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GOOD 'TASTE'

Visitors to the Rahway Recreation Center sample cuisine from several local eateries during the cities annual 'Taste of Rahway.' Page 23

OFFICE TO CLOSE

Our offices will close Nov. 27 in observance of Thanksgiving. The paper will be published Nov. 26. Deadlines for the issue of the 26th are as follows:

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- Sports: Friday, noon.
- News: Friday, 5 p.m.

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- Rahway: "Zarinsky's day in court looms"
 - Cranford: "Antique fire pump needs a home"
 - Linden: "Widow wants more money from husband's killer"
 - Cranford: "RVSA upgrades nearing completion"
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Resident calls for relief from traffic

By Jackeline Leon
Staff Writer

UNION — Motorists traveling along Morris Avenue on their daily commutes may have been happy to see construction end, but now they face new troubles on the busy roadway.

The intersection of Morris and Liberty avenues has become notorious for high congestion and difficult traffic patterns since islands with yellow striped lines were added on the eastbound side of Morris Avenue, according to at least one

Union resident. Dave Makkar, who uses the road to get to work, is against the new traffic pattern.

"With the old system, Morris Avenue East at the intersection with Liberty converted into a single lane for about 100 feet before the intersection to provide space for a left turn," Makkar said. Now, with islands stretching back about 600 feet to Braun Terrace and about 300 feet of space for cars to cue for a left turn onto Liberty Avenue, Makkar says very little time is given to motorists to traverse it legally.

Some motorists are more likely to cross over the islands to make a left than to merge into the right lane and switch lanes again, Makkar said.

During the evening rush hour, traffic can be seen backed up to Alvin Place, as some vehicles drive by in the left lane to quickly merge into the right.

"This pattern is so bad and creating traffic jams for more than 1,000 feet. Even in off peak hours it's bad," Makkar said.

He suggested the new traffic

flow is a "financial bonanza" for the township, as police issue tickets for drivers who travel on the islands. He received a ticket last month. "This is...capitalizing on the miseries of helpless drivers," Makkar said.

Township spokesperson Geri Durso said police are doing nothing wrong. "This has nothing to do with quotas. The police department is doing their job by enforcing the law, and they're there for everyone's safety."

Makkar plans to ask the Township to see CONGESTION, Page 13

Spending freeze amid downturn

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — The governing body has put a spending freeze into effect for the rest of the year, following a report by the township's finance officer Tom Grady, who warned the 2008 budget could fall

short of the town's needs by about \$100,000.

The Township Committee unanimously approved the measure at its Nov. 10 workshop meeting.

Grady cited the town's utilities budget, specifically the electrical See FREEZE, Page 13

Linden sparkles with Diamond Glove event

By Joseph M. D'Alise
Staff Writer

LINDEN — Ten bouts between state amateur boxing greats were fought before a standing-room-only crowd at the 75th Annual State Finals of the Diamond Gloves Boxing Tournament Friday.

But it was more than the winners who were successful, as the event, donned a "Night of Sparkling Diamonds, Bubbling Champagne and Championship Boxing," brought in approximately \$30,000 to go toward scholarships See LINDEN, Page 13

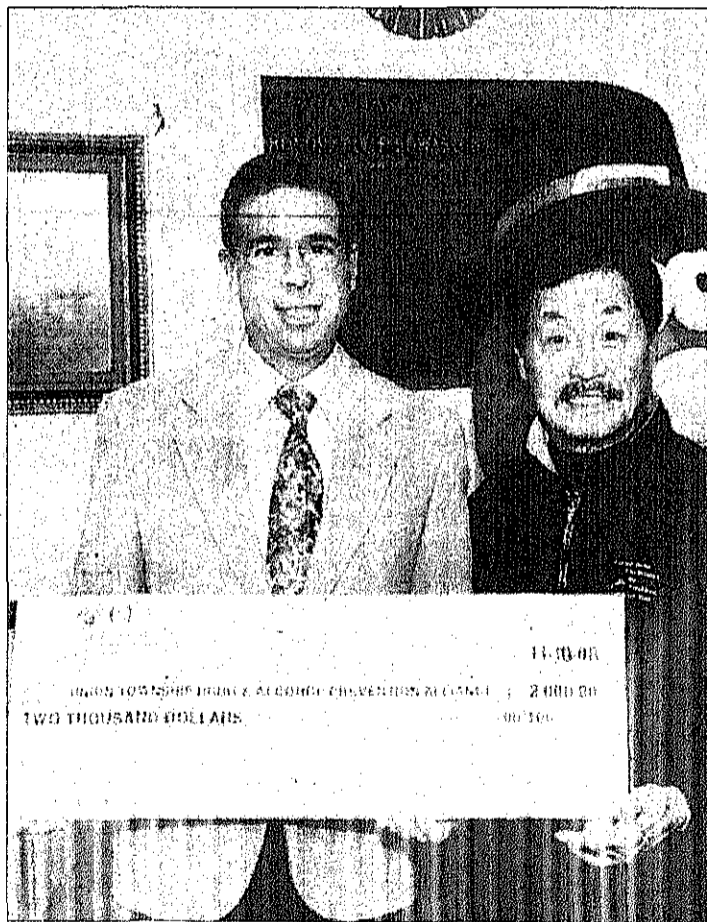
Council: Three-story structures acceptable

By Joseph M. D'Alise
Staff Writer

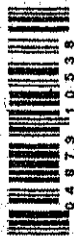
SUMMIT — Permit builders can now construct taller buildings in Summit's downtown area.

The amendment to an existing ordinance was passed by the Common Council on Nov. 5, with a vote of 6-1. Second Ward Councilman See COUNCIL, Page 10

Check, please!



The World Hwa Rang Do Karate Association recently presented a \$2,000 donation to the Township of Union Municipal Drug Alliance. Grand master Ki Nam Yum, right, presents the check to Paul Fernandez, coordinator of the Alliance.



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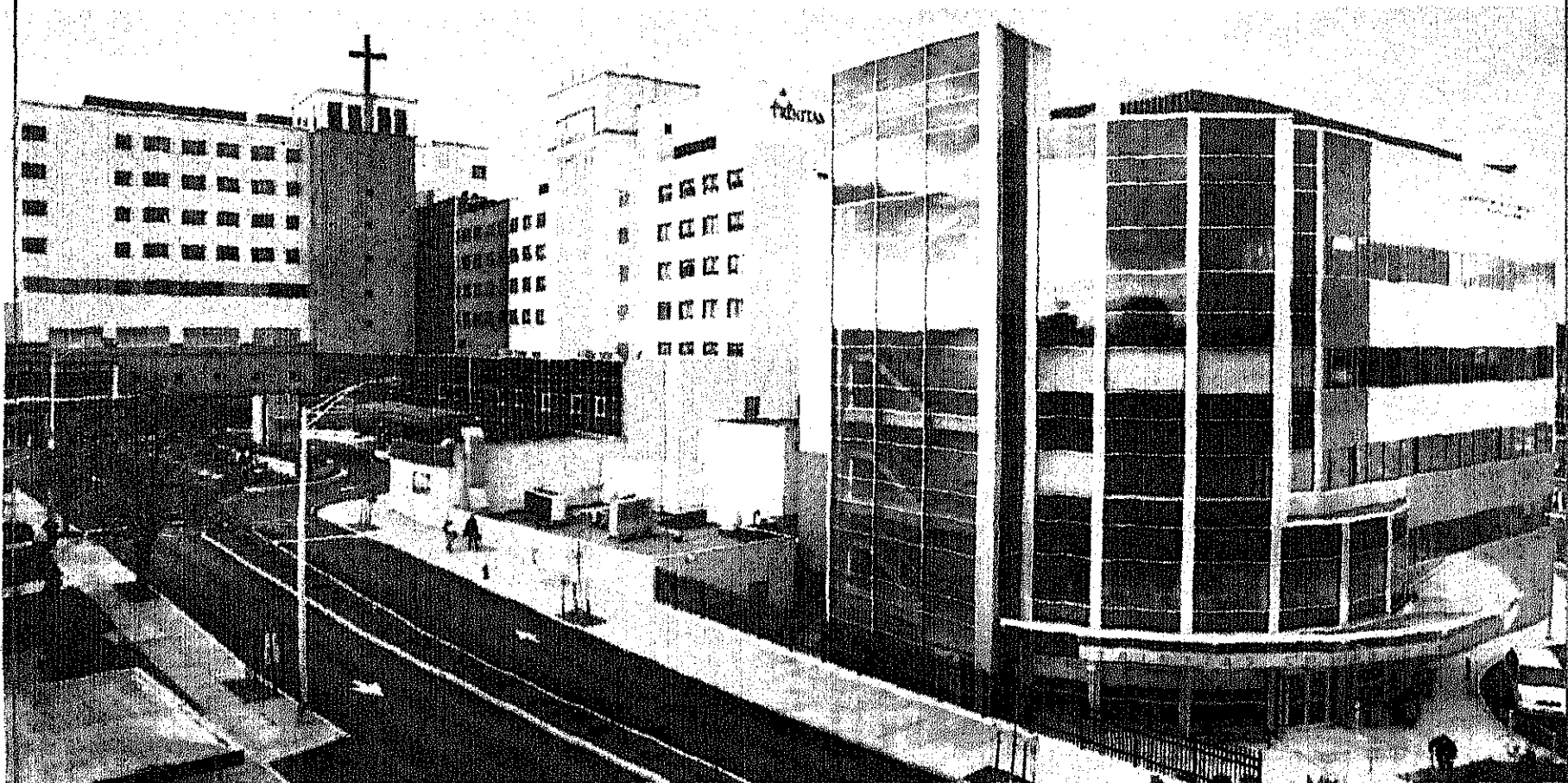
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Traveling back in time



Nearly 120 girls turned out to the historic Liberty Hall Mansion in Union to take part in the Girl Scout Heart of New Jersey's "A Girl's Life Before Girl Scouting."

Fire safety initiative geared toward kids

By Joseph M. D'Alise
Staff Writer

SUMMIT — The Summit Fire Prevention Bureau, in conjunction with the National Fire Prevention Association, is promoting a new campaign targeting elementary school students — ages 5 and 6 — by informing them of various fire safety issues and simple prevention measures.

Firefighters and police officers are visiting city elementary schools and distributing "Uh-Oh's Safety Sets," which contain key chains with an "Uh-Oh" figurine attached, safety stickers and a coloring book.

The Uh-Oh figurine includes a secret code for the NFPA Web site, where children and their families can learn how to prevent such everyday accidents as falls on the playground.

According to Summit fire chief Joseph Houck, the Fire Prevention Bureau learned about the safety kits

through the NFPA catalog. "Unfortunately, initiatives like this one cost money we just did not have in our budget this year."

The cost of the initiative was more than \$2,000, according to Houck.

Firefighter Tim Duetsch led the effort to find funding for the project, according to Houck.

"It's great when you go into a school and prepare students for some of the issues they might face one day," Duetsch said about the urge to help out.

With funding from local unions, the program was launched.

A group of fire and police officials visited the Wilson Primary Center last week and are planning to visit the Jefferson Primary Center in the future. "Anything that brings community awareness to some of the safety hazards out there is very important to us," police chief Robert Lucid said.

Mountainside's 45-year-old holiday tree replaced

By Joseph M. D'Alise
Staff Writer

MOUNTAINSIDE — In 1963, the Lions Club of Mountainside planted an 14-foot-tall tree at the corner of Route 22 and New Providence Road. Forty-five years later, the common site has disappeared.

Since its planting, the tree, which early on required a step ladder to decorate, had grown to more than 70 feet tall and had become a landmark for motorists traveling

Route 22. "It died of old age," explained Mountainside Mayor Robert Vigilanti. The old tree was cut down last month.

According to the mayor, for several years, borough officials had noticed the tree's health was declining. Because of its failing health, the borough planted an additional tree, which flanked the old one.

"The old tree was a landmark. It was even mentioned on the radio when there were Route 22 traffic

updates," Vigilanti said.

The new, 35-foot-tall douglas fir will serve as the borough's official holiday tree. It was picked by the Mountainside Tree Commission from the Union County Parks Department's nursery.

The Lions Club of Mountainside will decorate the larger of the two remaining trees for its annual holiday celebration.

Frank Magnolia, president of the Lion's Club, was present when

the original tree was first planted and oversaw its decoration each holiday season. He is also the person designated to "throw the switch" during the Mountainside's annual holiday tree lighting ceremony.

"I heard stories that people would commute from Pennsylvania to see it," Magnolia said.

Although he said he was sad to see it cut down, Magnolia remained optimistic about the new tree, say-

ing he's is anxious to get started on this year's decorations. "The old tree served its purpose," he said.

Magnolia said the Lions Club will be out on Nov. 22 to begin decorating this year's tree, and expects the lighting ceremony to take place Dec. 6. The ceremony typically includes a visit from carolers, local children and Santa Claus.

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RPMS mixes things up

By John O'Reilly
Staff Writer

ROSELLE PARK — Students at Roselle Park Middle School entered their cafeteria with bagged lunches and left with open minds last Friday.

The youngsters were part of Mix It Up Day, a national program that encourages kids to sit at different lunch tables and talk about issues like cliques and make new friends.

The students joined an estimated 4 million others in 8,000 schools in the country who participated.

"This gave kids a chance to sit with someone new, which they don't really do," said high school senior Binda Patel, president of the multi-cultural group CARE that assisted with Mix It Up Day.

She noted that as students get older it can be much harder to unlearn their social fears. "[By eighth grade] kids are not very accepting. They want to stick with their group and get scared when they are with another group," Patel said.

Principal Jeannine Grasso

agreed, which is why she said Mix It Up Day works so well — it forces students to confront their fears. "Middle school students have a hard time coming out of their safety zone. Now, they don't have to choose to come out," she said.

The Southern Poverty Law Center, a civil rights firm in Montgomery, Ala., began the day in 2002 to get students from different racial and social groups to realize they both deal with the same issues.

Organizers in Roselle Park said the program has grown.

"This year Mix It Up Day had a special significance because of the historic election of Barack Obama as the first black president," said program director Samantha Elliott Briggs. "Students across America are very excited about doing their part to tear down the walls that divide them."

Some of the participants may not have had such a deep appreciation for the day's meaning, but at least they can enjoy having another friendly face to say hello to in the hallways.

Hats on to 'Scrappy'



Children attending Toddler Time at the Kenilworth Public Library gather around 'Scrappy' the Scarecrow and display their firefighter helmets.

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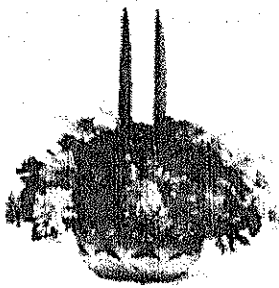
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Four attack pedestrian outside store, arrested

By John O'Reilly
Staff Writer

ROSELLE — He was only walking down East 2nd Avenue with his girlfriend when a 22-year-old local man was brutally beaten and mugged by four young men exiting a liquor store.

The alleged attackers, including Peter Bernard, 29, of Roselle and Husan Glasco, 21, Harry Robinson, 20, and Rabine Johnson, 22, all of Elizabeth were arrested shortly after the incident.

At approximately 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 7, police responded to Alman's Liquors to find a man with blood "pouring" from a large cut over his eye, according to police reports.

He was treated and released at Trinitas Hospital in Newark, receiving six stitches over his right eye.

The victim told investigators he had been walking across the street with his girlfriend when he noticed four men leaving the liquor store on East 2nd Avenue.

The suspects ran towards him, yelling "what's cracking." The victim told police he ignored the men and had continued walking when they ran up to him and assaulted him, beating him to the ground.

They took his jacket and cell phone before fleeing.

Witnesses pointed out the suspects' vehicle as it sped away and officers were able to nab the group near East 2nd Avenue and Poplar Street, where they were found in possession of the victim's jacket and arrested, police said.

During the arrest, the suspects continued making trouble for police, as one gave a fake name and another resisted arrest and assaulted an officer, police said.

Bernard of Hory Street allegedly refused to get out of the vehicle for police and slammed the car door on an officer. He was pepper sprayed by police and handcuffed. Hours later, he claimed of a pain in his arm and was taken to Union Hospital in Union, where he was medically cleared. Bernard was charged with robbery, resisting arrest and aggravated assault. He is being held by police on \$45,000 bail.

The other suspects, Glasco, Robinson and Johnson, were also charged with robbery and held on \$45,000 bail. Glasco, who had a warrant out for his arrest from Elizabeth, gave police a fake name and was also charged with hindering apprehension.

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Suspected Route 35 Crew leader faces new charges

By John O'Reilly
Staff Writer

LINDEN — An updated federal indictment of a notorious gang's ring leader includes new charges of sexual assault and car theft.

Ruben Rosado, 31, of Rahway was charged Nov. 12 with 14 separate robberies, racketeering and several weapons charges in a 28-count superceding indictment, U.S. Attorney Christopher Christie announced last week.

Rosado was known as a principal member of the "Route 35 Crew" that allegedly swept across Union and Middlesex counties, robbing an estimated \$288,000 from banks and businesses between August 2006 and November 2007.

Local robberies include hits at Speedy Cash Checking in Linden and the Rahway Savings Bank in Rahway, where an undisclosed amount of cash was taken.

The U.S. Attorney's Office

revealed last week that Rosado and his crew may also be responsible for a crime spree that involved stealing several vehicles and using the stolen cars to commit robberies.

The often-armed group would disguise themselves in masks, gloves and wigs, according to the updated indictment, which detailed Rosado also being accused of "groping and sexually assaulting" many of his female victims.

Rosado has been in state prison in lieu of bail for a year on an unrelated theft and weapons charge stemming from a robbery at Investor Savings Bank in Piscataway late last year.

The new indictment will supercede the original grand jury indictment from November 2007.

Four other co-defendants — Michael Green, 30, of Linden, Sandy Hart, 29, Andre Billups, 24, and Andria Yarborough, 24, all of Rahway pleaded guilty to numer-

ous robberies or assaults connected to the Route 35 Crew and are awaiting sentencing. A fifth co-defendant, Brandon Thomas, 27, of Rahway is out on bail pending a trial for receiving stolen property from an Edison bank robbery the Route 35 crew is suspected of committing.

On Nov. 10, 2007, pedestrians said they saw Rosado and Green fleeing from a smoking car and hailing a taxi a few minutes after they allegedly robbed \$93,000 from a Piscataway Investor Savings Bank branch.

Police tracked down the cab to a barbershop where they found and arrested Green. He eventually led police to Rosado and other information police believe they have learned about the Route 35 crew, according to police reports.

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UNION BRIEFS

'Ident-i-Kits' for kids

B'nai B'rith and the YM-YWHA of Union, co-sponsors of the 7th Annual Jewish Fair & Expo, will make child "Ident-i-kits" available on Sunday from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. This identity card is a photo and fingerprint record of any child or infant through age 18.

The Program is done through the DARE division of the Union

Police Department. There is no fee. The Y is located at 501 Green Lane in Union. For information, call the Y at 908-289-8112.

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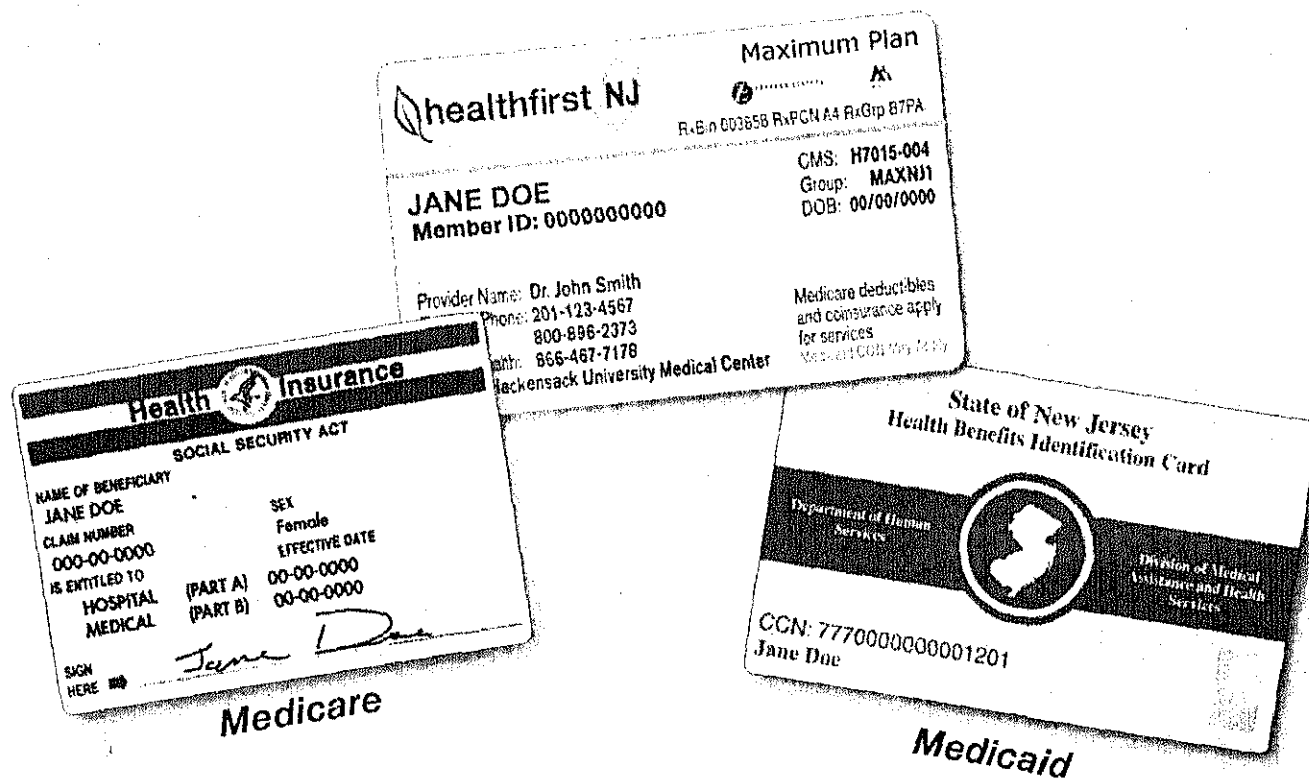
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health-related conditions. For information, contact Dottie at 908-851-5452.

Coat drive until Dec. 5

The Rotary of Union is holding a coat drive through Dec. 5. Drop off locations include the 20th Legislative District Offices, 985 Stuyvesant Ave., and Hehl & Hehl Law Office, 370 Chestnut St.

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Gas station attendant robbed at gunpoint

Union

The TD Bank on 570 Chestnut Street was robbed on Nov. 16 shortly after 11 a.m. It is not yet known how much was stolen and the investigation is being led by the Federal Bureau of Investigations.

• On Nov. 15, shortly after 6 p.m., a man reportedly snatched a young woman's purse as she was walking on Stuyvesant Avenue near Vauxhall Road. Officers were dispatched to canvas the area for the suspect.

Cranford

• Willie Rowe, 42, and Philander Hampton, 51, both of Newark were arrested at 8:25 p.m. on Nov. 3 after being pulled over by officer Brian Wagner at Centennial Avenue and Hayes Street for having an inoperable rear brake light. Rowe, the driver, was charged with possession of crack cocaine, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled dangerous substance in a motor vehicle and having an inoperable rear brake light. Hampton was arrested on an unrelated traffic warrant from Newark and charged with not wearing a seatbelt.

• James Smith, 22, of Linden was arrested at 3:45 p.m. on Nov. 3 after being pulled over by officer Timothy O'Brien at the intersection

of Centennial Avenue and Lincoln Avenue for having license plates that did not match the vehicle he was driving. He was charged with possession of marijuana, possession of drug paraphernalia, possession of a controlled dangerous substance in a motor vehicle and having fictitious license plates.

• Arlando Santana, 42, and Luis Torres, 21, both of Newark were arrested at 11:45 p.m. on Oct. 30 after being pulled over on North Avenue at Forest Avenue by officer Spencer Durkin for driving erratically. Santana, the driver, was charged with possession of a handgun and careless driving. Torres, the passenger, was arrested for outstanding traffic warrants from multiple towns.

Clark

• On Oct. 12, at 1:14 p.m., police responded to a bicycle theft at 140 Central Ave.

• Brian Swartzel, 18, of Rahway was arrested at 8:45 a.m. on Oct. 24 by Detective Kevin Shackleton. He was charged with criminal mischief and burglary and released pending a court date.

• Pete Mokes, 50, of Kenilworth was arrested at 11:28 a.m. on Oct. 24 by Patrolman Terrance Harrison for contempt of court.

• Police are investigating a report of criminal mischief received at 10:10 a.m. on Oct. 26. The incident involved a motor

POLICE BLOTTER

vehicle parked on West Lane.

• Police are investigating a report of criminal mischief received at 8:47 p.m. on Oct. 26. The incident involved a motor vehicle parked on Madison Hill Road.

• Gary Galgosi, 19, of Linden was arrested at 4:07 p.m. on Nov. 4 by officer Terrance Harrison and charged with theft by deception. He was released pending a court date.

• Frederick Paleovics, 45, of Colonia was arrested at 9:51 p.m. on Nov. 5 by officer Pat Grady for outstanding warrants for contempt of court/motor vehicle violations from South Plainfield totaling \$1,885.

Kenilworth

• On Nov. 12, shortly after 9 a.m., an Elizabeth resident reported their vehicle was broken into while it was parked in the parking lot at David Brearley Middle and High School at 401 Monroe Ave.

• An Epping Drive resident reported they saw three teenagers in a small, dark-colored SUV steal a manhole cover. The manhole was confirmed missing and later replaced.

Mountainside

• David L. Hill, 55, of Newark was arrested at 9:33 a.m. on Nov. 10 on Route 22 and was charged with having an outstanding warrant

in the amount of \$1,100.

• Sajid A. Khan, 32, of Bronx, N.Y., was arrested at 12:52 a.m. on Nov. 4 on Chimpunk Hill and was charged with driving with a suspended license, driving without insurance and failure to answer a summons.

• Patrick J. Fucci Jr., 28, of Union was arrested at 3 a.m. on Oct. 31 on Route 22 East and charged with careless driving and driving while intoxicated following a motor vehicle accident.

• Sebastian Alzate, 21, Elizabeth was arrested at 12:05 a.m. on Oct. 31 on Route 22 East and charged with being an unlicensed driver, unsafe lane change, hindering apprehension, receiving stolen property and having an outstanding warrant from Elizabeth in the amount of \$100.

• Walter J. Klemens, 47, of Lake Hiawatha was arrested at 12:23 p.m. on Oct. 30 on Route 22 East and charged with having an outstanding warrant from Mountainside in the amount of \$298.

• Charles Boston, 31, of Newark was arrested at 12:02 p.m. on Oct. 30 on Route 22 East and charged with having an outstanding warrant from Mountainside for \$614.

Rahway

• On Oct. 13, at 10:30 a.m., police responded to Elizabeth Avenue on a report of a theft to a motor vehicle. A TomTom 570 GPS

device valued at \$450, two Rigid power drills and power saws with a total value of \$1,200 were missing.

• On Oct. 21, at 10:12 p.m., a juvenile was arrested after stealing a vehicle from the parking lot of Pyramid Gym on St. Georges Avenue. Surveillance tapes caught the suspect grabbing keys dropped by the owner before heading into the parking lot and driving away in a vehicle. The vehicle was retrieved and the juvenile was released to his mother.

• On Oct. 25, at 10:09 a.m., police responded to reports of a vehicle on Whittier Street home during the previous night.

Roselle

• Daniel Figueroa, 24, Mark Reed, 25, and Emerson Cornejo, 26, all of Elizabeth were arrested at 1:45 a.m. on Oct. 26 near St. Georges Avenue and Park Drive after police found two Ziplock bags filled with marijuana in their possession. The driver, Figueroa, was charged with possession of narcotics and passengers Reed and Cornejo were arrested on prior warrants totaling \$2,279.

• Carlos Gonzalez, 34, of Perth Amboy was arrested at 1:45 a.m. on Oct. 18 after assaulting a police officer outside a St. Georges Avenue club. Gonzalez was charged with aggravated assault and resisting arrest after he refused to move away from the club.

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Reporting for duty



David Kotiga was sworn in as a Summit Police Department patrolman by mayor Jordan Glatt at the Nov. 5 Common Council meeting. From left: Police Lt. John Dougherty, Police Chief Robert Lucid, Patrol Officer Kotiga, Deputy Chief W. Paul Kelley.

SPRINGFIELD BRIEFS

Toys for Tots drive

The Springfield Fire Department, the Community Conference Group of Springfield schools, the Springfield Chamber of Commerce and the Marine Corp Reserves once again have joined

forces for a Toys for Tots program. All houses of worship, civic organizations, businesses and residents are invited to help these less fortunate people. Make a donation of a new, unwrapped toy and or a financial donation to this cause. Toys

are collected for children up to the age of 15. Gift cards from Barnes & Noble are also accepted. The Fire Department will distribute the toys in the area and forward the rest to the Marine Corp Reserve unit. The drive ends Dec. 12.

LINDEN BRIEFS

Meet 'Soprano State' author at Elks Lodge

Bob Ingle, co-author of the New York Times best seller "The Soprano State" and the Trenton Bureau chief for Gannett Newspapers, will be the guest speaker at the Linden Citizen Association meeting today at 7:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 225 Lutgen Place, Linden.

Library board to meet

The Roselle Library Board will meet today at the library, 104 West Fourth Ave.

Knitting, crocheting

Knitting and Crocheting for a Cause invites people of all ages who have a basic knowledge of knitting or crocheting and a set of knitting needles or a crochet hook to meet Tuesdays from 10 a.m. to noon. Meetings are held at the John T. Gregorio Recreation Center, 330 Helen St. Projects go to charity.

For information, call 908-474-8627 or visit www.linden-nj.org.

Hypertension exams

A free hypertension screening is offered for residents Dec. 12. Screenings will be held in Council Chambers at City Hall, 301 North Wood Ave., from 2 to 4 p.m.

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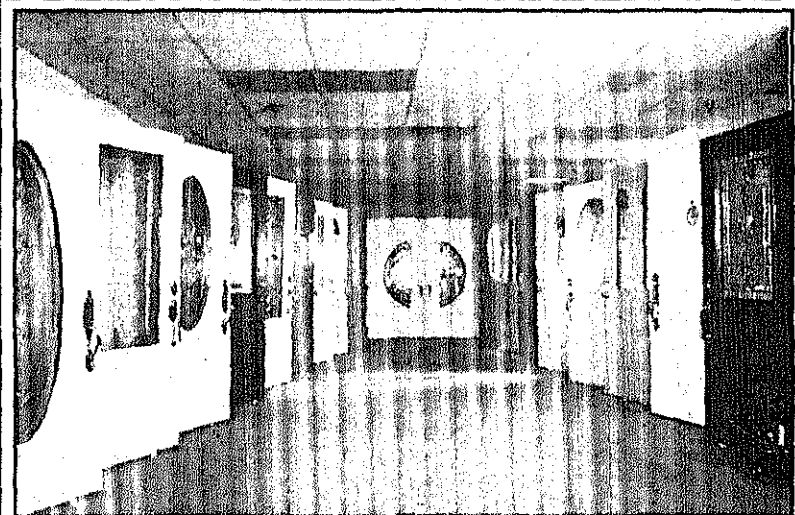
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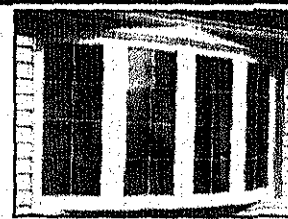
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EDITORIALS

Stop smoking

Today is the Great American Smokeout. This observance, promoted each year by the American Cancer Society, urges individuals who use tobacco products to either quit for a day, or give serious consideration to quitting in the near future.

This is the 31st year for the smokeout, which falls annually on the third Thursday in November. The observance traces its roots back to 1971 when a Massachusetts resident, Arthur Mullaney, encouraged every smoker in his town to quit tobacco for one day and then donate the money they saved to the local school district. The idea of a smokeless day spread to other states, and in 1977 the American Cancer Society set the framework of the current smokeout. Two other annual events observed nationally also seek an end to the use of tobacco: Kick Butts Day, falling next on March 25, which encourages children to avoid the dangers of tobacco; and World No Tobacco Day, celebrated each year on March 31, which is sponsored by the World Health Organization.

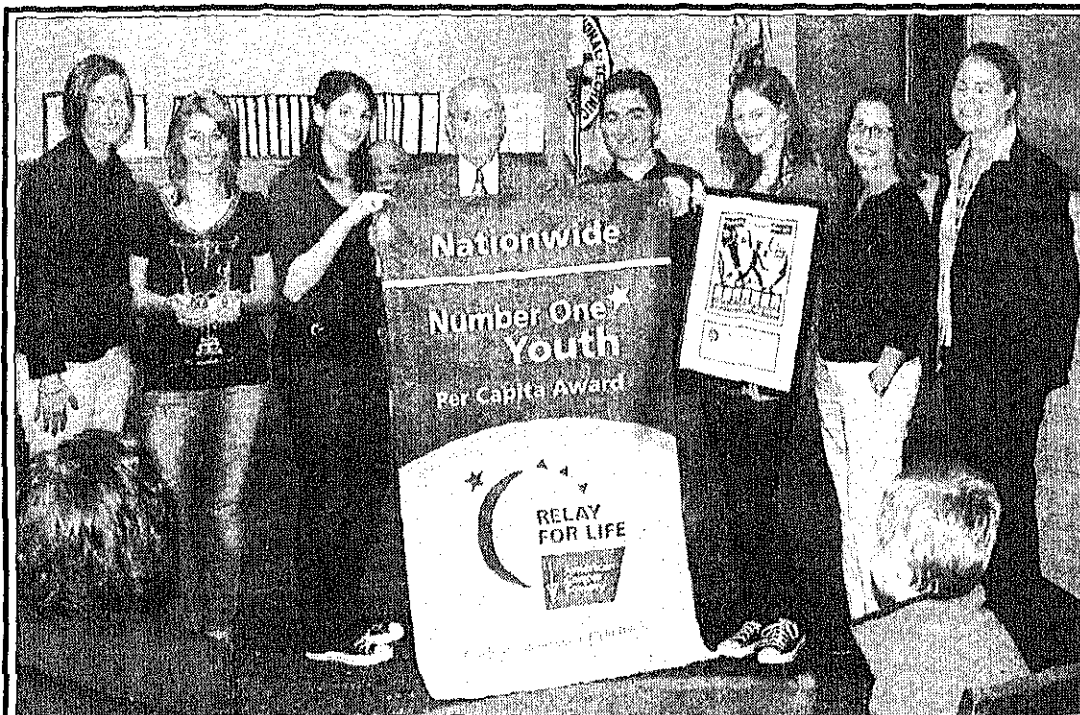
Of course we support the simple message of the Great American Smokeout: that tobacco products are harmful to an individual's health, and that an individual will feel much better and be much healthier if they stop smoking. Reliable, long-term medical research supports those claims.

