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## Middle School wins award

By G.W. JOHNSON  
Correspondent

DUNELLEN — Lincoln Middle School recently won a new and prestigious award — the recently-created Governor's School of Excellence Award.

The award is given to schools which have shown significant academic improvements over the last few years, including

improved state test scores and the creation and implementation of better teaching techniques. Lincoln Middle School qualified on both of those fronts. In fact, Lincoln Schools GEPA Literacy scores went from 67.1 percent in 2000-2001 to 87.3 percent in 2002-2003.

"We have put a lot of thought into how we can

improve all of our schools," said Nellie Eyerman, Director of Curriculum. "And the middle school teachers have been extremely receptive to all ideas, contributing constantly to all aspects of development."

Some new programs implemented recently at Lincoln school have been programs to bring teachers and students

closer together; team leaders, who are teachers chosen by the teachers who organize meetings four times a week to discuss student development and progress. They have also started a Saturday math program to prepare the students for standardized tests (GEPA), and also gained their own guidance counselor exclusively for the middle school. There

was also the addition of a +5 Club, where a student may not have made the Honor Roll, but had a five-point jump in grade. It applauds the effort of a hardworking student and encourages them to continue that level of work.

The curriculum changes have demonstrated the effort

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## An officer and a down marker

South Bound Brook police Lieutenant John Prudente hasn't missed a Somerville High football game in years — as the team's down marker. For the full story, see page A-5.



## Pack 67 helps FISH with food

Cub Scout Pack 67 collected food to donate to FISH, Inc. for needy families this holiday season. For more photos and information, see page A-3.



## Baking a state

Students at Middlesex's Our Lady of Mount Virgin School recently baked a cake to represent New Jersey. For more photos and the story, see page A-7.

## REMINDER

## Wreath, tree sale begins today

Dunellen Fire Company No. 1, 231 South Madison Avenue, will be selling Christmas trees, wreaths and grave blankets beginning today. Hours are 6 to 9 p.m. Thursday and Friday and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Free delivery available to local area.

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## Preschooler Thanksgiving



NICOLE DIMELLA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Preschooler Ryan Diacont, 3, enjoys a Thanksgiving dinner while dressed as a Pilgrim at the Bound Brook Presbyterian Church Preschool on Monday. And Mekayla Scott (left) and Mackenzie Meixner, both 4, gobble pumpkin pie during the dinner.



## Edison's bond rating has been upgraded

EDISON — Mayor George A. Spadaro announced that Standard and Poor's has upgraded Edison's bond rating from A+ to AA-. The upgrade is welcome news in the wake of a state budget crisis, an overall slowing in the national economy, and announcements of major plant closings.

"Since taking office, my administration has been committed to the long term goal of fiscal responsibility," Spadaro stated. "This conservative approach to budgeting is nothing more than living within our means."

"As individuals we all have to live within our means to survive financially," said Spadaro. "Governments are no different and should be required to do the same."

The S and P decision to upgrade Edison's bond rating came in spite of recent announcements by Ford and Electrolux to close facilities in Edison. The S and P review team took into account Edison's success in achieving fiscal responsibility through debt burden reduction, limited increases in municipal spending, greater employee productivity that will result

under Edison's new collective bargaining agreements with AFSCME and the Carpenters Union for public works and administrative workers. S and P also considered Edison's economic stability, with a ratable base of \$9.1 billion in total assessed value for 2003, ranking Edison first in New Jersey.

"Having a growing ratable base, even with the closing of the Ford and Electrolux plants, is another reason that S and P saw fit to upgrade Edison's bond rating," noted Spadaro. "I believe once the new owners improve the

Electrolux plant and have it back in active use next year and Ford successfully redevelops its plant site in 205, our ratable base will grow even larger, continuing Edison's role as an economic engine that defines the Central New Jersey region."

Standard and Poor's informed Mayor Spadaro of its decision to upgrade Edison's rating from A+ stable to AA- stable based on Edison's improved financial conditions, along with "stronger, unreserved fund balances."

This S and P upgrade of Edison's financial rating

comes at a time when rating agencies are announcing downgrades for the State of New Jersey and many municipalities.

"At my direction, the Business Administrator has put together a strict long-term plan for financial security while planning for the future," added Spadaro. "With the likelihood of modest economic growth and continued limits on state aid, we must continue to run Edison in a fiscally responsible way. That is why my administration will

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## Thanksgiving luncheon with PRIDE



NICOLE DIMELLA/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER

Middlesex High School senior Megan Lynch, president of the school's Parent Resource Institute of Drug Education (PRIDE), serves seniors during a Thanksgiving luncheon last week at the Recreation Center.

## New school board member appointed

By LIBBY BARSKY  
Correspondent

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The Board of Education voted unanimously last week to appoint Terri Alexa to fill the seat vacated by board member Dawn Jefferys. Jefferys resigned at last month's meeting over 13.9 percent increases in the teacher's three-year contract "without a clear picture of the financial status of the district."

Before the board appointment was made, Board President Pio Penisi read a statement "to clarify the ability of the district to meet its financial obligations."

Penisi stated that last year's 2002-2003 audit report by Suplee Clooney & Company noted a number of irregularities in record keeping.

In the spring the board

hired a new auditing firm Hudlick and Morrison and they uncovered a number of issues that dated back to the earlier audit and problems that had existed for a number of years.

Some of the problems included: not filing forms with the state for payroll tax social security reimbursement; never accurately posting several adult school accounts in the district's financial records; and an unpaid bill dating back almost 10 years.

"We had gone a year without trying our Treasurer of School Monies report to our Board Secretary's report. As of our October meeting, the Board has approved and is up to date on all Board Secretary's reports and

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# Lincoln Middle School wins award

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of the administration in getting the sixth graders, currently housed at Faber School, into Lincoln to create a true traditional middle school. In fact, the teachers attended a three day program called "Turning Points 2000," which encourages rigorous curriculum changes for the students to achieve higher marks, and teachers to become more developed as middle school teachers. Part of Turning Points 2000 included the sixth graders as a vital part of this process.

The tie-in between sixth and seventh grade on an academic level is important, but so is their emotional adjustment to a new environment.

"These students need time to develop an identity as a middle school student," said Dr. Joyce Baynes, superintendent of the

Dunellen Schools. "Two years barely gives them the time to adjust to their first year in the school before they begin thinking of moving into the high school the next year."

The state recognized the administration's efforts in devising a new curriculum that incorporated the sixth graders as part of the upcoming plan for the middle school, and was a huge part in their winning the award.

With the award comes a monetary award, as well. The school will be given \$25,000 to do with what they want. Pio Pennisi, principal of the school, said, "It would be nice to use this in the development of a computer lab with new laptops and maybe a wireless system. This would allow the students to move around to other classes and be able to use the computer at their desks." The schools pro-

posed plan of building a computer lab hinges in large part on the passing of the district's referendum on Dec. 9.

One of the final pieces to the success of the school has been the increased parental involvement. The teachers made telephone contact with parents and parents were invited to take part in a three-day workshop — free of charge. These workshops were finished off by Thomas Kane, an expert in the field of middle school development, giving a presentation

called "Living with the 10-15 Year Old". These workshops opened up a healthier line of communication between teachers and parents, and resulted in higher parent participation at the school on many levels.

"The administration and teachers are always looking, always searching for new ways to improve the schools," said Baynes. "We hope with the passing of our upcoming referendum that will allow us to keep moving all of our programs forward."

## Holiday Magic Dec. 7

EDISON — The Edison Arts Society presents "Holiday Magic," the annual Holiday Dance Extravaganza 3 p.m. Dec. 7 in the J.P. Stevens High School Auditorium. The performance features students from four area dance schools: Yvonne's School of Dance, directed by Yvonne Ambrosio and Dawn Belle; Miss Dawn's Studio of Dance, directed by Dawn Ferro; Spotlight on

Dance, directed by Carolyn Stefanchik; and Chez Renee Dance Studio, directed by Renee Barile-Nicolay.

Reserved seats for this performance are currently on sale for \$12 each and can be purchased by calling the Edison Arts Society office at (908) 753-ARTS, Monday to Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visa and MasterCard are gladly accepted over the telephone.

# New school board member appointed

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Treasurer of School Monies reports and has them in compliance," said Penisi. Another recommendation by the auditors called for review of documentation supporting the filing of paperwork made when completing the application for state school funding.

"Although there have been problems," said Penisi, "at no time have we been informed we are in any jeopardy financially and remain completely solvent in our ability to pay all salaries, bills and all other obligations as required by law."

During the public session, former Board member Frank Mikorski stated that after looking over the figures, he found that the adjusted budget was \$47 million — not the \$42.7 million budget for the school year.

Penisi said that audit has not been completed and that it will be reviewed at December's board meeting.

When public discussion was over, the board turned to the last item on the agenda —

appointing a new school board member replacement for Jefferys.

Penisi said that the board received five resumes for the position: Alexa, Dr. Thomas Boyle, Jim Giannakis, John Markham and Marge Reedy. Reedy and Markham are past board members and two years ago Alexa was defeated when she ran for the Board.

"They were known to us and we did not have interviews," said Penisi then asked for nominations.

Board vice president Sue Peck nominated Terry Alexa. "She is active in the school where she is President of the Grant School PTO. She ran for election. She's new and will bring in fresh ideas," said Peck.

Board member Steve Bohn said, "I got to know her two years ago, when she ran as a candidate. She puts students first."

All eight board members unanimously approved the nomination.

Alexa was sworn in by Board Attorney Dr. Nicholas Selso.

## School board president

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with the previous departing of three other board members, plus two others being up for reelection in April, means there will be six board seats (consisting of two-thirds of the board) up for grabs this April — the most in recent memory. These vacated seats include three three-year seats, two one-year seats

and one two-year seat.

Board member Paul Herman said ads for yet another temporary appointee to fill White's now vacated seat will be released as soon as possible. Applications for those interested in seeking this appointment must be turned in by Dec. 8. The latest board is expected to interview applicants and select a new appointee on Dec. 11.

## Edison rating

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continue to promote economic redevelopment, secure new revenue sources and maintain prudent budgets so we can keep the improved bond ratings we have obtained over the past few years," Spadaro said.

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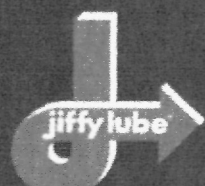
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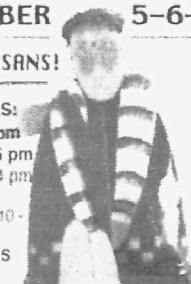
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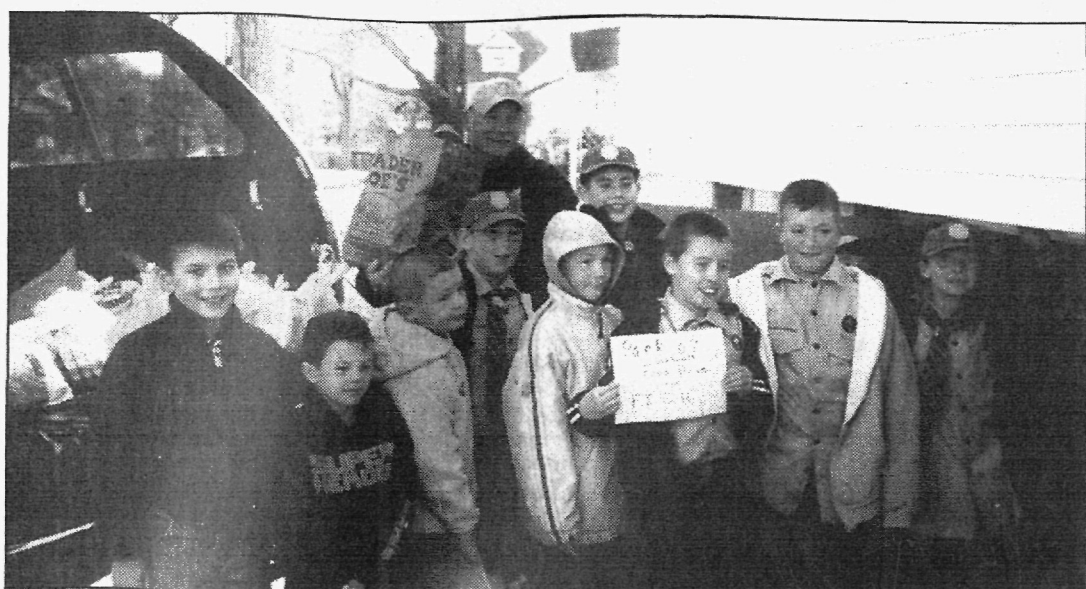
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## Scouts pack food for FISH



Piscataway Township's Cub Scout Pack No. 67, which convenes at St. Frances Cabrini School, recently organized a food drive to support FISH. The Scouts distributed fliers in their neighborhoods, requesting donations of non-perishable holiday foods. By the appointed collection date, they had amassed more than 100 bags of groceries for less fortunate families in the Piscataway area. On Nov. 9, several representative members of Pack No. 67 arranged to deliver the groceries to FISH. The members and families connected with the pack were highly commended by the FISH intake volunteer. The need for food stuffs is ongoing and donations are always welcome. Please call FISH, outreach for future donations at (732) 968-7925.



## Two charged in motel thefts case

By CHERYL ORSON  
Correspondent

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — Piscataway residents Carol Ann Fratesi, 41, and Gary O'Neal, 41, have both been arrested and charged in connection with the theft of computers from rooms at the borough Best Western Motel on New World Way just off Exit 5 of Rt. 287.

Fratesi, the motel's former head housekeeper, was charged with five counts of burglary and theft while O'Neal was charged with four counts of receiving stolen property. Both are being held at the Middlesex County Adult Correctional Center in North Brunswick. Fratesi on \$35,000 bail and O'Neal on \$25,000 bail.

The arrests came as the result of a two-week investigation by borough detectives Gary Cassio and Daniel Noonan following reported thefts of high-tech equipment from guests' rooms. Items

stolen included both motel and guest owned material.

According to police reports, Fratesi, who allegedly admitted being a heroin user, allegedly conspired with O'Neal to steal computers, laptops and TVs from at least five rooms over the past month. The two allegedly had a simple but effective agreement leading to the theft of thousands of dollars worth of items.

Fratesi would allegedly monitor guests' activities, then calling O'Neal when the rooms were unoccupied. O'Neal would then allegedly meet Fratesi in the back of the motel with a car. Fratesi, who as the head housekeeper had electronic key cards allowing entry to the rooms, would allegedly let O'Neal inside the rooms and help him load the items into the car. Some of the items were then sold to support Fratesi's alleged drug habit.

Among the items stolen were two motel-owned TVs and sev-

eral computers and monitors owned by guests. So far only two computers and a television have been recovered. It is unknown if the other items reported stolen, most of which were sold, are likely to ever be recovered.

Police said the detectives were able to allegedly link Fratesi to the crimes following a series of interviews with her and also by examining the use of her key cards used to enter the rooms. Fratesi, after being allegedly linked to and charged with these crimes, was fired from her motel job.

Motel officials would not comment on any responsibility towards the victimized guests involved in this matter as the items were stolen by an employee. The motel normally has a policy of guests being responsible for their own items. It is also unknown as of yet if any of the guests involved plans to bring suit against the motel to recover their losses.

## School board member writes book

By CHERYL ORSON  
Correspondent

**PISCATAWAY** — Rutgers psychology professor, township resident and Board of Education member Dan Ogilvie has authored a book which just might have readers exploring the reasons for their own flights of fancy this holiday season.

Entitled "Fantasies of Flight" and available at most popular online sights and bookstores, the book attempts to explain why some people, including Peter Pan creator James Barrie and celebrated psychologist and creator of the idea of the "collective unconscious" Carl Jung, have recurrent fantasies of flight. Ogilvie then expounds on several well-grounded psychological theories as to why these subjects and others take to their flights of fancy.

Ogilvie does this by presenting detailed personal psycho-biographies of Barrie and Jung, as well as an array of well- and lesser-known individuals in exploring the possible psychological reasoning behind these subjects' fascination with flight and flight fantasies. Also included and discussed is former Heaven's Gate cult leader Marshall Herff Applewhite who, in a more extreme, bizarre and ultimately tragic flight fantasy, believed a spaceship trailing the Hale-Bopp comet would

rescue him and his followers as they carried out a mass suicide pact in 1997.

In exploring various psychological theories on such a personal level, Ogilvie also attempts to revive the long-forgotten and oft overlooked field of personality psychology. He does by challenging the contemporary psychological academic viewpoint individuals are best studied as "carriers of traits." Rather than employing the currently popular strategy of categorizing and comparing individuals according to these so-called manifest traits, Ogilvie uses what is described as a "heart-to-heart" case study approach in understanding human behavior, resurrecting classic "old psychology" ways of thinking about personality and studying individuals on one-on-one basis.

