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**From The Editor's Notebook**  
By Tom Canavan  
Editor in Chief



"When I first heard Gov. Christine Whitman's ambitious proposal for property tax relief proposals in the form of more state aid to school districts, I was skeptical.

By nature, I'm skeptical, and the first thought that came to mind was that the program was the governor's way of helping the Republican Party compensate for the overwhelming losses it suffered in the November elections. With Assembly races this year, the Republicans need to take desperate steps if they want to maintain control of the legislature. Which better way to calm the masses than to announce a program that will return \$50 million to taxpayers?

While the feeling has not evaporated, I leave the governor the benefit of the doubt and thought, "OK—New Jersey is in fiscal shape. We've got a big surplus, and it's enough that the governor wants to help the taxpayers."

Again, the skeptic is back. This time it's not regarding Whitman's desire to provide necessary property tax relief. It's how the money will be distributed and how it will be used from that point on.

Instead of distributing the money to school districts, why can't the state reimburse the taxpayer personally? We receive thousands of rebate checks, so there is a method in place to distribute the funds this way. Thus, to me, is property tax relief. It isn't one governmental agency giving money to another governmental agency, which, in the layers of bureaucracy, and the potential to cause things to fund local education will vary from why to raise or adjust the funds once it's in the budget.

In the 12 years that I have been in the newspaper business, I can't recall one school district in all that state that presented a budget for public approval that included a reduction in property taxes. Blatant administration with astronomical salary levels kill the average taxpayer year after year. Year after year, districts receive state aid, yet their own school budgets rise, and the taxpayers have to dig deeper to pay their checks. Is it fair to say that a district this year will be any different, especially to those with additional aid to district levels?

The Township of Union School District wants to receive \$8 million more in aid this year than it received last year, and already the superintendent of schools is speculating how he will spend that money. He's already thinking of...

## Police back stiffer penalties for prostitution

By Michelle Ronge  
Staff Writer

A new law signed by Gov. Christine Whitman that would slap twice-covicted prostitutes with stiffer penalties and seize their patron cars is being backed by Union County officials and local police.

Both prosecutors and police executives hailed the new legislation that upgrades penalties for prostitution offenses as "an important new tool" to help dealing on areas targeted last year by community leaders in Union County.

"The bill, S-1302, also stipulates the courts would be able to suspend for six months the driver's license of those found guilty of selling of buying sex if a motor vehicle was used for causing the transaction."

"One problem before this law is that there was not much other than prostitution and little that faced the law engaged in this trade," said Union County Prosecutor "Dennis A" Mahan. "Now the next logical step is to make it tough for those who promote prostitution, run the operations and reap the profit."

Mahan, concerned about a growing problem with sex trafficking operations and illegal massage parlors, joined with police chiefs to demand that prostitution houses and street corner operations during a press conference Jan. 26.

Mahan said the new law, effective immediately throughout New Jersey, enhances the penalty for repeat offenders who engage in prostitution making it a second conviction a fourth degree offense with a jail term of up to 12 months as a maximum.

The old law only considered such a conviction a disorderly person offense with a top penalty of six months imprisonment.

Tuesday will mark one year since the prosecutor called for a crackdown on prostitution, and police departments throughout the county answered the call.

"I've been extremely gratified at the response from the chiefs and the entire county law enforcement community," Mahan said. "I asked for a crackdown because the problem had reached alarming proportions and the results are there. We are not going to let up because a six-for-five operation can completely ruin whole neighborhoods and destroy property values."

The result has been a marked increase in prostitution arrests, the use of undercover sting operations that put customers behind bars and notices to landlords whose properties house prostitution that they risk forfeiture proceedings.

Executive Assistant Prosecutor Robert P. O'Leary said judges have meted out county jail terms to those who pleaded guilty to maintaining houses of prostitution.

O'Leary warned that even stiffer fines, probation and penalties await those who actually promote prostitution. Evidence gathered so far shows many of the defendants are listed as New York City residents who came into New Jersey then got caught by police.

Countywide audits of indictable cases and a check of the disorderly persons arrests from calendar year 1998 totaled up 162 arrests for soliciting prostitution, eight arrests for promoting prostitution and 24 arrests of persons actually engaged in unlawful acts of prostitution.

These numbers dwarf the 1997 totals, which netted roughly 132 total arrests from all three combined categories.

According to Capt. James Durkin, commander of the Union

County Narcotic Strike force, the requests for assistance have been frequent.

"We have provided undercover female officers, who in posing as massage girls get instructions from the owners of some of these places as to what illegal acts they could perform customizing clothing in and how much they should charge," Durkin said. "They then would work certain streets corners, get shadowed by plainclothes and backup officers would move in and make the grab."

Eleventh police have arrested prostitutes and customers in persistent efforts to keep the downtown area and the neighborhood around the train station safe. Incoming Police Chief Jack Surjan, who was officially sworn in Tuesday, vowed to make drug enforcement and anti-prostitution efforts a priority during his tenure.

Even though the 1998 murder rate dropped to only 14 homicides — the lowest since 1984 — arrests for prostitution are up and the county's chief law enforcement officer has expressed support for the way individual police departments have conducted operations and sting efforts.

Mahan said intelligence reports gathered by numerous detectives and strike force officers reveal that there is a latent attraction to the burgundy trade. He said many girls working on street corners are often adults looking for cash to feed a habit while massage parlor prostitutes are generally working strictly for the money.

Hillside police conducted four separate operations during the last year including a crackdown along one area in Liberty Avenue and in several massage parlors on Route 22. Police Chief

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3. Union	\$18,229,601	\$10,225,452	-\$8,004,148.78
4. Roselle	\$13,416,929	\$10,046,497	-\$3,370,432.93
5. Rahway	\$11,263,310	\$8,963,853	-\$2,299,456.25
6. Haddon	\$10,894,700	\$11,258,992	-\$364,292.99
7. Linden	\$10,824,994	\$8,519,286	-\$2,305,707.21
8. Royalton Park	\$6,136,700	\$5,940,278	-\$196,422.03
9. Westfield	\$3,706,838	\$3,089,745	-\$617,093.00
10. Scotch Plains	\$3,773,690	\$3,411,869	-\$361,821.47
11. Randolph	\$2,011,407	\$1,899,284	-\$112,123.61
12. Union County	\$1,993,897	\$1,862,835	-\$131,062.25
13. Summit	\$1,792,068	\$1,524,014	-\$268,054.17
14. Berkeley	\$1,674,558	\$1,584,510	-\$90,048.71
15. Clark	\$1,323,649	\$1,301,748	-\$21,901.00
16. Newark	\$1,225,412	\$1,268,027	-\$42,615.41
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18. Springfield	\$730,948	\$734,470	-\$3,521.74
20. Mountainside	\$522,901	\$520,928	-\$1,973.00
21. Garwood	\$515,344	\$498,547	-\$16,797.24
Union County	\$247,756,698	\$278,635,597	-\$29,878,897.00

## Deer hunt may end this year

By Mark Hrymka  
Regional Editor

The county's five-year deer reduction program in the 2002-acre Watchung Reservation may end a year if hunters reach their goal this year.

After 10 days this year's deer hunt, the county is less than halfway from this year's goal of 118 deer, which would reduce the herd to 60.

According to Charles Sigmond, director of the Union County Division of Parks and Recreation, 63 deer have been killed by hunters as of 8 a.m. Friday, leaving the county about 55 from this year's goal. The hunt started Jan. 11 and is scheduled to run 30 consecutive weekdays, excluding Wednesdays.

"This is the fourth year of the five-year deer reduction program, which began in 1994. If the goal of 118 is reached this year, he said, the program will end ahead of schedule.

Last year, 169 deer were killed after 185 were eliminated in 1997 and 167 in 1996. At a cost of \$58 per deer, the anticipated total cost of the 1999 program is \$2,881.02.

Although the county is permitted by the New Jersey Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife to continue this year's hunt through March 31, Sigmond said the Watchung Reservation hunt likely will conclude on the second of final Friday in March. By then, "the weather becomes more favorable," he said, "and there are more park users."

