	17.69	30.32	17.96	30.77	18.27	31.31
Laborer II	17.43	24.76	15.61	25.13	15.84	25.51	16.12	25.95
Laborer I	15.38	20.62	13.00	20.93	13.20	21.24	13.43	21.61
C3 Sanitary Sewer Operator		20,000		20,300		20,605		20,965

SECTION 2. Once hired an individual shall remain in each Laborer step for one year ending at Laborer IV.

SECTION 3. INCONSISTENCY - All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent of the inconsistency.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE: This Ordinance shall become effective and operative twenty days after publication thereof after final passage.

ATTEST:

Amy Antonides, RMC/CMC
Municipal Clerk

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Cheese Steak Panini-w/onions & tomatoes
Chicken-Grilled chicken marinated w/hot salsa, cheddar cheese, roasted peppers

sports

Submitted By Bob Nilan

Notes from the Jim Pornovets Memorial Golf League

FINAL LEAGUE STANDINGS

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|----------------------------------|--|
| 1. Italian-American Club | 6. Dirty Harry & Friends |
| 2. Alfie's Boys | 7. McCriskin-Gustafson Home For Funerals |
| 3. KC's Korner | 8. Witty's Liquors |
| 4. South Plainfield Funeral Home | 9. Sport & Social |
| 5. 2 Buds, 2 Dubes | 10. Unique Sports Accessories |

In the biggest upset of the year by far—and unquestionably one of the biggest upsets in league history—the Italian-American Club defeated Alfie's Boys, 14-6, to complete their fabulous season with an absolutely fantastic finish to win the 2012 League Championship.

When these two teams met earlier in the season in week number 10, Alfie's Boys played superbly and shot 5-over as a team and totally wiped out the Italian-American Club, 20-0.

In the championship play-offs, it was a totally different story as Jeff Gross and Lou Colicchio carded a pair of 39s which, with their handicaps, was good enough to tip the scales in favor of the Italian-American Club. Captain Frank Ferraro was beaming with pride at the way his squad, who were clearly the underdogs, came through in a crucial match to earn the title of League Champions.

A stunned Danny Griffin could take some consolation from the fact that Alfie's Boys compiled the best win-loss record in the regular season, and that on nine occasions in the 16-week season a member of Alfie's Boys earned the honor of having the lowest score in the league.

John Gaven once again played masterfully for Alfie's Boys and shot a sparkling 2-under 31; Danny Griffin carded a 36; and Bill Mann posted a 37 as the team that had been so dominant all season long finished in second place.

KC's Korner put forth a solid team effort in the battle for the Bronze Medal and blew out the South Plainfield Funeral Home, 20-0. Efrain Solis led the way with a 35, Dan Conti and Nick Vetusch both registered 38s and

Captain Tony Cotone, Jr. contributed a 39 to the rout.

John Dominic had a 37 and Wayne Lavender carded a 39 in a losing effort.

Dale "The Needler" Dube is smiling again, now that his game has returned from its Key West vacation. He looked like the hustler of old in posting a solid round of 36. He was only slightly unnerved that his playing partner, Jeff Orth, beat him by a stroke to earn a ton of money from their hefty side bet which Orth promptly wired to his secret account in the Cayman Islands. Dave "Yup Yup" Seibel looked good in putting together a 38 as 2 Buds, 2 Dubes hammered Dirty Harry & Friends, 18-2. (What a bath for the Dirty Guys.)

Kevin McCormack earned the medal for Dirty Harry's with a nice round of 37.

Mark "The Great Pumpkin" Chichvar donned his award-winning orange attire to spark McCriskin-Gustafson Home For Funerals to a 17-3 pounding of Witty's Liquors. Chichvar earned medalist honors with a 36 and got excellent support from Kris Krantz who shot a 37 and from Steve Schock who chipped in with a 38.

Witty's Liquors never did get it all together this season, but they did get a fine performance from Jim Parker who shot a 37.

Chris "The Hawk" Dillon had all his competitive juices flowing after getting whipped by brother Mike last week and played flawlessly to put together his best-ever 9-hole effort at the West Nine, a marvelous 2-under 31. But it's been that kind of season for Unique Sports Accessories that despite Dillon's superb play they lost

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Michael Carl Tamburri, 52

Michael Carl Tamburri of Farmingdale passed away suddenly on Monday, Aug. 13.