Praised as well-written and accessible while also being complex and scholarly, Ogilvie said he simply hopes the book will restore an interest in the investigation of individual's inner psychological lives as well as their flights of fancy. Lauded by professional colleagues nationwide, the book is expected to become a best-selling psychology book.

"There is every chance this study can become one of the first classics of 21st century psychology. Besides being a moving and fascinating

account, the analysis of Barrie's life would, I think, convince any reader the in-depth study of the individual's life is indispensable. Ogilvie's writing style is clear, readable, colloquial and filled with humor. He draws the reader in, keeps the reader with him and makes the reader want to keep going," writes Associate Professor of Clinical Psychology James Anderson of Northwestern University.

"Once I got into 'Fantasies of Flight' I found it fascinating and hard to put down. I suspect a considerable range of readers will react in similar fashion. The book will be very useful in displaying the strategies of psychological research in language understandable to members of the general public with fascinating case history examples as well as with an intriguing general theme," wrote Professor of Psychology Alan Elms of the University of California, Davis.

Well known in his field, Ogilvie has also conducted research in life span development, human motivation and the role of the undesired self in life appraisals as well as designed methods for representing the structure of the social self. In 2003 he won Rutgers' FAS Award for Distinguished Contributions to Undergraduate Education in the Professor category.

## Chaplain training complete for man

**SOUTH BOUND BROOK** — Army Pfc. Raymond J. Killough has graduated from the chaplain assistant advanced individual training course at the Chaplain School, Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

The course emphasized religious support, development of interpersonal skills and unit ministry support to soldiers and family members. The support training provided services in a battlefield environment and battle fatigue casualty care.

Religious support classes taught students to prepare altars for Protestant, Catholic, Jewish and Orthodox worship services; and, stressed the importance of being knowledgeable of all faith groups represented in the Army.

He earned distinction as an honor graduate of the course.

Killough is the son of Andrea and Raymond Killough of Clinton St., South Bound Brook, N.J.

His wife, Eva, is the daughter of Lou and Betty Simon of

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The private first class graduated in 1995 from Bound

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Oberdick will receive the entire \$20,000 prize in one lump sum, less the mandatory 25 percent federal withholding tax. New Jersey Lottery prizes are exempt from New Jersey State Income Tax.

"Crossword" offers players a chance to win prizes ranging from \$3,000 to \$20,000. Oberdick correctly matched 10 words on the game card to win the \$20,000 prize.

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## Letters to the Editor

### Councilman-elect thanks voters

#### To The Chronicle:

I would like to thank all of those who participated in our recent election. A 47 percent turnout in an off year is very good and it was one of the highest in the area.

A campaign begins at the grass roots and the Democratic organization in Middlesex is outstanding. Each committee person and volunteer worked very hard throughout the process and we could not have had the success we did without them. For me it was easy to be upbeat going door to door with my fellow running mates Mayor Dobies, Giancarlo Colitti and

Stephanie Quast, who were not only relentless campaigners but also good friends. A special thanks to Ron DiMura and Bob Kizis who together ran an excellent campaign and kept all of us organized and focused. I could write a lot about these two and the job they did, but they always complain that my letters are too long.

Each party presented their ideas and proposals in a spirited and informative campaign. The people listened and voted for the direction they wanted Middlesex to take. They sent a message with Mayor Dobies getting 58

percent of the vote, Giancarlo and I winning in similar form and Stephanie coming so close.

Everyone will interpret the message differently but to me it means that Middlesex voted for the change it wanted, change on the council. I will heed that message and not forget that as elected officials we are also public servants who serve at the will of the people, that we should try not to govern against their will and that the people and the community we serve are more important than we are.

**JERRY D'ANGELO**  
Middlesex

### Soccer group thanks supporters

#### To The Chronicle:

The Middlesex Youth Soccer Association (MYSA) provides a competitive travel soccer experience for more than 120 young athletes in the Middlesex, Bound Brook, South Bound Brook, Piscataway and Dunellen communities.

MYSA would like to extend its sincere thanks to all the volunteers who participated in

Can Day on Saturday, Nov. 15.

A special thanks to the local businesses that supported our children in their quest to raise funds for professional training for their travel soccer teams. Pathmark, Middlesex Lumber, Food Mart, 7-11, Texas Wiener, Dunkin' Donuts, Tony's Pizza, Café Maria and Quick Chek are those businesses.

South Plainfield Auto Body also deserves special recognition for all their help with the

"Snack Shack" at the Crusher's home games.

Together, these local businesses, those that support us through our website, www.mybluesoccer.net, and the families and friends of our players make all the difference to our children, and we thank you all.

**DAVE MCKIERNAN**  
MYSA President

### Civil Air Patrol celebrates 62 years

#### To The Chronicle:

Civil Air Patrol, celebrating 62 years of volunteer service to America, is alive and well and protecting the home skies, just as it did starting Dec. 1, 1941 when the organization was formed.

Gill Robb Wilson, a New Jersey native, was a newspaper reporter for a local paper and was assigned to go to Germany in 1938. What he saw confirmed the suspicions of many Americans on what Hitler and his cronies were doing to the people of Germany. When he came home, he reported to Gov. Charles Edison and urged New Jersey to organize and use a civil air fleet as a force in the coming war. With the governor's approval, Mr. Wilson organized what would become the New Jersey Civil Air Defense Service.

Mr. Wilson got the support of General H.H. (Hap) Arnold, Chief of the Army Air Corps, 1938-1941 and the Civil Aeronautics Authority. His plan called for the use of small planes for liaison work and patrolling uninhabited stretches of coastline and vital installations such as dams, aqueducts, pipelines, etc., to guard against sabotage. Isn't that what Homeland Security does today in 2003?

Other notable members interested in making up an organization of civilian personnel to carry out Mr. Wilson's vision were New York Mayor Fiorello H. LaGuardia, who, at the time was the National Director of the Officer of Civilian Defense; Mr. Guy P. Gannet, who, at the time was the owner of a New England newspaper chain; Mr. Thomas Beck, Chairman of the Board of

Crowell, Collier Publishing Co., and Mr. Wilson. These people saw the need to fight a war and contribute to the well-being of our country. This group of organizers prepared and presented to President Franklin D. Roosevelt, in April of 1941, a proposal to carry out the missions of what would become the Civil Air Patrol.

During WWII, the all volunteer members of Civil Air Patrol did coastal patrol finding, according to national statistics, 143 German U-Boats, attacked 57 and sank three. The members here in New Jersey had a base located at Bader Field, Atlantic City and sank one submarine by dropping a bomb out the window of the airplane.

These volunteers also served as couriers for defense plants and towed targets for anti-aircraft practice for the US Army. We also patrolled for spies and saboteurs at our borders with Canada and Mexico, as well as rushed medicines and supplies by air to disaster areas.

After the war, Gill Robb Wilson became New Jersey's first Director of Aviation.

In 1948, Civil Air Patrol became the Official Civilian Auxiliary of the U. S. Air Force.

On Sept. 12, 2001, while all commercial aircraft were grounded, Civil Air Patrol aircraft and the US Air Force had the skies of America, to themselves. CAP aircraft conducted aerial photo reconnaissance of the World Trade Center and sent pictures back to a facility set up as a command center, at the request of the New York State Governor.

Today, in 2003, the Auxiliary of the US Air Force, Civil Air Patrol boasts of more than 64,000

members nationwide including 27,000 cadets between in ages of 12 to 21. These volunteers give of their time and resources to perform traditional CAP missions, including Search and Rescue, Damage Assessment, aerial reconnaissance and air transportation. Only a fraction of CAP members are pilots, however, many other member serve in less visible ways. Some trail and mentor cadets in moral leadership, military customs and technical education. Others serve as chaplains and can stand in for military chaplains who are deployed in times of war or serve communities in critical incident stress management. Still others work in public schools, leading classroom projects that illustrate interest in Aerospace Education, science and math.

The Auxiliary, volunteer members of Civil Air Patrol work with federal agencies such as the Drug Enforcement Agency, US Customs interdiction and locating Marijuana fields grown in corn fields, state forests and wherever. CAP is also involved the Search and Rescue, Disaster Relief and is in the forefront of technology for homeland security efforts with the use of digital imaging with satellite transmission and hyperspectral imaging systems located in the aircraft.

New Jersey has 27 units based throughout the state. One such unit is located at the Central Jersey Regional Airport, Hillsborough. The Raritan Valley Composite Squadron, meets on Wednesday nights. Cadets meet at 7 p.m. and Senior Members meet at 8 p.m.

**LT. COL. CONSTANCE M. O'GRADY, CAP**  
Piscataway

### Buono, Barnes thank supporters

#### To The Chronicle:

We wanted to take this opportunity to publicly thank the residents of the 18th District who came out on Election Day and supported us for re-election. As a result of the strong record of service to our constituents, they saw fit to return us to the New Jersey Legislature for another term. For their support we are supremely thankful.

Also, we find it crucial to thank the many individuals who came to our campaign headquarters to offer their support and encouragement. Whether stuffing envelopes or handling other matters, our volunteers were unwavering in their support. Their dedicated service was an indispensable part of our successful campaign.

While many challenges lie

ahead rest assured you can be certain that we will continue to find solutions to improving the quality of life in New Jersey.

Again, we thank you for your vote and our door is always open to assist you with any matter of concern.

**BARBARA BUONO, Senator,**  
18th District  
**PETER J. BARNES Jr.,**  
Assemblyman, 18th District  
Edison

### Say 'no' to the trash train plan

#### To The Chronicle:

As it becomes more difficult to tell the pawns from the players, the New Jersey Department of Transportation has announced plans for \$50 million of rail improvements beyond Union County's plans to have the Morristown & Erie Railway reactivate the Staten Island Railway and the Rahway Valley Line through Linden, Roselle, Cranford, Roselle Park, Kenilworth, Union, Springfield and Summit. The specific rail additions announced by the DOT would include the installation of a second main line track on the Lehigh Valley Line between Clark and Bound Brook; the addition of a second track on the Chemical Coast Line leading into Port Newark; and the placement of an additional track near Conrail's Oak Island Yard, which is located north of Newark Liberty International Airport. Coincidentally, the Lehigh Valley Line connects the Staten Island Railway to the Rahway Valley Line between Cranford, Roselle and Roselle Park.

Alarming about the combined plans is the similarity of their key elements to proposals reported for the rail movement of New York City's trash through New Jersey on the way to Pennsylvania, Virginia or other states. Also noted at the time were proposals to load trash into container trucks in each of New York City's five boroughs and ship the containers through Port Newark and the Howland Hook Marine Terminal in Staten Island. In an unlikely coincidence, Howland Hook lies on the Staten Island Railway.

At a June 26 meeting in Edison, DOT officials noted that the direct movement of trash on the Staten Island railway to its connection to and Lehigh Valley Line would be impeded by the dilapidated condition of the Staten Island Railway trestle over the New Jersey Turnpike. Noting that replacement of the trestle would cost tens of millions of dollars, the DOT personnel did not comment on their ability to

add tens of millions of dollars to the cost of a project already designated for the expenditure of \$50 million. In addition, although the completion of the second main line track on the Lehigh Valley Line would create the ability to have trains moving in both directions at the same time between Clark and Bound Brook, the DOT representatives would not make any prediction about potential increases in traffic beyond the current average of 36 trains per day reported on the Lehigh Valley Line as it moves through Newark, Hillside, Union, Roselle Park, Roselle, Cranford, Clark, Westfield, Scotch Plains, Edison, South Plainfield, Piscataway, Middlesex and Bound Brook. In addition, the Lehigh Valley Line has a Perth Amboy Branch that connects in South Plainfield and runs through Edison, Metuchen, Woodbridge and Perth Amboy.

Admitting that containers from Howland Hook were expected to use the Staten Island Railway to come into New Jersey, DOT representatives suggested that rail traffic from Staten Island could cross into Linden by the Staten Island Railway and then take the Chemical Coast Line in a northerly direction. Under questioning, the DOT personnel admitted, however, that it was also possible to go from Howland Hook on the Staten Island Railway, use the Chemical Coast Line to go into Oak Island Yard and then connect to the Lehigh Valley Line.

Without any doubt, the aggregate proposed increases in infrastructure and rail capacity would provide an available route through New Jersey for the movement of New York City trash and marine cargo in and out of Howland Hook. Certainly any increase in rail traffic could be used to justify replacement of the Staten Island Railway trestle over the New Jersey Turnpike, because a new trestle would allow a direct run from Howland Hook to the Lehigh Valley Line in Cranford. At the

same time, any existing agreements to limit movement on any of the lines could be challenged in court because of interference with interstate commerce. Any eventual movement along the Rahway Valley Line would likely depend upon grade considerations and the ability of the Erie Lackawanna to transfer freight.

The proposed increases in rail capacity are of obvious financial advantage to the participating rail companies and would provide New York City with the ability to resolve its garbage problems and develop Howland Hook to its ultimate freight capacity. For New Jersey's share of the bargain, the optimistic will suggest that we may see less truck, but the residential areas that are inundated by commuter traffic along the affected routes will experience increases in pollution, noise, vibration, garbage odors, hazardous freight and gridlock on local streets from new train traffic at higher speeds, through residential areas and across grade crossing that were never intended to handle both trains and existing levels of motor vehicle traffic.

If you are tired of trying to determine who the players and the pawns are in the New Jersey Rail Improvement Plan, it may be time to contact your state representatives to suggest the removal of all funds for the proposed rail expansions at Oak Island Yard and on the Chemical Coast Line and the Lehigh Valley Line from the DOT budget. Without the increased capacity and connecting infrastructure, we are less likely to be a target for cargo and trash from Howland Hook, and Union County and the Morristown & Erie Railway might just be convinced that the reactivation of the Staten Island Railway and the Rahway Valley Line may not have the financial incentives that may have been anticipated when planning began.

**WILLIAM T. FIDURSKI**  
Chairman, Clark  
Environmental Commission

### Creep's Thanksgiving homecoming

#### Jersey Boy

Mike Deak



It was the proper and indisputable tradition that when you came back from college you went out drinking on the night before Thanksgiving to escape your parents' house and meet your high school buddies to exchange the gossip of other people's foibles and tell lies about your own collegiate exploits. There were lots of beers, laughs and hangovers that could barely survive Grandma's pumpkin pie.

By the time we reached senior year, however, our merry band had dwindled; lives were following different trajectories. The tone was somber because we were in the slow process of realizing real life was beginning in six months. We all had problems; I was pre-occupied with frets about my girlfriend. The love that was so glorious a month ago — imagine the exhilaration of two neophyte cliff divers leaping together — had been replaced with a question "what do we do now?" for which we had no answer.

When the silences among us were becoming uncomfortable and my buddies were staggering to the men's room, someone plopped on the stool next to me. "Well, you don't look different except you've learned how to shave," she said.

She was smiling and she was from Somerville High School but I didn't recognize her because girls had not smiled at me in high school. In the years since being a social spastic and existential cunuch I had developed rudimentary

social skills so I replied, "You look pretty good yourself," hoping her name would swim to me in the stream of consciousness.

"Thanks," she said. "I feel like something the cat buried."

With her laugh, I recognized her as Melissa W., who through alphabet's fate had always sat on the other side of the classroom, the edge of my universe.

For the next two hours I listened to Melissa unroll her tale of woe. Every boyfriend — and there were many — turned out to be a creep, every professor was an ogre and every roommate practiced bizarre personal hygiene.

"Did I tell you all guys are creeps?" she asked, just a quarter inch of beer left in her pitcher.

"I believe you mentioned it a few times —"

"Well, you're a creep too but you're not as creepy as most of them."

"Thanks."

"Now get me another beer, creep."

Like a shipwrecked sailor

clinging to the remains of the bow, she hung to me as I dragged us to my car. She passed out as soon as she reached the front seat. I didn't want to her take her home dead drunk; that would be embarrassing for everyone. I decided to give her a tour around town, as if it were a rehearsal for when my girlfriend ever visited.

Up and down the streets I drove, delivering a narrative of a small town's unmentionable perversities. In high school the hypocrisy between the public and private disgusted me; now, after becoming better acquainted with my weaknesses, I found everything to be oddly endearing, as if there were an alternative version of "Our Town" written by a drunken and cynical Thornton Wilder.

Melissa stirred as I stopped in front of her house. She groaned; she must have realized it was going to be a rough Thanksgiving. Then she looked at me and smiled, a sad and contradictory look of loss and lust in her cloudy eyes. "You want to come in?" she asked.

"It's getting late," I said. She smiled and gave me a kiss that spun my uvula. She got out of the car and lurched to the front door, like an oxygen-deprived mountain climber nearing the summit of Everest. (It was the last time I ever saw her — different trajectories, you know.)

As I drove home, I wondered if it were too late to call my girlfriend.

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## South Bound Brook police lieutenant marks downs for team

By CHAD HEMENWAY  
Staff Writer

SOMERVILLE — If somebody wants to know where John Prudente is on any given Friday or Saturday during the high school football season, check the Somerville schedule.

Home or away, Prudente is at the game.

