

Here she is to save the day!

Union County has a new superhero in the fight against government waste, evil Republicans and rainy weekends.

Linda Warrior Princess is leading the fight for her version of the truth, her party's idea of justice and the left's direction on the American Way.

For those of you wise enough to not follow county politics, Linda Stender, chairwoman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders, has dissolved the UCUA Board of Commis-

Common Sense

By Jay Hochberg
Regional Editor

sioners in the belief that a group of obedient Democrats will spare the taxpayers of incinerator-related debts.

With all due respect, I say her approach is all wrong. Thumbing her nose at the democratic process by establishing one-party rule in so huge a county does take solid brass, but replacing the commissioners is not the long-term answer.

What Linda must do is abolish garbage

By having her five fellow Democratic freeholders join her in decreeing that no trash shall be generated by any individual or group — public or private — the county will be free of its UCUA obligations.

Sure there's debt — \$283 million worth — but the bondholders can take responsibility for their \$248 million of it. That's one of the risks of investing in others' debt.

The remaining \$35 million could be picked up by the county. Of course, taxpayers don't need the additional expense, but a county government that blows through more than a quarter of a billion dollars a year should be able to handle it.

To start eliminating the county colleges will save \$10 million and closing Runnells Hospital will return \$26 million to the budget. That leaves a cool \$1 million in surplus.

Then there's the legal aspect. While no self-respecting Warrior Princess would bother with legal trifles, there should be an argument prepared.

The Fourth Amendment, for example, guarantees our right to be secure in our papers "against unreasonable searches and seizures." In a "post discardum" Union County, there'd be no one to look for your papers, much less take away the ones you won't even want anymore.

Warrior Princesses are not omnipotent. The outline I present here is only a suggestion, and Linda will need all of our support — especially when she moves to rid the county of those pesky remaining Republican freeholders who don't see things as clearly as do the rest of us.

Pride in St. Patrick



The people who made the county's first St. Patrick's Day parade possible show off the resolutions given by the Board of Chosen Freeholders. The parade, held Saturday in the business district of Union, drew 20,000 spectators. Standing, from left: Freeholder Dan Sullivan, Assistant Prosecutor Bob O'Leary, Brendan Vesey, County Counsel James O'Keefe, Parade Committee Chairman Joe Cryan, John Langan, Kevin Dowling and Patrick Scanlon. Seated, from left: Bridie Vesey, Barbara Mahon, Michael O'Hara, Patrick Riley and Acting Prosecutor Ed Neafsey.

Assemblyman discusses proposed trash-flow bill

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The UCUA played host to the man who could hold the authority's fate in his hands.

Assemblyman John Gibson, R-Cape May, gave a presentation to the UCUA Board of Commissioners March 12, outlining his bill on trash flow in New Jersey and got a mixed reception from the commissioners.

Gibson, who is on the Assembly's Solid Waste Management Committee, is one of several legislators who have put together solid waste flow bills. His "Act Concerning Waste Management and Supplementing and Repealing Parts of Statutory Law," or A-50, would replace current solid waste flow laws, which give county utilities authorities virtual monopolies in their counties, with a free-market system that would subsidize the utilities authorities with taxes.

New Jersey's current waste flow laws were declared unconstitutional in 1996 and are expected to be eradicated in June 1998. These laws forced counties to build their own waste disposal sites, including the UCUA in Union County, and forced the towns in those counties to send their garbage to their county facilities.

The UCUA's guaranteed business under these laws and could pay off its \$283 million in debt under these laws.

But the UCUA would have a hard time competing in a free-market system because its per-ton garbage disposal fee, or "tipping fee," is \$83.05 per ton, about \$40 higher than some other disposal facilities, including landfills in Pennsylvania that have tipping fees of about \$45 per ton. About \$40 or so of the tipping fee is made up of bond and debt repayments, something that cannot be changed because of the structure of the UCUA's debt service.

The UCUA is exploring a number of ways to increase revenues and cut costs, but former Executive Director Jeffrey Callahan has said that these are not enough to make the UCUA competitive.

If the UCUA loses enough business, it could default on its bonds. The county government, in turn, would have to pay back at least \$35 million of these bonds, which are county guaranteed.

According to Gibson, the UCUA is one of only six or so incinerators in the state and is being hit harder than some. Other counties have opted for different facilities, including transfer stations that simply send their garbage to other facilities, including the UCUA, for disposal.

Gibson's bill proposes to open up a free market but to subsidize the county utilities authorities' debts, including the UCUA's, with tax money.

Under the bill, the UCUA's debt service would be separated from its operating costs in the tipping fee and would be passed on to the towns or county for payment.

"They may choose not to go there... but they have a

responsibility," said Gibson, likening this to the construction of a county bridge on a county road.

A town's trash collection bill would be the same. Its trash disposal bill, on the other hand, would drop, while a new item for debt service would be added to the town's budget, making it "somewhat of a wash."

"I believe that costs will come down," he said. "They will shift, they will move, but actual costs will drop."

Gibson added that his and the other state bills could be unnecessary if an attempt by Rep. Bob Franks, R-7, to "grandfather" New Jersey's current waste flow laws succeeds.

At least one commissioner agreed with Gibson's bill.

James Kennedy said that the bill would remove an incentive from towns to take their trash business elsewhere: since they would already be paying the UCUA's debt service with taxes, they would have no reason to go elsewhere.

He added that any town that leaves the UCUA and takes its trash business elsewhere is still liable in lawsuits against the UCUA.

"You're only going to recreate the problems that drove us to this at this site," he said.

Gibson's bill is not popular in the county government, especially with Linda Stender, chairman of the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

Stender has said in the past that the state, and not the counties, should foot the bill or at least find another way to save the county utilities authorities.

John Kulish, the chairman of the UCUA, had a similar reaction to Gibson's bill.

"I'm not so keen on passing on the cost of the bonds to the taxpayers," he said. "I think legislators can think up a better way of paying off the debt than passing it on to the taxpayers."

Gibson disagreed with the state totally paying off the county utilities authorities' debts, but added, "I think that the state should help to the extent that it can, but the solution lies with the Board of Chosen Freeholders."

One of these could be deferring payments on a \$13 million county bond issue for five years. The annual payments, worth about \$700,000, could be applied toward debt payments and provide a "cushion," he said.

This option has been removed from the bill, now running 118 pages and with about 50 pages of amendments, to not "complicate" the bill, said Gibson. He has reintroduced it as a separate bill.

The bill is still in committee, but Gibson said that hopes to get it out by January 1998, the end of the legislative calendar. This will give the county and towns the time to pass necessary laws, he said.

UCUA fights new county ordinance Judge to hear arguments

By Sean Daily
Staff Writer

The Board of Chosen Freeholders has selected a new Board of Commissioners for the UCUA, throwing out the existing month-old board.

But the commissioners are not going down without a fight. They have filed a petition with Superior Court Judge Edward Beglin, Jr. to block the freeholders' ordinance that would re-organize the UCUA. Beglin will hear both sides on Tuesday.

The ordinance passed by the freeholders March 6 makes the Board of Commissioners a seven-member board with two alternates. Before that, it was a nine-member board dominated by Republicans.

Freeholder Chairman Linda Stender has criticized the UCUA in the past for not being "proactive" in making the UCUA incinerator competitive and ready to compete in a free market.

The UCUA now has a virtual monopoly on trash disposal in Union County, but the laws that give the facility this monopoly have been declared unconstitutional.

If these laws are repealed in June of 1998, the UCUA may be unable to compete due to its high fees and may default on its bonds. The county has guaranteed \$35 million of these bonds and Stender has said the government could wind up paying back more.

Normally, any ordinance passed by the freeholders must wait 20 days before it can become law. But, according to Democratic Freeholder Carol Cohen, the freeholders were advised by county legal counsel that they could select a new board that night because it was an "emergent" situation.

The new board consists of six newcomers — Edward Kahn, Reni Erelas, Nancy Kernan Yewaisis, Paul Devento and Albert McWilliams — with three re-appointed Democratic commissioners — James Kennedy, Richard Lapolla and William Wolf — and UCUA veteran Angelo Bonano, who served on the board in 1992.

At least six of these commissioners are Democrats and were appointed by the Democrat-controlled freeholders. This has prompted many residents, including freeholders, to call the re-organization politically motivated.

"This is a political withdrawal as far as I'm concerned," said Republican Freeholder Edwin Force.

According to Force, none of the Republicans were asked to name candidates and the re-organization ordinance itself showed up as a resolution with "information to follow" on the freeholders' draft agendas.

"This was quite, quite organized and contrived," he said, adding that Bonano negotiated many "of these contracts that they're trying to stop."

Kerri Blanchard of the Union County Concerned Citizens said the appointments suggest a "spoils system" in politics, which has politicians appointing friends and relatives to government positions regardless of their skills.

"The whole thing is kind of amusing," she said. "It's like one crook calling someone else a crook."

Blanchard, a resident of Rahway, the host community for the UCUA incinerator, added that Bonano held on as chairman of the UCUA board for two years, leading to a lawsuit that the mayor of Rahway dropped on the day it was to be heard. It also led to the renegotiation of Rahway's Host Communities' agreement, which led to a loss in host community fees to Rahway.

The Concerned Citizens instead advocated a citizens advisory panel for the UCUA instead of a board of commissioners as the "only sane solution." This panel would have its own consultant, which Blanchard said should be the National Institute for Local Self-Reliance.

Replying to the charges, Cohen said, "if you look at the people who were put on, they're qualified for the job and, what's more, they're willing to get the job done and that's the most important qualification right now."

She added that, despite the UCUA complying with or starting to comply with the findings of several audits, including a preliminary report from the state treasury, these changes represent "the smallest part of the whole program for the utilities authority."

These include selling steam to the state prison in Avenel for additional revenue and other cost-cutting measures and sources of income, which a former executive director of the UCUA once said are not enough to make the incinerator competitive.

In response, the UCUA filed a petition with Beglin to block "the extinguishing ordinance" on Friday morning, said UCUA Chairman John Kulish.

According to Kennedy, this was an attempt to put a temporary restraining order on the ordinance. It was unsuccessful, but still accomplished a temporary stay on the new appointees being installed.

According to Kennedy, Beglin ordered that the old group, which includes Kulish cannot change anything major until the issue is resolved. The new appointees, which include Bonano, will also be kept informed of everything that happens at the UCUA.

Kennedy, who was installed four weeks ago on the UCUA with LaPolla and another Democrat, said that he was "not terribly familiar" with the ordinance, adding, "it's too premature for me to say anything on it, for a month is too early to cast blame."

But Kulish, a Republican, said that the ordinance will not allow present or future authorities to do their jobs.

"I have a five-year term, as do other commissioners," he said. "You're going to tell me that they are going to serve at the whim of the freeholders?"

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COUNTY NEWS

Past NJEA members

The Union County Retired Education Association will hold its Spring Luncheon meeting on April 8 at the Westwood Restaurant, at 438 North Ave. in Garwood.

The business meeting will begin at 11 a.m. Speakers will be James Holcombe, president of the New Jersey Retired Educators Association, and Michael Johnson, vice president of the New Jersey Education Association.

Following lunch, to be served at 12:30 p.m., there will be entertainment by the Four Friends in Harmony barbershop quartet.

The meeting is open to all retired NJEA members who live or worked in Union County.

Call (908) 241-0598 or (908) 241-0442 for more information.

Parliamentarians to meet

The Cranford Unit of Parliamentarians will meet Wednesday at 10 a.m. at the Cranford Free Public Library, at 224 Walnut Ave. in Cranford.

The group will discuss parliamentary practice in church meetings.

The Cranford Unit, the only unit in this part of the state, includes members from Cranford, Garwood, Hill-

side, Mountainside, Roselle, Roselle Park, Scotch Plains and Summit.

For information on this meeting or membership, call (908) 276-6760.

'My County' contest

A poster contest titled "My County," to promote County Government Week, April 13-19, is being sponsored by the County Officers Association of New Jersey.

Details, information and guidelines on the contest have been sent to public, private and parochial schools throughout Union County. The guidelines instruct students to create a poster that depicts all that's special and unique about Union County and how this relates to county government.

The deadline to submit posters is March 27. A winner will be selected by the judges and first, second and third runners-up, as well as a selection of three honorable mentions, will be awarded. The winners will receive certificates and be invited to meet the county clerk, sheriff and surrogate at the courthouse in Elizabeth.

Teachers, school administrators or parents who would like further information on the contest can call (908) 527-4998. Posters submitted by the students will be exhibited in the coun-

ty courthouse during County Government Week.