We also breathe easier knowing that secondhand smoke, which is highly dangerous to non-smokers, has now been banned in most public buildings, public carriers such as buses, trains and airplanes, and many outdoor parks and stadiums.

Everybody who has ever tried to quit smoking knows how difficult it can be. And most everyone has a story of how they were finally able to succeed. Many of those stories share common traits which can help others. First, set a day in the future to stop, and commit yourself to that date; sudden, panic-inspired decisions to quit are usually short-lived. Second, reschedule your day to avoid those times when you most want tobacco, such as with a cup of coffee at the kitchen table while you read the morning newspaper.

Brush your teeth and gums frequently; for some reason, this stimulation lessens the craving. And arrange to have a friend whom you can call for support when your resistance to temptation weakens.

There are so many dangers in our lives. We should try and avoid those which can be avoided, such as the use of tobacco. It's a nasty habit that we all can feel better without.



COMMITTED TO FINDING A CURE — Students from the Union County Vocational-Technical schools, above, were awarded the 2008 Highest Per Capita Fundraising Award by the American Cancer Society for their Relay for Life event. They raised the most money, per participant, of all the high schools in the nation involved in the fundraiser. Seventy percent of the student body in the two schools participated in the Relay, which is an annual fundraising event held in June.

Pushing through the 'headwinds'

The line of commuters getting off trains at the Union Train Station Monday morning was typical. It may be the only station in the county where more arrive in the morning than leave. The parking lot was filling up, but not yet filled by 8 a.m. The only headwind these walkers were thinking about was the drop in temperature.

There is a very real connection between a faltering national economy and efforts to improve everyone's commute.

Rutgers economists James Hughes and Joseph Senecca are giving numbers to a bad economy. In their Sitar-Rutgers regional report, they predict that without some real action, the current recession could cost 250,000 jobs in the state before it's over. Even with some government action, they write "national and global economic headwinds are so strong."

The dismal-pointing economic weather vane gave extra impetus to the approval for a second rail commuter tunnel under the Hudson River. Last week, the North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority gave its blessing, even though there has been a 14 percent increase in the cost before a shovel hits the water.

The NJTPA is such a good group. They operate in pretty much obscurity, even though they serve as a clearing house for the massive transit projects that keep our region moving.

Faced with an \$8.7 billion price tag and the lack of contribution from New York there has been some sentiment to holding back on the project. Freeholder Daniel Sul-

Left Out

By Frank Capece

ivan is a veteran of the agency. He has the advantage that comes with the years of watching these projects. Along the way he has developed a good sense for making these projects more. Considering the positive impact the project will have, he joined a unanimous board in moving forward on the project.

"The costs will only go up in the future. The project is the only way to really open up improved mass transit opportunity for Union County residents," Sullivan said.

The project breakdown is \$3 billion via the Port Authority, \$1.25 billion via raises from toll increases already approved and the rest from the federal government.

William Wright, one of the county's experts on transit, supports the project as well. It would be beneficial to have a summary on the views of Wright on cable. He speaks persuasively about citizens at the mercy of big oil and past governments who ignored our railroad infrastructure needs. He envisions this tunnel and direct service to Penn Station as expanding regional transit to new heights.

The project has a lot more to do than finding seats for commuters already using saturated rail links. Gov. Jon Corzine said, "The project will provide customers on 10 NJ Transit lines with one seat transfer-free rides to New York. It will cre-

ate almost 6,000 construction jobs and will help generate 44,000 permanent jobs providing an additional \$2 billion in annual personal income for the state's residents."

H.W. Brands, author of "Traitor to His Class: The Privileged Life and Radical Presidency of Franklin Delano Roosevelt," described the efforts by the then-new president to use public works to invest in our future and stimulate a stagnating economy. Sound familiar? It should.

Brands described a president willing to experiment, and even make mistakes, in an effort to create needed jobs. A wonderful story had to do with the Civilian Conservation Corps. Less known is the effort, three years after its inception efforts, were made by the president to stop the program. The opponents who had taken to liking the visible improvements became the strongest proponents for its continuation.

Last week, a trio of Democratic Gov. Richard Rendell of Pennsylvania, Republican Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger of California and Independent New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg spoke to the need for "infrastructure funds to help jump start projects for future economic growth."

Closer to his home state, Transportation Commissioner Kris Kolumuri estimates about \$1.2 billion highway and bridge projects can begin within 90 days of Congressional approval. Definitely the way to travel against a strong headwind.

An attorney, Frank Capece is a resident of Cranford.

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OP ED PAGE

Feathered 'celebrities' flock to parks

A cackling goose is the most recent "celebrity" to visit the venerable Rahway River Park this fall. Bird watchers from throughout the region are coming to gawk at this western form of the Canada Goose. Being somewhat smaller than the more common forms of Canada Goose, this cackling goose was found amid a flock of its larger cousins hanging out at the lake, on the manicured lawns and neighboring wetlands.

The first real cold winds have finally arrived in the Rahway River watershed.

Morning lows promise to be in the low- to mid-20s, certain to freeze whatever mums that have lingered from Halloween until now. Chasing folks indoors is what the cold does in the beginning, with sweaters, heavy coats, hats and gloves being re-discovered after nearly a year of mothballs.

For some hardy souls, the onset of cold weather does not ruffle their feathers after all — New Jersey is their wintering grounds. By late September, the robins, grackles, catbirds and dozens of other species are on the move, heading south for warmer climate.

As the common species leave, others arrive. White-throated sparrows pronounce their "sweet" single notes while the slate-colored juncos verbalize ringing single syllables.

Other birds arrive as well with purple finches, fox sparrows and tree sparrows magically appearing at

Eye On the Environment

By Dennis Miranda

your feeders searching for the fresh millet and pumpkin seeds they love to eat.

These ubiquitous birds can be found everywhere in Union, Middlesex and Essex counties. Searching in the parks for birds may prove even more rewarding if you can shrug off the wintry conditions.

Visit the overgrown fields, shrubby forest edges of Lenape Park for the sparrows and juncos. Keep an eye out for the tree and fox sparrows. Though not as common, they can be found if you have persistence, determination and a little luck.

Visit Joe Medwick Park in Carteret for more winter residents. This riverfront park graces the southern shores of the Rahway River with great views of the water, Linden's Hawkrise nature sanctuary and dozens of acres of restored tidal marshes. Here, one can find amid the abundant Canada Goose, double crested cormorant and mallard, and a veritable raft of other waterfowl species.

Black duck, gadwall, hooded merganser, teal and pied-billed grebe can be seen. Less common species such as scoters, canvasback, loons and the

brant, a small goose can appear at anytime.

With luck, one might see a rare gliding northern harrier, rough-legged hawk or a peregrine falcon hunting the marshes for food.

The 2,000-plus-acre Watchung Reservation, guarding the western reaches of the Rahway River watershed, boasts one of the largest contiguous forests in the region.

Boreal forest interior birds such as the golden-crowned kinglet, red-breasted nuthatch, and the occasional yellow-bellied sapsucker should be easy finds. Wintering hermit thrush, winter wren and yellow-rumped warbler should not be difficult to locate in the woods given time to search.

A genuine winter invasion of rare winter finches takes place once or twice each decade. In 2007, pine siskins and common redpolls were seemingly everywhere.

Already, hundreds of pine siskins have been seen throughout New Jersey. If this is a harbinger of things to come, then, other seed-eaters, such as redpolls and evening grosbeaks may be on their way.

These species can turn up anywhere in the region.

Wear your winter gear and don your binoculars and search your parks, nature preserves and natural areas in the Rahway River watershed.

Dennis Miranda is the executive director of the Rahway River Association.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Promising 'due diligence'

To the Editor:

I write to express a simple thank you for recently electing me to the Charter Study Commission.

I am hopeful that my 12 years as a Republican member of the Township Committee and two terms as mayor will help me to arrive at an acceptable and successful form of government that will meet your expectations.

I pledge to do appropriate due diligence and research, but most of all, listen to the voice of the people.

Greg Muller
Union

Support was appreciated

To the Editor:

I wish to convey my sincerest appreciation to all the residents of Clark who supported me this past election.

The large number of votes I received indicates the residents were pleased with the progress that was accomplished these past eight years and by re-electing me expect it to continue. Those who know me personally know that I do not make idle promises and I can say unequivocally the progress you have seen will continue in the future.

I feel I have worked diligently these past eight years continually trying to improve the lifestyle of our residents and I will continue to do that during this next term as councilman at large.

Once again, I wish to thank all those who support-

ed me with signs on their lawns, those who helped with my campaign and of course those who voted for me.

Al Barr
Councilman at large
Clark

Stop double-dipping

To the Editor:

The New Jersey State government is operating with a huge deficit. A good method to save millions of dollars would be to eliminate pensions for the current and future elected members of the New Jersey Senate and Assembly.

Most of these people have full-time jobs elsewhere, and some already are destined to receive pensions from their other employers. Until recently, many of these office-holders worked at two or three New Jersey governmental jobs and received a pension for each position. How were those people able to perform an adequate day's work when doing two or three jobs at one time, while claiming a salary plus a state pension for each place of business within the municipal, county, or state levels of government? During this past year, the law was changed in New Jersey to stop this method of double-dipping.

By eliminating pensions for members of the New Jersey Legislature, and perhaps for some other employees of this state, a great deal of taxpayers' money could be saved.

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- Do not carry your social security card, password or personal identification numbers with you.
- Contact creditors and/or financial institutions if bills or statements do not arrive on time.
- Keep personal information and documents kept at home locked in a safety box.
- Install firewalls and virus detection software on your home computer.
- Find out who has access to your personal information at work. Be sure that the information is kept in a secure location and is only available to employees who have a legitimate reason to access it.
- Shred all documents containing your personal information before disposing of them.
- Compare receipts to statements to and watch for unauthorized transactions.
- Check your credit report once a year. Check it more frequently if you suspect that someone has gained access to your personal information.

Despite these precautions, problems can still occur. If you become a victim of Identity Theft, file a report with the police, ask the reporting bureaus to flag your account with a fraud alert and notify your bank and creditors.

These are only a few suggestions on how you can protect yourself against Identity Theft and should not be considered an all inclusive list.

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Virus Type 1, the primary cause of cold sores, is spread by blister fluid or saliva to those who come in contact with infected oral secretions. While the first exposure sometimes causes severe oral pain, blisters, fever, and swollen glands, the infection is usually much milder or even goes unnoticed. Whichever is the case, the virus settles into a dormant state in nerve fibers and may be stimulated by stress, or fever or the sun to manifest itself as cold sores on the lips. It can also appear as a blister-like rash on any part of the body that comes in contact with the virus. As a result, wrestlers can develop a rash called "herpes

adolescence, about one-third of all children have had Herpes Simplex virus type 1. By maturity, two-thirds of the population has been affected.

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City teachers charged with record tampering

By John O'Reilly
Staff Writer

LINDEN — A husband and wife who both teach in Linden schools have been charged with tampering with school records to increase their overtime pay, the Union County Prosecutor's Office announced Monday.

Kimberly DeMatteo, 38, and Michael Maurer, 34, of Howell were teachers at Linden High School and Linden Middle School, respectively.

They were both charged with tampering with public records and altering reports, said Union County Prosecutor Theodore Romankow.

The pair allegedly submitted paperwork saying they were doing two jobs at once and collected pay

for both jobs several times during the past year.

A concerned parent tipped school officials, alerting board members that DeMatteo kept an "irregular after-school teaching pattern," according to the complaint filed by the Prosecutor's Office.

The Board of Education looked into the matter, checking the teachers attendance records, and passed the investigation on to the county.

According to county law enforcement officials, between Aug. 22, 2007 and Jan. 30, "[DeMatteo] submitted work saying she was tutoring one student in the library, while at the same time she was at another student's house on a separate tutoring session," Romankow said.

Maurer, who worked as a hall monitor after school, was also accused of altering paperwork, saying he was both tutoring and working as a security guard at the school at the same time.

Both individuals had been authorized by the school to work after-school programs for overtime pay, said Union County Prosecutor's Office Detective Cassie Kim.

The couple is expected to appear before Union County Superior Court Judge Joan Robinson Gross on Dec. 5.

Linden school officials did not immediately return calls for comment.

John O'Reilly can be reached at 908-686-7700, ext. 116, or editorial@thelocalsource.com.

Cranford police granted 135K

By Paul Greulich
Staff Writer

CRANFORD — A \$235,000 federal grant will be powering leaps in technology for town police, funding a variety of updated equipment without impacting Cranford taxpayers.

A recently awarded \$135,000 grant joins \$100,000 acquired earlier this year that was used to purchase an emergency generator for police headquarters and the Municipal Building.

The more recent sum of \$135,000 will go toward digital in-car video systems, mobile computers systems, a portable light tower, computer servers and 17 new desktop computers.

Police Chief Eric Mason said the new machines will be an improvement from the department's current laptops and desktop computers.

"We have several computers, which are in excess of five years old that are in disrepair and that cannot han-

dle today's software," Mason explained.

Presently, VHS tape is used in the department's in-car cameras, which Mason said is outdated.

"Digital is the newest technology," Mason said. "It offers a clearer picture, more storage for the video, higher resolution."

The money was obtained through the Community Oriented Policing Services (COPS) program, which operates under the U.S. Department of Justice. The application for the funding was filed by Cranford police captain John Baer. He could not be reached for comment.

Mason said the acquisition of the grant is excellent news, especially considering the general fiscal environment. "The technology enhances the officer's ability to be a more effective and efficient," Mason explained.

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Council OKs larger buildings

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Michael Vernotico voted down the amendment, explaining he felt the council rushed into the vote without assessing a complete parking study.

The ordinance dictates investors and contractors can build mixed residential/commercial buildings up to three stories high downtown. It increases the residential floor area ratio to 300 percent from 225 percent in Summit's Central Retail Business District. The floor area ratio, or FAR, is the relationship between the floor area of a building to the area of the lot.

In the 1960s, the floor area ratio in Summit was 600 percent. It was lowered to 300 percent in the 1970s, and further decreased to 225 percent in the building moratorium of the 1980s, according to

1st Ward Councilman Thomas Getzendanner.

Second Ward Councilman Dave Bomgaars, who chairs the city's Buildings and Grounds Committee, said the master plan including the ordinance was written in 2006 but the city was not comfortable passing it without first seeing the results of a parking survey study.

Before this amended ordinance was passed, the city hired a consulting company — Desman Associates of New York — to evaluate the effect it might have on parking in the downtown area.

Larger buildings would mean more tenants but less available parking space, according to city officials.

Council President Andrew Lark said the parking study is close to being complete.


"The council felt with the information we received from Desman, increasing the FAR would not have a detrimental effect on our downtown," Lark said. "There will probably be a parking garage recommended for future developers if the situation dictates one."

Getzendanner feels passing the ordinance will not cause a drastic change in the Central Retail Business District.

"Forty-four of the 99 buildings in the district are already three stories or higher, so I don't view this as revolutionary. It certainly won't trigger a wave of new construction. More likely, it will rescue a project or two already on the drawing board," Getzendanner said.


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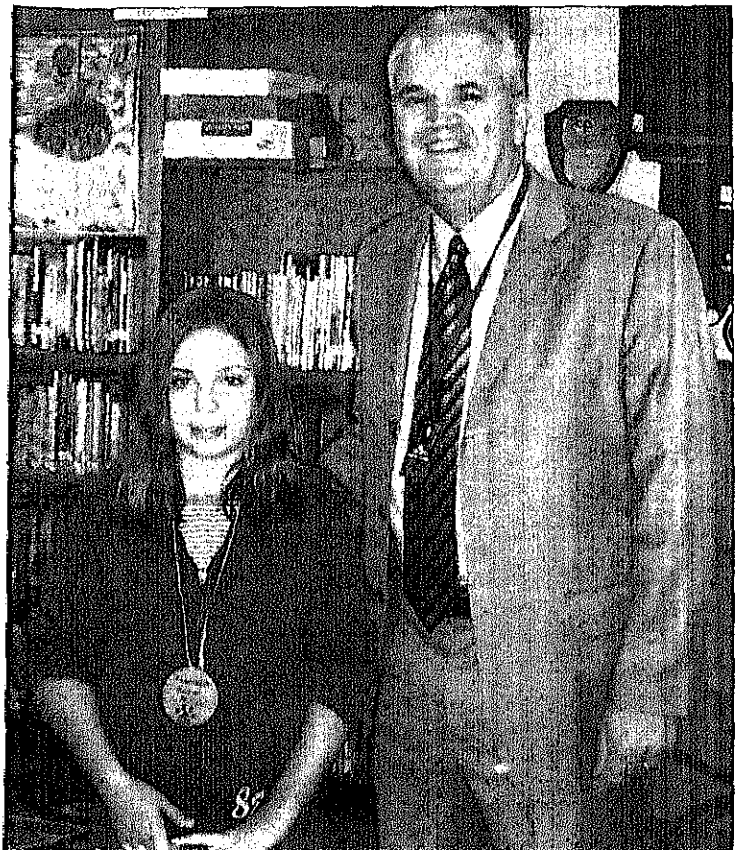
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SCHOOL ZONE

Part-time job



Juliet Viteka, a fourth-grade student at Roosevelt School, Rahway, was principal for one hour in recognition of following the PBSIS Tracks to Success. Viteka with principal Rocco Collucci.

STUDENT UPDATE

RHS: Three achieve

The 2008 Rahway High School graduates Adeoyin Adewale, Andrew Buffa, Aaron DeJesus, Margaret McGuire, Ashay Mehta and Farrah Vijayan have earned AP Scholar Awards in recognition of their exceptional achievement on AP exams.

Union youth excel

Dan-Dan Lin, Raychiezl Belmonte, Sarah Kiniery and Vanessa Angulo all of Union were named to the dean's list and Christine Frank also of Union was named the president's list at LIM-The College for the Business of Fashion in New York.

A real page turner



Mr. Cohen, father of student Jessica Cohen, reads the story 'Don't Wake Up Mamma!' to Theresa von Nessi's second-grade class at Livingston School in Union.

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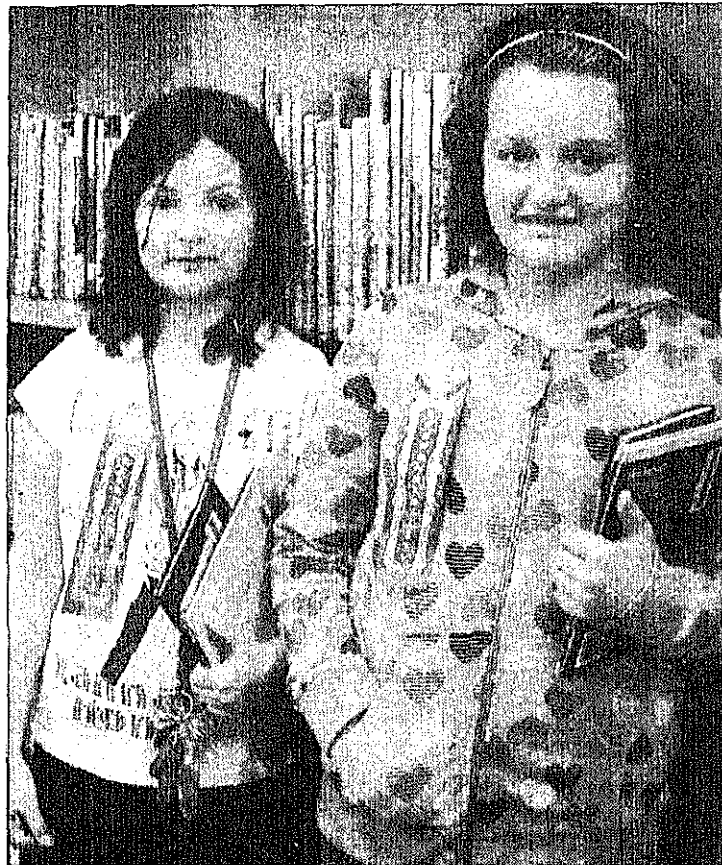
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SCHOOL ZONE

Character counts



The Character Education theme this month at Roosevelt School is responsibility. Students are awarded ribbons for demonstrating responsible behaviors, such as being reliable. Fourth-graders in Meghan Malley's class, Kristen Greco, left, and Gina Schroedner, right, wear their ribbons.

SCHOOL NEWS

Council joins meeting

A presentation by the Brayton School Student Council will be a highlight of the Summit Board of Education meeting at Brayton School, 89 Tulip St., today at 8 p.m.

Athletic open house

Lawton C. Johnson Summit Middle School students and their parents are invited to attend the annual athletic open house at the Summit High School Gym today from 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Foundation: Book fair, other events planned

The Township of Union Education Foundation is sponsoring a holiday book fair on Friday and Saturday at Barnes & Noble, 240 Route 22 West, Springfield.

For vouchers, call 908-687-6081 or visit www.tvpunion-schools.org/PDF/Voucher.pdf.

There will be a free tea tasting on Friday from 7 to 8 p.m. Students from Union High School will present original works at a free coffee-house at 7:30 p.m. On Saturday, children are invited to a story time at 11 a.m. Thinking games for kids will be at noon and at 4 p.m. Story time, with a special guest, will be at 3 p.m. There will be a free Godiva chocolate tasting at 4 p.m.

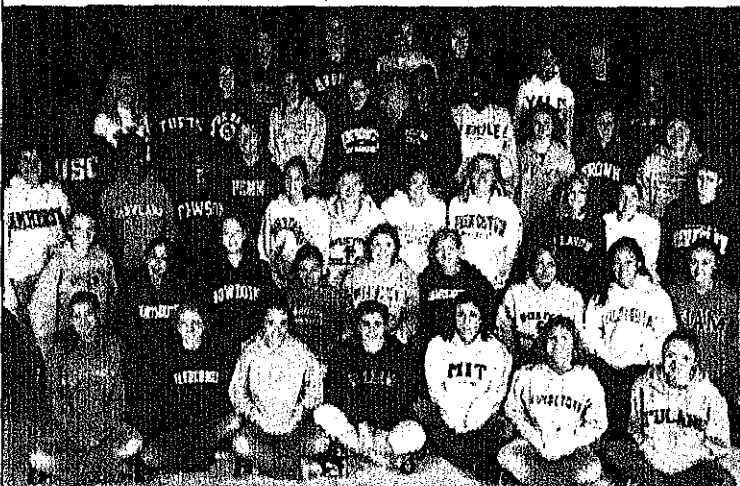
Pretty princesses



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Youngsters parade around for Halloween at Brookside Place School in Cranford.

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Congestion complaints roll in

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ship Committee to consider changing the traffic pattern.

Durso stressed that Morris Avenue, or Route 82 as it is also known, is owned by the state and the Department of Transportation

would have a say in the matter. According to a source in Union's Engineering Department, members of the police department and the township administration have voiced some concern about the intersection and talks are currently

under way with the state DOT as to how to alleviate the problem.

Kevin Conover, with the state DOT Bureau of Safety Program, declined to comment.

Jackeline Leon can be reached at 908-686-7700, ext. 126.

Freeze amid economic woes

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and gas budgets of \$193,000 for gas and \$176,000 for electrical. The actual costs so far in 2008 have been \$225,000 for gas and \$225,000 for electric.

Grady said this doesn't include the municipal pool and library, which both get separate gas and electric bills.

The town's legal expenses have also been significantly higher, reaching \$200,000 when only \$174,000 was budgeted.

"We've had to spend a lot more than we thought in those three areas," Grady said.

While many municipalities are forced to pass emergency appropriations to see them through the year, Grady said the electrical and gas utilities increases are related to national economic problems, a sentiment Puhak echoed.

"One of the obvious causes for this was the increase in the cost of gasoline," Puhak said.

Public Works Superintendent Wayne Rozman said he is aware of the shortfall in the gas budget.

"The first eight or nine months of the year are what burned it up," Rozman said.

He noted his workers have been checking the air filters on vehicles once a week to help them run more efficiently, as well as avoiding running the engines unnecessarily. "I don't know what the savings have been, but that's about the only thing we can do to help out," Rozman said.

According to officials, the increase in legal expenditures appears to stem from the increase in litigation over the last year. These involve Lehigh Acquisitions remedy lawsuit — a private developer's appeal to the courts for permission to take a municipality's unmet affordable housing obligation into their own hands — in regards to a property at 555 South Ave. and a lawsuit involving the Cranford Building Association, among others.

"Even in successful litigation there's substantial cost to the town," Mayor Robert Puhak said.

Without the spending freeze, monetary appropriations would need to be taken out of the 2009 budget and could reflect unfavorably on the township, Grady said.

"We really want to avoid passing an emergency appropriation to

get us through the year," Grady said. "It starts to strangle you for next year before you even get to next year."

Puhak said the township will avoid spending increased funds except in a situation of "truly critical nature".

Puhak said that unexpected surplus in certain areas is being redirected to the ailing utility and legal budgets.

"With a substantial reduction just recently in gas prices, it seems we can expect some relief between now and the end of the year," Puhak said.

Grady said he has seen evidence that these financial difficulties are not limited to the town government, but are affecting its residents as well.

Grady said many people have waited until close to the end of the ten-day grace period to pay their fourth quarter tax bills.

"I've been here 25 years and I've never seen so many people come in on the last day to pay their taxes," Grady said. "People are holding onto their money longer."

Paul Greulich can be reached at 908-686-7700 ext. 121.

Linden host to Diamond Glove

(Continued from Page 1)
and recreation sponsored programs.

The winners of the event included Rashard Jennings and Gary Bonilla from the Passaic PAL, Anthony Jones from the International Boxing School, Emmanuel Abreu from the New Brunswick Boxing Club, Andrew Bentley from the Renegade Boxing Club, Wanzell Ellison from the Dew Drop Boxing Club, Chris Velez from Aspira Boxing Club, Caleb Hernandez from Joe Grier Boxing Club, Denis Douglin from New Breed Boxing Club and Lisalidro Tupete from Ikes Boxing Gym. Each received a championship belt, gold boxing glove necklace and a trophy.

The Linden Boxing Association, in conjunction with the Public Property and Community Services Department, held the event at Linden High School, which was sponsored by the Conoco Phillips Bayway Refinery.

According to Linden Director

of Recreation, Gary Luciano, the Diamond Glove event is something the city looks forward to every year. "We have raised more than \$303,000, and it has gone to Linden Recreation over the past nine years," Luciano said.

The earnings from souvenirs, ticket sales, an advertisement book and a kick-off dinner go toward three scholarships offered to Linden High School students each year, Luciano added.

Aside from the earnings, Luciano said he enjoyed the fights more than anything else. "They were excellent," he said.

City recreation officials appreciate the opportunity to host the annual event they "saved," after the first event, according to Henry Hascup, the president of both the New Jersey Boxing Hall of Fame and the Diamond Glove Tournament.

"I thought the Diamond Glove was over nine years ago," Hascup said. "Because interest and funds were down, I thought we were

done."

According to Hascup, Tony Orlando, Hall of Fame boxing official and former Union County resident, who was honored during the event, suggested putting on a one-night show in Linden to raise interest in boxing. That first year, the event yielded about \$50,000 and revitalized the tournament.

"That first year, we raised a lot of money, and it continued to blossom more and more over the years," Hascup said.

According to Luciano, Linden requests to host the event every year, and the NJBA accepts. "Linden loves boxing," he said.

The six-week tournament was held in towns all over the state, including in Bergen and Middlesex counties, before landing in Linden last week for all to see. "Our main goal is to encourage kids and get them interested in something constructive," Hascup said. "I'd rather see them in a boxing ring than on the streets getting into trouble."

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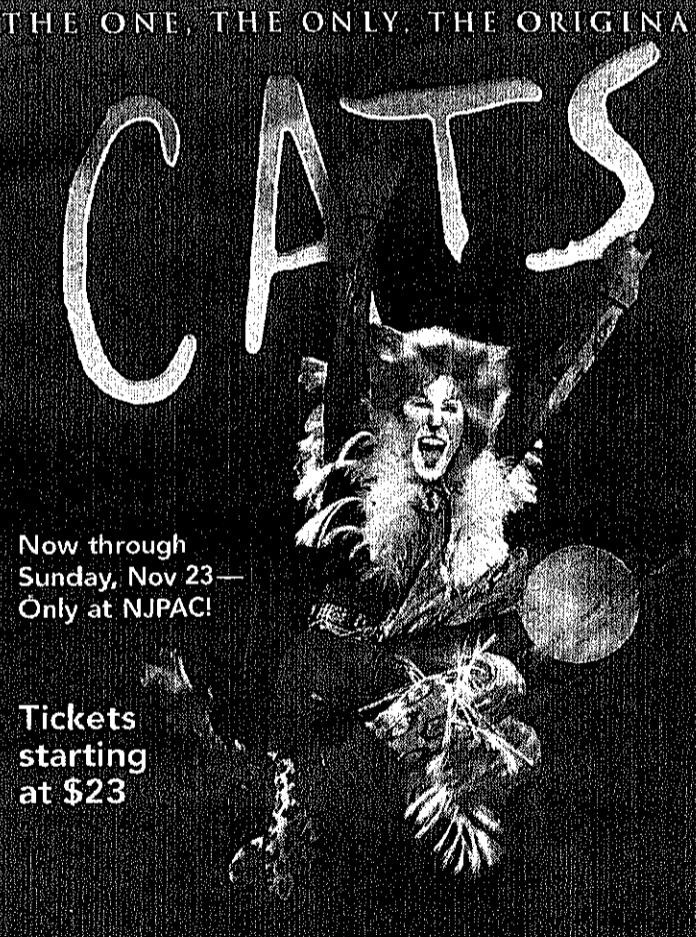
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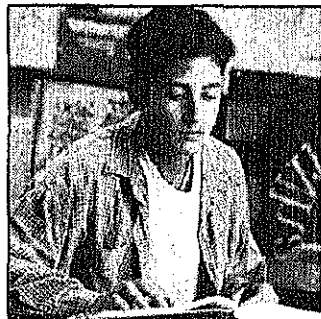
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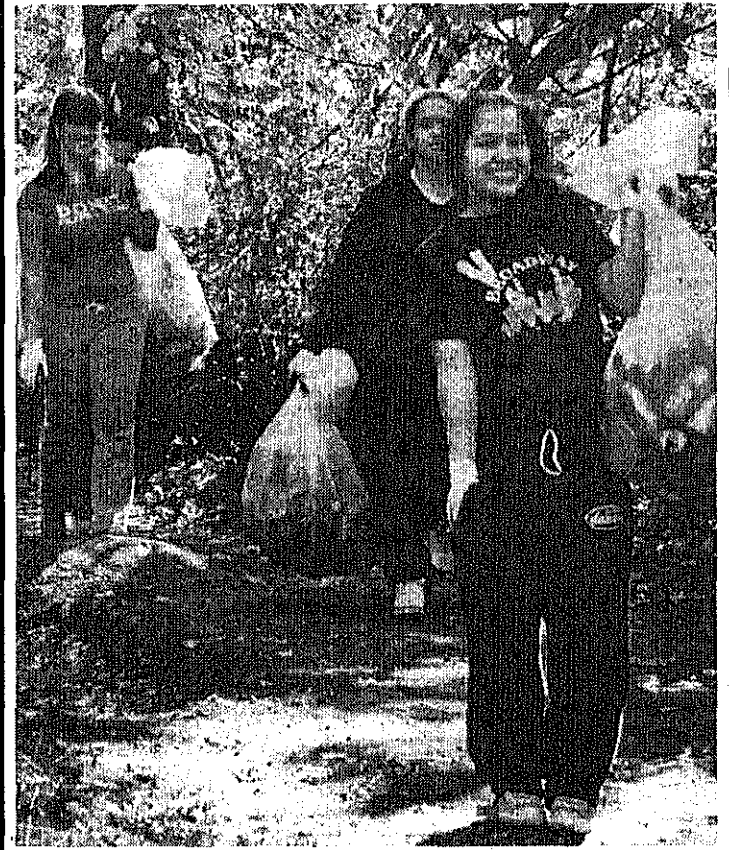
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Former SFD captain appeals termination

By Joseph M. D'Alise
Staff Writer

SPRINGFIELD — Former Springfield fire captain, Michael Bilotti has decided to appeal the Township Committee's decision to terminate him following an investigation that revealed evidence suggesting he used a forged document to become a firefighter 14 years ago.

The governing body unanimously agreed to fire Bilotti last month, a move recommended by hearing officer Robert Czech, who after a 9-month probe, concluded the former fire captain did not have a valid General Educational Development diploma — a violation of a state statute to become a firefighter in New Jersey.

Czech found Bilotti's diploma was a "knowing misrepresentation." He also found Bilotti violated the state statute that requires officers to be "of good moral character," according to Czech's report.

Bilotti had been suspended from his \$85,000 job in May after the diploma was discovered by the Union County Prosecutor's office during its probe into claims the fire department's 2007 entrance exam was altered to ensure jobs for Bilotti's and former chief Wayne Masiello's relatives.

Though state courts allow up to a year to gather material for an appeal, Bilotti's attorney, James Addis, said he hopes the matter is resolved in a few months.

The goal of the appeal is to have Bilotti's termination reversed and have him reinstated as a firefighter. Bilotti's legal team is trying to prove he had a GED when he was hired and he did not violate the state statute.

Bilotti is currently unemployed, and according to his attorney, has no job prospects. "He wants to work as a firefighter, this prevents his search for work," Addis said in reference to the case.

The information Czech gathered during the hearing will be presented to the Union County judge handle Bilotti's case, along with any additional information Bilotti's legal team can obtain to prove the ex-firefighters innocence, according to Township Administrator Ed Fanning.

Bilotti claims he has no idea where the forged document came from, according to his attorney. "Here you have an experienced, tested, tried fire captain. To discard his experience is a mistake and a waste of taxpayers money by the township," Addis said.

He said he feels Bilotti's work experience and record make him an asset to the fire department and that he should be allowed to retain his job.

Mayor Bart Fraenkel emphasized the state statute is very clear that a high school diploma or an equivalent is required to become a firefighter, something Bilotti cannot provide proof of. The only way Fraenkel said Bilotti can get around this fact is if the state decides to change their requirements, which is very unlikely.

