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Burugh receives \$60,000 state grant for police

Funding will help hire two additional officers, with \$4,000 to spare for equipment, chief says

By SYLVIE MULVANEY

THE REPORTER

South Plainfield is one of 187 communities awarded state grant money last week to help with law enforcement efforts.

Along with 134 other municipalities, the borough will receive \$60,000, which will go toward hiring more police officers and, fees imposed on offenders. hopefully, purchasing equipment.

specially-selected municipalities under the which in turn should help deter some

Safe and Secure Communities Program, crime. The goal of the program is to en- extra officers would be hired. according to information provided by Acting State Attorney General Fred DeVesa's

The money should provide for the hiring of 400 more police officers in New the money will be used to hire two more 135 communities will be awarded \$60,000, Jersey, the information stated. Money for the program is funded partly by additional

In total, \$15 million will be distributed to crease police presence on the streets,

courage more crime prevention programs and interaction between police and resi- formation, eight major cities will receive

Police Chief John Muller said Monday officers, bringing the department's total number of officers to 56.

That should leave about \$4,000 in grant Mr. DeVesa said the grants will help in- money, which officials may use to purchase equipment, he said.

The chief said he wasn't sure when the

According to the attorney general's inand 27 municipalities will receive \$30,000.

office said the state's Division of Criminal port. Justice received requests for \$42 million in funding through the program. South waiting for word on another application for Plainfield asked for \$112,000 to hire four federal grant money.

extra officers, but due to limited funding, state officials decided on a \$60,000 award.

A municipality was considered eligible the maximum personnel grant of \$200,000, for the grant money to hire more police another 17 municipalities will get \$90,000, officers if its number of reported crimes per police officer exceeds 70 percent of the statewide average of municipal crimes as The statement released by Mr. DeVesa's reported in the 1991 Uniform Crime Re-

Chief Muller said local officials still are

Teacher held on \$75K bail

Boro resident faces charges of sexual assault on teenager

By SYLVIE MULVANEY

THE REPORTER

A week after he was charged with sexually assaulting a former student, private school teacher and borough resident Eddie Robbs remained in jail Tuesday.

He is being held at the Middlesex County Adult Correction Center in North Brunswick on

Mr. Robbs was arraigned Tuesday morning, an employee in the facility's records department said.

A fourth-grade teacher at New Life Christian School on New Brunswick Avenue, Mr. Robbs, 32, is accused of sexually assaulting a former student several times between October 1988 and September 1990 at his home, confirmed information about the school. Thomas R. Maltese, deputy chief

County prosecutor's office.

The suspect also is charged with endangering the welfare of a child, Mr. Maltese said.

The student, now 16, was between 10 and 13 years old when the alleged incidents occurred, he said, adding that the school suspended Mr. Robbs following the suspect's arrest Dec. 28.

New Life Elementary School Principal James Gallagher said he could not comment on the matter because it is an ongoing criminal investigation.

"Until this thing is resolved, there's nothing I can say one way or another," he said.

Mr. Gallagher said he was not authorized to release even general

The alleged assa of investigations for the Middlesex ported only recently, after one of ese said.



A borough resident, accused of sexually assaulting a boy, teaches fourth grade at New Life Christian School. Authorities are urging any other potential victims to come forward.

aware of the child's story and re- under way to determine whether contact South Plainfield police, ported it to authorities. Mr. Malt- any other children may have simi- 755-0700 or the county prosecu-

children may have simiany other lar complaints against the teacher. tor's sex crime unit, 745-3600.

the teenager's parents became He said an investigation is Anyone with information may

Democrats assume majority on council

Lock horns with GOP on prosecutor job

By SYLVIE MULVANEY

Despite resolving to try harder at working together in 1994, both the Democrats and the Republicans came out swinging during Saturday's annual reorganization meet-

Packed with nearly 150 observers who lined the walls and strained their necks to see in from the hallways, the meeting began with the swearing in of Democrats Jim Vokral and Ed Kubala, and farewell addresses by out-going Republicans Joseph Mack and Linda Dashuta.

With the subsequent exchange of seats, the council majority reversed in favor of the Democrats.

Although Republican Willard Carey had indicated earlier he planned to support fellow Republican Michael DeNardo for council president, he indicated he would "work with the changes," and along with Mr. DeNardo, approved Democrat Daniel Gallagher as president.

From that point, each side took jabs at the other.

Criticizing those who employed financial "scare tactics" and predicted "gloom and doom" for the borough under Republican major-ity control, Mayor Michael Woskey outlined accomplishments realized during his nine years in elected office - the last two of which have

been as mayor. He noted alignment of the bor-(Please turn to page A-2)



ROBERT YOUNG/THE REPORTER

Jim Vokral and Ed Kubala congratulate each other upon swearing in as South Plainfield councilmen.

Dashuta steps down, pledges won't bow out of borough life

By SYLVIE MULVANEY

THE REPORTER

Her Borough Council seat was filled by the opposition Saturday, senior citizen housing. but that doesn't mean the end of community service for former young voters. Council President Linda Dashuta.

earlier this week she plans to stay active in South Plainfield because that's all she knows.

"I don't know how not to be busy," she said. "It's going to take some getting used to."

After six years in the political spotlight - the last two of those years as council president - Ms. Dashuta said, politically speaking, she's not sure what the future

"I don't know," she said when she said. asked whether she would consider both ways."

Ms. Dashuta and her Republican lost their council bids in November else take over her seat. to Democrats Ed Kubala and Jim Vokral, who were sworn in Jan. 1.

Mr. Terranova had hoped to take can Joseph Mack, who chose not to run for a second term.

Without council responsibilities Dashuta said she intends to fill the gaps with other volunteer work.

For two years, she was the coun- eryone promised."

cil's liaison to the senior citizens. Ms. Dashuta plans to continue that work as a member of the newlyformed non-profit corporation for

She also wants to help motivate

"I'm going to put some energy The two-term councilwoman said into forming a South Plainfield Young Republican Committee,"

> 'Every decision she made came from the heart ... I hope she would consider running for elected office'-

> > - Michael Woskey mayor

Ms. Dashuta's family has deep running for another council seat in roots in the community, Mayor the future. "I've had thoughts on it Michael Woskey said during his remarks Saturday

Clearly, he found it difficult to running mate, Philip Terranova, say good-bye and watch someone

"Every decision she made came from her heart," the mayor said. "She's become a very, very close over the seat vacated by Republi- friend of my family. I hope she would consider running for elected office again."

As for attendance at 1994 council taking up much of her time, Ms. meetings, Ms. Dashuta said she "may go to a council meeting or two ... to keep an eye on what ev-



Callers still angry at BOE

Callers renewed cries of outrage at the school board this week. News of a Mird junitor being sus-

pended and of the creation of a committee to address escalating violence in the high school apparently fanned the fires of callers' discontent. "Why aren't we firing a janitor

who was arrested with drugs and cocaine," one woman wanted to know. The caller was referring to Paul

Zawacki, 23, of Skene Drive, whom police charged with possession of \$30 worth of heroin and cocaine on Dec. 14.

being a bad boy by this suspen-sion, when he was indeed arrested by the police. This I don't understand, especially when he works around children who are trying to understand that you don't do "And then they read this paper

and read about a custodian ... that (allegedly) does drugs, is arrested and gets paid for being on suspension. This is unbelievable. Board of education, wake up!"

One man said, "I finally realize the problem with education in South Plainfield is not necessarily with the system, but with the people and the Board of Education who are administering the system,...I don't see the connection between the number of teachers who are absent, nor do I understand how what they are making as a salary has anything to do with discipline in the high school.

"I urge parents to start attending the board meetings to see what goes on and who says what in terms of the education of students in South Plainfield. Cutting programs and insulting teachers ... is not the solution for the problems of the South Plainfield school system."

Another woman, the mother of a girl who will enter high school next year, said she is worried by the problems at the high school.

"If there are so many problems in the high school, I can't understand why the Board of Education does not get off of whatever and hire some more administrators for the high school if they're needed," she said.

"It really upsets me. I'm getting sick of reading every week about this problem, that problem. Do something about it. Take control, and do something."

However, two callers defended a Board of Education member against comments a Sound Off caller made in The Reporter's Dec. 30 issue. That caller said one member of the board, who is 78, "left school 60 years ago. What can he

contribute to education?" (Please turn to page A-2)

Super Bowl subs available from Pilgrim Covenant

Park Avenue, will sell and deliver foot-long submarine sandwiches list winter offerings Super Bowl Sunday, Jan. 30.

Each ham, salami and cheese sub can be ordered for \$8, or \$15 for two. To order, call Terry or Norm at 757-2586, before Jan. 23. Subs will be delivered to borough retreat program.

The Pilgrim Covenant Church, Adult School brochures

Brochures have been delivered to borough area residents for the 1994 South Plainfield Adult Education School winter semester. For a listing of adult school offerings, addresses before kickoff. Proceeds as well as Saturday Scene youth 12 in the South Plainfield High pancake breakfast 9 a.m.-noon will go toward the church's family classes and current trips, call 754- School main office, and daily 8 4620, ext. 213, 214 or 215.

Briefs

In-person registration for all classes will be held 7-9 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 11 and Wednesday, Jan. a.m.-4 p.m. in the Adult Education

Office, Administration Building, ish will be served. Room 8, Cromwell Place.

Pancakes are on the menu

The Home School Association of Dance party Sacred Heart School will hold a Sunday, Jan. 9. Pancakes, bacon,

Silent witnesses

Adult admission is \$4, senior citizens \$3.50, and \$3 for children under age 12. For more information, call 756-0632.

for seniors

The Brandis Dance Theatre juice, coffee, tea and assorted Dan- hosts a weekly ballroom, Latin, and 2300.

line dancing party for senior citizens every Tuesday.

Parties are 1:30-3:30 p.m.

The parties will take place at the Ricochet Health and Racquet Club, 219 St. Nicholas Ave., in the Rain-

For more information call 753-

emocrats assume majority

(Continued from page A-1) -ough budget with the state fiscal year budget, which, he said, saved the average resident a \$400 property tax increase in 1993.

The council was able to maintain a tax rate of 48 cents during the past five years, which helped build an \$11 million surplus and earn the borough a favorable Wall Street bond rating, the mayor said.

Ten borough roads were improved and more are slated for repairs in 1994, he said. The police and fire departments, finance office, and recreation facilities all saw improvements, and drainage work was completed in the Franklin School area, he said.

At least eight community programs also were initiated.

"Are you blind or is it that you will do and say anything for the sake of political expediency?" Mayor Woskey asked his opponents.

Tasks ahead of the council include establishing a game plan to end the 6-year-old sewer ban and more attention to the needs of senior citizens, a new communication system for the police chosen to serve on a soon-to-beand fire departments, Hadley Road construction, recreation facility expansion, and resolution of the overcrowding problem at Borough Hall, the mayor said.

Only through team work will them, Mr. Pulomena said.

those goals be achieved, he said.

In the 1994 majority report delomena, the Democrats refuted the mayor's figures, insisting the borough's debt has risen to almost \$40 million in the past five years.

The "credit card approach to government" left with the Republican majority, Mr. Pulomena said, pledging that in 1994 the council won't bond anything but emergency expenditures.

Officials also will start prepaying the borough's current bond obligation, he said.

To pay for interest on "enormous" borrowing, the 1993 council was forced to raise taxes about \$600,000, he said.

"The buck stops here and the borrowing stops now," Mr. Pulomena said. "In 1994, the spiraling borough debt will be reversed. You have our word on it.'

In an effort to "foster participatory democracy, not frustrate it,' he said meeting agendas will be more clear, and a suggestion/commoratorium, master plan revisions, plaint box will be installed in Borough Hall.

In addition, 10 residents were created taxpayers advisory group, and a business advisory group may be formed. Both groups will review all resolutions and ordinances before the council enacts

"Regrettably, South Plainfield has a history of unproductive polivered by Councilman John Pu- litical bickering at council meetings," he said. "Let's agree to use our best efforts to stop the pettiness and work for the public good.'

But council members also clashed on the salary aspect of incoming Borough Attorney Patrick J. Diegnan Jr., whom the Democrats named to replace the Republicans' choice of Frank Santoro.

Officials agreed to delay until next week a decision on whether to implement a cap on Mr. Diegnan's \$50,000 annual allotment.

They also fought over the Democrats' choice of municipal prosecutor. Borough resident Thomas Lanza replaced long-time Prosecutor Howard Freeman. The Republicans objected to the fact that the Democrats appointed a man without experience as a borough prosecutor. The Democrats assured the objectors that Mr. Lanza "capable and competent" of handling the job, despite his lack of previous title as prosecutor.

That dispute prompted one man standing in the back of the room to turn to the woman next to him and say, "I thought they said they weren't going to fight."

"It's going to be interesting," the John Soroka Sr. dies in hit-and-run on highway near D.C. woman replied.

GEORGE PACCIELLO/THE REPORTER Icicles drip from a sign at Spring Lake Park, silent testimony that winter has arrived.

Former borough resident killed

A retired laborers' union president and former Vogt was expected to be released from a Maryland South Plainfield resident was killed Dec. 20 in a hitand-run accident on the Capital Beltway outside Washington, D.C.

John Soroka Sr., 62, was moving to Florida from Piscataway with his wife, Eva Zereconski Soroka when the accident occurred.

According to information provided by Maryland State Police, Mr. Soroka was hit by another car as he stood next to one of three vehicles stopped on the shoulder of the inner loop of Interstate 95 in Forestville about 8:40 p.m.

Mr. Soroka's son-in-law, Kevin Vogt, was standing next to his father-in-law, and suffered a broken leg in

Police identified the driver of the moving vehicle as Lavon Sampson, 33, of Upper Marlboro, Md. The suspect fled the accident scene, but was arrested several hours later, police said.

Charges against the man are pending. Police said alcohol didn't appear to be a factor in the accident. According to information confirmed by the James

W. Conroy Funeral Home in South Plainfield, Mr.

hospital two days ago. The police account of the accident stated that Mr.

Sampson's vehicle veered off the Beltway, and collided with a Ryder truck and a minivan before hitting the two men. The rented truck and minivan apparently were driven by Mr. Vogt and his wife, Mr. Soroka's daughter. Those vehicles were parked on the shoulder, behind the victim's Buick.

Mr. Seroka was born in Plainfield, served in the Navy during the Korean War, and lived in South Plainfield before moving to Piscataway in 1966. He joined Local 156 of the Laborers' International Union in New Brunswick in 1954 and was its president when

he retired in 1992. Also surviving are three sons, John Soroka Jr. of Spring Hill, Fla., David Soroka of Greentown, Pa., and Peter Soroka of Middletown; two other daughters, Debbie Butler of Barnegat and Jane Soroka of Spring Hill; 10 grandchildren; and four sisters, Mary Jallo of Dyer, Ind., Ann Roenish of Paterson, Olga Pietra of

Iselin, and Helen Chencharick of Edison. Services were held Friday, Dec. 24.

County honors South Plainfield with Clean Communities award South Plainfield was recently a winner of a Clean ernments can potentially save money since less waste

preciation from the Middlesex County Department of Environmental Health, for its efforts to create and maintain an attractive environment in the commercial and business sections of the borough.

Some of the association's 96 members have volunteered in the Adopt-A-Spot and Adopt-a-Highway programs while others have provided assistance in the borough's annual litter pickup.

The borough officially recognized those efforts at an annual awards breakfast.

Highland Park received the Best Source Reduction award and was recognized for its backyard composting program in which free composting containers are distributed to residents through a lottery, along with free information on how to compost at home with or without containers.

and by adopting source reduction policies, local gov- mobile waste collections.

Communities Act award, and a certificate of ap- is handled and costs associated with recycling, municipal composting or landfilling are avoided.

Backyard composting programs address a significant portion of the waste stream since more than 20 percent of the waste stream consists of yard waste and compostible food stamps.

Dunellen received the Most Innovative Recycling Idea Award for converting a non-working 20-yard leaf vacuum truck into a 5-bin compartmentalized recycling collection vehicle.

A second leaf vacuum truck was converted into a newspaper collection vehicle.

These innovations have saved several thousand dollars, increased recycling capacities and reused formerly non-functioning equipment.

The Department of Environmental Health also awarded certificates of appreciation to Highland Park Source reduction's main goal is to make less waste, and Dunellen for hosting hazardous materials or auto-

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The South Plainfield Reporter will print announcements of community events, weddings, engagements, anniversaries, academic

achievements, military honors, etc. Photographs may accompany submissions. Faces in pictures should be at least the size of a dime. The photographs should be clear, not fuzzy. We prefer black and white, but color photos are also acceptable. We cannot print Po-

The Reporter will also print letters to the editor. All letters should be submitted by noon Monday. Letter writers should include daytime and evening phone numbers where they can be reached for verification. No letter will be printed until it is verified by the editor.

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Memories of New Year's past Special recipes can accent an important family time

By MADELINE GAZZALE

Special to The Reporter

It's hard to believe 1993 has come to an end. It seems the older one gets, the faster the years pass, and once children are added the years just fade into one another.

This New Year's Eve we entertained at home with family and

Looking back on New Year's Eve parties of yesteryear and remembering all the family members and friends no longer with us is bittersweet. We had wonderful times together ushering in the

My mother and two aunts would take turns hosting the parties. Some years they were theme parties, other years costume parties. There was always live entertainment provided by local talent my relatives. They were not professional by any means and no one was ever discovered by talent scouts, but to us the entertainment was an unbelievable highlight to the evening. We still have the home movies and pictures to prove

As midnight approached we'd all 1 cup very warm water gather around the television glued to Guy Lombardo anxiously awaiting the ball dropping in Times Square. There was an abundance of hugging and kissing as the 3 tbsp. oil

countdown began. "Happy New Powdered sugar Year" echoed through the house as well-wishes were exchanged and comments on the year gone by were passed. We were all one big happy family that night as we cel-

ebrated our hopes for the future. After a little while, Noni would begin her yearly midnight tradition of frying pizza frittas (fried dough). She would stand in front of the biggest pot of hot oil and fry these light balls of dough. They would be dancing in the pot as she moved them around so they wouldn't stick together.

Platters of fried dough balls coated in powdered sugar graced the table. I don't know why they tasted so good, but they were the lightest little things to eat.

The midnight tradition is long since gone with Noni's passing, although the memories remain. Who knows, someday I may share Noni's tradition with my husband and children. This may be the year. We shall see. As for the entertainment, they're on their own.

(FRIED DOUGH)

1 package yeast Pinch of salt

PIZZA FRITTAS

Sound off (Continued from page A-1)

not a senior citizen, would dis- need." criminately comment on the age

Education member functions on an extremely high level of intelligence and offers a wealth of "I'm surprised that a South experience, especially finance, Plainfield resident, obviously just what taxpayers of all ages

"When did we start judging of a member of the Board of anyone's knowledge by age," a Education," another caller said second woman asked. "Apparthis week. "This older Board of ently, you have a lot to learn."

Oil for frying

In large bowl make a well in center of flour. Add beaten eggs, oil, yeast mixture, and salt. Knead until dough comes away from sides of bowl. Add a little more flour if too sticky. Cover and let rise in a warm place at least 3 hours.

Drop by tablespoons into large pot of hot oil. Fry until golden brown. Remove with slotted spon. Drain on several layers of paper towels. Coat with powdered sugar.

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Mayor offers State of the Community address

Following is the text of Mayor Michael agement and all those citizens and busi-placed our community on a sound finan-

the Community Address.

As I enter into both my 10th consecutive as a community. year as an elected official of this borough, but more importantly, in my final year of made a significant administrative change my first term as your mayor, I look to the future with great expectations.

During this past year there were those colleagues of mine who professed gloom and doom for South Plainfield under the control of the Republican majority. I present to you that these are the same people that will look at a glass half filled with water and declare that it's half empty. Well, I state to you that South Plainfield is instead likened to a crystal goblet half full holding the potential for even more.

Over the past 68 years that South Plainfield has been incorporated as a borough, it has seen many politicians come and go and many elections pass us by. But there is one thing for certain: when the election is over and the smoke clears from the campaign trails, South Plainfield hasn't gone anywhere. It's still here where it's always been, in the hands of the people who form this great community of ours. This is where the true strength of our community lies.

As we enter into this new year, it shouldn't be viewed by some as an exchange of power between political parties, but instead an opportunity for two newly elected councilmen to join a team of elected officials chosen by the people of our great town to carry out the needs of all it's citizens. As your chosen leader of this team, I vow my continued support to work together with all members of this team in the best interest of this borough of ours. This should not be viewed as a weakness on my behalf, but instead an empowerment of each and every member of this team to carry out their responsibilities to their fullest potential.

As a coach of any sports club can tell you, a team only excels when each of its members work together in concert. Once it's members begin to work as individuals carrying out their own personal agendas, not only do they lose but so does the team.

1993 was a very dramatic year as far as Mother Nature was concerned, and certainly South Plainfield did not go by unscathed from her fury. As we finished out flooding brought about by a record breaking North-Easter. Three months later, only having to cope with what some call the blizzard of the century, paralyzing the borough while running up costs into the tens of thousands of dollars.

As if this was not enough to deal with, in May a mini tornado touched down, ripping a path of destruction through our litpower for days and literally taking months to clean up the aftermath.

I would like to take this opportunity to personally thank our Police Department,

Woskey's State of the Community address. nesses who pitched in to help cope with cial foundation. We are currently sitting on the Senior Safety Sticker program and the As your mayor, I am both honored and these emergency circumstances. It is truly privileged to present to you the State of times such as these which bring people closer together and really test our strength

> During this past year, South Plainfield whereby the borough has aligned our municipal budget with the state fiscal budget. What this means for our community is that our budget year will now begin on July 1 rather than today, enabling the borough to better manage its cash flow since nearly 30 percent of our revenues are received from the State.

> It also means that our budget year will now coincide with the school budget. Over one third of the towns in Middlesex County have already made this same transition.

> Another key driver influencing the decision to change over to the fiscal year was the mechanism which the state permits under the transition budget enabling us to finance the tremendous amounts of industrial and commercial tax appeals which has not only plagued our town but every town in the state of New Jersey. It is estimated that by year's end nearly \$3 million dollars will have been paid out in tax appeals, not to mention the future loss of revenue due to these reduced assess-

> What this all means is that if the change to the fiscal year budget did not occur, the average residential property tax would have increased by over \$400 dollars in 1993 alone while still leaving the funding of tax appeals unaddressed.

> I realize that this had been the single most important issue of debate during this past election. While I received an enormous amount of criticism from my Democratic colleagues, not once did they present alternative solutions to deal with these very real problems had they been the majority party with the responsibility of adopting a balanced budget. They also did not mention the fact that during the past five years of a Republican council majority that we have been able to maintain a flat tax rate of 48 cents. That's right, a stable local tax rate for five consecutive years, during times of economic hardship, with only a modest tax increase of 4.5 cents as we enter into 1994.

Instead, my Democratic colleagues chose to use scare tactics such as "endan-1992, our community had to deal with the gering the welfare of our community by putting us deep into financial debt," or "making our children and grandchildren pay for our credit card spending," or better yet, instilling the fear of a "major tax increase looming in the wings once the election is over."

be further from the truth. Wall Street rates South Plainfield as a very conservative intle town, leaving some areas without vestment and therefore has earned us a "triple A" bond rating enabling us to issue bonds at a 30-year record low interest rate of 4.5 percent.

In fact, as we enter into this new year Public Works, our Volunteer Fire Depart- we can move forward with peace of mind ment and Rescue Squad, Emergency Man-knowing that the past decisions have Business Administration's Tree Planting Road. Simultaneously, the borough at-

over \$11 million dollars of capital to use toward infrastructure improvements, the construction of senior citizen housing, mitigation of tax appeals as well as future surplus to maintain a stable tax rate.

And speaking of capital improvements, the 1993 Council worked extremely hard at developing and implementing an aggressive Capital Investment Program. Ten borough roads were either resurfaced or reconstructed last year, including the completion of the engineering plans for Hadley Road. With the securing of \$250,000 in federal grants and another \$300,000 in offsite developers improvements, the first phase of Hadley Road will be slated for construction in 1994. In addition to these 10 streets, the council has been working together with the county to improve five major intersections. The long awaited storm drainage improvements in the Franklin School residential area were also completed.

In our Public Safety Department, our volunteer fire company took possession of their much-needed aerial ladder truck. Additionally, the Fire Department building received a new roof, energy efficient windows, and an upgraded electrical service. Our Police Department commissioned the new emergency 911 system, requiring the hiring of seven highly trained dispatchers.

Our Public Works Department continued to receive the council's attention with the replacement of aging trucks and equipment on an as-needed basis.

Phase II of replacing contaminated drinking wells with a clean, safe water supply is currently under way. This project should receive nearly 100 percent reimbursement under the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection and Energy spill prevention fund.

In our Department of Recreation, the community pool locker room facilities saw a complete face lift as well as the cleanup and new playground equipment installed at Walnut Street Park.

Our finance office was completely upgraded with state-of-the-art computer equipment to insure a more efficient and effective handling of the day-to-day finances of this multi-million dollar corporation, as well as improve the billing and accounting functions of the tax and sewer

Now I say to my Democratic colleagues who accused me and my Republican colleagues of borrowing money and having nothing to show for it, are you blind, or is it that you will do and say anything for the sake of political expediency?

Aside from the many capital improve-Well, I submit to you that nothing could ments which have occurred during my term as your mayor, there have been many new programs which have been initiated for the benefit of our community, including the nationally acclaimed DARE program, the Municipal Home Improvement program, the Business Retention and Expansion program, the South Plainfield Clean Business program, the Small

creation of the Highland Avenue Woods Preserve.

As I mentioned earlier, I hold great expectations for 1994. This year can be just as successful as last year was for South Plainfield so long as the Borough Council addresses the challenges facing them head-on without allowing personal and political agendas interfere with doing what's best for the residents of our community. With this in mind, let me set forth a progressive agenda for 1994 so that together we can continue to "Build a Better South

First and foremost on the list is to once and for all establish a final direction and time table to resolve the sewer ban and moratorium which has crippled this town since 1987. To quote the famous President Franklin Delano Roosevelt "the only thing we have to fear is fear itself. Nameless, unreasoning, unjustified terror which paralyzes leaded effort to convert retreat into advance" we can no longer put off making a decision for fear of making a decision. The time has come to lead, follow or get out of the way. To echo Councilman Pulomena's 1993 address, "If you're not going to make a difference, then why serve at all? There are pressing needs in this borough that demand all of our attention."

Second, immediately start working on updating our Master Plan. I, along with the Planning Board, will be setting up subcommittees for the purpose of exploring and making recommendations for the future development of our downtown area as well as the Gateway to South Plainfield -Durham Avenue and Hamilton Boulevard. We must also include a complete inventory of our open spaces as well as incorporate the efforts of our environmental commission to expand pedestrian and bike paths, environmental preserves, and expanded recreational areas.

Third, creation of the first South Plainfield Business Commission so that our Business Community can have a voice in local government, especially on those matters which directly affect our Business and Industry.

Fourth, a commitment to the newly formed non-profit corporation for the redesign, funding and construction of the long awaited Senior Citizen Housing Project.

Fifth, both our police department and volunteer fire department are in desperate need for a complete new communication system. Both departments have been working feverishly on exploring the various types of communications equipment on the market and as to how they would interface with their day to day operations. They have presented a report of their findings and recommendations to the council for our review and decision. This must be prioritized in our 1994 Capital Expenditure

Sixth, as I mentioned earlier, this council must direct our borough engineer to finalize contract documents for bidding the first phase of construction of Hadley

program, the Combat Auto Theft program, torney must immediately begin to legally pursue the necessary land acquisitions which need to take place before construction can begin. Remember, the \$250,000 federal grant we received has a stipulation that states construction must begin by May of this year.

