



# Survey reports high risk activity among teens

Program Service Associates recently concluded its student survey of Union County's fifth to 12th graders' attitudes and behaviors toward the use of alcohol, tobacco and other drugs. Doctors Daly and Kelly, Kean College faculty, and primary researchers for the PSA project found the following:

- There is a serious problem with the use of marijuana in Union County student populations.
- Significant numbers of students put themselves at risk by riding in an automobile driven by someone under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Despite law enforcement and school authorities' best efforts, students have no difficulty in acquiring alcohol and drugs and finding a place, usually the home, to use them.
- Students find it difficult to "say no" to a friend who offers them alcohol or a drug when they really don't want it.
- No one admitted using drugs or drinking alcohol at school.
- Parents have a profound influence on children's behavior regarding smoking, drinking, and using drugs, as well as associating with those who do.

The Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse commissioned the survey to assess students' attitudes and behavior regarding alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs and to use the findings as a basis to

## Making A Difference

By Diane Litterer

measure the effectiveness of its planned prevention activities.

Program Service Associates randomly selected 24 grades — three classes from each of fifth to 12th grades — from a list of 141 schools in the county. Nineteen classes completed the survey, comprising a sample of 422 students. A comparison of the known demographic data of the county student population and the survey sample indicated close parallels.

This comparison reassured the researchers that they had a representative sample to generalize the county school population.

The county data on the use of marijuana among fifth and 12 grades indicates a similar level as a recent national study reported. The national study caused quite a stir because the level of marijuana smoking revealed an increase of 141 percent compared to figures collected in 1992.

While Daly and Kelly have no county data from 1992, they suggest that the rise in marijuana smoking reported in the national study may be occurring in Union County as well.

They note in their study that most experts agree that marijuana is a "gateway" drug to the use of more serious drugs.

The researchers also suggest that parents can play a major role in their children's use of alcohol, tobacco, and other drugs. Their findings indicate that when children perceived their parents to be intolerant of the use of these substances, children are not likely to use them or associate with children who do. Of those who drank alcohol or used substances in the last month, most of them have used these substances at home or a friend's house when parents are absent. 40 percent of the students admitted to riding with someone driving a car under the influence of alcohol, 25 percent rode with a driver under the influence of drugs.

While 60-70 percent of the students indicated that it was difficult to buy alcohol, depending on whether it is beer, wine or liquor, 70 percent admitted to trying alcohol. Parents are generally intolerant to their children smoking, drinking and using drugs. Their greatest tolerance is toward their high school teenagers drinking.

Only 50 percent of the high school students surveyed perceived their parents as being very upset with them for drinking. 66 percent of high school students perceived their parents as being very upset with them for smoking cigarettes.

No one admitted to using alcohol or drugs while at school. The study reported that 54 percent of students

got into trouble at least once in school; only 7 percent admitted, however, that they were under the influence of alcohol or drugs at the time. Peer pressure is the greatest, according to the survey results, when children are offered alcohol by their friends.

Twenty percent of the students' sample indicated that it would be fairly hard or very hard to "say no" to one of their best friends offering them a drink of beer or wine when they really "did not want it." Fourteen percent would find it hard to "say no" to marijuana and 13 percent would have a difficult time refusing an offer by their friends to try an inhalant. There seems to be little use of other drugs, therefore, peer pressure was minimal with other substances.

The complete report of the survey is available by contacting Diane Litterer, project director, Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse at (908) 686-6644.

The coalition will conduct two follow-up surveys of Union County students in 1997 and 1998 to the changes in attitudes and behaviors. Based on these and other assessments, the coalition is working to increase alcohol and drug prevention programming throughout the county.

Diane Litterer is the project manager of the Union County Coalition for the Prevention of Substance Abuse. "Making a Difference" is a monthly column submitted by the coalition.

## COUNTY NEWS

### Violet Society to meet

The Union County Chapter of the African Violet Society of America will meet Oct. 17 at 1 p.m. in the Scotch Plains Library, at 1927 Bartle Ave. in Scotch Plains. Program will be "Worst is Best." All interested are welcome to attend.

### Parish programs

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The day will begin with a continental breakfast at 8:30 a.m. and will end at 3:30 p.m. Lunch is provided as well as an opportunity to spend time with a variety of Catholic publishers.

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Sister Kathy Burton, SSJ Holy

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# One Union family makes a business out of others' pleasure

By Jay Hochberg  
Regional Editor

When four Union residents first considered starting a business together, they had smoke in their eyes.

Today, less than two weeks after opening Smokers Delight, their vision has materialized into a cigar shop, a smoking lounge and a coffee bar — and conspicuously absent smoke, thanks to an air-cleaning system.

"We wanted to provide a smoking lounge for non-smokers," said co-owner Dave Penk, who handles the coffee bar. "We went to the Cigar Cafe and we all said 'I think we can do it better,' and I think we did."

While the name may not suggest it, Smokers Delight also is intended to attract non-smokers. Upon entering, visitors face the smoking lounge, replete with 18 high-backed chairs and several tables in the front. Further back, the coffee bar is found on the right, and it isn't until reaching the rear of the establishment that one finds the walk-in humidor.

## 'Living room atmosphere'

"Before we looked at it from the place of an owner, we looked at it as someone who'd want to shop in clean air, not inconvenienced by my cigar smoking," said co-owner Bob Beall.

"It's a living room atmosphere," he added. "It's a place where people can stop in during the day and have a coffee while doing some work. You can bring your own food for lunch, bring your own liquor at night. The only thing missing is the fireplace."

At the coffee bar, the four partners serve regular and decaf, latte, espresso and an assortment of Italian sodas. Also on the menu are many desserts, including tiramisu, Black Forest cherry torte, key lime pie, mudslide ice cream and chocolate peanut butter pie.

The sodas are made with flavored syrups added to slightly carbonated water. Those syrups include flavors of a variety of fruits, berries, nuts and spices, that also can be added to the coffees.

## Destination: Humidor

But for many, the humidor is their destination.

Measuring 144 square feet, the humidor is filled with cigars representing cigar producing countries from Central America to the Philippines, and from Brazil to western Europe. Familiar brand names include Macanudo, Partagas, Punch, Hoyo de Monterrey, El Rey del Mundo, H. Upmann and Te Amo. Other brands,

## Burning Desires

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particularly those usually hard to find, include Licenciados, La Flor Dominicana and Mystique.

While the level of humidity in the humidor falls a few points short of the optimum 73 percent, the owners admit there still are a few finishing touches needed.

Constructed of clear redwood, the humidor — like most of Smokers Delight — was built by the four co-owners, with help from a close friend at a cost of more than \$10,000. Penk, his brother, Rich; Rich's father-in-law Ron Beall and Beall's son Bob said their's is a group effort.

They collected their individual savings, secured a loan from a bank in the township — which they said was not easy due to the nature of their enterprise — and relied on the kindness of others to finish the job. Family friend Armando Ferdinand, a Tuscan employee, helped with much of the construction.

"It was tough money-wise, time-wise and sweat-wise, but we did it," Bob Beall said.

## Local roots

Ron Beall, 53, a carpenter with 33 years of experience, has been a Union resident for three decades. His son, the Penk brothers and Ferdinand are graduates of Union High School and they all take their hometown roots seriously.

In addition to banking in town, the company turned to local retailers for building supplies, including Jaeger Lumber, P&J Carpet and Oak Furniture Warehouse. On top of that, landlord George Feintuch helped by replacing the large store-front window, paid for half of the heating repairs and the rear fire exit. Plus, his electrician rewired the room, allowing for the installation of the air cleaning system.