According to Sigmond, the New Jersey Division of Fish, Game and Wildlife and forest ecologists recommend "the Watchung Reservation

should sustain 20 deer per square mile, which calculates to a total of 60. The deer population in 1993 was 180 per square mile, according to Sigmond.

There are 30 volunteer agents who conduct the hunt, are licensed and many are active retired law enforcement officers, said Sigmond. He said since the program was started, the county has noticed a "significant decrease" in deer-car collisions.

Stuart Christie of New Jersey-based Honor and New Violence for Animals believes the deer hunt has not reduced the population in the reservation. He contends that hunting actually increases the herd.

"When a large number of deer are removed from a herd through hunting, he said, competition for food, water, space and breeding opportunities is reduced. Thus, the survival of the fittest kills has increased breeding, said Christie. "All that has happened is the county has turned the reservation into a breeding machine."

Slaughtered deer, said Sigmond, will eventually be processed to feed needy and homeless people. Last year, 6730 pounds of donated venison provided meals for about 27,000 people.

"However, the deer will first be studied for scientific data about their age, health and reproductive potential. The program calls for the removal of deer — adult females — in order to curtail the reproductive potential of the herd and end the program in as few years as possible. The program is not a sport hunt," Sigmond stressed.

The Board of Freeholders appointed the Watchung Reservation Deer Management Subcommittee in 1994. The subcommittee was made up of 22 local residents, county officials, wildlife experts, sportsmen and animal rights advocates and consisted experts in the field and reviewed scientific data to solve the problems associated with overpopulation.

The subcommittee recommended a five-year program of controlled shooting to bring the deer population to a level that would resolve the deer population problem by 2000.

The freeholders adopted the Plan for Long Range Action in 1995, the first of its kind in New Jersey, which included 42 recommendations, including ongoing scientific studies and efforts to restore the forest and reduce deer-car accidents.

## Tax help available to seniors and elderly

Catholic Community Services and the Retired and Senior Volunteer Program in Union County are providing free Voluntary Income Tax Assistance. Cash help is available to all ages with low-to-moderate income, the elderly or handicapped residing in Union County.

Law payers are encouraged to contact one of the following sites: Catholic Community Services: (908) 497-3300 for appointment; Union County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program: (908) 497-3300 for appointment; County Nursing and Rehabilitation Center: (732) 396-7191 for appointment; Rowell Library: (908) 245-5809 for appointment; Bergenmuller Senior Center: (908) 686-8878 for appointment; Vancil Library: (908) 488-1028 for appointment; Railway Library: (732) 388-0715 for appointment.

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Cancer society sponsors event in Roselle Park

The American Cancer Society, Union County Unit, announces its Relay For Life Kick Off at Lavin in the Park, 147 West Westfield Ave., Roselle Park, on Feb. 11 at 7 p.m.

The purpose of the event is to let people know about the relay and how they can be involved in the event if you are interested in volunteering in the community in the fight against cancer.

For reservations, call the American Cancer Society at 608-635-7323 by Wednesday. Seating is limited, so call now to reserve your spot.

IAAP chapter to meet today in Westfield

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Blood drives scheduled throughout Union County

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On Sunday, Feb. 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., Knights of Columbus, 5432, 15-15 Little Ave., Garfield.

On Monday, Feb. 8, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Michael's Medical Center, 200 Park Avenue, Plainfield.

On Tuesday, Feb. 9, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., St. Joseph's Hospital, 1000 Westfield Ave., Westfield.

On Feb. 12, 3-7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Gallatin Hill Road, Plainfield.

On Feb. 15, 3-7 p.m., Union Hospital, 1000 Gallatin Hill Road, Plainfield.

Donors must be 18 years old. No previous year donor may donate without parental permission. There is no upper age limit for donors provided they have donated within the past two years or have a donor's system. Donors should know their Social Security

number and bring a signed form of identification.

People with cold or flu symptoms should wait until they are feeling better before donating and there is a 24-hour deferral for dental work, including root canal teeth cleaning. For those who have traveled outside of the United States recently, call the blood center for eligibility criteria.

For more information or to sign up a donor, call (800) BI (610) 21, or (800) 256-6365.

County violet society to meet in Scotch Plains

The Union County Chapter of the American Violet Society of America meets Feb. 11 at 10 a.m. in the Scotch Plains Library, 1427 Barkle Ave. The program will be "Learning Design." Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

County-based hotline in need of volunteers

Contact We Care Inc., a 24-hour telephone helpline and crisis intervention service, needs volunteers to staff its phone lines. The 24-year-old Union County-based agency will sponsor volunteer training sessions each Thursday from Feb. 18 through May 13 from 7:00 p.m. at the Westfield Presbyterian Church, 345 Mountain Ave., Westfield.

Callers to Contact We Care may be dealing with issues such as unemployment, relationship difficulties, alcoholism, suicide or a loved one's death. In 1998, Contact We Care fielded more than 13,000 calls.

For more information, or to register for the Feb. 18 training session, call (908) 589-4140. Contact We Care is a local 501(c)(3) agency and an affiliate of Contact USA and Lifetime International.

Celebrating 50 years



Photo by Milton Nitti

Arc of Union County commemorates its 50th anniversary this year. The organization held a flag-raising ceremony to begin the year-long celebration that featured, from left, Executive Director Frank X. Caragher, Freeholder Lewis Mingo Jr., Plainfield City Administrator Walter McNeil Jr., Plainfield Councilwoman Elizabeth Urquhart and Plainfield Councilman Adrian Mapp.

Officials applaud new law

(Continued from Page B1) John Bryson said two of the businesses are now completely gone. "Our thoughts have been very vigilant and we are pleased with the results," Bryson said.

When the crackdown was announced last year, Marshan ordered monitoring of all offenses so that notices would be conveyed to landlords who own properties where sex is being sold.

"We've been active and aggressive in terms of written notices and face-to-face meetings, in letting the landlords know about their obligations and our right and intention to forfeit their properties if they continue," said Assistant Prosecutor Michael J. Zedek, who is legal supervisor in the Prosecutor's Office. "We've had four repeat offenders to date and not one repeat incident."

Railway Police Chief Edward T. Jurek said officers working with the support of the county's Narcotics Strike Force, have been very active in following up on Marshan's directives.

In Railway, three separate locations were the subject of investigations over a period of four months and there were two persons charged with promotion of prostitution and four persons with engaging in prostitution.

In January of last year, 10 people were arrested inside a go-go bar on Route 1 and the cases from that three-month operation are pending in court. Union County Police Chief Richard Manix said beefed-up patrols in certain county park areas where prostitution tried to set up shop "may have sent them packing with a strong message that we don't tolerate this stuff."

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(Continued from Page B1) new programs, and acknowledges that the programs will mean a new set of staff. That costs money. Where's the property tax relief Union residents need desperately?

Who will bear the added cost the following year if Union receives less state money? In Roselle Park, the superintendent of schools is expected to retire next year, yet the Board of Education voted last week to give him a nice pay raise for his anticipated final years that where the state aid will go in Roselle Park?

When I budget my personal income, I do so based on two checks per month. Twice during the year, I receive three checks per month, which means, according to my budgeting, those third checks are extra checks. I also receive a Home Depot rebate check as well as

a return from the state and Internal Revenue Service. It's certainly not a windfall of money, but that money is put away to pay existing bills and anticipated bills. It's not used for a spending spree that ultimately will put me in further debt.

That's what I fear, will happen once this windfall of state aid is distributed in the school districts. Instead of thinking of the taxpayers holding the line on spending and letting them enjoy true property tax relief, school districts will find ways to spend the money and still increase our fiscal budget.

And that's not the intent of Whitman's proposal.

I'll let you know at the end of March, when budgets have been approved by school boards and presented to the public. If the Republic in me is right,

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Intergenerational orchestra invited to perform at the United Nations

By Bea Smith  
Staff Writer

Award-winning conductor Lorraine Marks, as talented and versatile as she is personable and beautiful, has taken great pride in her three orchestras, which she founded and has made successful. The unique combined musical groups are called the New Jersey Intergenerational Orchestra, and are made up of 140 musicians, ages 6 to 87.