Seventh, now that our budget has been adopted, the council must finalize a capital improvement priority list for all infrastructure improvements we plan to complete this year. During the past five years, the council has been dedicating nearly \$1 million annually toward road projects.

Eighth, over the past 10 years, according to the 1990 National Census, the population of senior citizens in our community has more than doubled while the overall population has remained virtually unchanged. The time has come to move toward a full time senior citizens coordinator, as well as formalizing our new Senior Citizen Transportation Program.

Ninth, together with our increasing senior citizen population is the need for an expanded community center. There has been a proposal which was presented to the council for the expansion of the P.A.L. facility for the South Plainfield Wrestling Club. I have had preliminary discussions with members of the recreation commission to provide for an expansion to the P.A.L. facility to incorporate not only the demands of the wrestling club, but instead to design a multi-purpose facility which could be utilized for a number of community activities, including a meeting place for our Senior Citizen Club.

And lastly, the 10th item which needs to be addressed in 1994 is the over crowding of Borough Hall. This facility, which is over 30 years old, is in need of attention, as well as not being able to provide the adequate space for our current day-to-day operations. I have already been directed by the assignment court judge that adequate space and staffing in our municipal court system must be provided for. As a temporary means, we will have to rent additional office space and relocate various personnel and departments until a longrange plan is established for the efficient operation of all our municipal departments.

As you can see, the 1994 council has a full plate of tasks which must be carried out efficiently and effectively if we are going to maintain South Plainfield as a progressive community. These goals can only be achieved through a combined effort of this governing body to address these problems openly and honestly without introducing political motives or personal agendas.

As the mayor of this great community of ours, I vow my full attention and efforts to work together with each and every member of this council to insure and bring about the best government for the people of South Plainfield. Once again let me wish each and every one a very happy, healthy, and prosperous new year and may the eternal God continue to watch over and bless us all.

Thank you.

Editor's note: The Democrats' response will appear in the next issue of The South Plainfield Reporter.

Resident reports handgun missing; weapon was last seen in June 1993

A South Clinton Avenue resident reported the theft of his .38-caliber automatic handgun Thursday. According to the report, the resident said he kept the weapon in a steel box under his bed. He last saw the a window for ventilation, police gun in June, and recently noticed said. No one else was injured. it was missing.

sene heater in a basement bedroom on Conklin Street caused an Street home Sunday. unknown amount of damage to the home Monday. One man suffered a Lenox items worth \$396 were recut on his foot when he kicked out ported stolen Friday from The Gift

Police log

A videocassette recorder and A small fire ignited by a kero- jewelry worth a total of \$760 were reported stolen from a Thomas

Build self-esteem.

management

Someone smashed out four windows of a vehicle parked behind the Holiday Inn, Stelton Road,

A \$180 leather coat was reported stolen from Wesley Methodist Church Thursday. Police said the theft reportedly occurred Dec. 12.

Borough seeking new chief financial officer

The Borough Council has been looking for a new chief financial officer since William Nadolny resigned a month ago.

Mr. Nadolny left the \$58,000-a-year post to take over as director of finance and chief financial officer in Morristown.

Since leaving the first week in December, Mr. Nadolny has been working part-time for the bor-ough until a full-time chief financial officer is hired, Borough Clerk/Administrator James Eckert said Saturday.

Mr. Eckert said officials have advertised the position and hope to begin interviewing candidates this month. He didn't know how long the hiring process would take.

Mr. Nadolny, who was hired in January 1993 after long-time chief financial officer Charles Haus retired, agreed to work for the borough on a parttime basis until his replacement is chosen, Mr. Eckert said.

He would have been named tax collector Jan. 1 if he'd remained with the borough, he said.

Before his resignation took effect, Mr. Nadolny said he would stay on to finish work on the 1994 fiscal year budget and the 1993 tax sale.

He said his move to Morristown had nothing to do with politics in the borough, but rather it was an offer too good to pass up.

"The position in Morristown is a better opportunity overall," he said.

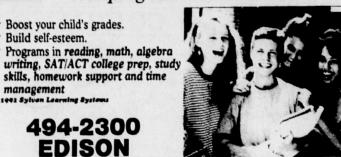
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What we would like to see in 1994

Setting the agenda for the year

At the beginning of every year, it's traditional to wipe the slate clean and pledge renewed efforts to make the new year

Ideally, the turmoil, tension and problems of the old year should be erased with the flip of the calendar page, but that seldom happens. The new year is burdened with the problems of the past, the chronic woes that have been lingering for years. Now is the time for all of us - residents and officials - to resolve to tackles these problems once again and make a concerted effort to make 1994 the year of the long-awaited solution.

Here are some solutions we hope to see in 1994:

 A vigorous movement toward improved race relations and less violence in South Plainfield High School.

 School administrators' salaries more closely in line with those earned by their private sector counterparts.

· A creative solution to the bird overpopulation in Spring Lake Park - hopefully one that does not include killing the

· More instances of the borough taking advantage of stateoffered grant programs, like the Green Acres grant that will allow for the purchase of land linking the Highland Avenue Woods environmental education reserve and Pitt Street

· An end to the political power struggle taking place between a departing Republican majority and the in-coming Democrat majority.

· A master plan review that includes some provisions for low-cost senior citizen housing.

• More businesses participating in a Clean Communities program that has improved the attractiveness of the borough's post office sparkle.

 More residents actively participating in running the borough and school system. And in the same vein, more proaction from residents to monitor the activities of borough and school officials, instead of reaction when something goes wrong.

And on the state level, this is what we would like to see: Incentives for school districts to consider regionalization

and consolidation. Incentives for municipalities to share services and person-

nel. · An end to the decades-old litigation and controversy over

the funding of public schools. A better relationship between the New Jersey School

Boards Association and the New Jersey Education Associa-Exploring the privatization of some state services, includ-

ing car inspections and the Division of Motor Vehicles. No more gimmicky financing to balance the state budget.
The enactment of Christie Whitman's tax cuts to stimu-

late the state's stagnant economy and to keep businesses from fleeing the state.

The end of the anachronistic practice of senatorial cour-

· A review of the state's ECRA law to make it easier for new businesses to set up shop.

 A campaign for the U.S. Senate that concentrates on the issues, not personalities.

Violence in schools

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alarming rate. It must be

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'must be stopped'

The article on violence in the

high school (Dec. 30) greatly dis-

turbed me. One board member

is quoted as saying "I don't

think we're any worse than any

other high school." Excuse me,

but was that supposed to be an

encouraging remark? Why

aren't we better than any other

Another member states, "We

had more problems ... when

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Letters to the editor

Malecki says thanks to 'friends'

To The Reporter:

I never realized I had so many friends!

To all my friends in South Plainfield, my thanks and apologies. Some of you knew what I was experiencing in my personal life; others of you did not. In either case, thank you for caring, and please accept my apologies for any wrong I may have done you.

To my brother firefighters and officers, thanks for standing by me the night of my accident. To all my friends on the rescue squad, thanks for being so concerned that you were ready to go out of town to come to my aid.

To the police officers at the scene, I realize that you had a very tough job to do, and you did it well, all the while professional, (conscientious), courteous, and

Regrettably, it's taken me 36 years living in South

Plainfield and an unfortunate situation like this before I realized how many true friends I really had.

Thank you, Rosie, for you helped me see that people really do care about the welfare of others, and for inspiring me to write this letter.

Most of all, I'd like to apologize to my lovely wife and daughter, I'm sorry for the pain I've caused both of you. I hope and pray that you can find it in your hearts to forgive me, for I truly love you more than I could express in words.

To my family and all my other friends, thank you for loving me and standing with me. Your support has helped through this most difficult time in my life. I

Finally, a very special thank you to Father John and Rev. Mingel for their patience and time. embarrassed. It was almost a given that I would lose my license until

Keep cigarette pricing fair

To The Reporter:

ing eigarettes a big profit item for organized crime.

The situation in the U.S. is almost exactly like it up at gunpoint for their cigarettes. was in Canada a few years ago. High pressure "health alth care and to groups" lobbied for h pack, 70 percent of it taxes.

Sales dropped enormously, but cigarette consumption did not. Instead, a cigarette smuggling industry sprang up. Manufacturers sent "export-only" cigarettes to America which were soon smuggled back to Canada. Illegal sales of American brands also flourished. Law-abiding citizens switched from buying their smokes in stores to buying them in back alleys. Law enforcement agencies have been able to do

little. And law officials are begging the government to President Clinton has big plans for cigarettes. His lower taxes as the only way to put a dent in a problem 75-cent excise tax increase is a big step toward mak- that is growing increasingly serious and violent. Convenience store workers and truckers are being held

Some may argue that raising cigarette prices in America is a good way to solve this problem. It decrease smoking. Prices shot up to \$5.50 or so a We have a long, ineffectively patrolled border to our south, and as soon as American prices get high enough, criminals will send billions of "export-only" American cigarettes or cheap, foreign-made cigarettes across that border.

The only way to avoid this is to keep cigarettes at

Bill Lear, President

George Takitch, Administrative vice president NJ Coalition for Smokers' Rights

It's time for budget reform

Line-item veto, other tools needed to restore taxpayer's faith

By Sen. BILL BRADLEY

GUEST COLUMNIST

The federal government spends too much money. What's more, since no basic principles consistently guide federal spending, getting legislators to agree on what programs to cut can be next to impossible.

Each September, Congress appropriates billions of taxpayer dollars for programs ranging from the unnecessary, like landscaping for a military officers' golf course, to the necessary, like medical research to cure diseases.

U.S. senators have all talked with great courage about making meaningful budget cuts. But when it comes down to deciding what is essential and what is wasteful spending, our choices seem haphazard and careless.

I believe we need to establish two clear principles against which to measure the value of all federal spending. First, we need to ask ourselves whether the proposed spending is essential and in the general interest. Second, we need to ask whether taxpayer money is the only and most cost-effective principles, I proposed a series of cated procedures give the advan- in government.



spending cuts to several appropriations bills.

For example, I proposed cutting funding for unproductive research into coal liquefaction, a process whereby coal is converted into liquid fuel. I argued against subsidizing timber sales in Alaska, Why should the federal government support an industry that can stand on its own? I proposed terminating the Selective Service system, a dinosaur in the post-Soviet world. In all, the cuts I proposed would have saved 500 million taxpayer dollars.

With one exception, these amendments failed. In fact, of the \$5.8 billion in total spending cuts proposed this year in the Senate, we succeeded in striking only \$60 million worth of spending.

The path to eliminating wasteful spending is fraught with more way to achieve the purpose behind twists and turns than the most the funding. In line with these elaborate maze of mirrors. Compli-

tage to a few senators who control institutional power that often frustrates the will of the majority.

The truth is, we're trapped in a system designed to foil nearly every attempt to reduce wasteful spending. So year after year, we conduct business as usual and spend far too much taxpayer money because we haven't discovered the right way out.

It's time for budget reform. We need the line-item veto and sunset legislation that would allow programs to expire unless specifically reauthorized. Most of all, we need solid principles to weigh the true merit of each program, and once we've decided what to cut, we must be able to take meaningful votes on individual programs. And we must put everything on the table.

Before we lower health care subsidies for seniors or ask more of our civilian and civil retirees, we have to show the American people that we can eliminate wasteful, inefficient, and obsolete spending in the appropriations process. Only then will we begin to see real savings and restore Americans' faith



Tragedy: some never do learn

Recently, a Highland Park teenager was killed in a drunk driving accident. He was almost decapitated as he vomited out the window of a moving vehicle.

Some newspapers called it a "freak accident," but it was exactly the type of thing that happens when people mix drinking and driving.

But this isn't a column warning about drinking and driving. I'm not in a position to lecture anybody because, about 25 years ago, I had just graduated from high school and I was one of those kids behind and I was one of those kids behind the wheel of a car, a can of ginger ale and whiskey in my lap. I didn't just drive after drinking...I drove while drinking.

I was an idiot. I never thought

anything could happen to me be-cause I was God's chosen favorite, the golden child. And all my friends were golden children too, so they stupidly got in the car with me. Dumb luck must have been one of my passengers too, because miraculously, none of us was

One day my luck ran out and I drove into a parked car. I fled the scene of the accident because I was scared and drunk, and to this day, I don't remember the crash at all. I just remember running away and waking up to the first (and worst) hangover of my life.

People weren't as aware of the dangers of drunk driving 25 years ago. If nobody got hurt, it was mostly regarded as a "rite of passage." Of course, I was a girl, so my parents were very angry and embarrassed. It was almost a given age 21, but there was no jail sen-South Plainfield tence at that time, especially since nobody else was involved in the accident.

The detective who investigated my case was a recovering alcoholic. He told me if I would attend Alcoholics Anonymous meetings with him, he would make sure my driving record never showed a drunk driving accident. I knew he was putting his job on the line, so I agreed. And the misery I saw at those meetings helped me clean up my act...for about six years. My driving record showed only that I had suffered a fainting spell behind the wheel.

I wish I could say I learned my lesson, but I'm ashamed to say that as an adult, there were other times when I got behind the wheel and shouldn't have. I figured I was older and wiser and would simply drive more carefully if I "had a

I'm not sure when it occurred to me that getting behind the wheel after drinking was unconscionable. About eight years ago, I suddenly decided I had no right to drive a car if I had been drinking. I simply stopped.

But the point is, I'm not sure we ever really learn our lessons when we should. It's almost human nature to push our luck further and further until we become active participants in our own destruction.

I want to tell people that you think it will never happen to you and then it does and it's horrible realizing you're not indestructible. know they won't believe me, though, any more than I believed anyone who tried to warn me.

My relatively minor accident caused my parents and me no end of grief. At the time, I thought it was the worst thing that could happen, so I can't even imagine what it would be like to be responsible for someone's death.

What's the answer to all this? I don't know.

Maybe I just wanted to purge the guilt and tell you the reason these accidents make me sad instead of angry. How can I rant about drunk drivers when I was one? How can I condemn others when because of a kind cop and dumb luck, I got a second chance? If I got in the same type of accident tomorrow, I would pay a much heavier price than I did 25 years ago.

And it makes me even sadder when I read the comments of the survivors. In this most recent case, one of the boy's friends said of the driver, "We're not angry at him. He never would have driven drunk if he knew he was going to lose a

Well, geez, who would?

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Golden Nuggets

AARP Chapter 4144

South Plainfield Chapter 4144, American Association of Retired Persons has planned a meeting for Jan. 21. The meeting will be open to the public.

A trip to Trump Castle hotel and casino in Atlantic City is also planned for Monday, Jan. 17. Cost is \$13. Participants will receive \$10 in coins and a \$5 voucher. The bus will leave the Italian-American Club on Garibaldi Ave. 9 a.m. and return around 7 p.m.

Plans are also under way for a trip to Branson, Mo. in May. The trip will take in Branson's country music theaters. For more information, call Grace at 753-1564.

Adult School Seniors

The South Plainfield Adult School senior group will meet 10 a.m. Friday in the board room of the administration building on Cromwell Place.

Ron Portnoi will address the seniors on financial planning. For more information or transportation, call 754-1047. Coffee and punch will be served after the meeting.

The South Plainfield Adult School offers the following services to residents older than 60:

Information and referral service of social, educational and recreational programs; counseling; assistance in form completion for programs such as home energy, pharmaceutical assistance and Medicare; and transportation.

Van service runs 9 a.m.-2 p.m. Monday through Friday. Seniors can receive free rides to doctors offices, local hospitals, therapy, and banks. Call 9 a.m.-2 p.m. one working week before the ride is needed.

For more information, and to arrange transportation, call 754-1047.

Tri-County Seniors

The Tri-County Senior Citizens Center, serving Middlesex, Union and Somerset counties, is located at 450 New Market Road, Piscataway. Anyone 55 and older is welcome.

Card games, pool, darts and bocci are offered daily. All activities take place at the center unless otherwise noted.

Mondays: Cards, bridge, pinochle, games 12:30 p.m. Tuesdays: Square dancing 10 a.m.-noon, Mah-Jongg 1 p.m. Wednesdays: Country dancing and lessons 1-3 p.m. Thursdays: Arts and crafts, wood carving 10 a.m.-noon. Fridays: Line dancing 10 a.m.-noon.

Jan. 27 — Trip to Meadowlands to see Ice Capades. For information on trips, call Drew Michaels at 725-3428.

Family starts new year in new home

Volunteer group rebuilds a house for area family

By SYLVIE MULVANEY

THE REPORTER

PLAINFIELD - New year. New home. New life.

Before now, things weren't bad for the Conley family. But since they moved into their new home Jan. 1, life is great.

With lots of help from family members and volunteers from The Greater Plainfield Habitat for Humanity, Charles and Lorraine Conley and their children spent their first night Saturday in a home of their own.

"It's nice to know you can come into your own house," Mrs. Conley said Monday. "I thank God so much. It's a blessing to come into this house and know it's yours."

"I love it," Mr. Conley said. "It's a beautiful thing. I was so hyper, anxious to get in here."

Living in an East Sixth Street apartment, the Conleys were notified in September that they would get the Carlisle Terrace house.

"The kids love their own rooms," Mr. Conley said. "I told them they could make as much noise as they wanted to when we move into our own house.

He added that the children, Ronnay, 7, and Amiyah and Charles Jr., both 2, reminded their father of his promise just the day before, when he asked them to keep the noise down.

It took a year to get through the process and move into the house, Mrs. Conley said.

We told them we were brought up in a house and we would like our kids to be raised in a house,' she said.

The Conleys had to put in 35 hours of volunteer service with Habitat before even being accepted into the consideration process, she said. In total, the family must complete 500 volunteer hours in two



Charles and Lorraine Conley enjoy the comfort of the living room in their own home.

Conley's uncle who volunteered roof, heating, plumbing, kitchen more than 60 hours toward the family's obligation, they are more than halfway there.

Many of those hours were spent helping fix the house they eventually would call home.

Mrs. Conley said that once the family's service obligation is met, she expects to join the organization's family selection committee and devote even more time to the

The gray, two-story Carlisle Terrace house with the fenced-in yard was greatly in need of major re-pairs and in foreclosure when Habitat for Humanity officials bought it from a bank nine months ago.

Immediately, about 60 volunteers began working feverishly two

With the help of Nate Muse, Mrs. livable again. They installed a new will pay much less per month for and bathroom, among other things, Peter Metz, president of the local Habitat chapter, said last week.

"For all practical purposes, it's a new house," he said.

The Conleys were chosen for a Habitat site after they passed the rigorous scrutiny process by the family selection committee, Mr. Metz said.

Among the qualifications for acceptance into the program were the existence of children and good employment records, he said.

"These are the working poor with kids," he said. "These are people who have a chance to make it if given a hand."

The Conleys have a 20-year mortgage with no interest or days a week to make the house points, he said, adding that they

their own home than they paid in

The Conley home is the second house completed by local Habitat volunteers in 1993, Mr. Metz said. All projects are funded through donations. No government money is involved.

working on at least two more sites in Plainfield, which should be finished in about six months, Mr. Metz said.

Local chapter volunteers are

Nationally, Habitat for Humanity has completed 1,200 homes and is 'growing nicely," he said.

Anyone interested in volunteering should call 232-2119. Donations can be sent to Habitat for Humanity, 315 W. 7th St., Plainfield,

Riley students update few familiar fairy tales

The John E. Riley School Drama Club presented the musical comedy A Storybook Christmas Dec. 20. The performance included a matinee for the student body and an evening presentation for parents

A Storybook Christmas is the tale in the storybook department of the North Pole toy shop. Georgeanne (portrayed by fifth-grade student Brandice Saunders) was the chief elf author who wanted to bring some present-day relevance to the old fairy tale favorites. This produced comic frustration for her elf illustrator Felix (portrayed by fifthgrader Ryan Harty).

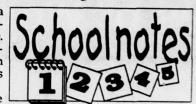
The arguing elves were given a stern deadline by Santa (played by fifth-grader Justin Woo) to work overtime to produce the needed storybooks in time for Christmas delivery. As they labored through the night trying to meet their deadline, the two were visited by various familiar fairy tale characters who had updated '90s lifestyles.

In the end, Georgeanne realized that sometimes allowing classics to remain unchanged is the best form of storytelling after all.

The show featured Kristyn Ciarlariello as Mrs. Claus, Tommy Doyon as a rapping gourmet Big Bad Wolf named Wolfgang, Andrew Falocco as his sidekick Willie Weasel, and Adrienne Navy as a Southern-belle Little Red Riding Hood turned vegetarian caterer. The Three Little Pigs (portrayed by Rajeeyah Madinah, Diane Cito, and Cassie Bosse) arrived, complete with feather boas, in their new careers as interior decorators.

Riley teachers Joanne Gurske and Margina Gumina directed the play. Eve Hook designed and built the set and also served as artistic and technical director. Instrumental teacher Joan Stasic served as musical director and wrote the arrangement for the band selections. Parent Sandy Doyon served as sound engineer. The play featured a cast of 22 fourth- and fifth-grade students, the school chorus, the school band, and a lighting and technical crew of 13 fourth- and fifth-grade students.

The school string ensemble, directed by Carleen Tedeschi, performed holiday selections before the play. The ensemble featured Angelique Ganairis and Lee Stel-



Georgeanne and Felix, who worked and Violet Huynh on viola, Danielle Schweers and Stefanie Zarra on cello.

> A Storybook Christmas was the result of months of hard work by students, staff, and parent volunteers. The school PTSO underwrote the costs of costumes and materials and helped provide the cast and crew with customdesigned T-shirts. Numerous parents served as costume designers, makeup artists, props persons, and supervision aides. Parents Sandy and Tom Doyon lent and set up a professional sound system for the production. Special thanks go to Al Hook, Rick Gumina, and Kim Aboosamara for their many hours spent constructing the set.

> Students at Riley School were recently treated to a lively soft rock assembly featuring Jonathan Sprout.

A professional children's performer, he presented his own original songs in a fun-filled hour featuring plenty of student involvement and participation.

performance Sprout's stressed a positive outlook and the value of self-esteem to the students. Using both humor and music, he told the students how important it was for them to have a strong value and belief in themselves. Throughout the program, students were encouraged to join in his songs and clap along. Many even appeared on stage with him.

Mr. Sprout was impressed with the enthusiasm of the Riley students and with the overall school system. He told the students that this had been his first performance in a South Plainfield school. While waiting to perform, he had read the posted district mission statement. He told the assembled students that the goals stated by their Board of Education were goals he tried to follow and that they were also part of his show.

He read some of the mission statement to the students and explained it to them. He encouraged each to take the time to read it and lakis on violin, Rajeeyah Madinah try to attain the listed goals.

No mystery about it: Roosevelt's a good read

A couple of years ago, my mom gave me an Elliot Roosevelt mystery to read. I've been reading them ever since. Needless to say, when a new one was added to the collection of the South Plainfield Public Library, I was first in line to get it.

For those of you asking what does this have to do with the library column, this is the leadin for a review of that book.

Murder in the East Room. This is the latest of Mr. Roosevelt's mysteries, and one of a group published posthumously (he died in 1990). The detective of the story is his famous mother, Eleanor Roosevelt. The story tells of the murder of a conthe White House, hence the

As she has in the previous books, Mrs. Roosevelt decides to assist in the investigation. Soon she finds herself trying to piece together the congressman's tangled social life as well as investigate his political enemies. And in the background, there is the looming threat of a very real tragedy: the fall of France to Nazi Germany.

Like his previous books, Mr. Roosevelt injects a lot of period detail into the story. And while the story is fictional, a number of real-life characters appear, ranging from Boris Karloff to Lyndon B. Johnson. The book also doesn't shirk some of the police tactics of the day, which will surely unnerve civil libertarians. Finally, unlike a great number of literary detectives, Mrs. Roosevelt feels no intellectual superiority to the official forces, and treats them with Tuesday.

At the library

enormous respect. In response, the legal professionals actually welcome her assistance and value her opinions.

All in all, I thought this was a pretty good book (though I will admit that I was pretty sure of the killer's identity early on). I recommend it for fans of a good mystery story.

By the way, referring to my first paragraph, I've tried to regressman in the East Room of turn my mom's favor. But for some reason, she's not too interested in Star Wars books.

The South Plainfield library presently has several Eleanor Roosevelt mysteries by Mr. Roosevelt, as well as the two books in his Black Jack Endicott series.

The children's department is asking parents to register their children by telephone or in person for story times. There will be a story time 11 a.m. Tuesday and 1 p.m. Wednesday.

Please register in advance for a special interactive story time play for ages 3-6 at 7 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 27.

The Junior Woman's Club will have a story time 6:30-7:30 p.m. Monday for children 5 and older. Please call or stop by the library to register.

There will be a library board of trustees meeting 7:30 p.m.



Applebee's owners Joan and Edward Doherty present a check to Kathy Uhrin of the Piscataway Challenger Division Little

Applbee's donates \$400 to Challengers

Grill recently raised \$400 for the companying players on the field to Piscataway Challenger Division assure no one gets hurt. Little League.

late October during a gala event at the restaurant, located in the Piscataway Towne Center, South Washington and Centennial avenues.

The Piscataway Challenger Division was formed in 1993 to allow physically challenged children ages 6-18 or still in school to play baseball. The division gives these children the opportunity to play regardless of mental or physical limi-

The division employs the "buddy system," allowing friends and neighbors to also participate by plebee's Neighborhood Grill & Bar.

Applebee's Neighborhood Bar & pushing wheelchairs and ac-Applebee's, "America's favorite

Applebee's raised the money in neighbor," features a family atmostrate October during a gala event at phere. Local memorabilia in the restaurant's decor pays tribute to Piscataway, South Plainfield, Middlesex, Highland Park, Dunellen and Metuchen high schools, Rutgers and Seton Hall universities, the New York Giants, and the New York Yankees.

Applebee's in Piscataway opened in October, serving lunch, dinner and weekend brunch. Applebee's International Inc. is headquartered in Overland Park, Kan. The corporation develops, franchises and operates an expanding chain of restaurants under the trademark Ap-

Carrier offering new services

New mental health services are seling and other

ment in South Plainfield. A mood disorders group, women's group and an intensive day program are among the new

The Carrier Center ar 4041 Had- and addiction problems. ley Road in South Plainfield also offers individual and family coun- 3579.

available at the Carrier Center for evening programs. Intensive addic-Counseling and Outpatient Treat- tion and aftercare, anxiety and compulsive overeating are among the areas of focus. The center is a division of the Carrier Foundation, a private, non-profit hospital specializing in treatment for emotional

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SPHS Music Boosters plan newspaper drive Saturday

ing their monthly newspaper To arrange for a pickup, call drive Saturday.

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756-8038 before 6 p.m. tomor-

Obituaries

Lorenzo Mendoza, 57

Investigator with social service board

Lorenzo B. Mendoza, 57, an in- sons, Vincent Mendoz vestigator since 1989 in the child Brunswick and support division of the Essex three daughters, Pia Salazar of Ed-County Board of Social Services, died Jan. 1, 1994 at JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Mr. Mendoza was born in Quezon City, Philippines, and later Philippines; and six sisters, Milamoved to Toronto, Ontario, Canada. He emigrated to the United States in 1986 and lived in North Maximo of Montreal, Quebec, Can-Brunswick before moving to South Plainfield in 1991.

