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Mayor wants cuts in municipal budget

By JOSEPH ANDREANO
THE REPORTER

Drastic cuts in services may have to be madé from the current municipal budget to avoid a tax increase, Mayor Michael Woskey warned residents.

In a prepared statement read at last Thursday night's Borough Council meeting, Mr. Woskey said the proposed 1992 municipal budget is $600,000 over cap. The state-imposed spending cap is set at $15.2 million. As of Feb. 22, the proposed budget totaled $15.8 million.

Mr. Woskey also told the public the council, "must wrestle with the fact that revenues for 1992 are considerably less than 1991,"and asked Democrats and Republicans to work together to solve the problem.

As a result, the mayor said he will appoint two bi-partisan committees to review and recommend specific cuts in eight separate departments.

The first committee, headed by Republican Councilman Willard Carey and including councilmen Joseph Mack (Republican) and John Pulomena (Democrat) will review the administration and finance departments; economic development; health, welfare & environment; and the sewer utility budget.

Democrat Councilman Daniel Gallagher will chair the second committee, with Council President Linda Dashuta (Republican) and Councilman Paul Rasmussen (Democrat) as members. They will oversee public safety, public works, and recreation departments, and the pool utility budget.

Among the declining figures Mr. Woskey discussed included available surplus, which is down $600,000 from last year; licensing fees and permits, which dropped $35,000; declining interest rates which caused the yield on investments to drop by more than $200,000; a reduction in construction fees and permits of almost $60,000 caused by a "soft economy" and the sewer moratorium; and a decrease in the assessed value of the borough by $10 million.

Full text of mayor's statement on page 5

To avoid a tax increase, the council must pass a $14 million budget, or $400,000 less than last year.

Mr. Woskey met with each department head on Feb. 24 to discuss the budget plight and asked them to review their priorities. He suggested department heads consider the following:

- What is the essential function of your department?
- On a scale of one to 10 how do you rank each program's importance? What is the cost of each program?
- What do you have to do to reduce your department's total cost by 5 percent — to reach cap, or by 15 percent — to achieve a zero tax increase?

The mayor is asking the department heads to respond by March 12.

A hare-raising experience

LINDA D. EPSTEIN/THE REPORTER

John F. Riley School pupils performed 'The Velveteen Rabbit' to an audience of enthusiastic parents and friends Saturday evening. The play was the first full-scale theatrical production by an elementary school in the borough.

Girl Scouts will remember leader hurt in accident

By JOSEPH ANDREANO
THE REPORTER

While Girl Scouts throughout the country will be celebrating the 80th anniversary of their existence next week, local scouts will spend the occasion reflecting on a tragic accident that seriously injured one of its leaders.

On Feb. 24, around 6 p.m., Venise Goyette, 48, was driving her 1989 Ford Bronco northbound on Kenyon Avenue when she was struck by an alleged drunken driver, who ran a stop sign. The collision caused her vehicle to overturn before landing on its side, crushing her left arm.

Ms. Goyette was airlifted to Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital where after 10 hours of surgery, it was determined the arm could not be saved. On Feb. 26, her left arm was amputated.

The driver who hit Ms. Goyette's car was identified as Duc Nguyen, 22, of Edison. He was also transported by helicopter to Robert Wood Johnson, where he was entered in critical condition, but was later released. He was charged with driving while intoxicated, failing to stop and being an unlicensed driver. Nguyen also struck a third car driven by another borough resident, Joan Lippai, 56. Ms. Lippai sustained neck injuries and was transported and treated at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center.

The leader of Troop 493 put the incident in perspective, according to Arlene Kelly, a cadet consultant. "She said, 'God takes things away, only to give you others,' " Ms. Kelly said. "Her spirits were remarkable, considering the circumstances."

Ms. Kelly said Ms. Goyette will manage to get through this situation, but it certainly has been difficult for the scouts.

"The girls are stunned. They were very concerned, very worried," she said. A few of her scouts were trying to contact her to borrow cookie pans when the accident occurred.

As a result of the accident, Girl Scouts in the borough will decorate their doors with red ribbons as a symbol of Girl Scouts Against Drunk Driving and as a tribute to Ms. Goyette. They are requesting borough residents do the same.

The girls will also take part in a

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Scouts mark 80th birthday

By JOSEPH ANDREANO
THE REPORTER

The celebration commemorating the 80th birthday of the Girl Scouts will go on as scheduled this weekend.

The festivities will begin Saturday when the scouts celebrate their sabbath, with an "ingathering." Everyone is invited to join in the celebration.

At 7:30 p.m. there will be a procession from Spring Lake Park to Veterans Memorial Park. The Girl Scout birthday is March 12.

The ceremony will continue with speakers, presentations and sing-alongs.

Hot chocolate and coffee will be served.

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Town gets state money for water lines

By JOSEPH ANDREANO
THE REPORTER

A final chapter has been written in the story of the borough's contaminated wells and this one has a happy ending.

The costs the borough incurred by installing new water lines to replace the contaminated wells on 10 streets will be reimbursed through the Department of Environmental Protection and Energy's (DEPE) Site Remediation Program.

The program has a Spill Compensation Fund, which is expected pay the borough about $203,000, which will cover the cost of extending the water line.

In 1989, wells on Amboy, Anthony, Barone, Camden, Jackson, New York and Woolworth avenues, along with Bergen, Pitt and Rush streets were reported to have been contaminated by high levels of the carcinogenic agent trichloroethylene (TCE), according to Health Officer Michael Bonk. The TCE readings were found after a routine survey of homes.

The maximum level of TCE allowed by law is one part per billion. While some houses in the area reported levels between zero and 20 parts per billion, one home had a reading of 6,000 parts per billion.

The cause of the TCE levels was never determined, but it certainly isn't a rare substance.

"It's a solvent used in many industries," Mr. Bonk said.

As soon as the wells were found to be contaminated, the borough acted quickly. They contracted the services of Elizabethtown Water Company to extend the water line at a cost of $123,000. Another $80,000 went for labor, supplies and trucking costs. Construction started in July, 1990, and 7,167 feet of water line was added.

Mr. Bonk filed the application for the spill fund on Feb. 28 to be reimbursed for the approximately $80,000 in construction costs. The application is the last step before approval of the funds, but once the Health Department received the application, Mr. Bonk said the approval is more or less a formality. "It's a sure thing," he said, referring to the remuneration of funds. "I've been assured by someone involved with the spill fund."

Councilman John Pulomena, who worked closely on the project, put everything into per-

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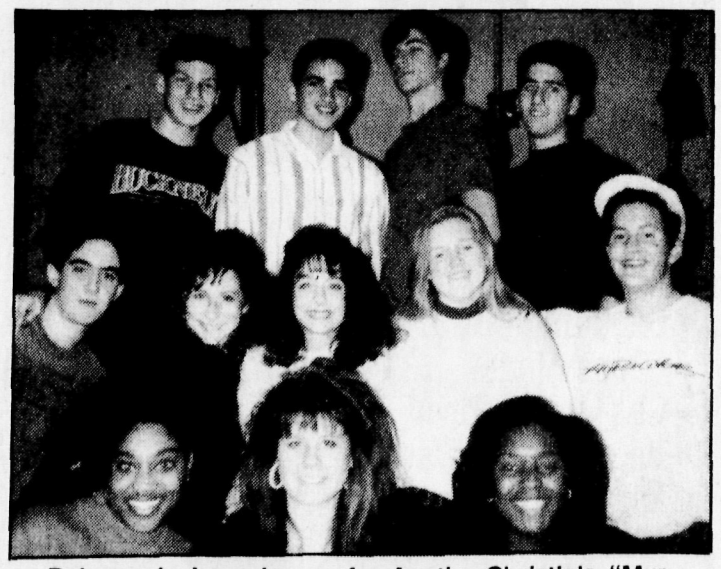
'Murder' at SPHS



Rehearsals have begun for Agatha Christie's "Murder at the Vicarage" to be presented by the South Plainfield High school Players Drama Club on May 8, 9. In the cast are (top row) Jonathan Wolek, Stephen Capitani, Nick Checchio and Keith Row; second row, Mike Bianchini, Michelle Perry, Jeanette Hoffman, Kristen Karlicek and Shayne Miller; bottom row, Margaret Edwards, Rebecca Miller and Ebony Loney.

'Friends of the Library' hold their first meeting

By JOSEPH ANDREANO
THE REPORTER

About 30 prospective members, including Mayor Michael Woskey and several Borough Council members, attended the first "Friends of the South Plainfield Free Public Library" meeting Tuesday night.

The purpose of the meeting was to introduce the public to what a library friends group does, and what they could do as contributing members. Joining the mayor and his wife were Councilmen Joe Mack, Dan Gallagher, John Pulomena and Paul Rasmussen.

Library Director Sundra Fenn outlined the importance of friends by getting the community involved in raising money for the library. She also noted the friends group is independent from the library. Ms. Fenn reiterated the need for volunteers because the group is not in the library's budget.

Perhaps the greatest reason why library trustees reached out to the community for volunteers was to get more adults into the library to use the facilities. Ms. Fenn said the majority of library patrons are children, which is evident in the tremendous circulation of children's books.

"Not enough people are using the library," she said.

Mr. Woskey echoed the director's sentiments. "I, too, am one of those adults who don't frequent the library enough."

Mr. Woskey praised the formation of the group and said it was a good way to get people to learn about the library. He donated the first book on behalf of Friends, "America Then and Now," an historical view of the country through the art of photography.

Otto Sodoma, one of the core committee members of friends, spoke of the variety of services a member could provide in addition to fund raising. A friend could lend his or her expertise for membership drives, publicity, establishing library programs or just re-shelving books.

Mr. Mack asked if the group set any goals for 1992.

Natalie Bergen, chairperson of the core committee, told him there was no specific aspirations for the committee, but noted there would be a book sale on May 2 to help raise money. And, in an attempt to solicit interest from the high school, the friends are planning a contest to see which student can come up with the best logo for the group.

Ms. Fenn added the businesses community will be targeted for membership and donations, anything to get the library more recognition.

To become a friend of the library there is a $1 annual fee for high school students, $3 for senior citizens over 60, and $5 for everyone else. One can also become a sponsor for $50 or a lifetime member for $100.

The friends have been incorporated recently by the state and are working toward adopting a constitution.

To join or to find out more information call the library at 754-7885.

Helping wishes come true

LINDA D. EPSTEIN/THE REPORTER

K mart general manager Bob Williams and store employee Linda Castellani present Make-A-Wish Foundation executive director Norma Godin with a check for $300, the proceeds from last month's bake-off between the store and Forbes Newspapers.

Town gets state money for lines

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spective.

"Unfortunately, it may have taken a little longer than we would've liked, but we were persistent, Mike Bonk has been persistent, and we're very pleased with the results," he said. "The bottom line is, we got the homes taken care of. But, the more important thing is the fact that we were able to work with the state and we made sure that we were properly compensated for it."

It may take a few more weeks to get the application for the remaining $123,000, but Mr. Bonk is confident that the money will be repaid to the borough. He also mentioned that homeowners who had to pay to gain access to the water line are also eligible for reimbursement from the spill fund.

Scouts mark 80th birthday

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The evening will conclude with a flag-burning ceremony. American flags are properly disposed of by burning, if it is too old or tattered to be a fitting emblem for display. An owner who does not wish to use his flag again, because it has special meaning to him, may bring it to the celebration to have it burned.

The flag cannot be burned in one piece, so the blue field will be cut up into individual pieces by each member of the group. While patriotic songs are being sung, each group member will place their piece on the fire. The ashes will be collected and buried at a flag lowering ceremony in September.

On March 8, several churches in town, including Sacred Heart Church, Wesley Methodist Church and Pilgrim Covenant Church, will be holding special masses for Girl Scout Sunday. Some of the scouts will receive religious awards at a few of the masses.

Scouts will remember

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Contemporary Issue Program, sponsored by the National Girl Scouts entitled, "Substance Abuse."

The program will teach the scouts, who range from kindergarten kids to high school students, about the harms of drugs and alcohol.

However, the Feb. 24 accident will serve as a constant reminder of how the best lesson learned is the one which hits home the hardest.

Mayor and Council 'Deliver Twins'

The South Plainfield Rescue Squad Inc. took delivery of their *twins* on Feb. 21. Delivery was made without complications. The plan was conceived some nine months ago with the help of Councilwoman Linda Dashuta and her Public Safety Committee members. After much planning, the mayor and council approved the Rescue Squad's request to assist in the purchase of the new ambulances. The new arrivals were named 65 and 67, respectively. As planned, they came wrapped in blue. They are expected to make their first official public appearance sometime this week.

Police report

Glenn Dale Oquist, 29, 177 E. Golf Ave. was arrested for theft on Feb. 27.

According to police, Oquist allegedly stole a pocketbook, belonging to one of his neighbors on Dec. 7, 1991. The pocketbook contained $250, a checkbook, keys and assorted credit cards. Bail was set at $5,000.

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Christopher DuBois O'Loughlin, 19, of Plainfield was charged on Feb. 28 with stealing a 1986 Chevrolet.

Police said O'Loughlin was also charged with contempt of court violation, issued by the borough. He was picked up at his home. Bail was set at $5,000.

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A Haro Team Master bicycle, valued at $542.49, was stolen from the garage of a West Avenue home Feb. 27.

According to police, suspects broke into the garage, which was unlocked, and stole the bike. The brother of the victim told police he saw a young male riding a similar bike that day. When he came home, he told his mother what he saw. At that time, they discovered the bike was missing. A check of the area was undertaken with negative results.

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Gregory James Cousar, 19, of Plainfield was charged on Feb. 28 with criminal mischief. Bail was set at $1,000.

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A red 1990 Nissan 240SX was stolen from the parking lot of Middlesex Mall on March 2.

According to police, the automobile was parked in the aisle, near the main entrance, when suspects apparently smashed the window to gain entrance to the car. The Nissan belongs to a 28-year-old Edison man, who said the registration and insurance card were left in the car. A mobile phone was also taken with the car. The total estimated value is $15,000.

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Maria Perez, 26, of Edison was charged with shoplifting at Caldor, in Hadley Center on March 3.

Police said Perez was observed allegedly attempting to conceal film, batteries and underwear, valued at $134.22, in her carry bag. Store security apprehended her as she left the store. Perez was brought to headquarters, processed and released on $100 bail.

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Oliver G. Thurman, 37, of Colonia was charged with robbery, burglary and a contempt of court violation issued by Edison on March 2.

According to reports, the incidents took place in Edison, but Thurman's car was pulled over by local authorities at the intersection of Park and Maple avenues. He was transported to headquarters, processed and transferred to Edison police.

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Joseph N. Girgus, 28, of 325 Bergen St. was arrested on March 2 for violating a restraining order and a contempt of court warrant issued by the borough.

Police said they spotted the suspect hiding in the basement of his house, after being observed through the window by authorities. Bail was set at $11,000.

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Derrell L. Nettingham, 30, of Rahway was arrested on March 2 for a contempt of court warrant issued by the borough, dating back to August 1991. Bail was set at $300.

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The door knob on an office shed at the recycling center on Kenneth Avenue was reportedly pried loose on March 2.

According to police, the knob was loose but nobody entered the building. Trailers and dumpsters were rummaged through and numerous glass bottles were broken and strewn about the lot, along with various aluminum cans.

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Someone used a pellet gun to shoot out four windows and a garage window at The Engineer Company on Teeple Place between Friday and Monday.

Police are investigating.

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A girls black-and-pink Huffy bicycle was found Sunday by a Frederick Avenue resident near his home.

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A toolbox filled with tools was stolen from the back of a pickup truck parked in the driveway of a Clinton Avenue residence on Saturday.

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William Madden, 1603 Bullard Place, was charged with harassment on Friday. Feb. 21. He was taken to headquarters and processed.

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Jermaine Pretlow, 20, of Roselle was charged with disorderly conduct and criminal mischief following a fight on Maple Avenue on Saturday. He was taken to headquarters and processed.

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The following were charged with contempt of court this week:

- Robert Lawrence, 51, of Plainfield, on a warrant out of North Plainfield Municipal Court. He was processed and released after posting bail.
- Waka Johnson, 19, of Plainfield, on a warrant out of South Plainfield Municipal Court. He was released after posting $106 bail.
- Curtis Bovell, 21, of Piscataway, on a warrant out of South Plainfield Municipal Court. He was held in default of $135 bail.

Scholarship applications are now available

The South Plainfield High School Guidance Department will be coordinating the application process for many local scholarships for graduating seniors of the class of 1992.

Many local scholarships are awarded to seniors based on financial need, scholarship and other criteria as established by the participating organizations.

The following are some of the organizations that offered scholarships to the South Plainfield High School graduating class of 1991. They were the south Plainfield Education Association, South Plainfield Veteran's of Foreign Wars, Post 6763, Joan Koziel Memorial Scholarship, South Plainfield High School Parent Teachers Association, and South Plainfield Franklin School Parent Teachers Association. These organizations as well as several other local clubs and organizations use the applications available through the Guidance Department to offer their awards.

The applications are available in the Guidance Office after school Monday through Friday. The deadline for submitting an application is Friday, March 20. Contact the SPHS Guidance Office at 754-4620 ext. 293 for more informtion.

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South Plainfield briefs

Sheriff will speak to Dems

Middlesex County Sheriff Joseph Spicuzzo will be the featured speaker at the next meeting of the South Plainfield Democratic Organization at 8 p.m. Wednesday, March 18, at the Knights of Columbus Hall on Hamilton Boulevard.

Under Sheriff Spicuzzo's leadership, the Middlesex County Sheriff's Department has become recognized as one of the finest law enforcement agencies in the state. Sheriff Spicuzzo will talk about his departmental goals for the 1990s and he will also seek input from South Plainfield residents.

The public is invited to attend.

Squad will dedicate ambulances March 14

The South Plainfield Rescue Squad will be holding a dedication ceremony for its two new ambulances at 10 a.m. Saturday, March 14 at the squad headquarters, 2520 Plainfield Ave.

Recycling Commission announces meetings

The south Plainfield Recycling Commission will hold its 1992 meetings on the following dates: March 24, April 28, May 26, June 23, July 28, Aug. 26, Sept. 22, Oct. 27, Nov. 24 and Dec. 22.

All meetings will begin at 8 p.m. in the Borough hall Conference Room.

County group provides nurses

The South Plainfield Board of Education has entered into an agreement with the Middlesex County Educational Services Commission to provide nursing services to students in non-public schools in the borough.

Under state law, the local school district is required to either provide or fund nursing services to full-time students in the private schools.

Traffic Safety lists 1992 meeting dates

The South Plainfield Traffic Safety Advisory Commission will meet on the fourth Wednesday of each month, except for August, at 7 p.m. in the conference room of Borough Hall.

Upcoming meeting dates are March 25, April 22, May 27, June 24, July 22, Sept. 23, Oct. 28, Nov. 25 and Dec. 23.

School screening scheduled for May

The Board of Education will conduct kindergarten registration and screening at the Administration Building, Cromwell Place, on May 4-8, 1992. Parents are urged to call 754-4620, extensions 228, 390 and 391 from 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

New winter hours for recycling center

Beginning Feb. 24 the recycling center was open on Mondays from 8 a.m.-3 p.m. instead of noon-7 p.m. With this change, the center's winter hours are 8 a.m.-3 p.m. Monday through Saturday. For more information, contact Alice Tempel at 754-9000.

School board to vote on budget March 17

The Board of Education officially set a final adoption date for the proposed school budget.

The last public meeting for a public hearing and final adoption of the 1992-93 budget will take place on Tuesday, March 17 at 7 p.m., in the Board Room of the Administration building.

Borough holds free rabies clinic

The South Plainfield Health Department will conduct a free dog and cat rabies inoculation clinic for 1992 at the South Plainfield Borough Garage, on the corner of Spicer and Belmont avenues. The dates and times are Friday, March 27, 6-8 p.m. and Saturday, March 28, 9 a.m.-noon.

Dog and cat owners may obtain their 1992 licenses at the clinic after their animal receives their shot. The fee for a license is $7.20 for spayed or neutered animals (owners must present written proof from a veterinarian), or $10.20 if the animal has not been altered.

Cat owners are requested to have their cats in carrying cases.

An unvaccinated animal is at risk for rabies. For more information call 754-9000 ext. 230.

Unemployed can call state hotline

Workers who need information about New Jersey's emergency unemployment benefits program can call the state Department of Labor's toll free information line at 1-800-235-8924.

The information line will be in operation 24 hours a day until March 28, 1992 when the emergency benefits program ends.

Musicians of month

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'Musicians of the Month' at the high school are Christina Vance and Michael Schwartz. The award winners are selected by band director Joseph Tenore. The award is given to band students who exemplify leadership, musicianship and citizenship.

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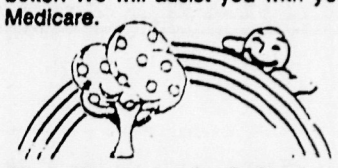

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Agenda '92

As recession ends, is it better to come out swinging or flinching to rebuild economy?

The economic tide does seem to be turning positive once again.

At least the employee whose job has survived this far feels more and more that he or she may not be "next" to be laid off; that seems to have abated. On the way to work or out for lunch, there are a few "help wanted" signs to be seen once again. And the driver's thoughts actually dwell on possibly having that front end noise looked at — and the low interest rates are making those '92 sedans look better every day. The homeowner actually called the mortgage banker and talked for quite a while about refinancing to pay off looming credit card balances and set the mortgage interest rate back a couple of points. The warmth seems to be back in the personal financial sun, just as it is in the more objective astronomical realm.

"Hey, maybe it *is* ending," the consumer, employee, embattled merchant and manager thinks. Maybe it is, indeed.

Included with this issue is *Agenda '92*, a report on the Middlesex County experience with the economic drought of the last 18-24 months, and on the building mood of optimism and determination to do more than survive in its wake.

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The business failures, the banks that fizzled, the thousands of jobs lost, and the plummeting sales volumes that afflicted practically every level and kind of business are harsh, abundant and not to be denied. County and local governments, charged with aiding the victims of it all, find tax bases shrinking by a billion dollars, and are forced to turn on the survivors of it all for more tax dollars or to dip into reserves.

But the punishment brought lessons for victims and survivors alike. There is no evidence that the unemployed will sheepishly turn to lesser vocations. Rather, the jobless and those still working are turning out in record numbers at technical schools to be reeducated in new skills.

Business leaders aren't pulling out for the Carolinas or downsizing. They're determined to explore new markets, services, marketing strategies and customer service policies to strengthen their base business and grow solidly with lowered overheads. Those are the positive lessons businesses have learned in the recession.

It is this spirit that will hasten the end to this downturn, and make it a long time before another one strikes.

Viewpoint

Michael Coyle
Phone company.
Easton

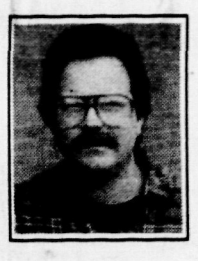
Carmen Irizarry
Salesperson
South Plainfield

Anne Danner
Homemaker
Piscataway

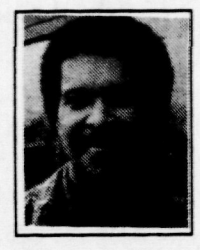
Claudia Pimienta
Cleaner
Piscataway

Teresa Hopkins
Registered nurse.
Piscataway

Ann Mendonez
Engineer
Piscataway



Edwin Ocampo
Cleaner
Piscataway



Rufus Adams
Salesman
North Plainfield

Question: **Where are you going to go for vacation this year?**

Michael Coyle: "We're deciding either not to take one, or my wife wants to go to Salem, Massachusetts and recreate the witchhunts."

Teresa Hopkins: "Usually we go down to Georgia to visit relatives. Maybe we'll go down to the Jersey shore for a week this year, and maybe take a few camping trips."

Carmen Irizarry: "I'm just going back to my country, Puerto Rico, to visit my daughter. She's having her first baby - I'm going to be a grandmother!"

Ann Mendonez: "California."

Anne Danner: "We're going to Florida next week to visit relatives and go to Disneyworld."

Edwin Ocampo: "Maybe Miami."

Claudia Pimienta: "The same place as him (Edwin Ocampo)."

Rufus Adams: "I'm going camping in Spruce Run with my wife and kids. We go every year for camping, boating and fishing."

Interviews and pictures taken at the Middlesex Mall by staff writer Bob Wagner and staff writer Kathy Hall.

Letters

'Get back on the ball, Reporter'

To The Reporter:

In the past year and a half, access to *The Reporter* for South Plainfield residents and community groups has become more and more difficult.

Prior to be taken over by Forbes, South Plainfield actually had a local, town newspaper with offices located within a convenient five-minute drive of anyone in the borough.

Changes instituted by Forbes resulted in the following "progress":

- The south Plainfield office was closed and operations moved to the Piscataway office of the *P-D Review*. Press releases either had to be mailed there or driven there in my case — a 30-minute round trip but that wasn't too bad.
- Within months, the Piscataway office was closed and operations moved to Somerville. Now we have the option of driving to Somerville or mailing to your post office box in Piscataway.

However, since I handle publicity for a local church which announces its weekly activities in the weekend bulletin and your deadline is Tuesday at noon, there is no way we can make your deadline. Anything I have mailed from the post office bright and early Monday morning has not reached you in time and it is not the fault of the post office.

Management in your office has assured me in several telephone calls since December that you are trying to set up drops for press releases in South Plainfield, but so far I've seen nothing done to this effect. Have you even contacted any local businesses to see if they would be willing to allow a drop box on their premises? I'd bet some of your advertisers would. It would be good for business — people coming in weekly with releases just might purchase something.

The Reporter doesn't really serve the needs of the borough the way it is operating currently. If memory serves me, your photographer couldn't even get here last Labor Day to photograph our parade — one of the biggest annual events here. Maybe he got lost coming here from Somerville.

Your inaccessibility is hurting local organizations who would like coverage. Most of our church news is specific to that week (not counting dances, dinners and flea markets, which can be advertised in advance.) If we miss your deadline, the information is obsolete for your next issue.

Let's get back on the ball, *Reporter*, set up those drops and get back to covering all aspects of borough activities and not just major meetings.

DONNA EGAN
South Plainfield

Who didn't take care of the flags?

To The Reporter:

About a year and a half ago, some person or organization put yellow ribbons and American flags around most of the telephone poles along Park Avenue, Maple Avenue, and some other streets. This looked very nice ... for a while. Now they look disgraceful; the flags are tattered, faded and a mess.

Now knowing who put them up, or where to start to find out, I phoned the mayor's office. The secretary told me that I was about the 20th person who had called about this, they do not know who put them up, and if there is one in front of my house that I don't like to take it down. I replied that if it were that easy, I wouldn't have bothered to call them, that the flags were placed well above the reach of passers-by.

So, that office was of no help at all, and I remembered that they had the manpower, time, and money when they put up those ridiculous "Building a Better South Plainfield" signs around town.

To sum it up, my husband, 5-year-old son, and I dragged a ladder, scissors, and shopping bag up and down Park Avenue one Sunday and removed them ourselves. We did not get to Maple Avenue, so perhaps someone on each block could be responsible and remove those pitiful-looking flags.

I feel that whoever is responsible for putting them up ought to be ashamed of the way they left the flags to rot.

JILL M. REID
Park Avenue
South Plainfield

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Mayor Woskey's statement on the budget

This is the text of Mayor Michael Woskey's statement on the municipal budget given at last Thursday's Borough Council meeting.

As of Saturday, February 22, the Borough Council has conducted seven budget meetings to review and discuss with each Department Head their needs and requests as submitted for the 1992 budget year. The total of all budgets as presently submitted by all departments would net a 1992 Municipal Budget of $15.8 million or an increase of $1.4 million over last year's budget.

The state imposed spending cap which limits increases in appropriations for each municipality would limit South Plainfield's 1992 local budget to a maximum of $15.2 million. This is $600,000 less than the presently submitted budget as requested by all departments.

In addition to the Council having to identify and cut $600,000, the Council must wrestle with the fact that revenues for 1992 are considerably less than 1991.

Available surplus for 1992 is down $600,000 over last year's figure. Licensing fees and permits are down $35,000.

With the declining interest rates, the yield on investments is down over $200,000.

The soft economy and sewer moratorium have contributed to a reduction of nearly $60,000 in construction fees and permits.

And for the first time in the eight years since I have been a member of the governing body, and probably in the history of the Borough, the total assessed value of South Plainfield has decreased to the tune of $10 million. This reduction in assessments been brought about by the onslaught of tax appeals which have been granted by the courts to the industrial and commercial sectors.

All this spells trouble for the 1992 budget. In fact,for the Council to pass a budget this year that would not present a tax increase on the local level, a reduction of $1.8 million must be cut from the budget as it presently stands today. This in effect would require the adoption of a 1992 budget of $14 million which is $400,000 less than last year's 1991 budget.

On Monday afternoon I met with all department heads to review a memo addressed to them from my office. This memo outlines our present budgetary problems as well as requesting them to review their individual Departments with "new eyes" with the following questions in mind:

- What is the essential function of my department?
- On a scale of 1 (most essential) to 10 (least essential), how do I rank each program's importance?
- What do I have to do to reduce my Department's total cost by 5% - to reach CAP- or 15% - to achieve zero tax increase.
- What effect will these reductions have in performing the essential duties of my department?
- What would be the cost of providing these programs on a contract basis by an independent contractor? Advantages? Disadvantages?

I have requested that their responses be in my hands no later than March 12.

With these goals in mind, I would now like to focus on another matter.

The time has come for this Council to work together in developing this year's budget. This year we have both an opportunity and an obligation to show our fellow residents that we can work together for their common good. With the pressing issues we are faced with and the fact that we have an equally balanced Council, I am confident we will be able to achieve our goals and reach a unanimous decision in adopting the 1992 budget.

Therefore, tonight, in an effort to tackle this year's budgetary problems in a bipartisan manner, I am appointing two committees with the responsibilities of reviewing and recommending any specific cuts as outlined in my memo to all department heads.

It will be the specific function of these two committees to review with each department head on an individual basis each and every program and service provided by that Department. And finally, it will be the responsibility of the chairman of that committee to formalize a report in writing outlining the recommendations of the committee by individual line item and appropriation in dollars.

The report will also include specifically what negative impact, if any, it will have on services to our residents.

The first committee will be responsible to review the following Departments:

Administration and Finance, Economic Development, Health, Welfare and Environment, and Sewer Utility Budget.

This committee will be chaired by Councilman Carey with Councilmen Mack and Pulomena as committee members.

The second committee will be responsible to review the following Departments:

Public Safety; Public Works, Recreation, and Pool Utility Budget,

This committee will be chaired by Councilman Gallagher with Councilman Rasmussen and Council President Dashuta as committee members.

All reviews and recommendations will be completed in time so that final reports will be in the hands of all council members no later than March 28.

Letters

Candidate has been 'financially conscious'

To The Reporter:

I'm seeking re-election to the South Plainfield Board of Education because I think I have proved that I've been financially conscious without sacrificing our children's education. I have worked on improving academic standards through the curriculum committee, which was activated through my proposal. The committee reviewed programs such as Word Wealth, SAT prep, flex-period, and industrial arts.

A parent-and-student survey has just been completed in the middle school to improve the foreign language program and verbal SAT scores. I have proposed to establish a National Arts Honor Society chapter in our high school so that our talented art students can be recognized and have an opportunity to receive scholarships.

I have sought additional time for our schools through the addition of an eighth period, yet I couldn't support it when a $1 million price tag was put on it.

If elected, I plan to continue to be dollar-conscious yet educationally aggressive; prepare our children for the future by supporting a district plan for curriculum and technology that's next to none; continue to support high academic standards; seek input through management, staff, and parent committees; use teacher educational expertise for curriculum planning; continue to seek corporate partnerships to secure employability for our students; and hire a non-partisan negotiator so that our contracts reflect our commitment to an affordable and quality education.

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Board of Education commends students, staffers

The Board of Education held a special meeting in the high school auditorium on Feb. 26 to recognize students and staff members with awards for outstanding achievements.

Commendations were awarded to Dolores Allen, Donald Cafferty, Dorothy Ewing, Sally McKean, Louise Mruz, Steven Novak, Jr., Diane Scarpulla for being selected as honorees for the 1992 Governor's Teacher Recognition Program.

For each school building, certificates for perfect staff attendance for the 1990-91 school year were distributed. Those honored from the Central Administration Office were: Nicholas Barber, Isidore Blank, Dominic Carrea, Grace DeCillis, Lillian DeSimon, Albert Everett Sr., Richard Flamini, Thomas Krdos, Charles Koestner, Alice MacNair, Janet Munger, Elizabeth Neher, Arlene Nicholson, Margaret Parillo, Paul Pear, Jeanne Pullen, Joseph Rotunda, Clemente Sanchez, Barbara Schlachtun and Adele Veirs.

High School: Gina Baker, William Beegle, Michael Buggey, Allen Czech, Nancy Erickson, Judith Evans, Ardene Ferguson, Sandra Kavka, Rebecca Keppel, John Kosakowski, Mart Kuuskvere, Patricia Massey, Jeffery Middleton, Effie Oakes, Rosemary Rinker, Kathleen Sisolak, Gordon Smith, Christine Sweeney, Frank Vatalare, Elizabeth Warrender and Kathleen Zoda.

Middle School: Kathleen Bisci, Anthony Cotoia, Robert Doggett, Burton Farber, Robert Hoesly, Elizabeth Hughes, Barbara Killen, Robert Laws, Elizabeth McHenry, Elaine Nestel, Donald Panzarella, Donald Slavin, Mary Smith, Karl Spolarich, Robert Terelle and Eileen Zawacki.

Franklin School: Mildred Corveleyn, Nancy Donahue, Sally Gillis, Priscilla Jackson and Judith Rudnick.

John F. Kennedy School: Barbara Doerr, Virginia Irwin, Sheryl Lawrence, Beverly Malinoski, Jayne Santoro, Cynthia Severino and Dianne Sutton.

John E. Riley School: Maria Campagna, Elizabeth Evegan, Ann Schenck, Ann Marie Romanko, Nicholas Spadaro and Nicole Zablocki.

Roosevelt School: Mario Barbiere, Mary Ellen Campbell, Jean Madden, Florence Muglia, Susan Rydarowski and Linda Stamatoff.

Kristen Kurilew, a student at Roosevelt School, was commended for receiving the President's Academic Achievement Award.

Sal DeGennaro, Joseph Grego, Daniel Gubernat and Albert Madlangbayan, from Roosevelt School were commended for scoring at least eight points above the required score on the 1990-91 Math League Test.

Kristen Basilone, Michael Francis, Carolyn Timinski and Stephanie Wrublevski were honored for scoring "unusually well" in the New Jersey Math League Contest.

Michael Tabachnick and Jennifer Rhodes, two students from the high school, were awarded gold medals for their outstanding achievement in the Area 14-Middlesex County Bowling Meet.

Rose Marie Tabachnick, Kathie Rhodes and Ron Rhodes, parents of the aforementioned high school students, were also commended for volunteering their services to the students who participated in the Area 14-Middlesex County Bowling Meet.

Joseph Altomare, member of the South Plainfield Tournament of Champions Swim Team, was awarded gold medals for his outstanding achievement in the 25 yard freestyle event, the 25 yard backstroke event, and the 25 yard breaststroke event.

William Bernauner was awarded silver medals for his outstanding achievements for the 25 yard freestyle event and the 25 yard backstroke event. Kevin Bulla was awarded a gold medal for his outstanding achievement for the 25 yard backstroke event, a silver medal for the 100 yard relay event, and a bronze medal for the 25 yard freestyle event.

Bradley Carlton was awarded gold medals for the 25 yard freestyle event, 50 yard freestyle event and the 25 yard backstroke event. Alex Eng was awarded gold medals for the 25 yard freestyle event and the 25 yard backstroke event. Stephen Ganiaris was awarded a gold medal for the 25 yard backstroke event, a silver medal for the 100 yard relay event and a bronze medal for the 25 yard freestyle.

Kristen Herzog was awarded gold medals for her outstanding achievement for the 25 yard freestyle event, the 25 yard backstroke event and a silver medal for the 100 yard relay event. Michael Kulawiak was awarded a gold medal for the 25 yard freestyle event. Danny Kunst was awarded gold medals for the 25 yard backstroke event, the 50 yard freestyle event and a bronze medal for the 25 yard freestyle event.

Jason Milner was awarded a gold medal for the 25 yard backstroke event and a silver medal for the 25 yard freestyle event. Anthony Oliveri was awarded silver medals for the 25 yard backstroke event, the 100 yard relay event and a bronze medal for the 25 yard freestyle event. Christopher Przybowski was awarded a bronze medal for the 25 yard freestyle event.

Danny Wallis was awarded bronze medals for the 25 yard freestyle event, the 25 yard backstroke event and a silver medal for the 100 yard relay event.

Lynn Carlton and Marietta Oliveri were honored for volunteering their services to coach the South Plainfield Tournament of Champions Swim Team, which earned 16 gold, nine silver and seven bronze medals.

Cathy Gilsky, Christopher Oliveri and Christine Peterson were commended for volunteering their services to the South Plainfield Tournament of Champions Swim Team. High school freshman Tien Ngoc Tran and seniors Tracy Costantino, Laura Hickey, Jie Lan, Josephine Pascual, Monika Patel and Maureen Santoro were honored for attaining all "A's" for the first marking period of the 1991-92 school year.

High school seniors Kathy Baker, Kimberly Ballinger, Alison Capozzi, Danny Dalfonzo, Laura Hickey, Jie Lan, Rebecca Miller, Stacy Parker, Josephine Pascual and Maureen Santoro were designated Edward J. Bloustein Scholars.

Garden State Scholars from the high school honored were Stephen Capitani, Deane Chonko, Pyong Pak, Monika Patel, Steven Sanberg and Yves Sukhu.

Kathy Baker was commended for being selected as a semi-finalist in the 1991-92 Coca-Cola Scholars Program.

The members of the National Engineering Design Challenge Team were honored. The team placed in second in the regional competition and fourth in the state competition. The participating students who were commended were Kim Bogden, Tami Bufis, Steve Capitani, Alison Capozzi, Jonathan Colby, Dan Dalfonzo, J.J. Edmondson, Matt Eng, Karl Gerling, Jie Lan, Chris Love, Becky Miller, Ravi Munjulari, Don O'Keefe, Sean O'Keefe, David Pak, Monika Patel, Yves Sukhu and Tammy Taynton.

Teachers Dale Haley and Michael Loconte, along with Guidance Counselor Melinda Lally were recognized for participating in the National Engineering Design Challenge Team.

S. "Ravi" Ravishankar was honored for volunteering his services to the National Engineering Design Challenge Team.

Bao Huy Duong, Mark Gromosaik, Harry Romero and Malik Sheppard were commended for being recognized by the New Jersey School of the Arts for their outstanding art work displayed at the Department of Education in Trenton.

Denise Timinski was recognized for being honored by the New Jersey School of the Arts for the outstanding art program she has established at the high school.

Allen Czech was commended in recognition of the high school boys and girls basketball teams and cheerleaders for receiving the "Sportsmanship Award" for the Bound Brook Christmas Tournament.

The Tiger Cheerleading Squad was recognized for being named outstanding squad, for the fifth time, in the Bound Brook Christmas Tournament. The cheerleaders are Lauren Burgess, Dawn DeAndrea, Gina DeSanti, Tracey Galya, Becky Hajduk, Laura Hickey, Alyssa Innes, Jacque Lanni, Jahnna Moore, Janine Plate, Maureen Santoro, Erin Shevlin, Kim Stracensky and Nicole Young.

Coaches Ellen Decker-Frederickson and Georgeann Digrazia were honored for their achievements involving the Tiger Cheerleading Squad.

Monika Patel was commended for her outstanding achievements as a member of the Girls' Cross Country Track Team. She also became the Greater Middlesex Conference Individual Champion. It marked the first time a local athlete won the Greater Middlesex Conference Cross Country Championship.

Maria Cumberbatch, Shinieka Floyd, Monika Patel and Nicole Young, members of the Girls' Winter Track Team, were recognized for winning the Group II Sprint Medley State Championship for 1992.

The following members of the Girls' Winter Track Team were honored for winning the Group II Co-Championship for Girls' Winter Track: Kim Bogden, Janeen Csordos, Maria Cumberbatch, Shinieka Floyd, Raquel Giddings, Marla Kaduk, Tracey Lazar, Amber Mozingo, Monika Patel, Jennifer Stanislao, Renee Waskiewicz and Nicole Young.

Daniel Formato and Lisa Morris were recognized for their achievements as coaches of the Girls' Winter Track Team.

For winning the Greater Middlesex Conference Field Hockey Championship for the sixth consecutive year, the following students were honored for their acheivements as members of the Field Hockey Team: Liliana Alzate, Kati Ayers, Alison Capozzi, Diane Crespy, Adriana Duarte, Melissa Ferguson, Dana Gaul, Astrid Hurtado, Jaime Johnson, Melissa Kirchner, Lori Kowalski, Laurie Matticola, Becky Miller, Iris Millstein, Janinne Mozingo, Paige Muccilli, Michelle Perry, Robin Scalisi, Alison Severino and Cindie Wilson.

Eileen Buyachek and Frances Flannery were recognized for their achievements as coaches of the Field Hockey Team.

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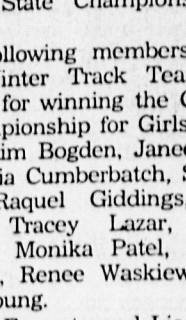

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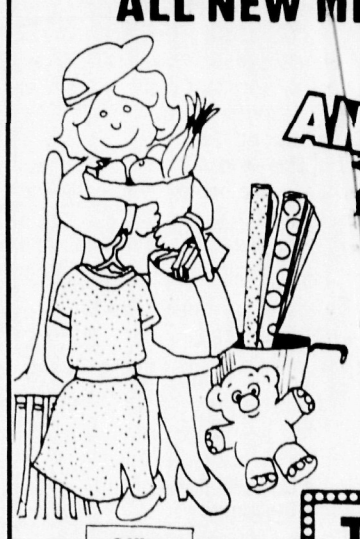

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Community Life

Community calendar

Friday, March 6

☑ **Lenten Fish Dinner** — sponsored by the St. Vincent De Paul Society of Sacred Heart Church, 5- 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart School cafeteria. The menu will feature filet of fish (fried, boiled or parmesan), fresh garden salad, French fries, cole slaw, coffee, tea or cold drink, plus dessert. Take out orders available, Pay at the door, adults, $6; seniors, $5 and children, $4. Stations of the Cross will be at the church at 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 7

☑ **Spring Rummage Sale** sponsored by The Women's Guild of the Trinity Reformed Church, 401 Greenbrook Road, North Plainfield, 9:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

☑ **Safety Fair** — Learn about bicycle safety, home protection and substance abuse at this fair sponsored by the Veterans of Foreign Wars Memorial Post No. 6763, 155 Front St. from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. Representatives from the borough's police and fire departments and the rescue squad will participate. Call 668-9405.

☑ **Schlachtfest Dance** — Master chefs will prepare a feast of roast pork, assorted sausages, sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, applesauce, rolls, dessert and beverages at Saenger halle, 220 Somerset St., North Plainfield. Cost is $15 per person and includes dancing to the music of Joe Sombers. The event is sponsored by the Plainfield Gesang-und Turn-Verein. For reservations call 233-7765 or 356-0477.

☑ **Flea Market** — Crafts and a flea market will be featured at the Wesley United Methodist Church, 1500 Plainfield Ave., from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Call 561-2982 after 6 p.m.

Sunday, March 8

☑ **Awards Day** —The Veterans of Foreign Wars Post No. 6763 will honor an outstanding policeman, fireman, rescue squad worker and citizen at its post, 155 Front St. at 3 p.m. The post "Voice of Democracy" contest winner and Loyalty Day Queen also will be honored. Refreshments will be served. Call 668-9405.

Wednesday, March 11

☑ **Sacred Heart Senior Citizens** hold monthly business meeting at 10:30 a.m. in the annex behind the church. New members are welcome.

Friday, March 13

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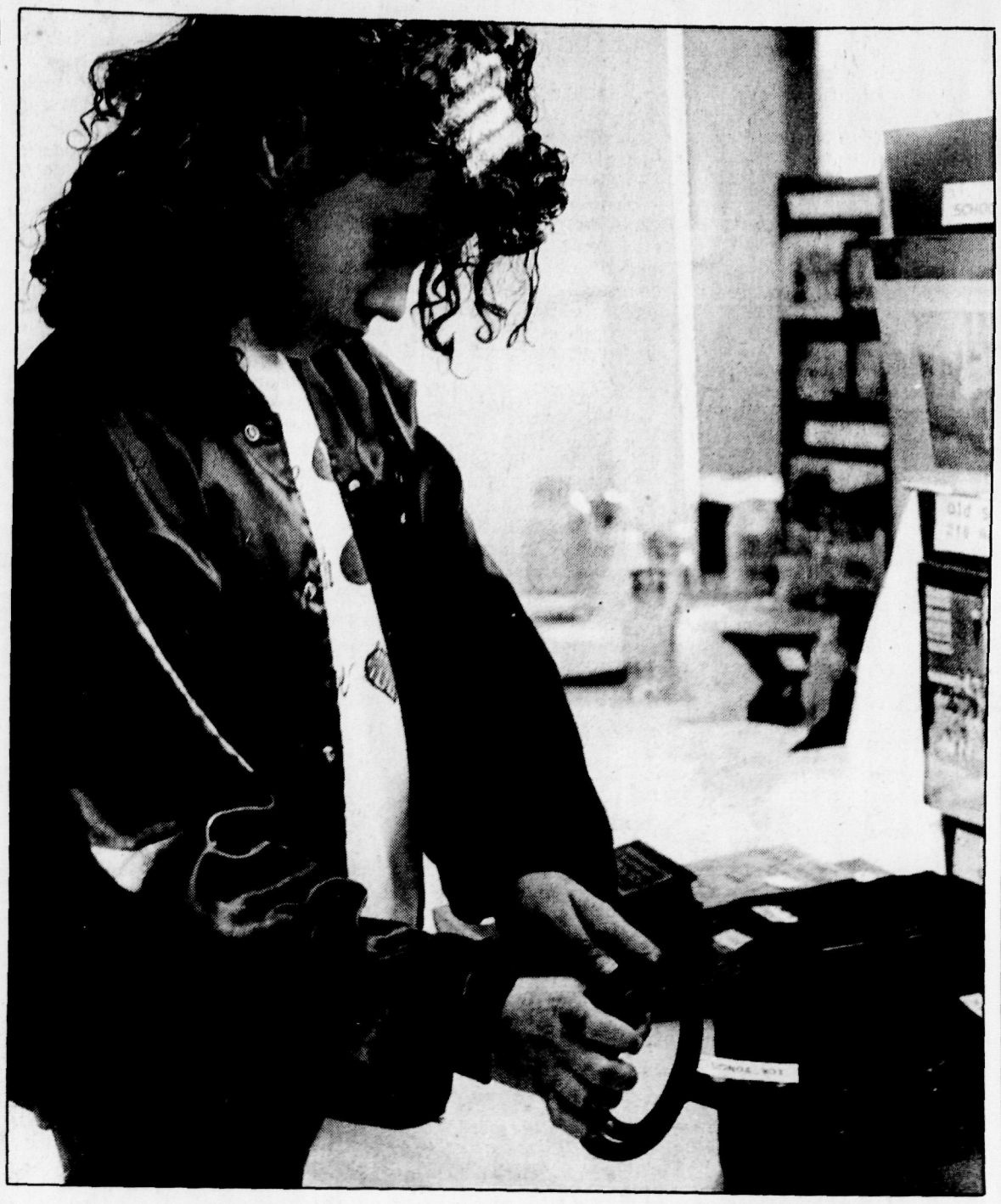
Saturday, March 14

☑ **Dedication ceremony** of the South Plainfield Rescue Squad's two new ambulances, 10 a.m. at the squad headquarters, 2520 Plainfield Ave.

Saturday, March 21

☑ **Spring dinner dance** — Franklin School will be hosting a fun-filled evening of delicious food, great music and dancing at Sherban's elegant new banquet room on Saturday, March. 21, from 7:30 to midnight.

The evening includes a hot and cold buffet, music from the 1950s to 1990s and other fun surprises. The cost is $22.50 per person, $45 a couple. Space is limited. All reservation must be in by Feb. 19.



GEORGE PACCIELLO/THE REPORTER

Eleven-year-old Sarah Lee takes a glimpse of South Plainfield's past during an open house at First Baptist Church this weekend.

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First Baptist Church begins celebration of bicentennial

The First Baptist Church of South Plainfield on Hamilton Boulevard began the celebration of its bicentennial on Sunday in the church's Henderson Hall.

Arts and artifacts from the church, its members and its role in the history of South Plainfield were put on display. The items were loaned by church members and friends of the church.

Also on view were artifacts and memorabilia on loan from the South Plainfield Historical Society. Those items reminded visitors of South Plainfield's history from Indian occupation and agrarian development through the role of the railways and Hadley Airport.

Music was provided by Sara Buckelew-Olsen, who will be playing 18 and 19th-century music on the harp and by Adele Hueston, who played interludes on the Psaltry.

Other bicentennial events include an Easter sunrise service in Spring Lake Park, a float in the Labor Day parade and a banquet on the Dec. 11 bicentennial.

Another highlight will be the worship service on Dec. 13 when the church will re-create a period worship service with music by choirs from throughout the area.

Sara Buckelew-Olsen sets the mood at the church by performing period music on her harp.

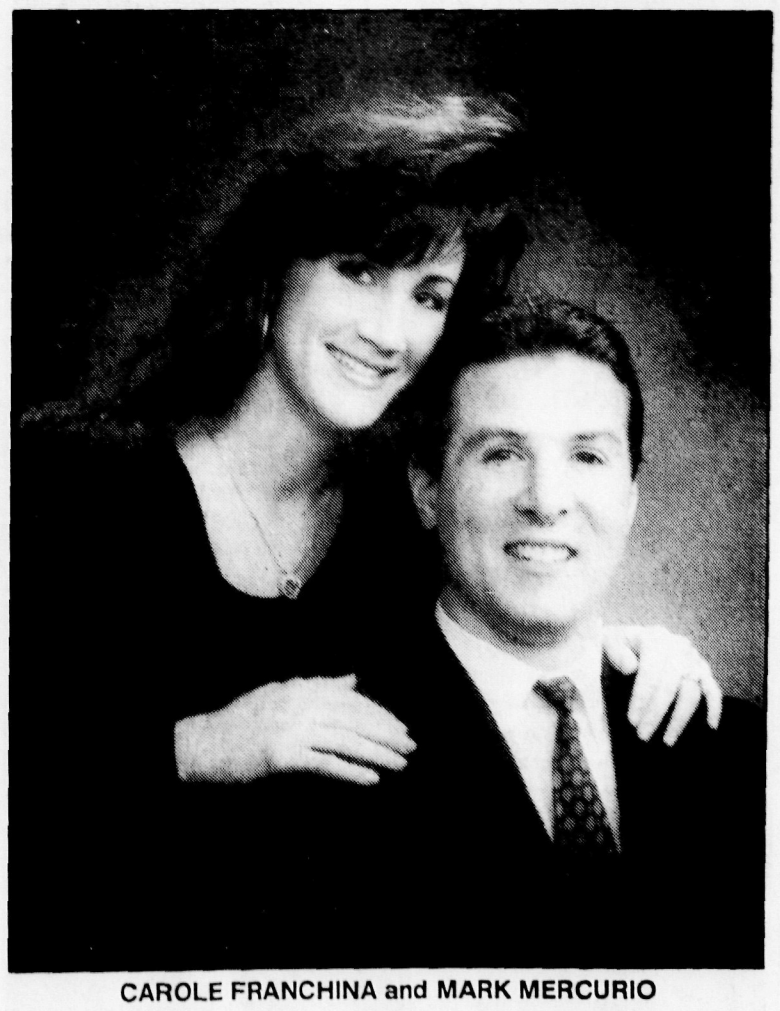
Folk music concert for youth at church

A concert of folk music for young people will be held at Wesley Methodist Church, Plainfield Avenue, Saturday night at 7:30 p.m.

New Jersey musicians Gary Struncius and Debbie Lawton, blending voices in harmony, will present a program of traditional and contemporary folk music ranging from Anglo-American ballads and Woodie Gunthrie songs to blues, country and originals.

Mr. Struncius plays guitar, Appalachian Mountain dulcimer, the mouth organ and a primitive one-stringed instrument derived from the hunting bow. Together they have performed for the N.Y. Harbor Festival, The Franklin Institute, South Street Seaport Museum, the Newark Museum and the N.J. Folk Festival.

Advanced $4 tickets can be purchased by calling 755-4691; tickets at $5 will be sold at the door. The concert is sponsored by the Junior Woman's Club of South Plainfield to raise funds for their nursing scholarship.



CAROLE FRANCHINA and MARK MERCURIO

Carole Franchina is engaged to marry Mark Mercurio

Carole Ann Franchina, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony J. Franchina of Lyndhurst, is engaged to be married to Mark Mercurio, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Mercurio of South Plainfield.

The bride-to-be is a compensation analyst with the National Community Bank at its West Paterson office. Miss Franchina received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Seton Hall University in 1991.

The bridegroom-to-be is the assistant controller of Greenville Hospital, Jersey City. He received a bachelor's degree in accounting from Seton Hall in 1989.

A September 1993 wedding is planned.

At the library

The following story times have been scheduled by the South Plainfield Public Library, 2484 Plainfield Ave.:

- Monday, March 9 at 7 p.m. "Sleepy" bedtime stories for children over 5 years old.
- Wednesday, March 11 at 10:30 a.m., "Leprechauns," for children 3-5 years old.
- Tuesday, March 17 at 10:30 a.m., St. Patrick's day stories for children 1-2 years old.
- Thursday, March 19 at 10:15 a.m., Junior Women's Club Story Hour for children 3 1/2 to 5 years old. Registration limited to 25.
- Monday, March 23 at 7 p.m. Visual perception program for children over 6 years old.
- Tuesday, March 24 at 10:30 a.m. Numbers program for children 1-2 years old.

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An exhibit of art from Sacred Heart School pupils will be on display March 23-30.

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A children's craft program is scheduled for 4 p.m. Friday, March 27, for children 6-10 years old. Registration is limited to 10 participants.

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An adult program, "Building Your child's Self-Esteem" will be held at 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 27. The program will be given by Maruta Friedler. Please register in advance.

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Parade Committee seeks volunteers

Have you ever watched a parade and thought "how does it all come together?"

For a close look at the inner workings of the Labor Day Parade, why not think about joining the South Plainfield Public Celebrations Committee.

The committee meets at 7:30 p.m. the third Tuesday of the month at Borough Hall. The committee will assemble all the parade participants, arrange the afternoon activities at Veterans Park, plus the evening's annual fireworks display.

Anyone who would like to feel that sense of accomplishment when the first marchers step off at 10 a.m. Labor Day should send a brief resume to the South Plainfield Public Celebrations Committee, 2480 Plainfield Ave., South Plainfield, N.J., 07080.

The committee's next meeting is March 17 at Borough Hall.

Blood pressure screenings set

The South Plainfield Health Department has announced the dates and locations of blood pressure clinics for 1992.

The time for all the clinics is 10 a.m.-noon.

The clinics will be held at the following locations: March 24: PAL Building, Maple Avenue; April 2: Foodtown Supermarket, 4999 Stelton Road; April 28: P.A.L. Building; May 7: A&P Supermarket, 3600 Park Ave.; May 26: P.A.L. Building; June 4: Summit Trust Bank, 900 Oak Tree Road.

Roderick Go receives school honors

South Plainfield resident Roderick Go is among 260 students in St. Peter's Preparatory School, Jersey City, who have earned academic honors for the second marking period, announced Fr. Thomas F. Denny, S.J., principal of the Jesuit school.

Roderick, a junior at the Prep and a graduate of St. John the Baptist School in Jersey City, received first honors.

ELLIS WILLIAMS/THE REPORTER

Alison Capozzi (left) and Laura Hickey are congratulated by high school Principal Dr. LeRoy Seitz and Guidance Counselor Melinda Lally.

Spotlight on students

The 1992 All-District Music and Art Festival will begin at 7 p.m. tonight at high school

By JOSEPH ANDREANO
THE REPORTER

Budding musicians and artists from each of the borough's schools will show off their talents tonight at the 1992 All-District Music and Art Festival.

Sponsored by the Public Schools' Fine Arts Department, the festival will begin at 7 p.m. in the high school and will feature music performed by instrumental and vocal ensembles of all grades, as well as art displays by many of the talented art students from each of the schools.

The musical portion of the festival will feature performances by the Elementary Festival Band under the direction of Doris Younken, Paul Sturm and Joan Stasio.

The band will be followed by the Elementary Festival Chorus.

It is conducted by Barbara Habeeb, Joanne Gurske, Glenn Parisi and Sharon Perez.

The Intermediate Festival Orchestra will perform works by Haydn and Moussorgsky, under the direction of Carleen Cunningham-Tedeschi. Paul Nagle will lead his Middle School Concert Band, followed by the Middle School Festival Chorus, directed by Nancy Thorne, who will perform "Operation Opera,"a collection of operatic choruses.

Bruce Mikolon will lead the High School Orchestra and Tracy Murray will direct the High School Chorus with selections from the Leonard Bernstein classic, "West Side Story." Joseph Tenore will then direct his High School Symphonic Band and Jazz Ensemble before joining all of the other ensembles in the grand finale, a rendition of "God Bless America."

Those wishing to take in the art display will be treated to a combination of styles and techniques by the many talents of the students in the district.

All grade levels will be represented, so the viewers can see the progression and development of the students' artistic abilities. The works on display were done in oils, acrylics, pen and ink, watercolor, temperas, markers and crayons.

Denise Timinski, the high school art teacher, Diane Kardos, middle school art teacher, Barbara Harris, Mary Ellen Kopf and Glenda Posey, art teachers at the elementary level were responsible for organizing the display.

The festival is open to the public. Tickets may be purchased at the door during the evening of the festival.

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Scholarship program names student finalists

Two high school seniors were named finalists in the Jostens Foundation Leader Scholarship Program for 1992.

Alison Capozzi and Laura Hickey became two out of 1,000 students throughout the United States to be named finalists in the scholarship program out of an original 35,000 applicants.

If they are chosen as one of the 200 scholarship winners, they will receive $1,000. The recipients will be named in April.

"The students selected as scholarship finalists are the leaders of tomorrow," said Ellis F. Bullock, executive director of the Jostens Foundation.

Selection of the finalists and recipients is based on outstanding achievements in school and community activities, leadership experience and academic excellence.

The scholarship program is administered by the Citizens' Scholarship Foundation of America, Inc., of St. Peter, Minnesota and has awarded $2.6 million in scholarships since 1977.

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Recreation

All programs are held in the PAL Recreation Center, 1250 Maple Ave. For more information call 754-9000, Ext. 253 or 255.

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The Recreation Department is planning a trip to Madison Square Garden for the WWF Wrestling card on Monday, March 23. Bus leaves the PAL parking lot at 5:30 p.m. for the 7:30 p.m. show. Price is $15 per child (under 16) and $17 per adult.

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Registrations may still be accepted for the winter session of the Recreation Department's "Play and Learn" program for children 1-4.

The programs are: Creepers/Walkers, (12-36 months) 9:15 a.m.; Walkers, (12-24 months), 10 a.m. Mondays; Runners (24-36 months), 10:45 a.m.; Tumblers (36 months -4 years), 11:30 a.m. Fee is $25. Program is held at the PAL Building.

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The Recreation Department is sponsoring two trips to baseball games. The first trip is to Shea Stadium for the New York Mets vs. St. Louis Cardinals game on June 20. Tickets are $14 per adult and $12 per child (16 and under). The bus leaves the PAL Building at 4:30.

Another trip to Veterans Stadium to see the Philadelphia Phillies vs. the Mets will be Tuesday, July 28. Tickets are $14 per adult and $12 per child (16 and under). The bus leaves the PAL Building at 5 p.m. There are a limited number of seats for both trips.