"I've been going since I was 6 when my father first took me to a game," said Prudente, "Ever since, Somerville has been my team."

Prudente, a lieutenant with the South Bound Brook police, can't remember a time when he didn't have Pioneer orange-and-black running through his veins. One day in 1976 Richard Carpenter, then the Somerville athletic director, asked Prudente if he'd hold the down marker for one of the games.

He hasn't let go of it since. During every Pioneer game at Brooks Field, Prudente can be seen standing 50 yards away on the visitors' side of the field, usually with a Somerville High School sweatshirt or "Ville" hat on and a stick in his hand declaring what down it is.

He hasn't missed his duties as the down marker once in 27 years. During that time Somerville has had four athletic directors and three coaches.

"I'm always there," Prudente said. "I can't miss a game. I look forward to them too much. When you go to high school football games, you see these kids really fighting for something. It's a very emotional form of the game. Their hearts and souls are involved."

"I see a lot of people every week that I love seeing and almost every week I bump into somebody I haven't seen in years. Somerville is my hometown and I love it."

Prudente said he enjoys being right on top of all the action with two of his friends, Jim Dorsey and Phil Doman, who have become regulars lately doing the first-down chains. But ironically, Prudente's enthusiasm for the Pioneer must be muffled on the visitors' sideline.

"You have to control your



GEORGE PACCIELLO/STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER  
South Bound Brook police Lieutenant John Prudente marks a down at a recent Somerville High School football game.

emotions on the visitors' side," he said. "It's just disrespectful to scream and jump from their sideline. But inside I'm going nuts."

Prudente is one of those savants who can likely tell you every name of every football player that was either good or was involved, especially in a big game. Speaking of big games, Prudente can surely tell you the final score of any of them and the year it was played with little margin of error.

Among his fondest memories include a 20-14 victory over Manasquan in 1994 that gave SHS the Central Jersey Group 2 playoff championship.

Recalling the SHS-Raritan 1999 playoff game, Prudente can tell you every development of one of the wackiest ends of a game in high school history when, with time expiring, a

live ball was mistaken for an incomplete pass thrown by Tom Malafronte. As Raritan began to celebrate, an alert Pioneer player, Joe Mahaffey, picked the ball up and ran towards the goal line, then as he was being tackled, flipped it behind him to Jason Greene, who continued in for the winning touchdown.

Prudente also recalled the '85 playoff game at unbeaten Freehold when the Pioneer, trailing by 18 in the final quarter, rallied for a dramatic 28-25 triumph.

"There are so many great games and great players to talk about," Prudente said. "That's why I keep going. You never know what's going to happen — especially in high school football — and it's fun watching these kids grow up. I've seen them do some amazing things."

## Despite high test scores, Franklin School on the 'early warning list'

By LIBBY BARKSY  
Correspondent

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Despite Franklin School's fourth graders meeting and even surpassing testing objectives on the New Jersey Assessment of Skills and Knowledge with scores of 91.6 percent of students at proficient or advanced proficient level in language arts and 84.3 percent in mathematics, the South Plainfield elementary school was listed on the "early warning list" according to Federal standards.

"Franklin School is on the list not because of test scores but because of attendance. The scores are based on 95 percent or more of the kids taking the test. Only 93 percent took the 2003 NJASK test because some of our kids are in the alternative proficiency assessment — a different test — and the state didn't factor that number in. It's preliminary information that was given out (on what schools were on the "Early Warning List) making it look like not enough students took the test. Once they do (factoring in the attendance) Franklin will be off the list. It has nothing to do

with their scores — the scores (Franklin's) are excellent," said Superintendent of Schools Dr. Robert Rosado.

At the most recent Board of Education meeting, Nov. 18, Rosado said all the elementary schools had met their goals: Kennedy School scored 86.1 percent in language arts/literacy and 86.1 percent in math; Riley School scored 79.3 percent in language arts and 85.4 percent in math and Roosevelt School had 92.6 percent of fourth graders proficient or advanced proficient in Language arts and 71.6 percent in math.

At the Grant School, where the 100 percent of the sixth-grade students participated in problem solving activities last year, their Terra Nova math test scores went up from being at grade mean equivalent of 8.7 to 10. In Language arts it increased from last year's 6.8 to 10.2.

At the Middle School the results of the Grade Eight Proficiency Assessment (GEPA) a two year objective has been set by Principal Fred Oberkehr to increase proficient/advanced proficient in math from 50 percent to 63.8

percent by 2005 which means an increase of 27.6 percent to meet the goal by June 2004.

In language arts, in 2003-2002 4.3 percent of students scored in the advanced proficient category of the GEPA. On the 20032-2003 test 5.6 percent scored advanced proficient.

At South Plainfield High School the math portion of the HSPA (High School Proficiency Assessment) 11th graders scored 71.6 percent in the proficient/advanced proficiency portion of the test.

South Plainfield High School's goal of having 85 percent of students enrolled in high school social studies achieve a passing score of "B" or better measured by a 200 item test of cultural literacy was met with 87 percent of 1,129 scoring A, B or better on the test. The high school also set a goal of having 70 percent of its students in extra-curricular activities by June 2003. In fact the activity rosters indicated that 846 students out of 1129 students enrolled in school or 75 percent of the students participated in after school activities.

## May appointed high school principal

By LIBBY BARKSY  
Correspondent

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — The Board of Education approved the appointment of Dr. Kenneth May as South Plainfield High School principal at the Nov. 19 meeting effective Jan. 1, 2004. He is replacing Anthony Massaro who was appointed assistant superintendent last month.

According to Superintendent of Schools Dr. Robert Rosado, there was never any doubt about who the high school principal would be.

"In my talks to the board about the search for a candidate, I told them I didn't think I could find anyone better suited than Dr. May. He is highly respected and knows every aspect of the high school. I can't think of a better choice," said Rosado.

In October, 1987, May came to South Plainfield as assistant principal from Westwood-Washington Township Regional Schools in Bergen County where he had been supervisor of math and computers.

"When I came in I was brought in as technology, science and math coordinator. I had to train the staff and install computers. A lot of the programs that exist now were things I worked with the teams to bring into the high school," said May.

May has had opportunities to go to other districts, but has remained at SPHS because he identifies with the community.

"I was the first person to go to college in my family and many of our kids here are first-time college goers. So I identify with the community," said May.

A strong booster for the school, May is noted for telling those that don't know the district, "South Plainfield High School is the best kept secret in Middlesex County."

May is proud of the academic and athletic achievements that the school achieved since he has been in the district which he lists as: increased community involvement, an increase in student attendance, the state award for Best Practices in 1995 and the accommodation from the Blue Ribbon Schools in 1999 and higher scores by students achieved

in taking Advanced Placement tests.

"The thing I am most proud of is that we are developing a tradition and not sitting back and resting on one," said May.

May points out that every year there have been new courses added with Forensic Science, and more Advanced Placement classes this year. The co-curricular activities have also expanded to include a competitive Color Guard program and a competitive cheerleading club.

When the Gold Card incentive sponsored by the South Plainfield Education Foundation started, only 30 percent of the students made the honor role. Last year it rose to 48 percent.

May is especially proud of the students who have returned as teachers. "Since I've been here, one third of the staff are former students that want to come back."

## Yelencsics Park renovation complete

EDISON — Mayor George A. Spadaro joined Nov. 21 with the Bonhamtown Senior Citizens Club members, Bonhamtown neighbors and the family of Anthony Yelencsics to formally dedicate the renovations to this park in memory of the late mayor.

Yelencsics was the township's head of government from 1958-69 and again from 1978 until his death in 1989.

Yelencsics Park, located on Woodbridge Avenue in the heart of the Bonhamtown section of Edison, is on the site of the 8.83-acre Yelencsics Homestead which was preserved by Edison through the New Jersey Green Acres program. The site also includes the Edison Senior Citizens Center.

The \$245,800 renovation project of Yelencsics Park includes a new walking path, bocce ball court, full basketball court and sheltered benches. The renovations also

include a new tot lot, garbage cans, picnic tables, horseshoe pitch, three grills and shuffleboard courts; the tot lot was replaced to meet the Americans with Disabilities Act.

New trees and sod also were planted while the parking lot was repaved.

Funding for this project was financed through a bond ordinance adopted by the Township Council in March 2002.

Yelencsics "gave so much to Edison" in his years as mayor, Spadaro said.

"His contributions helped make Edison the vibrant community it is today," the current mayor said. "Renovating this park is a fitting and proper tribute to all that."

Yelencsics Park renovation marks the 23rd Edison park that the Spadaro administration has completed in a seven-year program to improve all of Edison's 36 parks.

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## John Kulesavage

BOUND BROOK — John J. Kulesavage, 75, died Nov. 20, 2003 at his home in Palm Coast, Fla.

Mr. Kulesavage was born March 4, 1928 in Bayonne. He lived in Bound Brook and Hinton, W.Va., before moving to Palm Coast in 1998.

He was retired from the chemical research department of National Starch and Chemical Co. Mr. Kulesavage was earlier a maintenance worker with Ortho Pharmaceutical Corp.

He was a sergeant first class in the Army during the Korean War.

Surviving are a son, David of

Indianapolis, Ind.; three step-daughters, Carole Shepherd of Pittstown, Cathleen Ogg of Aurora, Colo., and Cynthia Wilk of Palm Coast; two step-sons, Christopher Shepherd of Venice, Fla., and Craig Shepherd of Stockton; a sister, Dolores Behn, and a brother, Stanley, both of Manasquan; two grandchildren and six step-grandchildren.

Services were held Monday at the Craig-Flagler Funeral Home in Flagler Beach, Fla. Donations may be sent to American Cancer Society, 1620 S. Clyde Morris Blvd., Suite 400, Daytona Beach, FL 32119.

## Saverina Morano

BOUND BROOK — Saverina Copano Morano, 86, died Nov. 22, 2003 at Somerset Medical Center in Somerville.

Born May 25, 1917 in San Donato Di Ninea, Cosenza province, Italy, she was a daughter of the late Vincenzo and Carolina Fuggi Copano.

Mrs. Morano settled in Bound Brook when she came to the United States in 1960. She was a parishioner of St. Mary of Czesochowa Roman Catholic Church.

Her husband, Domenico,

and a daughter, Rosina Morano Todaro, died in 1988.

Surviving are a daughter, Frances Balsano of Bound Brook; two sons, Vincent of Bound Brook and Frank of South Bound Brook; eight grandchildren and 16 great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held Wednesday at St. Mary of Czesochowa Church, following services at the Hagan-Chamberlain Funeral Home. Burial was in Bound Brook Cemetery.

## Samuel H. Hendershot

DUNELLEN — Samuel H. Hendershot, 64, died Nov. 20, 2003 at his home.

Born in Plainfield, he was a son of the late John S.M. and Ruth Beam Hendershot.

Mr. Hendershot lived in Bound Brook before moving to Dunellen in 1973. He was a self-employed carpenter and for the past 35 years owned Sam's Repair Co. in Dunellen.

He was a private first class in the Army during the Vietnam War.

Two sisters, Anne Arms and Dorothy Filo, are deceased.

Surviving are a son, John E. and wife Kim of Toms River; a daughter, Kelly Crum of Newton; a brother, John of Phillipsburg; three sisters, Helyn Brewer of Middlesex, Velma Lilly of Staunton, Va., and Barbara "Dolly" DeLello of Piscataway; six grandchildren; and his dog, Buddy.

Private arrangements were by the James W. Conroy Funeral Home in South Plainfield.

## Otto Kettling

SOUTH PLAINFIELD — Otto C. Kettling, 85, died Nov. 19, 2003 at Harborside Healthcare-Woods Edge in Bridgewater.

Born in Elizabeth, he lived in South Plainfield for 42 years before moving to Bedminster in 1998.

Mr. Kettling was a mechanical engineer who retired in 1983 from the major projects division of the S.S. White Co. in Holmdel. He earlier held similar posts with the Singer Manufacturing Co. in Elizabeth, RCA Corp. in Harrison and the design center of General Motors Corp. in Detroit, Mich.

He received a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from the Newark College of Engineering (now the New Jersey Institute of Technology).

A saxophonist, flutist and clarinet player, Mr. Kettling was a bandleader with The Innovators in the 1970s. He was a director of American Federation of Musicians Local 151 in Elizabeth and a member of AFM Local 746 in Plainfield.

He was an Army Air Corps cadet in World War II and a deacon of the First Presbyterian Church in Metuchen.

Surviving are his wife of 51 years, Marie D'Espies Kettling; and a daughter, Dawn D. of Bridgewater.

Services were held Saturday at the Pluckemin Presbyterian Church. Burial was in Graceland Memorial Park, Kenilworth.

Arrangements were by the Layton Funeral Home in Bedminster.

## Carl M. Colbath

PISCATAWAY — Carl M. Colbath, 77, died Nov. 24, 2003 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center in Plainfield.

Born June 11, 1926 in Plainfield, he was a son of the late Harry and Mabel Smith Colbath.

Mr. Colbath lived in Piscataway for most of his life. A township fire commissioner for the past 25 years, he was a former chief of the Arbor Hose Company and its oldest active member. He also owned the Colbath Disposal Co. in Piscataway from 1946 until his retirement in 1992.

He was a member of the New Jersey Fire Chiefs Association, New Jersey Volunteer Fire Chiefs Association, New Jersey State Firemen's Exempt Association and Veterans of Foreign Wars Post 7504. Mr.

Colbath was stationed aboard the USS Metedien in the Navy during World War II.

A sister, Marjorie Kidd, died in 1998.

Surviving are his wife, Dorothy Renner Colbath; two sons, Bruce A. and wife Carol of New York City and Brian A. and wife Jill of Middlesex; a sister, Barbara DeHart of Warren; a brother, Harry W. of Carrollton, Ohio; and two grandchildren.

Services were held yesterday at the Sheenan Funeral Home in Dunellen with Rev. Jeffrey Wildrick, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Dunellen, officiating.

Donations may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tenn., or Deborah Heart and Lung Center in Browns Mills.

## Anne Creteau

BOUND BROOK — Anne Creteau, 86, died Nov. 23, 2003 at Integrated Health Services of New Jersey at Somerset Valley, in Bridgewater.

Born Feb. 17, 1917 in Bound Brook, she was a daughter of the late John and Mary Harabin.

Mrs. Creteau lived in Bound Brook all her life. She retired in 1981 as a line supervisor with Tandy Corp. She worked for the Diehl Manufacturing Co. in the 1940s and the Radio Corp. of America in the 1950s.

Fluent in three languages, Mrs. Creteau earned her General Equivalency Diploma at age 45. She was a parishioner of St. Joseph Roman

Catholic Church.

Her husband, John, died in 1981. Also deceased are five brothers, George Harabin, John Harabin, Michael Harabin, Joseph Harabin and Peter Harabin; and a sister, Katherine Sipak.

Surviving are a son, Roger and wife Cathy of Flemington; two sisters, Dorothy Link and Mary, both of Bound Brook; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

A funeral Mass was held yesterday at St. Joseph Church, following services at the Hagan-Chamberlain Funeral Home. Burial was in Bound Brook Cemetery.

## Clara Haggett

PISCATAWAY — Clara M. Haggett, 94, died Nov. 24, 2003 at the McCarrick Care Center in Somerset.

Born in Randolph, Vt., she was a daughter of the late William M. and Jennie Fullam

Haggett.

Miss Haggett lived in New Brunswick before moving to Piscataway in 1943. She was a retired beautician with Gay's Beauty Shop in New Brunswick.

Three brothers, William, Roy and Frank, are deceased. Private arrangements were by the Crabell Home for Funerals, in Milltown.

## Holiday retirement party at Kiddie Keep Well Camp in Edison

EDISON — The Board of Directors of the John E. Toolan "Kiddie Keep Well Camp" will hold a holiday retirement party in honor of their Executive Director, Eleanor Ann Bates. The festivities will take place in the Camp Dining Hall at 35 Roosevelt Drive, on Thursday evening, Dec. 18 at 6:30 p.m. Tickets are \$25, and are all inclusive.

Elle, as she is fondly referred to, has played a part in the history of Kiddie Keep Well Camp for 28 years. From the beginning of her involvement as a Camp Counselor, to the Camp Nurse, to Camp Director, to volunteer Board member, and finally to Executive Director, she has been an integral part of the growth and development of Kiddie Keep Well Camp.

Bates began her academic studies at Jersey City Medical Center. She earned a BSN from Seton Hall University, a MSN from the Catholic University, and has done doctoral course work at the Catholic University. During her long and distinguished career as a registered nurse, she has served as an Associate Professor of Nursing Education at Middlesex County College, as well as at the

University of Maryland, and the Catholic University. She also served as chairperson of the Department of Nursing Education at Middlesex County College. She was Director of Nursing for the Woodbridge State School, a Clinical Instructor in Maternal-Child Nursing for Charles E. Gregory School of Nursing, and a Clinical Research Nurse.