Mini-camp sign-ups

The Boys and Girls Clubs of Union County is taking registration for its spring Mini Camp, which will be held Monday and March 31 through April 4, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Children will participate in a full day of activities including arts and crafts, group games, physical education activities, swimming and more. Registration will take place at the Boys and Girls Club, 1050 Jeanette Ave. in Union.

Camp fees for a one day session is \$15, and for the week of March 31 through April 4, fees will be \$75 for the first child, and \$65 for the second child, and \$55 for every child thereafter.

For more information on club programs, call (908) 629-1858, (908) 687-2697, or visit our web site at <http://www.ncnatural.com/ucyouth>.

Classes offered

Rutgers Cooperative Extension of Union County's Healthy Indoor Air for America's Homes continues.

"Take a Deep Breath" will have training on March 31 and April 7, 14

with graduation on May 6 from 7 to 9:30 p.m. or from 9 to 11:30 a.m. today and March 20 and April 3, 10, 17 with graduation on May 1.

All classes will be held at 300 North Ave., East, in Westfield.

Classes are free but those interested must register. Volunteers that receive training will be asked to give 15 hours of time to their community. If interested, call (908) 654-9854 between 8:30 and noon or 1 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Players needed

The Division of Parks and Recreation, with the ARC of Union County and the YMCA of Eastern Union County, Five Points Branch, will present a Volleyball Program for people with developmental disabilities.

The program will be held at the Five Points YMCA, 201 Tucker Ave. Union, Wednesdays through April 9, from 7 to 8:15 p.m.

Emphasis will be placed on teaching the fundamentals of the sport, and provide fun and exercise. It is possible that a Union County Special Olympics team will be formed by the participants.

Registration is on a first-come, first-served, mail-in basis. The fee is \$3. Applications can be requested by

calling the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation at (908) 527-4900.

County-wide cookies

It's Girl Scout cookie time again.

Through Sunday, Girl Scouts from the Washington Rock Girl Scout Council will be taking orders for their annual cookie sale. Girls will be hosting displays, booth sales, and taking order door-to-door in Clark, Elizabeth, Hillside, Kenilworth, Linden, Mountainside, Roselle, Roselle Park, Springfield and Union.

Remember that your \$3 per box order not only buys a cookie competitive with national brands, but it has a lifelong impact in changing a girl's life. The Girl Scout cookie sale dates back to the early 1920s.

For more information, call Catherine Davis of the Washington Rock Girl Scout Council Service Center at (908) 232-3236.

Mothers meeting

Formerly Employed Mothers at the Leading Edge is a national support group for all women who have decided to temporarily leave the workforce to stay at home with their young children.

Discussion groups are held on the first Wednesday of each month, at 7:30 p.m., at the Cranford Library, Walnut Avenue in Cranford. Prospective members are encouraged to meet the group at this informal meeting.

Formal meetings with outside guest speakers are held on the third Wednesday of each month, at 8 p.m., at the Westfield YMCA, 220 Clark St. in Westfield.

For any additional information on FEMALE, call (908) 381-7912.

Cut insurance costs

New Jersey drivers can now save 5 percent on their personal automobile insurance premiums by taking a six-hour driving class from an approved motor vehicle defensive driving school.

The new program applies to drivers who take the course and have less than four violation points issued by the Division of Motor Vehicles. Drivers with suspended licenses will be ineligible for the discount.

Schectner encourages all drivers to call their independent insurance agents for specific details of the program. Information about approved driving programs can be obtained by calling the Department of Insurance's hotline at (800) 446-7467.

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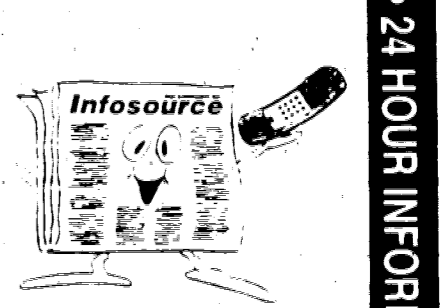
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Summit schools put the S.P.A.R.C. into theater arts



Above, Ozman beautician Julia Bushe, far left, admires the job she did as The Scarecrow, played by Noel Poyner, and Dorothy, played by Caitlin Thomas, preen after their visit to the Oz salon. This recent production was performed at Franklin Elementary School in Summit, with an excess of 100 students and countless parent volunteers. Below, Summit High School stage is transformed to turn-of-the-century New York City for the final performances of "Hello, Dolly!" on Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. From left, student stars Darcy Izard, Dave Maulbeck, Alison Wadsworth, Harland Pond, Charlotte Hodde and Jesse Cox show off the play's costumes at the Summit train station. General admission is \$7, \$5 for students and senior citizens, and tickets may be purchased at the high school office or at the door just prior to performances.



By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

Parents of school-age children are often eager to become involved in their children's extracurricular activities, in order to facilitate growth and knowledge outside of the classroom. Many are familiar with support groups such as band parents and booster clubs, but the Summit school system has put a new spin on this concept with the formation of S.P.A.R.C., or Summit Performing Arts Resource Committee, a group of concerned adults dedicated to facilitating students growth within the theater community.

According to Anne Poyner, vice president of S.P.A.R.C., the group was born in the spring of '96, during the high school's annual spring musical. Summit High School theater director Ron Wells overheard a comment from visiting friends about the success of the show, countered by the incessant feedback from the old and well-worn sound system.

"That kind of started a conversation going, a dialogue going amongst his friends," said Poyner. "So, someone approached me and said we would like to have some kind of fund raiser to help raise money for a new sound system at the high school."

Poyner was a high school theater teacher for 10 years, and as a resident of Summit and a parent with school-age children, she has been active in directing and assisting with shows on the elementary and middle school levels.

"I've been involved in theater education since I was in high school. I was active in high school and in college and that was all I did. I was never a professional actor. I always wanted to be just in theater education, and so I taught theater full time in Texas. So I kind of knew what needed to be done and I knew what teachers needed, and there were some things that, because of budget cuts, that the school district was not able to provide. We knew that if we were going to get some capital improvements made it had to probably come from outside the school district, because they were so overwhelmed with all of the budget constraints."

"That evolved into, 'Well, if we're going to raise money for a new sound system at the high school, we really should have a support group,'" Poyner continued. "It just started bringing up a lot of questions — 'How did the ath-

letics department buy a new scoreboard? How do they buy new uniforms?' and it all came back to they had a support group. Theater and speech had nothing, they really didn't have any organized group of parents or supporters. So we decided to form a group of interested parents on all levels, not just on the high school level, but also on the grade school and the middle school levels. Also, why not include supporters in the community who thought that theater was important and could give something back to the community. And that's how S.P.A.R.C. was born."

The group began with about 10 interested parents.

"They realized that there was no group that supported their kids and there was no group that supported the theater teacher. There really wasn't a theater teacher, just a director at the high school and middle school, who are not even in the building." Summit school system hires outside directors for theater functions, according to Poyner, because there is no official theater class. "They really didn't have anyone to turn to, so they needed some support too, they needed a group to go and say, you know it would really be great if we had someone to help us with costumes or the curtain is in tatters, or we need some concessions. So we wanted to be there for the teacher as well as for the students, and then we could help them morally as well as financially."

"And we wanted the kids to know that we appreciate what they do, because for a while they didn't know that they were supported, because there's no class. They don't have a group within the school. There's no classes in the middle school in speech and theater at all, so there's not that unit like if you are in band, you're in class every day with those kids, or if you're in choir, you're in class with the director every day, so they have that group, and they don't have that with the theater kids, unfortunately."

The new group not only has morale support in abundance, but also performing arts experience and talent. Poyner has directed musicals at Franklin School two years in a row. Another member of S.P.A.R.C., Sherry Williamson, is a trained opera singer and functions as musical director.

"A lot of us in S.P.A.R.C. have professional backgrounds in music or theater, so it means a lot to us. We remember when we were in high

school, or in middle school, and how much our theater education and our musical education enriched our lives and helped us. We want to make sure that these high school kids have the same opportunities."

"I love doing the musicals at the elementary school," Poyner added. "Over 100 parents volunteered."

S.P.A.R.C. debuted last spring with a fund raising performance at the high school called "Voices Raised," a selection of students best musical and monologue performances. The newly formed parents group appealed en masse to the community for support, sending letters and flyers. The message, according to Poyner, was that the kids needed to see that someone cared, and that their efforts were important. All efforts were tremendously successful, as "Voices Raised" raised \$9,000 toward a new sound system.

"And then over the summer money still continued to come in, and we did a mass mailing to all the high school parents and to a lot of the middle school parents in the fall and continued to collect money," Poyner said excitedly.

Since then, S.P.A.R.C. has grown into a full-fledged association, with the election of officers and a constitution.

"And we're real excited because it really did get a lot of the parents together, and at every performance that's done in Summit public schools there's always a S.P.A.R.C. table. We pass our literature out, and we have S.P.A.R.C. buttons that say 'Get Fired Up With S.P.A.R.C.'"

In the meantime, the new sound system is in place for the current high school musical, "Hello, Dolly!" which takes its final curtain call this weekend. In April, the middle school will present the musical version of "Cheaper by the Dozen."

Poyner welcomes calls from anyone interested in getting involved.

It seems that, no matter how you look at it, S.P.A.R.C. is making a difference in the lives of everyone involved.

Anyone interested in volunteering or obtaining more information about S.P.A.R.C. should contact Anne Poyner at (908) 598-1512. Donations are always gladly accepted, and can be sent to S.P.A.R.C. attn: Cindy Kellogg, 89 Summit Ave. #225, Summit, NJ 07901.

Elizabeth Playhouse applies its craft to 'The Little Foxes'

The Bible says, "Take us the foxes, the little foxes, that spoil the vines; for our vines have tender grapes..." If you enjoy good theater, be sure to take in the "foxes" appearing for the next four weeks at The Elizabeth Playhouse — that is, "The Little Foxes" by Lillian Hellman, which tells the story of a family trying to outfox the world, and each other.

Set in the Gidden family drawing room, in a small southern town circa 1900, we meet the Hubbards — Oscar, Leo and Regina — close knit and intensely proud of their heritage. The audience immediately becomes privy to their machinations, as Act 1 finds them plying Yankee investor William Marshall with a surfeit of good old southern hospitality in order to gain financial aid for their latest money-making scheme. As the plot thickens, so does the hypocrisy as we are allowed to see beneath the pleasant manners and flirtatious laughter. Agendas abound in this terrifically terrible tale of self-aggrandizement.

There also is a surfeit of opportunities to emote, and the cast takes full advantage of it. Bernie Weinstein is cruel and self-serving as older brother Oscar, and Rich Aront intimidating and pompous as younger brother Ben. Tom Gallison is innocently jaded as Oscar's son Leo, who learns how to manipulate others by his family's example. Mary Wilbon gives a fine performance as housekeeper Addie, concerned and nurturing toward Regi-

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By Jacquie McCarthy
Associate Editor

na's daughter Alexandra. Marv Mattingly as unwitting investor Marshall and Michael Riddick as servant Cal have limited roles, but make the most of them.

A few of the stars of this production truly shine. One such mention is Kathy Mattingly as Birdie Hubbard, Oscar's long-suffering wife. Seemingly giddy and light-hearted, Mattingly achieves a depth of angst as we are allowed to see into poor Birdie's tortured soul. Jack Drucker's Horace Giddens provides an excellent counterpoint to wife Regina's complicity, portraying a southern "gentle-man" in the truest sense of the word. Stealing the show from "y'all," however, is done smoothly and effectively by Pauline Walsh as the multi-layered Regina, whose breathless delivery and paradoxical motivations delve into the heart of a woman determined to have what she thinks she deserves, and just as determined to maintain her lady-like facade. Walsh goes from flirtatious belle to shrewd businesswoman in the bat of an eyelash. Don't miss veteran Playhouse

member Lorraine Hernandez. A student of Director Marlow Ferguson since age 14, Hernandez is well-cast in the role of Alexandra Giddens, too much like her beloved father to fall prey to the insidious spell of the Hubbard clan. You'll fall in love with this sweet portrayal of a young girl growing into herself against overwhelming odds. Hernandez herself has grown into fine actor with lots of potential.

Audiences will have a great time taking in the verbal confrontations, well-coordinated by Ferguson. The mixed emotions evoked in several scenes keep the dialogue lively and colorful, as the Hubbards engage in their favorite sport — stabbing their beloved family members in the back. Regina's denisive giggle is a show-stopper. The entire cast employs great reactions, but special note goes to Drucker and Walsh, who slip in and out of honesty and subterfuge so quickly in their scenes that it is hard to keep up.