For further information or to register, contact the Recreation Office in the PAL Building at 754-9000, ext. 253 or 255.

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A trip to the Atlantic City Resorts is planned for Sunday, March 22. Cost is $12 per person and includes $10 in coins and a $5 deferred voucher. The bus leaves the PAL Building at noon and returns at 8 p.m.

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The Recreation Department is sponsoring a trip to Madison Square Garden for the Ringling Bros. circus on April 9. The bus leaves the PAL parking lot at 5:30 p.m. for the 7:30 p.m. shoe. Tickets cost $14 for adults and $12 for children.

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The Recreation Department is sponsoring a trip to Radio City Music Hall on April 16 to see the Easter Show. Bus leaves the PAL parking lot at 5 p.m. for the 7:30 p.m. show. Price is $33 per adult and $31 per child.

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Scouting dinner on March 12

All adults involved in scouting, and friends of scouting, are invited to attend the annual Salute to Scouting dinner with Bishop Edward T. Hughes of the Diocese of Metuchen March 12 in Villa Plancone Ristorante on Hamilton Boulevard. For reservations and information call Linda at 828-5734 or Peggy at 6353.

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Jodi Anne Pellegrino weds Christopher Pudimott

Jodi Anne Pellegrino and Christopher Neil Pudimott, both of South Plainfield, were married May 19, 1991 at Our Lady of Mount Virgin Church, Middlesex. The Rev. Msgr. William Haughney officiated at the nuptial Mass.

The bride is the daughter of Karen Bickunas of South Plainfield and Frederick Pellegrino in Florida. The bridegroom is the son of Christine Pudimott and Edward Pudimott, both of South Plainfield.

Miss Pellegrino wore a straight gown in white lace with full-length lace sleeves and a removable train. The bodice was adorned with pearls and sequins and a boat neckline led to a V in the back. She carried a cascade of white and pink roses, lilies and greenery.

Matron of honor was Ann Marie Hennelly of Somerset. Bridesmaids were Laura Pudimott of South Plainfield, the bridegroom's sister; Missy Pudimott of South Plainfield, the sister-in-law of the bridegroom; and Lisa Pollera of South Plainfield.

Each honor attendant was attired in a two-piece outfit, a jacket and tea-length skirt that was dusty rose in color. The attendants carried cascades of white lilies, pink roses, and greenery.

Stephen Pudimott of South Plainfield was best man for his brother. Ushers were David Bickunas of South Plainfield, the brother of the bridegroom; Nick Pucciarelli of Staten Island and Steven Hennelly of Somerset. Justin Huffsmith of South Plainfield, the bride's cousin, was ring bearer.

After a reception at the Old Mill Inn, Spring Lake Heights, the couple left for a trip to St. Thomas in the U.S. Virgin Islands. The couple lives in Somerset.

The bride is employed at the Somerset offices of Infiniti, the luxury car division of Nissan Motor Corp. in U.S.A. She graduated from South Plainfield High School.

The bridegroom is employed at L.N. Rothberg & Son, Middlesex. He graduated from South Plainfield High School and Middlesex County College.

JODI ANNE and CHRISTOPHER PUDIMOTT

Muhlenberg Hospital holds bereavement programs

A series of free bereavement programs sponsored by the Home Care/ Hospice Department of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, will be held at the Jewish Community Center, 1391 Martine Ave., Scotch Plains from 7-8:30 p.m. The program began March 2.

The nine-week sessions will cover topics such as "Understanding Your Feelings," "Adapting to New Roles in Daily Living," "Managing Your Life," "Feelings," and "Spirituality."

For more information call the Hospice Department at 668-2253 Monday through Friday from 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

Lenten fish dinners begin at Sacred Heart

Now that the season of Lent has begun, the St. Vincent dePaul Society of Sacred Heart Church will once again sponsor their famous Lenten fish dinners.

The dinners will be offered on Fridays March 6, 13, 20 and 27, as well as April 3, 6 and 10 from 5 to 7 p.m. in the Sacred Heart School Cafeteria. The menu will feature filet of fish (fried, boiled or parmigiana), fresh garden salad, french fries, cole slaw, coffee, tea or cold drink, plus a dessert.

There will be take out orders available, as well. Diners can pay at the door. It will cost $6 for adults, $5 for senior citizens and $4 for children. Stations of the Cross will be held at 7 p.m. in the church.

Roosevelt School

Math Months designated by principal

Principal Mario Barbiere has designated March and part of April as Math Months.

"I would like to focus on math education for our students," he said, "and have set aside several days for computer activities which will be strictly devoted to math. Our teachers will also be focusing in on providing extra special math instruction for our students."

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Computer Math Club is scheduled March 11 for grades 2-3 and March 31 for grades 4-5.

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The Travel Club visited France on March 5 and will visit Ireland March 26. Two French foreign exchange students visiting the Papkin family are the speakers this week.

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The annual book fair is scheduled for Monday, March 9 and Tuesday, March 10. There will be a large selection of books for each grade level that are affordably priced. Drop by between 9 a.m. and 3 p.m. and browse.

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The school store will be open twice this month — March 11 in the morning and March 25 during lunch. There's always a large selection of items to choose from that are reasonably priced. * * *

Another special event on Roosevelt's calendar is scheduled for March 25-26, as kindergarten classes present a program saluting those most precious of people — grandparents. The program on the 25th begins at 10 a.m. and will be followed by refreshments for everyone, courtesy of the PTA. The program on March 26 will be presented for the student body and staff. It's one of the highlights of the Roosevelt School year.

Middlesex County Places of Worship

SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI CATHEDRAL
Main St. & Elm Ave.
Metuchen, NJ
Sunday Masses
7:30, 9, 10:30, 12:00
Anticipated Masses: Sat. 5 & 7 PM
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Sat. 1-2 PM and
after 7 PM Mass

CENTENARY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
200 Hillside Avenue
Metuchen
548-7622
Sunday School
Morning Worship 9:30 am
Child Care Provided
Pastor, Rev. Pual M. Mallel

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
270 Woodbridge Avenue
Metuchen, New Jersey
Church: 549-5101
Rev. Robert A. Beringer, Pastor
Rev. Lucia Jackson
Associate in Ministry
Worship Service 9:30 AM
Education Classes
9:30 and 10:45 AM

ST. FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
968-6781
Father Mark Chattin, Vicar
400 New Market Rd.
Dunellen - Piscataway
Sunday
8 am - Holy Eucharist
10 am - Family Mass and Sunday School
Thursday
5:30 pm Holy Eucharist
The Episcopal Church Welcomes You

ST. LUKES EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH
264 New Market Rd.
Dunellen
968-4447
Carol Lindsay Tellefsen
Pastor
Sunday Worship 8:15 and 11:00 AM
Sunday School 9:45 AM

RUTGERS AREA ALLIANCE CHURCH
Lake Nelson School
555 So. Randolphville Road
REV. JIM COWMAN
PISCATAWAY 699-0578
Sunday School
For All Ages 9:45 AM
Sunday Morning
Worship 11 AM

Abundant Life Christian Center
2195 Woodbridge Ave.
Edison, NJ
Rev. Scott Walsh, Pastor
985-6717
A Full Gospel -
Bible Teaching Church
Sunday Worship & Praise
8:30 & 11:00 A.M.
Sunday School
10:00 A.M.
Home Fellowships
6:00 P.M.
Praise, Prayer & Study
Thursday 7:00 P.M.
Growing Women
Friday 9:00 A.M.
Youth and Singles
Friday 7:00 P.M.
ALC ACADEMY
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Lake Nelson Seventh-day Adventist Church
561 S. Randolphville Rd.
Piscataway, 981-1588
Through the Life, Death and Ressurection of his son, God has encircled the world with an atmosphere of Grace which is as Real as the air we breath. We invite you to experience the Joy of Knowing him.
Bible Study
Wed. 7:30 P.M.
Sabbath School
(adult and children's classes)
Sat. 9:30 A.M.
Sabbath Worship Sat. 11 A.M.
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'Proclaiming the Everlasting Gospel to all people'

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519 Mercer St., P.O. Box 6166
Bridgewater, N.J. 08807
Phone : 526-4330
James E. Dockery, Pastor
9:00 a.m. CHURCH SCHOOL
10:45 a.m. MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE
5:00 p.m. 1st Sunday HOLY COMMUNION
Wednesday 7:00 p.m. Prayer & Praise Service
8:00 p.m. Bible Study

ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE
81 Seymour Ave., Edison
985-5063
Weekend Masses:
Sat 5 PM & 7 PM; Sun 7:30 AM & 9 AM
& 10:30 AM & 12 NOON
Daily Masses: Mon-Fri 7 AM & 8:30 AM
Saturday: 8:30 AM
Confessions Saturday
11 Am to Noon & After 7 PM Mass

GRACE REFORMED CHURCH
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Edison, N.J. 08817
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SUNDAY WORSHIP
10 AM
Rev. David S. Martin
Pastor

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Sunday Worship: 11:00 a.m.*
*Child Care Provided
201 HAMILTON BLVD.
Phone: 908-753-2382
Pastor Dennis O'Neil

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Brunswick-Edison Bowl-O-Mat
(First door on right after entering)
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Sunday Worship: 10:45 am-12 Noon
Tuesday: Bible Study
7:30 pm-9 pm
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Highland Park 572-0977
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Sunday 8:30 AM - 11 AM
Daily Masses
Monday thru Friday 8:00 AM
Saturday 8:30 AM
Confessions Saturday 3:30-4:30 PM

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Sunday School for
All Ages — 8:50 AM
Sunday Worship
10:30 AM
Rev. Raymond C. Ortman, Pastor
Rev. David S. Martin, Associate Pastor
Nursery Care Provided

TEMPLE EMANU-EL
100 James St., Edison
549-4442
Fri. March 6
7:30 p.m.— FAMILY SERVICE
Sat. March 7
10:30 p.m. — Bar Mitzvah of Jason Leshnower
1-2:30 PM - Tot Shabbat
8:00 PM - 50's & 60's Dance

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF HIGHLAND PARK
North 2nd Ave. & Route 27
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Sunday Worship Service: 10 am
(Sunday School for all ages follows service)
Prayer Meeting: Wed., 7:30 pm
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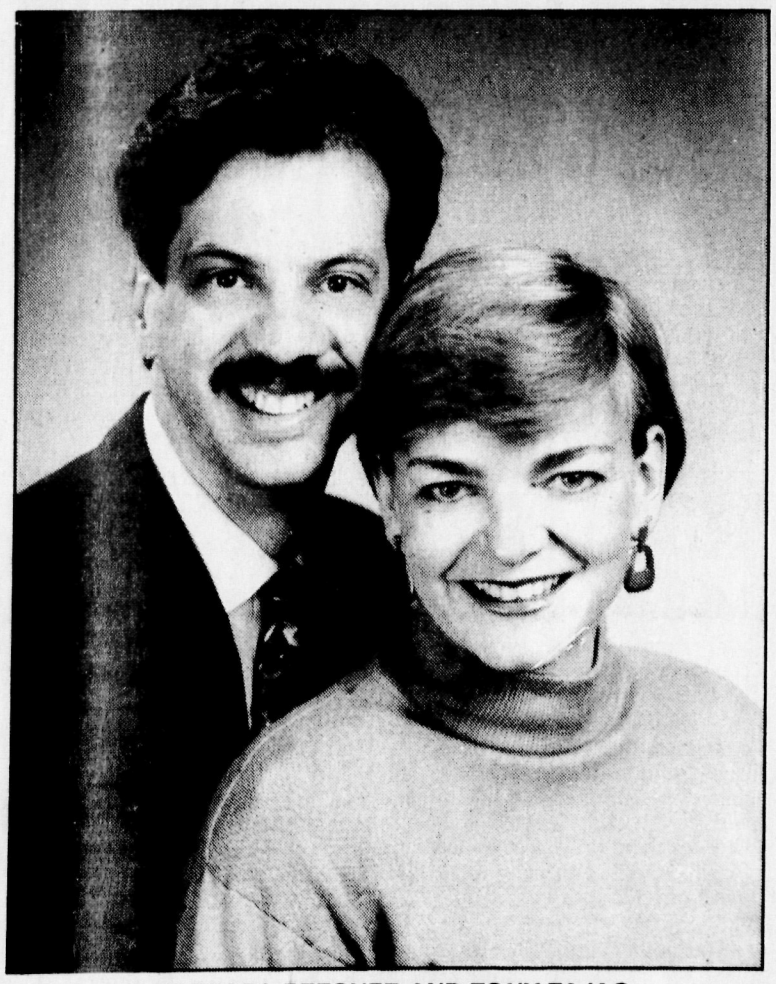

BARBARA BEECHER AND TONY ZAJAC

Barbara Beecher engaged to marry Tony Zajac in Sept.

Ida N. Beecher, of Cranbury, has announced the engagement of her daughter Barbara to Tony Zajac, son of Walter and Mary Zajac of South Plainfield.

The bride-elect, a graduate of Douglass College, received her master's degree from the Newhouse School of Public Communications at Syracuse University. She is an associate and communications consultant for William M. Mercer Inc., Morristown.

Her fiance received his bachelor's degree from Trenton State College and graduated from the Chubb Institute for Technology. He is a systems officer for Chemical Bank in New York City.

A September wedding is planned.

Riley School notes

PTSO is looking for vendors for April flea market, craft fair

An indoor flea market/craft fair will be held in the auditorium on April 4. Interested vendors may purchase table space at $12 for a four by 10-foot space. Vendors should bring their own tables. Call 757-5316 for further information.

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The PTSO will offer a kindergarten orientation for all incoming students of the 1992-93 school year.

The four-week sessions will meet on Wednesday mornings in March, one from 8:45 to 10:15 a.m., the other from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Pre-registration was required.

For additional information call PTSO co-President Mary Ann Morrison at 769-0249.

Melissa Rohlfs to marry Keith Bruno on May 23

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Rohlfs of Pickerington, Ohio, formerly of South Plainfield, announce the engagement of their daughter, Melissa, to Keith Bruno, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry Bruno of Gouldsboro, Pa.

The bride-to-be, a 1990 graduate of South Plainfield High School, is a sophomore at Ohio State University majoring in communications.

Her fiance graduated from South Plainfield High School and Middlesex County College and works in sales for TKR cable in Piscataway.

The wedding will take place May 23 in Ohio.

Figliolino-English engagement told

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Denise Lynn Figliolino of South Plainfield and Scott Everett English of Edison.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Guy Figliolino of Edison and Eleanor Natale of Bradenton, Fla. The bridegroom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Russell English, also of Edison.

A wedding date of Oct. 16, 1993, has been scheduled.

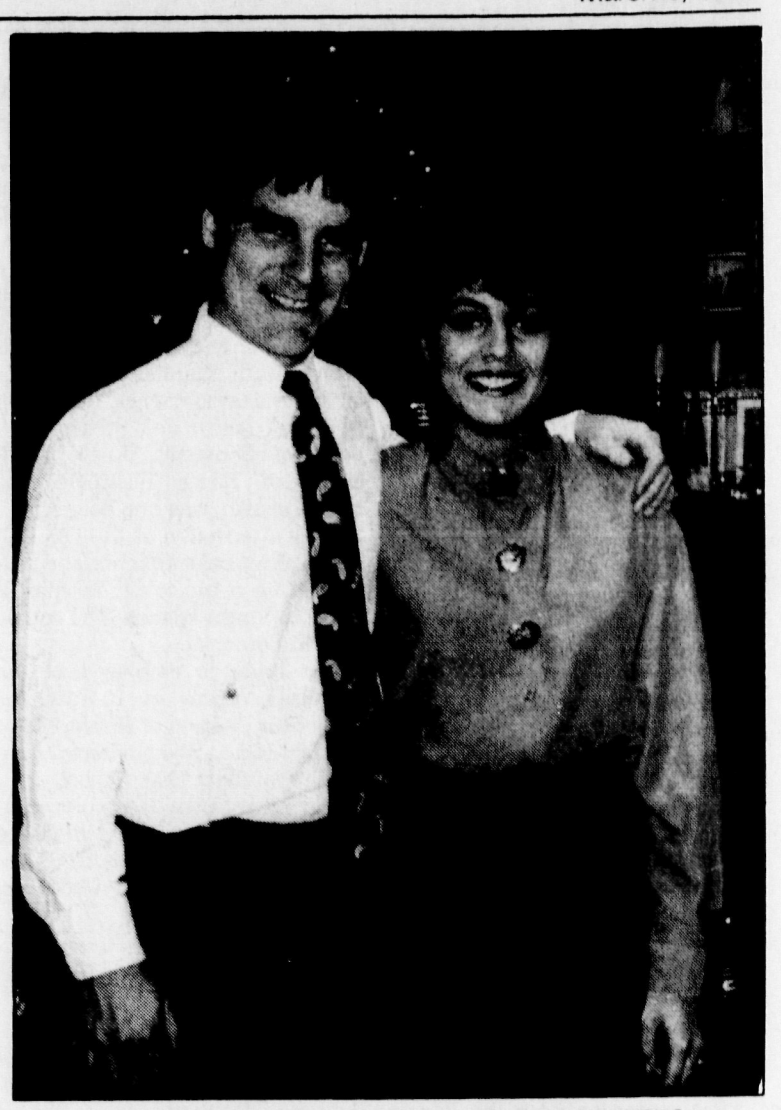
Legal status of women explored

A conference to examine women's legal status globally, nationally and in New Jersey will be held Saturday, March 7, at Douglass College.

"Women in the 1990s: How Far Have We Come and Where Are We Going?" will run from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at Hickman Hall off George Street.

The conference is sponsored by the League of Women Voters of New Jersey's Education Fund, the New Jersey Division on Women, the New Jersey American Council on Education's National Identification Program, the Women's Agenda of New Jersey and the Institute for Women's leadership at Douglass.

For more information, call the league at 1-800-792-VOTE.



WILLIAM WHITING and STEPHANIE BOGEATZES

Stephanie Bogeatzes to wed William Whiting in the fall

Announcement has been made of the engagement of Stephanie Bogeatzes of Saco, Maine, and William Whiting of Old Orchard Beach, Maine.

The bride-to-be is the daughter of Andrew and Betty Bogeatzes of Ten Eyck Street. The bridegroom-to-be is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whiting of Scarborough, Maine.

Miss Bogeatzes is a financial aid officer at the University of Southern Maine, Portland, Maine. She graduated from South Plainfield High School and from Johnson & Wales University.

Mr. Whiting is a certified public accountant with the firm of Albin, Randall & Bennett, Portland, Maine. He graduated from Bentley College.

A November wedding is planned.

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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE

SOUTH PLAINFIELD 1992-93 SCHOOL BUDGET

Notice is hereby given to the legal voters of the School District of the Borough of South Plainfield, that the annual Public Hearing for the proposed school budget for 1992/1993 will be held on Tuesday, March 17, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. in the Administration Building, Cromwell Place, South Plainfield, New Jersey. Copies of the budget can be seen in the Board Secretary's Office which is opened every work day from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

	Oct. 15, 1990 ACTUAL	Oct. 15, 1991 ACTUAL	Oct. 15, 1992 ESTIMATED
ENROLLMENTS			
1. Pupils on Roll	3,035	3,161	3,181
2. Pupils in State Facilities	4	2	3
3. Private School Placements	14.5	11	15
4. Pupils Sent to Other Districts			
b. To Special Education Programs	6	9	15
c. To County Vocational Schools	2.5	5	7
5. Pupils Received	12	11.5	6

REVENUES

	(1)	1990-91 ACTUAL (2)	1991-92 REVISED (3)	1992-93 ANTICIPATED (4)
CURRENT EXPENSE				
Balance Appropriated		588,400.00	655,880.00	895,867.00
Revenue from Local Sources				
Local Tax Levy		23,101,766.00	24,233,708.00	25,806,756.00
Tuition		279,475.00	210,352.00	264,954.00
Miscellaneous		644,738.00	340,000.00	340,000.00
SUB-TOTAL		24,025,979.00	24,784,060.00	26,411,710.00
Revenues from State Sources				
Foundation Aid		1,241,043.00	1,231,159.00	1,376,783.00
Special Education Aid		821,213.00	1,047,738.00	1,139,981.00
Transportation Aid		422,022.00	331,882.00	361,547.00
Aid for At-Risk-Pupils			253,265.00	253,265.00
Bilingual Aid		48,370.00	46,751.00	61,183.00
Other State Aid		156,623.00	164,073.00	130,907.00
T.P.A.F. Pension Fund			2,081,617.00	1,220,909.00
T.P.A.F. Social Security Aid			969,414.00	1,254,434.00
SUB-TOTAL		2,689,271.00	6,125,899.00	5,799,009.00
Revenues from Federal Sources:				
P.L. 101-392 (Vocational J-2)		13,817.00		
P.L. 100-297 Chapter 1		71,542.00	80,152.00	80,152.00
P.L. 100-297 Chapter 2		18,367.00	17,501.00	17,501.00
P.L. 94-142 (Handicapped J2)		128,119.00	140,520.00	106,000.00
Other		36,698.00	29,804.00	11,382.00
SUB-TOTAL		268,543.00	267,777.00	215,035.00
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSE		27,572,193.00	31,833,616.00	33,321,621.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY				
Balance Appropriated			346,707.00	
Revenue from Local Sources:				
Local Tax Levy		571,354.00	310,479.00	
Withdrawal from Capital Reserve				186,595.00
SUB-TOTAL		571,354.00	310,479.00	186,595.00
Revenue from State Sources:				
Foundation Aid			21,133.00	23,505.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY		571,354.00	678,319.00	210,100.00
DEBT SERVICE				
Balance Appropriated			1.00	
Revenue from Local Sources				
Local Tax Levy		667,496.00	594,299.00	380,754.00
SUB-TOTAL		667,496.00	594,299.00	380,754.00
Revenue from State Sources				
Debt Service Aid Type II			41,996.00	27,594.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE		667,496.00	636,296.00	408,348.00
Total Balances Unappropriated		3,118,697.00		
Total Funds Available and Transfers		31,929,740.00	33,148,231.00	33,940,069.00
Less Transfers			(106,720.00)	
TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE		31,929,740.00	33,041,511.00	33,940,069.00

Total Balances 7/1/90	2,157,725.00
+ or (-) Adjustments	960,972.00
Less Total Balances Appropriated During 1990-91	0
	3,118,697.00

APPROPTIATIONS

	Acct. No.	1990-91 EXPENDITURES	1991-92 REVISED APPROPRIATIONS	1992-93 APPROPRIATIONS
J-1 CURRENT EXPENSE				
Administration				
Salaries	110	624,112.00	817,854.00	789,824.00
Legal Fees	120b	121,901.00	60,000.00	70,000.00
Purch. Other Prof/Tech. Serv.	120d	177,042.00	80,310.00	95,310.00
Other Expenses	130	151,605.00	166,897.00	185,048.00
SUB-TOTAL		1,074,660.00	1,125,061.00	1,140,182.00
INSTRUCTION				
Preschool/Kindergarten				
Salaries - Teachers	213	9,298,649.00	287,600.00	325,380.00
Grades 1-5				
Salaries - Teachers	213		3,243,011.00	3,669,727.00
Grades 6-8				
Salaries - Teachers	213		2,831,580.00	2,968,456.00
Grades 9-12				
Salaries - Teachers	213		3,703,989.00	3,920,571.00
SUB-TOTAL		9,298,649.00	10,066,180.00	10,884,134.00
Undistributed Instruction				
Salaries - Principals	211	1,018,663.00	957,406.00	1,037,094.00
Salaries-Supv. of Instr.	212		147,559.00	158,098.00
Salaries-Other Inst. Staff	214	726,919.00	1,281,966.00	1,374,631.00
Salaries-Sec. and Cler. Staff	215	579,382.00	643,248.00	681,488.00
Other Salaries for Instr.	216	109,197.00	146,440.00	172,724.00
Textbooks	220	126,887.00	110,880.00	144,689.00
School Lib. & Audio Vis. Mat.	230	54,762.00	66,733.00	64,029.00
Teaching Supplies	240	355,308.00	374,312.00	411,501.00
Other Expenses	250	56,439.00	93,113.00	81,662.00
SUB-TOTAL		3,027,557.00	3,821,657.00	4,125,916.00
Attendance and Health Services				
Salaries-Attendance	310	16,030.00	19,790.00	21,290.00
Other Expenses-Attendance	320	1,643.00	1,400.00	2,000.00
Salaries-Health	410	219,180.00	274,415.00	310,242.00
Other Expenses-Health	420	56,682.00	127,461.00	141,689.00
SUB-TOTAL		293,535.00	423,066.00	475,221.00
TRANSPORTATION				
Salaries	510	419,145.00	394,151.00	428,253.00
Contracted Services and Public Carr. (Exclude 520C)	520	437,736.00	459,147.00	518,696.00
Trips other Than to and From School	520C	15,735.00	23,235.00	24,397.00
Replacement of Vehicles	530	91,554.00	108,928.00	34,135.00
Pupil Trans.-Insurance	540	23,216.00	30,976.00	31,495.00
Other Expenses	550	89,945.00	75,270.00	42,210.00
Maintenance of Pupil Transportation Vehicles By Private Garages				38,980.00
Purchased Professional/Technical Services - Transportation				1,850.00
SUB-TOTAL		1,071,331.00	1,091,707.00	1,120,016.00
Operation of Plant				
Salaries	610	978,670.00	1,005,802.00	1,048,427.00
Contracted Services	620	68,657.00	62,190.00	87,885.00
Heat	630	715,717.00	976,500.00	907,573.00
Utilities	640	139,383.00	161,934.00	170,840.00
Supplies	650	73,451.00	85,200.00	89,465.00
Other Expenses	660	33,138.00	37,640.00	44,080.00
SUB-TOTAL		2,009,016.00	2,329,266.00	2,348,270.00
Maintenance of Plant				
Salaries	710	546,961.00	560,663.00	608,093.00
Contracted Services	720	502,133.00	518,265.00	554,570.00
Replacement of Equipment	730	209,200.00	220,188.00	220,551.00
Purchase of New Equipment	730c	173,006.00	174,011.00	179,803.00
Other Expenses	740	147,018.00	125,000.00	153,500.00
SUB-TOTAL		1,578,318.00	1,598,127.00	1,716,517.00
Fixed charges				
Other Employee retirement Contributions	810a	607,561.00	355,000.00	400,000.00
Social Security-T.P.A.F.	810b		969,414.00	1,254,434.00
Social Security-Other	810c		259,000.00	118,486.00
T.P.A.F. Contribution	810d		2,081,617.00	1,220,909.00
Insurance and Judgments (Exclude U.C.C. Acct.)	820	3,143,105.00	3,622,203.00	3,891,979.00
Rental-Lease Purchase-Principal	830b			90,000.00
Rental-Lease Purchase-Interest	830c			374,327.00
Tuition - County Special Services	870a		622,000.00	
Tuition-Special	870e	398,115.00		
Tuition-State Facilities	870f	74,711.00	68,517.00	38,073.00
SUB-TOTAL		4,223,492.00	7,977,751.00	8,010,208.00
SUNDRY ACCOUNTS				
FOOD SERVICE				
Other Expenses	920	23,426.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
Expenditures to Cover Deficit	930	14,976.00	25,000.00	25,000.00
SUB-TOTAL		38,402.00	50,000.00	50,000.00
Student Body Activities				
Salaries	1010	318,170.00	409,221.00	436,499.00
Other Expenses	1020	121,341.00	124,674.00	130,286.00
SUB-TOTAL		439,511.00	533,895.00	566,785.00
SPECIAL PROJECTS (LOCAL)				
Salaries	1113	96,917.00	51,850.00	
Other Expenses	1123	36,824.00	35,430.00	32,852.00
SUB-TOTAL		133,741.00	87,280.00	32,852.00
SPECIAL EDUCATION				
Educable				
Salaries	210	106,229.00	95,036.00	107,100.00
Other Expenses	290	1,966.00	2,485.00	2,102.00
Equipment	730			1,980.00
Trainable				
Salaries	210	66,315.00	75,005.00	52,845.00
Other Expenses	290	1,816.00	1,916.00	979.00
Equipment	730		341.00	
Neurologically Impaired				
Salaries	210	39,097.00		
Other Expenses	290	356.00		
Perceptually Impaired				
Salaries	210	490,838.00	573,504.00	699,844.00
Other Expenses	290	13,603.00	9,725.00	12,447.00
Equipment	730		1,369.00	
Emotionally Disturbed				
Salaries	210	190,735.00	226,096.00	228,367.00
Other Expenses	290	5,723.00	3,286.00	3,187.00
Equipment	730		253.00	396.00
Multiply Handicapped				
Salaries	210	13,688.00	62,732.00	69,660.00
Other Expenses	290	1,876.00	1,951.00	1,007.00
Equipment	730		1,179.00	
Resource Room				
Salaries	210	305,122.00	304,981.00	297,566.00
Other Expenses	290	5,805.00	5,351.00	4,854.00
Equipment	730			234.00
Preschool Handicapped - Full-Time				
Salaries	210	75,734.00	94,047.00	72,875.00
Other Expenses	290	2,760.00	1,065.00	1,300.00
Equipment	730		436.00	
Speech Instruction				
Salaries	210	167,403.00	179,456.00	199,479.00
Other Expenses	290	4,783.00	4,514.00	4,341.00
Equipment	730		158.00	96.00
Home Instruction				
Salaries	210	17,447.00	21,571.00	21,571.00
SUB-TOTAL		2,052,476.00	1,666,457.00	1,782,513.00
BASIC SKILLS/REMEDIAL				
Salaries	210		253,265.00	253,265.00
SUB-TOTAL			253,265.00	253,265.00
LOCAL VOCATIONAL				
Salaries (est.)		448,946.00		
Other Expenses (est.)		92,234.00		
SUB-TOTAL		541,180.00		
BILINGUAL EDUCATION				
Salaries	210		56,125.00	61,183.00
SUB-TOTAL			56,125.00	61,183.00
SUB-TOTAL J-1 CURRENT EXP.		25,240,688.00	31,079,837.00	32,590,567.00
FEDERAL PROJECTS				
P.L. 101-392 (Vocational)		13,817.00		
P.L. 100-297 (Chapter 1)		71,542.00	80,152.00	80,152.00
P.L. 100-297 (Chapter 2)		18,367.00	17,501.00	17,501.00
P.L. 94-142 (Handicapped)		128,119.00	140,520.00	106,720.00
Adult Basic Education P.L. 91-230		5,234.00	8,270.00	11,382.00
Other Federal Projects		31,473.00	21,334.00	
SUB-TOTAL		268,552.00	267,777.00	215,035.00
STATE PROJECTS/OTHER				
Salaries - S.C.E.		253,265.00		
Other Expenses S.C.E. Bi-Lingual		48,370.00		
Nonpublic Textbooks	1161	13,509.00	13,871.00	13,871.00
Nonpublic Auxiliary Services	1170	43,349.00	39,181.00	39,181.00
Nonpublic Handicapped Ser.	1180	49,732.00	52,004.00	52,004.00
Nonpublic Nursing Services			17,105.00	17,105.00
Other Special Projects		18,078.00	20,999.00	
SUB-TOTAL		426,303.00	143,160.00	122,161.00
J-3 ACCREDITED EVENING/ ADULT H.S. & POST GRADUATE				
Salaries		87,229.00	162,604.00	211,977.00
Supplies		888.00	2,600.00	2,600.00
Other Expenses		5,312.00	38,141.00	43,500.00
SUB-TOTAL		93,429.00	203,345.00	258,077.00
J-4 ADULT EDUCATION				
Salaries		69,397.00	3,839.00	4,760.00
Supplies		1,326.00	600.00	96.00
Other Expenses		29,337.00		
SUB-TOTAL		100,060.00	4,439.00	4,856.00
J-6 SUMMER SCHOOL				
Salaries		54,658.00	60,870.00	79,600.00
SUB-TOTAL		54,658.00	60,870.00	79,600.00
J-7 VOCATIONAL EVENING				
Salaries		38,002.00	44,138.00	46,000.00
Supplies		5,000.00	2,000.00	2,000.00
Other Expenses		15,158.00	18,050.00	19,050.00
SUB-TOTAL		58,160.00	64,188.00	67,050.00

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Happy birthday K mart!

Chris Manth hands out balloons at K mart's 30th birthday party Sunday at the Middlesex Mall.

The trauma of being a POW stays with soldiers forever

By PAULA V. INGRASSIA
THE REPORTER

Milton Stern spent his 21st birthday watching a firing squad execute 14 Belgians.

And then he was he was told he would be the squad's next target.

Mr. Stern, then a second lieutenant, was a prisoner of war in a Gestapo prison in Liege, Belgium, in 1944. The Edison resident is now commander of the Garden State Chapter One of the American Ex-Prisoners of War.

"I was forced to witness the execution of 14 Belgium patriots by firing squad with threats after each that I would be next," he said. "It's a day I won't forget ever."

He was a navigator on a B-17, or "flying fortress," when the four-engine bomber was shot down on his third daylight bombing run in March 1944.

Mr. Stern's B-17 was hit while they were 20 minutes from Berlin on the initial run, where planes cannot avoid flak or fighters.

The pilot dropped the plane from 25,000 feet to treetop level to avoid enemy radar while Mr. Stern charted the course to the North Sea and England.

When the airplane reached Holland, three Messerschmitt fighters had located the limping American B-17.

When the Plexiglass nose of the B-17, where Mr. Stern sat, was blown off and a wing caught on fire, the pilot climbed to 600 feet and the crew bailed out.

"My parachute opened and I don't remember being in the air a few seconds when I hit a tree quite hard," Mr. Stern said.

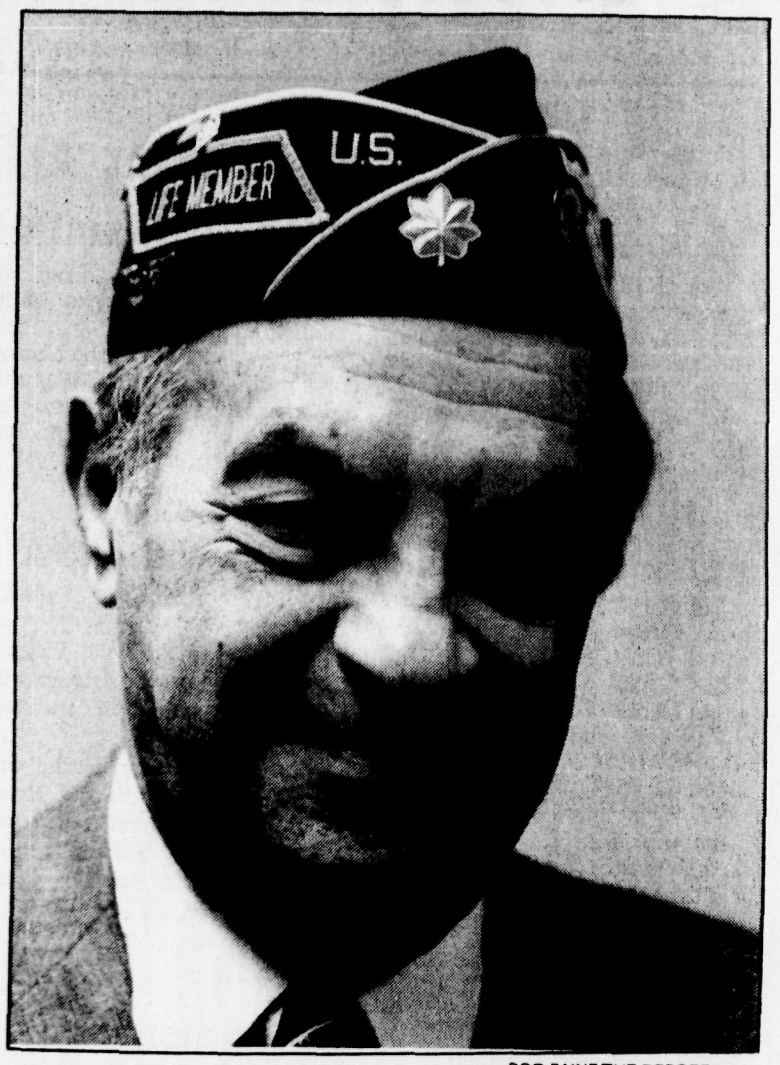
While Mr. Stern was hiding in a ditch, a Dutch boy found him and spirited him away to a haystack.

"He told me to stay in the haystack for three or four days until the Germans stopped looking for me," Mr. Stern said. "I almost froze that night and I walked all the next day to keep warm."

Mr. Stern walked to a farmhouse where he entered the Dutch Underground. After two weeks in Holland, the Underground took a train to the river where they crossed in a rowboat into Belgium, where he was reunited with five members of his crew.

The Americans were supposed to be taken into Switzerland, but stayed in Belgium for three months because the 8th and 9th Air Force was bombing the area daily.

Mr. Stern and his companions were captured by Gestapo agents in May 1944 because of a Belgian double agent.



ROB PAINE/THE REPORTER
Milton Stern is now commander of the Garden State Chapter One of the American Ex-Prisoners of War.

Mr. Stern spent two months in the Gestapo prison where he was singled out for solitary confinement and interrogated daily because he is Jewish.

He was then sent to a military prison camp in North Germany on the Baltic Sea in July 1944 where he remained until the Russians liberated the camp in May 1945.

Mr. Stern described the lack of a welcome for the POWs of World War II that still hurts years later.

"When we came home, there were no brass bands, no Red Cross girls, no family. Most of us were given a perfunctory physical exam and sent home," he said. "It was only after the Iran hostage crisis when the POWs decided that we had been shortchanged. They got together and fought for some things. Laws were passed giving ex-POWs a top rating at the VA hospitals."

Almost everyone in the American Ex-Prisoners of War, Garden State Chapter One, of which Mr. Stern is currently commander, has some type of health problems, including Mr. Stern who displayed his nitroglycerin tablets.

"There were no records of what had happened — the malnutrition and the other things that had happened to us." he said. "Getting together has helped. We have opened up to one another when we had not told our families."

The American Ex-Prisoners of War meets every Tuesday at 1 p.m. at the Lyons VA hospital, Basking Ridge.

"We are always trying to recruit POWs who haven't come out of the woodwork. A lot of them don't even know they are eligible for disability benefits," he said. "The reason I want to recruit is one day our organization will be no more. *Hopefully we won't have any more long wars.*"

Anyone interested in joining the group can call Mr. Stern at 754-5969.

Junior Woman's Club cooks up a new fund-raising idea this month

The Junior Woman's Club of South Plainfield is preparing a cookbook of unusual value and content.

The book, slated as a fund raiser for 1992, will contain at least 250 recipes. In addition to the recipes, the cookbook will also contain a "kitchen handbook" filled with charts and cooking information together with a thumb index.

"The cookbook cover will feature a real treasure in the community: our own Spring Lake Park," said Chairman Donna Zushma. "We're asking residents who enjoy the park and send us a few pictures of their favorite spots."

Photographers are requested to submit a glossy print (35 mm or larger) or slide transparency of Spring Lake Park by March 31. The contest winner will receive two free cookbooks in addition to being recognized in the book.

The cookbook will feature 10 different food categories including appetizers, main dishes, soups, vegetables and desserts.

"Because we want our book to be truly representative, we're also asking the terrific cooks of our community to participate," Ms. Zushma said.

Each favorite recipe printed will be credited to its owner, and will be accepted through April 30. Recipes and/or photographs should be submitted to the South Plainfield Junior Woman's Club, P.O. Box 189, South Plainfield NJ 07080.

The cookbook will be available for purchase at $7.95 each this fall. Profits from this fund-raising event will be placed in the club's contribution fund and distributed to local charities.

Nutrition tour of supermarket

March is National Nutrition Month. To help celebrate this event *Smart and Healthy Supermarket Tours* are being conducted at the Shop Rite on Oak Tree Road, Edison, on Wednesday, March 11. These two-hour tours begin at 1 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Jane Herman, R.D., program associate for Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Middlesex County, in cooperation with ShopRite, will conduct the tour.

Register early, the tour is limited to eight people for each tour. Call 745-3445 to register.

NOW SHOWING
TRI-COUNTY THEATERS
Week March 6, 1992
CINEMA PLAZA
Flemington 782-2777
DATE NIGHT IS TUES. NIGHT

Walt Disney
The Great Mouse Detectives
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Sat. & Sun. mat 2:00 pm

You'll Laugh, You'll Cry
Wayne's World
PG13 7:15 and 9:15
Sat. & Sun. mat 2:10 pm

From the Writer of "When Harry Met Sally"
This Is My Life
PG13 7:00 and 9:00
Sat. & Sun. mat 2:15

Jessica Tandy and Kathy Bates
Fried Green Tomatoes
PG13
Eves. 7:00 pm & 9:20 pm

Stephen King's
The Lawnmower Man
Rated R 7:30 and 9:30
Sat. & Sun. mat 2:00 p.m.

John Candy & James Belushi
Once Upon a Crime
PG 7:15 & 9:10
Sat. & Sun. mat. 2:15 p.m.

HUNTERDON
DATE NIGHT TUESDAY
Chevy Chase and Daryl Hannah
Memoirs of an Invisible Man
PG13 7:00 & 9:00 pm • No 9 pm show 3/7
Sneak Preview on 3/7 at 7 PM
Joe Pesce
R My Cousin Vinnie

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J-8 EVENING SCHOOL FOR FOREIGN BORN					
Salaries			10,087.00	9,600.00	7,414.00
Supplies			456.00	400.00	366.00
Other Expenses			1,488.00		
SUB-TOTAL			12,031.00	10,000.00	7,780.00
TOTAL CURRENT EXPENSE			26,253,681.00	31,833,616.00	33,321,621.00
CAPITAL OUTLAY					
Increase In Capital Reserve		1210c		186,595.00	
Sites		1220	19,585.00		
Buildings		1230	367,146.00	464,720.00	198,207.00
Equipment - Regular		1240	43,541.00		
Purchased Other Professional/Technical Services		1250b	80,785.00	27,004.00	11,893.00
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY			511,057.00	678,319.00	210,100.00
DEBT SERVICE					
Principal		1320	600,000.00	600,000.00	398,000.00
Interest		1330	67,496.00	36,296.00	10,348.00
TOTAL DEBT SERVICE			667,496.00	636,296.00	408,348.00
Total Expenditures/Appropriations and Trf.			27,432,434.00	33,148,231.00	33,940,069.00
Less Transfer				(106,720.00)	
TOTAL EXPENDITURE/APPROPRIATION			27,432,434.00	33,041,511.00	33,940,069.00
	Total Balances June 30, 1991		3,124,389.00		
	Total Expenditures and Balances June 30, 1991		30,556,823.00		

RECAPITULATION OF BALANCES

	J-1 Current Expense	Special Schools or Special Projects (J-2-J-8)	Capital Outlay Unreserved	Capital Outlay Capital Reserve Account	Debt Service	Totals
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
Appropriation Balances 6/30/91 (from Audit)	2,729,777.00	43,676.00	350,935.00		1.00	3,124,389.00
Amount Budgeted During FY 91-92	(655,880.00)		(346,707.00)	186,595.00	(1.00)	(1,189,183.00)
Appropriation Balances 6/30/92 (Est)	2,073,897.00	43,676.00	4,228.00	186,595.00		2,308,396.00
Amount Budgeted in FY 92-93	(895,867.00			186,595.00		(1,082,462.00)
Appropriation Balances 6/30/93 (Est)	1,178,030.00	43,676.00	4,228.00			1,225,934.00

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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
ORDINANCE NO. 1271

BE IT RESOLVED, BE THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Ordinance No. 1271 entitled: AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TOWING AND STORAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD

be adopted on first reading and be advertised in The Reporter on Friday, March 6, 1992 and that a public hearing be held on Thursday, March 26, 1992 at 8:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey.

Approved: March 26, 1992
Michael Woskey, Mayor

I certify the foregoing to be a true and correct abstract of a resolution regularly passed at a meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, held February 27, 1992 and in that respect a true and correct copy of its minutes.

James V. Eckert,Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 1271

AN ORDINANCE REGULATING TOWING AND STORAGE OF MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield, that:

SECTION 1. In accordance with the applicable provisions of Chapter 142 of Public Laws of 1991, the removal of motor vehicles from private or public property by operators engaged in such practice and the fees to be charged for such removal as well as storage charges charged for storage following removal shall hereinafter be regulated in accordance with the provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 2. Definitions.

(a) Abandoned Vehicles — Any vehicle is considered to be abandoned anywhere within the Borough of South Plainfield limits, upon any Borough of South Plainfield street or public right of way, *public easement, public alley,* avenue, thoroughfare or public or quasi-public places and includes the definition of abandoned vehicles as set forth in N.J.S.A. Title 39.

(b) Flat Bed Service — The removal of disabled vehicles from public right of way, utilizing a flat bed truck with a hoist that removes the vehicle from the road bed onto the surface of the flat bed for ultimate removal to a storage site.

(c) Storage — The area in which disabled vehicles are towed or brought by tow trucks for ultimate retrieval by owners or other disposition.

(d) Towing — The removal of automobiles and trucks under 6000 lbs. disabled as a result of accident or other disabling event with the use of a towing/wrecker winching service.

(e) Winching Service — Any operation in which a vehicle is moving onto a roadway from a position off the roadway or any other operation in which substantial work is required to prepare a vehicle for normal towing.

(f) Wreckers — Equipment used in towing and winching services.

All terms set forth in this ordinance shall have the meaning as such terms are more fully defined in N.J.A.C. 11:38.1 et seq.

SECTION 3. Rotation Wrecker List.

(a) There shall be established a list of towing operators who meet the qualifications of this Ordinance, and from such list, the Borough of South Plainfield reserves the right to request the use of towing services from the next available towing contractor. The rotation towing operator list shall from time to time be supplemented, amended and updated, and copies of such list *shall be available in the Police Department, Public Works Department,* Fire Department and Borough Clerk's Office.

(b) There shall be an annual license fee payable by Rotation Wrecker List towing operators in the amount of Two Hundred Fifty ($250) Dollars. This fee shall be due and payable on or before December 31 of the year prior to the license renewal. Applications for license renewal shall be available from the Borough Clerk's Office and shall be in the form annexed to this Ordinance.

SECTION 4. Qualifications of Towing Operators and Equipment Used by Same.

(a) No person, company or corporation shall be included on *the Rotation Towing Operator List unless:*

(i) Said operator demonstrates that he, she or it has at least five (5) years experience as a sole towing opertor or as an employee with a company that was engaged in the towing of vehicles and vehicle storage. A background check shall be conducted by the Borough's Police Department, any conviction for a crime of the operator or of any of the officers or employees of the company shall disqualify the person, company or corporation from these services.

(ii) Said operator has at least one employee in addition to the principal, qualified as a towing operator to provide round-the-clock availability of service; said employees shall be over twenty-one (21) years of age and possess a valid, current New Jersey driver's license with no restrictions or conditional endorsements.

(iii) Said operator is able to respond to an emergency towing call within fifteen (15) minutes of the time the call is placed by the South Plainfield Police Department.

(b) Equipment required - each towing operator shall have available for use a minimum of two (2) wreckers, at least one of *which shall be a flat bed. Tow operator may lease on an as-*needed basis, the flat bed tow truck to comply with this requirement. The wreckers shall be maintained in good condition, in full compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 39:1 et seq., be available for use twenty-four hours a day, and be suitably identified on each side with the name, address and telephone number of the vehicle owner/tow operator. Each vehicle supplied by a towing operator shall contain a shovel, broom and other incidental equipment necessary to clean up glass and debris from any accident scene the operator is directed to.

(c) Facilities of towing operators for the storage of vehicles towed pursuant to this Ordinance shall include the following:

(i) Minimum storage area of 10,000 square feet which towing operator either owns or leases, proof of which shall be submitted at the time of application to the Borough for towing operator's inclusion on Rotation Wreckers List.

(ii) Storage area must be located in an area within the Borough of South Plainfield, which is zoned for such use, and must meet all applicable municipal codes and contain at least one permanent principal structure; the entire land area used for vehicle storage must be enclosed by fencing of at least six (6) *feet in height; fencing shall not be open chain link.*

(iii) No towed vehicle may be parked upon public streets and must be stored by towing operator within the storage areas as hereinabove described.

(d) To be placed upon the Rotation Wrecker Towing List, an applicant shall submit its application in duplicate to the Borough Clerk's office together with an application fee of Two Hundred Fifty ($250) Dollars. The application shall comprise the following documents:

(i) Application form fully completed and signed by the applicant;

(ii) Copy of Certificate of Insurance with insurance coverages as set forth in Section 6 of this Ordinance;

*(iii) Copy of Deed or Lease to property located in the Bo*rough which applicant owns or is leasing and which is intended to be used by applicant for storage facilities in accordance with the provisions of Section 4(c) of this Ordinance;

(iv) Copies of driver's licenses of applicant's tow truck operators;

(v) Copies of registration and insurance cards for applicant's tow vehicles;

(vi) Names and addresses, social security numbers of all employees of applicant, whether said employees are town operators or not;

(e) The Application Process. The application with its supporting documents shall be forwarded by the Borough Clerk to the *Chief of South Plainfield Police Department* who shall conduct within the Police Department the necessary background checks of applicant and its employees. The Police Department shall include in its review of the application and inquiry with the Borough's Zoning Official to determine whether or not applicant's storage facilities comply with Section 4(c) of this Ordinance. When all required information has been obtained by the Police Department including inspection of the applicant's wreckers, the Chief shall recommend by letter to the Governing Body the inclusion of applicant on the Borough's Rotation Wrecker List.

SECTION 5. Services to be provided by towing operators included on the Rotation Wrecker List shall comprise the following:

(a) Removal of abandoned vehicles under the direction and supervision of the South Plainfield Police Department on a twenty-four hour a day basis; all calls for such service shall be answered within a one hour time period from the time of notification under normal conditions seven days a week. These vehicles deemed abandoned by the Police Department shall be towed without charge to the Borough of South Plainfield and stored without charge for up to ninety (90) days. Police Department personnel shall process the abandoned vehicles for junk titles and dispose of said vehicles in usual fashion.

(b) Removing and storing other vehicles, vehicles involved in accidents, disablements, stolen vehicles, vehicles involved in suspected criminal activities must be towed and stored under the direction and supervision of the South Plainfield Police Department on a twenty-four-hour-a-day, seven-days-a-week bass. Vehicles so towed and stored must be available for release between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday and 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon on Saturday. Vehicles removed pursuant to this Section must be towed to towing operator's local facilities or any other site designated by the South Plainfield Police Department. Reponse time for vehicles to be towed from site of accident or disablement shall be fifteen minutes *from time of notification. As an adjunct service to* towing of vehicles from accidents, tow operators shall be prepared when directed by Police Department to conduct a clean up of the road and surrounding environs appurtenant to the accident.

(c) Standby Service. In addition to the services outlined in paragraphs (a) and (b) of this Section, towing operators shall also be required to furnish extra towing equipment and service during storm periods, periods of snow emergencies, traffic emergencies, disasters and for any other reason when so designated by the Chief of Police or his duly authorized representative. During times of any emergency, the Borough of South Plainfield, through the office of Emergency Management, may designate temporary areas owned or leased by the Borough for storage of disabled vehicles. During said emergencies, towing operators so employed pursuant to this Ordinance shal be entitled to make regular charges to owners of the vehicles so removed.

SECTION 6. Indemnity and Insurance.

(a) The towing operator will indemnify and hold harmless the Borough of South Plainfield from any and all claims for personal injury or property damage against the Borough of South Plainfield arising out of the operation of any towing services or repair service under this Ordinance. The towing operator will further defend the Borough of South Plainfield at the towing operator's expense, in connection with any claim, demand, suit or action brought against the Borough and arising out of the operation of any towing, garage or repair services under this Ordinance.

(b) Comprehensive General Liability Insurance. The limit of liability shall not be less than $500,000.00 combined single limits (bodily injury and property damage) per occurrence and aggregate including premises operations and *products/com*pleted operations.

(c) Automobile Liability Insurance. The limit of liability shall not be less than $1,000,000.00 combined single limits (bodily injury and property damage) per occurrence.

Note: Liability insurance policies shall be specifically endorsed to provide collision insurance for vehicles in tow.

(d) Worker's Compensation Insurance. Statutory coverage including liability coverage with a limit of at least $100,000.00

(e) Garage keepers' liability in an amount not less than $60,000.00 per location.

(f) Garage Liability in an amount of not less than $1,000,000.00 combined single limit.

(g) Umbrella policy in the amount of $1,000,000.00 providing complete protection to the Borough of South Plainfield against any and all risks of loss or liability including comprehensive general liability.

(h) All policies shall be endorsed to provide collision coverage for vehicles in tow and shall name the Borough of South Plainfield as additional insured.

(i) All policies shall be written by insurance companies authorized to do business in New Jersey having AA or better rating and shall provide notification to the Borough of South Plainfield regarding and policy cancellations or revisions. All policies shall be written for a term covering the annual license penod.

SECTION 7. Records and Inspection.

(a) Towing operator shall maintain records of all vehicles towed, stored and released by him. Records shall be kept for a seven year period.

(b) Towing operator shall not release vehicles towed under this Ordinance without claimant first obtaining a release from the Police Department.

(c) Towing operator *shall maintain a record provided by the* Police Department of all property found anywhere in a towed vehicle, including trunk and glove compartment, if open or key is available, and towing operator shall be responsible to safeguard and release the contents to the owner.

(d) Only the Chief of Police or his duly authorized representative shall have access to any part of the storage area at any time of the day or night for inspection purposes, including both indoor and outdoor areas.

(e) Authorized representatives of the Police Department or Borough Administrator shall have access to any of the records to be kept by the towing operator.

(f) Inspections of vehicles to be used by towing operators *shall be conducted by the South Plainfield Police Department* and shall utilize the inspection checklist designated as Schedule A and attached to this Ordinance.

SECTION 8. (a) License Record. The Borough Clerk shall keep a record of all licenses issued and applications filed under this Section. It shall also indicate the amount of the fee paid for each license, the date upon which payment was received, the date of this issuance of the license, whether the license is a new license or a renewal and any other information which the Mayor and Council may require by resolution.

(b) Display of license. The license shall be prominently displayed at the location, where it is visible to the public and law enforcement authorities.

(c) Transferability. Each license shall apply only to the person to whom it was issued and shall not be transferable to another person. The license may not be transferred to another location, unless approved by the Mayor and Council and then only after all provisions of this section and subsection have been complied with. (By "person" is meant an individual, corporation or general or limited partnership).

(d) Expiration; renewal; proration of fees.

(1) Except when expressly provided otherwise, all licenses shall expire on December 31 of the year of issue at 12:00 midnight. Applications for renewal of licenses shall be made not later than December 1 of the year of issue.

(2) When an application for a license is made during the course of any calendar year, the licensing fee shall be the full amount of $250.00.

(e) Revocation and Causes. Any license issued for a tow operator may be revoked by the Mayor and Council after notice and hearing for any of the following reasons:

(1) Fraud or misrepresentation in any application for a permit or license.

(2) Fraud or misrepresentation or other dishonesty in conduct of the licensed activity. This shall include the gathering of persons of unsavory character, illegal gambling or conduct which would violate the laws of the State of New Jersey or the ordinances fo the Borough of South Plainfield.

(3) A violation of any provision of this ordinance.

(4) Conviction of the licensee for any felony or high misdemeanor or a misdemeanor or disorderly person's offense involving moral turpitude.

(5) Conduct by the tow operator *himself or his agents or* employees, in an unlawful manner or in a manner that constitutes a breach of the peace or a menace to the public health, safety or general welfare.

(f) Notice of Hearing. Notice of hearing for the revocation of a license or permit shall be given, in writing, by the Borough Clerk. The notice shall specifically set forth the grounds upon which the proposed revocation is based and the time and place of the hearing. It shall be served by mailing a copy to the tow operator at his last known address by certified mail, return receipt requested, at least five days prior to the date set for the hearing.

(g) Hearing Determination. At the hearing, the tow operator *shall have the right to appear and be heard, to be represented* by an attorney, to present witnesses in his own behalf, to cross-examine opposing witnesses and to have a permanent record made of the proceedings at his own expense. The Council shall revoke or suspend the tow operator's license if they are satisfied by a preponderance of the evidence that the tow operator or his agents, servants or employees are guilty of the acts charged.

(h) Reinstatement of Revoked Licenses. The Mayor and Council may issue another license to a tow operator whose license has been revoked or denied, if, after, hearing, they are satisfied by clear and convincing evidence that the acts which led to the revocation or denial will not occur again; otherwise, no tow operator whose license has been revoked ro denied, nor any person acting for him, directly or indirectly, shall be issued another tow operator license.

(i) Vilations and Penalties. Any person, firm or corporation who shall violate or fail to comply with any order or regulation made hereunder shall severally, for each and every violation and noncompliance, forfeit and pay a penalty not to exceed the sum of One Thousand *($1000.00) Dollars or be imprisoned in* the Middlesex County Jail for a period of not more than six months, or both. The imposition of a penalty for a violation of this ordinance shall not excuse the violation or permit it to continue; such violation shall be remedied within reasonable time, and each ten days that such violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense. The application of the above penalty not be held to prevent the enforced removal of prohibited conditions.

SECTION 9. Miscellaneous provisions.

(a) Fees and charges which towing operators may charge under this Ordinance for towing services, storage services or *both shall be in accordance with the provisions of* N.J.S.A. 40:48-2.49. The schedule of such fees shall be made available to the public by the towing operators during normal business hours. Maximum allowable fees shall be governed by Ordinance 1233.

(b) Tow operator owner shall be fully responsible for the acts or omissions of its agents, servants or employees and shall be regarded as an independent contractor and not an employee of the Borough of South Plainfield.

(c) Tow operator owner shall comply with all State and Federal laws regarding wages, hours, terms of employment and shall provide Borough of South Plainfield with copies of all State and Federal statements regarding same including a discrimination statement.

SECTION 10. The provisions of this Ordinance and the enforcement of same shall be under the directions, supervision and jurisdiction fo the South Plainfield Police Department.

SECTION 11. Severability Provisions. In the event any of the aforesaid sections are determined to be unconstitutional or invalid, the finding of such invalidity or unconstitutionality shall not affect the remaining provisions of this Ordinance.

SECTION 12. Inconsistent Provisions. This Ordinance supercedes any previous Ordinances governing the towing and storage of vehicles. Any conflict between the previously adopted Ordinances and this Ordinance, this Ordinance shall supercede.

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Obituaries

Leon B. Rejman, at 45

Vice commander of South Plainfield Veterans of Foreign Wars post

Leon B. Rejman, 45, the vice commander of South Plainfield Memorial Post 6763, Veterans of Foreign Wars, died of cancer March 3, 1992 at his home.

A native of Linz, Austria, Mr. Rejman emigrated to the United States in 1949 and lived in Dunellen before moving to South Plainfield in 1950.

He was a sergeant in the Marine Corps during the Vietnam War and was awarded a Purple Heart for wounds suffered in action. Mr. Rejman was a member of Chaumont Post 243, American Legion, and since 1984 had been a sergeant in the Army National Guard with a unit in Lawrenceville.

Mr. Rejman had been a production worker with the L.A. Dreyfuss Co. of Edison for the past two years. Prior to that he was employed for 10 years at the former David Smith Steel Co., South Plainfield.

Surviving are his parents, Bolesław Rejman and Rose Berznicki Rejman of South Plainfield; three sisters, Stella Schoonover and Ela Tomala, both of Hampton, and Nina Zeccardo of South Plainfield; two nieces and a nephew.

Services will be held today at 9 a.m. at the James W. Conroy Funeral Home, 2456 Plainfield Ave. A Mass of Christian Burial will follow at 10 a.m. at Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church, 149 South Plainfield Ave. Burial will be in Holy Redeemer Cemetery.

Augustus T. Tavis

Former chief administrator with GSA

Augustus T. Tavis, a former chief administrator with the U.S. General Services Administration, died Feb. 27, 1992 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center.

He was born in Fall River, Mass., and moved to South Plainfield in 1968 from West Orange.

Mr. Tavis retired in 1972 after 39 years with the GSA, first at the former Raritan Arsenal in Edison and later at the GSA depot in Belle Mead. He was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church.