CRANFORD BRIEFS

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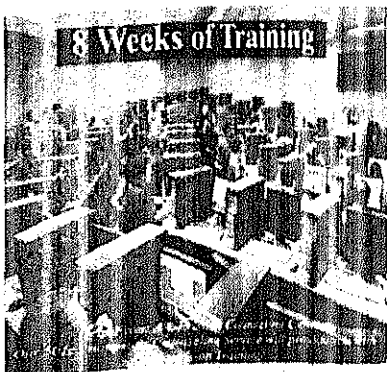
The Mountainside Public Library will hold a Cuddle Story Time, for ages 12 to 23 months, on Thursdays. The events will be held

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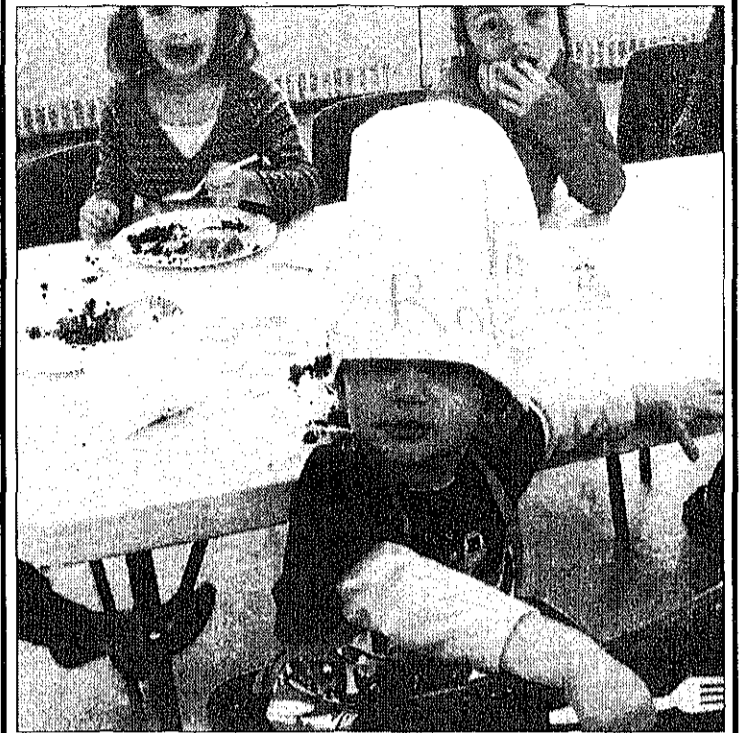
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Where would you like to see your business in 10 years? In ten years I hope Café Z is still here and running with its impeccable reputation for quality and service. I hope my kids and their friends will be working learning valuable life lessons in business and customer relations as well as hands on experience of hard work and perseverance. I hope we can grow with the times and stay a role model for other businesses and families.

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RHS band triumphs with 'good' teamwork

By John O'Reilly
 Staff Writer

They win awards — group 3A state champions in 2003 and 2005.

Yes, they show up to the big events — fifth overall and second in the state at October's Yamaha Cup, hosted by the United States Scholastic Band Association in Giants Stadium.

Of course they are in demand — they were asked to perform at Walt Disney World in Orlando this spring.

But, that isn't why Rahway High School's lyrically-inclined students make sweet music together in the schools marching band, the Marching Indians.

"It's not about winning, it's about being the best we can be," said assistant band director Meagan Spatz. "We have students in special education, students with learning disabilities, even physical disabilities. We want every member to feel successful and feel a positive sense of an achievement."

Though the band annually beats local competitors, Rahway's band is not as active as other schools that can have cutthroat rivalries and can perform multiple shows a day on the weekends.

Rahway, grouped mid-table in competitiveness, has five or six shows a year and welcomes all students, from prodigies who go on to music schools to novices who can't play a lick.

The marching band has 83 members who play everything from drums and brass to marching as color guard. The friendships the

members make create a safe place for the members. "I enjoy playing music, but we are so close knit. It is like a family," said 17-year-old Melissa Vetrecin, a senior drum major and conductor at the Yamaha Cup. "I remember freshman year, it was really daunting coming to a new school. But, you already have 70 friends," she said.

The reason for the group's sustained success lies in the district-wide commitment to the arts, according to band director Robert Van Wyk.

As other towns are cutting music out of their budgets, Rahway is growing, with hundreds of elementary and middle school students learning to play instruments, Van Wyk said.

"Students [in music] have the ability to be creative and unique and stand out as individuals in a way that is different from any other academics," said Spatz.

She also noted that no group is more dependent on the whole being greater than the sum of its parts than the band, demanding extreme teamwork to stay in tune and on beat.

And teamwork is one thing no other school has on the Marching Indians.

Vetrecin remembered her first competition, when she could barely remember the marching routine.

Though cringe-inducing at the time, she laughed at the memory of her hat falling off in the middle of the performance.

"I was crying afterwards but everyone was so supportive," Vetrecin remembered.

Murder attempt; two jailed

By Joseph M. D'Alise
Staff Writer

SUMMIT — Two Summit men were arrested and charged with attempted murder in the early morning hours of Nov. 9.

Eduardo Barajas, 28, and Javier Herrera-Bello, 29, both of Broad Street in Summit, were charged with attempted murder. Barajas was also charged with possession of a weapon and unlawful use of a weapon.

On Nov. 8, at 10:30 p.m., police were called to a Broad Street residence on a report of someone being stabbed. Witnesses told police Barajas, the victim's tenant, had allegedly assaulted the landlord using a utility knife while Herrera-Bello, allegedly held the victim down.

Earlier that evening, the victim had confronted his tenant, Barajas, regarding the suspect's alleged failure to pay his rent, according to police. Descriptions of the suspects were broadcast to all patrol cars in the area and the two men were quickly apprehended, Detective Bureau Commander Lt. Steven Zagorski said.

"We are lucky police responded to the scene before any further damage was done," Zagorski said.

The victim was immediately taken to Overlook Hospital in Summit, where he underwent emergency surgery. Despite significant wounds to the his throat and abdomen, he is currently in stable condition, according to reports.

Both men were taken to the Union County Jail and are being held on \$250,000 bail.

The United States Department of Homeland Security is currently investigating the men to determine whether they are subject to deportation from the United States.

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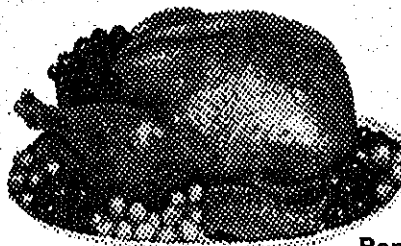
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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT

Senior sets sights on countywide center

By Joseph M. D'Alise
 Staff Writer

Union County senior citizen Peter Runfola is making every effort to organize, publicize and open a senior citizen club in Union County called the Retirement Club of New Jersey.

According to Runfola, his main goal is to provide a place where seniors can gather and participate in activities and programs to enrich their lives.

"We will be offering many programs, including bingo, an exercise room, bocce ball courts, day trips and electronic golf driving cages," Runfola said. "You have no idea how many seniors are bored to death right now, and need a place like this."

He is currently traveling to groups of senior citizens throughout Union County and presenting them with information about their rights and services that should legally be offered to them.

In 1965, Runfola said, Congress passed the Older Americans Act, which established state agencies to address the social service needs of older people. The act is considered the major vehicle for promoting the delivery of social services to the aging population, according to Runfola.

After Runfola did some investigating, he found that a 2001 survey sponsored by the MetLife insurance company determined that most of the counties in the state, including Union, did not provide sufficient services. Union County Public Information Director Sebastian D'Elia "respectfully disagrees" with Runfola's assessment of the county's senior services.

"We provide many services to seniors, including Meals on Wheels, a para-transit service to bring them to doctors, Senior Scholars to send them back to school; we provide 200,000 meals at senior centers, and we have a senior home improvement service, among others," D'Elia said.

D'Elia indicated that the county spends "well over \$5 million dollars a year on senior services. Those funds are equally split three ways between county, state, and federal funding."

Runfola's experience founding the Make-A-Wish Foundation's New Jersey Chapter in 1983, gave him the know-how to compose a business plan and bylaws to present to banks in hopes of receiving a loan to help purchase the \$2 million building in Union that would house 1,200 members. Runfola is currently considering a building in the township of Union.

"I have organized a \$550,000 yearly budget, and now must look to hire a fund-raiser and executive director," Runfola said. He plans to charge seniors \$395 a year in membership fees.

According to Runfola, some interest has been showed in his initiative from county seniors, local banks and some big corporations that may sponsor some of the proposed club's activities in the future.

Runfola has recently become frustrated, however, because his efforts to gain grants from both the state and county government have proven more difficult than expected.

"Offering (Runfola) grant money is just not feasible," D'Elia said. "If public money is put into a senior center, we cannot strictly limit it to senior citizens; it is public money and must be open to everyone."

County officials are beginning to feel that Runfola may have his own agenda behind opening the Retirement Club of New Jersey.

"He wants all the money that the county offers for senior services to be put into a business he wants to open," D'Elia said. "I'm not going to allow him to grossly distort the county's record for his own gain."

Runfola expects the club to earn approximately \$200,000 in the first year of the club, but expects that number to grow as the club's popularity does. The club will generate the funds through membership fees of approximately \$395 a year per member.

"We expect very little profit the first year, but as the word spreads, we are planning on opening a second chapter," he said.

Presently, Runfola is hoping to generate enough interest in the Retirement Club of New Jersey, that more funding or grants will be offered in the future.

"It will be the first and finest multi-purpose senior center in New Jersey, and that's a fact," Runfola said.

Annual celebration set for Dec. 12 at RP school

Roselle Park Senior Citizens are invited to attend the annual Senior-Holiday Social sponsored by the Roselle Park Board of Education.

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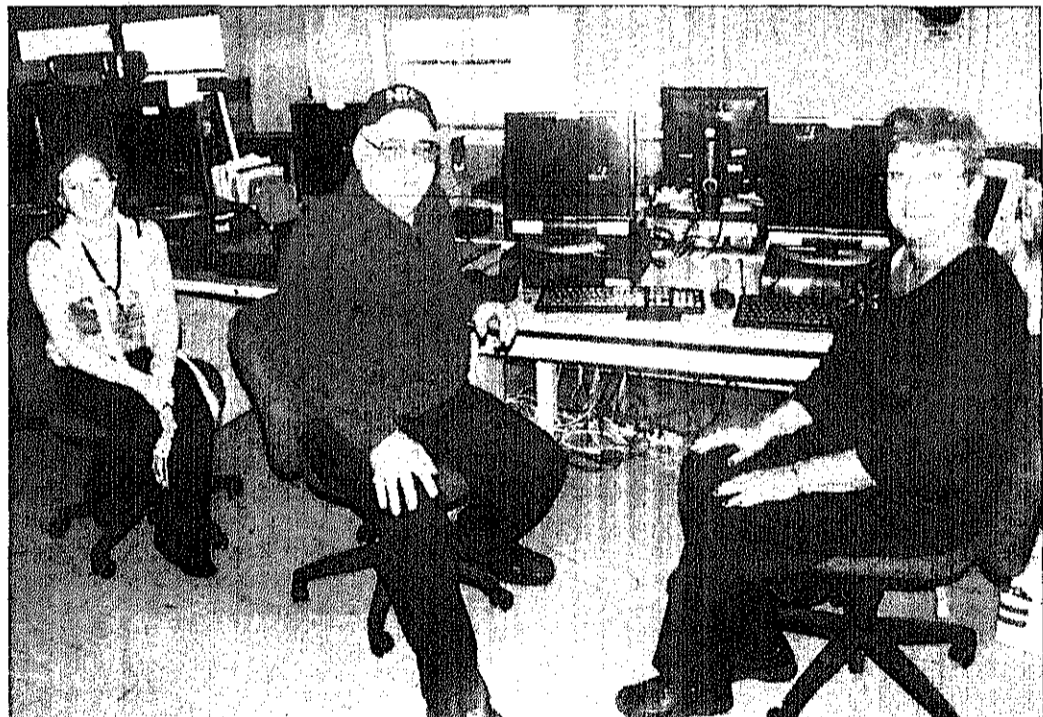
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SENIOR SPOTLIGHT



Photo by Christine Hudak, Linden Public Schools

SCHOOL TIES — Members of Linden High School's Class of 1958, above, peddle away on stationary bikes in the school's exercise room, while others, below, explore the computer lab during a recent visit to their alma mater to mark their 50-year reunion.



SENIOR NEWS

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The Summit Area AARP will meet at 10 a.m., Monday at St. John's Lutheran Church, 587 Springfield Ave., Summit.

Coffee and socializing begins at 9:30 a.m. Visitors are welcome.

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Trips planned for 2009 include lunch at Hunterdon Playhouse and the show "Music of America" on

March 21. There will also be an overnight trip to Mohegan Sun with a show at Foxwoods April 21-22. In May, a tour and show to Hershey, Pa is planned.

Contact Herman at 908-273-1962 for additional information about trips.

The annual holiday lunch at Primavera in Sterling will take place Dec. 9. To sign up, call Angie at 908-273-3146.

Try your luck during trip to AC Showboat

The Senior Men's Club of Union will sponsor a trip to Show-

boat Casino in Atlantic City on Dec. 1.

The bus will leave from the YM-YWHA, 501 Green Lane, Union. Those who pay the fee to attend will get cash back, as well as a food voucher and a boxed lunch during the return trip from Atlantic City. There will also be snacks on the bus to and from the casino.

The bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. As seats fill up quickly, it is recommended that those who wish to attend reserve their seats immediately.

For information, contact Bobbi or Max Barth at 908-688-2360. Future trips will take place Jan. 5 and Feb. 2, 2009.

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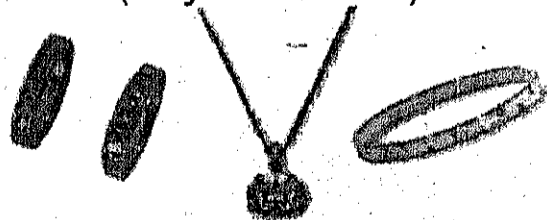
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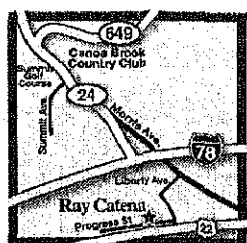
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Murder rate climbs

By Jackeline Leon
Staff Writer

Concerns about high murder rates — 19 so far in Union County — were brought to the attention of the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders during a public meeting last week.

Hillside resident Tanya Hobbs, who teaches in Elizabeth, said she was worried that violent crimes such as homicide are still unsolved.

The recent unsolved murder of a former student has roused Hobbs to seek answers. The incident she was referring to at the meeting was the murder of Elizabeth resident Christopher Rambert, 26, who was found dead inside a vehicle on Oct. 29.

Police discovered his body near Newark Liberty International Airport within 24 hours of finding the
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Once upon a time....



Assemblyman Eric Munoz reads to young patients at Overlook Hospital Pediatric Services, as Senate Minority Leader Tom Kean, Jr. looks on.

Funds set for lawsuit

By Jackeline Leon
Staff Writer

The county has increased the amount being spent on attorney fees in the lawsuit filed against the Federal Aviation Administration to prohibit realignment of flight patterns in the area.

In a resolution passed last Thursday, \$5,000 was earmarked to pay legal fees to the firm of DeCotiis, Fitzpatrick, Cole & Wisler, LLP, based in Teaneck. The total amount in legal fees will not surpass \$110,000, officials said.

"Seems like a lot for arguing airplane noise," Garwood resident Bruce Patterson said. "I'm wondering when its going to end."

Last year, the FAA proposals included increasing low-altitude flights in order to increase arrivals and departures at Newark International Airport. The suggested increase in low-flying aircraft was met with opposition by many county residents, including Elizabeth Mayor Chris Bollwage.

In September of 2007, the city of Elizabeth filed a lawsuit against the FAA amid concerns that the increase in aircraft movement near homes in the county would be a public safety hazard and would increase noise pollution in the municipalities surrounding the airport. Freeholder and Air Traffic Advisory Board Chairwoman Nancy Ward, also opposes the realignment plans.

"Of several options under consideration, the FAA — in the face of Union County residents — selected the Integrated Airspace Alternative, which has the largest noise impact, and carries an estimated implementation cost of \$2.5 billion," Ward said.

She said the Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders, the New Jersey Coalition Against Aircraft Noise, the Port Authority, which operates Newark Liberty International Airport, John F. Kennedy International Airport, Teterboro Airport and Philadelphia International Airport, have all expressed opposition to the proposal.

"While all Union County residents can expect more noise, those living closest to the airport will get an even louder dose, since the FAA will drop noise abatement restrictions at Newark Liberty International Airport," Ward said.

Pets are feeling the economic pinch

By Jackeline Leon
Staff Writer

UNION — As the country continues to deal with a struggling economy, the increasing need to prioritize spending habits has many families leaving their pets at local animal shelters or out on the street.

Local shelters are seeing an increase in families unable to make ends meet or moving out of the area, abandoning their once-beloved pets.

The township of Union Animal Shelter has seen more animals being brought into the shelter and fewer being adopted.

Danielle Black, an employee at the Union shelter, said that, on average, about four pets are dropped off at the shelter each month.

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"A lot of people are relocating and can't take their pets with them," Black said. "Most say it's their kid's pet."

Darcy DeCastio, a member of the executive committee for the Friends of the Linden Animal Shelter in Linden, said the number of surrendered animals has tripled this year, compared to previous years.

"At our shelter, before, we got the big mixed breeds and occasionally purebreds but this year we've had so many of the designer breeds coming in like shi-tzus and yorkies that you wouldn't normally see here," DeCastio said.

She explained that the number of drop-offs spiked during the summer months.

Not only has the number of abandoned pets increased but the condition of the pets being left behind is notably worsening, DeCastio said.

"They come in here with matted fur, smelly, with overgrown nails, because people work two to three jobs and don't even have time to care for them," she said.

The Linden Animal Shelter, which houses nine kennels for animals, has limited space and according to DeCastio, there is a waiting list for cats to be dropped off.

Three dogs have reportedly been at the Linden shelter for more than a year. Since May, the
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Widow asks court to increase 'damages'

By John O'Reilly
Staff Writer

LINDEN — More than a month after a Union County jury decided Joseph Suliga's driver, Nicholas Sorrentino, was responsible for the 2005 death of the local politician, his widow, unhappy with the damages awarded in the civil trial, is asking the court for more.

Annamarie Pakulski, 44, was originally awarded \$621,410 for loss of income after her husband's death in the three-year-old car crash. The widow's attorney, Kenneth Javerbaum, said in court that the amount of the damages did not match Suliga's future earnings, which during the trial were estimated at over \$2 million.

"The amount of money they awarded his widow makes no sense," he said.

On Feb. 18, 2005, at approximately 10 p.m., Sorrentino, 63, of Cranford parked in front of Cheeques go-go bar on East Linden Avenue and went inside to pick up another passenger.

The back of the car was in the right lane of traffic, causing another driver to swerve to avoid a collision and crash into the back of Suliga's vehicle. He was seated in the back of the car and killed immediately.

Suliga's companion, Joan Hannon, was stepping into the vehicle when the accident occurred. She was flung several feet and her pelvis, ankle and several ribs were bro-

ken. She was awarded \$150,000 as the jury decided Sorrentino was responsible for the crash. Richard Mirra, Sorrentino's attorney, declined to comment on the active appeal.

During his court statements, however, Mirra noted that the juror's decision should be respected unless there was a "clear injustice."

Suliga was Linden's treasurer at the time of his death at age 47. He was active in local politics, serving on the city's Board of Education, on the Municipal Council, on the Union County Freeholder Board and on the state senate. He was forced to resign in 2003, when he was charged with sexual harassment while in an Atlantic City casino. He agreed to receive treatment for alcoholism.

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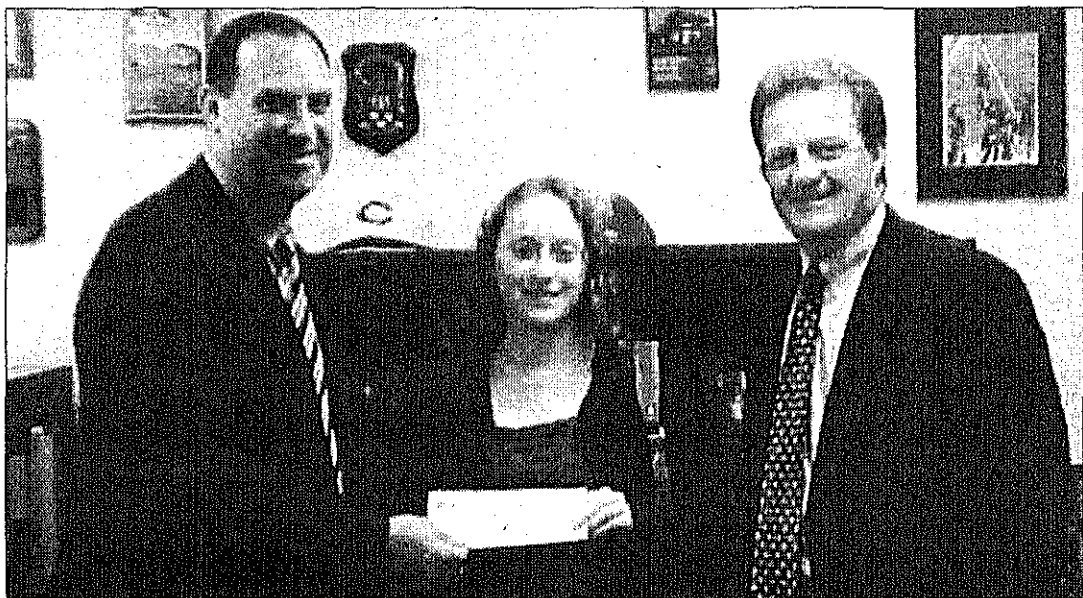
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County to host 'Adoption Day'

The Superior Court of New Jersey, Union Vicinage, will host a celebration of National Adoption Day on Friday at the Union County Courthouse from 1 to 4 p.m.

National Adoption Day is an annual event in which courts and communities in all 50 states come together to finalize thousands of adoptions of children and to celebrate families who adopt. The vicinage is coordinating its adoption day celebration with the Union County Surrogate's Office, the Division of Youth and Family Services and the Union County Court Appointed Special Advocates of Union County Inc.

Presiding over the Adoption Day proceedings will be Judge Karen M. Cassidy, presiding judge of the Family Division, Judge William A. Daniel, Judge Kenneth J. Grispin, Judge Frederic S. Kessler, Judge John F. Malone, and Judge Jo-Anne B. Spatola. Special procedures have been set up to expedite the processing of the final paperwork. Community volunteers from the Union County Child Placement Review Boards have volunteered to escort the adoptive families to and from the courtrooms. There will be activities for the children who are awaiting their adoption hearings. A celebration with refreshments and gift bags will follow.

Animal shelters are becoming crowded

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Linden shelter has stopped accepting "owner surrenders" because it was deemed by the Board of Health and animal control officers that the shelter may not have enough space.

There is concern that, when faced with no available space at the local animal shelters, more and more pets will just be left on the streets.

"If we have room though, we take them in," DeCastio said. "We had this owner come in and drop off his Pomeranian because he lost his job and the economy sucks and now his dog is here and unfortunately, his dog is a nipper who only loves him (his former owner) and is difficult to place."

When it comes to adoptions, DeCastio said more people from towns outside the county come to the shelter. "We don't have people coming in from, say, Linden or Rahway, but we do see people from Ocean City, Staten Island, Pennsylvania and New York City that come to adopt."

Teacher seeks answers from freeholders

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body of Green Brook resident, Tanya Worthy in a burning vehicle, also in Elizabeth.

Both incidents were deemed unrelated by the Union County Prosecutor's Office.

According to the Union County Prosecutor's Office, of the 19 homicides this year in the county, 13 took place in Elizabeth — the county's largest municipality.

"I want to know what is being done on the murder rate," Hobbs told freeholders.

In response to Hobbs' concerns, the freeholders stressed that the Union County Prosecutor's Office is handling investigations through the newly-formed Homicide Task Force. According to officials, Elizabeth is not part of the task force.

Increasing gang activity has been linked to the more than 50 unsolved homicides in the county since 2003.

"We can positively say that gang activity is directly contributing to the growing number of unsolved homicide cases," said Union County Prosecutor Theodore J. Romankow in a press release.

According to the UCPO, five homicides have occurred since the creation of the 'Homicide Task Force on Sept. 18. Through the efforts of the task force, one investigation was closed and ended in an arrest.

Freeholder Chairman Angel Estrada said that although no one on the board is happy with the number of unsolved murders in the county, the Prosecutor's Office is working to solve them.

Freeholder Nancy Ward said officials are also hoping to see a reduction in gang violence.

"We're all trying to resolve the problem of increasing gang violence," Ward said. "We need everyone's help and we need to work together."

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'Dedicated' cast brings 'Flea' to UHS stage

By Bea Smith
Staff Writer

It takes a heap of dedication to one's work in the theater and an integral devotion, respect and trust in one's director to drown oneself in hours and hours of rehearsals — with little or no complaints.

And that's exactly what the 30 or more students, cast members of the Union High School Performing Arts Company, have been doing under the leadership of their director, James Mosser and the assistant director, Sara Jones, in the Union High School auditorium to perfect the French farce, "A Flea in Her Ear."

Director Mosser, who teaches theater at the school, accompanied by four principal players, discussed their "beloved project" last Friday. Three seniors, Candyce Adkins, who plays Raymonde; Karl Pfeiffer, who plays Histangua and Scott Faranda, who plays Victor, and one sophomore, Alex Viera, who plays Tournel, were anxious to talk about the play, but even more anxious to get back to rehearsals. They are obviously, that dedicated.

There were "a lot of reasons" Mosser selected the George Feydeau play, staged in 1900 during the height of the Belle Epoque period in France.

"Actually," he said, "when I was a senior in high school, I worked on the show and had a lot of fun. And I thought that these students would enjoy it as much as I did. And, when I took my exam for my



Photo By Barbara Kokkalis

Union High School students rehearse for the school's upcoming production of the comedy, 'A Flea in Her Ear.' Jessica Legra, left, plays Lucienne and Candyce Adkins, right, plays Raymonde in the show, which opens tonight at 8 p.m.

(teaching) certificate, there were five or six questions on the play in the examination. The style, ideas and timing became a model for other plays. It became a template for other comedies."

He explained that "while it's historically significant, most people didn't know the show, especially my high school students. I had six or seven of my classes read the play before we activated it. Still, about 150 people auditioned for it,

and 30 were selected. People like Scott," he pointed to one of the students, "who had never been in a high school play before, auditioned for it."

Scott, who did appear in a play in sixth grade, said "I decided to do this play because I had Mr. Mosser as a teacher, and I knew it was a good opportunity to read the script before anyone else. It's really funny. I have a different sense of humor, and this really made me

laugh. And during rehearsals, we've been having a lot of fun."

Mosser admitted that "rehearsals have been great. We're all a little bleary-eyed, rushing around to get everything completed — costumes, makeup, props."

Apparently, the cast members find it all very exciting and inspiring. Candyce Adkins, who had appeared in the school's three musicals, said that "when I tried out for the lead, I got it. She's a fun

character to play, and I think I'll still be developing her at the first show."

Karl Pfeiffer admitted that this play is really important to him because "I'm actually pursuing acting as a career. I've been doing all the school plays since I was in sixth grade. Hopefully, definitely, I want to work in film and television. And it's great, working with Mr. Mosser. He's like a father to us, because we're like a family."

Alex Rivera said he learned so well that "while we were reading the play in class, I liked it so much that I picked out the character I wanted to play. But I was given a character with much more lines," he laughed. "I was aiming low, and I got high."

Mosser added more chores to his actors, and they have obviously become more inspired, forgetting their exhaustion.

"We have focus exercises," he said. "When it's time to rehearse, I make them run five laps around the theater. I get them to the place where they need to be. It really works," he beamed. "Every moment I'm not teaching, I'm working on the show in the same way."

And as far as the participants are concerned, the Union High School auditorium can be just as important as the Comedie-Francaise. Perhaps a bit more inspiring?

The show will run tonight, Friday and Saturday at 8 p.m. and on Sunday at 2 p.m.

City serves travelers a 'Taste' of local restaurants

By Jackeline Leon
Staff Writer

RAHWAY — People from around the tri-state area traveled to sample the tastes of Rahway and other nearby towns, last week.

The Rahway Recreation Center was booming with local eateries lined up along the walls of the center, with tables in the middle of the room for diners to enjoy the wide variety of cuisine offered at the event.

Seven years ago, the event attracted 110 people to the basement of the Masonic Hall on Irving Street, but since then, it has grown, this year attracting 1,100 curious cravers of local dishes.

Matt Dobrowolski, chairman of the city of Rahway's Taste of Rahway Committee, said he was proud of the event's increasing popularity.

"We used to sell tickets at the door, this year we were sold out and none were sold at the door," he said.

A total of 36 restaurants from Rahway, Clark, Westfield, Avenel, Woodbridge and Elizabeth and wine and beer vendors participated in the event. Vendors had people working at tables with trays of food and pastry. Bread displays covered some tables while others had people serving a variety of wine and mixed drinks.

"The price is what attracts them. For \$30 you get to taste food that you wouldn't normally," Dobrowolski said.

Colonia resident Bernadette Sohler said it was her first time attending "Taste," and it may not be her last.

"This is a great community

event and does Rahway proud," Sohler said. She added she grew up in Rahway but moved many years ago. She returned for the event.

"I ran into a lot of old friends here," Sohler said grinning.

Dobrowolski noted celebrity chefs, including Chef David Drake, owner of a restaurant in downtown Rahway, judged the various food and table presentations. In addition, a car show was organized in commemoration of the 150th anniversary of Rahway. A band was also present to provide entertainment for the guests as they sampled everything from penne to pastries.

Lyn Marsden, service manager for the Linden Southern Smokehouse, said her establishment had been a participant in the marketing event for the last three years.

"This year was wonderful,



Photo By Jackeline Leon

Visitors to the Rahway Recreation Center sample food from several vendors during the annual 'Taste of Rahway' event last week.

we've never seen so many displays," she said.

Bill Buckley, an employee for one of the main sponsors of the night, Witty's Wine and Liquor of Rahway, said he was impressed that

a "rough" economy did not deter community members from buying tickets. "We're going through tough times now, but people are still coming. This is by far the best turnout," Buckley said.

THINKING Out is a weekly calendar designed to guide our readers to the many arts and entertainment events in the Union County area. The calendar is open to all groups and organizations in the Union County area. To place your free listing, send information to: Worrall Community Newspapers, 1291 Stuyvesant Ave., P.O. Box 3109, Union, NJ 07083 or editorial@thelocal-source.com.

Stepping Out

Library. Enjoy live music, games, coffee and dessert and maybe even perform your own music. The event will take place today and today and Dec. 18, from 7 to 9 p.m. Admission is free. For information, e-mail folkmusiccafe@yahoo.com.

visit www.asterism.org or call 908-276-STAR. The MODEL RAILROAD CLUB INC., a tax-exempt public charity, affiliated with the Union County New Jersey Department of Parks and Recreation, has announced that discount advance tickets for its 2008 annual light and sound show and open house are now on sale. Tickets will be available at the club ticket window on Saturdays between 1 and 4 p.m. Ticket ordering information also is available on the club's Web site, www.tmrcl.org. For information, contact the club at 908-964-9724 on Saturdays between 1 and 5 p.m. or 908-964-8808 for a recorded message, or by visiting the club's Web site at www.tmrcl.org.

lunch to the program. Coffee and cookies will be served at 11:30 a.m. Assistive listening devices are available upon request. The Springfield Free Public Library is located at 66 Mountain Ave., Springfield. For information about the program call the library at 973-376-4930 or visit the library's Web site at www.sfpnlj.org.

A bus trip to see the RADIO CITY CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR will take place Monday at 8 p.m. The cost includes orchestra seating, transportation via bus and food. For information, contact Stephen Frost at 732-986-4048 or frost4acure@yahoo.com. A portion of the proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life of Clark.

Holy Comforter Church of Rahway will sponsor a trip to COLORADO AND THE ROCKY MOUNTAINS from May 29 to June 8, 2009. The trip will include motorcoach transportation, 10 nights of lodging including four consecutive nights in scenic Colorado, 18 meals; 10 breakfasts and eight dinners, a tour of The Garden of Gods, a visit to the U.S. Air Force Academy, seeing the Royal Gorge, a visit to historic Manitou Springs at the foot of famous Pike's Peak, gaming at Cripple Creek in a historic western setting and much more. For information and reservations, contact Dot Edwards at 732-396-0695.

ART SHOWS

The Union County Board of Chosen Freeholders announced that the 2008 UNION COUNTY TEEN ARTS TRAVELING EXHIBIT will be on display at the Freeholder's Gallery in the Union County Administration Building, located on Elizabethtown Plaza at Rahway Avenue in Elizabeth, through Dec. 16. The exhibit is open to the public from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. weekdays. The exhibit consists of 75 pieces of art selected from more than 600 visual art works shown at the 2008 Union County Teen Arts Festival held in March at the Cranford campus of Union County College. For information about the Teen Arts program call 908-558-2550.

CRAFT SHOWS

The Rahway Division of Parks and Recreation will host an ANNUAL HOLIDAY CRAFT MARKET Nov. 28 from 5 to 10 p.m.; Nov. 29 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Nov. 30, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Rahway Recreation Center, 3 City Hall Plaza, Rahway. There will be more than 75 vendors selling handmade crafts, jewelry, gift baskets, floral arrangements, Avon products and Tupperware. For information, call 732-669-3616.

The Ladies Division of the Deutscher Club of Clark Inc., 787 Featherbed Lane, will hold its annual CHRISTKINDLMARKT, a Christmas boutique, on Sunday from noon to 5 p.m. It will be held indoor and outdoor, rain or shine. Featured will be imported German linens, gift items, German Christmas cards, candies, Stollen, Jewelry and Gluhwein, which is spiced hot wine. Complete dinners will be available. Parking is free. For information call 732-574-8600 or visit the web site at www.deutscherclub.us.

SCRIPTS

PREMIERE STAGES, the new Actors' Equity Association theater program at Kean University, is currently accepting play submissions for the Premiere Stages Play Festival from professional playwrights born or currently residing in New Jersey, as well as in the surrounding areas of New York, Connecticut and Pennsylvania. There is no fee required to submit a play to the Premiere Stages Play Festival. To request entry guidelines, send a self-addressed, stamped envelope to Laura Kelly, producing assistant, Premiere Stages is at Kean University, 1000 Morris Ave., Union 07083.

VARIETY

The Township of Union Education Foundation Inc. is selling tickets to AN EVENING OF GIVING at the Menlo Park Mall. This is an exclusive after-hours evening of shopping on Sunday from 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.