In fact, the entire play speeds by, with audience members actively anticipating what the next act will bring. This is a fine testimonial to the quality of this production, a play which was first produced in New York City in 1939. Co-founders Marlow and Karon Ferguson have a knack for finding stories which are just as relevant today as the day they were created. And if you were a night-time soap fan in the '80s, you may find that reruns of "Dallas" may pale in comparison.



A Hubbard family financial disclosure takes place, with Rich Aront, center, presiding while Bernie Weinstein, left, and Pauline Walsh, right, put their two cents in, in 'The Little Foxes' at the Elizabeth Playhouse. The play runs for four more weekends. For information, call (908) 355-0077.

Art show, sale set in Westfield

When the 39th Annual Art Show and Sale of the Westfield Chapter of Hadassah opens on April 5 at Temple Emanu-El in Westfield, many people will have worked year-round to ensure its success.

Work on the show began last summer, when Marilynne Ford of Scotch Plains commissioned artist Richard Seagalman of Woodstock, N.Y., to create a limited edition graphic which sponsors receive as a gift for their donation. The artist's work appears in may prestigious public collections including the Hirshhorn, Washington, D.C.; Museum of Fine Arts, Boston MA; Minneapolis Institute of Arts, Minneapolis, Mn, and the Monclair Art Museum, Montclair.

The Gallery Committee, chaired by Maxine Bradie of Mountainside, and the Individual Artists Committee, chaired by Betty Dubman of Scotch Plains, selected the galleries and artists who will participate. Each will be setting up their own "mini galleries" and will be present throughout

the Show to discuss the art and answer any questions.

Other Committee not involved in art selection are also hard at work. Joan Forscher of Westfield and Ellen Winetsky of Linden supervise the printing. The Ad Journal Committee, chaired by Geryllyn Lichtenstein of Westfield and Molly Tobert of Plainfield, solicits ads and prepares the layout. The Gala Committee, under the direction of Tassie Becker of Scotch Plains, plans the opening night champagne reception. Sadie Schoss of Westfield and Gladys Grayson of Scotch Plains organize lunch and snacks for the show. Evelyn Hollander of Rahway and Jeanne Goldsteind of Westfield enlist Hadassah women to work during the event.

Opening night, April 5, will find the children of members helping by serving hor d'oeuvres and checking coats. The gala is a great social event for patrons who meet the artists and gallery owners and have the first opportunity to view and purchase

works. Betsy Haveson of Watchung will supervise the sales. Raffle tickets can be purchased at the door under the direction of Charlotte Shak of Scotch Plains. This year's wonderful prizes include a Baume and Mercier watch donated by Michael Kohn Jewelers of Westfield, a gold ring with diamonds and emeralds donated by Laurence Ford, and a three-piece set of soft luggage.

In May, the cycle will be completed when a wrap-up meeting is held. The Show is evaluated and financial data is presented by the Treasurer, Marilyn Napack of Westfield. Shortly thereafter, the committees will start on the preparations for next year's Art Show and Sale.

The Art Show and Sale is located at Temple Emanu-El, 756 E. Broad St., Westfield. The Show will be open to the public on April 6 from noon to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for senior citizens; students are free. For additional information about the Show and the limited edition graphic, call (908) 233-6531.

Kids can't 'bear' to miss Summit concert

Kids on the Town Concerts will present David Grover and the Big Bear Band in a benefit concert for Summit Child Care Centers on Saturday at 10 a.m. The concert will be held at the Summit Middle School Auditorium, 272 Morris Ave. in Summit.

David Grover has had a long and successful career performing and recording music for children and adults. He is well known from the PBS television show "Grover's Corner" which he created to teach child-

ren about music. With the Big Bear Band, David Grover has made several recordings including "Ernestine and the Green-Eyed Elf," "As Different as We Are," a recording dedicated to children and adults with Down Syndrome, as well as the award-winning "David Grover Live at the Red Lion Inn."

Summit Child Care Centers, Inc. is a not-for-profit corporation, that has provided child care services in the Summit area since 1954. The pro-

ceeds of this concert will be used provide subsidy to families with financial need.

Tickets will be \$5 advance and \$6 at the door. Children under 2 will be admitted for free. Tickets are available at Christopher's Bookstore, 338 Springfield Ave. in Summit, at Jaberwocky, 255 Main St. in Chatham, and at Toys that Teach, 1260 Springfield Ave. in the Village Shopping Center in New Providence. For further information, call (908) 273-7017.

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Burnet Middle School pals get together for 'Pal Joey'

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

When the idea of the lively Rodgers and Hart musical, "Pal Joey," was announced as the spring play for Burnet Middle School in Union, most of the members of the cast "didn't even know what that was" — it was staged on Broadway long before their time. So, separately and in a group, they began calling and visiting video stores to find the video movie version of it starring Frank Sinatra. Kim Novak and Rita Hayworth.

It took a while to uncover the videos, which had a long line of people waiting to see them. But the youngsters looked at the movie, compared their characters with those in the film, and took it from there. They will be appearing in "Pal Joey" tomorrow and Saturday at Burnet Middle School on Morris Avenue, and will be ably directed by Sam and Candace Caponegro. Sam is a teacher at Battle Hill School. His wife teaches at Burnet Middle School in Union.

Last Friday afternoon, four of the principals, Meghan Hales, Steel Burkhardt, Colleen Shannahan and Kristen Theresa, accompanied by Sam Caponegro, came by to talk about their production. Steel, a sturdy, talented youth, will play the Frank Sinatra title role of Joey; Meghan will play Vera, the Rita Hayworth role, and Colleen and Kristen will share

Linda, the Kim Novak role; Colleen on Friday night and Kristen on Saturday night. The other principals, who were unable to come by last week included Shaun Saunders, who will play Lowell, the evil character, and Adanna Jones, who will play Gladys, the show girl.

"We had to double cast," explained Caponegro. "We had about 180 people trying out for the play and we now have about 80 in the cast. We worked on the show for about three months," he said. "We wanted to do a good musical, and 'Pal Joey' has a great score. We certainly have the talent here to do it. The only change we made from the stage script was the drinks. Instead of drinks, we changed them to ice cream sodas. Otherwise, the play is intact. The irony of it all is that the movie version was very much changed, so that those who saw the video could only study the characters — and not the story."

The four teenagers explained that they have been rehearsing every day until 5:30 p.m. in the auditorium in the school. "It's been hectic," one of them said. "But it's fun," said another.

"They also do their homework backstage when they're not in a rehearsal scene," said Caponegro.

"We have a lot of songs in the show," said Meghan.

"Good songs, too," said Teresa. All four shouted in unison. "We have to give credit to our private voice coach, Thomas Smargiassi. He's our voice teacher and inspirational mentor. He practically developed our voices."

"The musical director," added Caponegro, "is Margaret Fontana, and our choreographer is Melissa Espana."

"The play is about a guy who has to choose between love and wealth," said Steel. "He's in love with a poor girl and he's with a very, very rich girl, and he doesn't love her."

Among the well known musical numbers in "Pal Joey" are "Bewitched, Bothered and Bewildered," "The Lady Is a Tramp" and "I Could Write a Book."

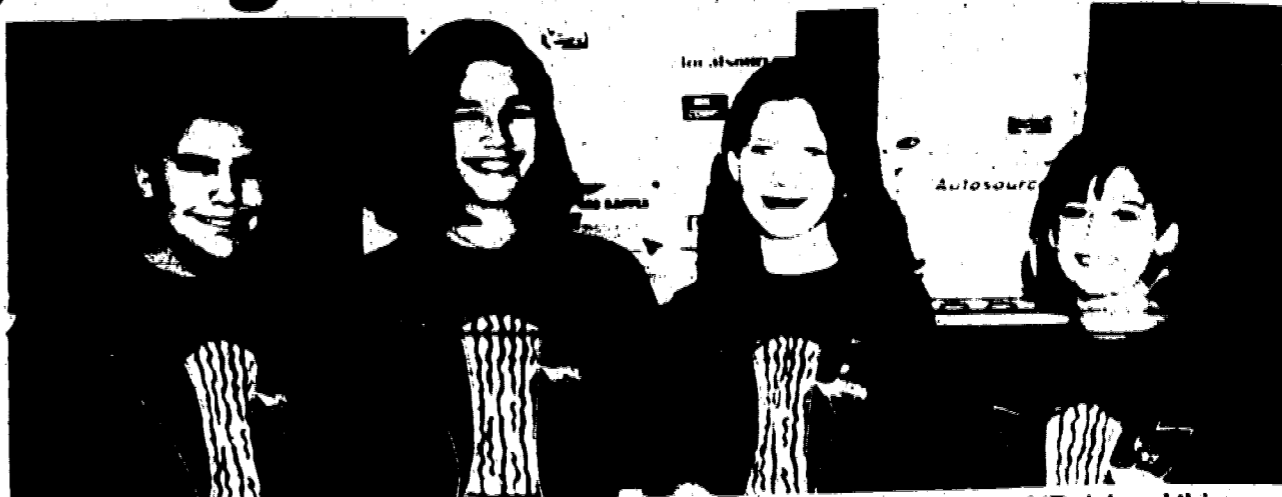
The teenagers all admitted that they sing the songs in the shower. "Yeah," said one of them, "when no one's home."

The other principals in the cast include Adanna Jones as Gladys, Shaun Saunders as Lowell, Ralph Ventre as Mike, Megan Cryan as Melba, Tim Ford as O'Brien, Brian Toscano as Ernest and Kris Cotter as Louis. Joey's Girls are played by Catilin Colandrea, Christina Kamacatos, Lisa Dmiszewicki, Lauren Banks, Georgia Stravrakis, Danielle Clark, Jen Sincox and Alexandra Lasota. Joey's Boys are Jonathan DaSilva, Kris Cotter, Antonio Puscio and Brian Toscano.

The Candy Girls are Connie Fisher, Erica Assuncao, Daniela Congralos, Lauren DePaola, Gabriella Gerard, Melissa St. Romaine and Danielle Mammone.

The Ensemble consists of Brian Monaghan, Daniel Jamnik, John Imm, Vincent Passafiume, Rusksanna Syed, Jen Sincox, Armand Evrett, Naki Jones, Carli Austin, Morena Bergery, Kelly Martini, James Imm, Laurence Caprio, Gaetano Bracciale, Seth Greenhill, Dawn Rickey, Amanda Rowe, Cheryl Torre, Sabrina Fusco, Lindsey Hunt, Priscilla Arteaga and Anna Korvalayk.

The Dancers include Lindsay Conneely, Melissa Zolata, Tracy Cwiakala, Andrea DaSilva, Rebecca Weber,



Some of the students appearing in the Burnet Middle School production of 'Pal Joey' this weekend are, from left, Steel Burkhardt, age 12; Kristen Theresa, age 13; Meghan Hales, age 14 and Colleen Shannahan, age 12.

Jackie Romanowicz, Daisy Ferreira, Victoria Ramirez, Elizabeth Komar, Danielle Piccolo, Dana Weiner, Kristyn Reiter, Lianna Cusack, Charrisse Tupas, Jessica D'Amico, Tara Zahadnick, Melissa Dobzinski, Katrina Holmes, Dana Musso, Marsha Mandell, Elizabeth Lanterhahn, Alana Davis, Rosalia Lardieri, Sunday Luma and Joanna Somuoska.

The cast members have given previews of "Pal Joey" to the grammar schools. "We go to the grammar schools," they said, "and show them

little parts of our play. We give little previews." "It's like going on the road," added Steel.

"They really looked very interested," said Meghan.

"Our audiences are drawn from all the grammar schools," said Caponegro. "We're always sold out."

The youngsters all have aspirations for the theater. Steel has appeared "in many productions, at Kean College and at the Union County Arts Center." He and Meghan have appeared in

plays at the Summer Music School in Union. And they both have appeared in other school plays. "It takes a lot out of you, but it's fun and enjoyable, and it may just be our careers," said Meghan.

Next year, Kristen and Meghan, 8th graders, will be going to the high school. "We'll be auditioning for the plays at Union High School. Colleen and Steel, who are 7th graders, will have to wait their turn."

"And," added the two older youngsters, "we'll probably wait for them."

Oil, pastel display in Clark

The Skulski Art Gallery of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark will present an exhibit of oil paintings and pastels by Barbara Warlikowska Dachowski through March 31.

Dachowski works mainly in oil and pastel. Her palette consists of pure, vibrant colors rendered in an impressionistic style.

