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Raccoon attacks 80-year-old man

Officials suspect animal is rabid

By SUZANNE VASYLIONIS Correspondent

PISCATAWAY — An 80-yearold man saying his morning prayers in Columbus Park not far from South Plainfield was attacked on Tuesday morning by a raccoon that is suspected of having rabies.

Krishna Chandra Roy, who is spending his vacation with family in nearby Piscataway, fought the raccoon off with one of his sneakers, which had lay on the ground while he prayed.

"I was sitting on the bench and

"I was sitting on the bench and the raccoon attacked. I couldn't believe it," Roy said through his daughter-in-law, Santwana Roy, who interpreted for him.

"I beat the raccoon's head with a shoe. I used my left hand to try to protect myself," Roy said.

As Roy sat waiting in the emergency room of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, he said he had never seen a raccoon before, but distinctly remembers its long sharp teeth and a gray stripe down its back. The light gray hairs from the raccoon still stuck to the bites and scratches on his hands, arms and toes.

"In our country, there are dogs

who attack — I've never seen a raccoon. I thought it was a wild animal," said Roy, who originally told the police he was attacked by a wild cat. He said the animal had a long snout, big teeth and a stripe, which police then identified as a raccoon.

Roy was released from the hospital after being given rabies and tetanus shots and having his hands and lower arms treated for bites and scratches.

Unlike most patients at Mulhenburg, Roy carefully scrutinized the doctors and nurses as they treated him. Roy, who has been a doctor in India for the last 50 years, carefully examined the various medicines that doctors applied to his wounds.

While waiting to receive treatment, Roy, who will turn 80 in July, calmly stated, "I am old. I am ready to die."

His son explained that his father's reaction had more to do with Indian culture than with danger from rabies. "The life span is not that high, maybe 60 or 70 years old. In Indian standards, he has lived too long."

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hoto by Dianne Deverson

Dwane Ellis gets ready to sting like a bee as he imitates the moves of Muhammad Ali. J.F. Kennedy School pupils dressed up as their favorite famous people on Monday.

Board considers 10-cent increase in lunch prices

By LIBBY BARSKY Correspondent

slave

Lunch prices for high school and middle school students will increase by 10 cents next year if the Board of Education approves the recommendation of Ann Marsteller, district manager of food services for Canteen Corp., Clifton.

The increase would bring the cost of a type A lunch, which includes entree and milk, from \$1.50 to \$1.60.

An increase in a la carte pricing has also been proposed, and it would involves hiking by 10 cents the price of most of the items bought individually. For instance, baked chicken would go from \$1.25 to \$1.35 and cheese pizza, from \$1.15 to \$1.25.

The price for elementary school lunches would remain at \$1.50. Adult lunches would also stay at the present price of \$2.10.

In addition to the increase in price, Canteen Corp. is requesting an increase of \$7,500 in its management fee, bringing it to \$25,000 next year.

Even with the increases in prices, Canteen Corp. is projecting a loss in revenue

According to Canteen's figures, the firm projects higher labor expenses that will jump from \$180,122 this year to \$276,426 next year. Food costs are expected to (Please turn to page A-13)

Borough to update memorial

By CHERYL HARTH

Correspondent
The memorial near Borough
Hall depicting the names of South
Plainfield residents who served in
the Vietnam War will be updated
to include the names of Vietnam
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Michael Woskey made the announcement at the council's May 30 meeting.

The borough is requesting that anyone who has served in the Vietnam War, and is or was a resident of the borough at the time they served, to call the mayor's office at 754-9000.

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"Hopefully," said Woskey, "the memorial update will be completed by Memorial Day 1992. We want to be sure that we have every possible name before we have the plaque redone."

Resident Larry Randolph said that the Vietnam Veterans Memorial is very commendable, but added that he also would like to see a memorial constructed at Veterans' Park.

Woskey replied that many people over many years have contributed to the service of their country, and the construction of a memorial at Veterans' Park is

something he would like to see.
Councilman Michael DeNardo
suggested setting up a committee
for this purpose. Woskey agreed
and stated that the committee
should consist of a council member, an American Legion member,
a VFW member and Larry Ran-

Borough opts to take first step toward Metuchen Road upgrade

By CHERYL HARTH Correspondent

The reconstruction of Metuchen Road could soon become a reality, as the Borough Council has introduced a resolution to award a contract for the necessary improvements.

Speaking at the council's work session on Monday, June 10, Borough Engineer Richard Naberezny recommended awarding the contract to the lowest bidder, Davcon Associates of Mack Place, South Plainfield. Davcon's bid is \$270,286.

When asked by Councilman Willard Carey if the township had any experience with Davcon Associates, Naberezny replied that it is a new company.

"However, we have dealt with some of the principals of the company before," explained Naberezny. "We received a number of bids in the same area, but

Davcon came in the lowest."

Naberezny also explained that the third phase of improvements to Metuchen Road could become a reality in 1992 by applying for state aid. Naberezny recommended three municipal roads that could possibly fall under the state grant. The final portion of Metuchen Road into Edison Township would be ranked No. 1. Naberenzy further recommended that Durham Road and St. Nicholas Avenue be ranked Nos. 2 and 3 respectively.

'Slice of Summer' inside this issue

A 32-page "Slice of Summer Cookbook" is included with this issue.

Its 68 recipes were selected from Forbes Newspapers readers' entries in a contest for salads, entrees, and desserts. The winners are announced in the section.

Winning recipes are for spring apple peanut salad, marinated lamb, pecan bread pudding with bourbon sauce, and "Dinosaur eggs."

According to Naberenzy, the maximum allowable grant is \$150,000 and could only be used for improvements to one roadway. The remainder of funds would be the rough specific to the opporturn necessary do their bid did At that time lowest bidde because here.

the responsibility of the borough.

Other resolutions put on the agenda for the council's regular session on Thursday, June 13, were:

 The award of a contract to construct a salt bin at the Department of Public Works facility to Park Lane Construction Co.

This action was delayed from the council's April 11 meeting to provide Skalley Construction Co. the opportunity to provide the necessary documentation to show their bid did meet specifications. At that time, Skalley was the lowest bidder but did not meet borough specifications.

Department of Public Works Superintendent Joseph Glowacki stated at the April 11 meeting that the specifications required a wood structure, not steel as proposed by Skalley.

Park Lane Construction re-bid the project for a total cost of \$94,860.

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Wanted: members for recycling panel

The South Plainfield Recycling Commission is seeking volunteers to serve as commission members.

Members gain the opportunity to contribute toward the success of the borough's Recycling Center. Substantial knowledge is gained concerning recycling and other aspects of solid waste manage-

Members attend one meeting a month and participate in the various educational presentations heid throughout the year. There are subcommittees that perform various functions — from publicity, to education, to Center Operations — and all will challenge members as well as allow for each member's talents to be used in helping to continue the success of the commission.

No specific requirements for membership are necessary, except for a concern for recycling and the desire to spend a

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Photo by Dianne Deversor

Kanga and Roo? Kathy Fiegley reads a story to Shawn McCormick, 3, at the open house of the new Kangaroo Kids Child Care Center on South Clinton Avenue. Mayor Michael Woskey was on hand for the ribbon cutting ceremonies.

Worker suffers heart attack after inhaling solvent fumes

By Greg Drohan

Correspondent
SOUTH PLAINFIELD — A Piscataway man suffered a heart attack 8:40 a.m. June 6 at Able Laboratories, 6 Hollywood Court, after inhaling fumes from a cleaning solvent.

Eight coworkers, four rescue workers and three police officers were taken to Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center after police were notified that the cleaning solvent, 1,1,1 Trichloroethane, a Class B poison, could have been inhaled. Class B poisons are not carcinogenic, but derivatives of them are.

Rescue workers did not know that the chemical was being used, and it is fast evaporating, so they were not immediately aware of its presence. However, they were taken to Muhlenberg for routine observation. They and the other Able employees were released.

Employees found Gokaldas Govani, 58, slumped over in the vat he was cleaning, according to South Plainfield Police Officer Michael Grennier. He said Govani was exposed to the chemical because he failed to wear a respirator and gloves.

South Plainfield Health Officer Bill Sieben said that in high amounts, 1,1,1 Trichloroethane can cause heart arrhythmias, but a direct link between Govani's heart attack and the chemical has not been officially confirmed.

Sieben said Govani usually wears safety equipment, "but for some reason there was an aberration."

Another factor was ventilation. "He did not have ventilation because the exhaust fans were not on," Sieben said.

"The fans were working fine," said Paul Manning of Able Laboratories. However, he added that Govani failed to follow procedures and did not turn them on.

Manning said there never has been an accident at Able previously. "We have a full and complete safety plan," he said.

However, Sieben said the company failed to meet safety requirements mandated by the state, under which companies must implement a safety plan approved by the Local Emergency Plan Committee.

Able submitted a proposal a month ago, but it was not approved by the LEPC, according to Sieben. In addition, he said, the proposal "was only a guideline, which sought commentary on how to be improved. They were very behind."

The one that didn't get away ...

Annual derby lures anglers from all over borough

By MARGIE GUMINA Correspondent

stories abounded as the 10th annual South Plainfield Recreation Fishing Derby was held from 9 a.m. to noon on Saturday June 8 at Spring Lake Park. The derby was open, free of charge, to all South Plainfield residents. The competition was in three children's categories, age 5 and under, ages 6-9, and ages 10-14. Each participant was given a packet donated by the All-American Fishing Derby Association. The packets included a plastic tote/personal trash bag, an Eagle Claw fish hook, a 1991 All American Fishing Derby decal patch, and the official Recreation Derby rules.

Program Coor-Recreation dinator Bill Nothnagel began the derby with the signal to "cast lines." With an audible gasp of anticipation and delight, the over 450 children cast out for "the big one." Participants completely encircled Spring Lake. The event proved to be a full family event with parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, and siblings all along for moral and technical support. Adults were permitted to help bait hooks, cast lines, and offer assistance to children unable to manage on their own. Throughout the event, seasoned advice and tips were heard passed from "old salts" to rookies, as well as rookie to rookie! "Hold the pole," "Lay the pole on the ground," "Use worms for bait," "Don't use worms for bait," "Reel it in slowly," "Reel it in fast" - conflicting yet authoritative fishing tips were shared with one another. As the event continued, whopper fish stories began. Every child had his or her bait eaten by "the big one that got away." Throughout the day, excited spottings of "giant fish," even sharks, were called out

by the younger anglers.

The derby had three conveniently located weigh stations set up around the lake. Each was easily spotted by its bright red covering and manned by recreation counselors. Nothnagel explained that each fish caught was recorded and awarded points. The fish were judged by the combined total of their weight and length. One point per ounce and one point per inch were awarded and then added together for the total catch value. Each participant was permitted to choose a prize for

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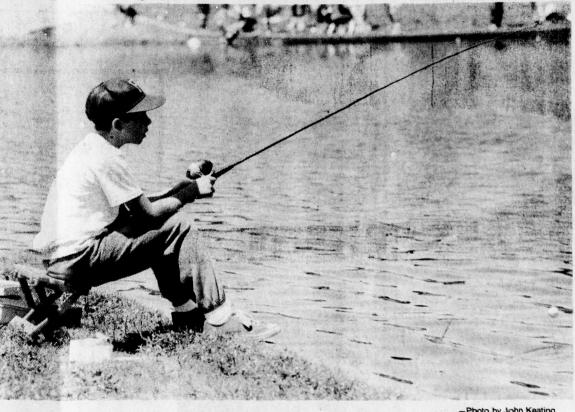
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Edward Lowe sits and waits for a bite during the 10th annual South Plainfield Recreation Fishing Derby on Saturday, June 8. For other views of the action, see page A-10.

These prizes included various fishing gear, such as sinkers, bobbers, lines, and hooks. Once weighed and recorded, most of the fish were released back into the lake. Even that small act was met with excitement as youngsters tried to re-catch the same fish with whistles and line wiggles.

According to Nothnagel, Spring Lake contains native carp, bass, catfish, and suckers. In addition, prior to the Derby, the lake was stocked with about 150 sunnies supplied free of charge by the state. "There are plenty of fish out there, and some big ones along the bottom," he said.

Five-year-old Elaine Alexander bragged that she had caught a sunny "all by myself" and chose a pack of hooks as her prize. "Know why I picked them? 'Cause there's a lot of them!" she said in explanation of her prize choice. Four-year-old Gregory Morris proudly showed off his hooked

every fish caught and weighed. about the catch, father or son, Looking around, Nothnagel said. "What makes this event so special is that it's really a family event. Mothers and fathers are here having fun with their children." The parents were quickly caught up in the excitement of the derby. Fathers, who initially took hold of their child's pole in order to give casting tips to their children, soon gained a childlike gleam of excitement in their eyes. Mothers who shied away from the worms were soon expertly baiting hooks. Shouts of joy could be heard each time a fish was pulled from the lake. Laughter and good-natured ribbing filled the air. Recreation Director Kevin Dunbar stated,"The Fishing Derby is probably the one event we like the best because it is so family-oriented. It's truly what we're in the business for, promoting not only rec-reation but family fun. That's what makes it so great, seeing the families having fun together."

Fishing with her dad Bill, brother-in-law Bobby Cusick, and four-year-old nephew Bobby, Erika explained her secret fishing strategy, "We took the bobber off and fished off the bottom. We used a secret recipe dough that my sister made for bait." Nineyear-old Gregory Lowich came forward with a grin and what had to be the smallest fish in the lake. a four-centimeter minnow. He explained that he ran his net along the water and was surprised to come up with the tiny fish.

Fishing success had little to do with age and a lot to do with luck. Seven-year-old Jay Pacifico, using corn as bait, managed to hook a five-inch sunny, to the chagrin of older brother Anthony fishing only inches away. Four-year-old Joey Helgesen landed a seven-inch carp with the help of his father

John. "I got another fish," he shouted. The carp was his sixth fish of the day. While eleven-year-old Cheryl Marfield had no trouble catching her 10-inch catfish, taking it off the hook was another matter. She enlisted friend Charlie Frick to remove the fish and return it to the lake.

Two friends made the top stories of the day. Eleven-year-old Wesley Sullivan landed a 51/2pound, 22-inch carp within the first hour of the derby. "It took me about five minutes to catch it, I got it real fast," he said. Landing it, however, was somewhat harder. "It really put up a fight, a big fight. The line got tangled, and I was really pulling. It took a long time to land," he said. Wesley explained that he is a seasoned fisherman who goes fishing every week. He likes to use a secret recipe bait which includes "dough, peanut butter, and some-thing I'm not telling" among its ingredients. He is also grateful for the help of a friend. "I want to give my thanks to Steven Melanson. He saved my fishing rod from flying in the water by jumping on it," said Wesley.

While Wesley's carp appeared at first to be the largest fish caught, his friend and fishing buddy tipped the scales shortly before the end of the derby. Eleven-year-old John Stirling landed a six-pound, 22-inch carp. Fishing next to one another, the two shared the same secret bait. John smiled and replied, "A fisherman never tells" when questioned about the full bait recipe. He was, however, willing to share his strategy: "Letting the hook sink to the bottom is definitely better. That's where the big ones are."

Prizes of \$25 gift certificates were awarded to the top winning boy and girl in each age group. Prizes were also awarded to the second and third place runnersup. The derby ended at high noon with the closing of the weigh stations. A Winners Circle was held in the gazebo, with prizes awarded and the winners cheered.

In the five-and-under category, the winners were Girls First a success in more ways than one.

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Place, Rachael Cupidu, with a 24point sucker; Second Place, Nicole Carlson; Third Place, Robin Zushma; Boys First Place, Anthony Isidro, with a 22-point bass; and Tie for Second Place, Lee Cursi and Bill Weeler.

In the six-to-nine category, Girls First Place Erika Heisler, a 102point carp; Second Place, Kristian Malellton; Third Place Tie, Jenny Ganuo, Cindy Weeler, and Michelle Yotter; Boys First Place, Dominic Liccardone, 36 points; Second Place, Edward Lowe; Third Place, Karl Schultz.

In the 10-to-14 category, Girls First Place Cheryl Maxfield, 161/2 points; Second Place, Lorraine Starr; Third Place, Heather DiBiase; Boys First Place, John Sterling, 111-point carp; Second Place, Wesley Sullivan; Third Place, Joe Merrifield.

The Fishing Derby ended with surprising organization and speed. Within minutes of the awards, the park was once again returned to the joggers and strollers. A wedding party appeared for pictures in the gazebo, having no clue to the excitement and crowds it had earlier contained. The park was left exceptionally clean, remarkable considering that more than a thousand people attended the Derby throughout the day. Each person made the effort to pick up his wrappers, cans, and bottles, and the result was a total lack of litter.

"This is what it's all about -Mom and Dad out for a few hours of fun with the kids. This year was one of the best we've had so far. We had the best weather, a beautiful day, and the largest turnout. There are no losers, everyone today is a winner," said Dunbar.

For the rest of the season, and maybe even longer, children throughout the town will discuss the "one that got away" and debate the merits of bread dough bait over worms. They will return to Spring Lake, hoping to spot John and Wesley's carps.

The Recreation Fishing Derby is a hometown slice of Americana,



FIGURES DON'T LIE.





Chrisann Zushma and Ryan Smith wait to go on stage during graduation ceremonies of the Future Stars Preschool Program on Wednesday, June 5. The program is conducted by the South Plainfield Adult School under the auspices of the Board of Education.

Borough resident graduates from Wardlaw-Hartridge

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Board OKs Degussa plan for tank and pump house

By CHERYL HARTH Correspondent

At its Tuesday, June 11 meeting, the Planning Board granted unaminous approval to Degussa Corporation/Metz Division to install a metal recovery surge tank at its South Clinton Avenue loca-

Scott Eves, manager of environmental control for Degussa, described the tank as 169 feet by 69 feet with a 15-by-25-foot pump house adjacent to the tank. In addition, a floating cover will be included to catch rain water, which will be pumped off.

According to Eves, the function of the tank would be to normalize the flow from metal recovery and waste water treatment.

"We would be able to treat water in batches and discharge in batches," Eves explained. "This would allow for a continuous flow, rather than in large amounts."

When asked by John Westrick, Planning Board vice chairman, where the treated water waste would be pumped, Eves said that it would be pumped into the sanitary sewer system. The pumping capability is 40 to 70 gallons

Mayor Michael Woskey asked if the waste water can be discharged during off-peak hours, and Eves replied, "Yes, that is one purpose of the tank."

Woskey stated that the borough is trying to limit the peak flow into the sanitary sewer system and that he is in favor of this system.

Board member Don Mazzeo asked if the matter treated is

"Not above the allowable stand-

ards," replied Eves. "Where are you currently storing?" asked Mazzeo.

Eves replied that the waste water is now pumping directly into the sewer system.

Wayne Winkler, South Plainfield Environmental Commission member, asked if the tank is vented and covered, and whether there is a leak detection system.

Eves explained the there is a scrubber system and that the tank is covered. "The tank is also double walled with a leak detection system that is monitored," said Eves.

In other matters, the board:

 Gave its approval to Joseph and Sal Buccellato to subdivide property at 221 Woolworth Ave. to single-family construct two

houses. · Approved the site plan and granted a bulk variance to Joseph V. Santoro to erect a two-story addition to an existing two-story

Plainfield Ave. Frank Santoro explained that the building would be completely renovated and house an attorney's office and a chiropractor's office.

building. It will be used as two

professional offices at 129 South

According to Santoro, the addition to the rear of the building would be 28 feet by 22 feet, and an elevator would be installed to replace the existing stairs in the

The board's approval included variances for a 20-foot driveway in lieu of the 24 feet required, and a deviation from the side-yard setback by three feet.

Board member Darlene Goushy asked if the driveway, which is used for both entering and exiting, will be marked in any way.

Santoro replied that arrows will indicate the enter/exit procedure.

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Serious business

ot exactly the way you'd want to spend an afternoon in the park. This week a Piscataway man went to Columbus Park and, while sitting on a bench by New Market Lake, was attacked by a raccoon. Since it was broad daylight on heavily-traveled Lakeview Avenue — raccoons are both nocturnal and shy of humans — the beast was almost certainly rabid. As of press time, the animal had not yet been caught.

A lot of people seem to think the warnings about a rabies epidemic coming to Middlesex County are so much alarmism.

In the past year and a half, a total of 855 incidents involving rabid animals have been reported all over the state: 755 with raccoons, 56 with skunks, 14 with groundhogs, 13 with cats, six with foxes, four with deer, three with rabbits, two with cattle and one each involving sheep and black bear. There were 25 cases in the past week alone.

If you haven't taken your dog or cat to be licensed and vaccinated, do so immediately. Yes, there's a licensing fee and a certain amount of inconvenience involved. There's also the possibility that without the vaccination a beloved household pet might become infected with an awful disease — and, worse yet, might spread it to a member of the family. This is serious

READINGS.

The rules of the game

Major league baseball's rules are posted in every clubhouse. The most important, because of baseball's history, forbids gambling. The office of baseball commissioner was invented in the aftermath of baseball's worst trauma, the 1919 Black Sox scandal of the fixed

Baseball and gambling were dreadfully entangled in the game's early days. Stories are told of bullets splatting into the grass at the feet of outfielders as they were about to make cathches that would have upset the calculations of gamblers. In 1867 Harper's Weekly reported, So common has betting become at baseball matches that most respectable clubs in the country indulge in it to a highly culpable degree and so common. . . (are) the tricks by which games have been "sold" for the benefit of gamblers that the most respectable of participants have been suspected of this baseness.

In the bidding by cities for star players, gamblers joined politicians in offering fringe benefits. In 1872 The New York Times thundered on behalf of amateurism: "To employ professional players to perspire in public for the benefit of gamblers. . .furnishes to dyspeptic moralists a strong argument against any form of muscular Christianity." In 1908 some Phillies threw a gambler down the long flight of clubhouse steps to the Polo Grounds because he had tried to bribe them to throw a game. By then major league baseball was beginning to put gambling behind it. But the worst episode, the Black Sox scandal, was still to

By the time Pete Rose's gambling became too lurid to remain private, there was an interesting contradiction between baseball's de jure culture and the nation's civic culture. By the late 1980s, state governments coast-to-coast were in the business of promoting gambling. But gambling remained baseball's capital crime. And rightly so. Baseball's nightmare is a player or manager in hock to the mob. The severity of that nightmare is one reason why all commissioners have, if they husband it, real power.