Bates brought her wealth of experience to Kiddie Keep Well Camp in 1974 where she served as Camp Nurse for eight years. Later, during her 14 years as Camp Director she wrote "Project Gateway" - A Program to Mainstream Children with Health Problems in a Residential Camping Experience, which was published in the American Camping Magazine. She has also written articles for the Catholic Women Magazine.

Members of the community and friends of Kiddie Keep Well Camp are invited to attend and celebrate the accomplishments of this vibrant individual who has enriched the lives of so many. Call the Camp at (732) 548-6542 for more information or to purchase tickets.

## Vacancy on Middlesex Board of Education

MIDDLESEX — The Middlesex Board of Education is accepting resumes for an open seat on the Board of Education commencing from the date of Board approval until the April 2004 school election. Interested parties must be a bona fide legal resident of the Borough of Middlesex for at least one year

and be registered to vote in the district.

Interested candidates should submit their resumes no later than Dec. 19 indicating their interest to: Michele Previte, Business Administrator - Board Secretary, 300 Kennedy Drive, Middlesex, NJ 08846. Qualified candidates will be notified of an interview.

## Edison student finalist in national program

EDISON — Raysel Martinez, a member of the senior class at Edison High School has been recognized as a Scholar Finalist in the National Hispanic Recognition Program, as announced by Carol A. Toth, Assistant to the Superintendent, Acting Principal.

The National Hispanic Recognition Program is a College Board program that provides national recognition of the exceptional academic achievements of Hispanic High School seniors, and identifies academically prepared Hispanic high school seniors for postsecondary institutions.

Students enter the program by taking the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test - National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT-NMSQT) as high school

seniors, and by identifying themselves as Hispanic. From over 124,000 students nationwide, the 4,300 highest scoring students are initially identified as semifinalists. Based on further evidence of the academic achievement, a select group of 3,300 students are recognized as program finalists.

Founded in 1900, the College Board is a non-profit membership association of schools, colleges, and other educational organizations working together to help students succeed in the transition from school to college through development of standards of excellence; by providing programs and services in guidance, assessment, admission, placement, financial aid, and teaching and learning; and by conducting forums, research, and public policy activities.

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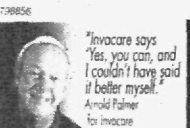
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There is an immediate opening in the Perth Amboy-Woodbridge delivery route. The Kosher Meals on

Wheels Program is a five day a week service that provides two daily meals to seniors and disabled individuals who are temporarily or permanently unable to shop or cook for themselves.

Volunteers are asked to commit a minimum of two delivery dates per month, with each route running approximately ninety min-

utes. Meals are distributed at our Edison office weekdays at 10 a.m. Someone who is unable to drive can still make a meaningful contribution as a "jumper" - a navigator who works alongside the driver to deliver the meals.

Call Sara Ullman or Fran Starr today to set up a meeting at (732) 777-1940.

### Holiday Remembrance Memorial Tree Lighting

For the third consecutive year Flynn and Son/Koyen Funeral Home will be hosting a holiday memorial tree lighting ceremony. The ceremony will be held in a heated tent on the front lawn of Flynn and Son/Koyen Funeral Home.

This event is open to anyone who would like to place a personalized ornament, bearing the name of a loved one, on our tree.

**The Ceremony will take place on: Thursday, December 4, 2003 at 7:00pm**

Anyone wishing to have an ornament personalized should call the funeral home at 732-548-2134 between 9:00am and 3:00pm before December 2nd, 2003. Ornaments can be picked up at the funeral home and placed on the tree on December 2nd, 3rd and 4th between 10:00am and 3:00pm, or we can place the ornament on the tree for you. Ornaments cannot be placed on the tree on the evening of the ceremony. During the ceremony a memorial list of names of deceased loved ones will be read. If you wish to have the name of your loved one included please call the funeral home before December 4, 2003.

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## Get a visit from Santa, help the Rescue Squad

**PISCATAWAY** — The River Road Rescue Squad is proud to announce its first annual Santa to the Rescue fund-raiser.

During the evenings of Dec. 21 to 23, Santa Claus, with the help of the River Road Rescue Squad, will bring presents to the houses of "good little girls and boys" living in the River Road district of Piscataway.

This is a fund-raiser, so parents who wish their children to receive a visit must contact the River Road Rescue Squad between Nov. 17 and Dec. 19 to sign up their children and make a donation (\$10 requested) to the squad.

Parents are required to provide a pre-wrapped, labeled present. Contact the Squad at (732) 885-5565.

The Squad will contact you before Dec. 21 to tell you a day and time to expect your visit from Santa. Jolly old Saint Nick will deliver the gift to your child with all requisite cheer and yuletide merriment.

In order to receive a visit from Santa, children must live in Piscataway in the River Road Rescue Squad's district. If you are unsure of what rescue district you live in, you may contact the River Road Rescue Squad at (732) 885-5565.

## Piscataway police promotions

**PISCATAWAY** — Several Police Department promotions were announced. Timothy Grant was promoted to captain; Kenneth Blair was promoted to lieutenant; Anthony Crisafulli, Robert Garnecki, Thomas Mosier and David Powell have been promoted to sergeant. All six officers will be sworn in for their new posts 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3 at the Municipal Complex.

Grant has more than 18 years of law enforcement experience and has served as lieutenant of investigations from July 2001. He attended LeTourneau University and Middlesex County College. The new captain also participated in a command and leadership program at the United States Military Academy. He is the recipient of two Medals of Honorable Service and a Lifesaving Medal.

Blair graduated from the John H. Stamler Union County Police Academy in 1987 and Rutgers University in 2000. He attended the Leadership and Command School at West Point. The new lieutenant has received certification in crime scene preservation, homicide investigation, advanced accident investigation and radar certification. Blair is the Piscataway representative to the Middlesex County Joint Terrorism Task Force. He received the Honorable Service Award and is a silver life card member of the Policemen's Benevolent Association.

Crisafulli has been a detective since 1998. The Rutgers University alumnus has been responsible for conducting criminal and background investigations, bias crime investigations, crime scene investigations and interrogation. He has taken courses with the FBI, the Army and the State Police. Crisafulli has received the Piscataway Police Department Certificate of Accomplishment, Lifesaving Medal and Exceptional Service Medal.

Garnecki has served in the traffic, patrol and detective divisions. A qualified firearms instructor and member of the Emergency Services Unit, he is scheduled to graduate from

Rutgers University in 2004. He has specialized training that includes radiological/nuclear awareness responder operations, multi-agency response to terrorism and high intensity drug trafficking area. Garnecki received an Exceptional Service Award in response to the events of Sept. 11, 2001.

Mosier has served as a juvenile detective and aided the Middlesex County prosecutor's office in cases involving sexual abuse of children. The Middlesex County College graduate was the lead investigator in a high-profile "missing persons" case. Mosier received a commendation for investigative work in a homicide case plus a lifesaving award and medal for a 1995 rescue. He is also a member of the Possumtown Volunteer Fire Company.

Powell has been in the traffic, patrol and general investigations divisions. The graduate of Pfeiffer University has attended specialized training courses in advanced criminal investigation, arson investigation and drug interdiction. Powell has received a lifesaving award, letters of commendation and letters of recognition.

## Baking a state



Fourth-grade students at Our Lady of Mt. Virgin School in Middlesex County learned about the Garden State by making a cake state. The cake of New Jersey was made of individual county cakes. The county cakes were made at home by the students and then assembled in class. To show the various geographical features and economies, students used Hershey Kisses to represent the Kittatinny Mountains, M&Ms to represent major cities, blue icing to represent the Delaware River, Raritan River and the Atlantic Ocean, green gum drops to represent the Pine Barrens and various candies to represent the crops grown. The cake, the school reports, was as delicious to eat as it was a piece of artwork.

## BB cheerleaders show their spirit at competition

**BOUND BROOK** — Oct. 4, the Bound Brook Pop Warner Cheerleader teams competed in the Raritan Valley Cheer Competition with a chance to move on to the Qualifier Round en route to the Nationals.

The day began with the BBPW Jr. Pee Wee Squires capturing first place in the small division led by Gina Bentivegna, Amanda Colon, Gabrielle DiFelice, Jennifer Dyke, Sara Giacomini, Alicia Gianotti, Catherine Hoben, Julia Lefkowitz, Amy Longo, Heather Modianowski, Lin Roberts, Kathleen Scheckermann, Jacquelyn Schieferstein, Rebecca Shapiro, Megan Smith, Caroline Stolz, Sharlene Wohar and Christina Taffur. Student coaches: Taryn Timpano, Wendy Ledford and Elizabeth Farsi.

Advisors: Sandy Bentivegna, Bernadette Longo and Shirley Markey-Wohar.

In the afternoon session, the BBPW Midget Knights took second place in the small division led by Megan Baloy, Kristin Bauer, Ashley Bure, Alexandra Call, Kim Charnuska, Kelly Cuza, Amanda DiFelice, Christine Fellin, Daria Hannah, Kristine Longo, Amanda Miranda, Caitly Shubick, Kristine Tomaro, Ashley Vector, Courtney Wood and Kaylee Zigler. Mascots: Rachel Lowry and Heidi Terrogozza. Student coaches: Michelle Farsi and Jessica Specian. Advisors: Pat Farsi, Lori Fellin and Peggy Tomaro.

Both the Knights and Squires qualified for the next



round on Nov. 1 at Sovereign Bank Arena in Trenton and will compete against regional Mid-Atlantic entries for the right to advance.

Also in the afternoon session, the BBPW Pee Wee Lancers secured 3rd place in the small division and next compete at the New Jersey Garden State Championships on Nov. 9 at Sovereign Bank Arena. The Lancer team is led by Marally Arias, Brittany Awtry, Sally Baloy,

Kelly Capablo, Gabrielle Carlino, Amanda Conner, Jackie Cuzzocrea, Candi Fritzing, Teresa Gleason, Kristen Lawrence, Kylie Lefkowitz, Tara Leotti, Amanda Morrissey, Kristin Sarbounk and Kayci Ungerleider. Mascots: Ariel Conner and Hanna Ungerleider. Student coach Heather Fellin. Advisors Lynette Capablo, Lisa Cuzzocrea and Jody Morrissey.

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## Hearing loss program at Dunellen Library

DUNELLEN — The Dunellen Public Library on New Market Road holds a free program on hearing loss 7 p.m. Wednesday, Dec. 3.

Audiologist Elizabeth Cook speaks about hearing loss, what its causes are and the technology available for hard-of-hearing people. Tinnitus and basic ear care also will be covered. A ques-

tion-and-answer period follows her program.

In addition, all who attend can receive a free hearing screening.

For registration, call (732) 968-4585. The program is presented in association with the Central Jersey Audiology & Hearing Center and the Dunellen Hearing Center.

## Woman's Literary Club meets Monday

BOUND BROOK — The Woman's Literary Club of Bound Brook meets 1 p.m. Monday, Dec. 1 at St. Paul's Episcopal Church, 214 Church St.

Members are asked to bake cookies in December for the homeless.

The club also holds round-robin bridge; for information, call Yolanda Woldin at (732)

356-8726.

The Arts/Performing Department met Nov. 17 with Margaret Draghi speaking on children's books. The International Affairs Department met Nov. 20 with Jerry Matcho speaking on "A Russian Exchange."

George Blake told "Interesting Stories" to the full club when it met on Nov. 3.

## Country Folk Art Craft Show at Raritan Center

EDISON — The Country Folk Art Craft Show returns to the New Jersey Convention and Exposition Center at Raritan Center.

Show hours are 3-9 p.m. Friday, Dec. 5; 10 a.m.-5 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 6; and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 7. Over 200 artisans offer folk art, crafts, gifts and decorating items.

"We've had an overwhelming response to our Country Folk Art Craft Shows in Edison over the years," said show promoter Rhonda Blakely. "We're adding a beautiful holiday show this year with outstanding hand-selected artisans and

crafters."

Each show offers a wide variety of country decorating and folk art accessories, showcasing the craftsmanship of the nation's most gifted artisans.

"Although all items in country decorating are very popular, there has been an increased popularity of the rustic, whimsical and gardening, for both outdoor and indoor items as part of the consumer decorating themes," Blakely said.

Admission of \$7 is valid all three days. For more information, visit [www.countryfolkart.com](http://www.countryfolkart.com) or call (732) 417-1400.

## His is a union of belief and brawn

By TODD JACOBUS  
Correspondent

EDISON — By day, John Roskoski presents the principles of God to his students. By night, he puts the fear of God into his opponents. Such are the daily pleasures of this power-lifting theology lecturer.

It is this uncommon union of his beliefs and brawn, infused at an early age, which 43-year-old Edison resident Roskoski credits for saving his life one September evening 15 years ago.

September 28, 1988, while driving home from graduate school, Roskoski was hit head on by a drunken driver who later was measured with a .318 blood alcohol level. With his car totaled, John was rushed to the hospital. Considering the impact of the two cars, doctors were amazed at Roskoski's relative good condition. John was released within a day, although his right arm would have restricted movement for the rest of his life. While doctors credited his brick-house physique in saving him from more serious or even fatal injury, John knows someone was watching over him.

"It was my faith that got me through that accident," said Roskoski.

The state filed criminal charges, but John sought no civil rewards. "I'm a biblical theologian. I wasn't going to milk this just for money. He (the driver) didn't mean to do this. He didn't mean to ruin my career," said John. "The Bible says to forgive, so that's what I did."

As a right-hander, John now had to adapt. Unable to tie a necktie due to the injury, John was able to learn to arm wrestle with his left and changed the focus of his power lifting competitions from the bench press to the dead lift. Rather than the end of his career, the accident marked a launching point. He won the prestigious NASA Deadlift Championship in 1992, and was a three-peat NJ state champion in 1995-96-97.

John's fascination with strength and power began



DEBRA FISCINA/CORRESPONDENT  
John Roskoski with some of his power lifting trophies in his Edison home.

when he was 12. He had read his fair share of the Bible throughout his childhood, but youngsters at that age are impressed upon by a more modern medium. "I caught the 4:30 movie on Channel 7 about Samson and Delilah," said Roskoski. Enamored by the saga of the biblical strongman, John had found himself a role model.

Roskoski's pervasive presence in his Colonia High School weight room did not go unnoticed by gym instructor Stu Jago. Jago became a mentor to Roskoski, teaching him proper techniques and routines during John's formative physical years. "He really nurtured me through the whole process. I owe a tremendous debt to him," said Roskoski.

At 18, John entered his first bodybuilding competition, but the timing just wasn't right. It was the late 70s and bodybuilding was beginning to change to value the sleeker, sculpted body over the beauty of brute strength.

"I just enjoyed moving the big weights too much to give them up," said John.

Presenting a larger dilemma

to him, though, was the wanton use of steroids. "I was meeting 18 and 19 year olds who had been on steroids for five years already," said Roskoski, whose religious regimen steered him clear of drugs. The college bound teen began to concentrate on power lifting.

While earning his B.A. in Religious Studies at Seton Hall University, Roskoski found another outlet for his physical prowess. His brother convinced him to enter an arm wrestling contest in Scranton, PA. John's only arm wrestling experience until then was the few times either his buddies or fellow lifters would foolishly challenge him, but he certainly had the professional physique for it.

"My first ever match was against a veteran nicknamed 'The Beast', who actually had an entourage there with him, and I'm just a 21 year old with my brother," recalled Roskoski. His semifinal finish in that initial tournament is something he is still "quite proud of."

Roskoski was growing into the prime of his life. His 5'6" frame carried a mound of muscles that produced successes in

both arm wrestling and power lifting competitions. He could bench press 450 pounds and was ranked as high as second on the east coast. His studies of faith continued as he earned his Masters degree in Jewish and Christian Studies. He had previous intent on joining the priesthood while in his 20s, but after becoming disillusioned by the politics of the profession, he reverted to his studies of the subject.

A few years after his accident, Roskoski landed an adjunct lecturer position in the Theology department at Saint Peter's College, which he still maintains today. "I have lectured on everything from introductory classes to seminars on death and dying," said John.

"I draw my experiences from two different worlds by having one foot in each," explained Roskoski. "I don't come down and preach from an ivory tower. I step in from the real world."

The dichotomy of his background is not lost on his students. "They respect me very much in class, but as soon as we get outside it's 'how did you build your forearms so much?'" John chuckled. "I wouldn't want it any other way."

Roskoski also takes pride in his charitable efforts. He will do anything for a charity which seeks to clear the streets of drunken drivers and, since his mothers passing to lung cancer three years ago, he crusades against cigarettes. Roskoski feels frustrated pain for victims of those two vices because both of them "virtually can be stopped through education."

Despite the tangible awards he has received during his power lifting career and the intangible ones he gets from teaching his students, John's most gratifying moment came just last year, when he and his wife Tracy had twin boys. "Nicholas and Samuel have shown me the full capacity of my ability to love," said Roskoski.

"I've been given the gift of life twice. I saw its preciousness when death was coming at me and then its potential with the birth of our boys."