Capture moments while traveling, local landscapes and still life make up the greater portion of her work.

Born in Jersey City, she lived in Dunellen and now resides in Pennsylvania. She attended Newark School of Fine and Industrial Arts and graduated from the du Cret School of Art, Plainfield, where she studied with Joseph Dawley, Dr. Furman, Finck and Rhoda Yanow.

Dachowski's work has been shown at the Catherine B. Lorillard Wolfe Club, New York City; Swain Galleries, Plainfield; Antoine Dutoit Museum in Pennsylvania and in galleries throughout New Jersey and Pennsylvania. She is currently represented by the Jim Morgan Gallery of Art, Blakeslee, Pa.

The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark, Ext. 135 from the Garden State Parkway. The Skulski Art Gallery is open to the public Monday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday to Friday from 5 to 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. For additional information, contact Aleksandra Nowak at (908) 382-7197.

Visit 'Havana' at arts center

"Havana Revisited," a collection of oil on canvas works by Enrique Flores Galbis will be on display in the Members' Gallery through April 20 at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts.

Recently returning from a trip to Old Havana, the artist produced these realist works based on Cuba in its current state of desolation. Providing a view forbidden to most Americans, the paintings capture "the streets, the light and the countryside of Old Havana." Born in

Cuba, Flores Galbis has lived in the U.S. since 1961 and resides in New York City.

NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. Reception and exhibitions are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Friday from noon - 4 p.m., Saturday - Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m. and Thursday evenings 7:30 - 9 p.m. Funding has been made possible in part by the NJ State Council on the Arts/Dept. of State.

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The annual Union County Teen Arts Festival, through which some 3,000 students attending public and parochial middle and high schools will obtain a personal critique and further training in areas of visual and performing arts, will be conducted on Wednesday and Thursday, March 26 and 27 at Union County College's Cranford Campus.

The program will feature 40 workshops providing instruction by professionals in selected arts areas to enable young people to further their talents. Professionals also will critique atten-

dees' work. Rounding out the day will be ongoing "art stops" that students may visit during workshop breaks; mini workshops, and an open poetry reading.

New this year are workshops including a mask-making program whereby young people will create masks using found, recyclable materials; the Japanese folk art of origami; henna painting, taught by an Asuab-Indian artist; a clay workshop conducted by a protegee of the late Jim Henson of Muppet fame; a musical

theater workshop offering dance instruction, and musical improvisation.

One of the aims of the 1997 program is to assist schools with meeting New Jersey state core curriculum standards instituted recently that call for increased emphasis on the arts.

Forty-five schools will be represented at the Teen Arts Festival. It is sponsored by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation.

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Springtime Dining Now In Full Bloom!

Elmora Players work the 'Schmaltz' out of parody

There were plenty of laughs Saturday night when Sybil Wyner's parody of "Grease," called "Schmaltz," was offered at the Elmora Hebrew Center in Elizabeth.

The Purim version, performed by the Elmora Players, consisting of members of the synagogue, was preceded by a fine turkey dinner without schmaltz — meaning chicken fat — and the cast of characters, led by the exceptionally funny character actor, Rabbi Samuel Rosenberg, who played Shlepper Sam, the radio announcer, had a field day with the amusing dialogue and songs, all written and directed by Hebrew teacher, Wyner. Shlepper means plodder. Wyner, incidentally, prepared and with her committee, served the dinner.

The cast and the large audience, committing to each other, enjoyed the skits, the musical numbers and many of the flaws, such as forgetting lines, tapes that wouldn't play and the untimely timing of the members of the cast.

Still, the stage visit with students and teachers of Shmaltzville Yeshiva High School, which touched on the play, "Grease," was entertaining, albeit amateurish. One must give credit to the huge cast that did its best. The gangs, the Shtarkers — meaning strong ones — wearing green sweat-shirts, to announce themselves, included Melach, played by Michael Newman; Moishe, Paul Gruber; Melvin, Ariel Kopitnikoff; Mendel, Angel Ramos; and Misha, Josh Gitchel, played macho to The Pink Tzatzkel-

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lehs — meaning mischievous ones — Raizel, played by Joan Gross; Rifka, Rebecca Greenbaum; Rosie, Eva Hecht; Rosa, Susan Schendelman, and Rozie, Sandra Gitchel.

Among the featured cast were Lisette Schuster, who gave an impressive performance as Sandy, and Reve, the little sister, who was prettily played by Ophira Kopitnikoff.

The teachers, led by a very funny Howard Markowitz as the bearded rabbi, included Cole Newman as the history teacher, Arno Schuster, gym; Mayya Balandina, English, who, also in her nice Russian accent, offered a musical solo; David Newman, health; Lory Schuster, foreign language; Michael Hecht, woodshop; Judith Hecht, Mrs. Sourkraut, and Miriam Greenbaum, math.

Shai Kopitnikoff portrayed a Junior Shtarker and was in charge of the sign crew; Roz Schwartzberg, the sound effects; Jean Graff, a stage hand; Gala Dorfman, musical accompaniment, and Helena Schliefer, scenery.

The show, despite its near catastrophes, was a lot of fun, and the audience certainly gave the impression that it is looking forward to the next holiday show, naturally, provided by its talented Sybil Wyner.

Barbershop quartets sing their way to the gold

The Rahway Valley Jerseyaires Chorus of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America, Inc. hosted its 36th Annual Novice Quartet Contest before an enthusiastic audience Feb. 22nd in the Roosevelt Intermediate School, Westfield.

Thirteen quartets, from eleven choruses and four states, in the Mid-Atlantic District singing society, competed in the contest. The panel of certified judges consisted of Ed Burket, Contest Administrator; Marty Israel-Music, from Hazlet; Chuck Lower-Singing of Oreland, Pa., and Dale Thomas - Presentation of Bloomsburg, Pa.

The Royal Chord Company Quar-

ter, members of Bym-Mawr and Landsdale, Pa. Chapters placed first, winning the gold; Runaway Sound Quartet members of Wilmington, De. Abington/Levittown and Bym-Mawr, Pa. Chapters took second place silver, and Power Supply Quartet of Cherry Hill, NJ chapter received third place bronze medals.

The Jerseyaires meet in the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St., Westfield, every Monday evening at 7:30 p.m. "Men of all ages are invited to sing the good old songs," said Dick Haig, president of The Rahway Valley Chapter.

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The search is on

• Jonathan Dayton Regional High School Class of 1946 search committee is seeking classmates for its 50th reunion, the date of which has not been determined. To contact the committee, contact Rose Culmone Tabor at 530 Fourth Ave., Garwood, NJ 07027 or Anne Graziano at PO Box 251, Springfield, NJ 07081.

• South Side High School, Class of June 1946; and Bergen Street School Class of June 1942 are seeking classmates for a 50th reunion. Contact Sam Sporn, 8 Crescent Dr., Parsippany, NJ 07054, or call (201) 335-6611.

• East Orange High School Class of 1946 reunion committee is seeking classmates for its 50th reunion, the date of which has not been determined. To contact the committee, call (201) 887-1141.

• St. Theresa's of the Child Jesus Church, Linden will hold a Christian Youth Organization reunion for classes 1977-1992 April 19. For information, call (908) 486-3670 or (908) 862-0117.

• Linden High School Class of 1987 seeks volunteers and information on classmates for a 10th reunion scheduled for November 1997. Contact Joann Caravano at (908) 862-0994, Beata Lipinski, at (908) 862-5732 or Lizzy James at (908) 925-2912.

David Brearley Regional High School Class of '72's 25th Reunion will be held on Nov. 28 at the Galloping Hill Inn.

Your abilities can earn extra income. Advertise them with a classified ad by calling 1-800-564-8911.

Attention: male singers

The Westfield Glee Club invites male singers to come and sing at rehearsals on Mondays at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church Parish Building Assembly Hall, 140 Mountain Ave., Westfield.

Director Thomas Booth of Maplewood, and Accompanist George Lachenauer, of Roselle, and the music committee have selected new and previously sung selections for a varied program of seasonal, sacred, classical, traditional and folk songs.

A school children's chorus will again join in the concert at Roosevelt Intermediate School to perform a part of the program.

Interested male singers are invited to call Dale Juntilla at (908) 232-0673.

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Paper Mill offers Bronte symposium

From one unique English family came some of the most important literary works of the nineteenth century and beyond. Now Paper Mill Playhouse has brought one of these to life onstage with the world premiere production of "Jane Eyre," a dramatization by Robert Johanson of the famed novel by one member of this family, Charlotte Bronte. In conjunction with this production, Paper Mill presents a free symposium, "A Great and Inexplicable Gift: The Strange Lives of Charlotte, Emily and Anne Bronte" on Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

"A Great and Inexplicable Gift" explores the life of Charlotte Bronte

and her family. Johanson, Paper Mill's artistic director and the writer and director of "Jane Eyre," hosts this special event, which features a distinguished pair of experts: Barry V. Qualls, chairman of the English Department at Rutgers University, and Robert Parks, curator of Autographed Manuscripts at New York's Pierpont Morgan Library. The evening will also include members of the cast of Paper Mill's Production

The symposium is free and open to the public. No reservations are necessary and seating is open on a first-come, first-served basis.

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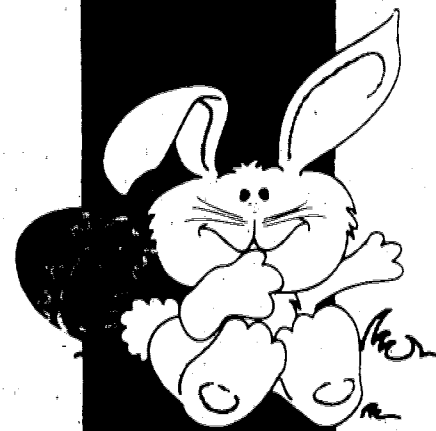
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Stepping Out

ART SHOWS

TEEN ARTS TOURING EXHIBIT has been moved to Corestates Bank 68 Broad St., Elizabeth, where it will remain until tomorrow.

The exhibit consists of 26 pieces of art selected from the 513 visual art works shown at the 1996 Union County Teen Arts Festival held in March at Union County College. The annual event is sponsored by the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, Division of Parks and Recreation.

For information about the Union County Teen Arts Program, contact the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, 24-52 Rahway Ave., Elizabeth, (908) 558-2550 TDD users call (800) 852-7899.

SWAIN GALLERIES will present watercolors by artist Al Grafke through March 28.

Grafke, a native of Summit, expresses in his watercolors a love of the outdoors and his "affection for the simple things that surround us in our everyday lives." Using watercolors, Grafke believes he achieves the most flexibility and permanence while simultaneously experimenting with new techniques that convey a particular spirit all his own.

Grafke's solo exhibit continues weekdays from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Saturdays to 4 p.m. Swain Galleries is located at 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call (908) 756-1707.

BILL LEECH will have a solo show at the Watchung Arts Center this month. The exhibit runs through March 29, concurrent with "Maternal Metaphors" in the other gallery.

Leech works primarily in acrylics on unstretched canvas. His images have evolved to reduced, fragmented and stylized figures and body parts, set against large, flat areas, moving his work solidly into the abstract field.

The Watchung Arts Center is located on the Watchung Circle. For information, call (908) 753-0190.

MATERIAL METAPHORS, an exhibition of the works of Sarah Crooks, Mike Murphy and Robert Sorenson, will be on display at the Watchung Arts Center through March 29.

"Material Metaphors" brings to issue the use of varied materials as substrate, as medium and as metaphor.

Gallery hours are from 1 to 4 p.m. every day except Sunday. Admission is free at all times. Watchung Arts Center is located on the Watchung Circle. For further information, call (908) 753-0190.

CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL will present black-and-white photography by Art Carlson through the end of March. Carlson's work can generally be grouped into three categories — landscapes, architectural studies and close-up views of both subjects.

Also on display this month are watercolors and paper sculpture by Claire R. Archer. Her works demonstrate illusions of depth, distance, dimension and movement.

Running concurrently with these exhibits are art work and photographs by patients. The children's works illustrate themes of wellness, ways of staying healthy and preparing for healthcare experiences.

Children's Specialized Hospital is located at 150 New Providence Road in Mountainside.

VOX GALLERY presents an exhibit of pastels and oil paintings by Alden Baker through the month of March. The New Jersey artist paints landscapes, still lifes and portraits, in both oil and pastel.

Vox Gallery is located at 444 Springfield Ave., Summit. Gallery hours are Tuesday and Wednesday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Sunday from noon to 4 p.m. For further information, call (908) 273-2551.

