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## Life in the community

By 4 p.m. Sunday, Cranford historian Robert Fridlington was wrapping up a lecture for 50 people on life in the community 100 years ago. Two hours later, Stacey Dennette, the manager at the Kenilworth Diner, was observing a small steady crowd that was coming and going at her business. In Roselle Park, the Park Theater showing of the "Wedding Planner" wouldn't let out until 6:40 p.m., and the movie, "Last Dance," ended at

The pattern here was my journey to seek out people, who by choice or necessity, weren't caught up in the Super Bowl hoopla. It's not that I don't love football. Rather, I was angry that a theft of our state's identity took place last Wednesday by New York politicians.

## Left Out

By Frank Capece

It started when Mayor Rudolf Giuliani was seen all week wearing a Giants jacket which seemed surgically attached. He announced that he had made a bet on "his" team against the Baltimore's mayor.

The two New York senators also got into the act, betting against their counterparts. New York Archbishop Edward Egan even bet a pair of tickets to the Metropolitan Opera against the bishop in Baltimore. That really bugged me.

· Before Tony Siragusa, formerly of Kenilworth, and the rest of the Ravens team took the field, there was a plan to honor the Giants with a Wall Street parade. New Jersey houses the team at 16W on the Turnpike. But after the Giants started winning we in the Garden State suddenly became an extension of New York.

You won't find a more loyal Giants fan than Winfield Mayor David Wright. His Super Bowl parties are limited to a small unnamed elite group of other fans of Big Blue. By half time, when reality was setting in that there wasn't going to be any parade, Wright blamed identity problems on outgoing Gov. Christine Whitman.

"It was really Whitman who sold off our state's identity. The sale of the names of the Garden State Arts Center and the arena made the problems worse."

I recall when the New Jersey Sports and Exposition Authority put a bright red map of New Jersey at the 50-yard line for the world to see every Sunday. My out-of-state relatives love watching the satellite dish of Channel 9 coming from Secaucus.

During his lecture, Fridlington touched on the formation of the identity of Cranford by its founding fathers, the battle over water with the Kean family and powerful land owners in the community a century ago. But he admitted he would be watching the game. Judy Bober, a docent at the local historical society, conceded the game would be on, but she would be reading a book.

But the impact of the movement of sports teams 25 years ago and major business concerns changed the way we are, if not the way we look at ourselves. Even when the Devils won the Stanley Cup, we still were seen as mere stepchildren to those on the other side of the Hudson.

But the 34-7 score ended the parade planning. There is still life to live. On Feb. 11, the Cranford Historical Society will discuss another person who moved to New Jersey and did pretty well. Their topic will be the love letters of President Woodrow Wilson.

Tomorrow night, the New Jersey Nets will host the New York Knicks. I'll be there, and guess who I will be rooting for?

A resident of Cranford, Frank Capece is an attorney.

## Board establishes advisory committee

Regional Editor

The Board of Chosen Freeholders last week officially established a public advisory committee to "assure a continuing opportunity for public input in the implementation" of the Union County Open Space, Recreation and Historic Preservation Trust Fund.

Voters approved a referendum in November to create an annual tax dedicated to open space of \$0.15 per \$100 of assessed property value for 20 years. A public hearing and final adoption on an ordinance to collect the trust fund monies is scheduled for the Feb. 15 freeholder meeting. The measure was introduced at the Jan. 18 meeting.

The Union County Open Space Advisory Committee will be comprised of 15 voting members approved and confirmed by the freeholders. The committee will review, prioritize, and make recommendations to the freeholder board's standing committee on open space regarding funding for the acquisition of recreational land and environmentally sensitive areas.

Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella said people already have started making recommendations for the committee and he hopes appointments will be made over the next month.

A term on the advisory committee will be for three years with the exception of initial appointments.

Initial appointments expiring Dec. 31 will include one elected official each from the Democratic Party and the Republican Party, and three members of the

Initial appointments expiring Dec. 31, 2002 will include two members of an environmental organization, one member of a historic preservation organization, one member of a labor organization, and one member from the business community.

Initial appointments expiring Dec. 31, 2003 will include the freeholders' open space chairman or designee, Union County manager or designee, and one representative each from the Department of Economic Development, Department of Parks & Recreation and Division of Cultural & Heritage.

## Across the frozen tundra



Scouts from Troop 1 of New Providence, from left, John Smith, Doug Cox, Trevor Kress, Michael Koslap, Michael Quintavalla and Matt Jones, drag their sled as part of the Boy Scouts of the Patriot District of the Patriots' Path Council's 44th Klondike Derby sled race and scout-skill competition in the Watchung Reservation on Saturday.

## Settlement approved with superior officers in corrections

By Mark Hrywna Regional Editor

A new contract for the superior officers within the Division of Corrections was approved in January by the Board of Freeholders, which already had expired before the board's ratification.

Director of Administrative Services Joseph Salemme said there were no significant changes in the new contract, which ran from 1998 through 2000 and provided for salary increases

of 3.5 percent in each year of the deal. PBA 199A represents 41 captains, lieutenants and sergeants in the Division of Corrections.

The contract mirrored the settlement reached with the 300 rank and file members of the Division of Corrections, which is typical of contracts for superior officers, he added.

Negotiations already have started with PBA 199, representing rank and file members, in addition to several other unions representing

county employees whose contracts have expired. PBA 199 settled a three-year deal with the county in April that provided annual wage increases of 3.5 percent. The starting salary for a corrections officer is \$25,000.

As part of the settlement, the union agreed to drop a lawsuit against the county contesting its residency requirement, grandfathering in current employees into the regulation.

Other unions whose contracts expired at the end of 2000 include PBA 108, which represents

sheriff's officers; Council 8; the union representing employees in the Division of Weights and Measures, and the union which represents detectives and investigators in the Prosecutor's

United Electrical, Radio and Machine Works Local 494, representing more than 100 Parks and Recreation employees, also is in negotiations for a new contract. The union reached a settlement for 1998 through 2000 last summer after their last contract expired in 1997.

## School state aid

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Elizabeth	\$198,523,823	\$182,568,410	\$167,062,190	\$155,232,570	+\$15,955,413/9.7%
Plainfield	\$74,326,001	\$63,524,651	\$48,824,571	\$48,707,098	+\$10,801,350/17.0%
Union	\$21,45 <u>2,</u> 640	\$21,889,541	\$18,569,441	\$10,225,452	-\$346,901/1.6%
Roselle	\$16,340,262	\$16,673,737	\$13,434,544	\$10,046,497	-\$333,475/2.0%
Hillside	\$14,003,355	\$12,730,323	\$11,456,492	\$11,456,492	+\$1,273,032/10.0%
Linden	\$15,996,935	\$13,739,196	\$10,881,665	\$8,519,266	+\$2,257,739/16.4%
Rahway	\$13,935,200	\$14,566,268	\$11,304,188	\$8,983,853	+\$631,068/4.5%
Roselle Park	\$7,602,660	\$7,267,425	\$6,136,700	\$5,940,278	+\$335,235/4.6%
Westfield	\$4,430,754	\$4,044,388	\$3,706,838	\$3,089,059	+\$386,366/9.6%
Scotch Plains-Fanwood	\$3,996,887	\$3,709,176	\$3,573,690	\$3,411,863	+\$287,711/7.8%
Union County Vo-Tech	\$2,961,565	\$2,961,565	\$2,566,699	\$1,862,535	\$0/0.0%
Cranford	\$2,474,874	\$2,263,323	\$2,011,407	\$1,899,264	+\$211,551/9.3%
Summit	\$2,205,377	\$2,079,636	\$1,792,068	\$1,524,014	+\$125,741/6.0%
Berkeley Heights	\$1,741,871	\$1,678,392	\$1,674,558	\$1,584,513	+\$63,479/3.8%
Winfield	\$1,446,720	\$1,346,720	\$1,246,720	\$1,268,027	+\$100,000/7.4%
Clark	\$1,407,272	\$1,407,272	\$1,309,490	\$1,370,718	\$0/0.0%
New Providence	\$1,345,369	\$1,345,369	\$1,062,802	\$867,211	\$0/0.0%
Springfield	\$1,258,930	\$1,243,019	\$1,060,520	\$1,013,342	+\$15,911/1.3%
Kenilworth	\$1,003,467	\$1,003,467	\$790,946	\$790,946	\$0/0.0%
Mountainside	\$569,809	\$522,801	\$522,801	\$520,928	+\$47,008/9.0%
Garwood	\$489,330	\$454,916	\$445,916	\$418,547	+\$43,414/9.7%
Union County	\$388,234,169	\$356,379,527	\$309,465,211	\$307,756,698	+\$3,297,593/4.2%

Source: State Department of Education The column labeled 'Change' is the difference in state aid between school years 2000-01 and 2001-02. The state released figures for 2001-02 last week.

## Family to Family at Roselle Park High School

Do you think you could recognize the signs and symptoms associated with today's illegal drugs? Are you aware of what today's narcotics, inhalants and drug paraphernalia look like?

For parents coping with the intricacies of raising teen-agers, for students who know there are friends who may have a problem and for school personnel trying to learn more, there is a high intensity program coming to Roselle Park High School auditorium on Wednesday at 7 p.m., that holds some answers.

The "Family to Family" program, a substance abuse initiative by the Union County Prosecutor's Office that is being offered to every school on a countywide basis, is aiming to arm middle and high school communities with information about the dangers of alcohol and drugs that every teen-ager is exposed to each and every day.

The program, led by a father who lost a son, and teen-agers currently undergoing substance abuse treatment, is moderated by Prosecutor Thomas Manahan in cooperation with the Union County National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence, Superintendent Char Stanko and the Roselle Park Board of

Representatives from the Prosecutor's Office and local police department officers will be on hand to display current "drugs of choice" for teens along with related paraphernalia.

#### 'Freeholders Forum' highlights reorganization meeting wood, Mountainside: Channel 36,

Union County government's plans for new initiatives to better the quality of life for residents are the subjects of the latest "Freeholders Forum" television show sponsored by the Board of Chosen Freeholders.

The show features portions of the annual reorganization meeting on Jan. 7. At that meeting, Freeholder Alexander Mirabella was named chairman and Freeholder Lewis Mingo was named vice chairman.

In each 30-minute program, freeholders and guests discuss news events and issues affecting the lives of Union Conty residents. "Freeholders Forum" is brought to viewers by the

freeholder board and is made possible through the facilities and technical direction of Union County College.

Entitled "The 2001 Freeholder Reorganization Ceremony," the showwill be aired through Feb. 9, according to the following schedule:

- Union County except Elizabeth and Plainfield: Channel 57, Mondays, 6:30 p.m.
- · Berkeley Heights, New Providence, Springfield, Summit: Channel
- 36, Tuesdays and Thursdays, noon. • Elizabeth: Channel 70, Thurs-
- days, 6:30 p.m. • Linden, Roselle, Roselle Park,

Winfield: Channel 36, daily, 10 p.m.

• Plainfield: Channel 74, Wednesdays, 5:30 p.m.

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Scotch Plains: Channel 34, check

check cable listings. Anyone wanting more information or to comment about "Freeholders Forum" can call the Office of Public

Information at (908) 436-2072.

#### Salerno appointed to improvement authority

The Board of Chosen Freeholders appointed John Salemo of Westfield to the Union County Improvement Authority's Board of Commissioners by a vote of 8-0-1. Freeholder Nicholas Scutari of Linden abstained.

The appointment is for a five-year term effective Feb. 1 and expiring Jan. 31,

Salemo, a Democratic candidate for 22nd District Assembly in 1995, is a public information officer for the County of Union. He replaces Plainfield Republican Chairman Wayne Smith whose term expired. The board is now comprised of all nine Democrats.