That system features three air ionizers on the ceiling. Elsewhere above are three ceiling fans, that if observed closely, are seen installed upside down to pull smoke upward, toward the ionizers.

With the construction, painting, plumbing, stucco work and cabinetry completed, the result is in the manner of an English pub — a style Ron Beall

had had in mind for many years when he thought of starting his own business.

"Union had to be the place," Bob Beall said, "because it is where we're from. A few banks rejected us, saying we wouldn't attract an upscale clientele, but we wanted to make a place where the average person can come in, relax, and be treated like someone special."

## A grand opening

If nothing else, the first few weeks of business have been eventful. In addition to the requisite opening day jitters, the four put themselves in the spotlight by working overnights to be ready for business in time for Union Center's Italian Feast.

"We prepared for the festival by living on espresso and White Castles at 3 a.m.," Beall said. "We didn't smell good for three days, but we made it. It was the best free advertising available."

Just days later, more attention was drawn to Union Center as Republican vice presidential candidate Jack Kemp visited.

Kemp, a regular cigar smoker said to travel with a humidor in his limousine, was invited inside Smokers Delight, but didn't make it. The owners had planned to present him with a box of Casa Blanca Presidentes — a cigar with the likeness of the White House on its box. Instead, they entrusted the box to one of Kemp's aides, who promised the candidate would get it.

One local politician who has supported Smokers Delight from its conceptual phase is Deputy Mayor John Paragano, who stops in regularly for the Dunhill-made Montecruz cigars.

Unlike several nearby competitors, Smokers Delight has no membership fees and its cigar prices are close to those found at discount tobacconists.

"If we expect the community to support us, we have to support the community," said Dave Penk, an electrician. "And it's a pleasure to get people who are so friendly. We maintain a first-name basis and get to know what they smoke."

That's where Bob Beall comes in. Beall has taken the responsibility of



The owners of Smokers Delight in Union take a seat after a hectic week in preparation for their grand opening Sept. 27. From left: Rich Penk, Ron Beall, Bob Beall and Dave Penk.

helping customers in the humidor, fielding their questions and steering them toward cigars they'd enjoy.

In preparation, Beall gets to know his products. He samples the cigars in the inventory and expands his knowledge so he can help customers select other smokes when their favorite is out of stock.

To fill in the gaps, his partners often help, offering their advice. "I won't guess," Beall said. "I'll admit it if I don't know, and we'll make a group effort. If a customer comes back looking for more, it makes us all look good."

Beall also said he and his partners are eager to avoid the reputation — that some of their competitors have earned — as being hard-sales oriented. Rather than lose a customer, the owners will give refunds or make exchanges for an unhappy consumer. Also, Smokers Delight is reaching

out to different segments of the cigar-smoking world. The televisions are used not only to hold the attention of sports fans, but also for young women, who can watch "Melrose Place" on Monday nights, for example.

The future of Smokers Delight may include opening the downstairs of the building, allowing local civic groups to gather for catered meetings. Also, the owners are considering extending their hours to Sundays and bringing in a piano player.

Located at 1053 Stuyvesant Avenue, Smokers Delight is in the heart of Union Center. It is open Mon-

days through Thursdays, from 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Fridays and Saturdays, from 11 a.m. to midnight — and the owners promised they will neither chase out a customer in mid cigar, nor end the night in the middle of a baseball playoff game.

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## ARTS &amp; ENTERTAINMENT

## Stony Hill Players succeed by 'The Skin of' their 'Teeth'

By Jacquie McCarthy  
Associate Editor

Stony Hill Players of Summit have attracted more than interested audiences and glowing reviews to their small but ambitious theater group. Their most recent production, "The Skin of Our Teeth" by Thornton Wilder, will be directed by established New York City director Carolyn Rendell. A native of Millburn, Rendell brings her professional directorial skills back to her home state with this production.

As the young director is currently working full-time as assistant to the Artistic Director at New York's Playwrights Horizons and spending nearly all her free time either commuting or working with Stony Hill Players, I was especially grateful she could find time for an interview. Her hectic schedule is proof enough that she is not afraid of hard work. I asked her about her accomplishments, and indeed she has accomplished a great deal in a short period of time.

Having acted in both junior high and high school, Rendell recently obtained an undergraduate degree in political philosophy at Harvard while participating in the theater program there. She explained that theater study at Harvard is different from most colleges, as the curriculum does not provide for a major in the subject. Instead, students pursue their education on an extracurricular basis, and gain experience in all aspects of theater production. While at the American Repertory Theater at Harvard, Rendell worked with professional actors and directors.

Since college, Rendell has been just as busy as she is now. She served as directing assistant at The New York Theater Company and as an artistic resident for The Williamstown Theater Festival. Rendell has served as assistant director at The Pearl Theater

Company, and assisted director Bob Fall on the Tony Award nominated production of "The Rose Tattoo" at Circle-in-the-Square. Most recently, Rendell directed a revival of Harold Rome's "I Can Get It For You Wholesale" and served as instructor and director-in-residence at Stagedoor Manor Performing Arts Center.

New York seems to be keeping Rendell pretty busy. How did she come to direct a production in New Jersey?

Rendell explained that her New York productions are "new plays, largely. There's not enough space to do old and classical productions, no sets, no budget." She said Playwrights Horizons is primarily interested in presenting new works and new writers, "and there's no real venue to do older, large productions, and not a lot of money."

Hailing from New Jersey, Rendell was aware of the smaller theater groups in the area. "I let them know I was available," she said. When Stony Hill Players called her, she saw an opportunity to do a bigger production than New York venues traditionally afford.

She found working with Stony Hill Players different from her previous theater experiences. "There is rehearsal space, these are not professional actors, and almost everybody works a full-time job." Rendell expressed a feeling of freedom from the constraints usually associated with her profession. "The people at Stony Hill, in addition to providing space and staff, were so willing to experiment and open to suggestions, and willing to just go with things." Rendell found herself overwhelmed by the supportive atmosphere.

Well, if large is what this director was seeking, it looks like it found her. "The Skin of Our Teeth" is a very ambitious production, and the youth-

ful director described Stony Hill's twist on the original format in animated fashion. "What's exciting about this play is, it is a large play that is almost so huge in scope, it's not done all that often. People don't see it often."

In Wilder's play, we are introduced to the Antrobus family of Excelsior, New Jersey, and follow them from the Ice Age to the 1940's. Rendell describes the characters as representing a microcosm of society. "The town represents the country. The people are the same, it's completely relevant. The play was considered avant-gard and revolutionary in its day, but will feel very much of today."

Her efforts as director have focused greatly on having the actors effectively communicate a universality of theme. "I want to convey what is wonderful about human nature, that they come back to this constant disappointment and find strength in love and humor, and life." Achieving this result presented a challenge to both actors and director. "Wilder has a grotesque, comic, heightened style," Rendell stated, and said that injecting a modern reality into this style was no small feat. "The idea is to ground the characters and get reality. It's a difficult balance."

The actors have worked hard to achieve this balance. "People are stretching themselves and doing things they've never done before." The director is impressed with the entire effort, especially considering the time frame in which it was accomplished. "People have been putting time in on their own. I'm very pleased."

And no small amount of the credit goes to the producers. "I think it's very brave of Jean and Bill. People are amazed to hear we're doing the play."