FINE ART PHOTO EXHIBITION by the American Society of Media Photographers will be held at the Nabisco Gallery in East Hanover through April 2.

The exhibit celebrates photography as an art form with more than 50 award-winning works from nearly 400 entries to the third annual fine art photography competition. A variety of photographic disciplines will be displayed, including landscape, portrait, abstract, still life, computer-generated and mixed media.

The Nabisco Gallery is located at 100 DeForest Ave. in East Hanover. Admission is free and open to the public from noon to 4 p.m. daily. For information, call (201) 503-3238.

LOCAL LANDSCAPES AND OILS by Louis Winarsky will be exhibited at the Donald Palmer Museum of the Springfield Library through April 16.

On display are oil paintings of local landscapes in Springfield and Short Hills, portrait drawings from life and experiments in art from family photographs.

The Donald Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. The hours for the exhibit are Monday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 8

p.m., Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sunday from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

MAJOR WORKS art show will open tomorrow at Kean College's James Howe Gallery. Pieces representing all forms of art were chosen by art instructors from the college. All pieces were created by students.

The show runs through April 11. Admission is free. The Gallery, located in the Vaughn-Eames building, is open from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. and from 5 to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. For information, contact Nina Cabrera at (908) 820-0519.

WHISPER, 30 years of black-and-white and color photography by Peter Colby Orner will be on display today through April 21 at The Jacob Trapp Gallery in Summit.

The Gallery is located at Community House, 4 Waldron Ave., Summit. Gallery hours are weekdays from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m. and Sundays from 10 a.m. to noon. For information, call (908) 273-3245.

SKULSKI ART GALLERY of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark is pleased to present an exhibit of oil paintings and pastels by Barbara Dachowski tomorrow through March 31. An opening reception will be held tomorrow at 8 p.m. The public is welcome, admission is free and refreshments will be served.

The artist works mainly in oil and pastel. Her palette consists of pure, vibrant colors rendered in an impressionistic style. Captured moments while traveling, local landscapes and still life make up the greater portion of her work.

The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark. The Skulski Art Gallery is open to the public Monday from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m., Tuesday - Friday from 5 - 9 p.m. and Saturday from 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. For additional information, contact Aleksandra Nowak at (908) 382-7197.

A SPECTRUM OF ART WORKS, paintings by Grace Sharpe, will be presented at the Les Malamut Art Gallery in the Union Library Saturday through April 24. An opening reception will be held Saturday from 3 to 5 p.m. Refreshments will be served.

The Union Library is located on Morris Avenue near Friberger Park, Union. For information, call (908) 686-0420 or (908) 688-4536.

HAVANA REVISITED, a collection of oil on canvas works by Enrique Flores Galbis will be on display in the Members' Gallery beginning on Sunday at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts.

Recently returned from a trip to Old Havana, the artist produced these realist works based on Cuba in its current state of desolation. Providing a view forbidden to most Americans, the paintings capture "the streets, the light and the countryside of Old Havana."

NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit. The exhibit and reception are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Friday from noon - 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m. and Thursday evenings from 7:30 - 9 p.m. For further information, call (908) 273-9121.

ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL JURIED SHOW will be on display in the Palmer Gallery at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts Sunday through April 20. An opening reception will be held on Sunday from 2 - 5 p.m. An awards ceremony will take place at 3 p.m.

Juried by leading national art critic and historian Donald B. Kuspit, the works represent artists in the United States and abroad and includes all media. Artists represent 42 states and 10 countries. Works range from watercolors to black-and-white photography, with a strong selection of conceptual and narrative sculpture.

NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. Reception and exhibitions are free and open to the public. Gallery hours are Monday - Friday from noon - 4 p.m., Saturday and Sunday from 2 - 4 p.m. and Thursday from 7:30 - 9 p.m. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

ANNUAL ART SHOW AND SALE sponsored by the Westfield Chapter of Hadassah will be held April 5 and 6 at Temple Emanu-El, Westfield.

Top New Jersey and New York galleries and a limited number of individual artists have been invited to set up their own "mini galleries" and display their best works. The show has been designed so that both the avid collector and the casual viewer can stroll through the exhibit, stop by each gallery and see what is happening in the art world. Each gallery will have their own experts on hand to answer questions and provide further information about the artists and individual pieces.

A preview champagne reception will kick off the show for patrons on April 5. The show will be open to the public April 6 from noon to 9:30 p.m. Admission is \$3 for adults and \$1.50 for senior citizens; students are free. For information, call (908) 233-6531.

AUDITIONS

PHILATHALIANS of Fanwood will be holding auditions for "Cahoots," a murder comedy by Rick Johnson. Two couples get together for a dinner that turns hilariously murderous. Getting out of their predicament becomes slapstick when blackmail enters the party. Cast requirements are:

- Jan Miller - 20-45, attractive,

somewhat scattered commercial actress, married to Ken.

- Lois Shields - 20-45, successful editor of horror scripts, corporate type, married to Al.

- Al Shields - 25-40, boorish marketing/advertising man.
- Ken Miller - stiff, architect with aspirations of greatness.

- Grant - 19-30, security guard, ability to be innocent or vicious.

Auditions will consist of selected readings from the script. Dates and times are Saturday from 3-7 p.m. and Sunday from 4-8 p.m. Auditions will be held at the Carriage House, 129 Watson Road, Fanwood. Leave a message at (908) 322-8686 for additional information.

CARNIVAL PRODUCTIONS is holding auditions for "The Fantasticks" March 25 - 27 from 7:30 - 9:30 p.m. Auditions will be scheduled no later than 9 p.m.

- Roles include:
- 1 woman — early 20s, soprano.
 - 2 men — 20s, 30s - 40s, baritone/tenor.

- 4 men — 40s - 60s, one 30s, comic vocal roles.
- 1 man/woman — nonspeaking, juggling, mime and acrobatic skills preferred.

Auditions will be held at El Bodegon Restaurant and Dinner Theatre,

located at 169 West Main St., Rahway. For further information, call (908) 388-0647.

WESTFIELD SYMPHONY Orchestra will feature harpist Victoria Drake at the "All Mozart Concert" on Saturday evening at the Presbyterian Church in Westfield.

The concert will feature the Overture to "Bastien and Bastienne," Symphony No. 1, Flute and Harp Concerto featuring Helen Campo on flute, and Symphony No. 40.

Tickets are \$24.50 for adults, \$21 for seniors with I.D. and \$14 for students 25 and under. For further information, call (908) 232-9400.

UNION MUNICIPAL BAND will present its annual spring concert April 7 at 7:45 p.m. in the Burnet Middle School Auditorium, Caldwell Avenue, Union.

The concert will feature selections from the Broadway shows "My Fair Lady," "A Chorus Line" and "Wildcat." Admission to the concert is free. For information, call (908) 277-3433.

IN PRAISE OF WOMEN, a program of music by little-known women composers of the past, will return to the Rahway Public Library on Sunday at 3 p.m.

Narrated by Walter Carter, the music will be performed by Jane Carter, Vivian Lipcon, and Betsy Wrobel. It will



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be conducted by Victoria Griswold from the harpsichord, with vocal assistance from sopranos Margaret Southwell and Marlin Spesak. Admission is free.

CONCERTS

CAROL HAMERMA JAZZ TRIO will appear in concert tomorrow at 8 p.m. at the Barron Arts Center in Woodbridge. The concert is being presented in honor of Women's History Month.

Admission is free, reservations are required. The Barron Arts Center is located at 582 Rahway Ave., Woodbridge. For information, call (908) 634-0413.

MINSTREL COFFEEHOUSE will present Michael Smith, and Richard Drueding and Steph Ferraro tomorrow at 8:30 p.m.

Michael Smith is a respected songwriter in the folk field. He has been honing his craft for 30 years, and it shows.

Philadelphia-based Richard Drueding is a respected fingerstyle blues and ragtime guitarist. He has teamed up with percussionist Steph Ferraro to add another dimension to his work.

The Minstrel Coffeehouse is a coffeehouse/concert series run by the Folk Project, a non-profit folk music and arts organization. The Project is located at the Somerset County Environmental Center, 190 Lord Stirling Road, Basking Ridge. Shows are held every Friday year round, presenting folk music in its broadest sense. Coffee, tea and baked goods are served, no alcohol or tobacco are allowed. Admission is \$5. For information, call (908) 766-2489.

DAVID GROVER and the Big Bear Band will appear in a benefit concert for Summit Child Care Centers on Saturday at 10 a.m. The concert will be held at the Summit Middle School Auditorium, 272 Morris Ave. in Summit.

David Grover is well known from the PBS television show "Grover's Corner," which he created to teach children about music. With the Big Bear Band, David Grover has made several recordings including "Ernestine and the Green-Eyed Elf" and "As Different As We Are."

Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$6 at the door. Children under 2 are admitted free. For information, call (908) 273-7017.

a weekly lineup of musical rotation. Tuesdays — Acoustic Open-Mic Night. Blues guitar stringer and vocalist Rhett Tyler opens the show, and then opens the stage to any aspiring player who enters. The show opens at 9:30 p.m. This Tuesday will also feature Open Poetry from 8 to 10 p.m.

Wednesdays — B.B. of B.B. and the Singers hosts Open Jam with all musicians welcome.

Thursdays — Psychedelic Thursdays presents the greatest sounds of classic rock, performed by local bands. Today's show features Post Junction.

Weekend performances include blues, roots and rock music. Tomorrow will feature Irving Lewis Lattin and the Chicago Fire and Saturday's show features Larry Garner. An upscale and traditional blues brunch is presented every Sunday.

The Crossroads is located at 78 North Ave., Garwood. For information, call (908) 232-5666.

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH of Elizabeth is presenting a series of spring concerts featuring talented New Jersey artists on Sundays.

First Presbyterian Church of Elizabeth, 42 Broad St., next to the Union County Court House. Admission is \$5 per concert or \$12 for all three. A tea and reception with the artist will follow the concert. Call the church at (908) 353-1518 from 9 a.m. to noon on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for more information. All proceeds will be used to help the Needy and Homeless of Elizabeth.

CLASSES

PLAYWRIGHTS THEATRE of New Jersey has scheduled the following classes for adults:

Beginning/Intermediate Playwriting, beginning Tuesday.

Advanced Playwriting, beginning Wednesday.

Screenwriting, beginning April 5.

All classes run for eight weeks. The next series of classes for children grades 4-9 begins Saturday.

Playwrights Theatre is located at 33 Green Village Road in Madison. For further information, call (201) 514-1940.

FESTIVALS

ANNUAL UNION COUNTY TEEN ARTS FESTIVAL will take place on March 26 and 27 at Union County College's Cranford Campus.

The program will feature 40 workshops providing instruction by professionals in selected areas to enable young people to express their talents. Professionals also will critique attendees' work. Rounding out the day will be ongoing "art stops," mini workshops and an open poetry reading. Forty-five schools will be represented at the Festival.

For further information, call (908) 709-7501.

MADISON YOUNG PLAYWRIGHTS FESTIVAL will be held tomorrow and Saturday at Playwrights Theatre in Madison.

Playwrights Theatre is located at 33 Green Village Road in Madison. For information, call (201) 514-1787.

FILMS

CLASSIC FILM SERIES at the Union County Arts Center features two Alfred Hitchcock thrillers, "Rear Window" and "North by Northwest" today at 7 p.m.

Tickets are \$8. The UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St., Rahway. For information, call (908) 499-8226.

BLACK MARIA FILM FESTIVAL is an annual showcase of innovative and new experimental, documentary, animation and narrative works through a wide diversity of film and video by filmmakers from around the world.

The Union County tour will continue at Union County Arts Center on Saturday, and conclude at Kean College's

Hutchinson Hall, J-100, on March 31. Union County College, Cranford Campus is located at 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. The Festival is presented in part by the Union County Motion Picture and Television Advisory Board. For information, call (908) 558-2550.

ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY presents "Stairway to Heaven" on Wednesday at 10 a.m. A charming fantasy about a fellow called to his reward prematurely. After winning a reprieve, he returns to earth a wiser man. Starring David Niven.

Also on Wednesday, "Pysanka, Story of Ukrainian Easter Egg" will be shown. Filmmaker Marco Pasayma shows traditions and techniques of decorating eggs. Produced with the support of the Ohio Arts Council.

KIDS

THE UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER will present a series of plays for children. These 75-minute musicals, all performed on Sundays at 2 p.m., are produced in conjunction with the American Family Theater of Philadelphia. Aimed at children of all ages and their families, this year's season includes classic fairy tales, a special holiday show, and a new musical version of "The Diary of Anne Frank."