Surviving are his wife, Victoria Czarniak Tavis; a son, Augustus T. Tavis of Escondido, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered Monday at Sacred Heart Church, following services at the James W. Conroy Funeral Home. Burial was in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Fall River.

James Thorne, at 78

James Thorne, 78, who owned the J&M Tire Co. of Plainfield for more than 25 years, died Feb. 27, 1992 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center.

Mr. Thorne was born in Southampton County, Va., and lived in Plainfield before moving to South Plainfield in 1982.

He is survived by his wife, Marie Thorne; a daughter, Adrienne Davis of Baltimore, Md.; six grandchildren; seven great-grandchildren; three brothers, Roy Thorne of Plainfield, Early Thorne of South Plainfield, and David Thorne of Jarrett, Va.; and a sister, Bessy Tiller of Hopewell, Va.

A memorial service will be held at the convenience of the family. Arrangements were by Judkins' Colonial Home, Plainfield.

John Holub, 79

Retired from Road Department

John Holub, 79, who retired in 1977 after more than 25 years with the Middlesex County Road Department, died Feb. 29, 1992 at Longwood Hospital, Longwood, Fla.

A native of Brooklyn, he lived in South Plainfield from 1938 until he moved to Longwood in 1978.

Mr. Holub served in the Army during World War II and was a member of South Plainfield Post 6763, Veterans of Foreign Wars. He also held membership in Commodore John Barry Council 2544, Knights of Columbus, Dunellen; a Loyal Order of Moose lodge and a Fraternal Order of Eagles aerie, both in Plainfield.

Surviving are his wife, Helen F. Gondola Holub; a daughter, Ellen Fender of Ormond Beach, Fla.; five grandchildren; two great-grandchildren; two sisters, Nellie Di-Canto and Mary Uknuis, both of South Plainfield; and a brother, William Holub of Union.

Another brother, Peter Holub, died in 1987, and another sister, Anna Pendolino, died in 1985.

Services and burial were held Tuesday in Casselberry, Fla.

Church presents play during Lent

METUCHEN — The Reformed Church, 150 Lake Ave., is asking its members to be the jury for a courtroom-like drama of "Jesus on Trial" during Lent.

This program will take place during the 10:30 a.m. worship service each Sunday from March 8-April 5. A different person will act as a witness each week to give testimony about Jesus.

For more information, call the church at 548-2463.

Dolores R. Corvelyn

Founded firm, was on school board

Dolores R. Corvelyn, the secretary-treasurer of the RAD Corp. on New Market Avenue and a former member of the South Plainfield Board of Education, died March 2, 1992 at Somerset Medical Center, Somerville.

She founded the RAD Corp. in 1956 with her husband, Robert Corvelyn.

Mrs. Corvelyn was born in Berkeley Heights and lived in South Plainfield from 1953 until 1985, when she moved to Belle Mead. She was a member of the Model A Ford Club, Livingston, and the Antique Automobile Club of America.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Corvelyn is survived by two sons, Robert Corvelyn Jr. of Piscataway and Glen Corvelyn of Readington; a daughter, Nancy Merritt of Hellertown, Pa.; six grandchildren; and three brothers, William Wiatroski of Winter Garden, Fla., Greg Wiatroski of Mendham, and Robert Wiatroski of Summit.

A funeral Mass was offered yesterday at St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, East Millstone, following services at the Speer-Van Arsdale Funeral Home, Somerville. Cremation was private.

Contributions in memory of Mrs. Corvelyn may be made to the American Cancer Society.

Kathleen Ellis, 38

Administrator; once taught English

Kathleen Mocerino Ellis, 38, a contract administrator with Pharmacia at its Piscataway offices since 1988, died Feb. 28, 1992 at St. Barnabas Medical Center, Livingston.

She was born in Summit and moved to South Plainfield in 1956 from Stirling.

Mrs. Ellis formerly taught English as a second language in the South Plainfield and Piscataway adult schools. She graduated in 1975 from Kean College and was a parishioner of Our Lady of Czestochowa Roman Catholic Church.

Surviving are a son, Paul Ellis at home; her parents, Rosina Carlucci Mocerino and Leonard Mocerino, a brother, Michael Mocerino, and a sister, Jo Anne Shallo, all of South Plainfield.

Services were held Monday at the James W. Conroy Funeral Home, followed by a Mass of Christian Burial at Our Lady of Czestochowa Church. Burial was in St. Vincent de Paul Cemetery, Stirling.

Mr. Thomas

VP, band singer

Anthony P. Thomas Jr., 44, a vice president of sales and marketing with the Power-Rite Co. of New Brunswick, died Feb. 29, 1992 in Edison at his former residence.

He also was a singer with Rouges, a band in which he played keyboards.

Mr. Thomas was born in Brooklyn and lived in Edison before moving in October of last year to Naples, Fla. He was a member of South Plainfield Lodge 2298, B.P.O. Elks.

Surviving are his wife, Lynn Donnelly Thomas; two daughters, Rose M. Thomas and Ann C. Thomas, both of Woodbridge; a son, Anthony P. Thomas III, and a sister, Mary Salamone, both of Edison.

A Mass of Christian Burial was offered Wednesday at St. Francis Roman Catholic Cathedral, Metuchen. Entombment was in the Good Shepherd Mausoleum of St. Gertrude's Cemetery, Colonia.

Funeral arrangements were by the Runyon Mortuary, Metuchen.

UPS foundation grant to MCC

EDISON — The Middlesex County College Foundation has received $25,000 from the UPS Foundation on behalf of the college's MAPS (Minority Access to the Professions Scholars) program.

The UPS Foundation is the charitable arm of United Parcel Service, which has a depot in Raritan Center. In 1991 the UPS Foundation gave nearly $9.4 million to organizations involved in education, human welfare, health, adult literacy, and the distribution of prepared food to those in need.

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BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
PUBLIC NOTICE

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Whereas, a need exists for the professional services of a financial analyst to assist the Governing Body to prepare, implement and monitor all procedures necessary for the sale of municipal bonds to fund previously authorized bond ordinances, and

Whereas, the Chief Financial Officer of the Borough of South Plainfield has certified the availability of funds in the Section 20 expenses of those bond ordinances to be permanently funded, said certification attached, and

Whereas, the Local Public Contracts Law N.J.S.A. 40A:11-1 et seq requires that an authorization of an award of any contract for "PROFESSIONAL SERVICES" without competitive bids must be publicly advertised.

Now therefore be it resolved by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that:

1.The Mayor and Municipal Clerk be and they hereby are authorized to sign an agreement with David B. Thompson President of Cypress Securities, Inc. in an amount not to exceed $5,000 plus one (1) per cent of the total amount of bonds issued in accordance with the attached proposal for performance of aforementioned advisory services. and

2.This contract is awarded to David B. Thompson, Cypress Securities, Inc. bidding as a "PROFESSIONAL SERVICE" in accordance with the provisions of NJSA 40A:11-5(1) (a) because the services of a financial planner is one of a fiduciary relationship requiring someone who has a knowledge of the Borough's finances, debt structure and management and long range capital plan as well as the municipal bond market.

3.This resolution will be advertised in accordance with law in The Reporter, Friday, March 6, 1992.

Approved: February 27, 1992
Michael Woskey, Mayor

I certify the foregoing to be a true and correct abstract of a resolution regularly passed at a meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, held February 27, 1992 and in that respect a true and correct copy of its minutes.

Mary G. Blue, Clerk
$22.79 R178 1t Mar. 6, 1992

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
ORDINANCE NO. 1268

An Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE LEASING OF CERTAIN VACANT LANDS FOR RECREATIONAL PURPOSES

was presented for adoption with a public hearing held thereon by the Mayor and Borough Council on Thursday, February 27, 1992 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

/s/James V. Eckert
Municipal Clerk/Administrator
$5.64 R179 1t Mar. 6, 1992

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
ORDINANCE NO. 1269

An Ordinance entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE NO. 762 ENTITLED "DEVELOPMENT REVIEW ORDINANCE, BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NEW JERSEY"

was presented for adoption with a public hearing held thereon by the Mayor and Borough Council on Thursday, February 27, 1992 in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey 07080.

/s/James V. Eckert
Municipal Clerk/Administrator
$6.11 R180 1t Mar. 6, 1992

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
LEGAL NOTICES

Public notice is hereby given that the following actions were taken by the Planning Board of the Borough of South Plainfield at its meeting held February 25, 1992:

Case #91-4 ESTATE OF CONCETTA DE FILLIPPO, Property: 191 Plainfield Ave., Block 267; Lot 19; R-10 Zone. Applicant's request for Preliminary and Final Subdivision Approval with conditions was GRANTED.

Bonnie Deering
Recording Secretary, Planning Board
$5.64 G177 1t Mar. 6, 1992

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
ORDINANCE NO. 1270

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Ordinance No. 1270 entitled: TRAILER AND STORAGE CONTAINER USE & LICENSING

be adopted on first reading and be advertised in The Reporter on Friday, March 6, 1992 and that a public hearing be held on Thursday, March 26, 1992 at 8:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey.

Approved: February 27, 1992
Michael Woskey, Mayor

I certify the foregoing to be a true and correct abstract of a resolution regularly passed at a meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, held February 27, 1992 and in that respect a true and correct copy of its minutes.

Mary G. Blue, Clerk

ORDINANCE NO. 1270

BE IT ORDAINED by the Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield that the Code of the Borough of South Plainfield be amended to include the following new chapter:

Chapter 150
"TRAILER AND STORAGE CONTAINER USE & LICENSING"
SECTION 1. Definitions.

Storage Container — a structure or any portion thereof, not the principal building, used for the storage of goods, wares, merchandise, raw materials, agricultural or manufactured products, which structure is installed on, above or below the surface of a parcel of land.

Trailer — every vehicle with or without motive power, designed for carrying persons or property and for being drawn by a motor vehicle.

Vehicle — every devise in, upon or by which a person or property is or may be transported upon a highway, excepting devises moved by human power or used exclusively upon stationary rails or tracks or motorized bicycles.

SECTION 2. Legislative Intent. The Governing Body of the Borough of South Plainfield deems the use of trailers and storage containers as outdoor storage facilities to be otherwise illegal, whether or not said trailers have valid Department of Motor Vehicle registrations. It is the intent of this ordinance to regulate the aforesaid uses; the Governing Body expressly requiring that all the provisions of this Ordinance be complied with by the tenant and/or owner of the property upon which trailers and storage containers are used for outdoor storage purposes.

SECTION 3. The maximum number of permitted trailers and/or storage containers used as outdoor storage facilities per parcel of land shall be two (2), with maximum square footage not exceeding 500 square feet.

SECTION 4. The placement of trailers and/or storage containers upon the property, the annual inspection of same and the annual renewal of trailer and storage container use licenses shall be the jurisdiction of the Building Department, the Administrative Officer and Building and Fire Subcode Officials. Inspections shall be conducted annually by the Building Department and Property Maintenance Code Officer to determine compliance with this Ordinance and Property Maintenance Code/Uniform Construction Code Ordinance.

The trailers and storage containers used for outdoor storage purposes shall also be inspected by the Department of Fire Safety, which Department shall have the authority to issue cease and desist notices in accordance with the provisions of the Uniform Fire Safety Act for violations of same.

SECTION 5. The annual fee for trailers and storage containers as outdoor storage facilities shall be $275.00 per trailer or container, a portion of said fee being used to offset the Borough's annual inspection costs. The balance of said fee shall be deemed to be revenue raising and thus the purposes of this Ordinance shall be both the raising of revenue and the regulation and control of the use of trailers and storage containers as outdoor storage facilities.

SECTION 6. The owner/lessee/primary user of the trailer and/or storage container as an outdoor storage facility shall post in a conspicuous place on the exterior wall of said trailer or container, the type and amount of all materials being stored therein; a duplicate list of said storage contents shall be filed with the Administrative Officer, the Borough Clerk's Office and the Department of Fire Safety.

SECTION 7. The provisions of Section 5 of this Ordinance shall not apply to churches, religious and fraternal organizations and other nonprofit eleomosanary organizations which need to use trailers and/or storage containers for nonprofit purposes.

SECTION 8. The standards with regard to the placement of trailers and/or storage containers for outdoor storage facilities upon the property in accordance with this Ordinance shall be the Zoning Ordinance regulations at the time of license application.

SECTION 9. Any person, firm, or corporation who shall violate any of the provisions of this Ordinance shall upon conviction, be subject to a fine not exceeding $1000.00 per violation. Each week a violation is permitted to exist shall constitute a separate offense.

SECTION 10. The Governing Body may, after notice and hearing, refuse to issue, revoke or suspend any license issued pursuant to this Ordinance where the trailer or storage container user/property owner has violated any provision of this Ordinance or fails to correct any deficiency noted as a result of any annual inspection.

SECTION 11. Each section of this Ordinance is an independent section and the holding of any section or a part thereof to be unconstitutional, void or ineffective for any course shall not be deemed to effect the validity or constitutionality of any other sections or parts thereof.

This Ordinance shall take effect upon final adoption and publication as provided by law.

Michael Woskey, Mayor

ATTEST:
James V. Eckert, Clerk
$56.27 R181 1t Mar. 6, 1992

BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD
ORDINANCE NO. 1272

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD, NEW JERSEY, THAT:

Ordinance No. 1272 entitled: AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD TO ADD AN ARTICLE TO CHAPTER 108 "GARBAGE AND REFUSE" CONCERNING THE METHOD FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND PROVISION OF PROOF OF COLLECTION SERVICE

be adopted on first reading and be advertised in The Reporter on Friday, March 6, 1992 and that a public hearing be held on Thursday, March 26, 1992 at 8:00 P.M. in the Municipal Building, South Plainfield, New Jersey.

Approved: February 27, 1992
Michael Woskey, Mayor

I certify the foregoing to be a true and correct abstract of a resolution regularly passed at a meeting of the Common Council of the Borough of South Plainfield, held February 27, 1992 and in that respect a true and correct copy of its minutes.

Mary G. Blue, Clerk

ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE CODE OF THE BOROUGH OF SOUTH PLAINFIELD TO ADD AN ARTICLE TO CHAPTER 108 "GARBAGE AND REFUSE" CONCERNING THE METHOD FOR SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL AND PROVISION OF PROOF OF COLLECTION SERVICE.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Mayor and Council of the Borough of South Plainfield as follows:

SECTION 1. That new Section 108-14 through Section 108-22 entitled "Method of Solid Waste Disposal and Proof of Collection Service" be added to Chapter 108 of the Borough of South Plainfield to read as follows:

Section 108-14. Method of Solid Waste Disposal and Proof of Collection Service.

SECTION 2. That Section 108-2 Definitions be amended to incorporate the following definitions:

(a) "Proof of Collection Service" means a written record, log, bill, or document evidencing receipt of service for the collection of solid waste for the preceding month from a person lawfully engaging in private solid waste collection services within the Borough of South Plainfield.

(b) "Regular Solid Waste Collection Service" means the scheduled pickup and removal of solid waste from residential, commercial, industrial or institutional premises located within the Borough of South Plainfield at least once per week.

(c) "Responsible Solid Waste Generator" means any property owner, tenant or occupant of any single-family residential dwelling, or multi-family residential dwelling, or the owner of any commercial, industrial or institutional building or structure located within the Borough of South Plainfield, who generates solid waste at those premises.

(d) "Solid Waste" means garbage, refuse, and other discarded materials resulting from industrial, commercial and agricultural operations, and from domestic and community activities, and shall include all other waste materials including liquids, except for solid animal and vegetable wastes collected by swine producers licensed by the State Department of Agriculture to collect, prepare and feed such wastes to swine on their own farms.

(e) "Solid Waste Collection" means the activity related to pickup and transportation of solid waste from its source or location to a solid waste facility or other destination.

(f) "Solid Waste Container" means a receptacle, container or bag suitable for the depositing of solid waste.

(g) "Solid Waste Disposal" means the storage, treatment, utilization, processing, or final disposal of solid waste.

(h) "Solid Waste Facilities" means the plants, structures, and other real and personal property acquired, constructed, and operated, or to be acquired, constructed, and operated by any person pursuant to the provisions of state law, including transfer stations, incinerators, resource recovery facilities, sanitary landfill facilities, or other plants for the disposal of solid waste, and all vehicles, equipment, and other real and personal property, and rights therein and appurtenances thereto, necessary, useful and convenient for the collection or disposal of solid waste in a sanitary manner.

SECTION 3. That the following provisions be added to Chapter 108:

Section 108-15. Single-Family Residential Housing. In the case of single-family residential housing, each responsible solid waste generator, if he has not already done so, shall enter into a contract for regular solid waste collection service with any person lawfully providing private solid waste collection services within the Borough of South Plainfield.

Section 108-16. Multi-Family Residential Housing. In the case of multi-family residential housing, each responsible solid waste generator, if he has not already done so, shall enter into a contract for regular solid waste collection service with any person lawfully providing private solid waste collection services within the Borough of South Plainfield. It shall be the responsibility of the owner of the multiple dwelling to provide a sufficient number of appropriate solid waste containers for the deposit of nonrecyclable waste materials to be disposed of as solid waste.

Section 108-17. Commercial and Industrial Premises. In the case of any commercial or institutional building or structure located within the Borough of South Plainfield, each responsible solid waste generator, if he has not already done so, shall enter into a contract for regular solid waste collection service with any person lawfully providing private waste collection services within the Borough of South Plainfield.

Section 108-18. Notice to Responsible Solid Waste Generators. Within six months of the effective date of this Section, and at least once every six months thereafter, the municipal government shall notify all responsible solid waste generators in the Borough of South Plainfield of the requirements of this Section, such notice may be by mail, by newspaper notice, by posted notice, or by including same with other official notifications periodically mailed to taxpayers or homeowners, or by any combination thereof as the Borough deems necessary and appropriate.

Section 108-19. Opportunity to Contract for Services. The Borough Council may request every solid waste collector engaging in private solid waste collection services with the Borough of South Plainfield who is registered pursuant to Sections 4 and 5 of P.L. 1970, c. 39 (C. 13:1E-4 and 13:1E5) and holds a certificate of public convenience and necessity pursuant to Sections 7 and 10 of P.L. 1970, c. 40 (C. 48:13A-6 and 48:13A-9) to provide all responsible solid waste generators with the opportunity to contract for, on an individual basis, regular solid waste collection services.

Section 108-20. Notices to Board of Public Utilities. Whenever the Borough Council shall make a request that a solid waste collector provide all responsible solid waste generators in the Borough of South Plainfield with the opportunity to contract for regular solid waste collection services pursuant to this Section, the Borough Council shall forthwith notify the Board of Public Utilities of such action by certified mail. In the event that a solid waste collector refuses any request to provide responsible solid waste generators with the opportunity to contract for regular solid waste collection services pursuant to this Section, the Borough Council shall forthwith notify the Board of Public Utilities of such refusal by certified mail.

Section 108-21. Violations. The Health Official, by regular mail, may at any time request proof of collecting service from any responsible solid waste generator in the Borough of South Plainfield. Failure to provide proof of service within ten days of receipt of such written request shall be a violation by the responsible solid waste generator of this Section.

Section 108-22. Penalties. The court may impose a fine for a violation in an amount not more than $200 for each day that the proof of collection service remains outstanding after ten days of the receipt of the written request.

SECTION 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict or inconsistent with any part of the terms of this ordinance are hereby repealed to the extent that they are in such conflict or inconsistent.

SECTION 5. In the event that any section, part, or provision of this ordinance shall be held to be unconstitutional or invalid by any court, such holding shall not affect the validity of this ordinance as a whole, or any part thereof other than the part so held unconstitutional or invalid.

This Ordinance shall take effect after passage and publication as soon as, and in the manner permitted by law.

Michael Woskey, Mayor

ATTEST:
James V. Eckert, Clerk
$73.01 R183 1t Mar. 6, 1992

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SECTION 13. Nothing contained in this Ordinance shall in any way be construed to allow for the creation of junk or salvage yards, which uses are strictly prohibited by the Borough's Zoning Ordinance.

This Ordinance shall take effect immediately upon its final passage and publication in accordance with law.

Schedule A

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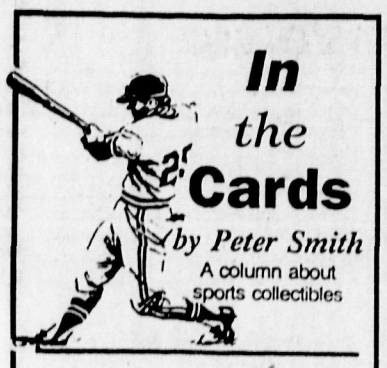
Mike Buggey, South Plainfield wrestling coach



In the Cards

by Peter Smith

A column about sports collectibles

NHL, NBA rookie cards are hot; Mario Lemieux is not

With the start of Major League Baseball's regular season only a month away, baseball cards are already in full swing. Donruss I and II series are both out with the Elite Series and Diamond Kings being the only items of interest.

Fleer cards are hot in cello packs because of the Rookie Sensations series. The cards of Chicago White Sox first baseman Frank Thomas, Boston Red Sox outfielder Phil Plantier and National League Rookie of the Year Jeff Bagwell of the Houston Astros are leading the way. The Roger Clemens sub-set is also being sought after.

Rangers rookie forward Tony Amonte is battling with the Devils' Kevin Todd for NHL Rookie of the Year, and their cards are selling fast

Topps has upgraded their cards and are doing well with their gold card set. Stadium Club hit the market this week and are very much in demand. Stadium Club will come out with three series this year.

Turning to basketball, the NBA is heading into the playoffs and card sales reflect that movement. With this year's Rookie of the Year race tightening up, several rookie cards have shown movement. Denver Nuggets' center Dikembe Mutombo has cooled off since the All-Star break and Charlotte Hornets' forward Larry Johnson has been getting hotter. Both players have cards in Upper Deck, Classic Draft Pics, Hoop II and Skybox II. Keep on eye on Atlanta Hawks' guard Stacy Augmon and Golden State Warriors' forward Larry Johnson. Upper Deck high numbers and sets should be around in time for the playoffs.

On the ice, the NHL is also approaching its second season. The first place New York Rangers are leading the way and so are the cards of Tony Amonte, Sergei Nemchinov and Doug Weight. Amonte is battling the Detroit Red Wings' Niklas Lindstrom and the Devils' Kevin Todd for Rookie of the Year honors. All three are featured on rookie cards from Upper Deck, OPC Premier and Parkhurst.

Parkhurst cards are a hot item right now as are French versions of Parkhurst and Upper Deck. Also hot right now are the cards of the Quebec Nordiques' Owen Nolan and the Chicago Black Hawks' Jeremy Roenick. Hockey collectors should also watch for players from the U.S. Olympic team entering the NHL. Some of the Olympians already have cards out from previous years.

On the gridiron, football cards have simmered down a little, but Topps Stadium Club is on the rise. This limited issue is being highly sought after with the price

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Tigers wrestlers make it 8 in a row

South Plainfield, minus individual titles, wins District 12 tournament

By SCOTT ZUCKER
THE REPORTER

The South Plainfield wrestling team continued to defy the odds in last Saturday's District 12 Wrestling Tournament.

The Tigers won their eighth straight District title despite not winning any individual championships. South Plainfied ran up 110 points with four wrestlers scoring second-place finishes and six more taking third. All 10 will move on to this weekend's Regional 3 Tournament at Union High School.

"We have a good, well-balanced team," said Tiger Coach Mike Buggey. "We don't have any star, but we have good, hard-nosed kids that do what it takes to win.

"We have 11 guys qualify for the regionals. Not many teams can say that. The kids in the consolations wrestled the hearts out. It was a great job from start to finish."

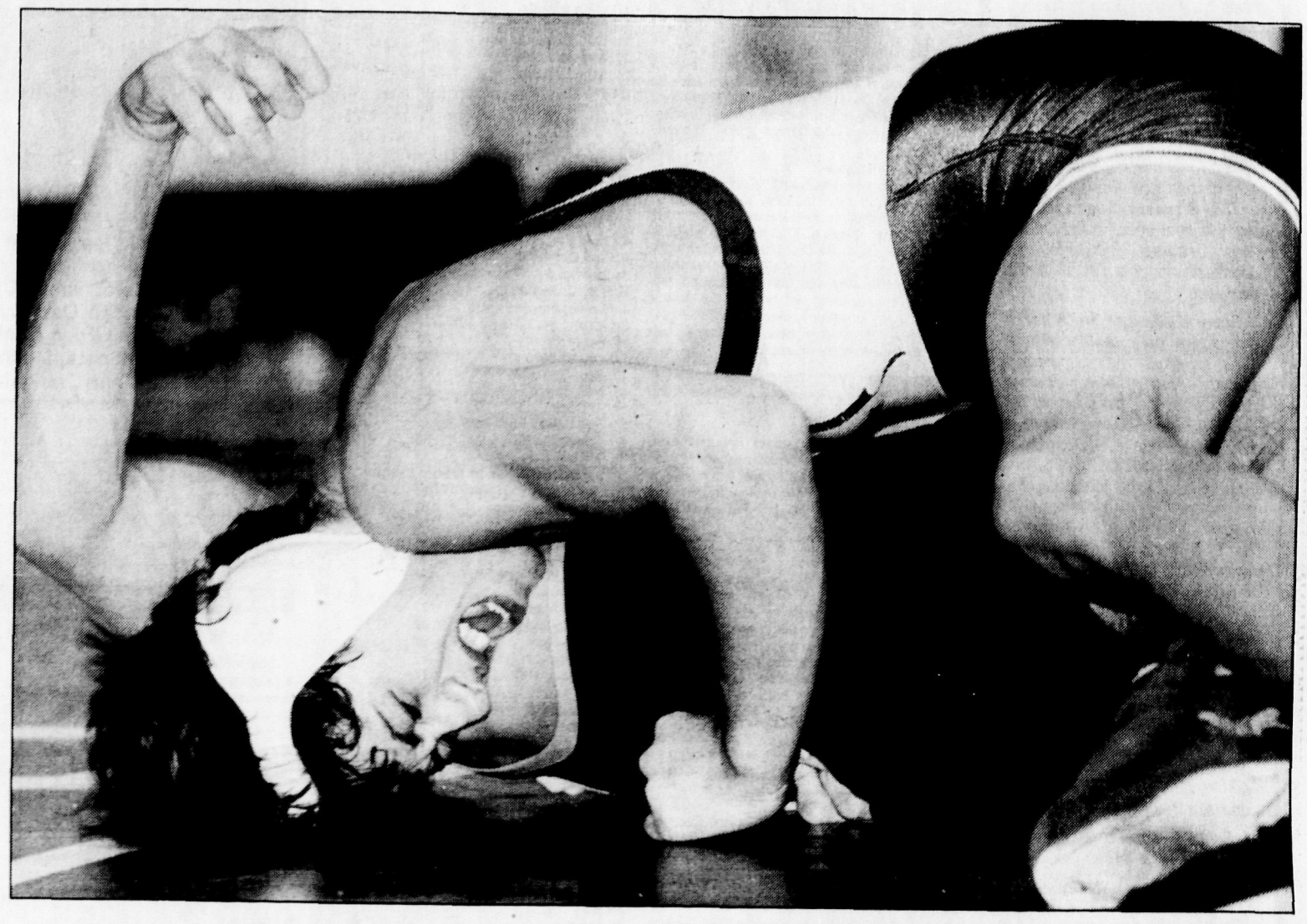
Freshman Greg Matthews got the Tigers on the board quickly at 103. After pinning Governor Livingston's Chris Biank, Matthews lost to eventual champion Jon Sachsel of New Providence in the semi-finals. Matthews bounced back to defeat Chatham's Steve LoFaso 6-2 in the consolations.

"The 103 weight class is outstanding," said Buggey. "He (Matthews) wrestled a tough match to take third."

Freshman Ronnie Geis lost to New Providence's Tom Warnke in the semi-finals. Geis also came back with a 9-1 consolation over the Highlanders' Rich Moriarty to run his record to 19-4 on the season.

Adam Kaplan gave the Tigers a second-place finish at 119. Kaplan pinned Scotch Plains-Fanwood's Jason McLean in the semi-final round. But he lost to Jose Huerfano of New Providence 12-3 in the finals. Huerfano went up 2-0 in the first round and 7-0 by the end of two.

"Kaplan looked good in the semi-finals," said Buggey. "He never stopped trying, it was an exciting bout. He got the pins when he needed to."



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South Plainfield freshman Jason Vitale won't soon forget last weekend. Forced into action when 130-pound starter Brian Besser was injured, Vitale stormed into the finals of the District 12 Wrestling Tournament, placed second and helped the Tigers win their 8th straight championship.

Freshman Jason Vitale may have been the biggest surprise of the tournament. Vitale, who wrestles at 119 on the J.V. team, filled in for the injured Brian Besser and took second place at 130. He defeated Jay Ritchter of Governor Livingston and Chatham's Jeremy Leckie before being tech falled by the Pioneers' Norm Spagnola in the finals.

"Vitale did a tremendous job, I don't know what we would have done without his 10 points," Buggey said. "He deserves all the credit in the world. He wrestled well and was giving up all that weight."

Chris Sweigart contributed to the South Plainfield cause with his pin of Chatham's Kiernan Monaghan in the 140-pound consolations. Mike Toci duplicated Sweigart's effort with a 5-2 decision over the Raiders' Ralph Sanguiliano at 152.

There were high expectations for junior Jim Geis at 160 after he pinnedg New Providence's Emilio Badalamenti in 52 seconds in the semifinals. But after a scoreless first period in the finals, North

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Success on collegiate hardwood

Gromek, Sosnak having impact on women's hoops

By DENNIS WILSON
THE REPORTER

Lorraine Bratton's main task as head coach of the 1991-92 Middlesex County College varsity women's basketball team is to find the best way to utilize the six players on the roster in the five slots on the hardwood.

Making what could be an extremely difficult chore simpler has been South Plainfield's Melissa Gromek. The 5'6 sophomore has started each game at forward and has often been switched to the point guard role at 'crunch time' - but whatever her position, she has been on the court for every minute of every game.

In a 71-68 double overtime victory over nationally-ranked Northeastern Christian in Villanova, Pa, Gromek knotted the game at the end of regulation and again at the buzzer of the first OT period before hitting the hoop for four points in the second overtime session. She finished the contest with a game-high 25 points and pulled down 10 rebounds.

Gromek tickled the twine for 24 points, including seven in overtime, when Middlesex recorded a 50-42 OT victory over Burlington County College while hauling in 13 rebounds.

Her outstanding pair of performances earned Gromek the New Jersey College Basketball Coaches Association Player of the Week Award which was presented two weeks ago at the weekly luncheon conducted at the Press Lounge in Giants Stadium.

"Melissa is an outstanding and versatile athlete," commented Bratton at the luncheon. "She is a natural point guard and is the best ball handler on out team."

A three-sport standout at South Plainfield High School, Gromek started her collegiate career at Kutztown University but decided to look for another college where she could pursue a major in personal training. While looking for another four-year institution of higher learning to continue her academic/ athletic career, Gromek stopped off at Middlesex County College and Bratton certainly is happy for that move which has put a player on the hardwood averaging 17.7 points, 13 rebounds and two steals per game.

"I decided to join the basketball team so I could stay in shape," said a smiling Gromek after accepting her certificate from Helen Struhs, director of college relations for the New Jersey Sports & Exposition Authority. "I don't care which position I play and I'm glad we're winning some games."

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Another South Plainfield native making her mark on the women's basketball scene is Boston University's Jill Sosnak. Sosnak established a new school season free-throw record last Saturday after sinking six of seven from the line against the University of Vermont.

The sophomore has connected on 111 of 150 (a .740 percentage) free throws this season, ecliping her own mark of 107 which she set as a freshman. After just 53 career games at Boston University, the 5-11 center-forward is third on the team's all-time career free-throw list with 218, and trails only Val DePaolo (230) and 1980 Olympian Debbie Miller, who registrated 282 during her career.

Sosnak has started all 26 games for the Terriers this season and is leading the team in scoring (15.8 ppg), rebounding (8.4 rpg) and field goal percentage (.489). Her season has included a career-high 31 points on Jan. 11 against Dartmouth and a career-high 16 rebounds on Feb. 22 against Delaware. She has twice been named the North Atlantic Conference Player of the Week and hit at least one free throw in every game, including a season-high 10 of 13 on Jan. 6 against Lafayette.

Young SP wrestlers snare medals at Midget Tourney

The South Plainfield recreation wrestling team competed in the annual Central Jersey Midget Wrestling League Tournament this past weekend at Union High School. The tournament was broken down into two divisions, with the A division for more advanced wrestlers and the B division for those less experienced.

The Tigers had a strong showing from the B team with Jimmy Curcio winning his opening bout with a 6-0 decision before losing by decision in the 45 pound final to grab a second place medal.

YOUTH SPORTS

South Plainfield swept the 53-pound weight class. In opening round action, Jimmy Stoeckel lost a tough decision 11-9 and Joe DeBaise dropped a 9-4 decision to teammate Matt Gatti. Kyle Stoeckel won his opening match with a 16-0 technical fall and then beat teammate Matt Anderson 9-4. Paul Carino had a fall in his first bout, a technical fall in his second and downed teammate Kyle Stoeckel in the semi-final round before losing to Nicky Conrad in the final 8-6 in overtime.

The Tigers claimed the top four stops with Conrad first, Carino second, Stoeckel third and Gatti fourth.

South Plainfield also came up strong in the 57-pound class. Steve Johnson won his opening round match with a 9-0 decision. Teammate Jason Bataille won two straight matches. Roberto Ramos had to go in overtime in his second match to win a 6-0 decision. Rich Ebauer won his first match 7-2, then defeated Ramos 6-2 in the semi-final and won the finals by a 3-1 decision. Ramos took third place and Bataille finished fourth.

Vic Kurilew and Dave Johnston both won their opening round matches at 63 pounds. Kurilew defeated Johnston 4-2 in the semi-final round and took second place. Eugene Moretti

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Youth

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downed Kurilew 9-6 for the top spot. Nick Pender won his the opening round of his 67-pound match by a 5-1 decision.

In the 70-pound weight class, Danny Czaplinski won his first two matches by fall before dropping a 7-2 decision. He came back to take third place with a fall. Brian Dziomba, a 73-pounder, won his opening round bout by decision before losing in the quarter-finals while 85-pounder John Foscolo pinned his man in the semi-finals for a second place finish.

Joe Nicolay took a third place medal in the 90-pound weight class with a pin at 2:52. Tommy Pender lost in the opening round by a close 2-1 decision at 95 pounds. Super heavyweight Richie Drumbore lost in the quarter finals.

"The B team did an outstanding job this year," said Coach Rich Gebauer. "This is real promising for the future of the program."

Sean Wilson got the A Team out of the gate quickly with a 12-2 semifinal win for second place. After Dave Butrico dropped a 2-1 decision at 53 pounds, Shaun Galya scored a 6-2 decision in the 60 pound final for the first Tiger championship. Billy Wilson needed only 25 seconds to pin his man at 63 pounds and went on to score an 11-0 decision in the semi-finals before losing in the final.

Dewitt Giles lost his bid for a 73-pound medal when he dropped an 8-2 decision. Glen Barlics lost his 77-pound bout, as did 80-pounder Brian Donnelly. South Plainfield got its next title at 90 pounds when Joey Harrah defeated top-seeded Doug Bradley in the semi-finals and scored a 4-2 decision in the finals.

Bobby Bernauer won a 9-0 decision in the 95-pound consolations for a third place medal. Super heavyweight Colin Hunter defeated the top seed in the semi-finals, before dropping a 5-0 decision in the finals for second place honors.

Three teams finished in a tie for first place and the Tigers took second place honors in the nine-team tournament.

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IN THE NEWS

Flemington Speedway opening dates

Racing will kick off this season at Flemington Fair Speedway on April 4th and 5th with the 92-lap Syracuse Qualifier for Modifieds plus Sportsman and Great American Street Stocks on Saturday (the 4th). On Sunday, the Asphalt Modifieds, the new division of TAR-CARS and the Late Model 'Daytona' Series will run.

The following weekend will be the Bridgeport Opener with a 92-lap Syracuse Qualifier for Modifieds.

For information, call the Speedway, 782-2413

MISCELLANY

Rec Department to visit Shea

The Recreation Department is sponsoring a trip to Shea Stadium to see the Mets take on the St. Louis Cardinals on June 20. The tickets are $14 for adults and $12 for child. For more information, call 754-9000, ext. 253.

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Football registration

Registration for the South Plainfield football Eagles will be held the first Friday of each month (thru April) from 6-8 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to noon. The registration fee is $15.00 per child, with a $25.00 performance bond per family. A late fee will be charged with registration in May and June. Placement try-outs for cheerleading will be held in May. If there are any questions, please call 756-5181. Any adult interested in coaching, please call the above number for an application.

BASEBALL

Junior Baseball meeting

The South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club meets the first Monday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Phil Aiello Clubhouse. Parents Back to Baseball Night will be held Monday, March 9 at the clubhouse at 7:30 p.m. For more information call 754-2090.

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T-Ball registration held

The South Plainfield T-Ball and teener ball registration has begun. The registration fee is $10 per player. Registration is open to any South Plainfield boy or girl in grades K-2 only. TBall is for grade K only. Teener ball is for grades 1 and 2. Registration is at the Recreation Office located in the PAL Building any Monday to Friday from 8:30-4:30 until March 25. Birth certificates are required for all new registrants.

RUNNING

Spring Run registration

Union County College has announced that its Eighth Annual 5-kilometer Spring Run will be held Sunday, May 3 at the college's Cranford campus. The race will begin at 11:30 a.m. Prior to the 5-kilometer run, a one-mile Fun Run will be held. Runners will range in age from elementary school-aged to senior citizens. Separate categories are provided for various age groups, both male and female. Early registration is available and those signing up before April 27 will benefit from a discounted entry fee of $6 for the 5-K race and $5 for the Fun Run. For additional information, call 709-7091.

BOWLING

Results from Greenbrook Lanes in Green Brook

Independent League

Team	Wins	Losses
1. Savage Activewear	101	60
2. JCV Siding	94	67
3. Bilt Rite Shoes	93	68
4. Sharp-Rite	92	69
5. United Jersey	92	69
6. Santonastaso Elec.	88	73
7. Piscataway Gulf	88	73
8. Wengryn Const.	87	74
9. PMZ Tool	86	75
10. Mayer's Elec.	84	77
11. Dewey Park	83	78
12. Stilo Paving	82	79
13. Max's Cafe	78	78
14. Harty Brothers	77	84
15. USA Container	77	84
16. Lem's Pro Shop	76	85
17. John's Trans.	75	86
18. Model R.R. Shop	75	86
19. D.R. Construction	72	89
20. Sherwood Elec.	71	90
21. Martino Const.	69	92
22. World of Hair	69	92
23. Ferris Borthers	68	93
24. No. Branch H.I.	55	106

Commercial League

Team	Wins	Losses
1. Dial Construction	102	45
2. Budget Printing	88	59
3. Eddie 5	87	60
4. Davis Electric	86	61
5. Club Cosmo	81	66
6. Jackson 5	79	68
7. Patty Cake Cat.	79	68
8. Presentors	78	69
9. Lipton	72	75
10. Acorn Group	70	77
11. Lots-O-Slots	68	79
12. Roselle Screw	66	81
13. Matt Lunch	65	82
14. JRC Inc.	52	95
15. Piscataway Rec.	51	96
16. Somerville PBA	50	97

Bound Brook Interboro League

Team	Wins	Losses
1. Paul's Auto Shine	102	66
2. R.V. Disposal	102	66
3. Manville Pizza	97	71
4. Mike's Auto Serv.	94	74
5. Capelli Hair.	91	77
6. Hillsboro Chiro.	88	80
7. Raritan Auto	87	81
8. C.J. Pro Shop	82	86
9. D'Agostino's	82	86
10. Frank's C.H.	77	91
11. Global VIP Travel	75	93
12. Nature's Holaday	73	95
13. Haven's Ford	70	98
14. Fratesi	56	112

VOLLEYBALL

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Co-ed Volleyball A League

Rhythm Rockers	12-0
Spinking Vikings	9-3
Spanky's Gang	5-4
G. Lee Carpenters	4-5
Zupko's I	3-6
Ethernets	3-6
Zupko's II	2-7
Hurricanes	1-8

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Co-ed Volleyball B League

Mixed Nuts	15-0
Smithkline Beecham	11-1
Volley Boozers	13-2
Crazy Eight's	8-4
Foley Cats	7-5
Sit N Bull	7-5
Jughouse	7-5
Atlantic Container	6-6
Izzo's Raiders	7-8
Right Choice	5-10
Ingersoll-Rand	4-11
Mitsubishi Diamonds	3-12
American Standard	0-12
Silvartrim Corp	0-12

RECREATION BASKETBALL

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South Plainfield Recreation
A League
Team Standings

Crystal Dome	10-2
Evans Trucking	9-3
Phase II	6-6
Lakers	6-6
5 Star Promotions	3-9
Silver Bullets	2-10

Results

Evans Trucking 94, Crystal 74
5 Star Promotions 81, Lakers 71
Phase II 57, Silver Bullets 53

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B League
Team Standings

Petrillo Lands	9-3
Road Runners	8-4
NCR	8-4
Flannagans	6-6
Clubhouse	5-7
Brother Int	4-8
Austin	4-8
LA Dreyfus	4-8

Results

Road Runners 62, Flanagans 52
NCR 2, Brother Int 0
Petrillo Lands 84, Clubhouse 59
LA Dreyfus 59, Austin 55

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Sunday League
Final Standings

Smith Assoc	12-0
Crystal Dome	11-1
Max's Sports Cafe	6-6
Syn-Tech	5-7
Clubhouse	4-8
TJ's	4-8
Kentile	4-8
ADP	2-10

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South Plainfield Recreation
Youth League
A League
Final Team Standings

Nets	11-0
76ers	7-4
Knicks	2-9
Celtics	2-9

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South Plainfield Recreation
Youth League
B League
Final Team Standings

Georgetown	9-1
Georgia Tech	8-2
No. Carolina	6-3
Duke	6-4
Seton Hall	6-4
Notre Dame	3-6
Arizona	3-6
Rutgers	2-8
Kentucky	0-10

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South Plainfield Recreation Department
Youth League
C League
Final Team Standings

J.W. Conroys	10-0
Halls Warehouse	8-2
United Jersey Bank	7-3
Ceechitini Insurance	6-4
McCriskens	6-4
S.P. Recreation	6-4
Spangler Electric	5-5
Lordini Builders	4-6
S.P. Education	2-8
Hollain Electric	1-9
Crisdel Construction	0-10

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South Plainfield Recreation
Youth League
D League
Final Team Standings

Holly Park Video	10-1
Taco Bell	9-2
Polish Home	9-2
JMS Associates	6-5
Burger King	5-4
VFW Post 6763	5-6
Sportsworld	4-6
American Legion	4-6
United National Bank	3-7
Nutro Labs	3-8
Butrico Auto Body	0-11

ROAD RACING CALENDAR

March 7— Swing Into Spring 5K, Hamilton (Mercer County). Starting Time: 10:00 a.m.; Race Information: 609-890-3789.
March 8— Newark Distance 20K Classic, Newark (Essex County). Starting Time: 10:00 a.m.; Race Information: 201-733-3749.
March 14— St. Patrick's 10 Mile Run, Longport (Atlantic County). Starting Time: 9:30 a.m.; Race Information: 609-468-0010.
March 15— St. Paddy's 10 Mile Run, Freehold (Monmouth County). Starting Time: 11:00 a.m.; Race Information: 908-462-8489.
March 21— Hamilton Optimist 5K Run, Hamilton (Mercer County). Starting Time: 9:30 a.m.; Race Information: 609-737-6941.
March 22— St. Patty's 5K Run, Eatontown (Monmouth County). Starting Time: 9:30 a.m.; Race Information: 908-542-7227.
March 22— Millburn Spring 10K Run, Millburn (Essex County). Starting Time: 10:00 a.m.; Race Information: 201-376-0231.
March 22— Pemberton Police 5K Run, Pemberton (Burlington County). Starting Time: 10:00 a.m.; Race Information: 609-894-2123.
March 22— Shillelagh Shuffle 10K Run, Mendham (Morris County). Starting Time: 2:00 p.m.; Race Information: 8 W. Main St., Mendham, NJ 07945.
March 28— April Fools 10K Run, Blairstown (Warren County). Starting Time: 12 Noon; Race Information: 201-948-4147.
March 29— Indian Trail 15K Run, Middletown (Monmouth County). Starting Time: 9:00 a.m.; Race Information: 908-842-8017.
March 29— Five Mile Run for the Bagels, Caldwell (Essex County). Starting Time: 1:00 p.m.; Race Information: 201-575-1400.
March 29— New Providence 10K Run, New Providence (Union County). Starting Time: 1:00 p.m.; Race Information: 908-635-0845.

Congratulations

South Plainfield Recreation Youth Soccer's B League team, the United Savings Bank, took first overall in the league. Team members are: Christopher Laferrera, Jeffrey Skolnick, Brendan Gaynor, Deirdre Scott, Patrick McClellan, Brian Anlas, Erica Noel, David Alles, Christopher Santoro, Daniel LaSpata, Matthew LaSpata, Matthew Michielli, Trevor Willis, John Drangula and coached by Mr. Willis.

In the Cards

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rising quickly. The Wild Card set is also doing well with collectors trying to get the different numbered stripe sets together.

Some of the cold issues in cards include Score baseball periods, Fleer basketball (with the exception of the Rookie Sensations), Pro Set I, Score Hockey and the Pittsburgh Penguin's Mario Lemiuex in particular.

Peter Smith is the owner of the PDS Sports store on Park Ave. in South Plainfield and a trading card expert. His column appears monthly. If you have a question about cards, write to In the Cards, The South Plainfield Reporter, P.O. Box 699, Somerville, N.J. 08876.

Eight in a row

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Plainfield's Jim Garafalo scored a second-period pin.

"Garafalo did a great job," Buggey said. "He got him in a double under hook and it just stuck."

"I didn't do anything stupid," said Garafalo. "I wrestled my way and not his way."

Senior J.C. Cannon also met with expectations at 189, but lost a 6-0 decision to the Pioneers' Brian Wilder in the semifinals. Cannon won by disqualification over Scotch Plains-Fanwood's Kareem McDowell in the consolations.

Cannon's freshman brother Jayson scored two straight pins to improve his record to 19-5 en route to a final round match up against Watchung Hills' hulking heavyweight Paul Ingrassia. Cannon was giving away at least 30 pounds to Ingrassia. Ingrassia opened a 4-0 lead in the first period. But Cannon battled to within two at 5-3 in the second period. With 49 seconds to go in the final period Cannon pulled within one, but Ingrassia pulled out a 7-5 victory.

"He's won 19 times against bigger, stronger kids," said Buggey. "Never underestimate that kid."

Team Scores:

1. South Plainfield (SP) 110; 2. New Providence (P) 99.5; 3. Scotch Plains-Fanwood (SP-F) 97; 4. Watchung Hills (WH) 66.5; 5. Governor Livingston (GL) 59; 6. North Plainfield (No. P) 55.5; 7. Chatham (C) 34; 8. Dunnellen (D) 9; 9. Plainfield (Plfd) 6.

Championship Finals:

103— J. Sachsel (P) d. T. Garafalo (No.P), 16-5.
112— Pat Bartels (SP-F) d. Tom Warnke (P), 4-2 (OT).
119— Jose Huerfano (P) d. Adam Kaplan (SP), 12-3.
125— Rich Ortega (GL) DQ over Mark Dannadio (SP-F).
130— Norm Spagnola (P) d. Jason Vitale (SP), 20-3 (tech. fall 5:37).
135— Mike Keller (GL) d. Mike Marcovecchio (SP-F), 7-1.
140— Mike Simcoe (WH) d. Pete Sanguilano (SP-F), 9-8.
145— J. Karnick (C) p. B. West (GL), 5:03.
152— S. Soletto (WH) d. Badolato (P), 15-3.
160— Jim Garafalo (No.P) p. Jim Geis (SP), 2:50.
171— Dave Oslislo (SP-F) d. Chris Marcussen (GL), 8-5.
189— K. O'Melia (No.P) d. B. Wilder (P), 5-3.
HWT— Paul Ingrassia (WH) d. Jason Cannon (SP), 7-5.

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Mike Toci at 152 pounds took third place by defeating Ralph Sanguilano of Scotch Plains-Fanwood, 5-2.

Consolation Finals:

103— Greg Matthews (SP) d. Steve LoFaso (C), 16-3.
112— Ron Geis (SP) d. Rich Moriarty (GL), 9-1.
119— Jason McLean (SP-F) d. Bill Bauman (C), 7-2.
125— Mike Hoppe (SP) d. Matt Warnke (P), 7-2.
130— Jorge Mendez (SP-F) d. Jeremy Leckie (C), 13-0.
135— Josh Kantrowitz (WH) d. Joe Siddonds (SP), 8-5.
140— Chris Sweigart (SP) p. Keirnan Monaghan (C) 5:38.
145— Henry Marigliano (WH) d. Mike Rebuth (SP), 6-3.
152— Mike Toci (SP) d. R. Sanguiliano, 5-2.
160— Scott Rosander (SP-F) d. Emilio Bandalamenti (P) 8-1.
171— Mark Jacobson (D) DQ over Carl Borre (SP).
189— J.C. Cannon (SP) DQ over Kareem McDowell (SP-F).
HWT— J. Jardullo (NP) d. J. Dixon (Plfd) 10-2.

Semi Finals:

103— Sachsel p. Matthews, 5:58; Garafalo d. LoFaso, 11-9.
112— Bartels d. Moriarty, 8-6; Warnke d. Geis, 11-8.
119— Huerfano p. Baumann, 1:37; Kaplan p. McLean, 2:56.
125— Ortega d. Warnke, 14-3; Donnadio d. Hoppe, 11-4.
130— Spagnola d. Mendez, 8-2; Vitale d. Leckie, 13-8.
135— Keller d. Siddons, 14-3; Marcovecchio d. Kantrowitz, 9-3.
140— Sanguilano d. Sweigart, 2-1; Simcoe d. Monaghan, 10-8.
145— Karnick d. Marigiliano, 4-3; West d. Rebuth, 3-1 (OT).
152— Soletto p. Sanguiliano, 5:39; Badolato p. Toci, 2:29.
160— Geis p. Badalamenti, :52; Garafalo p. Rosander, 4:45.
171— Marcussen d. Borre, 9-2; Osislo d. Jacobson, 11-2.
189— O'Melia d. McDowell, 16-1 (TF), 4:36; Wilder d. Cannon, 6-0.
HWT— Ingrassia p. Dixon, 1:25; Cannon p. Jairdullo, 4:29.

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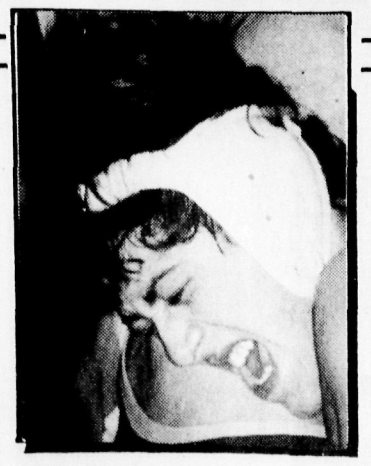
(as picked by the sports staff of Forbes Newspapers)



JASON VITALE

Jason, a freshman at South Plainfield High School, is a member of the wrestling team. Vitale, who usually wrestles at 119, went up two weight classes to fill in for injured teammate Brian Besser at the District Tournament last week and finished in second place.

EFINGER'S

ATHLETE OF THE MONTH
(as picked by the sports staff of Forbes Newspapers)

CHRIS LEAR

Lear set a meet record when he won the 1600-meter run in 4:16.27 at the NJSIAA State Winter Indoor Track and Field Championships in Princeton's Jadwin Gym Feb. 24. Earlier in the month, Lear captured the state Group I crown in the 1600 with a 4:18.38 effort and also was a strong runnerup in the Millrose Games' Jumbo Elliot Mile at Madison Square Garden.

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Business

Forbes says cut in capital gains tax will spur economy

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Malcolm 'Steve' Forbes Jr. speaks during a luncheon of the New Jersey Advertisers Club in West Orange Tuesday. Mr. Forbes called for a capitals gains tax cut and criticized Gov. Jim Florio's 1990 tax package.

Middle class tax break is 'tax equivalent of a one-night stand'

By STEVE STRUNSKY

WEST ORANGE — A significant cut this year in the capital gains tax will mean a growth rate of 2 to 3 percent in the gross national product by the end of the year, increasing to 4 to 5 percent in 1993, according to Malcolm S. "Steve" Forbes Jr., president and editor-in-chief of Forbes Inc. and publisher of Forbes Magazine.

Mr. Forbes, a four-time winner of the Crystal Owl award for economic forecasting, made his prediction and prescription Tuesday at a luncheon gathering of the New Jersey Advertising Club.

"The economy will pick up a head of steam as the recovery moves on, and the growth rate should be 4 to 5 percent next year," said Mr. Forbes, addressing 200 advertisers at Mayfair Farms. Mr. Forbes is a Bedminster resident.

Mr. Forbes criticized the present administration for paying lip service to the idea of a capital gains cut, but failing to take the issue seriously. He also said George Bush failed to take advantage of his overwhelming popularity at the end of the Persian Gulf War to push for the cut.

Although Mr. Forbes dismissed the president's Republican challenger, Patrick Buchanan, as "an isolationist," he said the opposition from Mr. Buchanan may force President Bush to finally act on a capital gains tax cut.

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Among the Democrats, Mr. Forbes said he admired former Massachusetts Senator Paul Tsongas for shunning the concept of a middle class tax cut, which, Mr. Forbes said, amounted to "the tax equivalent of a one-night stand."

Mr. Forbes heaped praise on Federal Reserve Chairman Alan Greenspan for continuing to lower interest rates.

"For once, the Federal Reserve is doing something right on the inflation front," he said. That was after Mr. Forbes all but blamed the current recession on the Federal Reserve for raising rates too sharply in 1988 and 1989 to slow the economy's runaway growth, and not lowering them again soon enough.

Mr. Forbes, who at a news conference before the luncheon proudly proclaimed himself a Republican, also criticized Gov. Jim Florio's $2.8 billion tax package of 1990.

"At a time when the economy was actually weakening, New Jersey put in the largest tax increase in history," Mr. Forbes said. "When you substantially raise taxes, you make the state an unattractive place to do business."

Mr. Forbes challenged the Republican-controlled legislature to show it was "really bona fide," in its desire to provide tax relief, and to cut the 7-cent state sales tax by 2 cents, rather than the proposed one-cent reduction. The temporary loss in revenues would have to be covered by spending cuts, he said.

In the long run, however, a revived economy would fuel state coffers much more efficiently, he said.

As a publisher, Mr. Forbes reminded colleagues that advertising revenues grew during the 1980s at an even faster rate than the economy. The trend was unlikely to repeat itself in the 1990s, however, and he said, "we in the advertising business, in the newspaper business, are going to have to hustle even more."

Overall, the tone of Mr. Forbes's remarks was cautious but upbeat.

"Trust the market," he said at one point, finishing up by assuring fellow business people, "the U.S. will once again be a model and a leader of the civilized world."

Beepers find a new market

By PAULA V. INGRASSIA
THE REPORTER

A sounding beeper once meant the wearer was a doctor.

However, with the increase in two-income households, parents are now using pagers to keep in touch with their children, said Al Flynn, vice president and general manager of PageNet located at 399 Thornall St. in Edison.

"It seems like when beepers came out they were strictly for doctors and very professional people. And that is not the case today," Mr. Flynn said. "People are not just utilizing it for business anymore. It gives a lot of comfort for working parents. Most people thought pagers were only for emergencies. That's a stigma that is slowly being lifted. What's happening now is pagers are a way of communicating. It can be even as simple as little Johnny's soccer practice is over in 15 minutes and he pages his mother to pick him up."

Expectant mothers have begun using "baby beepers," where they can page their husbands at the onset of labor, he added.

The boom in beepers has made them the right choice for "anybody who is on the move, who needs accessibility to the office, their family or their friends at a moment's notice," he said.

Mr. Flynn attributed the growth of the industry to the increased need to reach out and touch someone immediately.

"Everybody has become very aware of technology," he said. "Communications has always been a very important part of the business community. On the business end, with the current economic conditions and so much of the work force outside the office, they're looking for a low-cost, reliable way to communicate with people outside the office."

Accessibility, the greatest benefit of owning a pager, may be considered a drawback by some people.

"You do have accessibility throughout the day. You've got an open line of communication with the world throughout the day," Mr. Flynn said. "I would say the only drawback is you are available all the time. But if you're a concerned businessperson, I would think all the advantages would outweigh that. I really don't consider it a drawback. My recommendation is just be selective with the people you give the number to."

PageNet also offers a service called PageMail, where callers can leave a message instead of punching in their phone number.

"It's gone past just passing telephone numbers," Mr. Flynn said. "It's a communications tool. It's just like using a telephone."

PageNet, which was formed in 1981, has about 1.3 million pagers in service nationwide, Mr. Flynn said.

"We are the leaders in the industry," he said. "I see us in the future to continue to dominate the market and being on the leading edge of paging technology in the future."

Brugges: Center of Medieval splendor

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

Named for the bridge which span its capitals, Brugges is the historic capital of the province of West Flanders. The town lies on the low coastal plain of northwestern Belgium, just eight miles from the North Sea. Once a modest fortification against Norse invaders, it became a world famous trading center and the cradle of Flemish art.

The medieval character and peaceful atmosphere of Brugges, created by the stillness of its canals, the dignity of its Gothic architecture, and the unpretentious display of rich art, have made the city a favorable with visitors from around the world.

The quietness of Brugges today belies the turmoil of the city's early history. In the 14th century, the commercial prosperity of the already old town stimulated the sense of independence of its citizens, who resisted the efforts of the counts of Flanders and the kinds of France to subdue them.

As the head of the "Flemish Hansa," Brugges controlled western European trade with England, especially the wool trade so important for the cloth factories of the region. Culture also flourished as Brugges became the center of the Flemish school of painting.

Brugges remained a sleepy medieval town until the early 19002 when construction of the port of Zeebrugge revived trade and stimulated commerce and tourism.

Today Brugges displays its medieval and Renaissance grandeur to thousands of tourists each year. From the marketplace at the heart of town rises the market house with its magnificent Gothic tower, and its belfry chimes a deep-toned carillon. Around the corner is the Burg, the square where the castle of the counts of Flanders stood.