The orchestra has been invited to perform "Musical Passport to the World" on Feb. 11 in the United Nations lobby at 1 p.m. The free performance will be given in celebration of the International Year of Older Persons Towards a Society of All Ages. The United Nations General Assembly designated the year 1999 to "urge the international community to facilitate collaboration across the sectors and nations and to reach out to the development community, the media, the private sector and younger generations in an effort to create a society of all ages."

Marks, who has been a string specialist in the Cranford public schools for the past 12 years, who has taught music in the school for the past 14 years, and who plays the viola, grew up in Springfield, N.J. Her father, Joseph Weinmuth, still lives there, she said, during a visit one recent afternoon.

A recipient of many awards, including a recent certificate of Congressional Recognition award honoring NJIO's "outstanding and invaluable service to the community," Marks also has appeared on television. She founded the famous NJIO five years ago.

How did the invitation to perform at the United Nations come about? "We received a phone call last February from a retired United Nations worker, Virginia Hazzard of Glen Ridge," explained Marks. "She had worked for UNICEF and saw an

article about our concerts and became interested in our orchestra. She contacted me, mentioned that she would like to hear the orchestra, and to get more information. We invited her to a concert last April at the Lincoln Center Plaza Foundation Concert Series. Well," said Marks, "she came to the concert and was very impressed. That's when she mentioned that she would like to have the orchestra perform for the United Nations for that special year."

Marks said that the orchestra "had one year of preparation. We worked with Virginia Hazzard, and I have to say that she is a remarkable woman — so vivacious, and connected to my cause — a philanthropic sort of person. She facilitated the concert."

The conductor described her musicians in three orchestras: "People come from 31 communities, including New York City and Philadelphia to play in this orchestra. We rehearse every Thursday evening at the school."

"The first orchestra is called Novice," she said, "and is composed of beginning senior citizens and young students — and they learn and play together. The second is called the Full Orchestra, which is made up of young students and professional and non-professional musicians. The third is called the Chamber Orchestra and is made up of older students and professional and non-professional musicians. The latter two orchestras will perform on Feb. 11."

With emphasis, Marks mentioned that "the orchestra is more than just a musical experience for the people involved. Because of the nature of the orchestra — adult and children — it bridges the generations. So, there is a lot of interaction between the adults and children. One of the important aspects — more than the music — is that we found a little niche to bring the people together — and they relate to the audience."

"We've been in existence for five years, and people come again and again," she said. "The programs are thematic. And one coming up at the United Nations represents various countries in the program itself. On Jan. 17, at our most recent concert at the YM-YWHA in Union, we were able to warm the orchestra up for next concert at the UN."

The program will include the world premiere of a commissioned work by world-renowned 72-year-old composer Benjamin Lees, "Intermezzo for String Orchestra." The orchestra was awarded a HEART Grant from the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders "in order to commission the composition. Lees' compositions have been played by major symphony orchestras, including the New York Philharmonic and the Dallas, Chicago and Philadelphia symphonies."

It also was announced that the NJIO will perform another commissioned work by New Jersey composer Marc Lombardo for strings and show, to be performed by Olga "Olivia" Butty, about 60 faculty member of Arts High School in Newark. The NJIO 1999 season includes a performance in the Lincoln Center Plaza Fountain Concert Series on April 9 at 12:30 p.m. and at Cranford High School on May 16 at 3 p.m. The orchestra has performed for such organizations as the American Heart Association, the Special Olympics Foundation, the Keener Institute for Rehabilitation,

and other agencies, on funding from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, Department of State, and administrative offices of the Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs, and also in part by the public schools of Cranford, the Rotary Club of Cranford and the Recording Industries Fund, in whole or part.

"As founder, conductor and musi-



Courtesy of Cheryl Reynolds  
Congratulations is given to NJ Intergenerational Orchestra by, from left, Nick Sabatelli, president of the American Federation of Musicians Local #151; Union County Office of Cultural and Heritage Affairs representative Marsha Cohen; and, right, Division Director Susan P. Coen, with NJIO conductor Lorraine Marks, center, at NJIO's Holiday Tour of the World concert Dec. 13 at Cranford High School.

cian," mused Marks, "I wear a lot of hats. The importance of music is lifelong. One of the things I find that is really great as a conductor — and organizer of this group — is meeting some of the older adults and learning from them about how much more life there is after retirement. It gives you a good feeling. You'll never stop playing music in concerts," she said, "I'll play long after I'm a senior citizen. They are an inspiration to me. Some are musicians, some actors, some engineers. They keep me young — they are all so involved."

Marks cautioned, "The orchestra for them is almost like a magnet. It draws the music people — all good people. It's a very positive experience for the life of the orchestra and for me." Marks, who graduated from Montclair State University, where she received a bachelor of arts degree in music education, also is a freelance violinist and performs with her own string quartet throughout the metropolitan area. She also leads her own DJ entertainment company, Soundwaves, and entertains children with a combination of music and magic. She is married to Fred Marks, and they have three children, Jessica, 19; Allison, 15; and Jeremy, 10.

"We always had our program with a sing-a-long," she said, "and at the United Nations, our sing-a-long will be 'Let There Be Peace On Earth' — a heartfelt tribute from the orchestra." The orchestra has been invited to Washington, D.C., May 12-16 for its Intergeneration Week, and they're going to have a national convention, said Marks. "We're going to play at the National Convention for Generations United on May 13 on the capitol steps for Hill Day."

From Cranford High School, the YM-YWHA in Union, the United Nations in New York City, and the Capitol in Washington, D.C., Marks has been proudly displaying the talents of people of all age groups — people who come together as fellow musicians — and friends.

## Touring theater company provides arts education

Pushcart Players touring children's theater company offers the following workshops and residencies:

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**Self-scripting monologue workshop:** An "empowering" workshop that enables adolescents to express their



Pushcart Players touring children's theater company, from left, Anita Hollander, Ruth Simons, Paul Whelan and Terry Burnett, in a scene from "The Last, The Very Last, Buttery," a Holocaust remembrance piece with music for young and adult audiences.

thoughts and feelings in a safe and protected setting. The workshop culminates in a reading of their work by professional actors.

**Choice workshop:** This interactive workshop includes a short performance, "in-role" dialogue and further work. Content is geared toward helping students consider issues such

as peer pressure, self-esteem and ethical decision making.

**Special needs workshop:** Self-expression exercises allow both "artists" and/or "gifted and talented" students explore alternative pathways to successful behavior and learning. **Holocaust education workshop:** Age-appropriate "parallel improv-

ation" role playing and other dramatic techniques designed to facilitate discussion and exploration of Holocaust-related issues in connection with a Holocaust awareness presentation by Pushcart Players.

Pushcart Players is located at 187 Bloomfield Ave., Verona. For information, call (973) 837-1113.

## NJPAC opens Broadway-bound anniversary tour of 'Evita'

Original "Evita" choreographer Larry Fuller has directed and choreographed a national tour which played last week at NJ Performing Arts Center and which will — hopefully — land on Broadway in the fall. But for now, it will play to regional audiences until August.

Andrew Lloyd Weber's "Evita" is 20 years old. You don't have to be a history buff to remember the role that made Paul Lupone famous. Who can forget the TV commercial about the close-up of the "diva" singing that now-famous song in that famous tone?

If you have, this production will make you remember. Fuller has been associated with 11 previous productions of "Evita." He has received his collaboration with Harold Prince, including the production design. His choreography has been "Latinized," as love — thank you — many of the productions. And for the first time, all three leading roles are played by Latino-American actors.

And what actors they are. Ana Maria Rodriguez as Eva Peron adds a presence that could only be surpassed by the real Eva. She is confident and imperious, yet vulnerable, and we are gratified by her behavior at the same time we are enthralled by her spell. Her brilliantly delivered performance at Dancin' City for Me Argentina is worth the price of admission all by itself.