Tickets can be obtained by calling Barbara Birger at 908-687-5743 or writing a check made payable to the "Township of Union Education Foundation" and sending it to Barbara Birger, 757 Roessner Drive, Union 07083.

BOOKS

BOB INGLE, co-author of the NY Times best seller "THE SOPRANO STATE" will be the guest speaker at the November monthly meeting of The Linden Citizen's Association today at 7:30 p.m. at the Linden Elks Lodge, 225 Lutigen Place. For information call 908-486-3813.

The NOVEMBER BOOK LOVER'S LUNCHEON at the Hillside Public Library is planned for today from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The luncheon is open to everyone. Hear reviews of the latest books and share new discoveries and old favorites. RSVP to the library at 973-923-4413.

The next meeting of the Hillside Public Library's "PAGETURNER'S" BOOK CLUB will be today from 5:30 to 7:45 p.m. "Our Kind of People" by Lawrence Sanders Graham will be discussed. New members are always welcome. The library will supply extra copies to the members. Call Susan Lipstein at 973-923-4413 for information.

CONCERTS

THE FOLK MUSIC CAFE will debut this season at the Mountainside

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LANA'S RESTAURANT & LOUNGE at The Hyatt Hills Golf Complex, 1300 Raritan Road, Clark, 732-669-9024. Enjoy cuisine and world-class Jazz every Thursday and Friday. Thursdays, 7 to 11 p.m.: Cornetist WARREN VACHE'S QUARTET, featuring Eddie Monteiro on cordovox. Fridays, 7:30 to 11:30 p.m.: Different groups. Friday: Latin trumpet star RAY VEGA'S QUARTET; never a cover charge or minimum.

MOVIES

The MOUNTAINSIDE PUBLIC LIBRARY will host the "BROWN BAG MOVIES" series for adults on Mondays at noon. Bring your lunch and enjoy a classic movie and a cartoon short. The library will provide the drinks and dessert. "Wednesday Night at the Movies" continues through the fall, with feature films beginning at 6:30 p.m. Visit www.mountainsidelibrary.org or call 233-0115 for a list of what's being shown.

FESTIVALS

The annual JEWISH FAIR & EXPO, hosted by B'nai B'rith and the YMHA will take place Sunday at the Green Lane YM-YWHA, Union. For information, call 908-289-8112 or e-mail bnaibrith@mail.com.

HOBBIES

On Friday, AMATEUR ASTRONOMERS INC. will conduct its monthly membership meeting at 8 p.m. in the Main Lecture Hall of the Nomehegan Building at Union County College located at 1033 Springfield Ave., Cranford. Immediately following the business meeting at approximately 9 p.m., the club will present a lecture "The 1.6 Meter New Solar Telescope at Big Bear" given by Dr. Phillip R. Goode. For information on AAI and directions

SPRINGFIELD FREE PUBLIC LIBRARY LUNCHEON FILM SERIES will continue its Tuesday lunchtime film program with a series entitled "Bette Davis Centennial: Four Memorable Bette Davis Films in Honor of Her Birth 100 Years Ago." The series will continue every other Tuesday through Dec. 30. Patrons can bring a brown bag

TRIPS

The KENILWORTH HISTORICAL SOCIETY will host a bus trip to BRANDYWINE RIVER MUSEUM in Chadds Ford, Pa. and LONGWOOD GARDENS in Kennett Square, Pa. on Dec. 6. For information and reservations, call 908-709-0391 or 908-709-0434. As space is limited on both trips, it is suggested that reservations be made early to ensure availability. Proceeds will benefit the Kenilworth Historical Society's project to restore the local 19th-Century Oswald J. Nitschke House and transform it into a "living history" museum and cultural arts center.

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Emil Rufolo's Jazz Ensemble, above, will perform at the second annual Concert for Gabe in Summit. From left are band members Daniel Rufolo, Emil Rufolo, Leo Sherman and Nick Fevelo.

'Concert for Gabe' set for next week

The second annual concert for Gabe Chesman, titled, "Arise" will be Nov. 29 from 8 to 11:30 p.m. at Barnwell Hall, Christ Church at 561 Springfield Ave. in Summit.

Emil Rufolo's Jazz Ensemble and the Lenox Underground headline the concert which features food, T-shirts and a special silent auction. Donations will be accepted.

Gabe suffered a spinal stroke in September, 2007 as a senior at Drexel University, which left him paralyzed from the neck down. His recovery and healing process included extended stays in the University of Pennsylvania Hospital and Kessler Institute for Rehabilitation. Gabe does physical therapy daily and uses a motorized wheelchair. He's taking a course at Seton Hall University in the hopes of completing his degree. For further information on the concert for Gabe, call Raf Roberti at 908-347-4976 or e-mail him at raffro7@gmail.com. This year, Gabe will be the guest of honor.

HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS

Deck the halls

Roselle Park residents can enter their homes to be judged on the most humorous, most original, or most inspirational holiday decorations during the borough's annual home exterior decorating contest.

Applications are available at the Casano Community Center and must be completed and returned to the Casano Community Center by Dec. 10. The winners will be recognized at the Dec. 18 Borough Council meeting.

Songs of the season

The Roselle Girl Scouts will kick off the holiday season Dec. 13 at 10 a.m. by singing holiday carols in front of Roselle's Borough Hall at 210 Chestnut St. All are welcome to be part of the events.

Holiday winter festival

The township of Clark will host its annual Holiday Winter Festival and Tree/Menorah Lighting Ceremony on Nov. 30 at the Clark Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave., from 3 to 6 p.m.

For information, call the Department of Recreation at 732-388-3600, ext. 3009.

Time to trim the tree

On Nov. 28, the Cranford Chamber of Commerce will host its annual Holiday Tree Decorating and Lighting event, featuring members of the local Girl Scouts.

Beginning at 9:45 a.m. the local Daisy troop will decorate the holiday tree. At 10:15 a.m. the Brownies will add their decorations to the tree, and then at 10:30 a.m. the Junior and Senior Cadets will finish decorating the tree.

The holiday tree is located in Mayor's Park next to the gazebo at the intersection of North Union and Springfield avenues.

At 1 p.m., a petting zoo and

pony rides will be set up in the parking lot next to Mayor's Park. At 5:30 p.m., the Madrigals and Brass Ensemble from Cranford High School will provide holiday music. At 6 p.m., Santa will arrive on a fire truck to light the holiday tree. Then, from 6:15 to 9 p.m. Santa Claus will greet the children at the gazebo. In the event of rain, all events will take place Nov. 29.

Holiday kick-off

The annual Roselle Park Tree Lighting Ceremony will take place Dec. 5 at the Michael J. Mauri Gazebo Park from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. with an open house immediately following at the Casano Community Center.

Join the parade

The annual Roselle Park Holiday Parade will take place Dec. 6.

The parade will step off from Sherman Elementary School at 1 p.m. and travel north on Sherman Avenue. It will then turn left onto East Lincoln Avenue, left onto Chestnut Street and conclude at the reviewing stand at the corner of East Grant Avenue and Chestnut Street. The theme of the parade is "Go Green, Be Environmentally Keen!" In keeping with the theme of this year's parade, Lyman Thompson Jr. has been named grand marshal because of his commitment and dedication to keeping

Roselle Park clean and green.

Immediately following the parade, there will be an open house at the Casano Community Center.

Crafty for the holidays

On Dec. 9 from 4 to 5:30 p.m., all are invited to attend a holiday ceramic class at the Casano Community Center.

There is a fee to take the class and light refreshments will be served. Registration is a required.

For information, call the community center at 908-245-0666 or visit the Casano Community Center at 314 Chestnut St., Roselle Park.

'Winter Wonderland'

On Dec. 9 at 6 p.m., Springfield will host its annual Winter Wonderland tree lighting event on the front lawn of town hall.

Gather with neighbors and officials as they light the holiday tree, sing holiday songs and welcome Santa Claus. Everyone is welcome to the visit Springfield First Aid Squad immediately following the celebration for refreshments. The event is being sponsored by the FMBA Local 57.

There will be a Toys for Tots collection box at the tree lighting. In case of inclement weather, the holiday lighting will take place on Dec. 10 at 6 p.m. Call 973-912-2228 after 4 p.m. on Dec. 9 if weather is questionable.

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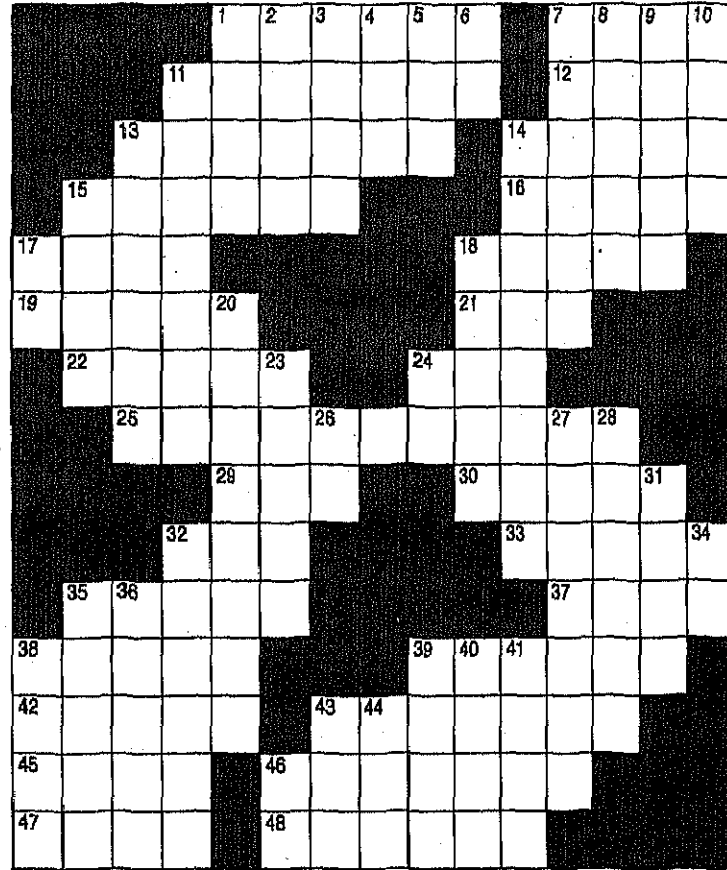
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7. Figure with 5 points
11. Fully developed
12. ___r - virtual reality
13. Curled under coiffure
14. Beaver State capital
15. Poisonous gas
16. Regions
17. Ark groupings
18. Warning device
19. Gave out, allotted
21. Invest with knighthood
22. French kings' name
24. Young child
25. Musical honor
29. Tropical constrictor
30. Same as 16 across
32. Vietnamese offensive
33. WWI Flanders battlefield
35. Ice or roller equipment
37. Remarkably
38. Jupiter's 4th moon
39. Heptad
42. Georgetown athletes
43. Forced opponent to the ground
45. Higher than
46. Seaport for Athens
47. Actor Foxx
48. Pays out money

CLUES DOWN

1. The 3 Wise Men
2. Egyptian sun god
3. Bumpkin
4. No seats available
5. ___, you!
6. 36 inches (abbr.)
7. Divine Egyptian beetle
8. 10th President
9. Opposite the center of a ship
10. Radioactivity units
11. Male massager
13. Logic programming
14. Tending to promote well-being
15. Truant
17. Touchdown
18. 1896 Abyssinian battle
20. Blood sugar disease
23. Struck hard
24. Atomic #73
26. Mom
27. Reputations
28. Patched a sock
31. Religious subdivision
32. Knights' outer tunic
34. Thus
35. A hard push
36. Fitted to a lock
38. Norse god of thunder
39. Move an electron beam over
40. Supplemented with difficulty
41. Indicates addition
43. An object's sharp end
44. They ___
46. Postscript

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What's Going On?

FAIR

SATURDAY
November 22, 2008
EVENT: Winter Wonderland Fair.
PLACE: United Methodist Church of Linden (next to City Hall), 321 North Wood Avenue, Linden, NJ.
TIME: 10am-3pm.
PRICE: Free Admission.
DETAILS: Huge White Elephant room, homemade baked goods, handmade and new items, Christmas gifts, Santa Claus snacks and lunch served all day.
ORGANIZATION: Sponsored by The United Methodist Church of Linden.
For More Information: Call Doris 908-486-5571.

SATURDAY
December 6, 2008
EVENT: Peppermint Boutique Craft Fair
PLACE: Mother Seton Regional High School Valley Road Clark (GSP ext 135)
TIME: 9am to 4pm
PRICE: Admission FREE
DETAILS: Affordable gift items for everyone. Kitchen open all day. For additional information call 732-382-1952
ORGANIZATION: Peppermint Boutique

CRAFT FAIR
SATURDAY
November 22, 2008
EVENT: Scottish Rite Holiday Craft Fair
PLACE: 99 Two Bridges Road, Lincoln Park NJ 07035
TIME: 10:00 am to 4:00pm
PRICE: Admission is Free
DETAILS: The Scottish Rite Holiday Craft Fair and Vendor Fair will feature more than 40 vendors and crafters and will showcase many types of exhibits. There will be raffles, and a bake sale. Also a Blood Bank on the premises for that day. Lunch and refreshments will be available.
ORGANIZATION: The Scottish Rite.

OTHER

SATURDAY
November 22, 2008
EVENT: Holiday Gift Show & Flea Market
PLACE: James Cladwell High School, 265 Westville Avenue, West Caldwell, NJ 07006
TIME: 9AM - 4PM Indoor/Outdoors
ADMISSION: FREE
DETAILS: Win a Free \$100.00 Shopping Spree at the Show. Do your Holiday Shopping with us. Vendors will have an array of new merchandise, crafts, collectibles & garage/tag sale items!
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ORGANIZATION: JCHS Project Graduation

SUNDAY
November 23, 2008
EVENT: Monthly Flea Market & Collectible Show
PLACE: New Jersey Transit Lot, New York Avenue, (off Ridge Road, by Shop Rite), Lyndhurst, NJ 07071
TIME: 9AM - 5PM Outdoors
ADMISSION: FREE
DETAILS: New merchandise, crafts, collectibles & garage/tag sale items! An array of bargains for everyone.
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Nov. 23 to 29

ARIES, March 21 to April 20: Aries, even though you can charm the socks off most people, there's one person who isn't budging this week. You will have to employ a different tactic.

TAURUS, April 21 to May 21: Remarkable things occur when you set your mind to them, Taurus. Just don't get too full of yourself or trouble will arise. Pisces has some strong words for you on Tuesday.

GEMINI, May 22 to June 21: A vacation is just what you desire and need, Gemini. Take it now while the time is right. Bring a friend or romantic partner along for a little more excitement.

CANCER, June 22 to July 22: Cancer, you might be in a bad mood this week. If you dig deep enough you'll discover just what it is that has put you in such a foul mood.

LEO, July 23 to Aug. 23: Leo, make some time to be alone. Find a spot that is free of distraction and any interruptions and meditate on the big issues in your life. It will offer clarity.

VIRGO, Aug. 24 to Sept. 22: Virgo, when others have lost their faith in your abilities, you just have to wow them with something extra-special. They'll come around after this reminder.

LIBRA, Sept. 23 to Oct. 23: Libra, it will take a lot of pleading on your part, but after that a difficult person will come over to your side. The victory will be short lived, however, so enjoy it while you can.

SCORPIO, Oct. 24 to Nov. 22: You have some soul-searching to do, Scorpio, as things just don't seem to be working as you had planned. Maybe you're simply expecting too much and should be happy with what you have.

SAGITTARIUS, Nov. 23 to Dec. 21: Sagittarius, stop beating

around the bush and say what's on your mind. Others will appreciate honesty more than this elusive type of behavior.

CAPRICORN, Dec. 22 to Jan. 20: Capricorn, that person whom you never thought would notice you has finally turned eyes your way. Whatever the relationship you had hoped to start, now is your time to enjoy.

AQUARIUS, Jan. 21 to Feb. 18: A short temper where family members are concerned will only lead to more arguments, Aquarius. Take the higher road and try to keep the peace whenever possible.

PISCES, Feb. 19 to March 20: Pisces, there are no more road blocks on your path to success. So why not start up that car and get going on the next adventure?

Also born this week: Miley Cyrus, Katherine Heigl, Jill Hennessy, Tina Turner, Robin Givens, Jon Stewart and Howie Mandel.

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 Friday Services:
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RELIGION

Thanksgiving service

A Springfield Community Thanksgiving Service will be hosted by Temple Beth Ahm Yisrael, 60 Temple Drive, Springfield, on Monday at 7 p.m.

The service will be led by members of the Springfield Clergy Association. There will be choral selections by combined congregational choirs. It is requested that attendees bring a donation consisting of non-perishable food products for the New Jersey Food Bank, or make contributions to the Springfield First Aid Squad. For information, call 973-376-0539.

Celebrate Hanukkah

Roselle Cranford Hadassah, in conjunction with the Sisterhood of

Temple Beth El Mekor Chayim, will conduct a Hanukkah celebration on Dec. 16 at the temple on Walnut Avenue in Cranford, at 8 p.m.

On this festive occasion, the attendees will be entertained by Cantor William Walton, who grew up in Cranford. Walton has a wide musical repertoire and has appeared in opera, oratorio and recital events.

Refreshments will be served at the event. The public is invited.

Grace to host service for Thanksgiving Eve

Grace Lutheran Church, 2222 Vauxhall Road, Union, will have a Thanksgiving Eve worship service Wednesday at 7:30 p.m.

The sermon for the evening, delivered by the pastor, the Rev. Donald L. Brand, is titled, "A Thanksgiving Primer." The church's choir will sing an appropriate anthem for Thanksgiving. The worship service will be interpreted for the deaf.

Grace Lutheran Church extends an invitation to the community to join in this special worship service.

Concert will celebrate church's anniversary

On Sunday, at 2 p.m., the New Jersey Workshop for the Arts Concert Band under the direction of conductor Howard Toplansky will perform a concert at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 300 Central Ave. in Mountainside to celebrate the

church's 50th anniversary. The concert is open to the public. There is a fee for admission.

For more information about the concert or to learn how to become a member of the NJWA Concert Band, call 908-964-1793 or e-mail at njwaband@att.net.

Presbyterian Women to host holiday bazaar

The Presbyterian Women's Association of Connecticut Farms Presbyterian Church, Union, is seeking vendors for its annual holiday bazaar Saturday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The holiday bazaar will feature a variety of new merchandise and seasonal hand-crafted merchandise.

For information or to rent a

table, call 908-245-0562. Proceeds from the bazaar will go to the many missions of the Presbyterian Women's Association.

Parish will celebrate its 50th anniversary

The parish community of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Mountainside, has invited the public to share in the celebration of the 50th anniversary of the founding of the parish.

A celebration of the Eucharist will begin at 4 p.m. on Dec. 13 in the Lady of Lourdes Church. A dinner dance will follow at 6 p.m. at L'Affaire, located on Route 22 East in Mountainside.

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OBITUARIES

Former Roselle mayor, county freeholder dies

Elmer M. Ertl, 82, of Roselle, former Roselle mayor and Union County freeholder, died Nov. 16 in Peggy's House at the Center for Hope Hospice, Scotch Plains.

Born in Newark, Mr. Ertl moved to Roselle 48 years ago. He graduated from Seton Hall University, South Orange, in 1949. Mr. Ertl was an account executive for Prudential Insurance Co. for 37 years and retired in 1985.

He was a business administrator for the Salvation Army of Elizabeth from 1986 to 1988. Mr. Ertl was a councilman at large in the borough of Roselle from 1972 to 1980 and a former Borough Council president. He served on the Public Safety Committee as a fire commissioner. Mr. Ertl also served as a member of the Planning Board and as a commissioner of the Roselle Board of Health. He was a member of the Roselle Office of Emergency Management.

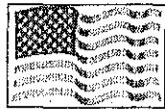
Mr. Ertl was a member and officer of the Roselle Democratic Club. He served for eight years from 1980 to 1988. Mr. Ertl also was a Union County freeholder from 1990 to 1996.

He was a past grand knight of the Knights of Columbus Council 3946 of Roselle. Mr. Ertl was a member of the Guard of Honor of St. Joseph the Carpenter Church, Roselle. He was a life member of the Roselle FMBA Local 55 and an honorary member of the Union County Chief's Association. Mr. Ertl also was an honorary member of the Girl Scouts.

Surviving are three daughters, Edna Ertl Amatel, Elizabeth Brennan and Eileen Ertl; a son, E. Martin Ertl II; seven grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

The Sullivan Funeral Home, Roselle, handled the arrangements.

Edward Bartolett



Edward P. Bartolett, 80, of Clark died Nov. 15 at home.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Bartolett resided in Union before moving to Clark 46 years ago. He served in the Army during World War II. Mr. Bartolett was the recipient of the American Theater Medal and the Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medal. He graduated from Upsala College, where he received a bachelor of science degree in business administration. Mr. Bartolett was employed as a senior vice president of operations for F. Schumacher & Co., New York City, for 12 years and retired in 1994. He was a member of the American Legion Post 328 of Clark.

Surviving are his wife of 52 years, Jean; two daughters, Susan Tomlinson and Laura B. Hyer; two sisters, Ruth Thomas and Virginia Muskus, and seven grandchildren.

The Walter J. Johnson Funeral Home, Clark, handled the arrangements.

Barbara Callahan

Barbara Ann Callahan, 63, of Rahway died Nov. 12 in JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Born in Newark, Mrs. Callahan lived in Nutley before moving to Rahway 35 years ago. She retired as an accounting manager at Accenture, Edison.

Surviving are her husband of 45 years, Joseph M., and two brothers, Joseph and James Bucci.

The S.W. Brown and Son Funeral Home, Nutley, handled the arrangements.

Joseph Car

Joseph R. Car, 92, of Mountaintop died Nov. 13 in Overlook Hospital, Summit.

Born in Carteret, Mr. Car lived in Mountaintop since 1954. He was a graduate of Rutgers University, where he received a degree in mechanical engineering and where he taught business classes. Mr. Car was vice president of purchasing for Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick, for 42 years before his retirement. He is credited with introducing the plastic baby powder container to Johnson & Johnson and served as the in-house expert in plastics and glass. Mr. Car also was a licensed architect. He also was president of the Mountaintop Board of Health for 35 years. Mr. Car was a founding member of Our

Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Mountaintop.

Surviving are his wife of 64 years, Helen; a son, Dr. Joseph R. Car; a daughter, Mary Ann Car, and two grandchildren.

The Gray Memorial Home, Westfield, handled the arrangements.

Helen Erdman

Helen Erdman, 80, of Scotch Plains, formerly of Hillside, a Holocaust survivor, died on Nov. 11.

Born in Poland, Mrs. Erdman was a young girl when the Nazis came into power. She survived the Stuttgart Concentration Camp, with her mother and sister. He lived in Newark with her late husband, Paul Erdman and owned a business before settling in Hillside.

Surviving are a daughter, Felice Goldberg; a son, Harvey, and four grandchildren.

The Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union handled the arrangements.

Lillian Friedman

Lillian Friedman, 90, of Springfield died Nov. 11 in Overlook Hospital. Continued on Page 30

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OBITUARIES

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pital, Summit. Born in Newark, Mrs. Friedman resided in Hillside for 23 years and then Margate, Fla., from 1976 to 2007 before moving to Springfield last year. She was a bookkeeper for Elizabeth Freight, Irvington, for 12 years and most recently was a medical receptionist for Dr. Rita Rinkler in Newark for 12 years before retiring in 1976.

Mrs. Friedman was a lifelong member of Hadassah, the B'nai B'rith Women and a member of Temple B'nai Abraham. While in Florida, she did volunteer work with Hospice and Alzheimer's Association.

Surviving are two sons, Chuck and Marc; a daughter, Cantor Florence Medrel Hurwitz; 10 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

The Menorah Chapels at Millburn in Union handled the arrangements.

Waldron Holck

 Waldron Stuart Holck, 85, of Bridgewater, formerly of Union, died Nov. 10 in the Somerset Valley Rehabilitation Center, Bound Brook.

Born in Lyndhurst, Mr. Holck resided in Union for 49 years before moving to Bridgewater four years ago. Mr. Holck was formerly employed by Hoffman Beverage and Pabst Brewing Co., Newark, where he worked in the accounting office for many years before retirement.

He was a World War II Navy veteran, a member and past master of the Andoniram-Highland Wakefield-Rising Star Lodge No. 80 F&AM of Lyndhurst and was master of the lodge in 1970 and 1986, past grand chaplain of the grand lodge of New Jersey, a member of the Maple Chapter 55 Royal Arch Masons of Union, a member and past patron of the Fraternity Chapter 129 Order of the Eastern Star of Lyndhurst.

Surviving are a son, Bruce Stuart; a daughter, Lynn Joyce Williams; two grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Daniel Loffa

Daniel J. Loffa, 53, of Cranford died Nov. 9 in Hackensack University Medical Center.

Born in Elizabeth, Mr. Loffa moved to Cranford in 1992. He received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Central Florida in 1978. Mr. Loffa was a business manager for AGC Chemicals of America, Chatsford, Pa. He coached PAL football in Cranford, girls' recreation basketball and the Cranford Girls Soccer Club, "The Tigers," for seven years.

Surviving are his wife, Maria; two daughters, Jennifer and

Angela Loffa; a son, Arminio Loffa; his mother, Joan Loffa; a brother, Frank, and a sister, Joan Pecorella.

Lillian Macey


Lillian T. Macey, 101, of Summit died Nov. 7 in New Providence.

Born in Frederica, Del., Mrs. Macey lived in Summit for 72 years. She was the oldest member of the Wallace Chapel AME Zion Church, Summit.

Mrs. Macey was a member since 1939 and also was a member of its gospel chorus and stewardess board and a deaconess.

The Judkins Colonial Home handled the arrangements.

William Miskovich


 William J. Miskovich, 85, of Scotch Plains, formerly of Clark, died Nov. 12 in the Center for Hope Hospice, Scotch Plains.

Born in Clark, Mr. Miskovich resided in Clark for 85 years before moving to Scotch Plains a year ago. He attended Jonathan Dayton Regional High School, Springfield. Mr. Miskovich served in the Navy on LST Missions during World War II. He was a former fire chief in 1965 and a volunteer fireman for more than 25 years.

Mr. Miskovich was a member of the New Jersey Fire Exempts and the Chief's Association. In Clark, he was a member of the American Legion Post 328, the Jack Ruddy VFW Post 7363 and the AARP. Mr. Miskovich was the owner of William Miskovich Painting and Decorating, Clark, for 30 years and retired in 1985.

Surviving are his wife of 62 years, Ann; four daughters, Barbara Ann Pagoulators, Stephanie Battjer, Elaine Carrick and Susan Mehta; nine grandchildren and a great-grandchild.

Alvin Mocarsky

 Alvin Richard Mocarsky, 60, of Brodheadville, Pa., formerly of Rahway, died Nov. 13 in St. Luke's Hospital, Fountain Hill, Pa.


Born in Hazelton, Pa., Mr. Mocarsky lived in Rahway for 44 years before moving to Brodheadville.

He was a police officer for Consolidated Rail Corp. in New Jersey for 25 years and retired in 1999. Mr. Mocarsky was a member of the Fraternal Order of Police and Police Benevolent Association.

He was a Navy veteran of the Vietnam War. Mr. Mocarsky was a member of American Legion Post 5 and the VFW, both in Rahway.

Surviving are his wife of 32 years, Lisa; a son, Jayson; a brother, John, and two grandchildren.

Robert Mulvey

 Robert L. Mulvey, 79, of Union died Nov. 7 in Morristown Memorial Hospital.

Born in Bayonne, Mr. Mulvey lived in Union for many years. He was employed as an administrative clerk by Union Carbide, Bound Brook, for 42 years and retired in 1994. Mr. Mulvey served in the Navy aboard the USS Geo Clymer during the Korean War.

Surviving are his wife, Catherine; four sons, Patrick, Robert Jr., Eugene and Brian, and five grandchildren.

The McCracken Funeral Home, Union, handled the arrangements.


Edwin Odums

Edwin "Eddie" Carl Odums, 46, a lifelong resident of Linden, died Nov. 7 in Elizabeth.

Mr. Odums was a laborer for the Linden Department of Public Works for 24 years. He was a member of the Paradise Lodge No. 16 AF&AM of Newark.

Surviving are a daughter, Jeanette Renee Odums; a son, Carl Lee; his father, John C. Odums; a sister, Patricia Williams; three brothers, Brian, Anthony and Christopher, and three grandchildren.

Maj. M. J. O'Mahoney


 Maj. Michael J. O'Mahoney, United States Marine Corps Ret., 57, died on Nov. 3.

Born in Summit, Mr. O'Mahoney was a longtime resident of Summit. He was a 1969 graduate of Summit High School. Mr. O'Mahoney attended Jacksonville University and subsequently graduated from Kean University, Union, where he received a degree in psychology.

He was commissioned as an officer in the Marine Corps in 1973 and received an honorable discharge after more than 20 years of active service. Mr. O'Mahoney served as an engineer officer and logistics officer on countless Marine Corps expeditionary and combat operations. In honor of his service, he was the recipient of many medals and commendations.

Surviving are his daughter, Mary Angeline O'Mahoney; a son, Michael Joseph Vincent; his mother, Rose O'Mahoney, four brothers and six sisters.

Samuel Rafelson

 Samuel Rafelson, 90, a lifelong resident of Linden, died Nov. 13 in JFK Medical Center, Edison.

Mr. Rafelson retired in 1985 after 40 years as a sales associate with Kaplan's Department Store in Linden. He was a veteran of World War II and served on D-Day. Mr. Rafelson also was a master mason

OBITUARY LIST


BARTOLETT — Edward P., of Clark; Nov. 15.
 BROOKE — Richard J., of Union; Nov. 8.
 CALLAHAN — Barbara Ann, of Rahway; Nov. 12.
 CAR — Joseph R., of Mountainside; Nov. 13.
 DIMITRAKAKIS — Maria, of Union; Nov. 13.
 DRAKOS — James, of Union; Nov. 10.
 ERDMAN — Helen, formerly of Hillside; Nov. 11.
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 O'MAHONEY — Ret. Marine Maj. Michael, of Summit; Nov. 3.
 PACKARD — David F., formerly of Rahway; Nov. 5.
 PITUCCO — Raffaella, formerly of Roselle Park; Nov. 12.
 POSPISIL — Irene M., of Cranford; Nov. 12.
 ROBERTSON — James M., of Kenilworth; Nov. 9.
 RAFELSON — Samuel, of Linden; Nov. 13.
 RAYNER — Jean G., formerly of Roselle; Nov. 16.
 SMITH — Nathan, of Hillside; Nov. 9.
 SOARES — Domingos, of Union; Nov. 13.
 STARKEY — Jean E., of Hillside; Nov. 13.
 STOUT — Lewis E., of Rahway; Nov. 12.
 VENDITTO — Richard A., of Clark; Nov. 9.
 VOLKMANN — Marlene, of Cranford; Nov. 11.
 VOLLERO — Alfonso J., of Cranford; Nov. 11.
 WADE — Anna M., of Union; Nov. 8.
 WEILANDICS — George, of Linden; Nov. 15.
 YARUSSI — Lena, of Summit; Nov. 9.
 ZUJKO — Stephen, of Linden; Nov. 14.

Editor's note: Not all of the names included in this listing will appear as full-length obituaries.

in the Masonic Club.

Surviving are three sons, Dr. Steven Rafelson, Norman and David, and five grandchildren.

Lewis Stout

 Lewis E. Stout, 88, of Rahway died Nov. 12 in the Clark Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, Clark.

Born in Newark, Mr. Stout resided in Garwood and Eugene, Ore., before moving to Rahway seven years ago. He was a former president and captain of the First Aid Squad in Garwood. Mr. Stout was a sergeant in the Army during World War II. He was employed as a machine operator for Beckley Perforating Co., Garwood, for 20 years and retired in 1982.

Surviving are two daughters, Penelope Salt and Barbara Rock; two sons, Richard and Douglas; 11 grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.


Richard Venditto

Richard A. Venditto, 44, a lifelong resident of Clark, died Nov. 9 at home.

Mr. Venditto was born in Rahway. He was a graduate of Arthur L. Johnson High School, Clark, and was a member of the National Honor Society. Mr. Venditto graduated from Seton Hall University, South Orange, where he received a bachelor of science degree.

Surviving are his parents, Salvatore and Alice Venditto; a brother, Dominick, and a sister, Margaret Kilburg.

Alfonso Vollero

 Alfonso J. Vollero, 71, a longtime Cranford resident, died Nov. 11 at Peggy's House Center for Hope, Scotch Plains.

Mr. Vollero lived in Elizabeth and moved to Cranford 39 years ago.

He retired after 35 years as a carpenter with Local 714 in Cranford and five years with Union County. Mr. Vollero also was a past grand knight with the Knights of Columbus Council 6226.

Surviving are his wife, Carolyn; a daughter, Carolyn Tangreti; a son, Michael, and two grandchildren.

THIS IS H.S. FOOTBALL

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Union County football is guaranteed of having at least one team play for a state championship this year - Governor Livingston hosts Summit Saturday in a North 2, Group 2 semifinal - just one season after not having anyone compete for a crown for only the second time and first time since 2001.

When the playoffs began last weekend, 11 of the 17 football playing schools in the county qualified.

After first round play, seven are still alive and kicking. Not bad at all.

Saturday's winners included Governor Livingston and Hillside.

Union County went 5-2 out of a possible 6-1 Friday night (Union played Elizabeth) and then 2-2 Saturday for a total of 7-4 in the first round.

Although Plainfield lost at Piscataway 38-0 Saturday, the Cardinals qualified for the first time in three years.

GL beat Hackettstown 14-7 at home to win its first playoff game in two years and its third straight game this year to improve to 6-3.

Hillside's 13-6 win over Orange Saturday night at Union was its first playoff triumph 2000. The Comets are now 8-2 and have won that many games for the first time since going 9-2 in 2000. Hillside qualified for the first time in five years.

Verona downed New Providence 27-3 on the road Saturday snapping a six-game Pioneer winning streak.

Although Dayton lost to Belvidere 20-0 at Union, the Bulldogs still had a highly-successful 5-5 season that included four shutouts and three in a row to start the season.

Hillside, Summit and Brearley are done for the season if they lose. Brearley played Hillside on Thanksgiving from 2000-2007.

Brearley is playing Verona in the N2, G1 playoffs for the third straight year, with Brearley winning in 2006 and Verona in 2007.

Congratulations to head coaches Brian Sheridan at Union, John Power at Hillside and Gus Kalikas at Johnson for winning their first playoff games. Sheridan and Power won their first games in their first attempt.