Remaining shows are:

- "The Wizard of Oz," Sunday.
- "Pinocchio," April 27.
- "Wiley and the Hairy Man," May 3.
- "Winnie the Pooh," May 14.

All tickets may be ordered with Visa or Mastercard by calling the box office at (908) 499-8226, or in person at the Union County Arts Center, 1601 Irving St., Rahway.

LECTURES

JUST ABOUT ART, the ongoing Thursday night forum of informal talks and discussions with artists and curators at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, will feature the following programs:

Today — Enrique Flores-Galbis, NJCVA Instructor of the Month, will talk about returning to his homeland via a study grant that allowed him to capture Havana and the Cuban countryside, previously inaccessible to him, in his oil paintings which will be on view in the Art Center's Members Gallery from March 9 - April 14.

The programs are free and open to the public. Hours are 7:30 to 9 p.m. The Center is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit. For further information call (908) 273-9121.

KATHY BLOCK, artist and instructor at New Jersey Center for Visual Arts will give a free lecture at Barnes and Noble bookstore on March 27 at 7:30 p.m.

Her talk will consist of a collage demonstration and explanation of how cutouts are made in the artistic style of Matisse, along with design ideas and elements.

Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West. For information, call (201) 376-8544.

THEATRE

APPOINTMENT WITH DEATH will be presented by Stony Hill Players through Saturday at Oakes Memorial Outreach Center in Summit. The play tells the suspenseful and often hilarious story of a curious American family abroad in the exotic Middle East and their fellow travelers.

Showtimes are tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. Tickets cost \$12, \$6 for ages 2 and under. For reservations and information, call (908) 464-7716.

CRAZY FOR YOU will be presented by the Performing Arts Company at Union Catholic Regional High School tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m.

"Crazy For You" is the story of Bobby Child, a rich and pampered 1930's New York playboy sent by his domineering mother to foreclose the mortgage on a long-dormant theater in Deadrock, Nevada. Bobby's future takes an unexpected turn as he falls madly in love with Polly Baker, the only girl in the sleepy mining town of 157 men, and assumes the "mistaken identity" (See Stepping Out, Page B7)



'The Easter Story' will be presented tomorrow and Sunday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Clinton Hill Baptist Church in Union.

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 ty of showman Bela Zangler.
 Union Catholic High School is located on Martine Avenue in Scotch Plains. For ticket sales and information, call (908) 889-1600.

BYE BYE BIRDIE, the fifties rock-'n-roll musical, will be performed at Governor Livingston Regional High School tomorrow and Saturday.

Doors will open at 8 p.m. on both nights of the performance. Tickets are now on sale at \$7 and may be ordered by calling Barbara Stauber at (908) 464-3100. Tickets can also be purchased at the door. However, since seating is reserved advanced ticket purchase is recommended. The high school is located at 175 Watchung Blvd., Berkeley Heights.

HELLO DOLLY! will be presented at Summit High School tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m.

General admission is \$7; \$5 for students and senior citizens. Tickets may be bought in advance at the high school office or at the door the night of the performances.

For further information, call Cathy Fernandez at (908) 273-5355.

THE EASTER STORY will be presented tomorrow and Sunday at 8 p.m. and Saturday at 6:30 p.m. at Clinton Hill Baptist Church in Union.

The presentation has been expanded from previous years, and now includes nine scenes, use of a multi-media ten-foot screen and live animals. The play will be presented outdoors.

Clinton Hill Baptist Church is located at 2815 Morris Ave., Union. For information, call (908) 687-9440.

THE WIZARD OF OZ will be presented by the Musical Theater Department at Kawameeh Middle School tomorrow and Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Saturday afternoon at 1 p.m.

General admission is \$5. The Middle School is located on David Terrace in Union. For information, call

Nanci Schoenberger at (908) 851-8570.

JANE EYRE, presented by Paper Mill Playhouse, plays through March 29, as the fourth production of the 1996-97 Season at Paper Mill, Brookside Drive, Millburn. Charlotte Bronte's classic is the haunting story of a plain governess who becomes caught up in a web of mystery and passion.

Performances of "Jane Eyre" are Wednesday through Sunday at 8 p.m., with matinees on Thursdays at 2 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 3 p.m. Tickets range from \$31 to \$46 and \$10. Student tickets may be available fifteen minutes prior to curtain. For tickets and information, call (201) 376-4343. Audio-described performances for the visually impaired will run today at 2 p.m., Saturday at 3 p.m. and Sunday at 8 p.m. A sign-interpreted/open captioned performance for the hearing impaired is scheduled for Sunday at 8 p.m.

REHEARSAL FOR MURDER, performed by Westfield Community Players, continues for two more weekends.

This mystery involves Broadway intrigue, a murder on opening night and a wily playwright's scheme to trap the guilty. The playwright holds an audition and invites all the suspects in the murder of Monica, his star and girlfriend.

Shows are tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. All tickets are \$12. WCP is located at 1000 North Ave. West in Westfield. For information and reservations, call (908) 232-1221.

LITTLE FOXES by Lillian Hellman has opened at the Elizabeth Playhouse.

The Hubbards of "Little Foxes" were rapacious, cruel and callous long before the "Ewings" of "Dallas" appeared on television. Regina Hubbard is a woman capable of sending her brothers to prison, letting her husband die, wrecking her daughter's life and destroying a whole town, for no better reason than a little social climbing. A whole clan of flow-born Caligula's are scrambling for what they view as a place in the sun.

"Little Foxes" will run every Friday and Saturday at 7:30 and Sundays at 2 p.m. for 4 more weeks. General admission is \$8, \$6 for students and seniors. The Elizabeth Playhouse is located at 1100 East Jersey St. For reservations, call (908) 355-0077.

FREE LUNCHTIME THEATER at the Elizabeth Playhouse will present "Bedtime Story" on Wednesday from 12:15 to 12:55 p.m.

Bring a lunch; coffee and tea are provided by the Playhouse. Doors open at noon. The Playhouse is located at 1100 East Jersey St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 355-0077.

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WORKSHOPS

BOOKS WITHOUT WORDS, adult workshops sponsored by New Jersey Center for Visual Arts, will be conducted on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Led by instructors Fran Wilner and Lois Shapiro, this workshop is based on communication through images.

NJCVA is located on Elm Street in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

NEW JERSEY PHOTOGRAPHY FORUM will present a workshop covering print spotting of black-and-white prints. The workshop will be held Monday at 7 p.m. at the Watchung Arts Center and is open to all photographers.

The two-hour session will involve hands-on work on RC and fiber-based prints that participants bring, plus discussion on proper print processing, bleaching and toning. Print spotting and color retouch techniques will be demonstrated for a group limited to 15.

The fee for the workshop is \$18, which includes materials and a reusable take-home spotting brush. Participation is limited, so advance registration is recommended. Call (908) 753-0190 for further information.

Stony Hill Players has made an appointment worth keeping

Stony Hill Players will present the Agatha Christie rarity, "Appointment With Death," tomorrow and Saturday at 8 p.m. and at Oakes Memorial Outreach Center, located at 120 Morris Ave., corner of Russell Place, in Summit. Tickets are \$12, age 12 and under \$6. For reservations and information call (908) 464-7716.

Steven Somerville of Berkeley Heights, Steven and Nathalie Yafet of Hillside, Robert Peiser of Union, Christine Peterson of Scotch Plains, Joie Trautmann of Piscataway, Jeffrey Michalowski of Warren, and Susan Rosenthal of Gillette.

Directed by Florham Park resident Jay Gaffney, "Appointment With Death" is the suspenseful and often hilarious story of a curious American family abroad in the exotic Middle East and their fellow travelers.

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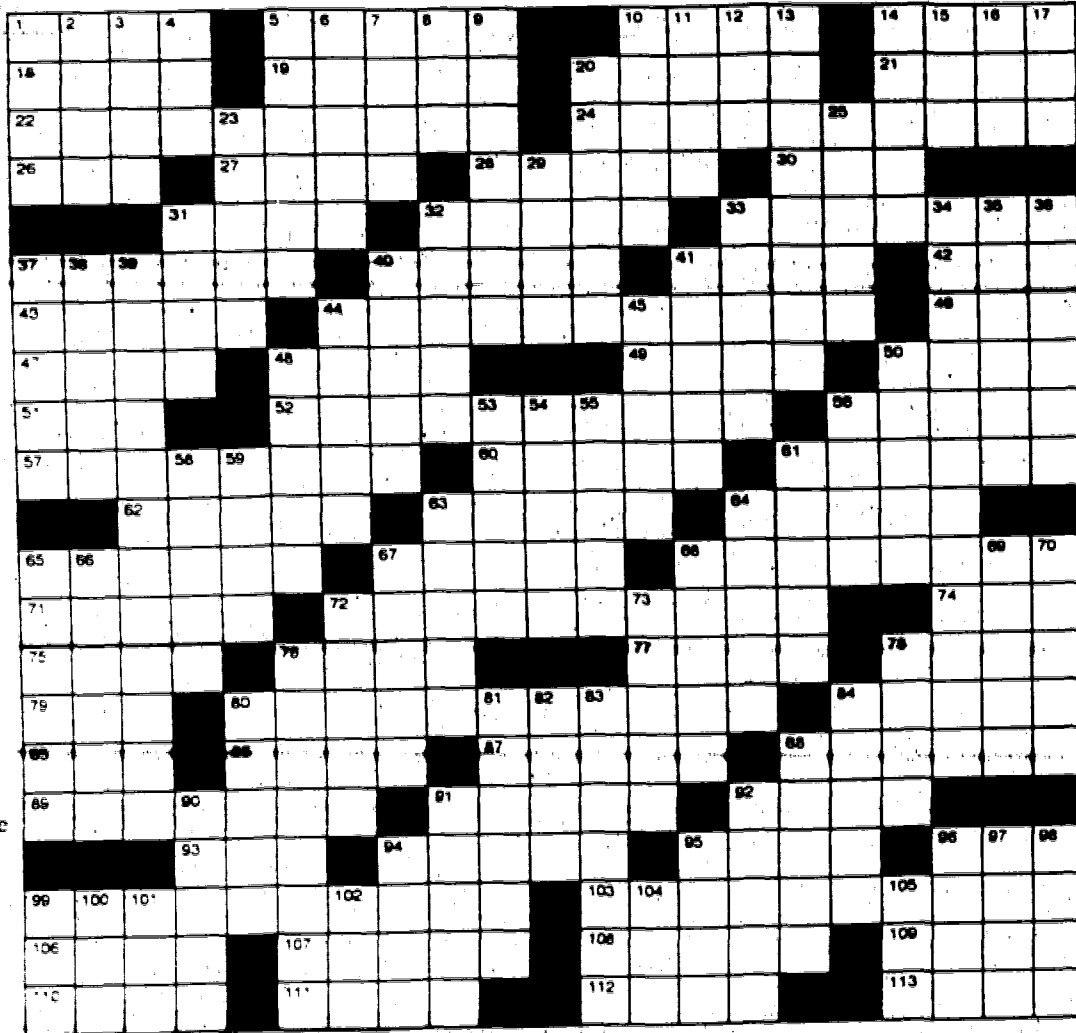
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What's Going On?

FLEA MARKET

SATURDAY
MARCH 29, 1997
EVENT: Giant Indoor/Outdoor Flea Market
PLACE: Roselle Park High School, 185 Webster Avenue (off Locust Street), Roselle, NJ
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SATURDAY AND SUNDAY
MARCH 22, 23, 1997
EVENT: Craft Show
PLACE: Jefferson Elementary School, 110 Ashwood Avenue, Summit, NJ
TIME: Saturday, 10am-4pm; Sunday, 12 noon-4pm.
PRICE: Free Admission. Featuring 50 crafters, children's craft activities, raffles and food available.
ORGANIZATION: Jefferson School PTO.

SATURDAY

MARCH 22, 1997
EVENT: Craft Fair
PLACE: Roselle Catholic High School, Raritan Road, Roselle, NJ.
TIME: 9am-4pm
ORGANIZATION: Roselle Catholic High School Mothers Club, 908-245-2350.

GARAGE/YARD SALE

THURSDAY THRU SATURDAY
MARCH 20, 21, 22, 1997
EVENT: Garage Sale.
PLACE: Unitarian House, 165 Summit Avenue, Summit, NJ.
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ORGANIZATION: Unitarian Church in Summit.