From time to time commissioners have made decisions that have, in effect, seized owners' properties. The first commissioner, Judge Keneshaw Mountain Landis, made some players free agents because he did not like the way certain clubs were hoarding talent. In 1976 Commissioner Bowie Kuhn blocked Charlie Finley, then owner of the Oakland Athletics, from selling three players for \$3.5 million, at that time an imposing sum. Kuhn did so under the vast grant of power by which commissioners are entitled to act "in the best interests of baseball." Denny McLain, the Tigers' pitcher, was suspended for 90 days in 1970 for associating with gamblers. Leo Durocher, the Dogers' manager, was suspended throughout the 1947 season for the same

-George F. Will, Thje New York Review of Books, June 27

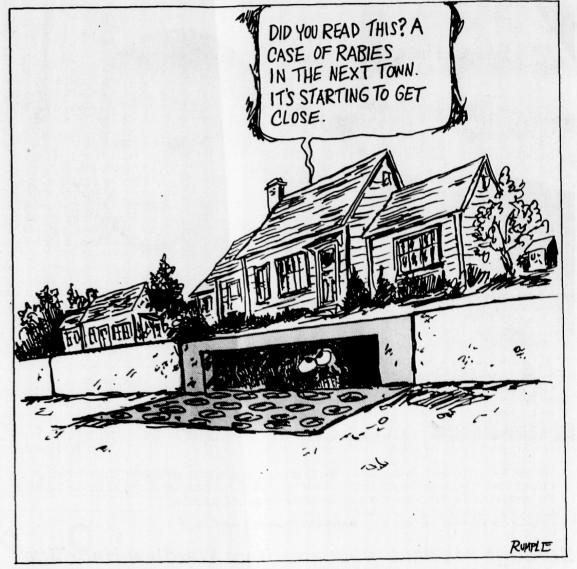
The unread

At the most basic level, books are shoddier than ever before. Kenneth Adelman's 1989 book on arms control, The Great Universal Embrace, reprints page 23 where page 123 should be. Five crucial lines are dropped in Lou Cannon's just-published President Reagan: The Role of a Lifetime. In Possession, A.S. Bryatt's Booker Prize-winning novel, the protagonist's name is spelled two different ways. I found two spelling errors before I had even finished the acknowledgements of E.J. Dionne's Why Americans Hate Politics. Most of these books are published by Simon and Schuster, but similar gaffes can be found in those of most other commercial houses, where careful copy editing is becoming a lost art.

For lack of editing, books have also gotten far too long. Editors have largely abandoned the task of finding the slim book in the unwieldy manuscript, of discovering the sculpture in the raw stone. There's not even commercial pressure to shorten books. The Book-of-the-Month Club and chains like B. Dalton believe, in the words of one buyer, that "serious books should be weighty." Among recent examples of doorstop unreadability: William Faulkner: American Writer by Frederick R. Karl (Grove Weidenfeld, 1,200 pages); The Power Game: How Washington Really Works by Hedrick Smith (Random House, 703 pages); KGB: The Inside Story by Christopher Andrew and Oleg Gordievsky (HarperCollins, 776 pages); Jackson Pollock: An American Saga by Steven Naifeh and Gregoru White Smith (Clarkson Potter, 776 pages); and The Prize: The Epic Quest for Oil, Money & Power by Daniel Yergin (Simon and Schuster) bringing up the rear with a brisk 911 pages. Jack Germond and Jules Witcover's book about the important 1980 presidential campaign, Blue Smoke and Mirrors, was a mere 337 pages. Their book about the less momentous 1984 election, Wake Us When It's Over, was 567 pages. Rarely has a book been more appropriately titled.

Writers are loath to talk on the record about how poorly edited their books are because it reflects badly on them, and upon editors who are potential purchasers of future books. With an offer of anonymity, however, their frustration pours forth. One first-time author I spoke to is a reporter who was posted in the Soviet Union for a number of year. When she submitted her manuscript, the product of four years of work, her editor did nothing except advise her to change it from first person to third person. The author made the change and several reviewers pointed it out as a major flaw of the book, which sold poorly and disappeared quickly from the shelves. "He never read it thoroughly and never line-edited it," the writer says of her editor. "He was way too busy and overworked. There wasn't a single mark on the manuscript."

-Jacob Weisberg, The New Republic, June 17



They like 'Chalk Talk' column

To the Editor: We would like to take the opportunity to tell you what a nice addition the "Chalk Talk" is to your newspaper. Mrs. Gumina has made an excellent effort to cover events happening at all the local schools. Her nice style makes the column interesting to read as well as informative.

Thank you, again, for affording us the opportunity to stress the positive accomplishments of the students of South Plainfield.

PATRICIA E. BIANCOLLI and JOANNE HAUS South Plainfield MIddle School teachers

Future Stars staff thanked

I wish to express my sincere thanks to the administration, Future Stars staff and parents for dedicating the 1991 Future Stars graduation to me. Your thoughtfulness adds to my memories of 11 happy years at Future Stars.

FAITH F. GAUL South Plainfield

A Father's Day that's for real

To the Editor:

Fatherhood is a lifelong commitment - too precious to be left to chance. That's why Planned Parenthood of Greater Northern New Jersey urges men to share responsibility for birth control and family planning.

Planned Parenthood encourages men to visit our family planning centers with their partners, and to be come more knowledgeable about contraception. We have information available about male birth control methods and reproductive health care.

By visiting our family planning centers, male partners can show they care and are willing to take an equal responsibility for contraception. Men can also learn a great deal about how to protect themselves from sexually transmitted infection and disease.

For couples who are considering sterilization, we have a vasectomy program at our Morristown center. A free information kit on the program is available by calling Leah Barnstone at (201) 539-7097. For a free brochure on male birth control and reproductive health care, send a self-addressed stamped business-size envelope to PPGNNJ Center for Family Life Education, 575 Main Street, Hackensack, N.J. 07601.

And to loving fathers everywhere, happy Father's Day!

JEFFREY BRAND Executive Director, Planned Parenthood of Greater Northern New Jersey Morristown

New address

The Reporter has moved to 211 Lakeview Ave., Piscataway, 08854. Readers should send press releases and letters to the editor to the new address to avoid delays in publications. All communications must be received in the Reporter office by Tuesday noon for publication in that Friday's Reporter.

Letters and releases can be faxed to the Reporter at 968-0591. These must be received by Tuesday noon for publication in that Friday's Reporter.

· YOUR OPINION ·

'You ain't seen nothing yet'

To the Editor:

'The Other Shoe" - Could they top last years effort? As you drive up to the pool, there is the well kept grounds and the soft new colors on the main building. In you go, greeted by polite young teenagers, eager to be helpful but as Jolson said "You ain't seen nothing yet"

As you first look inside the pool area there are flower boxes filled with pretty flowers, small picnic tables, and fancy colored umbrellas. Lift your eyes a little to the left and now we see large picnic area hand-ball, volleyball court, basketball nets and we haven't looked to the pool yet.

Well there it is gleaming in the sunlight, grass area spotless, and new wooden benches placed poolside.

Now what did this picture need to make it complete? They sprinkled it with little children, teenagers, added some young parents and some not-so-young grandparents.

Much thanks to all the workers and town officials who made this all possible. A tip of the hat to you!

PATRICK CRILLEY South Plainfield

Help your pets keep their cool

To the Editor:

Now that summer weather has arrived, I want to remind readers of how hot the inside of a car gets on a hot day even with the win-Society of the United States warns: when its too hot - leave your pet at home! In New Jersey, it is against the law to leave dogs in hot cars and the SPCA or local police should be called immediately.

On a warm day the temperature in your car can reach 160 degrees in a matter of minutes. With only hot air to breathe, a pet can quickly suffer brain damage or die from heatstroke. Open windows, shaded parking areas, or air conditioned cars with the motor off will not save your pet's life.

Be sure you know these signs of heat stress: heavy panting, glazed eyes, rapid pulse rate, dizziness, vomiting, or a deep red or purple tongue. If your pet does become

overheated, get him into the shade and take these emergency steps: Apply ice packs or cold towels to the head, neck, and dows partially open. The Humane chest. Don't give an unlimited amount of cold water. Let him lick ice cubes or even ice cream. Get the dog to a veterinarian immediately. It could save your pet's

> Flyers are available free of charge from our office which can be placed on car windows, in store windows, or on bulletin boards to warn people of the hazards of leaving pets in hot cars. Please send a legal-size selfaddressed envelope (29 cents) with your request for flyers to "Hot Car," The Humane Society of the United States, 270 Route 206, Flanders, N.J. 07836.

NINA AUSTENBERG Humane Society of the United States Flanders

Full disclosure

One easy, ethical way to help curb rising health costs; a ruling that doctors must inform patients when they prescribe treatments in which they have a financial interest.

A growing number of physicians now routinely steer patients to laboratories, nursing homes, hospitals in which the doctors are either shareholders or from which they receive lucrative advisory or director's fees. The same conflict of interest is true with regard to some of the medicines and procedures they order

Lawyers cannot be both prosecutors and defense attorneys for clients. Brokers must inform customers if they have a position in

the stock they're touting. Government officials aren't allowed to steer government business to firms in which they have a financial stake.

This blatant conflict of interest is an outrage. At the least, doctors should be required not only to inform patients if they have such an

facts and comments

MALCOLM S. FORBES, JR.

interest but to verify in writing that the fees they're charging are not out of line with other, untainted providers.

It's too much to expect of human nature that with what is, in effect, a captive market physicians won't charge inflated fees or prescribe tests or treatments that are actually unnecessary. Why can't the American Medical Association, the health in-

surance companies and the Department of Health and Human Services make such disclosures mandatory? That kind of disclosure helps create free markets and limits

unethical behavior. This boy's going places

The other day Fanny Mae's impressive new boss, James Johnson, shared this story with us: One of the company's top executives was telling his 8-year-old son how much progress FNMA had made during the past decade. "Do you realize that in 1981 we were losing \$1 million every business day! Now we are making a profit of \$4 million every business day!" The son's response: "So why aren't you open on weekends?

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Your Opinion

They light up his life

In response to The Reporter's May 31 article entitled "Lighting the way/Local family wins Americanism award," I'd like to have my thanks acknowledged on behalf of my family, Elena and Alfred.

We'd like to thank Leonard Rowlands, the Commander of the 40 and 8 Grande Voiture of New Jersey 128, of the American Legion for recognizing us with the Americanism Award regarding our support of the Persian Gulf War. Thanks also goes out to

Tomei for the presentation and his efforts, and to Margie Gumina for her superb correspndence.

Most importantly, thanks to President Bush and the Allied Forces for defending democracy, freedom and peace. Let us all fly the American flag in the honor and glory for which it was intended, and let's do this a little more often.

FERNANDO J. TAMILIO South Plainfield

She loves a parade

To the Editor:

The fantastic parades Saturday and Monday in Washington and New York City say thank-you not only to our heroic servicemen and service women of Desert Shield and Desert Storm but also thankyou to all our unsung military heroes. And, it's about time we as a nation said publicly to all the veterans of all previous conflicts, especially the Vietnam War, "We love you all - returning veterans

and those of you who gave your lives for this great country!"

The outpouring of love and appreciation along the parade routes expressed the pride and patriotism that the USA is all about. We need a parade, and as Irving Berlin so aptly put to music, we obviously "love a par-

BARBARA "BOBBIE" WEIGEL Piscataway

Host families are sought for students from abroad

families.

Andrea Atlas of South Plainfield, Local Coordinator for the Academic Year in America high school exchange program, is interviewing families in this part of New Jersey to host a foreign exchange student. The cross cultural learning program places teenagers from Europe, Asia and Latin America with American families for a semester or school

New Jersey has been host to dozens of foreign students this year. "Spring time is the most exciting time of the program year for these students," says Atlas. "They love the prom, yearbooks and class rings.

Customs like these, which are part of any American teenager's experience, are new and different for teens from abroad.

The program also gives American families the chance to learn about a foreign culture. Exchange "tudents bring their holiday cus- Tricia Daly at (800) 322-4678.

toms, their native language, and the special dishes of their homelands into their American homes. "It's like a trip abroad without ever leaving home," notes Atlas. "These interesting young ambassadors soon win the hearts of their hosts. They arrive as strangers and become 'sons' and 'daughters' in their American

Next year's participants, chosen form hundreds of applicants, will arrive in New Jersey in August. They all speak English, are covered by full medical insurance, and have their own spending money. Host families receive a travel scholarship, worth up to \$800 off the cost of an AIFS study/travel abroad program.

Families interested in choosing a boy or girl to host for the 91/92 school year should contact Atlas at (609) 275-6111 to set up an interviews, or call regional director

Roosevelt reading club really is one for the books

owski's 1st grade class at Roose- poral learned to handle a 9mm velt School love to read.

reading, the class formed "Our M203 grenade launcher that could Reading Club," meeting twice a week for 20 minutes. Reading selections were chosen by the student, practiced and then read aloud to the class. Each child received a bookmark upon which a sticker was placed when completing a book. At the end of the school year, those children with the most stickers will receive a prize.

Student book club members were: Kimberly Arend, Okle Annum, Lindsay Ardis, Jared Burnham, Dana Butrico, Philip DeGennaro, Daniel DeFalco, Edward Donnelly, Kevin Drennan, Stephanie Goldstone, Stephanie Golonka, Christopher Grevious, John Hilpert, Shannon Horvath, Tyler Hyslage, Jason Jackson, Antonia Katsantonis, Jennifer Kertes, Krystal McCullen, Billy Olson, Michelle Socha and Stephanie Veerasammy.

On Thursday, May 6, a Persian Gulf War veteran returned to his hometown and met with students at Roosevelt School. Corporal James McCauley, United States Marine Corp MP, was the special guest of his nephew David, a 2nd grade student in Jean M. Madden's class. James hosted a question session for the 1st through 3rd grades, and then visited some of the classrooms.

In response to questioning, the children learned that the Corporal was married and his wife who is also in the military, had a baby while he was in the Gulf. He said it was tough to go to war but that it was his job to do. He also responded "Yes, you always get homesick.'

Corp. McCauley spoke about the scorching heat: 128 degrees during the day and 100 degrees at night; how there were no "green" things there, i.e., vegetation; how the Saudis and the camels and the animals sleep from noon to 3 p.m. because it is the hottest part of the day; of cold field showers and military food; of the month long rainy season (it rained three to six days making mud up to his knees)

The boys were particularly in-

The children in Susan Rydar- terested in the weapons the corpistol, an M16 and a 0.50 caliber To further the enjoyment of machine gun; an M60 and an shoot a grenade 400 yards, the equivalent of four football fields. McCauley did not see combat although he was stationed only 80 miles from the Kuwait border.

When Asked about the famous Scud missiles, McCauley told the attentive audience "You could see Scuds all the time. I saw four shot down by the patriots. That was pretty exciting."

Corporal McCauley, who will return shortly to his base in California and finish out 12 more months of service, is brother of Roosevelt School PTA member Ginny Butrico. Last February, the Roosevelt School PTA launched a highly successful blood drive in honor of the Persian Gulf troops, which Butrico co-chaired.

Question. What do you do with your old Reporter newspaper? Make a new piece of paper, of course. That's exactly what the three 2nd grade classes and one kindergarten class did recently.

The 2nd grade classes of Jean Madden, Flo Muglia and Maureen Kearney and the afternoon kindergarten class of Linda Stamatoff all learned how to make a sheet of recycled paper. Each student cut up an old piece of the Reporter, stirred it up in a cup of water to make pulp. Liquid starch was added to the "slurry", which looks like gray cottage cheese, to add stiffness. Then the pulp was poured on a screen, pressed with rollers to get the water out, painted and dried. The process was a miniature version of the real manufacturing process, only done on a classroom scale. They were taught this technique by Dorothy Miele, a local artist and member of the Roosevelt School PTA Executive Board.

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There's no place like home

I pulled into the driveway of my home at 5:30 p.m., eager to grab a quick bite to eat before I was off to work again. Sometimes it's good to get out of the office, even for a few moments, and be greeted by your loving family. My mother shoved a roast beef sandwich at me as she chugged

"No dinner tonight dear, I have to be at a natural foods

seminar at 6:30 p.m.

"You're going to learn all about healthy foods and I get a roast beef sandwich?" I called out, but to no avail. Mom was in the car, visions of vitamin B12 dancing in her head. I heard a banging overheard and saw a strange man banging a

"Excuse me, Mr. Strange Man," I called out "Exactly why are The strange man pulled out a cigarette (did you ever meet a

hammer on the roof.

man who worked on roof tops that didn't smoke?) and said "I need to fix dis ding here, because it drips like a mutha." "Oh," I said, as I noticed he was eyeing my sandwich. "Well, I'll get out of your way then."

Yeah whatever. But ya want to take the noisy kid wit ya?" I looked down to see my 3-year-old nephew waving his plastic

"Uncle Donnie, the man on the roof is going to fix the roof, right? Man on the roof, you're going to fix the roof, right? You have big tools, right? I have a hammer too. I can come up and fix the roof, right?

"I got a wife that talks less than that kid," the strange roof man. "And that's saying a lot."

"Come on Beau, let's go inside," I said as I hustled the kid in. "I'll break something so you can fix it."

We went in to find my sister on the phone, long distance to Bothswana or somewhere. Like bees gravitate to flowers, as RANDOM NOTES Donald Pizzi Ir.

lemins hurl themselves thoughtlessly into the ocean, my sister can be find within ear's distance of a phone.

I plopped my nephew on a chair, and he began hammering a lamp. I threw a slice of melted cheese on my roast beef sandwich (the artery clogger deluxe I like to call it) and settled down

"Hey, you got a claw hammer?" I heard from behind me. It was roof man.

"Why are you asking me for a claw hammer? You're the guy on the roof.

"Yeah, I think my wife borrowed it. Hey, you gonna finish that

I had to be at work soon, and I wasn't about to let roof man lay a grimy paw on my artery clogger deluxe. Down to the

basement we went, with Beau in tow. "Your going to get Pop Pop's hammer, right? Pop Pop has a big, heavy, old hammer, right? Uncle Donnie are you going to

get Pop Pop's hammer? Pop Pop has lot's of hammer's right? "Who is this kid's mother, Joan Rivers?," the roof man asked. "I've seen mynah birds that talk less than this kid.

We found the roof man his claw hammer, and he managed to coax me out of some of my sandwich. He returned to the roof, I plopped Beau onto his mother's lap, and dashed off to work The office had never seemed so inviting.

Out of 3 billion, why these people?

By latest count (actually guess), there are more than 3 billion people living on this lovely planet that we call Earth. Now that's a lot of folks with a lot of problems (most of whom drive the exact same route to work as I do).

And we're all just movin' around every day, doing our own personal stuff, while our aforementioned planet keeps right on spinning away. And some of our stuff is interesting and most of it is kind of boring, but we keep right on doing it because it's our stuff and we've got to do it or it won't get done. Who wants a bunch of undone stuff?

And when we get home at night from a hard day's work, we want to relax. We want to leave all of that stuff behind and just lose ourselves in somebody else's hideous life. So we read a newspaper or magazine or we turn on the TV to catch up on the rest of the 3 billion people on the planet. But do we ever hear about oh, say George the custodian from Cleveland who just bought a new car? Or Lucille from Atlanta who had root-canal surgery last week? Nope.

We hear or read about the same five people every day! Every day, mind you. Out of the 3 billion people on this planet, we have to hear over and over again about the same five people. How stupid is that?

Now granted, these five people will eventually be replaced by five more people, probably after about a two-month cycle. But inevitably some of these folks keep getting back on the list, despite the fact that many of us never had a shot. Perhaps we're just do busy doing our stuff.

Here's a look at the latest top five publicity hogs:

Norman Schwarzkopf. Stormin' Norman. Is there anyone in

this country who doesn't know that General Norm has a dog named "Bear" and that he has two lovely daughters?

Does anybody care anymore? Personally, I've had enough. I don't care if Norm runs for president, becomes Tampa's number-one dog catcher or becomes president of the Hair Club for Men. He can do whatever he wants. Me, I'm not caring. Enough already. He's a hero. He's a saint. You love him, you can't live without him. Yeah, yeah, yeah. He kicked butt. Yeah, yeah. Thanks, Norm. Now go away.

·Madonna. Never have so many made such a fuss over someone so damn insignificant. You know the drill - Madonna said something outrageous or she was seen wearing something tacky, or she's dating some other pseudo celebrity. Big deal. I've had

• OFF BEAT • Tim Hall

enough. As a matter of fact, I'd had enough way back in 1984. Seven years of Madonna. These are the times that try men's

•Ted Kennedy. This is my personal favorite, largely because ! keep writing nasty things about him and then he keeps doing things that prove that I was right when I wrote nasty things about him. And you have to admit, ol' Ted can really get in some messes, can't he?

But still, even I'm starting to get weary of it all. We all know the man has the good judgment of your average 6th grader and the morals of a rutting sea elephant. So I say that we let it rest. Besides, whatever happened to Gary Hart?

•Kitty Kelley. She's starting to fade away again now, sure to return in about three years when her latest "work" (heh, heh, heh) is published. There is talk, though, that she's going to have her own talk show. She'd better hurry; if she keeps writing books, there won't be any celebrities left that will be willing to be on her sure-to-be-inane show.

Dan Quayle. When are people going to leave this guy alone? You know, if you can't get a little peace and quiet when you're vice president, when can you? I personally would be proud to have a president who can putt and hit a sand wedge. I'm tired of hearing about Dan's lack of qualifications. It's been my experience that most of the people in this country are doing jobs that they're not qualified to do. It's a national tradition. I know that I'm holding up my end.

Others who have been on the list at various times include Saddam Hussein, Mikhail Gorbachev, Michael Jackson, Donald Trump, that preppy guy who killed his date in Central Park, the aforementioned Mr. Hart, Ron and Nancy Reagan and their entire family of misfits, and that Khadafi guy from Libya. (If anybody from the Associated Press is reading this, I couldn't

(Please turn to page A-13)

A little competitive spirit

I guess there's nothing quite like a family gathering to really point up for you - with a veritable Technicolor brilliance - all those wrong turns and bad choices you've made in life, and how amazingly successful everyone you're related to is. Isn't life funny that way? Ha ha, I can hardly stop laughing.

I haven't actually been to a certified family reunion lately; rather, my highly perceptive observation stems from a series of meetings with my relatives from both sides of the family.

It started about a year ago at a pool party my cousin threw for all of us. There I was, enjoying the pool with all the reckless abandon that a person wearing nose plugs, goggles and a bathing cap, can actually have. All of the cousins - who range in age from 22 to about 46 - were naturally competing fiercely with each other in a very unfriendly game of pool volleyball. There were elbow jabs, groin shots, head butts... people were getting hurt. I — being the only competitive member of my family — was right there in the midst of the fracas, hurting people as best I could, until some jock knocked the nose plugs right the heck off my face. I got a nose bleed and had to leave the game.

I retreated to the shallow end of the pool, stuck a tissue up my nose and vowed to destroy that cousin in the croquet game. Oh it would be sweet. He'd be chasing his ball down the Parkway if things went according to plan.

But then my sister swam up to me. No, wait - she didn't "swim" up to me, she doggie-paddled up to me, because my sister doesn't swim she doggie paddles. I have to give her credit - she doesn't have a competitive bone in her body. While I and all my victory-hungry cousins were trying to put each other in traction over a game of volleyball, she was contentedly doggie paddling around the pool, just happy to not be getting any water up her nose. Of course I chastised her, like I always do, for doggie paddling in front of the cousins but she just ignored me, like she always does, and gave me the bad news.

Two cousins had gotten promotions (I was still in the same spot), one cousin had vacationed in Cabo San Lucas (that beat my Cancun trip in the "coolest vacation" competition) and a fourth cousin won some contest. This year was going to be bad.
"Well, what's so big about the contest?" I asked, sensing a

possible vulnerable area. "It has to do with some kind of science experiment," (Uh-oh, science: that gets points right off the bat because people won't understand it) "and there were more than 500 people compet-

I was sunk. I had already prepared an entry for the "Stand around the barbecue and tell a pompous, self-indulgent, self-promoting, ego-inflating story about yourself" contest. But after hearing more about the two promotions and the science thing, my story about how I got the exclusive feature on a 100-year-old man who was born with a webbed foot, suddenly seemed . . .