No kidding. According to Rendell, in addition to the aforementioned



"The Skin of Our Teeth" Director Carolyn Rendell with scenery designer Jan Gaffney and stage manager Alan Gershenson.

trials, a twist on the format of the play stages the first part of it outside of the theater, in a living room in the building. Then, as though this were not unusual enough, the audience will move to a church space in another part of the building for the second half.

"It's unconventional. There's no worry of sets."

Ambitious, indeed! But the director is confident. "We're gonna try to pull it off," she said brightly.

Since the interview was conducted

in the few precious moments prior to a weekend rehearsal, I thanked the busy director graciously for her time, which is in small quantity these days.

"The Skin of Our Teeth" opens this weekend, at the same time Playwrights Horizons' production of "Fit To Be Tied" opens in New York.

"Both at the same time?" said I, amazed.

Rendell was unfazed. "Both at the same time," she responded.

My mother always said, "If you

want something done, give it to a busy person. They'll find time to do it right." My mother would approve of Carolyn Rendell.

"The Skin of Our Teeth" will run three weekends, with two Sunday matinees, at the Oakes Memorial Outreach Center, 120 Morris Ave, corner of Russell Place, in Summit. Show dates are Friday, Saturday, Oct. 18, 19 and 26 at 8 p.m. and Oct 20 and 27 at 2 p.m. Tickets are \$12. For reservations and information, call (908) 665-1376.

## Arts center unveils its newest creation

By Jacquie McCarthy  
Associate Editor

The term "progress" has traditionally had a double-edged connotation — construction is often deemed necessary, if not always beautifying. The media keep us informed daily of the latest grass roots organizations protesting plans to turn a park into a parking lot. Well, the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts has put a 360 degree spin on this traditional term with the opening of their new Art Park on Oct. 6.

The Art Park is the brainchild of three very important players in the continuing evolution of the NJCVA — Nominating Committee Chairman Debbie Cave, NJCVA President Betse Gump, and NJCVA Board of Trustees Chairman William C. Bopp. Three years ago, these three envisioned a year-round sculpture exhibition park replacing the parking lot in back of the arts center. Three years later, thanks to numerous generous donations and a lot of planning and hard work, the dream is a reality.

NJCVA celebrated the fruits of their toil this past Sunday afternoon with wine and hors d'oeuvres on the newly created lawn. Summit Stompers Jazz Band provided the musical entertainment, and visitors strolled around, stopping to view the work of sculptor J. Seward Johnson, Jr., a New Jersey native.

At the inaugural ceremony, NJCVA Executive Director Joan Duffey Good introduced Bopp, who expressed how happy he was to see the Art Park concept become reality. He read the art center's mission statement, "...to provide New Jersey's culturally diverse residents with an environment that encourages appreciation of and participation in contemporary art through instruction, creative expression, exhibition and dialogue," and stated, "I think the Art Park is really in keeping with this mission." Bopp called the arts center "a truly remarkable place," and said that the new park will only enhance the arts center.

Next, Art Park Co-Chairman Haskell P. MacCowan introduced Debbie Cave and Betse Gump, and praised their tireless efforts in achieving the goal. He also thanked all contributors, large and small, stating, "It all added up to this." Summit Common Council President Edward S. Olcott offered congratulations and compliments, adding, "As the host community for the arts center, we are very, very pleased."

The highlight of the lovely autumn

afternoon was the words of J. Seward Johnson, Jr., the Art Park's premiere exhibition artist.

Johnson turned his hand to sculpture in 1968 after spending his life as a painter. More than 200 of his lifelike cast bronze figures have been displayed privately and publicly in the U.S., Canada, Europe and Asia, and an exhibition of 12 of his sculptures is on tour through Western Europe. He was a guest on "The Tonight Show" and has been interviewed by many popular news and entertainment publications. The artist commented on the evolution of his work, taking both realistic subjects and the work of impressionist painters and translating them into three-dimensional form.

He stated that his figures depict humans realistically in everyday settings. "I want realism — I want you to embarrass yourself by asking (the sculpture) for the time."

Johnson felt his work was not accepted when he began sculpting in the 70s. "It was too realistic." Of his interpretations of impressionist paintings, he said, "I am giving their masterpieces, in 3-D, back to them." He stated that the three dimensional aspect of the finished product inspires intimacy with the subject.

This is definitely the case with Johnson's "Confrontational Vulnerability," discreetly exhibited in the rear lobby/entrance to the Art Park. Based on Manet's "Olympia," the sculpture of a lovely woman relaxing on a bed wearing only jewelry and shoes is accurately described as intimate. Other sculptures displayed are "Harmony Vs. Discord," depicting a sandy-haired man in sandals and ripped jeans playing the guitar, "Forever Marilyn," with the famous image of Ms. Monroe capturing her wind-blown skirt, and "Next," for which the artist constructed a wooden swing set and froze two happy children in the act of an upswing, with a third child alongside patiently waiting her turn.

Johnson's exhibit, "Sculpture — A Retrospective" can be seen at the Art Park through Nov. 30. "Sculpture from New Jersey," Part I, is also on display in the upstairs gallery through Nov. 10, with a panel discussion on the exhibit scheduled for Oct. 24 at 7:30 p.m. The ground floor features Albanian painter and Summit resident Bashkim Ahmeti through Oct. 24, and "Sculpture from New Jersey," Part II, will hold an opening reception on Nov. 17 from 2 — 5 p.m.

New Jersey Center for Visual Arts is located at 68 Elm Street in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.



Sculptor/artist J. Seward Johnson, Jr. speaks about his sculpting career at the NJCVA Art Park inaugural ceremony on Oct. 6.



"Elemental," by sculptor/artist J. Seward Johnson, Jr. is part of the premiere display in the new NJCVA Art Park. The exhibit will run through Nov. 30.

## Film group plans a diverse fare for movie fans

The New Jersey Film Festival has scheduled the following films for this weekend:

Friday and Saturday  
• "Anne Frank Remembered," 1995, directed by Jon Blair. Winner of the 1996 Academy Award for Best Documentary, this extraordinarily moving film places Anne Frank's diary into its larger history for the first time, celebrating both the fullness of Anne's short life and documenting the true horror of her death in a Nazi concentration camp. An area premiere.

Screening is in Scott Hall #123, near the corner of College Avenue and Hamilton Street, College Avenue Campus, Rutgers University, New Brunswick.

Sunday Double Feature  
• "Umbrellas of Cherbourg," 1964, directed by Jacques Demy. This lovely, wistful musical about innocence and heartbreak, set in an eternally romantic France, and starring the young Catherine Deneuve, has been beautifully restored to its original color. A must-see on the State Theatre's wide screen. In French, subtitled. A New Jersey Film Festival premiere.

• "Welcome to the Dollhouse," 1996. New Jersey native Todd Solondz's film is a darkly funny and deeply sad chronicle of the trials and torments suffered by Dawn Wiener, an awkward 11-year-old pre-teen at a typically average New Jersey junior high. At once unsentimental and hilarious, "Welcome to the Dollhouse" will leave every former child wincing with recognition. An area premiere.

Screening location is The State Theatre, near the corner of George St. and Livingston Ave., 15 Livingston Ave., New Brunswick.