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MARCH 13th-15th; 17th-22nd 1997
EVENT: Annual Used Book & Music Sale
PLACE: 26 Park St., lower level, Montclair (across from YMCA).
TIME: March 14th, 20th-21st, 9:30-9pm; 15th, 22nd, 9:30-6; 17th-19th, 2-8pm.
Children's book sale March 13th, 2:00-5pm. Adults must accompany child.
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ORGANIZATION: College Women's Club of Montclair. Funding Scholarship Fellowships. 201-783-7040.

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Willis 'stands' for latest movie role

Bruce Willis has yet another unique character to add to his repertoire, with a cast of characters that includes a prizefighter in the 1994 Oscar-winning "Pulp Fiction," a contractor in "Nobody's Fool," a man who tries to save the world from disaster in "Twelve Monkeys," and of course, Detective John McClain in the "Die Hard" trilogy. Willis can add a "gun-for-hire-loner just passin' by" in "The Last Man Standing."

"Last Man Standing" is inspired by the classic 1961 Samurai epic, "Yojimbo," by Akira Kurosawa. The story was originally set in the 1860s Japan and was adapted by writer Walter Hill to the fictional Texas border town at the height of Prohibition. Producer Arthur Sarkissian obtained the remake rights in 1988.

The film is set in Jericho, Texas, a sleepy ghost town that may seem an unlikely outpost for two battling Chicago mobs. But at the height of Prohibition, this border town proves to be the perfect spot for smuggling liquor from Mexico and shipping it up to Chicago. Two big time mob families from Chicago Station wise-guy wannabes in Jericho to make the transfers. The Doyle gang and Strozz gang do their fair share of fighting over profits, but the real bloodbath begins when Bruce Willis' character pulls a few minutes into the film Willis is bullied for looking at the wrong woman. He proves he is no coward by immediately retaliating and killing two gang members. This show of

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bravery immediately has the Strozz gang and Doyle gang vying for Willis' talent of murder. Willis, realizing that there is easy cash to be made from these small time con men, decides to stay in Jericho and make some quick money by playing both sides. Willis' character proves to be the spark that ignites the burning embers in Jericho. His character claims to have the fault of "being born without a conscience." However, this seemingly un sentimental film does prove to have a few sentimental moments where we see the conscience in "The Last Man Standing." These moments are mostly shared with the talented Alexandra Powers.

Bruce Dern does a great job playing the crooked sheriff, and Christopher Walken gives us another great performance as Willis' nemesis.

Also new on video: "Howard Stern Shut Up and Listen," "Sweet Nothing," "Maximum Risk."

Trivia question: Akira Kurosawa, producer of "Yojimbo," produced and developed what 1995 hit?

Answer: "While You Were Sleeping."

HOROSCOPE

For the week of March 23 to 29

Aries March 21-April 20

Enjoy a romantic getaway this week for a refreshing stress-buster. Pay close attention to nonverbal cues, or you could miss an important message. Trust your intuition. Someone who seems to be friendly could have a hidden agenda. Be on guard.

Taurus April 21-May 21

You may not be getting all the facts you need to make an important decision. Expect the unexpected, and keep your feelings to yourself. Otherwise, you may lose the advantage. Include water in your weekend plans, whether it's a boat ride or a soak in a warm tub.

Gemini May 22-June 21

Someone who's ordinarily easygoing may seem unusually nit-picky this week. Delve deeper, and you could discover some underlying troubles. A small, loving gesture could make a big difference. Don't let finances get

in the way of achieving a long-term goal.

Cancer June 22-July 22

An idea that seemed promising could be in need of a little revamping. Consult an expert, and then take it from there. Your creativity could be put to the test, but the results will be worth the effort. Cut excess fat from your budget, and you'll realize financial gains in the near future.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23

Jangling nerves and high stress levels mean that you need a little peace and quiet toward the weekend. Turn off the phone and ignore the doorbell. Use your common sense, rather than your emotions, to make a sound decision in the middle of the week.

Virgo Aug. 24-Sept. 22

Look to new ideas and innovations to clear up a problem that seemed impossible. Catch up on paperwork and other chores before the weekend

Be especially sensitive to another person's moods. You could miss out on a subtle clue to what the real problem is.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23

Be sure to get a second opinion before signing an agreement. Also, be sure to read the fine print. An eccentric friend has a startling idea. Showcase your creativity in a group environment. Travel plans are favored, whether it's for a weekend getaway or next year's vacation.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22

Small gestures clear the way for big progress later this week. Call your connections to help you get what you want. Make an investment in your future well-being. This weekend, catch up on small household chores and paperwork.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21

You may be feeling constrained this week. Instead of outright rebellion, try to find ways around the rules. You may be able to negotiate some changes, too. Watch finances closely

— someone could be paying extra into your priorities this week.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20

Abandoning an old decision could be a positive move this week. Don't take big risks without getting all of the information first. Tighten your seat belt and hang on — big changes are in the air.

Aquarius Jan. 21-Feb. 18

You can avoid a lot of misunderstanding this week just by listening closely. If you're feeling really energetic, try channeling your energies into some kind of learning experience. This weekend, spend time with a new friend.

Pisces Feb. 19-March 20

The quest for perfection could cause some unpleasant fallout in the near future. When looking for answers, probe carefully to be certain you're getting the entire truth. Don't skimp on materials for a project you're embarking on.



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Rooney always keeps his equipment up to date, replacing washing equipment as part of an ongoing commitment to giving the best wash for the money.

At Speedy Car Wash, Rooney's employees take time to wash off excess dirt from every vehicle before it even enters the conveyor — and the workers must greet each customer courteously because it is their job to do so.

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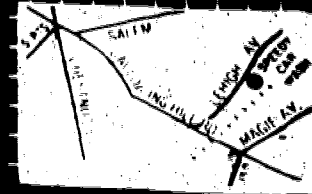
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Hospital pledge takes the cake

A celebration marking the fulfillment of a \$218,500 pledge by the Elizabeth General Medical Center Auxiliary to the Medical Center's Renal Satellite was held recently in the Linden-based facility. Patients, staff and members of the Auxiliary joined for refreshments which includes a large cake decorated to resemble a check in the amount of the pledge total.

Fulfilling the pledge has been the focus of the 175-member Auxiliary since it was first announced by Auxiliary Chairperson Helen Reilly of Elizabeth in May, 1994. The group's fundraising vehicles includes revenue from the gift shops located at the Medical Center's West and East divisions, and special events such as lobby sales, theater trips and the Auxiliary's annual luncheon show.

According to Reilly, "Helping the community by supporting the activities of Elizabeth General Medical Center is the focus of the Auxiliary. By supporting the Renal Satellite we're helping to make it more comfortable and convenient for those who might otherwise have to travel a long way for dialysis treatment."

Built in 1994, the EGMC Renal Satellite is located in the Linden Towers Condominium complex on North Wood Avenue, Linden. It is licensed for 15 stations that provide hemodialysis, or blood cleansing, treatments for approximately 60 patients with end stage kidney disease. The Medical Center also operates an outpatient dialysis center on Livingston Street in Elizabeth and an inpatient dialysis facility. Elizabeth General Medical Center is the designated end stage renal disease center for Eastern Union County.

Center names new director

Lorraine Marino was recently named director of Volunteer Resources for Saint Barnabas Medical Center. For the past 22 years, Marino has held various positions in the Department of Human Resources at Saint Barnabas, including assistant director. Marino says she has made a smooth transition to the new role, thanks to the efforts of her co-workers and volunteers, and she finds her position "invigorating."

"I've found that my background in Human Resources has been invaluable training for interviewing prospective volunteers and placing them in various areas of service," she relates.

The over 700 volunteers of all ages enhance patient care at Saint Barnabas, says Marino. In addition to assisting the staff at Saint Barnabas, volunteers do some of the "hand holding and listening" that makes a difference to patients. Programs by volunteers include Seniors Helping Seniors, which pairs older patients and volunteers and Activities a la Carte, a daily "menu" of activities for patients including games, crafts, bingo and movie classics.

Marino describes one incident as typical of the difference volunteers make in patients' lives. One young woman sent the department a letter, describing how much her mother had enjoyed playing bingo during her hospital stay, and how the event gave her mother something to look forward to during the long days in bed. The woman included a pin with the letter with the letter which has the words "I Love Bingo" in glittery letters. When the same woman visited the volunteer department at a later time, the first person she saw was the volunteer who calls the bingo numbers, and he was wearing her pin.

"These are very dedicated volunteers and they take ownership of their jobs," says Marino. "Most of them say they volunteer because they want to give something back to the community."

In the next few months, Marino plans to make enhancements to existing programs and further the department's role in the area of customer service and patient satisfaction. She will also meet and share ideas with directors of volunteer resource departments at the eight other hospitals comprising the Saint Barnabas Health Care System.

"I feel very fortunate to be here," she added.

For more information about the Volunteer Resources Department at Saint Barnabas, call (201) 533-5592.

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From left, director Margaret Meola and executive committee members Jean Gano and Jane Porter, both Summit residents, discuss the results of a town-wide mailing that asked for donations and community support for Pathways. The organization, sponsored by Overlook Hospital, the Resource Center for Women and the Summit YWCA, is a non profit program that provides community-based resources to women whose lives have been affected by breast cancer. For more information, call (908) 277-3663.

Learn how to Keep outpatient costs low

A new book helps consumers get free and low cost outpatient care. The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, DC has just published a 64-page book, "Free and Low Cost Outpatient Care". The book describes how and where to get free and low cost outpatient medical care under the Hill-Burton program.

The Hill-Burton program has been in effect for over 50 years, providing more than 35 billion dollars in free and low cost care to qualified participants. The program was established in 1946 to assist in the construction and modernization of outpatient and med-

ical care facilities. Nearly 6 billion dollars in grants and loans were given to 7,000 facilities in over 4,000 communities. In exchange, the facilities agreed to provide a reasonable amount of services to persons residing in the local community who are unable to pay.

The book contains nearly 500 participating Hill-Burton Outpatient facilities arranged in state order. A step-by-step outline guides consumers

through the process of finding a participating facility and applying to determine their eligibility for free or low cost care. Consumers can apply before or after receiving care from a participating facility.

Consumers can receive a copy by sending \$3 to cover the cost of postage and handling to: Free & Low Cost Outpatient Care, Book #: OP-520, 611 Pennsylvania Ave., SE Suite 1010, Washington DC 20003-4303.

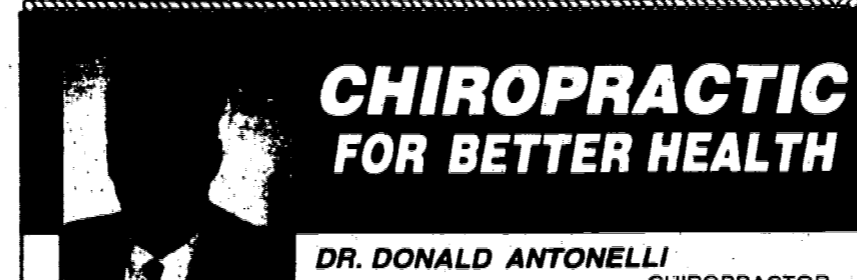


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There are many simple exercises that can help you maintain good muscle tone. Sit-ups, push-ups, side twists, and neck rotations

can be helpful. But don't try to over-achieve. Perform with moderation and gradually build up your stamina.

It's also a good idea to have regular checkups to find out if your spine and nervous system are in good condition. If there are any defects, they can usually be corrected with proper treatment.

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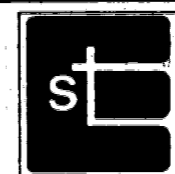
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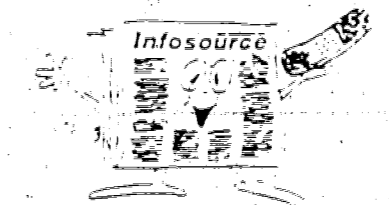
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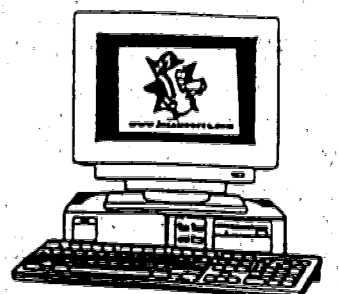
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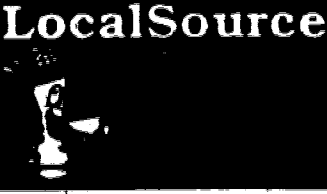
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Clark

Carolyn Craemer sold property at 69 Colonial Drive to Peter Camillo for \$160,000 on Dec. 16.
Thomas J. and Elaine M. Mariano sold property at 70 Cook St., to Vincent K. DiGerommo for \$225,000 on Jan. 9.