John Liberato won his first playoff game at Summit in his second year at the helm, beating the school - Hanover Park - that he led as the head coach to the 1999 North 2, Group 2 final.



Dayton standout senior basketball player Jacqueline Kuczynski signed her letter-of-intent last week to play Division 1-A basketball at Boston University. Standing, from left, are Board President Tony Delia, AAU Coach Mary Alice Zavocki, Uncle Charlie Kuczynski, Dayton Head Coach Dave Rennie, AAU coach John Griff, Dayton Athletic Director Lance Jacobs, Superintendent of Schools Mike Davino and Dayton Principal Elizabeth Cresci. Seated at the right of Jacqueline is her mom Elaine and to her left is her sister Jennifer, a Dayton freshman. Kuczynski's father is a Lieutenant Colonel currently serving in Iraq.

Dayton's Kuczynski will next play at Boston Univ. *Wants to help lift Bulldogs to a team title*

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Jacqueline Kuczynski has the opportunity to make headlines this year as an accomplished basketball player at Dayton High School in Springfield.

She has averaged almost 21 points a game during her first three years on varsity and is exactly 100 points away from becoming Dayton's all-time leading scorer for both girls' and boys'.

However, what's most important to the 6-1 center is that her Bulldogs are able to fulfill all of the team goals they have set for the upcoming 2008-09 season.

"The chance to be the scoring leader would be a great accomplishment for me, but I would love to win something while I'm here," said Kuczynski, who last Thursday at school signed a letter-of-intent to attend Boston University on a basketball scholarship.

"I want to see our team name put up on a banner for winning a championship rather than just seeing my name."

That right there is all you need to know about what kind of athlete the National Honor Society student is. With Kuczynski, it's always team first.

That was probably one of the qualities Boston University head coach Kelly Greenberg liked about Kuczynski, who also considered continuing at several Ivy League schools.

"I wanted to be in a city and try something new," said Kuczynski, who will turn 18 on March 13. "On my visits I got along with the girls and they were nice and friendly. I really liked the coaching staff and they made me feel at home."

Kuczynski's first visit was in May and her second and official one was in September.

"I loved it when I visited," Kuczynski said. "To me it's like a medium size school. I want to branch out and try something different. At a small school like Dayton everyone knows everyone."

Kuczynski first thought of finance as a major.

"I would like to study mathematics in general," Kuczynski said. "They have a bunch of different math majors."

Speaking of math, Kuczynski will be entering her senior season with a total of 1,605 points. She poured in 459 to help lead Dayton to a 15-12 finish her freshman year and then scored a Union County-leading 625 as a sophomore as the Bulldogs posted the same winning record of 15-12.

Last year, Kuczynski scored 521 points as Dayton went on to a 16-7 record.

The school record is 1,704 set by Michelle Saunders, a 1995 graduate.

Cristin Zavocki, a 2005 grad who led Dayton to its first sectional title during her senior year, finished with 1,633. A geology major at Lafayette College in Easton, Pa., Zavocki started 27 of 30 games last year, averaging 9.3 points. She is one of Lafayette's key seniors this year.

Getting her college decision out of the way was a relief for Kuczynski. Most likely it will be a relief for her when she passes Saunders, this way the team can focus more on team goals.

"It wasn't necessarily the most important thing, but it's definitely easier now that it's done with," Kuczynski said about making her college decision before her senior season began. "It's a lot of stress off my shoulders."

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THIS WEEKEND'S SECTIONAL SEMIFINALS INVOLVING UNION COUNTY TEAMS

Friday, Nov. 21 (4 games)

North 2, Group 3

6-Rahway at 2-West Morris, 7 p.m.

North 2, Group 2

5-Caldwell vs. 1-Hillside, 7 p.m. at Union

North 2, Group 1

5-Verona at 1-Brearley, 7 p.m.

Central Jersey, Group 2

3-Point Pleasant Boro at

2-Johnson, 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 22 (2 games)

North 2, Group 4

4-Union at 1-Piscataway, 1 p.m.

North 2, Group 2

7-Summit at 3-Gov. Livingston, 1 p.m.

LAST WEEKEND'S QUARTERS

Friday, Nov. 14 (6 games)

North 2, Group 4

Union 15, Elizabeth 7

Ridge 49, Westfield 13

North 2, Group 3

Rahway 33, Roxbury 7

North 2, Group 2

Summit 16, Hanover Park 6

North 2, Group 1

Brearley 14, Glen Ridge 13

Central Jersey, Group 2

Johnson 35, Somerville 7

Saturday, Nov. 15 (4 games)

North 2, Group 4

Piscataway 38, Plainfield 0

North 2, Group 2

Gov. Livingston 14, Hackettstown 7

Hillside 13, Orange 6

North 2, Group 1

Verona 27, New Providence 3

CONSOLATIONS

Friday, Nov. 14 (4 games)

North 2, Group 4

Linden 50, Bayonne 22

North 2, Group 1

Lyndhurst 25, Roselle Park 14

Central Jersey, Group 2

Cranford 25, Allentown 0

Roselle 35, North Plainfield 19

Saturday, Nov. 15 (2 games)

North 2, Group 3

Scotch Plains 26, Warren Hills 20

North 2, Group 1

Belvidere 20, Dayton 0

JR'S PICKS THIS WEEK (6)

Rahway over West Morris - Indians seek first final since 1999.

Hillside over Caldwell - Comets seek first final since 1985.

Verona over Brearley - Game could go either way.

Johnson over Point Pleasant Boro - Crusaders seek first final since 2002.

Union over Piscataway - Farmers owe Chiefs from 2003 and 2004.

Gov. Livingston over Summit - GL seeks first section final since 1989, Summit since 1995.

Best bet: Johnson over PPB

Upset special: Union over P-way

Last week playoffs: 5-5, not good.

Consolations: 5-1, just OK.

Total: 10-6. Season: 94-25 (.790).

Best bets: 9-1, 9 in a row.

Upset specials: 4-6.

Red Raiders win crown



The Union-based NJ Red Raiders 9-and-under AAU baseball team won the CJABL championship. Kneeling, from left, are head coach Kevin O'Halloran, Mike Sot, Scott McCulloch, Gavin Natelli, Stew Rosenthal and Paul Zyska. Second row, from left, are Tyler Matloz, Tyler McCulloch, Jack Zyska, Daniel Zatko and Cory Lake. First row, from left, are Alex Hanson, Danney Serretti, Julian Natelli, Drew Rosenthal, Jack O'Halloran and Johnny Sot. Not in picture are assistant coach Ed Sot, his son Eddie Sot and Justin Duffy.

Cranford girls' volleyball captures first state title

Cougars overtake Demarest in Group 2

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

No longer is the Cranford girls' volleyball team considered the little engine that could.

Not after the historic victory the Cougars achieved Saturday afternoon in Wayne.

After taking Bergen County power Demarest to three games last year in the Group 2 quarterfinals, Cranford was determined to prove to everyone in New Jersey that a public school team from Union County was good enough to beat a northern New Jersey rival with a state championship at stake.

Top-seeded Cranford and second-seeded Demarest met again last Saturday at William Paterson University, this time in the Group 2 final. Last year's scores in the 6-at-3 quarterfinal won at home by Demarest were 25-20, 18-25, 25-7.

Cranford had just come off a convincing 25-14, 25-17 win over another quality Bergen County opponent — Mahwah — in Thursday night's semifinals at Passaic Tech.

As a result, the Cougars were more than prepared to come out on top against Demarest this time.

Both teams used up their two timeouts long before the first game was decided. The marathon contest went to the Cougars 30-28. Cranford trailed for much of the game, but found a way to prevail.

Cranford also trailed for much of the second game. A timeout called by seventh-year head coach Lucy Diaz proved to be the turning point in Cranford rebounding and going on to win 25-21.

If last year's Cranford performance against Demarest could be billed as Rocky 1 — with the Cougars coming so close, but falling just short — then Saturday's effort could be hailed as a Rocky 2 — with the Cougars coming back in both games to win this time.

"It was just an incredible day," Diaz said. "Absolutely, from the moment we walked into that arena until that last point."

Cranford, which improved to 23-4 and will now take on Northern Highlands of Allendale — yet another Bergen County foe — tonight at 6 at Hackensack in the first Tournament of Champions matchup, won its first state championship in its first appearance in a state final.

The Cougars also became the first public school team from Union County to win a state championship and did not lose a single game in state tournament play, beating Sterling, West Essex, Mahwah and Demarest all 2-0.

Cranford first ousted 17th-seeded Sterling 25-9, 25-15 on Nov. 7 in a second round match at home.

The Cougars then eliminated ninth-seeded West Essex 25-12, 25-21 on Nov. 11 in a quarterfinal at home.

Here's how Diaz explained how Cranford was able to come back and win the second game:

"We were pretty much trailing the whole game," Diaz said. "I took a timeout and said that we can't die now, we can't give up."

"We played a hard first game and it took a lot out of us, but if we back down now, we're not going to be state champions."

"I told them that we could not go to a third game and be in the same position we were in last year. It would take us twice as much to get through that. Look how hard we fought the first game."

"Then a second wind came over them. Everyone took a deep breath. The second game was played in like slow motion on both sides because both teams needed a breather after the first game, which was understandable."

Diaz cited four serves that were beautifully placed by senior Claire Humen, who finished with eight kills total for the two games.

"Her serving and hitting were just great," Diaz said. Diaz also spoke of the way junior setter Meghan Bartsch did an outstanding job of knowing when to set up senior outside hitter Chelsea Hoeffler because Meghan knew Demarest, which saw its season conclude at 17-7, would be keying on Hoeffler.

"Watching Demarest against Chatham in the semifinals Thursday night and scouting both teams, we definitely felt as if we would rather play Demarest," Diaz said.

Chatham came back to defeat Demarest 11-25, 25-19, 25-22 in last year's Group 2 final to prove that a Morris County school could beat a Bergen County one in a state championship match.

Center of attention: JK close to record

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Last year's success was built on a team void of seniors. Other key returning players included in Kuczynski's senior class for the upcoming campaign include Casey Kennedy and Jill Torzewski. Another important returning starter is junior Sami Cariani.

Among the incoming freshmen is Kuczynski's younger sister Jennifer. "We have our whole team coming back and the freshmen will have a definite impact," Kuczynski said.

Dayton is still a member of the Valley Division of the Mountain Valley Conference and for the fourth straight season is situated in North 2, Group 1.

"I definitely want to try to win the conference," Kuczynski said. "We were close to New Providence last year."

Dayton, should the Bulldogs qualify, will also attempt to win its first state tournament game in four years after being ousted in the first round in North 2, Group 1 the last three seasons, including the last two at home.

"I haven't made it out of the first round yet, but I just don't want to settle for getting out of the first round," Kuczynski said. "I want to win the section and I think we can with the girls we have."

As for her individual game, Kuczynski keeps on working hard at improving. She just completed another season of cross country which, in addition to playing AAU basketball, helps her stay in shape.

"My freshman year I was definitely more passive and shying away from a leadership role," Kuczynski said. "Playing AAU, I've become more aggressive and attack the basket more. Being more aggressive is something I've been working on in general."

To say that Kuczynski can't wait until the start of practice next week would be an understatement.

"I want to come out of a cannon and finish off my high school career strong," Kuczynski said.

Kuczynski disclosed that the first day of practice, which is always the day after Thanksgiving, will be a double session, with the first one beginning promptly at 8 a.m.

"Last year I had two wisdom teeth pulled right before practice began and couldn't practice right away," Kuczynski said. "I've been looking forward to my senior season for a long time."

"I'm looking forward to playing with my sister (Jennifer is not as tall as Jacqueline and is more of a guard) and for us to be more competitive within ourselves. We have more guards and more people to rotate in."

Kuczynski said she started playing basketball at age 7, but not against other girls.

"I started playing with boys, but they never passed me the ball," said Kuczynski, whose first organized team was the Springfield Nettles, beginning in 4th grade.

Kuczynski gets the ball passed to her plenty of times now, so she doesn't have to fret that.

"I've been driving to the basket a lot more and worked on post moves in AAU this summer," Kuczynski said. "I need to improve on my rebounding."

Kuczynski, an annual summer AAU player, switched to a new team this year. She competed for the New Jersey Panthers, coached by John Griff.

"The Panthers opened up different things and the play was better," Kuczynski said.

One of Kuczynski's teammates was New Providence senior shooting guard Shelly Montagna.

"Shelly and I still practiced in the fall and on Wednesdays played 2-on-2 vs. others," Kuczynski said. "We played well together."

Kuczynski and Montagna are the two top returning senior starters in the MVC's Valley Division this year. Montagna has not made her college decision yet.

Area high school basketball fans will have the opportunity to see Kuczynski and Montagna compete for the first of two times in conference play right away. New Providence hosts Dayton on Opening Night, which is Friday, Dec. 19 at 7.

In last year's season-opener, Kuczynski scored her career-high of 39 points in a triumph over Newark Central.

At Boston University, she will play the 4 position, which is one of the forwards.

"I'm not sure about playing time, but I know the school is set on trying to win the conference it's in every year," Kuczynski said. "They usually finish toward the top of their conference (America East) rankings."

"I definitely won't be the center there. In high school I play the 5 (center position) because I'm the tallest. I've been playing the 4 in AAU, so I'm pretty used to it."

Boston University's 12-women roster this year includes one player 6-2, three more 6-1 and one 6-0, with four of those five non-seniors. There are no players from New Jersey, but two from New York. Other Terrier performers hail from as far away as West Virginia, Kentucky and Texas.

"I think it's a real good fit for Jac and after talking to the coach, I think she's definitely the type of player they're looking for," said Dayton head coach Dave Rennie, who is in his 12th season at the helm of the Bulldogs.

• More of this story can be found at www.localsource.com.

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RC boys' harriers able to garner another state title

Johnson girls' excel by placing 3rd in G2

By JR Parachini
Sports Editor

Union County cross country takes a back seat to no one as runners performed more than admirably at Sunday's group competition at Holmdel Park in Holmdel.

On the boys' side, Roselle Catholic captured the Non-Public B state championship for the first time since 2004, while Summit also did well to advance to this Saturday's Meet of Champions competition as the third-place finisher in Group 2.

On the girls' side, Johnson advanced out of Group 2 for the first time by placing third, while Roselle Catholic sophomore Ines Simoes did well to place second in the Non-Public B race.

Roselle Catholic's boys' team had three runners place in the top 10 in Non-Public B, including Vinny Nicaastro third in 18:08, Tommy Masko seventh in 17:32 and Travis Boscia eighth in 17:34.

Coaches Paul Irwin and Carmine DeNicola have been at the helm since 2002, so this is their second team that has gone on to become a state champion.

Roselle Catholic outscored second place Pingry by a 57-74 margin. St. Rose was third with 99.

"I think we knew that we had to get our first four guys in before Pingry's first three," DeNicola said. "We also needed our fifth man to step up."

That fifth runner for Roselle Catholic was Alex Acieto, who did step up, finishing with a Holmdel course-best time for him of 19:01. His previous best time at Holmdel was 19:55 at the Shore Coaches Invitational.

"When I saw them at about the mile it was about even, but I felt good because they were executing the game plan Paul and I gave them," DeNicola said. "With a mile left, I felt good because our game plan was unfolding."

Doug Smith of Gill St. Bernard's - to nobody's surprise - won the race in 16:13. Nicaastro did well to finish in between Pingry's Matthew LaForgia, who was second at 17:01, and Pingry's Daniel Schuchinsky, who was fourth in 17:10.

"That was huge," DeNicola said. "Most people expected the two Pingry kids to finish second and third, so for Vinny to finish between them was great."

"We sat Vinny down before the race and said to him that he could beat one of those guys. Our plan was to completely ignore the kid from Gill St. Bernard's, because he is on a whole other level."

"We packed it in tight," Irwin said. "Vinny ran well and we expected him to finish in the top five."

As for the MOC, Roselle Catholic runners will seek continued success with a lot less pressure.

"We will go in and have fun and take a chance," Irwin said. "It's such a competitive race, with so many good runners. We'll bang around and our runners will try to run personal-bests and let the chips fall where they may."

"The Meet of Champions is the icing on the cake," DeNicola said. "The kids have worked really hard and we had the group meet as our finishing point, so anything after that is gravy."

"I think we'll do well now that the pressure is off." Simoes, a Newark resident, managed to stay ahead of the pack that finished behind Non-Public B girls' winner Marie Walsh of Mater Dei, who finished in 19:15.

"None of us were expecting Walsh to go out that hard," Irwin said. "She really took it from the gun."

"Ines reacted to it and was able to pull away from the pack to finish second."

Roselle Catholic's next finisher was Brianna Smith, a junior from Union. She finished 19th in 21:53.

"Ines will go out and mix it up this Saturday," Irwin said. "She's only a sophomore so she has nothing to lose."

Last year the Johnson girls' won Mountain Valley Conference and Union County championships for the first time.

This year the Crusaders won both of those titles again and added a first sectional championship, capturing Central Jersey, Group 2.

Although Johnson did not win a state championship, the school from Clark can make that a goal again next season.

What the Crusaders did accomplish for the first time Sunday was qualifying as a team for the MOC by placing third in Group 2 with a point total of 110. Had-donfield won the Group 2 state championship with 73 points, while Chatham placed third with 93.

"I'm absolutely ecstatic," fifth-year Johnson coach Cindy Calnen said. "All of the goals we set in June that we wanted to achieve we accomplished."

Cathy Goncalves finished fifth in the Group 2 race in 19:57 and teammate Sara Vagie 10th in 20:10.

"I'm very proud of Cathy's finish," Calnen said. "She accomplished her goal."

"None of our times were great, but it was the (team) place that really counted. It wasn't Sara's best day, but she still finished in the top 10."

Calnen also said that her fifth and sixth runners - junior Megan Brattole and freshman Jenna Fraser - also stepped up their performances, which was important for the Crusaders. Brattole was 41st in 21:29 and Fraser 57th in 22:08.

Now Johnson gets to go back to Holmdel as the only girls' team that will be representing Union County this year.

"We're looking to be competitive again and be the best we can be as a team," Calnen said. "Hopefully, we can finish in the top 13 in the state."

UNION COUNTY QUALIFIERS FOR SATURDAY'S MOC BOYS', GIRLS' RACES AT HOLMDEL PARK IN HOLMDEL

BOYS'

Teams:

Roselle Catholic - Non-Public B champion
Summit - Group 2, third place

Individuals:

- Martin Sweeney, Scotch Plains, 10th in Group 3 at 16:37.
- Christopher Johnson, Governor Livingston, seventh in Group 2 in 16:58.
- D.J. Thornton, Union Catholic, third in Non-Public A in 16:28.
- Vinny Nicaastro, Roselle Catholic, third in Non-Public B in 17:08.
- Tommy Masko, Roselle Catholic, seventh in Non-Public B in 17:32.
- Travis Boscia, Roselle Catholic, eighth in Non-Public B in 17:34.

GIRLS'

Teams:

Johnson - Group 2, third place

Individuals:

- Cathy Goncalves, Johnson, fifth in Group 2 in 19:57.
- Sara Vagie, Johnson, 10th in Group 2 in 20:10.
- Olivia Clyde, New Providence, fifth in Group 1 in 20:45.
- Rachel Murray, Dayton, 10th in Group 1 in 20:59.
- Ines Simoes, Roselle Catholic, second in Non-Public B in 19:42.
- Annie Murphy, Oak Knoll, ninth in Non-Public B in 20:47.

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TOC match next for volleyball champions

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On Thursday night, Demarest defeated third-seeded Chatham 25-19, 25-18 in the semifinal that took place at Passaic Tech after Cranford defeated Mahwah.

"Overall, I thought Chatham had a better team, so it was a good win for Demarest," Diaz said.

Hoeffler, who finished with 11 kills total Saturday vs. Demarest, was a key player for Cranford at the onset.

"Chelsea pretty much dominated the first game," Diaz said. "Meghan knew that she had to move the sets around and not key on Chelsea too much. The first game took a lot out of Chelsea."

Diaz recalled that after trailing in the first game, Cranford finally tied it up at around 18-18 or 19-19.

"From there it was just a fight, a point for a point," Diaz said. "It was going to come down to who was going to be more confident and more powerful and not fear making a mistake."

"They backed down, played a little more conservatively and we took advantage of it."

"I told the girls to keep giving them the look of you could do it. Just push and push and that was it."

"Every time we served we were confident and strong and that's how we did it. We stayed together. The communication was tough because of the noise level, but we played really well at the net."

"We played strategically well. We placed the ball, our net play was strong, our blocking was strong and we forced them to tip more and more."

So, after the Cougars came back to win a long first game and then came back to take the lead in the second game, all of a sudden they found themselves in position to win a state championship.

"Actually, sitting on the bench, we had a pinky ritual," Diaz said. "We all grabbed pinkies when it was 23 and we were just holding on."

"When it got to 24, we all just kind of looked at each other, like we were all saying to ourselves - 'I don't believe this is happening.'"

"Then when the final point was won it was like we all just became totally numb. We all took a deep breath and a sigh of relief."

"Then it was like oh my God we have just made history here."

Diaz was thrilled to see all the support that her team received from Cranford High School and Cranford fans.

"There were two bus loads of fans and people were chanting," Diaz said. "It was surreal. What a feeling."

If Cranford gets past Northern Highlands, the Cougars would go back to William Paterson Saturday to play the No. 1 team in the state - IHA of Washington Township at 3 p.m. in the first TOC semi.

The Bergen County school, which is now 26-1 and lost only to Old Tappan (another school from Bergen County) in the Bergen County championship match, defeated Union Catholic 25-8, 25-16 in Saturday's Non-Public state championship match at William Paterson. IHA ousted Union Catholic 25-18, 25-18 in last year's semifinals.

"We played them (IHA) in the Jersey Classic in Paramus and they beat us 25-18," Diaz said.

IHA is led by the outstanding play of the Scott sisters - junior middle blocker Ariel (6-3) and freshman outside hitter Raquel, who is tall but not as tall as Ariel.

"Now we're in a different mindset," Diaz said. "There won't be that same pressure. We can play a normal high school match. The fear factor is out of our system."

Cranford entered this season coming off the school's first Union County Tournament championship in some time and first under Diaz. The Cougars did quite well to defeat defending champion Westfield 25-18, 25-22 in last year's UCT final at Westfield.

Cranford also won the Mountain Valley Conference championship en route to an impressive 25-3 finish that included a 24-match winning streak after a 1-2 start.

• TOC schedule, Cranford roster and Cougar results can be found with story at www.localsource.com.

PUBLIC NOTICE

PLAINFIELD

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY
DOCKET NO. F-35645-08

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
BLANCE E. MACK
RICHARD ANTHONY MACK
RONALD L. MACK

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 7 Century Drive, Suite 201, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, telephone number #973-538-9300, an Answer to the Complaint and Amended Complaint, filed in a civil action, in which DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE FOR LONG BEACH MORTGAGE LOAN TRUST 2006-3 is Plaintiff and WILLIE MACK, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County and bearing Docket No. F-35645-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 11/20/2008, or if published after 11/20/2008, thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated February 23, 2006 made by WILLIE MACK as mortgagor to LONG BEACH MORTGAGE COMPANY recorded on March 7, 2006, in Book 11596 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 186, et seq., which said mortgage was duly assigned to the Plaintiff named above, who is the present holder of said Mortgage, and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 833 W THIRD ST, PLAINFIELD, NJ 07063, Block 115, Lot 2. If you cannot afford or are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling:

UNION COUNTY LAWYER REFERRAL: (908)353-4715
UNION COUNTY LEGAL SERVICES: (908)354-4340

YOU, BLANCE E. MACK, are made party defendant to this foreclosure action because you are a known heir of Willie Mack, the deceased mortgagor, and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity.

YOU, RICHARD ANTHONY MACK, are made party defendant to this foreclosure action because you are a known heir of Willie Mack, the deceased mortgagor, and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity.

YOU, RONALD L. MACK, are made party defendant to this foreclosure action because you are a known heir of Willie Mack, the deceased mortgagor, and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity. File #FWM 1952 Dated: November 14, 2008

CHRISTINA P. HIGGINS
Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey
U226209 WCN Nov. 20, 2008 (\$51.45)

HILLSIDE

Public Auction at Devon Self Storage-625 Glenwood Ave. Hillside N.J. 07205 on Tuesday December 16th at 11 a.m. Property contents in the following units will be sold to the highest bidder to satisfy the owners' lien for rent under N.J. code section 2A:44-1.87 ET SEQ. Unit #A7 Joyce P Freeman, commercial goods and clothing. Unit #C9 Angelina Colon, contains Household Goods, Unit #C19 Bellinda Burgess, contains household goods and clothing. Unit #C32 Wilson Dollin, Household goods, furniture. Unit #G16 Beverly Frazier, contains household goods. Unit #C13 Alie Kamara, contains household goods, clothing and furniture. Unit #A41 Willard Lake JR contains household goods. Unit #124 Bernard Nixon, contains household goods. Auction is with reserve. Devon Self Storage reserves the right to set minimum bids and to refuse bids. Cash only. November 20, 2008 U226062 WCN (\$27.44)

SCOTCH PLAINS

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
Docket No. : F-39492-08
Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
KENNETH M. TRUSLOW
MICHELE F. TRUSLOW, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal

PUBLIC NOTICE

representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, NA is plaintiff, and KENNETH M. TRUSLOW, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-39492-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 11/20/2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after 11/20/2008, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex - CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 10/30/1992 made by Kenneth M. Truslow and Michele F. Truslow as mortgagors, to County Mortgage Co., Inc. recorded on 11/05/1992 in Book 4683 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 072 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, NA, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 10/07/2008; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 331 SYCAMORE AVE., SCOTCH PLAINS, NJ 07076, also being Lot 31 in Block 903. If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 732-249-5000. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of venue by calling 908-353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340.

YOU, KENNETH M. TRUSLOW, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, MICHELE F. TRUSLOW, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. File #XVZ110443

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
U226024 WCN Nov. 20, 2008 (\$50.47)

PLAINFIELD

POWERS KIRN, LLC
728 Marne Highway, Suite 200
Moorestown, NJ 08057
(856) 802-1000
Attorneys for Plaintiff (2008-2502)

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County
Docket No. F-39908-08

STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
Carmen Guardado, his heirs, devisees and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Rutilio Guardado, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon the Attorneys for Plaintiff, Powers Kirn, LLC, 728 Marne Highway, P.O. Box 848, Moorestown, NJ 08057, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a Civil Action in which Wachovia Mortgage, FSB f/k/a World Savings Bank, FSB is Plaintiff and Carmen Guardado and Rutilio Guardado, et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, within thirty-five (35) days after November 20, 2008, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief 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; 08625, in accordance with the rules governing the courts. A \$135.00 filing fee payable to the Clerk of the Superior Court and a completed Case Information Statement must accompany your answer or motion. The action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing a mortgage dated July 24, 2006, recorded on May 2, 2007, in Book 12142 at Page 874 made by Carmen N. Guardado and Rutilio Guardado to World Savings

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Bank, SFB, and concerns real estate located at 524 Parkside Road, Plainfield, NJ 07060, Block 751 Lot 8.

YOU, Carmen Guardado, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Rutilio Guardado, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a defendant because you are the maker of the bond/note and mortgage and/or an owner thereof and Plaintiff is unable to determine the whereabouts of the defendant, and therefore, does not know whether he/she is living or dead, and therefore, names as defendants Carmen Guardado, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest and Rutilio Guardado, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives and his/her, their, or any of their successors in right, title and interest.

You are further advised that an individual who is unable to obtain an attorney may communicate with the New Jersey State Bar Association by calling toll free 800-792-8315 (within New Jersey) or 609-394-1101 (from out of state). You may also communicate with a Lawyer Referral Service, or if you cannot afford to pay an attorney you may call the Legal Services Office. The phone numbers for the county in which this action is pending are: Legal Services (908) 354-4340, Lawyer Referral (908) 353-4715. File #2008-2502

Jennifer M. Perez, Acting Clerk of the Superior Court
U226204 WCN Nov. 20, 2008 (\$50.96)

PLAINFIELD

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY
DOCKET NO. F-39389-08

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: JAIME PAUCAR

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 7 Century Drive, Suite 201, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, telephone number #973-538-9300, an Answer to the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any, filed in a civil action, in which LASALLE BANK NA AS TRUSTEE FOR WASHINGTON MUTUAL ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES WMABS SERIES 2006-HE5 TRUST is Plaintiff and JAIME PAUCAR, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County and bearing Docket No. F-39389-08 within thirty-five (35) days after November 20, 2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after November 20, 2008, thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated July 25, 2006, made by JAIME PAUCAR as mortgagors to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR PEOPLE'S CHOICE HOME LOAN, INC. recorded on June 5, 2007, in Book 12182 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 17, et seq., which mortgage was duly assigned to the Plaintiff named above, who is the present holder of said Mortgage and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 728W 3RD STREET, PLAINFIELD, NJ 07060, Block 113, Lot 21. You are made a defendant because you are a mortgagor and your lien or encumbrance on the mortgaged premises is subject to plaintiff's mortgage. If you cannot afford or are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling:

UNION COUNTY LAWYER REFERRAL: (908)353-4715
UNION COUNTY LEGAL SERVICES: (908)354-4340

YOU, JAIME PAUCAR are made party defendant(s) to this foreclosure action because you are one of the mortgagors and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim, or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises by reason of the Mortgage made by you, JAIME PAUCAR, as set forth above. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity. File #FWM2052 Dated: November 20, 2008

JENNIFER M. PEREZ
Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey
U226031 WCN Nov. 20, 2008 (\$48.06)

PUBLIC NOTICE

HILLSIDE

SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08006623
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F565207A
County: Union

Plaintiff: DEUTSCHE BANK NATIONAL TRUST COMPANY, AS TRUSTEE UNDER THE POOLING AND SERVICING AGREEMENT RELATING TO IMPAC SECURED ASSETS CORP. MORTGAGE PASS-THROUGH CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2006-1 VS Defendant: PRADIP KUMAR DAS, MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR IMPAC FUNDING CORPORATION, DBA IMPAC LENDING GROUP, A CALIFORNIA CORPORATION

Sale Date: 12/10/2008
Writ of Execution: 10/01/2008
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

Property to be sold is located in the Township of Hillside, County of Union, State of New Jersey. Premises commonly known as: 326 Field Place, Hillside NJ 07206 BEING KNOWN AS LOT 15, BLOCK 310, on the official Tax Map of the Township of Hillside

Dimensions: 40 feet x 96.45 feet x 48.02 feet x 96.3 feet
Nearest Cross Street: Wyndmoor Ave

The Sheriff hereby reserves the right to adjourn this sale without further notice by publication. *Subject to any unpaid taxes, municipal liens or other charges, and any such taxes, charges, liens, insurance premiums or other advances made by plaintiff prior to this sale. All interested parties are to conduct and rely upon their own independent investigation to ascertain whether or not any outstanding interest remain of record and/or have priority over the lien being foreclosed and, if so the current amount due thereon.

**If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagor's attorney.

If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4.64-3 and 4.67-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$445,812.52 Four Hundred Forty-Five Thousand Eight Hundred Twelve and 52/100***

Attorney: PHELAN HALLINAN & SCHMIEG, PC 400 FELLOWSHIP ROAD SUITE 100 MT. LAUREL, NJ 08054 (856) 813-5500 Sheriff: Ralph Froehlich A full legal description can be found at the Union County Sheriff's Office Total Upset: \$512,605.09 ***Five Hundred Twelve Thousand Six Hundred Five and 09/100*** November 13, 20, 26, Dec. 4, 2008 U226678 UNL (\$192.08)

UNION

TOWNSHIP OF UNION
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT
PUBLIC NOTICE OF HEARING FOR
VARIANCE APPLICATION

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on Wednesday December 3, 2008 at 7:30 P.M. at the Township of Union Municipal Building, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey a hearing will be held before the Zoning Board of Adjustment on the undersigned's application for a variance from the requirements of Land Use Ordinance #170-51 to permit a check cashing business at the premises known as 1200 Stuyvesant Avenue, Union, New Jersey and designated as Lot 21, Block 5207 on the tax map of the Township of Union. The application is on file at the Zoning Office/Building Department, 1976 Morris Avenue, Union, New Jersey for inspection during regular business hours (M-F 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.). In accordance with the Americans With Disabilities Act any person requiring special needs should contact the Zoning Board of Adjustment during normal business hours so that their needs can be addressed (visually or hearing impaired, wheel chair bound, etc.)

Richard J. Brightman, Esq.
23 North Avenue East
Cranford, New Jersey 07016
908-709-1900
On behalf of the Applicant
James Lesczynski/
Alassa Enterprises, Inc.
U226219 UNL Nov. 20, 2008 (\$21.07)

PUBLIC NOTICE

UNION

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY
DOCKET NO. F-38389-08

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
ADRIANA ROZO

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, plaintiffs attorneys, whose address is 7 Century Drive, Suite 201, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, telephone number #973-538-9300, an Answer to the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any filed in a civil action, in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR AXIOM FINANCIAL SERVICES is Plaintiff and ORESTES HERNANDEZ, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County and bearing Docket No. F-38389-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 11/20/08 exclusive of such date, or if published after 11/20/08, thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated March 9, 2007 made by ORESTES HERNANDEZ as mortgagors to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR AXIOM FINANCIAL SERVICES recorded on March 15, 2007, in Book 12086 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 221, et seq., which mortgage was duly assigned to the Plaintiff named above, who is the present holder of said Mortgage and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 2184 MORRISON AVE., UNION, NJ 07083.

If you cannot afford or are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling:

UNION COUNTY LAWYER REFERRAL: (908)353-4715
UNION COUNTY LEGAL SERVICES: (908)354-4340

YOU, ADRIANA ROZO are made party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment which may be against the owner/mortgagors and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity. File #FH0825 Dated: November 12, 2008

JENNIFER M. PEREZ
Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey
U226161 UNL Nov. 20, 2008 (\$42.14)

UNION

MetroPCS New York, LLC is proposing to install new wireless telecommunications antennas on an existing hospital building complex located at 1000 Galloping Hill Road, Union, Union County, NJ. The new facility will consist of 6 antennas mounted at an approximate height of 49 feet on the penthouse roof with support equipment installed at 33 feet on a lower roof inside a 10 X 16-foot fenced lease area. Any party wishing to comment on potential effects by the proposed facility on any historic resources should send comments to: Project 61087060-RALCo EBI Consulting, 6878 Susquehanna Trail 9, York, PA 17403 or call 850-284-0240.

U226488 UNL Nov. 20, 2008 (\$10.78)

UNION

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
UNION COUNTY
Docket No. F- 41873-08

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, to: SILAS A. DOS REIS JR.