## Dunellen teen goes onstage to perform with star

By G.W. JOHNSON  
Correspondent

DUNELLEN — What young person wouldn't love to be on stage and perform in a big time, sold out concert? For one Dunellen high school senior, he was able to do just that — with Shania Twain.

Senior Chris Garnecki was chosen to play marching snare drum for a performance Twain gave in October. Twain sent out a request through the

USSBA (U.S. Scholastic Band Association) looking for high school drummers for the October performance.

Dettmar informed Garnecki of his acceptance, and then it was a mad scramble at the Garnecki household. "My parents were trying to figure out what to do about work the next day, and I was trying to figure out my school schedule," said Garnecki. "It was crazy!"

The next day, Garnecki and his family headed out to the Meadowlands for what they expected to be a meeting regarding the concert. What they walked into caught them off guard.

"We showed up for the meeting that day and I saw over 20 other students like me," said Garnecki, who is also the senior drum major for the school marching band. "That's when we realized it was a try-out and that it was not a done deal." When Garnecki took his turn he was told what to play and how to play it with no preparation or previous knowledge of what was going to happen. The tryout was based on showmanship and performance. Only 12 of the students were chosen and told what time to be there for the concert the next night.

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Garnecki was one of the 12.

The night of the performance, Garnecki's family sat four rows from the stage at the Continental Airlines Arena, and waited for their son to go on. He finally went on stage for the second to last song and had the experience of a lifetime. His family has four rolls of film to prove it.

When asked if he wanted to pursue a career in music, the senior said he might one day, but right now he plans to join the coast guard. "I have been involved with both the rescue squad and the fire department for a few years now, and the coast guard kind of focuses on that," he said. But regardless of what he does after high school, he will never forget that evening.

"It was fantastic!" said Garnecki. "I have never performed in a venue like that and with a performer like Shania."

## Edison students score in poetry

EDISON — Two teams of students representing Edison High School have won highest honors in the first meet of this year's World Masters Challenge, a national competition for high school students requiring close reading and analysis of prose and poetry.

Both teams placed ninth in the nation out of 270 high school teams across the country. Keyleigh Valentino, a sophomore, was one of only five out of 20,000 students to earn a perfect score in the Blue Division meet. Seniors Maureen Walsh, Doris Cheung and Winnie Chang earned perfect scores in the Gold Division, where nationwide only 82 students out of 20,000 earned perfect scores. Teachers Johanna Stohler, Gina Corsun, Gail Drew and Carol Bamdad have been preparing their honors classes for this competition through vertical teaming.

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## Historian to speak on holiday foods, traditions

by CHERYL ORSON  
Correspondent

**METUCHEN** — 'Tis the time of year when renowned food historian Judith Krall-Russo again enlightens listeners about holiday traditions and foods.

Just in time for the upcoming holidays, the ever-popular Krall-Russo will be lecturing and demonstrating many holiday traditions and techniques at various locations throughout the area. Typically drawing a loyal following, reservations are strongly recommended for her appearances.

On Dec. 7 at 2 p.m. at the Edison Main Library on at 340 Plainfield Ave. in that township Krall-Russo will be lecturing on as well as demonstrating Victorian Parlor Games. Attendees will be able to play these games at their own upcoming holiday parties. Those interested are asked to call April Cormaci at (732) 549-1792.

Following this, on Dec. 20 at 2 p.m. at the South Plainfield Senior Center on Lakeview Avenue, Krall-Russo be giving a lecture entitled Winter Holidays on this subject. Listeners will learn about winter holidays from pagan through modern times. Those interested are asked to call Natalie Bergman at (908) 756-8679.

Recently, before a small group of listeners gathered at the Metuchen Library, Krall-Russo lectured on Colonial and Victorian Christmas customs. Including food history aspects, she also briefly lauded the merits and versatility of the New Jersey cranberry.

Beginning with Colonial times, Krall-Russo said Christmas celebrations held during this era were more adult-centered and simplistic. Colonists who celebrated the holiday believed Advent was a holy time to prepare for the coming of Christ through spiritual introspection by means of fasting, meditating and praying. They celebrated the Christmase time starting on Dec. 25 and continuing through 12<sup>th</sup> night or sometimes Feb. 2, Candlemas.

Inside their homes, believing living things which remained green throughout the winter (such as ever-



Noted food historian and Metuchen resident Judith Krall-Russo will speak at several events about the history of Christmas food and traditions.

greens and holy and ivy) held special spirits, colonists decorated with this greenery which had to be removed by 12<sup>th</sup> night, lest bad luck fall on the household. They also decorated with available colorful fruits (such as apples, oranges, limes, lemons, pears and cranberries) which were then eaten after the holidays had passed. These colonists also burned Yule logs and sometimes continued their celebrations for as long as the log burned.

In the hearth ovens in their kitchens, colonists prepared special foods including fricassee chicken, oyster dishes, gingerbread cookies and cakes and brandied, spiced or dried fruits including cranberries and peaches. They also drank hard apple cider and began the tradition of "wassailing," drinking to each others' health and also shooting off guns and scaring evil spirits away from the apple

trees. Colonial gifts, if exchanged at all, were simple including fruit and small personal items and tokens of affection. Gift giving was limited to family and close friends.

Colonial holiday activities however, were more boisterous, centering around adult socializing. These included dances and balls, gambling, wassailing, special visits and general partying. Children were not included in these events.

This all changed during the Victorian Era starting in the 1830s and continuing through the early 1900s. It is the Victorian traditions which are most recognizable carrying over into modern times.

First, German Moravians, settling in Pennsylvania, brought over their custom of having Christmas trees. This tradition became even more popular when in the 1840s King Albert, also of German

descent, presented Queen Victoria with a tabletop Christmas tree. While originally simplistically decorated with fruit, nuts, candy, cookies, small baskets, candles and other homemade items, as the trees grew so did elaborateness of their appearance including jewelry and glass ornaments.

In 1843, tired of hand writing Christmas letters to friend and relatives, Henry Cole invented the Christmas card. In 1870 Louis Prang of Boston created the first commercialized Christmas cards, a tradition continuing through today.

In 1870s, American cartoonist Thomas Nast popularized the idea of Santa Claus and what he looked like. With the holiday becoming more focused on children, the appeal of this image took off. The idea of the holiday centering around children was also popularized by author and social reformer Charles Dickens who wrote "A Christmas Carol" during this era.

Holiday foods also changed. The candy cane, whose origins might have been as a religious symbol or just a child's treat, first appeared. Meals became heartier and more elaborate with the centerpiece being beef, turkey, quail, pheasant, goose or ham. Heavy creamed or curried dishes became popular along with blood puddings and sweet breads.

Holiday activities also changed with caroling becoming popular as religious music went beyond the clergy to choirs and then to the general public. Though adult holiday activities continued including special parlor games, other activities became more family oriented including with visiting or gathering events.

Though gifts remained simple and personal, more rules of social etiquette were adopted on this tradition denoting class distinction. Gifts were only given by those of the upper classes to those considered to be of the lower class. This later changed as classism fell out of favor and more elaborate and open gift giving became popular later in the next century.

## Dunellen briefs

### Christmas Tree lighting Dec. 5

**DUNELLEN** — The borough's annual Christmas Tree lighting will be held 7 p.m. Dec. 5 at the gazebo in Washington Memorial Park.

Santa, refreshments, live Christmas carols and the Faber School Wind Ensemble will be present.

### Senior Citizens Holiday Party

**DUNELLEN** — The Dunellen Senior Citizens Holiday Party will be 1 p.m. Dec. 14.

You must register to attend. Call the Recreation Department at (732) 752-2466 for more information.

### Rescue Squad selling wreaths, grave covers

**DUNELLEN** — The Dunellen Rescue Squad will be having a wreath and grave cover sale 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 5 and 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Dec. 6. Other holiday items will be available.

### Breakfast with Santa at Faber School

**DUNELLEN** — The Dunellen High School Project Graduation is hosting Breakfast with Santa 9 a.m. to noon Dec. 6 at Faber School.

Tickets may be purchased in advance or at the door for \$6 each or a four-pack for \$20. Children can get their picture taken with Santa, holiday tattoos and holiday goodies.

To purchase tickets or for more information, call (732) 752-6816 or (732) 752-2505.

All proceeds benefit Project Graduation, a drug- and alcohol-free celebration for the senior class.

### Award-winning painting at library

**DUNELLEN** — The Dunellen Public Library will be showcasing an award-winning painting by local artist Mary Zink.

The painting will be in the display case during November to Dec. 6. Zink will be at the library noon to 3 p.m. Dec. 6 to sign and personalize greeting cards that feature her painting "The Reason for the Season." Cards will be available for \$5 per card with all proceeds benefiting the library.

For more information, call the library at (732) 968-4585.

### Annual holiday party at the public library

**DUNELLEN** — The Friends of the Dunellen Public Library will host its annual holiday party at the library meeting room 6:30 p.m. Dec. 8.

All are invited for an evening of food, fellowship and fun. A light buffet dinner will be served. The winners of the library's Day in the Life of Dunellen photo contest will be announced and awards presented.

For more information, call the library at (732) 968-4585.

### Chili cook-off in Dunellen Borough

**DUNELLEN** — The Dunellen High School Class of 2004 Project Graduation is hosting a chili cook-off Jan. 10.

For more information, or to enter your chili, call Lou Anne Stebor at (732) 752-0341.

### Cub Scouts registering new members now

**DUNELLEN** — Dunellen Cub Scouts are registering new scouts. Any boy who lives in the borough and is in grades two to five can join. Contact Joan Kemple at (732) 424-2043.

### Annual Christmas Village at church

**DUNELLEN** — The Dunellen United Methodist Church's 59th annual Christmas Village will be Dec. 6.

Featuring a cafeteria-style dinner, complimentary fruit, cascading fruit display, village shops, Santa Claus, toys, candy, homemade items and baked goods, the shops open at 4 p.m. and dinner is served 5 to 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$3. For tickets, call (732) 752-7437 or (908) 753-9016.

### Entertainment 2004 books available

**DUNELLEN** — The Dunellen United Methodist Church has entertainment 2004 books now available.

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## Girl Scouts helps girls develop character, skills

The North Edison/Metuchen Service Unit of the Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council is the volunteer-run organization that provides the Girl Scout program to girls in North Edison and Metuchen. Girl Scouts of the USA, the parent organization, is the world's preeminent organization dedicated solely to girls — all girls — where in accepting and nurturing environment, girls build character and skills for success in the real world. In partnership with committed adults, girls develop qualities that will serve them all their lives — like strong values, social conscience and conviction about their own potential and self-worth. In Girl Scouts girls discover the fun, friendship and power of girls

together. Through the many enriching experiences provided by Girl Scouting, they grow courageous and strong. None of this is possible without the caring adult volunteers who organize and guide the program.

Through about 75 volunteer-run troops this program is organized in age-appropriate program levels taking girls from about age 5 through their high school years. Activities are fun and educational. In Daisy Girl Scouts and Brownie Girl Scouts (kindergarten-Grade 3) they are primarily done in groups and are adult-organized. Junior Girl Scouts (Grades 4-6) begin to take on more decision-making. Cadette and Senior Girl Scouts (Grades 6-12) do much


work on their own, organizing many troop activities themselves. Volunteer adult leaders guide this entire process.

Service unit activities are held throughout the year to provide additional activities for girls in more than one troop at a time. These are also organized by adult volunteers. These include badge workshops, participation in area parades, trips and several fun family activities.

In order for this program to succeed many adults, men as well as women, are required. You do not need to be a par-

ent to be involved. There are many roles beyond being a Girl Scout leader for which adults are required. These include administrative assistance, consultation, training and supervision. The Delaware-Raritan Girl Scout Council provides a comprehensive training program for all positions. Professional staff at the council and other volunteers within the service unit provides an excellent support structure.

For more information, e-mail c-booskie@aol.com or call (732) 548-6053.



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## Brothers charged with assault after a brawl

By CHERYL ORSON  
Correspondent

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — Piscataway brothers Michael, 20, and Paris Hatchett, 18, were charged with aggravated assault and weapons possession in relation to a brawl allegedly between themselves and four 17-year-old township juveniles that took place Nov. 15 outside the borough's Regal Cinema.

Also as a result of the brawl, two of the 17-year-old juveniles were charged with aggravated assault while the two other 17-year-old township juveniles were charged with simple assault. The minors, whose names were not released due to their age, were released into the custody of their parents. The Hatchett brothers were also released on their own recognizance following posting bail.

Two off-duty officers working as security guards at the theater were among the first to attempt to break up the brawl

and help those injured. Borough police arrived at the scene at approximately 10:50 p.m. in response to a call reporting a fight among several young men involving weapons.

Officers found one victim, a juvenile, bleeding heavily from a 7-inch gash in his neck with a shirt pressed against the wound in an attempt to stop the bleeding. Paris Hatchett's face was also slashed requiring 15 stitches to close the wound. Both Hatchett and the juvenile were treated and released from a New Brunswick hospital.

During the investigation, Piscataway police, who were notified about the incident, revealed they were aware of an alleged ongoing dispute between the Hatchett brothers and the juveniles which started a year ago in that township. Police did not know the basis of the original dispute between the two groups.

According to police reports, the Hatchett brothers, allegedly armed with knives and a

pipe, which were later recovered from the scene, waited outside the Regal Cinema to attack four 17-year-olds who were watching a movie inside the complex. Police officials said the brothers allegedly went to the site "with the intention to do some serious harm to the individuals they came in contact with."

When the four 17-year-old juveniles attempted to leave the movie lot, the Hatchett brothers allegedly put their plan into action, attacking them, police said. At some point during the fight one of the 17-year-olds allegedly picked up a knife that had been dropped and slashed Paris Hatchett's face, resulting in that injury. Also during this time one of the 17-year-olds sustained a 7-inch gash in his neck.

Upon police arrival, two of the 17-year-olds were in a van and two outside of it, about to leave. The Hatchetts, were already leaving the scene

when the 17-year-olds identified them as the source of the fight. Ambulances were then called for the victims as police sorted out the details.

The Hatchett brothers originally told police they were the intended victims of the brawl but borough detectives charged them with aggravated assault. The two were later freed following posting bail.

The Hatchett brothers have retained Manhattan NY-based attorney Luis Diaz to represent them. Carlos Diaz-Cobo, spokesman for the attorney and an adjunct criminal justice professor at Middlesex County College, which Michael Hatchett attends, denied the brothers had weapons calling them "victims" and stating the four 17-year-old juveniles were the "aggressors." He further defended Michael Hatchett as a B-plus student with a bright future who hopes to pursue a career in law enforcement or as a corrections officer.

## Bound Brook briefs

### Lecture on Africa at borough church

**BOUND BROOK** — The Somerset Naturalists present Patti Murray, photo-naturalist and world traveler, who will give an illustrated lecture on "East Africa: From the Moorlands to the Plains" 8 p.m. Dec. 8 at the Congregational Church, Church and High streets.

All are welcome to the free program.

Call (732) 356-2428 for information.

### Special meeting of mayor and council

**BOUND BROOK** — There will be a special meeting of the mayor and council 7 p.m. Dec. 2.

The purpose of the meeting will be to conduct a public hearing regarding Tucan Taxi's failure to comply with the provisions of mayor and council's resolution adopted Nov. 12. Further action may be taken.

The regularly scheduled meeting will follow.

### Toys for Tots drop offs in the borough

**BOUND BROOK** — The annual Toys for Tots campaign of the Marine Corps Reserve takes place in the borough from Nov. 1-Dec. 18.

Bring a new, unwrapped toy to Borough Hall on Hamilton Street, Bart's Glass Shop on Talmage Avenue or Bound

Brook Ford on West Union Avenue. These toys will go to sick, orphaned and needy children.

Cash donations also are being accepted to purchase new toys. You can bring monetary donations to Dunkin' Donuts on West Union Avenue, Bill's Luncheonette II on East Main Street or Tony's Pizzeria on Hamilton Street.

For more information, call (732) 356-8762.

### An Evening with Santa at HFA

**BOUND BROOK** — Advance tickets are available for An Evening with Santa to be held 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 12 at Holy Family Academy, 120 E. 2nd Street.

Advance tickets are \$5, \$7 at the door; adults and children 2 and younger get in free. Cost includes picture with Santa, age appropriate gift, one beverage and meal ticket and door prizes. There will be free crafts and games, with a nominal fee for larger crafts.

Call (732) 356-1151 or mail your reservation to: Evening with Santa, c/o Holy Family Academy, 120 E. 2nd Street, Bound Brook, NJ 08805. Include payment, age of children attending, choice of hot dog or pizza. Tickets will be available for pickup at the school prior to the event or include a self-addressed stamped envelope to receive the tickets by mail.

## Highland Park resident wins Vuocolo Award

**HIGHLAND PARK** — Howard L. Beyer, Executive Director of the New Jersey Juvenile Justice Commission (JJJC) was recently named the recipient of the 2003 Alfred B. Vuocolo Award. The award was presented at the annual conference of the New Jersey Chapter of the American Correctional Association (ACA).