Michael loved watching the Vikings and Nascar. He was a wonderful cook and baker and enjoyed cooking for all his family and friends.

Michael was predeceased by his father, Carl, in 1992.

He is survived by his wife, Margaret "Peggy"; a son, Michael; a daughter, Candice; four brothers, Guy, Gary and wife Nancy, John and wife Elisa and Christopher and wife Elaine; three sisters, Linda and husband Ron Smickle, Laura and husband Gene Arace and Kathy and husband John Smickle; his mother, Aurina Owens and 35 nieces and nephews.

A memorial gathering was held in Red Bank.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests that memorial donations be made in his memory to a charity of your choice.



Michael Tamburri

Stanley Juva, 81

Stanley Juva died on Monday, Aug. 13 at JFK Hospital in Edison.

Born and raised in South Plainfield, Stanley graduated from North Plainfield High School in 1948. He was drafted into the Marines in 1951 and earned a National Defense Medal.

Stanley was a self-taught electrician and worked his way up to chief supervisor electrician at Kentile Floors, where he gave 40 years of dedicated service.

Mr. Juva was a U.S. history buff and an avid fan of the N.Y. Giants and N.Y. Rangers. His family and friends will miss his recollections of the "early days" in South Plainfield.

He is predeceased by his wife Anna, who died on April 3, 2009; a son, Mark, who died on April 1, 2009; his parents, Frank Sr. and Antonia Juva; two brothers, John and Frank Jr.; four sisters, Estelle, Adele, Alice and Celia; and a grandson, Daniel Juva.

Surviving are a daughter, Kathleen Juva of South Plainfield; a son, Stanley Juva and wife Mindy of Somerset; two grandchildren, Heather Juva and Gary Ferguson; a sister, Vicki Evans and husband Tom of South Plainfield; a sister-in-law, Mary of Edison; and many nieces and nephews.

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



Stanley Juva

icipated in various leagues, enjoyed bowling and fishing, as well as assisting with Boy Scout Troop #125 and South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club.

He is survived by his wife of 56 years, Barbara J. (Taber); three sons, David and Suzanne of Hillsborough, John and Joanne of South Plainfield and Rick and Kim of Yarmouth, Maine; a sister, Edith Clayton of Toms River; and a brother, Robert Tillotson of York, Maine.

Also surviving are his beloved grandchildren, Melissa Pfeil, Jennifer, Chris, Ricky, Ally and Cayte Tillotson and a great-granddaughter, Leah Pfeil.

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

In lieu of flowers, donations in his memory may be made to the VA N.J. Health Care System, Voluntary Services 135, 151 Knoll Croft Rd., Lyons, N.J. 07939.

Yvonne T. Sacchi, 63

Yvonne T. Sacchi passed away on Wednesday, Aug. 15 at JFK Medical Center in Edison.

Born in Newark on March 5, 1949 to Joseph and Mary (Gallant) Wojcik, she lived in South Plainfield for most of her life.

Mrs. Sacchi was a medical secretary for Dr. Bharti Shah in North Plainfield for more than 10 years. She was a communicant of Our Lady of Czestochowa Church in South



Yvonne T. Sacchi

Plainfield and was past vice president of the Altar Rosary Society.

Mrs. Sacchi is survived by her beloved husband, Martin D. Sacchi of South Plainfield; a loving daughter, Nicole M. Sacchi of South Plainfield; a loving stepson, Dominick J. Sacchi and wife Sylvia of Effort, Pa.; a beloved sister, Debra Wojcik of South Plainfield; and two cherished grandchildren, Sebastian and Savannah.

Funeral services were held at South Plainfield Funeral Home.

Donations may be sent in her name to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Pl., Memphis, Tenn. 38105 or Feed the Children, P.O. Box 36, Oklahoma City, Okla. 73101.

Alan J. Tillotson, 82

Alan J. Tillotson passed away on Sunday, Aug. 12 at his home.

Born in Elizabeth, Alan resided in Roselle and Westfield before settling in South Plainfield in 1962.

He honorably served his country as a veteran of the U.S. Army during the Korean War from 1948 until his discharge in 1951.

Alan was employed as a mechanical engineer, working for Graver Water Company in Union and American Cyanamid in Bound Brook. He retired from Merck in Rahway. After his retirement, Alan enjoyed working part time for the Plainfield Country Club's maintenance department.