## Hotline fetes volunteers

Contact We Care, the 24-hour telephone crisis hotline serving Union. Somerset, Middlesex and Essex counties, honored its more than 130 volunteer telephone workers, board members and office support at its recent volunteer recognition party at the Scotch Hills Country Club in Scotch Plains. Donations from more than a dozen area restaurants, bakeries, nut shops, florists, and theatres made the celebration possible.

"We are continually touched by the tremendous outpouring of support within the business community for our annual volunteer recognition event," said Michael Nicholson, executive director of the 26-year-old nonprofit organization, "With generous donations from the area businesses, Contact is able to shine the spotlight on these compassionate and wonderful individuals and thank them for the invaluable service they provide."

Contact We Care telephone volunteers offer the gift of listening to callers in need.

Fifteen individuals were singled out for special recognition at the event: Yvonne Rude of Millington, for coordinating Contact's Speaker's Bureau; Susan Surdez of Woodbridge, for helping with the volunteer training; Maureen Moynihan of Edison, for 500 hours on the phone lines; Ross Royce of Edison, for leading the accreditation team; Marge Odell of Fanwood, volunteer housekeeper; Barbara Knapp of Fanwood, for helping with contact's 25th anniversary Gala and Road Race; Anne Bristow of Westfield, for missing the volunteer celebration to cover the hotline; Nancy Negron of Westfield, for her work as the scheduler; Joan Bonner of Scotch Plains, for 1,000 hours on the phone lines and coordinating Contact's Road Race; Rosemarie Eurell of Cranford, for 500 hours on the phone lines; Barbara McLaughlin of Mountainside, for 2,000 hours on the phone lines; Ellen Anthony of Basking Ridge, for keeping the statistics; Terri Tuthill of Union, for assisting with the volunteer training; Bill Schau of Union, for helping the agency move to a new location, and Helen Grygiel of Union, for 1,000 hours on the

phone lines.

## LACADA, PACADA officers recognized at annual dinner

The Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse's annual Appreciation Dinner was held at The Westwood in Garwood to honor those who have made contributions to the goal of preventing and reducing substance abuse in

The Committee Awards are given to recognize the officers or members of LACADA, PACADA — the Professional Advisory Committe on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse — and CASS — the County Alliance Steering Subcommittee - for their valuable service and the time that they devoted to the goals and projects of the committees.

This year's Committee Awards went to:

LACADA members Reginald Melvin, chairman; Sonja Ash, vice chairman; E. Scott Ruerup, former secretary; Donald Erdman, former member; Gordon LeMatty, pioneering member of LACADA, and PACADA member Phyllis Linhart, retiring member.

Also honored at this year's dinner were the 13 Municipal Alliance Volunteers of the Year, the Countywide Special Project Award to the Red Ribbon Drug Awareness Event's co-sponsors and Planning Committee members as well as the Service Awards for the Municipal Alliance Coordinator.

"These men and women perform a valuable service to Union County," said Freeholder Mary P. Ruotolo, freeholder liasion to LACADA. "I hope as some of them must step down that other interested individuals will step forward."

If anyone is interested in joining LACADA — with members from a variety of the county's municipalities and having diverse professional, ethnic and personal backgrounds — or PACADA — whose voting members are from alcoholism/drug abuse service provider agencies — or has any questions about these groups, call Josephine Rago-Adia, program director with the county's Alcoholism/Drug Abuse Office at (908) 527-4837.



Honored at the Local Advisory Committee on Alcohol and Drug Abuse's annual Appreciation Dinner were, from left, back row, Human Services Director Frank Guzzo, LACADA chairman and Committee Award recipient Reginald Melvin, Freeholder Chairman Alexander Mirabella, Committee Award winner Donald Erdman, LACADA member Charles Colletti and Committee Award recipient Gordon LeMatty, and front row, Josephine Rago-Adia program director of alcoholism and drug abuse in the Union County Department of Human Services' Division of Planning; Sonja Ash, LACADA vice chairman and Committee Award winner; Carol Berger, Countywide Special Project Award recipient; Anita Novy, LACADA member; Rosita Fletcher, director of the Union County Human Services' Division of Planning; Micahel Bizzarro of Trinitas Hospital's Substance Abuse Division and PACADA chairman, and Committee Award winner Phyllis Linhart of the Union County Psychiatric Clinic and retiring PACADA member.

#### **COUNTY NEWS**

#### Program focuses on financing campaign

The Union County Women's Political Caucus will present "Financing a successful campaign" on Monday at 7:30 p.m. in the meeting room of the Venneri Building, 300 North Ave., Westfield.

The program will feature former congressional candidate and Fanwood mayor Maryanne Connelly, Green Brook Mayor Patricia Walsh, State Sen. Diane Allen and Laura Slomka, a fund-raiser for former Congressman Bob Franks. The program is recommended for women who are considering running for office, are planning to work on a candidate's campaign or are just interested in the subject.

Members are encouraged to bring guests to the meeting.

For more information call Carol Cohen, Union County Women's Political Caucus president, at (908) 232-3850.

#### Financial planner to address Mothers & More

Think it's too early to start planning for your baby's college education? Think again. On Wednesday the Union County Chapter of Mothers & More will host a discussion on saving for college, including input from a local financial planner at 7:30 p.m. at Hanson House, 38 Springfield Ave., Cranford.

Mothers & More is an international not-for-profit organization supporting women who have altered their career paths to care for their children at home. What began as one Illinois mother reaching out to another in 1987 has now grown to almost 8.000 members in over 180 local chapters in the United States and Canada. The Union County Chapter offers a variety of activities including evening discussion groups, guest speakers, Mom's night out, book discussion and weekly daytime play gatherings.

The Union County chapter holds meetings on the first and third Wednesday of each month at Hanson House. New members are always welcome

For more information call Jennifer at (732) 382-7578 or Tricia at (908) 232-7352.

#### On the lookout for Miss Union County

The search has begun to find the girl who will represent Union County at the Miss New Jersey finals in June and hopefully be on her way to Atlantic City to become Miss America.

Executive Director of the Miss Union County Pageant, Susan Dougherty, said she is looking for "young women from the age of 18 to 24 who are poised, physically fit, intelligent, talented and passionate about an issue that could change the world." The winner of the local Miss America preliminary wins a \$500 scholarship and various prizes.

The areas of competition are the same on the local, state and national level: swimsuit, evening wear, talent and interview.

The upcoming pageant will be at Arthur L. Johnson High School in Clark on Feb. 17 with one rehearsal the night before.

Young women who are interested in learning more about this scholarship opportunity can call the diretor at (732) 382-0910 during business hours

There is no sponsorship fee or entry fee for this contest.

#### Paramedic open house at Union County College

Union County College will host an open house on Saturday, which will

allow visitors to explore the possibilities of becoming a paramedic, on the Cranford campus, 1033 Springfield Ave., from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The free event will provide the public with the opportunity to find out what it takes to become a paramedic; all the courses, requirements, prerequisites, tuition, and the time commitment.

There will be certified paramedics and staff members from the following hospital training centers to answer questions, discuss course sponsorship, and describe job opportunities: Atlantic Health System: Morristown Memorial Hospital, Mountainside Hospital, and Overlook Hospital; Chilton Memorial Hospital; Dover General and St. Clares Riverside; Jersey City Medical Center; JFK Medical Center; Muhlenberg Hospital; Rahway Hospital; Raritan Bay Medical Center; St. Barnabas Medical Center; Trinitas Hospital; UMDNJ, and Union Hospital.

For directions to the Cranford campus, visit the Union County College's web site at www.ucc.educ.

#### **American Cancer Society** sells daffodils as gifts

The American Cancer Society in Essex. Hudson and Union counties will offer daffodils - the flower of hope - in boutique, planters, and vases that make special gills for your friends, family, neighbors and co-

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Residents can participate by taking orders for daffodils from friends, family and coworkers. Bunches of 10 daffodils cost \$7; potted plants are \$8; one-half box of daffodils, 25 bunches, can be purchased for \$175; and a full box of daffodils, 50 bunches, will sell for \$350. Vases are sold separately for \$8 each.

A Gift of Hope, a bouquet of 10 daffodils in an elegant amethyst vase, can be delivered anonymously to a cancer patient currently undergoing treatment in the Essex, Hudson and Union area for a donation of \$15.

Daffodils may be picked up at local American Cancer Society offices located at 767 Northfield Ave., West Orange; 507 Westminster Ave., Elizabeth, and CSI, 1 Enterprise Way, Secaucus Drive.

Delivery is available for orders of more than \$200.

#### Rainbow Pageant Feb. 16

The Union County College Foundation, in cooperation with Barbizon School of Modeling and Acting, Jersey Gardens Mall, Burger King franchises Odyssey Foods of New Jersey and Dominate Food Services, and radio station Z-100, will host a Rainbow Talent and Fashion Pageant on Feb. 16 at 8 p.m. in the Roy Smith Theater 'at Union County College's Cranford campus. Wanted for the pageant are young men and women ages 6 to 21 to compete for the title of Ms. or Mr. Rainbow 2001 on that evening.

The event is called the Rainbow Talent Pageant because Union County's young men and women have so many talents and represent so many different backgrounds. The pageant is a chance to show off talents, model the latest fashions, and to possibley even win a scholarship to Union County College and the Barbizon School of Modeling and Acting.

Each contestant will participate in fashion modeling and talent production numbers. Each contestant also is expected to sell tickets at \$10 each, to solicit ads for the journal, and to find sponsors. Rehearsals begin Monday.

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## ARTS & ENTERTAINMENT

## New Jersey choreographer sings praises of fulfillment in dance

By Bea Smith Staff Writer

Elie Lazar of West Orange, one of the most outstanding ballet dancers of his time and choreographer and teacher, as well, still appears to be conspicuously absent from performances at the New Jersey Ballet Co.

More than a year has passed since Israeli-born Lazar left the ballet company, and director Carolyn Clark brought in additional excellence to her group, memories of the young man's dancing seem to linger in the shadows.

Since leaving the New Jersey Ballet Co. after 14 "truly wonderful years," Lazar has become artistic director of the Joffrey Ensemble Dancers, the official company of the Joffrey Ballet School in New York. He is teacher and choreographer, and as such, will appear "in an exciting new concept - a dramatic new take on the relationship between dancers and musicians" Feb. 10 at 8:30 p.m. in the Colonial Symphony's "Music Meets Dance" at the Community Theater in Morristown. "The dancers take on the role normally taken by instrument soloists." Composer David Sampson's "Concerto for Dancers and String Orchestra" will feature four dancers performing as soloists on stage with the orchestra.

In addition, Paul McRae, associate director of the New Jersey Ballet Co., will design the costumes.

The versatile Lazar, who has been commissioned to create ballets worldwide, including the New Jersey Ballet, Japan's Kumanmoto and Atlanta's Youth Ballet, will lead the troupe of 12 dancers into a blend of classic ballet with the "cutting edge of dance expression."

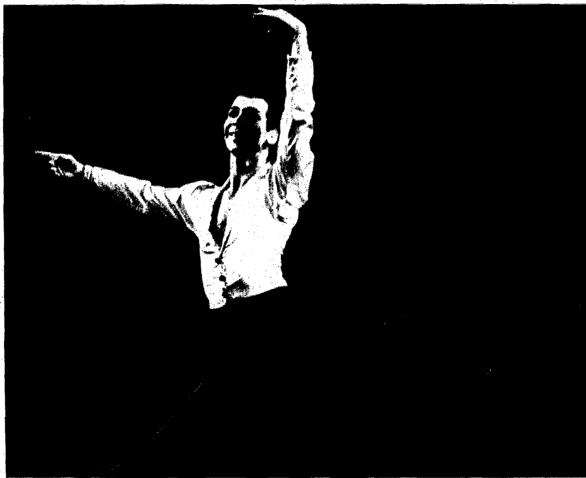
"I'm so excited about what's happening in my life," exclaimed Lazar in a slight Israeli accent, during a recent visit to this office. "Even though I'm not with the New Jersey Ballet, I have a good rapport with Carolyn Clark. I come to see her ballets as often as I can. And I do miss working with Debra Sayles, who is now a teacher in another state and doing well. And among my best friends there is Rosemary Bleich and Paul McRae."