## Theater View

By Faith Agnew  
Correspondent

Raymond Jaramillo McCleod is Juan Peron, dictator, philosopher and Eva's pawn. But we never feel too bad for him, as it is clear that he feels little love for the woman who made his political career. As Che Guevara, Kati Tanara is magnetic, growling and rebellion and raging at the destruction of his country. The vocal talents of all three are brilliant, but the true joy comes in watching their funny characterizations of these remarkably complex characters.

The rest of the cast is equally wonderful, particularly Angela Covington as Peron's young mistress. Only 15, Covington gives a performance that rivals that of actresses twice her age. The ensemble is flawless, whether they be the townfolk of Eva's town, the ancestry of Buenos Aires or the Peronists outside the palace. The Act I closer, "A New Argentina," is thrilling.

Fuller has staged a worthy anniversary production of "Evita." Every aspect, from choreography to sets to costumes, is just begging for a Broadway stage.

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# ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## Through the years



Noted town historian Brian Toal shares stories and maps of Clark's past with Kiwanis Club members at a Tuesday night meeting at George's Catch 27 Restaurant in Linden. Toal also discussed his book 'From Exit 135: A History of the Township of Clark.'

*Courtesy of Susan Dougherty*

## Recording exhibits a 'stitch' of talent

Lower East Side Slitches: "Stajak, I.E.S." on NG Records is a testament to the fall of the once-prosperous New York City punk empire. "Stajak" licks the spoon that was used to scrape the bottom of the poppy jock-punk bucket.

The band's sound relies heavily on a cut-and-paste of Bad Religion and Nirvana riffs. While the players, Cur-



Lower East Side Slitches

## Punk Scene

By Shaun McCarpack  
Staff Writer

us Slitch on lead guitar, Lymie Belman on rhythm, Damián Bráncic on bass and drummer James Doggs keep it tight and hold their own. Lead singer Mick Brown has got to go with his 'oh holy holy 'yeast' lyrics.

There scene — the Lower East Side punk movement — was cut from the lip when Kurt Cobain unearthed the underground, almost a decade ago. Lead singer Mick Brown inadvertently turns it in "NYC is Dead."

Their message, sadly lacking if there was one, it's about getting "wasted and being angry." Sound familiar? Brown somehow manages to beat a twice-dead horse with witless lyrics

and sell some kids on his played-out punk presence. Unfortunately for the Slitches, Brown's one-liner, whiny lyrics draw attention away from some decent riffs and nice counter-melody work between studio guitarist Todd Bráncic and bassist Bráncic. When Brown sings "Persistent, no wait" let me be a vacuum," on "Parasite," it's

difficult to hear the music. Dropping "NYC is Dead" lyrics: "Where's the soul there ain't no counting anybody die who was cool," will make listeners wonder if Brown is actually illiterate or if he just uses it as a tool to schmooze the stacks.

"The album's high point comes in "Applifier Let Down."

Jacquie McCarthy, Editor

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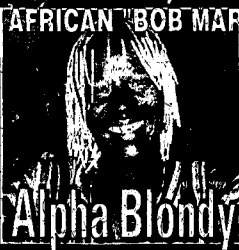
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# Stepping Out

rehearses Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. at the Deutscher Club in Clark. New members are welcome. For information, call Manfred Schneider at (908) 382-4900.

**UNION HARMONICA BAND** holds practice sessions at the Senior Center Building-Goldweld and Morris avenues. Union, every Friday from 7 to 9:30 p.m. **WESTFIELD GLEE CLUB** invites male singers to come and sing at rehearsals on Mondays at 8 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church, 140 Mountain Ave., Westfield. Interested male singers are invited to call Dale Juntilla at (908) 232-0673.

**SUMMIT CHORALE** rehearsals are held Tuesday evenings from 7:45 to 10:15 p.m. at Brothel's Chapel on Drew University Campus in Madison. For information, call And Curtis at (973) 467-1454.

## CAFES

**VAN GOGH'S EAR CAFE** presents jazz entertainment on Sundays at 8 p.m. Feb. 7, Breakfast, Feb. 12, Nick Deuce Quartet Feb. 21, Rials of Passage Feb. 28, Dan Cresco A 33 cover is charged.

"Acoustic Tuesday" is followed by Open Mic Night from 7:30 to 10 p.m. with a cover of 7 p.m.

Van Gogh's Ear is located at 1017 Stuyvesant Ave. in Union. For further information, call (908) 810-1844.

**AMORE DI CAFFE** is located at 485 Springfield Ave., Berkeley Heights. For information, call (908) 665-8366.

**BARNES & NOBLE CAFE** in Springfield emulates a coffeehouse atmosphere with a literary spin, appealing to young and old alike.

The Cafe hosts a wide variety of family-oriented entertainment, ranging from folk singers to jazz ensembles, in addition to other programs. The Cafe hosts Open Mic Night on the third Sunday of the month at 7:30 p.m. Barnes & Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. For information, call (201) 376-8544.

**CAFE ROCK** is a rock-n-roll memorabilia coffeehouse. Seating is available but outside tables in the summer.

The cafe is located at 5 Eastman St., Cranford. For information, call (908) 276-0595.

**MINSTREL COFFEEHOUSE** is a coffeehouse concert series run by the Cafe Project, a non-profit, folk music and arts organization. The Project is located at the Somerset County Environmental Center, 190 Lord Sterling Road, Backing 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 95¢. For information, call (908) 785-2499.

**MUSIC BOX CAFE** of the Donald P. Palmer Museum is located in the Springfield Free Public Library. Musical and other entertainment is presented on scheduled days.

Those interested in performing at the Music Box Cafe should submit a resume of letters of introduction to Susan Palmatos, Springfield Free Public Library, 68 Mountain Ave., Springfield, 07081.

## CLUBS

**ELLAS' BAR & GRILL** presents live musical entertainment on weekends. The tavern is located at 648 Franklin St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 352-6405.

**PHYL'S PLACE** presents live musical entertainment on weekends. The tavern is located at 836 Elizabeth Ave., Union. For information, call (908) 325-8990.

classical panel frame Aster on Wednesday at 10 a.m.

The library is located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 354-0060.

**TAVERN IN THE PARK** in Roselle Park features jazz music every Wednesday and weekend entertainment. The tavern is located at 1431 Irving St., Rahway. For information, call (908) 815-1042.

**WESTFIELD HIGH SCHOOL** will present children's recording artist Jonathan Srouji on Saturday from 7 to 9:30 p.m.

For ages 5-12. Admission is \$5. For information, call (908) 232-3238, ext. 210.

**CHEMICAL-MAGIC PROJECT** will take place Sunday at 2 p.m. at Trollope Nature and Science Center in Montclair.

It is located on New Providence Road in Mountainside. For information, call (908) 232-3238, ext. 210.



Drake House Museum in Plainfield will feature landscapes, still lifes and figure drawings through Sunday. Above, Green Brook Park oil painting by Gery Heidl.

**THE COVE** in Roselle features bands on weekends.

The club is alcohol-free. The Cove is located at 108 Chestnut St., Roselle. For information, call (908) 241-1225.

## COMEDY

**JOE'S BASEMENT** at Tavern in the Park in Roselle Park presents comedians featured on HBO and VH1 on Fridays 7 p.m. EXXtreme Comedy Show with Otto and George, Yentliss, and National Lampoon's Dennis Ross.

Admission is \$8 for available. \$25 dinner package is available. Show begins at 9 p.m. Tavern in the Park is located at 147 West Westfield Ave., Roselle Park. For information, call (908) 241-7400.

**PMS, Phony Moheltrix "Sistas"**, Comedy Troupe will perform tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. at Resource Center for Women in Summit.

Admission is \$10. The center is located at 31 Woodland Ave., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-7253.

**CASUAL TIMES** restaurant features comedians on Saturdays, at 8:30 p.m. to 11 p.m.

The restaurant is located at 1088 Central Ave., Clark. For information, call (908) 388-6511.

## CONCERTS

**UNION MUNICIPAL BAND** will perform Monday at 7:45 p.m. at Hannah Caldwell Elementary School in Union. Admission is free. The school is located at 1920 Commercial Ave., Union. For information, call 686-4000.