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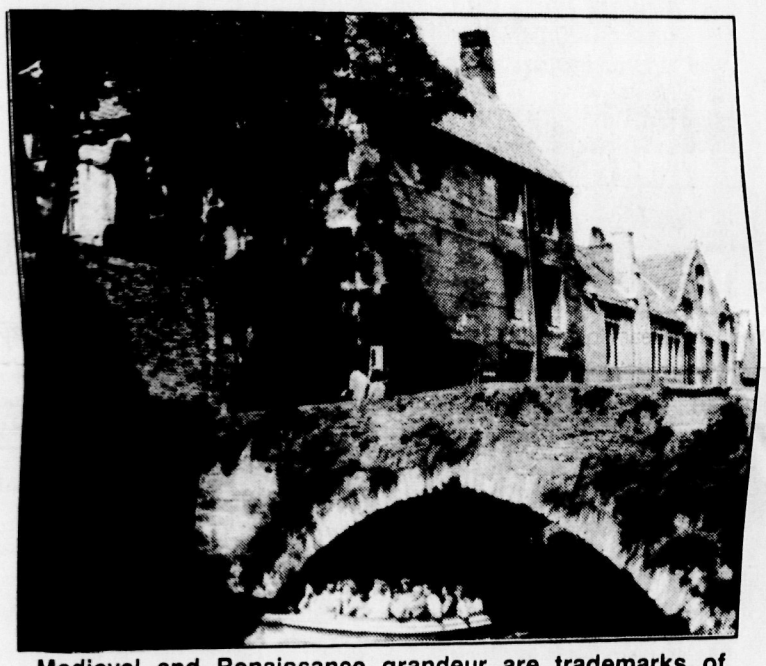

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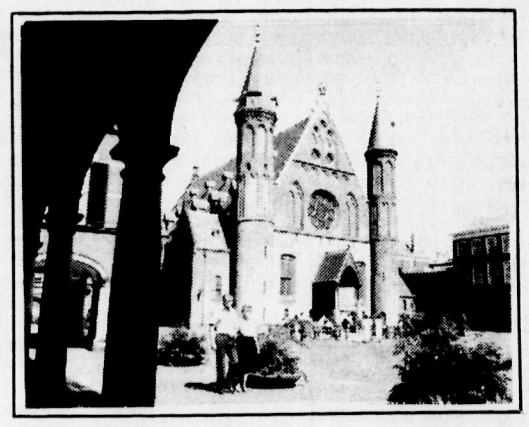

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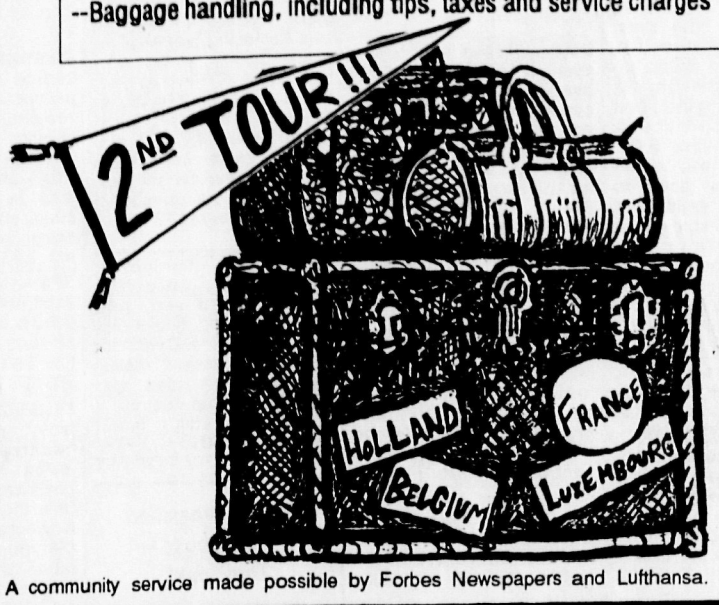

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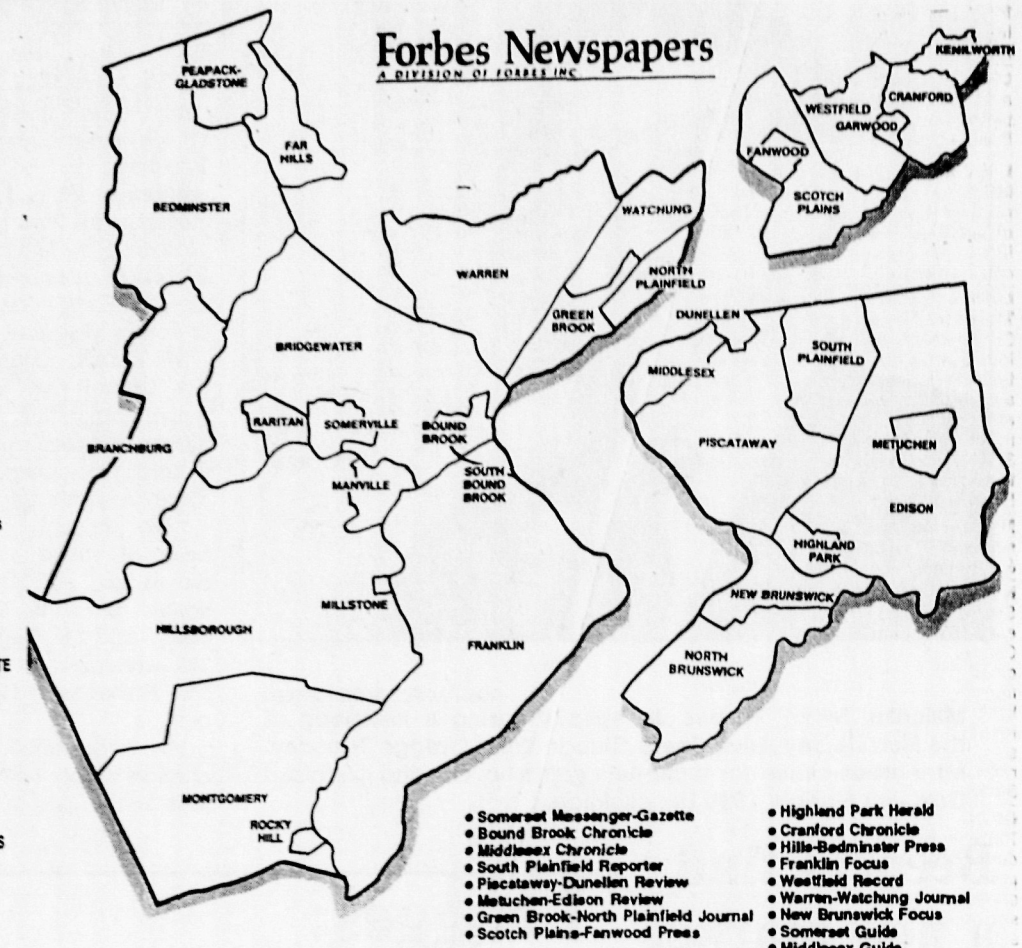

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DWF— 51, petite, blonde, professional, romantic, dining out, dancing, theatre, skiing, outdoors. Looking for professional male who will enjoy sharing my hobbies & in turn I can enjoy his hobbies. Reply to Ext 3533

DWF— Blonde hair, blue eyes, slim, mid 40's, 5'5", affectionate, intelligent, cultured, honest, one-man-woman who likes books, classical music & relating on a one-to-one basis. Seeks best friend/lover who is not afraid of the "M" word. Please be tall, fit, successful & have a great sense of humor. Hair is a plus. Reply to ext. 3525

DWF— Brown hair, green eyes, 5'4, petite & attractive, 60 yrs. young, good sense of humor. I like sports, movies, travel, music & dancing, quiet times at home. Looking for tall attractive man 50-60yrs. with similar interests. Please call Ext. 3191.

DWF— Oriental, 52, 5'7, 128 lbs, professional, into physical fittness. Don't believe in long ads. Looking for single/divorced male. Non-smoker, professional, financially stable, good sense of humor and plays a wicked game of tennis to be my permanent partner. Ext. 3751.

DWF— Sexy lady looking for dashing 50ish WM to share good times. Loves to dance, travel & see the sights. Please call Ext. 3670.

DWF— young, attractive, 35 year old, 5'3", 118 lbs., seeking relationship with attractive, financially secure funloving D/SWM between the ages of 32 and 36, height between 5'10" and 6'2", no fatties or skinnies, no beards or mustaches, no children. I like a dry, witty sense of humor, but not arrogant or obnoxious. Young at heart, good values, likes the outdoors, dancing, likes giving and receiving affection and romance, likes adventure and nonsmoker. Ext. 3182.

DWM, 32— I enjoy sports, movies & I love kids. Looking for SF for friendship & good times. Reply ext. 3719

DWM, 35— brown hair & eyes, hard working, honest, sincere & easy going, enjoys dining out, movies, tennis, long walks, music, football, you name it. Seeking S/DWF, 30-37, with same interests, for friendship first, so we can build a relationship. Reply Ext. 3051

DWM, EARLY 50s— reasonably good-looking, highly spirited and energetic, successful business executive, smoker, short in stature-high in energy. Many interests and activities including golf, photography, fishing, theater, dining out & dancing. Seeking attractive, slim, D/WWWF with high energy level and similar interests for sincere, honest which could lead to serious relationship. Reply ext. 3247

DWM— 40+, 6'2", financially secure, handsome and funloving, seeking female 30-40 years old, tall, trim, compassionate, seriously looking to settle. Children welcomed. Must accept visiting children 5 and 6 years old, I'm a Dad. A phone call will better answer our questions, don't you agree?? Reply Ext. 3486.

DWM— 44, humorous, personable, outgoing, what's not to like, self-employed guy, seeks 28-38 year old S/DWF, for friendship, dinner dancing, limosuine rides, stable relationship desired, a buddy? Something more! Reply Ext. 3487.

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DWM— 54, prof., college grad, 5'11", trim, some of my favorite things are big band & 50's & 60's music, tennis, reading (loves Steven King), dining out & in with the right person, the beach. Looking for honest, one-man-woman to share life's ups & downs. Reply to Ext. 3528

DWM— mid 40's affectionate, well-built, conversationalist, non-smoker/drinker. Looking for S/DWF 30-45, who's caring, personable & likes to maintain a good long-lasting relationship. Reply to Ext 3532

EUROPEAN STYLE— DWF, 27, European lady, 5'3& 108 lb., very attractive, fit, auburn hair & green eyes. Loves just about all pasttimes especially skiing, water sports, movies, music, dancing, traveling and writing poetry. Looking for SBM or DBM between 28 & 38 who is tall, good-looking, healthy professional. Secure and honest. If you can be just as happy dressed in jeans and staying in as you can painting the town red and if you have no problem with either an interracial friendship or relationship please call Ext. 3496.

FINANCIALLY SECURE— SWM, 27, Seeking SF, 20-35, for companionship. Sick of the bar scene, enjoy hiking, movies, tennis, volleyball, bowling, dining out. Looking for someone to share interests with. Reply to ext. 3229

GARDEN ENTHUSIAST— blonde 5'7", DWF, single parent, 38, enjoys nature, reading, animals, good values, monogamy & the Golden Rule. Seeks marriage minded gentleman who is patient, responsible, considerate & has a sense of humor. Reply ext. 3716

GBF— seeks an equally attractive outgoing SF, 25-35, for a fun-loving adventurous friendship. Ext. 3542

GENTLEMEN PREFERRED— All woman/All lady, young 40's, loves country & rock music, loves to dance, really loves to laugh. Let's walk, talk, dine, movie together. Non-smoker/non-drinker, Dignified, mature gentlemen 35-45 years of age. please do apply! Reply to ext. 3236.

1010 Introductions

GUARANTEED GOOD LOOKING— 48 SWM 6' 1, 170 lbs, brown hair blue eyes, non-smoker. I'm an incurable romantic with traditional values. Good talker & listener w/ great sense of humor. Love to hug & be hugged. Seeking fun loving, spontaneous, romantic SWF 35-45 for friendship & relationship. Reply ext 3188.

GWF— 40, Sincere and outgoing. Into outdoors, music, and travel. Wish to meet others for friendship or more. No drinkers or druggers need apply. Reply to Ext. 3734

I AM A SBF— 23, overweight 5'3, I have a beautiful personality, sense of humor & very intelligent looking for SBM over the age of 20. I enjoy cooking, meeting new people. The most precious hobby to me is being with that special someone. Reply Ext 3715

I'm a SJF, 28, who is down to earth, intelligent and fun. I enjoy movies and comedy. My interests include writing, photography, and the arts. I am looking for SWM, between 25-30, non-smoker. Somebody who's cute, fun, artistically inclined and has a good sense of humor. Please reply to ext. 3230.

I'M A SLAVE TO LOVE. DBM, 41, 5'6", pleasant, gentle & intelligent. Enjoys movies, dining, talking, walking, dancing and traveling. Romantic & affectionate. Seeking SF of similar persuasions. Reply to Ext 3701

I'm Don In Bound Brook DWM— 48 wishes to meet 30-55, 5'1"-5'9" tall, S/DWF for a meaningful relationship. I have many interests from car shows (own old cars) to dancing. Reply to 3534

If you're a tall, fit, secure, educated man of integrity, 50+, who is bright , warm, sensitive, loves life, including: the arts, travel, dancing, skiing, tennis, the outdoors, lakes and the sea- I think you'd like me. I'm a DWF, 5' 5", trim, presentable and professional. My children are on their own. Call - maybe we can make each other smile. Please respond to ext. 3234.

LADIES— If you're looking for a SW never married, very good looking & in great shape, classy guy then look no further. I'm 35, 6'1, 175 lbs., Lt. brown hair, hazel eyes, I'm a very stable, clean, financially secure, honest & caring person. I'm looking for a very attractive, intelligent, employed lady that likes to be treated like one, bet. 25-36. I enjoy the shore, water skiing, fitness, long rides, fine restaurants & romantic evenings at home, and of course getting married. I'm a 1 woman man, I don't believe in cheating, using or abusing my lady. Serious inquiries only. Please call Ext. 3195.

1010 Introductions

LIGHTING ONE CANDLE— for social justice & companionship. SWF professional, age 37. Interests: Asian culture, outdoor activities, self actualization. Seeking a SM professional, age 35-45 with a sense of humor, insight & humanity. Reply ext. 3720

LOOKING FOR LOVE IN ALL THE WRONG PLACES? So has this SJM. I'm 35, 5'7", brown hair, trim & physically fit, am stylish, a non-smoker, college educated. I enjoy music, dancing, dining out, movies/videos, sports & traveling. I'm seeking an attractive, slim SJF 26-33, to enjoy a caring, sharing, friendship & potential relationship/romance with. Reply to ext 3450.

LOOKING FOR SWM, for a friendly relationship between the ages 30-40. Reply ext. 3737

LOVELY BLONDE MODEL— desires discreet relationship w/gentleman of substantial means who likes to make dreams come true! Reply 3733

LOVES MOVIES, LOVES TO LAUGH— artsy DWF, 38j, with Annie Hall type looks, wide variety of interests including books, all kinds of music, theatre, dancing, walking & museums. Seeks S/DM 35-45, to share good times & conversation. Reply ext. 3732

MWM— 45, fit & healthy, seeks WF for daytime fun & friendship. Ext. 3461

NICE GENTLEMAN— Seeks to meet down to earth SWF from Somerset County between the ages of 35-45. I like dining out, movies, biking, flea markets, and going to car races. Looking for friendship possibly leading to relationship. Respond to 3447.

ONCE UPON A TIME— There was a SWF 32, independent, down to earth profesional, with a great sense of humor, who is seeking a SWM 27-37 sincere professional who enjoys good conversation, a lot of laughs, and isn't a couch potato. Her friends said,"place an ad, take a chance, what have you got to lose?" After several days of thought she did... Please reply ext. 3527

REBEL WITH A CAUSE— active SWM, 33, nonsmoker, professional who shuns neckties. Into sailing, skiing, scuba, softball, theatre, music, movies, dancing, motorcycle & volleyball. I have an active life & I'm looking for someone who also has a life but wants to share some of it & keep some of it, don't be jealous. Reply to Ext 3526

SAF— 45, petite, attractive, sensitive, loving, a bit conservative, Catholic, seeks honest, marriage minded gentleman, Nonsmoker, non-drinker with pleasing personality. Please call Ext. 3659.

SBF— 38, 125lbs., enjoys movies, dancing. Seeking SBM for friendship & possible relationship. Take a chance, reply ext. 3728

SBF— who enjoys fine dining, dancing & good times seeks mature, responsible single male age 19-30 who enjoys the same. All replies will be answered. Please call Ext. 3662.

SBM— 30, 6'13" never been married, has no kids. Looking for a tall, professional female who likes dancing, plays & comedy clubs. I travel a lot, especially to Europe. Seeks an independent minded, down to earth woman, 27 or older without an attitude. Race and/or kids is not a problem, but must be a nonsmoker. Reply to Ext 3543

SBM— Early 40s, enjoys the outdoors and love of horses. Excellent parenting skills, intelligent and articulate. Dear Lady, please be a good rider, lover of children, environmentally conscious and uncommitted. Call 3492.

SEEKING PROF MALE— 37-41 who is kind, trustworthy, generous, sincere & is marriage & family minded. I'm 39, petite, attractive who enjoys travelling, dining out, comedy shows & romantic evenings. Please reply to extention 3295.

SEEKING SW Woman, 22-40, I like to travel and play games. I also love Elvis. Please reply Ext. 3232.

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SF 5'2, dark brown hair, hazel green eyes, great smile, totally bi-lingual in Spanish, intelligent & articulate, professional. Seeks S/D handsome male 28-48, tall, who is humorous, professional & very self-assured. For romance, dinner, dancing & the unexpected & what's destined to be a memorable & lasting relationship. Reply ext. 3714

SINCERE DWM— 25, 5' 11, 175lbs, good looking. Looking an adventerous tall WF. Reply ext. 3658

SINGLE WM— 25 5'10" strawberry blond hair, muscular build, with easy going personality. Enjoys New York City, the shore, and romantic dinners. Looking for SWF 21-26 with similar qualities and interest for friendship and possible relationship. Ext. 3523.

SJF— 32, Petite, attractive, fun seeks attractive intellectual, educated, financially secure, outgoing S/DWM 30-40 who appreciates the beauty of nature, can lose himself in a good book, enjoys foreign films, is politically aware & athletically inclined, romantic, nurturing w/joie de vivre. Please call Ext.3192.

SJM 34— CPA, No. Brunswick resident, enjoys sports, music, beach, being a kid. Looking for a long lasting relationship, non-smoker please. Reply Ext. 3186

SJM— 27, 5'9", brown hair, professional, with good sense of humor. Looking for SF to enjoy friendship & possibly more. Reply ext. 3669

SJM— 27, handsome, sensitive professional. Establish & wel educated, with a good sense of humor & a warm heart. I love music, warm breezes & lazy Sunday mornings. Are you: not into the bar scene, intelligent, attractive & slim? A SJF between 25-28, nonsmoker, who likes to laugh & is looking for her other half? I've been looking for you; call & tell me about your-self! Reply to Ext 3539

SLIM ATTRACTIVE DWF— 29, social drinker/smoker, seeks similar S/DWM 27-33 intelligent w/good sense of humor for relationship. Interests include dancing, dining out & quiet evenings at home. Reply ext. 3493

SM— enjoys music, dancing, movies, artist painting, romantic evening at home seeking SF 23-30 petite who has a very good sense of humor, interested in Art and has same interests. Please call Ext. 3735.

SPRING FEVER? Outgoing, professional, bright, attractive, tall DWF 42 is ready to share a picnic, walk on the beach & sunshine with honest, good looking, successful single or divorced WM, with good sense of humor. Dust off the cobwebs & call so we can get to know one another. Guaranteed cure for the Winter time blues. Please call Ext. 3664.

SUCCESSFUL Composer w/Paul McCartney looks & beefheart type music seeks a very pretty, slim, 18-25 yr. old Bi-curious or Bi-sexual F for travel & adventure. Must be disease free & drug free as I am. Please call Ext. 3196.

SUCCESSFUL Professional SWM, 34 with various interests would like to meet an intelligent, adventurous Female who is around 6'tall w/good sense of humor. Please call Ext. 3200.

SUCCESSFUL, fit, well read, well traveled DWF, 39, seeks the same qualities in a charming gentleman 32-47 who also enjoys his private time. Must love to travel & read. Reply Ext. 3498.

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SWF— 21, 6', athletic, long, dark, curly hair & brown eyes. Seeking SWM 21-26, 6' tall, fit & good looking. Looking a friend to have a wild time, maybe more. Reply to ext 3537

SWF— 21, enjoys good literature, films & music. Seeking someone with whom I can share intelligent conversation & romantic moments. If you're completely unattached bet. 20-28 & know how to treat a woman with caring & respect give me a call. No drug users or heavy drinkers need respond. Call Ext. 3665.

SWF— 25 years old, 4'11" 100 lbs. looking for a caring sensitive, loyal, SWM, 25-35, for friendship and possible relationship. No drug-users or alcohol-abusers. I enjoy traveling, cooking, quiet evenings at home, seamanship and the great outdoors. I love country music and wearing blue jeans and I love to dress up when I have to. Dependants are OK. Please Ext. 3482.

SWF— 27, 5' 7", Swedish blonde ex model, would like to hear from a white very handsome, tall, physically fit, financially successful, secure, 28-45, gentleman who is not allergic to cats, has a sense of humor, nonsmoker, kids o-kay, No couch potatoes need apply. Reply to ext. 3445.

SWF— 30, 5'1", slim built, charming brunette, witty, good sense of humor, likes dancing. Looking for SWM 30-40 who is personble, out going & a non-smoker. Reply to ext 3538

SWF— 31, tired of bar scenes, a little shy, very pretty, brown eyes, blonde hair, in shape, 5'8", smoker. Seeks S/DWM, handsome/cute, sincere, intelligent, honest, fun-loving, employed, someone looking to develop a committed relationship. I'm very attracted to men with long hair, beard & mustache, 25-37 to share romance, beach, skiing, walks & back massage. Reply to ext 3524

SWF— 38 very attractive, petite, slim, sexy, blonde hair & blue eyes, intelligent & educated. I like dining, dancing, outdoors (the usual stuff) also, long leisurely quiet evenings at home. Looking for special honest, sincere, good looking, "hunk" 36-46 S/DWM who is well built, intelligent & professionl, with a good sense of humor. Are you out there? If so please call ext. 3713

SWF— 40's, tall adventurous blonde seeks a SWM 40-50 who's taken the road less traveled by and knows that it makes a difference. Looking to share benefits and well rounded life experience with one who is confident, capable & a bit unconventional. Seeks one who can appreciate artistic vision, world travel, a passion for life & enduring mature friendships. Please call 3667.

SWF— 5'2150 lbs., 22, just moved from mid west. Looking for male companion. Someone who enjoys sporting events and will show me around. I enjoys movies and music. Ext. 3544.

SWF— early 40, Katherine Hepburn type. Seeking over 50 male, rugged & sexy, any nationality for mutual appreciation & fun. Reply to ext 3531

SWF— Let this 40 lady add fun to your life, my best features are my blue eyes, bright smile & slim figure. If you're successful in life, enjoy people, places, share & care, lets not wait too long before getting to know each other. Reply ext. 3711

SWF— no I'm not overweight, on drugs, a smoker or drinker, but I am petite, trim, cute & cuddly. Tender gracious, spontaneous passionate & ready for a serious relationship with a SWM 40-55 who knows how to treat a lady & isn't into head games. So give me a call & lets talk. Reply ext. 3710

SWJM, 22, Looking for a good time with a 19-23 year old SWJF who is down to earth and enjoys good food, movies and just sitting around talking. Please reply ext. 3221.

SWM, 26— writes poetry & listens to Classical Music in the dark. Seeks woman who is culturally perceived as imbalanced. Must have rabid hatred for convention & all the parasitic trappings that go along with it. Age is irrelevant, arm pit hair a bonus. Reply Ext. 3474.

SWM, 28 YEARS OLD, Blond hair, blue eyes, 6', with wide range of interests. Looking for Miss Right- S/DWF, 22-30, who is looking for friendship that could build to serious relationship. Please reply ext. 3223.

SWM, 30 YRS OLD— 5' 10", 170 lbs., self-employed Italian, seeking WF, age 22-30, for friendship or lasting relationship. Must be in shape, good-looking, affectionate & have CLASS! Smokers OK. No drugs. Call ext. 3465

SWM, 34, enjoys movies, dancing, swimming. Looking for SWF 20-30, nonsmoker for friendship & possible relationship. Please reply ext. 3233

SWM, 6', 33, 200 LBS.— in shape, enjoys many outdoor activities, semi-professional looking for female with similar interests between the ages of 25 & 35. Reply ext. 3466

SWM, CATHOLIC, 53— non-drinker, non-smoker, seeks honest, sincere, practicing Catholic woman. Reply ext. 3475

SWM, 37, 5' 11", dark hair, nice looking gentleman, nice build, physically fit, non-smoker, intelligent, class, good nature, secure & stable, good position. Romantic, warm, sincere, good sense of humor. Very flexible, open minded. Variety of interests incl. outdoors, movies, dancing, dining, etc. Seeking a special, nice, no-nonsense SF or SDF bet. 27-39 of similar interests who is attractive, slim, fit & sexy for relationship. Please call Ext. 3171.

SWM,— 42, professional with mellow out look on life. Enjoys dining, movies & travel. Seeks an attractive lady 30-50 for inimate & exclusive relationship. Reply ext. 3729

SWM- This handsome college grad is 22 yrs. old 5'9", 160 lbs. with brown hair & eyes. I enjoy exercise & love to travel. I'm seeking a SWF age 18-32 who is attractive, likes to dance & enjoys romantic time. If you have similar interests just give me a call. Please call Ext. 3177.

SWM— 20, honest, attractive, in excel. shape seeking daring & wild Female 20-30 to endeavor in whatever may follow. Please call Ext.3655.

SWM— 21, 5'11, college student, Sylvester Stallone look alike, nondrinker, wishing to meet a non-drinking woman. I enjoy baseball, football, jogging, the beach & quiet evenings at home. I would like to meet a down to earth SWF, 18-22 who enjoys working out & keeping in shape, preferably a redhead. Please call Ext. 3651.

SWM— 24 6'3 175 lbs. brown hair, green eyes sensitive & caring seeks SWF 22-28 loyal, caring and sensitive who enjoys dining, dancing, the beach. Non-drug user, non-alcholic for friendship and possible relationship. Dependents OK. Ext. 3488.

SWM— 29, professional, home owner, seeks intelligent attractive, down to earth WF 25 to 32 to enjoy the simple pleasures of life with. I am intelligent, honest, athletic and have many diverse interest including music and receational sports. I like haveing friends over, and I'm happy doing anything from watching a program on PBS to going to a bar to hear live music. I prefer one special relationship over casual dating. I'm well built and reasonably attractive but do have thinning hair. Call 3483.

SWM— 30 something, tall, lean, physically fit. Into Rollerblading & workouts in the gym. Seeks Rollerblading, fitness minded SF 25-35 to share good times & adventure. Reply ext. 3726

SWM— 30, 5'4, open minded, light hearted. Curly brown hair w/green eyes, Aries, professional. Likes rock music, water, discovery. Seeks attractive petite SWF 22-28, energetic, healthy , sociable. for companionship or relationship. No drugs or smoker. Reply Ext. 3472

SWM— 33, self employed, successful, above average looks. Seeking female 20-30 who isn't overweight & also has above average looks. Sexy & classy a must. For friendship & possible relationship. Reply ext. 3727

SWM— 34, 5'9", attractive, well-educated prof who enjoys, sports, dancing, music, romantic dinners, comedy, arts & travel. Seeking an intelligent, sophisticated SWF with a good sense of humor for friendship & possible relationship. Reply to Extention 3372

SWM— 34, 5'9, 175 lbs. Easy going guy that enjoys skiing, biking, movies & horses. Would like to meet a SDWF 30-40. She must be easy going & down to earth & is looking for a meaningful relationship. Please call Ext. 3654.

SWM— 38,would like to meet attractive female for adult fun and companionship with the possibility of an ongoing relationship. Ext. 3545.

SWM— 5'11", Light brown hair, blue eyes, intelligent, and considered good looking. Like to meet a very attractive, long dark haired female, who is intelligent, in shape, and knows what she wants. I know how to treat a lady. An answer to this ad will not be a waste of your time. Reply to box #3217.

SWM— Age 22, half Italian, brown eyes, brown hair, wears glasses. Looking for a SWF, 18-24, who likes to go to movies, and likes to talk a lot. Interested in friendship possibly leading relationship. Reply box 3225

SWM— early 40s, former Civil Rights activist looking for day time relationship. I work at nights, a NYC talent agent/club owner & highly educated, looking for female for lunch, shopping, conversation, etc. Reply to Ext 3541

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SWM— handsome, professional 37, 5'3, brown hair, hazel eyes looking for a SWF bet. 25-37 who is interested in developing a great friendship leading to a strong romantic relationship. I like listening to music(Rock & Roll & Classical), cooking for myself & company, going out to the movies or sitting home to watch a rented movie or old film on TV, and going into NYC for an occasional concert, play or to visit a museum. Also enjoy skiing & the beach. I am a warm & caring person & hope to find the same. Please call Ext. 3671

SWM— Irish, 32 yrs old, dark brown hair, 6' 1", 198 lbs., clean-cut, nondrinker, non-smoker, mechanically inclined also into computer repair, loves animals, and the outdoors. Seeks woman over 5'6" with similiar interests. Ext. 3363.

SWM— tall, attractive, professional, physically fit, non-smoking, 39, seeks lover-in-waiting. They say I look like Tom Brokaw, but alas, I have no current affair. I'm trustworthy, considerate, intelligent, and yes, fully-haired. Looking for someone slender & attractive to pamper & share my thoughts with. Call Ext. 3668.

SWM— Young 47 looking for SWF, age unimportant. Best friend, love & affection. Enjoys music, dancing, theatre, dining & beach. No smoking or drugs. Reply to ext. 3146

TALL ITALIAN SM— former model 6'3', 185, dark curly hair, dark complexion, dark big brown eyes w/a mediterranean look in mid 20's loves rock & roll drumming & various excellent adventures, as long as all times spent are great ones. Seeking hot bodied hot looking female personality a+. Curious to call. Reply ext 3738.

TALL, ATTRACTIVE PROF WWBF— in my 50's who enjoys Atlantic City, travelling, movies, dining out & romantic quiet times at home. Seeking a tall, tanned & terrific S/D WWBM 55 & over with similar interests who is neat, sincere & financially secure. Reply to Ext 3529

TALL, SPARKLING RED-HEAD— Mid-30s, divorced, no children, nonsmoker, serious equestrienne, loves the outdoors. I'm looking for an intelligent, tall, intelligent, successful, intelligent, financially secure, non-Italian (I'll explain when I meet you), creative, funloving, attractive S or DWM for friendship and possible relationship. As the saying goes, I have a life; if you do too, and you're looking for someone to enjoy it with, please reply Ext. 3205.

THIS DYNAMIC, SLENDER, CULTURED, SEXY-LOOKING lady loves to dance. If you're 50ish plus & looking for a fun-loving person to light up your life, why wait or hesitate let's trip the light fantastic together (or I'll show you how).
INTERESTED!?! Just let me know. PS- I also play a good game of Chess. Please call Ext. 3661

THIS HANDSOME SWM— has all but given up hope of finding that beautiful special girl. Don't let this one get away. I'm 19, into candlelight, slow dancing, moonlit walks on the beach, partying, romance, music & animals. Reply & make your dreams come true, ext. 3501

VERY UGLY, OVERWEIGHT, TALL— insecure, unemployed, illiterate, lackadaisical, DWM who dislikes candlelight dinners, romantic sunsets & holding hands. However, I do enjoy sitting in tunnel traffic with my roof down. If you are a 30's female & drastically opposite me please respond ext. 3381

W/CHRISTIAN LADIES!— if you are lonely, attractive, educated, and in your 50s or 60s, from or near Somerset County who seeks the friendship of nice appearing, genteel W/Christian widower in his 60s-please call 3491.

W/F— Separated, 32, 5' 9", 135 lbs. Looking for a male, 29-36, preferrably tall, whom likes music, beach, bowling, movies, dining and being with that special someone, holding hands and snuggling together. Looking for possible relationship. Please reply to Ext. 3310.

WHAT DO YOU GET— when you cross a standup comic with an attorney- a 34 SJM looking for a non-smoking 25-35 SJF to share your dreams, your laughs, (your car payments), those little umbrellas they put in drinks or identifying those fuzzy things growing in your refrigerator. Reply ext. 3717

WJF— Barely in her 40's, Definitely under 45. Petite, Brown eyed doe, loves to laugh, loves to dance. Do you want to giggle with me? Reply to ext. 3235.

WM, 41, unattached, self employed, Italian. 5' 10" 225 lbs., handsome and discreet. Good sense of humor and fun to be with. Seeking WF, 30-36, attractive and shapely-- no fatties or night stalkers. Your status is unimportant. For fun and friendship or friendship first then fun, please reply to ext. 3231.

WM, 61, Homebody type, sensible, sincere, always there when life gets rough to lean on for comfort and support. I do not smoke or drink. I am looking to meet a woman 50-60, interested in a lasting relationship as we approach that time in life. I own my own home and have too much room for one person. If interested, please reply ext. 3227.

WM— 31, 5'11, 185 lbs. like to travel, Rock & Roll, relaxation w/movies, seeking WF 24-33, slim & attractive, with same interests. Call Ext. 3672.

WM— 37, would like to meet a very generous, dominate bi WM. Ext. 3495.

WM— 40 seeks discreet Asian female, 30-35 years old in good health & with good figure for dates & possibly more. Reply to ext. 3535

WM— 40, self-employed, sensuous with a sense of humor & daring, seeking female 25-40 who has class, good looking & nice shape for friendship & good times. Please call Ext. 3666.

WWF, Young 61-looking for SWM, age unimportant. If the following words are meaningful call now, I can't wait to hear from you: Best friend, love and affection, music, dancing, theater, dining, beach, no smoking and cats. Please reply ext. 3237.

WWF— Exceptionally young, 61, vivacious, attractive, caring, honest, seeking unattached, well-dressed, refined, compassionate gentleman for dancing, dining (in/out), family get-togethers, theater, day-trips and companionship. Ext. 3497.

WWM— age 58, 5'10", non-drinker, non-smoker, Irish religious Protestant, mechanically inclined, part-time portrait model, likes auto racing, outdoors, fishing. Seeking same in lady; 30 year commitment, business-minded lady to help buy and sell flea market items. I am not a banker, I am a hard-working mechanic. Ext. 3362.

WWWF— looking for WM 55-65, for sincere romantic relationship. I enjoy movies, dancing & also quiet times at home. ext 3368

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1030 Lost & Found

BERNARDS TOWNSHIP— Male golden retriever. Branchburg; Black and white altered male cat. Hillsborough; Long haired gray female cat, female brown tabby.

FOUND— Medium size female dog, brown, black & white w/worn black leather collar. 1990 rabies tag. Seems well trained. Found on parkway by off ramp exit 131. Call 908-283-0874 after 7pm.

LOST— Golden Retriever named Clancy, Male neutered, vic. Basking Ridge on 2/16. $500 REWARD. 908-647-1339

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PRAYER TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN— (Never known to fail). Oh, most beautiful flower of Mt. Carmel, fruitful vine splendor of Heaven, Blessed Mother of the son of God, Immaculate Virgin, assist me in my necessity. Oh, Star of the Sea, help me and show me, herein you are my mother. Oh, Holy Mary, Mother of God, Queen of Heaven and Earth! I humbly beseech you from the bottom of my heart to succor me in this necessity. There are none that can withstand your power. Oh, show me herein you are my mother. Oh Mary, conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee (3x). Holy Mother, I place this cause in your hands (3x). Holy Spirit, you who solve all problems, light all roads so that I can attain my goal. You who gave me the divine gift to forgive and forget all evil against me and that in all instances in my life you are with me, I want in this short prayer to thank you for all things as you confirm once again that I never want to be separated from you in eternal glory. Thank you for your mercy toward me and mine. The person must say this prayer 3 consecutive days. After 3 days, the request will be granted. This prayer must be published after the favor is granted. **H.S.**

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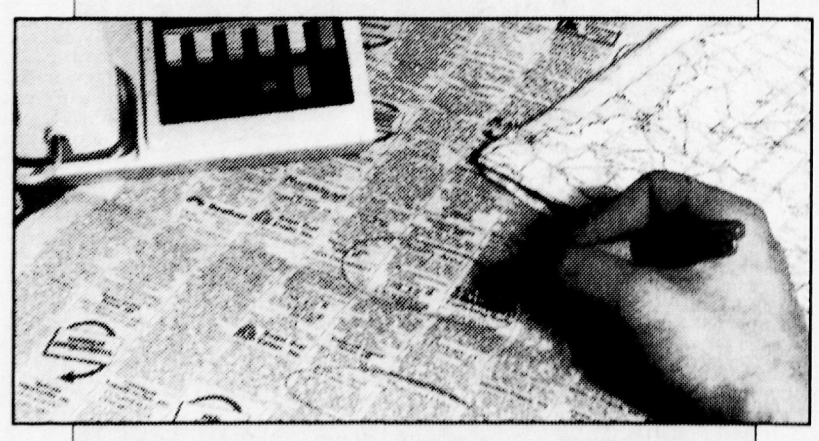

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Real Estate Guide

A home that's drawing a lot of attention

MIDDLESEX BOROUGH — Frank Hernandez of H&G Realty notes that this house at 5 Holly Court "probably represents the finest example of real estate to be offered in Middlesex Borough."

Recently built in 1987 by its former owner, Anthony and Denise Patullo, who incidentally still reside in Middlesex, the house was sold to present owners Daniel and Marie Glaser in the spring of 1991. The Glasers were transferred to Connecticut shortly afterwards.

The house is set on a private culde-sac street at the foot of the Watchung Mountains, thus offering a much-desired location.

The house itslef has cream-colored vinyl siding with blue shutters. Landscaped grounds feature many trees and mature shrubbery.

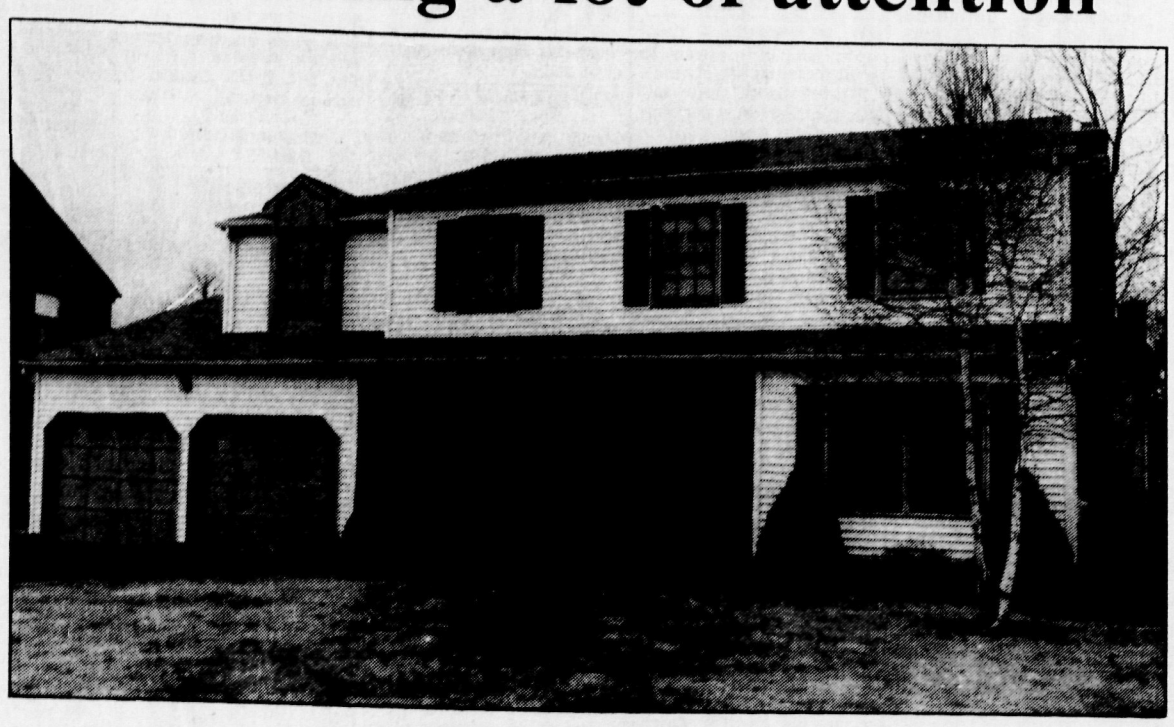
Inside, the house has four bedrooms, two and a half baths, and a 20X12 kitchen with adjoining family room. The family room offers a brick fireplace and sliding glass doors to the custom wood deck with built-in benches for entertaining.

The master bedroom suite features walk-in closets and a luxury bath. A finished recreation room in the full basement is ideal for a children's playroom. The interior is decorated and color-coordinated.

A recent open house resulted in 12 couples visiting, along with several cooperating brokers. When previously sold to the Glazers, the house sold within one day of the listing.

Middlesex Borough, founded in 1913, has a population of approximately 13,480 and a median family income of $41,690. The largest employer in the borough is currently Man-Roland, with 400 employees. Located near Green Brook Township, contains three elementary schools, one middle school, and one high school. The borough is best known for Mountainview Park (65 acres) which includes four tennis courts, four basketball hoops, bathroom facilities, 50 picnic benches, electric outlets, a track, swings, slides, a water fountain, 24 horseshoe pits, and a children's playground.

Other parks include Children's Park on Legion Place, Seneca Park, Wilton Park, East Street Park, and Fitzsimmons Park. The borough was at one time the west section of Piscataway Township, but was incorporated as a separate entity largely because residents wanted sidewalks and streetlights. At one time, the borough was home to several green houses, earning Middlesex the nickname "Flowertown U.S.A.".



This house is marketed by H&G Realty. It's located at 5 Holly Court in Middlesex Borough.

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Asking price: $225,000
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Schools: Middlesex Borough Schools
Age: Built in 1987
Open house: Through Inge Holland, H&G Realty, 400 N. Ave., Dunellen, 968-4900

MIDDLESEX HOUSE TOURS

Realty notes

The following **Century 21 Golden Key** real estate agents achieved membership in the 1991 NJAR Million Dollar Club:

Sheila Gallizzo of the Somerset office achieved membership for the fifth time. She also earned the Century 21 Gold Associate award for outstanding production in 1991. She is a resident of Franklin Township.

SHEILA GALLIZZO

Barbara Miller qualified as well for the fifth consecutive year. She also lives in Franklin Township.

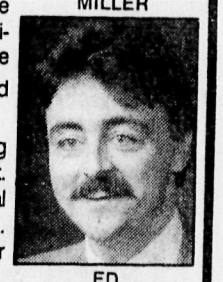
KATHY DICKINSON

Meanwhile, **Ed Geibert**, also of **Century 21 Golden Key** was awarded the nationally recognized Certified Real Estate Brokerage Manager designation. An 11-year professional, Mr. Geibert is a member of the Somerset and Hunterdon county boards of realtors. He is managing broker of Century 21's Somerset office.

BARBARA MILLER

Kathy Dickinson, a sales associate with **Weichert, Realtors'** Bernardsville Office, earned the office's top producer and top sales agent awards for listing and selling the most homes in December. Ms. Dickinson is a 20-year resident of Bernardsville and is a member of Weichert's President's Club and the New Jersey state Million Dollar Sales Club at the gold level.

DON RICARD



ED GEIBERT

Don Ricard of Hillsborough is currently managing the Hillsborough office of **Coldwell Banker Schlott**. He is a certified licensing instructor and holds real estate licenses in both New Jersey and Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Hunterdon, Somerset, Mercer and Middlesex boards of realtors.

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Avoiding foreclosure is focus of realty firm's free seminar

EDISON — Karen V. Wilson, Realtors, will host an in-depth seminar on "How to Avoid Foreclosure" Saturday, March 7, at the Pine's Manor at 2085 Route 27 and Talmadge Road, Edison. The seminar is free.

The purpose of the seminar is to show people how to save property from being lost to the lender.

The seminar will give pointers on how to deter and/or stop foreclosure and cover topics like refinancing a present mortgage at an interest rate you can live with; borrowing the money to catch up on your present mortgage, whether bankruptcy is an option for you, the option of leasing, when it's time to consider selling, credit repair, and how the federal Department of Housing and Urban Development can help you.

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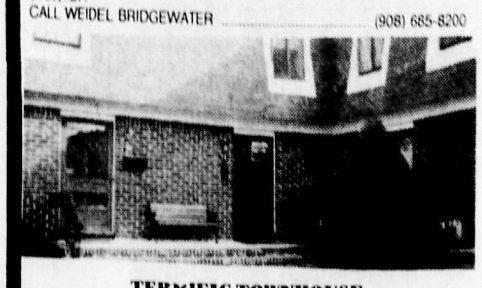

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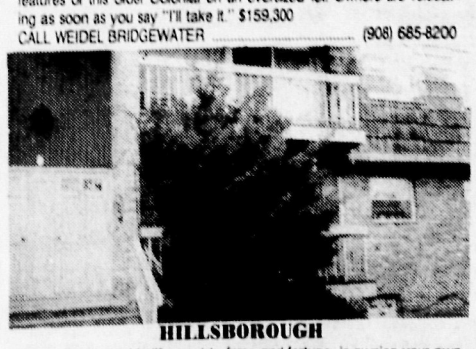

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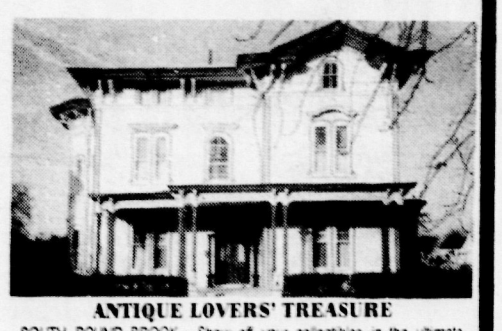

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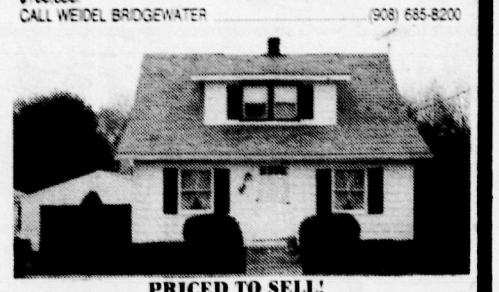

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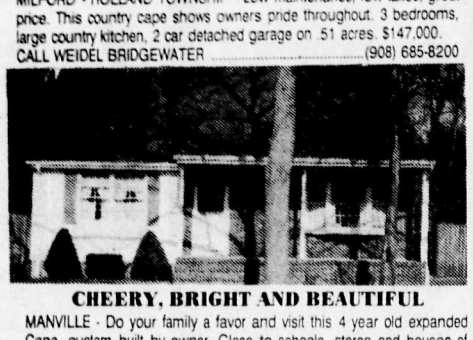

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Solid '91 for Weidel; looks to better '92

PENNINGTON — Richard A. Weidel, Jr., president, Richard A. Weidel Corporation, Realtors, and affiliate companies recently reported that 1991 real estate sales volume reached $430,460,789, up 16 percent from 1990. Weidel recorded 2,807 sales and homes sold in 1991, an impressive 18 percent increase.

"This is especially significant considering that it is just shy of the company's record year in 1989 of $432 million," Mr. Weidel said.

Mortgage sales volume originated through Weidel affiliate company, Princeton Mortgage Corporation (PMC) exceeded $159 million, representing a 45% increase over 1991. PMC generated a record-breaking total of 1,255 units last year, up from 819 units in 1990. The Weidel Corporate Relocation Division posted a 22 percent increase in assisting families transferring into the area.

"The 'spring market' is here now," Mr. Weidel noted. "1992 will be known as the year of opportunity for buyers and sellers. In order to capture this unique opportunity, buyers and sellers should enter the market with a sense of urgency. Interest rates are at unprecedented levels that haven't been seen for nearly two decades."

Richard A. Weidel Corporation, which celebrated a 75th anniversary in 1990, has grown to be recognized as one of the region's leading real estate organizations with 24 offices located throughout Central and Northern New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania. The Weidel family of companies, affiliates and specialized divisions offer a full range of the most advanced services in the industry, including. Residential, Commercial, Mortgage Financing, Corporate Relocation, New Homes & Land, Real Estate Licensing School, Insurance, Horse Farms and Auction.

In other Weidel news, the officers and directors of Genesis Realty Network, Inc. recently announced that the broker membership has purchased Genesis Realty Network from G.E. Capital Mortgage Services, Inc. Mr. Weidel was appointed as a member of the Board of Directors and secretary of Genesis Realty Network.

"Residential relocation services are critical to corporate America and the families of those employees who relocate throughout the country," Mr. Weidel said. "Genesis is committed to continue providing these families with the highest quality relocation services in America. This will be accomplished by broadening our scope, creating enhanced business opportunities and offering new products and services to member brokers."

Genesis Realty Network includes 320 brokers throughout the nation, with over 34,000 agents specializing in residential real estate relocation services. Network members work with corporations, relocation companies and home buyers by providing the necessary services for a successful relocation. The membership of the Network has long been recognized as America's leading association of independent residential real estate brokers. Richard A. Weidel Corporation, with 24 branch and divisional offices serving central and Northern New Jersey and Eastern Pennsylvania, is the local Genesis representative.

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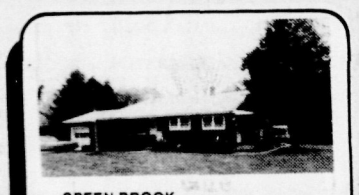

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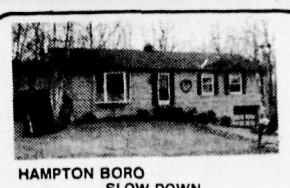

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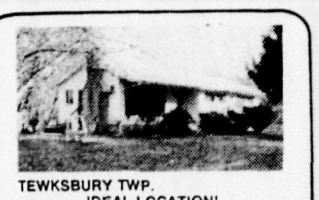

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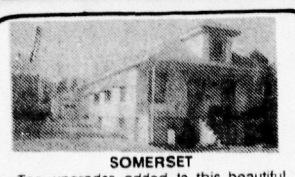

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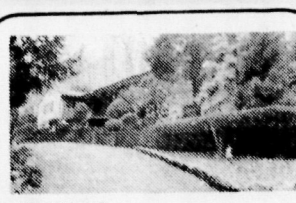

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Encouraging signs in real estate market reported by NJAR

The New Jersey Association of Realtors reported recently that home sales during the fourth quarter of 1991 were up 23.8 percent compared to the same quarter of 1990. According to analysts, this strong close allowed the Garden State's housing market in 1991 to record an increase of approximately three percent in the number of sales over 1990.

The state association also reported that the housing affordability index for 1991 surpassed the 100 mark, registering 102.8 This means that a New Jersey family earning a median income of $47,700 has 2.9 percent more than the minimum income needed to purchase a $146,700 home (the state's median price) at a yearly average mortgage interest rate of 9.25 percent.

"The increase in sales during 1991 is an indication that New Jerseyans are just starting to take advantage of the unique opportunity lower interest rates provide for today's buyers. We are starting to see an influx of first-time buyers as well as trade-up buyers, who realize that lower interest rates mean they can afford a bigger home, often for the same monthly payment they are currently carrying," said NJAR President Maurice H. Hageman.

Mr. Hageman said he believes lower interest rates will continue to fuel the current housing market and will have even more impact if consumer confidence in the economy strengthens.

"Although banks are offering lower mortgage rates, some people may be hesitant to buy or trade-up if they lack confidence in the economy," he said. "However these potential buyers should realize that interest rates will not stay low forever and give serious consideration to buying now while the oppportunity exists."

According to HSH Associates of Butler, one of the nation's leading publishers of mortgage information, the average for a one-year adjustable rate mortgage the first week in February in New Jersey was 5.85 percent and the average interest rate on a 30-year fixed rate conventional mortgage was 8.75 percent.

Overall during 1991, the median sale price for a home in the Garden State decreased three percent to $146,700 from a median of $151,000 in 1990.

According to Mr. Hageman, housing affordability has improved considerably since 1989 when it was at 75.5.▪ "This is especially good news when you consider that there are many homes on the market in New Jersey that are priced well below the median sales price of $146,700," he said, adding that while the affordability index is calculated on a conventional fixed rate mortgage offered at 9.25 percent, there are also mortgages available in New Jersey at lower interest rates.

"These two factors — lower priced homes and lower mortgage rates — should encourage people to look around and see what is out there. There may never be a better time to buy a home in New Jersey."

The statistic also showed that housing costs took a smaller chunk out of New Jerseyans' pockets during 1991, accounting for only 24.3 percent of their income compared to a high of 33 percent in 1989. Mr. Hageman added overall, realtors are positive about 1992 and beyond.

"We have been saying for some time that the market was going to bottom out in the fourth quarter of 1991 and the up kick would be in the first of second quarter of 1992. But while there is some strengthening, you don't fuel up the economy overnight. By June we should be seeing some encouraging trends in Central New Jersey," he said.

Mr. Hageman added, "One of the things I have been saying is that in the year 2000, don't get caught being an 'I shoulda', as in 'I shoulda bought in 1992. You can be chicken little and have tunnel vision looking just at 1992. But we have the encouragement of soft prices and fantastic mortgage rates. There haven't been rates like these in 15-18 years. As a matter of fact, if you go back to 1980, mortgage rates were up in the 16-19 percent range. Now, they are 9.75 percent or less. It's possible to get a 30-year mortgage at the 8.5 percent rate."

He also pointed out the NJAR will be continuing its 'You Can Buy A Home in New Jersey' promotions campaign in March, but with an added kicker — 'Lower Interest Rates is How.'

Consumers become more educated regarding home improvements

By DEAN PAPPAS
FORBES NEWSPAPERS

Consumers are becoming more educated and are focusing on home improvement and renovation jobs that improve the home's overall value.

An informal poll of home improvement experts in the Middlesex County area revealed that the economy has started to get a little more brisk, but the recession is not going to fade away immediately.

Denise Clare, owner of J&D Maintenance, No Job Too Small, of North Brunswick, said people are staying put for the 1990s.

"I feel that the future of the '90s is to stay where you are at and improve the home you are in. I also see that the first-time home buyers are coming out slowly, that they are testing the economy and hoping their jobs are going to be steady. They have the money to spend, but they are questioning their job market," she said. "They see incentives like low interest rates and they are going to come out, but they are also shopping around. These are better consumers than the consumers in the '80s. They are looking for the long term, owning a home for five years or longer with the consideration of improvement.

"Before, I felt the home buyer of the '80s was just looking for resale, purchasing a condo or townhouse as a quick buy. Now, it's with the future in mind."

Ms. Clare added that by staying in one place, the homeowner is looking at his or her overall circumstances and planning for the future. Popular remodeling and renovation jobs include bathroom or kitchen remodeling or the addition or upgrade of a deck.

"It's a positive economy for home remodeling," she said. "People are willing to invest tax money into their home. There are a lot of small jobs out there. Consumers know their finances, plus they know there is great opportunity to negotiate because of the recession.

"People are shopping around now, it's a fact, asking for insurance and professionals. They are very conscious of their funds and of their economy and of their goals," Ms. Clare said.

Siegfried Schneider of Schneider Aluminum in Somerset has been in business for 13 years, and says people are looking for various remodeling or renovation jobs.

"It's a mixed package. Additions were very big for the last couple of years, and kitchens, bathrooms, doors and windows, and the siding market was good, but not now. Last year, everything pretty much died. Consumers are shopping around," he said. "Just lately, I had a few customers who were given as many as 10 estimates. That never happened before."

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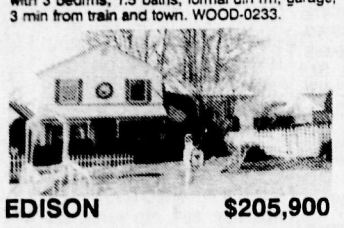

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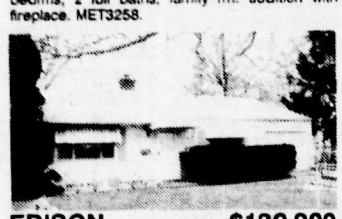

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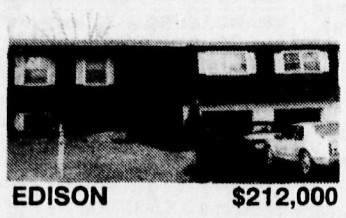

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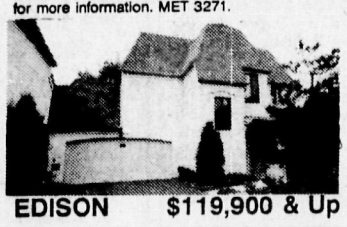

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Consumers become more educated regarding home improvements

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comes from recommendations, and that people today seem to be focusing on replacement windows and doors, and even a few vinyl siding jobs.

"It reflects that people want to fix up what they have. That increases the resale value. Windows, kitchens and bathrooms seem to be the major things people think about. Also, decks are another thing," he said.

With new regulations governing fire-retardant roofing materials, Mr. Schneider said insurance companies will give a homeowner a break if his or her roof consists of fire retardant materials.

Overall, Mr. Schneider doesn't see much immediate improvement in the economy.

"I hope business improves but the last six or seven months have been extremely bad. People do shop around but they are holding off. They're afraid of taking out a second mortgage," he said. "Once the economy looks a little more positive, I believe there will be a definite improvement."

Marty Brady of National Window and Siding in Edison said the bottom line is people are looking for a quality job at a fair price, regardless of the economy.

"I just think in general it takes into account what kind of workmanship you do, and whether you're honest and give the consumer a fair price and a beautiful job. If you do that, they will come back," he said. "We're basing our business on what we see in front of us. We work 52 weeks a year and the majority of our business is run on referrals."

Mr. Brady added, "Consumers always have been more cautious, and we do have repeat customers. Last year, they may have purchased windows so this year, they may purchase siding. If you do right by these people, they will trust us and come back to us."

Many people have been looking for bathroom and kitchen upgrades, and there have been some deck jobs and extensions," Mr. Brady said.

As to whether people are staying in their current homes, he said that may be true but it's hard to tell.

"You go up the street and you see 'for sale signs.' I'm not too sure," he said.

Bill Kaczynski, vice president of Woodbridge Siding and Builders, said the focus is on "necessities" such as bathroom and kitchen remodeling.

"They're not going with the siding and window jobs because that's not considered as important. It's definitely because of the economy."

He also said major construction — additions or a second level to a one-story house — is down.

"One thing we did more of this year were kitchens and baths because that improves the home's resale value. More than ever, consumers are looking around. They want a quality job but mostly, they are looking around, looking for a lower price."

Decks are more of a luxury item, Mr. Kaczynski said. He added if someone is replacing windows and doors, "they'll do three windows instead of a whole house. They are also holding off on bay or bow windows, and staying with the picture.

As to the economy, he said, "We've seen a little pickup in February compared to December or January. But it's nothing to write home about."