All film programs begin at 7 p.m. Thursday through Saturday shows cost \$5 for general public, \$4 for Rutgers Film Co-op/NJMAC Friends, and tickets may be purchased at the door beginning at 6:30 p.m. Sunday shows cost \$7 for general public, \$5 for Friends, and may be purchased the week of the show from the State Theatre Box Office at (908) 246-7469, or at the theater the day of the show beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The New Jersey Film Festival Fall 1996 is funded and sponsored in part by the Rutgers Film Co-op/New Jersey Media Arts Center, which offers this state's only media arts center with programming year-round, offering over 100 annual film screenings and events. Founded in 1982, the Rutgers Film Co-op/New Jersey Media Arts Center draws thousands of viewers from throughout the state.

Jacquie McCarthy, Editor

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You won't have to 'go far' to view a great video

As you look through the many releases of 1996, you will be hard-pressed to find a film that is better than "Fargo." The picture is based on the true events surrounding the botched kidnapping of a Minnesota car salesman's wife, and filmmaking brothers Joel and Ethan Coen lay out the story with such a simple, effective style that after it is over you feel like you've experienced a new type of filmmaking.

The Video Detective

By Jim Riffel

break into Macy's house, throw a few heavy objects around and take the unconscious wife out in a rolled-up shower curtain. Macy comes home a few hours later, acts surprised and notifies his father-in-law.

They meet and Macy pushes for no police involvement, saying they are dealing with unpredictable madmen and the money should just be paid. Stomare has enough money to pay ten ransoms and still afford a Rolls Royce, but he's stubborn. He complains about the high amount and says he's going to pay, but he's going to deliver the money himself, going against the supposed orders of the kidnappers.

Macy sees the first snag in the plan. He wanted to be the one who delivered the cash, giving the crooks no chance to leave without paying him. This is where the plan begins to unravel and the story become absolutely fascinating.

Steve Buscemi facts: Buscemi was born in Brooklyn in 1958. He was a New York City fireman and drove an ice cream truck before becoming a movie star, auditioning in between fires and handing out freeze pops. In 1986 he gained wide critical acclaim playing a video artist dying of AIDS in the picture "Parting Glances."

A resident of Mountainside, Jim Riffel is the author of "The Video Detective's Guide to the Top 100 Films of All Time."

The picture begins with William Macy crumpling under the burdens of financial pressure. He tries to dig himself out of the hole by approaching his wealthy father-in-law with a sweet moneymaking scheme, the kind that's too good to pass up. His father-in-law, played by Peter Stomare, loves the idea of making big cash but hates the idea of having to share it with Macy. By the time the meeting is over, Stomare flat out tells Macy that he's taking the idea and running with it.

Macy is shocked, but can't legally do anything about it. But who needs a legal alternative when the illegal ones are quicker and more effective? So, Macy decides to have his wife kidnapped and held for a large ransom that her own rich father will certainly pay to insure the safety of his daughter.

Macy talks to a local thug/car mechanic and is turned on to two men who make their living doing odd jobs like rubbing liquor stores and killing people. He meets them in a local restaurant and, over cheeseburgers, they lay out the "evil plan." The two men, played by Steve Buscemi and Harve Presnell, are demented comic relief throughout the picture because one doesn't say a word and the other can't stop talking.

A few days later, the two partners

Concord singers bring opera to Summit

The Concord Singers proudly present Jane Bunnell and Ruth Golden of the Metropolitan and New York City Opera in concert Sunday, October 27 at 3 p.m., followed by a reception from 4:30 - 6:30 p.m. in the Calvary Episcopal Church, Summit. Bunnell and Golden will perform selections by Schubert, Brahms, Mendelssohn, and Mozart in this gala concert benefitting the Concord Singers.

The Concord Singers is a non-profit volunteer women's chorus that provides equal New Jersey with a variety of classical and contemporary vocal programs. They showcase local musical artists and encourage participation of high school and college students in their programs. For twenty years they have delighted their audiences with unique choral programs and received several grant awards from Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. Tickets for their 20th Anniversary Gala Benefit are \$25 for the Jane Bunnell and Ruth Golden Concert or \$50 for the concert and reception with the artists. Call Debbie Boyman (908) 771-0978 for tickets, to make donations, or write the Concord Singers, at P.O. Box 242, Summit, NJ 07902.

Mezzo-soprano Jane Bunnell's critically acclaimed debut as Annio in "La Clemenza Di Tito" has led to six seasons at the New York Metropolitan Opera. She has appeared in

many other productions, notably among them are "Othello," "Romeo and Juliet," "Le Nozze di Gigaro," "Les Contes d'Hoffman" and "Il Barbiere di Siviglia." This season she returns to the Met in "Così fan tutte," "Hansel and Gretel," "A Midsummer Night's Dream," "Faust" and Wagner's "Ring." During her five seasons at the New York City Opera, Bunnell became a company favorite. Internationally, Bunnell has sung at the Oper der Stadt Bonn as Octavian in "Der Rosenkavalier." The Rheinische Post in Bonn wrote of this performance: "... The real wonder of the Bonn staging is the Octavian of Jane Bunnell. It was a vocally full-bodied, warm and dramatic performance." Bunnell is also in demand on the concert platform. Some of these performances include the Mostly Mozart Festival, the Seattle Symphony, the New York Chamber Orchestra, the Baltimore Symphony, and the Houston Symphony. Bunnell grew up in New Jersey attending Hanover Park High School. She currently resides in Chatham with her husband, Marc Embree, and daughter Katie.

Soprano Ruth Golden has enjoyed a career spanning the opera stage, the concert platform, the recording studio, and the classroom. Golden launched her career by award winning performances in the Metropolitan Opera and the San Francisco Opera Competitions and returns this fall to judge the Metro-

politan Opera auditions. She has sung with opera companies and symphony orchestras in 30 of our 50 states and 5 international venues, including the Aspen Music Festival, Carnegie Hall, and the Kennedy Center. As leading soprano for the New York City Opera from 1985-1990, under the direction of Beverly Sills, Golden appeared in "Faust," "La Bohème," "Die Zauberflöte," "Don Giovanni" and "Carmen," and in featured roles in other productions. This season, she returns to Carnegie Hall in May for Dvorak's "Stabat Mater." You can hear her on the recordings by Koch International Classics label and, in April 1997, the Arabesque label will release two new discs of Schubert and Brahms Quartets featuring Golden and Bunnell. Golden has been a Guest instructor/Artist-in-Residence in over 20 institutions. She received the 1996 Van Lawrence Award by the Voice Foundation in recognition of excellence in teaching. Golden is currently the Director of Vocal Studies for the CW Post campus of Long Island University, and maintains a private studio in New York City.

Joshua Greene will accompany Ms. Bunnell and Ms. Golden. Mr. Greene divides his time among conducting, coaching, and playing for recitals. He works with leading soloists of the Metropolitan Opera, the New York City Opera, as well as other opera houses and concert halls throughout the world.

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**DINING REVIEW**  
October 10, 1996

**Lenny's Memories**  
The memories are great, and so is the food

By Jacquie McCarthy Associate Editor

Where can you go for breakfast, lunch, dinner and nightlife, listen to golden oldies, and get great service and conversation to boot? The newly opened Lenny's Memories provides all this and more at its convenient location on Route 1 and 9 North in Linden.

Some may remember the previous occupant, Fenders, as being a '50s nostalgia nightclub. Owner Leonard F. Wilk and manager Debra Vlearbone have worked hard to change the atmosphere to that of a friendly neighborhood malt shop, punctuated by black and white checkerboard floors and ceilings, warm yellow booths, and neon signs. Authentic concert and movie posters from the '50s and '60s adorn the walls. Lenny's features a pool table covered by an Elvis tapestry when not in use, and a large projection television alternating between sports and videos of popular '60s show "Shindig," so customers can enjoy premieres of Herman's Hermits "new" hit singles while they enjoy the fare.