Lazar explained that "I have always been very enthusiastic about my career. I made the transition from dancer to choreographer very easily. In addition to dancing at the New Jersey Ballet, I also was a teacher in all levels. From 1996, I started to choreograph, and I choreographed and co-choreographed about 10 ballets from pas de deux to a full-length ballet, 'The Magic Flute,' designed for young audiences. After 14 years, I started to feel that the next step in choreography was music and design. I had gotten a different sense of choreography."

He said that "Edith D'Addario, director of the Joffrey Ballet Ensemble, started to see my range of balance when I went to Japan in 1998. I was invited to choreograph for the 92nd St. 'Y' program, and was first introduced to her. She's been directing the school since the late 1980s. Before long, I became a substitute teacher at the school — which is really a new school, which offers scholarships to promising dancers.

"I was asked to dance, then became a choreographer, then a teacher. She started to get more comfortable with me and was able to see what I'm capable of doing. When I was introduced to David Sampson, we decided to collaborate on a new ballet that would be performed with the Colonial Symphony—to make it part of its concert. For me, it was a very different way of listening to the music. I was going to constitute a vocabulary of steps that in my mind would be parallel to what a composer would write the score for a solo instructor."

Lazar admitted that "the concept is extreme — it's very abstract. This



Elie Lazar of West Orange, who danced in and choreographed ballets for 14 years with the New Jersey Ballet Co., is currently teaching ballet and serving as artist director and choreographer of the Joffrey Ensemble Dancers. He will offer his creative talents to a new kind of symphony concert by the Colonial Symphony in 'Music Meets Dance' Feb. 10 at the Community Theater in Morristown. Here, he dances the 'Glinka Pas de Tois.'

was a challenge to do it in a different concept. I started working on the ballet in the beginning of December, then I had to put it aside, because I traveled to Atlanta and Chicago. I began work on it again in January, and Paul worked on the costumes. It was wonderful to have him come up with some nice ideas. In the background are changing colors, from green to gold and blue. I hope that this concept will work. And the next step was to introduce it to symphonies and orchestras to be used in concert series."

His "ultimate goal," Lazar said, "is I hope that dance will be introduced to every type of audience, especially the audience that usually attends symphonic concerts, and maybe the attraction will induce them to attend more such concerts and to enjoy the music and the dancers."

Lazar mentioned that the school has students from 18 years old to 27, and they come from all over the world to be part of the training of the Joffrey School of Ballet. They are ready to become professionals. One of the pur-

poses of the school is to give them the enjoyment in a home and to fulfill their dreams as a dancer.

"The Joffrey Ballet is in Chicago. But there is room for a ballet company in New York — to give a dance opportunity to dancers who come to one of the most exciting cities in the world," he smiled. "There are plenty of people in the country — all over the world — who want to dance as a career. The physical requirements and the discipline are very demanding, physically and emotionally. Unfortu-

nately, it is not for every person. But the fulfillment that you experience if you have the requirements— are very unique.

"When I first started dancing, I really sensed the ultimate, wonderful feeling this type of dancing brings. You feel very rewarded when you're applauded." Lazar continued, "Now, I'm teaching people and motivating them to become better, to enjoy the fulfillment that dance can give you. It's a tremendous sense of power. People are watching what you create — your influence. It's a powerful tool."

Lazar said, "Dancing is very realistic. It's about you."

Now that he is with the Joffrey Ensemble Dancers, he explained that Joffrey "enables its teachers to encourage its dancers and support the director. What I'm doing is a way of growth. I'm extremely fortunate that I was able to continue my growth. I still intend to continue performing and to bring the Joffrey Ensemble to theaters in New Jersey, at least, maybe once a very

"I'm a product of the New Jersey Ballet Co., and I'm proud of it."

Lazar, who came to this country when he was 16 years old, spent his first two years with the Garden State Ballett before coming to the New Jersey Ballet. He is from Rehovat, Israel, where he visits his mother, his brother and sister-in-law and his nephews and nieces and other family members every year. While he is in Israel, Lazar takes "classes in Israel to stay in shape. I also teach classes there.

"My long term goal," he said, "is to bring the Joffrey Ensemble to Israel, and hopefully to conduct master classes in Israel to inspire the dancers there to believe in themselves. The modern dancing in Israel is very accepted by companies in Europe and America."

# An amazing act.

The Amazing Kreskin will astonish audiences at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway Friday. For information, see the 'Variety' listing in the Stepping Out calendar on Page B8.

## 'I'm Not Rappaport' spins tales and inspires thought

During the first moments of the opening scene in "I'm Not Rappaport," which unfolded at the Forum Theater in Metuchen, just blocks away from Rahway and Linden, a theatergoer is puzzled about whether or not this Tony Award-winning play is a comedy with dramatic undertones, or a drama with comedic overtones.

But one is soon convinced that it can be — and oftimes is — both. And the perfect performers — for they all are so perfect in their roles — have the audience reeling with emotion the moment they appear onstage and open their mouths to speak.

This is Herb Gardner's second Tony Award-winning play, and in "I'm Not Rappaport," his message is ultimately clear that the elderly have a terrible problem in coming to terms with age. Gary P. Cohen, producing artistic director of Middlesex County's Plays-in-the-Park, directed this appealing stage work with a sensitivity, understanding and empathy rarely found in younger than senior citizenage people.

The story basically concerns two octogenarians, Nat and Midge, who attempt to find a middle ground for

On the Boards

By Bea Smith Staff Writer

their lives and their future. They probably would not, under other circumstances, even have conversations together, but meeting in a secluded section of Central Park every day, they are oddly attracted to each other's concerns, stories and health problems.

Allen Lewis Rickman, who plays Nat, the role that gave Judd Hersh prestige on Broadway, incredibly looks and sounds and acts almost exactly like Hirsh. He is excellent as he portrays a radical, who has spent his life fighting the injustices of the world, and is philosophical about telling huge tales — true or untrue — to his black companion, Midge, who begins by disbelieving the fantasties, but always gets caught up in the stories.

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Midge, played by Bill C. Tate, who
gives an equally fine performance as a

nearly blind 80-ish apartment super, comes to the park to hide from the tenants who are determined to arrange for his retirement.

The others in the cast are perfectly suited to their roles. Kean University professor Holly Logue is thoroughly believable as Clara, the caring daughter of the controversial Nat, who has served as his whipping board throughout her life and is ready to commit him in some facility that will care for him for the rest of his life. Of course, Nat finds this offensive, refuses to be placed in "a home for the forgotten," and spins a wild tale about going to Israel with an illegitimate daughter. Then there is the frantic Danforth, played by George Millenbach, a tenant committee representative, who attempts to "retire" Midge, and is frightened off by the threats of one of the many characters of Nat.

Terence Archie plays the Cowboy, a metacing black drug dealer, who harrasses Laurie, portrayed by Darra Yomtov Herman. Laurie, a young artist who owes him money, is threatened, until Nat comes to her rescue — at the risk of some bone-breaking. Midge also attempts to help her, only to find himself a beaten

wreck. Michael Rhett Cuozzo is seen briefly but effectively as Gilley, a young hoodlum, who preys on the elderly and persists in making them pay a fee for a safe journey home.

The title "I'm Not Rappaport" is the name of a game which Nat has played with his daughter, and then with his skeptical pal, Midge. But Nat, who seems to wear many hats in his stories, doesn't seem to have any identity — not even the jesting Rappaport.

The play, which has the appealing quality of determining the fate of senior citizens, has much food for thought. It may not be for everyone—but it certainly has a significant story to tell—but, unfortunately, with no solution.

At the Forum, it's a work of art. In reality, it's a work of pensiveness.

Bill Van Sant,
Editor

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## Montclair State expands to meet growing student needs

"Montclair State University has a responsibility to meet the needs of future generations of students," Susan A. Cole, MSU president, said in outlining her plans for the university's future.

"As New Jersey's second largest university, we have a commitment to educate students, and we need to grow to meet those responsibilities. It's for that reason that we are pleased that we have received a special state appropriation that allows the university to acquire land, including a 30-acre parcel of undeveloped land off Clove Road."

Cole noted that New Jersey's public colleges and universities are underbuilt, in part through the lack of incentives for growth.

"The result," Cole said, "is that New Jersey currently ranks 44th nationally in four-year public college and university enrollment per capita. Even worse, 60 percent of New Jersey's high school graduates leave the state to attend college or university. This 60 percent 'out-migration' rate is one of the highest in the nation."

Cole added that the resultant shortfall in enrollment capacity in the state's public colleges and universities is about to get worse.

"New Jersey will have the fifth-largest increase in high school graduates over the next 10 years. By 2008, the number of students graduating from public high schools will have increased by approximately 24 percent, and that is more than

'Our goal is to provide the quality of education that our students need to be effective, engaged and creative members of our society.' — Susan A. Cole

president, Montclair State University

19,000 additional high school graduates per year."

Cole said that this convergence of factors make university expansion "absolutely necessary," and said that the special state appropriation - which includes a \$3 million grant and a zero-interest loan of \$3.5 million — represents an official "endorsement" of university growth plans.

"It's the first time this institution has received a special legislative appropriation of this magnitude," Cole said.

Cole noted that the land is badly needed, since MSU is the state's secondlargest university, yet it ranks eighth in the size of its campus among the state's 11 public colleges and universities.

"With 13,500 students, a freshman class 22-percent larger than it was two years ago, and enrollment trends that project additional increases, it is prudent for the university to acquire this property, the last available parcel of land contiguous to our 200-acre campus," she said.

Cole said that acquiring the land now would ensure the university's future by allowing the campus to accommodate its growing population with new instructional facilities and urgently needed student housing. "The land would be intensively used," she said, "in a manner befitting an urban-suburban campus, so that the maximum benefit could be obtained.

The new student housing is only one aspect of Cole's far-ranging plan to expand campus facilities. Also on the drawing board are a combined parking structure and theater, a new academic building and technology center, four new eating venues, including the Red Hawk Diner, which will be open 24 hours a day, and a Children's Center to house the campus Child Care Center and programs that serve children with developmental needs.

"All these physical improvements are just a means to an end," said, said, "meeting the needs of future generations of students. Our goal is to provide the quality of education that our students need to be effective, engaged and creative members of our society. We are creating the work force for New Jersey's

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Weather.com. According to Heinz Ricken, coordinator of special projects at UCVTS, with the use of a password-protected log-in, school administrators can securely post announcements on a Cancellations.com web page. Once posted,

able to information-seekers utilizing the web site thus insuring accuracy and the most up-to-date information possible.

To utilize the service, visit Cancellations.com and search for postings by zip code, city and state, or by school name. For added convenience, register to receive "Postings By E-mail," a free service that sends them automatically to your electronic mailbox.

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Full details about Cancellations.com at UCVTS can be received by calling Ricken at (908) 889-2931.

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From Clark: R. Ehresmann, L. Miller, C. Snavely, and M. Stringham.

Classmates sought for Dayton reunion From Mountainside: D. Davighi, M. Gonnella, and G. Salvatoriello-Conn.