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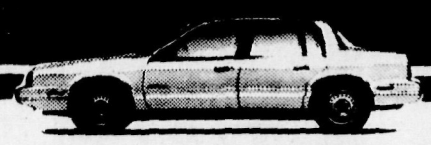

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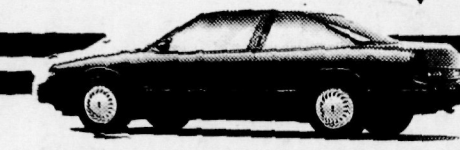

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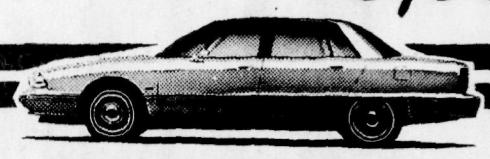

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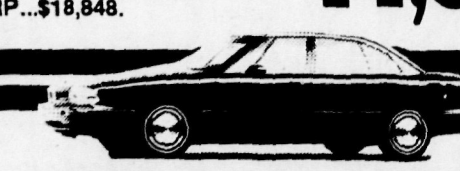

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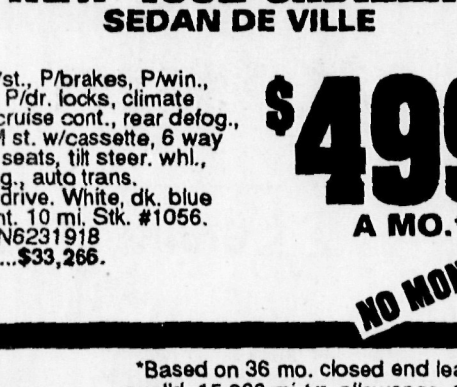

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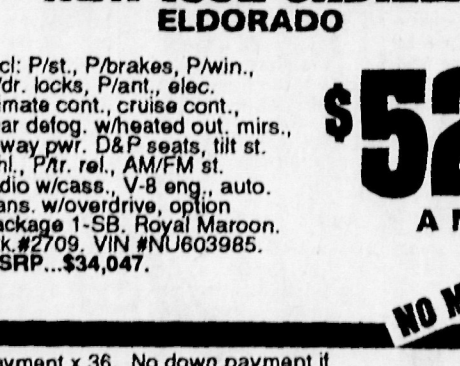

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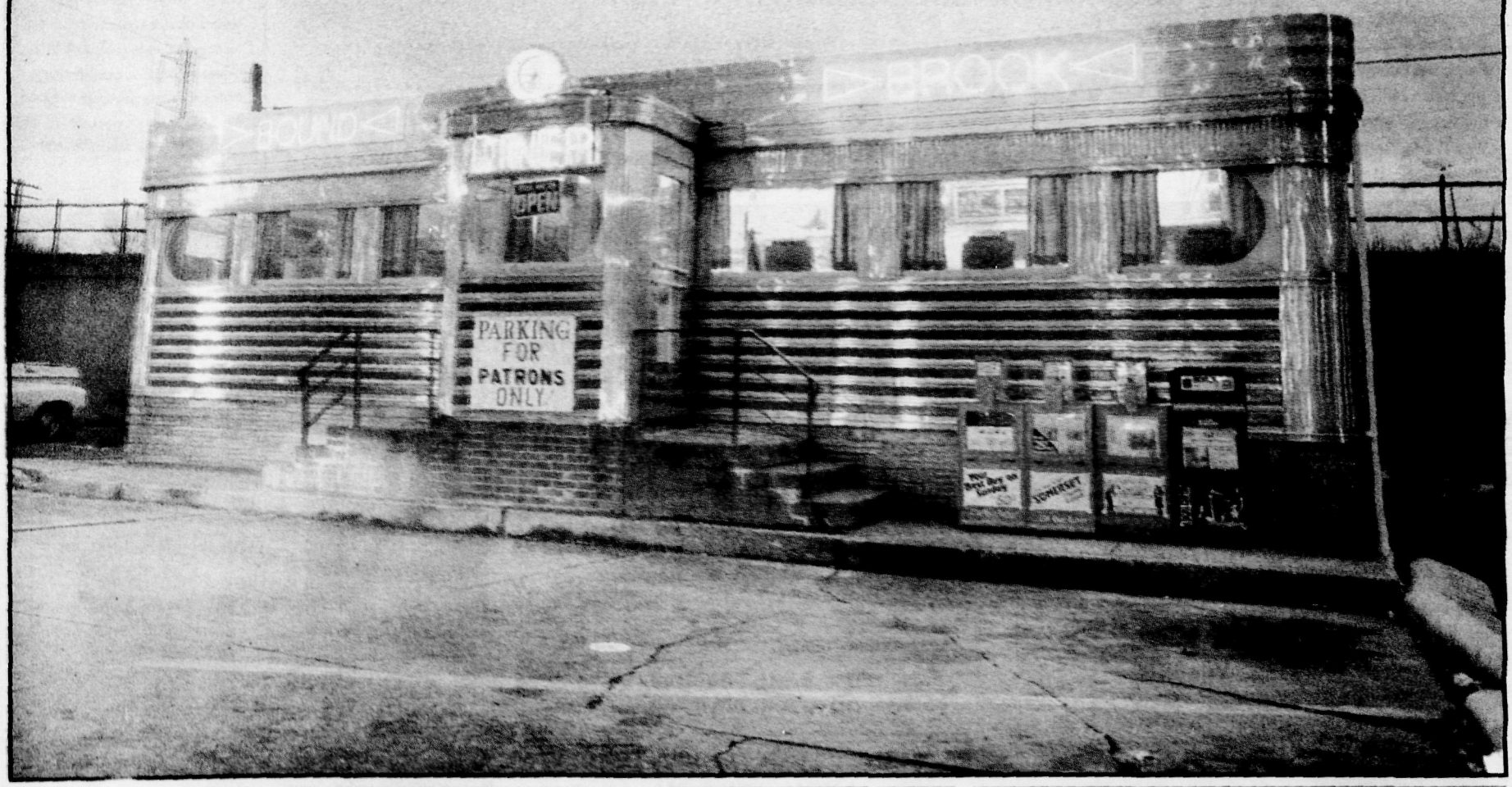

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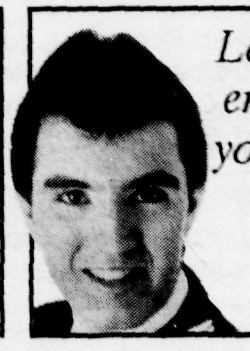

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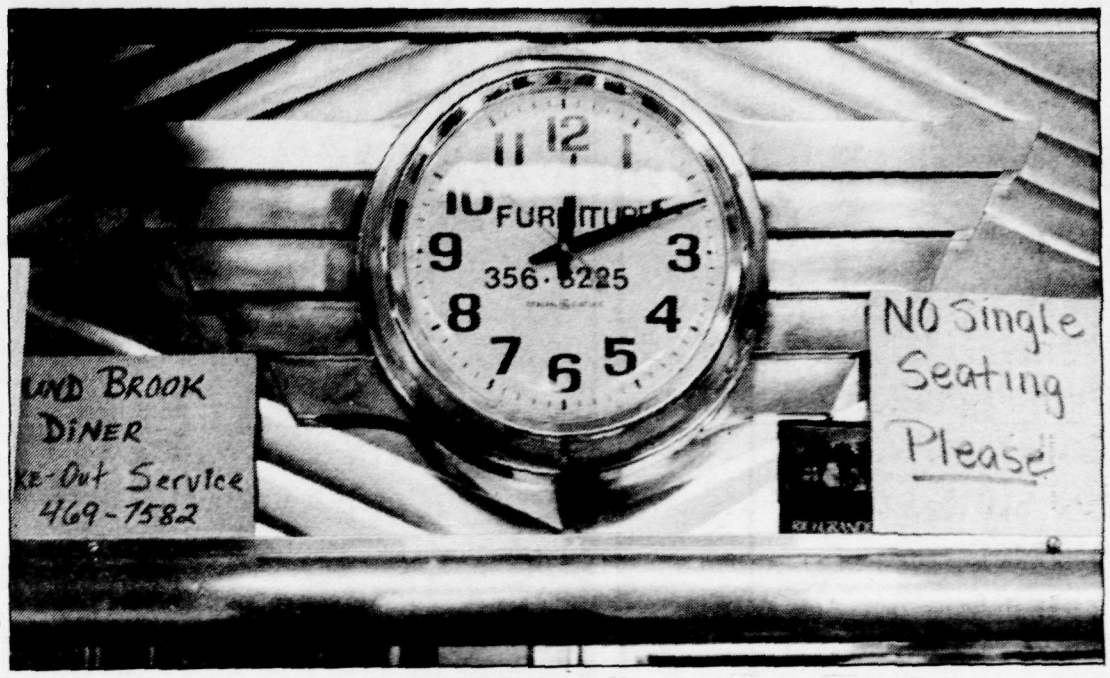

A short stack of facts about American diners

Story by Steven Hart ●Graphics by Barry Rumple

Nighthawks at the diner of Emma's 49er, there's a rendezvous of strangers around the coffee urn tonight, all the gypsy hacks, the insomniacs. Now the paper's been read, now the waitress said: Eggs and sausage, and a side of toast. Hash browns over easy. Chili in a bowl with burger and fries — now what kind of pie?

Tom Waits' ode to the joys of late night diner culture strikes a chord with anyone who's dawdled away some early a.m. time with a plate of fries and a bottomless coffee cup. But like any environment, a diner has its phases, and different people show up at different times. The morning crowd, doing some heavy duty fueling-up before punch-in time; the lunchers, getting in some quick nourishment before the afternoon kicks in; the nightcrawlers, looking for a place to warm up or cool down before going home.

There are people who love the diner in all its phases, and some of them have turned that love into an avocation. The avatar of diner aficionados is Richard J.S. Gutman, a Massachusetts resident who literally wrote the book on the subject: *The American Diner*, published in 1979 by Harper and Row and now an out-of-print collector's item commanding prices as high as $300. Mr. Gutman said he is "about halfway through" a revised version to be published next year by HarperCollins.

Another storehouse of diner lore is also a Massachusetts man, Larry Cultrera, author of a regular column on diner lore for the Philadelphia-based Society for Commercial Archeology, which devotes itself to the stylistic fine points of motels, diners, food stands and other bits of roadside Americana that usually get sneered at if they're noticed at all.

Messrs. Gutman and Cultrera come not to bury the diner but to praise it as a home-grown, democratic establishment; something machine-made that nourishes the soul. They like the way diners look, the way the feel and the way food is cooked within their pressed-metal (or stone-faced or Grecian-arched) walls.

"The diner is factory-built, though that definition can be a limitation," Mr. Gutman said. "It's defined by the counter — there's always a counter — booths or tables, and the prices, which are low. Good value. As you get into what became the classic diners of the '30s and '40s, there was a lot of prefab design built in."

"I enjoy the new ones as much as the old ones," said Mr. Cultrera, who naturally welcomes the renewed interest in classically-styled diners.

"The thing about a diner is that you know what to expect," Mr. Gutman said. "but it's different from fast food because it isn't so completely predictable.

"A diner," he summed up, "is a machine for the efficient preparation and serving of food."

It all started with Walter Scott

Since the word "diner" automatically conjures up images of truck drivers in search of sludgy coffee and fast eats, most people would assume diners were born as the first major interstate highways started criss-crossing the nation.

"Well, yes and no," Mr. Gutman said. "It actually goes back to the 19th century, and it's something that people who know nothing about diners are surprised to hear."

The diner did in fact take to the road when Americans became more mobile, he explained. But the ancestor of the diner was born in 1872, in Providence, R.I., and its father was an entrepreneur named Walter Scott, who used a horse-drawn wagon to sell coffee and food to journalists and other riff-raff. Other businessmen knew a good idea when they saw one and soon "lunch wagons" were a fixture of many Northeastern cities.

"The early ones had sort of a barrel roof and counters by the window," Mr. Cultrera said. "There was a serving counter in the back. They were usually eight-feet-wide by 18-feet-long at the most. They had big wheels in the back to negotiate the rutted roads."

"Worcester, Massachusetts, was the early capital of the diner business," Mr. Gutman noted. "There were a lot of them in the Northeast. They didn't come down into New Jersey until the 1890s or so.

"At that point there was a culmination of factors: owners wanting to stay in one place and cities passing ordinances against lunch wagons," he continued. The result was that diners started putting down roots.

Even so, diners retained their rather boxy shape — in fact, the prefab manufacturing techniques of the 1920s and 1930s heightened it. Since rail travel was considered the height of luxury at the time, the owners of these quick-eats establishments styled them "lunch cars," which had a classy ring. Though nobody can pinpoint exactly when the name "diner" was coined, it seems a natural contraction of the railroad-derived term "dining car."

There are still a number of diner factories in New Jersey. The largest is Kullman Industries, an Avenel firm founded in (1927) as the Kullman Dining Car Company. The Paramount and DeRaffele companies, respectively based in Oakland and New Rochelle, also trace their roots back to the '30s.

The 1930s were what Mr. Gutman called "the futuristic, streamlined period" of diner design. "Formica was developed as a rigid insulation in the 'teens," he explained. "It came into use in diners in the 1930s as they began making laminate sheets."

Diners are a city-bred phenomenon. "They were near transit areas, docks, factories. . .any place where people needed to eat quickly."

They were also a quick, relatively easy way to go into business for yourself. "These were mostly independent people," Mr. Gutman said. "You could buy diners back then for as little as a quarter down and the rest inpayments. If your place was popular you could pay it off quickly."

In the 1920s, somewhere between $5,000 and $10,000 would get you a 10 1/2-foot-wide by 30-feet-long diner with 15 to 20 seats, kitchen equipment, even tableware — pot and pans, silverware, the works.

In the postwar years, particularly the 1950s, diners started coming in more than one section, allowing them to grow larger and approximate the size of a small or middle-sized restaurant. This period also marked the appearance of the "Colonial" and "Mediterranean" diner styles. The latter, with its stone facings and rows of arches, was popular with the growing number of Greek-American diner operators.

No one can explain just how Greek immigrants came to be associated with diners, Mr. Gutman said. He likened it to the accident of timing that made Korean immigrants the kings of corner groceries and fruit stands in New York City.

"It was a situation where an immigrant could make a lot of money if he wanted to work very hard and had a lot of relatives," Mr. Gutman said.

The rise of the Mediterranean and Colonial styles also reflected a period in which diner owners, anxious to shuck off their declasse image and feeling pressure from the burgeoning fast food industry, tried to go upscale. The appellation "diner-restaurant" began appearing on more and more signs; the Kullman firm dropped "Dining Car" from its name and became "Kullman Industries." The change reflected the attitude of

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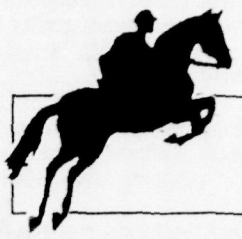

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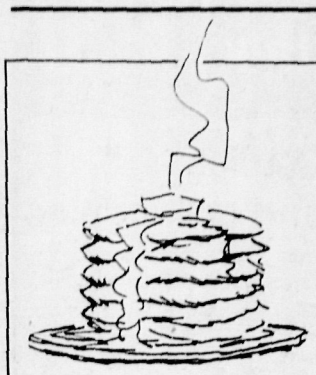

Just as one cannot mention "Kid" without thinking of "Play," or invoke "hamburgers" without conjuring up "McDonald's," the word "diner" is joined to "pancake."

Virtually every country and culture has its version of the pancake. On the thin side of the spectrum there is the Jewish blintz, stuffed with fruit or cream cheese and served with sour cream, and the French crepe, supposedly created by accident when an inexperienced cook used too-thin batter and used filling to cover his mistake.

Chinese dishes such as Peking duck and moo shu pork use a thin Mandarin pancake, while the Dutch pannekoeke can be mixed with bacon for a hearty dinner or filled with custard for a rich dessert.

Few other foods have contributed as much to lore, legend, literature and locales. The states of Texas, Pennsylvania, Arkansas and Nevada all have towns named after the pancake. Since 1950, the housewives of Olney, England, and Liberal, Kansas, have tried to best each others' times in a Shrove Tuesday pancake race. And Laurence Stern, author of the 18th century novel *Tristram Shandy*, first employed the durable simile "flat as a pancake."

Minneapolis-based General Mills, which has an obvious interest in fostering the consumption of the round, flat food, is more than happy to offer tips on "skittering" — sprinkling a few drops of water on the skillet to see if it's hot enough for the batter — or the pancake's religious significance as pre-Lenten fare: eating pancakes on Shrove Tuesday, the day before Ash Wednesday, was a way to use up the cooking fats forbidden during Lent.

General Mills got into the pancake act in 1930 when one of its sales executives, taken with the biscuits served on a train trip, asked the chef for his secret. The answer — premixed shortening, leavening and flour ready for instant use — led to the development of Bisquick baking mix. Shortly after the mix was introduced, housewives figured out that it was adaptable for pancakes. To keep faith with the flat food that makes its profits rise, General Mills announced National Pancake Week in 1985.

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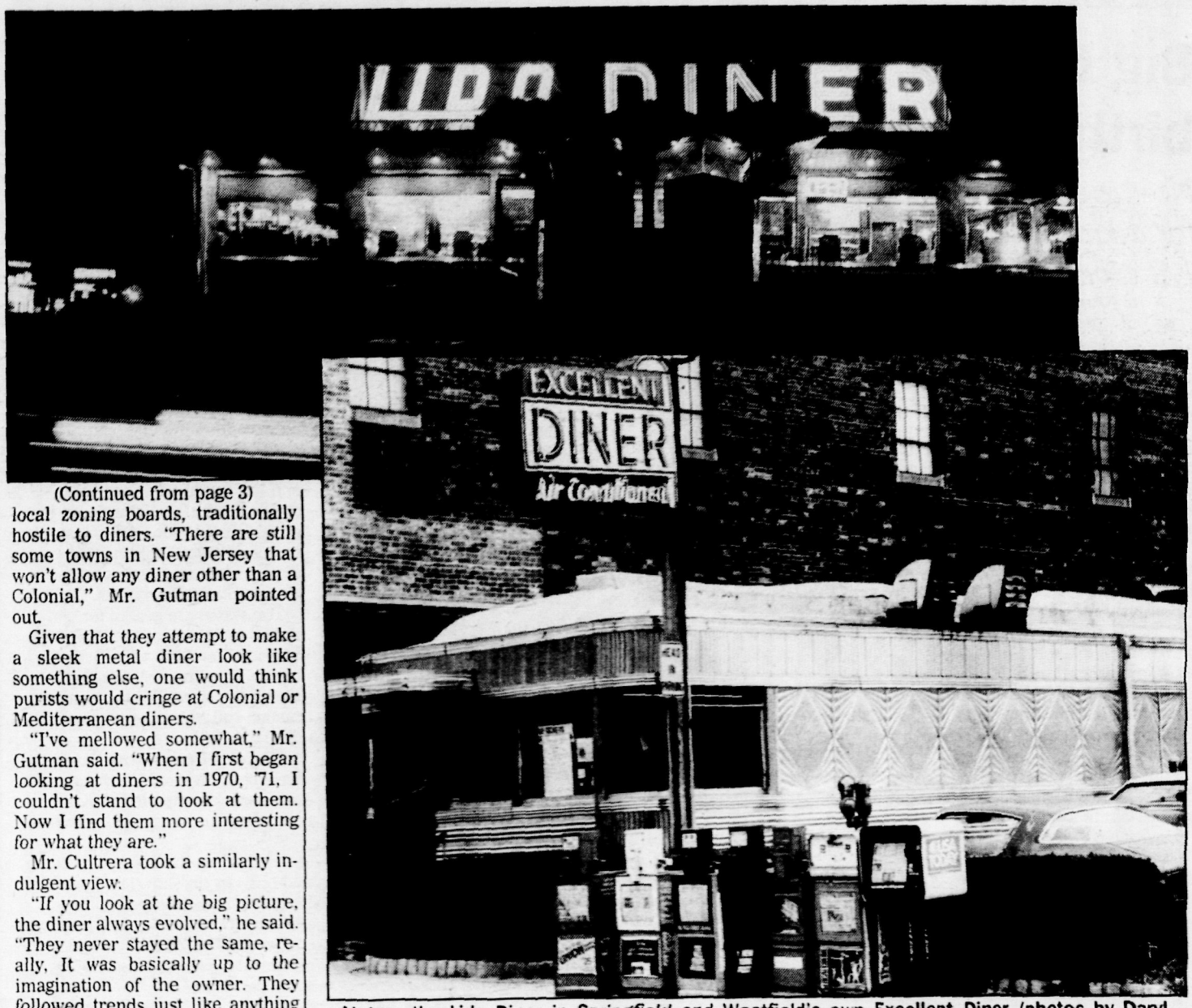

At top, the Lido Diner in Springfield and Westfield's own Excellent Diner (photos by Daryl Stone). The photograph on page 3 was taken at the Bound Brook Diner by George Pacciello.

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local zoning boards, traditionally hostile to diners. "There are still some towns in New Jersey that won't allow any diner other than a Colonial," Mr. Gutman pointed out.

Given that they attempt to make a sleek metal diner look like something else, one would think purists would cringe at Colonial or Mediterranean diners.

"I've mellowed somewhat," Mr. Gutman said. "When I first began looking at diners in 1970, '71, I couldn't stand to look at them. Now I find them more interesting for what they are."

Mr. Cultrera took a similarly indulgent view.

"If you look at the big picture, the diner always evolved," he said. "They never stayed the same, really. It was basically up to the imagination of the owner. They followed trends just like anything else."

Still, diner aficionados mark this era as the beginning of the decline and near-fall of the diner empire.

"The decline happened in the late '50s, early '60s," Mr. Cultrera said. "A lot of diners disappeared. Some of it was land becoming more valuable than what was on it. There was also pressure from fast food places. A lot of zoning laws had something to do with it. Diners just became unfashionable in a lot of ways."

The efforts of diner aficionados like Mr. Gutman and Mr. Cultrera helped reverse this trend and return diners to fashion.

"People began to realize this is something unique," Mr. Gutman said. There are now four diners listed in the National Register of Historic Places, though none of them is in New Jersey.

Mr. Gutman, who is often called in as a consultant for restoration work on diners, had a chance to create a designer diner when Robert Giaimo and his partner, a Dutch chef named Ype Hengst, asked him to help design the prototype for their Silver Diner chain based in Washington D.C.

The flagship diner, incorporating many of Mr. Gutman's ideas, was built in seven sections by Kullman Industries and assembled in Rockville, Md. The elements of Mr. Gutman's perfect pancake palace include plenty of physical details: marble counter, ceramic tile, glass blocks in the walls and mahogany booths.

But one of the most important elements has a democratic, even spiritual dimension.

"There has to be an open kitchen, so you can see the chef cooking," Mr. Gutman said. "In the 1950s diners started putting the chef behind closed doors and that was a mistake. One of the hallmarks of the diner was sitting at the counter and seeing this wizard throwing everything together."

Diners for devotees

Asked what their favorite New Jersey diners are, both men named the Bound Brook Diner, produced by the now-defunct Fodero Dining Car Company of Bloomfield.

"That place is fabulous," Mr. Gutman said. "It's a real neighborhood, small city kind of fixture. It's from the '40s and it's been unchanged ever since. Basic food, nothing elaborate, and good. It's a beauty."

Mr. Cultrera also mentioned the Summit Diner, the product of the old Jerry O'Mahony firm in Bayonne. He singled out the enamel sign announcing "We do our own baking" as an example of good late '30s diner detailing.

Venturing farther afield, Mr. Gutman recommended a trip to the Mayfair Diner in Northeast Philadelphia, which dates from the 1950s. "It's 135 feet long, which is huge," he explained. "It came in two sections that were then clipped together."

In the northeast, cradle of the diner, not many examples of the breed survive in the region. Mr. Gutman singled out a 1920s diner in Natick, Mass., called Casey's. "The same family has been running it all along," he said. "I think they're in the third generation now. It has a wood interior, tile floor. There are only 10 stools."

Though he couldn't speak on the food, Mr. Gutman was taken with the appearance of Southeast Harley-Davidson, a Cleveland, Ohio, dealership that has a fully functioning Worcester-built diner incorporated into its structure.

Diner tidbits

One of the most recognizable images in American art is Edward Hopper's **Nighthawks** (1942), which provided Tom Waits with the title for a 1975 live album and was duplicated for a memorable shot in the 1981 film version of **Pennies From Heaven**. On television, spastic customers trooped into Rosie's Diner so Nancy Walker could demonstrate the virtues of The Quicker Picker-Upper. Mark Medoff's play **When You Comin' Back, Red Ryder?** has a group of strangers held hostage in a diner, as does Robert Sherwood's play **The Petrified Forest**. An extremely dense diner waitress triggers the best scene in **Five Easy Pieces** (1970). **Diner** (1982), the first installment in Barry Levinson's ongoing series of love notes to Baltimore, centers on a group of friends whose aimless nights invariably end in a particular diner.

—Steven Hart

Big time birthdays

Need entertainment for a kids' party? Let experts do it

By VALERI DRACH WEIDMANN
Browser-at-Large

Remember the episode of *I Love Lucy* in which Lucy Ricardo promised Little Ricky that Superman would show up at his birthday party? Remember how she ended up in a flea-bitten cape, sharing the ledge outside her living room window with a flock of pigeons?

Lucy's ordeal evokes a sympathetic shudder from anyone who's had to put together a child's birthday party. Intrepid parents face the high expectations of their offspring, the sticky little fingers of their friends and the one-upmanship of neighbors who do everything but hire Ringling Brothers to perform at their children's party.

Bruce Bray, who hires out for parties, dazzles kids with feats of magic and illusion.

Fortunately, there are many dedicated clowns, magicians and puppeteers who are more than eager to entertain mobs of children.

Magician-clown **David Becker**, alias Bonzo the Clown, has been perfecting his magic for 18 years, ever since he won the Edison School district's talent show at the age of 12 as Mr. Marvel. You could say magic is in his blood — he was inspired by a favorite uncle who never lost the talent for finding nickels in ears.

The 12-year-old magician started performing at birthday parties for $5 a show. Almost two decades later, after taking his show to Europe and entertaining at most major New Jersey corporations and hospitals, Mr. Becker charges $125 for one hour performances at parties.

His blend of clowning and magic features producing live birds and birthday cakes from thin air, a show done to music, audience participation and as a finale, animal balloons for all the guests including adults.

Parents can catch Becker's act at the Meadowlands, Pony Club and the Meadowlands Flea Market. For more information, call David Becker at (908) 549-0780.

Myra Neugeboren of Myra's Amazing Puppets is a one woman show who not only manipulates a troupe of puppets but also provides her own stage, music, sound effects and scenery changes. It's hard to believe she's alone behind the stage.

Parents can choose from two different 40-minute theatrical puppet shows that allow children to participate and also learn how to manipulate the puppets. The first includes a comedy skit and adaptations of two well-known stories, *The Selfish Giant* by Oscar Wilde and *The Giving Tree* by Shel Silverstein.

The Wizard of Oz, the more elaborate and expensive show, also includes the participation of children and allows them to play instruments and manipulate puppets.

Ms. Neugeboren has been performing professionally since 1979 and has appeared on the Children's Television Network, and other cable stations. She mastered her scenery and lighting techniques when she worked at the George Street Playhouse.

The shows are geared for children 3 to 7 years of age and range in price from $125 to $175 depending on traveling distance and the size of the show. For more information call Myra Neugeboren at (908) 291-2331.

Magician **Bruce Bray** claims to have been "tricked into magic as a little kid" and has been performing ever since. He attended magic classes as a child and studied child psychology in college — two things, he says, that serve a magician well.

Mr. Bray's special approach is to let the children think they are doing the magic. He also uses live rabbits and birds in his show and keeps the adults entertained as well. His 45-minute performances, geared for children five years old and up, range in price from $100 to $125 depending on party size. Bray can be contacted at (908) 920-3606.

Richard D. Westcott of Magic Westcraft Inc. promises to "involve every child in the audience who wants to participate."

His act includes levitating the birthday child off the ground (great for videotaped parties), making a magic drawing board come to life and having his animal puppet "Marcel" do impressions of Michael Jackson and Brooke Shields, among others. He also creates balloon animals.

Mr. Westcott performs regularly at the Beebop Cafe in Jamesburg and worked as a pirate magician at Seaside Park this past summer. He teaches magic to children in Elizabeth, Scotch Plains and Edison.

His 45-minute shows for children ages two years and up, range in price from $100 to $200 depending on the feats of magic requested. For more information, call Rich Westcott at (908) 521-1075.

NEXT: Places to take kids for a different kind of birthday party, and books for those brave souls who want to take the entertainment duties upon themselves.

Shop talk

Comics, s.f. and collectibles

Old and new comic books, comics collectibles and science fiction materials will be on display and for sale at the Springfield Comic Book and Collectibles Marketplace, Sunday, March 8, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Holiday Inn, 304 Route 22 West.

Admission is $3. For more information, call (908) 788-6845.

Local artisans display wares

Diana Wilkoc Patton of Bridgewater will be among the artists and craftsmen featured at the Spring Suites Arts and Crafts Show, Friday, March 6, through Sunday, March 8, at the Embassy Suites Hotel, Centennial Avenue in Piscataway.

Howard and Sandi Houser of Belle Mead will also be featured at the show, which runs from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is free. For more information, call (908) 362-5006.

Food fest at airport

The foods of Hungary, Russia, Poland and Armenia are being showcased at an "Eastern European Food Festival" through April 4 at the Newarker Restaurant in the Newark Airport Vista Hotel.

The hotel lobby will be dominated by a replica, made entirely with sugar, of St. Basil Cathedral in Moscow.

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Kid stuff

THE ART MUSEUM
Princeton University
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Gallery talks for children 6-12, Saturdays at 11 a.m. through May 9. Children under 7 must be accompanied by an adult. Free admission.
•Flattening 3-D shapes, Anne Florey, March 7.

ONCE UPON A PURIM
Wednesday, March 11, 9:30 a.m.
Forum Theatre
314 Main St., Metuchen
(908) 548-0582
•The story of Queen Esther and her travails, all told in rhyme. Admission $6, group rates available.

PETER AND THE WOLF
Sunday, March 8, 1:30 p.m., 4 p.m., and 6:30 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28, Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•Performed by the N.J. Ballet Company. Admission $5.

PLAINFIELD SYMPHONY
Sunday, March 8, 3 p.m.
Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church
716 Watchung Ave., Plainfield
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•Young people's concert. Free admission.

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Speakers

THE ART MUSEUM
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Gallery talks Fridays at 12:30 p.m. and Sundays at 3 p.m. through May 17. Free admission.
•Dorothy M. Shepard on why there is an oriental rug in *The Four Evangelists*, March 6, 8.
•Frances L. Preston on Gerrit van Honthorst's *Artemesia*, March 13, 15.

ENGAGED IN HONEST TOIL
Friday, March 6, 8:30 a.m.
Rider College Student Center
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(908) 302-0032
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Saturday, March 7, 9 a.m.
Hickman Hall
Douglass College
George St., New Brunswick
1-800-792-VOTE
•Day-long conference that ponders the legal status of women in New Jersey, America, and the world. Open only to those who have pre-registered.

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PARENTS WITHOUT PARTNERS
Mid-Jersey Chapter 236
(single parents)
(908) 248-8840, 636-7892
•Dance at Quality Inn, North Brunswick, 8 p.m. March 8, 29. New-member orientation at 7:30 p.m. Members $6.

SHORE SINGLES
Call phone number in each listing for information.
•Hike at Battlefield State Park, Manalapan, 11 a.m. March 7. Meet in commuter lot at Garden State Parkway Exit 105. Members $3, non-members $4. (908) 774-6759.
•Hike at Cheesequake State Park, Old Bridge, 11 a.m. March 14. Meet in commuter lot at Garden State Parkway Exit 120. Members $3, non-members $4. (908) 291-2763.

SINGLE FRIENDS
(ages 30-over)
(908) 704-8480
•Dance party at McAteers, 1714 Easton Ave., Somerset, 7:30 p.m. Thursdays. Admission $6.

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(40-plus)
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•Rap or bridge, 6:30 p.m. Sundays. Donation $4.

Despite its cumbersome name, the Bulgarian State Radio and Television Female Vocal Choir is guaranteed to take flight when it performs Saturday, March 7, at the McCarter Theatre in Princeton.

'Mystery,' music and the sound of Bulgaria

Hear songs of unearthly beauty from the Bulgarian State Female Vocal Choir

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor

For most of recorded history, the area now occupied by the Black Sea nation of Bulgaria has been the stomping ground of various conquerors who left behind traces of their cultures: Tatars from Central Asia, Byzantines trying to reclaim the western half of the Roman Empire and, most recently (in historical terms), Ottoman Turks from the east.

So when the group with the cumbersome name Bulgarian State Radio and Television Female Vocal Choir performs Saturday, March 7, at the McCarter Theatre in Princeton, be ready for a mind-bending mixture of European and Middle Eastern sounds.

Those who have heard the 1988 Elektra/Nonesuch album *Le Mystere des Voix Bulgares* or one of its immensely popular successors know this music can be downright spooky in its intensity, or as earthy as one of the field songs from which the choir draws most of its melodies.

Founded in 1952, the choir has a remarkable sound. The singing is keening, rather nasal, coming from the larynx and the head rather than the chest, and delivered with tremendous power. *Not surprisingly*, the women are all stocky types who look as though they could pull a plow all day and not miss a note during the evening concert.

Get ready for a mind-bending mixture of European and Middle Eastern sounds.

The dynamic range and authority of the singing is showcased most perfectly in "Kalimankou Denkou," the funeral song that is the single most powerful cut on any of the group's albums. Starting in full cry, the choir abruptly falls to an almost conversational murmur, leaving the voice of soloist Yanka Roupkina up front. Their massed voices advance and retreat like waves on a beach throughout her stunningly soulful performance, which ends on three plaintive syllables as the choir hits a single, unearthly note.

Though they perform in gorgeously colored peasant costumes, the singers are part of a very modern process of musical blending and changing that was started in the 1950s by Philip Koutev, a Bulgarian composer who set out to preserve the country's fast-disappearing traditions with the State Ensemble for Folk Music and Dance.

Koutev, who died in 1982 and is memorialized in the name of the Choir Philip Koutev (featured on the second volume of *Le Mystere des Voix Bulgares*), started the process that continues to this day: finding traditional songs that were often very simple and couching them in carefully worked-out arrangements, sung by women hand-picked from Bulgaria's rural areas.

Though Bulgarian music was showcased in a 1955 album (Graham Nash has told interviewers about the "religious experience" he had when Paul Simon played it for him in 1966), the choir owes its current popularity to a French enthusaist, Marcel Cellier, who recorded the ensemble and released it on his Disques Cellier label in 1987.

When the Elektra/Nonesuch label released the music on its Explorer Series line, the title and packaging emphasized mystery and glamor rather than ethnomusicology. The production used a touch of echo to emphasize the otherwordly sound. Instead of showing broad-beamed women in shawls, the covers of the inital *Mystere* releases used bright graphics; the liner notes were short on information and long on inscrutable musings. (The third volume, available on Fontana/ PolyGram, has translations of songs as well as notes by Cellier.) The canny marketing paid off in spades. Snatches of Bulgarian music cropped up in the oddest places: pre-concert music for Robert Plant, the Grateful Dead and 10,000 Maniacs; the between-segment fillers on National Public Radio; hyper-trendy David Byrne's *Music for the Knee Plays*, which used a brass band arrangement of "Polegnala e Todora (Theodora is Dozing)," the closing song on the first *Mystere* album. Kate Bush used Yanka Roupkina and Trio Bulgarka on *The Sensual World* and musicians running the gamut from pop (Linda Ronstadt) to jazz (Pat Metheny) talked up Bulgarian music.

What keeps this from being another entry in the annals of hype, however, is the truly remarkable quality of the music. You can hear that quality up close and in person at the McCarter performance, tickets for which are still available.

THE BULGARIAN STATE RADIO AND TELEVISION FEMALE VOCAL CHOIR
Saturday, March 7, at 8 p.m. in the McCarter Theatre, 91 University Place, Princeton. Tickets $27, $22, $20, $19, $17. (609) 683-8000.

Music notes

Irish, American music on menu

American and Irish folk music will be on the Horizons Coffeehouse menu Friday, March 6, at 8 p.m. in the Six Mile Run Reformed Church, Route 27 in Franklin Park.

Folk singer and guitarist Dan Hart will be the headliner. Opening will be Kintail, a quartet specializing in Irish and Scottish music.

Admission is $6, $5 with a donation of a non-perishable food item for the Franklin Township Food Bank.

Door open at 7:30 p.m. For more information, call (908) 821-1324.

Cool jazz in concert

The music of the pioneer jazz composer and arranger Gil Evans will be the focus of the Rutgers Jazz Ensemble's first concert of the year, set for Tuesday, March 10, at 8 p.m. in the Nicholas Music Center, George Street near Route 18 in New Brunswick.

The 17-member ensemble will plays Evans' arrangements of "Springsville," "My Ship" and "Boplicity," the last recorded by Miles Davis on his *Birth of the Cool* album.

Some of Evans' best work as an arranger is showcased on Davis' *Sketches of Spain* album.

Also on the program are compositions by Bob Brookmyer and trumpeter Michael Mossman, in his first year as director of the ensemble.

Admission is $8 for adults; $7 for the elderly, Rutgers University faculty and staff; $3 for RU students.

For more information, call (908) 932-7511.

Soundings

HARRY ALLEN
Sunday, March 8, 4 p.m.
N.J. Center for Visual Arts
68 Elm St., Summit
(908) 273-9121
•Jazz musician performs in a gallery setting. Admission $16.25.

ALLENDALE QUARTET
Sunday, March 15, 3 p.m.
Stone End
346-348 Ridgewood Rd.
South Orange
(201) 762-8449
•Chamber ensemble performs Haydn's *Sunrise Quartet*, Dvorak's Quartet in E flat, and other works. Admission $25.

AMERICAN BOYCHOIR
Saturday, March 14, 8 p.m.
Richardson Auditorium,
Princeton University
(609) 258-5000
•Folk music and choral songs, plus *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, poems by children from a Nazi concentration camp. Adults $18, $15; students and children $6.

PATRICK BALL
Thursday, March 12, 8 p.m.
Morris Museum
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
Morristown
(201) 538-0454
•Storyteller and master of the Celtic harp. Museum members $8, non-members $12.

BEIJING TRIO
Sunday, March 8, 3 p.m.
Rowe residence
Hollow Brook Rd., Pottersville
(908) 832-9770
•Chamber trio performs in a living-room setting. Adults $15, senior citizens $7.50, students $5.

THE BOYS OF THE LOUGH
Saturday, March 14, 8 p.m.
State Theatre
453 Northampton St.
Easton, Pa.
(215) 252-3132
•Traditional music from Scotland and Ireland. Admission $23, $19.

GEORGE CARLIN
March 7, 7 and 9:30 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre, Red Bank
(908) 842-9000
March 8, 6:30 and 9 p.m.
State Theatre, Easton, Pa.
(215) 252-3132
•Comedy from one of the most enduring performers from the 70s. Admission $20 in Red Bank, $17.50 in Easton.

THE CHIEFTAINS
Friday, March 20, 8 p.m.
State Theatre, New Brunswick
Saturday, March 21, 8 p.m.
War Memorial, Trenton
1-800-ALLEGRO
•The acclaimed Irish group performs traditional songs of the Emerald Isle w/the N.J. Symphony Orchestra. Admission $28-$16, discounts available.

GREENWOOD
Sunday, March 15, 3 p.m.
Old Main, Delbarton School
Route 24, Morristown
(201) 538-3231
•Bohuslav Martinu's Trio; Theobald Boehm's *Elegie*; *Pavane* by Gabriel Faure; Paul Ziegler's Sonata. Admission $6.

DAN HART
Friday, March 6, 8 p.m.
Six Mile Run Reformed Church

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Route 27, Franklin Park
(908) 821-1324
•Folksinger performs w/Kintail in a coffeehouse setting. Adults $6 with a food donation, $5 without; children under 12 free.

INVITATIONAL HIGH SCHOOL HONOR BANDS
Saturday, March 14, 7:30 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center, Rutgers Arts Center
George St. & Route 18
New Brunswick
(908) 932-2480
•Concert featuring more than 200 members of high school bands in the Garden State. Free admission.

LET'S DO THE OPERA LIMBO
Saturday, March 14, 8 p.m.
Fairleigh Dickinson University
Lenfell Hall, Madison
(201) 593-8620
•An operatic duel w/Lee Starr, mezzo-soprano, and Jack Lanning, basso profundo, singing works from Ponchielli, Bizet, Mozart, and *South Pacific*. Adults $20, senior citizens $16, students $15.

ROBERT McDUFFIE
Tuesday, March 17, 8 p.m.
Temple Emanu-El, Westfield
Wednesday, March 18, 8 p.m.
Prospect Church, Maplewood
(201) 762-6486
•Violinist performs works by Beethoven, Brahms, Prokofiev, Lieberson, and Ravel w/Charles Abramovic, piano. Adults $15, students $8.

ROGER McGUINN/ RICHARD THOMPSON
Friday, March 6, 8 p.m.
McCarter Theatre
91 University Pl., Princeton
(609) 683-8000
•Founding member of the 60s American band The Byrds and an acclaimed singer-songwriter from the U.K. Admission $25-$17.

MONMOUTH SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Sunday, March 15, 3 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre
99 Monmouth St., Red Bank
(908) 842-9000
•Bruch's Violin Concerto in G minor; Howard Hanson's Romantic Symphony No. 2; Aaron Copland's Outdoor Overture; Beethoven's Romance in F major. Adults $12, senior citizens $10.

NEW BRUNSWICK CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
Sunday, March 15, 2 p.m.
Emanuel Lutheran Church
New St., New Brunswick
(609) 924-6287
•Chamber concert w/ensembles drawn from the orchestra. Free admission.

N.J. NOVICE BARBERSHOP QUARTET CONTEST
Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
Roosevelt Middle School
Clark St., Westfield
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•16 newly-formed ensembles perform barbershop-style. Free admission.

N.J. SYMPHONY CHAMBER ORCHESTRA
Wednesday, March 11, 8 p.m.
State Theatre, New Brunswick
Thursday, March 12, 8 p.m.
Pingry School, Martinsville
Friday, March 13, 8:30 p.m.
Richardson Auditorium, Princeton University
1-800-ALLEGRO
•Bach's Suite No. 3 in D major, BWV 1068; Rodrigo's *Fantasia para un gentilhombre*; Kodaly's *Summer Evening*; Mozart's Symphony No. 39 in E flat major, K.543. Admission $25-$10, discounts available.

N.J. SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA
Friday, March 6, 8:30 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre, Red Bank
Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
War Memorial, Trenton
Sunday, March 8, 3 p.m.
Symphony Hall, Newark
1-800-ALLEGRO
•The overture to *La Gazza Ladra* by Rossini; Elgar's Concerto in E minor for cello and orchestra; Charles Ives' *Central Park in the Dark*; *The Pines of Rome* by Respighi. Admission $35-$10, discounts available.

NEW PHILHARMONIC OF NEW JERSEY
Sunday, March 8, 3 p.m.
Morris Museum
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
Morristown
(201) 538-0454
•Premiere of *Variations on a Folk Song* by A. Louis Scarmolin; Beethoven's Concerto No. 2 in B flat major; Mozart's Symphony No. 33 in B flat major; *Requiem for String Orchestra* by Toru Takemitsu. Admission $15.

NEW YORK KAMMERMUSIKER
Friday, March 13, 8 p.m.
Monmouth County Library
125 Simmes Dr., Manalapan
(908) 431-7220
•Chamber ensemble performs works by Gilman Collier and other composers. Free admission.

PRELUDE TO SPRING
Saturday, March 14, 8 p.m.
Crescent Avenue Presbyterian Church
716 Watchung Ave., Plainfield
(908) 756-2468
•Arias, theater songs, and other works sung by Ronald Naldi, tenor, and Jan Hedden, soprano, w/Carolle-Ann Mochernuk and Paul Kueter, piano. Donation.

RIENZI
Tuesday, March 10, 8 p.m.
Richardson Auditorium, Princeton University
(609) 258-5000
•An early opera of Richard Wagner, performed by Princeton Pro Musica. Admission $20-$6.

MARK RUSSELL
Saturday, March 21, 8 p.m.
Sussex County Vocational and Technical School
Route 94, Sparta
(201) 383-0027
•Humorist whose political satire has been seen on live TV. Admission $28-$14.

RUTGERS JAZZ ENSEMBLE
Tuesday, March 10, 8 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center, Rutgers Arts Center
George St. & Route 18
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
•17-piece band performs works by Gil Evans, Bob Brookmeyer, and ensemble director Michael Mossman. Admission $8, discounts available.

RUTGERS UNIVERSITY WIND ENSEMBLE
Thursday, March 12, 8 p.m.
Nicholas Music Center, Rutgers Arts Center
George St. & Route 18
New Brunswick
(908) 932-7511
•*A Tameside Overture* by William Sparke; Sweelinck's *Ballo del Granduca*; Shostakovich's Prelude; Ron Nelson's Medieval Suite; and other works. Free admission.

SENSATIONAL MELLOWTONES
Saturday, March 14, 6:30 p.m.
New Covenant Missionary Baptist Church
147 East Main St., Somerville
(908) 526-8743
•Gospel ensemble from Lakewood performs with the Macedonia Baptist Church (Piscataway) Male Chorus. Adults $6, children 6-12 $3.

SISTER SADIE & THE FAMOUS BIBLETTES
Sunday, March 15, 5:30 p.m.
Mount Pleasant Baptist Church
1087 Grove Ave., Edison
(908) 745-4489
•Gospel ensemble "Goin' Home" to the roots of their sound. Free admission; must pre-register by March 9.

SUMMIT CHORALE
Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
Madison Junior School
Route 24, Madison
(201) 674-4607
•All-Bach concert w/the *Magnificat* in D, the Brandenburg Concerto No. 3, *Jesu der du meine Seele*, and *Nun ist das Heil*. Adults $12, senior citizens and students $8.

SWEET HONEY IN THE ROCK
Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
Symphony Hall, Newark
Sunday, March 8, 4 p.m.
Red Bank Regional High School, Red Bank
(201) 242-8110
•All-female ensemble renowned for its harmonies. Admission $20.

SYRACUSE CHILDREN'S CHORUS
Saturday, March 21, 7:30 p.m.
St. Bernard's Church
Claremont Rd., Bernardsville
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EVENTS

Women, landscape and faith

Two new exhibits range from portraits to epic landscapes

By STEVEN HART
WeekendPlus Editor

Women with an abiding faith in religion are the focus of a group of drawings on view starting Sunday, March 8, at the Clarence Dillon Library in Bedminster.

According to the artist Kate Hammett, Christianity is "a fairly central part of the work. It was certainly a major theme in choosing the people. It won't be obvious to anyone looking at the pictures — nobody's wearing a cross or carrying a Bible."

The 12 portraits — most of which will be part of the Dillon Library exhibition — are life-sized pencil renderings presented without borders or frames for an effect she described as "stark, but in a nice way." They were conceived as a group and represent a year's worth of work.

One of the portraits, *The Logical One*, offers an insight into Ms. Hammett's methods.

"She's a relatively new acquaintance. Her name is Vera," the artist explained. "She's definitely feminine but very left-brained — analytical and no-nonsense, so the picture is very straightforward and matter-of-fact. She's a computer analyst."

A resident of Plainsboro, Ms. Hammett was raised in this area and attended Bridgewater-Raritan High School before going on to studies at the University of Delaware, the Fashion Institute of Technology and the Art Students League. Her mother Peggy Irwin (who still lives in Bridgewater) and her sister Mary are also artists.

"Mary's a painter," Ms. Hammett said. "Both Mary and mom work in oils and pastels. I love to draw."

Ms. Hammett's works have been shown at Trenton City Museum, Glassboro State College and in Princeton at the University League Gallery and the Art Students League.

KATE HAMMETT March 8 through April 30 at the Clarence Dillon Library, Lamington Road, Bedminster. Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., Friday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. (908) 234-2345.

Kate Hammett's *The Logical One*, part of an exhibition of the artist's drawings on view at the Clarence Dillon Library in Bedminster.

The American Landscape: From Cole to Blakelock, an exhibition of 32 landscape paintings representing a century of American art, opens Sunday, March 8, at the Montclair Art Museum.

Drawn from the museum's permanent collection, *The American Landscape* explores the idea of landscape painting as a reflection of American society and culture from 1815 to the first decade of this century. The organizing principle of the show is the evolution of landscape painting as a metaphor for the national identity.

For example, Thomas Cole — considered the inventor of American landscape art — used his paintings to depict America as the unspoiled new frontier. His 1835 work *A View of the Hudson* typifies this view of America as an Arcadian paradise.

Though Cole was a great influence on other landscape artists, even more important to their times were Asher B. Durand and George Inness, New Jersey artists who in the mid-19th century helped foster what came to be known as the Hudson River School of art — a view of America as the new Eden.

Asher Durand's *Early Morning at Cold Spring*, an 1850 work included in the exhibition, is a showcase of the Hudson River School approach: technical precision and great attention to natural details, grounded in a view of nature and America as God's own handiwork.

As America became a more urbanized country throughout the later 19th century, landscape painting began to reflect the varying influences of national life; landscape art can be seen to lose its clarity and religious overtones. George Inness' *Delaware Water Gap*, for example, is an 1857 painting obviously influenced by Cole; by the time Inness painted *Sundown in the Lane* 1892 his style became infused with a Romantic sensibility.

By the end of the post-Civil War period, the exhibition shows the sense of landscape paintings as interior vistas — Ralph Albert Blakelock's 1913 *Silvery Moonlight* is more dreamlike than realistic.

THE AMERICAN LANDSCAPE: FROM COLE TO BLAKELOCK March 8 through Nov. 22 at the Montclair Art Museum, 3 South Mountain Ave., Montclair. Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday and Thursday (the second and fourth Thursday of each month) from 2 p.m. to 9 p.m. Donation $4, $2 for students and the elderly, free admission to children under 18. (201) 746-5555.

Mark your calendar

National poll salutes WFMU

WFMU (91.1 FM), one of the nation's few truly listener-supported radio stations, was named "Best Radio Station" in the *Rolling Stone* 1992 Music Awards Critics' Poll for the second year in a row.

Known for its iconoclastic "free-form" radio programming, WFMU receives no corporate sponsorship or even funds from Upsala College in East Orange, which owns its license.

The station's annual fundraising marathon starts Friday, March 6, at 6 p.m. and winds up Sunday, March 15, at midnight. The listener pledge line, which operates only during the marathon, is (201) 266-7911.

High school craftsmen

Off the Wall, an exhibition of three-dimensional works created by New Jersey high school students, opens Saturday, March 7, at New Jersey Designer Craftsmen, 65 Church St. in New Brunswick.

There will be an opening reception on the last day of the show, Saturday, March 28, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Admission is free. For more information, call (908) 246-4066.

Star dancers come to RVCC

Johan Renvall, principal dancer of the American Ballet Theatre, and Bolshoi Ballet alumnus Leonid Kozlov, now with the New York City Ballet, will appear with the New Jersey Ballet Company Saturday, March 7, at 8 p.m. in the Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College, Branchburg.

Mr. Renvall will perform his new ballet *Tango* while Mr. Kozlov will perform *Belong* with New Jersey Ballet principal Lori Christman.

Tickets are $15 and $12.50. For more information, call (908) 725-3420.

Happenings

COMIC BOOK AND COLLECTIBLES MARKETPLACE
Holiday Inn
Route 22, Springfield
(908) 788-6845
•Comic book and sci-fi convention, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. March 8. Admission $3.

CRAFTS AT THE MORRISTOWN ARMORY
National Guard armory
Western Ave., Morristown
(201) 538-7778
•Works for sale by more than 150 exhibitors, 5-9 p.m. March 20, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. March 21, 22. Adults $5, children under 16 free.

HOME IMPROVEMENT/ HOME REMODELING EXPO
Garden State Exhibit Center
50 Atrium Dr., Somerset
(908) 469-4000
•Everything for the do-it-yourself type, March 20-29. Adults $6, children under 10 $3; call for each day's hours.

PRINCETON ANTIQUES SHOW
Princeton Day School
The Great Rd., Princeton
(609) 683-1252, 737-7170
•33rd annual show of quality antiques, 11 a.m.-9 p.m. March 20, 11 a.m.-6 p.m. March 21, noon-5 p.m. March 22. Admission $7. Preview from 6:30-9 p.m. March 19, admission $50.

ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE
Through Somerville
(908) 722-8280
•The first St. Patrick's Day parade in the borough since 1989, March 8. Steps off at 1 p.m. from East Main St. and Eastern Ave.; ends at YMCA on North Bridge St.

SPORTS CARD AND MEMORABILIA SHOW
Clarion Hotel
2055 Route 27, Edison
(201) 614-9550
•Baseball card and sports collectible show, 9:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m. March 8. Free admission.

SPRING BOUTIQUE OF CRAFTS
Gospel Fellowship Church
626 Plainsboro Rd., Plainsboro
(609) 799-1945, 799-2304
•Assorted crafts on display and for sale, 10 a.m.-9 p.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from March 19-April 11. Free admission.

SPRING SUITES
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121 Centennial Ave.
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(908) 362-5006
•Paintings, stained glass, and other crafts in each hotel suite, 6-9 p.m. March 6, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. March 7, 10 a.m.-4 p.m. March 8. Free admission.

STAMP, COIN, AND BASEBALL CARD SHOW
Howard Johnson motel
Garden State Parkway
Exit 135, Clark
(908) 247-1093
•Monthly show and sale, 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. March 8. Free admission.

Talk, talk talk about the Furs

Psychedelic Furs can still deliver rock'n'roll goods

By NORB GARRETT
WeekendPlus Writer

The Psychedelic Furs: (back) Joe McGinty, Don Yallech, Knox Chandler; (front) Tim Butler, Richard Butler, John Ashton.

The year was 1981. As I fumbled through records in the cramped basement record store of the Student Union building on the University of Maryland campus, I heard it.

It was a sound I'd never heard before, one that hits the New Jersey clubs this week in a couple of small venue gigs, first at City Gardens in Trenton and later at the Trade Winds in Sea Bright.

The sound was a twangy guitar melody, but a coursing, blanket of noise behind it. It sounded like arabic music almost, you know, kind of creepy.

Then the lyrics. "Mrs. Jones is 17, and six and 24/Moderately pretty, she is all the girls you know." He sang . . . well, so cool. A thick, English accent. It was the perfect marriage of electric sound and vocals.

"Hey, what is this music?"

"The Furs, man."

"The Furs? Come on, what is it?"

The Psychedelic Furs. Their sound had everything and yet more than everything — whining guitars, driving bass chords and percussion, occasionally the odd horn and of course, Richard Butler on lead throat. Their concert on campus, promoting their *Talk, Talk, Talk* album two weeks later, was amazing. Six guys on stage, thick dry ice floating into velvet green lights. They just stood there and cranked out this caterwaul of sound. And Butler stood there, cigarette in hand, coiled on the microphone stand like a python.

Eleven years and eight albums later, the Furs still deliver the goods — almost a pledge to be different. Like any band with longevity, the music has grown and absorbed new styles. Sure, they sold out their raw sound for money in the mid '80s with the 1984 release *Mirror Moves*, an album with their most celebrated singles — "Heaven" and "The Ghost in You." That album followed up their 1982 release *Forever Now* which contained their first popular hit, "Love My Way." In 1986 the band's remake of "Pretty in Pink" for the movie of the same name broke the Top 40 charts. But the good old constants — Butler's soothing vocals, John Ashton's shredding guitar, Tim Butler's Lurch-like look and steady bass plucking — haven't changed in all those years, while the trio of accompanying musicians revolves seemingly yearly.

The band, now fully based in New York City, floundered as the '80s came to a close, but finally rediscovered their original, pure, raw almost-hardcore sound with the 1989 release, *Book of Days*. Part of the credit for the rebirth of their first sounds can be credited to the return of original drummer Vince Ely who rejoined the band in 1987. Hitting the road after a touring hiatus, the Furs played mostly mid- to large-sized venues — colleges and the like. Ely left the band again, replaced by Don Yallech in '90.

A return to the recording studio resulted in the 1991 release of *World Outside*, which almost falls back into the mid '80s pop sound of "Forever Now." Second guitarist Knox Chandler and keyboardist Joe McGinty round out the current sextet. The recording effort represents the first time since 1981 that the touring band was the same as the studio band.

PSYCHEDELIC FURS Sunday, March 8, at City Gardens in Trenton (609) 392-8887); Friday, March 13, at Trade Winds in Sea Bright (908) 842-4466).

Listen up

Two legends play out

A Rock and Roll Hall of Famer and one of rock's most talented songwriters and performers will be appearing together and separately at two Central Jersey venues in the coming weeks.

Roger McGuinn and Richard Thompson will share the bill Friday, March 6, at 8 p.m. in the McCarter Theatre, 91 University Place in Princeton, then go on to separate gigs later in March at the Club Bene, Route 35 in Sayreville.

Founder of the seminal folk-rock group The Byrds, Mr. McGuinn recently released *Back From Rio*, an album featuring work by Elvis Costello, Jules Shear and Tom Petty.

Starting with the equally influential group Fairport Convention, Mr. Thompson has staked out a highly personal, mordantly witty songwriting terrain on such albums as *Hand of Kindness* and *Rumour and Sigh*, marked by his distinctive guitar playing and husky voice.

Tickets for the McCarter Theatre appearance are proced from $25 to $17. Tickets for Mr. McGuinn's March 13 Club Bene gig are $17.50, $27.50 with dinner. Tickets for Mr. Thompson's March 25 Club Bene concert are $15, $25 with dinner.

For more information on the McCarter show, call (609) 683-8000. For information on the Club Bene shows, call (908) 727-3000.

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Route 9 South, Old Bridge
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•Lisette Melendez, March 7.
•The Colt Brothers (w/Joe Bouchard), March 13.

BOURBON STREET CAFE
Old Bay Restaurant
61-63 Church St.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-3111
•Neighborhood Blues Band, March 6.
•Nasty Ned & The Famous Chili Dogs, March 7.
•Johnny Charles Blues Band, March 11.
•Solar, March 12, 26.
•The VooDudes, March 13.
•Wreckless Abandon, March 14.
•Santa Fe Blues Band, March 18.
•Willi Bobo & The Meat Men, March 19.
•Blue Plate Special, March 20.
•Kyoshi, March 21.
•The Resonators, March 25.
•Floyd Hunter Blues Band, March 27.
•Nightrain, March 28.

BRIGHTON BAR
121 Brighton Ave.
Long Branch
(908) 222-9684
•Hayden, D.T. Menace, Angel Street, March 6.
•Grievous Angels, Third Stone, Suzanne Rhadigan, afternoon March 7.
•Visigoths, Pharmacy, Every Damn Day, The What Nots, evening March 7.
•The Fluid, Glue Neck, God Speed, Helen Shapiro, afternoon March 8.

CARTERET HILL BOWL
569 Roosevelt Ave., Carteret
(908) 969-1515
•Stolen Goods, March 6.
•Advocate, March 7.

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CHARLEY'S UNCLE
415 Route 18, East Brunswick
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CHATFIELDS
273 Main St., Gladstone
(908) 234-2080

CITY GARDENS
1701 Calhoun St., Trenton
(609) 392-8887
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95-cent dance night, Saturdays, Thursdays.
•The Psychdelic Furs, March 8.
•A Tribe Called Quest, Cypress Hill, March 15.
•Agnostic Front, March 22.

CLUB BENE
Route 35, Sayreville
(908) 727-3000
•Jimmy Webb, March 6.
•Back in Black (AC/DC tribute), March 7.
•Roger McGuinn, March 13.
•Richard Thompson, March 25.
•The Radiators, March 27.

CLUB 101 EAST
Empress Motel
Ocean Ave., Asbury Park
(908) 774-2300
House mix, Wednesdays.
Alternative dance night, Thursdays.
•Pale Divine, March 6.

THE CLUBHOUSE
116 Watchung Ave., Plainfield
(908) 769-9267
Rave night, Thursdays.
•Yno!, The Selves, March 12.

COCKTAILS
51 Main St., South River
(908) 257-8325
•Slaves of New Brunswick (w/ Glen Burtnick), March 6.
•Cats on a Smooth Surface, March 7.

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CORNERSTONE
25 New St., Metuchen
(908) 549-5306
•Mike LeDonne Quartet w/ Adam Brenner (alto), March 6.
•Peter Ecklund Quartet w/Billy Novick (clarinet), March 7.
•Kenny Davern Quartet, March 11, 13, 14.
•Skip Roberts, vocals w/trio, March 18.
•Pete Compo Quartet w/Chuck Folds (piano), March 20, 21.
•Bucky Pizzarelli Trio w/Bernard Purdie, March 25.
•Ed Polcer Quartet w/Mark Shane (piano), March 27.
•Ken Peplowski Quartet, March 28.

CORNER TAVERN
113 Somerset St.
New Brunswick
(908) 247-7677

COURT TAVERN
124 Church St.
New Brunswick
(908) 545-7265
•Jiggs & The Pigs, March 7.

THE COVE
108 Chestnut St., Roselle
(908) 241-1226
Dave LaRue, Mondays.
Open coffeehouse, Tuesdays.
•Yooj, Play Train, OA OB, Romeo Zulu, March 6.
•Igneous Rock, Frankie Mob, March 7.

CRICKET CLUB
415 16th Ave., Irvington
(201) 374-1062
Main room: Live dance bands, Fridays. International rock acts, Saturdays.
•Ska and reggae w/The Toasters, Native Son, March 6.
•Michael Shenker, Robin McAuley, March 14.
•"In Their Own Words," singer-songwriter showcase, March 22.
•Downtown Tangiers Band, March 28.
Basement: Alternative rock. Acoustic night, Sundays.
•Sis 'Amelia, Daughter Judy, Walk the Talk, March 6.

ESSEX MANOR
41 Broughton Ave., Bloomfield
(201) 748-6590
Jam session w/Third Degree, Tuesdays.
•The Reverbs, March 11.
•Jack Destiny, March 18.

THE EXCHANGE
Routes 202-206, Bridgewater
(908) 526-7090
Open blues jam, Tuesdays.

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Club mix

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FAST LANE II
207 Fourth Ave., Asbury Park
(908) 988-3205
The Outcry, Wednesdays.
99-cent dance night, Thursdays.
•Dinosaur Jr., Monster Magnet, March 6.
•The Meat Puppets, March 8.
•Karen Mansfield, March 11.
•Non-Fiction, March 13.
•Origin, March 14.
•Mitch Knauf benefit w/eight bands, March 15.