Each year, the ACA selects an individual who has made an outstanding contribution in the field of juvenile justice and meets additional criteria including: at least five years of active involvement in the field of juvenile justice and professional life conduct and service that exem-

plifies the principles of the American Correctional Association and is representative of NJ-ACA's mission.

The New Jersey Chapter — American Correctional Association, founded in 1983, serves as a correctional forum. The intent of the organization is to help shape public policy, provide information and training, networking opportunities, and promote professional growth and organizational effectiveness.

The award is named after Dr. Alfred B. Vuocolo who retired from the Department of Corrections after a lengthy tenure as the Superintendent of the Skillman Training School.

The award was presentation

by Gary Hilton, NJ-ACA Board 1st Vice President and former Commissioner for the Department of Corrections. Hilton said that Beyer, Aproved bold and dynamic leadership to the Juvenile Justice Commission and that leadership was characterized by a genuine respect for the client.

Beyer, a Highland Park resident, is a career correctional professional with more than 25 years of distinguished service. Formerly, an Assistant Commissioner with the New Jersey Department of Corrections, Beyer was appointed as the Deputy Executive Director of the Juvenile Justice Commission in 1999. In June

2002, following Governor McGreevey's nomination, the Senate confirmed Beyer to be the Executive Director of the Juvenile Justice Commission.

In his current role, Executive Director Howard L. Beyer is responsible for more than 2000 youth comprised of approximately 1000 committed youth, 300 probationers and 800 juvenile parolees. One his first priorities have been to establish education as the foundation through which the JJJC helps youth realize their potential and thereby change their futures. Beyer has increased awareness of the multiple personal and family problems that represent risk factors for youth who enter the JJJC which has resulted in an array of treatment services that respond to mental health problems and serious substance abuse issues.

Beyer received his Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice from Trenton State College and his Masters Degree in Public Administration from John Jay College of Criminal Justice in New York City. Beyer is married to Yvonne and they are the proud parents of three children, Samuel, Jeremy and Rachel.

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## S. Bound Brook briefs

### Little League elections and registration

**SOUTH BOUND BROOK** — South Bound Brook/Somerset Little League will hold election of officers 7:30 p.m. Dec. 4 at Robert Morris School and registration 7 to 9 p.m. Jan. 15 at Robert Morris School.

### Lunch with Santa at Reformed Church

**SOUTH BOUND BROOK** — Have Lunch with Santa at the Reformed Church Fellowship Hall, 113 Clinton Street, 11:30 a.m. Dec. 6.

Cost is \$4 for ages 3 and older and free for ages 2 and younger.

## Seminars at the Brook

**BOUND BROOK** — The Brook Arts Center is proud to announce "Artists Information Seminars," a seven part series of highly-informative workshops/lectures for the community and professional actor and technician. The series will consist of the following workshops:

One and two: 7 p.m. Dec. 8 and Dec. 9, "Secret to Winning the Audition and Getting the Job." A candid insight and guidance from a New York casting director. This two-part seminar has been taught at NYU, Back Stage's ActorFest, Luna State, One-on-One and numerous schools and universities. Your host, Paul Russell of Paul Russell Casting NYC, "removes the table" between the actor and casting director by sharing insights and secrets to winning the audition. This comprehensive workshop for audition success gives performers a practical look at how to play the casting game and land that desired opportunity as well as discussing strategies for career longevity.

Three: 8 p.m. Dec. 10. "Designing on a Budget — How Can You Make It Look Like a Million Without Spending Mega Bucks?" This fascinating seminar — hosted by Jason Weible of BML Stage Lighting, will define what a budget is and the many factors that affect a budget. What are the tactics to working around different scenarios, including the pros and cons of having an unlimited budget vs. having a zero budget? Will also include a product demonstration of some special effects (the director wants it to rain!?) and state-of-the-art lighting equipment.

Four: 8 p.m. Dec. 11. "Mastering Scene Study." Hosted by Catherine Rowe (local performer, producer, costume designer, Perry Award winner and a member of the Franklin Villagers Board of Trustees). Rowe will take scene study one-step deeper. Learn the exhaustively intense steps necessary to really understand the scene. This evening will be in two segments, half lecture and discussion of acting as it relates to the playwright's work and half performance interpretation as she plans to have two pairs of actors prepare scenes to present to the participants with discussion and critiques to follow.

Five: 8 p.m. Dec. 15. "The Business of the Business." Special guest Paige Price (from the original Broadway cast of "Saturday Night Fever", Smokey Joe's Café and Disney's Beauty and the Beast — TV credits include "Anarchy Online: The Animated Series" and "Stop the World I Want to

Get Off" and "Ed") hosts this fascinating firsthand account of the ins-and-outs of the business end of this craft. Learn from someone who has first hand knowledge of what you need to prepare for a career in the theater, what training and skill you'll need, how to schedule that audition and keep track of your life. Find out from someone who's done it, and succeeded.

Six: 8 p.m. Dec. 16. "The Heart and Soul of the Character — How to Play Emotions Truly and Deeply." Renowned local theatrical coach and teacher Joe Ross brings his many years of teaching and practical stage work to the Brook for this incredible opportunity to study with this master of the craft. Ross is well known in the New Jersey and New York acting circles and has taught thousands of budding stars that special place to go, within ourselves, to bring out the emotions necessary to play those difficult and challenging emotions that we come across in our study of the acting craft.

Seven: 8 p.m. Dec. 17. "Gershwin — the Musical Genius." Hosted by Don Kalbach, a former public school music teacher. Kalbach was an editor of music textbooks for 25 years. Now he brings his impressive knowledge of the musical masters to the Brook Theater. Kalbach is also the director of the Somerset Valley Orchestra since 1985 and has taught at Karitan Valley Community College and St. Elizabeth's College. Come join us for an evening of musical appreciation for this master of the musical stage taught by a master of music.

All workshops will be held at the Brook Theatre, 10 Hamilton Street. Cost is \$40 for one seminar, \$35/seminar for two or more seminars or \$30/seminar for four or more seminars.

All proceeds will benefit the renovation of the Brook Theatre.

Include your name, address, phone number and which seminars you would like to attend. Please enclose your check made payable to "Brook Arts Center."

Mail to: Brook Arts Center, P.O. Box 387, Bound Brook, NJ 08805.

All reservations should be postmarked by Dec. 5. For more information, call Gerry Appel at (732) 469-7700.

If you would like to reserve your space in one or more seminars by credit card (Master Card, Visa, American Express); please call (732-469-7700).



## Middlesex briefs

### Cookie decorating and pasta making classes

**MIDDLESEX** — The Middlesex Community School is offering the following programs during December: Mommy and Me Cookie Decorating Class with instructor Dina Fornatado, 1 - 2:30 p.m. Dec. 6 at Middlesex High School home economics room. Open to first 15 registrants with child older than 6. Cost is \$25 per pair.

Basics of Pasta Making with Dina Fornatado 7 to 8:30 p.m. Dec. 17 at the high school home economics room. \$25 registration fee.

To register, call Barbara Ferris at (732) 317-6000, ext. 20206.

### Project Graduation

**Breakfast with Santa** **MIDDLESEX** — Middlesex High School Project Graduation invites all to Breakfast with Santa 9 a.m. to noon Dec. 6 in the high school cafeteria.

Bagels, Munchkins, juice and coffee will be served. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there to take pictures with children. There will be activities for the children.

All proceeds go to Project Graduation, a drug- and alcohol-free graduation celebration.

### Elks Lodge annual

**Breakfast with Santa** **MIDDLESEX** — The Middlesex Elks Handicapped

Children Committee will host its annual Breakfast with Santa 8 a.m. to noon Dec. 14 at the Middlesex Elks Lodge 1488, 545 Bound Brook Road.

Expert chefs will serve omelets and eggs to order, bacon, homemade sausage, pancakes, French toast, waffles, hash brown potatoes, orange juice, tea, coffee and more.

Santa will be there with gifts for all children. Have pictures taken with Santa.

Donations are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children younger than six and seniors.

Profits benefit area handicapped children in need of rehabilitation services and related services.

### Lincoln Hose selling wreaths, trees, etc.

**MIDDLESEX** — The Lincoln Hose Company No. 1, 615 Mountain Ave., will be selling Christmas trees, wreaths and grave blankets on weekends beginning Nov. 22 until Dec. 21.

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### Holiday concert at public library Dec. 7

**MIDDLESEX** — The Middlesex Public Library will present a holiday concert in the new community room 3

p.m. Dec. 7.

A variety of seasonal music, both classical and popular, will be performed.

Featured soloists will be Regina Brown, soprano; Susan Graham, flute; Lorne Graham, trumpet; and Beverly Weber, piano. Brown is a graduate of the Crane School of Music; the others are graduates of the Peabody Conservatory of Music.

Refreshments will be served.

For more information, call the library at (732) 356-6602.

### Toys for Tots

#### drop-off in borough

**MIDDLESEX** — Middlesex Lumber, 500 Bound Brook Road, is an authorized drop-off point for new toys for the Marine Corps Toys for Tots program.

Collection continues until Dec. 17 and the toys will be distributed to needy children within Middlesex and Somerset counties.

### Registration for adult yoga classes

**MIDDLESEX** — Middlesex

Recreation is now accepting registration for adult yoga on Monday nights.

The class will be held at the Beechwood Firehouse from 7:45 to 9 p.m. The session is eight weeks and costs \$50.

Registrants must be 18 or older and post high school.

A certified yoga F.I.T. instructor teaches the class.

Forms are available at the recreation department. For more information, call (732) 356-7966.

### Playgroup and Pre-K Art registration

**MIDDLESEX** — The Middlesex Recreation Department is now accepting registration for the winter session of Toddler Playgroup and Pre-K Art.

Playgroup is for 1 to 4 year olds on Monday and Tuesday mornings for an hour. An adult attends the class with the child. The session is 10 weeks long and the cost is \$35 for residents and \$60 for non-residents.

Pre-K Art is offered Thursday mornings for 4 and 5 year olds not attending

kindergarten. The session is 10 weeks long and the cost is \$45 for residents and \$80 for non-residents.

Class size is limited and payment secures a spot in the class.

For more information, call (732) 356-7966.

### Adult basketball sign ups

**MIDDLESEX** — You can now register for adult basketball at the Recreation Department.

The program is an open gym format.

Registrants must be borough residents (proof required), 18 years old and post-high school. The fee is \$20. Forms available at the Recreation Department.

For more information, call (732) 356-7966.

### Decoupage at plate for the holidays

**MIDDLESEX** — Join Middlesex Recreation for an adult craft class 7 to 9 p.m. Dec. 3 at the Recreation Center.

The craft will be a

decoupage holiday plate. Pre-registration required; no walk-ins.

Forms available at the Recreation Department and the fee is \$25.

### Christmas Party for OLMV church

**MIDDLESEX** — The Rosary Society of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church will hold its Christmas party 6:30 p.m. Dec. 3 at Russo's Continental Restaurant in Bound Brook.

For more information, call Marion at (732) 356-8717.

### Alphabet Kidz collect donations

**MIDDLESEX** — Alphabet Kidz, in support of the Plainfield Area Humane Society, is now soliciting donation for the non-profit organization.

The Humane Society is in need of cash donations, dog food, supplies and fencing materials for a chain link fence.

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### Bound Brook

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Nov. 30 — Las Vegas, 5 days and 4 nights. Cost is \$530 per person, double occupancy, with airfare and lodging included. Food is not included.

Dec. 7 — Christmas dinner dance at El Imperial.

For information, call President Frank Gilly at (732) 356-6310. Outsiders are welcome.

Atlantic City trips are the third Tuesday of each month, leaving 9:45 a.m. from El Imperial. Everyone welcome. Call Ed Kimmel at (732) 469-1263.

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**St. Mary's Leisure Club, Bound Brook club sponsors bus trip to Atlantic City Casino Taj Mahal every fourth Tuesday of each month. Cost \$19.**

2003 meeting dates — Membership meeting will be held every second Monday of each month at 1 p.m. in the school cafeteria.

Dec. 1 — membership meeting, 1 p.m. school cafeteria.

Dec. 14 — annual Christmas Dinner Dance, 3 to 8 p.m. The Willows Restaurant, Green Brook.

For information, call Sal Barbatì at (908) 725-5444.

### Dunellen

The Dunellen Senior Citizen Club is open to all Dunellen residents 55 years and older. Every Friday meetings from 10 a.m. at Knights of Columbus Hall on South Avenue. Bus transportation is provided. Atlantic City - Third Tuesday every month. Bus leaves 9:45 a.m.

For information call (732) 968-1285; President of Dunellen Senior Citizen Club, Ida Cihanowyz

### Middlesex

Middlesex Bus transportation is available for Borough Seniors. Sign up by calling (732) 356-0414. Wednesdays are Senior Day at the club.

For information on any issue of interest to the senior population contact Sheila at (732) 356-0414.

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**Middlesex Borough Senior Citizens - Watchung Terrace at Middlesex**

For information call Flo Wines (732) 271-0278.

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**Our Lady of Mount Virgin Seniors** — Club meets the second Tuesday of the month at 1 p.m. in the church hall. Entertainment books for 2004 are now available. For books, call Marty at (732) 469-1722 or Fran at (732) 356-3380. The price is \$30 per book.

Dec. 9 — Christmas Party at Spain Inn, 1707 7th Street, Piscataway. From noon to 4 p.m. \$15 for members, \$20 for non-members. No refunds. In lieu of gift exchange, monetary donations will be accepted for FISH. Tickets available through Marty at (732) 469-1722 or Ben at (732) 356-6093.

For information on trips call Ellie Procacci (732) 752-3093 or Mary Jane Stoddard at (732) 356-2093.

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**Middlesex Saturday Seniors Club** — For more information, call Delia at (732) 356-7793.

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### South Bound Brook

The South Bound Brook Senior Citizens Club, Inc. meet 2 p.m. each Wednesday at Our Lady of Mercy Church Hall on High Street. Business meeting is conducted on the first Wednesday, and the following Wednesdays are Socials when games are played and refreshments are served.

This club is open to all seniors 55 years old and older in South Bound Brook and the surrounding area. For information/reservations call Catherine (732) 356-4080 or Emma (732) 356-4338.

Dec. 14 — Christmas Party/McAteer's.

April 24 to May 1, 2004 — Bermuda Cruise. Eight days, seven nights. \$899 per person, double occupancy - outside. Price includes bus, cabin, shipboard meals/amenities, port charges and taxes. Reservations must be made by Dec. 15. Call Ethel at (732) 356-5552.

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**South Bound Brook Senior Citizen Center**, 113 Clinton Ave., offers the following programs:  
Monday and Wednesday — Exercise, 10:30 a.m.  
Tuesday and Thursday — Bingo and cards, 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday — Line dancing, 10 a.m.

4th Wednesday of month — Librarian, 11:30 a.m.

Tuesday and Thursday — Liquid embroidery, 10 a.m. - noon.

4th Wednesday of month — Mobile Post Office, 10:30 a.m.

3rd Thursday of month — Outreach Specialist at center, 10-11 a.m.

3rd Thursday of month — Blood Pressure Screening, 10 a.m.

Every Friday — Cards or games.

For information, appointments or to register for programs, call the center at (732) 271-1646.

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**DINNER & MOVIE SPECIAL EVERY SHOW EVERY DAY!**

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**2 Shows - 8:00 pm & 10:30 pm**  
Birthday Party Packages Available  
Call (732) 968-1020 for Details



# Sports

## Chiefs gain their measure of revenge

*Piscataway turns back GMC foe Woodbridge, faces Union for crown*

By CHAD HEMENWAY  
Staff Writer

WOODBIDGE — It was déjà vu all over again for the Chiefs.

Going into halftime, the Piscataway High football team was up 14-0 against Woodbridge just as it had been when they teams met in a GMC-Red Division game in October. In that one Piscataway succumbed to a late Woodbridge comeback and an overtime loss to see a 16-game winning streak snapped.

But Chiefs would not be denied in the rematch as they held their ground and beat the fourth-seeded Barrons 20-7 in the semifinals of the North Jersey Section 2, Group IV semifinals Nov. 14.

Eight-rated Piscataway, which captured Central Jersey Group IV a year ago, will play second-rated Union in the final Saturday, Dec. 6 in Giants Stadium at the Meadowlands.

A new addition to the uniforms was worn by Piscataway players to remind them of the earlier loss to the Barrons. A piece of masking tape stuck on since practices, dirty and torn, still adorned most of their helmets.

It read, "Never relax" and it backed up the revenge factor that motivated the Chiefs.

"They believed they could win this game," said head coach Dan Higgins, in his first year. "I knew we could play like we did today but they had to believe. Tonight was our best, complete game. We put it together for four quarters and didn't let up."