My only recourse now was the old "Reveal a heretofore undisclosed secret about yourself that most civilized people would keep to themselves." How about if I say I'm in therapy? That wouldn't do; everyone's in therapy. Liposuction? Still no good; • STAGE LEFT •

Erin McNamara-Ferrara

they'd need details that I didn't have. Betty Ford clinic? They'll know I couldn't afford it. I decided to just blurt out whatever I could think of.

'Oh gosh, that's so impressive about that Nobel prize thing, Patty. You must be so proud of yourself. It's funny because I met another Nobel Prize winner last week while I was in the middle of getting a . . . uh . . . a TATTOO.'

OK, maybe that was a bad choice, but I was under a great deal of pressure as you can see.

But family gatherings are always like that. If somebody isn't embarking on a glamorous new career, they're traveling to exotic places. My cousin (I have a lot of cousins) who has neither a glamorous new career nor even the glimmer of one, just told me that she and her husband are trekking through Iceland this summer. Iceland for Pete's sake! I mean, how does a person compete with this stuff?!

My best friend always tries to comfort me with the old "maybe they are successful, but they're not happy" line. Yeah, right. They sure don't look unhappy. As a matter of fact, while my New York cousin was packing her bags for a "business" trip to Palm Springs last week, she looked absolutely cheerful. And while my other cousin was showing off the stupid newspaper clipping about her Nobel Prize or whatever it was, she sure seemed pleased with herself.

And you can always count on your mother to jump in at the absolutely wrong time with one of your puny stories.

"Erin, why don't you tell your cousins about what happened to you last week. Erin's always having the most interesting things happen to her. It's because she works for a newspaper."

Oh no mom, please, no it's not really . . "Oh come on Erin, of course your cousins want to hear about

"Well, uh, last week I went into the convenience store near my house, and the manager told me that just a minute before, someone had come in and said they had a gun and robbed the place. And the manager said if I had come in one minute sooner, I would have been in there while the place was being held up. And the weird thing about was, I never go to that particular convenience store. It was just for some reason I felt like I should go in there at that moment. So it was like, really

coincidental. You know? Sort of . . . spooky, in a way."

"Oh yeah Erin, that is . . . spooky. So how does it feel to be a Nobel Prize winner, Patty?"

Oh so, big deal. So maybe she does have a Nobel Prize. It's not going to save her from having to chase a bunch of her own croquet balls down the Parkway. Hah! I'll give her a Nobel Prize

SOUTH PLAINFIELD

MONDAY, JUNE 17

 South Plainfield Cultural Arts Commission meeting, Borough Hall Conference Room, 7:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 21

• South Plainfield Chapter 4144 AARP annual installation luncheon at Our Lady of Czestochowa Hall, Hamilton Boulevard, at 12:30 (note: time changed from regular meeting time.) Hot and cold buffet, members \$7., guests \$8.50. Reservations by June 10, no payment at the door. Make checks payable to AARP Chapter 4144 and mail to Ginny Beith, 249 Pierce St., South Plainfield, N.J. 07080.

TUESDAY, JUNE 25

• South Plainfield Recycling Commission monthly meeting in the Borough Hall Conference Room at 8 p.m.

 South Plainfield AARP Chapter 4144 luncheon cruise around Manhattan on the Spirit of New Jersey. Tickets, \$33 each, includes lunch and entertainment. Bus leaves Italian-American Club at 10:15 a.m. For reservations and information, call Grace Cichetti at 753-1564.

FRIDAY, JUNE 28

· Dance for sixth- through eighth-graders, sponsored by the South Plainfield Recreation Commission, at the South Plainfield Community Pool, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Tickets, \$2 each, will be on sale at the Recreation Department office on Maple Avenue on June 26 and 27 during the day and in the evening from 6:30 to 8 p.m. and at the door. Refreshments will be on sale at the pool snack bar. Information: Recreation office, 754-9000.

SUNDAY, JUNE 30

• The World of Cards and Comics Convention, Holiday Inn, Stelton Road, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Information: 968-3886.

SATURDAY, JULY 6

 South Plainfield Recreation Dept. trip to Veterans Stadium to see Phillies vs. Mets, Adults \$12. children (16 and under) \$10. bus leaves 4:30 p.m. Information: 754-9000 ext. 253

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

 South Plainfield Environmental Commission monthly meeting in the Borough Hall Conference Room at 8 p.m.

MONDAY, JULY 15

 South Plainfield Cultural Arts Commission monthly meeting in the Borough Hall Conference Room at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, JULY 23

· South Plainfield Recycling Commission monthly meeting in the Borough Hall Conference Room at 8 p.m.

SATURDAY, JULY 27

 Polish National Home's annual baseball trip to see the New York Yankees on Old Timers Day. Tickets, \$16 per person. Information: 668-9442.

SATURDAY, AUG. 3 So. Plainfield Recreation trip to Shea Stadium to see Mets vs. Chicago Cubs, Adults \$13. children (16 And under) \$11. bus leaves 4:00 p.m. Information: 754-9000 ext. 253.

WEDNESDAY-SUNDAY, AUG. 7-11

· South Plainfield Chapter 4144 AARP, five days, four nihts strip to Paramount, Catskills, New York. Cost \$265 double occupancy, including 3 meals dailuy, gratuitous and transportation. Reservations and Info.: Grace Cichetti 753-1564, leave message.

WEDNESDAY, AUG. 14

· South Plainfield Environmental Commission's monthly meeting in the Borough Hall Conference Room at 8 p.m.

MONDAY, AUG. 19

 South Plainfield Cultural Arts Commission monthly meeting in the Borough Hall Conference Room at 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, AUG. 27

 South Plainfield Recycling Commission monthly meeting Borough Hall Conference Room at 8 p.m.

753-1564, leave message.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 25 South Plainfield Chapter 4144 of AARP, Luncheon/theater trip to Lilly Langtry's, King of Prussia, Pa. to see "City Lites", cost is \$38. per person. For reservations and info. call Grace Cichetti

All activities and events sponsored by organizations to which borough residents belong can be included in the Reporter's Community Calendar. Just send in the name of the activity or event, the sponsoring group, date, time, place, cost or fee, and a telephone number readers can call for information or reservations. If the activity is for members only, please indicate that on your release. Mail to the South Plainfield Reporter, 211 Lakeview Ave., Piscataway, N.J. 08854. Or FAX us the news at 968-0591. Please note: calendar information must be received in the Reporter by noon

Woman's Club installs officers

Monday to be included in that Friday's paper.

The Suburban Woman's Club of South Plainfield installed its 1991 slate of officers at the spring Installation Banquet held June 6 at 2000 Park Ave., with 35 club members in attendance.

Officers installed for 1991 are

Mrs. Olga Mammone, Mrs. Marianne Ianitto, and Mrs. June Flannery, club presidents (who will alternate duties); Mrs. Beverly Montwid, vice president; Mrs. Emily Meisnest, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Rose Cucurello, recording secretary; and Mrs. Freida Walker, treasurer.

The installation was chaired by Mrs. Jo Van Driel. Mrs. Anna Mae Lacey extended a welcome to the guests and made the introduction. Mrs. Jean Popik led the club in the pledge of allegiance. Invocation was given by Mrs. Sonia Berentsen.

Following dinner, recognition of past presidents was given by Mrs. Beverly Montwid. As past president, Mrs. Alice Boffa gave a short speech. The Historian's report was given by Mrs. Marianne Ianitto. Mrs. Olga Mammone spoke an acceptance on behalf of the newly installed officers.

Mrs. June Flannery handled the introduction of chair persons and closing remarks were given by Mrs. Lacey.

A review of the year's activities included mention of \$1600 raised and donated to a variety of charities, including a \$1000 educational scholarship which was presented at the South Plainfield High School awards ceremony.

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Saint Peter's College in Jersey City recently inducted 18 students into the Order of the Cross Keys, the Jesuit college's highest honor presented to outstanding, well-rounded students. Thomas Donnelly (c) of South Plainfield, who received Gold Keys, is congradulated by the Rev. Daniel A. Degnan (I), president of Saint Peter's, and Edward Reuter, vice president of student affairs. Saint Peter's, New Jersey's only Jesuit college, is one of 28 Jesuit colleges and universitites in the

Juniors, Jaycees prepare for 16th annual SafetyTown

The GFWC Junior Woman's Club of South Plainfield and the Jaycees will co-sponsor the SafetyTown Program for its 16th

SafetyTown is a miniature out-door layout of a "real town" consisting of painted streets, traffic controls, Big Wheels as cars complete with seat belts, buildings, crosswalks, and other safety

The program is designed to introduce young children to all types of safety conditions. They learn through classroom activities which include songs, poems, art projects, stories, and movies. There are also field trips to the fire station and the community pool and visits from the first aid squad and police department's "PC the Patrol Car" and "Buster

This combination of activities



RENEE A. GAUL

Gaul graduates from Bauder

Renee A. Gaul, daughter of Faith and Tom Gaul of South Plainfield, has graduated from Bauder Fashion College in Atlanta, Ga. She majored in fashion design and as part of her undergraduate studies just completed her internship with Westpoint-Pepperell.

She has made the dean's List every semester while attending Bauder Fashion College and is a member of the Sigma Lambda Chi honor sorority. Her current cumulative average is 3.73.

Gaul will continue with her education in the fall at Philadelphia College of Textile and Science, Philadelphia, Pa., majoring in textile technology.

'Fun in the Sun' for club members

Every Tuesday at 10 a.m. during the months of June, July and August, members of the GFWC Junior Woman's Club of South Plainfield and their children will be having "Fun in the Sun."

The fun may include working on a simple craft, acting out a children's story, having a backyard splash party, going to an amusement park or just playing together in a member's backyard.

The purpose of the Fun in the Sun is to provide a visiting time for the members and their children, and to help new and prospective members get better acquainted with other members.

The GFWC Junior Woman's Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to serving the community. Anyone interested in participating in Fun in the Sun activities or in obtaining more information about membership in the club should call 755-2693 or 753-1341.

makes SafetyTown a fun early childhood learning experience that the children eagerly look forward to attending. The SafetyTown Program consists of a 17.5 hour course held for one hour and 45 minutes a day for two weeks during July and August. The first session starts July 8 and runs through July 19. The second session starts July 22 and runs to August 2. The classes are 8:30 to 10:15, or 10:45 to 12:30. All classes are at the Administration Building on Cromwell Place in South Plainfield.

SafetyTown is open to all children who are entering kindergarten or first grade in the fall. Interested participants need not live in South Plainfield. Registration forms are available at the South Plainfield Library or for more information on classes, call 757-1380.

Carnival concludes on successful note

The Feast of St. Anthony carnival, held from June 4 through 8 at Our Lady of Czestochowa Church, concluded over the weekend on a successful note.

Donation of supplies, funds, and most especially time by numerous volunteers combined to make the carnival run smoothly as in previous years.

Among the many food items available at the feast were hamburgers, hot dogs, pizza and sausage sandwiches. A main focus of the feast were the Polish food specialities prepared weeks ahead by members of the Polish community involved with the church. Some of the foods prepared especially for the carnival were kielbasi and sauerkraut, pierogies and stuffed cabbage.

For the children, some 6 rides and attractions were on hand. Additional rides were available for teen-agers and adults including a ferris wheel.

Many booths featuring wheels of chance, bean bag toss, and handmade craft items were also available. Booths are donated by local businesses, which the church depends on each year to help with the annual feast.

Classes to reunite

The South Plainfield High School Classes of 1975 and 1981 are planning reunions through Reunion Time

The Class of 1975 will hold its reunion on Nov. 30, and the Class of 1981 will hold its reunion on Sept. 21.

Members of the classes should write to Reunion, P.O. Box 1338, Eatontown, 07724, or call 1-800-22-CLASS for more information.

Borough resident to teach at du Cret

Bonnie Nani of South Plainfield will be teaching at the du Cret School of the Arts for a series of workshops between June 17 and August 9.

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Margaret Wilson to wed Ernst Martin Heldring

Dr. and Mrs. Robert G. Wilson of South Plainfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Margaret Anne Wilson, to Ernst Martin Heldring, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Heldring of Wayne, Pa.

The future bride is a graduate of South Plainfield High School. She received a bachelor of arts degree from Georgetown University, Washington, D.C., and a doctorate in jurisprudence from Seton Hall University Law School, Newark. She is employed by Wagner, Davis and Gold, a Manhattan law firm.

Her fiance was graduated from Wayne High School, Wayne, Pa., received a bachelor of science from Georgetown University, and a master's degree in business administration from the University of

He is vice president and general manager for Harris Bank Information Corp.

An October wedding is planned at St. Thomas Moore Church, Manhattan. The reception will be at West George Hotel, Manhattan.



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KELLY ANN McPHEE and MICHAEL SELLA

Kelly McPhee, Michael Sella plan November marriage

Mr. Arthur McPhee of Toms River and Mary Hoskey of South Plainfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Kelly Ann McPhee, to Michael Sella, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerard Sella of Dunellen.

The future bride is a graduate of South Plainfield High School and is attending Union County College. She is employed by Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Her fiance graduated from Immaculata High School in Somerville and attended St. Bonaventure University. He is employed by M.A.N. Roland, Middlesex.

A November wedding is plan-



Suzan Certosimo to marry David Waldron of borough

Mr. and Mrs. Matthew Certosimo of Mahwah have announced the engagement of their daughter, Suzan, to David J. Waldron, son of Jean B. Waldron of South Plainfield and the late Joseph M. Waldron. The future bride attended Glassboro State College, Glassboro, and

William Paterson State College, Wayne, and is presently employed as a teacher at the Learning Tree Nursery School, Paramus. Her fiance is a graduate of South Plainfield High School and Stockton

State College, Pomona, and is employed as a real estate appraiser, affiliated with Fiore and Associates, Toms River. An October 1992 wedding is planned.



Obituaries

Blanche A. Vadimski; homemaker, was 76

Blanche Applegate Vadimski, 76, a homemaker who had resided in this community since February of this year, died Saturday, June 8, at John F. Kennedy Medical Center, Edison.

Mrs. Vadimski, who was born in New Brunswick, lived in Piscataway and Highland Park before moving to South Plainfield. She was a member of St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church, Raritan, and belonged to the Piscataway Senior Citizens Club.

Her husband, Joseph E. Vadimski Sr., died in 1977.

Surviving are a son, Joseph E.

Vadimski Jr. of Manville; a daughter, Blanche Smith of Nashville, Tenn.; six grandchildren; and two brothers, Winfield Applegate of Piscataway and Frederick Applegate of New Brunswick

Services were held June 11 at the Fucillo & Warren Funeral Home, Manville. Cremation was in the Somerset Hills Crematory, Basking Ridge.

Contributions in memory of Mrs. Vadimski may be made to the Building Fund of St. Paul's Church, 15 West Somerset Street, Raritan, 08869.

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Zofia Zielinska Szulc, 82; once lived in the borough

Zofia Zielinska Szulc, 82, a native of Poland and a former resident of this community, died Sunday, June 9, at her home in Plainfield.

Mrs. Szulc lived in South Plainfield before moving to Plainfield in 1971. She was a parishioner of St. Stanislaus Kostka Roman Catholic Church, Plainfield.

Her husband, Adolf Szulc, is deceased

Surviving are a son, Tadeusz

Szulc of Plainfield; a daughter, Edwarda Gede of Lyndhurst; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were held June 11 at the Higgins Home for Funerals, Plainfield, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at St. Stanislaus Kostka Church. Burial was in Our Lady of Czestochowa Cemetery, Doylestown, Pa.

Patrick D. Bolan, 79; **Union Carbide retiree**

Patrick D. Bolan, 79, a chemical operator with Union Carbide Corp. until his retirement in 1977, died Sunday, June 9, at Muh-

lenberg Regional Medical Center. Mr. Bolan was born in Cranford and had lived in South Plainfield since 1956. He also lived in Garwood and Plainfield.

He was employed by Union Carbide for 32 years at its Piscataway plant. Mr. Bolan served in the Army during World War II

and was awarded a Purple Heart. He was a parishioner of Sacred

Heart Roman Catholic Church. Surviving are a cousin, John J. Pender of South Plainfield; and several nieces and nephews.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered June 11 at Sacred Heart Church, following services at the McCriskin Home for Funerals. Burial was in Holy Redeemer Cemetery.

Vivian Aaron, 76, dies; patron of arts in area

EDISON - Vivian Aaron, 76, an artist, musician and patron of performing arts in central New Jersey, died Sunday, June 9, at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital.

Her enamels, paintings and sculptures were shown in a number of exhibitions in the area. Mrs. Aaron played the recorder with the New Brunswick Chamber Music Society, of which she was a member, and was a supporter of the George Street Playhouse, also in New Brunswick.

She and her husband Maurice Aaron, who died in 1989, founded a group of playwrights and actors who met on a regular basis to read and perform plays. Mr. Aaron served on the board of trustees of the George Street Playhouse.

Mrs. Aaron, who was born in New York City, lived in Highland Park before returning to Edison in 1956. She received a bachelor's degree in history and political science from Rutgers University and also attended Rutgers Graduate School.

She is survived by two sons, Jeffrey Aaron of Highland Park and Paul Aaron of Providence, R.I.; a daughter, Toni Greenfeld of Columbia, Md.; seven grand-

children; and two sisters, Elma Silver of New Brunswick and Eleanor Moore of New York City.

Contributions in memory of Mrs. Aaron may be made to Green-peace; SANE/Freeze of Middlesex County; or the Maurice Aaron Fund, care of the George Street Playhouse, 9 Livingston Avenue, New Brunswick, 08901.

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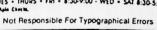




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Samantha Crane, 21/2, and her mom Sharon share a quiet moment on a beautiful spring day in South Plainfield.

South Plainfield pupils celebrate Manilow, Mozart at spring concert

It was a celebration of Mozart, Bacharach and Manilow, as the South Plainfield Middle School hosted a spring choral concert on Wednesday evening, May 29.

The choral concert under the direction of Mrs. Nancy Thorne, was opened with a welcome by Anthony Cotoia, principal, who said, "It is your support and cooperation that enables us to succeed. The chorus entails a great deal of hard work on the part of the students, and enables them to be exposed to a wide variety of activities."

The National Anthem was presented by the singing group The Gems, followed by the 6th

Introducing the first selection, Thorne stated that Mozart died 200 years ago. "This is the 200th anniversary year. In a little over 30 years, Mozart composed over 800 songs. Many of them are classics, including one opera, The Magic Flute. We would like to do our rendition of this Mozart piece, The Magic Flute," said Thorne.

The second selection presented by the 6th grade chorus was a Burt Bacharach favorite, "That's What Friends Are For." Soloists for this number were Tamika Toppin and Kelly Sutton.

The final number by the 6th graders was "Fare Thee Well."

Next, The Gems presented two selections, "Come At Dawn" and from Three Spanish

The 7th and 8th grade concert choir performed next. The first selection was a Barry Manilow favorite "One Voice." Singing as a trio for this number were soprano Valerie Wigen, tenor Shane Miller and alto Erin Finnerty.

The next three selections presented were "Die Musici,"
"Joshua Fit," "The Battle Of Jericho" and "The Gypsy Rover." Student Anthony Otlowski ac-companied on the piano for this last selection.

Get A Job was presented with "The Middlemen consisted of tenor Jeremy Cortese, tenor Shayne Miller, and Rusty Obra on alto sax. The jitterbug was an added attraction by students Stephanie Sauter and Tina Kipila.

"From A Distance," the popular Bette Midler tune, was the next selection, featuring soloists soprano Michael Harrah, and alto Janna GaNun. "That's What The Devil Said" followed.

Before introducing "My Wish For You," Thorne stated that every year at this time, it is a little sentimental for me after having to put up with the 8th graders for 3 years. "Actually, if they put up with me for three years, they deserve a medal," said Thorne. This year, I had the largest number of boys, with 21. This made it possible to do four part music. I really enjoyed it, and will miss them next year. They deserve a good round of applause,"

Thorne dedicated "My Wish For You" to all the 8th graders going on to high school. "I wish you success in whatever you choose. I hope you will keep music a part of your life, and school in your heart," said Thorne.

In a finale, the combined chorus of 6th, 7th and 8th graders patriotically presented "Proud To Be An American," with a debut by teacher Nagle on the snare drum.

In a closing statement, Thorne congratulated the chorus, and thanked everyone for coming. "We certainly enjoyed performing for you." said Thorne.

The chorus consists of: The Gems, Soprano I, Tina Kipila, Sharon Toth; Soprano II, Maryann Gawler, Stephanie Sauter; Alto, Erin Finnerty, Kasey Halpin, Devon Omalanowicz.

SIXTH GRADE SINGERS: Adrian Alin, Gerard Anthony, Emily Baine, Katie Baron, Marianna Biribin, Deanna Brooks, Bridget Callan, Robert Carlson, Alexis Colbert, Jennifer Del Nero, Danielle D'Imperia, Sarah Dixon, Steve Doktor, Carol Edgecomb,, Kim Gerling, Julie Gray, Kiandra Hardware, Cheryl Harkey, Jessi Hart, Lydia Haupt, Jessica Hiddemen, Tara Huslage.

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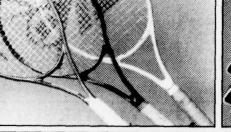
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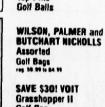












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"It was something that I didn't expect," said Scalera on getting the award, something that the 200 Club does annually.

"I was chosen, along with retired Captain Donald Lawler and firefighter Thomas Dellaventura, out of 30 at my Plainfield Fire Department," said Scalera, 27, who not only is a full-timer at Plainfield, but also a volunteer with the South Plainfield Fire Department.

Scalera, Lawler and Dellaventura each received a gold plated one-foot plaque along with medals of honor before 300 people at the May 17 luncheon.

The award was for valor, and that is just what Scalera, Lawler and Dellaventura had within them when they saved the lives at a Madison Avenue apartment building fire in Plainfield.

"We arrived at the building complete with two fire engines, a rescue vehicle, a ladder truck and a deputy," said Scalera on the fire which broke out just before 3 p.m. in Patricia DeMauez's apartment. DeMauez supposedly plugged in a lamp behind a stove so she could see what she was doing, and the lamp caused a spark which ignited gas seeping from the faulty stove.

From then on, the flames spread via kitchen curtains and a pile of clothes.

"I first searched the first floor, and then alerted people about the fire on the second floor,"said Scalera. The smoke detectors did not respond to the flames, which is why some people were still watching TV when the firefighters broke down their door.

"There were nine to 10 people on the second floor, and we arrived just in time since the smoke began to enter their apartements," said Scalera.

Once on the third floor, 36 feet off the ground, Scalera described the air as very charred, and that the ladder had to be raised due to the flames blocking the stairwell.

"It was only done because of teamwork," said Scalera on the rescue of the two children and an adult through the third-floor window, as well as 17 people including several pets from the second floor.

"It all lasted two hours, and we saved the building," said Scalera, who mentioned that most buildings are saved by his department.

"I've never suffered any major injuries, but I once did get hurt when I fell off a ladder. Some fires we thought we had extinguished, when suddenly, flames would burst through the roof," said Scalera. A resident of South Plainfield, Scalera's earliest experience with

the fire department was with his father, retired fireman Dominick Scalera.

"He let me ride the fire truck with him when I was small," said Scalera. However, at age 18, he took the Civil Service exam and became a volunteer fireman for South Plainfield, and then a paid,

Munich, a lively, artistic city in heart of Bavaria

This is one in a series of articles about the cities and places to be visited on the 10-day tour — Romantic Europe — being offered by Forbes Newspapers and Lufthansa German Airlines.