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- Hillside High School's Florida Alumni Reunion will take place Feb. 25 at noon at the Holiday Inn Catalina, 1601 N. Congress Ave., Boynton Beach, Fla. Admission, through advance registration only, is \$35 per person. For information, contact Marvin Kalcky at 466 Briarwood Circle, Hollywood, FL 33024, or call him at home at (954) 967-0199 or at work at (954) 967-8500. He may be faxed at (954) 967-0890 or contacted via email at hhaafla@yahoo.com or emkay18@yahoo.com.
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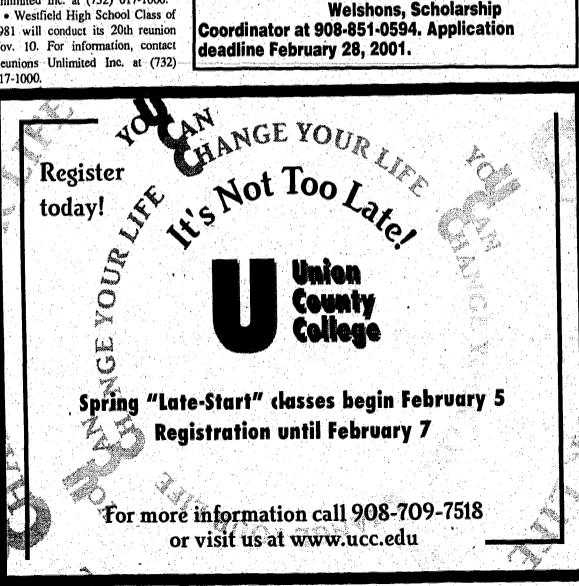
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#### Home Work Help Tips For Parents

more time being effective. Also consider the impact of other factors

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Set reachable goals.
It can be helpful for ölder kids to track their own grades. Together, set a goal each marking period for

the grade your child would like to earn for each class. List what needs to be accomplished to reach

this goal. For example: To get an A in Algebra your child will need to:

\*Turn in all the homework

Participate in class
Get an average quiz grade of at least 95 percent

assignments

Your child's ability to successfully tackle homework assignments is often a crucial element that's assessed during report card time. The following tips from Sylvan Learning Centers and the American School Counselor Association (ASCA) will help to limit the homework battles and develop positive studying strategies.

Institute a regular "study hour" Get out of the "do you have any homework: line of questioning and instead, set aside a time to study each evening, preferably coinciding with when everyone in your household is reading or doing homework. Reserve 15 minutes afterward for quizzing or checking over the quality of the completed work. If your child has no homework, the time should be utilized to prepare for tests or

projects. Maintain a daily assignment Insist your son or daughter carry

and use an assignment notebook daily. Build in a reward system for a properly completed weekly assignment(s). Even big kids like to be rewarded! (Better yet, if your school does not already provide assignment notebooks and integrate them into the students! daily regime, suggest your Parent/Teacher Organization speamed this project.) The proper use of an assignment notebook is the single best tool for helping your child succeed in middle and high school and it is a life skill.

Plen sheed for projects.

Set up a large calendar and develop short timelines for each

stage of the project so it does not get left to the last minute. Call them ekty milestones" and celebrate when they are completed when they are competed.
Help your child discover his/her individual teerning style.

There are visual (seeing), audiçory (hearing), and haptic (doing) learners. If your child works

in his/her personal style, less time

•get an average test grade of at least 93 percent. •Do the bonus problem twice a How much help is too much help? The rule of thumb is to understand the developmental

aspects of kids. For example, from aspects or kots. For example, from 1st to 7th grade, parents may help organize their student, get him/her started and then check with the child 20 minutes later. By 8th grade the goal is for the student to be self-starter and an independent worker. Always give them the option at the end of the enforced "study hour" to either have you quiz them, look over completed work, or call a study buddy to help.

Group study sessions.

Consider organizing an after school snack and study session for saveral neighborhood kids.

Many children have some spare time on their hands and would love having a place for a cup of hot chocolate and some help.

Partner with your childs

Homework can be especially challenging if you are a single parent. The "study hour" can be a quiet respite for you, too, at the end of a whirtwind day. Remember that it is very effective to ask your child's team of teachers to be your

partner in helping you son/daughter with any homework issues. Call or e-mail the tear every week to keep the lines of communication open. Ask about incomplete work, upcoming tests and long-term projects and times when it could be arranged for your child to receive extra help eithe before or after school. Enlist the help of your school

Never wait until your child is in danger academically before you call your school counselor for assistance. The counselor is develop ways for your for your child to succeed in school. Working together with your child's team o eachers, your child, and you, an homework issue can be tackled. Sylvan Learning Centers are

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## Study shows chocolate to be heart-smart

By Alison Ashton Copley News Service

When you dig into that heartshaped box of chocolates, at least you'll know it's good for your heart. That's because cocoa is chock-full of antioxidant-rich flavonoids that may have an anti-inflammatory effect similar to aspirin. Researchers at the University of California at Davis found that low doses of these flavonoids reduce platelet activity in the blood, which lowers the risk of blood clots. The effect is similar to longterm consumption of red wine, green tea or even baby aspirin.

"We're not suggesting that people stock their medicine cabinets with chocolate bars," says Dr. Clark Keen, senior author of the study. "But some indulgence by healthy individuals may provide cardiovascular benefits."

Keen's study subjects, who were healthy non-smokers with no history of heart disease, sipped moderate amounts of cocoa-enriched drink. "Not all chocolates are created equal, and future research will focus on commercially available chocolate products," he adds.

In fact, men who take low-dose aspirin to prevent heart disease may want to switch to chocolate. Experts at London's Wolfson Institute of Preventitive Medicine say that taking aspirin may do some men more harm

After studying more than 5,000 middle-aged and older men, researchers found that men with high blood pressure get no protective effect from aspirin, and aspirin may even increase their risk of bleeding. However, researchers also found aspirin is beneficial for men with low blood pressure, and it may protect them from

The upshot: If you're currently taking aspirin or are considering it to prevent heart disease, consult with your

An apple a day

If you can't bring yourself to nibble chocolate without guilt, you can still live by the old adage, an apple a day keeps the doctor away. Experts at Cornell University say fresh apples especially the skin — are full of

cancer-fighting phytochemical. In fact, fresh whole foods deliver more nutritional punch than any vitamin

"Scientists are interested in isolating single compounds - such as vitamin C, vitamin E, and beta carotene - to see if they exhibit anti-oxidant or anti-cancer benefits," says Rui Hai Liu, an assistant professor of food science at Cornell. "It turns out that none of these works alone to reduce cancer. It's the combination of flavonoids and polyphenols doing the work."

Researchers found that munching 100 grams of fresh apple with skin offered total anti-oxidant activity equal to 1,500 milligrams of vitamin

"Eating fruits and vegetables is better than taking a vitamin pill. You can obtain enough anti-oxidants from food without worrying about toxicity," Liu explains. "What this study shows is that the combination of phytochemicals plays a very important role in anti-oxidant and anti-cancer activity, and the real health benefits may come from a phytochemical



Babershoppers are ready to call your sweetheart, 'Sweetheart,' with their singing Valentines. Tuning up, from left, are singers Joe Weiss, Danny Balinski, Carmine D'Amore, and Harold Snell.

## Barbershoppers tune up for romance

The Rahway Valley Jerseyaires - in conjunction with the Deans of Harmony, both barbershop choruses and nonprofit musical and educational organizations of the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America Inc. - is announcing its eighth year of performing singing Valentines.

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This service will be available Feb. 10 through Feb. 14 at a cost of \$50. "Availability of quartets is limited so reserve your serenade now," said Valentine Chariman Dick Haig.

For more information or to arrange the time and place for your special singing Valentine, call (732) 968-6677 for Somerset and Union county coverage, (732) 431-2273 for Middlesex County coverage, and (732) 297-2509 for Mercer and Burlington counties.

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"Unforgettable: The Nat King Cole Story," a new musical based on the incredible life and music of a phenomenal talent, comes to the Union County Arts Center Feb. 11

"Unforgettable" is the story of Nat "King" Cole. The son of an Alabama preacher, this soft-spoken jazz pianist became a worldwide singing sensation and a beloved superstar, and his appeal transcended the boundaries of race, culture and geography. In "Unforgettable," author Clark Peters, best known for writing the Broadway hit "Five Guys Named Moe," joins with Larrington Walker and uses Cole's music to journey from his piano-playing days in dives and honky-tonks to his breakthrough contract with Capital Records. Interwoven are the incredible songs for which Cole is famous; hit songs like "Mona Lisa," "Route 66,"

"Straighten Up and Fly Right," "Too Young," "Besame Mucho" and many more.

Monroe Kent III headlines "Unforgettable" as Nat "King" Cole, his beloved valet Sparky, and a host of other characters. Star of London's "Five Guys Named Moe," his stellar reviews in the West End production of that show won him the role in the United Kingdom and Far East tours. Of his performance in the Ameican premiere of "Unforgettable," National Public Radio said, "Backed by a delicious trio, Monroe Kent III is a consumate performer and will make you feel for two solid hours that Nat Cole is back - and magnificent as ever." For more information regarding tickets to this musical, call (732) 399-8226.

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NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANT

Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County
Docket No. F-19348-00
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
Maria Carrero

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon WILLIAM M.E. POWERS, JR., CHARTERED, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 737 Stokes Road, P.O. Box 1088, Medford, N.J. 08055, an Answer to the Complaint (and Amendment to Complaint, if any) filed in a Civil Action in which Malone Mortgage Company is plaintiff and Maria Carrero, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within thirty-five (35) days after February 1, 2001, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief

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demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court at the Richard J. Hughes Justice Complex, CN 971, 6th Floor, North Wing, Trenton, New Jersey, 08825, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure. A \$105.00 filing fee payable to the Clerk of the Superior Court and a completed Case Information Statement must accompany your answer or motion.

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## Array of mushrooms lend themselves to some 'wild' recipes

By Jennifer Mastrioanni Copley News Service

In winter, we crave the heartiest of fare. With flavors that range from subtle to woodsy, and textures that can be firm and meaty, velvety or crunchy, mushrooms offer a bounty of inspiration for the season's robust dishes. But, with so many varieties cropping up in supermarkets, in cookbooks and on menus, getting to know mushrooms can be daunting. Allow us to present a mushroom primer.

All mushrooms, except the white button most of us grew up on, are referred to as specialty and must be gathered in season. They are plucked around the world from forests, riverbanks, lawns, deserts, even parking lots. Because of limited availability and great demand, wild mushrooms are often costly. Some varieties, such as morels, chanterelles and porcini, are available in supermarkets, but often are sold only in dried form.

The unusual mushrooms found fresh in produce departments are cultivated mushrooms, also known as exotic mushrooms. Some are also found in the wild, but chances are the ones in your grocer's case are grown under controlled conditions. American commercial mushroom farming began in Pennsylvania in the early 1900s; today, cultivation has spread to more than 20 states. Dark, climatecontrolled buildings are the "farms" and pasteurizing compost the "soil."

What is confusing is that restaurants and markets often refer to these cultivated mushrooms as "wild" mushroooms, but the only thing truly wild about them is their great flavor.

Special mushrooms are readily available in supermarkets. Want to get to know them? Start with the portobello, said Amy Farges, author of "The Mushroom Lover's Mushroom Cookbook.'

Farges, 45, grew up in Youngstwon, Ohio. She currently lives in Manhattan. She and her French-born husband, Thierry, are international mushroom surveyors, selling wild and cultivated mushrooms from their New York-based wholesale and Internet business. The two are regarded among the world's mushroom experts, and Farges' treasury of information and recipes reflect her vast knowledge of the field.

"Roasted portobellos have to be the easiest," said Farges. "There is very little trimming and cleaning and you just roast it for 10 minutes." So simple, and yet such great rewards, she said.

"It's a juicy, very intensely earthy mushroom that can be used in dozens of recipes," she said. It makes a hearty sandwich, and is superb in salsas and relishes, soups and salads.

Crimini muhsrooms are baby portobellos. They are similar to the white button mushroom, but with a firmer texture. When used in place of button mushrooms, crimini will add a more "mushroomy" flavor to the dish.

If you like portobellos, you'll like

shittake, Farges said. They, too, have an earthy flavor, and are one of her favorites.