**ELIZABETH LIBRARY** will present

## DISCUSSION

**ELIZABETH LIBRARY** will host a presentation of historical black sermons and treatises on Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

The library is located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 354-0060.

**SUBURBAN COMMUNITY CENTER** in Murray Hill will present "The Nuts and Bolts of Strings and Keys" on Saturday and March 27 from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The center is located at 579 Central Ave., Murray Hill. For information, call (908) 790-0700.

**TOWN BOOK STORE** in Westfield will feature Allen Barra, author of "Inventing Wyatt Earp: The Life and Many Legends" on Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to 12 p.m.

The book store is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call (908) 232-2890.

**A GARDEN ENCLOSED: Secrets of the Union Taprooties** will be presented Sunday at 9 p.m. at NJ Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

A contribution of \$8 is suggested. NJCVAT is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

**AN AFRICAN-AMERICAN EXPERIENCE** will take place Sunday from 3 to 6:30 p.m. at Paterson Community Center in Elizabeth.

Donation is \$10. The center is located at 4th Avenue and Palmer Street in Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 351-3875.

**SOCHI FAMILY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP** will meet Sunday at 7:30 p.m. at Barnes and Noble book store in Springfield.

The book store is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

**GREAT EXPECTATIONS OF LITERATURE** is a group for people who share a love for classical literature from Shakespeare to the group meets on "Tues and Thurs" Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at the Union County Center for the Arts in Union.

For information, write to Leslie Moore, 1168 Rahway Road, Scotch Plains, NJ 07076.

## KIDS

**FIRST-BOOK STORE** will take place tomorrow at 7 p.m. at Barnes and Noble book store in Springfield.

The book store is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

**PAPERMAKING** project will take place tomorrow from 3:30 to 6 p.m. at the Union County Center for the Arts in Union.

For information, call (908) 273-9121.

## MEETINGS

**CHESL CLUB** in Elizabeth Library Branch will meet Mondays at 8:30 p.m.

The club is located at 740 W. Grand St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 353-4242.

**LINDEN ART ASSOCIATION** meets at Suburban Recreation Center on Monday nights in Union. Business meetings are held four times a year.

**MOONRAKERS CLUB**, serving the ladies, has a new status, providing "holds" meetings on the second Tuesday of each month at 8 p.m. at Meadowlands Hilton Hotel in Secaucus.

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**UNION TOWNSHIP HISTORICAL SOCIETY** meets on the third Thursday of each month at 7:30 p.m. at the Union County Center for the Arts in Union.

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**WESTFIELD ART ASSOCIATION** holds general meetings on the second Thursday of the month at the Westfield Community Room, 428 East Broad St., Westfield. For further information about membership, call (908) 232-8971 or (908) 232-7058.

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## MUSEUMS

**BELLEVILLE HISTORY MUSEUM** in Westfield will present "Alpo-American of Colonial New Jersey on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Admission is \$2. \$50 for children. Children under age 6 are admitted free. The museum is located at 614 Mountain Ave., Westfield. For information, call (908) 232-1776.

## SINGLES

**PAPER MILL** is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call (973) 376-4343.

**INTERFAITH SINGLES** will have continental breakfast on Sundays through Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to 10:30 a.m. at First Baptist Church in Westfield.

Donation is \$2. The church is located at 170 Elm St., Westfield. For information, call (908) 233-2278.

**CROSSROADS** Christian singles group will meet on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at Evangelical Church in Scotch Plains.

The church is located at 1251 Terrell Road in Scotch Plains. For information, call (908) 322-9000.

**CONVERSATIONS BY CANDLELIGHT** is a group of single professionals who meet on Wednesdays at 8 p.m. at the Union County Center for the Arts in Union.

By invitation only. No phone interview and membership required. Fee is \$75. For information, call (201) 567-2082.

## THEATER

**FIDDLER ON THE ROOF** will be presented tomorrow through Feb. 14 at Union County Arts Center in Rahway. For information, call (908) 376-8544.

**THE PLAYERS** will be presented through Feb. 14 at Elizabeth Playhouse.

The playhouse is located at 1100 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 353-0177.

**UP, UP AND AWAY**, The Songs of Jimmy Webb will run through Sunday at Paper Mill Playhouse.

The playhouse is located on Brookside Drive in Millburn. For information, call (973) 376-4343.

**ABE LINCOLN IN ILLINOIS** will be presented through Feb. 14 at Elizabeth Playhouse.

The playhouse is located at 1100 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 353-0177.

## VALENTINES

**HEARTS AND FLOWERS** project will take place Saturday at 11 a.m. at Elizabeth Union County Arts Center.

The arts center is located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 353-0177.

**WHAT IS LOVE?** discussion will take place Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. at Scotch Plains Little Theatre in Scotch Plains.

The theatre is located at 240 Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

## ART SHOWS

**KENT PLACE GALLERY** in Summit will display "Etiologies" by Rod Cameron through tomorrow.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The gallery is located at Kent Place School, 42 Kentwood Ave., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-0900.

**DRAKE HOUSE MUSEUM** in Plainfield will feature landscapes, still lifes and figure drawings through Sunday.

The museum is located at 602 W. Main St., Plainfield. For information, call (908) 785-5831.

**PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE** in Millburn will run through Feb. 14 at the Paper Mill Playhouse. For information, call 376-4343.

**ART AT OVERLOOK** Hospital in Summit will display works by Monica Sisto and Sheila R. Lengua through Feb. 27.

The hospital is located at 99 Beauvoir Ave., Summit.

**ABOUT SPACE**, landscape paintings by Lanny Irgens Badami, are on display through Feb. 28 at NJ Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and 7 to 9 p.m. on Saturday and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. NJCVAT is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

**CHILDREN'S SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL** in Mountainside will display artwork by students from Westfield Public Schools through February.

The hospital is located at 150 New Providence Road in Mountainside.

**PATHWAYS**, an exhibit of watercolors and acrylic paintings by Kathie Anne Taylor of Union, run through March 3 at Les Maitreux Art Gallery at Union Library.

Gallery hours are Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m., and Friday and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. The library is located at Fiferger Park in Union.

**DAVEY**, a mixed media art show by Haya Karaca will be on display through March 4 at Donald P. Palmer Museum in Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-4343.

**VISUAL EXPLORATION 2** will be on display through March 7 at NJ Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

NJCVAT is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

**INTERNATIONAL JURIED SHOW** will be on display through March 10 at NJ Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

NJCVAT is located at 68 Elm St., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

**SUMMIT FRAME AND ART** will exhibit "Spotting Art: hunting, fishing and more from mid-1800s through the present" through March 31.

Store hours are Monday through Saturday from 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. and Thursday from 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. The store is located at 465 Springfield Ave., Summit. For information, call (908) 273-8665.

**ELIZABETH LIBRARY** will host a reception for a quilt exhibit by Ann Bridges in Roselle, an exhibit by Bridges Book Store of the Rahway area and an exhibit by Feret-Fanetis on Saturday at 1:30 p.m.

The library is located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 354-0060.

## AUDITIONS

**CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB** will have auditions for "Pippin" on Sunday at 8 p.m.

Performances are May 7-22. CDC is located at 78 Vanars Ave., Cranford. For information, call Bob Peile at (732) 276-6112. Linda Tuzetta at (908) 232-8834 or Madeline Moran at (732) 381-2264.

**THE ESSEX CHORALE OF SHORT** HILLS "Sings" singers in all voice ranges. 11-12 p.m. in Summit. Singers who are members of sacred and secular music. Rehearsals are at 7:45 p.m. Wednesdays at St. John's Lutheran Church in Summit.

For information, call Bette Schmitt, publicity director, at (908) 464-6172.

**RAHWAY VALLEY JERSYVAIRES** barbershop chorus rehearsals in the First Baptist Church at 170 Elm St., Westfield every Monday at 7:30 p.m.

Men of all ages are invited to stop by. For information, call (908) 728-8003, (908) 254-7246 or (732) 494-3890.



A Garden Enclosed: Secrets of the Union Taprooties discussion will be presented Sunday at 9 p.m. at NJ Center for Visual Arts in Summit.