Alan was an avid golfer who par-

Anthony Indico, 95

Anthony Indico died on Sunday, Aug. 12 at home.

Born in Plainfield, Mr. Indico resided in South Plainfield for most of his life.

Mr. Indico was the owner and operator of Anthony Indico Builders and built several homes in the South Plainfield community as well as many homes in the surrounding towns.

He is predeceased by four sisters, three brothers and a daughter-in-law, Cindy Indico.

Surviving are his wife Anita (Capanza); two daughters, Carole Hanson and husband Bruce of N.Y. and Rosanne Owens and husband Charlie of California; two sons, Anthony of Fla. and Joseph and wife Susanne of Pitman; eight grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

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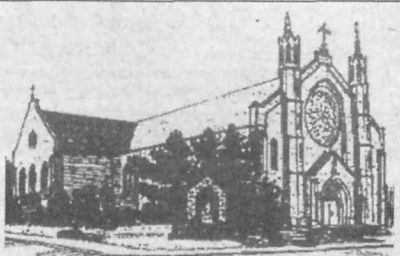
Mass Schedule:

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Sunday 9:00, 11:30 a.m.

Daily 9:00 a.m. Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday
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Holy Days 6:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 7:00 p.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation—Saturday 10-11:30 a.m. and at other times by appointment



Reedy Named Parade Grand Marshal

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scholarships from different groups and organizations presented through the SPEE.

She is also vice president of the South Plainfield Business Association and was actively involved with the South Plainfield Marching Band

when her oldest child was a member. Reedy has been doing all of this volunteer work while employed full time at Lynn Steel for the past 14 years.

Watch for next week's *Observer* for more about this year's grand marshal and information about the events planned on Labor Day.

Esposito Named Special Serv. Supervisor

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interacting with," explained Esposito.

He credits the district's special education programs with "doing a good job with least restrictive environments and bringing students out of district back into the district."

Since July, Esposito has been busy

with the administrative tasks dealing with placements outside of the district for special education students for the upcoming school year. But he is eager to know more about the students.

"I have to look at all our students," Esposito said. "It's something I'll be looking into during my first six months."

THE SOUTH PLAINFIELD BOARD OF EDUCATION is seeking candidates to fill the vacancy on the Board of Education created by a recent resignation.

Any individuals interested in serving on the board for the time remaining in this position should submit a letter of application and resume to:

Mr. Jim Giannakis, board president
c/o South Plainfield Board of Education
Superintendent's Office
125 Jackson Avenue
South Plainfield, NJ 07080
All applications must be received by
September 10, 2012

SPHS

South Plainfield High School

SPORTS SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 24

10am Fr Football-Scotch Plains (A)
Bus 9am
10am GV&JV Soccer-Allentown (A)
Bus 8:15am
10am V&JV Volleyball-Edison (S) (H)
12pm BV Soccer-Roselle Catholic (A)
Bus 10:30am
2pm V&JV Field Hockey-Wayne Hills (S)
(A) Bus 12:15pm

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

10am GV&JV Soccer-Monroe (A) Bus
8:15am
10am Fr Field Hockey-Westfield (A)
Bus 8:30am
10am V Field Hockey-Westfield JV
11:15am
10am BV&JV Soccer-N. Brunswick (H)

MONDAY, AUGUST 27

10am GV Soccer-Card McCarrick
(H) (SC)
11am V&JV Volleyball-East Side (S) (H)

TUESDAY, AUGUST 28

10am V&JV Football-Morris Knolls (A)
2 buses 8am
10am BV&JV Soccer-Plainfield (H)
10am GV Tennis-Eastside (H)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29

10am V&JV Volleyball-No. Brunswick
(S) (A) Bus 8:30am

THURSDAY, AUGUST 30

4pm BV&JV Soccer-Wardlaw (A) Bus
2:45pm

FRIDAY, AUGUST 31

10am Fr Field Hockey-Morris Knolls (A)
Bus 8:30am
10am Fr Football-Edison (H)
10am V Field Hockey-Morris Knolls JV
11:30am
11am V&JV Football-Nottingham (A)
2 buses 9am

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Golf Notes

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their match to Sport & Social, 12-8.

Dennis Bibby had the low round for the victorious Sport & Social squad with a 42.