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Pluese, Becker, & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 20000 Horizon Way, Suite 900, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054, an Answer to the Complaint in a civil action in which HSBC Mortgage Corporation (USA), is Plaintiff and Silas A. Dos Reis, Jr., et al., are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, bearing Docket No. F-41873-08, within thirty-five days (35) after November 20, 2008 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by Default may be rendered against you for relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the mortgage dated April 22, 2008, and made by Silas A. Dos Reis, Jr., to Mortgage

U226219 UNL Nov. 20, 2008 (\$21.07)

PUBLIC NOTICE

Electronic Registration Systems Inc. recorded in the Union County Clerk's Office, on not recorded at this time...

By written assignment dated October 14, 2008, the said Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. as nominee for HSBC Mortgage Corporation (USA) assigned its mortgage and bond/note to HSBC Mortgage Corporation (USA), plaintiff herein...

You, Silas A. Dos Reis, Jr., are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you are the owner of record of the mortgaged premises and because you signed Plaintiffs Note and Mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim or interest you or they may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises being foreclosed herein by the Plaintiff.

You may contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County in which this action is pending by calling 908-353-4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County in which this action is pending by calling 908-354-4340. File #63126

DATED: November 14, 2008 JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK Superior Court of New Jersey U226216 UNL Nov. 20, 2008 (\$40.67)

HILLSIDE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE Request for Qualifications

The Township of Hillside ("Township") is soliciting Qualification Statements from interested persons and/or firms for the provision of the below listed services. Through a Request for Qualifications ("RFQ") process, persons and/or firms interested in assisting the Township with the provision of such services must prepare and submit a Qualification Statement in accordance with the procedures and schedules set forth in the RFQs.

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.5 et seq. The Township has structured a procurement process that seeks to obtain the desired results, while establishing a competitive, fair and open process...

The RFQ documents will become available on Monday, November 24, 2008 at 10 a.m. They can be obtained in person at the Office of the Township Clerk, Township of Hillside Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, Hillside, New Jersey offices.

Qualification Statements must be submitted by mail or hand delivery to, and be received by Janet Vlaisavljevic, Township Clerk, in the Office of the Township Clerk, Township of Hillside Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, Hillside, New Jersey 07205, on or before 11:00 a.m. on December 9, 2008.

Professional Services for Insurance Consultant and Brokerage Services.

Janet S. Vlaisavljevic Township Clerk U226147 UNL Nov. 20, 2008 (\$42.14)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROSELLE

PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, NJ ORDINANCE NUMBER 2311-08

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A HANDICAP PARKING SPACE FOR 486 EAST FIRST AVENUE

NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance Number 2311-08 was passed and adopted on second and final reading at a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey, held at Borough Hall, 210 Chestnut Street, Roselle, New Jersey on the 12th day of November 2008.

Rhona C. Bluestein, M.B.A., R.M.C. Borough Clerk U226293 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$11.27)

PUBLIC NOTICE

LINDEN

Board of Adjustment

RESOLUTION FIXING THE REGULAR MEETING DATES OF THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2009

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT OF THE CITY OF LINDEN, that the Regular Meetings of the Linden Board of Adjustment will be held in the Planning Room, on the third floor of City Hall, Linden, New Jersey. All meetings shall be held on the second Monday of each month convening at 7:00 PM, or as soon thereafter as the Board assembles.

- Monday, January 12, 2009
Monday, February 09, 2009
Monday, March 09, 2009
Monday, April 13, 2009
Monday, May 11, 2009
Monday, June 08, 2009
Monday, July 13, 2009
Monday, August 10, 2009
Monday, September 14, 2009
Monday, October 12, 2009
Monday, November 09, 2009
Monday, December 14, 2009

PUBLIC HEARINGS BEGIN AT 7:00 P.M.

Be it further resolved, that the procedure at all meetings for the year 2009 shall be governed by Robert's Rule of the Order and are subject to the Open Public Meeting Act and conducted accordingly.

Brian C. Fritzsche Secretary of the Board Linden Zoning Board of Adjustment U226288 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$23.03)

PUBLIC NOTICE

ROSELLE

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE CONTROL

Take notice that application has been made to Roselle Boro A.B.C. of Roselle Boro to transfer to Rose Bowl Corp. of N.J. for premises located at 108-112 Chestnut Street, Roselle, NJ the Broad Class License C-2014-3200-4008 heretofore issued to Rose Bowl Corp. of N.J. for premises located at 108-112 Chestnut Street, Roselle, NJ.

Objections if any, should be made immediately in writing to: Rhona C. Bluestein, Municipal Clerk of Roselle, 210 Chestnut Street, Roselle, N.J. 07203.

Rose Bowl Corp. of N.J. 108-112 Chestnut Street Roselle, N.J. 07203 Applicant

November 13, 20, 2008 U225760 PRO (\$49.30)

LINDEN

SHERIFF'S SALE Sheriff's File Number: CH-08006536 Division: CHANCERY Docket Number: F4008 County: Union Plaintiff: SAXON MORTGAGE SERVICES, INC. Vs Defendant: KEVIN K. DERRICOTTE; MADINE M. DERRICOTTE; HIS WIFE

Sale Date: 12/10/2008 Writ of Execution: 10/17/2008 By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed I shall expose for sale by public venue, at the UNION COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

BUILDING, 1ST FLOOR, 10 ELIZABETH TOWN PLAZA, Elizabeth, N.J., on WEDNESDAY, at two o'clock in the afternoon of said day. All successful bidders must have 20% of their bid available in cash or certified check at the conclusion of the sales.

The property to be sold is located in the City of Linden in the County of Union, State of New Jersey. Commonly known as: 809 Bower Street, Linden, NJ 07038 Tax Lot No.: 3 In Block 154 Dimensions of Lot: (Approximately) 100 ft x 40 ft

Nearest Cross Street: East Elm Street Subject to any open taxes, water/sewer, municipal or tax liens that may be due.

Tax and prior lien info: At the time of publication taxes/sewer/water information was not available - You must check with the tax collector for exact amounts due.

Surplus Money: If after the sale and satisfaction of the mortgage debt, including costs and expenses, there remains any surplus money, the money will be deposited into the Superior Court Trust Fund and any person claiming the surplus, or any part thereof, may file a motion pursuant to Court Rules 4:64-3 and 4:57-2 stating the nature and extent of that person's claim and asking for an order directing payment of the surplus money. The Sheriff or other person conducting the sale will have information regarding the surplus, if any.

Plaintiff has obtained an indemnification letter as to judgment CB-055948-2000 Note: The sheriff reserves the right to adjourn this sale for any length of time without further advertisement. JUDGMENT AMOUNT: \$228,691.28***

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CLARK

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, 1937 Title 54, Chapter 5, and the amendments and supplements thereto "An Act concerning unpaid taxes, assessments and other municipal charges and real property and providing for the collection thereof, by the creation and enforcement of liens", together with the general laws of the State, the undersigned Collector of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey will sell at Public Auction in the Municipal Building, 430 Westfield Ave. Clark, Union County New Jersey at 11:00 O'Clock in the forenoon on Monday the 24th day of November, 2008 as computed and shown on the list.

Said property will be sold in fee to such persons as will purchase same, subject to the redemption at the lowest rate of interest, but in no case in excess of Eighteen (18%) percent per annum. Provided that if any person at such sale shall offer to purchase subject to redemption at a rate of interest less than One (1%) percent per annum, then such person may, in lieu of any rate of interest, offer a premium over and above the amount of taxes, assessments and other charges, plus the highest premium.

The purchase of any property must be paid before the conclusion of the sale, or the property will be resold. Any parcel or real estate for which there shall be no other purchaser, will be struck off and sold to the Township of Clark, in the County of Union, at a fee for redemption at Eighteen (18%) percent per annum, and the municipality shall have the same rights and remedies as other purchasers, including the right to bar or foreclose the right of redemption.

At any time before the sale, the Collector will receive payment of the amount due on any property with interest and costs incurred by cash, certified check, or money order.

The said properties to be sold and the names of the persons against whom said taxes, assessments and charges are due, including interest to November 24, 2008 are set forth below.

Given under my hand this 17th day of October, 2008. Thomas J. Grady Collector of Taxes Township of Clark

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK TAX SALE LISTING NOVEMBER 24, 2008

Table with columns: Block, Lot, Location, Assessed to, Tax, Sewer, Total. Lists property details for various streets like Brookside Terr, Hilltop Ave, Raritan Road, etc.

LINDEN

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the following Ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading by the Board of Health of the City of Linden in the County of Union, State of New Jersey on October 21, 2008, and will be presented for further consideration and hearing to be held on December 9, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. prevailing time, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached.

HARRY HERGENHAN PRESIDENT BOARD OF HEALTH

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND AN ORDINANCE ENTITLED, "AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING A CODE REGULATING RETAIL FOOD HANDLING ESTABLISHMENTS, REQUIRING PERMITS FOR THE OPERATION THEREOF, PROVIDING FOR THE INSPECTION OF SUCH ESTABLISHMENTS AND FIXING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS," PASSED DECEMBER 18, 1961

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH OF THE CITY OF LINDEN: Section 1. That the above entitled ordinance shall be and the same is hereby amended as follows:

DELETE SECTION 4b in its entirety. ADD NEW SECTION 4b as follows:

(b) The following License Fees will be charged:

ITINERANT RETAIL FOOD HANDLING ESTABLISHMENTS

Lunch Trucks \$100.00 per annum

Ice Cream/Italian Ice Trucks 75.00 per annum

RETAIL FOOD HANDLING ESTABLISHMENTS (NON-ITINERANT)

Food Handling Establishment \$50.00 per annum

Temporary Retail Food Handling Establishment 20.00 per event, not to exceed 14 days per event

Food & Beverage Vending Machines 10.00 per annum

Application for the license shall be made to the Board of Health and shall be submitted together with the required fee. When application is made for a license which will expire in less than a year, the fee shall not be prorated but shall be in the aforesaid amount.

ADD NEW SECTION 4g as follows:

(g) Late Fees. Any Retail Food Handling Establishment License (Non-Itinerant) not renewed by the January 31st annually will be charged a late fee of \$25.00. Any Vending Machine License not renewed by January 31st will be charged a late fee of \$5.00.

Section 2. The remaining provisions of the ordinance hereby amended shall continue in full force and effect to the same extent as if herein fully repeated.

Section 3. If any section, paragraph, clause, sentence, or provision of this ordinance shall be adjudged by the Court to be invalid, such judgment shall not affect, impair, invalidate or nullify this ordinance as a whole or any part thereof, other than the part immediately involved in the controversy in which such judgment or degree shall be rendered.

Section 4. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

Section 5. This Ordinance shall take effect in the manner provided by law.

U226183 PRO November 20, 2008 (\$63.70)

U226184 EAG November 20, 2008 (\$142.59)

PUBLIC NOTICE
Two Hundred Twenty-Eight Thousand Six Hundred Ninety-One and 28/100...
ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC
200 SHEFFIELD STREET
SUITE 301
MOUNTAINSIDE, NJ 07092

ROSELLE
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION
BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, NJ
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2312-08

ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING A HANDICAP PARKING SPACE FOR 555 NEW-MAN PLACE

NOTICE is hereby given that Ordinance Number 2312-08 was passed and adopted on second and final reading at a Regular Meeting of the Mayor and Council of the Borough of Roselle, Union County, New Jersey, held at Borough Hall, 210 Chestnut Street, Roselle, New Jersey on the 12th day of November 2008.

Rhona C. Bluestein, M.B.A., R.M.C.
Borough Clerk
U226294 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$11.27)

LINDEN
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY
DOCKET NO. F-37852-08

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

PUBLIC NOTICE
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: NEILSON ROCHA

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon FEIN SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 7 Century Drive, Suite 201, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, telephone number #(973) 538-9300, an Answer to the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any, filed in a civil action, in which CHASE HOME FINANCE LLC is Plaintiff and NEILSON ROCHA, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, UNION County and bearing Docket No. F-37852-08 within thirty-five (35) days after November 20, 2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after November 20, 2008, thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated December 14, 2007 made by NEILSON ROCHA as mortgagor to JP MORGAN CHASE BANK, N.A. recorded on January 9, 2008, in Book 12387 of Mortgages for UNION County, Page 0935, et seq., which mortgage was duly assigned to the Plaintiff named above, who is the present holder of said Mortgage and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 401 WEST 12 ST, LINDEN, NJ 07036-0000, Block 565, Lot 5.

You are made a defendant because you are a mortgagor and your lien or encumbrance on the mortgaged premises is subject to plaintiff's mortgage. If you cannot afford or are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communi-

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cate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling:

UNION COUNTY LAWYER REFERRAL: (908)353-4715
UNION COUNTY LEGAL SERVICES: (908)354-4340

YOU, NEILSON ROCHA are made party defendant(s) to this foreclosure action because you are one of the mortgagors and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim, or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises by reason of the Mortgage made by you, NEILSON ROCHA, as set forth above.

Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amendment to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity.
File #ZCH-2112
Dated: November 20, 2008

JENNIFER M. PEREZ
Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey
Complex - CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

ROSELLE
NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
Docket No. : F-43063-08
Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
TOMAS CANALES
MARIA E PEREZ
FRANCISCA VARGAS, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite

PUBLIC NOTICE
301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Bank of America NA is plaintiff, and Tomas Canales, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-43063-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 11/20/2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after 11/20/2008, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex - CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 07/15/2004 made by Tomas Canales as mortgagor, to Fleet National Bank recorded on 08/11/2004 in Book 10799 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 181; (2) Foreclosing a Second Mortgage dated 07/15/2004 made by Tomas Canales as mortgagor, to Fleet National Bank recorded on 08/11/2004 in Book 10799 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 283 to the above named Plaintiff, who is the present holder of said mortgage. Bank of America, plaintiff herein was f/k/a Fleet National Bank; and (3) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 236 WEST 5TH AVENUE, ROSELLE, NJ 07203, also being Lot 25 in Block 4902.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 732-249-5000. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of venue by calling 908-353-

PUBLIC NOTICE
4715. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340.

YOU, TOMAS CANALES, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, MARIA E PEREZ, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment/lien/mortgage which may be against the owner/mortgagor(s) and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity.

YOU, FRANCISCA VARGAS, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment/lien/mortgage which may be against the owner/mortgagor(s) and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity.

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will

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CRANFORD
TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
PUBLIC NOTICE
NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY
FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES AND OTHER MUNICIPAL CHARGES

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, THOMAS J. GRADY, COLLECTOR OF TAXES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, WILL SELL AT PUBLIC SALE ON THE 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2008, AT THE MUNICIPAL BUILDING, 8 SPRINGFIELD AVE, CRANFORD, NEW JERSEY AT 10:00 AM OR AT SUCH TIME AND PLACE TO WHICH SAID SALE MAY THEN BE ADJOURNED, EACH AND ALL OF THE SEVERAL LOTS AND PARCELS OF LAND ASSESSED TO THE RESPECTIVE PERSONS WHOSE NAMES ARE SET OPPOSITE EACH RESPECTIVE PARCEL AS THE OWNER THEREOF FOR THE TOTAL AMOUNT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS CHARGEABLE AGAINST SAID LANDS RESPECTIVELY, AS COMPUTED UP TO THE 25TH DAY OF NOVEMBER ALL AS REQUIRED UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF ARTICLE 4, CHAPTER 5, TITLE 54 OF THE REVISED STATUTES OF NEW JERSEY 1937, ENTITLED "SALE OF REAL PROPERTY TO ENFORCE LIENS", SECTION 54:5-19 TO 54:5-111 AND AMENDMENTS THERETO

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT THE HERINAFTER DESCRIBED LANDS AND EACH OF THE RESPECTIVE PARCELS THEREOF, WILL BE SOLD TO MAKE THE AMOUNT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS SEVERALLY CHARGEABLE AGAINST THE SAME ON THE 31ST DAY OF DECEMBER 2007 EXCLUSIVE HOWEVER OF THE LIENS OF THE YEAR AS COMPUTED IN SAID LIST AGAINST EACH PARCEL OF LAND SEVERALLY ASSESSED AS ONE PARCEL, TOGETHER WITH INTEREST ON EACH OF THE SEVERAL AMOUNTS RESPECTIVELY TO THE DATE OF THE SALE AND THE COSTS OF THE SALE. PARCELS WILL BE SOLD SUBJECT TO IMPROVEMENT ASSESSMENT INSTALLMENTS NOT YET DUE AND ANY OMITTED OR ADDED ASSESSMENTS OF IMPROVEMENTS AS PROVIDED IN N.J.S.A. 54:4-63-2 AND 63:4-6.31

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE THAT SAID LANDS WILL BE SOLD AT 18% INTEREST OR LESS TO MAKE THE AMOUNT OF MUNICIPAL LIENS CHARGEABLE AGAINST REDEMPTION AT THE LOWEST RATE OF INTEREST. THE PAYMENTS FOR THE SALE SHALL BE BEFORE CONCLUSION OF THE SALE BY CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER, OR THE PROPERTY SHALL BE RESOLD. PROPERTIES FOR WHICH THERE ARE NOT OTHER PURCHASERS SHALL BE STRUCK OFF AND SOLD TO THE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD IN ACCORDANCE WITH SAID ACT OF THE LEGISLATURE. INTEREST ON SUBSEQUENT LIENS SHALL BE ALLOWED AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

AT ANY TIME BEFORE THE SALE, SAID COLLECTOR WILL RECEIVE PAYMENT OF THE AMOUNT DUE ON ANY PROPERTY WITH INTEREST AND COSTS INCURRED BY CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

THE LAND AND PREMISES TO BE SOLD ARE DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:
THE NAMES SHOWN ARE AS THEY APPEAR IN THE TAX DUPLICATE AND DO NOT NECESSARILY MEAN THE PARTIES ARE THE PRESENT OWNERS OF PROPERTY.

THOMAS J. GRADY
COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Table with columns: BLOCK & LOT, OWNER NAME, PROPERTY LOCATION, TOTAL. Lists various property parcels and their owners, including Schlapak, Meliado, Varga, Savva, Laskowski, Crabel, Petrino, Hinkman, Korman, Pollard, Martin, Clark, Walsh, Grasz, Meier, Twin Oaks Realty Development, Heinrich St, Hale St, Mendell Av, Clellan St, Grant St, and Raritan Rd.

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE:
0404 006 NCS REO I, LLC%RESIDENTIAL CREDIT
0403 069 GARDEN STATE PROPERTIES SOLUTION
123 NEW ST \$650.00
34 JOHNSON AV \$450.00

U226181 EAG November 20, 2008 (\$135.24)

SUMMIT

CITY OF SUMMIT
PENDING ORDINANCE #08-2833

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE, CHAPTER VII, TRAFFIC, SECTION 7-8, PARKING, SUBSECTION 7-25.2, MUNICIPAL PARKING LOT AREAS. (Quarterly rate \$216 to \$228)

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SUMMIT, as follows:

Section 1. That Section 7-8, PARKING, Subsection 7-25.2 Municipal Parking Lot Areas - No person shall park a vehicle unless the proper fee is paid, if one applies, and rules and regulations are complied with for the following public parking lots in the City and only have access to said lots for vehicle parking purposes - of the Code shall be amended and supplemented as follows:

Table with columns: Lot #/ Location, Maximum Time, Time Period, Fees, Identifi-cation, Restricted/ Special Uses. Lists parking lots b through l with their respective details.

Fees:
12 hours for any combination of quarters, dollar coins, a prepaid Summit SmartCard payment equaling \$4.00 in the parking Pay by Space machine located in the lots with the display of a resident or downtown employee bar-code parking permit which ever is in effect, which must be displayed, after one of the following payments have been made: Monthly - \$80.00, Quarterly - \$246.00 \$228.00. Annual - \$864.00 or with the display of a Daily Visitor Pass.

Section 2. That the above fees shall become effective January 1, 2009 and that effective December 15, 2008 prepayments shall be at the new fees above.

Section 3. All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed and this ordinance shall, after final passage and publication as provided by law.

(Last additions in text indicated by underlining; deletions by strikeouts)

NOTICE OF PENDING ORDINANCE

The Ordinance published herewith was introduced and passed upon first reading at a regular meeting of the Common Council of the City of Summit, in the County of Union, New Jersey held on Wednesday, November 5, 2008. It will be further considered for final passage after public hearing thereon, at a regular meeting of said Common Council in the Council Chamber at 512 Springfield Avenue in said City on Tuesday, December 2, 2008 at 8:00 p.m. During the weeks prior to and up to and including the date of such meeting, copies of said ordinance will be made available at the Clerk's Office in said City Hall to the members of the general public who shall request the same.

David L. Hughes, City Clerk
Dated: 11/5/08

U226191 OBS November 20, 2008 (\$92.12)

PUBLIC NOTICE

be used for that purpose. U226036 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$61.25)

RAHWAY

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No. : F-20708-08 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Gary Blakney Jr., Joiovanna Blakney, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiffs' attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountaintide, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Amended Complaint filed in a civil action, in which LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I LLC, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HE1 is plaintiff, and Gary Blakney Jr., et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-20708-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 11/20/2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after 11/20/2008, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Amended Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex - CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 09/20/2006 made by Gary Blakney Jr., and Joiovanna Blakney, h/w as mortgagors, to National City Mortgage a division of National City Bank recorded on 04/13/2007 in Book 12121 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 0041 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, LASALLE BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION, AS TRUSTEE FOR CERTIFICATEHOLDERS OF BEAR STEARNS ASSET BACKED SECURITIES I LLC, ASSET-BACKED CERTIFICATES, SERIES 2007-HE1, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 10/25/2006; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 681 Central Avenue, Rahway, NJ 07065, also being Lot 12 in Block 178.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 732-249-5000. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of venue by calling 908-353-4716. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340.

YOU, GARY BLAKNEY JR., his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, JOEVANNA BLAKNEY, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency, and are a record owner of the subject property.

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. U226173 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$55.86)

LINDEN

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No. : F-18915-08 Superior Court of New Jersey Chancery Division Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: Garfield Tomlinson, Michael Tomlinson, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiffs' attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountaintide, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Amended Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, NA is plaintiff, and Garfield Tomlinson, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior

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Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-18915-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 11/20/2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after 11/20/2008, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Amended Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex - CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 07/17/2003 made by Garfield Tomlinson, unmarried, and Michael Tomlinson, married as mortgagors, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as nominee for Greenwich Home Mortgage Corporation recorded on 07/28/2003 in Book 10222 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 981 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, NA, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 05/19/2008; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1121 MONMOUTH AVENUE, LINDEN, NJ 07036, also being Lot 16 in Block 76.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 732-249-5000. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of venue by calling 908-353-4716. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the County of venue by calling 908-354-4340.

YOU, GARFIELD TOMLINSON, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, MICHAEL TOMLINSON, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage, and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. U226162 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$51.94)

ELIZABETH

ORD. NO. 3992

BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the governing body of the City of Elizabeth, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, on October 28, 2008 and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

TITLE: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY, PROVIDING FOR THE DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF IMPROVEMENTS TO THE SUMMER STREET STORM WATER DRAINAGE SYSTEM FOR THE CITY OF ELIZABETH AND APPROPRIATING \$1,000,000 THEREFOR AND PROVIDING FOR THE ISSUANCE OF \$950,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH TO FINANCE THE SAME.

Purpose(s): design and construction of improvements to the Summer Street storm water drainage system, and including all other work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.

Appropriation: \$1,000,000 Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$950,000 Grants (if any) Appropriated: \$0.00 Section 20 Costs: \$80,000 Useful Life: 15 Years

YOLANDA ROBERTS, Acting City Clerk U226179 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$30.38)

ROSELLE

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, NJ ORDINANCE NUMBER 2320-08

AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER

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2267-07 - A PROCEDURE FOR PAYMENT FOR POLICE OFFICERS FOR OFF DUTY EMPLOYMENT

WHEREAS, contractors, utilities, and retailers often require the services of off-duty police officers to direct traffic at shopping centers and construction sites, in and out of the public right of way; and

WHEREAS, the Borough Council (the "Council") of the Borough of Roselle has adopted Ordinance 2267-07 to address the services and needs described above; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council is of the opinion that Ordinance 2267-07 warrants an amendment to Section 6, concerning charges set forth therein to include the fee schedule set forth below; and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDERED BY THE BOROUGH COUNCIL OF THE BOROUGH OF ROSELLE AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. General. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length. 2. Amendment. Ordinance 2267-07 is hereby amended to include the following additions under Section 6 thereof:

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- 10. Sporting Events: at \$110.00 per event. 11. Special Events: \$40.00 per hour with a 4 hour minimum, and the rate remaining \$40.00 each additional hour. (Special events consist of private and school functions, dances, raffles and fundraisers). 12. The Rates for Regular Posted Scheduled Details: will be compensated at normal rate and terms. This includes CVS, Bingo and all other regular monthly details that have set terms when the detail is secured. 13. Marked Police Vehicle: Marked Police Vehicle at certain off-duty traffic details when requested by the contractor and/or needed for safety reason at the rate of \$50.00 per day. This rate will be paid to the town, not the officer. 3. Severability. If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall have no effect on the remaining parts of this Ordinance. 4. Availability. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk. 5. Effective Date. This Ordinance

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shall take effect at the time and in the manner as approved by law.

PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing proposed Ordinance was introduced and read by title for the first time at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle held on November 12, 2008, and this ordinance will be considered for final passage at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council on December 17, 2008 at 7:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at Borough Hall, Council Chambers, 210 Chestnut St., Roselle, NJ, at which time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.

Rhona C. Bluestein, M.B.A., R.M.C. Borough Clerk U226297 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$45.57)

ELIZABETH

ORD. NO. 3993

BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENT AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein,

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SUMMIT

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF 2007 TAXES, SEWERS, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT I, Carolyn M. Brattlof, Collector of Taxes of the City of Summit, in the County of Union and State of New Jersey will on the 18th day of December 2008 at the City Hall, 512 Springfield Ave., Summit, NJ at the hour of 11:00 a.m. will sell the following described lands situated in the City of Summit to make the amount chargeable against said lands respectively, in accordance with N.J.S.A.54:5-1, et seq. as computed to the 18th day of December, 2008 with interest and costs, exclusive however, of the lien for taxes for the year 2008. Said lands will be struck off and sold at the lowest rate of interest bid, not to exceed 18%. Payment for said parcels shall be made prior to the conclusion of the sale. Properties for which there are no purchasers will be struck off and sold to the City of Summit at an interest rate of 18%.

Table with 4 columns: Bk/Lot, Property Location, Assessed To, Amount. Lists various properties and their assessed values.

Industrial Properties may be subject to the Spill Compensation and Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10-23.11 et seq.), the Water Pollution Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10A-1 et seq.), and the Industrial Site Recovery Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1K-6 et seq.) in addition, the municipality is precluded from issuing a tax sale certificate to any prospective purchaser who is or may be in any way connected to the prior owner or operator of the site.

ONLY CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Carolyn M. Brattlof, C.T.C. Collector of Taxes

U226189 OBS November 20, 2008 (\$76.44)

SPRINGFIELD

PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE OF SALE OF PROPERTY FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES, ASSESSMENTS AND OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS

Public Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the Revised Statutes of New Jersey, 1937 Title 54, Chapter 5, and the amendments and supplements thereto "An Act concerning unpaid taxes, assessments and other municipal charges and real property and providing for the collection thereof, by the creation and enforcement of liens, together with the general laws of the State, the undersigned Collector of the Township of Springfield, County of Union, State of New Jersey, will sell at Public Auction in the Town Hall, 100 Mountain Avenue, Springfield, New Jersey at 10:00 A.M. on Tuesday, the 25th day of November, 2008 the property described and listed below. Said properties will be sold for the amount chargeable against said lands on the 25th day of November, 2008 as computed and shown on the list.

Said property will be sold in fee to such persons as will purchase same subject to redemption at the lowest rate of interest, but in no case in excess of Eighteen Percent (18%) per annum. Provided that if any person at such sale shall offer to purchase subject to redemption at a rate of interest less than One Percent (1%) per annum then such person may, in lieu of any rate of interest, offer a premium over and above the amount of taxes, assessments, and other charges, plus the highest premium.

Industrial properties may be subject to the Spill Compensation Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10-23 et seq.), the Water Pollution Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58-10A et seq.). In addition, the municipality is precluded from issuing a tax sale certificate to any prospective purchaser who is or may be in any way connected to the prior owner or operator of the site.

The purchase price of any property must be paid before the conclusion of the sale by cash, certified check or money order, or the property will be resold.

Any parcel or real estate for which there shall be no other purchaser, will be struck off and sold to the Township of Springfield, in the County of Union, at a fee for redemption at Eighteen Percent (18%) per annum, and the municipality shall have the same rights and remedies as other purchasers, including the right to bar or foreclose the right of redemption.

At any time before the sale, the Collector will receive payment of the amount due on any property with interest and costs incurred by CASH, CERTIFIED CHECK OR MONEY ORDER.

The said properties to be sold and the names of the persons against whom said taxes, assessments and charges are due, including interest to November 25, 2008, are set forth below.

Given under my hand this 30th day of October 2008.

Corinne Eckmann, Collector of Taxes Township of Springfield

Township of Springfield Tax Sale Notice

Table with 5 columns: No., Block/Lot, Owner, Location, Amount. Lists properties for sale with owner names and amounts.

U224843 OBS October 30, November 6, 13, 20, 2008 (\$329.28)

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has been finally adopted by the governing body of the City of Elizabeth, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, on October 28, 2008 and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance will be available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Clerk's office for the members of the general public who shall request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH IN THE COUNTY OF UNION, NEW JERSEY PROVIDING FOR THE CITY'S CAPITAL ASSESSMENT IN RESPECT OF THE JOINT MEETING OF ESSEX AND UNION COUNTIES AND RELATED EXPENSES IN AND BY THE CITY OF ELIZABETH, APPROPRIATING \$4,500,000 THEREFOR AND AUTHORIZING \$4,500,000 IN BONDS OR NOTES OF THE CITY OF ELIZABETH TO FINANCE THE SAME.

Purpose(s): pay the City's capital assessment in respect of the Joint Meeting of Essex and Union Counties (the "Joint Meeting"), which will be used by the Joint Meeting to finance upgrades to the Joint Meeting's wastewater treatment plant, all to be located at the Joint Meeting's facility located in the City of Elizabeth, including all work and materials necessary therefor or incidental thereto, as more fully described in plans and specifications on file with the Joint Meeting, which plans are hereby approved.

Appropriation: \$4,500,000
Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$4,500,000
Grants (if any) Appropriated: \$0.00
Section 20 Costs: \$700,000
Useful Life: 16 Years

YOLANDA ROBERTS, Acting City Clerk
U226182 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$34.79)

ROSELLE
BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, NJ
PUBLIC NOTICE OF ADOPTION
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2314-08
BOND ORDINANCE STATEMENT
AND SUMMARY

The bond ordinance, the summary terms of which are included herein, has been finally adopted by the Borough of Roselle, in the County of Union, State of New Jersey, on November 12, 2008 and the 20 day period of limitation within which a suit, action or proceeding questioning the validity of such ordinance can be commenced, as provided in the Local Bond Law, has begun to run from the date of the first publication of this statement. Copies of the full ordinance are available at no cost and during regular business hours, at the Borough Clerk's office for members of the general public who request the same. The summary of the terms of such bond ordinance follows:

Title: "Bond Ordinance Providing for Improvements to the 911 Communication System in and by the Borough of Roselle, in the County of Union, New Jersey, Appropriating \$235,000 Therefor and Authorizing the Issuance of \$122,591 Bonds or Notes of the Borough to Finance Part of the Cost Thereof."

Purpose: Improvements to the Borough 911 Communication System, including all work and materials necessary therefor and incidental thereto.
Appropriation: \$235,000
Bonds/Notes Authorized: \$122,591
Grants (if any) Appropriated: \$112,409
Section 20 Costs: \$20,000
Useful Life: 7 years

Rhona C. Bluestein, RMC
Borough Clerk
U226285 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$27.44)

RAHWAY
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
CHANCERY DIVISION
UNION COUNTY
DOCKET NO. F-36161-08

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS
STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO: RENE RODRIGUEZ

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon FEIN, SUCH, KAHN & SHEPARD, plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 7 Century Drive, Suite 201, Parsippany, New Jersey 07054, telephone number (973) 538-9300, an Answer to the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any filed in a civil action in which MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGISTRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FGC COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE FINANCE, DBA FREMONT MORTGAGE is Plaintiff and RENE RODRIGUEZ, et al., are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Divi-

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sion, UNION County and bearing Docket No. F-36161-08 within thirty-five (35) days after November 20, 2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after November 20, 2008, thirty-five (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-071, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a mortgage dated March 10, 2006 made by RENE RODRIGUEZ as mortgagor to MORTGAGE ELECTRONIC REGIS-

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TRATION SYSTEMS, INC. AS NOMINEE FOR FGC COMMERCIAL MORTGAGE FINANCE, DBA FREMONT MORTGAGE recorded on April 13, 2006, in Book 11647 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 184, et seq. which mortgage was duly assigned to the Plaintiff named above, who is the present holder of said Mortgage and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 1313 ESTERBROOK AVE, RAHWAY, NJ 07085, Block 148, Lot 12. You are made a defendant because you are a mortgagor and your lien or encumbrance on the mortgaged premises is subject to plaintiff's mortgage. If you cannot afford or are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services Office of the County of venue by calling:

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UNION COUNTY LAWYER REFERRAL: (908)353-4715
UNION COUNTY LEGAL SERVICES: (908)354-4340

YOU, RENE RODRIGUEZ are made party defendant(s) to this foreclosure action because you are one of the mortgagors and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim, or interest you may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises by reason of the Mortgage made by you, RENE RODRIGUEZ, as set forth above. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amended to Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for particularity.
File #FHQ807
Dated: November 20, 2008
JENNIFER M. PEREZ

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Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey
U226034 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$47.53)

LINDEN
SHERIFF'S SALE
Sheriff's File Number: CH-08006568
Division: CHANCERY
Docket Number: F294208
County: Union
Plaintiff: COUNTRYWIDE HOME LOANS, INC.
VS
Defendant: ROBERTO RAMOS; JULIA RAMOS; TERESITA MEDINA; ANDREW QUINN; OR HAROLD CHUNG-LOY; COUNTY OF PASSAIC; STATE OF NEW JERSEY; CITY OF JERSEY CITY
Sale Date: 12/10/2008

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HILLSIDE
TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the following ordinance has been introduced on first reading at a meeting of the Township Council held Tuesday evening, November 10, 2008 and will be considered for adoption at a meeting of the Township Council to be held at the Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues on December 2, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered. All persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance. A copy of this ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Township of Hillside and a copy is available up to and including the time of said meeting to the members of the general public of the Township who shall request same, at the Township Clerk's Office, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, Hillside, New Jersey.