## POETRY

**POET BREAK OUT** will take place Tuesday at 6 p.m. at Elizabeth Library. The library is located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 354-0060.

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## VARIED

**BLACK HISTORY PROGRAMS** will be presented Saturday and Tuesday from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at Elizabeth Library. The library is located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 354-0060.

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# What's Going On?

## FLEA MARKET

**SUNDAY**  
February 7, 1999  
EVENT: Flea and Craft (Indoors and Outdoors)  
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TIME: 9:00am-5:00pm  
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ORGANIZATION: Chris Westling

## FRIDAY

February 5th, Snowdate February 12, 1999  
EVENT: Flea Market  
PLACE: Reformed Lutheran Church, 134 Prospect Avenue, Irvington  
TIME: 10am-1pm  
PRICE: New and Used Items, Clothes, Books, Records, Housewares, Linens, etc.  
ORGANIZATION: Reformed Lutheran Church

## FRIDAY

February 19, 1999  
EVENT: Annual Auction  
PLACE: Passaic Catholic High School, Pantan Road, Roselle, New Jersey  
TIME: 5:00pm  
PRICE: Admissions \$5.00, No Children Allowed  
ORGANIZATION: RCJ's Mothers Club

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## CRAFT

**SATURDAY**  
February 13, 1999  
EVENT: Flea Market  
PLACE: St. Thomas Center, 1407 St. George Avenue, Rahway  
TIME: 9:00am-4:00pm  
PRICE: Ethnic Kitchens, Vendor's Wanted. For information please call 732-362-2471  
ORGANIZATION: St. Thomas Church

## WORKSHOPS EDUCATIONAL

**WEDNESDAY OR THURSDAY**  
February 3, 1999  
EVENT: New Courses for Parents Developing Patient's Natural Therapeutic Skills  
PLACE: The Psychoanalytic Center of Northern New Jersey, (PCNJ), 782 Northfield Avenue, Suite LL2, West Orange, New Jersey  
TIME: Wednesday 7:20-8:50pm or Thursday 12:15-4:50pm  
PRICE: \$200 Per 10 Session Course. For further information call 973-736-7600  
ORGANIZATION: The Psychoanalytic Center of Northern New Jersey (PCNJ)

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# Teen arts seeking volunteers

Do you like working with artists, teachers and students? The Union County Teen Arts Festival offers an opportunity for volunteers to get involved.

The Union County Teen Arts Festival, a Division of Cultural and Heritage Affairs Department, will be held at the University of the Sacred Heart, the first of its kind annually at Union County College in Clifton. The event, scheduled for March 17 and 18, is open to all students from public, private and parochial public and high schools in the county.

The festival, 3000 students participate in performances, art projects, seminars, master classes, and workshops with a staff of 50 professional artists in every discipline. Sessions are public, interactive, and fun. The festival is a great way to get involved in the arts and to meet other students with similar interests.

Volunteers are needed to assist artists with workshops, manage the festival, and assist with the festival. If you are interested in any of these activities, contact the Union County Cultural and Heritage Affairs Department at 973-736-7600, ext. 2000, or 973-736-7600, ext. 2000. Call 973-736-7600 for more information.

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# Artist's love of animals on display in Springfield

After graduating from school in Turkey, where she majored in Middle Eastern and Egyptian art, literature and history, Nye returned to her home town in an art history and painting at Rutgers University in New Jersey. In 1982 and 1985 she assisted in managing an art gallery, Vice Artisans, in Montrose, California. In 1989 and 1990, she attended two art workshops in Wisconsin with Maxine Magerfeld. Nye has also attended printmaking, papermaking, painting and design classes, and in 1995 attended a printmaking workshop at Asia Mackie's Studio in New York City.

Nye has entered many juried shows in New Jersey. Working Arts Center in 1996 where she won first place; New Jersey Center for Visual Arts Annual International Show in 1997; "Salute to Women in Arts" at the Cultural Center, Demarest in 1996, among others. She has won honorable mention in the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts 1995, 1995 and 1996, as well as merit award at the Summit Outdoor Art Show 1997. Nye has exhibited widely in New Jersey, including Natick's Innisbrook, Visual Arts of Mount Pleasant in 1998, and Artwork Group Show at the NJ Center for Visual Arts in 1998.

The Donald B. Balmer Museum is located in the Springfield Public Library, 66 Mountain Ave. The hours of the exhibiting gallery, Wednesday and Thursday from 10 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.; Tuesday, Friday and Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and Sun from 11 to 3:30 p.m. For information call (973) 376-4230.

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## For Feb. 8 to Feb. 14

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19) - This week luck seems to find you wherever you are. Use this beneficial period wisely. Practice moderation in matters of the heart and finances and you can't go wrong.

**CANCER** (April 20-May 20) - Luck to expand your professional horizons. Creativity opens, night unexpected. Your mood takes on a conservative tone toward week's end. It's a healthy approach to your work.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21) - A positive attitude attracts a happy relationship on a happy face and extends a hand of friendship. Think ahead, decide when additional information comes to light.

**SCORPIO** (June 22-July 22) - Career decisions are backed by responsibilities to your personal life. Find a balance. Regenerate your physical body with special care. Start with

a new diet along with moderate exercise.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22) - Travel for pleasure and relaxation is planned. Take only your mate, food and good conversations. Teach a subject you don't want to learn and you're wise.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22) - Review and perhaps revise your financial goals. Take a close look at a promising opportunity to invest. Make adjustments in your routine to improve your effectiveness.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) - Get ready for action in your relationship sector. Soon you will discover patience is your forte. Pick it as your virtue if most helpful. Volunteer to watch the kids.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21) - Spend quality time with family members. Plan a special dinner and celebrate your togetherness. Join forces with co-workers to complete a difficult task. Humor helps lighten the mood.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21) - Initiate a friendship with someone of a different background or culture. If you feel you will be able to see beyond your differences, being a scholar is a great idea.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19) - Working at home can be very productive. Get away from your boss and do your own thing. Psychological ailments, illnesses, an ailment and design a new life budget.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18) - Stick to your guns and defend an opinion you believe is true. You will amaze your friends this week by connecting with old friends. Call on

some of your long lost buddies.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20) - Your relationships are very active during this period. Make note of your dreams. It's time to give something back. Be generous with a friend who has helped you in the past.

If your birthday is this week, expand on areas of personal interest during the coming year. You will be gaining and growing by leaps and bounds - mentally. Several short distance trips are planned as you feel the need to explore just beyond your current boundaries. Think before you speak and be careful not to make any promises you can't keep.

As a born this week: Ted Koppel, Travis Todd, Jennifer Armstrong, Mark Harris, Mark Spitz, Dan Reynolds, Leslie Nielsen, Paul Tougas, John Cusack.

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## Union, Essex auction houses to expand, combine forces

Lincoln Galleries of Orange and Remney Galleries of Summit, two New Jersey leading antique auction houses, are joining forces. As part of the Remney offices have moved and all business will be performed under the Lincoln banner at their 65,000 square-foot facility at 225 Scotland Road in Orange. Reg Blauvelt will retain his position as president and Carolyn Remney will begin her duties as vice president in charge of marketing and sales. Remney will also join Blauvelt as auctioneer at the popular Lincoln auctioneer auctions.

Lincoln was formed in 1987 and is one of the oldest businesses in the New Jersey area. It was among the founding members of the Appraisers Association of America. They owned May, flower, Moving and Storage in 1970 and, with 68 years of experience behind them, are widely known as premiere movers of fine antiques and large estates. Their ability to auction estates as well as transport them enables them to offer their customers an unparalleled service. Lincoln also does real furniture and fine art restoration work, which is staffed by an elite group of European craftsmen.

In recent years Lincoln has sold a Philadelphia highway for \$85,000 and a college collection of 150,000 vintage baseball cards. The million-dollar baseball cards was found in an attic in "full funds." The owners turned down \$43,000 retail and entrusted the massive collection to Lincoln for auction. Lincoln netted them \$77,000.