Capital of Bavaria and third largest city in the Federal Republic of Germany, Munich was founded by monks in 1158. In 1180 the Duchy of Bavaria passed to the Wittelsbachs. Through territorial division, Munich became their residence in 1255 and remained closely connected with the fate of this artloving ruling family up to 1918.

The Wittelsbach Dynasty ruled Bavaria for more than 800 years, leaving its mark on the land, its art and culture. They provided the start of the city's most important collections, appointed renowned musicians, supported the fine arts and promoted the city's building activity.

The artistic sense of King Ludwig I had the greatest influence on the image of the city. His motto was "I want to make out of Munich, a city that is such an honor to Germany that no one will know Germany until he has seen Munich."

Down through the centuries it has evolved into a world class metropolis, internationally renowned for good taste and its own enchanting ambiance.

A versatile and vital town, Munich absorbs the present into the fabric of its past. Glass walled palaces and churches, handsome shopping boulevards lead into the dignified main thoroughfare of Ludwigstrasse, where the spacious English Garden offers a splendid wooded city oasis.

Munich's main landmark is the Frauenkirche, Church of Our Blessed Lady, which has two impressive 99-meter high towers crowned with so called "Italian caps," after the fashion of Italian Renaissance cupolas. The late Gothic cathedral, which is the largest building of the medieval city, was the work of the citizens — an expression of their self-confidence and pride. Each day, shortly before 11 o'clock, residents and visitors alike take up positions in front of the Rathaus (City Hall). Here at the center of the Marienplatz, everyone wants to see and hear the glockenspiel at 11 o'clock sharp.

Thirty-two almost life-size figures on two levels represent a knightly jousting tournament and the dance of the Schaeffler (a group of medieval folk dancers) — here, as before, courtly and middle-class life combine.

Situated on the edge of the city is Nymphenburg Palace whose grounds were the site of a recent Olympic Grand Prix de Dressage. A gift from King Ferdinand to his wife, the former royal summer residence is today the elegant setting for frequent candlelight concerts.

The Residenz, a few blocks from the Marienplatz, was the palace of Bavarian rulers from 1384 to 1918. Its most attractive feature is the Civillies Theater, a white and gold rococo gem where Mozart directed the first performance of "Idomaneo" in 1781.

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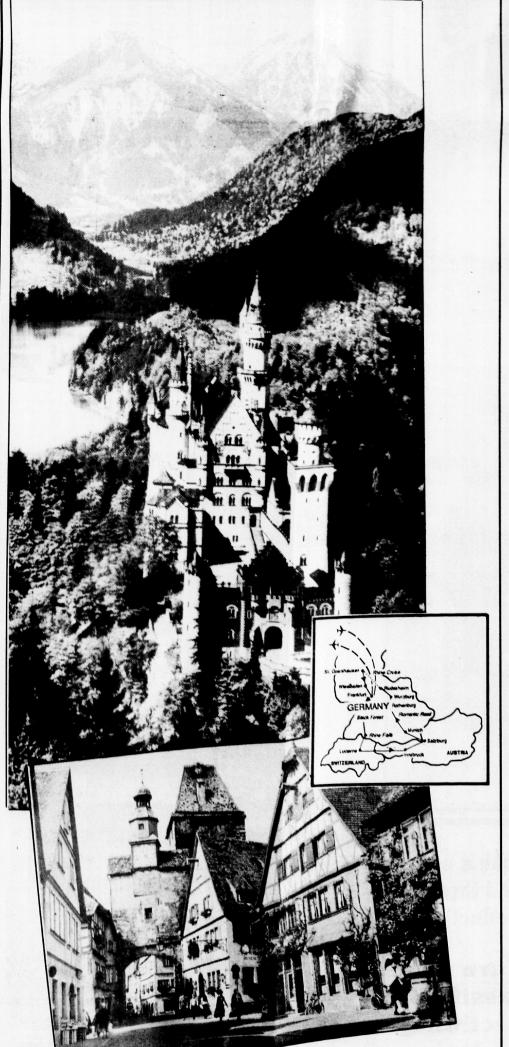
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Fishy, fishy in the brook — er, lake



Anglers of all ages (below) enjoy the 10th Annual South Plainfield Recreation Fishing Derby, held Saturday, June 8, at Spring Lake Park. Meanwhile (above), Mike Clarke weighs and measures one of the fish brought to his weigh station. Jason Basile (center) can't make up his mind about the prize he'll choose for his winning catch.



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School to focus on God's blessing

EDISON – Vacation Bible school registration is under way at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, 50 Calvert Ave. East.

Classes will be held June 24-28 from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. each day at the church, and children age 3 through grade seven are welcome.

For information and registration, call 549-0126 or 248-8251.

Day of discounts to benefit JCC

EDISON - A Macy's Benefit Day will be held Tuesday, Aug. 27, at Macy's, Menlo Park Mall, for the Jewish Community Center of Middlesex County, 1775 Oak Tree Road, Edison.

A \$5 ticket will buy a day of discounts, celebrities, fashion presentations, balloons, entertainment, cooking demonstrations, bands and very special door prizes.

Proceeds from the event will benefit the JCC. Tickets may be purchased at the JCC. For more information, call 494-3232.

Area lodge offers child ID cards

Highland Park Lodge 240, F&AM is offering a free child emergency ID card on Saturday, June 15, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Highland Park Masonic Temple, 109 N. Third Ave., Highland Park.

Each child, from infancy to 17 years, will be registered, photo-graphed, weighed, height measured, teeth examined, fingerprinted, and videotaped (optional). The service is open to all residents of Highland Park, Piscataway, Edison, South Plainfield, New Brunswick and Franklin Township.

For further information, call 873-2550, Ext. 2230.

sent two science workshops for

children from July 22 to July 26.
The first, called "Chemical Magic, Magical Microscope, Rocks, Minerals and Computers," will be held from 9 a.m. to noon, and in it, children will learn how to make natural batteries, work with microscopes and write computer programs.

"Model Rocketry, Computers and Electronics" will be held from 12:30 to 3:30 p.m. and will include building and launching rockets, programming microcomputers and building robot blinkers and stop-action timing

Both workshops are open to children 6 to 12 years old. Tuition

for each is \$75 plus a \$41 fee. For more information or to register, call 906-2556.

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Terra Nova Garden Club members, Catherine Cassano, Dot Capellupo and Mary Lane braved 90 degree heat while planting flowers at the South Plainfield municipal buildings.

Mayor, council thank club

At the last public meeting of the South Plainfield Mayor and Council, certificates of appreciation were presented to members of the Terra Nova Garden Club for the colorful plantings at the municipal and public works buildings.

The daffodils which bloomed this spring were planted by club members last fall, and the flowers planted this spring will bloom all summer.

Terra Nova is a member of the Garden Club of New Jersey and National Council of State Garden Clubs. Based in Edison, the club membership includes residents of neighborhood communities, several of whom reside in South Plainfield.

Take immediate steps when pet is missing

By LINDA PETRONE and MELODIE PETRONE Plainfield Area Humane Society

No matter how careful you are with your pet, there is a possibility that he will escape the safe confines of your home and become lost. In our last article we urged all pet owners to invest in an identification tag for all pets.

If your dog is wearing a tag with his name, address and phone number, or his name and phone number are simply written on his collar in marking pen, the chances of him being returned to you are excellent. However, don't just sit back and wait for some kind person to call and tell you that your pet is sitting on his front porch waiting to be picked up. There are a number of active steps you can take in the search for your lost friend.

As soon as you realize he is missing, you should spend some time searching your neighborhood and ask people you know if they have seen your pet. If this is unsuccessful, a full-scale search is in order.

It is a good idea to sit down, get your thoughts and facts in order, and write them on a piece of paper. The most important information you should gather is a description of your pet's physical characteristics. It is best to describe your pet's size in exact measurements (feet and inches) rather than using subjective terms such as "big" or "small." What is big to the owner of a toy poodle is not so big to the owner of a Great Dane. Mark down any distinguishing characteristics about your pet, such as unusual markings in color and/or pattern of coat; peculiarities (limp, extra toes, scars, etc.); and ornamental objects such as a collar, a flea collar, or an attached chain or leash.

Now that your information is in order, you should take the following

 Call your local police department to inquire about any animals that have been found in your town possibly fitting your lost pet's description. If not, leave a detailed description with them along with your phone number to call in the event that he is found.

 Call neighboring police departments to inquire about your pet. Leave the same description as that left with your local police department.

Call your local animal shelter (listed below for your convenience).

Again, leave your detailed information.

 Call all surrounding-area animal shelters. It is very important to check neighboring shelters because each town is associated with a specific shelter. If your pet is found as close by as the next town, it is

not unusual for him to be taken to a shelter not associated with the one for your town. For example, South Plainfield borders on Edison and Plainfield. Each of these towns is served by a different animal shelter! Your pet can be at any one of them

• Call local veterinarians. It could be the case that your pet has been hurt. Well-meaning people may transport your injured pet to the closest veterinarian. The animal may be recovering at the veterinarian's office and later be relocated to the local area shelter.

• Post "lost pet" signs in stores, veterinarians' offices, animal shelters, and utility poles with your pet's description (include a picture of him if possible) and where you can be reached. Remember to be as descriptive as possible.

After you have contacted the animal shelters and given them all of your information, it is very important to pay them a visit. There are so many pets at the shelters that workers and volunteers cannot possibly remember them all. Go in and look for your pet. Please don't give up, even if a week or two or three have passed. Dogs have been known to turn up in shelters after they have been lost for many months.

We hope you never have to go through the experience of having a pet disappear. But with an identification tag and the information presented in this article, you will be better equipped to locate him.

AREA ANIMAL SHELTERS

Plainfield Area Humane Society — serves Dunellen, Green Brook, Middlesex, North Plainfield, South Plainfield and Watchung. 754-0300.

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Edison Municipal Animal Shelter - serves Edison, Piscataway and Woodbridge. 287-0900.

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A 7-year-old boy racing down Elsie Street on his bicycle during the afternoon of June 1 swerved into a car driven by Joseph Marotto Jr. of Elsie Avenue. Morotto slowed his car and tried to avoid the child, but as the boy braked, his bike turned into Marotto's Ford. No injuries were reported. No summonses were issued.

Marilyn Thompson of Thomas Street and William Woodel of Sampton Avenue, simultaneously backing their cars out of the Park Avenue lot of A & P, collided at 2:39 p.m. June 1. Thompson's car was damaged on the side and Woodel's car sustained rear end damage. No injuries resulted. No summonses were issued.

Two Electric Voice sound monitors were taken from the stage area of South Plainfield High School between 2:30 p.m. May 31 and 7 a.m. June 1. The monitors had apparently been left in un-

locked cabinets ready for use in two concerts.

Muammer LoPresti of Fred Allen Drive was hit by Herbert Sergeant of South Amboy on June 1. The South Plainfield resident was making a left turn onto Stelton Road from Hamilton Boulevard when Sargeant came through a red light colliding with the red 1988 Lincoln. Both cars were towed by R & C Auto Body. Sargeant was cited for failing to observe the traffic light.

Joseph Delmonte of Oakland Avenue was involved in an accident when his 1985 Oldsmobile collided with a 1987 Hyundai Excell driven by Yvonne Parker of Plainfield on June 2 at the intersection of Front Street and South Plainfield Avenue. Delmonte was turning left onto South Plainfield Avenue when Parker reportedly "shot through the intersection." No summonses were

A 1987 GMC Jimmy driven by Wayne Diane of Lowden Avenue and John Clarkton of New York were involved in an accident on June 2 at the intersection of Hadley and Stelton Roads. Diane had pulled his car forward to make a right turn when he stopped to yield to approaching traffic. Clarkton apparently did not see

Diana stop and struck him in the rear. No summonses were issued.

Christopher Llewellyn of Liboner Road became the middle man in a minor three car accident on Fairmont Avenue at 8:39 p.m. June 2. Llewellyn struck the station wagon in front of him when his white Nissan pickup was pushed from the rear by a 1989 Honda driven by Michele Montal of Iselin. The station wagon of unknown make and model drove immediately away from the scene. Llewellyn reported possible head injuries. No summons were is-

Two square bases used exclusively for pole vaulting were stolen from the South Plainfield High School athletic field between 6:30 p.m. June 1 and 5:00 p.m. June 3. The steel bases weighing 30 pounds each cost the district

Several pieces of electronic equipment valued at more than \$950.00 were stolen from South Plainfield Middle School between 11:00 p.m. Friday June 1 and 9:00 a.m. Monday, June 3. The three Samsung VCRs can be identified by serial numbers. The five caland one answering culators machine taken are of unknown make and serial number.

A window in classroom 1 Kennedy School was found smashed on the morning of June 3. It will cost \$55 to replace.

On June 3 Jeffrey Thompson of Delmore Avenue was arrested on contempt of court charges stemming from a May 22 offense. He was processed and released on

bail. * * * A Nintendo game, several Nintendo tapes, and possibly a bicycle were stolen from a West 7th Avenue house on June 3 between 8:30 p.m. and 10:19 p.m. The house was entered through an upstairs bedroom window. A local youth was named as a suspect

A vehicle stolen from a Plainfield man was recovered at 5001 Hadley Road on June 3. The 1980 Chevrolet was discovered in good condition. The vehicle was towed by Butrico's and claimed by the owner, Jerri Jackson of East Front Street. No suspects were named in the theft.

Richard Guerrea, 19, was the victim of an assault in his Woolworth Avenue home on June 4. According to police, the first of the two attackers was let into the house by the victim's mother who mistakenly took the man for a friend. As Guerrea descended the stairs, one man punched him in the face and a second assailant hit him with a bat.

Guerrea was taken to Muh-



Squad. He was treated and released on June 7. One suspect in the attack was named.

Silverstar Video on South Clinton Avenue was vandalized between 4:30 p.m. June 3 and 7:00 a.m. June 4. Police found all entrances previously locked had been opened or damaged. The burglars apparently entered through a window that had a ladder leading to it. It was not determined whether anything was taken.

Michele Celentano of Clifford Street was cited for disregarding a yield sign when her 1987 Chevrolet struck a 1991 Ford driven by Gasper Viola of Warren. Celentano stopped at the corner of Central Avenue and Clifford Street then proceeded into the intersection without yielding to the oncoming car. Both vehicles were towed by Matthews.

Duffy English of Oak Tree Road was backing his 1986 Jeep Laredo out of the drive way of his home when he collided with a 1983 white Oldsmobile Cutlass driven by Ashwin Patel of Piscataway at 8:40 p.m. June 6. No summonses were issued.

Preschool grads earn diplomas

On Wednesday, June 5, Future Stars Preschool children graduated and were presented with diplomas. This graduation was dedicated to a very special teacher, Mrs. Faith Gaul, who retired this past February.

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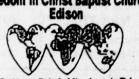
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Out of 3 billion, why these people?

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remember which spelling for Khadafi you guys are using this week. Sorry if this one is wrong.)

I think we should replace these five boneheads with five people that we just don't get to hear enough about, people who are sort of famous but who just seem to get ignored all the time.

•Harry Smith. He's married to somebody famous, but I can never remember who because nobody ever pays any attention to Harry or his wife.

The guy who plays "Dauber" on Coach. What's his story? Is he as dumb as he appears? Is that his real hair color? I have a desperate need to know these things.

•Marv Albert. I'm betting that that's a toupee caressing the top of his head. I'm saying toup and I've got a sawbuck on it. Now if only some big publication would dig into this for me.

•Mike Ditka. Iron Mike. You can never have enough stories about the Chicago Bears. Never.

Rick Dees. Now here's a guy who has a *network* television show. *Network*. Why? How? Who's responsible? I simply *must*

In summation, let me just say that I'm not jealous of the attention given certain people. Some of you may be thinking that, but I'm not Really. Heck, I could be on the cover of magazines if I become a general, or a singer, or a senator. And I would, except it's a whole lot easier to be nobody. Or to be Rick Dees.

Man treated for rabies after raccoon attack

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Although he recieved the first rabies injection at the hospital, Roy will give himself the next four treatments, which must be taken three days, seven days, 14 days and 28 days after the patient has been bitten.

Roy has walked to the park every morning for the last two weeks, where he seeks quiet for his daily prayers. Roy is spending the month of June with his son Romanath Roy and his daughterin-law Santwana Roy, who live on New Market Avenue.

Elsie Majerski, a nurse who lives in the area, pulled off the road and gave Roy first aid after she saw him walking down Lakeview Avenue with blood all over his hands.

Roy and his wife will return to Calcutta, India on July 3 after six months of visiting five of their 13 children that live in the United

Roy's son said he had heard on the news that rabid animals had been spotted in the county but did not think it would effect his

"We were surprised. We never anticipated that this would happen," he said, adding that rabies are usually contracted through dog bites in India. Although there are raccoons in that country, they are not usually seen in populated

He said the family will be more careful to avoid a similar attack.

"We have to be careful so that our children will be safe. We will make sure our children don't go into the yard alone," he said.

The elder Roy said he will not return to Columbus Park.

The Piscataway Animal Control Office has set out traps in the area since the Tuesday morning attack. Neighbors said they have seen two or three raccoons in the area recently.

'Until we catch the raccoon and test it, there's no way of knowing if it has rabies," said Tom Rada,

of the animal control office. Roy is the first person who has

been attacked by an animal this "This particular case is the first

human exposure that we're aware of. We have only had one confirmed case of rabies in a wild animal this year," Andy Simpf, the Piscataway health officer said. Simpf said residents should

take precautions such as vaccinating their pets against rabies and calling the animal control office if they see wild animals or pets acting strangely.

"If a nocturnal animal is seen in the day, it's not necessarily rabid," Simpf said, but added that when a raccoon, which is a nocturnal animal, is seen out during the day and is behaving aggressively, it is not normal behavior.

Dr. Alberto Rivera, the doctor who treated Roy, said that it is now normal procedure to give rabies shots to someone who has been bitten by an animal, even if it is not known whether or not the in this country.

animal has rabies.

"If anyone is attacked by a wild animal, it should be treated as rabid, even if we can't retrieve the animal," Rivera said.

"We frequently get animal bites from stray cats and dogs," he

Rabies is a virus that attacks and travels through the nervous system, according to Dr. Madan Khare, a veterinarian in Highland

"The disease makes them go berserk - they go mad," he said of rabies symptoms in animals.

According to an advisory notice from the state Department of Health, if a pet has been in the same area where a rabid animal is found, the owner should watch for symptoms. The notice says the animal will stop eating, become restless and irritable and make strange sounding cries or barks. The effects on the nervous system increase as the virus spreads, causing tremoring and difficulty

While the disease is always fatal for an animal, rabies is curable with rabies shots given to patients bitten by rabid animal, as long as it is caught in time. For that reason, Khare added that anyone bitten by an animal should get the vaccine as soon as

"In most cases the vaccine is very good," he said.

Rabies symptoms appear between 10 and 60 days of contact with the virus.

The most common way rabies is spread is through animal bites.

It's your responsibility to stay away from stray animals and report them to the health department. Parents should teach their children to leave wild animals alone - that's important," Khare said.

He added that pets should be immunized against rabies and their shots should be kept up to

For the Roy family, a lack of medical coverage added to the fear of rabies.

While his son's family has medical coverage in this country Krishna Chandra and Saraswati Roy have insurance in India, but are not covered for their annual visits to the United States.

"I have four brothers in this country - we will share the expense," Romanath Roy said of the hospital bill the family expects to recieve shortly.

Although the family does not know the cost of the bill, they have a rough idea from past experiences with American hospitals. The bill is so high compared to the service, Romanath Roy said.

If they plan to come back, we might have to apply for medical insurance, Romanath Roy said.

The medical costs are too high in this country. The cost is cheaper in India, he said.

His father may be eligible for Medicare because he has a green card and Social Security number

Price of lunch may rise

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be higher, too, going from \$147,424 to \$209,365.

Canteen projects its total expenses at \$544,083 for next year compared to this year's \$372,662. This year's total income stands at \$349.614, a \$23,048 loss, and losses that for next year are projected to be between \$29,139 and \$45,595 depending on the amount of income - the high at \$514,944, and the low at \$498,488.

In October 1990, after a food poisoning incident in the district, food service managements were contacted for bids for the remainder of the 1990/91 school year and the 1991/92 school year. At that time. Canteen was the lowest responsible quote, according to **Board Secretary Dominic Carrea.**

Because of federal regulations, Canteen was prohibited from signing a contract for more than one year and was under contract for the rest of the school year through June 1991. Carrea is asking the board to reappoint the Canteen Corp. for 1991-92 school year news, we want to hear from you!

based on its excellent perform-

He is also suggesting the board approve the increases in prices of school lunches, a la carte prices and in management fee.

The board will vote on the matter at its regular meeting Tuesday,

Sports news? Give us a call!

SOUTH PLAINFIELD - If you have sports news, The Reporter would like to know about it.

Anyone having information regarding local sports is encouraged to call The Reporter sports department. We may be reached Sunday through Wednesday evenings from 7 p.m. until 11 p.m.

Our phone number is 322-9599. Remember, if you have sports



Albert Peck of Unitemp Inc. in South Plainfield received a plaque for his dealership's 20th anniversary offering Carrier Corporation's line of heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and equipment. The plaque was presented by Howard Golstein (far left), president of Montgomery Engineering, Carrier's New Jersey distributorship in West Caldwell. Also pictured are Karl Krapek, Carrier chairman, president and CEO (center right); and Montgomery Chairman Irving Phillips (far right).

Metuchen Road upgrade may soon become reality

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 The introduction of a tree removal ordinance as proposed by the Environmental Commission. The purpose of the ordinance would be to regulate and control the indiscriminate and excessive cutting of trees in the borough. The ordinance includes exemptions for residential property owners and is primarily aimed at developers.

Borough Attorney Frank Santaro said that after four drafts, the ordinance is finally ready for ad-

Councilman John Pulomena

commended the Environmental Commission and Santoro, and stated that this is a good building

"As we move forward, we will enhance this ordinance to further protect the environment," he said. An amendment to the peddler and solicitor ordinance that would allow borough residents to post a notice on their door to inhibit solicitors. Charitable organizations are exempt from the or-

• The introduction of an ordinance for no parking signs to be installed on Church Street.

Panel seeks members

(Continued from page A-1) few hours each month on the duties of the commission.

Students are especially encouraged to apply for appointment. It is the commission's desire to get young members to set an example for their peers and to expose young people to a worthwhile civic function.

To start the application process, send a letter or a resume to the attention of the Recycling Coordinator, Bor-Ave., South Plainfield, 07080. Describe how you would like to help on the commission and any experience that you might have in writing, managing or public speaking.

All applications will be reviewed by the commission. and all applicants will be con-

For additional information call the Recycling Hotline at 754-7504

Local AARP installs officers; member wins national honor

Metuchen Chapter 3208 of the American Association of Retired Persons recently were installed, and one of its members was honored with a National Community Service Award. The officers for 1991-92 are:

Tom Weber, president; Marian Ewing, first vice president; Frances Schell, second vice president; Edna Newby, treasurer; Dan Hogan, assistant treasurer; Gerda Woerner, secretary; and Margaret Hathaway, assistant secretary.