And the fare is just as diverse as the entertainment opportunities. Including the usual breakfast items, early risers can enjoy western and corned beef hash sandwiches, and specialty pancakes featuring blueberry, strawberry, banana and chocolate chips. Lunch includes subs, burgers, hot sandwiches and triple-deckers. Dinner adds chicken, fish, beef and pasta entrees to the choices. Not to be overlooked are appetizers, lighter-side items, Memory's Snacks, which are smaller portions of entree selections, and desserts featuring sundaes with a generous assortment of toppings, rich chocolate cakes and warm apple pie a-la-mode. The piece-de-resistance, however, is the portion of the dessert menu dedicated to freshly-made egg creams, malts and milkshakes.

The juicy California burger was served on a fresh kaiser roll and came with great french fries, pickles and a salad side. My dinner companion got a tasty hot open roast beef sandwich, covered in gravy and served with soup, potato and vegetable. Dessert was the airy tuxedo mousse pie, drizzled in chocolate sauce and sinfully delicious. Gourmet cappuccino finished the meal.

Prices are right at Lenny's

Memories, and the meal leaves you pleasantly full. The restaurant has been open for only three weeks, and does not yet have a liquor license. Already, however, Lenny, Debra and staff are getting to know their customers while providing prompt and courteous service. Hours of operation are Monday through Thursday, 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.; and Friday and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 a.m.

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# HEALTH/FITNESS & MEDICINE

## Epilepsy can be managed with modern treatment

Epilepsy, or seizure disorder, a condition that is characterized by a person's tendency to experience chronic recurrence of seizures, has been recorded even in the earliest medical literature.

Today, nearly 2.5 million Americans have some form of epilepsy, and 13 percent of these are children under the age of 18. The prevalence of epilepsy is approximately 1 percent; that is, about 10 out of 1,000 people have the disorder. No specific cause can be identified in 70 percent of cases. The most frequent causes in the remaining 30 percent include head trauma, brain tumor, stroke, poisoning, infection and perinatal or birth injury. In addition, some forms of epilepsy have a genetic basis.

Epilepsy seizures are the result of an excessive and disorderly discharge of electrical energy in the brain. Certain factors may play a role in triggering the onset of seizure activity, including missed medication, sleep deprivation, alcohol use, drug abuse, the menstrual period, flashing lights, nutritional deficiencies and stress.

Epilepsy often first appears in children and young adults, although anyone can develop epilepsy at any time. Twenty-five percent of cases develop before the age of five; 50 percent before the age of 25. The disorder is also increasingly associated with the elderly; 25 percent of cases first occur in this population. In fact, there are as many cases of epilepsy in those aged 60 and over as there are in children 10 years and under.

Epilepsy is not necessarily a life-long disorder. Many persons with epilepsy will not have seizures or require medication all of their lives. Some childhood forms of epilepsy are outgrown by adulthood.

Since electrical discharges can occur in different areas of the brain, the type of seizures that are produced will differ depending on what area is affected. Partial seizures, which involve only part of the brain, are more common, comprising more than 60 percent of all seizures. Generalized seizures, which comprise the remaining 40 percent, affect the whole brain. Seizures are further categorized into different types of partial and generalized seizures.

• Simple partial seizures, also known as "focal" or "Jacksonian": Simple partial seizures may involve movement of the face, hand, or leg; some involve feelings or sensations, such as taste, smell, fear or memories. The person is alert during this seizure.

• Complex partial seizures: Complex partial seizures may begin with either a dreamlike state or an aura, followed by some type of automation, or automatic behavior, such as picking at their clothing, or aimlessly walking around. People do not remember their activities during this type of seizure, and thus is associated with impaired consciousness.

• Partial seizures with secondary generalization: These begin as partial seizures and spread to affect the

whole brain, usually resulting in generalized tonic-clonic seizures, described below.

• Absence, or nonconvulsive, formerly called "petit mal", seizures: These seizures are seen primarily in children. Absence seizures begin suddenly and without warning, and are characterized by brief periods of blank staring during which the child is unaware of his surroundings and unable to respond.

• Tonic-clonic seizures, formerly called "grand mal": These are the types of seizures most people associate with epilepsy. Tonic-clonic seizures affect all of the muscles and motor functions of the body, causing the person to lose consciousness, fall, stiffen, and begin to jerk as the muscles begin to alternately tense and relax. Unless they are prolonged, tonic-clonic seizures are unlikely to result in brain damage or death.

• Atonic seizures: These cause a sudden loss of muscle tone, leading to a sudden drop of the head or falling to the ground.

• Myoclonic seizures: These are brief, involuntary muscle jerks involving either the whole body or just the face or arms.

• Infantile spasms: These usually occur before a baby is six months old. The spasms occur in clusters, leading the child to appear startled or in pain.

Status epilepticus is a continuous state of seizure activity involving one prolonged seizure or a series of repeated seizures that lasts more than 30 minutes. Nonconvulsive status, in which a patient has repeated episodes of confusion, complex partial seizures, absence or staring spells, should be recognized, but is not life-threatening. Conversely, convulsive status, in which the patient is having tonic-clonic, shaking seizures for a long period of time, is a life-threatening situation that demands emergency treatment. While the condition may be a result of head trauma, brain tumors or other serious causes, in most cases cause is unknown.

Diagnosis of epilepsy is geared toward establishing both the cause of the seizure and the seizure type, since both factors will influence the design of a treatment program. The diagnosis of epilepsy should include a full patient history with detailed description of events experienced by the person before, during and after a seizure and, if available, an eye-witness account of the incident.

Other conditions that may be mistaken for epilepsy need to be ruled out during this process as well, including fainting, hypoglycemia, panic attacks and psychogenic, or psychologically based, seizures. The person should undergo a neurological exam and laboratory procedures that may include an electroencephalogram, a computerized-axial tomography scan

and/or magnetic resonance imaging scans.

Modern treatment methods can achieve full or partial control of seizures in a majority of cases. The most common form of treatment is anticonvulsant drug therapy. The first modern antiepileptic drug, phenobarbital, became available in 1912. Since then, many different types of antiepileptic agents have become available. Much is unknown about how the drugs are absorbed and metabolized in the body and about their potential side effects, particularly "tried and true" medications that have a long history of use in epilepsy.

The goal of antiepileptic drug therapy is to maximally control seizures, while minimizing side effects and maintaining patients' quality of life. In most patients, a single primary antiepileptic drug provides the best balance. Since these drugs vary considerably in how they work, how long they remain in the blood and how they should be taken, patients should not experiment with varying the schedule of their medications without first discussing the proposed changes with their physicians.

Surgery is another option, but generally only when medication fails. While surgical therapy for epilepsy has been used for more than a century, the past two decades have seen a dramatic rise in its use. As with other surgical procedures, however, the benefits must be carefully weighed against the risks.

A "ketogenic" diet, high in fats, low in carbohydrates, is sometimes helpful in controlling certain types of childhood epilepsy when other forms of treatment are not effective or cannot be tolerated.

### Nutrition hotline

Questions about nutrition and foods can be answered by the American Institute for Cancer Research's toll-free hotline, (800) 843-8114. The hotline is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

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## Learn to spot signs of depression

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Depression Screening Day today. The free program will be held in the Multi-Purpose Room from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

National Depression Screening Day was developed by Harvard

psychiatrist Dr. Douglas Jacobs. Last year, more than 80,000 people attended screenings at 2,400 sites nationwide. National Depression Screening Day inaugurated the concept of screening for a mental illness when it began six years ago.