In teeing off against the last place team in the National Division, Windows Plus Captain Guy Severini of Twin City Pharmacy and his playing partner, Danny McCreesh, desperately wanted to win their match to avoid finishing dead-last in the overall 12 team standings. So they both came out blazing, and McCreesh was simply awesome in carding four birdies--and the one on the third hole was almost a hole-in-one--along with five pars for a beautiful round of 29, the low round of the season. Severini had his own terrific round of even-par 33, and Jay Coppola pitched in with a 36 as Twin City won their match 12-8, to stay out of the cellar.

Dave Romano continued his string of good rounds for Windows Plus right to the end and shot a 38 and John Greenwald posted a 39.

Low Scores For The Night: Danny McCreesh, 29; Chris Dillon, 31; John Gaven, 31; Guy Severini, 33; Jeff Orth 35; Jim Parker, 35; Efrain Solis, 35; Dan Griffin, 36; Dale Dube, 36; Jay Coppola, 36; Mark Chichvar, 36.

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"We are pleased to present this annual event," said Freeholder Stephen J. "Pete" Dalina, chair of the county's Infrastructure Management Committee, which oversees the Parks and Recreation Office. "This concert is always an entertaining show that is fun for the whole family. It is certainly one of my favorite events of the year!"

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Then, hold onto your hats for an incredible performance by The Happenings, who exploded onto the national music charts with their first release, *See You In September*. This show will feature Bob Miranda, the voice that helped rocket the group to international stardom with such hits as *Go Away Little Girl*, *I Got Rhythm*

and many more.

Middlesex County Freeholder Director Christopher D. Rafano said, "Middlesex County is very proud of beautiful Roosevelt Park. It is the perfect setting to enjoy live music. On behalf of the Freeholder Board I encourage all residents to join us for this wonderful free event."

The concert is free and open to the public. Concertgoers must bring their own lawn chairs. If necessary, a rain date will be announced.

For more information, contact the Middlesex County Parks office at (732) 745-3936 from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Nominations For 2012 Cappy Award Sought

The Police Athletic League, along with the Recreation Commission, will be choosing the 2012 "Cappy" Award winner. Recommendations for nominations are now being accepted through September 7. Recommendations can be made by anyone from the public by sending a letter stating the qualifications of the candidate. Once recommendations have been received, two Police Athletic League and/or recreational peers will have

to approve the recommendations for consideration.

The requirements in service and character for nominees include: 10 years of service in youth sports and/or recreation (not just serving as a parent-coach to his/her own children), but will be judged on a case by case basis; preferably voluntary service and during their period of service, nominees must have been a resident of South Plainfield; exemplify high

moral values and ethical judgment; never been convicted of a felony; and possess dedication and commitment to the youth of South Plainfield.

Nominations can be sent to the South Plainfield Police Department, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080 Attn: Chris Colucci, PAL president, or sent directly to the Recreation Department, 1250 Maple Ave., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080 Attn: Kevin Hughes, recreation director.

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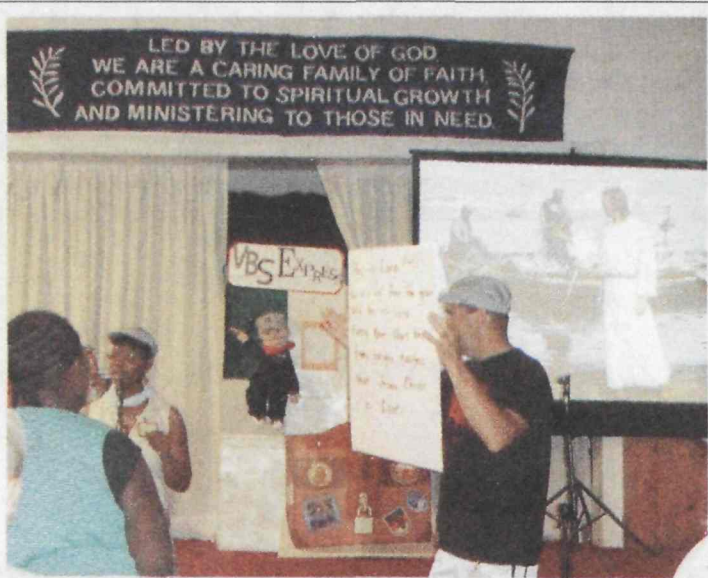
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Vacation Bible School, "VBS Express," was held at First Baptist Church the week of August 6. Interim Pastor Tamara Davis and many volunteers served the children who attended with a week full of fun, songs, crafts, snacks and Bible lessons. "Lionel," a puppet, was the VBS mascot (pictured) and welcomed the children each night with a hearty "All Aboard!" This year's mission was to raise funds to purchase Bibles for Christians in Asian countries. The children raised enough to buy 60 bBibles—great job! This is First Baptist's 13th year of VBS which is usually held annually the first full week of August.