BY DIRECTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
Janet Vlaisavljevic, RMC, Township Clerk

0-08-032
AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #426-78 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN PREPARED BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL COVERING THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE (Clerical)"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE that ordinance #L-426-78 entitled "An Ordinance to Provide for the Adoption of Reclassification and Compensation Plan Prepared by the New Jersey Civil Service Commissioner Covering the Officers and Employees of the Township of Hillside adopted March 21, 1978, be amended as follows:

SECTION 1: The salary ranges for the following positions set forth in said ordinance is hereby modified to read as follows:

Table with columns: Title, Hours, Salary Range Effective 7-1-07 to 6-30-08, Salary Range Effective 7-1-08 to 6-30-09, Salary Range Effective 7-1-09 to 6-30-10, Salary Range Effective 7-1-10 to 6-30-11, Salary Range Effective 7-1-11 to 6-30-12. Rows include various clerical and support positions like Account Clerk, Administrative Secretary, etc.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.
U226154 UNL November 20, 2008 (\$239.12)

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Writ of Execution: 10/06/2008
By virtue of the above-stated writ of execution to me directed, I shall expose for public sale...

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party defendant to this foreclosure action because you signed Plaintiffs Mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim or interest you or they may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises being foreclosed herein by the Plaintiff.

ROSELLE

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE, NJ ORDINANCE

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING CHAPTER 113 ENTITLED VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC

WHEREAS, the Borough Council (the "Council") of the Borough of Roselle (the "Borough") has adopted several ordinances in the Code of the Borough that address quality of life and public safety issues in the Borough; and WHEREAS, the Borough does not have an ordinance that addresses pedestrian travel on streets, avenues and other roadways within the Borough; and WHEREAS, the Mayor and Council is of the opinion that the proposed amendment (and related provisions) hereinafter set forth would have a most positive effect upon the quality of life in the Borough; and

1. General. The aforementioned recitals are incorporated herein as though fully set forth at length.
2. Amendment. Chapter 113 entitled "VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" is amended to read as follows "VEHICLES,

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PEDESTRIAN AND TRAFFIC." Additionally, Chapter 113 is further amended by adding the following in its entirety:
§113-74. Pedestrian travel; violations and penalties.

A. The purpose of this section is to (1) promote pedestrian safety (including those of minors), (2) avoid life-threatening situations, and (3) coordinate traffic control through the joint coordinated effort of the Borough's Police Department, Public Works Department and Board of Education. This section shall apply to all pedestrians. While there is an essential need to protect minors and promote pedestrian safety, the goal is not to punish children by subjecting them to a penalty of a fine, imprisonment or both, but to educate them so that they may become responsible citizens conducting themselves in a safe and orderly manner.

B. Pedestrian travel on streets, avenues and other roadways within the Borough. On streets, avenues and other roadways within the Borough where traffic is controlled by a traffic control signal or by police officers, traffic officers or school traffic guards, pedestrians shall not travel in the roadway or cross the roadway against the red or stop signal unless otherwise specifically directed to go by a police officer, traffic officer or school traffic guard or other traffic control device. Where traffic is not controlled and directed by either a police officer, traffic officer or school traffic guard, pedestrians shall not travel in the roadway and shall cross the street, avenue or roadway within a crosswalk or, in the absence of a crosswalk, and where not otherwise prohibited, at right angles to the roadway. Where sidewalks are provided, it shall be unlawful for any pedestrian to walk along and upon an adjacent street, avenue and roadway, except in case of an emergency. Where sidewalks are not provided it shall be unlawful for any pedestrian to block or impede the driver/operator of any motor vehicle

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from travelling along and upon the street, avenue, and roadway, except in case of an emergency.
C. Use of designated crosswalk. At intersections where traffic is directed by a police officer, traffic officer or school crossing guard, no pedestrian shall enter upon or cross the roadway at a point other than the crosswalk.
D. Driver to yield to pedestrians at crosswalk; exceptions. The operator of a vehicle shall yield the right-of-way to a pedestrian crossing the roadway within a marked crosswalk or within any unmarked crosswalk at an intersection, except at crosswalks when the movement of traffic is being regulated by police officers, traffic officers, school traffic guards or other traffic control signals, or where otherwise prohibited by state, county or other municipal regulations and codes. No pedestrian shall suddenly leave a curb or other place of safety and walk or run into the path of a vehicle which is so close that it is impossible for an operator to yield. Nothing contained within the provisions of this chapter shall relieve a pedestrian from using due care and caution for his safety. Every pedestrian upon a roadway at any point other than within a marked crosswalk or within an unmarked crosswalk at an intersection shall yield the right-of-way to all vehicles upon the roadway.
E. Penalties under this section shall be controlled by the provisions as provided for hereunder.
§113-74.1 Obedience to chapter. A. It is a violation of this chapter for any person to do any act forbidden or fail to perform any act required in this chapter.
§113-74.2 Violations and penalties. Unless another penalty is expressly provided by New Jersey Statute, every person convicted of a violation of a provision of this chapter or any supplement thereto
A. Any person who violates or fails to comply with this ordinance shall be liable to a penalty of not less than \$5 nor more than \$50 for each offense, to be recovered by and in the name of the Borough, except that for the first offense in case of violations, the penalty shall not be less than \$1 nor more than \$50, to be recovered in

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the same manner. A person who refuses or neglects to pay forthwith the amount of a judgment rendered against him or her and the costs and charges incident thereto may be committed by the Judge to the county jail for a period not exceeding 10 days in the case of the first conviction, and in the case of a second, subsequent or continuing violation, for a term not exceeding 30 days.
Any person who violates any provision hereof for a second or third offense shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding \$250.00 for a second offense or \$500.00 for a third offense and may be subject to imprisonment in the county/municipal jail for a term not exceeding 90 days, or a period of community service not exceeding 90 days, or any combination thereof as determined by the Municipal Court Judge. Each day on which a violation of an ordinance exists shall be considered a separate and distinct violation and shall be subject to imposition of a separate penalty for each day of the violation as the Municipal Court Judge may determine.
3. Severability. If any part of this Ordinance shall be deemed invalid, such parts shall be severed and the invalidity thereof shall have no effect on the remaining parts of this Ordinance.
4. Availability. A copy of this Ordinance shall be available for public inspection at the offices of the Borough Clerk.
5. Effective Date. This Ordinance shall take effect at the time and in the manner as approved by law.
PUBLIC NOTICE is hereby given that the foregoing proposed Ordinance was introduced and read by title for the first time at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Borough Council of the Borough of Roselle held on November 12, 2008, and this ordinance will be considered for final passage at a regular meeting of the Mayor and Council on December 17, 2008 at 7:30 PM, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be reached, at Borough Hall, Council Chambers, 210 Chestnut St., Roselle, NJ, at which time and place all persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning same.
Rhona C. Bluestein, M.B.A., R.M.C.

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HILLSIDE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given that the following ordinance has been introduced on first reading at a meeting of the Township Council held Tuesday evening, November 10, 2008 and will be considered for adoption at a meeting of the Township Council to be held at the Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues on December 2, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be considered. All persons interested will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning such ordinance. A copy of this ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Township of Hillside and a copy is available up to and including the time of said meeting to the members of the general public of the Township who shall request same, at the Township Clerk's Office, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, Hillside, New Jersey.

BY DIRECTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL Janet Vlaisavljevic, RMC, Township Clerk

0-08-029

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #426-78 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN PREPARED BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL COVERING THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE (Police Officers)"

BE IT ORDAINED BY THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE that ordinance #L-426-78 entitled "An Ordinance to Provide for the Adoption of Reclassification and Compensation Plan Prepared by the New Jersey Civil Service Commissioner Covering the Officers and Employees of the Township of Hillside adopted March 21, 1978, be amended as follows:

SECTION 1: The salary ranges for the following positions set forth in said ordinance is hereby modified to read as follows:

FOP Lodge 82 Effective July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2012 Regular Patrolman

Table with columns: Title Range, Salary Range Effective July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, Base Salary, 220 Ed, 440 Ed, 660 Ed, 990 Ed, 1200 Ed, 1500 Ed. It contains three tables for different periods: 2007-2008, 2009-2010, and 2011-2012.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

U226151 UNL November 20, 2008 (\$164.84)

LINDEN

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY UNION COUNTY Docket No. F- 39731-08

STATE OF NEW JERSEY, to: JESUS DEMATA AND DEUSLENE DEMATA

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED and required to serve upon Pluuse, Becker, & Saltzman, LLC, whose address is 20000 Horizon Way, Suite 900, Mount Laurel, NJ 08054, an Answer to the Complaint, filed in a civil action in which Wall Street Mortgage Bankers, is Plaintiff and Jesus Demata et al, are Defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, bearing Docket No. F-39731-08, within thirty-five days (35) after November 20, 2008 exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, Judgment by Default may be rendered against you for relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and Proof of Service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court, Hughes Justice Complex, CN-971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the Rules of Civil Practice and Procedure.

This action has been instituted for the purpose of foreclosing the mortgage dated November 2, 2007, and made by Jesus Demata and Deuslene Demata, to Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. as nominee for Wall Street Mortgage Bankers, Inc. recorded in the Union County Clerk's Office, on November 15, 2007 Book 12347, at Page 993; to recover possession of and concerning real estate located at 10 Princeton Road, Linden, New Jersey 07036 and being also known as Lot 5, Block 235 on the tax map of the City of Linden, County of Union and State of New Jersey.

By written assignment dated September 28, 2008, the said Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems Inc. as nominee for Wall Street Mortgage Bankers, Inc. assigned its mortgage and deed of trust to Wall Street Mortgage Bankers, Inc. which assignment is about to be recorded. Wall Street Mortgage Bankers, Inc. and Wall Street Mortgage Bankers are one and the same entity.

You, Jesus Demata, are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you are the owner of record of the mortgaged premises and because you signed Plaintiffs Note and Mortgage and may be liable for any deficiency and for any lien, claim or interest you or they may have in, to or against the mortgaged premises being foreclosed herein by the Plaintiff. You, Deuslene Demata, are made, a

PUBLIC NOTICE

Borough Clerk
U226296 PRO Nov. 20, 2008 (\$105.84)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPRINGFIELD

NOTICE TO ABSENT DEFENDANTS

Docket No. : F-39529-08
Superior Court of New Jersey
Chancery Division
Union County

(L.S.) STATE OF NEW JERSEY TO:
David S. Moss
Mindy Moss
Julia Moss, and each of their heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and his, her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED AND REQUIRED to serve upon ZUCKER, GOLDBERG & ACKERMAN, LLC, ESQS., plaintiff's attorneys, whose address is 200 Sheffield Street, Suite 301, Mountainside, New Jersey 07092-0024, telephone number 1-908-233-8500, an Answer to the Complaint filed in a civil action, in which Wells Fargo Bank, NA is plaintiff, and David S. Moss, et al. are defendants, pending in the Superior Court of New Jersey, Chancery Division, Union County, and bearing Docket F-39529-08 within thirty-five (35) days after 11/20/2008 exclusive of such date, or if published after 11/20/2008, (35) days after the actual date of such publication, exclusive of such date. If you fail to do so, judgment by default may be rendered against you for the relief demanded in the Complaint. You shall file your Answer and proof of service in duplicate with the Clerk of the Superior Court of New Jersey, Hughes Justice Complex - CN 971, Trenton, New Jersey 08625, in accordance with the rules of civil practice and procedure. This action has been instituted for the purpose of (1) foreclosing a Mortgage dated 03/29/1998 made by David S. Moss and Mindy Moss, his wife as mortgagors, to Bank United of Texas FSB recorded on 04/02/1998 in Book 5875 of Mortgages for Union County, Page 205 which Mortgage was duly assigned to the plaintiff, Wells Fargo Bank, NA, by Assignment of Mortgage dated 01/24/2008; and (2) to recover possession of, and concerns premises commonly known as 31 NORTH DERBY ROAD, TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD, NJ 07081, also being Lot 2 1/2 x 1/4 10 in Block 3604 1/4 x 1/4.

If you are unable to obtain an attorney, you may communicate with the New Jersey Bar Association by calling 732-249-5000. You may also contact the Lawyer Referral Service of the County of venue by calling 808-353-4716. If you cannot afford an attorney, you may communicate with the Legal Services office of the County of venue by calling 808-354-4340.

YOU, DAVID S. MOSS, his heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you executed Plaintiff's obligation and mortgage and are a record owner of the subject property and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property.

YOU, MINDY MOSS, her heirs, devisees, and personal representatives, and her, their or any of their successors in right, title and interest are made a party defendant to this foreclosure action because you hold a judgment/lien/mortgage which may be against the owner/mortgagor(s) and for any right, title and interest you may have in, to or against the subject property. Upon request, a copy of the Complaint and Amended Complaint, if any, will be supplied to you for confidentiality.

JENNIFER M. PEREZ, CLERK
SUPERIOR COURT OF NEW JERSEY
This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose.
U226302 OBS Nov. 20, 2008 (\$57.82)

SUMMIT

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey will hold a hearing on Monday, December 1, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey, to consider an application affecting the property whose address is known as 56 Blackburn Road, Summit, New Jersey, Block 3103, Lot 34. The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard arise since the Applicants desire to mitigate the erosion and runoff from said property while creating a buffer area. The construction of the retaining walls requires a steep slope variance.

PUBLIC NOTICE

Additionally, the applicants desire to relocate a previously approved new garage. The construction of the relocated new garage requires garage height and steep slope variances.

Applicants request any other waivers or variances as may be required by the Board or its professionals at the time of the hearing. The application forms and supporting documents are on file in the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, and may be inspected any workday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Any interested party may appear at the hearing and participate therein, subject to the rules of the Board.

Karen B. Nicely
Applicant

U226207 OBS Nov. 20, 2008 (\$22.05)

SUMMIT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, as provided in the Municipal Land Use Law, that the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey will hold a hearing on December 1st, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey to consider an application affecting the property whose street address is known as 34 Hartley Road, Block 304, Lot 8.

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: owners are seeking to construct a front addition to the existing residence which will require lot coverage and front setback variances. Applicant requests any other waivers or variances as may be required by the Board or its professionals at the time of the hearing.

The application forms and supporting documents are on file in the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, and may be inspected on any workday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Any interested party may appear at the hearing and participate therein, subject to the rules of the Board.

Avram Friedman
Applicant

U226208 OBS Nov. 20, 2008 (\$18.13)

PUBLIC NOTICE

MOUNTAINSIDE
PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that decisions were made at a public meeting by the Mountainside Planning Board on October 22, 2008 at the Mountainside Municipal Building, 1385 Route 22, Mountainside, NJ 07092.

Jackal Holdings, LLC, 1115 Globe Avenue, Block 23.c, Lot 8.G - Site Plan and development with renovations for a proposed office-flex use for an existing building, with variances.

APPROVED

Abel Araujo, 1464 Route 22, Block 3.C, Lot 18 - Installation of a fence for a single family dwelling in an OB Zone, with variances.

APPROVED

Ruth M. Rees
Secretary
U226300 OBS Nov. 20, 2008 (\$14.21)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SPRINGFIELD
TOWNSHIP OF SPRINGFIELD
PLANNING BOARD MEETING

DECEMBER 3, 2008
TIME CHANGE

The Regular Scheduled Planning Board meeting for December 3, 2008 will start at 7:15 p.m. for the purpose of hearing Application #10-2008-S for DMT Automotive Enterprises t/a AutoLand located at 170 Route 22 East, Block 3703, Lot 1. Application #8-2008-S for Oakwood Homes/Springfield Gardens, 360 Route 22 West will be heard at the conclusion of Application #10-2008-S for DMT Automotive Enterprises.

Robert C. Kirkpatrick
Planning Board Secretary
U226301 OBS Nov. 20, 2008 (\$12.74)

PUBLIC NOTICE

SUMMIT

TAKE NOTICE THAT the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey will hold a hearing on December 1, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey, to consider an application affecting the property whose street address is known as 219 Springfield Avenue, Block 2501, Lot 8.

The conditions affecting this property and the reason for the application being heard are as follows: Variance required for: Rear Yard Setback

Variances required for three (3) existing non-conforming conditions:
A) Existing Rear Yard Setback at the "Deck" on grade
B) Existing Side Yard Setback at the "Deck" on grade
C) Existing Driveway Width and Side Pull-Off Area

Applicant requests any other waivers or variances as may be required by the Board or its professionals at the time of the hearing. The application forms and supporting

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UNION

PUBLIC NOTICE

Take notice that the following applications for Zoning Variances were heard by the Board of Adjustment of the Township of Union on Wednesday, November 12, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Building, Friberger Park, Union, N.J. Resolutions memorializing.

Table with 4 columns: Calendar #, Name of Applicant & Premises Affected, Variances Requested, Decision of the Board of Adjustment. Includes entries for Galloping Hill Inn, LLC and Metro PCS New York, LLC.

HILLSIDE
TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE
PUBLIC NOTICE

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A copy of this ordinance has been posted on the bulletin board upon which public notices are customarily posted in the Township of Hillside and a copy is available up to and including the time of said meeting to the members of the general public of the Township who shall request same, at the Township Clerk's Office, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, Hillside, New Jersey.

BY DIRECTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL
Janet Vlaisavljevic, RMC, Township Clerk

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #426-78 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN PREPARED BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL COVERING THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE (Police Officers)

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SECTION 1: The salary ranges for the following positions set forth in said ordinance is hereby modified to read as follows:

FOP Lodge 82 Effective July 1, 2007 - June 30, 2012
Regular Patrolman

Salary range table for FOP Lodge 82 Regular Patrolman from July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008. Columns include Title Range, Base Salary, and various grade levels (220 Ed to 1500 Ed).

Salary Range Effective July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009

Salary range table for FOP Lodge 82 Regular Patrolman from July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009.

Salary Range Effective July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010

Salary range table for FOP Lodge 82 Regular Patrolman from July 1, 2009 to June 30, 2010.

Salary Range Effective July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011

Salary range table for FOP Lodge 82 Regular Patrolman from July 1, 2010 to June 30, 2011.

Salary Range Effective July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012

Salary range table for FOP Lodge 82 Regular Patrolman from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

U226151 UNL November 20, 2008 (\$164.84)

PUBLIC NOTICE

documents are on file in the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, and may be inspected on any workday during business hours: 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Any interested party may appear at the hearing and participate therein, subject to the rules of the Board.

Khagendra Chetry Applicant U226221 OBS Nov. 20, 2008 (\$21.07)

SUMMIT

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED, as provided in the Municipal Land Use Law, that the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the City of Summit, New Jersey, will hold a hearing on December 1, 2008, at 7:30 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers, 512 Springfield Avenue, Summit, New Jersey to consider an application affecting the property whose street address is known as 120 Hobart Avenue, Block 2302, Lot 12.

The conditions affecting this property and the reasons for the application being heard are as follows: disturbance of steep slopes. The proposed work will reduce the steep slopes in the rear yard.

Applicant requests any other waivers or variances as may be required by the Board or its professionals at the time of the hearing.

The application forms and supporting documents are on file in the Department of Community Services, 512 Springfield Avenue, and may be inspected any workday between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. Any interested party may appear at the hearing and participate therein, subject to the rules of the Board.

Sheila Smith Applicant U226220 OBS Nov. 20, 2008 (\$16.13)

PUBLIC NOTICE

CLARK

NOTICE TO BIDDERS

Notice is hereby given that sealed proposals will be received by the Township of Clark, Union County, New Jersey for the LEASE OF MUNICIPAL REAL PROPERTY and will be opened and read in public in Room 16, 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at 10:00 a.m., prevailing time. The lease will allow the placement of equipment on real property owned by Township of Clark at the Municipal Building, 315 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey in conjunction with the leasing of space on the monopole owned by Omnipoint Communications, Inc., as detailed in the Specifications and Contract documents.

Specifications and Contract documents are on file in the office of the Township Clerk, Room 18, 430 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey, and may be inspected by prospective bidders during normal business hours between 8:30 a.m. and 4:00 p.m.

Bidders will be furnished with a copy of the Specifications by request upon proper notice. Proposals must be made on the standard proposal forms in the manner designated in the Contract documents. Proposals must be enclosed in sealed envelopes bearing the name and address of the Bidder, and identified as "Bid for Lease for Wireless Telecommunications Monopole Enclosed - Do Not Open", addressed to Mayor and Council, Township of Clark, and must be accompanied by a statement of Consent of Surety from a surety company authorized to do business in the State of New Jersey and acceptable to the Township and either a Bid Bond or a Certified Check drawn to the order of Treasurer of the Township of Clark for not less than ten percent (10%) of the amount bid, except that the check need not exceed \$20,000.00.

The Township reserves the right to require a complete financial and experience statement from prospective bidders showing that they have satisfactorily completed work of the nature required before awarding the Contract. A Valid Business Registration issued by the State of New Jersey is to be provided with the Bid. Failure to provide proof of business registration with Bid shall result in rejection of Bid.

Proposals for this Contract will be accepted only from bidders who have properly qualified in accordance with the requirements of the Contract Documents.

The Township reserves the right to reject any or all bids or to waive any informalities where such informality is not detrimental to the best interest of the Township. The right is also reserved to increase or decrease the quantities specified in the manner designated in the Specifications.

The successful bidder shall be required to comply with the Anti-Kick-back Regulations under Section 2 of the Act on June 13, 1934, known as the Copeland Act.

All bids shall be binding upon the bidder for a period of 60 days subsequent to the opening of bids. BY ORDER OF the Mayor and Township Council of the Township of Clark, Union County, New Jersey.

Sal Bonaccorso, Mayor U226308 EAG Nov. 20, 2008 (\$44.10)

PUBLIC NOTICE

CLARK

TOWNSHIP OF CLARK NOTICE OF INTENTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the following ordinance was introduced and passed on first reading at a Regular Meeting of the Municipal Council of the Township of Clark, County of Union, State of New Jersey on Monday, November 17, 2008 and that said ordinance will be taken up for further consideration and final passage at a Regular Meeting at 315 Westfield Avenue, Clark, New Jersey on Monday, December 15, 2008 at 7:30 p.m. prevailing time, at which time and place all persons interested therein will be given an opportunity to be heard concerning the same.

AN ORDINANCE TO SUPPLEMENT SECTION 7-20 OF CHAPTER VII ENTITLED STOP SIGNS

BE IT ORDAINED by the governing body of the Township of Clark that Section 7-20 of Chapter VII of the revised Ordinances of the Township of Clark is supplemented as follows:

SECTION 1: Intersection Charlotte Drive at its intersection with Thomas Drive

STOP signs shall be installed on Charlotte Drive at its intersection with Thomas Drive facing northbound and southbound traffic.

SECTION 2: Inconsistent Ordinance Any Ordinance or parts thereof inconsistent with the provisions of this Ordinance, are hereby repealed to the extent such inconsistency exists.

SECTION 3: Effective Date This Ordinance shall take effect upon adoption and upon publication according to law.

Edith L. Merkel, RMC Township Clerk U226305 EAG Nov. 20, 2008 (\$25.97)

CRANFORD

LEGAL NOTICE TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD PLANNING BOARD

TAKE NOTICE, that on Wednesday, December 3, 2008, and if necessary will be continued on Tuesday, December 16, 2008 and Wednesday, December 17, 2008 at 8:00 p.m. in Room 107 of the Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey, a PUBLIC HEARING will be held by the Planning Board of the Township of Cranford, the County of Union, New Jersey for the purpose of adopting a Housing Element and Fair Share Plan and amending the Cranford Master Plan to include the Housing Element and Fair Share Plan.

A copy of the proposed Housing Element and Fair Share Plan has been mailed to the Union County Planning Board and all adjoining municipalities pursuant to N.J.S.A. 40:55D-13 and is currently available for inspection in

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ROSELLE PARK

BOROUGH OF ROSELLE PARK NOTICE OF SALE FOR PROPERTIES FOR NON-PAYMENT OF TAXES ASSESSMENT AND OTHER MUNICIPAL LIENS

PUBLIC NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT, I, Rachel J. LaSpina, Tax Collector for the Borough of Roselle Park, County of Union, New Jersey in accordance with N.J.S.A. 54:5-1 et seq., will sell at public auction on December 16, 2008 at the Municipal Building, in Council Chambers, 110 E. Westfield Avenue, Roselle Park, New Jersey at 10:00 AM, the lands hereinafter described.

Take further notice that the hereinafter described lands will be sold for the amount of the municipal liens chargeable against each lowest rate of interest bid, not to exceed 18%. Payment for said parcels shall be made prior to the conclusion of the sale in the form of cash, certified check or money order, or parcels will be resold.

Any parcel of real property for which there shall be no other purchases will be struck off to the municipality in fee for the redemption at 18%, and the municipality shall have the same remedies and rights as other purchasers, including the right to bar or foreclose the right of redemption.

The sale made pursuant to Chapter 5, Title 54 of the Revised Statutes of the State of New Jersey as amended, Industrial Properties may be subject to the Spill Compensation and Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:12-23.1 et seq.), the Water Pollution Control Act (N.J.S.A. 58:10A-1 et seq.), and the Industrial Site Recovery Act (N.J.S.A. 13:1K-6 et seq.). In addition, the municipality is precluded from issuing a tax sale certificate to any prospective purchaser who is or may be in any way connected to the prior owner or operator of the site. At any time before the sale, the undersigned will receive payment of the amount due on any property, with the interest and costs incurred up to the time of payment.

Rachel J. LaSpina, CTC

Table with columns: BLK/LOT, NAME, 2007 TAX SALE LIST, LOCATION, TOTAL. Lists property details for Roselle Park.

T = Taxes S = Sewer TS = Taxes and Sewer U226032 UNL November 20, 27, December 4, 11, 2008 (\$441.00)

HILLSIDE

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE PUBLIC NOTICE

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BY DIRECTION OF THE TOWNSHIP COUNCIL Janet Vlaisavljevic, RMC, Township Clerk

0-08-030

AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND ORDINANCE #426-78 ENTITLED "AN ORDINANCE TO PROVIDE FOR THE ADOPTION OF RECLASSIFICATION AND COMPENSATION PLAN PREPARED BY THE NEW JERSEY DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL COVERING THE OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES OF THE TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE (Police Superior Officers)"

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FOP Lodge 180 Effective July 1, 2007- June 30, 2012 Superior Officers

Table with columns: Title Range, Salary Range Effective July 1, 2007 to June 30, 2008, Base Salary, 220 Ed, 440 Ed, 660 Ed, 990 Ed, 1200 Ed, 1500 Ed. Lists salary ranges for various positions.

SECTION 2: All ordinances or parts of ordinances inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed.

U226148 UNL November 20, 2008 (\$127.40)

PUBLIC NOTICE
 the Planning/Zoning Office, Cranford Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey and are available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M.
 Any interested party may appear in person or through an agent or attorney to be heard at such hearing.

Kevin Hiling
 Secretary
 U226206 EAG Nov. 20, 2008 (\$20.09)

CRANFORD
LEGAL NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

TAKE NOTICE that on the 10th day of November, 2008, the Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Cranford, in the County of Union took the following actions:

1. Application #Z11-08: Adopted a Resolution of Memorialization denying approval to Peter Terino, Applicant, to permit construction of a garage addition with the following variance: to exceed the maximum allowable impervious surface on Block 143, Lot 8 as designated on the Township Tax Map, also known as 460 Brookside Place, in the R-3 Zone.
2. Application #Z15-08: Adopted a Resolution of Memorialization granting approval to Allopai, LLC, Applicant, to permit construction of a new side-by-side two-family dwelling with the following variance: to exceed the maximum allowable impervious surface; and to exceed the maximum allowable encroachment of uncovered steps into the required front yard setback on Block 493, Lot 57 as designated on the Township Tax Map, also known as 58 Johnson Avenue, in the R-5 Zone.
3. Application #20-08: Adopted a Resolution of Memorialization granting approval to 945 Lincoln East Group, LLC, Applicant, for a use variances to permit storage of landscaping/contractor supplies materials and parking area for landscaper business vehicles and customary accessory use to elec-

trical contractor office for storage of supplies/materials with the following pre-existing condition: less than the minimum required front yard setback on Block 513, Lot 8 as designated on the Township Tax Map, also known as 945 Lincoln Avenue East, in the R-3 Zone.

4. Application #Z16-08: Granted approval to David and Rita Bacas, Applicants, to permit construction of a uncovered steps that will exceed the maximum allowable encroachment of uncovered steps into the required front yard setback and with the following pre-existing condition: less than the minimum required front yard setback on Block 212, Lot 72 as designated by the Township Tax Map, also known as 37 Richmond Avenue, in the R-3 Zone.
5. Application #Z17-08: Granted approval to Mark Bufkin, Applicant, to permit construction of an addition including new garage with the following variances: less than the minimum required front yard setback and less than the minimum required combined side yard setback on Block 322, Lot 31 as designated by the Township Tax Map, also known as 3 Van Buren Avenue, in the R-4 Zone.
6. Application #Z18-08: Granted approval with conditions to Robert O'Brien, Applicant, to permit construction of a front porch with the following variances: less than the minimum required front yard setback and to exceed the maximum allowable encroachment of uncovered steps into the required front yard setback on Block 578, Lot 4 as designated by the Township Tax Map, also known as 21 Pershing Avenue, in the R-3 Zone.

Barbara Ginsberg
 Board Secretary
 U226190 EAG Nov. 20, 2008 (\$46.55)

CRANFORD
LEGAL NOTICE
TOWNSHIP OF CRANFORD
ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The Zoning Board of Adjustment of the Township of Cranford, County of Union, New Jersey will hold a public

meeting on Monday, December 15, 2008 at 8:15 pm in Room 107 of the Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey to hear the following case:

1. Application #Z12-08: Andrew Podberczniak, Applicant, 34 Hale Street, Block 535, Lot 1.02, R-4 Zone, to permit construction of a two-family home with the following variances: less than the minimum required lot width (136-30.5); less than the minimum required lot area (136-30.2).
2. Application #Z19-08: Hugo and Diane Granada, Applicants, 58 Mendell Avenue, Block 546, Lot 18, R-3 Zone, to permit replacement of non-conforming shed and construction of an additional shed with the following variances: accessory structures not permitted in the required side yard setback (136-34A(1)); less than the minimum required distance from side lot line (136-34A(2)); less than the minimum required distance to the principal structure (136-34A(7)); and to exceed the maximum allowable impervious surface (136-30.13).

3. Application #Z21-08: Marc and Daniel Petito POA/Jerrilyn Petito, Applicant, 226 North Avenue East, Block 317, Lot 3, O-2 Zone, to permit continuation of a pre-existing parking area within the front yard setback (136-23(G)(3)(c)[1]) the following variances/conditions: less than the required minimum size parking spaces (136-23(G)(3)(d)[1]); less than the minimum required landscaping (136-23(G)(3)(i)[1]); granite curbing not provided (136-23(G)(3)(i)[3]); and double space markings not provided (136-23(G)(3)(i)[k]).

4. Application #Z24-08: Douglas Kanev and Kelly Farrell, Applicants, 223 Columbia Avenue, Block 245, Lot 24, R-4 Zone, to permit construction of a fence with the following variance: to exceed the maximum allowable height permitted along the side yard (136-23I(2)).

5. Application #Z25-08: Renee Faller, Applicant, 119 Makatom Drive, Block 145, Lot 1, R-3 Zone, to permit construction of an in-ground swimming pool with the following variance: less

than the minimum required distance from the pool apron in the side and/or rear yard to any lot line (136-34B-2).

All maps and papers relative to said application are on file in the Planning/Zoning Office, Cranford Municipal Building, 8 Springfield Avenue, Cranford, New Jersey and are available for inspection Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. and 1:00 P.M. until 4:00 P.M.

Any interested party or person or persons affected by this application will have an opportunity to present any objections to the proposed development. The Board does, however, have the right to exclude repetitious testimony in accordance with the rules of the Zoning Board of Adjustment.

Barbara Ginsberg
 Secretary
 U226195 EAG Nov. 20, 2008 (\$46.55)

HILLSIDE

SFY 2009 Municipal Budget

TOWNSHIP OF HILLSIDE, COUNTY OF UNION
FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR ENDED
JUNE 30, 2009

Revenue and Appropriation Summaries

Summary of Revenues - Current Fund	SFY 2009	Anticipated	SFY 2008
1. Surplus	1,500,000.00		1,100,000.00
2. Total Miscellaneous Revenues	10,222,686.00		12,822,500.71
3. Receipts from Delinquent Taxes	2,300,000.00		2,178,000.00
4. Local Tax for Municipal Purposes	28,084,424.25		25,749,325.32
Total General Revenues	42,087,110.25		41,849,826.03

Summary of Appropriations - Current Fund	SFY 2009	Anticipated	SFY 2008
1. Operating Salaries & Wages	16,697,892.00		16,675,274.56
Other Expenses	16,444,210.00		18,999,480.30
2. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	3,072,807.00		689,746.17
3. Capital Improvements	120,000.00		20,000.00
4. Debt Service	2,379,201.25		2,428,325.00
5. Judgments	0.00		0.00
6. Reserve for Uncollected Taxes	3,373,000.00		3,037,000.00
Total General Appropriations	\$42,087,110.25		\$41,849,826.03
Total Number of Employees - Full & Part Time	291		291

Summary of Revenues	SFY 2009	Anticipated	SFY 2008
2. Miscellaneous Revenues	85,051.00		77,100.00
2. Deficit (General Budget)	20,000.00		30,000.00
Total Revenues	105,051.00		107,100.00

Summary of Appropriations	SFY 2009	Anticipated	SFY 2008
1. Operating Expenses:			
Salaries & Wages	61,800.00		67,800.00
Other Expenses	38,251.00		32,251.00
4. Deferred Charges & Other Appropriations	5,000.00		7,049.00
Total Appropriations	105,051.00		107,100.00
Total Number of Employees - Full & Part Time	15		15

Balance of Outstanding Debt - June 30, 2008	General	Swim Pool Utility
Interest	152,025.27	0.00
Principal - Bonds	3,723,000.00	0.00
Principal - Loans	1,405,397.00	0.00
Outstanding Balance	5,280,422.27	0.00

Notice is hereby given that the budget and tax resolution was approved by the Township Council of the Township of Hillside, County of Union on September 23rd, 2008. A hearing on the budget and tax resolution will be held at the Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, Hillside, New Jersey, on December 2nd, 2008, at 7:00, o'clock (PM) at which time and place objections to the Budget and Tax Resolution for the the year SFY 2009 may be presented by taxpayers or other interested persons.
 Copies of the budget are available in the office of Janet Vlaisavljevic, Township Clerk, at the Municipal Building, Liberty and Hillside Avenues, Hillside, New Jersey, 07205, (973)926-3000, during the hours of 9:00 (A.M.) to 4:00 (P.M.).