## Blood drives scheduled for area

The Blood Center of New Jersey has announced its latest blood drive locations and is asking healthy adults to donate.

"Our goal for the fall season is to drastically reduce the amount of blood that needs to be imported from out of state," said Judy Knecht Daniels, spokesperson for the blood center. "And rely on the generosity and compassion of our own residents in New Jersey to meet the blood needs of our own patients."

Donors must be 18 years of age. Seventeen-year-olds may donate with parental permission. There is no upper age limit for donors provided they have donated within the last two years, or have a doctor's note. Donors should know their Social Security number and bring a signed form of identification. People with cold or flu symptoms should wait until they are feeling better before donating, and there is a 72 hour deferral for dental work, including routine teeth cleaning. For those who have travelled outside of the United States recently, call the blood center for eligibility criteria. For more information or to sign up for a blood drive, call the blood center at 1-800-BLOOD NJ.

The blood drives will be held: Oct. 21, Masonic Atlas Lodge, 1011 Central Ave., Westfield, 6-9 p.m.; Union Hospital, 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union, 3-7 p.m.

Oct. 30; Westfield Rorden Realty, Quimby and Elm streets, Westfield, 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

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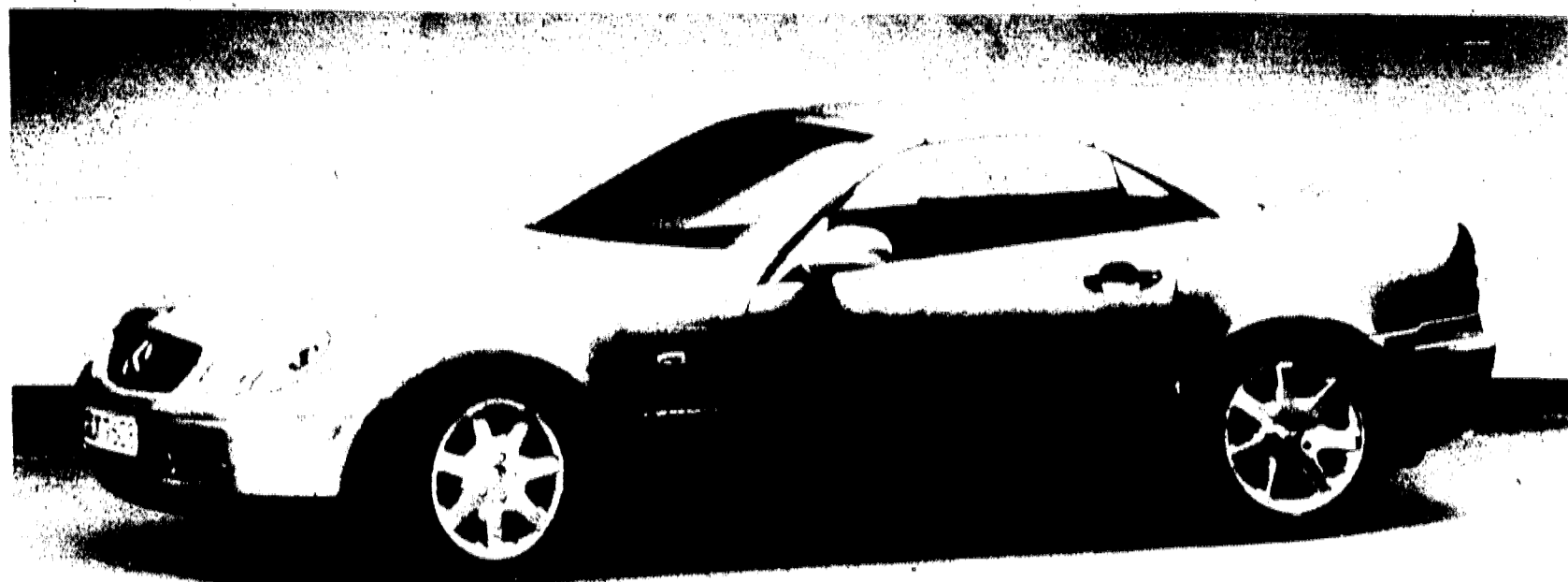






# Automotive

## The Benz SLK arrives



The 1998 Mercedes-Benz SLK is designed to be a sports car for all seasons and reasons, due in large part to its innovative retracting hardtop and standard ASR traction control. With the top up, the SLK looks and acts like a coupe. At the touch of one button, the roof lowers and disappears into the trunk, transforming the SLK into a roadster in less than half a minute. A supercharged engine, five-speed automatic transmission and independent suspension make the SLK a joy to drive on any road. In addition to traction control, the SLK incorporates the latest Mercedes-Benz safety advances, including dual integrated rollbars, ABS anti-lock brakes, dual front airbags, door-mounted side airbags and the world's first child seat recognition system. The new SLK roadster is expected to be priced at about \$40,000.



## Airbags are proven to help save lives

Air bags have proven to be effective in saving lives and reducing injuries for adults in front-end crashes. They may not, however, protect children in the front seat. For adults, a 1995 National Highway Traffic Safety Administration study showed the driver deaths in frontal crashes were 28 percent lower in air bag-equipped cars which only had lap-shoulder safety belts. The study also said that drivers of cars with air bags were 25 to 29 percent less likely to have moderate to severe injuries and 24 percent less likely to be hospitalized.

Air bags provide a high degree of protection for the head, neck, and chest in front-end crashes and have been so effective that some automotive companies are starting to make side air bags. Volvo has already implemented side air bags in some models of their cars and Ford is in the process of doing the same. Other car manufacturers are expected to follow this trend.

Most cars today are equipped with front-end driver-side and passenger-side air bags. Problems occur when children are sitting in the passenger seat, whether they are in a child safety seat or not. Unfortunately, many parents who are driving with only their child and no other adult, prefer to have their child, especially an infant, sit close to them in the front seat.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration and the National Transportation Safety Board both say that infants in rear-facing safety seats may be injured if struck by a deploying passenger air bag. The bags deploy at an average speed of 130 mph to nearly 200 mph. Air bags can exert 1,100 to 2,600 pounds of pressure on the chest of a crash test dummy. Rear-facing child safety seats position an infants head within inches of the dashboard and the exploding air bag can hit the back of the child seat and injure the infants' head.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration is investigating the deaths of six children to see whether the injuries were caused by the force of the air bags. The children suffered head and neck injuries in crashes under 20 mph. It is believed that the children would have survived with minor or no injuries if the air bags had not deployed. The children in these six accidents were not wearing seat belts, allowing them to slide forward upon impact directly into the force of the deploying air bag.

Presently, automakers are trying to find solutions to these problems. The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration has announced that automakers will be allowed to install cutoff switches for passenger-side air bags to prevent injury to small children in car seats. These switches will only be permitted in cars that have no rear seat or a rear seat that is too small for a child safety seat. Other solutions are still being investigated.

## AAA picks Saab 9000 CSE for its top pick

The Saab 9000 CSE was chosen as the "Top Pick" in its price category by the American Automobile Association, AAA, in its 1996 new car buying guide, Autograph. The 37-million member association selected the distinctive Saab 9000 CSE best in the \$35,000 to \$40,000 price range. Vehicles evaluated in AAA's Autograph represent almost every new model car, truck, minivan and sport utility vehicles available in the new-car marketplace.