First Baptist Church Plans 9/11 Prayer Service

The First Baptist Church of South Plainfield is inviting the public to join them, along with other congregations and ministries, in a special prayer service titled Renewed Hope. The service focuses on remembering those affected by some of the world's most challenging events. While prayers are submitted in remembrance of 9/11 and other trials faced by the world's people, the service also fosters hope, celebrating the triumphs they have faced as well.

The Renewed Hope Service of Prayer and Reflection will be held on Sunday, Sept. 9 at 3:30 p.m. at the First Baptist Church of South Plainfield located at 201 Hamilton Blvd.

A special offering will be collected toward the Renewed Hope Scholarship sponsored by the American Baptist Churches of New Jersey. The scholarship provides educational support to those affected by major calamities. Light refreshments will be served after the service.

For more information, contact Reverend Tamara Davis at (908) 753-2382.

From the South Plainfield Library Bookmarks

By Kenneth Morgan

Looks like summer's almost done, folks. Well, the "summer vacation" part of it, anyway. Before you take advantage of the last few days of vacation time and gear up for the onrushing fall, here's some news from the South Plainfield Library.

First of all, our notary public has been away for much of this week. He'll be back on Wednesday. Hopefully, he hasn't blown his meager savings on "Star Wars" collectibles during his absence.

This year's Summer Reading programs (child, young adult and adult) were very highly successful, including some fine attendance for our special programs. We'd like to thank everyone for participating and we hope you'll continue your patronage.

One downside to our great Summer Reading result is that our children's programs have been suspended until October, as Director Linda and Miss Mija need to catch their respective breaths. The kids can still stop by to pick up books and such, though. Meanwhile, we do have some other programs for the older folks.

Our Monday Night Movie program has returned. This Monday's showing starts at 6:30 p.m. It's presented free of charge and no pre-registration is required. Give us a call for title and content information.

The next meeting of the Friends of the Library is set for Thursday, Sept. 6 at 7 p.m. Both members and non-members are welcome to attend. They'll be discussing several subjects, including the upcoming book and bake sale (stay tuned for more on that).

We've also got a variety of adult programs (that's adult as in age, not adult as in something else) starting up next month. They'll include a series of lectures on ancient philosophy, the first meeting of the South Plainfield Genealogy Association, a book discussion group, and an adult chess club. There will be more information on those very soon. We've also been featuring special one-on-one instructional programs for our patrons, mainly in how to use some of the newfangled computer hardware and software. You need to call ahead to learn more about those. And we'll let you know if we can get an Adult Pokemon Club off the ground.

On the subject of computers, please be advised that we're in the middle of an ongoing effort to upgrade our computer systems. As a result, you may notice some problems here and there, including public computers being sidelined. We appreciate your patience with us on this; we'll get the whole works up and running as soon as we can.

About that book and bake sale, we've scheduled it for Saturday, Sept. 22 starting at 9 a.m. We've already got a pretty wide variety of books and A/V materials for sale; please call ahead if you're thinking about donating more. And if you'd like to provide baked goods for the sale, please give us a call to sign up.

Finally, a reminder regarding A/V items. Occasionally, rarely, you may borrow an item that doesn't quite work as well as it should. If that happens, don't keep that information to yourself. Please notify a staff member as soon as you return it. That'll give us a chance to check on the item and, if possible, repair it and get it back into circulation. Thanks in advance for your help with this.

That's about all for now. To find out more, you can check our website at www.southplainfield.lib.nj.us and look us up on Facebook at www.facebook.com/southplainfieldlibrary. Or, you can call us at (908) 754-7885. Thanks for reading. See you next Friday.

Yearbook Order Forms Available

Order forms for the 2013 South Plainfield High School Yearbook at the early bird price are now available in the high school office.

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