He was a parishioner of Sacred Heart Roman Catholic Church and belonged to the Philippine Bar As-

Survivors include his wife, Iluminada Martinez Mendoza; two was private.

y Mendoza; ison, Genelisa Mendoza and Grace Mendoza, both of South Plainfield; two brothers, Ernesto Mendoza and Celemente Mendoza, both in the gros Roque and Marina Manalo, both of South Plainfield, Adelaide ada, Carmilita Roxas, Enriqueta Mendoza, and Aniceta Mendoza, all in the Philippines.

A funeral Mass was offered yesterday at Sacred Heart Church, following services at the James W. Conroy Funeral Home. Cremation

Eugene J. Murphy, 72

Salesman for an electric supply firm

Eugene J. Murphy, 72, a former canal. salesman for an electric supply manufacturer, died Dec. 27, 1993 at Murph Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Mr. Murphy, who was born in Hoboken, graduated in 1943 from Murphy of Trumbull, Conn.; nine the Newark College of Engineering (now Rutgers College of Engineering). He lived in South Plainfield from 1950 until he moved to Chatham in 1960.

He joined the Graybar Electric in its sales department until his retirement in 1987. During World War II, Mr. Murphy was a lieutenant commander in the Navy and stationed at the Panama

Surviving are his wife, Doris A. Murphy; three sons, Michael E. Murphy of Ontario, Calif., Kevin E. Murphy of Warren, and Terence J. grandchildren; and a sister, Ann M. Murphy of Lawrenceville.

A funeral Mass was Thursday at St. Patrick's Roman Catholic Church, Chatham.

Co. of Newark in 1946 and worked the American Cancer Society, the American Heart Association, or the Chatham Emergency Squad.

Arrangements were by the Wm. A. Bradley & Son Funeral Home,

the Redevelopment Committee of

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Robert L. Miller Sr., 50

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Mr. Miller was born Shamokin, Pa., and lived in South Plainfield before moving to Jackson in 1974. He had been with the Pepsi bottler since 1966 and most recently worked from its new bottling plant in Piscataway.

Surviving are his wife, Joyce Emerick Miller, three sons, Robert L. Miller Jr., Todd R. Miller, and Jason L. Miller; the elder Mr. Miller's mother, Angela Miller; three brothers, Bruce Miller, Paul Miller, and Thomas Miller, and a sister, Mary Reigel.

A religious service was held Tuesday at the Hope Presbyterian Church, Lakewood, following services at the George S. Hassler Funeral Home, Jackson. Burial was in the Hope Chapel Cemetery, Lake-

Harry Gitlin

Designed footwear for Brooklyn firm

Harry Gitlin, 85, who once designed footwear for a manufacturer, died Dec. 31, 1993 at Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center.

He was born in New York City and moved to South Plainfield in 1987 from Brooklyn.

Mr. Gitlin retired in 1974 after more than 50 years at the Brooklyn plant of Daniels Manufacturing Co. He was a member of the South Plainfield Senior Citizens Club and belonged to the Mutual Benevolent Society of 1865 Inc., in Glendale,

Surviving are his wife, Viola Blecker Gitlin; two daughters, Paula R. Dick of South Plainfield and Ilene Burnstein of Hillsdale, Ill.; four grandchildren; and two sisters, Sylvia Pomerantz in Queens borough, N.Y., and Harriet Kassel of the Bronx.

Services were held Sunday at the Higgins Home for Funerals, Plain-

Students visit nursing home

Students in Lynn Reebe's sixth grade Middle School class recently visited patients at Cedar Oaks Nursing Home in the borough.

The children presented residents with cards and holiday posters they had made themselves, and sang carols, including one song they'd composed themselves.

They also sat and talked with the residents as they drank juice and

Flea market offers 'dignified junk'

The Dunellen United Methodist Church, 150 Dunellen Ave., Dunellen, will hold a flea market from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Saturday (no early birds).

Antiques and dignified junk will be available along with lunch counter

Adult school offering classes for winter

ing registration for the winter semester. Among the classes being offered:

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A full list of classes can be found in the adult school brochure. For more information, regis-

Borough residents earn distinction through college-level studies

Eric Siegal of 1118 Foster Ave. was named to the dean's list for the fall trimester at Johnson & Wales University, Providence, R.I. He is majoring in culinary

Linda Yannick of South Plain-

field has earned a bachelor's de-

Campus notes

gree in business administration with a major in accounting from Thomas Edison State College, to adults regardless of their resi-

She is an accountant on the record.

staff of Muhlenberg Regional Medical Center, Plainfield. Mrs. Yannick has a daughter, Alissa Scarinzi, and a son, Robert Yan-

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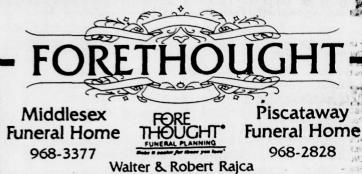
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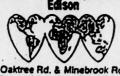
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Saying farewell to fireman, friend

Firefighters retire gear of comrade felled by cancer

By SYLVIE MULVANEY

THE REPORTER

Last week, firefighter Rob Malinowski finally told his best friend something he'd been meaning to say for a while.

That friend, John R. Marciano, had introduced Mr. Malinowski to the woman he plans to marry in November.

"I never got a chance to tell him that I wanted him to be my best man at my wedding," Mr. Malinowski recalled earlier this week. "I told him the day of the wake."

That day, Mr. Malinowski also said good-bye to the friend he's known since childhood.

Mr. Marciano, 25, died of cancer the day after Christmas.

"He honestly helped me meet my true love," Mr. Malinowski said. "I'll love him forever for that."

More than 100 firefighters attended a memorial service Dec. 29 for the volunteer firefighter and emergency medical technician. The next day, mourners braved the bitter cold and wind-driven snow to pay their final respects.

On the way to Lake Nelson Memorial Park cemetery, a police car and two fire trucks - one carrying John Marciano's casket — led the 35-vehicle funeral procession past

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the North Stelton Volunteer Fire Co. on Haines Avenue, Piscataway. There, Mr. Marciano's equipment was laid neatly on a small green tarp on the snow-covered driveway for all to see as they drove past in their cars. On either end of the tarp stood a saluting fireman.

When everyone was gone, the equipment was retired.

Mr. Marciano and Mr. Malinowski grew up a few blocks from each other. Best friends, they joined the fire company the same day in October 1989.

With deep roots in the fire company, both men grew up wanting to be firefighters. Mr. Marciano worked his way up to assistant chief. Mr. Malinowski is a lieuten-

"I always called him Johnny. He was always cocky, heavy set. He always looked good," Mr. Malinowski recalled with a light laugh. "I'll always remember him and his hair. He was always particular about his hair.'

But when chemotherapy caused his hair to fall out, Mr. Marciano felt a bit self-conscious.

"He was shy. He was always looking for a hat," Mr. Malinowski

But when the hair began growing back, he'd remove the hat and encourage people to touch the soft

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but sent a message through Mr.

The youngest of five children,

"He really loved his mom," Mr.

wouldn't admit it, he was a Mama's

Mr. Marciano's parents said they

preferred not to comment publicly

Malinowski said. "As much as he

John Marciano was particularly

close to his mother.

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"His mom said that as long as people know that he fought the good fight, that he was a trooper to the end, then that was enough," he said. "They (Mr. Marciano's parents and siblings) are getting a lot of support from his family and

Having trouble expressing himself at times, Mr. Malinowski said he hasn't yet faced the fact that his friend is gone. For now, he is dealing with "Johnny's" absence as an-

other extended hospital stay. "I still can't face the reality," he said. "He was always looking out for everyone.'

Another firefighter, Lt. Mike Murphy, said he always turned to his friend with questions about the

"John knew twice as much as I did," Mr. Murphy said. "If I needed to know something, he would have the answer.

"I basically became close with John when he became sick," he said. "He was a good friend. He was just fun to be around."

Throughout his two-year illness, Mr. Marciano never let on how painful his cancer was, he said.

"He never complained about being sick and having it come back the Marciano home. three times," he said. "And he never, ever wished it on anyone else. He would go down a little bit and pull back up. I guess your body can only take so much. And he took so much more than most people could, I'll tell you that. I

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Mr. Murphy recalled the violent storm that hit the area in late spring and how his friend spent the night in the fire truck, awaiting the arrival of busy utility workers who were to fix downed power lines on one particular street.

Mr. Marciano could have left the truck at the site, with cones and flares cordoning off the danger area, but he insisted on waiting in the vehicle

"I go down there at 5:30 in the morning and there's John still sitting in the truck," Mr. Murphy said. "He wasn't relieved until the public service workers got there at 8:30."

Only weeks before, in March, Mr. Marciano had been in a Paterson hospital for a bone marrow transplant.

"That just shows you how much John enjoyed helping people," Mr. Murphy said. "He cared about his family first, and the fire department second. He surely deserved more time."

"His mom kept telling me he wanted snow for Christmas," he said. "It snowed Christmas Eve. He got plenty of it."

Mr. Murphy said early morning hours the day his friend died, firefighters responded to a false alarm. As they left the scene, another call went out over the radio - for an ambulance at

Almost two dozen rescue workers raced to the house.

"We had to park about half a block away," he said. "It was like a parking lot with just enough room for the ambulance. He had a lot of

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Mr. Murphy said he left the hospital later that morning, planning to return that afternoon.

Firefighters Dan Wormann and Vinnie Covino salute as a fire truck carrying the body of fellow firefighter John Marciano passes

But within a few hours, John Marciano lost his battle.

"I never stopped believing he'd get better." Mr. Murphy said. "It

dren feel the loss of their father's friend.

SHARON WILSON/THE REPORTER*

"I told them he's off our sick list and onto our heaven list," Mr. Murphy said.

As it happens, the cemetery is located within the North Stelton

My friend has just passed, his tomorrow will never come. Now he rests with God, his eternity just begun. We'll be united, at my journey's end. I'll miss you forever. I'll miss you, my friend.

Tim Murphy

just took him over so fast. I never expected that he wasn't going to be around when I got back. It's hard to believe he's not here. He'll be missed. That's for sure."

Even Mr. Murphy's young chil-

fire district, so that even now, John Marciano remains close to his family and friends, Mr. Murphy said.

"He actually never left us. He's always going to be with us. He'll never be forgotten," Mr. Murphy

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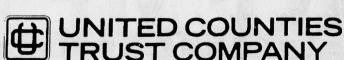
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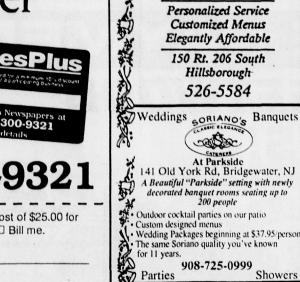
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Tiger wrestling coach Mike Buggey

Sports

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The South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club and Phil Aiello will conduct a coaching clinic for little league baseball. The meetings will be held from 7:30 p.m. until around 9 p.m. the second Wednesday of every month. For more information, please call Aiello at

Aerobic classes

The South Plainfield Department is offering three adult aerobic & body toning classes. The classes are open to all South Plainfield residents ages 18 and over. Programs are available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 9 a.m, 10 a.m., and 5 p.m. All classes are one hour in length and are held at the PAL Recreation Center on 1250 Maple Avenue. The new 20-class session will run through through Feb. 7. Cost for each 20-class session is \$20. For more information or to register please call 754-9000, extension 253, during office hours (Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.)

Applications

The South Plainfield Football Eagles are accepting applications for Head Commisioner, Cheerleading Comminisioner, and all coaching positions. Any adult interested in these positions for next fall's season can call Jim Curcio at 756-5171 for an application. Applications must be in by Jan. 19.

Women Sports

The New Jersey Women's Sports Association Inc. is a non-profit corporation which was formed to provide women a better opportunity to compete in athletic pro-

Separate leagues in soccer, basketball and field hockey will start in January. The field hockey program runs for six weeks, has a 10team limit, costs \$40 per person. For more info see score-

The Hot Spot



The South Plainfield varsity girls basketball team will host St. Peter's at home today at 7:30 p.m.

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Got a score to report? Call Joe Samulka at 276-6000, or fax to: 276-6220. Our address is: 102 Walnut Ave., Cranford, N.J.

Tigers even their record in Crusader Tournament

By JOSEPH W. SAMULKA

THE REPORTER

For whatever reason, the South Plainfield High boys basketball team had difficulty getting itself into gear early in the first three quarters of its Crusader Tournament consolation game last Wednesday.

It took the Tigers (2-2) about four minutes in each of the first three periods to establish their offense. was enough to beat 0-4 Bound Brook 58-43 as the visitors took third place in the tourney.

The way we approached this game is that we felt it was one we could win," said Tigers Head Coach Jeff Lubreski. "But it was still a question of Bound Brook not backing down - we knew they would be scrappy and they gave us everything we could handle.

The first quarter was the most shaky for the Tigers as the Crusaders scored nine of the first 13 points. Bound Brook's Chris Yarashas was the main producer for Bound Brook as he registered five points in the run, including a three-pointer. Bound Brook had in the contest but then South Plainfield started its run.

After a Yarashas trey, the Tigers

added four. A Scott short jumper how to improve in the big games." gave the Tigers their first lead at 10-9. It was a lead South Plainfield an inexperienced squad. would not relinquish.

In the second quarter the Tigers, once again, were slow off the blocks as the Crusaders connected on the first four of six points. In the third period Bound Brook Fortunately for South Plainfield it made a 9-2 run at the quarter's in-

> "They (Bound Brook) came out more aggressive than we did and they took it to us," said Lubreski. "I don't know why it took us four minutes to get into synch in each quarter - it might have had something to do with our inexperience."

But once the Crusaders opened up the early lead it was the Tigers who started to make the plays as their press began to disrupt the Crusaders' offensive flow. Consequently, Bound Brook floundered late in the quarters.

they were very patient and for the most part passed the ball at least five times until they took a shot. the perimeter-shooting touch early As a result, they used good shot selection and made seven of 10 field goals in the opening quarter.

"We went through a stretch then went on a 12-2 tear to close where our half-court offense didn't

the quarter. Freshman forward react to the press," said Crusader Michael Thompson led the Tigers Head Coach Gene Mosley. "You as he scored five points in the have to understand we have a very stretch while forward Daryl Scott young team and we're learning

The Tigers as well were fielding

"There's a lot of newness with this team," commented Lubreski. "Everything we do is new for this team. Last night's game (a loss to Somerville) was a new experience for us and that can only help to give us a big game test. It will hopefully help us in the confer-

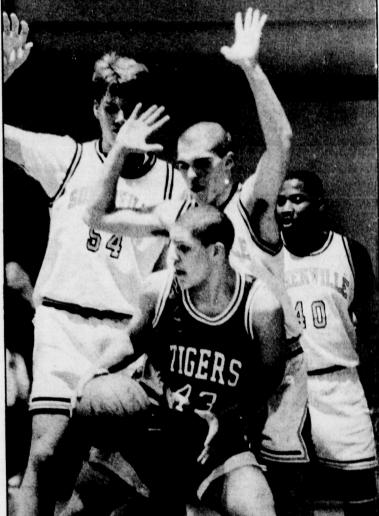
High scorers for the Tigers were Scott and Thompson with 15 and 14 points, respectively. Ugo Ejiochi had 12 and Joe Cesaro contributed

For the Crusaders, Yarashas led the team with 15.

In the second quarter the Tigers went on a 10-0 run as the four South Plainfield high scorers scored at least one point in the stretch. Ejiochi's four-footer helped ered late in the quarters. the Tigers enjoy their first double-On the Tigers' offensive side, digit lead at 27-17. The Tigers made six of their 12 shots in the

Everything was clicking for the Tigers. However, the worst thing that could have happened to them occurred - halftime. With the Tigers leading 33-22 after two quar-

(Please turn to page A-9)



AUGUSTO F. MENEZES/THE REPORTER

South Plainfield forward Daryl Scott goes up for a shot against a host of Somerville defenders. The Tigers lost the contest but won the tourney consolation game the next night.

Cannon, Matthews lead Tiger grapplers

By JOSEPH W. SAMULKA

South Plainfield High placed two wrestlers in the finals of the Hunterdon Central Tournament at Hunterdon Central High School in Flemington last Wednesday.

Greg Matthews at 112 pounds was pinned by Jerry Boland of Camden Catholic at 3:49 in the championship while heavyweight Jason Cannon was decisioned by Dan Martin of Blair, 5-2.

"Greg wrestled extremely well during the early rounds and the semifinals," said Tiger Head Coach Mike Buggey. "I think he had a chance to win in the finals but early on he got tentative. At this level that cost him the match."

In Cannon's encounter, he gave up an early takedown which turned out to be the difference. As a result, the junior found himself

down and unable to come from be-

Cannon had a superb sophomore campaign, losing only by default in the districts and also falling in the Greater Middlesex County Conference Tournament.

"I think Greg and Jason learned a lot from this tournament," said Buggey. "I'm sure they both would like a chance to wrestle the other kids again." Also placing for the Tigers were:

Kevin Hajduk, 103, third; Adam Kaplan, 130, fifth; Ron Geis, 135, third; Mike Hoppe, 152, fourth; Jason Vitale, 160, fifth; and Chris Sweigart, 145, fourth.

According to Buggey, six of the top 20 teams in the state competed in the high-profile tournament.

"For the most part we wrestled very aggressively," related Buggey. "Technically, we're coming around (Please turn to page A

AUGUSTO F. MENEZES/THE REPORTER



South Plainfield's Daryl Scott, here being triple-teamed in the Crusader Tournament at Bound Brook, scored 15 points in the consolation game against the host team.

Lady Tigers settle for second as Moffat stars for Pioneers

South Plainfield wrestler Adam Kaplan trying to gain control of Camden Catholic's Steve Chavarria in a 130 pound clash. The Tiger grappler placed fifth in the Hunterdon Central Tournament at

By NICK DIJORIO

THE REPORTER

with missed shots and turnovers, rugged defense. the Somerville High School girls Wednesday by knocking off South Classic at Bound Brook High.

Hunterdon Central High School on Dec. 29.

nine of her 20 points in the fourth quarter for the Lady Pioneers and able Player award.

from Jill Hayevy, Janine Repole pole had two apiece. and freshmen Alexis Hobbs and After a dismal first half filled Kelly Johnson against the Tigers'

"I have to say that I was very

Christmas tournament trophy last game," said SHS Head Coach Jim with two. Wednesday by knocking off South Matthews. "The freshmen that "They Plainfield 50-36 in the Crusader don't have much experience did a sponded well - they came out to Senior guard Sue Moffat scored some of the older players."

In the first quarter Somerville raced out to a 16-13 lead despite everything we needed to do. In the

dominant player, also needed help three and Diane Eriksen and Re-

The Lady Tigers, who took much better care of the ball, were led by Rivera Selena who scored six, Katie Alverez with four, Christine basketball team picked up a happy with the non-stars of the Curtin with three and Tricia Garcia

"They (South Plainfield) revery good job for us as well as play and did super from the get-some of the older players." play and did super from the get-go," said Tiger Head Coach Bill Schulte. "In the first half we did

took home the tourney Most Valueight turnovers. Hayevy led the at-second half we got the turnovers tack with six points in the paint, and didn't capitalize on it. They But Moffat, by far Somerville's Moffat scored four, Hobbs had (Please turn to page A-10)

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Roundup

(Continued from page A-8) they're hard-nosed kids." Although team records weren't compiled, the Tigers probably would've finished in the top five.

"The tourney was outstanding, it was what we expected," said Buggey. "We did what we wanted tion. I think we're competitive with everyone else and that's what we wanted to see."

BOYS BOWLING

The Tigers had to settle for a 2-2 tie against St. Joseph's of Metuchen on Dec. 21 while they beat Franklin 3-1 in a tri-meet. The team record now stands at 1-2-1.

St. Joseph's scored a 827, 1030, and 888 for a total of 2745 in its three-game set while South Plainfield shot an 835, 952, and an 891 for a 2678 total.

High scorers for the Tigers were Matt Stanislao, 604; Keith Smith, 580; Chris Brooks, 524; Robert Walker, 502; Will Fitzsimmons, 487; and Scott Chichetti, 486. Stanislao bowled the high game

as he scored a 257 in the second series, Walker, Smith and Brooks also added 200 games of 224, 218, and 202, respectively. Colonia 4, South Plainfield 0 -

Colonia outscored the Tigers 888-799, 892-808, and 856-740 as South Plainfield was overwhelmed 2586-2347 on Dec. 23.

Smith was the high man for the Tigers as he totalled a 487. His high games were 193 and 183.

GIRLS BOWLING

The Lady Tigers upset yet another team as Colonia was South Plainfield's next victim by a 2364-2246 margin on Dec. 21 at Carolier Lanes in North Brunswick. The victory was 3-1, giving SP its third success in four outings.

High scorers for the Tigers included Allana Melhorn, 484; Kelly Rasmussen, 477; Lorraine Starr, 475; Leah Lockhart 474; and Alissa Jenkowski, 463.

Mother Seton 3, South Plainfield - Mother Seton was the runaway victor in this matchup as it bested the Lady Tigers 804-707, 825-699, and 707-742. The Tigers were outscored 2363-2148.

Top performers for South Plainfield included Starr, who compiled a 494, and Lockhart with 465. Starr's high game was 194 while Lockhart's best was a 193.

Even record

(Continued from page A-8) ters, they seemed flustered by Bound Brook after intermission.

"I think halftime cut our momentum," said Lubreski. "It took us a few minutes in the third to get into the flow and that can happen.

Bound Brook quickly pulled to within 35-31 with 4:20 left in the third period but never could get any closer.

But later in the period the Tigers demonstrated something they possessed which couldn't be taught - natural athletic ability. Two instances in the quarter exemplified

First, Thompson, who received a pass from Scott, was wide open and attempted a dunk. He missed as he clung to the front of the rim as he was whistled for a technical foul. However, his leap skyward was probably higher than any Bound Brook player could jump.

Moments later Scott went high in the air to snare an in-bounds pass and dished the ball to Ejiochi, who put in the lay up.

Southern Ocean Open Tournament The South Plainfield wrestlers competed in

the Southern Ocean Open Tournament in Barnegat Sunday. Joe Celentano took a first-place medal after defeating two wrestlers in the round-robin at Intermediate 85 pounds. Matt Anderson finished second at Midget 65.

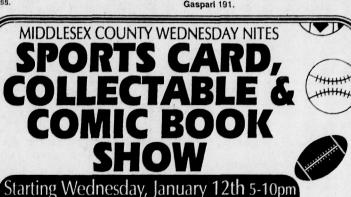
Rich Gebauer took third place at midget 70 with a 5-1 victory in the consolation bout. Jimmy Curcio was fourth at Bantam 60, and Dave Butrico was fourth in the Midget 65

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Individual girls high game scratch: 1. Amanda K. Herzog... Smith 158, 2. Kristin Herzog 120, 3. Jacquie J. Herzog Herzog 118.

Individual girls high game with handicap: 1. A. Smith 194, 2. K. Herzog 185, 3. J. Herzog

Team of the Week

A. Smith

Junior Division

1. Strikers II 68-23; 2. AMF 59-32; 3. Ball Busters II 52-39; 4. Ball Bashers 50-41; 5. No Names 48-43; 6. Lint on Crack 45-46; 7. Flam-Cool Chicks......Pins-AVG. ing Banjos 44-47; 8. Bowling Buddies 43-48; 9.4315-110 Gutter Balls 42-49; 10. Pin Heads 41-50; 11. 6-

Pack 34-50; 12. Psychotic Nones 20-71 Individual boys high game scratch: 1. Matt Stanislao 268, 2. Michael Hoffman 237, 3.

Adam Maniscalco 225. Individual boys high game with handicap: 1. M. Stanislao 280, 2. Kevin Smith 274, 3. M. Hoffman 257.

Individual girls high game scratch: 1. Jessica Maniscalco 214, 2. Cindy Guarraci 186, 3. Erin Finnerty 168.

Pelican Ski Report

Not too many people can reme-they will be on the slopes.

each time and the ski areas are ouzzing with activity. Some the and turn easier than the skis, a areas have said the number of skier can not. trails open are the most they have this early in the season in a long snowboarder was in right in front including Volkls skis, Dachstein

of at least 25 inches, and Hunter Mountain has even reached 106 able to avoid the collision, but inches on certian trails, which moutain staff have said is the deepest in this area of the country.

However, with this new found wealth of snow, you can be assured people will be heading droves to whatever mountains they can. "Safety in numbers," no longer applies when there is the potential for crowded slopes.

For this reason, it is time people took a few minutes to realize the inherent danger which can come with skiing.

Be aware, ski with care!

Yes, I know this phrase becomes annoying and you see it everywhere while skiing. However, there are a lot of people who not only don't see these signs, they completely ignore them.

I can not even count the amount of times me or some of my friends have come close to getting really hurt because some idiot or "Hot Dog" (sometimes they are one in can help reduce. the same) decides to go flyiing past us without a care in the world ner you can stop or avoid other skiers and about their actions.

Last year, a friend of mine took a fall because someone was trying a fancy stunt, but cut my friend off instead. I chased the person down and we had a few words about watching where he was going, but he only had a few choice words which I can not repeat in the newspaper.

All it takes is a few seconds to be mindful of the others skiers around you.

This also goes for snowboarders.

With each weather system, the careful on the mountain. The come opportunity to step from besnow fall has gotten a little better boards are slower than the skis, hind the bar and "shake it" on the and although a boarders can stop slopes.

of me and attempted a move boots and Nashbar mountain bi-Most slopes are reporting a base which almost landed us both at the first-aid station. Luckily, I was there are people out there who can't.



of safety on the slopes, everyone party and gala awards banquet at must look for everyone else.

There is also one other sign which you can find at every slope. It is the Skier's Responsibility sic are: Vermont's Killington (Feb. Code. Read it and remember, the 7); Snowshoe Mountain Resort in code is there for a reason (No, this West Virginia (Feb. 14); Boyne is not a soapbox), and it can help Higlands in Michigan (March 7); people realize how they can avoid and Bear Mountain Ski Resort in

a potential serious injury: There are elements of risk in skiing that common sense and personal awareness . 1. Ski under control and in such a man-

2. When skiing downhill or overtaking another skier, you must avoid the skier below

 3. You must not stop where you obstruct a trail or are not visible from above.

• 4. When entering a trail or starting down

nill, yield to other skiers.

• 5. All skiers shall use devices to help prevent runaway skis.

• 6. You shall keep off closed trails and

posted areas and observe all posted signs. Absolut Vodka

Bartenders Ski Classic

On Tuesday, Jan. 18, more than As much as I have feelings about 300 bartenders from throughout with new natural snow.

Shawnee — 23 trails; 4 lifts; 25-55 inch snowboarders (No. I am not attacking the boarders and will day of fun and competitive skiing the shape of materials and will day of fun and competitive skiing Montage Mountain – 17 trails; 4 lifts; 24-48 light been of machine made and packed. opinion), us skiers have to realize — and to determine the top skiing 48 inch base of machine-made and packed it is a rising recreation sport and hartender in the Mid-Atlantic t is a rising recreation sport and bartender in the Mid-Atlantic.

In its eighth year, the Absolut per the last time we have had for However these boarders, who Vodka Bartenders Ski Classic is a snow before the holidays, much average in age from 13-16, have to popular head-to-head alpine ski realize that they also must be race that gives bartenders a wel-

> Dressed in festive "black tie," the bartenders compete for the fun of Two or three times last year, a it, and for many exciting prizes,

cycles. In addition, the event benefits the environmental efforst of American Forests, a national organization that works to expand forests in both urban and rural areas through education and positive ac-

The 1994 Mid-Atlantic Regional Championship will take place on Great Gorge's Sayonara race course, 10:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Each racer will take two runs, with the single best times determining the age group champions.