Newly installed three-year board members are Helen Rannells and Mallory Whiting. Newly installed two-year nominating committee members are Bill Byrnes, Felonese Kelly, Sal Greco and Mary Santoian. Meanwhile, Lenore Stewart was

honored with an AARP National Community Service Award. She was nominated for the award by the chapter's Board of Directors. Since 1982, when Mrs. Stewart became chairwoman of the chap-

ter's Lap Robe Project, the

METUCHEN - New officers of women in the group completed their commitment of 636 lap robes for the clients at the Woodbridge Development Center, Avenel.

In 1989, the group became part of the Geriatric Aid Program at John F. Kennedy Medical Center, and robes will now be given to the patients at the Hartwyck at Oak Tree nursing home. As of May 2, 125 lap robes have been deli-

Mrs. Stewart also began chairing a new project in March - that is, supporting the Children's Hospital AIDS Program, which was initiated by the New Jersey Federation of Women's Clubs. So as members of the chapters continue their lap robe project, they also will make knitted items, such as crib blankets, and collect toys and games for AIDS children.

A local chapter certificate of appreciation was presented to Jerry Sutten for his service to the AARP community and his loyalty to Metuchen Chapter 3208.

Chamber to honor Charles A. Boyle

EDISON - The Edison Cham- schools. ber of Commerce will sponsor a retirement lunch at noon Thurs-23 years as superintendent of made by June 18.

Reservations, which are necessary, are being taken at the Ediday, June 20, at the Metuchen Golf son Chamber of Commerce office; and Country Club to honor Char- call 287-1951. Tickets are \$25 per les A Boyle, who is retiring after person. All reservations must be

Rutgers and Hungary agree to start Institute of Hungarian Studies

president of Rutgers University and a Hungarian cultural official have signed a "memorandum of agreement" to establish an Institute of Hungarian Studies at the New Brunswick campus of the State University on Sept. 1.

In a brief ceremony at Old Queen's, the portion of the College Avenue campus encompassing Rutgers' main administrative building, the document was signed by University President Francis L. Lawrence and Undersecretary Attila Kalman of the Hungarian Ministry of Culture and Public Education. The institute, being established

in cooperation with the International Center for Hungarian Studies in Budapest, will be at 172 College Avenue, in a building assigned to Rutgers' Office of International Programs.

Although similar centers are functioning in Western Europe, Asia, India and elsewhere, this is the first institute to be established in this country by Hungary and an academic institution.

Accompanying dersecretary was Peter Soltesz, head of the international cooperation division of the department of higher education of the Hungarian ministry.

Locating the institute at Rutgers in New Brunswick rather than at another American university was attributed to the vitality of the Hungarian culture in the area.

"Central New Jersey has among the larger concentrations of Hungarian-Americans in the country," said James T. Johnson, director of Rutgers' International Programs. A third of the state's estimated 160,000 people of Hungarian descent reside in the area.

Establishing the institute at Rutgers fulfills a long-sought goal the American-Hungarian community, according to August Molnar, president of the American-Hungarian Foundation, a national group based in New

The creation of the institute, Molnar said, should contribute "greatly to enhancing relations between Rutgers and the American-Hungarian community and its institutions.'

According to the memorandum, the institute will concentrate on studies on Hungarian language, literature, culture and history, and on the culture and history of Central European nations bordering Hungary.

Its activities will include providing support for the development of curricula, teaching and research in these prime areas; providing a "home away from home" at Rutgers for visiting Hungarian faculty; and sponsoring lectures and seminars on Hungarian studies by people associated with the institute.

The day-to-day operations of the institute will be supervised by a director selected by New Brunswick Provost Paul Leath, under the guidance of a Rutgers faculty advisory committee.

Although the institute will be on the New Brunswick campus, its activities will also be open to faculty from Rutgers' Newark and Camden campuses, as well as visiting Hungarian faculty to all three campuses.

The memorandum also states that Rutgers pledges to help raise an endowment for the institute for a permanent position in Hungarian studies; to build on the existing minor in Hungarian studies and a certificate program in Hungarian language; and to help establish a scholarship with private funds for a student of Hungarian language.

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The Hungarian Ministry of Culture and Public Education has pledged to provide the institute a lecturer in Hungarian language for 10 years and donate a base library in Hungarian studies that would include thousands of books. journals and newsletters.



Mayor Michael Woskey, the Borough Council, and the Environmental Commission presented awards for students who participated in environmental projects. From Kennedy School, from left, Meagan Harth; Elizabeth Santoro, Student Council secretary; Christopher Santoro, Student Council vice president; Christopher Hewitt; and Lisa Hewitt

Adult Day Care Nutrition program sponsored by Easter Seal Society

The Easter Seal Society of New Jersey announces an Adult Day Care Nutrition Program to be operated by the organization's Adult Training Division. This new project will be located at Adult Training Centers in Highland Park, Forked River, Farmingdale, Old Bridge, Pleasantville and Toms River. The Nutrition Program is des-

igned to provide meals to adults in licensed adult day care cneters. Meals are available at no extra charge to all enrolled adults.

The Adult Training Division of the Easter Seal Society provides quality programs to adults with developmental disabilities such as mental retardation, cerebral palsy, autism and epilepsy. Services provided during the day are intended to help persons achieve their social and vocational potential, and to reach their highest

level of independence. The Adult Day Care Nutrition Program is a federal program of the Food and Nutrition Service, United States Department of Agriculture. It is operated in accordance with U.S.D.A. policy, which does not permit dis-crimination because of race, color, national origin, handicap, age or sex in the meal service, admissions policy or use of any Adult Day Care Nutrition Program facility. Any person who believes they have been discriminated against in any U.S.D.A.

related activity should write to the Secretary of Agriculture, Wash ington, D.C. 20250.

For more information about the Nutrition Program contact the Easter Seal Adult Training Divi sion at 255-6340. The eligibility income guidelines effective from July 1, 1990 through June 30, 1991 are as follows:

Household size, 1; Annual \$11,618; Monthly, \$969; Weekly \$224 Household size, 2; Annual

\$15,577; Monthly, \$1,299; Weekly \$300 Household size, 3; Annual

\$19,536; Monthly, \$1,628; Weekly \$376 Household size. 4: Annual \$23,495; Monthly, \$1,958; Weekly,

\$452 Household size, 5; Annual \$27,454; Monthly, \$2,288; Weekly \$528 Household size, 6; Annual

\$31,413; Monthly, \$2,618; Weekly \$605 Annual Household size, \$35,372; Monthly, \$2,948;

Household size, 8; Annual \$39,331; Monthly, \$3,278; Weekly,

Each additional family member Annual, \$3,774; Monthly, \$315 Weekly, \$73

Library Notes

What the Better Business Bureau (BBB) serving Middlesex County does is outlined in a free booklet available at the library which is being handed out on a first come, first serve basis while the stock lasts.

A few selected quotes from the 80 page handout summarize the BBB's roles.

Hundreds of consumers and business use our services each working day, but many misconceptions about the BBB still exist. Most consumers know the Bureau gives reports on companies and handles complaints, but that's only the tip of the iceberg. The full range of BBB services are detailed below:

The only organization that can give you information on a company before you buy is the BBB. The Bureau maintains files on thousands of local, regional and national companies. Summaries of the firm's performance are developed through consumer information and special bureau investigations. Local bureaus across the nation and the Council of Better Business Bureaus provide additional information for the reports.

If you have a complaint with a business, the Bureau recommends you first try to resolve your dispute directly with the company. Most complaints are resolved at this level, as most business want to keep their customers satisfied.

resentative.

Do you have a car complaint? If you do, try Auto Line, a special program designed to handle on automobile complaints at no charge to the consumer. If you have tried to resolve your problem with the dealer or manufacturer, and the problem still has not been resolved, we'll act as mediators betwen you and the manufacturer, and the problem still has not been resolved, we'll act as mediators between you and the manufacturer.

The next time you get a solicitation - whether by mail, phone, or door-to-door appeal - save yourself time, money and aggravation by checking first with the BBB.

It's true that you can't believe everything you read in print, see on television, or hear on the radio. But one of the Bureau's basic functions is to help make advertising a little bit more credible through our advertising review program. The Bureau regularly reviews local ads for misleading claims, unrealistically low price, tricky phrases, or deceptive offers, and then works with the advertisers to correct any that are misleading or misrepresented. If the problem violates the law, we turn over our findings to law enforcement agencies. If there is no revision to the ad. this information is reflected in the advertiser's reliability report.

To protect the public from fraud and deceit and to provide helpful hints on everyday buying issues, the BBB distributes con-

information, answers questions at area trade shows, and supplies a wealth of lite-

The Bureau has no legal power, but it reports any illegal business practices it discovers to the appropriate law enforcement agency. The Bureau works closely with consumer protection offices, area police, the Postal Inspection Service, the State Attorney General's Office, the FBI, and the Federal Trade Commission. The Bureau does not give legal advice and cannot assist in breaching or voiding contracts made without fraud or misrepresentation. It

does not give out any credit reports, make collections of any kind, and cannot assist in resolving labor disputes.

The regional library network headquarters recently made a list of high use business reference books. Although last week's column named a few, here are some more that your town library has.

Business Information Sources by Daniells. "A classic and comprehensive annotated guide, lists and describes a wide range of business books and reference titles are discussed as well as the literature of specific business disciplines such as accounting, corporate finance, insurance, marketing, and human resources."

Directory of Corporate Affiliations. "A useful source for finding information on multicompany or

multi-divisional enterprises, listing over 5,000 major American parent companies and their more than 40,000 domestic subsidiaries, divisions, or affiliates. Geographic and SIC codes indexes help make this an ideal tool for providing an in-depth look at major U.S. corporations.

Everybody's Business: A Field Guide to the 400 Leading Companies in America. "Informal portraits of leading U.S. companies, including history, owners and rulers, as place to work, social responsibility, global presence, stock performance, and consumer brands.

MacRae's State Industrial Directory: New Jersey. "This source identifies industrial firms in N.J. Main entries provide basic company information (name, address, phone, fax, and telex numbers), number of employees, executives product descriptions, and etc."

New Jersey Business Source Book. "A very handy resource for identifying agencies and other information of particular interest to N.J. business concerns. Included are listings for active N.J. trade unions, chambers of commerce, professional and trade associations, licensing authorities, the largest 200 N.J. employers as well as selected publications."

Principal INternational Business. "This source provides information on 55,000 companies in 143 countries covering man-

ufacturers, wholesale trade, retail trade, construction, mining, communications, ets.

Federal Reserve Bulletin. "Provides financial statistics, such as many stock and interest rates. Also includes foreign interest rates and exchange rates."

The Career Guide: Dunn's Employment Opportunities Directory. "Covers more than 5,000 companies that have a thousand or more employees and that provide career opportunities in sales, marketing, management, the sciences, liberal arts field, and

Business Forms on File. "Includes 125 forms frequently used in business, such as invoices, staztements, applications, bonds contacts releases, personnel applications and evaluations.'

Complete Secretary's Handbook. Offers advice on filing, information processing, researching and writing reports, manuscript preparation and record keeping, as well as writing effective letters and memos.

McGraw-Hill Handbook of Business Letters "Reproduces samples of many types of business letters, including sales letters, transmittal and confirmation letters, credit and collection letters, personnel letters, cover letters, and social correspondence."

Barron's. "Regular features include stock and bond price quotations, Dow Jones averages, Standard & Poor's stock price in-

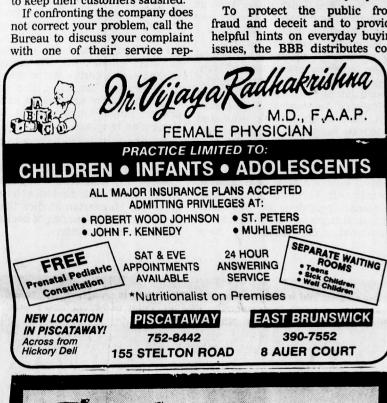
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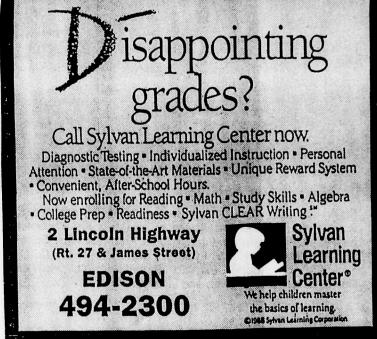
In last week's Reporter there was an article about someone who wanted to enlarge a house to make it a mother/daughter dwelling. Can someone please explain to me what a mother/daughter house looks like?

In the Courier News and Reporter, there are articles regarding the proposed elimination of courtesy busing for the majority of students in South Plainfield who attend the Middle School and/or summer school. I think the issue must be looked at more closely to see if budget cuts could have been made elsewhere to save money because, in all honesty, courtesy busing is of vital importance to the students and parents.

In order to get salary increases you must have a resource to obtain them from - parents have to go to work in order to give teachers the 5, 6 or 7 percent salary increases as well as the superintendent's salary. The majority of people in town have not had a salary increase for this past year, yet the teachers did receive an increase in their salaries. This is paid for through the taxes of people who received no such salary increase.

It would be a shame to hurt the children by cutting their busing, and they need the busing to get to







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Sports

Recreation softball

Moore's three hits help pace Rock Bank

Moore, Beth Ann Severino, and Jennifer Wilson each had three hits last week in leading Rock Bank past Siegel Insurance in a South Plainfield Recreation Department Ponytail Softball League game.

Upping their record to 8-3-1 in A Division play, Rock Bank was hard-pressed by an upset-minded Siegel Insurance squad as it struggled for a 17-12 victory. Jennifer Kadak was the winning pitcher in the game.

The complete standings in the A Division are as follows: Rock Bank (8-3-1), Spring Lake Texaco (6-4-1), Sportworld (4-7-1), and Siegel Insurance (4-8).

In B Division games last week, Staats Auto Body saw its lategame rally fall short as it was beaten by Engo Company 9-7. Michelle Lamberti was 3-for-3 in the contest, while Michelle Hoffman and Veronica Linerty each added two hits.

Staats Auto Body had better success against KLK Trucking as it rolled to a 12-7 victory. The highlight of the game came when Michelle Lamberti relieved Kasey

Halpin in the fourth inning and its record to 9-0 with a 20-5 win wound up with nine strikeouts.

Tricia Burrows was 2-for-4 with one RBI, while Halpin was 2-for-3 with two RBI's. Also playing well were Jennifer Lesniak, DeAnna McCrisken, Deidre Scott and Veronic Liberty.

Another Staats Auto Body victory came against Pipeline Plumbing 15-7. Michelle Hoffman went 3-for-4 with three RBI's. Tricia Burrows added two hits, as did Kasey Halpin and Andrea Ran-

Engo Company had its hitting shoes on as it ripped Pipeline Plumbing 17-3. Gina Licciardone led an explosive attack by going 4for-4 with two triples, and four runs scored.

The only other game found Acme Nissan and First Day Photograph playing to a 16-16 deadlock.

The standings in the B Division are as follows: First Day Photograph (11-1-1), Engo Company (7-4-2), Acme Nissan (5-4-1), KLK Trucking (4-5-1), Staats Auto Body (3-8-1) and Pipeline Plumbing (2-

Undefeated Bagel Stop upped

over Del-Med, Inc.

Trailing Bagel Stop in the standings are Polish Home (5-3), Del-Med, Inc. (5-3), Spotlight on Dance (2-6) and South Plainfield Elks (2-7).

There were a host of games in the Men's Tuesday Night League last week.

Kentile shutout Silvatrim 8-0, while Petriello Lands edged Lynn Steel 10-6. The other game found L.A. Dreyfus downing First Atlantic 7-0.

League standings shape up this way: Petriello Lands (6-1), Kentile (6-1), Lynn Steel (4-3), CVG International (3-3), Silvatrim (2-4-1), L.A. Dreyfus (1-5-1), and First At-

Chemlawn is still in the thick of the Men's Wednesday Night League race, thanks to an 8-6 victory over NBS Chargers last week. The other contest saw Scott Specialty Gas stopping Degussa 9-

The Invaders lead the Wednesday Night League with a 4-1 mark, followed by Chemlawn (5-2), NBS Chargers (2-3-1), Degussa (1-3-1), and Scott Specialty Gas (2-5).

GAR Equipment improved its Thursday Night League record to 6-0-1 after blasting Just Packaging 12-2. Emcore also had a successful week, topping Atlantic Container 7-2.

The Thursday Night League shapes up this way: GAR Equipment (5-0-1), PSE&G (4-2), Emcore (4-2), Atlantic Container (2-4-1), and Just Packaging (0-7).

Washington Rock Coin continues to roll along in the Women's League with 12 consecutive victories.

Washington Rock got great pitching last week as it downed Bulldo Disposal 7-0. Other games saw The Home Depot defeating Jim & Geo 9-8; KC's Corner clobbering Rickel's 11-4; and Flanagan's I outhitting Flanagan's II

Standings in the Women's League are as follows: Washington Rock Coin (12-0), Bulldo Disposal (8-3), KC's Corner (6-3-1), Flanagan's II (5-4-1), Flanagan's I (6-5), Rickel's (3-8), The Home Depot (1-9), and Jim & Geo (1-10).

A two-way race for first place exists in the Men's 6:30 p.m. B

Spayder Siding leads the league with an 11-1 mark, followed by American Legion (12-2), Harris Steel (8-4-1), Polish Home (8-6). Summer Wind (8-6), Natwest (7-6), Yurgel Boys (7-7), AT&T Hotliners (6-6-1), Conrad Landscaping (3-9-1), SP Liquors (2-11-1), and General Electric (0-14).

Wind blowing by SP Liquor 4-2; 11).

Landscaping besting General Electric 7-0; Yurgel Boys toppling AT&T Hotliners 19-8; Natwest outlasting Polish Home 10-7; and American Legion defeating Harris Steel 18-17.

In the Men's 6:30 p.m. A League last week, the Do Da Men clobbered Holly Park Interiors 14-3; Click Messenger over Graphic Systems 7-2; KCS Korner ripping RC Cleaners 17-8; and Watchung Hills Bank blasting Zebro Auto 10-

Zebro Auto leads the league standings with a 12-3 mark, followed by Watchung Hills Bank (11-5), Click Messenger (8-8), KCS Corner (8-8), Do Da Men (7-9), RC Cleaners (7-9), Graphic Systems (6-Games last week saw Summer 10), and Holly Park Interiors (4-

Rosters announced for Ponytail softball teams

SOUTH PLAINFIELD - The South Plainfield Parents Ponytail Association season began the first weekend in June with exhibition games at the Pitt Street Park

Both the 14-and-under squad and the 12-and-under team were in action.

Playing a doubleheader against a team from Long Island, the 14and-under club was able to work on many of the skills that will be needed this summer.

Team members this season are: Katie Alvarez, Robin Besser, Jen Kaduk, Patricia Garcia, Kristy Moore, Melissa Dueker, Shannon Flannery, Sara Papa, Stephanie Sauter, Amie Fritsch, and Lisa DeLorenzo.

Also on the team are: Bethann Severino, Erin Hickey, Jeanette Stoffers, Tayrn Decker, Dawn Callahan, and Jennifer Baker. The

14-and-under squad is coached by Mike Alvarez, Wayne Fritsch, Ron Severino, and Nick DeLorenzo.

The 14-and-under team will be playing in the Tri-County League Girls' All-Star Game June 24. The 12-and-under squad topped

Readington 19-18 in an exhibition contest

Elizabeth Dressler had three runs batted in for South Plainfield, as did teammates Paula Terranova and Jennifer Nicolay.

Other team members are: Amanda Bremer, Siobhan Burke, Tricia Burrows, Amy Halpin, Gina Licciardone, Erica Noel, Nicole Peloquin, Denielle Vitale, and Joy Walter, The team is managed by Carmine Dressler, along with Joe Nicolay and Phil Terranova.

South Plainfield will also have a 15-and-under team this summer Walter, which will be coached by Nick Bishop.

DeLorenzo, Joe Matticola and Don Jackson.

Team members are: Heather Anderson, Cortney Banashek, Christine Curtin, Dana DeL-orenzo, Kathy Jackson, Kelly Lanni, Laurie Matticola, and Sheri Russo.

Also on the squad are: Jen Santoro, Beth Ann Severino, Jeanette Stoffers, Stephanie Zitsch, and Jamie Johnson.

The 10-and-under roster looks this way: Dana Curcio, Lindsay Alvarez, Heather Ross, Shannon Bishop, Kerri Howells, Amanda Zawora, Caroline Schweers, Laura Walter, Laura Colicchio, Amy Glowacki, Patty Reach, Kim Wilcox, Candice Romasceindo, and Brianne Morrison.

The club is coached by Tom Walter, Peter Glowacki, and Scott

Blown engine dooms Collins in Flemington Speedway loss FLEMINGTON - Doug Hoff- ticket to tomorrow's NASCAR

man prevailed by three car- modified tour series race may lengths last Saturday night to earn present their ticket stub at the his fourth modified stock car gate Monday and watch the prac-Flemington Fair Speedway.

Hoffman, from Allentown, Pa., took the 30-lap main event after holding off a threat from Kevin Collins with three circuits remaining following a restart.

Collins had led earlier in the race but a hot oil temperature reading in his engine caused him to slow down, and Hoffman slipped past him on the 10th lap. Hoffman started in the 14th spot.

Collins finished second, followed by Billy Pauch, who was a half-straightaway behind the leaders. Peter Brittain was fourth and Kenny Brightbill fifth.

The NASCAR modified tour series will make its first-ever appearance at Flemington tomorrow at 6 p.m. for a 200-lap battle. Also on the card are the modifieds and the top-10 sportsman drivers.

The NASCAR modified tour travels throughout the Northeast during the season and many of the big-name drivers will be here.

To date, 28 cars have preregistered for the race, including Tom Baldwin, who was injured in a shooting incident recently. All the top-20 in points have entered

Among the top competitors expected are points-leader Mike Stefanik, Doug Heverson, Rich Fuller, Jeff Fuller, Wayne Anderson and Jamie Tomaino, along with Satch Worley, George Kent, Tom Baldwin and Reggie Rug-

KEN SCHRADER, who recently won the Winston Cup race at Dover Downs, will have his Busch Grand National car at Flemington Speedway Monday for practice from 11 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Schrader will run the Busch Grand National North race at the Speedway

He, and possibly other Winston Cup drivers, have shown interest in driving their cars on Monday. It's also expected that some of the Flemington regulars will be on hand for this practice session to try new set-ups now that they're more confident driving on the

paved track surface. Anyone who's purchased a

CAR modified tour race, as his "asphalt" modified won't meet the Tour specs. He's also interested in picking up a small-block modified ride for the remainder of the season.

> The National Old-Timers Racing Club, which has about 40 vintage race cars, runs every third Sunday of each month at Flemington, except August, until the end of the year from noon until 3



Photo by Dianne Deverson

HERE'S THE PITCH. Patrick Sarullo of the Phillies shows good form as he gets set to fire a pitch home during last week's South Plainfield Little League All-Star contest.

Grapplers qualify for national team Roman Tournament to earn All-Freestyle Tournaments. SOUTH PLAINFIELD - Four The South Plainfield grapplers

South Plainfield High School wrestlers have qualified for the New Jersey Wrestling Federation Junior National Team.