Lincoln Galleries was established in 1987 and quickly became a national name. They began their first auctions in 1993 and by 1997 their auctioneers were so well attended they were forced to triple the size of the auction house facility. One year later, it became apparent to Carolyn

Remney that she once again needed a larger space. Remney is known for their specialty auctions, specifically Wedgewood, Fine China and Oriental rugs. In addition to her role as president and senior appraiser at Remney Galleries, Carolyn Remney also dedicates her time for lectures, publications and the media. She hosts her own TV show, "Antique Treasures," on TV-30 and appears as a guest appraiser on "The Antiques Roadshow," PBS Channel 13.

The merging of these two dynamic organizations should prove to be a formidable force in today's auction arena. When asked why she decided to merge with Remney, Blauvelt responded, "I have been reading so much about Carolyn Remney in the papers. I thought that she must be doing something right and decided that I wanted her on board. Lincoln is about to implement a series of expansion changes and Carolyn has just what the program needs. I am very much looking forward to working with her." The changes referred to by Blauvelt include the addition of weekend specialty auctions to the calendar, educational lecture series, renovations to the auction gallery, a greater focus on the furniture and fine art restoration aspect of the business, and a future additional office.

Remney decided to throw her hat in the ring with Lincoln when it became apparent that her company had outgrown its space in less than a year. "With business booming as it has been, I have had a hard time keeping up with my own success. Becoming a part of the Lincoln team will allow me to expand the media coverage and the educational lecture series, as well as expand and specialty auctions. Lincoln has some great plans for the immediate future, it is a highly respected company and it is exciting to be a part of it."

## Stepping Out

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St. Elizabeth. For information, call 354-6060.

**PET ADOPTION CLINIC** will take place Sunday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Boulevard 501 in Kenilworth. The veterinary office is located on Kenilworth Boulevard. For information, call (908) 245-5949.

### WORKSHOPS

**SHOW ME THE MONEY** grant writing workshop will take place today from 6:30 to 8:45 p.m. at Elizabeth Library. Admission is free. The library is located at 1 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call 558-2550.

**RAHWAY LIBRARY** will host an art workshop for teens on Saturday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

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### JOURNAL WRITING

courses will be offered Sunday and Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Donald B. Palmer Museum of the Springfield Library. —Bing Lissalant notebook, pen, and glue stick, stickers, scissors, magna-zinc, odgophots and colored markers. The library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-4930.

**ART THERAPY** workshop will take place Tuesday at 7 p.m. at The Connection for Family and Friends in Summit.

The connection is located at 79 Maple St., Summit. For information, call (908) 277-3663.

## 'Pathways' can be seen at Les Malamut Gallery

"Pathways" is the next exhibition at the Les Malamut Gallery in the Union Public Library on Morris Avenue. The show will feature water colors and acrylic paintings by Kathie Anne Taylor of Union.

Although Taylor, a self-taught artist, began painting only five years ago when she was expecting her first child, she is already an award winner. Two of her paintings won awards in the Festival on the Green last year, one for the Barbara Gladysky Union Center Bank Purchase Award and the other for the Second Place Overall Water Colors. She has won an award in the Stillwater Art Society.

She grew up in Rye, N.Y., and moved to Union with her husband. This last year, Chris Taylor is pastor of the Fowler Presbyterian Church in Union. She now has two children and enjoys when she is able to participate in the church's activities. Her subjects often include a lot of life and nature. "The show will continue through March 14. The exhibit is open during Monday through Saturday, Tuesday through Thursday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m."

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- **Little Earl Earnhouse Museum & Farmstead**, 11 Horsehoe Road, Berkeley Heights. Open 2 1/2 hours on the first Sunday of each month from April through December or by appointment. Call (908) 481-1001.
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- **Crane-Phillips House Museum**, 124 Union Ave. N., Fairfield. Open 2 1/2 hours on Saturdays from September through June, or by appointment. Call (908) 276-0382.
- **Recher-Olden Mansion**, 1046 1/2 Rte. 57, Elizabeth. By appointment only. Call (908) 351-1500.
- **Boxwood Hall**, 1073 E. Jersey St., Elizabeth. Open 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Friday. Call (201) 426-4549.
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- **Deacon Andrew Heffield House**, Constitution Plaza, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside. By appointment only. Call (908) 232-8608.
- **Traubite Nature and Science Center**, 452 New Providence Road, Mountainside. Call (908) 780-4670.
- **The Salthus Museum**, 1350 Springfield Ave., New Providence. Open 3 p.m. on the first and third Sundays of the month and 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on the first Thursday of the month. Call (908) 264-1163.
- **Beake House Museum**, 402 N. Fifth St., Plainfield. Open 2 1/2 p.m. on the first and third Thursdays of the month. Call (908) 255-8541.
- **Mechanic and Drapers Tavern**, 152 S. Trenton Ave., Rahway. By appointment only. Call (908) 481-0241.
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"If you're in love, you better get your sweetheart in early," said Dick Hight of Bridgewater, a singing quartet clinician for the 50th anniversary year.

There will be several quartets in the two choruses available to Westfield and Middlesex counties. All "singing areas," and Hight believes, anyone can receive this unique, universal gift of the soul. "If a request comes in for someone outside our area, I will try to place it within the many other choruses throughout the area. New Jersey, but the whole country, that are participating in this event."

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From left, Bobi Stajknecki, Rahway Valley Jaycees president; Chuck Spozdial, Dick Bodman, and Joe Weiss are prepared to surprise your sweetheart with a musical Valentine.

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# Savor the largess of a bygone year

As we enter the last year of the 20th century, we should savor the cultural dynamism of 1998 from the standpoint of the cultural consumer. We should be grateful for the unexpected largess of the last year of our century and perceptions. Here are two movies chosen for their intensity and bright illumination of human variability.

In writing, Phillip Roth realized his gift for exploring conflict in contemporary life in the Pulitzer Prize-winning novel, "American Pastoral," about a good Jewish man from Newark who is overwhelmed in his personal life by the forces of violence that destroyed his rationality and American dream in the postwar America which appeared to have lost its bearings—the legitimate struggles of the 1940s.

On the stage of English actress Nicole Kidman brought her great beauty and subtle acting to witlessly succeed in depicting interlocking contemporary women in "The Blue Room" on Broadway, while British playwright Tom Stoppard fashioned one of the great film scripts of all time, intertwaving dramatic fabrications about Shakespeare with the head's suspenseful "Romance and Comedy."

The film, a dramatic excellent, in many scenes, scolding, contemporary movies were remarkably and independent creative, evoking the need to express themselves by all means necessary which did not suppress the bitterness of these films with contemporary society and its hypocrisy. These diverse movies include "The Real Blonde," "The Opposite Sex," "Happiness," "You, Friends and Neighbors," "Cinema," "Thirty Days in Paris," "The Truman Show," "Career."

# Vunteers welcome at local arts center

The Union County Arts Center, a 1300-seat multi-purpose performing arts center located in Rahway, seeks individuals to volunteer for advertising, concessions, fundraising, marketing, mailings and other support.

Both in 1997, the building, which is served as a valuable resource for the community and a highly successful theater. Currently, more than 20 quality performing arts events, spanning music, adult and children's theater, dance and theater, plus films and dance are presented annually.

# On The Arts

By Jon Pezart

Gints "Clock Watchers," "Blauvelt," "Angese Flux" and "Stam" influence the centennial celebration of George Gershwin culminated in a New York Philharmonic concert which opera diva Sylvia McNair sang Gershwin songs with style and an obvious love for the material which developed the audience's interest. The Philharmonic sought to avoid these days, as hard to imagine in the West, but Masur as it was after World War II.

In art, the deeply personal impact of Mary Cassatt's oil painting "Woman with Child" is still appreciated for its temporary flowering of the American Impressionist style where you could meet with them face to face, while their uptown Chelsea location was available, at the exhibit in Hudson of contemporary paintings she called "The Life," by Hollos and artist Charlotte Salomon.

Finally, in sports, there was the singular triumph of the team concept by the New York Yankees in their 25th season including their playoffs and World Series victories. I suppose the fans saw the team playing and felt in professional accomplishment and the final blow that they usually absorb larger tears of spirit and pride models as an team has ever done, like a Jewish-style Laker Robinson led the Brooklyn Dodgers.