The day's racing will then be The basic underlying principle celebrated at an Apres ski cocktail the Great Gorge Resort and Spa, 4:30-6:30 p.m.

Other ski areas hosting the clas-California (March 21).

SKIING CONDITIONS

 Vernon Valley — 42 trails (all three mountains); 17 lifts; 30-49 inch base with a powder surface; Weather: snow with six inches on the ground and 4-10 more expected. • Camelback - 18 trails; 3 lifts; 30-56 inch

base with machine-groomed natural surface; Weather: snow expected.

• Blue Mountain — 18 trails; 5 lifts; 24-48 inch base; Weather: 20 degrees with snow

• Elk Mountain - 14 trails; 4 lifts; 12-48 inch base with packed powder; Weather: 25 de-

grees with snow making expected.

• Hunter Mountain — 47 trails (all three mountains); 15 lifts; 30-106 inch base of machine-groomed packed powder; Weather: six to eight inches of natural snow expected.

Craigmeur — 4 trails; 4 lifts; 25-30 inch

base of natural snow; Weather: 25-30 degrees with new natural snow. pase of natural snow; Weather: new natural

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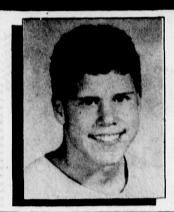
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South Plainfield heavyweight wrestler Jason Cannon placed second in the Hunterdon Central Tournament on Wednesday at Hunterdon Central High School on Dec. 29. The junior lost for the first time this season as he was decisioned 5-2 by Dan Martin of Blair in the finals.

"As chosen by Forbes Newspapers' Sports Dept."



SUE MOFFAT SOMERVILLE

The 5-foot-10 senior guard wasted no time going after the career 1000-point milestone this season. Moffat scored 28 in the opener against Hackettstown, poured in a career-high 39 against Montgomery and added 35 in a rout of Roselle Catholic, giving her 1001. She also was named the tourney MVP in the Crusader Holi-

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one in the north and one mid-state. Track and Field

At least two cadet schools will be offered -

The New Jersey Track and Field Association, Central District, is accepting applications from anyone 18 years and over interested in be coming a certified high school track and field official. The offer is open to those adults residing in Middlesex, Union, Somerset, Warren and Hunterdon counties. Deadline is Friday, Jan. 10, 1994. Please contact Robert Zifchak at

N.J.Women's Sports Association The following lists each program, including

days, times, locations and fees Open Soccer — Open to high school seniors and older. It will be held at Jefferson House School in Elizabeth on Tuesdays, beginning

Rec Soccer - Open to any adult and includes various levels, it will be conducted at Jefferson House School in Elizabeth on Wednesdays,

starting Jan. 12. High School Field Hockey — Program will

take place at Battle Hill School in Union on Thursdays, beginning Jan. 20.

Adult Field Hockey — Starting Jan. 7, this program will occur at St. Peter's College in Jersey City every Friday.

Open Basketball — The association's most

etitive level will start Jan. 6 and will continue every Thursday at Hillside Ave. School in 30-and-over Basketball - For every four peo-

ple over 30, you can register one person under 30 years of age. This program takes place at Jefferson House School in Elizabeth each Thursday night, beginning Jan. 13.

Rec Basketball — This less competitive

league will be conducted at the Jefferson House School on Thursdays. All registration is completed on a first-paid basis. Call Barb Martell at 273-0108 for ad-

Gym Supervisor

Anyone interested in the part-time Gym Supervisor position at the South Plainfield Recreation and PAL Recreation Center on Saturdays from 1 p.m. to 9 p.m. and as needed should call 754-9000, extension 253.

BASEBALL

Junior Baseball Club

The South Plainfield Junior Baseball Club will be holding its final registration for the 1994 season on Thursday, Jan. 20 from 6-9 p.m.; Friday, Jan. 21 from 6-9 p.m.; and Saturday, Jan. 22 from 9 a.m.- 3 p.m. at the baesball

Children who are eight by Sept. 30, 1994 and those children who are 10-16 by Aug. 1, 1994 are eligible to play.

New players must bring a birth certificate or a copy of it. All players must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian at the time of registaration. The registration fee is \$25.00 for one player, or \$40.00 for multiple players in the

After this registration concludes late sign-ups will be taken but the fee will be \$35.00 per player and family rates will no longer apply. Sign-ups are for South Plainfield residents

Managers, coaches and umpire sign-ups will be held at the same time. For more information call (908) 754-2090.

BASKETBALL

Thursday Adult Basketball League

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1. Petriello Landscaping	4
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3. Cut Fresh	4
4. NCR	3
5. KC Korner	3
6. Roadrunners	2
7. Evans Trucking	2
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9. Jokers	1
10.Out Gunned	0
11.Lightening	0

Due to the Middle School Wrestling Schedule, the following site change has been made

Thursday, Jan. 13 at the PAL

Thursday, Jan. 20 at the PAL

OUTDOORS SPORT SHOW

The Eastern Fishing & Outdoor Exposition, Inc. will present the Second Annual Greater Philadelphia Travel & Outdoor Sport Show, Jan. 19-23, at the Fort Washington Expo Center, Fort Washington, Pa.

It will include displays of fishing tackle, hunting gear, guides, outfitters, vacation resorts, recreational vehicles, fishing boats, marine electronics and accessories.

Scheduled clinics for the show are:

• Kid's Fishing - future fisherman can learn various techniques, how to use tackle properly, where to fish locally and helpful tips to ens a lifetime of outdoor enjoyment and respect for the environment.

. The Rubbermaid/Bassmaster Casting Kids' Contest - open to young people in two age groups: 7-10 and 11-14, with the goals of the competition are to involve America's next generation of fisherman in becoming responsible sportsmen and make sure each child has fun. Each participant receives a sponsor magazine, Certificate of Participation and a copy of the program's official publication.

· Larry Richter and the Hawg Trough - featuring the professional bass fisherman and his 6,000 gallon mobile fishing tank, which allows spectators to see the portable 'fishing hole' and how the bass react to various lures. It also includes stumps, flooded timber and gravel

. Hunting dog demonstrations - some of the country's top trainers will demonstrate the lat-

 'Take Your Friend to Fly Fishing School' beginning its east-coast swing, the demonstration allows a shwo attendant to learn techniques used by some of the world's most accomplished anglers.

Instructors include: Barry and Cathy Becknationally-respected husband and wife angling team; Lefty Kreh- internationally-recognized

member of the Fishing Hall of Fame; and Dave Whitlock- has been editor of Fly Fisherman Trout and Flyfisher Magazine and an accomplished author/illustrator.

 Shark Mania — offered by Capt. Greg Dubrule, a charter boat skipper who landed a 2-1/2 ton great white skark off the coast of Conneticut.

The show hours are Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (Jan. 19-21) 2-10 p.m.; Saturday (Jan. 22) 10 a.m.-8 p.m.; and Sunday (Jan. 23) 10 a.m.-7 p.m. Admission prices are \$7 for adults, \$3 for children under 12 and children under five are free.

RUNNING

HAMILTON HANOVER RUN Hamilton Township, Mercer County Saturday, Jan. 1

HAMILTON - Tom Yakowenko, 25, of Edison started his New Year off with a third-place finish in the Hamilton Hangover Run on New Year's Day.

Originally planned as a five-mile race, treacherous roads from a recent snowfall forced race organizers to shorten the course to five kilometers in the interest of safety. Yakowenko's time on the still slippery course was 15:44.

RACE CALENDAR JANUARY

Jan. 8 - Shore AC Winter Race 10K, 11 am, Lake Takanessee, Long Branch, Box 435, Keyport, NJ 07735, 908-264-2140.

Jan. 9 - USATF-NJ Men's & Women's Indoor Track and Field Championships, Jadwin Gym, Princeton University, Open-Collegiate, 908-463-8444

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Jan. 22 - Shore AC Winter Race 5-Mile, 11 am, Lake Takanessee, Long Branch, Box 435, Keyport, NJ 07735, 908-264-2140.

Jan. 23 - Raritan Valley Marathon and Relay, 26.2 Mile, Individual and five-member team relay, 10 am, Johnson Park, Piscataway, RVRR, Box 1197, Edison, NJ 08818, 908-846-2739, (USATF-NJ Midland Run Grand Prix, 700 pts, for individual marathon only) USATF-NJ open and masters marathon championship

Lady Tigers finish second

(Continued from page A-8) (Somerville) got the open shots and made them and we didn't.'

South Plainfield came out strong in the second quarter as all 11 of its points came from Curtin and Garcia. The Lady Tigers took a 24-23 halftime lead while holding Moffat to no field goals.

The Lady Pioneers struggled in the second quarter as they committed 14 turnovers and took careless shots but trailed by only a

One crucial point of the game occurred right before the end of the first half as Lady Tiger Curtin had possession of the ball with 57 seconds left as South Plainfield was enjoying a three-point lead.

"At the end I called "Tiger" which is our delay game," said Schulte. "We then set up our offense with 12 to 15 seconds left. Christine threw a blind pass over Selena's head. Somerville got it and scored and we weren't able to get a shot off."

Instead off possibly going up five points, the Lady Tigers had to settle for a one-point lead. "Obviously that would have put us in a better situation," Schulte said.

After the intermission Somerville started to loosen up and played a solid eight minutes getting balanced scoring from Moffat, Johnson, Repole and Hobbs while taking a 33-30 lead. South Plainfield scored only six points in the quarter - four by Curtin and a bucket for Garcia.

The final eight minutes was

dominated by the Pioneers as they outscored South Plainfield 17-6.

The Lady Pioneers turned the ball over the first five times they had possession of the rock in the final stanza but the Tigers, who were opportunistic in making 21 steals, were unable to score a sin-

gle point off the miscues. "I was happy to see us cut down on our turnovers in the second half," said Matthews. "We did a better job in the second half and put in our easy shots that we weren't making in the first half."

Moffat, who'd scored 102 points in Somerville's first three games and exceeded the career 1000point mark the previous night, was back to her true form as she scored nine points in the quarter on some very nifty moves. Johnson had four points in the quarter and Hobbs two.

The Tigers were led in the game by Curtin who scored 13 points, grabbed nine rebounds and had five steals, while Garcia collected 10 points and registered 11 rebounds. South Plainfield hit 14 of 53 shots from the field.

For the Lady Pioneers, Moffat scored 20, Hobbs and Johnson added 10 a piece, Hayevy had six, Repole had five and Eriksen scored a deuce.

SOMERVILLE (50) Moffat 4-11-20, Johnson 3-1-8, Repole 1-2-4, Hayevy 4-0-8, Hobbs 3-2-10. Totals 15-16-50.

SOUTH PLAINFIELD (36)
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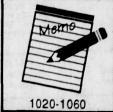
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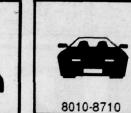
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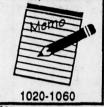
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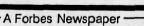
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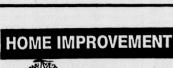
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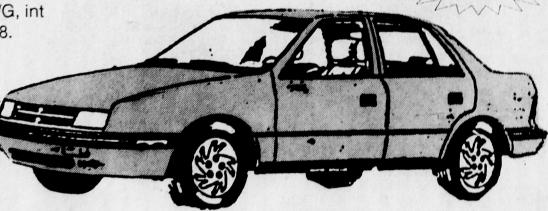
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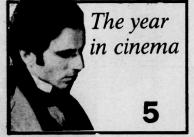
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TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Unresolved issues between you and a close tie could surface. Try not to argue. Seek amicable solutions. You'll meet with chances now to improve your income. Travel may be on the spur-of-the moment this weekend. Romance and recreational interests are highlighted.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Impatience and temperament could undermine efficiency this week and differences between you and a coworker may arise. Financial backing for a project comes from an unex pected party. You'll want time now for yourself and family. Home life is favored over outside interests.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You could become upset about a child's choice of companions or other interests. It's a better week for visiting with others than entertaining company. Singles are likely to meet with romantic introductions. Partners are in synch now.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Guard against disputes about career concerns or with family members. A partner wants to think over a plan of yours. You'll impress those you contact now. Money prospects improve. A freelance opportunity looks promising. Local sightseeing is of interest this weekend.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A chance to make extra money arises but you may feel the pay of fered could be better. Try not to quar rel with an irritating co-worker Those who travel now meet with romance. Some will sign up for an unusual course of study.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Child rearing concerns take up part of your week. It will be difficult to reach agreements with others about financial matters. Try not to force issues. You'll be making beneficial changes at home this week. Surprise company may drop

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) If you want to get along with close ties this week, you'll have to avoid cutting remarks and bossy behavior. You'll change your usual routine. Spontaneity is your keyword now. Partnership interests are highlighted.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Small details in connection with a work project loom as potential obstacles this week. Try not to lose your patience. Business will mix with pleasure. You'll be making some important business contacts

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Important new ideas about a career project come to you this week. You may take up a new hobby. Romance may come unexpectedly. Some are busy now making plans for a pleasure trip. You're in an independent and funloving mood.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) This week's financial developments are positive. However, you may run into some snags with regard to either business or domestic interests now. Be patient. It's a good week to tend to a do-ityourself project or to get some un-finished tasks out of the way.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A partner is your best confidante this week. Some you deal with now are either critical or argumentative. Pay attention to the rules of the road when driving. You'll be meeting some interesting people this week.

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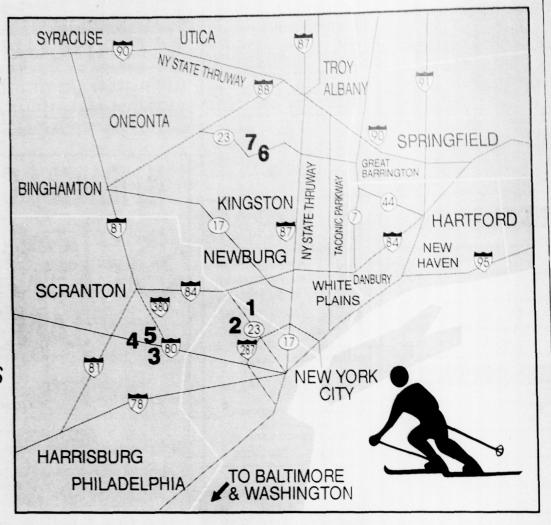
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By SYLVIE MULVANEY WeekendPlus Writer

now and cold weather are of course, the main ingredients for a successful ski

But getting to the ski areas without too much hassle is also a consideration for even the most driven skiers.

Now that a large portion of Interstate 287 is open in the north. skiers can spend on the slopes the time they would have wasted in their cars, driving along numerous back roads to get to their mountain of choice

Though a small portion of the highway still needs work - and should be completed in the spring - "it's still a time-saver." Nick Trignano, a member of the New Jersey Ski Council, said recently

It should cut driving time for New York-bound skiers, especially if they're traveling from the Morristown or Wayne areas, as they can remain on I-287 almost to the New York State Thruway, he said.

"You don't have to go through so many back roads anymore. Trignano said, adding that ski areas everywhere should do well this season, due in part to easier access provided by I-287.

"287 has definitely made life easier." Hidden Valley ski area General Manager Steve Jecker said last week.

The new route has eliminated smaller roads from the path to Hidden Valley in Vernon, located about 45 minutes from Somerset County, he said.

Two double and one triple chairlifts at Hidden Valley can carry 3,500 people up the mountain per hour, and snow-making guns covering all trails can produce 12 inches of fresh powder each night

Noted for its ski instruction, Hidden Valley employs more than 60 teachers for group and private lessons. Children are given special attention in the SKIwee program, which is offered in full and half day schedules

Hidden Valley is about an hour's ride from Somerset County, eight miles from Route 515, on Breakneck Road, Vernon.

'The season' started better than last year," said Ray Schank, vice president at Craigmeur Ski Area, Newfoundland. "This was a nice cold spell."

Because Craigmeur is located just off Route 80, it's always been fairly accessible, Schank said, adding that improvements to 1-287 won't have as great an impact on his facility as they will on other ski

Craigmeur's success mostly is measured by the snow, and then the cold.

When we get snow out of the sky, it's like pennies from heav-Schank said. "It's free advertisement. The snow gets people out. It makes them think of ski-

ing."
But just because it hasn't snowed much in central New Jersey, that doesn't mean the slopes are still green.

Schank reported 30 inches of snow at Craigmeur, with more snow-making machines per acre than any ski resort in the country. He predicted that the snow will stay until the end of March.

'It's very nice right now," he

But even with this season's simultaneous cold and snow, which Central Jerseyans have come to view as unusual even in December, Schank said skiing isn't the way it used to be.

'It's still not like the good old days," he lamented. "Skiing has been stagnant for the past 7, 8, 9

He explained that there were more people on the slopes during Christmas week 1993 than at the same time the year before, but the popularity of skiing tends to remain constant. That's because 7-8 percent of seasoned skiers drop out each year for various reasons, he said. Replacing them are approximately the same number of newcomers to the sport.

Many of those beginners are

Craigmeur is known as the place for beginners and children in New Jersey, Schank said. In fact, it's where 1992 Olympic Bump Skiing Gold Medalist Donna Weinbrecht started learning the ropes in the early 1970s, he said.

Among other programs offered at Craigmeur, Schank noted the

Humpty Dumpty Ski School for 3-6 year olds, and the full and half day Ski Eagles program for 5-12 year olds.

Craigmeur is located about 40 miles from the heart of Somerset County, and easily accessed from Routes 23 and 80, and I-287.

To make Shawnee even more attractive to winter sports lovers, officials have added a new, improved snow grooming machine, and another 1,000 sets of ski equipment this season, for a total of 4,000 sets. plus the more than 50 snow boards with boots.

Shawnee boasts "the largest rental shop under one roof in the United States," he said.

New carpeting and seating areas also were installed this year.

More than 300 instructors are on hand to give daily group, private and snowboard lessons, as well as conduct racing clinics.

"We're very big on children's programs," Tust said.

Shawnee last year added a Mountain Cruisers program to its SKIwee and Pre-SKIwee offerings. Mountain Cruisers is geared toward the more aggressive 10-15 year old skiers, and provides for full or half day lessons

Shawnee is located in Shawnee, Pa., about 11/2 hours from Trenton.

Melanie Murphy, general manager of Pennsylvania's Big Boulder Ski Area in Lake Harmony, and Jack Frost Mountain in Blakeslee. found it difficult to predict the impact of I-287 improvements on

business, but said so far this season attendance on the slopes has been "fantastic.

Jack Frost Mountain was made 'more user-friendly" this year with the addition of a "station-tostation" ski school, which allows people to learn to ski at their own pace, she said.

Snow-making equipment was upgraded this year at both facilities to allow officials to open the slopes more quickly, Murphy added. In addition, renovations at the lodges, particularly the Big Boulder cafeteria, should make skiers more comfortable during their breaks.

Combined, the resorts boast 34 trails, and offer various types of lessons, including children's programs and instruction for disabled skiers

Both Jack Frost Mountain and Big Boulder Ski Area are located off Route 80, about a two-hour drive from the New York-New Jersey area.

Although she wasn't sure how the I-287 improvements would affect business, Ingrid Emerton, marketing director at Ski Windham, NY, said Central Jersey skiers may be more willing to make the drive now that they have a more direct route.

Some people have said that it will save them anywhere from 40 minutes to an hour, depending on where they live," she said. "We hope people will find that it's much easier to get here.



OVIES

Picking the best of a mediocre movie bunch

'Schindler's List' leads the list of top movies in 1993

By JEFFREY COHEN

WeekendPlus Film Critic

t's that time of year again — when every writer on movies (including your *Week-endPlus* correspondent) feels obligated to recap for you what was the best of the



Oscar-winner Jodie Foster teamed with Richard Gere in Sommersby, a remake of the French film The Return of Martin Guerre.

bunch in the previous 12 months.

And, as usual, it would be a heck of a lot easier to come up with a list of the 10 worst movies of the year. But that's why we get the big bucks.

Keep in mind, of course, that the studio geniuses hold back their real quality releases until the last few days of the year, and, of course, are opening them only in large urban centers, completely ignoring the millions of movie fans who pay their salaries in places like, oh, New Jersey. So movies like the highly-touted Philadelphia or In the Name of the Father, which might have scored big on the list this year, can't be included, since we have no way of knowing if the hype is deserved or not. We can only hope the studios will see the error of their ways in 1994. And the Florida Marlins will win the World Series.

Anyway, here, with a few disclaimers, is the list for 1993. First, there is no particular order (other than alphabetical) since saying that Schindler's List is better than Groundhog Day is like saying that dogs are better than steamrollers.

Also, don't assume that just because a movie has made the list, it's a wonderful film. It's just better than the other 90 percent of the movies that came out this year. And that's not always saying much.

- ★ The Age of Innocence Martin Scorsese does a costume picture with no violence, no cursing and a really hot sex scene where Daniel Day-Lewis takes of Michelle Pfieffer's...glove. It works, but not for all of its 2½-hour length. Still, an admirable try by a great director to move past what we expect of him. And the cast is uniformly excellent. Except for Winona Ryder.
- ★ Benny and Joon No, it's not just an excuse to watch Johnny Depp look cute for 20-year-old women and listen to some Irish guys sing a rock song. Depp actually turns in a charming performance as a slightly askew guy falling in love with a certifiable schizophrenic. The other date movie, with

Mary Stuart Masterson as the nutcase and the underappreciated Aidan Quinn as her brother, the "Benny" of the title.

* The Fugitive — Harrison Ford steps

- ★ The Fugitive Harrison Ford steps into David Janssen's shoes, and makes this horrific trend of TV shows-into-movies relevant. Credit director Andrew Davis with keeping the action moving all the time, and not making any of it stupid. Even if you could see the villain coming from a mile away.
- ★ Groundhog Day Bill Murray and cowriter/director Harold Ramis take a premise that sounds like it couldn't make more than a 10-minute sketch — a man keeps reliving the same day over and over — and make the most buoyant, charming comedy of the year,
- * Manhattan Murder Mystery Well, waddya know? Woody Allen returns to comedy in the midst of personal trials unparalleled outside of the Michael Jackson compound, and returns to his earlier, funnier form. Thank Diane Keaton for being the perfect foil, and Marshall Brickman for helping Woody write the script and remember where the jokes were.
- ★ Matinee Director Joe Dante (Gremlins, Innerspace) turns in another idiosyncratic comedy, with John Goodman oozing charm as a shoestring budget movie producer in 1962 showcasing his latest rotten horror film in Key West at the time of the Cuban Missile Crisis. Not a classic, but a lot more fun than movies that made 16 times the money.
- ★ Schindler's List Wow. Steven Spielberg shows us the Holocaust for what it really was a bunch of hoodlums exercising unspeakable power over the helpless because nobody stopped them. And maybe the real emotional depth comes in the small indignities even as hideous violence becomes a way of life. An enormous achievement, and a film that will be studied for years to come.
- ★ Sleepless in Seattle The summer's date movie. A real weepie, made palatable



Bill Murray made a big comeback this year, cast against type as a gangster in Mad Dog and Glory, but was back in his element in the hit comedy Groundhog Day.

almost singlehanded by Tom Hanks (oh yeah, the other Tom Hanks movie), with a sense of vulnerability and a sense of humor combined. Meg Ryan, cute as ever, doesn't have much of a character, and screenwriter/director Nora Ephron piles it on a little thick, but Hanks makes it work. Beautifully.

★ Sommersby — Richard Gere finds the star quality he left in his other suit, and Jodie Foster discovers the fun of being in a movie-movie. A remake of the French film The Return of Martin Guerre, and maybe not as good, but a fine script and good performances, and not a dry female eye in the house at the end.

Runners up — Cliffhanger, Dave, The Firm, In the Line of Fire, Menace II Society, Mrs. Doubtfire, Much Ado About Nothing, The Piano

Hits and misses make the WeekendPlus critic's list

all them the Jeffreys — WeekendPlus film critic Jeffrey Cohen's acknowledgements of the great, not-so-great and downright irritating cinematic achievements of 1993.

Just remember: he's a professional. Do not try this in your own home.

10 Worst of the Year — Born Yesterday, Boxing Helena, Damage, Falling Down, Sliver, Indecent Proposal, Hocus Pocus, The Pickle, The Opposite Sex, Kalifornia.

Best Actor - Tom Hanks, Sleepless in Seattle.

Best Actress - Holly Hunter, The Piano.

Best Supporting Actor - Ben Kingsley, Schindler's List.

Best Supporting Actress - Everyone in The Joy Luck Club.

Best Director — Steven Spielberg, Schindler's List.

Best Screenplay — Steve Zaillian, Schindler's List.

Best First 10 Minutes - Cliffhanger.

Best Star Performance - John Goodman, Matinee.

Worst Actor — Pauly Shore, The Son-in-Law.

Worst Actress - Sharon Stone, Sliver.

Best Lizard — T. Rex, Jurassic Park. Runner-up — Sean Penn. Carlito's Way.



The talents of John Leguizamo and Bob Hoskins were wasted on a bad idea: Super Mario Bros.

Dumbest Movie to Make Over \$100 Million — Indecent Proposal.

Dumbest Movie to Make Less Than \$100 Million — Hocus

Slowest Moving Movie — (Tie) Age of Innocence, Remains of

Fastest Moving Movie - The Fugitive.

Worst Title - So I Married an Axe Murderer.

Most Over-Hyped Screenwriter — Quentin Tarantino (Reservoir Dogs, True Romance).

Best Cameos — Dave.

Best Premise — Cool Runnings (Jamaican bobsledders?).

Worst Premise Made into a Good Movie — Groundhog Day.

Worst Premise Made into a Bad Movie — Super Mario Rms

Worst Trend - Making every movie over 21/2 hours.

Best Trend — Movies from TV series going belly-up (Wayne's World 2, Addams Family Values, The Beverly Hillbillies, Car 54 Where Are You?, Coneheads). Runner-up — Dead-in-the-water sequels (Another Stakeout, Sister Act 2, Weekend at Bernie's 2, Son of Pink Panther, Wayne's World 2, Addams Family Values).

Biggest Hope For 1992 — That Barney doesn't make a movie. Or Howard Stem. Except maybe together.

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CURRENT FILMS

ADDAMS FAMILY VALUES

 The talented cast of the 1991 comedy hit — and baby makes one more — is back for another big-screen frolic. Joan Cusack makes a nice addition to the cast as the murderous girlfriend of Uncle Fester. (PG-

BATMAN: MASK OF THE PHANTASM



Newcomer Hiep Thi Le and Joan Chen (Twin Peaks) star in Oliver Stone's latest Vietnam epic, Heavan and Earth.