This is the Saab 9000's third Top

Pick award from AAA. Previous winners are the 1993 Saab 9000 CS 5-door hatchback and the 1995 Saab 9000 CDE touring sedan.

The 1996 Saab CSE scored extremely well in the overall ratings, earning accolades for such traditional Saab attributes as ride, handling, braking performance and interior room. The 9000 CSE scored a "perfect" 10 in both the interior and exterior workmanship categories, as well as posting top scores for cargo space

and ease of entry. Saab's 9000 series is rated as a "Large Car by the EPA, based on its generous cabin and cavernous cargo capacity. The standard engine is a turbocharged 200-hp 2.3L four-cylinder; a 210-hp 3.0L V-6 is available as an option.

David Van Sickle, editor in chief of the Autograph book, said the list of

top-scoring cars "shows that the best have gotten better. They offer new features, continued quality and outstanding value to the consumer."

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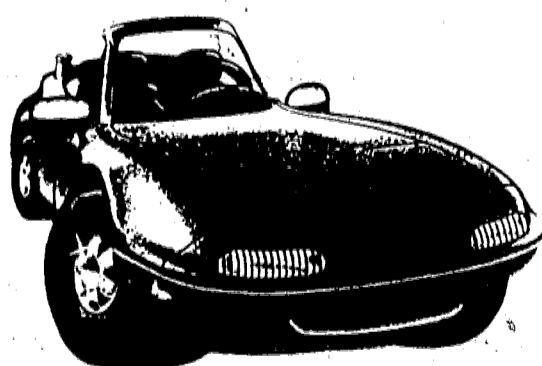
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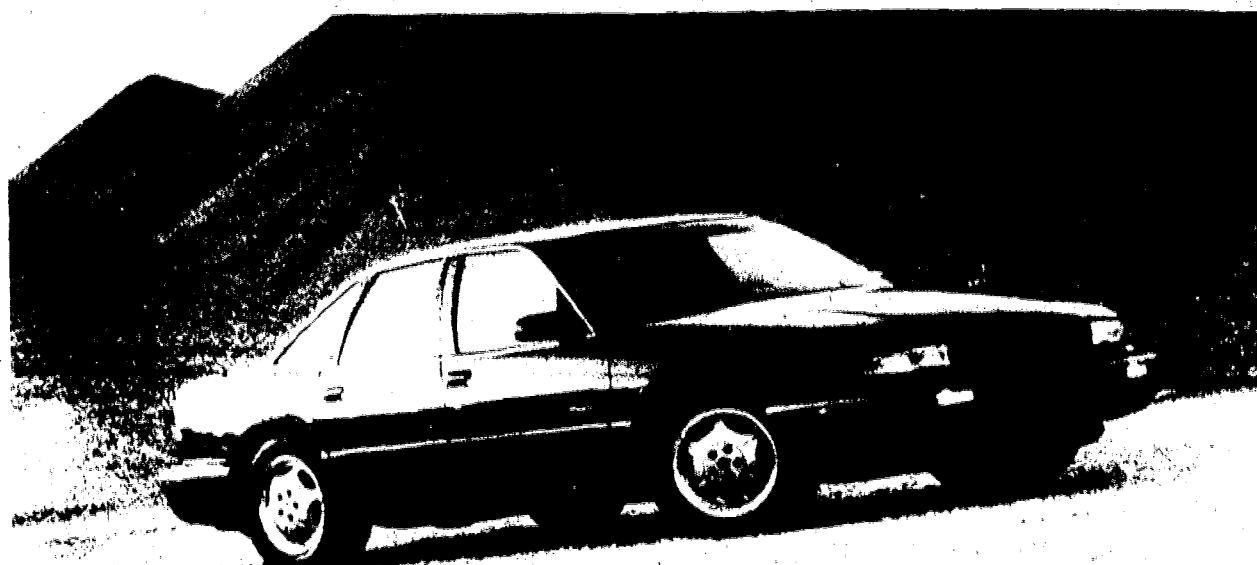
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## Buick's '96 Regal enhances its already strong reputation

Buick's 1996 Regal features an updated standard V-6 engine, a new, more powerful optional V-6 and numerous other features to enhance its reputation as a premium American midsize car.

Regal, offered in Custom and Gran Sport coupe and sedan and Limited sedan models, continues to provide such standard safety and security features as dual air bags, anti-lock brakes and a PASS-Key II theft-deterrent system.

"Regal provides comfort, performance and security in a premium midsize car," said Buick General Manager Edward H. Mertz. "Regal's contemporary styling, comfortable interior and acclaimed Buick quality make it a strong competitor for import and domestic sedans."

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Optional on the Regal Custom, and standard on the Limited and Gran Sport, is the 205-horsepower 3800 Series II V-6, introduced on the 1995 Riviera.

Regal's standard dual Comfort climate controls allow the driver and front seat passenger to independently adjust the temperature in each area of the car.

A new low-torque-axis engine mount system reduces engine noise and vibration at idle to an almost imperceptible level. A new, quieter starter motor and added engine compartment insulation further reduce engine noise.

An electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission is again standard on all Regals. Also standard are four-wheel independent suspension, four-wheel anti-lock disc brakes

and dual air bags.

Buick continues to equip Regal with a full range of comfort and convenience features. Standard for 1996 are cruise control, power windows, power mirrors, automatic power door locks and an AM-FM radio with a cassette player.

Like other 1996 Buicks, Regal uses a new on-board diagnostic system called OBD II that can exhaust emissions by warning of any malfunctions before they cause emissions to rise.

New 16-inch aluminum wheels are optional on Gran Sport.

The 3.1-liter 3100 V-6, standard on Regal Custom, benefits from a number of improvements for 1996, including a low-friction valvetrain for improved efficiency, and an improved engine management system.

The 3100 V-6 is rated at 160 horsepower and 185 lb-ft of torque, matching the performance of more complex multi-valve engines. EPA fuel economy ratings are also excellent, at 20 miles per gallon city, 29 mpg highway.

New for 1996 are roller rocker arms. These reduce friction for improved performance, efficiency and fuel economy, and also make the engine quieter. Engine noise is further reduced by an improved intake manifold.

The 3100 uses a 60-degree layout, which is inherently balanced, providing a quiet idle and smooth acceleration.

All Regals are equipped with long-life features such as new engine coolant with recommended change interval of five years or 100,000 miles, platinum-tipped spark plugs with first recommended service at 100,000 miles and transmission fluid that

requires no change under normal operating conditions.

Optional on the Regal Custom, and standard on the Limited and Gran Sport, is the latest generation of Buick's proven 3.8-liter 3800 V-6, the 3800 Series II.

The 3800 Series II, significantly more powerful than the previous 3800, was named by Ward's Auto World as one of the top 10 engines for 1995.

Horsepower of the 3800 Series II is rated at 205 at 5200 rpm, a 35-horsepower increase over the previous 3800. This power increase was achieved without any loss of the low- and mid-range torque so important for stop-and-go driving. In fact, the Series II generates 230 lb-ft of torque, 5 lb-ft more than the previous 3800.

Fuel efficiency is also excellent. EPA ratings for the Regal equipped with the 3800 Series II are 19 mpg city, 30 mpg highway.

Though it shares basic dimensions with the 3800, the Series II is essentially an all-new engine, with significant updates in almost every area.

The new cast-iron block has a lower deck height, further reducing the size and weight of the already compact engine. Cross-bolted main bearing caps stiffen the bottom end, reducing noise and improving durability.