Sean Brooks, Nick DiGrazia, Kevin McCann, and Jerry Vitale will compete for Team New Jersey at the National Tournament. The four seniors will be wrestling Greco-Roman

will attend training camp at the Blair Academy next month. After two weeks of intense training and competition, they will leave for the National Championships to be held at Central Missouri Uni-

In last year's Nationals, DiGrazia placed eighth in the Grego-

American honors. He is currently ranked second nationally in his weight class. Anyone wishing to defray the

cost of the trip for the four wrestlers can send a contribution in care of South Plainfield High wrestling coach Mike Buggey. Contributions may be sent to Buggey at South Plainfield High.



Photo by Daryl Stone

NICE LANDING. South Plainfield High School track and field competitor Carl Borre hits the ground after competing in the long jump during a meet held last season.

mmer tournaments scheduled

The Middlesex County Board of Application and roster deadline is Chosen Freeholders' Departmet of Parks and Recreation are again sponsoring a series of summer tournaments to county residents.

All events except the basketball tournaments are held on weekdays at the county parks. The hoops tournaments will be played weeknights at William Warren County Park.

The 10th annual Middlesex County Freeholders Basketball Tournament will begin play July 8 at Warren Park in Woodbridge.

The tourney, which will be played in the evenings and is open only to county residents, has two divisions, including men's open (players who have completed their high school careers) and high school (players who will be in grades 9-12 in September).

The entrance fee is \$35 for the men's open division and \$15 for the high school division.

Applications and further information can be obtained from Vince Capraro at 634-3284 or Frank English during the day at the Parks Dept. office at 745-4222.

The tournament schedule includes: Capestro One-Pitch, ages 18 and up, fee is \$35, begins July 13, entry deadline July 6; Men's Open Slow-Pitch, ages 18 and up, costs \$35, begins July 20, entries close July 13; Little Fellas Baseball, ages 9-12, costs \$25, begins June 29, entries close June 22; 13-Year-Old Baseball, age 13, costs \$25, begins June 29, entries close June 22; Junior Baseball, ages 14-15, costs \$25, begins June 29, entries close June 22; Men's Open Basketball, ages 18 and up, costs \$25, begins July 8, entries close 2; High School Boys Basketball, grades 9-12, costs \$15, begins July 8, entries close July 2.

The High School Girls Fast-Pitch Softball Tournament will be held June 19-22 but entries closed **June 12.**

To enter any of the tournaments, submit a check payable to Middlesex County Treasurer, along with team name, representative name, phone number and tournament name to Tournament, P.O. Box 647, Woodbridge, NJ 07095.

For further information call Vince Capraro at 634-3284 evenings or the County Parks Dept. at 745-4222 days.

MARAUDERS WIN

First place medals were awarded to the South Plainfield Independent Youth Soccer Association Marauders at the 22nd Annual Mid-New Jersey Youth Soccer Association Inter-league Tournament, Soccerama.

Competing with a group of Under-12 intermediate level teams, the Marauders defeated Monroe Township and Plainfield en route to first place.

Despite the heat and humidity at St. Joseph's High School in Metuchen, coach Don Palmer unleashed what proved to be a potent offense. Goals were recorded by Jeff Bellon, Michael Powell, Keith Christopher, and Scott Stayvas.

Goalkeeper Joey Leonardis was stellar in net.

Others who contributed to the victory were Mike Gula, John Gaster, Donovan Cooney, Rich Winner, Keith Palmer, Gutierrez, and Chris Fielder.

SUMMER CAMPS

The South Plainfield Recreation Commission has announced its summer sports camp program

The camps will run from the last week of June and into the first week of August and include five varsity sports and feature high school coaches.

Basketball camp will be held on two separate sessions. The first session will start the week of June 24 and the second session will begin July 8. South Plainfield High School varsity basketball coach Jeff Lubreski will direct the

The week of July 15 will feature two sports, wrestling and softball. The camps will again be directed by a duo of South Plainfield varsity coaches with Mike Buggey directing wrestling and Don Panzarella handling the softball.

Steve Novak, the South Plainfield varsity baseball coach, will call the signals for the baseball camp which begins July 22.

The football camp will be held starting the week of July 29 and be under the direction of Kevin Carty. Carty is the very successful head football coach of Verona High School.

Camp hours will be from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (except wrestling which will run 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.) for

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ON THE DOTTED LINE. South Plainfield High graduate Nick DiGrazia (left) recently signed a National Letter of Intent to attend Southern Connecticut University next fall. The former Tigers' wrestler will major in communications. Looking on at the signing are South Plainfield head coach Mike Buggey and Nick's mother, Georgeann.



HIGH SCHOOL ATHLETE OF

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every session and will be held at South Plainfield High School.

Cost for the camps are \$30 per week with the exception of the wrestling camp which will be \$20. Each camper will receive a teeshirt. Beverages will also be given to the campers during lunch break. The campers are responsible for providing their own lunches.

There are limited number of openings available. For additional information and a brochure contact South Plainfield Recreation at 754-9000 (extension 253).

GOLF NEWS

The new South Plainfield Driving Range and Golf Center will be holding its Grand Opening, June 15. The center is located on Durham Avenue, just off Route

For more information, call 561-

BASEBALL TRIPS

The South Plainfield Recreation Department will be sponsoring a trip to Philadelphia's Veterans Stadium to see the Mets and the Phillies, July 6. Tickets are \$12 per adult and \$10 per child (ages 16 and under). The bus will leave the PAL building at 4:30

There are a limited number of seats available. For additional information, call the recreation department office at 754-9000, ext. 253 or 255.

The department will also be sponsoring a trip to see the Mets and Cubs at Shea Stadium on Aug. 3. Cost is \$13 per adult and \$11 per child. For more information, call the recreation of-

Yankees' fans can take heart also. The Recreation Department is sponsoring a trip to the House That Ruth Built on June 8th to see the game between the Texas Rangers and the Yanks.

Tickets are \$14 for adults and \$12 per child. The bus will leave the PAL Building at 5 p.m. For more information, call the recreation department.

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Thursday, June 20: D-Day for public school students

By MARGIE GUMINA

Correspondent The public schools will have early dismissal for students on June 19 and 20. The last day of school for students will be Chalk Talk planetarium show.

• The 5th grade their class trip on

Thursday, June 20.
RILEY SCHOOL

• FAN-TASTIC IDEA! Things are a lot cooler at school thanks to the new addition of fans in each of the classrooms. The PTSO gifted the school with 23 pedestal fans, purchased and positioned in each classroom during the recent heat

 The 5th grade Awards Assembly was held on June 10 in the multipurpose room. Parents and 4th graders were invited to attend.

• The 3rd grade trip to Ellis Island was held on June 12.

 FUN IN THE SUN! the week of June 10 was Picnic Week at the school. Each class held individual picnics throughout the week. Lunches were provided and served by the room mothers and the afternoons were spent in free play and group activities.

• The 3rd graders toured the Saint Barnabas Burn Foundation's Mobile Fire Safety House on June 13. The informative program was designed to give children hands-on experience in fire and burn prevention.

• The 5th grade promotion will be held on Monday June 17 at 7 p.m. in the school multipurpose

• The teachers hosted a Thank You Tea for all PTSO members on June 5. Fresh fruit platters, assorted pastries, candies, and punch were served in a festive floral-filled setting. A play area complete with toys was set up for

ROOSEVELT SCHOOL

 WHAT A YOLK! Joan Wyso's grade students. class made rubber eggs! The students made a mixture of half vinegar and half water and soaked hard boiled eggs in it for 24 hours. Once removed, the eggs took on the feel of rubber.

• COOL RECEPTION! Linda Stamatoff's class were the winners of the PTA membership drive. The students were treated to an ice cream party.

• The 4th grade trip to Trenton was held on June 11.

• The 5th graders were treated to a class pizza party on June 14.

• The Soccer Club will host a match between club members and parents on Saturday June 15 at 10:30 a.m.

• The 5th grade promotion will be held on Monday June 17.

FRANKLIN SCHOOL

• THAT'S THE SPIRIT! The 5th grade class trip was held on June 4. The students cruised around Manhattan on the Spirit of New Jersey. Lunch and entertainment were provided on board.

• The PTA hosted a Farewell to Franklin party for the 5th graders on June 5 from 6 to 8 p.m. The party featured a DJ along with soda and snacks. Yearbooks were distributed for signing. Fifth grade teachers Nancy Donahue and John Orfan along with principal Thomas Lenahan attended as special guests.

• The 1st and 2nd grade class trip to the Philadelphia Zoo was held on June 12.

• The kindergarten class trip throughout South Plainfield was held on June 13. The students were transported by school bus and toured the police department, department and rescue squad. Following the tours, the students had a class picnic at Spring Lake Park Parents were invited to attend the picnic.

· The Awards Assembly was held on June 12 for the 5th, 4th and 3rd

KENNEDY SCHOOL

• The 5th grade Promotion and Awards Assembly will take place on June 19 at 9 a.m. Students will be presented with certificates for their achievements in all areas throughout the year.

• SURF 'N' TURF! The kindergarten and 1st grade classes had a trip to the Sandy Hook Environmental Center on June 12.

 The 2nd and 3rd grade students enjoyed their class trip to Raritan Valley Community College on June 5. The students saw the play The Velveteen Rabbit and the

• The 5th grade students had their class trip on June 12. The students traveled to New York City to see the Broadway production of Fiddler on the Roof.

• The PTSO honored two alumnae with scholarships. Kimberly Wolfskeil and Michele Cochrane received their scholarships at the High School Awards ceremony on June 4.

• The Saint Barnabas Burn Foundation Mobile Fire Safety House will hold a fire and burn prevention demonstration on June

SACRED HEART

• The kindergarten, 1st and 2nd graders enjoyed their recent class trip to the New York Aquarium. Highlight of the trip was the giant turtles, with the dolphin and seal show a close second.

 FOREST FRIENDS. Linda Goetz's 2nd graders were the top winners in the recent Friendship Forest tree campaign. To celebrate, the class and their families held a picnic at Spring Lake Park The celebration included lunch, games, prizes and ice cream for all. Each student received a beach ball and hula hoop.

• Justen Byrne, an Army infantryman visited Linda Goetz's second grade class on June 6. Byrne had been the class' pen pal

THE TENNIS SUIT



Infantryman Justen Byrne visited Sacred Heart School 2nd graders, who had been writing to him while he was stationed in the Persian Gulf.

throughout the Persian Gulf War. each graduate with a flower. He delighted the students with tales about camels, makeshift showers, desert volleyball games and MRE's. Now stationed in Germany, Byrne expressed his thanks for all the love and support he and the other soldiers received from his young pen pals.

 The 1st and 2nd graders, under the direction of their teachers Lou Mack, Kathy Houghton, Linda Goetz, and JoAnne Semon, hosted the June 7 Mass for the graduating class. First graders presented

MIDDLE SCHOOL

 MEMORY MAKER. Student Council sponsored a Yearbook Signing Party for the 8th grade students on June 12 from 4 pm.. to 5:30 p.m. Yearbooks were distributed and refreshments of pizza and soda were

HIGH SCHOOL

• SPANISH RHYMES. Students in Wilma Encinas' Spanish V and

VI classes take great pride in their achievement in foreign language learning. They have demonstrated their proficiency through increased use of oral Spanish within the classroom as well as through their writing of original poems, essays, and short stories in Spanish.

Mrs. Encinas has collected and published the students' original written pieces in a student booklet that is reflective of the high school's high degree of support and encouragement of interdisciplinary projects and activities. This booklet is a cooperative project of students in the Business, Art, English, and Foreign Language Departments. Mrs. Encinas' students write their poems and stories in Spanish and then employ their English class studies in revising, editing, and proofreading to make them ready for printing. The students next collaborate with art students concerning illustrations for their work. The business students joined the project by typing and reproducing the completed liter-ary project. This is the third an-nual Spanish Literary Project sponsored by Mrs. Encinas.

The Spanish writing project reflects the emphasis on developing and refining the writing skills of all students in the South Plainfield school district. A new, district-wide program entitled "Unified Writing Program, K-12" involves all subject areas in all

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Celebrating anniversaries are Dick and Doris Kennedy . . . Ernie and Georgia Temple . . . Mike and Sandy Kavka . . . Ed and Jayne ... Pat and Jack King . . . and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis Williams,

A son, Matthew Robert was born at John F. Kennedy Medical Center May 30 to Bob and Patty Seesselberg . . . grandparents are Elaine Dean of Edison . . . Katherine Seesselberg of South Plainfield . . . and Henry Seesselberg of Warren.

SafetyTown registration forms are available at the South Plainfield Library . . . for more information call 757-1380.

South Plainfield Recreation is sponsoring a dance for 6th, 7th and

8th grade pupils on June 28 at the Community Pool . . . tickets are \$2. This Sunday is Father's Day . . . have a happy one!

Ocean cruise in January sponsored by department

accomodations.

The South Plainfield Recreation Department is sponsoring a trip on the SS Oceanic from Jan. 17 to 20. The *Oceanic* is part of Premier Cruise Lines "Disney Cruise" package aboard the Big

Included in the trip is round trip airfare from Newark Airport, round trip airport transfers to and from ship, three night cruise including all meals and entertainment, air and port taxes, transportation from South Plainfield to Newark airport, optional ex-tended stays at Walt Disney World may be arranged.

Prices start at \$495 per person and vary based on group size and What do Cher and Senator Kennedy

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Julie Traxler, who wrote her prize winning essay "To Print or Not to Print: Media Ethics and the Question of Identifying Rape Victims," while attending Livingston College, Rutgers University is pictured with Paula Rothenberg, left, director of The New Jersey Project, and Dr. Edward Goldberg, Chancellor of Higher Education.

Award for feminist scholarship given to South Plainfield woman

Julie Traxler of South Plainfield was one of 10 New Jersey students honored recently for her outstanding achievement in feminist scholarship at the second annual awards dinner of The New Jersey Project.

Traxler received a \$250 award and a certificate for her prize winning essay, "To Print or not to Print: Media Ethics and the Question of Identifying Rape Victims," which she wrote during her senior year at Livingston College, Rutgers University.

The awards dinner, held at Drew University, was attended by

feminist, education and government leaders including former Governor of New Jersey Thomas Kean, now president of Drew University, and New Jersey Department of Higher Education Chancellor Edward Goldberg.

Majoring in English and journalism, Traxler was an honors scholar interested in gender relations in literature.

She credits a freshman year course at the college, "Women in American Culture," with helping her to focus on gender studies. In addition to her prize winning

an assemblage of scholars and essay, Traxler has written a thesis on "Down These Mean Streets: An Analysis of Contemporary Women Writers of Hard-Boiled Detective Fiction.'

The New Jersey Project is recognized around the country as a model for integrating women and issues of gender, race/ethnicity, class and sexuality into the curriculum of colleges and uni-

The project publishes a journal, Transformations, makes annual awards to students whose work exemplifies feminist scholarship, conducts conferences, workshops and regional network meetings and holds a residential summer institute designed to bring together the best scholars and teachers in the state and nation.

The project, headquartered at William Paterson College in Wayne, is funded by WPC and the New Jersey Department of Higher Education.

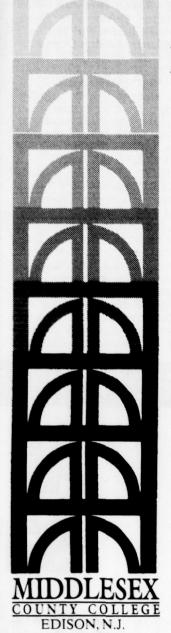
David Flesher returns from Gulf duty

Coast Guard Lt. David E. homeported in Seattle. Flesher, son of Edward D. and Marion W. Flesher, South Plain-Operation Desert Sto field, recently returned from deployment to the Middle East in support of Operation Desert Storm while serving aboard the Guard Cutter Mellon,

Operation Desert Storm was the largest deployment of U.S. military forces since Vietnam. The operation was in response to Iraq's invasion of Kuwait and threat to Saudi Arabia.

A 1976 graduate of South Plainfield High School, and a 1980 graduate of U.S. Coast Guard Academy, New London, Conn., with a Bachelor of Science degree, he joined the Coast Guard in May

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Library Notes

"Summer is right around the corner," according to Connie Palmer, one of the storytellers at the Library. Themes revolving around the sights, sounds and smells of summer were the focus of her final story hour during this school year.

The mother of Robert and Jordan indicated that the story hour was a high point in their son's social life. The boys had lots of fun and got to meet friends of their own age. While Jordan really liked the storytelling, Robert always looked forward to the crafts and things-todo. Mrs. Kitlasz also stated that due to Connie's high energy approach to reading, Robert was up to 15 read-to-me books a day. Jordan also enjoys having his parents read to him. In addition Jordan wishes the story hours could happen more often since he gets to sleep later on these mornings for an extra half hour.

While every child that came to any of Connie's story times helped make her program a great success, a special note of thanks to some of the regulars attending the last one is extended to Katie, Phoebe, Jimmy, Jordan, Katie, Robert, Steven, and Jeanie for their interesting comments on "What is summer like?"

In addition, Kelly told the group that her parents, Kathy and Bill Thomas, are celebrating their 10th anniversary this summer. Cong-

After the children made a special gift for Father's Day, Connie read several stories. She always puts a lot into her sessions. Through finger plays, facial expressions, tones of voice, hand motions, and a lot of old

fashion enthusiasm, she brings her books to life.

A wide variety of activities including story hours will be part of the Library's Summer Reading Program. With stories by Eve Watters, the program kicks of on the afternoon of June 26 from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Register in advance.

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The Summer Reading Program will be composed of two groups. First, preschoolers, who can't read yet, can join the read to me program where their parents will read to them. Secondly, readers may join the reading program. Open to all children, everyone is encouraged to come to Eve's program for the sheer fun of it and the chance to register for summer reading program. Chhildren that can't make it to Eve's program can register for the Summer Reading Program at any time during the entire summer.

Children's Videos: Recently, numerous new children's videos were acquired by the Library. Furthermore, an annotated notebook consisting of all the juvenile videos in the Library has been prepared for your ease of searching.

Birth of Bullwinkle, adventures of Rocky and Bullwinkle; Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles, the hit movie; The Cat in the Hat, my favorite of Dr. Seuss' books; Ramona, based on Beverly Cleary's books; Willow, a spectacular epic adventure; The Magical Princess Gigi, fun and

MCC summer workshops combine fun and learning

EDISON - This summer, kids can combine fun with learning at Middlesex County College.

The College's Department of Community Education is presenting two science workshops for children from July 22 to July 26. The Chemical Magic, Magical Microscope, Rocks, Minerals, and Computers workshop will be held from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. Kids will learn how to make natural batteries, work with microscopes, and write computer programs. The Model Rocketry, Computers and Electronics workshop will be held from 12:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Both workshops are open to children from 6 to 12 years of age. Tuition for each workshop is \$75 plus a \$41 fee. These workshops are quite popular and early regi-

stration is advisable. For more information or to register, call (908) 906-2556.

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ENTERTAINMENT

June Opera Festival lineup features Verdi's 'Falstaff'

LAWRENCEVILLE - Verdi's after his highly acclaimed produc-Falstaff, the June Opera Festival of New Jersey's second production of its eighth season, opens Thursday, June 20, at 8 p.m. in Allan P. Kirby Arts Center of the Lawrenceville School.

The opera's storyline concerns that robust old rascal Sir John Falstaff, one of Shaklespeare's most famous characters, who comes a-wooing the merry wives of Windsor.

Falstaff is directed by Nagle Jackson returning to June Opera

tion of The Marriage of Figaro two seasons ago. It will be conducted by Michael Pratt, the Festival's artistic director and co-founder.

Falstaff will be repeated on Saturday, June 22, at 8 p.m.; Friday, June 28 at 8 p.m.; Sunday, June 30 at 3 p.m.; and Saturday, July 6 at 8 p.m. All performances will be in the Kirby Arts Center at the Lawrenceville School, with tickets and subscriptions ranging from \$15 to \$80. They may be purchased by calling the box office, (609) 936-1500 or by writing the June Opera Festival Box Office, 55 Princeton-Hightown Road, Princeton Junction, N.J. 08550.

Jackson and his stage designer John Jensen have decided to harken back to what is known as Elizabethan staging owing to Falstaff's Shakespearean source. Moreover, director Jackson feels that the work itself transcends traditional "opera buffa"; it has an autumnal warmth and exudes a deep love of humanity. It is the work, for a composer at the end of his illustrious career, of a man who has known how to love the

In the title role, bass-baritone Daniel Smith makes his first appearance at the June Opera having earned raves at the Santa Fe Opera in Cavalli's La Calisto with Tatiana Troyanos. Other leading roles include the title part in Don Pasquale; Figaro in Le Nozze di Figaro; Leporello in Don Giovanni; Dr. Dulcamara in L'Elisir d'Amore; and Colline in La Boheme. A graduate of the Juilliard School, she has also sung in production of the Boston Opera Company, Aspen Music Festival, Hawaii Opera.

Baritone Roy Stevens, making his Festival debut, will sing the role of Ford. Stevens made his La Scala debut in 1990 singing Tomsky in the new production of Tchaikovsky's Pique Dame directed by Andrei Konchalovsky and

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Golfer Byron Nelson focus of new exhibit

FAR HILLS — Memorabilia documenting the distinguished career of Byron Nelson comprises a new display at Golf House, the museum and library of the USGA. This exhibition runs through Dec.

This display, titled "Byron Nelson-Golf's Master Craftsman," consists of materials on loan from Fairway Ranch, the Nelsons' home in Roanoke, Texas; Preston Trail Golf Club in Dallas; and Las Colinas Sports Club in Irving,

The exhibit is divided into three parts, each housed in a different room.

The first area features a display devoted entirely to Nelson's passion for woodworking, including finished pieces in a showroom

The second room showcases a classic 1940s living room, complete with a cathedral radio. At the turn of a knob, listeners can hear Nelson recount several of his famous victories. This room also contains several of Byron's personal books, including his Bible.

The final exhibit room recounts Nelson's famous season of 1945, when he won a record 18 tournaments, including 11 in succession that he entered. All 18 of his medals, each one commemorating a victory, document an amazing accomplishment. He compiled a scoring average of 68.33 strokes per round that year.

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RU's modernized 'As You Like It' opens SummerFest play series

BRUNSWICK modern interpretation of Shakespeare's As You Like It will open the Levin Theater Company's Summerfest season Friday, June 14, at 8 p.m. in the Phillip J. Levin Theater at Rutgers Arts Center, George Street at Route 18.

Performances are Tuesdays through Sundays at 8 p.m. through July 6. Matinees are scheduled for 2 p.m., June 26 and July 6 and 7. Preview performances are at 8 p.m., June 12 and 13. There is no performance July 4.

As Orlando, Matt Mulhern is featured weekly on CBS televiplayed one of the leading roles in the Broadway and film versions of Neil Simon's Biloxi Blues, and starred in The Night Hank Wil-Theater in New York.