The ice was broken early and the Chiefs never looked back. Special teams, which played a huge part in the game, supplied the dramatic first score as Kyle Wilson raced 80 yards to put Piscataway on the scoreboard. Matt Voliva followed with the first of two successful first-half placements for a 7-0 lead.

There were offensive highlights as well but they were usually set up by big plays on defense.

On the first play of the second quarter, Tyree Cooper intercepted Barron QB Brian Casey's pass in the end zone for a touchback. Piscataway then embarked on an 80-yard, 13-play drive that ate more than seven minutes from the clock. Junior Dwayne Lamont, a rising star for the Chiefs, scrambled in for a 20-yard touchdown run to cap the possession.

"Dwayne has been become a big part of our power package," Higgins said. "He's gotten better and better, and he makes people miss. He stepped up tonight for sure."

Lamont, who led the Chiefs' ground game with 81 yards on nine carries, ran for 63 yards during the drive behind punishing blocks of his lineman James Harris, Chris Sorrentino, Nick



David Gerena and his Piscataway High teammates kept their playoff title hopes alive by jolting Woodbridge 20-7 Nov. 14 to advance to the North Jersey Section 2 Group IV championship game set for next Saturday at the Meadowlands. In beating Woodbridge the Chiefs avenged an earlier loss to the Barrons and earned the right to play for a second straight Group IV crown.

Recine, David Pellicane and Ezell Hunter.

"We've gotten better every game as they year has gone on," Harris said. "Earlier in the year we'd play one good quarter here or there. Now we're starting to put together four solid quarters. We're getting used to winning now and we are starting to realize what it takes to get wins."

To seal the deal the Chiefs would come up with another big defensive play. After a sack by David Gerena, the Barrons, facing a fourth-and-13 situation, tried to get tricky with a hook and lateral on the first play of the fourth quarter — a play that successfully was used against Piscataway earlier in the year against Sayreville.

Wilson came up to make a stinging hit on the initial receiver, jarring the ball loose. Sophomore Robert Damon picked up the ball and returned it 40 yards, and when an unnecessary roughness penalty against Woodbridge for 15 yards was tacked on Piscataway was in business at the Barron 21.

Three plays later, Lamont, who had not scored this season until the Chiefs' upset of Irvington the previous week, added his second touchdown

of the game, bolting 15 yards on third down.

"This one feels good," Gerena said. "All week we were trying to focus, and it feels great to put together our best all-around game. We're coming together at the right time."

But the Barrons would not go gently into the night.

Running back Keith Zalasar, who led all runners with 26 carries for 138 yards, dove in from the 1 with 1:40 remaining to get Woodbridge (7-3) on the board, and the Barrons followed by recovering subsequent onside kick.

Woodbridge, however, self-destructed with a offensive pass interference penalty, a

Damon sack, an offside penalty and a delay-of-game call to run out the remaining time on the clock.

The Barrons, who saw their seven-game victory run ended, had the better offensive numbers as they finished with a 281-186 advantage in total yards and had a 16-8 advantage in first

downs, but Woodbridge turned the ball over three times to just once for the Chiefs.

Piscataway (7-3) 7 7 0 6 — 20  
Woodbridge (7-3) 0 0 0 7 — 6  
P — Wilson 80 punt return (Voliva kick)  
P — Lamont 20 run (Voliva kick)  
P — Lamont 15 run (kick failed)  
W — Zalasar 1 run (Mozolic kick), 1:39

## Special teams coming up big for Chiefs

By CHAD HEMENWAY  
Staff Writer

WOODBIDGE — At Piscataway special teams certainly prove to be just that. Actually they're very special.

Often overlooked, special teams sometimes can provide the difference between winning and losing and for the Chiefs that has been the case in their two-game playoff run as the kicking teams units have pretty much done it all.

Once again out-gained from scrimmage by an opponent, the Chiefs got a touchdown from its punt return squad and outstanding performances from its coverage units to knock off Woodbridge 20-6 Nov. 14 and reach the North Jersey Section 2 Group IV final against Union.

"Special teams have been monumental for us all season," Head Coach Dan Higgins said. "Kicking and coverage has been a big plus for us in games to pin opponents down."

Not only did Kyle Wilson return a punt

80 yards for Piscataway's first touchdown, but the punt cover team forced Woodbridge into an average starting point of its 15-yard-line after four Matt Voliva punts. Voliva only averaged 30 yards a kick, but his placement and the work of gunners Malcolm Jenkins and Wilson made sure Woodbridge return men were hit as soon as they caught the ball.

The kickoff coverage unit, meanwhile, forced the Barrons to open three drives at the 20, 28 and 24, so when it came to field position the Barrons always saw plenty of real estate in front of them when they got the ball.

The Chiefs were out-gained 281-186, but Woodbridge's best starting position before recovering a fumble at the Piscataway 42 with 3:03 left in the game was it 28 in the second quarter. Having to drive the length of the field each time it had the ball took its toll on the Barrons.

The first big play of the game came

from the special teams. With about five minutes to play in the first quarter, Woodbridge elected to punt the ball on a fourth-and-one from around its own 40-yard-line. Junior defensive back Kyle Wilson went back to receive the kick only about half-way, to remain in position for a possible fake.

But Woodbridge did kick and Wilson drifted back to his own 20 to make the catch. Then he turned on the jets and, after avoiding the only man that would come close to tackling him, sped down the sideline in front of his team, into the end zone for a return touchdown.

"I saw a gap and went for it," said Wilson, who also had an interception in the game. "Once I passed the first guy I knew I had a good chance."

After that score Woodbridge began its next possession at its 20. Following a second-period TD the Barrons started from their 28. Three ensuing punts had them back on their heels at their 10, 12 and 24.

## 'Rockets' still lighting it up at Spruce Run Reservoir

By MANNY LUFTGLASS  
Correspondent

Yogi Berra is famous for many sayings, but one I like best is, "It ain't over 'til it's over!" and I sure hope it isn't over yet.

What I wish will continue for a while longer is the hybrid bass activity at Spruce Run Reservoir. By the time we meet again, I hope to have hit my favorite lake a few more times and be ready to report back to you with tales of swirling "Rocket" tails once again. Clearly, though, the season is reaching its end so if you want to try to catch the doggondest most fightingest fish in our area, get to Spruce Run and try to hook one and hang on.

In my only recent outing to the lake, I found the action to be quite good, thanks for asking. My friend Andrew Sharo was out the day before with his son-in-law and they managed to boat a four-pound hybrid bass while busting off two bigger ones. They were fishing near the sunken island with live shiners as bait. Knowing some hybrids were still active, this gave me confidence when I stuck my two anchors in over 40 feet of water Nov. 3.

And my confidence was rewarded with the

crash-dive of my slider float that was set to hold my shiner some 28 feet below the surface. The fish did its thing and I did mine, and we enjoyed each other's company to the utmost. I lipped the beast and gently placed it across my bench seat's ruler, reading the tape to say 25.5 inches, and my guesstimate was that equaled a full eight pounds of dynamite when I released it.

I only caught a few more fish at this spot, including a foot-long yellow perch, three white catfish and a yard-long eel, so I moved to another double-anchorage area over 45 feet of water.

Here again, the rockets were still feeding, in broad daylight, and I was wearing a T-shirt in the 82-degree temperature, oh my-oh-my. I doubt I'll ever see 82 degrees again in November in New Jersey, but if so, I will be glad to accept it once more because the day was truly magnificent, and only a few other boats were on the lake to enjoy its splendor.

This spot coughed up a 13-inch largemouth ("sissy") bass, plus three more hybrids. A 13-inch grabbed a sinker-free shiner and fought like a far bigger critter. Another slider float, set at 35 feet, screamed its way under the

water's surface and I stuck the hook into the seven-pound beauty.

Last but not least, Spruce Run's hybrid bass No. 145 for the "Gone Fishin'" slammed a shiner that was just off bottom and took line a plenty before I could slow it down. The fish went over and around my bow anchor and back under it once more but finally I got it to the top, lipped it, and removed the hook. Was this the last one of the year? I dunno' but tune in next time.

The 2003 season in New Jersey is far from over, of course. Ron Bern and I fished the next day at Round Valley Reservoir, inshore, and caught some fish there, too. We had three brown trout, three smallmouth bass and a half-dozen rock bass. And the best is yet to come when Dec. 1 rolls around because that's when the lake trout season reopens.

I'd only fished Spruce Run once since last time, partially because Karen and I spent a few days in Florida. It had rained like the dickens before we got there and it started up again after we left, but from Nov. 7-9 I had fun in the sun while once more wearing but a T-shirt.

My sailing on the Lady K from Lantana

coughed up 14 fish to a three-pound almaco jack the first day. The next afternoon I was on the Blue Heron 101 from Palm Beach for my largest fish count ever on a Florida half-day "drift boat," scoring 18 fish in all, including nine yellowtail snappers.

The last sailing was on the same craft and here again, I had a blast. Another 14 critters went on the scoreboard and not only did I luck into the pool fish, a five-pound mutton snapper, but I had the second-biggest fish of the day to boot, a four-pound rainbow runner.

If you'd like to learn how to fish, or maybe how to fish with more success, pick up a copy of my newest book, "Gone Fishin' - For Beginners." It's available at lots of area stores like the Clinton Book Shop, Efinger Sporting Goods in Bound Brook and Borders.

In fact, I'll be doing a signing at the Bridgewater Borders store 1 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 13, so stop by and say hello, why don't you? You can get an autographed copy directly from me by sending \$13.95 plus six percent tax if a Jersey resident, to me at Box 556, Annandale, N.J. 08801.

"Scuze me, gone fishin'.



## Briefs

### Christmas Woman's Club meeting

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The December meeting of the South Plainfield Woman's Club will be held on 1 p.m. Dec. 4 at the American Legion Hall on Oak Tree Road.

There will be a Christmas party following the meeting. The program will be a sing-along with Doris Clark at the keyboard. Money usually designated for member gift exchange will be collected and donated to a local charity.

Members donated canned goods and other foods for Thanksgiving and Christmas baskets. These will be distributed to the needy by the Social Service Chairperson, Jeanine Kimmel.

New members are always welcomed. For further information call (908) 754-7410.

### Winter Frost Festival

#### at Senior/Youth Center

**HIGHLAND PARK** — The Department of Community Services is sponsoring a Winter Frost Festival performance by a professional ice sculptor 5:30 to

7:30 p.m. Dec. 9.

At the Senior/Youth Center, 220 South 6th Ave., outdoors so dress accordingly. Hot chocolate will be available.

Call (732) 819-0411 for information and registration form.

### Kabbalat Tot Shabbat at Neve Shalom

**METUCHEN** — Congregation Neve Shalom invites all children, 3 to 5, and their families to its Kabbalat Tot Shabbat 6:30 p.m. Dec. 5.

Prayers, stories and songs led by congregation member Martha Mack and Hazzan Sheldon Levin. The service will be interactive and participation will be encouraged.

Call (732) 548-2238, ext. 14 for more information.

### Parent-teacher

#### Conference Night

**EDISON** — Edison High School's annual Parent-Teacher Conference Night has been scheduled 7 to 9 p.m. Dec. 3.

Principal Frank Cangelosi announced the same procedure will be followed this year to schedule appointments with teachers. A special notice with

instructions has been mailed home to every parent. The mailer includes a schedule blank to be completed by the parent and then brought to school by the student who would have the teachers assign a time and location to meet with the parents.

For more information, call (732) 650-5200.

### Kids Create Craft program at library

**PISCATAWAY** — Registration begins Dec. 1 for Kids Create Craft Program, a fun-filled 45-minute program of creative activities for children in grades one to five.

It will be held 4 p.m. Dec. 17 at the J.F. Kennedy Library, 500 Hoes Lane.

Registration may be made in person at the library or by calling (732) 752-1633, ext. 1.

### Twilight Tales at

#### Piscataway Library

**PISCATAWAY** — Parents with children ages 3 to 5 are invited to join the Piscataway Public Library for Twilight Tales, 45 minutes filled with stories and activities for parents to share with their children.

It is being held 7 p.m. Dec. 1 at the J.W. Westergard Library, 20 Murray Ave.

No registration is required.

### Once Upon a Story at Westergard Library

**PISCATAWAY** — Preschoolers and kindergartners ages 3 to 5 are invited to Once Upon a Story, a half hour of storied and songs being held 1:30 p.m. Dec. 2 at the J.W. Westergard Library, 20 Murray Ave.

No registration is required.

### Rhyme Time at Kennedy Library

**PISCATAWAY** — Rhyme Time, a 20-minute story time for children 6-36 months, will be held 10:30 a.m. Dec. 2 at the J.F. Kennedy Library, 500 Hoes Lane.

No registration required.

### Books to Keep

#### at borough library

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The South Plainfield Free Public Library is participating in the Books to Keep program throughout the holiday season.

The program provides books to disadvantaged children in the county. Donate new children's books, both hardcover and paperback and monetary donations until Dec. 15.

The library is located at 2484 Plainfield Ave.

### Ski trip to Shawnee

#### for Edison teens

**EDISON** — A ski trip for Edison teens to Shawnee Mountain in Pennsylvania will be held Dec. 27.

Departure time 7:30 a.m. from the Minnie B. Veal Community Center, 1070 Grove Ave., and 8 a.m. from the Stelton Community Center, 328 Plainfield Ave. Return time is about 7:30 p.m. to Stelton and 8 p.m. to Minnie B. Veal.

If you will be renting equipment and do not like waiting on lines, a pre-set rental form must be filled out in advance at either community center on or before Dec. 12. All other applicants must have their applications submitted by Dec. 12. Money is payable on the day of the trip.

Once a package is selected, it cannot be changed. Applications must be returned to either community center.

For more information on the packages, contact Edison Recreation Department at (732) 248-7309, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. or after 6 p.m. (732) 248-7313.

### Santa Breakfast

#### at Possumtown Fire Co.

**PISCATAWAY** — Possumtown Fire Company is holding Santa Breakfast 8:30 a.m. to noon Dec. 21 at the firehouse, 85 S.

Stratton Street.

There will be pancakes, eggs, sausage, bacon, muffins and bagels, as well as raffles and photos with Santa.

Cost is \$7 for adults, \$6 for seniors, \$5 for children and free for children 3 and younger.

For advanced tickets call Sue at (732) 271-0955.

### Victorian Parlor Games at Edison Library

**EDISON** — The Friends of the Edison Public Library is hosting Victorian Parlor Games 2 p.m. Dec. 7 at the Edison Main Library, 340 Plainfield Ave.

Come learn some of the games such as "lookabout," "Change Seats!" and "Pass the Slipper" from noted local food historian Judith Krall-Russo. Refreshments will round out the afternoon.

The program is free but space is limited. Call (732) 287-2298 to reserve a seat.

### The Mall at Edison

#### High School Dec. 3

**EDISON** — The Edison High School Project Graduation presents The Mall at Edison High School 7 to 10 p.m. Dec. 3 in the cafeteria.

Admission is free. There will be many vendors, crafts, refreshments and door prizes.

For more information, call (732) 819-4831 or (732) 572-4667.

### Live Nativity at

#### Edison church

**EDISON** — The Community Presbyterian Church is hosting a living Nativity 6 to 8 p.m. Dec. 6, across from Edison High School on Glenville Road.

Activities include the continuous Nativity, petting zoo and crafts.

For more information, call (732) 287-1666.

### JFK School class

#### of 1973 reunion

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The J.F. Kennedy Class of '73 will hold its 30th Class Reunion at The Kenilworth Inn 6:30 p.m. to 12:30 a.m. Nov. 29.

The cost is \$62 per person. For more information please call Mariann Burnosky at (908) 722-6358 or email her at MRSR37@aol.com.

### Craft/vendor night

#### at Riley School

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — John E. Riley Elementary School, Morris Avenue, will hold its annual craft/vendor night 5 to 9 p.m. Dec. 5.

New and handcrafted merchandise.

For vendor information, call (908) 561-2530.

### Communism

#### Breakfast Nov. 30

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The South Plainfield Knights of

Columbus will be having a Communion Breakfast 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Nov. 30 at the Knights hall on Hamilton Boulevard (across from Pizza Stop).

The continental breakfast will follow the 9:30 a.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church with a guest speaker. There is no charge for this event, families are invited to attend this event.

For more information and to make your reservations, please call (908) 755-6203.

### Soccer Club holding membership meeting

**PISCATAWAY** — The Piscataway Soccer Club will be holding a general membership meeting 7:30 p.m. Dec. 8, at the Piscataway Township Municipal Building. All are welcome to attend.

The Club is now accepting registrations for the spring 2004 season. Registrations are due by Dec. 31. Open registration will be 7 to 9 p.m. Dec. 11 and 12 at the Municipal Building. Forms are available from current coaches and from the club web site. On-line registration is now available for returning players by going to the new club website, which is [www.PiscatawaySoccer.com](http://www.PiscatawaySoccer.com).

The cost is \$75 for instructional and \$110 for competitive (traveling).

Please contact Michelle Aguilar at (732) 7523688.