New cylinder heads with symmetrical combustion chambers provide a smoother idle and lower exhaust emissions.

Larger valves and more efficient ports improve flow through the engine. The valves, springs and caps are lighter. Combined with a new camshaft and revised valvetrain parts, this helps extend the power band higher into the rpm range.

## The Saab 900 convertible celebrates an anniversary

Celebrating its 10-year anniversary in 1996, the classic Saab 900 Convertible is an all-season success story — capturing more than a quarter of Saab's total U.S. sales in 1995. The reasons for this perennial performer's timeless appeal are simple. As a pioneer of the four-passenger luxury European convertible concept, Saab set the benchmark for the competitive set by engineering the 900 Convertible as a soft-top from the ground up. Integrating an unprecedented level of structural integrity, a triple-layer top that could withstand the vagaries of cold or warm-weather climates, a triple-layer top that could withstand the vagaries of cold or warm-weather climates, and comfortable seating for four, the first-generation Saab 900 Convertible appealed to buyers' practical as well as leisure needs.

Today's Saab 900 Convertible, which debuted as an all-new model in 1995, takes this seamless blend of business and pleasure attributes to an even higher level. Features such as a micro-computer controlled top — standard equipment on even the lowest-priced Saab 900 S Convertible — with a heated glass rear window, three distinctive powertrains, and a rear seat that folds forward for extra storage room, again set new benchmarks for the competition.

Like all 1996 Saab 900 models, the 900 Convertible driver's seats now integrate adjustable lumbar support, for an even greater level of operator comfort. For added value, hand-sewn black leather is now utilized for manual transmission equipped 900 Convertibles. Also new for 1996 is a reflective panel between the 900's rear taillights, which streamlines the back for an updated look. Saab's exterior color palette adds a vibrant new metallic Sky Blue. Buyers who specify their 1996 Saab 900 Convertible in this attractive color also receive a dark blue fabric top and a light gray leather interior.

Saab's first open-air motoring venture occurred four decades ago, in 1956, when the Swedish automaker crafted six prototypes of a sporty two-seater and called it the Saab Conett Super Sport. The low-slung two-stroke, three-cylinder roadsters were built to compete in international rally

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150-hp naturally aspirated 2.3L four-cylinder, a sporting 170-hp normally aspirated 2.5L V6 and a potent 185-hp turbocharged 2.0L four-cylinder — each provide a distinct driving character.

The Saab 900 S Convertible is equipped with the naturally aspirated 16-valve four-cylinder with counter-rotating balance shafts for smoothness, matched to either a five-speed manual or electronically controlled four-speed automatic transmission. Luxury features abound, even on this lowest-priced of the Saab soft-tops. In addition to a power top and leather upholstery, the 900 S Convertible is equipped with a lengthy list of standard features including a premium stereo, power windows, CFC-free air conditioning, attractive 15-inch short-spoke alloy wheels and remote lock/alarm. The sophisticated alarm system includes an engine-immobilizing feature and intrusion sensors for the doors, hood and trunk.

Saab's powerful 2.0L Turbo, one of the automaker's Ecopower engines, is the standard powerplant on the Saab 900 SE Convertible. Like all of Saab's turbo Ecopower motors, the key features of the 2.0L four-cylinder are four valves per cylinder with center-located spark plug, intercooled turbocharger, Saab Trionic electronic engine management, preheated oxygen sensor and a catalytic converter moved closer to the engine for quick warm-up. Ecopower advantages include high torque at low engine speeds, high power with low exhaust emissions and low fuel consumption.

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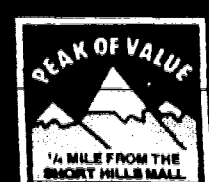
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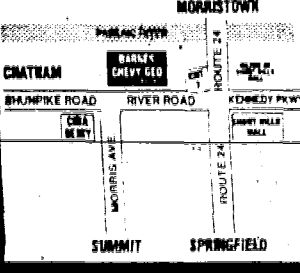
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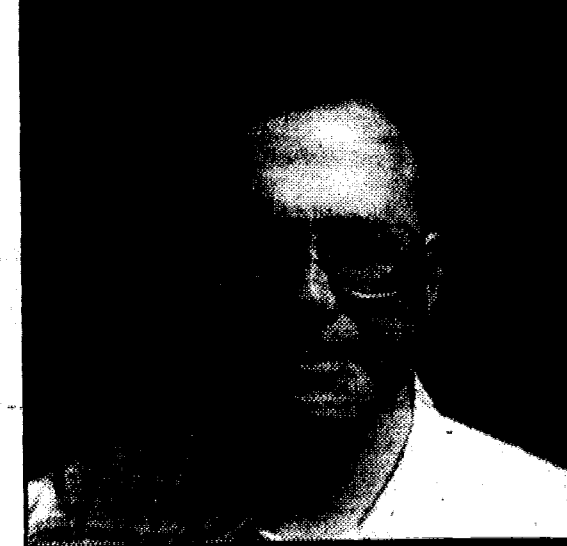
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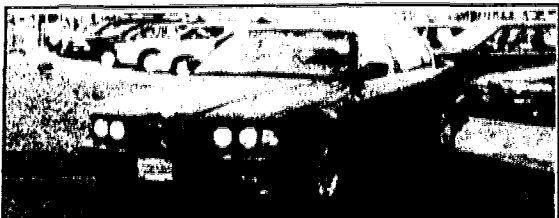
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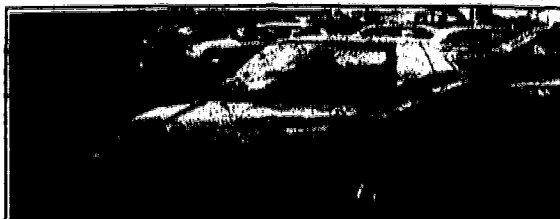
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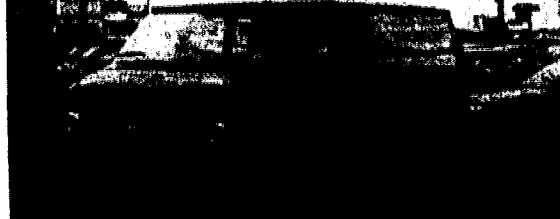
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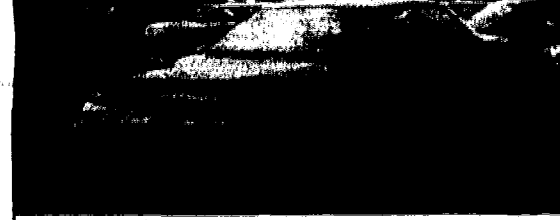
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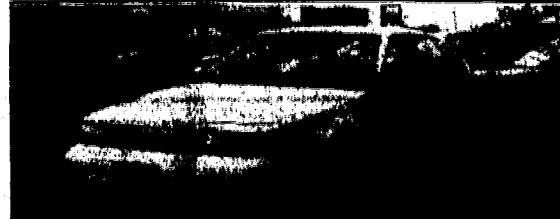
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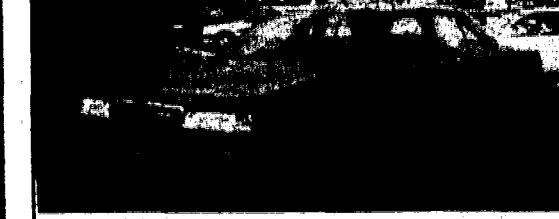
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