Jon Pezart is a resident of Summit.



Photographer Owen Kanzier of Linden, at work on the streets of Elizabeth photographing antique architectural details for his Union County HEART Grant project.

# Aerial photographer lands grant for historic exhibit

Photographer Owen Kanzier of Linden was well known for his aerial photography which has been exhibited in several cities in New Jersey. He is now hard at work on a new photographic project with his feet planted firmly on the ground.

Kanzier was a recipient last fall of a \$10,000 individual artist grant from the Union County Board of Commissioners, and the Union County Board of Cultural and Heritage Affairs. This grant will help support his proposed photographic project of capturing aerial details of the beautiful architecture of design and craftsmanship that can still be found in Rahway, but has been slowly vanishing from the city's skyline.

Kanzier said he has "watched history disappear by degrees" in Rahway. "I don't see any more old buildings here," he said, "and I am concerned about the loss of our history." He plans to photograph architectural details and detail work. He claims to have already taken many photos of buildings that he has already

admitted while driving by are found one day to be gone forever. He said covers they have been covered up by aluminum by vinyl siding, or have been obliterated by some other remodeling job.

"Several years ago I had the idea to record some of this rich architectural history in photographs before it's too late. I don't never had the time until now," he said. His grant will help him pursue a project he had on the back burner for a long time, Kanzier said.

The Heart Grant Program, an acronym which stands for History, Education, Arts — Reaching Through Grants, was established by the Board of Board to serve as a catalyst in strengthening the county's commitment to a non-profit organization, artists and scholars enhancing their ability to provide projects relating to history, the arts and the humanities.

Kanzier will share his photographs of Elizabeth's vanishing antique architectural details with the Union County residents at an exhibit to be held at the Elizabeth Public Library during March.

# Career & Education

# Whitman's 'virtual' university becomes a reality at NJIT

Twenty-one employees of Bell Atlantic Network Services Inc. just earned their master's degree at Whitman Institute of Technology, a non-degree extension program of NJIT.

This group of professionals, based in offices in Silver Spring, Maryland, and Littlefield, New Jersey, are more than just the most recent addition to NJIT's long list of success stories in distance learning. They are being recognized as "Networks Virtual University," a new effort by C&E (Career & Education) to provide distance learning programs offered by New Jersey public colleges and universities.

Today's 1993 contract with Bell Atlantic (NJIT) began providing twice-weekly instruction to Bell Atlantic employees in the summer of 1991. Students earned 45 credits in a 15-course program that focused on advanced management.

The program in Newark is a special "e" program exclusively for employees.

classroom, with an NJIT professor who delivered the lecture. Bell Atlantic employees in Maryland and Central New Jersey watched and took notes via state-of-the-art interactive technology.

After three years of hard work, those professionals have now earned their Master of Science degree in management.

"Many institutions talk a great deal about technology," said Keith Kiddy, director of learning and integration at Bell Atlantic. "But they don't do it. Today's graduating class. My students at Bell Atlantic for recognizing the need and supporting the program, and kudos to NJIT for supplying sophisticated management curriculum designed for our specific requirements, and backing it up with the

dedicated staff and supporting technology to make the program a success."

Dr. Tenster, president of NJIT, said this program and others like it are "a step toward the future of higher education. They foster the kind of knowledge that drives the new economy," allowing working professionals to avoid themselves of that knowledge, and forming the building blocks of Whitman's "virtual university."

"This is an example of 'virtual education in its best form,'" Eugene Steyer, the vice president of our interactive technology, our online pro-

grams have all the features of our campus-based instruction."

NJIT is New Jersey's leading institution of distance learning. Tenster said. "We intend to expand this package of services to working professionals, as well as others who find convenient to pursue their education in this way."

The university, which has a statewide leader in extension sites, currently offers courses leading to graduate certificates and degrees at several campuses and at Drexel University, William Paterson University, Ramapo College, NJIT's Mt. Laurel, Rahway

# REUNIONS

- A luncheon for Union High School alumni is scheduled for March 27th at Holiday Inn, Douglas Beach, Fla. For information, contact Jack Jordan at (501) 966-8565.
- Former crewman of USS Kenneth D. Bailey will have a reunion in the spring of 1999 in Jacksonville, Fla. For information, contact Robert Leving at (617) 331-3286.
- Post Guard veterans of the USS Cambria will have a reunion in the spring of 1999 in Lancaster, Pa. For information, contact Mike Neumann at (561) 586-0545 or David Smith at (410) 738-3780.
- If you served with the 108th Infantry Regiment, contact Tom Schulzkeck at (616) 270-4533 about a spring 1999 reunion in Nashville, TN.
- Former crewman of USS Fargo will have a reunion in April 1999 in Hickory, NC. For information, contact Fred Huntington at (757) 499-5076.
- Former crewman of USS Pawcatuck will have a reunion in April 1999 in Biloxi, MS. For information, contact Richard St. Jean at (413) 569-5294.
- Former crewman of USS Tigely will have a reunion in April 1999 in San Antonio, TX. For information, contact Larry DiPasquale at (610) 434-7487.
- Former crewman of USS Tarawa will have a reunion in April 1999 in Hickory, NC. For information, contact Cliff Glickler at (401) 534-1141.
- Former crewman of destroyer USS Graddock will gather in Norfolk, Va. from April 14-18, 1999. For information, contact Wilbur and Helen Hinton at (513) 932-2700.
- South Plains High School Class of 1989 reunion is scheduled for April 16 for information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Men (standing in Helemann, Ill. as part of 8045th AAF, 5th ASA, 1st Det. 52nd Sig Bn) are planning a reunion for April 22, 25th in Nashville, TN. For information, contact (315) 682-0460.
- Barton High School in Elizabeth, Class of 1945 is planning a reunion for April 30-May 1. Contact Joan Gleason Abbott, 1 Westchester Drive, Livingston, NJ 07039, (201) 992-8450.
- Barton High School Class of 1949 reunion is scheduled for May 1 at Wyndham Hotel, 201 Spring St., Elizabeth, NJ 07201. Reunion is scheduled for April 29 at a part of the hotel. Reunion will be held at 2 p.m. at the hotel. Contact for reservation is March 1. For information, contact Ray Bapat (201) 241-6900.
- Graduation of USS Dryden is scheduled for early May in (Baltimore, Md. For information, contact Sam Mash at (770) 464-8070.
- Former crewman of USS Arcadia will meet May 20-23 in Norfolk, Va. Contact Robert Wyszanski at (724) 684-7400.
- Former crewman of USS Cadmus will meet May 20-21 in Norfolk, Va. Contact Robert Wyszanski at (716) 685-4415.
- Towman from USS Emerald will meet May 21 in Virginia Beach, Va. For information, contact Tom Reilly at (570) 898-4158.
- Former crewman of USS Rockaway will meet in May in St. Louis, MO. Contact (314) 747-7000.
- Former crewman of USS William Keith will meet in May in St. Louis, MO. Contact (314) 747-7000.
- Westfield High School Class of 1979 reunion is scheduled for July 10-17. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Union High School Class of 1979 reunion is scheduled for July 31. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Thomas Edison High School in Elizabeth, Class of 1949 is planning a reunion for October of Atlantic City. For information, write to UIC Class of 1949 Reunion, 826 Garden St., Elizabeth 07202.
- Former crewman of USS Rockaway will meet in November. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Union High School Class of 1974 reunion is scheduled for Nov. 26. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Union High School Class of 1989 reunion is scheduled for Nov. 26. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Robert Carter High School Class of 1978 reunion is planned for Nov. 27. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Union High School Class of 1978 reunion is scheduled for Nov. 28. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- South Plains High School Class of 1949 reunion is scheduled for 1999. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- South Plains High School Class of 1979 reunion is scheduled for 1999. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Union High School Class of 1988 reunion is scheduled for 1999. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.
- Westfield High School Class of 1974 reunion is scheduled for 1999. For information, contact Reunions Unlimited, Inc. at (732) 617-1000.

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