GIGGLES 'N BITS
Clarion Hotel
2055 Route 27, Edison
(908) 287-3500
Live comedy Friday and Saturday starting 10 p.m.
•Eddie Gambino, March 6, 7.
•Dom Fig, March 13, 14.

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24 Main St., Kingston
(609) 924-7400
Open-stage night, Tuesdays.

HUB CITY
392 George St.
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•The Shades of Jazz, March 11, April 8.
•Mosaic the Quartet, March 12.
•Off Ramp, March 18, April 15.
•Pandora's Box, March 19, April 9.
•Stolen Moments, March 25.
•Mike Elias, March 26, April 16.
•The Power of Three, April 1.
•The VooDudes, April 2.

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•Raised On Blues Band, March 20.
•Zaire, March 21.
•Kevin McArdle, March 24, 31.
•Lost River Hell Cats, March 27.
•CC&G, March 28.

JOHN & PETER'S
96 South Main St.
New Hope, Pa.
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Open-mike night, Mondays.
Liberty Blues Jam, Tuesdays.
•The VooDudes, March 6.
•Trimm & Larsen, afternoon March 7, 21.
•The Terraplanes, evening March 7.
•Renegade, afternoon March 8.
•Patrick Ball (Celtic harp), March 11.
•Paul Geremia, March 12.
•Scooter Butler, March 13.

LITTLE APPLE CAFE
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Albany St., New Brunswick
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1282 Centennial Ave.
Piscataway
(908) 562-1588

MAXWELL'S
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Hoboken
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•The Fluid, H.P. Zinker, Gigantic, March 6.
•Sweet Lizard Illtet, Arrogant Response, March 7.
•Sebadoh, Seem, March 14.
•Shudder to Think, Jawbox, March 15.
•The Connells, March 16.
•Afghan Whigs, March 19.
•Shadowy Men on a Shadowy Planet, March 20.
•Yo La Tengo, March 21.
•The Verlaines, March 29.
•The Wedding Present, April 8.

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•Open-stage night, March 13, April 10.
•Kallet, Epstein & Cicone (ballads and sea chanties), March 20.
•Liz Masterson & Sean Blackburn (old West), David Berger (folk), March 27.
•Left Field, Shelon Viber, April 3.
•Pat Humphries, April 17.
•Chuck Pyle, April 24.

NEST AT PHEASANTS' LANDING
Amwell Rd., Hillsborough
(908) 359-4700
•Flashbacks, March 6.
•Home Brew, March 7.
•Elan, March 13.
•Johnny Charles Blues Band, March 14.
•Delivery Boys, March 20.
•Pedestrains, March 21.
•Mirage, March 27, 28.

ORPHAN ANNIE'S
1255 Valley Rd., Stirling
(908) 647-0138
Open jam, Sundays.
Customer trivia night, Tuesdays.
Audition night, Wednesdays.

OUTPOST IN THE BURBS
40 South Fullerton Ave.
Montclair
(201) 744-6560
All shows at 9 p.m.
•Bob McParland, Debbie Henderickson, March 6.
•Cheryl Wheeler, March 27.

PETEY'S SPORTS BAR
1001 West Camplain Rd.
Manville
(908) 725-9340
Dance party, Fridays.
•Curbside BBQ, March 7.

THE PIPELINE
841 Broadway, Newark
(201) 481-0486
All ages admitted Fridays, Sundays.
Progressive-music dance night Wednesdays, Sundays.
•Flatus, The Suspects, Wretched Ones, March 12.

PLAYPEN LOUNGE
Route 35, Sayreville
(908) 721-0100
D.J. dance night, Fridays.
•Mad Hatter, March 15.

POOR BILLY'S
Route 9, Woodbridge
(908) 634-5454
Live comedy every Sunday starting 8:30 p.m.

THE RIVERFRONT
11 Main St., South River
(908) 390-4438
•Diag Nabit, Mad Hatter, March 6.
•Lexx, K.G. Beats, Total Strangers, March 7.

THE ROCK HORSE
Second & Kingsley
Asbury Park
(908) 988-9811
Hard-rock night, Wednesdays.
•CRBQ, Mad Hatter, March 6.
•Frontier, Heaven's Gate, Sex Farm, March 7.
•Phantom's Opera, March 13.
•Faith Healer, Insane, Dyers Eve, March 14.
•Frostbite, March 20.
•Epitaph, March 21.
•Rough Justice w/Mike Wells, March 22.
•Colossal Street Jam, March 28.

THE ROXY
95 French St., New Brunswick
(908) 545-8971
Industrial/techno dance night, Tuesdays.
•False Prophets, Lisdexic, Sticks & Stones, March 10.
•Sunshine Blind, Crocodile Shop, March 17.
•The Ancients, Sister Machine Gun, March 24.

SCANDALS
3793 Route 1
South Brunswick
(908) 940-1717

SHOGUN 27
3376 Route 27, Kendall Park
(908) 422-1117
Live comedy Friday and Saturday, 10 p.m.

SOUTH RIVER PUB
66 Main St., South River
(908) 257-0330
Backstreets Duo, Wednesdays.

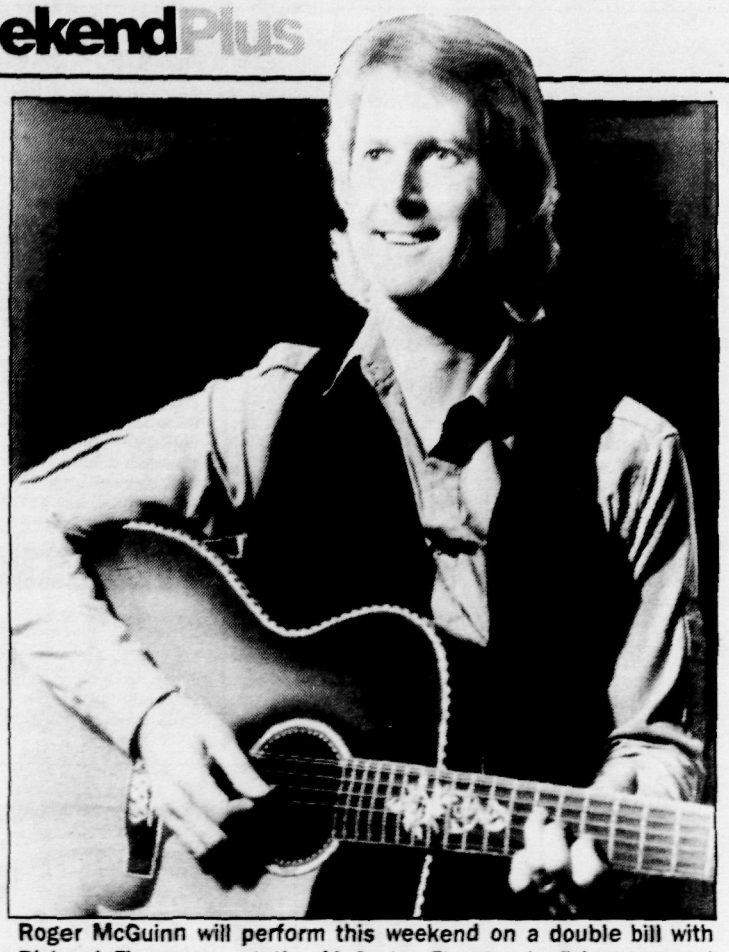
STUDIO 1
88-89 Verona Ave., Newark
(201) 482-1150
•Lillian Axe, March 13.
•Mucky Pup, March 14.

T-BIRDS CAFE
707 Main St., Asbury Park
(908) 502-0217
Audition showcase, Wednesdays.
•Suzanna Rhatigan, Robin O'Brien (acoustic), March 6.
•Foggy Notion, Hollow Army, Wood Shed, March 7.

TAPAS CAFE
Route 53, Denville
(201) 625-1677
Grover Kemble, Wednesdays.
West End Review, Thursdays.
•Silent Earth, March 7.

TRADE WINDS
1331 Ocean Ave., Sea Bright
(908) 842-4466
•The Psychedelic Furs, Eye & I, March 13.
•RT2, March 14.
•The Remakes, March 15.
•Stuttering John (from Howard Stern show), March 20.
•.38 Special, Webb Wilder Band, March 21.

WURLITZER'S
386 Hoes Lane, Piscataway
(908) 463-3113



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Dance

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Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
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•*Mozart Dances* by Stuart Sebastian; *Five Country Dances* and *German Dances* by Mozart; *Don't Teach Me Sweet Poetry* and *Still Lifes* by Dermot Burke; *And So It Goes* by Septime Webre. Admission $20-$12, group rates available.

THE BARNBURNERS
Saturday, March 21, 8 p.m.
Ogden Memorial Church
Route 24, Chatham
(201) 267-2788, 228-9729
•Old-time music from a band based in Monmouth County. Also square dances called by Jeanne Drake. Lessons for beginners at 7:30 p.m. Admission $5, sneakers required.

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
Saturday, March 7, 2 p.m.
Sunday, March 8, 1 p.m.
Count Basie Theatre
99 Monmouth St., Red Bank
(908) 842-9000
•The beloved story, presented in a new ballet by the Performing Arts Ensemble. Admission $10, $8; discounts available.

DRACULA
Saturday, March 14, 8 p.m.
McCarter Theatre
91 University Pl., Princeton
(609) 683-8000
•Stuart Sebastian's adaptation of the Bram Stoker novel, performed by the American Repertory Ballet Company. Admission $20-$16.

GRAND PICNIC
Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
Ogden Memorial Church
Route 24, Chatham
(201) 267-2788, 228-9729
•Contra dances — not from Nicaragua, but from the Northeast — called by Don Flaherty. Lessons for beginners at 7:30 p.m. Admission $5, sneakers required.

INKHAY
Saturday, March 14, 11 a.m.
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Elmer-Shirley Rd., Elmer
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Saturday, March 14, 8 p.m.
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•For new and experienced dancers; no partner needed. Instruction precedes program at 7:30 p.m. Admission $8.

N.J. BALLET COMPANY
Saturday, March 7, 8 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28, Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•Tango, choreographed by guest performer Johan Renvall; *Belong* by Norbert Vesak; *Entre Doraguas* by Robert North. Admission $15, $12.50.

PEKING ACROBATS
Saturday, March 14, 3 p.m. and 8 p.m.
Theatre at Raritan Valley Community College
Route 28, Branchburg
(908) 725-3420
•Flying feats from the People's Republic of China. Admission $15 (evening), $12.50 (both shows).

STARDUSTERS
Sunday, March 8, 2 p.m.
Elks lodge
Route 518, Blawenburg
(908) 782-8656
•Swing-era dancing w/a 16-piece big band. Lessons for beginners at 1:30 p.m. Admission $10.

Auditions

CHICAGO
March 8, 1 p.m.
Playhouse 22
210 Dunhams Corner Rd.
East Brunswick
(908) 254-3939
•For June production of the Roaring 20s musical set in the Windy City w/a large number of characters. Dress comfortably for dance.

PRINCETON BALLET SCHOOL
Sunday, March 8
New York and Princeton
(609) 921-7758
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(609) 340-7111
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Boardwalk & Park Pl.
Atlantic City
(609) 340-2000
•"An Evening at *La Cage*," revue, ongoing.

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Boardwalk & Missouri Ave.
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1-800-677-SHOW

THE CLARIDGE
Boardwalk & Indiana Ave.
Atlantic City
1-800-752-SHOW

HARRAH'S MARINA
1725 Brigantine Ave.
Atlantic City
1-800-2-HARRAH
•Clive Baldwin, through March 16.
•*Fiddler on the Roof*, the long-running musical set in Czarist Russia, through March 22.

MERV GRIFFIN'S RESORTS
Boardwalk & North Carolina Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 344-6000
•*Fascinatin' Rhythms*, revue, ongoing.

THE SANDS
Boardwalk & Illinois Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 441-4000

SHOWBOAT
Boardwalk & Delaware Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 343-4000
•Good Times Variety Show, ongoing.

TAJ MAHAL
Boardwalk & Virginia Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 449-1000

TROPWORLD
Boardwalk & Brighton Ave.
Atlantic City
(609) 340-4000

TRUMP CASTLE
Brigantine Blvd. & Huron Ave.
Atlantic City
1-800-284-TRUMP
•Pat Cooper, March 13, 14.

TRUMP PLAZA
Boardwalk & Mississippi Ave.
Atlantic City
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•Engelbert Humperdinck, March 6-8.

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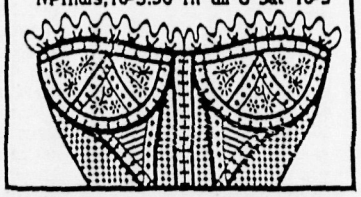

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CURRENT FILMS

THE ADVENTURES OF THE GREAT MOUSE DETECTIVE
•Disney animated feature about a rodent investigating the kidnapping of a toy maker. With the voices of Vincent Price, Barrie Ingham and Val Bettin. (G)

BEAUTY AND THE BEAST
☆Maybe not the best picture of the year but certainly one of. Unlike *The Little Mermaid*, this Disney entry has a source that doesn't need tampering and atreatment with the right mix of jokes for young and old. The blend of old fashioned animation and computer-generated visuals is splendid: the opening shot and the ballroom sequence would so old Walt proud. With the voices of Robby Benson (!) as the Beast, Angela Lansbury as a talking teapot and Paper Mill Playhouse regular Richard White as Gaston, the handsome Cro-Mag ("I use antlers in all my decor!") with his eye on the heroine. (G)

BUGSY
☆A big, lush-looking gloss on the life of Benjamin "Bugsy" Siegel, the gangster who went to Los Angeles in the late '30s and fell passionately, goofily in love with Hollywood. James Toback's startlingly well-wrought script follows Siegel from his Hollywood years to his downfall while building the hotel that helped make Las Vegas what it is today. With Warren Beatty, Annette Bening, and Harvey Keitel. Written by James Toback (*The Big Bang*) and directed by Barry Levinson (*Rain Man, Avalon*). (R)

FRIED GREEN TOMATOES
•A nursing-home resident (Jessica Tandy) looks back at her life. With Kathy Bates, Mary Stuart Masterson, Cicely Tyson and Mary-Louise Parker. (PG-13)

GRAND CANYON
•Los Angeles residents and their troubles, dealt with by Lawrence Kasdan the way the Grand Canyon itself was formed — a dribble at a time. It's not that modern-day uncertainty — the sense that whatever security you've made for yourself could be taken away at any moment — is a bad subject for a film. The trouble is Kasdan's penchant for buttoning things up with pat, huggie-bear setups. The film's conclusion that if we could just get past our silly little personal problems and look at the big picture, everything would be put in perspective. This is true as far as it goes; trouble is, it isn't much help when you don't have Lawrence Kasdan around to do a fast rewrite on your life. There are some good scenes and performances (notably from Danny Glover) but the film ultimately becomes insufferable. (R)

JFK
•Your response to this three-hour rant will depend on your patience with the notion that the CIA and the military conspired to murder John F. Kennedy, who according to Oliver Stone was about to magically shed his Cold Warrior mantle and usher in the liberal millenium. This disgraceful mixture of evasions, gross distortions of the record and outright fabrications deals with Kennedy assassination the way *Birth of a Nation* dealt with the Reconstruction. Rubes, conspiracy buffs and sensation-seekers will find much to please them. With Kevin Costner, Gary Oldman, Sissy Spacek, Donald Sutherland, etc. (R)

MEDICINE MAN
•A pleasant little time-waster about bickering, bantering and falling in love while looking for a cancer cure in the Amazon jungles. With Sean Connery and Lorraine Bracco. (PG-13)

SHINING THROUGH
•Melanie Griffith stars as a Queens secretary who becomes a spy for the Allies during World War II. With Michael Douglas and John Gielgud. (R)

THIS IS MY LIFE
•A single mother with two daughters pursues her dream of becoming a stand-up comedian. With Julie Kavner, Samantha Mathis and Gaby Hoffman. Directed and co-written by first-time filmmaker Nora Ephron. (R)

WAYNE'S WORLD
•Wayne (Mike Myers) and Garth (Dana Carvey) take their *Saturday Night Live* act to the big screen. With Rob Lowe. Directed by Penelope Spheeris (*The Decline of Western Civilization*, both parts). (PG-13)

REVIVALS

THE GREAT McGINTY (1940)
☆Preston Sturges' first job as director: a sharp comedy about a bum (Brian Donlevy) who's made governor by a crooked political machine and then ruins everything by trying to be honest. With Muriel Angelus, Akim Tamiroff and William Demarest. **Tuesday, March 10, at 7 p.m. in Sprague Library, Montclair State, Upper Montclair. Free admission. (201) 893-7565.**

OCTOBER (1928)
•Sergei Eisenstein's epic re-creation of the Bolshevik Revolution was produced with the full help of the Soviet government, which gave him the use of the Winter Palace and what looks like every ambulatory resident of Leningrad for the crowd scenes. With English subtitles. **Friday, March 6, at 7 p.m. in Milledoler Hall Room 100, College Avenue campus between Hamilton Street and Seminary Place, New Brunswick. Admission $3. (908) 932-8482.**

SOLARIS (1972)
•Russian filmmaker Andrei Tarkovsky (The Sacrifice, Stalker) directed this adaptation of Stanislaw Lem's celebrated 1961 novel about a planet covered by a protean, apparently sentient ocean that occupies itself with enigmatic, sometimes dangerous manifestations that may be its attempts to communicate with a team of human observers. The novel's lengthy meditations on the nature and limits of human intelligence are replaced by a more emotional emphasis: the film opens with a lengthy, elegiac sequence on Earth, centered on the hero's relationship with his father, that is echoed in the memorable closing shot. Those not sympathetic to Tarkovsky's style will find the film a trial to sit through, but Solaris is one of the few science fiction films to explore the metaphysical terrain staked out by Kubrick in *2001: A Space Odyssey*. With Donatas Banionis, Natalia Bondarchuk, Youri Yarvet and Anatoli Solintsin. In Russian with subtitles. **Sunday, March 8, at 7 p.m. in the N.J. Museum of Agriculture, Route 1 South and College Farm Road (near Cook College), New Brunswick. Admission $3. (908) 932-8482.**

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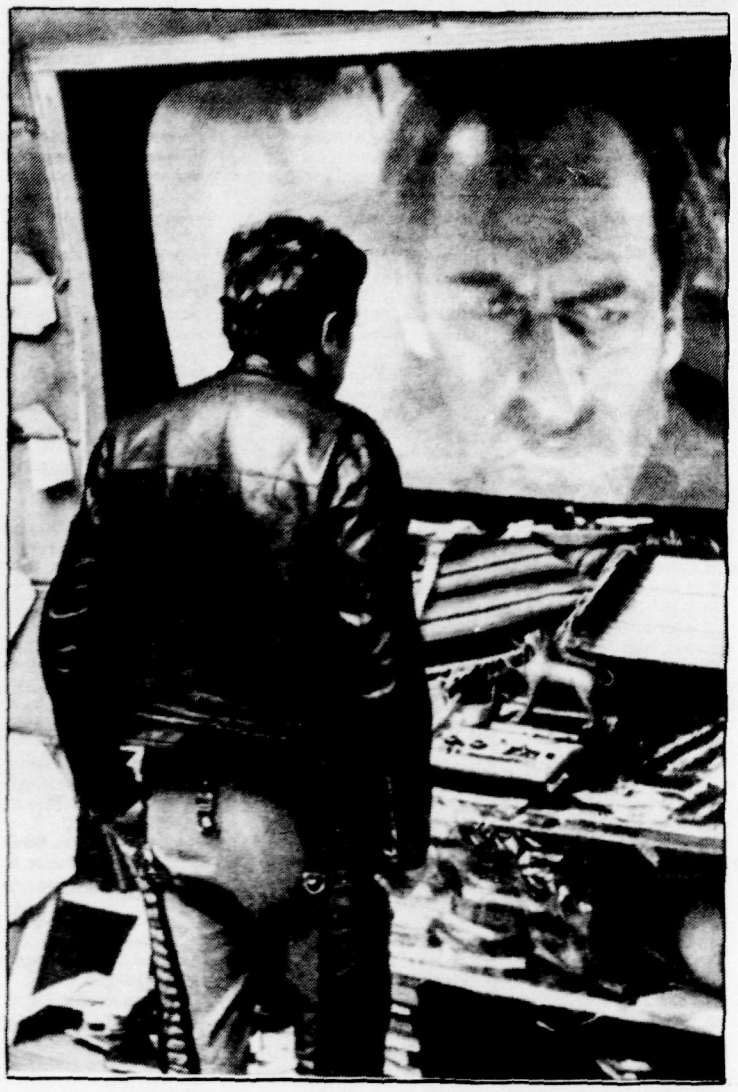

Kris Kelvin (Donatas Barionis) is baffled by what's happening in *Solaris*, a Russian science fiction film being show at the N.J. Museum of Agriculture in New Brunswick.

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•Works by Paul Cezanne, through April 5.
•Prints from the museum's collection, through April 5.
•Spanish drawings, March 10-April 19.

DRAKE HOUSE MUSEUM
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House built in 1746 and furnished with articles of the period. Saturday from 2-4 p.m. Donation $1 for adults, free to children.

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•"Home Front USA," life in New Jersey during World War II, through July 14.

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•Calligraphy demonstration, March 8.
•Training for new volunteers, 7:30 p.m. March 10, 17.

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•Sculpture by Donald DeLue, through July 12.

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•Bronze sculpture by Jonathan Scott Hartley, through March 8.
•Drawings from the Morgan Russell Archives, through April 5.
•Prints from Currier & Ives, through April 12.
•"A Moody Light: Romanticism in the American Landscape," through April 26.
•"Highlights from the Native American Collection," through June 7.
•"From the Collection: Realism," through June 28.
•"The American Landscape" from Cole to Blakelock, March 8-Nov. 22. Lecture by Alejandro Anreus at 3 p.m. March 8; opening reception from 5:30-7 p.m. March 8. Lecture by Dr. Alan Wallach at 10:30 a.m. March 17.

MORRIS MUSEUM
6 Normandy Heights Rd.
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(201) 538-0454
Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from 1-5 p.m. Free admission for members. Non-member admission: adults $4, senior citizens and children $2.
•"Evolution to Revolution," ongoing exhibition of lamps and lamp accessories from 19th-century America.
•Observation of sunspots, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. March 7, 28.
•Workshops that "Celebrate Theatre!" 11 a.m.-3 p.m. March 21.
•Abstract sculpture by Marion Held, through March 11.
•Works on loan from area companies, through March 15.
•Paintings by Kay WalkingStick, through March 29.

N.J. MUSEUM OF AGRICULTURE
Route 1 & College Farm Rd.
New Brunswick
(908) 249-2077
Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Adults $3, children 4-12 $1, children under 4 free.

N.J. STATE MUSEUM
205 West State St., Trenton
(609) 292-6464
Tuesday through Saturday from 9 a.m.-4:45 p.m. Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.
•Family workshops on Native Americans, March 7, 14, 21, 28. Pre-registration requested; call (609) 292-6310.
•Native American Day, March 8. Includes a performance by the Thunderbird Dancers (see Kid Stuff).
•"Nature and the Decorative Arts," ongoing.
•Exhibition of works acquired in 1991, ongoing.
•"God Bless America, Part IV," multimedia installation by Ted Victoria, through March 15.
•"Christopher Columbus and the Age of Exploration," through Jan. 3, 1993.

NEWARK MUSEUM
49 Washington St., Newark
(201) 596-6550
Wednesday through Sunday from noon-4:45 p.m. Donation. Largest museum complex in the state. Permanent exhibits include "Africa-The Americas-The Pacific," "Design in Native American life," "American Painting and Sculpture," Numismatic Gallery, Asian Galleries, Ballantine House and the Mini-Zoo.
•Works from the permanent collection, through March 15.
•Color photographs of Ladakh and Tibet by Ellen Kaplowitz, through March 15.
•Retrospective of "Bob Stocksdale, Woodturner," through March 22.
•"Stepping Into Ancient Egypt," through Dec. 1993.

RUTGERS GEOLOGY MUSEUM
Hamilton St. near College Ave.
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Monday from 1-4 p.m., Tuesday through Friday from 9 a.m.-noon. Free admission.

TRAILSIDE NATURE AND SCIENCE CENTER
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(908) 789-3670
Visitors center open every day from 1-5 p.m. Museum open Saturday and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. through March. Registration required for programs.
•Talk on New Jersey wildlife by Joe McDonald, 2 p.m. March 8.

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Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday from 10 a.m.-4:30 p.m. Saturday and Sunday from noon-5 p.m. Free admission.
•Works by Mason Gross School of the Arts alumni, March 7-31. Reception from 8-10 p.m. March 7.
•Japanese postcards from the early 20th century, through June 6.

Stage

CONGREGATION B'NAI TIKVAH
1001 Finnegans Lane
North Brunswick
(908) 297-0696
•Guarding the Garden, a musical rendition of the Creation story with an environmental aim. 7:30 p.m. March 8. Adults $8 in advance, $9 at the door; children $5 in advance, $6 at the door.

CROSSROADS THEATRE
7 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 249-5560
•The Love Space Demands, world premiere of the Ntozake Shange play. Previews through March 6, admission $22-$17. Performances March 7-29, admission $36-$20. Discounts available.

GEORGE STREET PLAYHOUSE
9 Livingston Ave.
New Brunswick
(908) 246-7717
•Other People's Money, the Jerry Sterner play (and basis for the movie) dealing with Wall Street in the 80s. Through March 22. Admission $29-$18, discounts available.

LIVINGSTON THEATER
Rutgers University
Avenue D, Piscataway
(908) 932-7511
•Zastrozzi, George F. Walter's morality play of revenge set in Europe. Through March 8. Admission $10, discounts available.

O'CONNOR'S BEEF 'N ALE HOUSE
708 Mountain Blvd., Watchung
(908) 755-2565
•A Deadly Environment, murder mystery set at a country club. 8 p.m. Wednesdays beginning March 11. Admission $39, includes dinner.

OFF-BROADSTREET THEATRE
5 South Greenwood Ave.
Hopewell
(609) 466-2766
•"Broadway at Off-Broadstreet," show tunes performed in an intimate setting. Through March 7. Admission $17.25 Saturday, $15.75 Friday, includes dessert. Discounts available. (Tickets for Bernstein on Broadway will be honored.)

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE
Brookside Dr., Millburn
(201) 376-4343
•Great Expectations, Charles Dickens' literary standard adapted for the stage and directed by Robert Johanson. Through March 21. Admission $38-$24, group rates available.

PHILATHALIANS
Carriage House
Watson Rd., Fanwood
(908) 322-8686
•The Diviners, a drama by James Leonard Jr. set in 1930s Indiana. Through March 7. Admission $6, group rates available.

SETON HALL UNIVERSITY
Theatre-in-the-Round
South Orange
(201) 761-9080
•Coming In on a Wing and a Prayer, revue of World War II-era songs. Through March 7. Admission $6.

STATE THEATRE
453 Northampton St.
Easton, Pa.
(215) 252-3132
•Bamum, a three-ring musical about the life of P.T. himself. 4 and 8 p.m. March 7. Adults $25, $23; senior citizens and students $12.50 (early show only).

VILLAGERS THEATRE
475 DeMott Lane, Somerset
(908) 873-2710
•Olympus on My Mind, musical comedy starring Jupiter and other citizens of ancient Greece. Through March 29. Admission $15.

COMING UP

FORUM THEATRE
314 Main St., Metuchen
(908) 548-0582
•To Live Another Summer, To Pass Another Winter, musical revue from Israel performed in English. March 20-April 12. Admission $24-$18, discounts available.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HALL
Maple St., Bernardsville
(908) 234-9238
•Two one-act plays — Lanford Wilson's Home Free, performed by the Trilogy Repertory Company, and A Need for Brussels Sprouts by Murray Schisgal, performed by the New Theatre. 8 p.m. March 13. Admission $10, includes dessert.

SOMERSET VALLEY PLAYERS
Amwell Rd., Hillsborough
(908) 369-7469
•Jesus Christ Superstar, rock opera based on the Gospel According to St. Matthew. March 13-April 12. Admission $15 Fridays and Saturdays, $20 for two tickets Sundays.

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Natasha's Stars

ARIES (March 21-April 19) Go with the roller coaster ride this week, because the bumps could even be harder if you fight it. By the weekend you see a clearing. You starting acting like your effervescent self again. Others adore you this way - and they let you know it. A lot.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20) Make the most of the clear sailing this week, because as the weekend arrives, you may have a downhill swing. Too much, too soon, too fast. Luxuriate in the positives and in the heightened connection between you and another. Recharge those batteries before Monday.

GEMINI (May 21 - June 20) Handle responsibilities early in the week, because suddenly something pops into play as the weekend appears on the scene. And play you will. Of course, with the stardust that falls on you, consider roping in that special career opportunity (if you don't want to play, that is).

CANCER (June 21-July 22) Progressive thinking gets you what you want this week. Do your reserach before you make your proposal...you may have a hard time talking another into your way of thinking. Though you start your weekend late, you make up for lost time. Get into a celebration mode.

LEO - (July 23-August 22) Expect others to dominate this week, and you won't be disappointed. Count on that Leo charisma - you purr, they follow. You're into one-to-one relating, be it business or personal. Carry that theme into all the different parts of your life. Follow through on a fantasy this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23-September 22) - Work on that Virgo perfectionism this week and lighten up. You discover how much you can really enjoy life and still be efficient. The tom-toms call to you all week. It's time for some quality play and a powerful exchange of energy. Close that business deal first.

LIBRA (September 23-October 22) -Stop playing peekaboo with an important relationship that could impact your business as well as your personal life. Focus on hard core realities and take off your rose-colored glasses. Listen to an associate, friend or relative. They're all saying the same thing.

SCORPIO (October 23-November 21) Those creative urges do wonders this week. You can either plug into work, and open up what seemed to be a locked idea, or you can launch into an early case of Spring Fever. The odds are, you'll have chosen both options. Boy, are you hot stuff?

SAGITTARIUS (November 22-December21) Give up talking and retreat back into the think tank this week. Creativity and action combine as the weekend appears. Use this intense combination to light up your romantic life. Make a work situation better; a present relationship more compatible. You want it all? Now get it.

CAPRICORN (December 22 - January 19) Vibrate with the moment. Be open to questions this week, even if you find yourself painfully insecure. Go back to the drawing board and look at the holes in your thinking. Use the weekend to relax and choose your options. Over the weekend, you appear - a force to be dealt with.

AQUARIUS (January 20-February 18) You think you've got a tiger by its tail, but events during the week convince you that this may not be the case. Your reactions are so strong, it's clear you're the tiger, and one's leading you by the tail. You go your own way this weekend. (P.S. You have a great time.)

PISCES (February 19-March 20) You peak midweek and seem to have everything(?) under control. Another's flak goes right by you. By the weekend, in fact, you've forgotten it. Be careful, however, of that Pisces triat of overdoing. You could go wild now, very wild. And there may be damages. Tread with care.

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DINING

Any time is great

Werner's Lake Edge has food and service to match its scenery

By MICKI PULSINELLI
Culinary Correspondent

I can't decide when is the best time to dine at **Werner's Lake Edge**. Is it at lunch, during daylight, when you can drive through the beautiful countryside of the Watchung mountains and see the restaurant alongside the Watchung Lake? Or is it in the evening, while sitting next to a window, overlooking the lake on a bright moonlit night?

Either time is more than acceptable — in fact it is positively romantic. The mood and atmosphere are like dining in Europe in some mountain chalet. Picture yourself in the Black Forest of Germany, dining in a chalet along the Rhine.

I can because I was there last October, with the first Forbes European trip. In fact my entree at Werner's Lake Edge (pig knuckles) was a direct result of that trip. A lovely couple from Westfield ordered the same meal while we were in Germany.

LINDA EPSTEIN/WEEKENDPLUS

Barbara Yulick takes care of some customers at Werner's Lake Edge on the shore of Watchung Lake.

Roy Stamm has owned the Lake Edge for 30 years. His son Randy told us that the staff averages over 15 years of service. Another interesting story told by Randy is about the customers. It seems that the oldest customers prefer eating in the first dining room, next to the old wood bar. The next group like the second dining room the best, forward of the bar, while the newest customers prefer the newest dining room, built 10 years ago, the one that runs parallel to the lake.

Whether it's customers or staff, you will find a dedicated group that has made the Lake Edge a fixture in Watchung.

The menu is Continental, with a small section devoted to German specialities.

The setting is rustic and comfortable. There are exposed beams, mahogany wood paneling and large windows overlooking the Watchung Lake. The table setting consist of white linen, white china with a burgundy trim, small lamps and fresh flowers.

The menu is Continental with a small section devoted to German specialties. Appetizers, 15 in all, include chopped chicken liver, head cheese vinaigrette, and smoked Nova Salmon. Prices range from $1.75 to $6.25. There are at least three soups and three types of salads.

Entrees include seafood (12 choices from $15.75 to $25.75 for twin lobster tails), light entrees (three choices from $12.75 to $17.75), beef and chicken (10 choices from $16.75 to $23.75 for filet mignon or sirloin), and German specials which include sauerbraten ($19.25), wiener schnitzel ($21.75) or roulade of beef ($18.75).

Dinner includes appetizer or soup, dessert and coffee or tea. There is an extra charge for some of the appetizers served with the dinner. All items can also be ordered a la carte.

My husband had the soup du jour (mushroom barley) while I ordered the shrimp cocktail ($6.25 extra with dinner). The five enormous shrimp were well worth the extra cost. I can't remember seeing shrimp so large.

Our house salads of lettuce, carrots, olives, cucumbers, tomatoes, radishes and onions were fresh while the roquefort cheese dressing was superb. Large chunks of roquefort were sprinkled over the salad.

For his entree, my husband ordered the beef tenderloin tips with egg noodles ($19.75). The tips, served French style by Randy Stamm, were served in their own natural juices, with red and green peppers, mushrooms, and onions. The beef was very tender while the egg noodles tasted home made.

My choice of entree was the pig knuckles and sauerkraut with homemade spring mustard ($16.50). The two huge pig knuckles were extremely tender and juicy. They almost fell off the bone. They were as good as the ones I had in Germany. The spring mustard was very hot and a delightful enhancement. The vegetable that came with our dinner — cauliflower a la Polonaise — was cooked cauliflower sprinkled with chopped hard-cooked egg, breadcrumbs, parsley and melted butter. If you like cauliflower, you will love this.

The Lake Edge had a lot of desserts to choose from but I decided on another German choice, apple strudel with ice cream ($3.25). The strudel was light and flaky, a good choice. My husband had the coffee meringue glace. This was caramel, coffee ice cream, hard meringue and whipped cream ($2.75). He finished all but the meringue.

I still can't decide what is the best time to dine at the Lake Edge, daylight or night. I guess it's because both are enjoyable times. Good food, pleasant service and an attractive atmosphere are the ingredients for a pleasurable dining experience.

WERNER'S LAKE EDGE, north shore of Watchung Lake, 141 Stirling Road, Watchung. (908) 755-9344.

This column is meant to inform readers on dining opportunities in the area. It is not a review.

Side orders

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—Micki Pulsinelli

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(908) 828-2920
Tuesday through Friday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Saturday from 1-5 p.m. Also by appointment.
•Cels, pencil drawings, master backgrounds, and other works from the Walt Disney studios, through March 23.

THE MEDICAL CENTER AT PRINCETON
253 Witherspoon St.
Princeton
(609) 497-4191
Exhibit open during dining hall hours.
•Watercolors by Linda J. Bradshaw and Susan Sults Ewart, March 20-May 14. Opening reception at 4 p.m. March 20.

MERWICK
79 Bayard Lane, Princeton
(609) 497-3000
Exhibit open during library hours.
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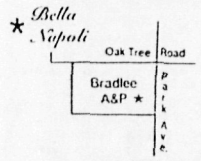

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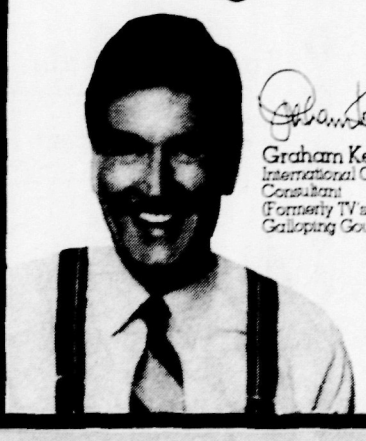

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I thought I had died and gone to heaven this week. I was invited to two sit-down wine tastings where the food was excellent and the wine was even better. The first event was a component and vertical tasting of the renown Chateau Montelena Chardonnay. If you are unfamiliar with this Napa winery, suffice to say that their Chardonnay was placed first in the famous "Paris Tasting" of 1973, shutting out some very notable French Burgundies. Since that time, Chateau Montelena has produced Chardonnay of consistently excellent quality year after year. Part of their ability to do this comes from their dedication to "fruit first" in the wines. Bo Barrett, winemaker, may be the first person to tell you that he is a hired gun, chosen to produce the Montelena style by carefully blending of the fruit and not by making the grapes bend to his will with winemaking techniques. Greg Ralston, Montelena's Director of Sales, led us through a componenet tasting that showed us just that.

We tasted six samples; the first three were barrel samples of wines made from three separate vineyards. Each vineyard had very distinct flavors and aromas from its grapes. The Gauer Estate gave a very aromatic, spicy honey-apricot wine. Takahaski III lent itself more to tropical fruit flavors, and the John N. Hanna vineyard was very lean, very acidic and showed green apple and lemon flavors.

The next glass contained wine that had undergone barrel aging in new oak. Then a glass of wine which had been barrel fermented and was still full of yeast. These two componenets, wood and yeast aging, are used only as accents in very small amounts to add interest. But the backbone of the Montelena style was contained in the last glass, the wine that is fermented in temperature controlled, stainless steel tanks. This sample is very concentrated in aroma and had strong flavors associated with the chardonnay grape.

Now, the object was to take these six glasses and blend them into one wine that might be passable. I found that I did not miss my calling to be winemaker. It was not easy to make a blend that was not too heavy in one thing or light in another. And Bo has to do this with sixteen or so barrels to find that Montelena style! Every year! Montelena wine does not go though malolactic fermentation (a restructuring of the fruit acids that make wines softer) because they feel that the acidity is what shows the brilliance of the Montelena fruit flavors and keep the wines long lived. We tasted the 1984 Chardonnay, and it still was lively enough to keep a couple more years. Amazing. It all boils down to what I have heard winemakers all over the world say. If you have outstanding fruit, don't screw it up by playing with it too much. Chateau Montelena proves that good fruit and dedication to excellence produces a winner vintage after vintage.

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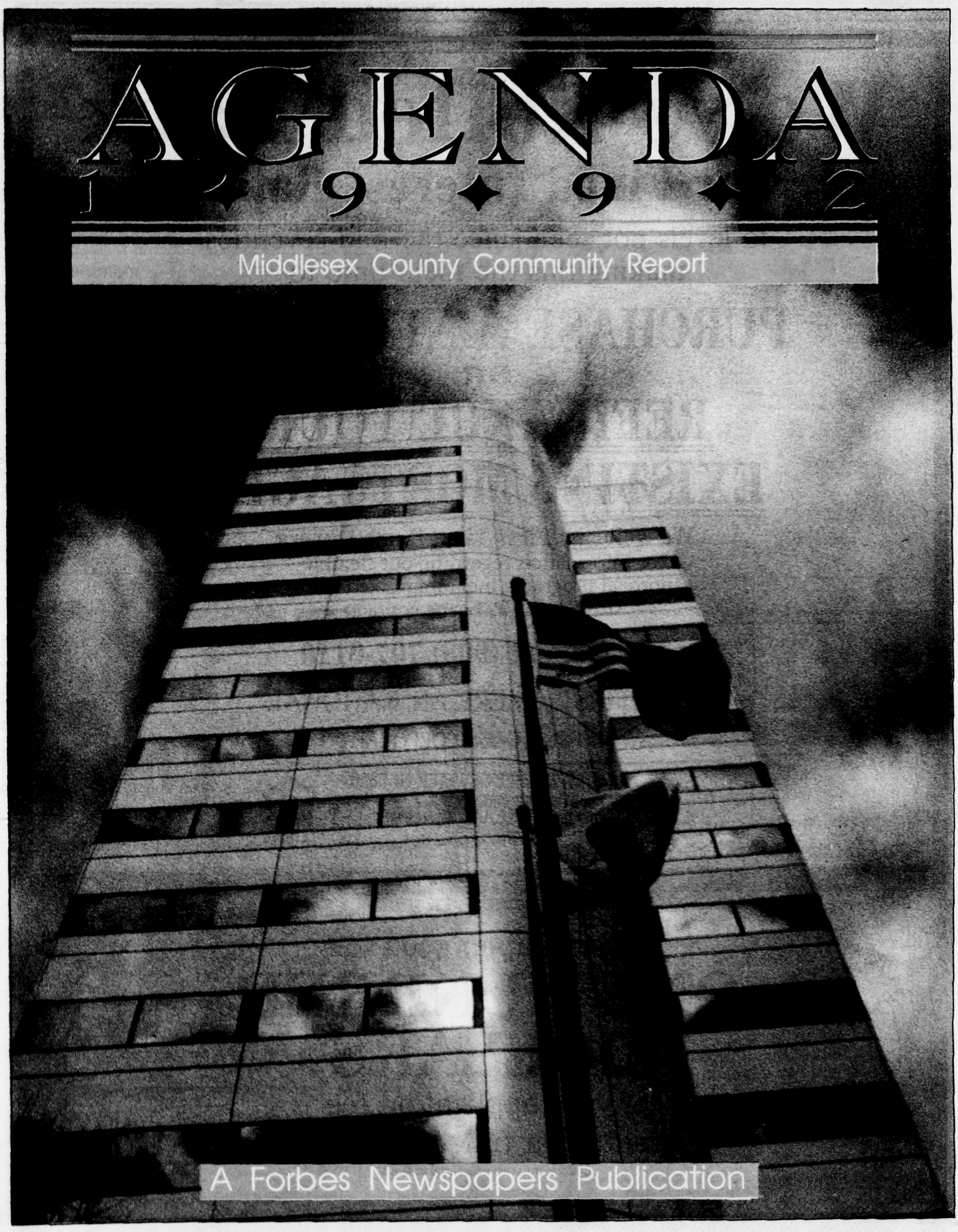

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ECONOMY

Middlesex is weathering the economic storm

By **BOB WAGNER**
AGENDA '92/FORBES NEWSPAPERS

This year is the perfect time to "sit down, come to understandings on direction, and plan for the good days that are ahead of us," said Middlesex County's director of planning.

"I feel that 1992 has got to be a time of discussion," said County Planner George Ververides. "From a building perspective, we're at a plateau right now. But once the economy gets into the upswing, things will start moving again. I think Middlesex County will continue to grow in the future."

Though 1991 was not a particularly great year for businesses nationwide, Middlesex County weathered the storm, according to some economic indicators.

While several of the largest employers in the county – AT&T, IBM, General Motors and Revlon – announced they would reduce their employee work force, statistics from the state Department of Commerce and Economic Development indicate the county ranked second only to Bergen County in attracting major business relocations from neighboring states last year.

According to the commerce department, 21 corporations moved major facilities to Middlesex County in 1991. Only Bergen County fared better by attracting 24 relocations. The 21 relocations to Middlesex County account for an impressive 20.3 percent of total relocations to New Jersey.

"The county has the amenities, the opportunities and the infrastructure to support those businesses," Mr. Ververides said. "That's why they come here. Plus, housing in the area is still reasonably priced, by comparison."

Unfortunately, employment in the county decreased in 1991. But unemployment rates in Middlesex County are not as high as statewide figures.

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According to county figures, unemployment soared from 4.7 percent in July 1990 to 6.3 percent in December 1991. That compares to statewide figures of 5.1 percent and 6.8 percent, respectively, and nationwide statistics of 5.1 percent in July 1990 up to 7.1 percent in December 1991.

The total number of jobs in the county took a roller coaster ride during the 18 months. Middlesex County was the home for 364,600 jobs in July 1990. The job market peaked at 369,500 positions in December 1990, dipped slightly to 365,500 last March, then climbed gradually to 369,000 in May.

Since May the picture has been fairly bleak, a reflection of the state and national economy. As of December 1991, county figures pinpoint the number of jobs held at 359,800, a two-year low. But the county changed its basis of calculation in October, a move that erased about 4,000 jobs from the survey. If those 4,000 jobs are added to the tally, December figures come in at about 363,800, just 200 jobs more than the lowest point in the 18-month survey in September 1990.

While Middlesex County experienced a 0.2-percent decrease in jobs for that period, New Jersey suffered a whopping 3.4-percent job loss during the same time. Again, although the national and state economies have faltered, county figures indicate Middlesex County remains comparatively strong.

That strength was due to the "big boom years" of the 1980s, said Mr. Ververides. During the past decade, Middlesex County was busy planning better highway systems, upgrading water supplies and sewerage systems, and improving the existing infrastructure while looking toward future construction.

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Dan Nave arranges kosher goods at the recently opened Dan's Meat Market on Raritan and 11th avenues.

"From that perspective, the county is ready for the next upswing in the economy," said Mr. Ververides.

The county planner said he does not expect the turnaround to occur in '93. But that doesn't mean Middlesex County will not be working hard.

"In 1992, I think we have a tremendous opportunity. It's a critical time for local planning," he said. "What we're trying to emphasize is discussions of future development in individual communities, through creating a partnership between city officials, municipal officials, state departments and the private sector. That way, when the turnaround occurs, we have some understanding of where we want to go."

The revitalization of New Brunswick continues

By **KATHY HALL**
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As New Brunswick moves into its second decade of revitalization, one thing is clear: the city will never stop changing.

"People ask us when the revitalization will be complete," New Brunswick Tomorrow President Orrin T. Hardgrove said recently. "I tell them never. That's what revitalization is all about."

Since the commitment of Johnson & Johnson (J&J) to base its world headquarters in the Hub City in the early 1970s and the creation of New Brunswick Tomorrow in 1975, the city's skyline, industry and reputation have changed dramatically.

Looking at the horizon from Routes 18 and 27, it's hard to believe only a handful of people once envisioned such massive projects as The Golden Triangle, Albany Street Plaza, Ferren Deck and the Hyatt Regency.

With projects like the Easton Avenue Multi-Use Project, Civic Square and the eventual relocation of the New Brunswick Homes, 1992 looks like another year that will reshape the city physically.

"I feel we are now taking the revitalization efforts to the residents," Mayor James Cahill said recently. "We've submitted our application to the state for the relocation of the Memorial Homes and we've put the neighborhood preservation program to use in Lincoln Gardens. New Brunswick also has received additional money for the rental rehabilitation program, which makes us the leading program in the state. We now have completed 35 units, and should complete another 40 in 1992." New Brunswick's many municipal commissions are constantly fine-tuning the city, from last year's creation of the Human Relations Commission to the Parking Authority's experimental use of new technologies to improve parking problems.

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—Orrin T. Hardgrove
President
New Brunswick Tomorrow

"We're still not there," said Mary Dooney, executive director of City Market. "But I've seen the bad times, I've been through the good times, and I really only see good things to come."

While neither J&J nor New Brunswick Tomorrow are new anymore, the amount of retail space available within the city has allowed downtown to become a cluster of restaurants and specialty shops complementing the city's dynamic theater district.

"Restaurants play a very important role making up our theater district," said Peter J. Ward, director of marketing for The State Theatre. "You really could do it all in New Brunswick. There's no reason to go anywhere else."

When Crossroads Theater made the move from Neilson Street to Livingston Avenue, Mr. Ward organized a joint-marketing committee that involved artists, downtown eateries and performance troupes that have launched a campaign to draw people into New Brunswick's swirl of culture that has evolved over the past three years. Between the George Street Playhouse, the State Theatre and Crossroads, New Brunswick is getting national recognition for its cultural dimension.

Chamber seeks cooperation

Merchants display strong sense of commitment

Recap the strengths of business in New Brunswick going back to the '80s.

One important strength of our local business is the strong sense of commitment to the city of New Brunswick during the 'lean years' of the early 1980s and the late 1980s. Another is their open-mindedness toward the creation of City Market and their willingness to cooperate and join forces to create a better downtown environment.

What are the greatest local, state and national forces affecting New Brunswick businesses?

The competition generated by the shopping malls and the credit crunch caused by the problems in the banking industry which limits the availability of funds to small businesses.

What made 1991 a good year?

To help local businesses, New Brunswick has established a small business loan pool to provide more credit opportunities for local businesses, and City Market has planned promotional events, including give-away contests to help businesses compete with the malls and the professional nationwide marketing which those stores utilize.

What advice would you give small business owners?

Develop a detailed business plan which includes budgets and goals. Be aware of changes in the marketplace that would impact your business and revise your plan accordingly and to develop a positive marketing campaign which includes an attractive storefront and sidewalk to ensure your marketing edge.

What positive signs do you see for businesses in New Brunswick as we work our way through the recession and into the '90s?

MARY DOONEY
New Brunswick City Market
Executive Director

Despite the recession, some positive signs for business can be seen in New Brunswick. Although there are a number of vacancies, there are new stores opening in the downtown area. The number of service establishments and the number of service-related employees in New Brunswick keeps growing. The city of New Brunswick is actively involved in developing attractions to create a market in the downtown such as Crossroads Theater, the RiverWatch Development, and the Easton Avenue mixed-use project.

Dunellen has a lot to offer

Bringing life to business district is a priority

Recap the strengths of business in Dunellen going back to the mid-80s or so.

What's unique about Dunellen is that it's a commuter town. We have the railroad station right next to the center of town – people walk to the train going to work. After work, they'll stop by the stores and do some shopping. I don't think we're better off than we were in the mid-'80s mostly because of the malls. The priority of local towns has to be to get people back in downtown districts and shopping again.

What are the greatest local, state, national or international forces that affect business growth in Dunellen?

As far as the local picture goes, the new administration has said it wants to work together with the business community to bring the business district back. I hope we can do that. We've been heading in the right direction. I've talked to the new mayor, and I'm looking forward to working with him.

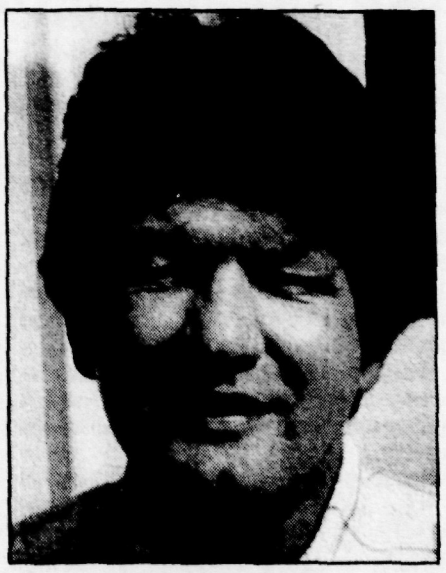
What made 1991 a good year for Dunellen?

What didn't happen last year was a little more growth and some new businesses coming into town. We would like to see a shoe store, a men's clothing store and a few others.

On the plus side for 1991, the Street Fair we ran was another huge success. We'll be having another in 1992 to let people get to know what's available to them in Dunellen.

What advice would you give a small business owner in Dunellen?

I'm a small business owner myself, and what I'm trying to do is hang on while the recession is here. Watch your overhead, keep a close eye on your operation and keep your business solvent. Hopefully, the economy will turn around sometime this spring.



RICHARD ZUPKO
Dunellen Merchants Association
President

What positive signs do you see for business in Dunellen as we work our way through this recession and into the '90s?

One of the positive signs is the new administration. They seem to be willing to work with the business community, and we're looking forward to working with them.

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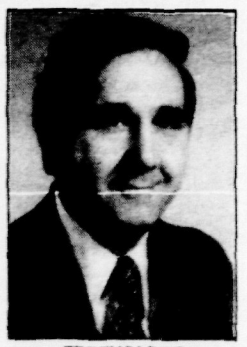

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Metuchen right place to shop

Downtown facelift bolsters business

MARTHA GEISLER
Metuchen Area
Chamber of Commerce
President

Recap the strengths of retail and industrial business in Metuchen going back to the mid-1980s or so.

The strengths of the retail and industrial business in Metuchen has seen the development of three "mini-malls" within our town. We have also seen the refacing of the downtown shopping area.

Metuchen currently has more than 600 business ventures in town. A simple stroll down Main Street and you will see new business doors opening with a broader range of services and goods available. The businesses on Lake Avenue and Central Avenue also have innovative ideas and have upgraded their services. So there has definitely been a net gain on the whole.

What are the greatest local, state, national or international forces that affect business growth in Metuchen?

I believe that in the boundaries of our community we must applaud our Traffic and Transportation Commission, which has had the foresight to work toward our traffic problems here in town.

They are fully aware of the need for expansion and diversion from our present road structures. However, unfortunately, our road systems both locally and regionally can no longer facilitate the population and business growth in our region. Significant improvements are necessary, which will require the cooperation of all levels of government.

What made 1991 a good year for Metuchen?

In 1991, Metuchen witnessed the coming together of our local government and businesses in town. The state Department of Commerce along with New Jersey Bell have chosen Metuchen as a target area for its Retention Program.

The program is geared toward the enhancement of business and commerce in town. I'm excited to hear and see what the results will do to stimulate Metuchen.

What advice would you give to small business owners for 1992?

The advice I would give to small businesses in town is for them to continue to do as good a job as they have in the past. They are a unique group of hard-working public servants who always put the customer first, and that is an asset and a quality that sets them apart from others. The economy is currently on a plateau of recession and yet our business owners still try and accommodate everyone's needs, whether it be by working longer hours or by offering additional discounts to help you the consumer with your financial budgets. So to recap, my only advice would be to keep up the good work.

How about advice to consumers?

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Edison strengths still growing

Retail stores, industrial centers on upswing

JOHN O'SHEA
Edison
Chamber of Commerce
President

Recap the strengths of business in Edison going back to the mid-1980s or so.

The two big strengths in Edison are retail stores and industrial/ warehouse/distribution centers. Both sectors have continued to grow at a steady rate over the last three years.

What are the greatest local, state, national or international forces that affect business growth in Edison?

Easy access to the Northeast Corridor – roads, airport, shipping – makes Edison a prime location for business. All three are nearby.

What made 1991 a good year for Edison?

One of Edison's largest manufacturers, the Frigidaire Company on Route 27, is looking forward to a strong year because last year's hot summer depleted retail inventories. They expect an improving economy, and a normal summer in 1992 will result in an industry shipment increase of 38 percent.

In retail, Topps Appliance City reported that 1991 was the most profitable year in its history. Topps Vice President Charles Rosenberg said business has been "way above expectations" over the last four months.

What advice would you give a small business owner in our area for 1992? How about a consumer?

Be patient. Don't give up the things you must do to succeed.

What positive signs do you see for business in our area as we work our way through the recession and into the 1990s?

I see increased sales of major purchases for the average household.

Piscatway looks to rebound

Small businesses key to chamber success

Recap the strengths of business in Piscataway/Middlesex going back to the mid-'80s or so.

During the mid 1980s to about 1990, business in both the retail and industrial sectors was fairly brisk, because the impact of the Federal Tax Reform Act of 1986 had not yet taken effect.

I believe that the tax act has created a shift in investment in new markets — real estate development and the rental market.

In the industrial area, stringent state Department of Environmental Protection and Energy and federal Environmental Protection Agency laws and regulations have forced manufacturing to leave the state. Thus, semi-skilled jobs have been fewer.

What are the greatest local, state, national or international forces that affect business growth in Piscataway/Middlesex?

A depressed international economy along with local, state and federal taxation have affected business growth in our area. The end of the Gulf War and the breakdown of the Soviet Union have created joblessness in the military arena. A sense of mental depression in business has also affected the growth pattern.

What made 1991 a good year for Piscataway/Middlesex?

1991 was a good year for the chamber due to revaluation of programming, such as a seminar series for small business people, and a strong educational program. The Piscataway/Middlesex Area Chamber has always addressed the needs of the business community with programs such as a Sales/Lead Exchange Group, Personnel Association, a strong legislative update report, and involvement in America 2000 with the school systems in our area. 1991 was the year the chamber started a credit union for business and offered Group Health Insurance Plans for area businesses. It was a year that frills were no longer acceptable.

What advice would you give a small business owner in Piscataway/Middlesex for 1992? How about a consumer?

BARBARA BYE
Piscataway/Middlesex Area Chamber of Commerce President

We believe that small business owners, of course, should be members of the Chamber of Commerce. It is a way to network with others, share ideas and attend seminars at low cost that will enhance their business knowledge. I also believe that customer service will be an important factor, as the flow of money tightens. Business opportunities in exporting to a larger European market and to former Eastern bloc companies appear to have value. Consumers will be looking for value for their dollars and courtesy service.

What positive signs do you see for business in Piscataway/Middlesex as we work our way through this recession and into the '90s?

Business appears to be stabilizing, and layoffs appear to be tapering off. If government streamlines itself, and if tax credits are initiated, perhaps it will jump-start the economy.

Stability is the trademark

Loyalty keeps Highland Park merchants in town

Recap the strengths of business in Highland Park going back to the mid-1980s or so. Do you have data to show growth and lapse in that time?

Many long-term businesses have been around for many years. One strength is the longevity of many small businesses.

Of course, there's always a certain amount of turnover. During this economy one weakness of the business district is it's harder to fill in those shops that turn over on a regular basis. Some property owners would say it's harder to find long-term business owners on a regular basis.

Another strength of the area has been that the long-term shops are owned by the same people over the years. They are what used to be referred to as "mom-and-pop" operations. Owners live locally and there is individual contact between shopkeepers and clients.

What are the greatest local, state, national or international forces that affect business growth in Highland Park?

We don't have a great deal of commercial industry, with the exception of those businesses on the Cleveland Avenue tract. They may be affected by international forces.

Nationally we're all affected by the economic downturn.

RICHARD WILLIAMS
Highland Park Cooperative Business Association
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Statewide, some businesses are affected by how the sales tax functions, some more than others. For example the repeal of the sales tax might be good for automotive business but for smaller shop owners the benefit is negligible. Statewide regulatory laws and environmental laws may affect some businesses, like a business that uses toxic products for car repair. Wage and salary regulations affect everyone.

On a county level, food service people receive the direct guidance of the county health care department. Thirty to 35 people from Highland Park need training on a regular basis.

A number of local ordinances affect business in different ways, some good, some bad. An ordinance dealing with new design standards was recently enacted. The impact is hard to tell yet.

What made 1991 a good year for Highland Park?

The passage of the Design Review Board.

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Metuchen place to shop

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My advice to consumers is to educate themselves with the services and goods available in town. These merchants and professionals are your neighbors and they want to satisfy you. Calculate, the next time you decide to visit a mall, how far you walk from your parked car to the mall entrance. I bet you'll find it is a longer walk than if you parked your car on Main Street or in one of our many municipal lots and walked to our store entrances. Also, once you've entered a mall you will continue to walk to your destinations, which could be across one side of the mall or even on another level. Our stores are only footsteps from each other. Also, we offer more than any mall. For example, can you find a pharmacist or a medical lab or a bakery or an art gallery or a shoe repair shop or an appliance store or a dressmaker or an attorney or an accountant or an insurance agency or a convenience store within walking steps of each other? I think not. So maybe our consumers need to stop and think of the many advantages readily accessible to them and to remember that these same merchants and professionals are the same people whom they will see at their local functions.

They are the same people who give over and over of themselves to the betterment of Metuchen, and they are the same people who make contributions during the year to our school functions and our Girl Scouts and our Boy Scouts to mention only a few.

Stability is the trademark

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On the board, residents and property and business owners come together to agree on general format of principles for businesses. The board works with the zoning and planning boards. It's kind of an interface between business and property owners and the boards.

What advice would you give to a small business owner in Highland Park for 1992? How about for a consumer?

To a small business owner I would say bad economic times are always a good time to reassess, re-evaluate and reshape your business. Do something new.

To the consumer, shop downtown. Support of the downtown transfers back to support of the community and civic leagues through gift certificates as well as direct financial support. Business can only be as supportive as our business remains healthy.