### Toys for Tots drop

#### off at the mall

**EDISON** — Menlo Park Mall is participating in the annual "Toys for Tots" campaign of the Marine Corps Reserve.

Bring a new, unwrapped toy to the Santa Court near Nordstrom any weekend through Dec. 21. All toys donated will go to needy children. For more information, call (732) 494-MALL.

### Collection drive

#### for holiday season

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The Friends of the South Plainfield Free Library are sponsoring a collection drive during the holiday season.

They're collecting new gloves, mittens, hats and scarves. The donated items will be distributed to the needy by FISH Inc. The drive runs from Nov. 19 to Dec. 15.

The South Plainfield Free Library is located in the municipal complex, 2484 Plainfield Ave. For more information, call (908) 754-7885.

### Entertainment

#### books for sale

**SOUTH PLAINFIELD** — The South Plainfield Elks Veterans Committee is selling entertainment books for \$30.

Contact Lou Peralta at (908) 756-6406.

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## Legal Notices

### NOTICE OF ORDINANCE FINAL ADOPTION AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE SALARY RANGE OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX

Notice is hereby given that the following Ordinance was adopted at a Public Meeting of the Borough Council of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey held on the 25th day of November, 2003 in the Municipal Building, 1200 Mountain Avenue, Middlesex, New Jersey.

### ORDINANCE NO. 1591-03 AN ORDINANCE FIXING AND DETERMINING THE SALARY RANGE OF CERTAIN OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE BOROUGH OF MIDDLESEX

TITLE	Base	To
Borough Administrator	\$90,000	\$100,000
Borough Clerk	\$42,000	\$50,000
Deputy Borough Clerk	\$31,000	\$42,000
Chief Finance Officer (Part Time)	\$5,000	\$6,000
Tax Collector	\$40,000	\$48,700
Police Chief	\$85,000	\$101,000
DPW Superintendent	\$80,000	\$88,274
DPW Assistant Superintendent	\$60,000	\$67,000
Construction Official	\$60,000	\$65,000
Tax Assessor (Part Time)	\$24,000	\$26,500
Deputy Tax Assessor (Part Time)	\$10,000	\$15,000
Treasurer	\$42,000	\$50,000
Recreation Director	\$42,000	\$50,000
Assistant Recreation Director	\$7,000	\$10,000
Recreation Secretary (Part Time)	\$800	\$1,200
Director - Office on Aging	\$30,000	\$38,000
Electrical Sub-Code Official (Part Time)	\$9,000	\$10,000
Board of Health Secretary (Part Time)	\$2,000	\$2,500
Shade Tree Secretary (Part Time)	\$1,800	\$2,500
Juvenile Conference Committee Secretary (Part Time)	\$1,500	\$2,000
Uniform Fire Code Official/Fire Prevention Official (Part Time)	\$14,000	\$17,000
Municipal Magistrate (Part Time)	\$25,000	\$30,000
Assistant Municipal Magistrate (Part Time)	\$20,000	\$25,000
Corporate Counsel	\$35,000	\$41,000
Planning Sub-Code Official (Part Time)	\$10,000	\$12,500
Fire Sub-Code Official (Part Time)	\$7,000	\$10,000
Code Enforcer (Part Time)	\$14,000	\$17,500
Swim Pool Secretary (Part Time)	\$5,000	\$7,000
Hourly Employees	Per Hour	Per Hour
Pre-School Program Coordinator (Part Time)	\$10.00	\$13.00
Pre-School Program Instructor (Part Time)	\$8.50	\$12.00
Nutrition Driver (Part Time)	\$10.00	\$12.00
Medical Transportation Driver (Part Time)	\$11.00	\$13.00
Administrative Assistant (Confidential Employee) (Part Time)	\$10.00	\$15.00
Rent Review Board Secretary (Part Time)	\$9.00	\$12.00
Clerk (Temporary) (Part Time)	\$10.00	\$13.00

SECTION 2  
Rates of Compensation established above shall serve as a guide in employment and subsequent changes in rate of employees hired after passage of this ordinance.

SECTION 3  
All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent with the provisions of this ordinance be and the same are hereby repealed.

SECTION 4  
This Ordinance shall take effect upon its final passage, approval and publication according to law.  
ADOPTED: November 25, 2003  
\$44.68

### NOTICE OF ORDINANCE INTRODUCTION AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND CHAPTER 64 STORAGE: MATERIALS AND EQUIPMENT

ORDINANCE NO. 1592-03  
The ordinance published herewith was introduced at a public meeting of the Borough Council of the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, held on November 25, 2003 and will be further considered by the final passage after a public hearing at a public meeting of said Borough Council to be held at the Municipal Building, in said Borough on December 9, 2003 at 8:00 P.M.

Kathleen Anello  
Borough Clerk  
B212 11 11/29/03  
\$5.78

### NOTICE OF PENDING BOND ORDINANCE AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, State of New Jersey, on November 25, 2003 and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's Office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:  
Title: "Bond Ordinance Providing for Preliminary Planning for the Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project and Videotaping Inspection in and by the Borough of Middlesex, in the County of Middlesex, New Jersey, Appropriating \$173,000, Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$164,350 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof."  
Purpose(s): The improvement hereby authorized and the purpose for the financing of which the bonds are to be issued is preliminary planning for the Sanitary Sewer Improvement Project and videotape inspection of portions of the system to be determined, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

Appropriation: \$173,000  
Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$164,350  
Grants (if any) Appropriated: N/A  
Section 20 Costs: \$33,000  
Useful Life: 20 Years

Kathleen Anello, Borough Clerk  
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### NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY CHANCERY DIVISION MIDDLESEX COUNTY Docket No. F-4480-97

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, to  
JOSEPH SCHWARTZ, STEVEN KOGUT  
YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Plueser, Becker & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 905 North Kings Highway, Cherry Hill, New Jersey 08034-1569. An Answer to the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint (if any) filed in a civil action in which Wachovia Bank, N.A., as Custodian, is Plaintiff and Dal-ney Schwartz, et al. are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Middlesex County, bearing Docket No. F-4480-97, within thirty-five days after Nov. 29, 2003 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint (if any). You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a Tax Sale Certificate #85-28 dated December 30, 1985 made by Claire M. Vukobrat, Collector of Taxes of the Township of Old Bridge and State of New Jersey to the Township of Old Bridge, recorded in the Middlesex County Clerk's office on September 24, 1986 in Book 3295 of Mortgages at page 268, to recover possession of and concerning real estate located at 12 Buttonwood Drive, Tax Lot 577, Block 15513, Old Bridge, New Jersey.

The Township of Old Bridge sold said Tax Sale

Certificate to Arapaho Capital Corporation by Assignment dated September 12, 1994 and recorded in the Middlesex County Clerk's office on September 19, 1994 in Mortgage Book AB604 at page 308. By Assignment dated January 23, 1996, Arapaho Capital Corporation assigned its tax sale certificate to First Fidelity Bank, N.A., Custodian. Said Assignment was recorded in the Clerk's Office of Middlesex County on January 23, 1996 in Book AB638, Page 548. By Assignment dated February 29, 1996, Arapaho Capital Investment Corporation assigned its tax sale certificate to First Fidelity Bank, N.A., Custodian. Said Assignment was recorded in the Clerk's Office of Middlesex County on April 26, 1996 in Book AB645, Page 535. By lost Assignment, First Fidelity Bank, N.A., Custodian assigned its Tax Sale Certificate to Breen Capital Holdings, Inc. By Assignment dated April 18, 1997, Breen Capital Holdings, Inc. assigned its tax sale certificate to First Union National Bank, as Custodian. Said Assignment was recorded in the Clerk's Office of Middlesex County on April 29, 1997 in Book AB673, Page 285. First Union National Bank, as Custodian changed their name to Wachovia Bank, N.A., as Custodian. You, Joseph Schwartz are named a party defendant hereto by reason of the following judgment, entered in the

Superior Court of New Jersey entitled Joseph Schwartz, Jack Solemiani and Moucher Michael, Dr. v. Parkwood Apartment Corp. E201 67 Boulevard East Corporation, Gonzalo Camptubosoms, Robert Schwartz Judgment No. J-33761-89, entered 4-19-89, type of action, contract, venue: Bergen, debt of \$109,832.85, costs of \$152.50. Case No. L-042953-88.  
You, Steven Kogut are named a party defendant hereto by reason of the following judgment, entered in the Superior Court of New Jersey entitled Steven Kogut v. Robert Schwartz, Gonzalo Camptubosoms, Judgment No. J-87463-88, entered December 8, 1988, type of action, contract, venue: Bergen, debt of \$90,000.00, Case No. L-036370-88, w post judgment, Judgment without costs.  
You may contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County in which this action is pending by calling 732-828-0055. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County in which this action is pending by calling 732-249-7600.  
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30 YR JUMBO	6.000	0.00	6.009	NIP	NIP DAY	1 YR ADJ.	1.950	0.00	4.460	0%	90 DAY	20 YR FIXED	6.500	0.00	6.526	5%	60 DAY
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## This week

**Sunday, Nov. 30**

**METUCHEN - Straws**, 70's progressive-rock band. Borough Improvement League, 491 Middlesex Ave., 7 p.m. \$75. Tickets: [www.progradio.net/njprohouse](http://www.progradio.net/njprohouse) or (732) 463-8363.

**Monday, Dec. 1**

**METUCHEN - Funding Workshop** for making churches accessible to the disabled. Temple Neve Shalom, 250 Grove Ave., 10 a.m. Free. Registration required: (732) 777-1940, Ext. 141.

**Wednesday, Dec. 3**

**METUCHEN - Monthly Meeting** of Metuchen-Edison Woman's Club. St. Luke's Episcopal Church, Route 27, 7:30 p.m. (732) 548-0925.  
**MIDDLESEX - Christmas Party** for Altar Rosary Society of Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church. Russo's Continental Restaurant, 266 W. Union Ave., Bound Brook, 6:30 p.m. (732) 356-8717.

**Saturday, Dec. 6**

**DUNELLEN - Greeting Cards** signed by Mary Zink. Dunellen Public Library, New Market Rd., noon-3 p.m. \$5/card. (732) 968-4585.

**MIDDLESEX - Breakfast with Santa** benefiting Project Graduation of Middlesex High School, Bound Brook Rd., 9 a.m.-noon. \$3. (732) 469-5557.

**NEW BRUNSWICK - Freedom Fund Dinner**, 28th annual event of Metuchen-Edison Area Branch, NAACP. Crossroads Theatre, 7 Livingston Ave., \$75; no tickets sold at the door. (732) 424-1531 or (732) 690-3893.

**Sunday, Dec. 7**

**EDISON - "Holiday Magic"** dance recital. John P. Stevens High School, 855 Grove Ave., 3 p.m. \$12. Tickets: (908) 753-ARTS.

**MIDDLESEX - Holiday Concert** of Middlesex Public Library, 1300 Mountain Ave., 3 p.m. (732) 356-6602.

**In The Future**

**BOUND BROOK - Monthly Meeting** of Somerset Naturalists. Congregational Church, West High St., 8 p.m. Dec. 8. (732) 356-2428.  
**BOUND BROOK - "An Evening with Santa."** Holy Family Academy, 120 E. Second St., 6 p.m. Dec. 12. Children \$5 in advance, \$7 at door; adults, under 2 free. (732) 356-1151.

**DUNELLEN - Holiday Party** for Friends of the Dunellen Public Library, New Market Rd., 6:30 p.m. Dec. 8. (732) 968-4585.

**METUCHEN - Christmas Show** at Radio City Music Hall. Bus leaves Borough Hall, 212 Durham Ave., 2:30 p.m. Dec. 10. \$72. Reservations: (732) 632-8502.

## Top candle professional



Sandy Grippo of Edison has been awarded the honorary title of Regional Vice President with PartyLite Gifts Inc., the world's leading direct sales marketer of candles and candle accessories. As a Regional Vice President, Grippo ranks among the top 1 percent of more than 37,000 independent consultants with PartyLite nationwide. Grippo started her career with PartyLite in 1995 and has risen through PartyLite's leadership program to achieve one of the highest levels attainable. She currently develops and trains new consultants throughout New Jersey. Managing an independent home-based business, Grippo also provides customers in the Edison area with premium quality candles and candle accessories, decorating expertise and candle care tips. To learn more about PartyLite, visit [www.partylite.com](http://www.partylite.com).

## Church dedicates new organ last Sunday

**PISCATAWAY** — On Nov. 23 history was made at Christ United Methodist Church as the congregation gathered to dedicate a new organ.

All were welcome to hear famed recitalist Mark Andrew Miller as he performed a unique program of sacred and secular selections.

Miller is a graduate of Yale and Juilliard and has played across America, the Caribbean and Europe. He directs the Gospel Choir at New York's famed Marble Collegiate Church and is on the faculty of Drew

Theological School in Madison. Miller was also Music Director of last summer's United Methodist international youth festival in Knoxville, TN. He is also a prolific composer of church music. His compositions have been published by Abington Press and have been heard on National Public Radio and NBC-TV.

A reception followed the recital.

Christ United Methodist Church is located at 485 Hoes Lane in Piscataway. Call (732) 463-1517 for more information.

## Campus notes

Craig Dolan of Edison has earned a bachelor's degree from Springfield College in Springfield, Mass. He completed his degree requirements in August.

Nicholas Green of South Plainfield has received a Deans' Scholarship from Gettysburg College in Gettysburg, Pa. The grant is awarded to incoming freshmen who are in the top 15 percent of their high school class with an SAT score within the top 25 percent.

Alex Greczek of Middlesex was part of "The Pull" on Sept. 27 at Hope College in Holland, Mich., where he is a freshman. "The Pull" is an annual tug-of-war between the freshman and sophomore classes.

Greczek, who graduated from Middlesex High School in June, is the son of Ronald

and Mary Ann Greczek.

Kevin Stewart of Middlesex appeared Oct. 24-26 in a student production of "On the Town" at Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pa. He played Mr. S Uperman, Rajah Bimmy, a sailor, a workman, a reporter and a nightclub patron in the university's version of the Broadway musical.

Stewart is a freshman majoring in music education. The son of Tim and Rosanne Stewart graduated from Middlesex High School in June.

## Jump rope for heart in Middlesex County

**NEW BRUNSWICK** — Students throughout Middlesex County joined more than 590 NJ schools to use their jumping skills to fight New Jersey's number one and number three causes of death - heart disease and stroke - by participating in American Heart Association Jump Rope For Heart. Now wrapping up its 24th year, Jump Rope For Heart is co-sponsored annually by the American Heart Association and the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance. Since 1979 Jump Rope For Heart has grown to reach more than 25,000 schools across the nation, involving close to 1.8 million students annually. New Jersey Jump Rope For Heart schools collectively raised \$1.521 million during the 2002 - 2003 school year to support American Heart Association funded research, cardiovascular education and community programs, and one of Middlesex County's leading top ten American Heart Association Jump Rope For Heart schools for 2002 - 2003 is Franklin Elementary School in South Plainfield (\$9,180); John P. Faber Elementary School in Dunellen (\$8,057); Lincoln Elementary School in Edison (\$5,576) and Lindeneau Elementary School in Edison (\$4,933).

The efforts of these young people help to support the critically important mission of the American Heart Association to reduce disability and death from cardiovascular diseases and stroke.

For more information about American Heart Association Jump Rope For Heart or other programs, contact your local American Heart Association office or visit on-line at [www.americanheart.org](http://www.americanheart.org).

## BRATZ playgroup openings

**METUCHEN** — Family Friends Inc. organizes activities and discussion groups for families with small children.

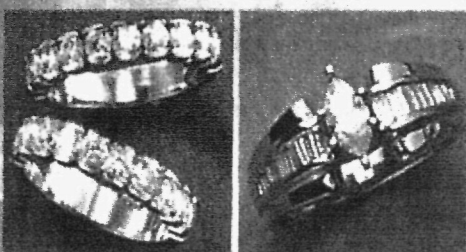
Playgroups are held at Birthdays for BRATZ, 24 Jersey Ave. The baby playgroup is 10 a.m.-noon Wednesday for toddlers up to 2 years old. The regular playgroup is 10 a.m.-noon Monday for boys and girls up to 6 years old. Parents are welcome to try out a playgroup for free before deciding whether to join.

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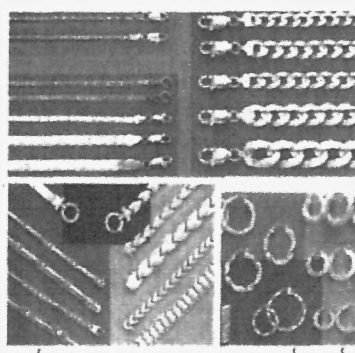


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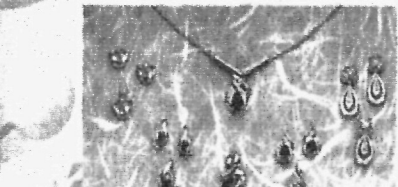


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