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GERONIMO: AN

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Jason Patric. (R)

Karen Allen. (R)

GHOST IN

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Studi (Last of the Mohicans), Robert Duvall, Gene Hackmar

High-tech effects enhance this

computer virus. Staming

thriller about a dead psycho

killer who returns to life as a

*Jack Lemmon and Walter Mat-thau make an odd couple as a neighbors whose long-standing feud escalates when they com-pete for the affections of a comely new neighbor (Ann-Margaret). (PG-13)

HEAVEN AND EARTH

GRUMPY OLD MEN

 Oliver Stone presents the hor-rors of the war in Vietnam, based on two autobiographies by Vietnamese refugee Le Ly, who witnessed the destruction first-hand as a young girl. Starring Tommy Lee Jones, Joan Chen, Or, Hang S. Ngor (who won an Oscar for The Ailling Fleids) and introducing Hiep Thille (who emigrated from Vietnam in 1979 at age 9) as Le

IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER

 Daniel Day-Lewis (Last of the Mohicans) stars as an innocent young Irishman who is falsely accused of, and imprisoned for, a terrorist bombing. The drama builds as he is forced to share a cell with his estranged father who is implicated by associa-tion with his son. (R)

MIRS. DOUBTFIRE

in Williams in another wild role as an unemployed, divorced actor who disguises nself as an eldery woman and gets hired as the house keeper of his own kids. With Sally Field, Pierce Brosnan, Harvey Fierstein. (PG-13)

BEFORE CHRISTMAS

✓ This stop-action, animated musical fantasy about the peo-

ple of Halloween taking over Christmas was directed by Henry Selick, but the story and characters come courtesy of Tim Burton, the visuallyoriented director of Batman, Beetlejuice and Edward Solssorbands. Music by frequent Burton collaborator Danny Elf-man. (PG)

THE PELICAN BRIEF

 High-powered screen version of John (The Firm) Grisham's ovel about a law student () Roberts, back from her selfimposed exile) who uncovers a government plot. With Denzel Washington, Sam Shepard.

 Clint Eastwood directs and co-stars as a lawman chasing fugitive Kevin Costner, who forges a friendship with a shell tered young boy he kidnaps while on the run. With Laura Dem. (PG-13)

THE PLANO

➤ The extraordinary — and very adult — story of a mute woman (Holly Hunter) who moves to New Zealand for an arranged marriage, where she becomes caught up in a passionate af-fair. CO-starring Harvey Keitel Sam Neill. Winner of the 1993 Cannes Film Festival. (R

SCHINDLER'S LIST

& Steven Spielberg poured his heart and soul into this stun-

ning black-and-white drama

about Oskar Schindler (Liam Neeson), a Nazi sympathizer

who later spent his fortune and risked his own life saving the lives of more than a thousand

Polish Jews during World War I A grueling three-hour epic

watch, but pays off with an up

ifting ending, (Exclusive open-

that's sometimes hard to

ing in Manhattan only). (R)

THE REMAINS OF THE DAY

 Howards End director James lyony's latest reunites Oscar-winners Emma Thompson and Anthony Hopkins, with the latte playing a proper English butler whose blind devotion to his master takes a toll on his own

BACK IN THE HABIT

.Whoopi's back in black to help the good sisters turn a rowdy class of teenagers into a choir. Reprses original with an emphasis on musical numbers and good-natured fun. (PG)

Julia Roberts and Denzel Washington investigate the murders of

two Supreme Court justices in the hit thriller The Pelican Brief.

THE THREE MUSKETEERS

 The same old story, featuring Charlie Sheen, Keifer Sutherland, Chris O'Donnell and Oliver Platt. With Tim Curry, Rebecca DeMornay.

TOMBSTONE

Rambo director George Cosmatos assembles a strong cast

(Kurt Russell, Val Kilmer, Dana Delany, Jason Priestley, Charlton Heston) to retell the story of Wyatt Earp, Doc Holliday and the usual suspects of the gunfight at the O.K. Corral. (R)

WAYNE'S WORLD 2

•This highly-anticipated sequel hurls our heroes into a story about Wayne's attempts to stage an Aerosmith concert. while Garth courts sultry Kim Basinger. No worse than the first. With Christopher Walken Tia Carerra. (PG-13)

Curtain calls

NOW PLAYING FORUM THEATRE 314 Main St., Metuchen

(908) 548-4670 •Hello Muddah, Hello Fadduh! musical adapted from the song parodies of the late Allan Sherman. Through Jan. 16. Admission \$27-\$23, discounts avail

GEORGE STREET

9 Livingston Ave. New Brunswick (908) 246-7717

 Tangents, world premiere of Elizabeth Hansen's drama about a psychologist and a stu-dent client. Jan. 8-30. Admission \$30-\$22, discounts avail-

HYATT REGENCY HOTEL

Route 1, West Windsor (609) 443-5598

•Murder mystery dinner the-ater, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 8, 14, 22. Admission \$39.95.

MCCARTER THEATRE

91 University Pt., Princeton (609) 683-8000

The Complete History of America (Abridged) by the Reduced Shakespeare Company. 8 p.m. Jan. 8. Adults \$20-\$16, students \$10.

The Complete Works of William Shakespeare (Abridged) by the Reduced Shakespeare Com-pany. 3 p.m. Jan. 9. Adults \$20-\$16, students \$10

OFF-BROADSTREET THEATRE

5 South Greenwood Ave Hopewell (609) 466-2766

•Angel Street, melodrama on which the film Gaslight was based. Through Jan. 15. Adm sion \$19 Saturday, \$17.50 Fri-

day and Sunday

(201) 301-0562

Deadly Brief Case, murder ting, 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday beginning Jan. 8. Admission \$39.

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE

Brookside Dr., Millburn (201) 376-4343

actors). Through Feb. 6. Admis sion \$42-\$27.

SHERATON AT WOODBRIDGE PLACE

•Noir Suspicions, murder mys-tery in a dinner theater. 8 p.m. Jan. 8, 15, 22. Admission \$40.

BACKSTAGE AT TECHNIQUES THEATRE

(908) 521-3156

OLD MILL INN

Route 202, Bemardsville

mystery in a dinner theater set-

 It Runs in the Family, British comedy directed and written by Ray Cooney (one of the show's

PLAYHOUSE 22

210 Dunhams Comer Rd. East Brunswick (908) 254-3939

 35th-anniversary show whighlights from various productions. Jan. 2-16. Admission \$13. dis

RAMADA INN

Rantan Center, Edison (609) 443-5598 •Murder mystery dinner the-ater, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 8, 14, 22. Admission \$39.95.

COMING UP

112 Rues Lane Workshops on what makes the ater what it is. Admission \$3 for one, \$7 for all three. Snow



Rob Krausz and Joanne Borts star in the Allan Sherman musical comedy revue Hello Muddah, Hello Fadduh!, which has been extended through Jan. 16 at the Forum Theatre in Metuchen.

date Feb. 11.
•"It's All in the Lights," 7:30 p.m. Jan. 21.

"Actors, Choose Your Weap ons" (on-stage combat), 7:30 p.m. Jan. 28.

"We'll Call You" (auditions), 7:30 p.m. Feb. 4.

CIRCLE PLAYHOUSE (908) 968-7555

·Barefoot in the Park, early Neil Simon vehicle with a newlywed

couple in New York, Jan. 14-Feb. 5. Admission \$10, discounts available HUNTERDON HILLS

PLAYHOUSE Route 173, Clinton 1-800-447-7313

Come Blow Your Hom, or what made Neil Simon famous.
 Opens Jan. 10. Group rates

OFF-BROADSTREET THEATRE 5 South Greenwood Av

(609) 466-2766 Special Occasions, Bernard

Slade's story of a couple who come together after they split apart, Jan. 21-Feb. 26, Adm sion \$19 Saturday, \$17.50 Fri

SOMERSET HILLS HOTEL

(908) 647-6700

 The Wedding, Italian marriage ceremony transferred to a din

ner theater. 7:30 p.m. Jan. 14.

WATCHUNG ARTS CENTER 18 Stirling Rd., Watchung (908) 753-0190

Revue with students from the Somerset County Vocational and Technical School, 7:30 p.m. Jan. 18. Admission \$3.

WINTER'S TALES '94 McCarter Theatre

two, \$35 for three.

Admission \$49.

91 University Pl., Princeton (609) 683-8000 Admission \$20 for one, \$30 for

The Nanjing Race, world premiere of Reggie Cheong-Leen's play about a Japanese-American businessman on a

business trip in China, Jan. 12-·Shorts I, new short plays by

Joyce Carol Oates and six other playwrights, 1 p.m. Jan. 15: 4 p.m. Jan. 16, 22; 8 p.m. Jan.

. Shorts II, new short plays by Jules Feiffer and five other play wrights, 4 p.m. Jan. 15, 23; 8 p.m. Jan. 16, 17; 1 p.m. Jan. For Weekend PLUS

Dance

HUNGARIAN STATE **FOLK ENSEMBLE**

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21 State Theatre, 19 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick (908) 246-7469

Troupe of more than 100 dancers from the Magyar Re public, Admission \$38-\$19,

Auditions

FRANKLIN THEATRE ENSEMBLE

195 Davidson Ave., Somerset (908) 356-1497

iver! Auditions at 7 p.m. Jan. 7

GALLERY THEATRE COMPANY

Watchung Arts Center 18 Stirling Rd., Watchung (908) 753-0190

•For winter production of But-terflies Are Free. Auditions at 10 a.m. Jan. 8. Two men (early-mid-20s, mid-20s-early 30s) and two women (18-25 and early-late 40s) needed; prepare a two-minute mono-

logue. MOUNT ST. MARY ACADEMY Mercy Hall Route 22, Watchung

(908) 755-9262

•For April production of God-spell. Auditions at 7:30 p.m. Jan. 13, 17, 19. Males 13-19 needed; prepare an uptempo Broadway song. Readings from

PLAYHOUSE 22

210 Dunhams Corner Rd. East Brunswick

For April production of Jesu Christ Superstar, Auditions at 1 p.m. Jan. 22, 23, Non-traditional cast; also need dancers w/modern dance ex-

rience. Prepare a song WATCHUNG ARTS CENTER 18 Stirling Rd., Watch (908) 753-0190

teenage theater troupe. Auditions at 10 a.m. Jan. 15. Call for an appointment



Fine folk tuning up for the start of a new acoustic music season

Troubadour Bill Staines to headline at Horizons Friday

By WILLIAM WESTHOVEN WeekendPlus Editor

ow that country music has finally gained commercial acceptance in the Garden State, can folk music be far behind?

The 1994 Central Jersey folk music scene will get off to a fast start Friday with three big events scheduled for some of the area's major acoustic venues.

In Franklin Park, the First Friday series at Horizons Coffee House will welcome well-traveled troubadour Bill Staines on a bill that will also include Horizons favorite David Berger.

Meanwhile in Bound Brook, at

the Underground Bar and Grill, Westfield residents Richard Wolsten and Elizabeth Madsen, known better as CREe, will perform a benefit show for the non-profit group The Angel Connection.

Farther north in Basking Ridge, fabled Irish guitarist Pat Kilbride will open the 1994 Folk Project/ Minstrel Coffeehouse series with special guest Wendy Beckerman.

Bill Staines is a folk-lover's treasure - a native of New England who started in the Boston-Cambridge folk music scene of the 1960s. He went on to become one of folk music's busiest performers, performing over 200 concert dates a year around the country, although he has maintained his popularity in the Boston area, having been named a favorite performer by a reader's poll in The Boston Globe in both 1980 and 1981.

His music reflects both traditional and modern styles while using humor, audience participation and even yodeling to delight his crowds.

Tickets are \$10 for the 8 p.m. show, or \$9 with a donation of a non-perishable food item. Children under age 12 are admitted for \$3. with student discounts available.

Horizons Coffee House is located in the Fellowship Hall of the Six-Mile Run Reformed Church on Route 27 in Franklin Park. For more information, call (908) 821-

AIDS will be the cause uniting CREe and its audience as the folk duo, known for its wholesome original music which covers everything from politics to romance, will donate proceeds from its performance to The Angel Connection, which provides assistance and support to children and families affected by AIDS.

Admission to the 9:30 p.m. performance at the Underground Bar and Grill, located at 106 W. Second St. in Bound Brook, is only \$3. For more information, call (908) 627-



Horizons Coffee House in Franklin Park.

The appearance of Kilbride, one of the few musicians known for playing Irish jigs, reels and slow airs with a finger-picked guitar, is the first of the year at the Minstrel Coffeehouse, a club dedicated to supporting traditional, original and contemporary folk arts and music. Upcoming events include an openstage night on Jan. 14, Liz DiSavino (a multi-instrumentalist who does arrangements for the awardwinning chamber group the Solid

Brass) with Skillman resident Ellen James on Jan. 21, and the New Jersey Songwriter's Circle on

Tickets to Kilbride's performance, which begins at 8:30 p.m., are \$4. The Minstrel Coffeehouse is located at 190 Stirling Road in Basking Ridge at the Somerset County Park Commission's Environmental Education Center. For more information, call (201) 335-

Club mix

Underground Bar and Grill in Bound Brook.

BERNARDS INN

27 Minebrook Rd. Remardsville (908) 766-0002 Gary Mazzaroppi, Jim Long, Tuesdays

BOURBON STREET CAFE

- Old Bay Restaurant 61 Church St., New Brunswick (908) 246-3111
- ·Castle Browne Blues Band,
- ·Sonny Rhodes, Jan. 8. · Latin Jazz Connection, Jan.
- •The Holmes Brothers, Jan. 13.
- •Gumbo Combo, Jan. 14. •The Blues Jumpers, Jan. 15.

CATCH A RISING STAR **Hyatt Regency Hotel**

Route 1, West Windson (609) 987-8018 Headline comedy every night except Monday. College night, Sundays and Tuesdays. Ladies' night, Thursdays.

•Taylor Mason, through Jan. 9 •Gary DeLena, Jan. 1-16. CITY GARDENS

1701 Calhoun St., Trenton (609) 392-8887 95-cent dance party, Thurs-'All-ternative" dance party, Fri-

•Live, Jan. 8 CLUB BENE

Route 35. Savreville (908) 727-3000

Westfield-based folk artists Richard Wolsten and Elizabeth

Madsen, better known as CREe, will perform Friday at the

•The Fantasy Band, Jan. 7 ·Sato (Ozzy Osbourne tribute), lan 8

•Keith Washington, Jan. 14.

•The Outlaws, Jan. 15. CORNERSTONE

25 New St., Metucher (908) 549-5306

Ray Gallon Quartet w/Ralph Lalama, Jan. 7.

·Harry Allen Quartet, Jan. 8.

•Mike LeDonne Quartet, Jan. 14 (w/John Gordon), 15 (w/

Adam Brenner) COURT TAVERN

124 Church St (908) 545-7265

•The Grip Weeds, Jan. 7

CRYAN'S PUBLIC HOUSE

1270 Route 28, North Branch (908) 722-1113 Dance party. Fridays

Oldies night, Saturdays.

THE EXCHANGE 645 Route 202-206, Bridgewater (908) 526-7090 •Nasty Ned & The Famous Chili

Dogs. Jan. 15.

Bridgewater Manor Routes 202-206, Bridgewater (908) 658-3000

Dance party, Thursdays Skip Roberts Quartet, Fridays. Comedy night, Sundays,

HORIZONS COFFEEHOUSE

Six Mile Run Reformed Church Route 27, Franklin Park (908) 821-1324 ·Bill Staines, David Berger,

Dave Sherman, Jan. 7 JACK O'CONNOR'S

1288 Route 22, Bridgewater (908) 725-1500 Piano brunch w/Gladys Richards, Sundays.

Willie Lynch Trio, Thursdays.

·Susan Gillespie, Jan. 7.

•99 Years, Jan. 8.

• Johnny Charles, Jan. 14. ·Wooster Street Trolley, Jan.

1604 F St., South Belman (908) 681-1416 Qpen-mike jam session, Wednesdays.

·A.L. James & Spare Change,

Billy Hector, Jan. 13, 15. Big Danny & The Lost Leader Band, Jan. 14.

JOHN & PETER'S

96 South Main St. New Hope, Pa. (215) 862-0823 Free admission for afternoon and Wednesday shows. Open mike, Mondays. Liberty Blues Jam, Tuesdays.

Top 10 CDs

- 1. Smashing Pumpkins, Sian
- 2, 10,000 Maniacs, Unplugged
- 3. Aerosmith, Get a Grip
- 4. Pearl Jam, Vs.
- The Breeders, Last Splitch
 Gin Blossoms, New Miserable Experience
 Tom Petty, Greatest Hits
- 8. Mariah Carey, Music Box
- 9. Bryen Adems, So Fer, So Good
- 10. Lenny Kravitz, Are You Gonna Go My Way?

-Sales figures courtesy of Alwilk Records

•The Whitewalls, Jan. 7. Trimm & Larsen, afternoon Jan. 8, 22

Unguided Missile, evening Jan.

·Barn Burners, afternoon Jan.

·Artec Two-Step, The Billys, evening Jan. 9. ·Linda Cane & Bob Lewis, Jan.

·Alibi, Jan. 13. •The Conrads, Jan. 14. ·Stave Brosky, afternoon Jan.

·Zen for Primates, evening Jan.

•The Razorbacks, afternoon Jan. 16, 30. ·Love Dungeon, evening Jan.

26 Embroidery St., Sayreville (908) 257-9813 •Hard Country, Jan. 7 MARITA'S CANTINA

Johnny Charles, Jan. 13. MAXWELL'S 1039 Washington St.

Albany St., New Brunswick

(908) 247-3840

(201) 798-4064

The Health and Happiness

Show, Freakwater, Jan. 7. •Twelve:01, Fresh Kills, The

•Lloyd Cole, Jan. 12, 19. •Luna, Jan. 15. ·Alex Chilton, Jan. 29.

MINSTREL COFFEEHOUSE Environmental Education Cen-ter, 190 Lord Stirling Rd. Basking Ridge (201) 335-9489

Open stage, Jan. 14.

PHEASANTS LANDING

Amwell Rd., Belle Mead (908) 359-4700

•First Avenue, Jan. 7

Johnny Charles, Jan. 8. Issue, Jan. 14.

 Delivery Boys, Jan. 15.
 RARITAN RIVER CLUB (908) 545-6110

Ralph Bowen (sax w/quartet), Jan. 7.
•Grady Stone (vocals w/quar-

tet), Jan. 8.

Scott Strunk Trio, Jan. 13. Steve Nelson (vibes w/quar

tet), Jan. 14. •Dena DeRose (vocals, piano w/trio), Jan. 15, 22, 29

STANHOPE HOUSE Main & High, Stanhope (201) 347-0458

•Gumbo Combo, Jan. 7. . Jimmy Thackery & The Drivers,

Jan. 8. •Robert Ross Band, Jan. 14. ·Little Mike & The Tomadoes,

Jan. 15. STONE PONY

913 Ocean Ave., Asbury Park (908) 775-5700

·Whirling Dervishes, Jan. 7. •The Health and Happiness

Show, Jan. 15. •Murphy's Law, Another State

of Mind, 2HP, Jan. 16. •Nils Lofgren, Jan. 28.

STRESS FACTORY

Hyatt Regency Hotel 2 Albany St., New Brunswick (908) 545-4242 Live comedy Thursdays, Fri-

days, and Saturdays. T.J.'S HIDEAWAY

Tompkins Ave., South Plainfield (908) 668-9860 Nasty Ned & The Famous Chili

Dogs. Jan. 8. TEWKSBURY INN

Main St., Oldwick (908) 439-2641

Johnny Charles, Jan. 15, 21. Weekend Plus

Pearl Jam holds its own 'Vs.' jurassic rockers in 1993

A tip of the hat to the top records of the year

By WILLIAM WESTHOVEN

WeekendPlus Editor

hat a year for music, huh?

Taking a cue from the year's top movie hit, Jurassic Park, several dinosaurs like the Band, Big Star, the Velvet Underground and George Clinton were heard from for the first time since God knows when, while groups like Pearl Jam, Soul Asylum, Stone Temple Pilots and Nirvana pushed grunge into the upper echelon of Billboard's album charts, meaning the alternative waters have made their way

to the mainstream.

There were a large number of good, if not great new records, to listen to in 1993. The following list represents my own list of favorite records from the past year, in alphabetical order. You may not know a lot of the names on the list, but you've probably heard enough of the popular stuff already and made your own decisions. So don't consider this list to be a typical snobby critic's list, prejudicial against the big mainstream stars, although it

may well be. all I know for sure is these are the records I listened to. Consider it rather like a menu in a new restaurant — try just one of the items and you may discover new pleasures. Hey, if Bush had given broccoli more of a chance, he might still be president.

★ The Band, Jericho (Pyramid) — I had my doubts about this reunion, given the fact that Richard Manuel is dead and Robbie Robertson might as well-be, as far as his old mates are concerned. The Peter Max cover painting of the Music From Big Pink did not help to ease my fears, either. But surprise! These old geezers still have plenty of magic left, and with a trio of new Band members, cover Dylan ("Blind Willie McTell") and Springsteen ("Atlantic City") on the same record without embarrassing themselves. Let's see Eddie Vedder do that. Meanwhile, "Move to Japan" makes for a fun rockabilly romp, while "Remedy" and "The Caves of Jericho" recall the Band at its K-Rock best. Including Manuel's "Country Boy" (recorded before he committed suicide in 1987) may seem a bit maudlin, but it's a terrific, tear-inducing capper to his career, and what better place for it?

* Richard Barone, Clouds Over Eden (MESA) - As the former leaders of the Bongos, Richard Barone and James Mastro (now with the Health and Happiness Club) are sort of the co-Yodas of the rich Hoboken scene. But I haven't been a big fan of what either has done, together or on their own, in the 10 or so years since the Bongos went belly-up, at least until Clouds Over Eden, a lush pop album full of shimmering harmonies, thoughtful lyrics and more hooks than a tackle shop. While Barone's well-known Byrd influences abound, his Beatle roots are even more evident: he even manages to sound like both John Lennon ("Clouds Over Eden") and George Harrison ("Beautiful Human") on different tracks. And all but two of the 11 songs feature either cello or Mellotron. Even Rick Wakeman doesn't play a Mellotron anymore. When critics talk about ear candy, they're talking about this kind of stuff.

* Black 47, Fire of Freedom (SBK) — Known more as the house band at Paddy Reilly's in Manhattan, Irish-born songwriter/ playwright Larry Kirwan's mix of Irish-American politics ("James Connolly," "Fire of Freedom" and seriocomic urban soap operettas ("Maria's Wedding," "Funky Ceili") takes the echo of Dexy's Midnight Runners and gives it a bite of the Big Apple. The band, which combines guitars, horns (arranged by ex-Dexy Geoffrey Blythe) and traditional Irish instruments (many played by ex-cop Chris Byrne, who finally gave up his Hell's Kitchen beat this year) comes across better live, but it's still a terrific record. They even rap ("Rockin' the Bronx") better than many who make their living that way.



Long-in-the tooth rockers like the Band (top) and the Velvet Underground (below), both of which boast of band members in their 50s, reunited to make some terrific music in 1993.



* George Clinton, Hey Man, Smell My Finger (Paisley Park/ Warner) — The genius behind Parliament/Funkadelic returns from a long recording hiatus to supply fresh samples for rappers and hip-hoppers who have long since bled the well dry. Want to know where Prince, Bobby Brown, Dr. Dre and even the Red Hot Chili Peppers (who appeared with Clinton on the Grammies and show up here as well) got their chops? You can start here, and work your way back through the P-Funk catalog, which is now available on CD.

* Henry Kaiser and David Lindley, A World Out of Time: Henry Kaiser and David Lindley in Madagasgar (Schanachie) — Two of America's most talented and innovative guitarists travel to the world's fourth-largest island to collaborate with musicians whose music has never been heard in America on a domestic record. Due to the dual Indonesian-African roots of the culture, the music is surprisingly melodic and even folksy, and not nearly as rhythm-based as a lot of African music. Technically a late '92 release, but I couldn't even find a copy until 1993 (Schanachie is based in Newton; you may want to give them a call), and it's the first of a five-CD series. If you can find any of them, buy without hesitation.

★ Chris Isaak, San Francisco Days — Originally designated for my honorable mention category until I realized I

haven't played any record, or enjoyed any record, in 1993 more than this one. Almost completely overlooked, Isaak is considered by many to be a one-hit wonder (remember when "Wicked Game" rose from the dead on the Wild at Heart soundtrack in 1990?), but this album establishes him as a major songwriter and song stylist. Subtle, melancholy melodies merge with restrained, but well-executed roots rockers, while his cover of Neil Diamond's "Solitary Man" is one of my favorite songs of the year.

★ Living Colour, Stain (Epic) — Easily the most overlooked record of 1993, and quite possibly the best of the year. Certainly the best in this band's career. Finally writing songs that live up to their instrumental talent, "Go Away" and "Mind Your Own Business" saw the band rock harder than ever before, while "Nothingness" showed they don't need 1,000 watts to move their audience.

★ Van Morrison, Too Long in Exile (Polydor) — Makes the list mainly on the strength of two duets with John Lee Hooker, including a remake of "Gloria" that makes you wonder of Van wrote the song for him in the first place. But there's plenty more to ap-

preciate here, including a rowdy version of Sonny Boy Williamson's "Good Morning Little Schoolgirl" (Van hasn't been this loose in a *long* time) and a coy dinner-music cover of "Moody's Mood for Love." For latter-day Van fans, there's still a selection of his ethereal jazz-folk musings, but the real treat here is hearing him launch a long-overdue exploration of his more blues-collar roots.

★ Pearl Jam, Vs. (Epic) — Eddie Vedder may not be the brooding genius he's made out to be (he's probably closer to Axel Rose, only with clearer sinuses), but Pearl Jam managed to do something few have done before: follow up a critically-acclaimed, top-selling debut record with an even better top-selling record. Vs. contains no compromises — for reference, see the chorus on "Leash." The kind of raw power typified by "Go" and "Animals" hasn't been heard since the Clash, who are given a more-direct tribute on "Glorified G." With Vs., Pearl Jam has done more than keep ahead of the competition — they've lapped them.

* The Velvet Underground, Live MCMXCIII — I never thought I'd use nostalgic and The Velvet Underground in the same sentence, but here they are. Recorded during a series of reunion concerts in France (unfortunately, Lou Reed and John Cale couldn't get along long enough to bring the tour stateside), MCMXCIII is a sort of history lesson and punk-root primer all wrapped up into one package. As a greatest hits package, it suffers, mainly due to the absence of Nico's haunting vocals, but it does give you that "wish-I-was-there" feeling that all live albums strive for, or should at least try to strive for.

HONORABLE MENTION - Loudon Wainwright III, History AND Career Moves (Charisma/Virgin) - the first reveals more maturity and irony than his trademark humor; the second is a live album, where he always sounds best; Donald Fagen, Kamakiriad (Atlantic) - not Steely Dan, but an incredible simulation; Pete Townshend, Psychoderelict (Atlantic) - the music only version, mind you, without the annoying narration; Ice-T, Home Invasion (Rhyme Syndicate/Priority) — Ice takes over for Frank Zappa as pop music's free speech conscience; Lenny Kravitz, Are You Gonna Go My Way? - this guy isn't retro-hippie, he's the real thing; Mark O'Connor, Heroes (Warner) - Fiddle hero fiddles around with influences like Charlie Daniels, Stephan Grapelli and Doug Kershaw; The Julianna Hatfield Three, Become What You Are (Mammoth/Atlantic) "Supermodel" and "My Sister" are also nominees for song of the year; Willie Nelson, Across the Borderline (Columbia) Covers Dylan, Paul Simon, Lyle Lovett and more; duets with Sinead O'Connor on Peter Gabriel's "Don't Give Up."

and it works!. It must have been a magical year.



John Hiatt's Perfectly Good Guitar is one of the many fine recordings that escaped the attention of the mainstream in 1993.

An 'alternative' look at the best from 1993

WeekendPlus Writer ut in the mainstream they're wearing '70s clothes, holding big expensive festivals, competing over who's got the most aggressive-looking fake tattoos, and trying to design the perfect "alternative" persona for youth-oriented target marketing. From over here it looks like the really interesting stuff still comes from people who don't care where they position themselves, whether they still record for indie labels or never did.