Positive signs seen in economy

South Plainfield is weathering the '91-92 recession

Recap the strengths of business in South Plainfield going back to the mid-1980s or so.

The focus of the area's manufacturing base has continued to shift south into Middlesex County, predominantly South Plainfield and Piscataway.

Local retailing has remained strong along the Stelton Road corridor. Even the renovation of Menlo Park Mall does not seem to have drawn significant business away. Middlesex Mall appears to be remaining a strong retail center firmly anchored by K mart.

What are the greatest local, state, national or international forces that affect business growth in South Plainfield?

Other Central Jersey communities have been dramatically affected by the economic downturn of the past several years. This is evidenced by the relocation, closing or down scaling of several key businesses, such as Lockheed in Watchung. Meanwhile, the borough has continued to attract manufacturers like Pepsi Cola. Business continues to provide over 50 percent of the borough's tax base. Surrounding towns also have

Jane Nordstrom
Central New Jersey
Chamber of Commerce
President

stepped up the effort to expand in the business sector. North Plainfield initiated a Main Street program last summer, which has across the board community support.

What made 1991 a good year for South Plainfield?

Business owners generally are recognizing in these times they must work smarter to survive. In that respect, 1991 proved to be an excellent year and there are bright prospects for 1992.

The borough is working on a business expansion and retention program in conjunction with the state. Business owners are more aware of the importance of customer service and the networking of their goods and services.

What advice would you give a small business owner in South Plainfield for 1992? How about a consumer?

My advice for small business owners in 1992 is to take advantage of any networking opportunity that comes their way, particularly those that are offered through business support organizations. Conventional wisdom indicates it is essential to form a human bond before a sales bond can be made.

What positive signs do you see for business in South Plainfield as we work our way through this recession and into the 1990s?

As communities become more competitive in trying to attract new businesses, we should begin to see a more rapid recovery toward the end of the second quarter of 1992.

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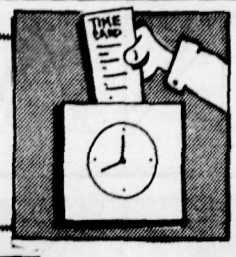

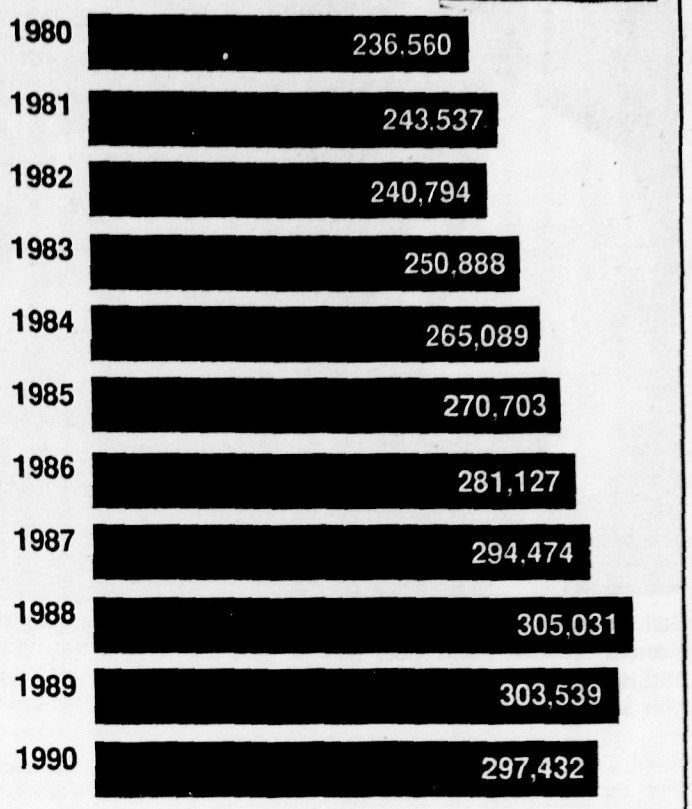

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Middlesex business support groups

Following is a list of local business support groups:

☑ **Middlesex County Department of Industrial and Economic Development**
Director: Dennis Adams
745-3433
Purpose: Involved in planning business growth in the county, the department serves as a liaison and a resource for new and existing businesses. Activities include: listing of available industrial sites and buildings, compilation of pertinent statistical information, cooperation with other government agencies such as planning and zoning boards.

☑ **Middlesex County Planning Board**
Director: George Ververides
745-3062
Purpose: The board serves as the county's Business and Industry Data Center for businesses and people considering start-up, expansion or renovation. Services include development overviews, start-up consultation, referrals for financial or technical assistance programs and related demographic, environmental or topographic data and maps.

☑ **Middlesex County Employment and Training Department**
Director: Patricia Roman
745-4435
Purpose: This department provides employment and training programs, services and activities to the unemployed and economically eligible. Services include occupational skills training, on-the-job training, vocational and career counseling, job placement, day care and needs-based payment.

☑ **Association for a Better Middlesex County**
Director: Dennis Adams
826-8053
Purpose: To promote the interaction of business, government and education to improve quality of life for all county residents, employees and employers.

☑ **Greater Raritan Private Industry Council**
Director: Howard Cooper
524-1125
Purpose: The council provides program and policy guidance to the Middlesex County Employment and Training Department. It operates an on-the-job training program for eligible clients as well as providing youths with assistance in finding summer jobs.

☑ **The Business Innovation Center Inc.**
Director: Jeffrey Milanette
545-3221
Purpose: A new business incubator created by Rutgers University, the center assists entrepreneurs in developing their businesses, which may take the form of marketing advice or helping attract venture capital.

☑ **New Brunswick Business and Professional Women, Inc.**
Director: Shirley Myers
981-0600 Ext. 401
Purpose: A group organized to promote the interests of business and professional women.

☑ **Professional Service Group**
Manager: Peter Friedman
418-3304
Purpose: The group is a non-profit association of professionals of all disciplines, founded to help employers and professionals find each other. Services include support group meetings, a job leads committee and computer usage.

☑ **New Brunswick Small Business Loan Pool Committee**
Contact: Teresa Hadnagy
745-5050
Purpose: The loan pool is designed to aid small business, including minority and female-owned businesses already operating in New Brunswick or wishing to relocate.

☑ ***Middlesex Chapter of the New Jersey Association of Women Business Owners***
Contact: Ann Lee Stein
238-2500
Purpose: The association works for the advancement of female business owners. It is involved with such programs as EXCEL, an entrepreneurial training program for women starting a business or hoping to expand.

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3rd & 10th - Childsaver Course...presented by the Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital CPR Training Center in association with the American Heart Association. The goal of the program is to reduce the number of childhood injuries and deaths by reducing hazards in a child's environment and promoting safe practices in everyday living. Parents and caregivers can learn how children are injured and how to help prevent those injuries. Consecutive Tuesdays, 7 pm. Fee: $30 (908) 745-6770

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12th - Women's Wellness Center (a program of UMDNJ-Robert Wood Johnson Medical School)...Urinary Problems in Women...Nicholas Kadar, M.D., Medical Education Building, 6 pm. Free. Call (908) 418-2975 to register.

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26th - Women's Wellness Center...One Who Goes Everywhere: the Ubiguarian's Dictionary...Suzanne Cuyler, author and humorist, Medical Education Building, 6:15 pm. Free
Call (908) 418-2975 to register.

31st - Women's Wellness Center...Menopause Symptoms and Hormone Treatment...Mitzi Dolese, RN, Medical Education Building, 5:30-6:30 pm. Free . (908) 418-2975 to register

APRIL

9th - Women's Wellness Center...Male Aging and Sexual Function, Raymond Rosen, PhD, Medical Education Building, 5:30-6:30. Free. (908) 418-2975 to register.

2nd - Women's Wellness Center...Endometriosis Awareness Seminar, Medical Education Building, 6-7:30 pm. Free. Call (908) 418-2975 to register.

7th & 14th - Childsaver Course...presented by Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital CPR Training Center in association with the American Heart Association. See March 24 and 25 for description.

28th - Women's Wellness Center....Menopause Symptoms and Hormone Treatment...Mitzi Dolese, RN, Medical Education Building, 5:30-6:30 pm. Free. Call (908) 418-2975 to register

28th & 29th - CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation)...see March 24 and 25 for description.

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BANKING/FINANCE

Banks see encouraging signs for a better year

Lower interest rates fuel demand for mortgages

By ELIZABETH APONE
AGENDA '92/FORBES NEWSPAPERS

Coming off a gloomy year of recession, New Jersey banks with Middlesex branches are hoping for a brighter picture in 1992.

One current trend that has encouraged banks is the increased number of home buyers seeking mortgages.

"Interest rates are at their lowest point in 17 years. Many think it's an opportune time to buy a house," said Jim Kerr, first senior vice president and director of marketing at Crossland Savings Bank, which has one of its five New Jersey locations in Edison.

"Mortgage production has significantly increased, especially for first-time home buyers," said Eugenie Coladarci, vice president of public relations for the East Brunswick office of Chemical Bank of New Jersey (CBNJ).

Despite the economy, several banks with Middlesex County branches recently added additional area offices, merged with other banking companies or made plans for greater expansion in Middlesex in 1992.

'New Jersey is a very competitive market for banking. Growth comes slowly.'

—Jim Kerr
Crossland Savings

United Jersey Bank Central (UJBC), the second largest bank in New Jersey, has 16 county branch offices, four of which were opened or acquired in the past one to two years.

According to Bonnie Allen, assistant vice president of marketing for UJBC, United Jersey has expanded its franchise by acquiring such banks as Mid-Jersey National of Somerville, which was seized by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) and then purchased by UJBC.

Richard Minette, retail banking manager for UJBC, spoke positively about current and future expansion in Middlesex County.

"We feel Middlesex County is a strategic area for UJBC. There is consistent growth rate in Middlesex and UJBC's central deposit growth there is slightly better than 12 percent," he said.

According to Mr. Minette, UJBC will open a branch office in East Brunswick this year and will look toward future expansion in Edison.

Chemical Banking Corp., of which (CBNJ) is a subsidiary, merged with Manufacturers Hanover Corp. in January 1992 to form the new Chemical Banking Corp.

CBNJ, which operates 130 banking locations, has six county offices.

While Ms. Coladarci noted that "every bank has had its share of real estate problems," the chairman and chief executive officer of CBNJ, Aristides W. Georgantas, has spoken optimistically about CBNJ's financial picture for 1992.

In a recent CBNJ release Mr. Georgantas stated: "While there is an undeniable and often appropri-

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Gail Norman, manager of United Jersey Bank's Highland Park branch, teaches Mike Tally how to use the ATM at the Woodbridge Avenue office. The branch is United Jersey's only office with Sunday hours.

Q&A

Bank officials see a return to basics

Magyar Savings Bank
Robert E. Pastor
President

What did banks learn from the 1980s?

"The need for increased investment discipline and understanding of the ramifications of interest rate sensitivity and credit risk. Many institutions were hurt when they took on high levels of risk as they moved into new investment areas in search of high yields. The old advice of staying with what you do best may be conservative but remains true today."

What do you see as the most important issues in banking in 1992?

"Dealing with the recently enacted Federal Deposit Insurance Improvement Act of 1991. This legislation will impact on all institutions by requiring stricter capital requirements, and increased costs in the areas of deposit insurance premiums, special assessments, examination fees and auditing."

What trends do you expect in the mortgage market that will

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Chemical Bank of New Jersey
Aristides W. Georgantas
CEO

What did banks learn from the 1980s?

"During the '80s, society — government, corporate and consumer — accumulated massive debt levels. As we have seen, much of that debt has not and will not be repaid, causing our current problems. There are three important lessons learned and, hopefully, never to be forgotten:

- *Vigilance of credit quality* standards must never be relaxed.
- Concentration in lending portfolios to certain industries, types of loans, etc., must be avoided.
- Strong capital base is a key to success in our rapidly changing world."

What do you see as the most important issues in banking in 1992?

"To the above I would add that which we can control, our

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Somerset Trust Company
Mortimer J. O'Shea
President

What did banks learn from the 1980s?

"Banks learned that there's a reason for basics in commercial lending, and they realized they should return to those basics. Stronger credit analysis may have prevented some of the failed lending practices during the past decade."

What do you see as the most important issues in banking in 1992?

"One of the most important issues is a return to a satisfactory level of profitability, and a fair rate of return. Banks need to work more closely with regulatory agencies to come up with more realistic and less onerous laws and regulations. Consumers will be facing a double-edged issue. On the one hand, the lower lending rates are helpful to consumers wishing to borrow money.

"However, those same people could be facing lower returns

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Banks see encouraging signs

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ate credit crunch in the commercial real estate market, well capitalized banks such as ours are not inhibited in providing credit to other segments in our market. Despite some gloomy economic forecasts, CBNJ continues its vigorous solicitation of companies and individual consumers."

Some banks, such as Crossland Savings, have not decided on any additional expansion or merger at this time.

"We're still evaluating areas for growth. New Jersey is a very competitive market for banking. Growth comes slowly," said Mr. Kerr.

Looking to this year, Mr. Kerr stated that an improvement in the real estate market is needed for the overall situation to improve. With decreased interest rates, most banks have seen an increase in mortgage applications, said Mr. Kerr.

However, decreased interest rates do have a negative side for banks.

"People can become disenchanted with rates paid on CDs and savings accounts. This may lead them to seek higher yield, higher risk investments," said Mr. Kerr.

While expansion is not planned at Magyar Savings Bank of New Brunswick and Kendall Park, the 70-year-old bank has continued to report profits for the past three years and has high expectations for 1992.

A recent report by Chairman Joseph Lukacs Jr. stated: "Despite a faltering economy, Magyar Savings Bank's profitability levels reflect a strong improvement...We look forward to the challenges of the upcoming year, anticipating that the 1992 report will be even more positive than this year's report."

Robert Pastor

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affect the home buyer and those looking to re-finance?

"The current lower interest rate environment coupled with a lowering of home prices provides an excellent opportunity for prospective home buyers. Affordability ratios have gone up. However, the general weakness of the overall economy may keep many buyers on the sidelines. For those who do act, fixed-rate mortgage products will remain the most popular choice.

'Some refinancing customers, who purchased at the inflated real estate values in the 80s, are finding that their equity positions have been hurt by declines in market values'

"Some refinancing customers, who purchased at the inflated real estate values in the 80s, are finding that their equity positions have been hurt by declines in market values. As a result they may be unable to take advantage of the favorable interest rates. Mortgagers with larger equity positions may use lower rates to reduce their loan life from 30 to 15 years while maintaining relatively the same payment level."

What is a bank's role in the community?

"For our institution it continues to be an active participant in providing home financing and consumer loans to our community customers. The education of consumers in the area of personal finance through community outreach programs will become more prevalent as banks fine tune their Community Reinvestment Act Programs."

What is the most overlooked service at a bank?

"Direct deposit services and automatic payment programs could be better utilized by customers."

Mortimer O'Shea

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on their investments because of the lower interest rates. So it's a double-edged sword. In addition, both consumers and banks have to begin preparing for a more competitive climate in 1992, where service could become an increasingly important issue. In shopping around, consumers need to look for a quality of service in choosing a bank; does the bank make consumers feel welcome; and does the bank provide prompt responses to questions. Banks also need to prepare for this climate by focusing on consumers, making them feel that they are the centerpoint of the bank's operation."

'A bank should provide a service to individuals and businesses and make a fair amount of return. It should also take an active role in community non-profit organizations providing leadership for those organizations'

What trends do you expect in the mortgage rates that will affect home buyers and people looking to re-finance?

"Rates are at their lowest level in years, and they may not go any lower. I don't think the prime rate will be a real factor in spurring home buying. It's more important that consumers and business owners gain more confidence in the economy — that could spur sales."

What is a bank's role in the community?

"A bank should provide a service to individuals and businesses while making a fair amount of return. It should also take an active role in a community's non-profit organizations, providing leadership to those organizations."

What is the most overlooked service at a bank?

"The investment expertise of the trust department. Financial analysts and other money managers often overlook this area of banking service. As a result, not enough people are aware of the success of this department in arranging employee ivestment packages and other plans. our department has been successful in these areas."

A.W. Georgantas

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expenses and potential consolidations in the industries. Looming over 1992 and 1993 as a serious issue we cannot control, the vigor of the economy and its impact on credit quality and growth."

What trends do you expect in the mortgage market that will affect the home buyer and those looking to re-finance?

"We continue to expect growth in refinancing and are hopeful of an ever-improving home sales environment."

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GOVERNMENT

Budget comes under scrutiny

Middlesex freeholders aiming for zero tax increase this year

By **PAULA V. INGRASSIA**
AGENDA '92/ FORBES NEWSPAPERS

About $16 million remains to be cut from the county budget before a zero tax rate increase becomes a reality, County Comptroller Al Kuchinskas said.

The freeholders have set a goal of $181.6 million as the 1992 tax, which is the same as 1991, Mr. Kuchinskas said.

'We took advantage of the early retirement program. Most of them will not be replaced and that's where we will save some money'
—Al Kushinkas
County comptroller

Departments still are bringing their budgets before the Board of Freeholders, and a total of $16 million must be cut from the $283.65 million county budget to reach the 1991 tax rate, he added.

"We've reviewed all but a few departments," Mr. Kuchinskas said. "This was giving the new members good insight into the operation of each of the departments."

Freeholder Ron Roman said the county tax rate has not been determined yet.

"I can't tell you if we are going to reach the goal of a zero tax increase. I need a few weeks for that. We still have millions of dollars to cut," he said. "We as a freeholder board make recommendations of where we think the budget should be cut. We've instructed many departments to make serious cuts."

Tuition at Middlesex County College is expected to increase by $48 each year for full-time students, Mr. Roman said. Layoffs at the college have been suggested.

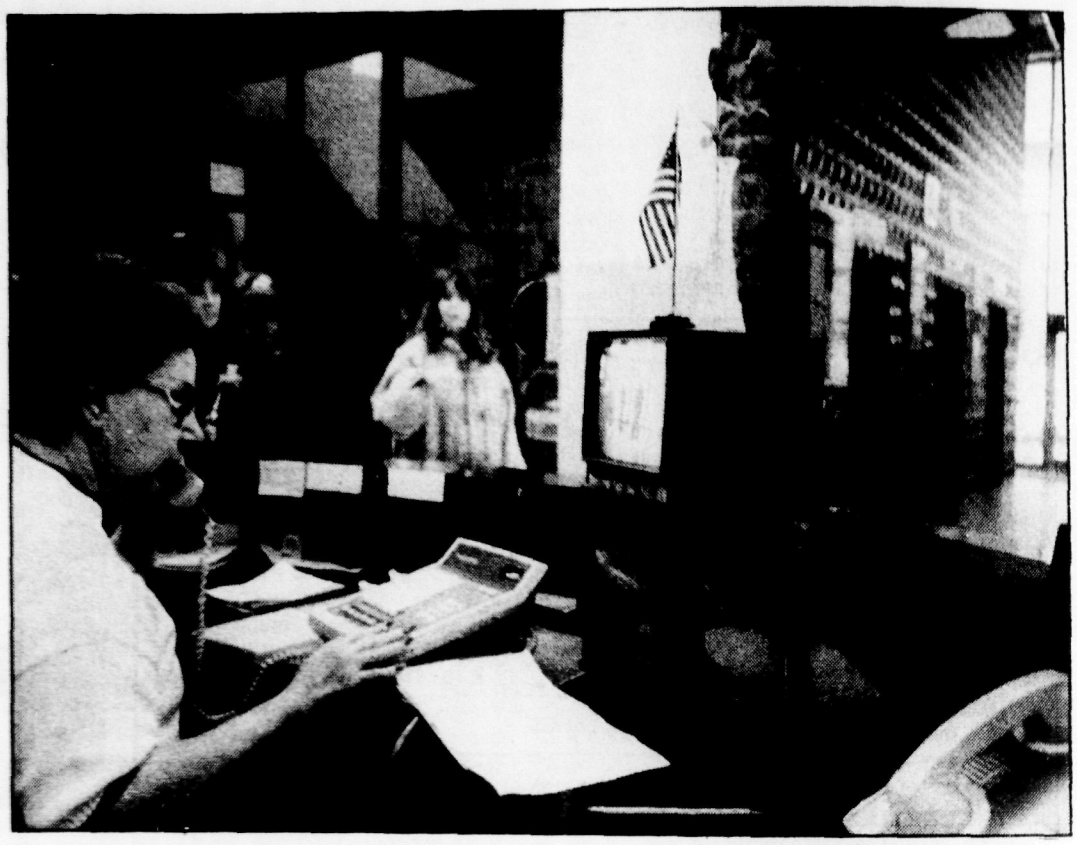
"Tuition is going up $24 a semester," he said. "That (layoffs) would be up to them. They're the ones who would have to determine where the money is cut. At this point we haven't finalized any cuts. Each department is deciding if there are programs they want to cut. We make suggestions during the budget hearings."

Savings are anticipated by participating in the early retirement incentive program, Mr. Kuchinskas said.

"We took advantage of the early retirement program," he said. "Most of them will not be replaced and that's where we will save some money." The administration of Roosevelt Hospital was asked to cut about $5 million from its budget and to date about $2.7 million has been trimmed, Mr. Kuchinskas said.

The Parks Department has cut about half of the $800,000 requested by freeholders, he said.

Mr. Kuchinskas said the cuts should not affect any services Middlesex County residents now enjoy.



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Mary Anne Lapace keeps a close eye on the comings and goings at the Middlesex County Administration Building in New Brunswick.

"We feel we're doing this so far without any change in services," he said.

The department had hoped to add a production to the Plays in the Park series in 1992 before the funds were cut, Mr. Kuchinskas said. Funds for one of the scheduled plays also could be cut, he added.

The consolidation of the maintenance of the Parks Department vehicles should result in a saving of at least $100,000, Mr. Kuchinskas said.

About $396,000 was cut from central vehicle maintenance, but the purchase of 19 vehicles for the Sheriff's Office is included in the budget, he said.

"Last year we didn't replace any vehicles. But this year we have to replace Sheriff's Office vehicles," Mr. Kuchinskas said. "When you get over 100,000 miles, it's better to replace than repair."

Additional state aid for vocational school reduced the county contribution by about $1.37 million, he said.

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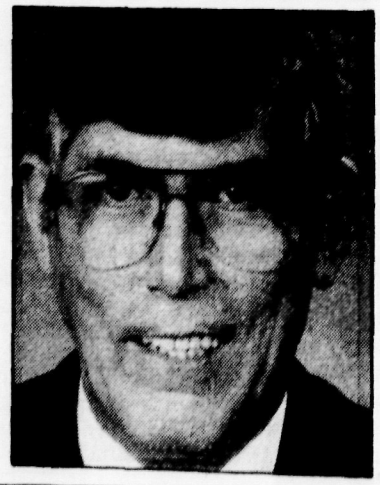
—Ron Roman
Freeholder director



About $1.25 million was saved in the Middlesex County Adult Correctional Center budget by reducing the overtime allotment, eliminating some positions and cutting other expenses, Mr. Kuchinskas said.

About $968,000 was saved in the Board of Social Services budget, partly by moving the last payroll of 1992 to Jan. 3, 1993, which leaves 26 payrolls for 1992, he said.

Another $1.2 million was saved in down payments for the capital improvements account, Mr. Kuchinskas said. The law requires 5 percent to be put down for capital improvements, but completed or abandoned projects can be moved to current-expense accounts instead, he explained.

"These projects that we want to create are going to come from current accounts," he said. "So we're not creating any more debt."

The budget was due by the end of February, but the board has asked for an extension, according to Mr. Roman.

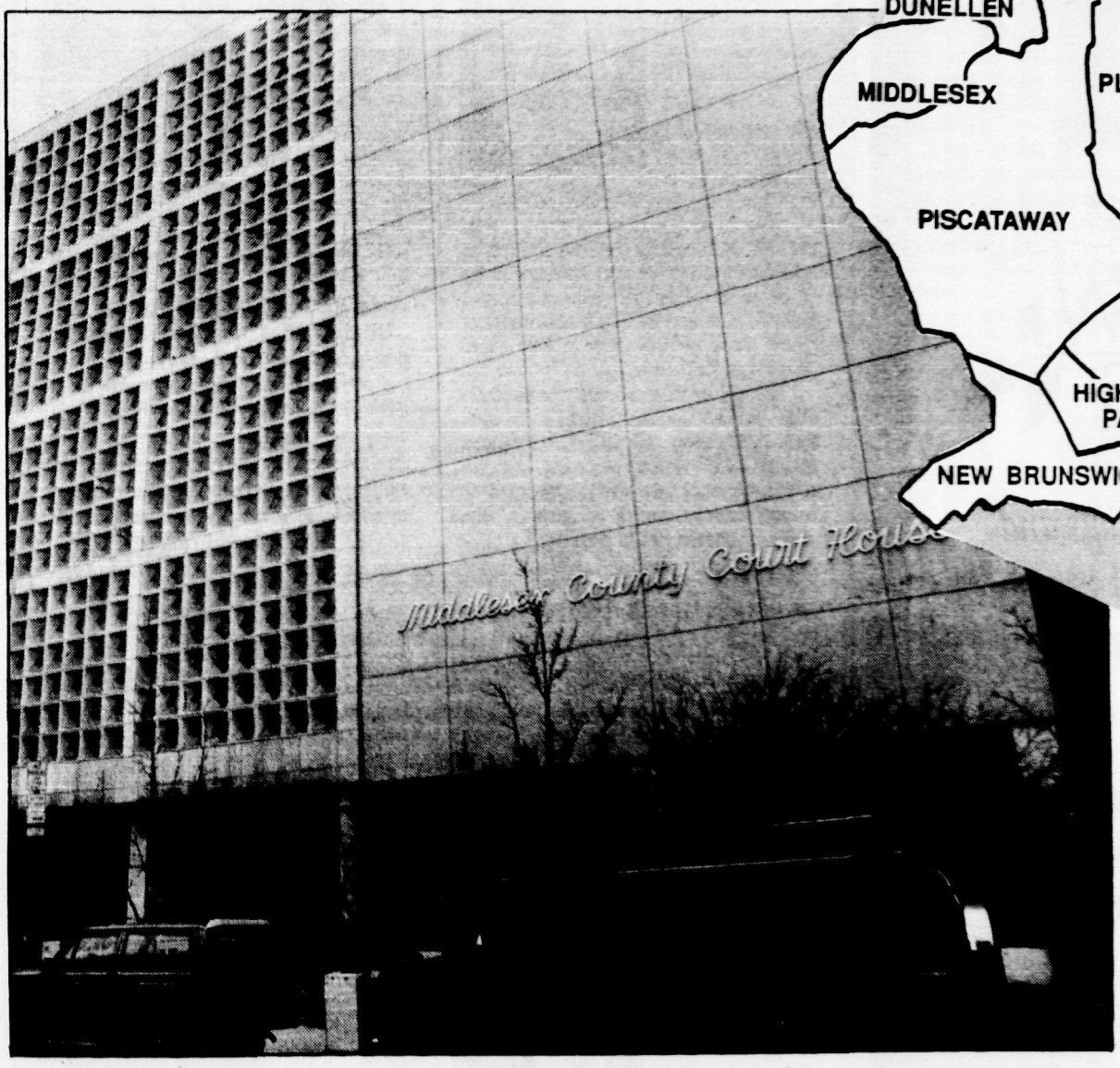
NEW BRUNSWICK	
POPULATION:	41,711
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$9,983
HOUSING UNITS	13,556
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$125,000
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$2.65
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	589
GOVERNMENT:	6 ELECTED POSITIONS

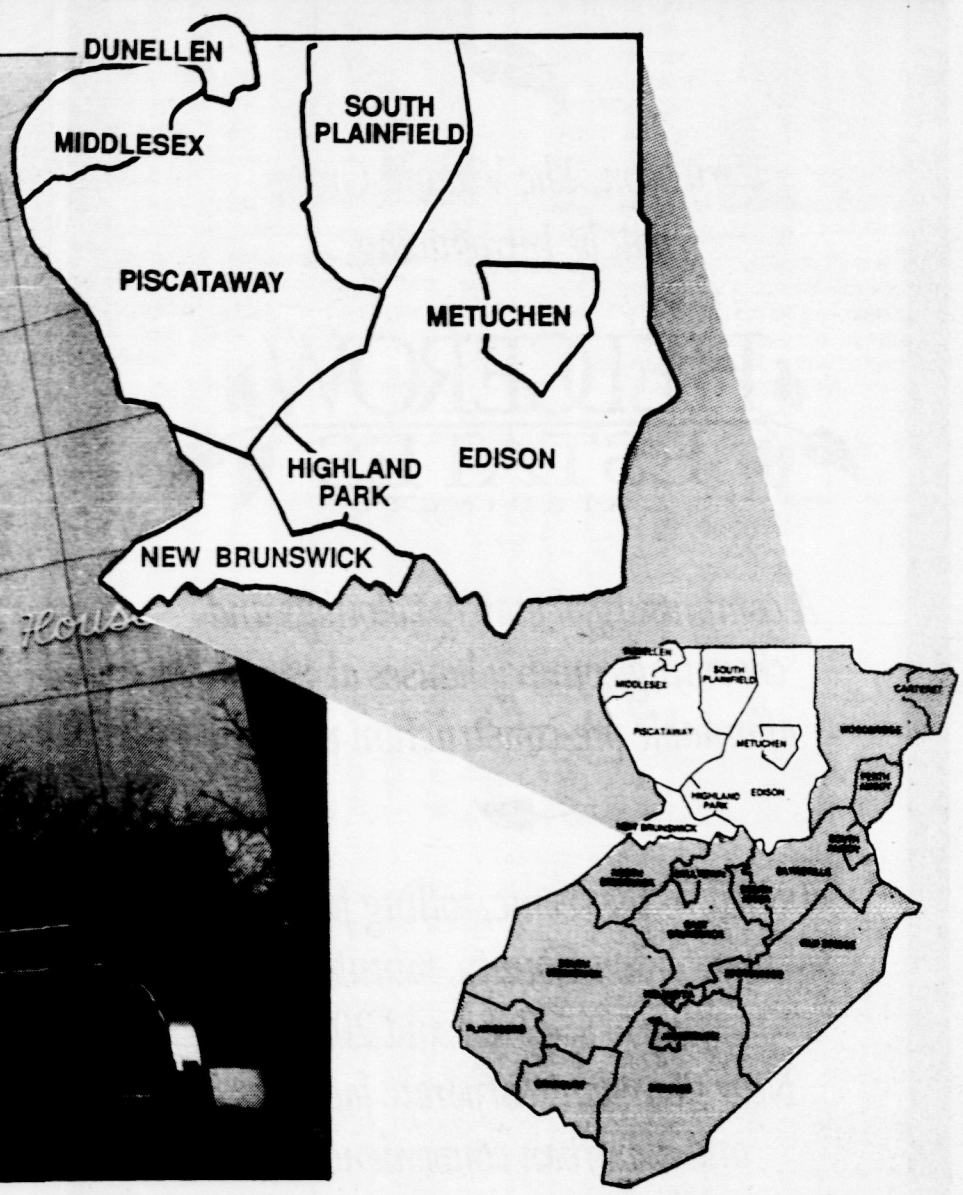
HIGHLAND PARK	
POPULATION:	13,279
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$19,089
HOUSING UNITS	2,500
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$146,000
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$3.16
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	150
GOVERNMENT:	7 ELECTED POSITIONS

METUCHEN	
POPULATION:	12,830
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$16,718
HOUSING UNITS	4,852
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$175,000
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$4.21
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	81
GOVERNMENT:	7 ELECTED POSITIONS

EDISON	
POPULATION:	88,680
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$17,636
HOUSING UNITS	22,451
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$175,000
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$1.63 Per $100 or $1.75 Per $100 in Garbage District
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	884
GOVERNMENT:	8 ELECTED POSITIONS

Middlesex County at a glance





SOUTH PLAINFIELD	
POPULATION:	20,489
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$14,667
HOUSING UNITS	6,089
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$168,613
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$2.85
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	155
GOVERNMENT:	7 ELECTED POSITIONS

PISCATAWAY	
POPULATION:	47,089
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$16,310
HOUSING UNITS	14,033
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$169,200
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$2.66
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	256
GOVERNMENT:	8 ELECTED POSITIONS

MIDDLESEX	
POPULATION:	13,055
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$14,345
HOUSING UNITS	4,920
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$163,510
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$3.59
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	140
GOVERNMENT:	7 ELECTED POSITIONS

DUNELLEN	
POPULATION:	6,524
PER CAPITA INCOME:	$14,391
HOUSING UNITS	2,496
MEDIAN HOME PRICE:	$116,453
TOTAL CURRENT TAX RATE:	$5.03
NO. EMPLOYED BY LOCAL GOVT.	35
GOVERNMENT:	7 ELECTED POSITIONS

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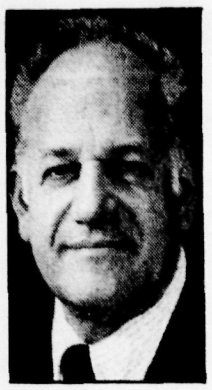
Q&A

What are the most important issues facing your town?

Dunellen

Lawrence Anzovino
Mayor



"Dunellen has suffered a serious setback over the past few years. My purpose as mayor is to help bring it back.

I will apply my knowledge and experience in government in my effort to bring people together, through town wide involvement in all that's good for Dunellen and its people.

I have an excellent council working with me and dedicated employees, and we all know there's a lot of hard work ahead for all of us. But I feel confident, because I know I am surrounded by a community of many, many people eager to help make things right for Dunellen.

I strongly encourage citizen participation in government and I'm trying to accomplish this by holding public work sessions through which we can progress. I will give round the clock attention to my duties as mayor, making myself available to the

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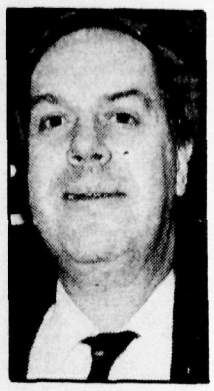
Edison

Samuel Convery
Mayor



"The major problem facing Edison Township in 1992 is the same challenge confronting the other 566 New Jersey communities – property taxation.

Last year, with significant help from the state's massive property tax relief program, we were able to reduce the burden of property taxation in Edison. This year, however, with new legislative majorities with new priorities, that program of relief for local property taxpayers is in jeopardy.

Of course, the legislature, as well as local government units everywhere, have the continuing depressed economy as a common enemy. We will trim costs in every way possible as we formulate our local budget. We will lobby in the halls of the State House in our attempts to maintain or increase the 1991 aid levels

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Highland Park

H. James Polos
Mayor

"Not in any particular order. I would start with maintenance and repair of our water and sewer infrastructure. Steps to be taken in 1992 include installation of a new water booster pump station on River Road and replacement of the Cedar Lane water main to service Cedar Lane residents.

Also a computer model water study is to be prepared for the whole borough, specifically in the triangle area, for a long-term water pressure improvement plan. Residents in the triangle area have complained about low water pressure.

Ted Choplick and Frank Reff are taking a lead in this project.

Another project is the revitalization of the downtown which has reached a critical

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Metuchen

Susan Marshall
Mayor

"Identifying the three most important issues facing Metuchen in 1992 is easy. Taxes, traffic and maintaining services without increasing the costs for services are and will continue to be some of the most important issues facing Metuchen in 1992. The hard part is providing answers or solutions to these issues.

The borough of Metuchen, like many other towns, is currently hard at work preparing our annual budget. Preparing the budget is a hard job during normal circumstances. This year it is made even more difficult because we don't know how much, if any, discretionary money the borough is going to receive from Trenton.

I have been in contact with State Senator Jack Sinagra, Assembly Representatives Harriet Derman and Jeff Warsh. They are well aware of the tough times Metuchen, and other municipalities throughout their

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Q&A

What are the three most important issues facing your town?

Middlesex
Ronald Dobies
Mayor

The most important issue facing Middlesex in 1992 will be the amount of tax increase residents might see in the 1992 budget, which is largely dependent on the state aid allocated to the borough. We have this unknown factor of what the new legislature has in terms of helping the municipalities. Last year we received over half a million dollars in state aid. If we don't get that this year, we are going to have a sizable tax increase.

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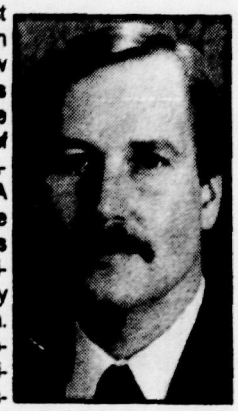
New Brunswick
James Cahill
Mayor



Unlike most urban centers in our state, New Brunswick was able to reduce the burden of property taxation in 1991. A great challenge facing us this year is to stabilize the property tax once again. With new Republican majorities in the legislature now in control of the various state aid programs we depend upon, our fate is in the hands of legislators who are mostly elected from the suburbs. The question is: Will the new legislature care enough about the state's urban centers

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Piscataway
Ted Light
Mayor

Three of the more critical issues facing Piscataway in 1992 include tight budgetary restraints because of difficult economic times; traffic problems within the township; and lack of available daytime emergency services.

One of the mayor's suggestions to help alleviate the township's tight budget problem is to move the annual budget cycle from the calendar year to the fiscal year, July through June, which is used by the state.

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South Plainfield
Michael Woskey
Mayor

Number one would probably be the sewers. For the past five years, we've tried to approach and resolve this problem. The time is right. The economy is starting to come back, slowly and we want to be in a position to be able to build and attract new businesses.

There's always the budget. It's one of the biggest issues to contend with each year. Every department will be looked at and we will ask ourselves 'Do we need to keep that service?' 'Can they be elimi-

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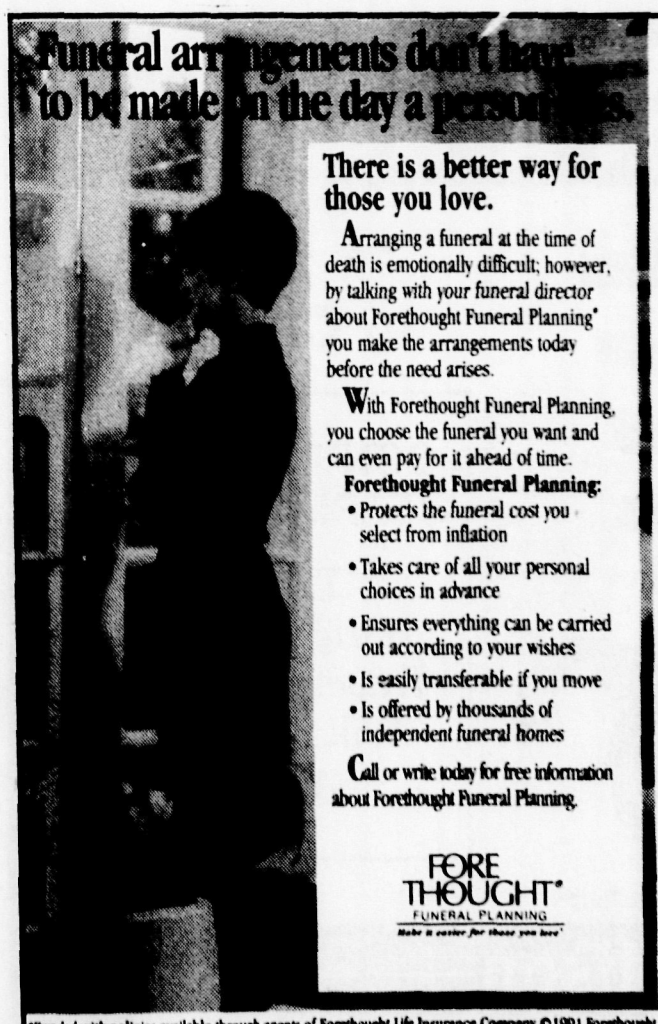

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Highland Park

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point.

If we don't infuse creative ideas and money into it we're going to lose it, which would create a domino effect as far as the tax base, impacting on residential property owners.

We have to move it ahead sooner rather than later.

Funding of the program would involve a program manager, not a consultant but an individual working with property owners. The program manager would also pull together details for a SID (Special Improvement District) for the following year.

With the SID the position would be paid for by the business owners rather than by the borough. For the first year it would be paid for by the borough unless grant and state aid can be found.

The next one is less specific. As a mayor I feel it's important for the borough to function as a municipality, to be affordable, to do business, to meet the standards the community has set, to provide needed services, to lobby effectively at the state, county and federal level to provide us with expected, necessary resources.

Residents expect a certain level of service. As state and federal aid dwindles, our ability to provide services becomes more difficult and the burden shifts to the property owner.

Metuchen

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district, face. I am confident that we will receive every possible consideration from them. And, I will continue to keep in touch with them to ensure this.

I am also in constant contact with the freeholder board as they too prepare their budget. I expect that they will do their best to keep our county tax rate stable.

Traffic issues continue to be discussed with our representatives on both the county and state level. We are coordinating our efforts to the best of our ability with the county and state to arrive at realistic solutions to our traffic problems.

Metuchen is continuing to seek additional sources of revenue through economic revitalization. The borough is currently participating in the Business Retention and Expansion Program, a joint venture of the New Jersey Department of Economic Development and the New Jersey Bell Telephone Company. We expect to have a report on this program very soon.

Dunellen

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needs of the residents.

Right now, I have six pages of projects that I am working on. They cover the brooks, improvements for parks, just about anything and everything. If I've missed something in town, I hope people will call me and let me know.

Edison

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of state aid and we will add our voices to those who want "caps" on school spending to continue.

This year will also be a year of "controlled growth" in Edison. As I stated in my State of the Township address in late January, we will not compete in the so-called "ratable chase." We do not want new housing developments simply for new housing. We will attempt to harness residential developments that simply assure a new burden on our schools and our streets and roads while sacrificing forever more of our cherished green space.

Beginning this year, the standard we will apply to all proposed development projects will be, "Is it good for Edison?"

The third problem that will have our continued attention is the maintenance and improvement of our quality of life. To this end, we will give particular emphasis to the problems confronting our elderly citizens. We will help our volunteer agencies in their quest for additional volunteer help. We will expand our recycling initiatives to control the terrible cost of solid waste disposal and, perhaps most important, we will be available to private citizens and citizen groups to share ideas and criticism about the process of government in Edison.

Piscataway

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This proposal was approved by the township council recently.

The change in the budget cycle involves borrowing $8.3 million to cover state aid the township does not receive during the first part of the year, as well as other costs. The township, spreading out the expense, would pay back the money it borrows over a period of 10 years. However, the most important benefit of this change would be to let the township stabilize taxes during the current recession.

The budget change would also solve budget planning and cash flow problems caused by the township being out of sync with the state under the current system. The calender year budget would result in a continuing cash flow problem and the township would have to start borrowing short-term tax anticipation notes every year to provide necessary revenues. In addition, the township may need to refund $2 million in tax appeals resulting from the recession. The bonding under the fiscal year budget transition would cover these expenses.

Tackling the traffic problems in the township is an ongoing situation. The ever increasing volume of traffic throughout the region, as well as in Piscataway has had an adverse impact on the local roadways.

Another serious problem in the township is the lack of adequate daytime coverage by our rescue squads. While I praise the efforts of the present volunteers, I am concerned that the number of people who are available or interested in daytime volunteering has greatly decreased. Municipalities have been forced to go to paid daytime personnel, although finding money to pay for any new expenditures in our already tight budget is very difficult at this time.

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Q&A

Cahill

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to maintain or increase 1991 levels of state aid?

A second challenge we face is the continuation of the momentum of our city's rebirth process despite the terrible economic times. Although development is at a virtual standstill all across New Jersey, we confidently expect groundbreaking for many economic development projects this year. These will include the long-awaited RiverWatch upscale housing project, Civic Square, the Easton Avenue student housing project, Providence Square with its 127 units of senior citizen housing and exciting new improvements at Boyd Park.

Our challenge is to assure that these projects, and others, go forward this year.

Of course, our war on crime and drugs and the terrible impact the drug problem has upon our quality of life is a continuing challenge which will have our continuing attention. We have made significant leadership and organization changes in our police department to help us focus additional resources to help address that problem. A very significant innovation is the creation of a Community Relations Bureau within our police department. This will lead to interaction between the department and our neighborhoods with the goal that all of us can play a part in the restoration of neighborhood vitality and the ultimate end to the scourge of drugs."

Dobies

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"I am concerned because we are seeing more and more people out of work. We are not yet seeing a drop in tax payments, but if taxes increase, there is a strong chance that might happen."

Borough Council will have to look closely at all capital expenditures, and make every effort not to increase the borough's bonding capacity unless the expenditure is absolutely necessary, Mr. Dobies said.

In addition, the borough can look to cost-savings through the use of in-house services, such as having the Public Works Department perform road overlays rather than hire contractors.

"We can do it cheaper internally, and they have proved they can do the job very well," Mr. Dobies said.

Woskey

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nated, if a similar service exists at the county level?' Industry is doing it, I think the government sector has to try to take that approach.

I'd also like to see the creation of an industrial commission. South Plainfield has something like 46 percent of its tax base coming from the industrial/ commercial business sector. We'd like to have a mechanism where they can be heard more readily and easily and also so that we can stay in tune with what our businesses are requiring of South Plainfield, as well as what South Plainfield is requiring of our businesses."

Middlesex municipal officials

Dunellen
Borough Council

Mayor Larry Anzovino (R), 710 Madison Ave., 968-2132 or 968-5544. Term expires Dec. 31, 1995.
Council President Thomas DeNapoli (R), 500 Second St., 968-0754. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.
Cheryl O'Neill (R), 576 Mountainview Terrace, 968-0181. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.
Irene Risley (Independent), 402 Jackson Ave., 968-7253. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.
John Leonard (R), 240 Third St., 968-1513. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994
Kenneth Rychlicki (R), 742 Dunellen Ave., 752-4214. Term duration pending.
Scott Olsen (R), 709 Madison Ave., 968-8018. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Borough Council meetings: Monday evenings, 355 North Ave., Council Chambers, second floor, 7:30 p.m. Workshop meetings: March 16, April 20, May 18, June 15, July 20, Aug. 17, Sept. 21, Oct. 19, Nov. 16 and Dec. 21. Regular meetings: March 2, April 6, May 4, June 1, July 6, Aug. 3, Sept. 8, Oct. 5, Nov. 2 and Dec. 7.

Edison
Township Council

Mayor Samuel V. Convery Jr. (D), 13 Southfield Road, 548-7555. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.
Council President Jane Tousman (R), 14 Butler Road, 561-5504. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.
George Asprocolas (D), 2 First St., 225-3873. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.
Michael DeMatteo (D), 6 Irene Court, 494-0200. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.
Robert Engel (R), 132 Tingley Lane, 757-0959. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.
James Kennedy (R), 56 Harding Ave., 494-9158. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.
David Papi (R), 23 Ten Eyck Place, 321-0377. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.
Thomas McGotty (D), 104 Sherman Blvd. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.

Township Council meetings: Municipal Building, 100 Municipal Blvd., Council Chambers, in the Municipal Complex, 100 Municipal Boulevard, on the following dates:

March 11, March 25, April 8, April 22, May 13, May 27, June 10, June 24, July 8, Aug. 12, Sept. 9, Sept. 23, Oct. 14, Oct. 28, Nov. 12, Nov. 25, Dec. 9 and Dec. 23.

Highland Park
Borough Council

Mayor H. James Polos (D), 224 South 4th Ave., 819-0648. Term expires Dec. 31, 1995.
Council President Charles Figg (D), 209 Valentine St., 846-4231. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.
Theodore Choplick (D), 134 Hill St., 828-1957. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.
Frank Reff (D), 205 Walnut Court, unlisted. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.
Joy Norsworthy (Independent Democrat) (D), 11 Raritan Ave. 545-5471. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.
Sarah Clarke (D), 18 Johnson Ave., 220-1897. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.
Leon Cohen (D), 255 Harrison Ave., 246-3046. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Borough Council meetings: on the dates listed below, municipal building, 8 p.m.

March 3, March 24, April 7, April 21, May 5, May 19, June 9, July 7, Aug. 4, Sept. 1, Sept. 15, Oct. 6, Oct. 20, Nov. 4, Nov. 17, Oct. 6, Oct. 20, Nov. 4, Nov. 17, Dec. 1 and Dec. 15.

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Metuchen
Borough Council

Mayor Susan Marshall (R), 156 Plainfield Road, 494-6429. Term expires Dec. 31, 1995.

Council President Peter Trecolis (R), 443 Middlesex Ave., 494-3943. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

James Dudley (D), 52 Myrtle Ave., 549-5633. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Kenneth Hoffman (R), 17 Newman St., 548-4820. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

William Nann (R), 196 Marsh Ave., 906-1182. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.

Tom Sullivan (D), 25 Kate Lane, 548-0347. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Gary Wielage (R), 15 Jonesdale Ave., 548-6272. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.

Borough Council meetings: agenda meetings at 7:30 p.m. and regular meetings at 8 p.m. in Borough Hall on the following dates: March 2, March 16, April 6, April 20, May 4, May 18, June 1, June 15, July 6, July 20, Aug. 3, Aug. 17, Sept. 8, Sept. 21, Oct. 5, Oct. 19, Nov. 2, Nov. 16, Dec. 7 and Dec. 21.

Middlesex
Borough Council

Mayor Ronald Dobies (D), 116 Lee Drive, 752-0878. Term will expire Dec. 31, 1995.

Council President John Sweeney (D), 1106 Dorn Ave., 356-9043. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.

Charles Corcoran (D), 444 Bound Brook Road, 752-3517. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

John Fuhrmann (D), 38 Whitney Drive, 356-8416. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994

Richard Matuszkiewicz (D), 327 Howard Ave., 469-8518. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994

Sherley Penrose (D), 163 S. Lincoln Ave., 752-5595. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.

Timothy Sheenan (R), 340 Howard Ave., 658-2695. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992

Borough Council meetings: first, second, third and fourth Tuesdays, Municipal Building, 1200 Mountain Ave., 8 p.m.

New Brunswick
City Council

Mayor James M. Cahill (D), 18 Longfield Road, 745-5004. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Council President Joseph V. Egan (D), 20 New York Ave., 249-1508. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Edwin G. Carman (D), 137 Commercial Ave., 247-8081. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Kathleen Cupano (D), 16 Wilcox Road, 246-2024. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

George F. Hendricks (D), 33 Jefferson Ave., 249-7556. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Blanquita Valenti (D), 5 Crest Road, number unlisted. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

City Council meetings: first and third Monday for agenda sessions in Council Chambers in City Hall at 78 Bayard St. at 7 p.m.

The remaining dates for 1992: March 2, March 16, March 30, April 13, May 4, May 18, June 1, June 15, June 29, Aug. 3, Aug. 31, Sept. 14, Oct. 5, Oct. 19, Nov. 9, Nov. 2, Nov. 16, Nov. 30 and Dec. 14.

City Council regular meetings: first and third Wednesday, City Hall, 78 Bayard St., Council Chambers. The first monthly meetings are held at 10 a.m. and the second regular meetings are held at 7 p.m.

The remaining dates for 1992: March 4, March 18, April 1, April 15, May 6, May 20, June 3, June 17, July 1, Aug. 5, Sept. 2, Sept. 16, Oct. 8, Oct. 21, Nov. 5, Nov. 18, Dec. 2 and Dec. 16.

Piscataway
Township Council

Mayor Ted Light (D), 64 Sefton Circle, 752-1433. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Council President Helen Merolla (D), at-large, 1090 River Road, 463-3637. Term expires Dec. 1994.

James Stewart (D), 4th Ward, 333 Carlton Ave., 968-7894. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Mervin Alexander (D), at-large, 390 Rushmore Ave., 753-8289. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Bill Dubrow (D), at-large, 21 Seward Ave., 463-9415. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Mark Hardenburg (D), 1st Ward, 1838 Brunella Ave., 752-4762. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Don Pierce (R), 2nd Ward, 410 Brentwood Dr., 356-7051. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Lucille Tyson (R), 3rd Ward, 11 Meredith Place, 846-3480. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Township Council meetings: Municipal Building, 455 Hoes Lane, 8 p.m. Agenda meetings: March 10, March 31, April 14, April 28, May 12, May 26, June 16, July 7, Aug. 4, Aug. 25, Sept. 8, Sept. 24, Oct. 13, Oct. 27, Nov. 10, Nov. 27 and Dec. 15.

Regular meetings: March 3, March 17, April 7, April 21, May 5, May 19, June 4, June 23, July 14, Aug. 11, Sept. 1, Sept. 15, Oct. 8, Oct. 20, Nov. 5, Nov. 24 and Dec. 8.

South Plainfield
Borough Council

Mayor Michael Woskey (R), 441 Kosciusko St., 753-4224. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Council President Linda Dashuta (R), 135 Tremont Ave., 756-0209. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.

John Pulomena (D), 5 Holly Park Drive, 561-2528. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Paul Rasmussen (D), 3320 Banta Road, 753-0395. Term expires Dec. 31, 1992.

Joe Mack (R), 1935 Plainfield Ave., 755-8187. Term expires Dec. 31, 1993.

Willard Carey (R), 110 Cybowski Court, 755-5205. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Daniel Gallagher (D), 217 Hopkinson St., 561-2311. Term expires Dec. 31, 1994.

Borough Council agenda meetings: second and fourth Monday for agenda sessions, Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Ave., 8 p.m. Remaining dates for 1992: March 9, March 23, April 6, April 20, May 11, May 26, June 8, June 22, July 13, Aug. 10, Sept. 8, Sept. 21, Oct. 5, Oct. 19, Nov. 9, Nov. 23 and Dec. 14.

Regular meetings: second and fourth Thursday, Municipal Building, 2480 Plainfield Ave., 8 p.m. Remaining dates for 1992 are: March 12, March 26, April 9, April 23, May 14, May 28, June 11, June 25, July 16, Aug. 13, Sept. 10, Sept. 24, Oct. 8, Oct. 22, Nov. 12, Nov. 30 and Dec. 17.

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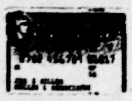

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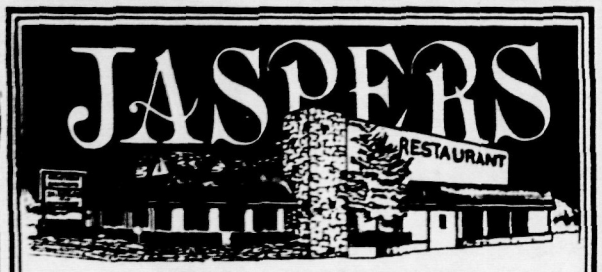

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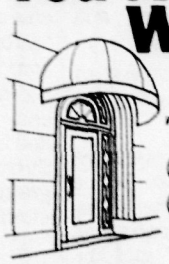

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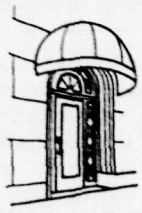

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EDUCATION

Schools expand the frontiers of education

Whether it's Project CLIMB, an innovative internationally renowned learning plan that started in Middlesex Borough, or the Reading Recovery program for struggling pupils in Highland Park, Middlesex County schools are pushing the frontiers of education.

The following summaries compiled with the help of local school officials provides a quicl glance at the districts within Middlesex County served by Forbes Newspapers.

LINDA D. EPSTEIN/FORBES NEWSPAPERS

Leila Hall shares her notes with Jennifer Lukas after they gave presentations on Black History Month at Bartle School in Highland Park.

☑ **Dunellen**

Borough schools are in the process of evaluating a long-range plan to deal with aging schools and a growing student population.

The plan explores the possibility of re-arranging the district's grade structure, utilizing classroom space and involving high school students in a sending/receiving district with one of several neighboring communities.

☑ **Edison**

A writing program and emphasis on partnerships with the private sector are two innovative areas of the township school district's curriculum.

In a recent partnership with John F. Kennedy Medical Center, special programs to augment the health programs, including nursing services, additional health checks and more direct counseling services, are being created, said Superintendent of Schools Joseph Kreskey.

Writing is stressed not only in English courses, but in science and social studies classes as well, said Assistant Superintendent Ronald Castaldo.

☑ **Highland Park**

Superintendent Peter Bastardo emphasized three innovative programs in the district: Partners in Learning, the School Improvement Team, and Reading Recovery.

Partners in Learning is a group of parents, staff and administrators attempting to gain new perspectives by involving formerly non-participatory community members in school activities.

The School Improvement Team, made up of school staff, parents, and students, conducted needs assessments in 13 different areas, such as school climate and teaching strategies, to determine where the schools need improvement.

Now the group will take the results of the assessments and create an improvement plan.

Reading Recovery, currently being implemented in one classroom at Irving School, began in October as an early intervention method for first-grade readers.

☑ **Piscataway**

When Superintendent of Schools Philip Geiger came to the Piscataway school district in September 1991, he brought with him two major innovations in school budgeting and funding.

The first, a "zero-based programmatic" budgeting process, requires each individual school program to be scrutinized each year.

The second innovation is the newly formed Piscataway Education Foundation Inc. The nonprofit organization, composed of the nine Board of Education members, the superintendent and 15 members of the community, plans to solicit funds and services from businesses in the community. Those funds and services will be channeled into the system to promote innovative teaching programs and other non-budget items.

Like many districts in the state, Middlesex schools are focusing on a whole-language approach to reading and writing

☑ **Metuchen**

The whole language program at Moss School and the science-by-mail program for seventh-graders are just two of the innovative approaches to learning.

"I think the two pilot classes we have at Moss School are innovative," said Assistant Superintendent Marcia Holtzman.

Two first-grade classes and all kindergarten classes are whole language-oriented, centered on children's literature, writing and practical everyday materials.

Seventh-graders are involved in the science-by-mail program at Edgar School.

"It's a program which we have with Mobil Chemical Co. It's a hands-on problem-solving program with practicing scientists as pen pals to the children," said Ms. Holtzman.

☑ **Middlesex**

Like many districts in the state, Middlesex schools are focusing more on a whole-language approach to reading and writing, in which literature (as opposed to the "Dick and Jane" readers) is the source for developing reading, spelling, vocabulary and writing skills. In math, the emphasis has shifted away from drills toward developing problem-solving skills. A great deal of hands-on work with "manipulates" is used to encourage this higher-process learning.

Among the innovative programs that have been adopted at the elementary school level is "Writing to Read," which employs an IBM computer program to teach reading and writing to kindergartners and first-graders. The computers and programs were acquired through an "adopt-a-school" program in which businesses were invited to support specific projects.

At the middle school level, more teachers are employing cooperative learning methods in the classroom, in which students work together on classroom projects.

The district also has continued spreading the good word about Project CLIMB (Coordinated Learning Integrated – Middlesex Basics). In the program, teachers are expected to cover a list of concepts with their students. If a pupil struggles with a particular concept, the difficulties are noted, enabling teachers to keep track of students' progress. The program started in Middlesex in 1976 and has spread nationwide – from the Kentucky Hills to Albuquerque and into several foreign countries.

Middlesex is also paying close attention to how well its teachers are teaching. In a peer coaching program, teachers observe other teachers in action, and later critique the classroom instruction methods. Also, a core group of administrators and supervisors is developing a teaching model that will be introduced next year.

Middlesex will also expland its peer leadership program by increasing student involvement.

☑ **New Brunswick**

New Brunswick Tomorrow's (NBT) Education Task Force addresses needs in the city's school system. The Rutgers-New Brunswick Math Project is one of the successful programs that attempts to upgrade both teaching and learning methods in math. The hands-on training program is provided by Rutgers University in cooperation with Middlesex County College, the New Brunswick public schools system and the state Department of Higher Education. The program is funded by Johnson & Johnson, AT&T and Exxon as private sponsors.

NBT also sponsors the Community Teacher Excellence Awards as well as scholarship programs up to nine New Brunswick graduates each year.

☑ **South Plainfield**

Superintendent Steven Cole discussed three innovative programs in the school district: law mentor program, library automation and social problem solving.