"It's a mushroom that can go uptown or downtown," she said. "It can be sauteed or grilled or even put in a soup, and it still has this wonderful toothsome texture no matter how you cook it. It doesn't overpower fish, for example, but can also stand up to a red

Farges' most beloved dish in the book is scrambled eggs with black truffles. This exceptional fungus is one of the rarest and most expensive foods in the world.

They are generally found in forest regions of France and Italy, rooted out by the keen noses of specially trained pigs and dogs.

Don't despair, Farges said, if a recipe calls for mushrooms you can't find.

The beauty of mushrooms is that they are versatile. "My recipes are a jumping-off.

point," she said. "People shouldn't be afraid to substitute mushrooms."

Oyster mushrooms are named for their shell-shape caps. They grow in clusters and have a delicate flavor and velvety texture. Farges' simple Seven Seas dish is a great way to enjoy the mushroom's aromatic flavor, which is enriched by fresh seafood.

Enoki are the peculiar clusters of mini-mushrooms on long white stems. They are mild in flavor and pleasingly crunchy. Try them in a colorful salad with pink lentils and shittakes, which is served at room temperature and ideal for a buffet.

Maiitake, also known as Hen of the Woods, has dense vertical layers and is as fragile as it is fragrant. Farges adds them to mixed greens with bacon and blue cheese, and describes the result as "soul-satisfying."

When purchasing fresh mushrooms, they should look fresh and be free from major blemishes. At home, remove mushrooms from plastic, place in paper bags or cover with paper towels and refrigerate. Stored properly, they will keep for about a week, shittakes even longer.

Many other kinds of specialty mushrooms are being cultivated and are beginning to show upin produce departments across the country. You may soon discover the following in a market near you: beech mushrooms, lobster mushroooms, wood ears and pom poms. Happy foraging.

Farges' company, March aux Delices, offers fresh, dried, frozen and powdered wild and exotic mushrooms. Call (888) 547-5471 or visit www.auxdelices.com.

Roasted Portobello Caps 4 medium (about 1 pound) portobello mushrooms, with caps about 31/2 inches across



Winter meals call for hearty flavors that range from subtle to woodsy. Mushrooms offer a bounty of inspiration for the season's robust dishes. Cultivated specialty mushrooms are easy to find and in steady supply yearround.

2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil, or as needed

I teaspoon seasoning salt, or kosher or sea salt

1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black

1 tablespoon balsamic vinegar Fresh lemon juice or soy sauce (optional)

Yields 4 appetizer servings.

To roast mushroom caps: Preheat oven to 400F. Remove stems from mushrooms and wipe caps clean. Lightly oil baking pan with some olive oil. Rub remaining oil into tops of caps. Sprinkle mushrooms with salt and pepper.

Place caps, gill side up, on baking pan. Roast for 10 minutes. Turn and roast until mushrooms are tender and well browned, about 15 minutes.

Remove pan from oven and sprinkle mushrooms with vinegar, if desired. Let cool for 2 to 3 minutes before serving.

To store cooked portobellos: Cool caps to room temperature and wrap in plastic wrap, then wrap in aluminum foil. Refrigerate for as long as one

Serving suggestions: While hot, spread mushrooms with feta or goat cheese and bits of reconstituted sundried tomatoes. Sliced into wedges and serve on crusty bread. Sandwich between crusty bread with roasted red peppers and Gorgonzola cheese. Dice and mix with olive oil, spread on

#### Mixed Mushrooms A La Grecque

- 2 bay leaves
- 2 teaspoons coriander seeds 1 teaspoon black peppercorns
- 1 teaspoon fennel seeds 2 cups water
- 1/2 cup olive oil
- 1/2 cup dry white wine
- 2 tablespoons red wine vinegar
- 4 cloves garlic
- 2 teaspoons kosher or sea salt 1 (10-ounce) package button
- mushrooms, cleaned and trimmed (or crimini)
- 8 ounces (2 medium) portobellos. cleaned, stems and gills removed 4 ounces small shittakes
- 1/2 cup chopped fresh flat-leaf pars-

12 Boston or red leaf lettuce leaves, rinsed and spun dry

Yields 6 servings.

Tie bay leaves, corinader seeds, peppercorns and fennel seeds in 4-inch square cheesecloth.

Combine 2 cups water, olive wine, vinegar, garlic, salt and cheesecloth-wrapped spice packet in deep 4-quart pot. Heat to a boil over medium-high heat, then reduce heat and simmer, covered for 20 minutees.

Cut small (less than 2 inches) button mushrooms into quarters; cut larger buttons into 6 or 8 pieces. Cut por-

tobello caps into quarters, then cut quarters into 1/2 -inch wedges. Leave crescent around cheese. small (less than 11/2 inches) shittake caps whole; cut larger ones in half.

Add mushrooms to pot. Stir until mushrooms have wilted enough to be covered by liquid. Cover and simmer until cooked through, about 10 minutes.

Cool to room temperature and stir in parsley. Arrange lettuce leaves on six salad plates. Use slotted spoon to spoon mushrooms onto lettuce leaves. Served chilled or at room temperature.

#### Pink Lentils with Shittakes and Enoki

- 8 ounces baby spinach or tender flat-leaf spinach, trimmed, washed and dried
- 1 (8-ounce) log mild goat cheese 14 cup toasted chopped walnuts
- 1/4 cup pink lentils or 1/2 cup small brown lentils
- 1 package (3½ ounces) enoki mushrooms, trimmed and separated into small clusters
- 6 tablespoons olive oil
- 2 cloves garlic, minced
- 1/4 pound shittake mushrooms, a stemmed, cleaned and caps sliced 1/2 -inch thick
- 2 tablespoons tamari soy sauce (or regular soy sauce)
- 2 tablespoons white wine vinegar Yields 8 servings.

Leave baby spinach leaves whole or tear flat-leaf spinach into bite-size pieces. Set aside in refrigerator.

Cut goat cheese into 8 even rounds. Roll rounds in walnuts. Place on small baking sheet, cover and refrigerate until needed. (Salad can be prepared to this point as much as one day in advnace.)

About 2 hours before serving, boil pink lentils in salted water just until tender, about 12 minutes. Drain immediately. Transfer lentils to large bowl and cool to room temperature. Preheat oven to 400 F.

When lentils are cool, sprinkle spinach and enoki over them. Heat 4 tablespoons of oil in large skillet over medium heat. Add garlic and fry just until you can smell it, about 10 seconds. Add shittakes and saute, stirring almost constantly, until cooked through but still quite firm, about 5 minutes.

Remove from heat, stir in remaining 2 tablespoons oil, soy sauce vinegar. Pour mixture immediately over spinach and toss quickly to wilt greens and distribute ingredients evenly. Let stand at room temperature for 15 minutes, tossing once or twice.

Just before serving, uncover goat cheese and place in oven. Bake just until warmed through, 2 to 3 minutes. Carefully transfer cheese to serving plates, keeping them to one side. Toss

salad once more and arrange it in a

#### Warm Salad of Maiitake With Bitter Greens & Bacon

8 to 10 cups of greens, such as thinly sliced Belgian endives, mesculin, frisee, young cress or a mix

1/4 pound slab bacon Olive oil, if necessary

2 large shallots, chopped

1 pound maiitake, cleaned and coarsley chopped 2 tablespoons good quality red

1 tablespoons red wine vinegar

Kosher or sea salt Freshly ground black pepper

1 bunch chervil, large stems removed (about 11/2 cups, lightly packed; optional)

1 bunch chives, cut into 1-inch pieces (about % cup)

4 ounces Roquefort, Danish blue or Stilton cheese, crumbled

Yields 12 servings.

Swish salad greens around in large bowl of cool water to remove sand and dirt. Change water if necessary. Dry greens, preferably in salad spinner.

Cut bacon into 1/4 -inch dice. Place in large cold skillet over medium-low heat. Cook, stirring occasionally, until bacon has rendered its fat and is well browned, about 10 minutes. Remove with slotted spoon to salad bowl.

Measure bacon fat in pan. If necessary, add enough olive oil to make 1/4 cup. Place pan over medium heat and add shallots. Saute, stirring, until wilted, about 3 minutes. Add mushrooms and saute until tender, about 6 minutes. Add red wine and vinegar and heat just to a boil. Remove pan from heat and add salt and pepper, to taste. Place salad greens, chervil, if using,

and chives in salad bowl. Spoon contents of skillet over salad and toss well to coat. Sprinkle blue cheese over salad and serve at once.

Note: Instead of tossing cheese with salad, you may prefer to serve it on croutons.

Bring cheese to room temperature and beat with a few drops of cognac until smooth. Season cheese with freshly ground black pepper and spread it on thinly sliced toasted baguette.

#### Bill Van Sant. Editor

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## Swain Galleries to open 'Portfolio' exhibit Saturday

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League graphics instructors Michael Pellettieri and Sylvie Germain-Covey are participating with students from countries such as Australia, Canada, France, Spain, Israel, Japan, Sweden and the United States. Three students from New Jersey are Christopher P.T. Fleming of Summit,

Jean Hessel of New Brunswick, and Robert Jude O'Connor of Edison.

Founded in 1875, the Art Students League, one of the oldest art schools in the United States, is based on the French atelier system where\_ students work in traditional studio environments guided by

professional

artist-instructors. The roster of instructors and alumni includes some of the 19th and 20th centruries' most influential artists including William Merritt Chase, Thomas Eakins, Georgia O'Keeffe, Romare Bearden, Jackson Pollock, Mark Rothko, Roy Lichtenstein and many others.

The Porfolio exhibit opens with a reception from 5 to 7 p.m. Saturday, and continues Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., and Saturday to 4 p.m. at Swain Galleries, 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For details, call (908) 756-1707.

About New Jersey artists Christopher P.T. Fleming of Summit studied at Rutgers University, Newark; Fort Lewis College, Durango, Col.; the duCret School of Art. Plainfield: The Art Students League of New York from 1991 to 1993 and 1999 to present and, in 1993, at the National Academy of Design and Fine Art, New York City. In 1991 and 1992, he was awarded the ASL Merit Scholarship; in 1993, the Revson Grant, and in 1996, the John Spiegel

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Jean Hessel of New Brunswick received her education at the Art Students League of New York; a BFA from the School of Visual Arts where she earned the Chairman's Merit Award, duCret School of Art in Plainfield; Kean College and Middlesex County College where she studied marketing art and design. A recipient of the award of excellence from Photographers Forum magazine, she has shown her work art at the ASL; the Cork Gallery at Avery Fisher Hall, Lincoln Center; Quietude Garden Gallery; Anatomical Life Drawing at the School of Visual Arts and more.

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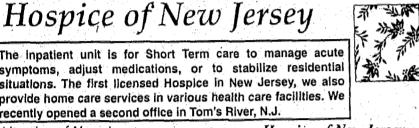
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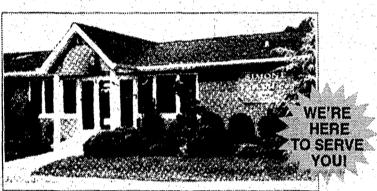
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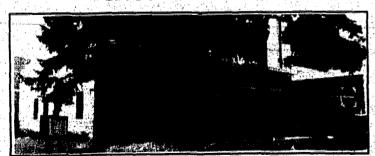
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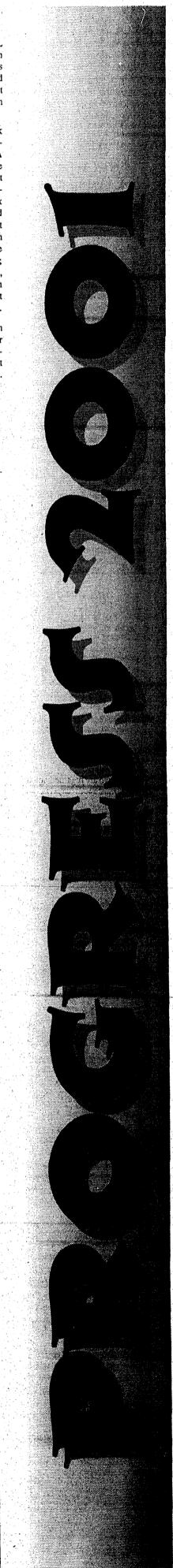
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ARTIST RON HEDRICK will have his work on exhibit at Evalyn Dunn's Gallery in Westfield.