BILL MILLARD'S **TOP 10 LIST FOR 1993**

American Music Club, Mercury (Reprise) — This absolutely knocks me out on about eight different levels. Here are a couple: The sonic texture is incredibly lush for a five-piece. The mood, as always with Mark Eitzel's writing, is pure closing-time romantic agony, clarified by deadpan wit and time-honored depressants, exorcised through emotional honesty (the searing "I've Been a Mess") and raw intelligence. And anybody who performs music, or cares about how it comes to be, and is anything less than riveted by

attention.

* Elvis Costello and the Brodsky Quartet, The Juliet Letters (Warner Bros.) - In nearly anyone else's hands, this project would have collapsed into a pretentious mess. Costello taught himself to read and write scores in about a month for it, which ought to tell you something about how much raw talent certain "untutored" talents really have (paging Wynton Marsalis). With the material built around the motif of personal letters - an ideal subject for Costelloid characterizations - and with all five participants, not just The Singer, imaginging the characters and situations, this concept record is sonically seamless, melodically radiant, and conceptually mature. If this is art rock, the term is ready to be rehabilitated.

* Digable Planets, Reachin' (A New Refutation of Time and Space) (Pendulum) - As rap gets close to subsuming the mainstream itself, anything this unmainstreamable, this danceable, this complex, this gentle, and this cool (in the sense that term had in '50s West Coast jazz) is going to keep doing a lot of time on my

"Johnny Mathis' Feet" isn't paying speakers. The linkage between the snatches of Art Blakey or Sonny Rollins, insistent, persistent rhythms and exploratory vocals is no gimmick; in fact, it's a natural enough match to make you wonder why a rap-bebop fusion didn't occur to anybody before.

* Grant Lee Buffalo, Fuzzy (Slash) - When you run into a songwriter named Grant Lee Phillips, you have to figure he was named and raised by hardcore Civil War buffs, and you don't get too surprised when some of his lyrics sound like the reserve reading for an intermediate-level American history course. Historywise, Phillips' material goes well beyond the namedropping level; he's mad about the same political things a lot of other people are mad about, but he just gets mad smarter. Having an unforgettable rural-soul voice doesn't hurt.

The Juliana Hatfield Three, Become What You Are (Mammoth) Atlantic) - Yeah, I cringed at the first line of "My Sister" too; I guess there are limits to how much I can identify with surly teenagers anymore. But by the end of the song she had me -Hatfield has a way of making the

uncool cool. This is no case of vulnerable girlish naivete with flimsy sonic backing, either: the chord movements and melodic surprises on "This Is the Sound" are for real, and the brainpunk rhythm tracks on "A Dame with Rod" will bring cheer to the hearts of Pretenders fans.

★ The Health and Happiness Show, Tonic (BarNone) - On a good night this is simply the best live band in metropolitan New York. Nobody's viewing James Mastro as "the other Bongo" any more: he's written some monster songs, he's leading a formidably versatile lineup, and he's singing with authority and charisma. Even the cheerful throwaways can strike you as keepers here, and the strongest stuff, like the astonishing "Man Who Married the Moon," will stay with you for a good long time.

★ John Hiatt, Perfectly Good Guitar (A&M) - Old pros can get younger if they're pro enough; ask Neil Young. Hiatt went into the studio with some guys who aren't much older than his son, got a little crazy as usual and came out with a scorcher of a record.

* The Mekons, I [red heart] Mekons (Quarterstick) - Everything the merry pranksters of Leeds do for the rest of their career will be compared with The Mekons Rock 'n' Roll, which isn't exactly fair. This one has two pop anthems as catchy as anything they've done, "St. Valentine's Day" and "I Love a Millionaire." The whole thing rolls sex, politics, low humor, high theory, and punkedout guitar into a big ball of fun.

New Order, Republic (Qwest) - After a four-year holiday, they're back on an incredibly professional level; they're still a combination dance-floor singles band and postmodern pop-art collective, and they still make albums centered around a single brilliant song, with a lot of what some people would call filler but others (perhaps more careful listeners) find

complex and gripping.

* Liz Phair, Exile in Guyville (Matador) - Some rock critic wrote a long time ago that John Entwistle's "My Life" (on Who's Next) was the definitive rock and roll statement about marriage. But then I heard Phair, who seals it in one brilliant offhand line: "The license said you had to stick around until I was dead" ("Divorce Song").

CLOSE RUNNERS-UP Big Star, Columbia (Zoo); Cell, Slo-Blo (Ecstatic Peace/DGC); Brian Dewan Tells the Story (BarNone); Kate Jacobs, The Calm Comes After (BarNone); Tommy Keene, The Real Underground (Alias); Kips Bay Ceili Band, Digging In (Green Linnet); Pere Ubu, The Story of My Life (Imago); Stigmata A-Go-Go (Pow Wow); Sugar, Beaster (Ryko); Paul Westerberg, 14 Sonas (Sire).

(Bill Millard is a Hoboken-based music writer for WeekendPlus).

n concert

BEL MUSICA

8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 Watchung Arts Center 18 Stirling Rd., Watchung (908) 753-0190

•Assorted works sung by Florence Lazzeri, soprano, and Don Sheasley, baritone. Admission \$8.

CLARENCE 'GATEMOUTH' BROWN

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Blues great performs in a gallery

setting, Admission \$15 CHINESE MUSIC ENSEMBLE OF NEW YORK

4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9 Unitarian Church 4 Waldron Ave., Summit (908) 273-3245, 273-8499 •Works from the great republic per formed on the gaohu, the yangquin, and the dizi. Adults \$18, senior citizens and students \$15.

EMERSON STRING QUARTET

8 p.m, Friday, Jan. 7 Nassau Presbyterian Church 61 Nassau St., Princeton (609) 924-5022 Beethoven's Quartet No. 3 in D major and Quartet in B flat major with Grosse Fuge: Shostakovich's Quartet No. 13 in B flat minor. Admission \$30. Gala tickets \$100,

LA FORZA DEL DESTINO

7 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 Morristown High School 50 Early St., Morristown 1-800-340-SING •The Verdi opera, tuned to its orig

nat pitch and sung (in Italian) by the Lubo Opera Company, Admission \$12 in advance, \$15 at the door

FUMA SACRA

3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16 Taplin Auditorium, Princeton University (609) 258-5000

 Performing works by Mozart, Rossi-ni, and other composers w/Laura Brooks Rice, mezzo-soprano, and Elem Eley, baritone. Free admission.

JAZZ COMPOSITIONS

AND IMPROVISATIONS

8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 Taplin Auditorium Princeton University 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9 Richardson Auditorium Princeton University (609) 258-5000

New jazz from the university's music students. Free admission.

NINA LELCHUCK

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7 Borough Improvement League 491 Middlesex Ave., Metuchen (908) 632-8502

Pianist performs works by Beethoven, Scarlatti, Schubert, and Chopin. Adults \$4, senior citizens and students \$3.

MANHATTAN RHYTHM KINGS

3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9 Morris Knolls High School Denville (201) 538-6413 Ensemble that gained fame in the Broadway musical Crazy for You. Admission \$25-\$10.

KEVIN MAYNOR

3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9 Tewksbury area (908) 832-9770 Songs of Paul Robeson, performed in a living-room setting (location given at time of purchase). Adults \$12, senior citizens and students

NEW AMERICAN STRING QUARTET

3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16 Jane Voorhees Zimmerli Art Museum, George St. New Brunswick (908) 932-7237 Ensemble of Russian emigres performs works by Tchaikovsky, Boro-din, and Shostakovich. Free ad-

N.J. CHAMBER MUSIC SOCIETY

3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 9 Morris Museum, Morristown 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14 Union Congregational Church, Upper Montclair (201) 746-6068 · A Night Piece and a Scherzo, both by Arthur Foote; Zoltan Kodaly's Duo for Violin and Cello: Schubert's

Quintet in C major. Admission \$13 in Morristown, \$18 in Upper Mont-clair; discounts available. NEW JERSEY SYMPHONY

CHAMBER ORCHESTRA 8:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 7 Richardson Auditorium. inceton University 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 8 State Theatre, New Brunswick 1-800-ALLEGRO •All-Purcell program withe suite from Abdelazar, songs for the the-ater, and Dido and Aeneas. Adhission \$29-\$10, discounts avail-

N.J. SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 14 War Memorial, Trenton

1-800-ALLEGRO 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 Raritan Valley Community College, North Branch (908) 725-3420 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 16 Symphony Hall, Newark 1-800-ALLEGRO •The overture to Coriolan by Beethoven: Prokofiev's Concerto No. 2 in G minor; Bruckner's Symphony No. 3 in D minor. Admission \$39-\$10 (discounts available) in Trenton and Newark, \$12.50 in North Branch.

ON A WINTER'S NIGHT

8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 21 Union County Arts Center 1601 Irving St., Rahway (908) 499-8226 •New folk music from John Gorka, Patty Larkin, Cheryl Wheeler, and Cliff Eberhardt. Admission \$17.50,

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RASA

8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 Watchung Arts Center 18 Stirling Rd., Watchung (908) 753-0190



The Manhattan Rhythm Kings, recently featured in the Broadway musical Crazy For You, will performa a concert of popular music from the '20s, '30s and '40s Sunday afternoon at Morris Knolls High School in Denville.

•"Poemusic" presented by Alan Wasserman, Stanley Schumacher, and five other performers. Ad-

RETURN TO THE SOURCE

8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 15 Union County Arts Center 1601 Irving St., Rahway (908) 499-8226 •Tribute to the Rev. Dr. Martin Luth er King Jr. Admission \$12.50-\$8.

SALUTE TO BROADWAY 8 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20

State Theatre, New Brunswick 8 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 War Memorial, Trenton 3 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23

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4 p.m. Sunday, Jan. 23 Westminster Choir College Bristol Chapel, Princeton (609) 921-2663 Songs from the Czech Republic performed by Thomas Faracco, tenor, and Laura Brooks Rice, mezzo-soprano. Adults \$10, senior citizens and students \$8.

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through Jan. 9.

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film on da Vinci, 3 p.m. Jan. 16.

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Johnson Park River Rd., Piscataway (908) 463-9077 Village composed of relocated 18th century structures set near the headquarters of the county park po-lice. No tours offered at present. Gift shop closed until further notice. DISON NATIONAL ISTORIC SITE

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Morristown (201) 538-2404 Historical museum open Thursday and Sunday from 1-4 p.m. Group tours by appointment. Adults \$3. enior citizens and students \$2.
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Morristown (201) 538-0454 Monday through Saturday from 10 a.m.-5 p.m., Sunday from noon-6 p.m. Free admission for members Non-member admission: adults \$4, senior citizens and children \$2. Permanent gallery exhibits: dino-saurs, five animals, mammals, model trains, history, North Amer-ican Indians, Woodland Indians,

orcks and minerals.
"Backyard Monsters: The World of Insects," Jan. 16-May 15.

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ongoing.
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American drawings from the mu-seum's collection, through January.

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ary.
•"A Vision of the Future" for the museum's science gallery, through June 30.
"Treasures from the Korean Col-

lection," through June 30.
•Photographs of "Vanishing Korea" by Rhoda Sidney, through June 30. "Amazorian Harmony: Shipibo Pottery and Textiles" from Peru.

through 1994.
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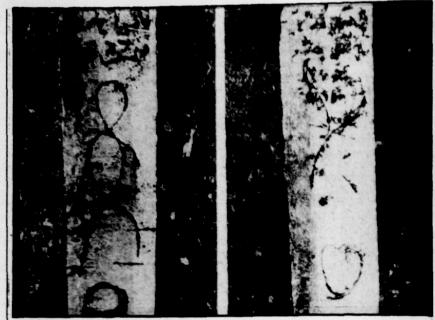
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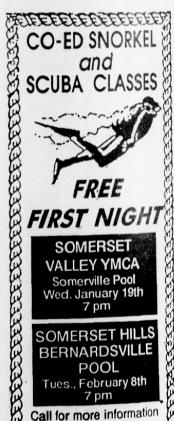
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The Newark-based which promotes the work of many new and emerging regional artists, will show works representing a variety of media. The exhibit, which will be located in the Arts Center's upper gallery, will be curated by CWW executive director Stephen Sennott.

At the same time in the lower gallery, the Arts Center will present "Forbidden City," a onewoman show by Claire Heimarck which "conveys the pleasure of being surrounded by the red walls of the Forbidden City in Beijing, China, along with the connotations of fear that entry originally implied."

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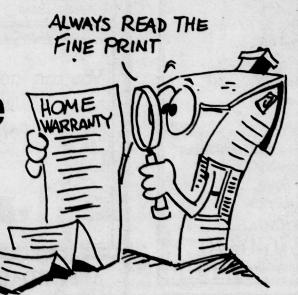


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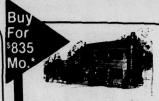
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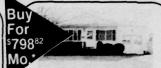


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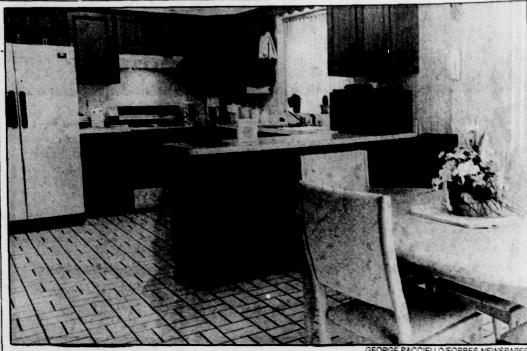


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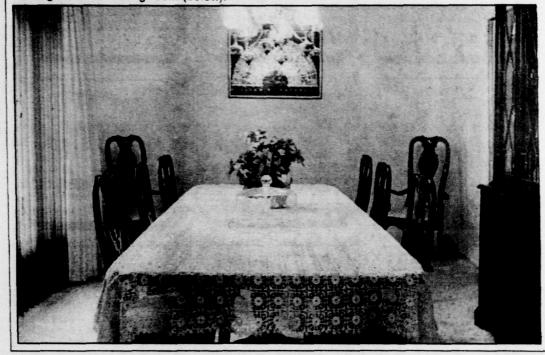
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This spacious Hillsborough ranch features a roomy eat-in kitchen with pantry area (above), and an elegant formal dining room (below).



Hillsborough ranch combines modern living, rural setting

Hillsborough is the setting for 13-by-12 and 12-by-12, give the this comfortable seven-yearold ranch, located at 312 N. Woods Road. The eight-room lawn is highlayout features many modern conveniences and plenty of space, all for \$322,000.

The 13-by-19 living room and 12-by-16 dining room offer plenty of room for the family. The eat-in kitchen, at 13-by-22, will make a great impression on the gourmet or family cook. A convenient pantry area, gas stove and refrigerator highlight the features of this impressive kitch-

The focal point of the living area is a wonderful 19-by-17 family/rec room, capable of a variety of uses.

by-15 and with a bath (one of onard, listing realtor, at Leo two in the house), provides nard E. Claus Inc., (908) 704plenty of comfort for the par- 9045.

The open countryside of ents. The other two bedrooms, kids plenty of space.

Outside, a well-landscaped

lighted by a lovely ground pool, complete



with diving board, all within a fenced-in area. A gravel driveway and two-car attached garage round out the outdoor features.

Other amenities include sprinkler and security sy tems, dishwasher, washer and dryer, central air and vacuum, and patio. A full, unfinished basement is also available for the homeowner's use.

For more information, or to The master bedroom, at 19- arrange a tour, call Cheryl Le-

Get the facts about home warranties

New home buyers are usually bombarded about programs such as the HOW program, y what seems like a mountain of paper—HWC offers a booklet entitled "The by what seems like a mountain of paperwork to sign, often including some sort of

Home Warranty Corporation (HWC), provider of the Home Owners Warranty (HOW) program, stresses the importance for homeowners to understand the warranties provided before they go to closing, according to Mary Caporaso, principal of Farinella Development Co. and current president of the Home Owners Warranty Corp. of New Jer-

While making the many decisions involved in the home buying process. it is in the best interest of the home buyer to have a thorough understanding of the insured builder warranty coverage, and in order to understand the scope of insured warranty if they do not fully understand the explanaacheive this, it is vital that they take the time to learn about insured builder warranties, according to Caporaso.

To help educate home buyers about building warranties, HWC provides a number of tools for those seeking more information

Homeowner's Guide to HOW," which outlines many of the specific coverages, limitations and procedures associated with the HOW program. The 20-page guide, which outlines what a HOW warranty is and is not, is just one part of the documentation the new home buyer receives when purchasing a home from a builder participating in the HOW program. According to Ms. Caporaso, HWC distributes over 200,000 copies of the booklet annually to HOW builders and home owners.

HWC also provides home owners with the specimin limited warranty document. "Reviewing this document helps home buyers coverage and dispel misconceptions,"said Caporaso.

Another tool available through HOW home builders or from the HOW Corporation of New Jersey is the video entitled, "Built To Last For Years." This 18-minute

between home owner and builder responsibility; describes coverage under the builder's HOW 10-year warranty/insurance plan in clear, concise language; explains what is and what's not - an eligible defect; and describes for the home owner the necessary steps to take when there are warrantable defects in the home.

According to Ms. Caporaso, HOW warranties have helped tens of thousands of home owners to date with more than \$40 million in relief. However, the fact remains that insured builder warranties are narrowly defined in scope of coverage and not a magic cure-all. "HWC stresses to home buyers the importance of asking their builder questions tion of coverage in the warranty documents," said Caporaso.

HOW places a high degree of importance on providing these educational tools and strongly urges home buyers to take advantage of them to become enlightened about

educational video spells out the difference the advantages of insured builder warran-

Established in 1974, HWC's HOW program backs participating home builders performance of express warranty obligations and provides builder construction defect liability insurance. The insurance covers costs to repair specified structural failures for 10 years after the effective date of the warranty coverage.

Currently, more than 10,000 builders participate in the HOW program nationwide, and nearly 3 million homes have been en rolled. In New Jersey, more than 200,000 homes have been enrolled since 1976.

For more information on the HOW program, or to obtain a copy of "The Home-owner's Guide to HOW," send a selfaddressed, stamped, letter-sized envelope to New Jersey HOW, 666 Plainsboro Road, Building 200, Suite 2C, Plainsboro, N.J. 08536. Inquiries concerning the video (cost is \$19.95 plus tax and shipping) can be directed to NJ HOW, at (609) 275-1421.

Fairways set in perfect location

BRIDGEWATER - Fairways at priced from \$169,900 to \$189,900. Bridgewater is one of Somerset County's most spectacular townfers maintenance-free living in a excellent location.

Townhomes at Fairways are place, large eat-in ceramic tile

Featuring two bedrooms, 2.5 baths and 1,800 square feet of livhome communities. Fairways of- ing space, some of the exciting standard features include dramatic ceramic tile entrance foyer, fire-

kitchen, wall to wall carpeting, and attached one-car garages, large attics for storage space and central air conditioning with two-zone baseboard heat.

Each townhome also features extravagant master suites which include a master bath with soaking tub and separate stall shower.

Golf and tennis enthusiasts will appreciate that The Fairways is set adjacent to municipal tennis courts and an 18-hole county golf course. Bridgewater offers easy access to routes 202, 206, 287, 22, and 78; and The Fairways is just a short drive from the Bridgewater Commons Mall and the Flemington outlet centers.

Contact Ellen Wasserstrom at the Coldwell Banker Schlott, Realtors' Convent Station office, (201) 539-3435.

Autumn Court offers quality and comfort

HILLSBOROUGH TWP. Autumn Court at Hillsborough town center is A.L. DaNave Inc.'s new homes community in Somerset County. It is a charming family neighborhood of three- and four-bedroom singlefamily homes situated on onehalf acre home sites in a community that features excellent schools and shopping at local stores and malls.

paradise for families wanting room to enjoy and room to grow in a marvelous French country atmosphere," remarked new homes sales representative Ron

Clark of Century 21 Worden & Green Realtors. "The value and construction is outstanding."

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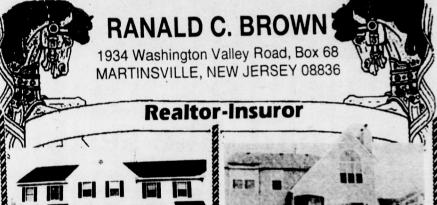


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this home was built in 1840, with ished cabinets. an addition added 40 years ago. Features include sun room, study, patio, and bay windows in its dining and living rooms.

Upon entering, you'll feel right 15, 13-by-11 and 13-by-12 at home when you see the 20-by-13 living room, complete with fireplace. Adjacent is a 14-by-13 dining room, highlighted by a beamed

Also on the first floor is a 20-by-

Address: 502 Foothill Road Asking price: \$289,900 Lot size: 1.65 acres Bedrooms: 5 Baths: 2

Amenities: sun room and study, family/rec room, patio Heating/cooling: three-zone gas baseboard/central air

Open house: Through Brian Florczak, 253-9000

Tipsheet

BRIDGEWATER - Country liv- 20 family room with a fireplace 16-by-16 kitchen with scaped acres can be yours with enough cabinet space to satisfy this five-bedroom colonial, located even the busiest cook. And right outside is a 35-by-17 patio over-

The first floor also features a fordable \$289,900 through ERA study and sun room, as well as upgrades in the bathrooms, which Located at 502 Foothill Road, feature new wallpaper and refin-

> On the second level are five bedrooms, the largest being the master bedroom at 20-by-16. Other bedroom sizes are 12-by-10, 13-by-

> Other amenities include threezone heat and air conditioning, a tool shed, and a laundry room.

> For more information, or to arrange a tour of this home call Brian Florezak at 253-9000.



This roomy colonial offers the best of Bridgewater: quiet country setting with easy access to major highways and commercial centers.

Scotch Plains ranch features park-like setting



This cozy ranch offers a fine view of the Watchung Mountains from the comfort of a quiet Scotch Plains neighborhood.

SCOTCH PLAINS - Settle in and watch the seasons change in includes a private bath (for a total this cozy seven-room ranch, posi- of two baths in the house). tioned at the foothills of the Watchung Mountains at 44 Canter- sized at 12-by-11 and 12-by-9 1/2.

this 25-year-old one-owner home, listed through ERA Village Green Realtors Inc., is situated on a quiet street with a park-like back yard.

The living room is a well-sized 23-by-13, and the formal dining room is 12-by-10. The eat-in kichen is sized at 12-by-12, and includes modern conveniences.

A cozy 12-by-10 family room rounds out the living area.

The 15-by-12 master bedroom

The other two bedrooms are

The house features natural hard-Priced at an affordable \$224,900, wood floors, doors and trim, central air and gas baseboard heat.

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For more information or to arrange a tour, contact Peggy Knipfelberg at (908) 381-7477.

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Lot size: 40-by-116-by-124-by-43-by-161

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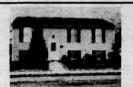
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Weichert's Branchburg office has announced that sales associate Marianne Park has been recognized as the office's associate of the month for selling and listing the most homes in October.

A 15-year resident of the township, Ms. Park has been listing and selling homes for seven years. She is a member of the Somerset County Board of Realtors.



Sales associate Donna Stine, who is also with Weichert's Branchburg office, has been recog-

for selling the most homes in Au- 1991 and membership to the comgust and September, as well as pany's Million Dollar Sales Club. listing the most homes in Septem-

Ms. Stine has been listing and selling homes for three years. She is a member of both the Hunterdon and Somerset County Boards of Realtors. Her past performance has earned her numerous awards,

John Montagna, a sales associate with Weichert, Reators' Metuchen office, has been recognized as the office's Top Producer for selling the most homes in October.

An experienced real estate salesman, Mr. Montagna has been listing and selling homes for 10 years. His past performance has earned him membership to the New Jersey State Million Dollar Club for four consecutive years. He is a member of the Middlesex County Board of Realtors and a 20-year resident of Edison.

Weichert's Metuchen office has also announced that Anthony Cifelli has joined them as a sales associate.

A newly licensed real estate professional, Mr. Cifelli lives in Edison. He can be reached for real estate transactions at (908) 906-8200.

Weichert's at Metuchen office, Diane Bender, a sales associate, has been recognized as the office's Top Producer for listing the most homes in October.

A newly licensed real estate professional, Ms. Bender is an 18-year resident of Edison and active member of the Metuchen-Edison Historical Society. Prior to joining Weichert, she was employed by Liberty Mutual Insurance Company and Prudential Property and Casualty as a claims supervisor.

Norma Cohen, a sales associate with Weichert, Realtors' Hillsborough office, has been recognized as the office's Top Producer for listing the most homes in October.

Ms. Cohen has been listing and selling homes for four years. Her past performance has earned her numerous awards, including membership to the company's prestigious President's and Ambassador's clubs. She is a 14-year resident of Hillsborough.

Marianne Barton Jennings of Barton Realty in Cranford recently completed the Graduate Realtor Institute (GRI) courses.

By completing all of the classes of the GRI program, a student is awarded the nationally recognized GRI designation. Continuing education of 90 additional hours in real estate include topics such as real estate law, professional standards and ethics, construction and energy, and specialized areas such as appraisal, financing, brokerage, since 1986.

nized as the office's Top Producer including Rookie of the Year in real estate investment and property management.

> Ms. Jennings is a full time sales associate with Barton Realty. Her past efforts have been dedicated to real estate and real estate financ-

Century 21 Worden & Green has announced that Jeff Stein has joined the Hillsborough office staff as a full time sales associate.

Jeff has been involved with the relocation and real estate industry in different capacities for the past seven years.

Mark Green of Century 21 Worden & Green has just returned from Cancun, Mexico where he attended the 33rd semi-annual convention of INRELCO (International Relocation Consultants, Inc.) that was held at the Marriott Casa-Magna. Mr. Green is co-owner/broker of Century 21 Worden & Green in Hillsborough Township, Somerset County and East Brunswick, Middlesex County and his company has been a member of INRELCO for eight years.

Peggy Knipfelberg, a member of the New Jersey Association of Realtors, has recently completed the Graduate Realtor Institute courses in Cranford.

Ms. Knipfelberg is also an ERA Relocation Specialist and an ERA Top Gun graduate.

Burgdorff Realtors' Westfield office earned two company awards for the month of October in recognition of its outstanding production. Westfield received Burgdorff's Office Production Award for the greatest number of transactions of any of the company's 34 branches. The office also won the Office Referral Award for making the highest number of referrals for N.J. residents moving out of state.

Burgdorff's Westfield office, located at 600 North Avenue West, is managed by Jean Massard.

MaryLou Russo has joined ERA Feller & Feist of North Brunswick as a sales associate.

Mohtady. Khaled associate of ERA Feller & Feist, has acheived the Graduate Realtors Designation from the New Jersey Association of Realtors. Mr. Mohtady has been with ERA Feller & Feist since 1991. Only 9 percent of realtors acheive this designation.