As Rosalind, Jordan Baker starred as Desdemona to Avery Brooks' Othello in last season's sold-out production at the Levin Theater and at Folger Theater in Washington D.C. She has played portrays an assistant D.A. on NBC's L.A. Law and was a regular in the network series Top of the Hill starring William Katt. Both Mulhern and Baker are graduates of the professional acting program at the Mason Gross School of the

"The production will bring Shakespeare's cornucopia of colsion's hit series Major Dad. He orful characters into the 1990s by contrasting a sinister corporate world with an ecological paradise that invites music, hijinks, romance, and chicanery," notes direliams Died at the Orpheum ctor William Woodman, who says he feels, like George Bernard

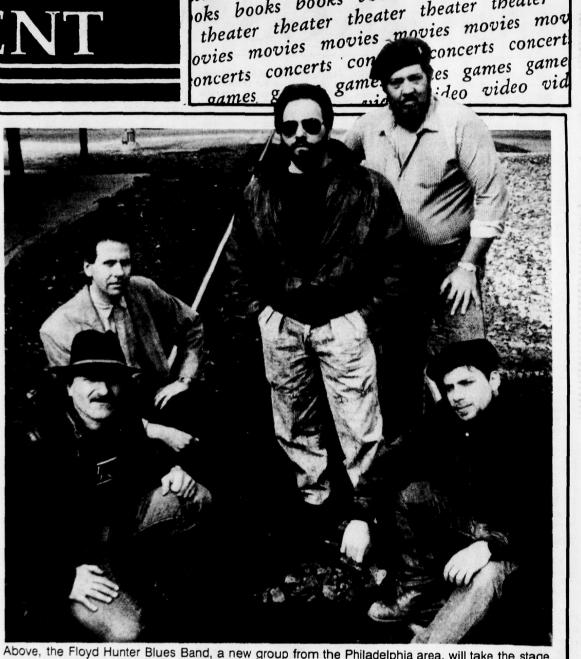
Shaw, that Rosalind's actions in the play are those of an astonishingly contemporary woman.

"Rosalind makes love to Orlando instead of waiting for Or-lando to make love to her," Woodman observes.

Woodman's recent assignments included the critically acclaimed The Lighthouse at Chicago Opera Theatre, Man and Superman at New York's Roundabout Theatre and the Macedonian premiere of Buried Child at the Dramski Teatar in Skopje, Yugoslavia.

Tickets are \$18 and \$16. Rutgers student tickets are half-price. Group discounts are available.

For information or to charge tickets by phone call the Rutgers Arts Ticket Office at (908) 932-



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Above, the Floyd Hunter Blues Band, a new group from the Philadelphia area, will take the stage this weekend at Piscataway's 12th annual 'American Grass Roots Music' festival. Below, local favorites the Small Change Bluegrass Band will also appear.

Live and pickin'

'American Grass Roots Music' festival brings folk (and blues) to Piscataway

PISCATAWAY - Folk per-former Elaine Silver, the Small Change Bluegrass Band and the Floyd Hunter Blues Band will take the stage at the township's 12th annual American Grass Roots Music fes-tival, set for Saturday, June 15, at 7:30 p.m. in the Con-ackamack Middle School auditorium.

This year's program departs the all-acoustic events of previous years to include the Floyd Hunter Blues Band, an innovative new group making its presence felt on the Philadelphia blues scene.

The band has performed as the opening act for Handy Award winner Kenny Neal and Chicago blues legend Junior Wells. They will be opening the Philadelphia

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Wild, original sound from out of St. Louis

THREE MERRY WIDOWS Which Dreamed It? (TVT) SCRAWL/THREE MERRY WIDOWS Maxwell's, Hoboken, May 18

he Midwest - with the honorable exceptions of the Akron Cleveland area in the late 1970s and Minneapolis in the 1980s is generally not known for producing a lot of distinctive bands. Take it from somebody who grew up in Scrawl's town (Columbus, Ohio): even though there isn't much for rebellious youth to

do out there in the heartland but drink and form rock bands, the rock bands that get formed aren't usually much to crow about. This is certain to annoy certain friends of your Fearless Reporter's who are fellow ex-Midwesterners and don't have as strong a sense of escape, but it's gotta be said: if

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most people from the coasts think of that region only as someplace to drive through or fly over on the way to someplace else, maybe there are good reasons.

When a good solid original sound does find its way out of places like this, it tends to be pretty extremely original, and usually pretty extremely unbelievably harsh. (Think of Big Black, outta Chicago, or Pere Ubu, outta Cleveland, or the Violent Femmes, outta I think it was Milwaukee or something.) The two Midwestern bands that shared a stage in Hoboken a few weeks ago, particularly newcomers Three Merry Widows, are made from the same kind of stuff. They don't sound a thing alike, of course, except for twangy female vocals. Scrawl is a tremendous sloppy melodic all-woman punk trio, with a national reputation solidified by its excellent debut He's Drunk (Rough Trade, 1989). The Widows are twangier by far (singer Alice Spencer's been called "the female Stan Ridgway," which is almost right), and stranger by further; what they're inventing seems pretty unnameable, but it's got roots that stretch through 1960s psychedelia back toward much older folk forms. Still, these bands have a similar sense of persnickety independence - you can envision a moment when each of them looked around at its local scene and decided "by golly, anything that's gonna happen here, we're gonna have to make happen on our own."

O.K., this is a bit of a caricature (even in Columbus, nobody really says "by golly"). Your F.R. has been to St. Louis, the Widows' home burg, exactly twice, and for all he knows there's a burgeoning psychofolk-jazz scene out there, being carefully kept secret from the rest of

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A few months ago we ran a story about a New Brunswick quitar-maker and blues aficionado who led the national fundraising drive to pay for a marker on the grave of Robert Johnson, the influential blues musician who inspired the likes of Eric Clapton, John Mayall and hundreds of others. Here is the marker unveiled April 20 at the Mt. Zion Missionary Baptost Church outside Morgan City, Miss., listed as the site of his burial in 1938.

Talk—great talk from Jean Shepherd

By WILLIAM WESTHOVEN

To some, humorist Jean Shepherd's two-hour appearance last Friday at Princeton University was a nostalgic visit with an old friend. To others, it was the continuation of a long-standing tradition.

But for everyone who came to the exquisite Richardson Auditorium at Alexander Hall, it was a memorable evening of insight, social comment and laughter as Shepherd, an accomplished author, screenwriter and radio personality, did what he does best. Talk. Not tell jokes. Or lecture. Or preach.

For the uninitiated, Shepherd emerged in the '50s and the '60s as a featured writer for Playboy, Car and Driver and other magazines. For

the most part, his stories drew on his experiences as a child growing up in an Indiana steel mill town during the depression. Several of those tales

JEAN SHEPHERD Richardson Auditorium Princeton, June 7

were eventually packaged as best-selling anthologies (In God We Trust, All Others Pay Cash, and Wanda Hickey's Night of Golden Memories and Other Disasters, among others) and also served as the basis of the movie A Christmas Story, which has become a holiday favorite on

Along the way, his talents as a master storyteller earned him a syndicated radio show originating in New York on WOR-AM. Heard throughout most of the '60s and '70s, his free-form, 45-minute show would be a mad romp through old memories, current events and sudden impulses with small doses of sound effects and novelty music thrown in for good measure.

His audience drew a fanatical cult of listeners who tuned in every night and followed him to numerous personal appearances, including his annual visit to Princeton. The radio show is long-since cancelled and his live shows are scattered and rare, but after 26 annual visits to Princeton, he's an Old Nassau institution.

Which segues us back to Richardson Auditorium, where Shepherd demonstrated his own ability to segue from one subject to the next, giving the impression he's lost his train of thought before bringing you back to the original topic and the moral of the entire journey. You thought I forgot about that," he snickered after bringing one

idea full-circle. "That Shepherd, he weaves a tangled web. You guys can tell the rookies next year, 'Don't worry, he'll get back to it. On he went, discussing his impressions of such wide-ranging topics as White Castle, the Gulf War and the smell of the Ohio River on a

hot August night in Kentucky. There's not enough room to explain (Please turn to page B-6)

GOINGS • ON • AT • A • GLANCE

Live and pickin'

Items for inclusion in "Goings On at a Glance" should be sent to Steven Hart, Entertainment Section Editor, 211 Lakeview Avenue, Piscataway. Please include telephone number for follow-up questions.

All phone numbers are Area Code 908 except where indicated.

Theater

AS YOU LIKE IT The Shakespeare standard updated for the '90s, pitting the corporate world against an environmental haven. June 14 through July 7 at the Philip J. Levin Theatre, George Street and Route 18, Rutgers University, New Brunswick. Admissions 18, \$16; discourse available, Part of Butgers gers University, New Bruitsmen.
\$18, \$16; discounts available. Part of Rutgers merFest. 932-7511.

BIG RIVER Mark Twain's Adventures of Tom Sawyer in musical form with songs by Roger ("King of the Road") Miller. Weekend performances through June 30 at the Franklin Villagers Barn Theatre, Franklin Township Municipal Complex, 475 DeMoti Lane, Somerset. Admission \$15 Fridays and Saturdays, \$14 Sundays, 873-2710.

MOMENTS TO REMEMBER Musical revue performed July 8 through Sept. 28 at the Hunterdon Hills Playhouse, Route 173, Hampton, Group rates available. 735-6070 or (800) HHP-7313.

NEW PLAYWRIGHTS SERIES Staged readings of new plays at the Franklin Villagers Barn Theatre, Franklin Township Municipal Complex, 475 DeMott Lane, Some-rset, Performances Tuesdays at 8 p.m., free admission. June 25: Wishes by Jodi Miller, adelphia by Evelyn Ortner. 873-2710.

PLAYS-IN-THE-PARK Summer series of well-known musicals in the Roosevelt Park amphitheatre, off Route 1, Edison. Performances nightly (except Sundays and July 4) at 8:30 p.m. Playgoers may place low-back chairs on the lawn beginning at 6 p.m. Free admission. July 2 through July 13: Pippin. July 24 through Aug. 3: Where's Charley? Aug. 14 through Aug. 24: Mame. Free open house and mini-concert Sunday, June 9, at noon. 548-2884.

Museums

AFRICAN ART MUSEUM OF THE S.M.A. FATHERS, 23 Biles Avenue, Tenafly. Open every day except Sunday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Some 500 works of traditional African art representing 20 countries and over 100 cultures. primarily West Africa. (201) 567-0450.

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role of black churches. Also musical instruments of Africa, America and the West Indies; kitchen typical of black urban households circa 1930; African shields and sculpture. (201) 547-5262.

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for adults, \$1 for children. Separate admission for adjoining Buckwheat Dump. Some 300 types of minerals from New Jersey Zinc Co. mines plus replica of mine. (201) 827-3481.

GOLF HOUSE, United States Golf Association, Liberty Corner Road, Far Hills. Golf museum and library. Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. Through Aug. 25: Paintings by Arthur Weaver. Through Dec. 1: Memorabilia of "Byron Nelson — Golf's Master Craftsman." 234-2300.

HUNTERDON ART CENTER, 7 Center Street, Clinton. Thursday and Friday from noon to 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. 735-8415.

Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Thursday and Sunday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Donation \$2 for non-members. (201) 746-5555.

THE MORRIS MUSEUM, 6 Normandy Heights Road, Morristown. Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$2 for adults, \$1 for children and the elderly. Ongoing: "Evolu-tion to Revolution," lamps and lamp accessories from 19th-century America. Through July 14: Dinamation display of eight "Real Sea Monsters!" Through Sept. 22: Geometric paintings by Naomi Waksberg (reception June 23 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.). June 19: Orientation for new volunteers. June 28: Family Funday. (201) 538-0454.

MUSEUM OF EARLY TRADES AND CRAFTS, Main Street and Green Village Road, Madison, Tuesday through Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. Admission \$1 for adults, 50 cents for children. (201) 377-2982.

MUSEUM OF MODERN ART, 11 West 53rd Street, New York. Daily 11 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., closed Wednesdays. Admission \$6, \$3.50 for students. \$2 for the elderly. (212) 708-9400.

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NEW JERSEY HISTORICAL SOCIETY, 230 Broadway, Newark. Wednesday through Friday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., third Saturday of the month from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guided tours by appointment. Admission \$3, free to society members. Ongoing: "Tender in Years: Childhood in 19th-Century New Jersey." (201)

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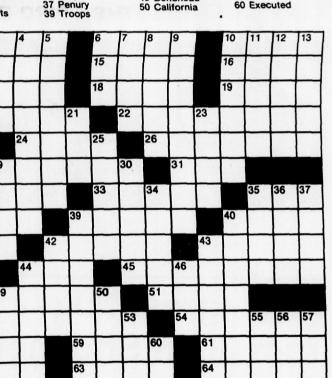
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Bishop. According to Marty Tanger, guitarist and vocalist for Floyd 'folk' performers do."

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River Blues Festival on July

27 and 28, on a bill that in-

cludes B.B. King, Johnny Win-

ter, Albert Collins and Elvin

Hunter, "Blues is one of the only true American rock forms. Our music has a little bit of a rock influence, but we try to stay as close to the blues as possible. With the resurgence of blues in the last few years, we're hoping the crowd will have an appreciation for

what we're doing." Elaine Silver, recipient of the 1990 Garden State Music Award Winner for Outstanding Folk Performer, has been performing for over a decade and a half and has won early critical acclaim for her clear vocal style. Her abilities as a multi-style vocalist, composer and instrumentalist have taken her on tour from New

and overseas to Europe. "Even though I am a con-

England to Florida, through-

out the mid-west to California

temporary songwriter," Silver explained, "my music has its roots in the traditional music of America, the British Isles and Ireland. I think that is the difference between what I do and what most of the popular

Back by popular demand since their Piscataway debut last year is the Small Change Bluegrass Band. Formed in March of 1988, the group has to date received first place awards in the 16th Annual NYC Bluegrass Band Contest, were the opening act for Bill Monroe & the Bluegrass Boys at the Lone Star Cafe in New York City, and have played engagements collaborative throughout the entire state of New Jersey with such celebrities as Eddie Rabbit and Don McLean.

Conackmack Middle School offers easy wheelchair access and ample parking in the rear of the building.

For more information, call 463-0777 or 562-2301.

Jean Shepherd

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here what they have to do with each other. Shepherd's humor - more subtle that slapstick, more insightful than stand-up - is of the youhave-to-be-there variety.

Cross Will Rogers with Tom Waits and you might begin to get the idea. One minute, he invokes belly-laughs while describing his mother's famous meat loaf. The next moment, you can hear a pin drop as he recalls a fearful ride on a dark troop train with fellow draftees who don't know their final destination.

After so many years on the air, very little of Shepherd's material is fresh. But like Hollywood, which hasn't had an original idea in decades, it's not the plot so much as the way it is told. His powers of description are unparalleled.

"I was working a radio job in Kentucky, coming home at two or three in the morning with the sounds of Waylong Jennings, the sounds of a thousand songs and a thousand women in a thousand bars running through my head. It would still be hot ... steaming ... and you could smell the Ohio River. Not a bad smell, it was a river smell, and you could see the stars reflecting brightly off the water. They sparkled as the water moved fast downstream, and it was then that you knew. The river was alive.'

And no matter what he's talking about, he seems to find a current issue to relate it to. Sometimes, the segues and the imagery are more engrossing than the stories themselves. Like Leonard Bernstein conducting the same Beethoven symphony over and over, you can listen again and again and hear something new every time.

Now in his 60s, Shepherd isn't quite as flamboyant as he used to be. His trademark mutton-chop sideburns and Greenwich Village-hip wardrobe have been replaced by a thinning mane and casual dress, making him look like some sort of a country-club monk. But his hearty laugh, his rich Chicago baritone and incredible sense of timing have survived the years intact.

After the show, he stated that he was prepared to announce this as his last Princeton show, but changed his mind and planned to be be back in 1992. Chances are the revelation was just more grist for the mill, but at least you left knowing you can rely on something other than death and taxes.

Wild, original sound from out of St. Louis

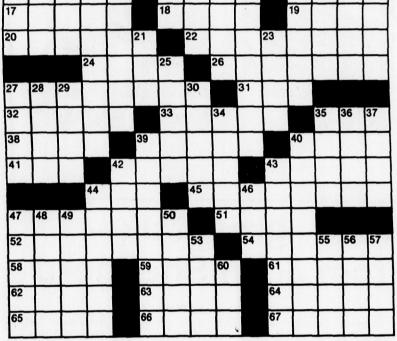
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the country. But the idea that anyone else is in the same ballpark with these Widows looks pretty farfetched. These are guitars from Hell, folks, and I don't mean loud distorted devil-worship guitars of the sort you'll hear from every mundane headbanger band on the planet. What the Widows do with guitar texture is much more unusual and much more difficult. Guitarists Sean Garcia and Brian Simpson are fond of using devices, but not in conventional ways. The sound they generate (either on twin electrics or with Simpson's inventive Fairportly acoustic work subtly supporting Garcia's leads) is edgy, nervous, countrapuntally balanced yet oddly disturbing. The bassist, too, Charles Shipman - more so in live performance than on the record, where he's mixed pretty down far - is a wizard at gently insinuating some menace into the mood. Only drummer Matt Albert plays it relatively straight; the rest of the band has a knack for making the deceptive, non-obvious move.

Spencer is as distinctive as they get, and it's not just her outrageous corn-belt twang that makes her stand out. She moves smoothly between fast, intricate semi-Sprechstimme phrasings and broad, pealing legato passages; although her background is in musical theater, there's no theatricality or glitz in her voice, just power and clarity. Lyrically, what she's delivering can be nearly impenetrably private (it's her own writing and the two guitarists') — don't look to this band for reach-out-and-grab-ya emotionalism, but expect plenty of intense (if oblique) emotional communication. The songs are unabashedly meditative: just this side of undergrad head-exploration, just the other side of predictable. The best of them take the roundabout way to set up a hook, but when the hooks arrive you've been expertly prepared for them: "Solucinations," for example, deploys some unnerving squiggly guitars against Spencer's rapidly dodging vocal verses, then makes room for her to wail on the cut-time chorus. "Which Dreamed It?" pulls some unusually undanceable changes of time signature and puts them to good use, setting up Spencer's explosive high notes through the odd logic of 5/4 time.

This is both a wild band and a highly disciplined band. What works well on the record (things like guitar solos that dwell patiently beneath the vocal, content to avoid the front of the mix) might risk loss of energy in live performance, and Spencer's cerebrality doesn't suggest a great deal of traditional charisma. Luckily, though, their live show has more than enough visceral power to put their trickier material across convincingly. Spencer's stage persona is as unassuming as Janis and as unapproachably mysterious as Nico - yes, it's true, only 60s comparisons really make any sense for this band - yet she comes off as more enraptured than offputting. Like the Connells, with whom they've toured, the Widows see no contradiction between an intelligent, complex layered sound and an energy level that'll make your nips move

eadliners Scrawl, coming on after the heady intricacies of the Widows (and a mysterious sound of a second band that your Fearless Reporter, for a variety of reasons, missed entirely), did what they always do: knock people over with a friendly fierceness that only a few troglodytes are still surprised to see coming from women. They have no pretenses to technique, but they have raw underrated power, the kind the very early Replacements used to rely on; their voices are raggedly sweet, and their verbiage (particularly on the anthemic "Shopping Mall") shows balanced amounts of 'tude and astuteness. They're about to move to Chicago and record another LP with the legendary Steve Albini, to be released on Seattle's Sub Pop label in later 1991. The newer material they showcased at Maxwell's sweeter, but still miles from saccharine; occasionally Throwing Muse-ish - suggests this will be one of the indie-label events to keep an eye on this year.





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The drive up to Mendham, traveling the back roads through Far Hills and Peapack, past all those large estates and rambling hills, augmented the total dining experience.

We dined in the bar (Ricky's) which is larger than most small restaurants. This a rustic atmosphere with wood paneling, booths with small window dividers and brass lamps. Piano music was provided by Vinnie, whom I was told has been playing there for over 20 years.

The setting is formal with white tablecloths, red underliners, brass

candle holders and white china with a black ring. There are fresh carnations at every table and little lights are placed tastefully throughout

And speaking of fresh, The Black Horse Inn prides itself on the use of the freshest ingredients, the finest in USDA beef and the use of their own special recipes. The fish is delivered daily and fileted in their kitchen, the steaks are aged and nothing is made with frozen ingredients. Whipped cream is made daily with not stabliziers added. Even the soda is served in

The menu has 11 appetizers (\$2.50 to \$7.95) with such tempting items as Maryland jumbo lump crabmeat cocktail (\$7.95) and farm-grown oysters on the half shell (\$7.50). There are two soups (\$3.95 and \$2.50), Ceasar salad (\$3.50), and a special pasta of the day that can be ordered

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tail, shrimp scampi or boneless breast of duck (\$23.95). You can also order turkey or chicken (\$13.50) or duck (\$16.95). Dinners include a house salad and choice of potato or vegetable.

We started our dinner by ordering four appetizers, garlic toast (\$2.50), clams casino (\$5.50), fettucini in a light cream sauce with radicchio and mushrooms (\$4.95), and asparagus vinaigrette (\$3.95).

Everything was fresh and delicious. The fettucini sauce was very good while the asparagus tasted freshly picked.

Our friends (Jan and Ken) opted for beef dishes. Jan ordered the junior filet mignon (\$15.95) while Ken had the end cut prime rib on the bone (\$19.95). Both said their food was good as they last remembered it to be. My husband ordered a giant lamb chop (one \$17, two \$24.95) with mint elly. After having an appetizer and sald he decided against ordering two chops. Good thing, because this was the largest lamp chop he ever ate. It must have been three inches thick and extremely juicy.

I had one of the specials (inserted in the menu with prices), fresh albacore tuna, broiled for \$18.95. This was served plain with no sauce. Fresh tuna, cooked right, needs no enchancements.

The men ordered desserts, a hot fudge sundae for my husband and

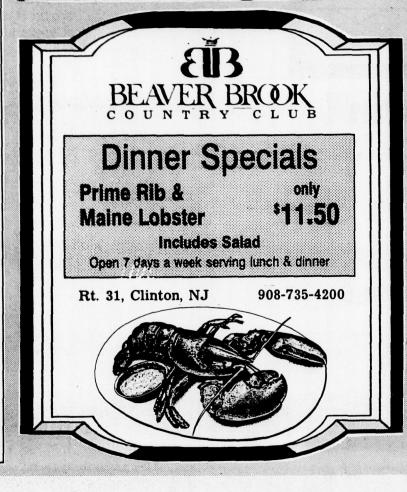
pecan pie for Ken. Jan and I could only watch with envy while they ate

Although we didn't eat at the Black Horse Pub I believe it is worth mentioning. The Pub, is a separate building, was voted one of the 10 best places to eat by one of the daily newspapers. It is a more casual setting with any oyster bar, soup and salads, hamburgers, sandwiches, salad platters, steak, ribs and seafood. The average price for dinner is about

\$11 to \$15, with an 8-oz. rib eye steak costing \$14.95.

Before leaving the Inn, we peaked in at the main dining room. Every table was occupied. This is a very busy restaurant. We will not wait as long as we did between visits.

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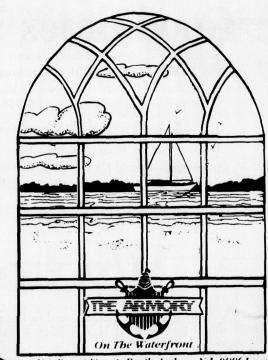
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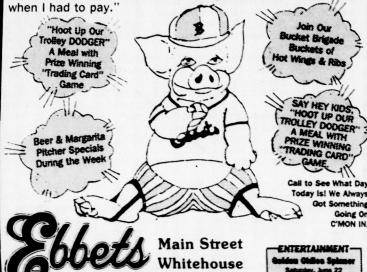
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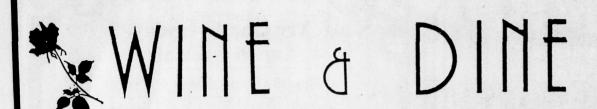
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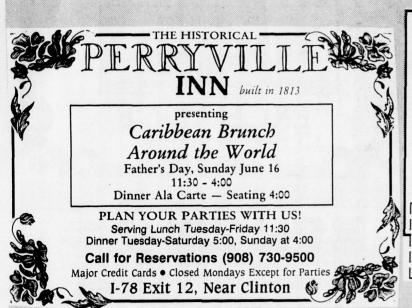
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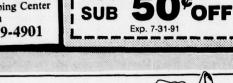
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home, he has sung the title role in Rigoletto with the Anchorage Opera, Tarquinius in Britten's The Rape of Lucretia with Long Beach Opera, and the four villains in Les Contes d'Hoffman with the Virginia Operas.