Gallery hours are Tuesdays through Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and by appointment. The gallery is located at 549 South Ave., Westfield. For information, call (908) 232-0412.

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Gallery hours are Mondays to Fridays, noon to 4 p.m.; Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m.; and Saturdays and Sundays, 2 to • 4 p.m. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit. For information, call (908) 273-9121.

ARTIST WOJTEK GILEWICZ will have his works on exhibit at the Skulski Art Gallery of the Polish Cultural Foundation in Clark through Feb. 9.

Gallery hours are Tuesday to Friday, 5 to 9 p.m., and Saturday 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. The Polish Cultural Foundation is located at 177 Broadway, Clark. For information, call (732) 382-7197.

VIETNAM: LIFE IN SPITE OF WAR will be on exhibit at the Gallery at the Arts Guild of Rahway Feb. 11 through March 9. An opening reception will

Gallery hours are Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursdays from 1 to 3 p.m. and 5 to 7 p.m.; and by appointment. The Arts Guild of Rahway is located at 1670 lrv-Ing St., Rahway. For information, call (732) 381-7511.

THE BOUND BROOK CYCLE by artist David Ambrose will be on exhibit at the Tomasulo Gallery in the Kenneth

#### McKay Library on the Cranford campus of Union County College through

Gallery hours are Mondays to Thursdays and Saturdays, 1 to 4 p.m.; and Tuesday to Thursday evenings from 6 to 9 p.m. UCC's Cranford campus is located at 1033 Springfield Ave.,

Cranford. For information, call (908)

709-7155.

TEEN ARTS TOURING EXHIBIT. sponsored by the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, will be on display at the Elizabeth Public Library through Feb. 27,

Gallery hours are regular library operating hours. Elizabeth Public Library is located at 11 S. Broad St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 558-2550.

LANDSCAPES, the work of Elizabeth artist Dario Scholis, will be on exhibit through Feb. 28 in the Freeholders Gallery, on the sixth floor of the Union County Administration Building in Elizabeth.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Fridays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Thursday evenings. The Union County Administration Building is located at Elizabethtown Plaza on Rahway Avenue in Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 527-4100.

FROM PARAFFIN TO BEESWAX, the work of Francesca Azzara, will be on exhibit at the Les Malamut Art Gallery in Union Public Library through Feb.

Gallery hours are regular library operating hours. Union Public Library is located at 1980 Morris Ave., Union. For information, call (908) 851-5450. A PORTFOLIO PROJECT Celebrat-^

ing the 125th Anniversary of the Art Students League of New York will be on exhibit at the Swain Galleries in Plainfield Saturday through Feb. 28. An opening reception will take place Saturday from 5 to 7 p.m.

Gallery hours are Tuesdays to Fridays, 9:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.; Saturdays 9:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. The Swain Galleries are located at 703 Watchung Ave., Plainfield. For information, call (908) 756-1707.

INTERNATIONAL JURIED SHOW 2001 will be on exhibit at the New Jersey Center for Visual Arts in Summit through March 14.

Gallery hours are Mondays to Fridays, noon to 4 p.m.; Thursdays, 7 to 9 p.m.; and Saturdays and Sundays, 2 to 4 p.m. NJCVA is located at 68 Elm St. in Summit. For information, call (908)

#### **AUDITIONS**

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE will conduct auditions for the children's chorus of "Carousel" by Rodgers and Ham- ... merstein Feb. 10 at the playhouse. Brookside Drive in Millburn, Children whose names begin with A through L sign up at 9 a.m. in the theater lobby; names beginning with M to Z at noon. Auditioners should prepare music from the show; an accompanist will be provided. For information, call (973) 379-3636, ext. 2278.

MYSTIC VISION PLAYERS of Linden will conduct auditions for the New

#### Jersey premier of "The Teachers" Lounge" Feb. 26 and 27 at 7 p.m. at the Linden Presbyterian Church, Orchard and DeWitt terraces. Show dates are May 4 and 5. For information, call (908) 925-9068 or send e-mail to mysticvp@aol.com.

CARNIVAL PRODUCTIONS of Rahway is seeking resumes and title submissions from directors for the 2001-02 season. Submissions may be sent to Carnival Productions at 733 Jefferson Ave., Rahway, 07065-2615. For information, call (732) 388-4921 or send e-mail to cptickets@aol.com.

**NEW JERSEY INTERGENERATION-**AL ORCHESTRA is accepting applications and will conduct auditions for instrumentalists for the 2000-01 season. For information, call (908) 709-0084 or (609) 208-0029.

WESTFIELD GLEE CLUB will wel-

the Drawing Workshop. Classes take place at 150-152 E. Broad St., Westfield. For information, call (908) 789-9696.

Stepping Out

WESTFIELD YOUNG ARTISTS' COOPERATIVE will offer professional classes in the performing arts.

Beginners, Intermediate and Advanced Acting classes will concentrate on improvisation, character development and scene study. Also offered are four levels of tap and three levels of musical theater, which focuses on song selection and interpretation, ensemble work, voice, and musical theater movement and dance. Private lessons in voice and/or acting are

The Westfield High School is located at 728 Westfield Ave., Westfield. For information, call (908) 233-3200.

**LINDEN ART ASSOCIATION will offer** 

Route 22 West, Springfield. For information, call (973) 376-8544.

#### DANCE

SUMMIT FOLK DANCERS will meet Fridays at 7:30 p.m. at The Connection in Summit. Upcoming meetings are Feb. 9 and 23, and March 9. Fee is \$2. For information, call (973) 467-8278.

THE EDISON ARTS SOCIETY WRI-TERS CIRCLE will meet at Barnes and Noble in Clark Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. The Writers Circle meets the second Monday of every month and new members are always welcome. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

#### HILM

ELIZABETH PUBLIC LIBRARY WIII sponsor a series of free film classics at the Main Branch in the coming weeks. All films begin at 10 a.m.

The Main Branch of the Elizabeth Public Library is located at 11 S. Broad St. For information, call (908) 354-6060.

UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER in Rahway will present the TheaterWorksUSA production of "Ramona Quimby" Sunday at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$9. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

UNION RECREATION Department will sponsor weekly ceramics classes for children between the ages of 7 and 12 at the Recreation building, 1120 Commerce Ave., Union, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. For information, call 964-4828.

#### **POETRY**

POETRY OUT LOUD, a creative forum for poets, will meet at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. For information, including meeting date and time, call (973) 376-8544.

**OPEN MIKE POETRY NIGHT will take** place at Barnes and Noble in Clark Feb. 11 at 7 p.m. Open Mike Poetry Night is sponsored the second Sunday of every month in the Music Department. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, For information, call (732) 574-1818.

will meet at the Willow Grove Presbyterian Church on Old Raritan Road in Scotch Plains. The group meets at 8 p.m. the first and third Mondays of every month. For information, call (908) 241-5758.

#### **SINGLES**

INTERFAITH SINGLES, for single adults older than 45 syears old, will meet every Sunday from 9 to 10:30 a.m. for discussion and continental breakfast at the First Baptist Church, 170 Elm St. in Westfield. Donation is \$2. For information, call (908) 889-5269 or (908) 889-4751.

#### I HEATER

PAPER MILL PLAYHOUSE will continue the 2000-01 season with "Art" by Yasmina Reza, directed by and starring Judd Hirsch. The show runs through Sunday at the theater on Brookside Drive in Millburn.

Evening performances are Wednesdays to Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 7:30 p.m. Matinees are Thursdays and Sundays at 2 p.m., and Saturdays at 2:30 p.m.

Special performances are audiodescribed performances today at 2 p.m., Saturday at 2:30 p.m. and Sunday at 7:30 p.m., each with a sensory seminar 90 minutes prior to curtain; and a sign-interpreted performance Sunday at 7:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$37 to \$60. For information, call (973) 376-4343, or buy tickets with Visa, MasterCard or Discover at www.papermill.org.

THE THEATER PROJECT at Union County College will present staged readings of four scripts under consideration for the 2001-02 season on four consecutive Sundays at 3 p.m. In the Roy Smith Theater on UCC's Cranford campus, 1066 Springfield Ave., Cranford. Admission is free, and no reservations are required.

Sunday: "An Empty Plate in the Cafe Grand Boeuf by Michael Hollinger Feb. 11: "Joe Egg" by Peter Nichols Feb. 18: "The Marriage of Bette and

Boo" by Christopher Durang Each reading will be followed by a

coffee reception, at which audience members will be asked their thoughts on the day's selection.

ELIZABETH PLAYHOUSE will present "Awake and Sing" by Clifford Odets through Feb. 18. Shows are Fridays and Saturdays at 7:30 p.m., Sundays at 2 p.m. Tickets Saturdays and Sundays are \$8 for general admission, \$6 for students and senior dtizens; Fridays, all tickets are \$5. The Elizabeth Playhouse is located at 1100 E. Jersey

St., Elizabeth. For information, call (908) 355-0077.

UNION COUNTY ARTS CENTER in Rahway will present the one-man show, "Unforgettable: The Nat King Cole Story," Feb. 11 at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$18, UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For Information, call (732) 499-8226.

CRANFORD DRAMATIC CLUB will present "Barefoot in the Park" by Neil Simon Feb. 9 to 24. Shows are Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$15. CDC is located at 78 Winans Ave., Cranford. For information, call (908) 276-7611.

KEAN UNIVERSITY THEATER SERIES in Union will present "Of Mice and Men," based on the novel by John Steinbeck, in Wilkins Theater Feb. 16 to 18. Shows are 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday, Tickets are \$12 for general admission, \$10 for senior citizens, and \$8 for students. Kean University is located at 1000 Morris Ave., Union. For information, call (908) 527-2337.

THE AMAZING KRESKIN will be presented by the Union County Arts Center in Rahway Friday at 8 p.m. Tickets are \$18. UCAC is located at 1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226.

THE BACK PORCH in Rahway will present Open Mike Night every Tuesday at 9 p.m. and karaoke every Thursday night.

The Back Porch is located at 1505 Main St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 381-6455.

**CROSSROADS** in Garwood presents a series of Jazz, blues and comedy concerts. Every Sunday is Comedy Night at 7:30 p.m. Every Tuesday Is the Jazz Jam. Every Wednesday is The Juggling Sons, Every Thursday, ladies drink half-price.

Today: Ominous Seapods Friday: BBQ Bob and The Spareribs Saturday: The Nick Bukuvalas Band Sunday: Richie Havens Feb. 8: Black Dog in a tribute to Led

Zepplin Feb. 9: Royal Scam in a tribute to

Steely Dan Feb. 10: Barbuda

Feb. 15; Day One Feb. 16: ULU

Feb. 17: Chameleon Feb. 22: Persun and Shinbone Feb. 23: Crescent City Maulers

Feb. 24: Funky Black Widows Crossroads is located at 78 North Ave. in Garwood. For Information, call (908) 232-5666.

EAT TO THE BEAT Coffeehouse in Rahway will feature appearances by musical artists during February.

Friday: Groove Apparatus, 8 to 11 p.m., \$5 cover Eat to the Beat Coffeehouse is located at 1465 Irving St. in Rahway at

the corner of East Cherry Street. For information, or to sign up for Open Mike Night, call (732) 381-0505. TRI-COUNTY RADIO ASSOCIATION FLYNN'S IRISH PUB and Steakhouse

in Rahway will present entertainment at various times throughout February. Flynn's Irish Pub is located at 1482

Main St. In Rahway. For Information, call (732) 381-4700.