Kathy Klausner of Watchung, a sales associate in Burgdorff Realtors Westfield office, has been awarded the Graduate Realtor Institute Designation by the New Jersey Association of Realtors

Ms. Klausner transacted over \$2 million in business in 1992, earning membership in the NJAR Million Dollar Sales Club and Burgdorff's Producer's Club. She has st been a real estate professional i-

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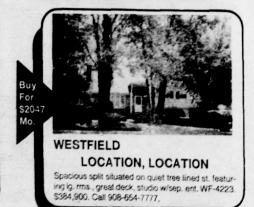


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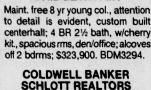


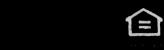
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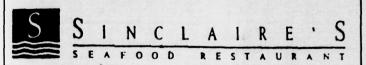


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Very handsome, athletic, smart, well educated, open & honest, caring, sensual, romantic, \$ stable, non-smoker, non-drinker who loves life and enjoys travel, movies & plays, dancing & dining, the beach, sunsets, tennis, photography, music, comedy clubs, trading back rubs, exercise, laughter, and affection. I'm seeking a THIN NON SMOKER SWF 24-34 who loves life and would enjoy sharing fun times, good triendship, and eventually a great relationship that includes understanding, a solid marriage,, and family. Ext. 4951.

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ATTRACTIVE—
WHF, never married, tate 30's, slim, high moral values, career oriented, would like to meet an affectionate, honest N/S & disease free SWM gentleman to establish friendship possible leading to LTR. PLEASE

CALL EXT 4754.
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BEAUTIFUL PROFESSIONAL
Divorced Jewish Gal. 5'8", Slim , 48, kind, warm, outgoing & sense of humor. Seeks interesting, professional Guy who is a nice person, for forever sharing, caring & fun. PLEASE REPLY TO EXT. 3325.

ATTRACTIVE WHITE MALE—
45, wealthy and generous. In search of shapely lady for mulually beneficial, mistress-type relationship. Please reply ext. 4605.

ATTRACTIVE PROFESSIONAL MALE—
Successful, financially secure. Smoker, clean, attached, affectionate, open minded, fun-loving seeks single female 18-30 for discrete friendship, fun, good conversation and companionship to go out to clubs, movies, dining out, NYC, AC, amusement parks and to share enjoyment of life in general. Must be healthy and free of addiction.

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ATTRACTIVE SINGLE WHITE FEMALE—
Ash Blonde, green eyes, late 40's but looks younger. Sincere & sensitive. Enjoys travel, nature, Dining out, dancing, movies, music, own sports & good conversation. ISO S/DWM fit 40-late 50's, non-smoker wy similar interests & qualities for fun, friendship & possible long term relationship. Please call Ext. 4536.

ATTRACTIVE SWM, 34
Blonde hair, blue-eyes, sexy, well built, good heart and full of laughs. Seeking very attractive female who is honest, sensitive, caring and affectionate for possible LTR. Must like hugs!!! Ext. 4607.

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BEING SINGLE IS NEW TO ME...
and I'm scared to death- with AIDS & all the crazies out there- so why am I doing this?..! guess I'm lonely and I need a friend! So I pick up the Star Ledger and turn to the personals... WHOA! There must be about 10 pages full- So how come I can't find one real person? I'm a single white male, 43, 5'9" (225lbs), average looks but very friendly, fun-loving, non-smoker, social drinker, very romantic, caring and affectionate. My friends call me "Buddy"!! I am also honest and open, not like 90% of these ads- I've been reading what amounts to a bunch of BS. Size, shape, race, and age do not matter. If you are a real woman please give me a call at ext. 4167.

BI ACK SINGLE FEMALE— 25, 5'7 fit attractive.

BLACK SINGLE FEMALE— 25, 5'7, fit, attractive, calm natured, down to earth, open minded & sincere. Non-smoker or drinker w/good values. My interests are indoor/outdoor activities, seeking tall employed SBM/SHM 25-35 w/same interests who desires a good friend whom he can spend quality time with. good friend whom h Please call Ext. 4537.

BLONDE & BEAUTIFUL—
I'm not. A single female, 36, petite, ordinary, proportionate, N/S, unpretentious, self spoken, sensitive, caring, honest, into the simple pleasures of life, summer breezes, autumn foilage, Christmas lights spring blossoms. Seeking compatible prof., educated gentleman to add a spark of magic (or more) to the seasons. Non-smoker, clean cut, & no drugs. Ext 4824

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BORN AGAIN
SWF, 34, attractive, Prof. woman, looking for a SWC
Gentieman, who is strong in his walk withe Lord,
Please write & incld. photo,
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FORBES NEWSPAPERS, PO BOX 699, SOMERVILLE, NJ, 66876

BROWN EYED GIRL—
26 seeks the same. Blue, Green, speckled eyes also welcome. I enjoy sunsets on the beach, softball, running, football, reading Maupin & King, movtes, quiet evenings at home & my cat. I'd like to hear from A GWF 25-35 who enjoys this and more. For friendship or possible relationship. Please call Ext. 4535.

CARING, FUN-LOYING,
Affectionate, fit, finacially secure, matuer SWPM, 32, seeks ISO S/DWF, I want a nice, healty LTR w/an honest woman willing to give of herself, to share her life's adventures & misadventures, I'm 5'8, N/S, N/drug user, college grad looking for same. If this sounds good to you please call ext. 4612

CARING, HIGHLY EDUCATED, DBM

37, 511, 190 lbs. Enjoys traveling, movies, exotic places, all kinds of music and musical instruments. Very athletic, loves health and exercise. Would like to meet single or div. Asian female for friendship to learn Asian culture, and for possible relationship. Please call ext. 4611.

DHWF—
Born again, 37, 5't2'n, 135 lbs. Attractive, fit, witty, intelligent. Various interests, good sense of humor, professional, no children. Enjoys working out, outdoors & vegetarian food. ISO 5'6" to 6'2"white male, age 33-43, NS & ND. Free alcohol & disease for dating & friendship. I love the Lord. Pls. call Ext. 4589.
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COLLEGE GRAD 25-yr. old SJM who enjoys sports, music & movies & the shore seeking SJF, 20-25, with similar interests. Please call Extension 4328.

COWBOY WANTED

By beautiful, bodaclous blonde. I'm a-lookin' for a guy who loves 'dance. I'm just beginnin' but i reckon I'm gonna be real good, real soon! This fun lovin' gal is 50, 5'7", with a great shape and cute as a button, and has a hankerin' for a tall, tan, terrific cowboy who loves boots, and jeans and is lookin' t'tie the knot! Please call ext. 4610.

DANCE PARTNER WANTED—
To dance the Hustle. Disco is back and my feet can't keep still. Willing to teach a S/DWF under 45, 5'7 or taller and thin would be nice but not a necessity. I'm a SWM, 39, slim, 6' 1', 165 lbs, brown hair & eyes. Dancing 3 or more nights per week. Please call ext. 4907.

DEAR TALL, SMART, SINGLE AND HANDSOME, I'm a very attractive 37 year old tall, funloving redhead - adventurous and full of life. I like a man with a great sense of humor, rugged, down to earth, and must be financially secure. Someone who likes anything from fine dining to getting lost in the woods. If you're looking for Cindy Crawford, keep looking. If you're looking for a genuinely attractive sincere woman to have a relationship with please respond to ext 3604.

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DISCRETE ATTACHED MALE

Italian, Self employed business owner. Seeking fe-male 28-40. For adventure & fun. Must be discrete and drug & disease free like me. Marital status unim-portant. Please call Ext. 4956

DIVORCED FEMALE

Big blue eyes, blonde, 40-something, pretty, nice, interesting life, hardworker, successful career and a good friend. Looking for an intelligent, kind, educated man for companionship and fun and whatever develops. Love black tie, the beach, boats, hikes, exploring, adventure, museums and Brigantine. Please call Ext. 3049.

DIVORCED WHITE CHRISTIAN MALE

DIVORCED WHITE CHRISTIAN MALE

37 (looks younger), gentleman, brown hair, bluegreen eyes, 5'110", 185 lbs. Average to good looking? Very hard working, honest, loyal, affectionate,
kind-hearted, caring, easy going, shy. domesticated,
secure, non-smoker. Interests are outdoors, fishing,
recreation, beach, parks, movies, videos, cooking,
dining in and out, car shows, American Performance
Cars. Seeking single or divorced pretty, attractive,
shapely Oriental lady, 25-35 with very long straight or
wavey beautiful black hair. Shoulder length min., but
prefer much longer. Medium build 5'3' +. This lady
must be honest, caring, easygoing and calm natured,
sharing similar interests for LTR. Pls call ext. 4559.

43, attractive, 125 lbs, Greek-American, with old-fashioned values, in search of a Greek or Greek-American man between ages 45-57. Financially and emotionally secure with family oriented values for long term relationship/marriage. Only serious inquir-ies. Please reply ext. 4482

DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE

DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE
Early 50's, attractive professional, looks 10 yrs
younger than she is. Blonde, blue-eyed, slim. Likes
sports such as swimming, baseball, etc. Loves classical music and other types as well. Loves to read,
college-educated. Looking for SWM, age 40-60. Physically fit gentlemen, not to overweight, who enjoys
dining out, sports, the beach, and much more!
Please reply ext. 4601.

DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE-

DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE—
40, 5'5, blonde hair, brn. eyes, pleasant to the eye, physically & mentally. I am honest, secure, independent, witty & outgoing wia great smile & sense of humor. Seeking handsome 5'10 to 6'2, fit, financially secure, SIDWM 40-46 who is confident, sensitive, romantic, honest & able to build a lasting relationship. Alcoholics, drug users, gambler & head gamers need not apply. Please repty Ext. 4528.
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DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE— Mid 40's. prof., voluptuous, fit seeks non-smoking gentleman over 35 for friendship & possible long term relationship. I enjoy hiking, bike riding, camp-ing, folk & 60's music, dogs, cats, books & travel anywhere. Please reply Ext. 4530.

60, professional, very active. fit, & financially stable. An average man- no drinking or drugs, but I smoke looking for SWF, slim, 28-43, needing a nice emotional start in life who likes to be spoiled and knows how to spoil in return. Must be level headed, like sports, cars, dining out, quiet eves. Sense of humor a must Fkt. 4014.

DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE

43, slim, attractive seeking single/divorced white male- 38-48, trim and good looking, who is phsically and emotionally free to build a relationship with the right women if he were to find her.. and also have time for fun, dancing, dining and just being with someone special. Please reply ext. 4166.

DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE—
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DIVORCED WHITE FEMALE—
Small, professional, 40ish (looks and feels younger!), likes flea markets, movies, swimming, reading, kids and dogs. Would like real friendship and fun with honest considerate, affectionate, monogamous, SINhonest, considerate, affectionate, monogamous, SIN-GLE BLACK MALE (with sense of humor). No drugs, drinkers or smokers. Please call Ext. 4583.

DIVORCED WHITE MALE

44, professional, 6'. 180 lbs., Catholic, Seeking SWCF, 35-40, 5'2-5'6, good build, for serious relationship & whatever develops. Sense of humor a +, but must be attractive, outgoing & good conversationalist to enjoy movies, dining out & the occasional rainy day. Please no fanatics or people with little time on their hands. Please reply Ext. 4333.

DIVORCED WHITE MALE

DIVORCED WHITE MALE
Rugged, down to earth, entrepreneur, tall, very fit.
runs, walks, hikes, skis, plays tennis, gardens, loves
kids, fast cars, honest one on one relationship, country dancing, travel, out of doors, Channel 13, cooking, dining out, candle light romance, Italian anything, antiques, Victorian houses. If you are a nonsmoking petitie sexy woman, 35-45, who can write
letters and you relate to more than half of the above,
then please write to me for prompt reply. Ext. 4168.
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DIVORCED WHITE MALE

57, 511 successful, financially secure, good looking seeks naturally attractive woman. 41 to 59 up to 6' for long term relationship. Athletic, business interest, politician, physician, stewardess. Socialite a plus.

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DO YOU ENJOY MOONLIT WALKS
on the beach & dancing until dawn? So do l. I am a
spontaneous professional SWM, 34, entrepreneur,
handsome, medium build, who is sincere and fun to
be with. I enjoy physical fitness, music, sports, &
travel. Seeking an attractive, mature, sincere SWF,
25-34 who enjoys an active, adventurous lifestyle for
a lasting relationship. Please reply ext. 4957.

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DW BORN AGAIN CF-

DW BORN AGAIN CF—
39, attractive, 5'7", blond hair, green eyes, affectionate, loving, caring, good listener, lots of fun, walks on the beach any time of the year, has a strong walk with the lord. ISO, single Born-again WM, no older than 50, at least 5'10", nice looking, w/a strong relationship w/God. Must be attentive, romantic, affectionate w/a good sense of humor, good listener/ talker, considerate, old fashioned. Children ok. I'm interested in a LTR, maybe marriage. Serious inquires only. Please call ext.4585

It is the policy of this newspaper not to publish any personal advetisement that may be overtly sexual, sugges-tive and/or offensive to the general public. This service is intended solely for personal ads for singles who would like to establish a relationship with other singles.

DWF.—
36, vivacious, voluptuous and full of spunk. Engeretic mom who loves fast boats, hot cars and powder on the ski trails. Looking for fun loving, rugged man to share life's experiences with. Please call ext. 4499

Beautiful green-eyed blond, 5't4", 118 lbs., great body physically & visually. Warm, intelligent, very affectionate, extremely active, n/s, no drugs, no head games. Loves sports, music, dancing. 50 yrs. young, children grown, looking for counterpart who is romantic & has a clue to what makes a woman tick. Ext. 4569.

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Introductions

DIVORCED WHITE MALE

Daddy, 27, long blond hair, good looking, with 2 small children, (1 boy, 1 girl.) that live with me. In search of single or divorced white female, 21-30, slim & attractive- for fun times & dating. Please reply ext. 3610.

DIVORCED WHITE MALE

Very good looking, Brn. hair, Blue eyes, 40; 5'8, interesting, sometimes funny, prof., interested in literature, film, beach, quiet eves, at home, revolution, seeks WS w/similar qualities: very good looking, interesting, humorous, independently wealthy. Will take 2 out of 3. Aged 18-88 (prefer 30-45). Height unimportant. To share good times, maybe learn tennis or golf. Please call Ext. 4507.

DIVORCED WHITE MALE

Early 40's, self-employed, seeking a female in her 30's for a possible long-term relationship. Please call ext. 4567.

DIVORCED WHITE MALE

39, 517, 145 lbs. seeks meaningful relationship w/S-DWF late 20's-40, under 516 & slim. Easy going, con-siderate & sincere. Please call Ext. 4517.

30, 6', 180lbs, looking for a petite, mid 20s to early 30s, WF from Middlesex County to bring in this and many more New Years. Wide variety of interest. Lite smoker and drinker ok. Please call ext. 4913

34, 5'8", 160 lbs., brown hair & blue eyes. Loves the movies, videos, music, dining out, theme park, and much more! Down to earth but always dreaming. Would like to meet cute, petite or slim lady, 28-35, for serious relationship. Ext. 4645.

DWM—
45, 6'1, 180 lbs, financially secure. Somerset County, self-employed business owner. Non-smoker, no drinking or drugs. Enjoys luxury of flexible daytime or evening hours to share with female who is financially secure, with good figure and enjoys quiet times. Please call ext. 4908.

DWM—
46, 5'8", 175 lbs. N/S, well educated, British poetry/
comp. relig., lacto-veg. Edison area. Enjoys classical
music, Theatre, museums, day-trips, fitness (Nordic
Track, Yoga, bicycling.) dancing (learning Ballroom
dancing.) ISO kind, friendly, intelligent, cuddly
woman, WPH- for close caring, monogamous LTR.
Seem to match up well w/liberal, reformed jewish,
untilarian women. Please call ext.4653.

DWPM—
39. Enjoys cooking, flea markets, folk art, traveling, nature & good conversation. Seeking DSWPF, age 33-42 (kids O.K.) with similar interests & a positive attitude towards life. Please call ext. 4571.

EX-SCHOOL TEACHER DWM—
Somewhat reserved, easy going, 58, 5'8", 150 lbs, who enjoys walking, reading, sports, and travel. Seeks a slim, caring, attractive, understanding woman, 40-50 to share time together. Ext. 4617.

FIRECRACKER

In search of her match. 41, SJF seeks adventurous, classy gentleman with quick sense of humor who is confident enough in himself (not arrogant) to not be intimidated by a confident, independent, active lady. I enjoy travel, dancing, jazz, tennis and skiing. If you're a S/DJM, 35-45, non-smoker seeking a traditional, healthy, long-term relationship - please reply ext.

FIT & HEALTHY WHITE MALE

46, seeks female counterpart for discrete fun & friendship. Please call ext. 4558.
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GIGOLO 40ISH—
Monogamous, Verbose, Jaded, Self centered, Cruel, Egotistical, Grotesque, Drun (and eclectic, (earned type A personality) who is at times angered, impoverished DWM, artisan, smoker, recluse, secretive, non supportive, denying one track mind, who attempts no improvement, Searching like female counterpart 19-55, no children, affluent, obnoxious, financially secure, offensive, sensual, erudite, humorous, omnivorous, who can be manic, obsessive & seductive. Craving smiles, cuddles, tenderness, therapy, romance, honesty, Intimacy, reciples, Mozart & capuccino. Sequel, in favor of superficial, long term contractual relationship. Knock Knee commitment. Adv. MORE. Feces happens. PS... No Lawyerettes, Cardboard professionals. Public servants, New Yorkers, drugs. ASAP. PLEASE REPLY TO BOX 4963

GWM—
Essex county resident seeking that very special BM who like me is warm, honest & sincere w/a great sense of humor. I enjoy bowling, bike riding, movies, those dancing nights to classic disco, as well as the quiet times; I'm 43, 5 0", 145 lbs, healthy, pref. a N/S, in my own age range, who is masculine w/ slim or medium build, Lets get together, laugh & have a great time, please call ext.4953

FRIENDLY WHITE MALE—
55, 61, 155 lbs, in great shape, seeks female, any status, for discrete daytime/evening get-togethers. Please call ext 4586

Please call ext. 4556
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GAY SINGLE WHITE FEMALE-

Professional, 42, adventurous, cute, in love with life and still growing. Stable, secure and know myself. In search of gay female with like qualities. Non-smoker, no drugs, disease free for friendship or possibly more. Please call ext. 4486

HANDSOME DIVORCED JEWISH MALE

professional, positive, good shape, romantic, car-ing, many interests ISO S/DWF, up to 42, petite at-tractive, romantic, smart. Friendship-Romance rela-tionship call ext. 4360

HANDSOME JEWISH SINGLE WHITE MALE
Young-looking 35 year old. Medium build, brown hair,
57". Is sucessful, spontaneous and sincere, interests
include: traveling, concerts, outdoor sports, physical
fitness and more. I enjoy an active adventurous lifestyle. I am seeking an attractive petite Jewish single
white female 25-33 with similar interests for possible
relationship. Ext. 4957.
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HANDSOME PROFESSIONAL-

HANDSOME PROFESSIONAL—
WM, 48, successful easy going, nice trim athletic build, enjoys life, music having tun. ISO sincere, romantic, but discreet LTR with discerning female counterpart. Please call ext. 4909.
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HANDSOME SINGLE WHITE MALE 35, 5', 6', brown hair, blue eyes, physically fit, great smile & personality, looking for cute SWF who is tun & open-minded for exciting relationship. Please call Extension 4310.

HANDSOME, ATHLETIC, SUCCESSFUL SWM-

HANDSOME, ATHLETIC, SUCCESSFUL SWM—
Very good looking, infelligent, physically fit, financially secure, romantic, sincere, active, mutti-faceted
individual. Have many interests which include skiling,
golf, tennis, outdoors, sports, music, fine dining,
movies, quiet evenings and travel. In search of very
attractive, trim, athletic 5'7" or less, NS female (3039) who is affectionate, caring and enjoys sharing all
that life has to offer. If you are looking for an LTR
based on friendship, companionship, mutual respect
and love with a clean-cut wonderful man, then
PLEASE CALL EXT. 4593.

HANDSOME, FUN LOVING, SJM-

HANDSOME, FUN LOVING, SJM—
38 yrs., 5'8', mus cullar, Enjoys traveling, rock concerts, comedy clubs, indoorloutdoor sports, and quiet, romainte times at home. In search of likeminded woman, physically fit, good sense of humor, wild spontaneous nature and no children. Ext. 4620 THIS ADVERTISER HAS ALSO CHOSEN TO RECEIVE MAIL. PLEASE SEND LETTER AND (PHOTO OPTIONAL) TO: BOX 4620 FORBES NEWSPAPERS 44 VETERANS MEMORIAL DR., P.O. BOX 699, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876.

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HI, SWM —
Compassionate, romantic, sincere, loyal, gentle, loving, touching (both physical and emotional), attentive, humorous and thoughtful. Those are the things I hold dearest. I can best describe myself as the road less traveled or off the beaten path. I enjoy seeing someone happy, boardwalk in the spring, fall, and winter, amusement parks, long drives to who cares where, fall when the leaves turn, sunsets, and sunrises. All these things I'd love to share. Looking for someone who can be crazy spontaneous as I can to. Me, I'm 45, 59, 225 lbs, fairly solid. People say I'm nice looking, my parents say I'm great. You, anywhere from 25-45, attractive, slim to a little over medium build, and crazy or want to aspire to it. Let's talk. Call ext. 4613. talk, Call ext. 4613.

HOT OUTGOING SWF—
25 yrs., 5'14", 115 lbs. looking for SWM, smoker is O.K., no drunks, fatsoes, dead beats allowed. You must be interested in dancing, skiing, animals, being sensuous. Jealous people playing games need not apply. Please call Ext. 4579.

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I WAS ONCE ACCURATELY DESCRIBED AS A STATE OF BEING VERB
My lavorite hobby is thinking. I am a thirty year old SWF with a quick mind and a sharp tongue. I love Charlotte Bronte and the NY Giants with equal passion. If you are a SWM 30-45 and can hold your own in an argument you may be my PETRUCCIO. (Action verbs need not apply) P.S. I am also small and cute. Ext. 4609.

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I AM AN HONEST, TRUSTWORTHY, KIND, CARING, GENEROUS PERSON
I am creative, love all kinds of music, song, dance, hike, nature, gourmet cook. Seeking similar values in a divorced or widowed man 44-55 years old. Ext. 4172.

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Rectieve.

Romance & caring for another is still possible in this fast paced world. I am an attractive physically fit white male 5'9", 160lb, with a good heart, sense of humor & traditional values. I am easy to get along with, have the ability to listen, feel the need to love and be loved, and regard honest communication and commitment important ingredients in a relationship. I am interested in meeting a warm sensitive female 37 or younger with no children who values a lasting relationship with the right man. If you seem to be the type of woman I've described lets get together and talk. Please call Ext. 4469.

I LIKE A MAN WITH CLASS—

I am a worldly, beautiful DWF in my mid 40s who is young looking, silm, compassionate, adventurous and energetic. Seeking a worldly, cultured DWM, 40s who is emotionally mature, decisive, warm, successful and relationship minded for friendship, romance and fun. Non smoker. Please call ext. 4912.

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DIVORCED WHITE MALE

30, 61", and professional. Seeking white female-20's or 30's, nonlismoker- for friendship, fun and ro-mance. I enjoy the shore, day-trips, romantic times-home or out... and I'm willing to try new things. I want to cuddle & make you feel good. Sincere & Honest, please reply ext. 3606.

IN SEARCH OF REAL MAN

Not wanting a "Barble", NO head-games, attractive and intelligent, non-smoker. I am young, crazy, in wheelchair, independent, actress, writer, photographer. Likes: music, parties, quiet nights, carnations. Be young or feel young. NO JERKSI I'm not a frail thing needling assistance, Don't need a man, but want one. Ext. 3607.

INTERNATIONAL SJM—
32, good looking, romantic, strong traditional family values, non-smoker. Not being your typical Jewish guy makes it difficult to meet a Jewish girl. Maybe you could help? If you are a non-materialistic SJF, 21-32 who seeks the intangibles of a quality relationship please respond to ext. 4573.

JAMAICAN BLACK LADY—
47 yrs. old, 5:9, 155 lbs, attractive, financially secure, like to dance, cook, togetherness, traveling. Seeking tall, gentleman, nice dresser, non-smoker, sociable drinker, financially secure, up to age 55. Race not important. Ext. 4619.

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JAMAICAN MALE
42 yr. old, Physically fit, 5'5, 156 lbs. Looking for a
female between the ages of 32:36. Seeking nonsmoker and non-drinker, and a professional who is
physically fit. If you enjoy a good time call ext. 4162.

LADY SINGS THE BLUES—
Because she knows Mr. Right is out there somewhere but she doesn't know where to find him. This attractive & talented 36 yr. old DWCF seeks an attractive gentleman (S.W) between the ages of 36-42 who is secure, intelligent, loving & sincere with good old-fashioned values. If you like to have fun & are interested in meeting an artist who enjoys dancing, muse-ums, laughing, theater, & music then why not give this Shiksa from Westfield a call-who knows it could turn out to be a mitzvahl Please respond to ext. 4570.

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**P.S. Ext. 4602 you sound interesting, please write!

LIFE IS NOT A REHEARSAL— DWM tall slim good looking, Taurus. A photographer who looks for the good in others and beauty in our world. I'm easy going, healthy and have no dependents. Your are a DWF at least 5'5i tall, 35-42 who is appealing to the eye and stimulating to the mind. We are both seeking a physical, intellectual & emotional match for a lasting relationship. No drugs or alcohol, smoker OK. Ext. 4493

LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL WOMAN

LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL WOMAN if you love to laugh, enjoy going out & love hugs, look no further. I'm a 43 yr old SWM who is looking for SWF up to 40 to share great times with, I love to dance or just cuddle. Looking for a woman who wants to be serenaded by my guitar. I'm 5 8, 160 lbs. with hazel/green eyes & I work out regularly & love to travel. Reply ext. 4409

LOOKING FOR UNTAMED HEART SWM, 27, law student, Intelligent, attractive, thin look-ing for SF, 20-35, Intelligent, independent, attractive, please call ext.3603

MAGIC MAN

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This 52 year old-attractive, separated but available, JWM is a self-employed professional in search of a petite, sexy lady who is MUCH younger than I am for a long term relationship. I am a non-smoker, very light social drinker, with multiple interests ranging from modern novels to fast cars to Vegas. I raised two girls who are married and have their own lives. I miss having youngsters (not adult children) around the house, so if you have kids, thats a plus. Hopefully, you are a woman who can make decisions, understands the pressures of business, is impulsive, tender, has a good sense of humor, can even laugh at herself, and is willing to do something at the drop of a hat. And hopefully, you are a woman who needs both to give and receive lots of affection. If you can be introspective and thoughtful, if you like to roughhouse one minute and cuddle the next, if you aren't afraid of meaningful emotion or commitment, and if you are willing to try to work out your hangups (we all have them), give me a call. Please respond to ext.

MARRIAGE MINDED?

MARRIAGE MINDED?
Want a child? I want a wife: Let's make a deal...Hardworking SWM, 28, very fit, 6' +. Very intelligent, suave looking, Prof. needs mousy Country Girl, Corporate Lady, or in-between, 19-29 or so, to share walks, movies, dinner, cuddling, beach, love (a business together?) Sacrificing for Bountiful life, Ext. 3026 3926

MEDICAL CAREER STUDENT—
Shy, single, White American Male, 23, blond hair, blue eyes, 180 lbs. is looking for SWF Filipino a plus 18-26, for marriage-minded relationship. (Friendship first with no real commitment while I'm in school). Non-smoker, casual drinker, drug and disease free. I enjoy working out on a regular basis and am a very handsome, very romantic. flowers and dining-out type of a person. I also enjoy salt and fresh water fishing off a boat. Please call ext. 4910. (LETTERS & PHOTO ARE PREFERRED BY ADVERTISER.) THIS ADVERTISER HAS ALSO CHOSEN TO RECEIVE MAIL. PLEASE SEND LETTER AND PHOTO TO: INTRODUCTIONS BOX 4910, FORBES NEWS-PAPERS, PO BOX 699, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876.