Elizabeth

Alaska Seaboard Partners LMT sold property at 1089 William St., to Urban Resource Corp. for \$49,000 on Dec. 13.
Gabriel and Graciela Fernandez sold property at 245 Edgar Place to John A. Padilla for \$110,000 on Dec. 13.
Charles R. and Ann Irek sold property at 601 Adams Ave., to Maria Gachinero for \$61,000 on Dec. 17.
Eileen Cutro sold property at 522 Pennington St., to Johnny Regalado for \$173,000 on Dec. 17.
New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Association sold property at 817 Summer St., to Hector Rivera for \$73,000 on Dec. 18.
Heygo Inc. sold property at 220 Delaware St., to Esmelin Alvarez for \$135,000 on Dec. 27.
Walter Marczak sold property at 327 Franklin St., to Paolo Goulart for \$65,000 on Dec. 27.
Manuel A. and Maria A. Caniera sold property at 137 Ripley Place to Leonardo F. Santos for \$100,000 on Jan. 3.
Jean Ahern et al sold property at 652-54 4th Ave., to Jean P. Ahern for \$20,000 on Jan. 3.
Barbara Birch sold property at 209-11 Murrury St., to Gilbert Marin for \$128,000 on Jan. 6.
Rafael Torres sold property at 553 Livingston St., to Cesar Vasquez for \$120,000 on Jan. 9.

Hillside

Carol Araneo sold property at 133 Boston Ave., to Ronald Williamson for \$95,000 on Dec. 12.
Aurelio and Maria Rodrigues sold property at 397 Harvard Ave., to Abel Torres for \$152,500 on Dec. 13.
Laura L. Dierolf sold property at 129 Hollywood Ave., to Doris Asmat for \$60,000 on Dec. 13.
Leonardo and Expedita Uy sold property at 580 Sweetland Ave., to Romualdo Bustrillos for \$90,000 on Dec. 17.
Michael N. Bonner sold property at 582 Riverside Drive to Sharon Willis for \$150,000 on Dec. 20.
Jane Brunner sold property at 337 Hollywood Ave., to Manuel C. Conceicao for \$82,000 on Dec. 28.

Kenilworth

Federal Housing Commissioner sold property at 223 N. 11th St., to Juan C. Galeano for \$186,201 on Dec. 23.

Linden

Stephen J. and Candy S. Benish sold property at 409 W. Elm St., to Shain A.C. Koom for \$139,900 on Dec. 20.
Patrick C. and Zyta Mazza sold property at 412 Lafayette St., to Joseph Mazza for \$125,000 on Dec. 20.
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. sold property at 1029 E. Blancke St., to Sharon Davis for \$105,000 on Dec. 23.
Sunil M. and Neeta Pandya sold property at 406 W. Henry St., to Giuseppe Primavera for \$125,000 on Dec. 23.
John C. and Anne Furman sold property at 329 N. Stiles St., to Donnie Days for \$130,000 on Dec. 24.
Gertrude Schuman sold property at 34 Melrose Terrace to Victor Gonzalez for \$127,000 on Dec. 27.
Helen Bukowczyk sold property at 200 Bower St., to Rose M. Belin for \$85,000 on Dec. 31.
John E. Harms sold property at 1020 DeWitt Terrace to Ivan Gonzalez for \$130,000 on Jan. 8.
Salvatore Scalish et ux et al sold property at 425 Washington Ave., to

Ingrid L. Adams for \$146,500 on Jan. 15.

Rahway

Madeline A. Peterson sold property at 1958 Elizabeth Ave., to Duane A. Butler for \$77,500 on Dec. 26.
Miguel and Teresita Oliva sold property at 1179 Charlotte Place to Gina Rado for \$99,900 on Dec. 27.
Vernell Milton sold property at 302 E. Lake Ave., to Sabeniah George for \$60,000 on Dec. 30.
Kathryn D. Bower sold property at 1192 Resvoir Drive to Daniel Branigan for \$130,000 on Jan. 2.

Roselle

Dorothy B. Lorch sold property at 463 Chester Place to Theresa Ponton for \$89,900 on Dec. 20.
Olga Sokich sold property at 442 W. 4th Ave., to William D. Smith for \$135,000 on Dec. 20.
Leon and Sandra M. Hoxey sold property at 908 Chestnut St., to Camptown Partners Inc. for \$51,000 on Dec. 26.
James G. Coble Jr. et al sold property at 1041 Harrison Ave., to Lorraine Fennell for \$111,500 on Dec. 27.
Raymond H. and Barbara Hurling sold property at 220 W. 3rd Ave., to Manfred Silencieux for \$93,000 on Jan. 3.

Roselle Park

Anna M. Daley sold property at 110 Sherman Ave., to Michael DaSilva for \$80,000 on Dec. 16.
Jeffrey C. and Mary K. Schumacher sold property at 112 Galloping Hill Road to Pedro Cabrales for \$112,000 on Dec. 20.
Dorothea C. Scanlon sold property at 507 Chester Ave., to Saul Diaz for \$122,500 on Dec. 23.

Summit

Atsushi and Christine Shiiba sold property at 18 Ruthven Place to Robert Barnett for \$240,000 on Dec. 16.
Robert and Susan McDaniel sold property at 260 Ashland Road to Thomas F. Juhase for \$348,000 on Dec. 18.

Kevin R. and Rebecca D. Morano sold property at 186 Ashland Road to Scott T. Lowry for \$249,000 on Dec. 19.
Allan R. Sampson sold property at 21 Lewis Ave., to John A. Tedesco for \$127,500 on Dec. 20.
John M. and Susan T. Papadopoulos sold property at 4 Edgewood Drive to Francis M. Zachara for \$745,000 on Dec. 27.
Kathleen A. Zerweck sold property at 135 Woodland Ave., to Joseph R. Liro for \$671,000 on Jan. 2.

Union

David W. and Elaine Taluba sold property at 137 Jean Terrace to Christopher Digeus for \$187,500 on Dec. 9.
Frederick Falek sold property at 1507 Gregory Ave., to Murad Muhammad for \$206,000 on Dec. 10.
William B. and Catherine Hess sold property at 2160 Tyler St., to Tommaso Bevilacqua for \$152,000 on Dec. 10.
Ronald C. Goldfarb et ux sold property at 857 Colonial Ave., to Gregory J. Staines for \$160,000 on Dec. 11.

Mary Barone sold property at 1105 Alfieri Court to Joaquim M. Parreira for \$255,000 on Dec. 11.
Marisa Bevilacqua sold property at 2763 Morris Ave., to Dinos Vasiliopoulos for \$236,300 on Dec. 11.
Donald L. and Mary A. Reinhardt sold property at 1386 Isabella Ave., to Sheila Budd for \$120,000 on Dec. 12.
Martin J. Livingston et ux et al sold property at 736 Andover Road to Maria F.S. Juarez for \$156,000 on Dec. 13.
Richard Tavares sold property at 148 Burkley Place to Arthur McFadden for \$158,000 on Dec. 13.
Bernard Glass sold property at 790 Colonial Arms Road to John Goncalves for \$156,500 on Dec. 17.
Mary Russo sold property at 2485 Woodside Road to Jonathan U. Cagulada for \$170,000 on Dec. 17.
John M. Seltsam sold property at 89 Concord Ave., to Davilus Dorcent for \$105,000 on Dec. 17.
Thomas and Nancy Majewski sold

property at 1938 Oakwood Parkway to Jose A. Cesar for \$154,000 on Dec. 19.
James Vendemia sold property at 1588 N. Hillcrest Terrace to Tony Bertrano for \$120,000 on Dec. 19.
Federal Home Loan Mortgage Corp. sold property at 958 Rosemont Ave., to Jose A. Ramos for \$120,000 on Dec. 20.
Carl L. and Kimberly A. DeFranzo sold property at 264 Colonial Ave., to Prisco DeFranzo for \$250,000 on Dec. 23.
Patricia M. Thimou sold property at 1053 Trent Place to Zdzislaw K. Pogorzelski for \$100,000 on Dec. 30.
Raymond J. and Judith Fluor Jr. sold property at 1035 Pine Ave., to Jose S. Cacoilo for \$205,000 on Dec. 30.
Eleanor T. Casale sold property at 2297 Fern Terrace to Mary Spence for \$142,000 on Dec. 30.
Emanuel M. Lathourakis et al sold property at 940 Potter Ave., to Ronald Gold for \$163,500 on Dec. 31.

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At the conference, ERA officially launched its new logo and advertising campaign and announced the development of an Intranet site. These are in addition to a newly redesigned Internet site for home buyers and seekers, featuring access to worldwide home listings, mortgage and finance information, and links to sales associate profiles.

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More than 3,500 brokers and sales associates attended the conference, including 300 international ERA representatives from 15 countries. Industry expert Mike Ferry was the main program's keynote speaker. Adding motivation and entertainment were Laurie Moore-Moore, Danielle Kennedy, Naomi Judd and the Smothers Brothers.

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15 YR FIXED	7.88	0.00	7.88	FEE	15 YR FIXED	7.00	3.00	7.51
3/1-30 YR	6.75	0.00	7.84	\$ 350	1 YR ADJ.	4.38	3.00	4.64
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30 YR FIXED	8.25	0.00	8.25	APP	30 YR FIXED	8.00	0.00	8.13
15 YR FIXED	7.63	0.00	7.63	FEE	15 YR FIXED	7.50	0.00	7.63
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15 YR FIXED	7.25	0.00	7.29	FEE	15 YR FIXED	7.38	1.50	7.62
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15 YR FIXED	7.38	0.00	7.38	FEE	15 YR FIXED	7.75	0.00	7.79
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15 YR FIXED	7.63	0.00	7.63	FEE	15 YR FIXED	7.50	0.00	7.50
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7/1-30 YR	7.13	0.00	7.64	FEE	15 YR FIXED	7.88	0.00	7.88
10/1-30 YR	7.38	0.00	7.65	\$ 350	HOME PROGRAM	7.63	0.00	7.63
Hudson City Savings Bk	908-549-4949	INFO>>	1764	Valley National Bank	800-225-5859	INFO>>	1757	
10/1-30 YR	7.38	0.00	7.72	APP	15 YR BIWEEKLY	7.00	1.50	7.33
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Chrysler-Plymouth
The Plymouth products continue to impress. Plymouth is viewed as the entry-level brand of Chrysler Corp. and its Neon and Breeze appeal to young families and singles.

Offered as a two-door coupe and four-door sedan, the Neon is available with four-wheel disc anti-lock brakes replacing the disc/drum combination. The standard 2.0-liter, four-cylinder powerplant delivers 132 horsepower. The Neon Expresso is offered with an even racier 150 horsepower, double overhead cam version of the same engine.

The Breeze enters 1997 as a well-equipped compact sedan. Air conditioning, dual front air bags are only part of the package and in fact Breeze has only a few options such as automatic transmission and an integrated child safety seat.

Ford
Ford's new Escort is completely new this year. Two models are available, the standard Escort and the LX. There also is a Sport appearance package available for the LX. A five-door LX wagon is available.

Besides new sheetmetal, the Escort gets a new engine. The 2.0-liter four-cylinder engine delivers 110 horsepower. It's mated to a five-speed manual transmission however, there's a four-speed automatic available.

The Aspire, available in three- or five-door hatchback models, has fresher front end styling and a firmer suspension. Aspire's standard 1.3-liter, four-cylinder powerplant delivers 34 mpg city/42 mpg highway when equipped with a five-speed manual gearbox.

Honda
Honda's Civic line has a number of refinements this year including the addition of air conditioning as stan-

dard equipment on all LX models, new 14-inch wheels for all models and wheel covers for the Civic DX.

The Civic is available in sedan, coupe and hatchback models with a variety of four-cylinder, 16-valve engine options ranging from 106-horsepower to 127-horsepower.

Mazda
Mazda's compact Protege has a fresh new face and revised interior for 1997. Now it's easier for the driver to see and reach frequently used controls for the audio and ventilation system.

All Protege models have a new front bumper, fenders, grille and headlights.

There are three models in the Protege line -- the entry-level DX, the well-equipped LX and the powerful ES. The DX and LX feature a 1.5-liter, double overhead cam, four-cylinder engine that generates 92 horsepower. The ES is powered by a 122-horsepower version of the 1.8-liter, double overhead cam, four cylinder engine found in the Mazda Miata.

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