HILLTOP CAFE AND GRILL In Summit presents "From Broadway to the Silver Screen" every Sunday at 6 p.m., preceded by an all-you-can-eat dinner from 5 to 6 p.m. Cost is \$29.95 and reservations are required. The Hilltop Cafe and Grill is located at 447 Springfield Ave., Summit. For information, call (908) 277-0220.

TAVERN IN THE PARK in Roselle Park will present Teddy Halek in "An Evening of Frank Sinatra" Saturdays at 9 p.m. Tavern in the Park is located at 147 W. Westfield Ave., Roselle Park. For information, call (908) 241-7400. VAN GOGH'S EAR CAFE in Union will present a series of musical events in the coming weeks. Tuesday nights are "Acoustic Tuesday," with open mike from 8 to 9 p.m. for folk singers, poets and comedians, followed by a featured folk performer. Open mike participants sign up at 7:30 p.m., and get 10 minutes at the microphone. Jazz and blues are featured Sundays at 8 p.m. Cover charge is \$3 for all Sunday concerts.

Sunday: Todd Collins Trio Tuesday: David Beacon Smith Feb. 11: Electric Breakwater

Feb. 13: Kiern Kelly

Feb. 18: Pat Clare Trio Feb. 20: Ginny Johnston Feb. 25: Steve Minzer Trio

Feb. 27: Pat Beubaker March 4: Hal Hirsch Trio March 6: C9

March 11: Vince DiMura and The George Street Project March 13: Swampbelly

March 18: Ginny Johnston Band Van Gogh's Ear is located at 1017 Stuyvesant Ave. in Union Center. For information, call (908) 810-1844.

THE WAITING ROOM in Rahway will present musical entertainment during January and February. Every Wednesday night is Open Mike Night.

Feb. 14: Fourth annual Quentin Tarantino Film Festival, 8 p.m. The Waiting Room is located at

1431 Irving St. in Rahway at the corner of Lewis Street, For Information, call (732) 815-1042.

THE WASHINGTON AVENUE PUB in Linden will present karaoke and the 100-Proof Duo Band every Saturday night. In addition, Monday features Football Food Specials, and Thursday is Ladies Night. The Washington Avenue Pub is located at 704 Washington Ave. in Linden. For information, call (908) 925-3707.

## Society's guide makes exploring history easy

The New Jersey Historical Society has published a comprehensive guide to nearly 200 historical organizations. museums, historic sites and institutions across the state that will assist residents and visitors in discovering the Garden State's rich heritage.

Each listing contains visitor information such as address, admission fees, hours of operation; information about collections, programs and publications; and e-mail and web site addresses.

The publication, "Centers for History," is available from The New Jersey Historical Society at 52 Park Place in Newark for \$2.50. Alternatively, the publication can be sent to interested parties by contacting the Historical Society and sending payment of \$3.50 to cover shipping. The Historical Society also accepts Mastercard and Visa for publication orders. For more information, call (973) 596-8500.

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#### PUBLIC NOTICE

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THE MORSES CREEK
FLOOD CONTROL COMMISSION
NOTICE
TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 231 of the Public Laws of 1975, the following Annual Notice of Meetings of the Morses Creek Flood Control Commission, Country of Union, NJ is hereby provided to the public.
The regular monthly meetings of the Morses Creek Flood Control Commission will be held on the first Monday of each month (except where noted) at 7:00 P.M., in the Roselle Borough Hall, 210 Chestinut Street, Roselle, New Jerssey 07203.

September 10, 2001\*\*\*
October 1, 2001
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December 3, 2001 December 3, 200 U3719 WCN Feb. 1, 2001 (\$22.00) enhance awareness of the many sites and organizations dedicated to preserving and interpreting our state's history," said Sally Yerkovich, president and CEO of The New Jersey Historical Society. "As part of our mandate as the state's historical society, our goal is to produce publications that are useful and informative to New Jerseyans and that encourage ongoing exploration of what makes our state unique."

Andrew W. Mellon Foundation.

The New Jersey Historical Socety, founded in 1845, examines New Jersey history through exhibitions, publications and programming. The Society is located at 52 Park Place in Newark, within a block of the New Jersey Performing Arts Center. The Historical Society is open Tuesday to Saturday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free of charge. Family programs take place Saturdays and workshops and lectures are offered through the "Lunch Times are Past Times" series every Wednesday. The Society can be reached a via public tranportation, including the Loop, from Newark Penn Station and Broad Street for \$1. For more information, contact the Society at (973) 596-8500 or NJ Relay Service - TTY/TDD -

at (800) 852-7899.

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rehearses Mondays from 8 to 10 p.m., in the choir room of the Westfield Presbyterian Church, Broad Street and in progress Mountain Avenue in Westfield. For Feb. 21 and 28, and March 7, 14 information, call (908) 232-0673. and 21 • March 28, and April 4, 11, 18 and

ELIZABETH ARTIST DARIO SCHOLIS will have his

work on display in the exhibit 'Landscapes' in the Free-

holders Gallery of the Union County Administration

Building in Elizabeth. For information, see the 'Art

ROOKS SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY will sponsor its Great Books Discussion Series in the coming months. The group meets at 10

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the library meeting room. Feb. 15: The Book of Job, The Bible March 15: "Utilitarianism," Mill April 19: "Caesar and Cleopatra,"

May 17: "The City of God," St.

Augustine . June 21: "Symposium," Plato July 19: "Of Experience," Montaigne The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information, call (973)

376-4930. BOOKS BY WOMEN, ABOUT WOMEN, a book discussion group at Barnes and Noble in Springfield, will meet Wednesday at 7:30 p.m. February's selection is "Cry of the Peacock" by Gina Nahai. The group meets the first Wednesday of each month. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route /22 West in Springfield, For information,

call (973) 376-8544. JANE AUSTEN MYSTERY SERIES Reading Group will meet at Barnes and Noble in Clark Feb. 8 at 7:30 p.m. The group will meet the second Thursday of each month through January to discuss books by Stephanie Barron, skipping the month of December. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For Information, call (732) 574-1818.

SHAKESPEARE OUT LOUD Reading Group will meet at Barnes and Noble in Clark Feb. 16 at 7:30 p.m. The group, led by Kevin Muller, will meet the third Friday of each month to read a Shakespeare play out loud. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark, For Information, call (732)

574-1818. THE WOMEN'S READING GROUP at Barnes and Noble in Clark will meet Feb. 28 at 7:30 p.m. The group meets the last Wednesday of each month to read. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180 Raritan Road, Clark. For information, call (732) 574-1818.

JEWISH BOOK LOVERS will meet at Barnes and Noble in Springfield. The group, which meets monthly, will resume in March. Barnes and Noble is located at 240 Route 22 West in Springfield. For Information, call (973) 376-8544.

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NEW JERSEY WORKSHOP FOR THE ARTS is currently accepting registration for its Music Studio. Lessons include instrumental, voice and music theory, with beginner through advanced classes. Additional courses include art classes for children and toddiers, the Westfield Fencing Club and

classes in visual arts in five-week segments on Wednesday evenings. The sessions are as follows:

. Wednesday, and Feb. 14, already

 May 2, 9, 16, 23 and 30. Classes meet at the Sunnyside Recreation Center, Melrose Terrace at Orchard Terrace. For Information, call

(908) 486-1408, UNION MUSIC SCHOOL is accepting registration for the summer 2001 session — June 26 to July 27, 9 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. daily. To receive a brochure of course offerings send name and mailing address via e-mail to unionmusicschool@hotmail.com, via fax to (908) 687-7332, or call (908)

851-6470. MUSIC FOR CHILDREN in Westfield offers various music classes to children between the ages of 10 months and 8 years old. For information on class offerings or to reserve a space at either open house, call (908) 232-4881.

## **CONCERTS**

SUBURBAN COMMUNITY MUSIC CENTER in New Providence will present its "Sundays at Three" concert series in the coming weeks. All concerts are at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$12 for adults, \$6 for senior citizens and students.

Feb. 11; Violinist Elena Kvares The "Meet the Orchestra" series will take place Sunday at 2 and 3:15 p.m. for 3- to 8-year-olds, featuring the New Jersey Youth Symphony. Tickets are \$5 per person, or \$15 for the fourconcert "Meet the Orchestra" series.

The Suburban Community Music Center is located at 570 Central Ave. in Murray Hill. For information, call (908) 790-0700. WESTFIELD SYMPHONY

ORCHESTRA will be presented in a

concert titled "Creation of the World"

Saturday at 8 p.m. at the Union County

Arts Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$25 to \$40. UCAC is located at 1601 living St. in Rahway. For information, call (732) 499-8226. THE LETTERMEN will be presented in concert Feb. 10 at 8 p.m. at the Union County Arts Center in Rahway. Tickets are \$17 to \$24. UCAC is located at

BARNES AND NOBLE in Clark will present musical performances throughout the winter. All concerts begin at 7:30 p.m. in the cafe section. Barnes and Noble is located at 1180.

Raritan Road, Clark. For Information,

1601 Irving St. in Rahway. For informa-

tion, call (732) 499-8226.

including a concert schedule, call (732) 574-1818. MUSIC IN THE CAFE in Barnes and Noble in Springfield will feature free musical performances in the coming weeks. All concerts will take place in the coffee lounge area of the store

from 8 to 10 p.m. Barnes and Noble is located at 240

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NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS (L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY to: Phyl-lis Brown

You are hereby summoned and required to serve upon Hill Wallack, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 202 Camerie

to serve upon Hill Wallack, Attorneys for Plaintiff, whose address is 202 Camegie Center, Princeton, New Jersey 08543-5226, an answer to the Complaint (and Amendment(s) to Complaint, if any, filed in a civil action in which FT Mortgage Companies is Plaintiff and Mark Brown; Elizabeth Brown; Carlene Brown; Mr. Brown, husband of Carlene Brown; Mr. Brown, husband of Carlene Brown; Phyllis Brown; irving Brown; Providian National Bank; Verizon New Jersey, inc.; Klahori Shah; Advanta Leasing Corp. Illiden Financial Corporation; First Financial Brokerage, inc.; Banc One Leasing Corporation; GNOC, Corp. dbba Bally's Grand Hotel & Casino; Marina Associates, a NJ General Partnership dba Harrah's Casino Hotel, Atlantic City; State of New Jersey; County of Atlantic; are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union, and bearing Docket Number F-12242-99, within thirly-five (35) days

Bill Van Sant,

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Art classes continue

The Linden Art Association, a non-

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**PUBLIC NOTICE** 

after February 1, 2001, exclusive or such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint (and Amendment(s) to Complaint, if any). You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex, 25 Market Street, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

The action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated February 9, 1989, made by Mark Brown and Elizabeth Brown, Carlene Brown and Phyllis Brown, as mortgagor(s), to E.B. Mortgage Corporation, (original mortgages), of which the Plaintiff is the current holder, recorded in the Union County Clerk of Deed's Office on February 24, 1989, in Mortgage Book 3953, at Page 0109&c, and (2) to recover possession of and concerns premises commonly known as, 435 East Second Street, Plainfield, New Jersey, 07060.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling (908) 353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may also contact the lawyer referral service of the County of Union by calling (908) 353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of

an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of Union-toy-calling (908) 354-4340.

You, Phyllis Brown, are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you are a mortgago/owner of the above premises and Plaintiff seeks to foreclose in the mortgage, foreclose out your interest in the subject premises and acquire possession of the property and to preserve the Plaintiff's right to a deficiency. You are entitled to Notice of this action for any right, title or interest you may have in, to or against said mortgaged premises.

Dated: January 28, 2001

Donald F. Phelan Clerk of the

Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey U3703 WCN Feb. 1, 2000 (\$81.00)

Monday, February 5, 2001 (5:00 p.m.) Tuesday, February 13, 2001 (5:00 p.m.) Tuesday, February 20, 2001 (5:00 p.m.) Saturday, February 24, 2001 (10:00) a.m. Tuesday, February 27, 2001 (5:00 p.m.)