MILLIONAIRE WITH YACHT & MERCEDES

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Not still reading? SWM-30 (tooks 24-25), 5'10, med.
build (not thin-but not fat either!) Shoulder length
Brn. hair, green eyes, enjoys lifes simple pleasures.
Blue Jeans. Rock & Roll, Comedy clubs, camping,
Shore. Down to earth w/great sense of humor. Fun
loving, Adventurous & a hopeless Romantic seeks
same in an attractive WF 21-35 w/same interests for
Fun, Romance, Adventure & possible long term relationship. I am a smoker. Please call Ext. 4515.

NICE GUY
I enjoy the simple things in life: ice cream cones, movies, good conversation, good books, great dinners, dancing and good laughs. I'm a WSM, responsible, non-drinker, linancially secure, with a wicked sense of humor. I would like to meet someone who is comfortable with themself, "pretty-plain-jane", 35-45 years old, 5.7" & under, no little kids, and in good physical shape, moderate drinker, non/light-smoker, easy-going, intelligent, compassionate, strong- (but not domineering) and feminine. Not looking for a one night stand but a serious contender. Please reply ext. 4170.

NOBODY TO KISS UNDER THE MISTLETOE?

NOBOLY TO KISS UNDER THE MISTLETOE?
Single white male, 27, brown hair, blue eyes, sense of humor, caring, affectionate, honest, wheel chair bound. Are you still reading? "Amazing!" Seeking single white female, honest, caring, sensitive, affectionate, romantic, who likes being treated special with lots of TLC. Please call Ext#4960.
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PRETTY DJF 5'5" slender intelligent, nurturing & aesthetic. Seek-ing attractive, cultured, financially secure male, 55-65 for caring, long lasting relationship. Ext. 4955.

PRETTY, IVY EDUCATED SWJPF

38, at Fortune 100 company in search of romance and long term relationship with special SWPM. Please be tall, handsome and under 46. Please call Fzt 4521 Ext. 4521

36 yrs old, physically fit, non-smoking, handsome, & 5'8". Seeks similar SWCF for companionship & possible, sincere, monogamous relationship. Ext 4626.

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M. 36, not to be compared to any other. Nothing oo, sacred or boring except opera, ballet or the No requirements other than a response to this and we'll take it from there. Please respond to ext.

DIDER WOMAN SOUGHT BY 28 YR. OLD SWM— Prot., Handsome, bright eyes & smile. Down to earth wigreat sense of humor ISO bright, sweet, fit & fun ady for possible long term relationship & all life has to offer. Please call Ext. 4532.

to offer. Please call Ext. 4532.

PROFESSIONAL SINGLE WHITE MALE-35
Handsome, successful, secure, spontaneous, intelligent and warm-hearted in search of an attractive, petite, SWJF, 25-33, with a special smile-to share an active, adventurous lifestyle with. I love music, physical fitness, traveling, concerts, and outdoor sports. Sensitivity and sincerity are qualities that I cherish. Looking forward to building a strong, lasting relationship. Please respond to Ext. 4957. THIS ADVERTISER HAS CHOSEN TO RECEIVE MAIL. PLEASE SENT LETTER AND PHOTO (OPTIONAL) TO: INTRODUCTIONS BOX 4957. FORBES NEWSPAPERS, P.O. BOX 699, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876

READ MY PERSONAL

DWF. non-smoker, 5' 5", green eyes, 40ish professional, looking for tall, professional businessman. He should be financially secure, likes life, good times and is down to earth with a sense of good humor and sense of reality. Must answer this trivia: How many dimples in a golfball? Please leave answer, brief message and name and phone number and I will call you back. Ext. 4337.

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SBPF— seeks SPM, between the ages of 30-39, who enjoys dancing, comedy clubs, and is tired of the single scene. I enjoy walking, dancing, exercising and reading. Please be drug & disease free. If this sounds good to you then please call ext.4755

SDWF—
34. blue eyes, brunette, single mom, financially se-cure. I enjoy camping, dining out, movies, plays & museums. I'm looking for a down-to-earth SWM, 34-40 yrs. old- who enjoys the same things as myself. If this sounds good to you, then call ext. 3619.

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SEARCHING IN NEW JERSEY—
Do you like teddy bears, bubble baths, candlelight, romance, and the glow of a full moon on a clear evening night? Do you like the feel of warm sand between your toes, the sound of crashing ocean waves? Do you relish the smell and warmth of an engulted fireplace, flames crackling and sputtering? If so, a handsome 25 yr. old male with brown hair and deep brown eyes would like to meet you! I'm 5' 18" and 140 lbs., silm, clean cut with a moustache. I enjoy travel, contemporary top 40 music, children, racket sports, animals and the list goes on and on. I seek a young woman who not only enjoys the above, but who is also attractive with weight proportionate to helght, a non-smoker, emotionally stable, caring, and committment oriented. An ideal young lady would understand the importance of family, friend-ship, communication, and she would know it takes two people working together to make a relationship work. Ext. 4577.

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SINGLE ATTRACTIVE 37 YEAR YOUNG WOMAN SEEKING MR. RIGHT
He should be a SW/DWM, educated, financially/emotionally secure, affectionate, respectful, and interested in a friendship and possible long-term monogamous relationship. I'm 5'2, petite, and have brown naturally curly hair, and hazel green eyes. I enjoy pleasure traveling, a great listener and conversationalist, dancing, spectator sports, cultural events and much more. I'm the proud mother of two beautiful cats (a/k/a "my kids"). I'm very ambitious, compassionate, and adventurous. Desiring a soulmate-not just a "playmate." If we share similar interests and this "no nonsense" fun-loving woman has peaked your curiosity—then call or send me a note (picture optional). I truly believe LIFE IS MEANT TO BE LIVED!! Exploring LIFE'S CHALLENGES is the KEY TO A HAPPY FULFILLING EXISTENCE!! Please reply ext. 4475.

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SINGLE BLACK CHRISTIAN FEMALE

SINGLE BLACK CHRISTIAN FEMALE
32 yr. old, I have been single over 4 yrs & comfortable. But not enough to want to stay, looking for someone who has no children, but wants some in the future. I have none now, looking for someone to help me find myself, love me & not leave me, I am no Beauty but not gross either. I want very much to love & be loved. To grow & prosper together decently, I prefer someone who is outgoing because I am reserved. Going places I love. Please call ext.4295

SEEKING ORIENTAL FEMALE—
Single white male, 51 yrs old, health care professional, 5'8", 160lbs, brown hair, hazel eyes, finacially secure, honest, loyal and trustworthy seeks same in single or divorced, Oriental woman, 36-48 years old-who is petite and attractive- for friendship leading to a long term relationship. Middlesex and Somerset Areas, Please reply ext. 4707.

SEEKING SINGLE WHITE MALE

Extremely handsome, successful, creative, spiritual, sexy, hip, cosmopolitan, open minded, honest, communicative, thick full dark hair. Nourishing, single, interested in serious relationship, responsible, early 30's, no drugs, alcohol or smoking, for SWF, beautiful ash blonde, 29, creative, spiritual, loving, honest, sincere, intuitive, sexy, 5'7, 130 lbs. and much, much more. Ext. 4474

SINGLE BLACK FEMALE
Looking for white professional male for relationship.
Ages 30-35. Please respond to box 4961

SINGLE BLACK MALE

30, 6'4", 210 lbs., athletic, attractive, out-going, seeks SBF/SWF for casual dating, must be sincere. Please reply ext. 3615.

SINGLE MALE, 37
Tall, athletic. Looking for open minded, sensual female. Age & race is unimportant. Call me, and let's start enjoying each others company! Please reply ext. 4380.

SINGLE MALE-

SINGLE MACE— Attractive, 27, 5'8, 170, well built, dark hair, brown eyes, good personality, secure job. Seeking a down to earth, attractive single female, well proportioned under 130, 5'7 for fun time, friendship and possible long term relationship. Please respond to ext. 4903.

SINGLE PRETTY WOMAN-

Seeks her counter-part, should be tall, handsome and very smart, she loves to dance laugh and dine, desires male 40+ who is simply divine, SPF, 40's looks 30s not shy, ISO N/S male 40+ for sparks to fly, Please reply ext. 4290.

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE
22, 5'8", Enjoy dancing, movies, cuddling a plus! I enjoys walks, love the beach, camping and I adore hiking. I have a bubbly sense of humor & you should the same. Must enjoy children. I am looking for a SWM, Mid-twenties, who has a great sense of humor, MUST be able to be open & communicate! Finacially & emotionally stable a must. Not looking for a Playgirl centerfold, just a sincere guy, who is looking for a real relationship. Please reply ext. 3614

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE 34

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE 34
Warm, bright, slim & attractive. Enjoys dining out, good music, & new adventures, Looking for a 30-40 yr old, S/DWM, who is fit, down to earth, & looking for someone special. Please call ext.3622.

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE
very attractive, 30, 110 lbs., 5'5 w/1 child, nonsmoker, non-drug user, sincere, honest, organized &
neat, secure about myself, Wishing to meet SWM,
must be very attractive, 28-36, 5'9"-6'1", in shape, 34
inch waist or small, 0-2 kids ok, non-smoker/drug
user, honest, polite, not a slob or lazy, must be
secure about yourself yet not self centered, for a
meaningful relationship & possible marriage, if you fit
all of the above, then please call ext.4294

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE—
25 yrs. old, 5', Brn. curly hair, Brn. eyes, 110 lbs. Affectionate, honest & outgoing w/good sense of humor. I enjoy anything from Comedy Clubs to picnics on the beach & skiing or just staying home & renting movies. Looking for SWM, mid 20's-early 30's w/a good heart, old fashion morals & good sense of humor. If seeking possible relationship please call Fxt. 4525. Ext. 4525

SINGLE WHITE MALE
26, 6'1", 180lbs, curly hair (natural), physically fit.
Varied interests include; Sinatra, Stern, NYC, outdoors, and racquetball. Seeking female for all occasions. Age & race unimportant. Please reply ext.

SINGLE WHITE MALE
26, 6'tall, green eyes, dirty blond hair, some say good looking, catholic, professional, educated, romantic, and down to earth. I love to have a good time but I also take life seriously. Seeking SWF, 22-28, slim, attractive- for friendship an possible relationship with the right person. Please reply Ext. 4702.

SINGLE WHITE MALE

SINGLE WHITE MALE 26, 5'8", 165 lbs., brown hair & blue eyes, educated, seeks SWF, 20-28, with the following in common, healthy, attractive, athletic, enjoys outdoors, and is conservative with old-fashioned values, to build friendship & possilbe relationship, please call ext. 3601

SINGLE WHITE MALE

SINGLE WHITE MALE
27 yrs. old. Very good looking, hopeless romantic, seeking single female, between 24-42. 5'8", dark hair w/light eyes and in great shape with many interests. The ideal lady is smart, pretty and in good shape, between 5' and 5'6", non-smoker and non-drug user, race is unimportant. Must be clean and headgamers need not apply. Please reply ext. 4604

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

32, 5'11", attractive prof., independant & very affectionate, brown-eyed brunette. Enjoys the beach, romantic dinners, walks in the park & the N.Y. Giants. ISO S/DWM, 30-39, who is tired of the dating scene. Let's meet & enjoy each other's company. Ext. 4703. THIS ADVERTISER HAS ALSO CHOSEN TO RECEIVE MAIL PLEASE SEND LETTER AND PHOTO TO: INTRODUCTIONS BOX 4703, FORBES NEWSPAPERS, PO BOX 699, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08876.

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE
Attractive, 49, blonde, blue-eyed, looking for outgoing white male, 48-58, at least 5'10, who enjoys life's celebrations, dining out, entertaining at home, dancing & good conversation. Only men with a sense of humor & sincere attitude need apply. Please call Extension 4338.

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

37, down to earth, wavey, light brown, shoulder length hair and brown eyes. 5' 6", larger frame but not obese, a smoker, attractive, likes cooking, staying home for a quiet evening w/a movie or going out. Works diff, hours but kind of a night owl. Looking for a sincere, honest, S/DWM, kids ok, 35-50 who knows how to treat a lady, 5' 10" and over, average or solid larger frame, who wants a one on one relationship. No head games please. Only serious minded callers need call- ext 3806.

SINGLE WHITE FEMALE

Professional, mid-d'/s, living life to fullest but tired of doing it alone. Interests include golf, skiing & biking as well as quiet times. Value honesty, laughter, & open communication. Would like to meet S/DWM, non-smoker with similar interests. Pls call ext. 4565.

SINGLE WHITE MALE

SINGLE WHITE MALE 29, 5'8, blond hair & blue eyes, former marine, weight-lifter, Catholic, smoker, social drinker, tatooed, biker, Mechanical Engineering student. I like 50's, 60's & Heavy Metal. Hate Rap & Club Music. Looking for SCF, no drugs. Please call Ext. 4329.

SINGLE WHITE MALE

SINGLE WHITE MALE

31, down to earth, handsome, athletic. Intellectual, shy, romantic, sometimes talkative, other times quiet. Like outdoor activities & exercise but also like to relax in peace & quiet. Liberal, honest & loyal. Like tennis, skiing, bicycling, fitness, nutrition, museums, parks, theater, history, politics, etc. Looking for a woman to share life with. Please call Ext. 4335.

SINGLE WHITE MALE

31, 6'2, 190 lbs. likes sports, movies & outdoors. I am sincere & honest & have a good sense of humor. I work crazy hours 3-11pm. Looking for WF 25-40 with similar hours & interests, who believes in meaningful relationships. If you're out there-let's talk! Please call Ext. 3039

SINGLE WHITE MALE
35, tall, handsome, athlete, in excellent shape, enjoys music, swimming, picnics, & dining out, financially secure, and very steady, seeks attractive, physically fit female, 25-35 yr. old, with similar interest & likes to have fun, please call ext.3609

SINGLE WHITE MALE

SINGLE WHITE MALE 35, 178 lbs, muscular build, brown hair, green eyes. Sick of the bar scene, tired of games, I'm honest, romantic, handsome with good sense of humor, like to work out and have many different interests. Looking for SWF, 26-35, very attractive, shapely who is also into fitness, honest & sincere, looking for a long term relationship. Call Ext. 4467.

SINGLE WHITE MALE 38, 5' 11, 185 lbs, athletic, good looking, family oriented seeks a slim pretty lady, 24-35. I love to spoil and pamper that special lady. I'm interested in a long term relationship. Please respond to ext. 4476

SINGLE WHITE MALE

SINGLE WHITE MALE Handsome, athletic, successful, well-educated, stable, sincere. Enjoys sports, outdoors, tennis, golf, movies, the arts & travel. Seeks beautiful affectionate, intelligent, athletic, non-smoking female (28-38) who enjoys life, companionship, romance & sharing all of the above. If you're between 5'2 & 5'7, exceptionally attractive, physically fit & desire a serious relationship with a great all around guy who promises to make you happy, Please call ext. 4402

SINGLE WHITE MALE

SINGLE WHITE MALE
Looking for young female who is pretty, kind and attractive. I want to have a nice, meaningful and friendly relationship with a girl that wants to be happy in one relationship. I keep busy physically by taking karate & working out a little with weights, just enough to look and feel good. I am 5'7 and have long curly brown hair and a cute face. Perfect chance to meet your someone special. In my personality, the most important thing is the companion I have. Please call Ext. 3336.

SINGLE WHITE MALE—
28 yrs. old, 5 9, 210 lbs. Brn. hair, Grn. eyes, aver. looking ISO SWF 26-35 for friendship & possible romance. Likes Football, baseball, hockey, long walks on cool nights, movies or just hanging out. Have crazy job & crazy houss Please call Ext. 4533.

SINGLE WHITE MALE-

313, 5111, 1 enjoy movies, beaches, rock & country music & dancing, video at home, comedy, long walks, flea markets, seeking a down to earth \$70WF 25-40 for friendship & possible relationship. Please call Ext. 4534.

SINGLE WHITE MALE-

SINGLE WHITE MALE—
36, 5'10, good sense of humor. Enjoys 60s & 70s music, Seinfeld, outdoor sports, old movies. Seeks SWF, 30-40 with good personality for friendship and possible relationship. Please reply to ext. 4902.

SINGLE WHITE MALE— Attractive, very fit, 30, 5'9, blue eyes, fun-loving, enjoys boating, beach, outdoors, travel, pets & sports. Seeks SWF, 25-33, for friendship possibly leading to a lasting relationship. Please call Extension 4339.

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SINGLE WH!TE MALE— early 40's Blonde, Blue eyes, 6', 195 lbs. Loving, affectionate, compassion-ate, sensitive, understanding, very loyal, loves to cud-dle, loves the shore & all water sports, all outdoor one, loves the shore & all water sports, all outdoor sports, movies, museums, very secure job, very attractive seeks SWF/DWF, children OK, 30-40, attractive, sensuous, affectionate, understanding for long term relationship. Very tired of bar scenes & head games. Please call Ext. 4538.

SINGLE WHITE MALE-

SINGLE WHITE MALE—
Professional, honestly good-looking, 34, 5'11, 160
lbs., dark hair/eyes, financially secure, selective.
Enjoy dining, travel, conversation, outdoors, distance
running. Seeking (very) attractive SWF, 20-35. Photo
helpful, can exchange. Please call Ext. 4529.
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SINGLE WHITE PROFESSIONAL FEMALE

climbing to the top of a mountain and golden retrievers? Are you looking for a fun-loving, smart and adventurous woman to be your best friend? If the answer to these questions is "yes" and you are a SWM, 26-34, intelligent and have a kind heart, please reply to ext. 4553.

SINGLE WHITE PROFESSIONAL FEMALE

36, 5tt.4in. 110 lbs., very sexy, sophisticated, intelligent, exotic. Late 20-looking. Financially secure, independent, corporate professional. Looking for attractive, honest, sincere SPWM, 34-43 for LTR, You can count on my sincerity and loyalty if you are a worthy person. Please call ext. 4554.

SINGLE WHITE PROFESSIONAL MALE

43, 5'5", young looking, smart, handsome, good shape, positive, romantic, stand-up guy. In search of S/D Female; attractive, shaply, similiar personal qualities, up to 40 years old. A lady who will be my romantic partner & friend. Please reply ext. 3616.

SLEEPLESS IN N.J. SWM, 33, Eric Clapton look-alike. In search of SWF, 25-33, simplicity preferred-honesty a must. Please reply ext. 4552.

SLIM, NICE LOOKING
DWM, Professional- looking for slim, nice looking, S/
DWF professional, aged 32-42, drug-free, nonsmoker,
for friendship/relationship. Interests include working
out, tennis, theater & the shore. Please reply Ext.

SPANISH MALE—
33 yrs old, 5'11",175 lbs., good looking, brown hair, looking for a one on one relationship, self-employed, I enjoy the shore a lot, romantic times, home or out, Sincere & honest, Seeks SF, not over weight, old fashioned values. Please reply ext. 3617.
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This lonesome, nice appearing, trim, college edu-cated executive seeks the companionship of an at-tractive personable lady in her 50's or 80's from or near Somerset County for possible LTR. Call ext.4588 and please leave your name & phone no. Thank you.

SWINGING ATTACHED MALE
Hil 35 yr. old white male, 5'9, 175. If your like me, I'm
seeking a fun and fantasy loving female, adventurer,
age 21-45 who is attractive and very aggressive. Any
companion status is OK. Must be open minded, sensual, sense of humor and enjoys being pampered to.
Must be discreet, like me. No drugs or head games.
Please call ext. 4906 Please call ext. 4906

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Introductions

Central New Jersey's Best Choice For Meeting Someone Close To Home.

SWF—
25, 57, brown hair, green eyes, slim, professional, non-smoker, rather liberal. Enjoys music, outdoors, exercise, having a good time, whether its going out late or relaxing at home. Looking for SWM 25-30, professional/educated, slim or medium build, honest, with good sense of humor (no head games) for friendship and possible relationship. Please call Ext. 4445.

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SWF—
Attractive, 40, down-to-earth, caring, affectionate.
Smoker, social drinker, Glant fan, interested in SW or
DWM who is honest, caring and has a sense of
humor for LTR. Please call Ext. 4578.

SWM- 28, who enjoys movies, walks & interesting conversation, looking for an exciting, exuberant female with similar interests, Please call ext.4753

SWM— 29, 6't, 165 lbs., physically fit, good looking, college grad., financially secure. Very easy going & open minded. Enjoys sailing, boating, skiling, beach & outdoors. Seeks SWF, good looking, physically fit, between 24 & 30 with similar interests. PLEASE CALL EXT. 4592.

40 Yrs old but looks younger. 5't11', 180 lbs., red-dish brown hair, green eyes. I like dancing, dining out & quiet evenings at home, going out & having a good time. Looking for an attractive SWF, 30-45 with the same interests, maybe leading to a long-term relationship. Please call ext. 4572.

SWM— 41, brown-haired, blued-eyed professional, 6' t2' tall I have a very dry sense of humor, I have my Doctor-ate and am successful. I enjoy the beach in the summer. Looking for a female in the 30-45 yr. range for a permanent relationship. Pls call ext. 4566.

SWM—
43, in search of SWF, 35 to 50.1 like to go to stock car races, I like to do most anything like movies, dining out, outdoor sports, etc. Please reply to ext. 4496.
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SWM-

SWM— 50, 5'6", 140 lbs., very fit vegetarian, affectionate, financially secure, I enjoy dancing, the beach, hiking, & travel. I seek a Down to Earth female counterpart, for friendship, roaming the world, LTR. No drugs/ alcohol/smokers. Please call ext. 4752.

SWM —
Good looking, 25, 180 lbs, blue eyes & brown hair, looking for someone to have fun with and doesn't drink. I love children. Seeking SWF, 26-30. Please call ext. 4911.

SWM—

I am a 23 yr old SWM 6'2', 195 lbs with brown hair and blue eyes; seeking an intelligent, attractive SWF 20-25. My friends describe me as an easy going, fun person with a good sense of humor, in my free time I enjoy outdoor sports such as softball, soccer and volleyball. I am also an avid reader, if you have a wide variety of interests and if you want a satisfying, fun relationship, I would like to hear from you. Ext 4622

SWM—
Italian, 59, very warm, passisionale and fun loving,
Would like to meet very affectionate sensual female
who would like to share a laugh or a tear or listen to
the rain or each others heartbeat while holding each
other close. How nice it would be to share it with
someone who is warm and sensual. Why not give it a
try, it may be an encounter you will cherish for a long
time. Please respond to ext. 4497.
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TO: INTRODUCTIONS BOX 4497, FORBES NEWSPAPERS, PO BOX 699, SOMERVILLE, NJ 08576.

SWM - Rock in roller, 518'n, 160 lbs., 37 yrs., non-smoker, into fitness, fun, rock clubs, travel, comedy clubs & cuddling, ISO fit & fun woman with no children & good sense of humor. I'm zamy but also sincere, looking towards a LTR. Please call ext. 4590.

SWP.IM-

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VERY PRETTY PETITE DWF—
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Intoxicating and intimate

Stefano's serves up uncommon delights at the Mansion Hotel

> By MICKI PULSINELLI Culinary Correspondent

ur youngest daughter is home from college, and another who lives in Colorado is also home for the holidays. When we asked them where they would like to eat out. they both said Stefano's.

Stefano's is located in Fanwood's Mansion Hotel. There is a separate entrance to the restaurant from the back parking lot. Once inside you would never guess you were in a hotel.

The dining room is small and intimate. The walls are covered with tapestry and mirrors, and then outlined with beautiful oak wood. Comfortable banquettes surround a handful of tables. The setting is formal but comfortable

The staff is professional and unpretentious. Owner/Maitre d' Mario DeMarco greets you at the door, seats you and takes your order.

The menu has a nice selection of appetizers. There are 12 items (\$4.95-\$9.95) and very few of the common variety you see on most menus. They have two polenta dishes, several mushroom selections and also sauteed snails.

Five salads (\$3.95-\$7.95) and a soup of the day (\$4.25) round out the starters. You can also share a pasta as an appetizer for two.

Pasta selections (13 choices, \$9.95 to \$18.95 with seafood) are mostly light fare (denoted with a heart on the menu). Most of them are prepared without butter or cream, and are cooked with extra virgin olive

Entrees include chicken, veal, venison, lamb, steak and seafood. Prices range from \$14.95 for pollo inferno to \$23.95 for steak Fiorentina. As with the pastas, most of the entrees are considered "light dishes." All entrees are served with a vegetable of the day.

Warm Italian bread and a complimentary polenta topped with sundried tomatoes was served to each of us. It was enough to get our appetites going. Our appetizers included bruschetta (four pieces for \$4.95), funghi Liguria (\$6.95) and melanzane ripiene (\$5.95). There was enough for all of us to share. The funghi Liguria was a tasteful dish of mushrooms sauteed with garlic, parsley and oregano in extra virgin olive oil. The melanzane consisted of four pieces of eggplant stuffed



Comfort and an intimate dining environment is part of the experience at Stefano's Restaurant in the Mansion Hotel in Fanwood.

with goat cheese and ricotta in a delicious light tomato-basil sauce.

Our entrees consisted of three pasta dishes and one veal. Tagliatella alla vodka (\$11.95) was pasta with a sauce of lemon, vodka, cream, parmesan and paprika. It was spicy and had a full-flavor taste. That and the spinach ravioli with ricotta cheese in a light tomato basil sauce (\$11.95) were obviously not one of the "light fare items.

The other pasta selection, The hot virgin pasta (\$18.95) was fettuccine with a sauce of shrimp, jalapenos, shitake mushrooms, sun dried tomatoes and orange slices. This was served in an oil and garlic sauce. It was indeed spicy hot, light and delicious.

I had the veal marsala (\$14.95) served with vegetables and potatoes. The yeal was tender, I didn't need a knife, and the light sauce excellent. For dessert we had some homemade chocolate ice cream topped with a mint sauce and a tiramisu served in a large tulip glass. The four of us shared in the desserts

I'm glad my daughters chose Stefano's. We left happy and content after eating an intoxicating meal served in a elegant and comfortable

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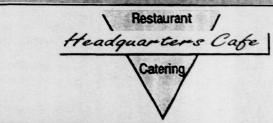
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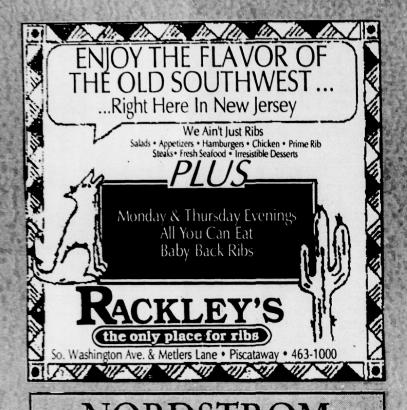
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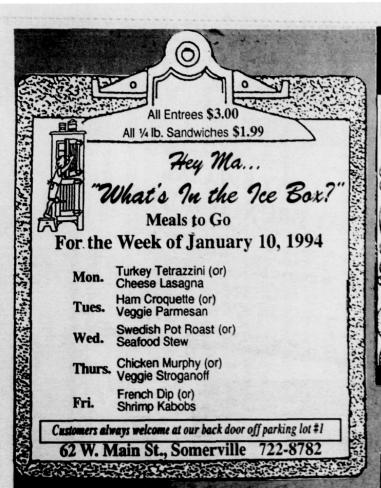
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