June Opera will portray the young lovers Nannetta and Fenton, soprano Darynn Zimmer and tenor Matthew Lord respectively. Ms. Zimmer appeared as The Policewoman in the Phillip Glass Hydrogen Box at both Spoleto and Spoleto/USA in 1990 as well as several roles with the Philadelphia Opera Theater including the world premiere performances of The Secret Garden as Mary Lennox. A native Californian, Lord recently sang Edgardo in Lucia di Lammermoor with the Western Opera and the role of Mr. Owen in Argento's Postcards from Morocco with the Chicago Opera

Mezzo-soprano Janet Ellis and Janine Hawley will sing the other merry wives of Windsor, Mistress Quickly and Mrs. Page respectively. Ms. Ellis has been heard as Dalila in Samson et Dalila in Mexico City, Gertrude in Romeo et Juliette in San Antonio, Maestra della Novice in Suor Angelica with the Dallas Opera, and Ulrica in Un Ballo in Maschera in Puerto Ríco. Ms. Hawley, another alumna of June Opera, sang Cherubino in The Marriage of Figaro two seasons ago. With Pittsburgh Opera, she sang Hansel in ?Hansel and Gretel and has performed with the New York City Opera, Santa Fe Opera, and the Washington Opera to name but a few. She studied voice at Indiana University and received a Master of Arts in Voice from Columbia University.

Returning to June Opera after a season's absence is director NBagle Jackson who mounted the stunning 1989 production of The Marriage of Figaro. Active in both the theater and operas worlds. Jackson was artistic director of the McCarter Theater. He staged a production a The Glass Menagerie for the Girky Theatre in Leninggrad becoming the first American to be invited to direct in the Soviet Union. Adding playwrighting to his list of talents, his play Opera Comique was produced at the American Conservatory Theatre and the Kennedy Center and won a Drama League Award. Jackson has been guest director at most of the leading American repertory theaters including the Old Globe in San Diego, the Seattle Repertory Theatre, the Actors Theatre of Louisville, and Hartford Stage.

ForFalstaff, Jackson will collaborate with set designer John Jensen, costume designer Richard St. Clair, and lighting designer F. Mitchell Dana — the artistic team who are mounting Abduction this season.

The Festival continues its current repertory season with its production of Mozart's Abduction from the Seraglio which has additional performances June 21, 29 and July 5 at 8 p.m. and on June 23 at 3 p.m. in a new production by Edward Berkeley, and its annual concert on Tuesday, July 2 with the theme "Shakespeare in Song" based on the musical settings of the playwright's many plays and sonnets.

The audience is invited to picnic under the Festival tent before the performance on the grounds wick. Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Free admission. 932-7243.

sey wildlife, along with cougars, deer, sheep, llamas and wolves. Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. Admission \$6, \$2.50 for children aged 2 to 12 and the elderly. Open yearround, weather permitting. (201) 731-5801.

Events

fireworks, a parade and more, all to celebrate the 250th anniversary of the Oxford Furnace. Friday, June 28, through Sunday, June 30, along Route 31, Oxford, 475-6581.

a.m. to 6 p.m. Donation \$4, 271-1119

of the Lawrenceville School, a

conducted by Seiji Ozawa. Here at National Historic Landmark planned in the nineteenth century by Frederick Law Olmsted, landscape architect of New York City's Central Park. Ticket holders may order gourmet picnics from the Festival's caterer in advance, bring your own, or partake of on-Two other newcomers to the site catering. June Opera ill also provide a string quartet or clas-

> Please note that there will be no picnics available on Opening Night June 15 as a special gala benefit will be held beginning at 6 p.m. under the Festival tent Benefit dinner tickets are \$50 per person in addition to the ticket price and may be purchased at the time you place ticket order.

sical guitar to add to the special

Dance

BALLROOM FORTNIGHTLIES Dances held the first and third Friday of each month from 7:30 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Barn Studio, Southfield Drive, Bernardsville. Lessons from 7:30 p.m. to 8:15 p.m. Admission \$15, \$20 per couple. 766-2412.

NEW ENGLAND CONTRA DANCING For new and experienced dancers; basics taught at beginning of sesssion. Saturdays, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 14, Oct. 12, Nov. 9 and Dec. 14 at the Reformed Church, 23 South Second Avenue, Highland Park, Instruction from 7:30 p.m. to 8 p.m., dancing from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Admission \$5. 828-8776 or 873-1228.

Music

THE ABDUCTION FROM THE SERAGLIO Mozart's comedic opera in which a nobleman tries to rescue his suitor from a foreign potentate. Performed by the June Opera Festival of N.J. June 15, 21, 23, 29 and July 5 in the Allan P. Kirby Arts Center, Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville. Admission \$42 to \$26. (609) 936-1500.

BOBBY 'BLUE' BLAND The blues legend performs Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. in Jason's, 1604 Main Street, South Belmar, Admission \$35, 681-9782.

TOM CHAPIN Singer-songwriter performs Saturday, June 15, at 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. in the McCarter Theatre, 91 University Place, Princeton, Admission \$8. (609) 683-8000.

FALSTAFF Verdi's opera about the knave who woos the wives of Windsor. Performed by the June Opera Festival of N.J. June 20, 22 28, 30 and July 6 in the Allan P. Kirby Arts Center, Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville Admission \$42 to \$15, discounts available.

JOHN HAMMOND Guitar virtuoso performs Friday, July 26, at 8 p.m. and 11 p.m. in Jason's, 1604 Main Street, South Belmar. Admission \$15. 681-9782.

IRISH MUSIC SEISIUNS Monthly sessions held the last Sunday of each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, 495 East Main Street, Somerville. Free admission. Sponsored by the Somerset County Ancient Order of Hibernians. 685-3168.

MOZART OUT OF BACH Works by Johann Christian Bach paired with works by Mozart, performed by the Rutgers Festival Orchestra w/llana Vered, plano. Thursday, June 20, at 8 p.m. in the Nicholas Music Center, George Street and Route 18, Rutgers University, New Brunswick. Admission \$15, \$7.50 for RU students; group rates available. Part of Rutgers SummerFest, 932-7511.

NATIONAL CHORALE Summer tour of choral ensemble w/selections from Broadway shows and light opera. July 3: Echo Lake Park, Mountainside, July 7: Duke Island Park,

Bridgewater. July 11, 18: Lawrenceville School. July 19, 26: Drew University, Madison. July 25: Buccleuch Park, New Brunswick. Aug. 1: Riverfront Promenade, Burlington. Aug. 2: Waterloo Village, Stanhope. Aug. 3: Brookdale Park, Montclair, Aug. 4: Liberty State Park, Jersey City. Free admission for all performances. (212) 333-5333.

RUTGERS ALUMNI BRASS BAND New ensemble performs works by Saint-Saens, Grieg, Broughton and others. Saturday, June 15, at 8 p.m. in Voorhees Chapel, George Street and Chapel Drive, Douglass College, New Brunswick, Free admission, 932-7084.

SHAKESPEARE IN SONG A concert by the ings of the Bard. Tuesday, July 2, at 8 p.m. in the Allan P. Kirby Arts Center, Lawrenceville School, Lawrenceville. Admission \$15, \$12. (609) 936-1500.

Nightlife

ARBIJON'S NEW YORK COMEDY, Sheraton Hotel, 195 Route 18, East Brunswick. Live comedy every Friday and Saturday. 828-

BIRCH HILL NIGHT CLUB, Route 9 South, Old Bridge. (Rock, dance) 536-0650

BOURBON STREET CAFE, Old Bay Restaurant, 61-63 Church Street, New Bruns-wick. 246-3111.

BRIGHTON BAR, 121 Brighton Avenue. Long Branch. (Rock) June 14: Last Exit Bfor Toll, Grievous Angels. June 15: Sin City Rebels, Monster Zero, Mastoid. 222-9684.

CALALOO CAFE, 190 South Street, Morristown. Live comedy Friday and Saturday; reservations required. (201) 993-1100.

CAMBRIDGE INN, Summerhill Road (off Route 18), Spotswood. Fridays: Comedy night starting 10 p.m. 251-7400.

CITY GARDENS, 1701 Calhoun Street, Trenton. Saturdays, Thursdays: 90-cent dance night. June 14: Dread Zeppelin, Mojo Nixon. June 21: The Toasters. June 30: Meat Beat Manifesto, Consolidated. July 7: Sick Of

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This third room also features a

case entitled, "Students and Men-

tors," which contains memorabilia

from Tom Watson, one of his

students, and George Jacobus,

Nelson's teacher. Other items on

display include jewelry, the 1955

French Open trophy, his playing

diary, and a workbook from his

fifth grade spelling class.

Golfer Byron Nelson

It All, Rest in Pieces. July 14: Thrill Kill Kult.

CLUB BENE, Route 35, Sayreville. June 21: Dr. John. June 28: The Machine (Pink Floyd tribute). June 30: Skitzo, Segway, Vision Purple. 727-3000.

nue, Plainfield. (Rock) Wednesdays: Comedy night. 769-9267. THE CLUBHOUSE, 116 Watchung Ave-

CLUB 3 SEVEN 5, 375 George Street, New Brunswick. 828-8385.

COCKTAILS, 51 Main Street, South River. (Rock, dance) 257-8325.

CONNECTIONS, 503 Van Houten Avenue. Clifton. (Rock) Wednesdays: Open-mike jam w/Third Rail. June 14: Lost Horizon, Liazon, Boyle Band, Axis, Dave & The Rave, Yooj. (201) 473-3127.

CORNERSTONE, New and Pearl streets, Metuchen. (Jazz) No cover charge; reserva-

GIGGLES COMEDY CAFE, Clarion Hotel & Towers, 2055 Route 27, Edison. Live comedy every Friday and Saturday. 287-3500.

HIDEAWAY LOUNGE, Edison Country Inn, Route 1 South and Prince Street, Edison. (Dinner and dance) 548-7000.

Film

Capsule reviews by Steven Hart.
FORBIDDEN LOVERS Summer film series sponsored by the Rutgers University Film Coop. Screenings Fridays at 7 p.m. in Voorhees Hall Room 105, George and Hamilton streets (next to Zimmerli Museum), New Brunswick. Admission \$3. June 14: L'Atalante (1931). June 21: A Matter of Life and Death, a.k.a Stairway to Heaven (1945). June 28: Ritual in Transfigured Time (1945), The Very Eye of Night (1949), The Jetty (1962), Gradiva (1984). July 12: Orpheus (1949). July 19: Last Year at Marienbad (1960). July 26: Seconds (1966). August 2: Persona (1966). August 9: The Story of Adele H (1975). 932-

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FRITZ LANG RETROSPECTIVE Seven

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KRATKY FILM: THE ART OF CZEC-HOSLOVAK ANIMATION Weekly screenings of short animated films from Czechoslovakia, part of larger exhibition at the Zimmerli Art Museum, George and Hamilton streets, Rutgers University, New Brunswick. Screenings every Sunday through June 30 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. in Voorhees Hall Room 105, next to the museum. Free admission. 932-7237.

STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN (1945) A droll World War II fantasy from Michael Powell and Emeric Pressburger (The Red Hoes, Black Orpheus), starring David Niven as a pilot shot down but accidentally saved from death when the angel sent to fetch him gets lost in the English fog. A charming and original film, with some lovely visual touches — e.g., the camera pulling back from the cosmos-spanning staircase of the title, which slowly resolves into a spiral nebula. With Kim Hunter Raymond Massey and Richard Attenborough. Released in England as A Matter of Life and Death. Friday, June 21, at 7 p.m. In Voorhees Hall Room Room 105, George and Hamilton streets (next to the Zimmerli Museum), Rutgers University, New Bruns-wick. Admission \$3. 932-8482.

Excursions

EAST BRUNSWICK SOCIAL RUNNERS Group runs of four and a half miles every Thursday at 6 a.m. and six miles every Saturday at 7:30 a.m. 846-2479.

RARITAN VALLEY ROAD RUNNERS Group runs of four to 10 miles every Wednesday starting at the YW-YMHA, 2 South Adelaide Avenue, Highland Park. All welcome.

Exhibitions

BARBARA DACHOWSKI Cil and pastel paintings by the Dunellen resident, on display throughout June at the Piscataway Township Municipal Complex, 455 Hoes Lane, Piscataway. 562-2301.

FLOWING FABRICS, FLOWING FORMS Costumes worn by dancers around the world on display through June 23 at the Barron Arts Center, 582 Rahway Avenue, Woodbridge

IMAGES OF PHOTOJOURNALISM News paper photographs from the serious to the silly by Caroline Bednarczyk, on display through August at the Presidential Gallery, Middlesex County College, Edison. 906-2566.



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June 21 — The Coachman

SPHS graduates gearing up for their 'Senior Smash'

By LIBBY BARSKY

Correspondent Where can high school graduates take their enthusiasm and joy when the graduation is com-

On Thursday, June 20, South Plainfield High School graduates will have the opportunity to let off steam at this year's "Senior Smash."

Senior Smash is the name student's have chosen for Project Graduation a special celebration planned for the Class of 1991 that will take place at the Ricochet Racquetball Club from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. — an event where no liquor or drugs will be allowed.

Project Graduation is an alternative to past celebrations where students attended unalcohol contributed to often fatal accidents.

In 1979, seven students in a Maine community lost their lives in graduation related events. The Maine community developed the concept that has now been endorsed by the National PTA MADD (Mother's Against Drunk Driving) and SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving.)

Project Graduation is a funfilled all-night production where student graduates dance, perform, are entertained by DJ's, jugglers and magicians and where they have the opportunity to use most of the facilities of the Racquetball Club. (The weight training room is off limits.)

All evening long food is provided including pizza, subs, soda snacks and at 4 a.m. breakfast is cluding a T shirt with the names of the graduates in the class imprinted on it.

LeRoy Seitz, South Plainfield High School Principal, introduced the concept of Project Graduation to members of the PTA soon after he learned about it.

"The concept was fantastic when I heard about it, then when the town, parents and students came together to support it, I thought it was a wonderful thing,"

The students who participate in Project Graduation don't have to pay anything to come to the party. The funding has been arranged through donations, local businesses and service organizations are contacted as well as a grant from the Division of Highway and Traffic Safety, fundraising events, sponsored by the PTA and students, bake sales, a donkey basketball game and a concert held in the High School auditorium by SPHS alumna, Michelle Shupack whose stage name is Michelle Visage who achieved fame as a member of the group "Seduction."

According to Nancy Erickson, many who donate contributions to Project Graduation, accompany the donation with a message endorsing the program.

The only commitment that students must make is not to drink or take drugs. Students must agree to the rules of conduct that they must display while at the party. The agreement asks all graduates to check their car keys at the door. When they enter, it will be observed if they are "under the influence" and if so will be escorted home.

The car keys will be turned over to the parents of the graduate and they will be responsible for retrieving the car the next day. All bags will be checked. All il-

supervised parties where drugs or served. Everyone gets a prize in- legal drugs and alcohol will be confiscated and the person found carrying them will be turned over to the police. Any graduate who behaves in a dangerous or destructive manner will be escorted

> The students are asked to sign this agreement before graduation.

According to Erickson, approximately 80 percent of the student body comes to project graduation and this year, she expects even more. In fact, seniors this year signed a Project Graduation endorsement which proclaimed, we the undersigned support the concept of Project Graduation an alcohol and drug free all night graduation party for the South Plainfield Class of 1991.

According to Seitz, the graduation night has become "trouble free" for the police of South Plainfield.

"We've had trouble free graduation nights since we've been doing this. We'll have a number of schools coming to see what we are doing. Middlesex County Prosecutor Alan Rockoff spoke highly of the program at a press conference," he said.

Police Officer Kenneth Van Kleef, a former member of the Board of Education has said. "Project Graduation is one of the best programs for our seniors. It provides them with a safe drug and alcohol free night of fun. It provides parents and police the security of knowing that our seniors, while having fun, are having it in a safe, supervised

environment.' But nothing matches the energy and excitement of the graduates themselves. As previous tapes and videos show, the graduates really get into the swing of things. They have many activities to keep them

This year there will be a Simon Sez, a lip sync contest and new this year will be Karaoke. StudePROJECT GRADUATION MAY ENDORSEMENT: 1991 SENIOR SMASH Hands Guller Milinda Walko

This pledge was signed by members of the graduating class of South Plainfield High School to signify their participation in "Project Graduation," a program to discourage alcohol- and drug-related activities on graduation night.

nts will wear costumes and use smoke machines as they perform a video as the lead (of their choice) plays behind them. There will also be (new this year) a strolling magician and juggler. Prizes for all whether they win in competitions or not. There is a grand prize (last year it was a color TV) that all are eligible to

Project Graduation is getting to

be a big attraction for other schools in other communities. According to Seitz, five other schools are sending representatives to this year's party to see what happens.

The successful program has just one problem according to Seitz -

not enough time! "Our biggest problem, is that there are too many activities for the limited amount of time!" he

in July Governor's School MADISON — Alison Capozzi of lecturer since 1984. South Plainfield High School will After directing the program the participate in the Governor's

Miss Capozzi participating

School in the Sciences at Drew University for a four week period beginning July 21.

The 100 science scholars were selected from over 200 nominees by a 10-member committee including Drew faculty, award winning high school science teachers, and industrial laboratory scientists. Selection was based on academic record, PSAT scores, teacher recommendations, an expressed interest in science and extracurricular involvement.

The Governor's School in Science offers intensive, non-credit. college level instruction in physics, chemistry, and computer science. Laboratory courses, team research projects, guest speakers, and field trips round out the cur-

The faculty features professors from Drew as well as from other colleges, professional lab scientists and a high school teacher.

year that the Governor's School in the Sciences has resided at Drew. The Governor's School will have

This is the eighth consecutive

a new director this year in Associate Professor of Physics Jim Supplee. Supplee is familiar to the program as he has been a

six previous years, Alan Candiotti, the chairman of Drew's mathematics and computer science department, will serve as an adviser to Supplee.

Candiotti said, "We are hearing good things from all seven year's worth of our alumni, most of whom were or are science majors at top colleges in the country. Many cite the Governor's School as one of the most formative and memorable experiences of their

Governor James Florio is expected to visit Drew in August to talk with students and tour laboratory classes. Former Governor Thomas H. Kean, who founded the Governor's School in 1982, is also expected to meet with the students. Kean became Drew's tenth president last year after completing his second term as governor.

The Governor's School has a public issue component at Monmouth College, an arts component at Trenton State University, and an environment component at Stockton State College. Students selected to any of the schools receive full tuition and expenses scholarships.

Hats off

Congratulations to these hot winners of the Forbes Newspapers cool "Slice of Summer" Cookbook.

Look for the cookbook inside this issue to find the first and second place winning recipes. Save and enjoy the book's appetizing selection of readers' favorite recipes.



Grand Prize Winner Ellyn Matthews Westfield

to Great Cooks! Tandoori Style Grilled Chicken

Ellyn Matthews

3 lbs. boned chicken breast, in small pieces

2 medium onions 4 small cloves garlic, peeled

piece fresh, peeled ginger

1 fresh hot pepper or

or 1/2 tsp. cayenne powder

tsp. cumin powder 1 tbsp. ground coriander

1/2 tsp. olive oil 2 tsp. salt

1/4 tsp. freshly ground black pepper

3/4 cup plain yogurt Combine all ingredients for the marinade and blend in blender until it becomes a smooth paste.

Cover chicken pieces with marinade and place in refrigerator for 2 or more hours depending on how strong a flavor desired. If chicken pieces are large enough place on

greased grill, or put small pieces on kabob sticks. Grill until chicken is well cooked. Serve with lemon, onions, rice.

at the iocal animal shelter By LINDA and MELODIE

Adopt a loyal new friend

PETRONE

Plainfield Area Human Society When searching for a pet, people may overlook or disregard their local animal shelter. This is unfortunate because animal shelters have a wide variety of won-

derful and valuable pets. It is our hope that, through this article, we can dispel any misgivings you may have about visiting and adopting pet from your local area shelter as well as inform you about the positive points of shelter animal pets.

· Contrary to the belief that shelters only have "problem animals," shelters do have quality pets of value. Service dogs (i.e. narcotic dogs, hearing-ear and therapy dogs) who assist the police and medical community have been discovered in local area shelters.

Many of the smart and adorable animals you see on TV shows, commercials, and movies (such as "Sandy" from the Broadway show Annie and Morris the cat) have also been discovered in animal shelters much to the delight of their owners.

Even if the animal chosen does not become a "hero" or a "celebrity," the value these shelter pets provide is proven over and over by the numerous letters of thanks and praise to the animal shelter for the adopted pet.

 One can find a variety of dogs (and cats) in shelters. A large percentage of these are mixed breeds. These are the smart, lovable and eternally loyal "mutts" that will always be your best friend. If, however, you are looking for a particular pure bred pet don't rule out your local shelter.

Pure breds can be found there. They may have been found as strays or surrendered by people who hadn't realized the time and work involved in owning a particular breed.

· You will find older, more mature dogs, that have gone through the "puppy stage," as well as young pups. You will find animals that are already housebroken, pets that have had previous obedience training, and animals with special needs that require just the right owner. What might be considered a negative trait to one prospective owner may be a positive one to another. For example, a barker may not be tolerable to an apartment tenant but to an elderly person, a noisy dog provides security and protection.

 At the Plainfield Area Humane Society, the animals are vaccinated and receive medical attention should the need arise. They are bathed, groomed and socialized as time permits. In short, they are loved and cared for by the shelter workers.

Perhaps the most important reason to consider a shelter animal pet is to help reduce shelter populations and lessen the number of animals that must be euthanized daily due to overpopulation. This is why, upon adopting a pet from a local area shelter, you are encouraged to have this pet spayed or neutered. Because the adoption was from a shelter, the cost for this procedure is only \$20! Join the campaign that the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS) initiated in April which states "until there are none -



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Salad Lillian Sanborn Westfield



Dessert Georgia Temple South Plainfield



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Laura A. Michielli listed Wardlaw-Hartridge alumna

EDISON - South Plainfield resident Laura A. Michielli received her degree last week when the Wardlaw-Hartridge School observed the 108th commencement of the school in the graduation of the Class of 1991.

Three seniors addressed their classmates and guests as featured speakers: Shari Bart, Plainfield, spoke on the past; Raymond N. Stearn, Piscataway, spoke on the present; and Dana L. Willis spoke

on the future. Following the charge to the class by Headmaster Burgess N. Ayres, diplomas were present by Mr. Ayres and Mr. M. Peter Madsen, President of the Board of Ttustees.

The school serves more than 50 communities in central New Jersey and welcomes students of all races, religions, national backgrounds, and economic circumstances.

Second Place Winners



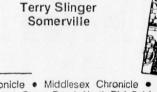
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