The meeting will be held in the Freeholder's Meeting Room, 6th fl., County Administration Building, Elizabethtown, Plaza, Elizabeth, NJ.

BY ORDER OF THE UNION COUNTY BOARD OF CHOSEN FREEHOLDERS. M. Elizabeth Genlevich Clerk of the Board U3595 WCN Feb. 1, 2001 (\$19.50)

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RUMMAGE SALE

SATURDAY February 3rd, 2001
EVENT: RUMMAGE SALE
PLACE: Holy Comforter Episcopal
Church, 739 Seminary Avenue, Rahway TIME: 9am-1pm

PRICE: Free Admission. Items sold individually, or by the bag at \$5 (small), \$10 ORGANIZATION: Holy Comforter Episcopal Church.

SATURDAY February 3rd, 2001 EVENT: RUMMAGE SALE PLACE: Christ Church, 66 Highland Avnue, Short Hills

TIME: 9am-2pm PRICE: Free Admission. Clothing, brica-brac, furniture, toys, and lots more. For more information call 973-379-2898. ORGANIZATION: Christ Church

**FRIDAY** February 2nd, 2001 PLACE: The Westin, Morristown, NJ

What's Going On?

TIME: 8PM-11PM PRICE: Limited seating. Call 732-220-3111 for reservation.

#### FLEA MARKET

SUNDAY February 4th, 2001

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ORGANIZATION:BHS Wrestling

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134 Prospect Avenue, Irvington, NJ TIME: 9:00AM-12:00PM PRICE: New and used clothes, shoes, records, housewares, books, etc. For information call 973-374-9377.
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#### SATURDAY

February 10th, 2001 EVENT: FLEA MARKET/CRAFT FAIR PLACE: St. Thomas Center, 1407 St. George Avenue, Rahway TIME: 9:00AM-3:00PM PRICE: New and used items. Vendors ORGANIZATION: St. Thomas the Apos-

#### Editorial deadlines

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Following are deadlines for news: Church, club and social - Thursday

noon. Entertainment - Friday noon. Sports - Monday noon.

Letters to the Editor - Monday 9 a.m. General - Monday 5 p.m.

#### **HOROSCOPE**

#### For Feb. 5 to Feb. 11

ARIES (March 21-April 19): You are likely to meet some unique and unusual individuals this week. Pay attention to their comments or mannerisms and perhaps learn a thing or

TAURUS (April 20-May 20): Take advantage of an opportunity to change your career path or professional calling. The ideal job or assignment allows you to be true to yourself.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21): Explore an interest in unconventional philosophies or schools of thought. Don't rule out any ideas or concepts until you have done your research.

CANCER (June 22-July 22): You're inclined to make sudden and unwise decisions about your finances. Shy away from loaning money to a partner with no means to pay you back.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22): Restless best describes your mood. Answer the call of the wild within your soul. Jump on a chance to do something you never dreamed possible.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22): Excel working alone or on a project that allows you to express your individuality. Put your own personal stamp on the finished product.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23): A love-atfirst-sight experience adds special excitement to your life. Have fun with it. Turn on the charm and see just how deep the attraction goes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21): Dealing with the responsibility of family or home repairs leaves a lot to be desired. Seek ways to liberate yourself from these stressful demands.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21): Honesty is the best policy in your close personal relationships. Speak up, clear the air and avoid a possible misunderstanding among family

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19): Your financial status is somewhat unstable at this time. Take the proper steps to cover your basic expenses and avoid going into debt.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18): Exciting experiences dot your path and beckon to you to follow. In your search for self-understanding, don't be afraid to blaze new trails.

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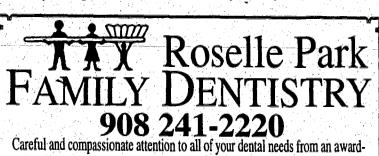
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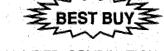
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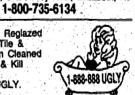
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## Why Burgdorff is re-engineering from the top

Rarely does four years of unprecedented growth and record-breaking return on revenue drive the reengineering of a company, but for Burgdorff ERA, a leader in the North and Central New Jersey real estate markets, the best time to position for the future is at the height of your success.

So on Oct. 27, Burgdorff ERA President Judy Reeves announced her decision to re-engineer the company into a consumer-supported business model, offering a level of customer service dramatically exceeding current industry standards. As a departure from the industry trend of reduced service programs, the move is designed to capitalize on Burgdorff's reputation for service excellence by simplifying the home ownership process.

As a classic full-service brokerage, Burgdorff ERA ranks as one of the top producing ERA affiliates in the world, with over \$2 billion in sales volume in 1999. While achieving high production, the company has enjoyed a sterling reputation for sophistication and outstanding customer service. However, given the ever-changing landscape of the real estate industry, Reeves realized growing this success meant the company needed to further distance itself from its competitors.

"Now is not the time for complacency and contentment," she said. "As the real estate industry continues to change, Burgdorff ERA must strategically capitalize on the phenomenal success we have enjoyed through the past 42 years."

To maintain the momentum of this success, Reeves developed a business model for a real estate company offering customer service at a level best described as luxurious. As part of the implementation, Burgdorff created a number of specialized customer service and technology programs, acquired firms within the company's core market area, and realigned its existing office network. And to cap it all off, the bold move comes as the company enjoys the most successful

of its 42 years in real estate. Leading in the opposite direction

The client service aspect was developed from Burdgorff's many years of experience helping dual income and single parent families struggling to manage the logistical complexities of real estate buying and selling.

"As one of the single most stressful events in consumers' lives, managing a move is becoming even more challenging as clients cope with the complexities," said Reeves. So in a concept running counter to the rise of reduced programs, Reeves saw an opportunity to care for Burgdorff. clients by helping to manage their needs in ways that exceed their expectations.

To develop the new programs, Reeves listened closely to clients and sales associates, conducted extensive market analysis, and consumer focus groups. From this research, the company developed the vision statement "Exceptional Professionals Exceeding Expectations" as the foundation for their new plan. The statement itself embodies the Burgdorff ideals of the commitments to honesty, integrity and excellence, while rededicat-

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ing the company to an even higher level of service. These goals were based on consumers' desires for accessibility to sales associates, extra services, and the ability to handle basic real estate sales responsibilities with care and dedication.

As one concern shared by consumers, sales associate accessibility was a top priority. As a resolution, Burgdorff increased administrative sales support in every branch office to allow sales associates to concentrate more on their clients. In the event that a sales associate was unavailable to assist a customer, the company also created 1-866-BURGDORFF, which is a toll-free number providing direct access to a team of Burgdorff professionals trained to help clients with Burgdorff services or simple real estate questions. In addition, the company networked all Burdgorff ERA offices to provide high-speed Internet access to sales associates for instanteneous e-mail communication with clients.

To provide extra services, Reeves introduced a number of programs including Select Lifestyle Services by Burgdorff ERA. As the flagship of Burgdorff services, the program offers clients access to home services ranging from utility disconnection and re-connection to home warranty coverage to the referral of reputable contractors in the area. As a key feature of the enhanced customer service strategy, Burgdorff participates in sharing sales associates costs for gestures to clients beyond basic real estate sales. For example, a family relocating to the area can be provided with airport pickup or busy sellers can enjoy the services of a housekeeper before their home is placed on the market. In another program, Burdgorff sales associates will also welcome clients to their new homes by providing gourmet Moving-In Dinners to clients on their first night in the new home.

The company has also implemented a number of training and educational programs. Through the Burgdorff Specialist program, sales associates can receive certification in the company's unique sales listing approach with sellers, as well as buyer presentation and technological proficiency. In conjunction with the ERA International Collection, ERA's luxury property program, sale associates have the opportunity to enhance the marketing of luxury and historically significant properties. Most importantly, the entire company, including employees, will participate in an allday sharing of the Ritz Carlton philosophy, ensuring consistency and understanding of the conscientious and comprehensive customer service model Burgdorff has chosen to adopt. Unique situation

To begin implementing the company's overall plan to offer the ultimate in customer service, Reeves realized the need to improve the company's ability to support sales associates on a consistent basis and secure

financing for new programs. To further support Burgdorff's strength in markets known for their commuting proximity to Manhattan, the company acquired a number of competing firms in their core market area. Most recently, the company acquired Maplewood-based Charles J. Klein Co., Realtors and Bergen County based Atlantic Real Estate. The aggressive mergers are designed to increase market share and client serice in this critical market area.

In a bold move to further strengthen Burgdorff's core market area and reallocate resources, the company decided to consolidate and transfer offices within the outer lying portions of the Burgdorff office network. The office consolidation saw the company's Bernardsville office join with the neighborhing Basking Ridge office.

In a more dramatic move, seven Burdgorff ERA offices in peripheral communities were transferred to Coldwell Banker Residential Brokerage of New Jersey. Both companies are independently owned and operated by NRT Incorporated, the nation's largest residential real estate brokerage firm.

"As a strategic business decision, Burgdorff capitalized on this unique situation of having companies under two competing brands sharing the same parent company," said Reeves. "Through this relationship, we can more rapidly reposition our resources to focus on our core markets."

#### The "new" company

The Oct. 27 announcement of the new corporate strategy came during a luncheon for the entire Burgdorff ERA company. Following an in-depth presentation regarding the reengineering and the new programs, the luncheon format was opened to allow 600 sales agents to discuss the changes and address Reeves directly with their questions. And what began sales assocates, turned into a celebra-

tion of the new program, earning a standing ovation from the entire company.

"Burgdorff has always prided itself on providing the highest level of customer service, and today we officially moved to the next level," said Ro Pucci, a top producing sales associate in the Burgdorff ERA Chatham office.

The reception of the new corporate strategy was rewarding to Reeves, who has spent more than five months developing the plan. "Although our commitment to excellence with our customers has long been the hallmark of our company, I wanted to prove our commitment to our sales associates was just as important. We are adding to our associates' already immense talents by providing them with the best tools and support available, and in doing so, Burgdorff will be able to truly care for our clients, which has always been our mandate."

Following the lengthy development of the new corporate strategy, Reeves for one is happy to be spending the coming months implementing the plan.

"With our entire company clearly behind this vision, I am proud to begin making it a realty. To become synonymous with extraordinary in the real estate industry is a bold goal to set, but given Burgdorff ERA's repuas an unknown day for the Burgdorff tation over the years, we are a perfect profile for such an undertaking.'

## Burgdorff conducts training

As part of the company's new "Extraordinary Professionals Exceeding Expectations" vision, Burgdorff ERA, in conjunction with the ERA International Collection, recently conducted specialized training for Burgdorff sales associates in the marketing of luxury homes.

Conducted by Sharon Wanat, sales associate with the Burgdorff ERA Montclair office and field consultant to the ERA International Collection, Gwen Otto, Burgdorff ERA vice president, special markets, and Kary Reeves, manager of new product development for ERA Franchise Systems, the course was designed to train Burgdorff sales associates specializing in the marketing of luxury properties. Offering insights into topics ranging from the development of personal business plans to specific marketing plans and tools, the program prepares sales associates for the complex details of effective luxury home marketing.

"This course is just another indication of Burgdorff ERA's commitment to providing the ultimate in customer service," said Burgdorff ERA President Judy Reeves. "By providing our sales associates with the most comprehensive and insightful training possible, we can be sure to offer our clients a level of service that truly exceeds their expectations."

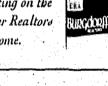


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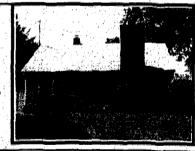
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Prudential White Realty Co.'s director of continuing education, Weisbrod, whom many already know through his online real estate column on Comcast's web site, is equally enthusiastic about web-worthy marketing innovations.

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