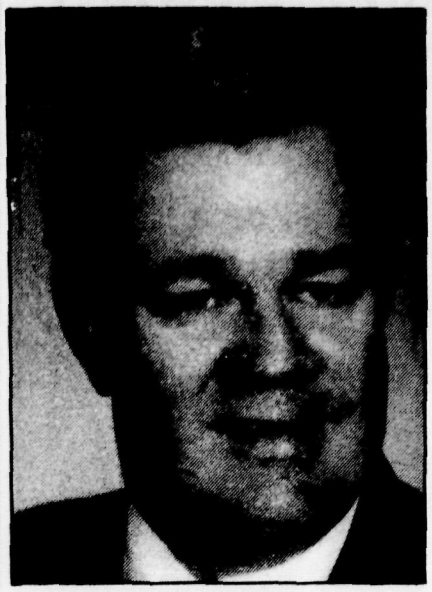
The high school offers students interested in law an enriched experience through the New Jersey Mentor Program. Established by Seton Hall Law School in 1987, the program was initiated in the high school last summer by Robert Cirafesi, school board attorney. It offers first-hand experience in meeting attorneys, preparing court briefs for mock trials and moot court competition.

The middle school library and the high school media center offer borough students a research experience through their state-of-the-art technology and equipment.

Students in the elementary and middle schools are developing positive personal and social skills through the social problem-solving program.

Q&A

What would make '92 successful for your school district?



Dunellen

Gerald Stefanski
Superintendent

"I think that one of the major questions facing the Board of Education members and the Dunellen taxpayers is 'Are we going to continue as a kindergarten through 12th-grade district?"

The Dunellen Board of Education is currently stuck between the proverbial rock and a hard place. Kindergarten enrollment has been on the rise over the past few years, forcing the district to add new classes to each grade as the children progress through the system. At the same time, aging facilities require continued maintenance investment, while the recession has caused the district to try to keep budgets and expenses to a minimum.

To deal with these issues, the board hired a consulting firm to review their facilities and list some options for the district. "The board needs to come up with a 'game plan' before 1992 is out. What that plan will be is up to the Board of Education and their constituents.

Now that we have the facilities report, I'm hopeful that the board will get input from its various constituencies."

☑ **Whittier School**
New Market Road, 968-5869
Principal Peter Flan
☑ **Faber School**
High and Lehigh streets, 968-5311
Principal James C. McElroy
☑ **Dunellen High School**
First Street, 968-0885
Principal Anthony Scannella
Parent Teacher Organization for all schools
President: Vicki King, 968-8684

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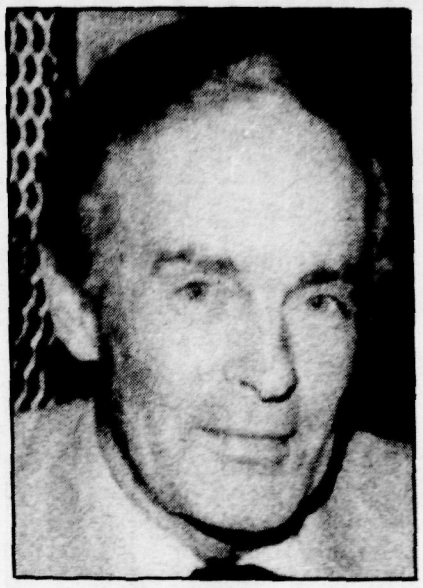
Percentage of high school graduates who go on to college: 46 percent to four-year colleges; 19.6 percent to two-year colleges; 15 percent to other schools.
Student-to-teacher ratio for grades kindergarten through sixth: 20 to 1.



Edison

Joseph Kresky
Superintendent

"The top priority is the proposed 1992-93 budget has got to be approved as is. This is a budget that will sustain our current operation. If we do cut the budget, it will impact on the programs.

We expect 475 new students in September, but we have added just 4.5 teaching positions. Any cuts will mean we'll have to take away direct programs and services from students and increase class size.

Something has got to be done to stabilize state funding for schools. We have to know earlier how much aid we are receiving. The amount of money that the district is eligible for has got to be known earlier in the process.

The whole funding process must be reworked to be fair. The notion that Edison is a wealthy district is a wrong assumption. The Robin Hood mentality of taking from the wealthy districts is just not working.

There's going to have to be a careful review of this funding formula and what is happening in Edison. Taking away from districts like Edison is not the answer.

Finally, I think we have to begin to show some results about collaborating with other districts and regionalize where districts can combine efforts in programs and services to be most cost effective. That's a long-term program."

☑ **Lincoln School**
Brookville Road, 287-2320
Principal: Gerald Young
PTA president: Maria Duboist, 572-2874
☑ **Washington School**
Winthrop and Cambridge roads, 985-1102
Principal: Ross Capaccio
PTO president: Marlene Nemeth, 985-3765
☑ **James Madison Intermediate School**
New Dover Road, 549-9440
Principal: Arthur Weinfield
PTA co-presidents: Maureen Beebe, 494-6836, and Joanne Wilkinson, 756-2690
☑ **Benjamin Franklin School**
2485 Woodbridge Ave., 985-7330
Principal: Susan Keers
PTA co-presidents: Angela Henry, 248-9456,

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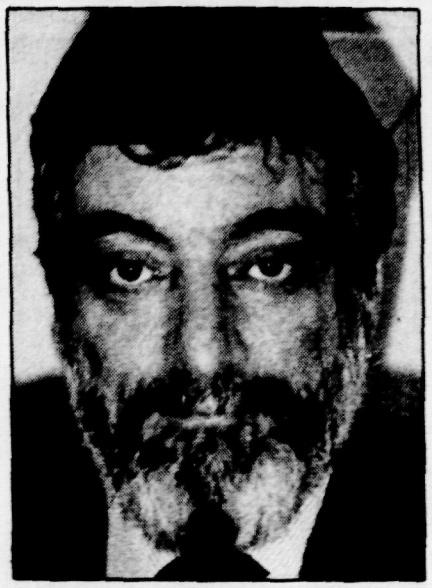

Highland Park

Peter Bastardo
Superintendent

"One of the concepts we work under is that the schools must be continually improving. One way to do this is to make sure the new programs and committees continue their implementation, and continue to improve the programs we successfully implemented this year. These programs and groups include the school improvement program, the new math program started last year, the new science program planned for next year, the Reading Recovery program started at Irving, and the Partners in Learning committee, which involves parent, staff and students.

Over two years we've started many new committees and programs. We want to make sure these committees are not just put in place for the sake of having them, but that they meet viable goals and objectives. Our goal is not to have these programs and committees fall by the wayside. They can't be dependent on the people who run them now. We have to institutionalize the changes we've tried to bring into the district.

All programs and committees are there to maximize student learning — learning not just as measured by test scores but as measured by student excitement for learning. We want to make them life-long learners.

On other issues, I hoped to get the budget passed this year. I also hope to get the support we need for taking care of the buildings' needs."

☑ **Highland Park High School**
102 North 5th Ave., 572-2400
Principal: Joseph Hood
PTA president: Grace Mary Smulewitz, 828-5564
☑ **Bartle School**
South 5th Avenue, 572-2400
Principal: Frank Fehn
PTA president: Deborah Cherniss, 985-9384
☑ **Irving School**
South 11th Avenue, 572-1205
Principal: Andrew Mignano
PTA president: Ruth Bordo, 572-6462

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Percentage of high school graduates who go on to college: 80.
Student-to-teacher ratio: 23 to 1.

Metuchen

Gennaro Lepre
Superintendent

"Only if it has clearly met its obligations to students, staff and the community in a demonstrably significant way can the Metuchen public schools district consider the 1991-1992 school year to have been a success.

Above all, the student body must have met high standards in the district's comprehensive standardized achievement testing program, the state's special proficiency tests, and such specialized tests as the PSAT and SAT and its Achievement Battery. It must have availed itself of the opportunities open to it and moved toward testing its limits, not just getting along. The district must have met its state planning objectives, which this year focus on aspects of mathematics, foreign language, English and environmental education at various grade levels. Students and staff attendance rates, which have been among the best in the state, must hold and the high school graduation rate must exceed 90 percent.

For me to consider the 1991-1992 school year successful, I must believe the professional and personal needs of the staff, as well as the students, must also have been met."

☑ **Moss School**
Simpson Place, 321-8705
Principal: Fred Cohen
PTO co-president: Christine Templeton, 548-5093
☑ **Campbell School**
Talmadge Avenue, 321-8777
Principal: Robert Gugliara
PTO co-president: Barbara Bauch, 321-9136
☑ **Edgar School**
Brunswick Avenue, 321-8770
Principal: Ed Joyce
PTO co-presidents: Janet Spanko, 548-4990, and Ann Jacob 548-1974.
☑ **Metuchen High School**
400 Grove Ave., 321-8743
Principal: John Novak
PTO co-presidents: Rita Weiss, 494-7139, and Muriel Ferino, 494-0243

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Percentage of high school graduates who go on to college: 85.
Student-to-teacher ratio for district: 20 to 1.

Q&A

What would make '92 successful for your school district?

Middlesex

Ronald Campbell
Superintendent

"First, the state funding of school programs is a question to be resolved. In order to plan properly, we have to know how much money we will be receiving. To ensure that it is a good year, our governor and legislators in Trenton have to give local school districts an accurate accounting of what we have to work with.

Secondly, there is a need for local citizens to support the budget once it is finalized, and to vote in favor of the budget so that we will have the necessary money to run our school programs.

We also have to examine our programs and make determinations of the kinds of things we want to improve in the future. That should be a united effort of all the people concerned — parents, students, administrators, teachers, board members — because we all have the same goal in mind: to provide our students with the best possible education we can."

☑ **Hazelwood School**
800 Hazelwood Ave., 469-4497
Principal: Barbara Brenner
PTO president: Lin Heras, 469-3098
☑ **Parker School**
South Lincoln Avenue, 968-1440
Principal: Phillip Sidotti
PTO president: Cheryl Engallena, 752-8942
☑ **Watchung School**
Fisher Avenue, 356-6666
Principal: Robert Conway
PTO president: Linda Vadasz, 469-2478
☑ **Von E. Mauger Middle School**
Vail Avenue, 356-6108
Principal: Thomas Grifa
PTO president: Jane Kramer
☑ **Middlesex High School**
Bound Brook Road, 968-0202
Principal: Peter Diskin
PTO president: none

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Percentage of high school graduates who go on to college: 41 percent to four-year colleges; 36 percent to other schools.
Student-to-teacher ration ranges from 18-24 students.

New Brunswick

Ronald Larkin
Superintendent

"There is no one thing that can really make a good school year by itself. There are a number of items that can be considered factors in meeting our goals for 1992.

One is to have a good academic year. By this I mean for youngsters in every grade level to do well in all grades and on tests such as our own CAT, Early Warning Test and the 11th grade HSPT. Meeting those goals would be part of having a good year.

Another goal is to improve the attendance rates in the schools. Also we would like to lower the drop-out level to less than 10 percent.

Then there's the personal side. Teachers should feel they are successful and are reaching the students and communicating with the parents, and I think the youngsters should feel that they are being treated equally.

Improving academics and the welfare of our children — that's what we're really concerned about in the New Brunswick school system."

☑ **New Brunswick High School**
1125 Livingston Ave., 745-5476
Principal: Fred Brown Jr.
PTA president: Mary East
☑ **A Chester Redshaw School**
216 Livingston Ave., 745-5344
Principal: Lawrence Falzone
PTA president: Erma Seawood
☑ **Lincoln School**
66 Bartlett St., 745-5461
Principal: Joseph Hornoki
PTA president: Patricia Kish
☑ **Livingston School**
207 Delavan St., 745-5369
Principal: Fred Perone
PTA president: Rosa Santiago
☑ **Lord Stirling School**
43 Carman St., 745-5391
Principal: Ronald Payne
PTA president: Denise Guzman

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Piscataway

Philip Geiger
Superintendent

"During this past year we have focused our effort on charting the course of the Piscataway public schools for the next 10 years utilizing the knowledge, research, and experience of our staff, university professors, business representatives, and professional literature. We hope to create a vision that the community, staff, parents, business and the students can embrace. We recognize that, for a school system to maintain excellence, it is necessary to have a plan that we develop together to best utilize our resources and to create the most efficient and effective educational outcome.

We want to address the needs of all students. Consideration of student needs continues to be our first and foremost priority. The educational, emotional, social and multicultural needs of our young people are paramount. We want to assure that every student is successful and meets the high expectations we are creating for each of them.

During this past year, we have also worked diligently to find ways to increase productivity and efficiency to support our efforts to improve our financial accountability. We will also work to generate financial support for our public schools. We want to improve the genuine and visible support for our schools while improving the financial accountability of all educators. It is also our goal this year to work with our state legislators to achieve more appropriate state funding for middle class communities such as Piscataway so that the burden on our local taxpayers is relieved through additional state aid.

In the area of personnel, we have commenced and intend to continue to employ and train the very best educators and support personnel possible. One of the most important aspects of a public school system is the high quality of staff that it employs, and we want to build on the desire of our faculty and staff for continuous improvement.

In the next year we also hope to move toward a more integrated curriculum whereby separate courses are no longer the mode of

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South Plainfield

Steven Cole
Superintendent

"I believe the 1992-93 school year can be considered a good year if the district can complete the initial phase of its strategic planning process. That is to say, the district must develop its mission so that its of the future will have a solid foundation."

☑ **South Plainfield High School**
200 Lake St., 754-4620 Ext. 248
Principal: LeRoy Seitz
PTA president: Kenneth LaFreniere
☑ **South Plainfield Middle School**
Plainfield Avenue, 754-4620 Ext. 311
Principal: Anthony Cotoia
PTA president: Barbara Burgess
☑ **Franklin School**
1000 Franklin Ave., 754-4620 Ext. 341
Principal: Thomas B. Lenahan
PTA president: Angela Prybella
☑ **John F. Kennedy School**
Norwood Avenue, 754-4620 Ext. 331
Principal: William P. Slavoski
PTSO president: Chris Sienkielewski
☑ **John E. Riley School**
Morris Avenue, 754-4620 Ext. 345
Principal: Anthony Sincavage
PTSO presidents: Mary Anne Morrison and Ellen Melanson
☑ **Roosevelt School**
Jackson Avenue, 754-4620 Ext. 333
Principal: Mario Barbiere
PTA president: Michelle Wrublevski
To contact any PTA representative, call the appropriate school.
☑ **Administration Building/Grant School**
Cromwell Place, 754-4620 Ext. 214
Principal James Lenox
Future Stars PTA: Gail Kazimir, Joanne Ciampi and Marietta Oliveri

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Percentage of high school graduates who go on to college: 64.

Piscataway

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instruction. We want to insure that students see the interrelationships between programs and can apply the knowledge in one area to other situations and other programs."

☑ **Arbor Elementary School**
Lester Avenue
Principal: Louis Rankin

☑ **Eisenhower Elementary School**
Stelton Road
Principal: Dr. Willa Pryor

☑ **Grandview Elementary School**
North Randolphville Road
Principal: Carl Cohen
☑ Parent Teacher Association for Arbor, Grandview and Eisenhower
Colleen Ettenhuber, 48 Wagner Ave., 560-9176

☑ **Fellowship Farm Elementary School**
Stelton Road
Principal: Ed Palushock
PTA president: Karen Giordano, 5 Traci Lane, 572-6084

☑ **Martin Luther King Elementary School**
Ludlow Street
Principal: Harvey Yonowitz
PTA president: Linda Walton, 601 Plainfield Ave., 885-1545

☑ **Randolphville Elementary School**
Suttie Avenue
Principal: Fran Bradshaw
PTA president: Diane Johnson, 54 Seward Ave., 463-0655

☑ **Conackomack Middle School**
Whitherspoon Street
Principal: John Gardner
PTA president: Linn Campbell, 411 Hillside Ave., 463-7987

☑ **Quibbletown Middle School**
South Washington Avenue
Principal: Edward McGarigle
PTA president: Pat DeFreitas, 80 Kossuth St., 752-2545

☑ **Theodore Schor Middle School**
North Randolphvill Road
Principal: Angelo Mone
PTA president: Betsi Bradrick, 26 Jasmine Drive, 752-4457

☑ **Piscataway High School**
Behrner Road
Principal: James Koch

All schools and the administration building can be reached at 981-0700.

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Percentage of high school graduates who go on to college: 42.5 percent to four-year colleges; 23.1 percent to two-year colleges; 4.3 percent to other schools.

Edison

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and Shari Reiner, 287-4936

☑ **John Marshall School**
Cornell Street, 985-3377
Principal: Judith M. Luger
PTA co-presidents: Dorothy Maitland, 985-8954, and Nancy Rock, 572-9411

☑ **Menlo Park School**
Monroe Avenue, 548-3903
Principal: Mary Reece
PTA president: Joan Conway, 632-9746

☑ **James Monroe School**
Sharp Road, 225-3170
Principal: Louis J. Mannello
PTA co-presidents: Janette Catalano, 225-2313, and Robin Elkinson, 225-4537

☑ **Lindeneau School**
Blossom Street, 985-7011
Principal: Allen M. Puorro
PTO co-presidents: Deborah Urbanski, 985-0263, and Maria Pipara, 572-6135

☑ **Woodbrook School**
Robin Road, 548-3875
Principal: Dorothy Banyas
PTA co-presidents: Joanne Mangels, 548-6874, and Janice DiLella, 548-2441

☑ **Martin Luther King School**
Tingley Lane and Inman Avenue, 754-4289
Principal: Joseph G. Krajkovich
PTA president: Pamela Luks, 382-9731

☑ **James Madison Primary**
New Dover Road, 549-4852
Principal: Bonnie McHolme
PTA president: Kathy Lamaster, 906-0941

☑ **Herbert Hoover Middle School**
Jackson Avenue, 225-9390
Principal: Arlene Illes
PTO president: Anthony Degatano, 494-1962

☑ **John Adams Middle School**
New Dover Road, 548-9257
Principal: Harry Olsen
PTA president: Sylvia Crombet, 382-8130

☑ **Thomas Jefferson Middle School**
Division Street, 985-2500
Principal: William W. Bohn
PTO president: George Bogdan, 985-0930

☑ **Woodrow Wilson Middle School**
Woodrow Wilson Drive, 548-2550
Principal: William Gabrielson
PTA president: Lynn Braine, 321-9166

☑ **Edison High School**
Boulevard of the Eagles, 985-2900
Principal: Frank Cangelosi
PTSA co-presidents: Dot Wurster, 225-0409, and Diane Voloson 572-4284

☑ **John P. Stevens High School**
Grove Avenue, 549-5543
Principal: Cedric Richardson
PTSA president: Marsha Gage, 382-6491

New Brunswick

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☑ **McKinley School**
35 Van Dyke Ave., 745-5323
Principal: Joyce McGee
PTA president: Cynthia Brown

☑ **Paul Robeson Community School**
199 Commercial Ave., 745-5405
Principal: Mrs. Maurice Williams
PTA president: Mary Clark

☑ **Roosevelt School**
83 Livingston Ave., 745-5395
Principal: George Buono

☑ **Woodrow Wilson School**
133 Tunison Road, 745-5319
Principal: Robert Boyler
PTA presidents: Sherri Whiteside and Marietta Bornheimer

☑ **Alternate School**
24 Bayard St., 745-5479
Principal: Harry McDowell
Parent Liaison Group chairwoman: Linda Baily

☑ **Adult Learning Center**
100 Bayard St., third floor, 846-2968
Principal: Judith Kesin

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Percentage of high school graduates who go on to college: 60.
Student-to-teacher ratio: 22 to 1.

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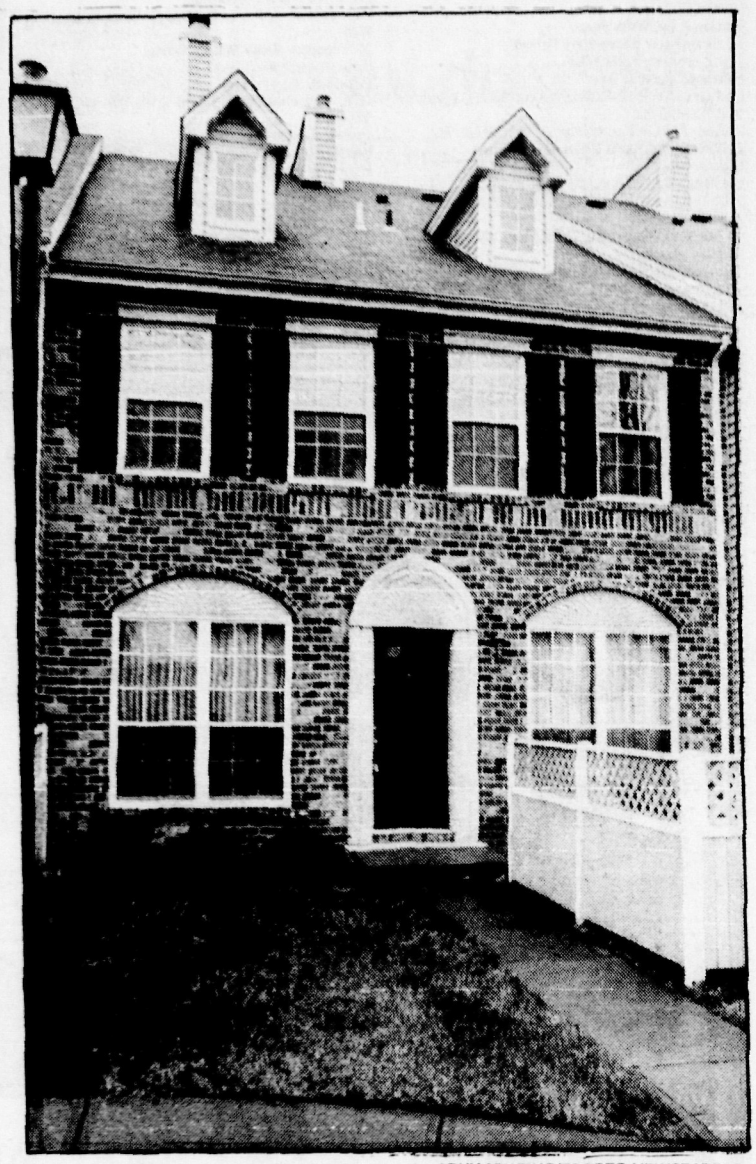

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A brick front enhances this townhouse at 109 Albury Way in North Brunswick. It was marketed by Prudential-Winhold, Realtors.

Slumping real estate market is showing signs of life

Realty agents hope for rebound in 1992

By DEAN PAPPAS
AGENDA 92/FORBES NEWSPAPERS

In Middlesex County, the median price of a home for the fourth quarter of 1990 was $145,400. For the fourth quarter of 1991, the median price decreased 4.4 percent to $141,900.

In the fourth quarter of 1990, 744 homes were sold while in the fourth quarter of 1991, the number jumped 23.4 percent to 918 homes.

The New Jersey Association of Realtors (NJAR) reported last week that home sales during the fourth quarter of 1991 were up 23.8 percent compared to the same quarter of 1990. According to analysts, this strong close allowed the state's housing market in 1991 to record an increase of about 3 percent in the number of sales during 1990.

The state association also reported the housing affordability index for 1991 surpassed the 100 mark, registering 102.8 This means a New Jersey family earning a median income of $47,700 has 2.9 percent more than the minimum income needed to purchase a $146,700 home (the state's median price) at a yearly average mortgage interest rate of 9.25 percent.

"The increase in sales during 1991 is an indication that New Jerseyans are just starting to take advantage of the unique opportunity lower interest rates provide for today's buyers. We are starting to see an influx of first-time buyers as well as trade-up buyers, who realize lower interest rates mean they can afford a bigger home, often for the same monthly payment they are currently carrying," said NJAR President Maurice H. Hageman.

Mr. Hageman said he believes lower interest rates will continue to fuel the current housing market and will have even more impact if consumer confidence in the economy strengthens.

"Although banks are offering lower mortgage rates, some people may be hesitant to buy or trade up if they lack confidence in the economy," he said. "However, these potential buyers should realize that interest rates will not stay low forever and give serious consideration to buying now while the opportunity exists."

According to HSH Associates of Butler, one of the nation's leading publishers of mortgage information, the average for a one-year adjustable-rate mortgage the first week in February in New Jersey was 5.85 percent and the average interest rate on a 30-year fixed-rate conventional mortgage was 8.75 percent.

Overall during 1991, the median sale price for a home in the state decreased 3 percent to $146,700 from a median of $151,000 in 1990.

According to Mr. Hageman, housing affordability has improved considerably since 1989 when it was at 75.5.

"This is especially good news when you consider that there are many homes on the market in New Jersey that are priced well below the median sales price of $146,700," he said, adding that while the affordability index is calculated on a conventional fixed-rate mortgage offered at 9.25 percent, there are also mortgages available in New Jersey at lower interest rates.

Mr. Hageman continued, "These two factors – lower priced homes and lower mortgage rates – should encourage people to look around and see what is out there. There may never be a better time to buy a home in New Jersey."

The statistic also indicated that housing costs took a smaller chunk out of New Jerseyans' pockets during 1991, accounting for only 24.3 percent of their income compared to a high of 33 percent in 1989.

Mr. Hageman said real estate agents are positive about the future.

"We have been saying for some time that the market was going to bottom out in the fourth quarter of 1991 and the up-kick would be in the first or second quarters of 1992," he said. "But while there is some strengthening, you don't fuel up the economy overnight. By June we should be seeing some encouraging trends in central New Jersey."

Mr. Hageman added, "One of the things I have been saying is that in the year 2000, don't get caught being an 'I shoulda' as in 'I shoulda bought in 1992.' You can be Chicken Little and have tunnel vision looking just at 1992. But we have the encouragement of soft prices and fantastic mortgage rates.

"There haven't been rates like these in 15 to 18 years. As a matter of fact, if you go back to 1980, mortgage rates were up in the 16 to 19 percent range," said Mr. Hageman. "Now, they are 9.75 percent or less. It's possible to get a 30-year mortgage at the 8.5 percent rate."

'The increase in sales during 1991 is an indication that New Jerseyans are just starting to take advantage of the unique opportunity lower rates provide for today's buyers. We are starting to see an influx of first-time buyers as well as trade-up buyers who realize that lower interest rates mean they can afford a bigger home, often for the same monthly payment they are currently carrying'

—Maurice H. Hageman
NJAR President

Q&A

What's in store for the real estate market?

James H. Weichert
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"Over the recent past, buyers have begun to realize that the current market conditions in New Jersey are simply too good to pass up. The market has definitely bottomed out and is rebounding, creating a great deal of optimism for a very healthy 1992. Prices have stabilized. Interest rates are very favorable. Add to that an attractive, affordable inventory of homes from which to select, and this combination of factors is simply too good to let go by.

However, we do not anticipate that these conditions will stay ideal for long. As more buyers enter the market, prices will begin to rise and the overall conditions will shift from a buyer's to a seller's market.

The opportunity to trade up is better than it has ever been because of the low-interest rates and good selection of reasonably priced homes. Instead of refinancing, many homeowners are trading up to a larger home.

The sales volume will increase in 1992 as more people realize that current market conditions are ideal for buying. With that increase in sales, there will be a decrease in the number of homes available on the market and prices will start to increase."

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"Anyone thinking of buying a home should act now. Right now, the combination of low interest rates and stable prices makes houses more affordable than they have been in a long time. However, if buyer activity continues the way it has the past few months, and if interest rates stay low, we could see prices start to climb later this spring.

Anyone who is thinking about selling their home would be smart to get it on the market. Buyers have realized that mortgage money is more affordable than it has been in two decades, and they are actively looking before interest rates and house prices go up again. Our offices are very very busy and sales are up more than 60 percent over last year at this time. It's a very good time to sell a house. At the same time, it's a good time to buy a house, which makes it the ideal market for someone who wants to 'trade up' or sell one house and buy another."

Coldwell Banker Schlott recently held its international business conference in Las Vegas, Nev. The company made appointments to its Elite International President's Club, which constitutes 28 of the top salespeople of the 40,000 salespeople companywide. Thousands of real estate broker/ owners, managers, sales associates and guests attended from more than 1,900 Coldwell Banker Schlott offices throughout the United States, Canada and Puerto Rico, to network and share the latest business developments in the industry.

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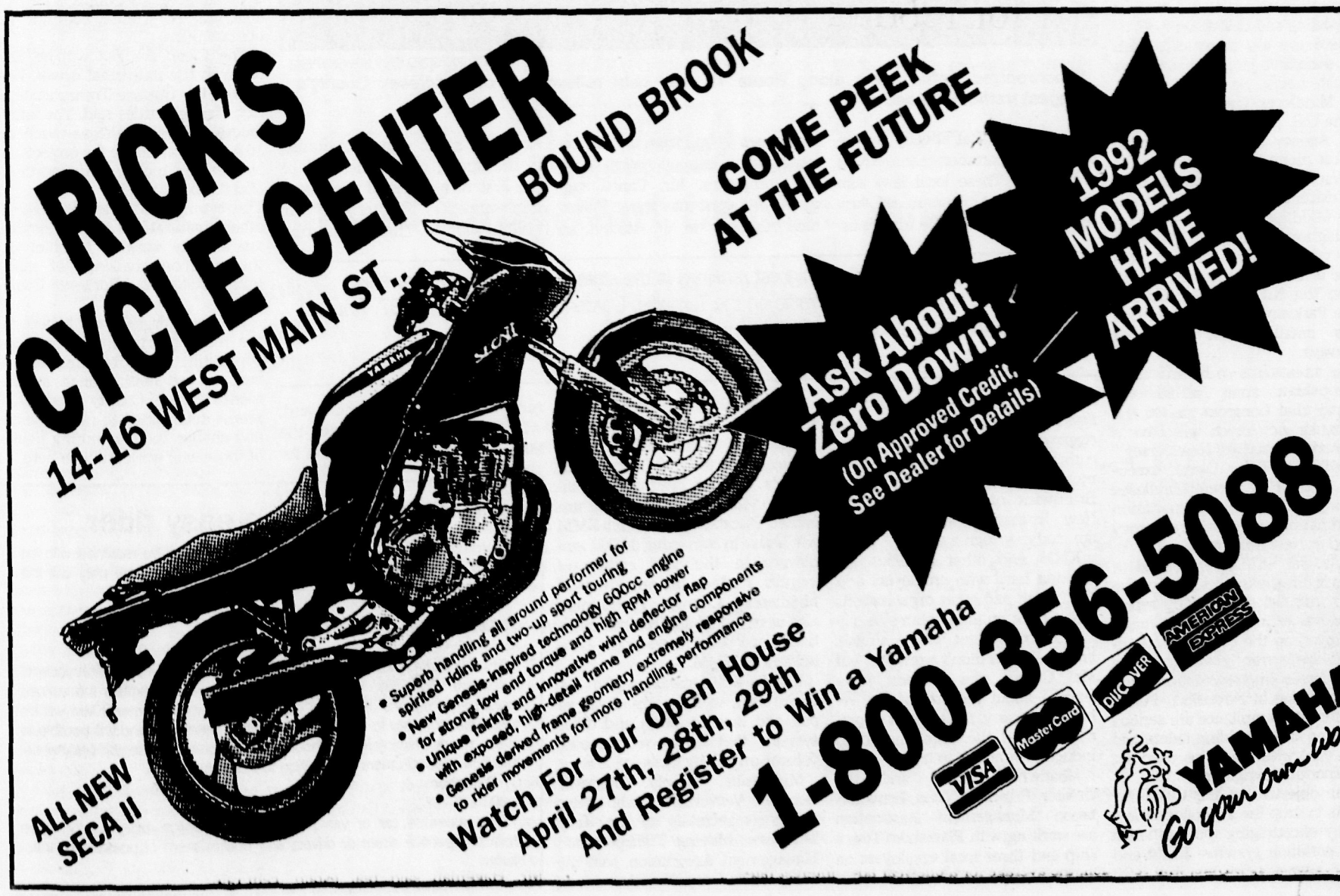

TRANSPORTATION

Relief could be on the way for traffic jams

New air quality laws may change driving habits

By EDWARD F. CARROLL
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Driving around Middlesex County is bad on the nerves, worse on punctuality, and worst on health.

Mere mention of driving Routes 1, 18, 27, I-287, or the N.J. Turnpike, conjures up images of rush hour tie-ups, rivers of brake lights, missed appointments, and abbreviated, cold dinners.

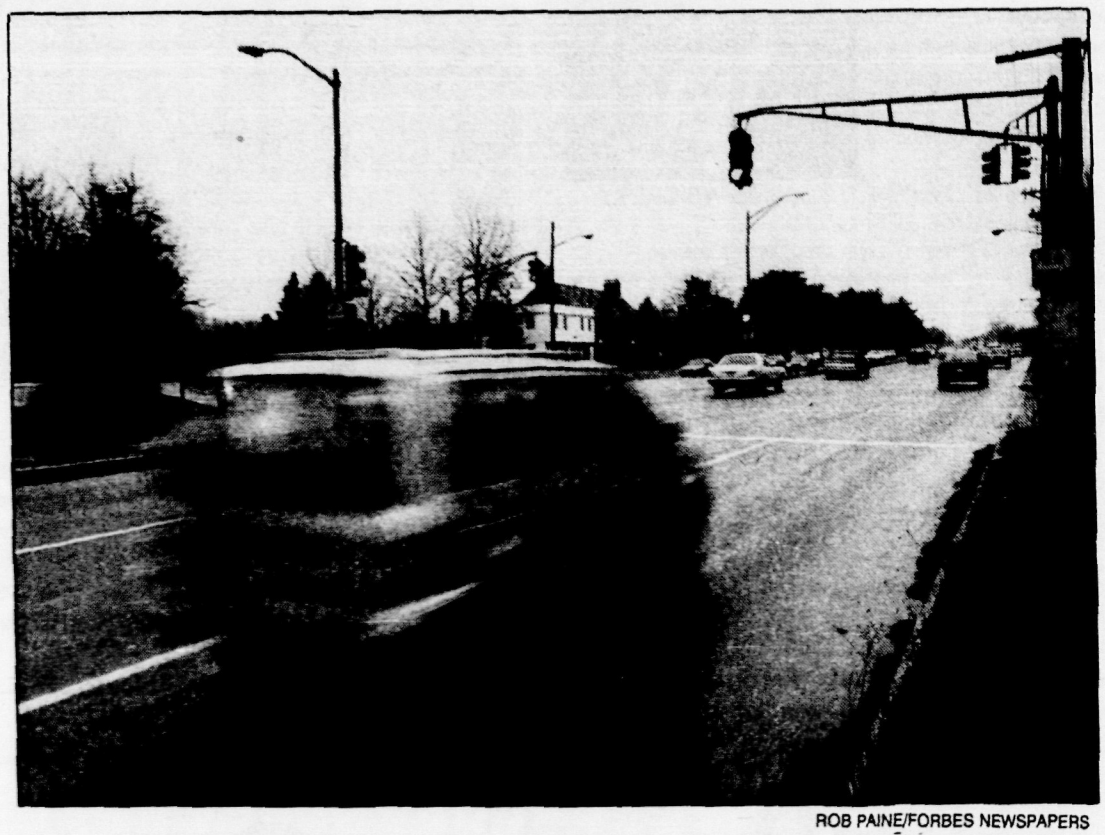
Some relief from all this will come with improvements to be done on Route 1 from Mercer County through Middlesex County, but the disruption and delays from this construction alone will create short-term driving problems. County transportation officials will be working with major employers during this construction to mitigate the congestion through staggered working hours, car and van pooling and shuttle service.

There are too many cars with lone occupants jamming roadways at rush hours. So many in fact, that Middlesex County is ranked by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) the second highest ozone transport region. Its "Severe 2" rating is exceeded only by "extreme" on the EPA scale. Also, Middlesex County has one of the highest rankings in the state for "vehicle miles traveled" because of the huge volumes of traffic on the N.J. Turnpike, Garden State Parkway, I-287, Route 1 and other smaller scale congested roadways.

The situation is so hazardous in metropolitan areas across the country that Congress passed the Clean Air Act which will have a "dramatic impact on New Jersey," according to Peter Cantu, executive director of Keep Middlesex Moving (KMM), a transportation coordinating and advocacy agency based in New Brunswick.

Last fall, KMM sponsored a seminar on the implications of the Clean Air Act attended by representatives of more than 150 major employers in the county. State officials are currently working on a New Jersey implementation plan, which is due in November. Penalties for non-compliance are serious in terms of withholding federal aid that otherwise could be used for transportation upgrades.

The objective of the Clean Air Act is to drop the air pollution levels by encouraging more efficient transportation systems. KMM and other agencies are working with municipalities that already are enacting transportation-management ordinances. These local laws aim to reduce what planners call "unconstrained demand for roads"; assess the transportation impact of new developments; and to require employers to submit plans for curbing one-driver-per-car commuting among employees. North Brunswick has such a law now; New Brunswick and Plainsboro are studying such a move.



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Synchronized traffic lights along Route 18 may help relieve one of Middlesex County's biggest traffic bottlenecks.

Middlesex County has one of the highest rankings in the state for "vehicle miles traveled" because of the huge volumes of traffic on the Turnpike, Garden State Parkway, I-287, Route 1 and other smaller scale congested roadways.

KMM and other agencies are working hard with employers and NJ Transit and other organizations to cut back on auto volume. A six-month experiment with a shuttle line in Edison didn't work out, but Mr. Cantu said lessons were learned about the size of the vehicle necessary, the amount of promotion, and the time needed to induce commuters to try it.

Meanwhile, KMM and the Greater Princeton Area Transportation Management Association are working with Plainsboro Township and three local employers on another project. This would move employees by van from the Princeton Junction railroad station to office complexes. Mr. Cantu suggested the vans also move Plainsboro residents to the station, an idea that also is under consideration.

On other fronts, KMM reports surveys of up to 7,000 Bellcore employees, another 750 from a Cranbury organization, and an unnamed Piscataway firm that KMM will assist in surveying 10,000 employees in the next couple of months. Further, the employees of Middlesex County government also were polled and recommendations have been made to the freeholders by KMM.

KMM's staff stands ready, Mr. Cantu said, to help any employer poll and develop pools and other systems that might reduce auto volume on a daily basis.

Middlesex County engineer George Ververides, who also serves as secretary of the Keep Middlesex Moving Transportation Management Association, said the computerized synchronization of Route 18 traffic signals beginning in the spring or summer will be the first of a series of short-term improvements that drivers can look forward to. This system, running from Piscataway southward, will be a model project for the state. Route 1, he said, is next for light coordination.

Mr. Ververides also listed projects to improve existing roads, such as the Route 522 upgrade, which will enable the route to handle higher traffic volumes expected to be generated by development in the area of South Brunswick. The section of Route 522 between Routes 27 and 130 is being improved. Another link favored by Middlesex County, Mr. Ververides said, is proposed Route 92 that would connect the N.J. Turnpike near exit 8-A with Route 1 at Ridge Road in South Brunswick. Mr. Ververides said that Middlesex authorities have been pushing the state to extend that roadway to Route 27. This would bring added relief to the western end of the county.

The county also is wary of a move by NJ Transit to increase fares, which, Mr. Ververides said, would tend to cut ridership on routes that already are marginal in their economic standing. Privatization of these routes, notably in New Brunswick and Perth Amboy, is possible, he said, but it is preferable that NJ Transit continue to operate them.

The Clean Air Act will be felt down to the individual driver, but so will the Surface Transportation Act, Mr. Ververides said. The latter federal bill will make as much as $6.6 billion available for projects in New Jersey, mostly to the north of Middlesex County.

The county, KMM and a host of other organizations and employers are actively working together on the common challenge of mass transportation in Middlesex County.

Employee-drivers can expect to see more questionnaires and opportunities to double up, take a van, or use mass transit as the months pass. County leadership seems determined to clean the air and change the commuting habits of those who work and live here.

How to become an easy rider

Commuters wishing to learn about options, or to be matched with an existing car or van pool for commuting to and from work may call the following groups:

☑ **Keep Middlesex Moving**
745-4465

The Middlesex County Transportation Management Association accepts Rideshare information by mail or phone as well as explain the various mass transit options that might be of use. By mid-summer, KMM will be linked electronically to the state's Rideshare data bank and will be able to make nearly instantaneous hookups for county residents. Meanwhile, KMM can speed callers' information to the state system.

☑ **Rideshare**
1-800-245-7665

The statewide car or van pool matching service accepts information from prospective riders or drivers and notifies them of possible connections.

HEALTH CARE

Hospitals will expand to meet growing demand

By TONY PHYRILLAS
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The three major hospitals serving Middlesex County are planning to introduce new programs and services in 1992 to keep up with the growing demand for health care.

At John F. Kennedy Medical Center in Edison, a major initiative will be the establishment of a neuroscience center, where disorders of the nervous system will be treated and studied.

JFK is also planning to open a new pediatric emergency room this year to complement its existing emergency room. The new facility will provide emergency treatment for newborns through 17-year-olds.

New construction will be a major part of JFK's move forward in 1992.

Construction will be completed this year on the new 42,500-square-foot office building, which is being built across from the medical center on James Street.

Also, JFK will celebrate its silver anniversary in 1992 with a year-long slate of special events.

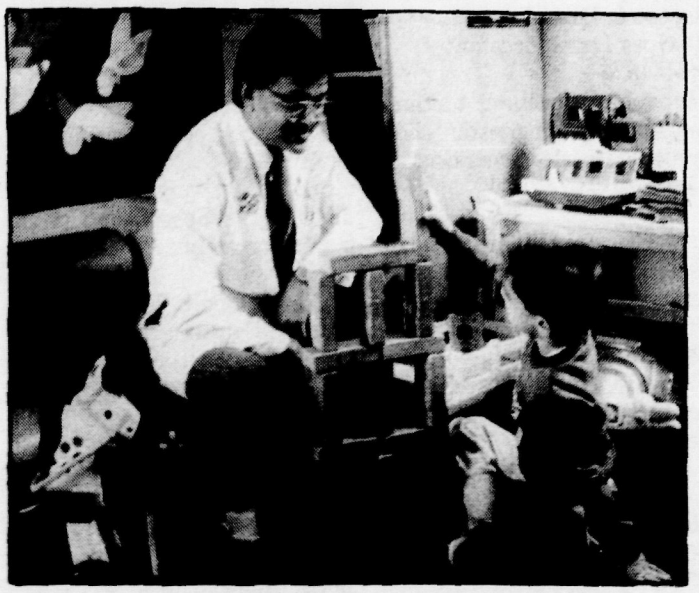
At St. Peter's Medical Center in New Brunswick, plans for 1992 include construction of a new four-story Pavilion for Women and Children and state-of-the-art 11,000-square-foot Radiation Oncology Center, a key part of the Cancer Institute of New Jersey.

The neuroscience center — located on Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital's ninth floor — will bring together patients who suffer from Parkinson's Disease, strokes, brain tumors, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis, and other neurological disorders

St. Peter's is also planning to open what will be the only molecular biology lab in Central Jersey and expand the activities of the new Surgical Institute for Minimally Invasive Procedures – promoting the use of new surgical techniques developed at the medical center.

Another new project at St. Peter's will be development of a new Pain Management Center, headed by Dr. Alfred T.C. Peng, Central Jersey's first physician skilled in acupuncture. The center will concentrate on providing new anesthesia programs to alleviate or eliminate pain after major surgery – and the creation of a clinic to treat chronic pain caused by headaches, pain in the arms, legs and back, as well as arthritis.

In 1992, there will be continued advances in medical specialties and other areas at Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital in New Brunswick, the core teaching hospital for University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey (UMDNJ) - Robert Wood Johnson Medical School and the region's only academic medical center.



One of the patients of St. Peter's Medical Center's Clef Palate Center shares playtime with pediatrician Bipin Patel, MD. In 1992, St. Peter's will expand its services to children through the formation of the Central Jersey Child Protection Center.

Among the advances will be the opening early in 1992 of the new neuroscience center, a unified inpatient service developed by the neurology and neurosurgery department at the hospital. It will concentrate the latest advances in treatment of a variety of neurosurgical disorders into a single unit.

The neuroscience center – located on the hospital's ninth floor – will bring together patients who suffer from Parkinson's disease, stroke, brain tumors, epilepsy, multiple sclerosis and other neurological disorders to enable patients to benefit from the latest advancements in treating such disorders.

Q&A

What is the most important health care issue of 1992?

Robert Wood Johnson University Hospital
Harvey A. Holzberg
President

"As Central Jersey's only academic medical center providing specialized services to the residents of the entire state, we believe one of the most important health care issues is continued access to sophisticated health care services both for those who have the option to go out of state and those who don't.

The issue of health care costs and coverage, including the uncompensated care fund, which pays the hospital costs for working people who have no health care insurance and can't afford to pay, will also be a focus.

Finally, the development of the new State Health Plan to regionalize services and emphasize primary care and prevention should attract wide interest in 1992."

John F. Kennedy Medical Center
Michael T. Kornett
President

"The most important health care issue facing residents of Middlesex County is not the access to quality health care, but its affordability. It is safe to say that at JFK we've solved the problem of access, with the professional staff and technology we have available to serve the community.

There should be more of an emphasis on keeping sufficient health care insurance coverage. Those who maintain this realize its value is enormous when the time comes that they need it. Many people don't invest in their health as they do in other areas of their lives. But your health is something that can change instantly.

The main thing to remember is that no matter what the circumstances are, people should always receive the medical care they need. At JFK, we make sure that no one is ever denied treatment."

St. Peter's Medical Center
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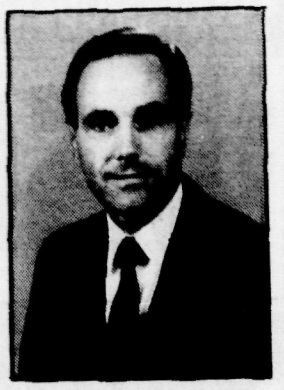

"The most important health care issue facing our community is how to make health care accessible and affordable to everyone.

It is not enough for our hospitals to be "centers of excellence," although we can be proud of that. The poverty of so many people erodes the significance of even the most spectacular medical advancements.

We must develop long-term, comprehensive solutions so that from birth throughout and into adolescence, adulthood and old age, what comes next in terms of health, not only treatment, but preventions of problems, is a normal part of the daily life of our entire community."

Care and services for seniors abound in county

Following is a partial list of health-care facilities and services for senior citizens.

☑ **Institute for Alzheimer's Disease & Disorders**
671 Hoes Lane, Piscataway
463-4442
Provides education, training, consultation, diagnostic clinic for people with dementing illnesses.

☑ **Hartwyck Nursing Convalescent and Rehabilitation Centers**
2050 Oak Tree Road, Edison
754-3100
Provides respite care; affiliated with John F. Kennedy Medical Center.

☑ **American Cancer Society, Middlesex County Unit**
2303 Woodbridge Ave., Edison
985-9566
Provides information, guidance, counseling, peer support programs, local transportation for treatment, equipment loans and patient supplies.

☑ **Senior Dental Program**
1 Dental Plaza, North Brunswick
821-9400
Sponsored by New Jersey Dental Association, a service for seniors to receive a 15 percent reduction from participating dentists. By appointment.

☑ **Robert Wood Johnson Rehabilitation Institute**
James Street, Edison
321-7063
Offers complete hearing and hearing aid evaluations for seniors, along with hearing aids through the Speech and Hearing Departments.

☑ **New Jersey Huntingdon's Disease Family Service Center**
180 Somerset St., New Brunswick
757-7793
Provides bi-monthly clinic examination, evaluations, counseling and physical therapy programs. Telephone hotline, support services, groups sessions, financial, legal services.

☑ **Medicaid District Office**
25 S. Main St., Building B 5-6
549-3884
Provides information, eligibility guidelines, medical supplies, transportation, prescriptions. Also has information about Medicaid eligibility for nursing homes.

☑ **Pharmaceutical Assistance Program**
Middlesex County Office on Aging
841 Georges Road, North Brusnwick
745-3293.
P.A.A.D. is a state-funded program to help pay for prescriptions. New Jersey residents who are 65 years or older meeting income guidelines are eligible.

☑ **Community Outreach Program for Senior Adults**
P.O. Box 101, Piscataway
463-4442
Offers counseling, advocacy information, referral services and housing assistance for the elderly.

☑ **Aging Substance Abuse Outreach Program (ASAP)**
667 Hoes Lane, Piscataway
463-4726
Provides assessment, counseling, consultation and referral for older adults with alcohol or other drug problems.

☑ **Senior Citizens Health Program – Roosevelt Hospital**
Parsonage Road and Oakwood Avenue, Metuchen
321-6550
Diagnostic and treatment center providing medical screening, with emphasis on early detection and preventive care for elderly patients. Open to all Middlesex County residents age 55 or older.

☑ **Geriatric Assessment Center**
97 Peterson St., New Brunswick
418-2968
Provides health assessment with special emphasis on the medical problems common to the older adult.

☑ **Arthritis Foundation, N.J. Chapter**
200 Middlesex Turnpike, Iselin
283-4300
Information and referrals, support groups, self-help courses, speakers for community groups and equipment loans.

☑ **Alzheimer's COPSA Day Hospital**
Community Mental Health Center of Piscataway
671 Hoes Lane, Piscataway
463-4442
Rehabilitation and treatment for persons with dementia, education, and ongoing support services for families.

☑ **Nutrition Project for the Elderly**
51 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick
828-4707
Provides nutritious, hot, midday meals and related social services, transportation and nutrition counseling to residents age 60 and older. Facilities in Dunellen, Edison, Highland Park, New Brunswick.

☑ **Greater New Brunswick Meals on Wheels**
249-3488
Delivers meals to the homebound elderly in many Middlesex County communities including Edison and Metuchen.

☑ **Kosher Meals on Wheels**
494-3923
Delivers meals to the homebound elderly in several communities including Edison and Metuchen.

☑ **Middlesex County Office on Aging**
841 Georges Road, North Brunswick
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COMMUNITY SUPPORT

Charities choose priorities in tough times

By **JOSEPH ANDREANO**
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Charitable organizations countywide have reassessed their priorities to fit the needs of the less fortunate, whose numbers have increased because of the recession.

More members of the middle class are being added to a growing list of people looking for help. For example, in the middle class community of South Plainfield, the number of families qualifying for welfare has risen from 50 to 65, according to borough Welfare Director Marge Ackerman.

The cry for help has been answered in many ways from food pantries to rental assistance.

Joan Farhy, a Salvation Army representative from Piscataway, helps those who aren't eligible for food stamps or public assistance. Although her budget is minimal, only $2,000 to $2,500 annually, her agency tries to help people confronting emergencies.

"Nowadays, you don't know where to go to get money," she said. Ms. Farhy, who also serves as welfare director in Piscataway, said the Salvation Army helped one man who missed qualifying for food stamps by $1.

"There are people selling their furniture to buy food," Ms. Farhy said.

The trend to help those who are living from week to week is evident in the work of the Catholic Charities in New Brunswick.

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Lisa Zittis, program supervisor of the Food Bank for Catholic Charities in New Brunswick, stocks the shelves to help feed the hungry of Middlesex County.

Under its Basic Material Needs program, Catholic Charities operates a food pantry for anyone who needs it. The agency also provides rental and utility assistance.

More middle income families are seeking help to pay the rent or a mortgage, said Lisa Zittis, program supervisor of Basic Material Needs.

"We're talking about helping people whose mortgages run $1,000, $1,200 a month," Ms. Zittis said.

Many people who cannot afford to pay their utility bills are often those who have just been hit with a personal crisis.

"We're getting people coming in who are working," Ms. Zittis said. "Some of them have been off from work due to illness and can't afford to pay their bills because of their medical costs."

The biggest success story involving Catholic Charities has been the St. John's Health Center, a free clinic in the charity's headquarters on Abel Street.

Once again, a good portion of the patients come from middle class backgrounds, who don't have the insurance or the money for a regular doctor's visit.

"It's amazing what the attending physicians can do," Ms. Zittis said. "It's very efficient."

South Plainfield resident Fran Licato has been involved with the United Way for 25 years. Her organization helps fund 13 health and human services in Central New Jersey including the American Red Cross in Plainfield, Association of Retarded Citizens, Big Brothers/Sisters, Boy Scouts, Cerebral Palsy Association of Middlesex County, Girl Scouts, Jewish Community Center, King's Daughters Day School, Tri-County Visiting Nurse, United Family and Children's Society, United Service Association of Metropolitan New York and the YMCA/YWCA.

Despite the recession, volunteers and donations to the United Way have not decreased.

"The response in the past few years has been phenomenal," Ms. Licato said.

Middlesex County service groups need volunteers

Following is a partial list of major non-profit groups in Middlesex County that provide services for the needy and are seeking volunteers.

☑ **FISH Inc., Dunellen Area**
Contact: Ida Gildea, 356-0081
Services: Stop-gap services for those in need, including food, clothing, back-to-school sneakers for children, baby supplies, furniture, camperships.

☑ **Catholic Charities**
24 Abeel St., New Brunswick,
Contact: Lisa Zittis, 745-9800
Services: Emergency food, shelter, rent and utility assistance. Programs include adolescent day care, family counseling and foster family support services.

☑ **Salvation Army of New Jersey**
4 Gary Road
Contact: Nancy Sager, 988-8907
Services: Emergency assistance and other services to those in need.

☑ **United Way of Central New Jersey**
32 Ford Ave.
Contact: Karyn Oujo, 247-3727
Services: Support programs feeding the hungry, caring for elderly, preparing youth for the future, and assisting families in crisis.

☑ **Middlesex County Board of Social Services**
181 How Lane, New Brunswick
Contact: Angela Mackaronis, 745-3500
Services: Provides counseling, food stamps, a home heating and cooling program, housing, financial and medical assistance.

☑ **Visiting Homemakers Home Health Aide Service of Middlesex County**
1215 Livingston Avenue, 3rd Floor, North Brunswick
Contact: Director Netty Lowenstein, Elder/Homecare Hotline: 1-800-424-5838
Services: Clearinghouse of information and referral pertaining to older people's concerns.
Hotline hours are Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

☑ **Goodwill Industries of New Jersey**
3600 Capitol A. Park Ave., South Plainfield
Contact: Giovanna Nibaldi, 481-2300
Services: The Goodwill Store in South Plainfield offers men's, women's and children's clothing; proceeds benefit job training programs for the disabled.

☑ **Civic League of Greater New Brunswick**
47-49 Throop Ave., New Brunswick
Contact: C. Roy Epps, 247-9066
Services: Building for equal opportunity through research, education and community organization.

☑ **God Squad**
210 French Street, New Brunswick
Contact: Ernest Bowling, 545-7970
Services: Emergency food, clothing and counseling for clients in New Brunswick and the area.

☑ **Women Awareness 24-Hour Crisis Hotline**
P.O. Box 312 New Brunswick, 08903
Contact: Jackie Marich, 249-4504
Services: The number is a Metuchen-based hotline for females in crisis due to rape or physical, emotional abuse.

☑ **Self Help and Resource Exchange (SHARE)**
P.O. Box 5427 Newark, 07105
Contact: Lois Whitehead, 344-2400
Services: Offers 30-35 pounds of fresh food from the four major food groups for two hours of self-directed community service and $13 in cash or food stamps. There are 26 SHARE locations in Middlesex County.

☑ **Meals on Wheels of Greater New Brunswick**
181 How Lane, New Brunswick
Contact: Janet Price, 249-3488
Services: The organization provides meals to home bound elderly, disabled, or injured persons.

☑ **Women Helping Women**
224 Main St., Metuchen
Contact: Meg Zanger, 549-6000
Services: Counseling, support groups, therapy groups and over-30 peer leadership groups.

☑ **Nutrition Project for the Elderly**
St. Paul's Lutheran Church
445 Old Post Road, Edison
Contact: Bonnie Flanders, 287-1454
Services: Health and nutrition service and information for older people.

☑ **YWCA of Central Jersey**
51 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick
Contact: Geraldine Harvey, 247-8112
Services: Health and nutrition service and information for older people.

☑ **Middlesex Council on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse**
330 Milltown Road, East Brunswick
Contact: Marcia Smith Fleres, 246-1450
Services: Referral services for treatment of alcohol and drug abuse; referrals for counseling of family members of alcohol and drug dependent people.

☑ **Grandparents Group Inc.**
Contact: Alice Abner
1-800-23GRANNY
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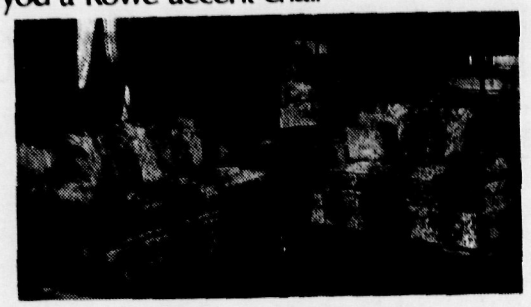

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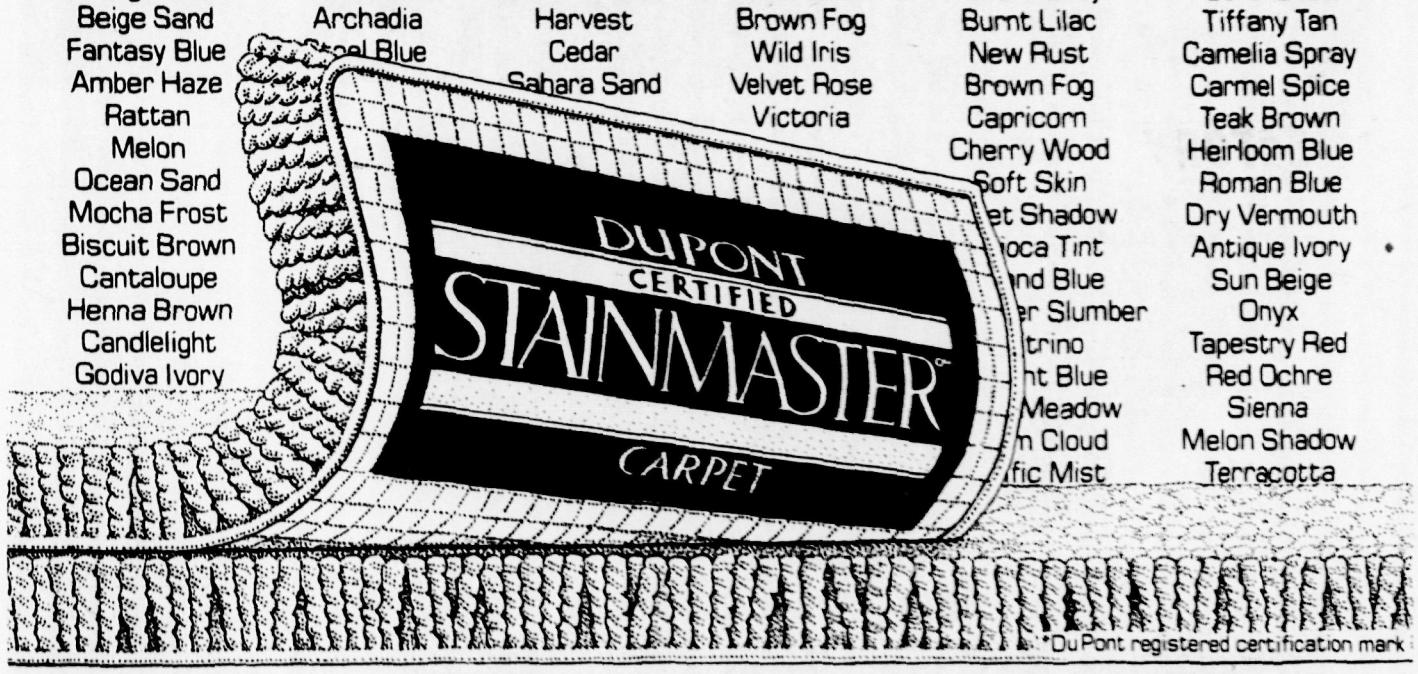

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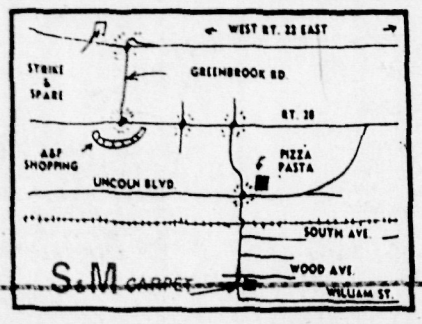

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