U226033 UNL November 20, 2008 (\$936.00)

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TOWNSHIP OF UNION
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YR.	MAKE	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION #
1. 1998	DODGE	2B3HD46R2WH155241
2. 1998	CHEVROLET	1GCCS1440W8194209
3. 1995	CHEVROLET	1G1LD5548SY181798
4. 1992	CHEVROLET	2G1WL54T8N1131331
5. 1998	CHEVROLET	1GCFG15M5W1084584
6. 1998	CHEVROLET	1G1JC1244W7144175
7. 1991	CADILLAC	1G6KS53B7M810997
8. 1992	FORD	1FACP50U3NA189985
9. 2001	FORD	1FAFP55U41A218393
10. 1997	FORD	1FTJ534LQVH82092
11. 1997	JEEP	1J4G278Y0VC587713
12. 1996	FORD	2FMDA5147TBA07329
13. 1994	HONDA	1HGCD5637RA172292
14. 1990	NISSAN	JN1HJ01PXLTA454212
15. 1990	LINCOLN	1LNLM81F7LY830182

LOT #2		
YR.	MAKE	VEHICLE IDENTIFICATION #
1. 1993	MB	WDBDA29D8PG068806
2. 1997	MERCURY	4M2DU55P2VUJ49058
3. 1993	PONTIAC	1G2JC14H8P7580332
4. 1996	JEEP	1J4GZ58S8TC385988
5. 2000	JEEP	1J4FF47S1YL127318
6. 1993	JEEP	1J4FJ68S7PL585226
7. 1995	HONDA	JHMCD5633SC000879
8. 1986	HONDA	1HGBA7347GA120364
9. 2001	HONDA	1HGCG68801A003454
10. 1994	HONDA	1HGCD7236RA027830
11. 1996	HONDA	ZHGEJ6442TH119561
12. 2000	TOYOTA	4T3ZF13C7YU317508
13. 1990	FORD	1FACP55U0LG269441
14. 1999	DODGE	2B3HD64R6XK729874
15. 1981	ACURA	JH4DB1579MS001907
16. 1994	CADILLAC	1G6KD52B3RU234818
17. 1997	PLYMOUTH	1P3E547CBVD134956
18. 2000	DODGE	1P3E56H2YD274555
19. 1999	PLYMOUTH	1P3E547CBVD134956
20. 1994	FORD	1FALP62W2RH141895
21. 2002	FORD	1FAFP34PX2W167504
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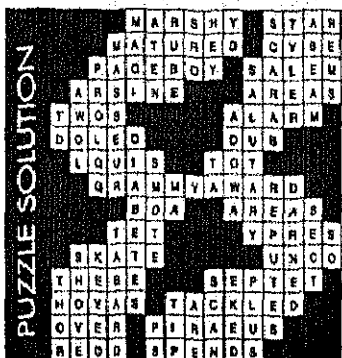
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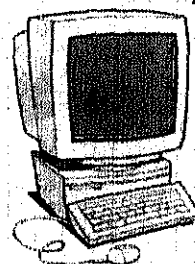
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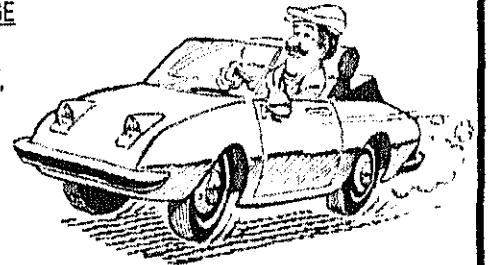
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The annual awards dinner took place Oct. 22 at the Galloping Hill Caterers in Union. Approximately 200 people attended the event, including Sen. Tom Kean Jr., Union County Freeholder Bette Jane Kowalski, Cranford Mayor Robert Puhak, Deputy Mayor David Robinson, and numerous former mayors.

The evening was deemed a success by officials as all of the award recipients provided an overview of their accomplishments as a volunteer in a variety of different capacities.

Many of the volunteers in attendance do not reside in Cranford, but have given their time to help the chamber in a variety of events. This year, for the first time, a Special Recognition Award was presented to honor Kimberly A. Matics of Union. Over the years, Kimberly has always volunteered her help when needed, whether it be the circus, the annual golf outing, street festivals or Cruiser Nights car shows.

Company collects items for soldiers

A local security integration company is honoring "American heroes," the men and women of the armed forces, by collecting donations for care packages to send to United States soldiers stationed overseas.

Triad Security Systems will act as a collection point for items requested by soldiers via the non-profit organization, Soldiers' Angels. In addition to care packages, Triad Security Systems is also a drop off location for Cell Phones for Soldiers, a non-profit organization founded by two teenagers in Massachusetts. Any type of cell phone is acceptable for donation. Batteries, chargers and accessories are not required but gladly accepted. The cell phones are sold to a company by Cell Phones for Soldiers that recycles them. The money received from the sale of the cell phones is used to purchase calling cards that are sent to soldiers serving overseas.

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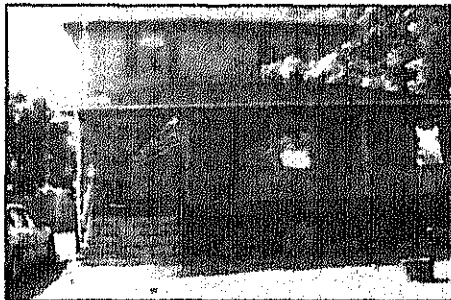
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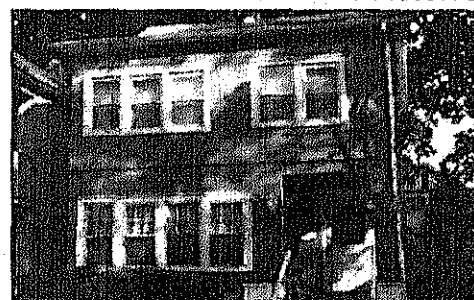
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The gift that keeps on puzzling

Adults and children alike seem to have everything readily available to them these days. Thanks to television, the Internet, DVDs and an assortment of other technologies, it now seems easier to stay occupied than ever before. However, in spite of such technologies, boredom still rears its ugly head more often than most people would prefer. Kids whose bedrooms bear a close resemblance to electronic store showrooms still say things like, "I'm bored" or "there's nothing to do." Adults, as well, often find that despite having hundreds of television channels, nothing's ever on.

This only becomes more obvious during the gift-giving season. While many adults and children seem to have everything they could want in the way of entertainment, boredom is still prevalent in most households. Quelling the boredom can at times seem like a lost cause, and so can finding the right gift for the person who seemingly has it all. Fortunately, there's a way to both help loved ones battle the boredom while simultaneously giving the gift for the person who might have it all, but still gets bored.

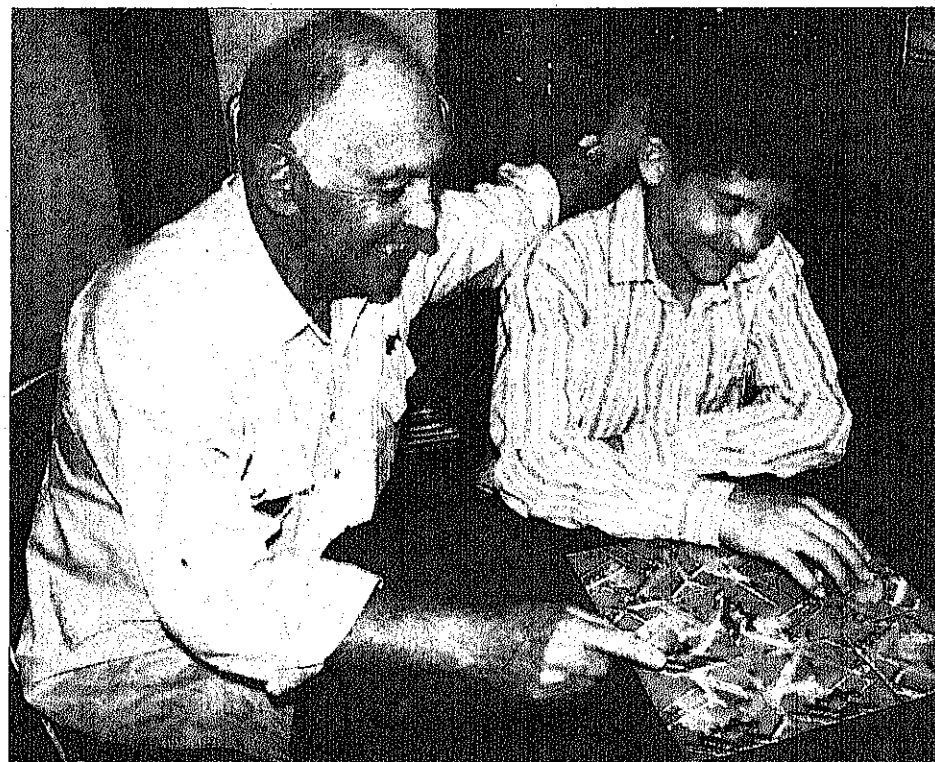
Scramble Squares, a 12-by-12 inch puzzle made of nine 4-by-4 inch square pieces that appear easy to solve but quickly prove otherwise, are perfect for the relative who has all of the day's new technologies yet still manages to find him or herself with nothing to do.

"I was given a Gymnastics Scramble Square puzzle from my tutor for Christmas,"

says Jillian Joseph of Columbia, MD. "Whenever I would get the chance, I would play with the puzzle. However, even with the help of my family, friends and tutor, the answer still remains unsolved."

With more than 120 exquisite styles of original art on nature, sports, history, geography, art and culture, science and technology and hobbies and activities, Scramble Squares puzzles can be selected by the topic that is the special interest of each gift recipient. The very essence of a brain teaser, the puzzles leave most players, adults and children alike, spending hours twisting and turning pieces that deceptively look similar in pattern, oftentimes only to find they need to begin anew. The puzzles have proven so challenging that many players have sought the assistance of the company that produces them, b. dazzle inc.

Though certainly challenging, the difficulty that the puzzles present is one of their better qualities, particularly for children. So says childhood development specialist Stevanne Auerbach, who's also known as "Dr. Toy." Auerbach believes that parents looking to stimulate their children with something more challenging than a video game will find an ally in Scramble Squares. Scramble Squares puzzles teach patience, perseverance, fine motor skills and critical thinking skills and help maintain mental agility in older persons, while providing stimulating entertainment as either a solitary game or a cooperative activ-



Puzzles like this Scramble Squares brain teaser challenge players and make a great gift for people of all ages.

ity. Each puzzle package includes a panel of fascinating facts on the subject of the puzzle, as well as a trivia question and a hidden answer to the trivia question.

"Parents must plan, prepare and shop ahead for their children's leisure time," Auerbach says. "These great products will help all parents to overcome the challenge of finding

innovative, fun and interesting things for their kids to do."

Which isn't to say the games are mere child's play, as many a challenged adult can attest. Designed for adults and children alike, Scramble Squares have proved difficult for both parent and child or even the whole family at holiday gatherings.

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Flip for this holiday gift



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With the long stretch of winter months ahead, it may seem tempting to opt for early hibernation rather than attempting to maintain or begin a fitness regimen. After all, shoveling snow, hauling bags of gifts and indulging in the occasional snowball fight can leave us sore enough. But aching backs and creaky joints don't have to haunt you through the New Year. If you're like thousands of other Americans, an inversion table could already be on your Christmas list. Perhaps you've seen it on TV or heard of a friend who has already picked one up, but can an inversion product help you?

Here are four tips to help you decide:

1. How does inverted decompression work? All forms of inversion therapy consist of rotating either partially or completely upside down in order to allow gravity to decompress the spine and other weight-bearing joints. Proponents say inversion may reduce back pain as it encourages proper alignment of the spine, helps to reduce nerve pressure and assists in restoring nutrients and moisture to the discs.

2. Does it just help with back pain?

A regular program of inversion can also help improve flexibility and joint function by increasing lubrication and strengthening ligaments. The experts at Teeter, who make one of the most popular tables on the market, also say that inverting can increase oxygen and blood flow to the brain, which has health benefits for young and old alike. Depending on your level of fitness, you can use inversion products to perform abdominal and core-strengthening workouts without adding loads to your back like regular exercises do.

3. What type of product is best for me?

Are you comfortable inverting from your ankles, or would you rather stretch from your hips? Products like the Teeter Hang Ups inversion table will let you invert from your ankles, while a DEXII is a hip-support unit that focuses on the lower lumbar. Search for a brand that will help educate you on the different types of products. Check to see if they are accompanied by a DVD that shows you how to assemble and use the device.

4. What should I look for?

While gravity could help you work out the kinks in your back, you must always be sure that you are using a quality piece of equipment. Inversion tables are not regulated like other exercise equipment, so quality can vary widely. As a consumer, the ball is in your court to determine if your inversion table is secure. Don't be afraid to ask questions about warranty and product testing.

Our review of popular brands showed only Teeter had a UL classification to medical grade quality standards; it also beat the competition in an independent engineer evaluation for best function, ease of assembly and structural longevity. Inversion can provide years of relief, but only if you purchase a secure piece of equipment.

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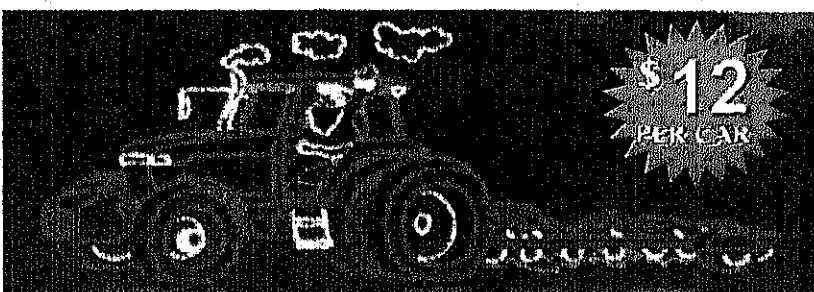


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Easy solutions for the hard-to-please man in your life

By Mary McNally
Correspondent

If the man in your life is anything like my husband and he sees something he likes, he buys it. That doesn't leave a whole lot of room to navigate inventive yet budget-conscious ways to say, "I love you." Finding a gift for your husband, father or helping your children pick out something for dad can be difficult.

Poised as a roving gift-trend reporter, I headed to the stores to uncover some useful ideas that the man in your life may find useful. I hope my little shopping expedition saves you time going from store to store. Hopefully, this will help you eliminate at least one thing from that endless to-do list.

One of the first things I found was an item I was actually directed to by a friend who is something of an automotive enthusiast — and that is something of an understatement, actually. He loves cars, motorcycles or almost anything on wheels. Whether he admires it most on the dirt or in the driveway doesn't matter — it doesn't even have to run, truthfully; an internal combustion engine and wheels are the only requirement for adoration.

The item he recommended is called The Absorber; it's a tool that a lot of clean-car devotees use to dry their vehicle — a lightweight, reusable drying towel that's safe for even the most precious paint job or precious purveyor of paint. It's washable, so it saves loads of wear-and-tear on the washer and drier, never mind the person operating said machines — and you know who that is! — and it is good



Our roving reporter unearths gift ideas that are inexpensive, useful and appreciated by the auto aficionado in your life.

for the environment. Plus, it is quick, easy to use, and won't leave lint or pull off the protective wax coat. Overall, it's a pretty handy giftoid for the discriminating gear-head in any family.

On the other end of the spectrum, of course, there is the man who likes to look good but couldn't really tell the tail pipe from the front fender. For him, I've found The Glosser to be an exceptional stocking stuffer. This handy lit-

tle fun-pack is packaged with five microfiber towels that are filled with car wash and polish. Just wipe on, wipe off, grasshopper, and the car is almost instantly returned to showroom glory with very little elbow-grease. Now that's my kind of car wash! Better yet, The Glosser can be tucked under the seat or in the glove box to be used on the road or before an important meeting or when he's picking you up for your intended-to-be-weekly-but-only-happens-annually "just the two of you" date.

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If you really want to go overboard, you could offer to help with the application of any one of these fine gifts. But really, in my opinion, that's giving away the farm. If he gives you a diamond, he doesn't offer to wear it for you, now does he? So I'd give him the gift pack and set him free in the garage all by his lonesome. Tell him that's part of the gift, too.

The Dash Gear, The Glosser, and The Absorber make excellent stocking stuffers — all are inexpensive, retailing from about \$6 to \$13, and easy to find at Wal-Mart, Target, Kmart, Pep Boys, and other stores. Have a fine holiday season and if you would like any additional information on these products, call CleanTools at 1-800-654-3933.

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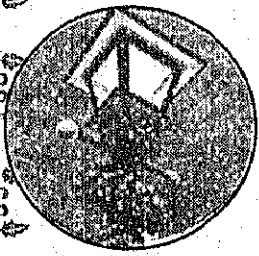
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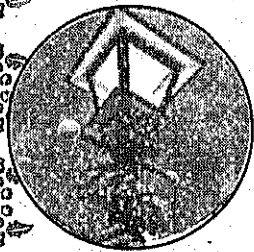
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12 tips for having beautiful holiday hair

The popular carol may say that there are "12 Days of Christmas," but most people know the holiday season lasts much longer. From the last bite of Thanksgiving turkey to the first drop of the crystal-covered ball in Times Square, the list of social occasions that occur at the end of the year are many. While your closet may be stocked with holiday-ready fashions, remember, no look is complete without a stunning hairstyle to top it all off. Think of it as the angel atop the tree.

In the midst of shopping, decorating and socializing, hair care may take a back seat. To remind you of the importance of this holiday accessory, ISO, creators of Innovative Styling Options for hair texture, offers these 12 easy hair-care pointers — in honor of all the days of Christmas.

1. Beautiful hair starts with proper washing. Use lukewarm water instead of hot water, since hair strands are susceptible to damage from extreme water temperature. Massage shampoo on the scalp and let the suds work gently to the tips of your hair. ISO recommends Hydra Cleanse, a super hydrating shampoo that cleanses without stripping vital moisture from the hair. Don't apply the shampoo directly to the tips, because the shampoo will wash off the oil that this area of the hair needs so much, exacerbating the creation of split ends.

2. To warm up winter skin tones, consider using a deeper, richer base shade if you color or highlight. Keep highlights subtle. The end result will be radiant hair and skin. To maintain color, remember to protect hair from harmful sunrays. Try a color-preserving serum like ISO Color Pre-

serve infused with a proprietary Solar Seal complex, a sun-activated polymer that protects hair color by shielding UVA and UVB rays.

3. For the brave, a cool rinse at the end of shampooing will impart extra luster to hair.

4. Gently comb out hair, going in the direction that it grows. Aggressive combing, brushing or handling can fray the cuticle, the outer layer of the hair shaft that protects the fragile inner filaments. The result is hair breakage. Don't believe old wives' tales that say 100 strokes will make hair shine, unless you want to end up with a hand full of hair.

5. Soft, free-flowing waves are the perfect topper to a holiday look. If your hair needs a texture boost, consider one of ISO's five state-of-the-art, damage-free texture options. These are not the perms and body waves of your youth — there are no side effects of frizz or poodle curls involved. These innovative texturizers consistently deliver damage-free, predictable results, regardless of individual hair type and condition, including fine, previously permed, highlighted or bleached hair. For those seeking a temporary new look that washes out in 20 shampoos, ISO Nexture helps you achieve just that. For more information, visit www.isohair.com.

6. If you have fine hair, consider products that contain wheat proteins and polymers, which will coat the hair shaft and make it appear thicker. There are a number of texturizing products that can add volume to hair as an easy fix. Consult with your stylist for suggestions.

7. Remember to have hair trimmed regularly, between four and eight weeks, to keep ends man-



With parties aplenty, you'll want your hair to look its best this holiday season.

ageable and help avoid flyaways. Since hair grows at different rates for everyone, regular visits to the salon can help keep a cut fresh and in shape — reducing the amount of time you need to spend primping before work or special events.

8. Dry, winter air can leave hair limp and dehydrated. Frequent use of hair dryers and other styling appliances can further dry out already

compromised locks. Whenever possible, skip the hair dryer and let hair air-dry naturally. If it's too cold to forgo the dryer, wait until hair is partially dry before blowing it out. Sopping-wet hair just can't stand the heat. To revive limp locks, consider a moisturizing product or oil treatment, such as ISO Hydra Moisture Crème that promises to deliver time-released moisture all day long.

9. A well-balanced diet can contribute to healthy-looking and stronger hair. Although you may be munching on indulgent holiday treats, remember to also eat a balance of complex carbohydrates, protein, vitamins and minerals.

10. Don't over-process. In the rush to look your best for holiday galas, you may think it's OK to color, perm or relax hair all in the same day. You may even be reprocessing too soon to revive your style. Don't perm or color in the same day — wait a few weeks in between.

11. Holiday hair may involve intricate up-dos, hair extensions or pulled-back locks. Don't put too much tension on the hair follicle for a prolonged period of time with tight braids or extensions. This can actually pull hair out by the roots. Also, always use a covered hair elastic when securing ponytails and braids. Regular rubber bands can damage hair.

12. Winter weather is unpredictable, so always carry a small touch-up bag with you, stocked with a brush or comb, hairspray, bobby pins or barrettes, anti-frizz or shine serum, and any other necessities you can think of. This way you can fix wind-blown hair upon arrival. Try ISO Daily Detail Putty to smooth flyaways in a cinch.

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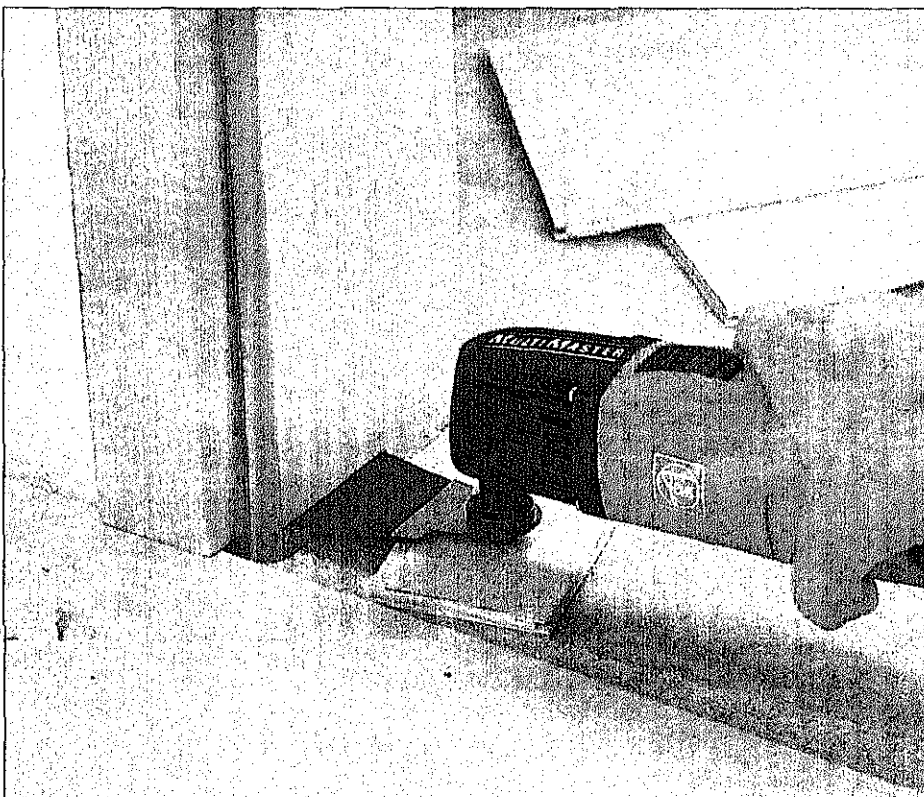
Perfect gift ideas for the family handy man

Each holiday season, it seems as though it gets harder and harder to find that perfect gift for a loved one. Fortunately, finding that gift doesn't need to be so hard, as the recent boom in do-it-yourself home improvements has created a wealth of new ideas.

Rather than giving one more pair of socks or another sweater this holiday season, consider the following gift ideas for the do-it-yourselfer in your family, courtesy of Woodcraft.

- The gift that keeps on giving. One of the most popular gifts every holiday season is a magazine subscription to a favorite magazine. To gift givers, magazine subscriptions are popular because they're pretty inexpensive. To the gift receiver, magazines are the gift that keeps on giving. Whether the magazines come one every two months, once a month, bi-monthly, or once a week, your family or friend will love the wealth of new information it provides throughout the year. A yearly subscription to Woodcraft Magazine provides six issues per year and offers a host of season-appropriate articles and tips on do-it-yourself projects.

- Provide a truly helping hand. If your loved is mechanically inclined but you're not, chances are offering a helping hand on the next home improvement project might not be as helpful as you think. But that doesn't mean you can't make the next project easier. If your helping hand tends to do more harm than good, consider giving the Bench Dog Push-Loc. Designed to work with a table saw's guards in place, the Push-Loc features a thin cross section and offset handle that keeps hands out of



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Thanks to the booming do-it-yourself movement, finding that perfect gift for the do-it-yourselfer in your family has never been easier. If you find yourself struggling with a decision, you can even give a Woodcraft gift card so the family handy man or woman can make the decision themselves. For more products and inspiration, visit www.woodcraft.com.

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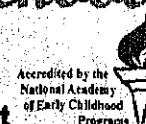
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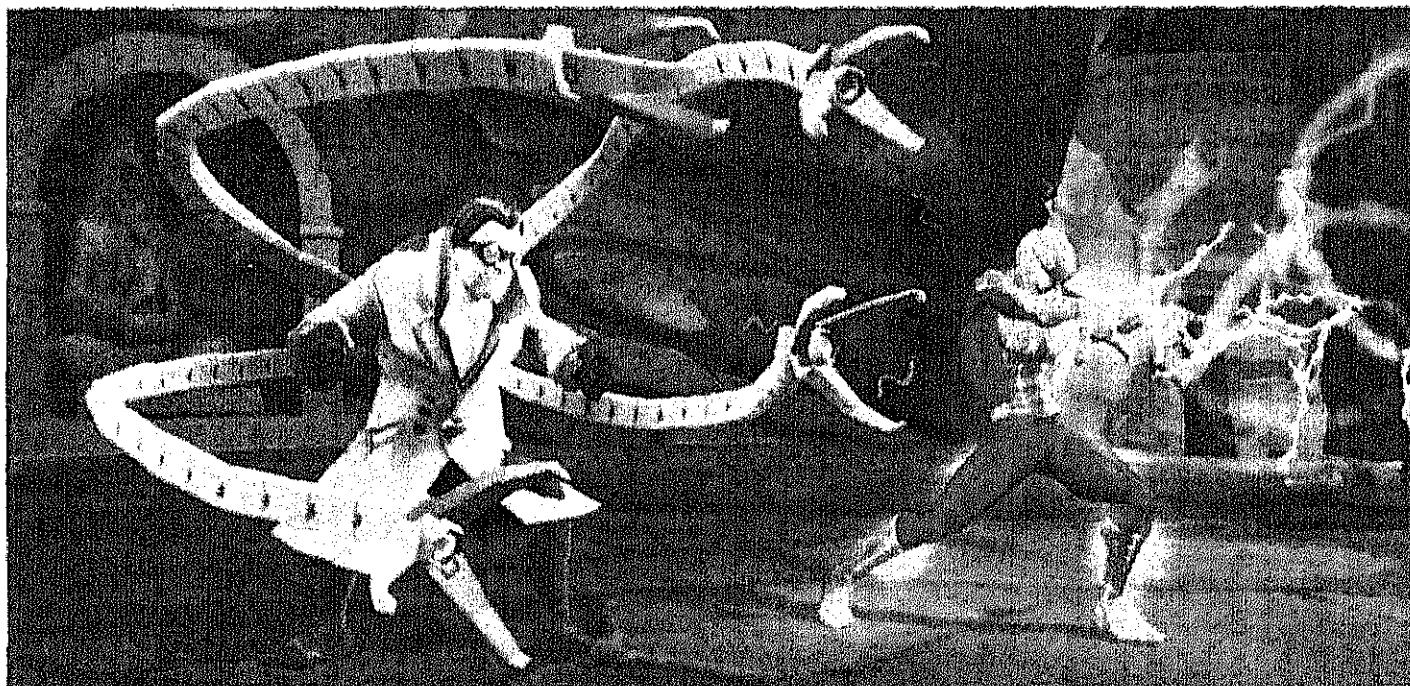
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Based on Columbia Pictures' feature film, "Spider-Man 3" lets gamers play as Spider-Man, as well as his darker, more mysterious persona, Black-Suited Spider-Man. Set in a larger, dynamic, free-roaming New York City, the game delivers multiple movie-based and original storylines, fully integrated city missions and performance rewards including improved speed, combat maneuvers and agility.

And released just in time for the holidays, "Spider-Man 3" on the PlayStation Portable system gives players the freedom to choose their gameplay experience and play through the all new Conquest Mode.

Heroes and villains unite

Taking inspiration from the "Spider-Man"



A scene from the new 'Spider Man: Friend or Foe' game from Activision Inc.

film trilogy and the classic "Spider-Man" comics, "Spider-Man: Friend or Foe" brings together super heroes and super villains as they embark on an epic quest to overcome a worldwide evil threat.

The game also features, for the first time ever in a Spider-Man game, a unique co-op mode letting a friend join in on the action at any time and take control of Spider-Man's

sidekick while battling through the game side-by-side.

"Spider-Man 3" is rated "T" — "Teen" = Animated Blood, Mild Language, Violence — for the PLAYSTATION3 and PlayStation2 computer entertainment systems, the Xbox 360 video game system from Microsoft, Wii home video game system and PC and is rated "E10+" — "Everyone 10+" = Cartoon Vio-

lence — for the Nintendo DS and Game Boy Advance. The PlayStation Portable is currently rated "RP" — Rating Pending.

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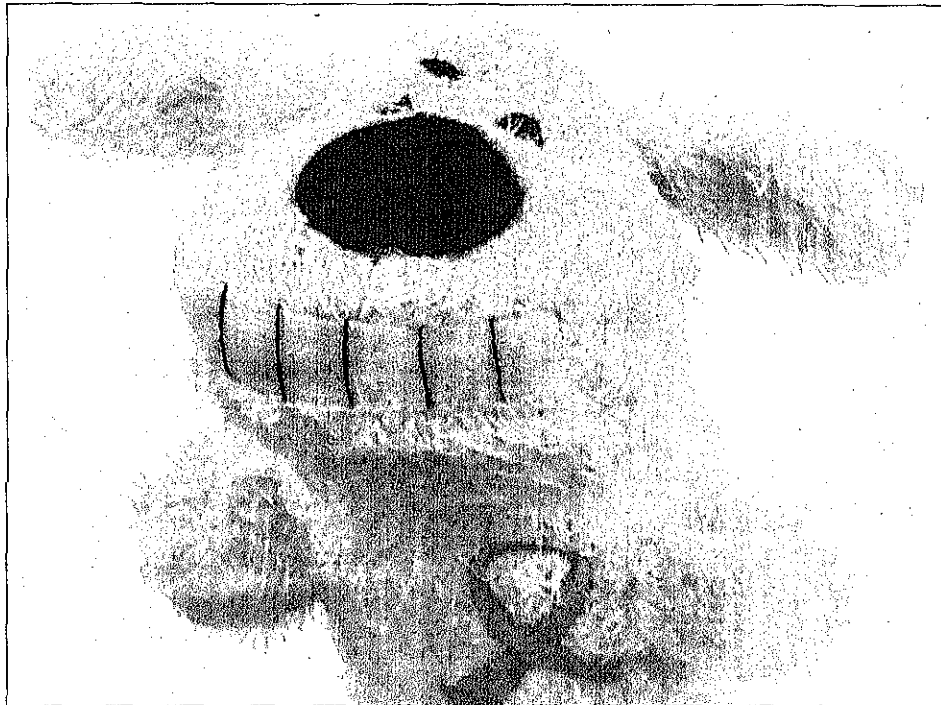
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Make a difference with holiday giving

The holidays are certainly about togetherness and sharing special gifts with the people you love. But they can also be a time to make a difference that truly benefits those in need.

During this time of year many people wonder what they can do to assist those who

are less fortunate or just need a helping hand. From supporting charities to volunteer work to just bringing a smile to someone else's face with a touching gift, there are a number of ways to share the true meaning of the holidays.



Proceeds from the sale of the pink Loofa dog benefit breast cancer awareness and research. That makes giving one of these fuzzy friends that much more special.

Give back by giving

One of the easiest ways to give back during the holidays is to support companies that donate a percentage of sales to worthy causes. In essence, you walk away with a thoughtful gift for your friend or family member, and others benefit from your generosity as well.

Multipet International, a pet toy company whose ever-popular Loofa dog appears in the PetSmart TV commercials, has a pink Loofa dog with the recognized pink ribbon embroidered on its chest that would make a heart-felt gift for an animal lover or anyone touched by breast cancer. According to Leslie Yellin,

Multipet Director of Strategic Sales and a breast cancer survivor who spearheaded the "pink" program at the company, "A new dog command has entered the marketplace. 'sit,' 'stay,' and 'fight' breast cancer. The Breast Cancer Research Foundation has been selected as Multipet's charity-of-choice to receive ongoing contributions from the sale of the pink Loofa Dog."

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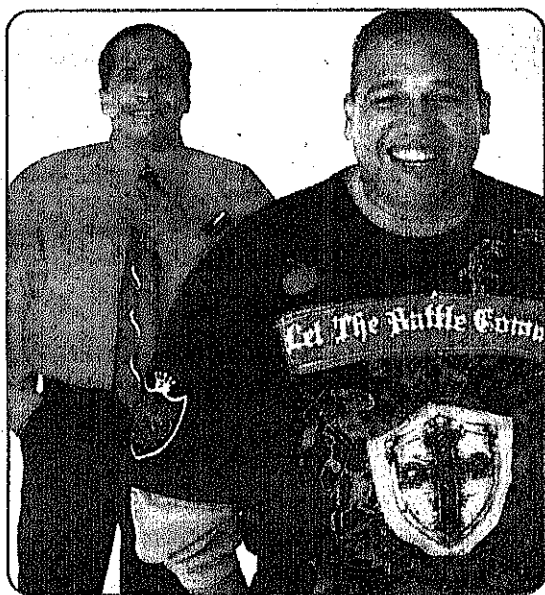
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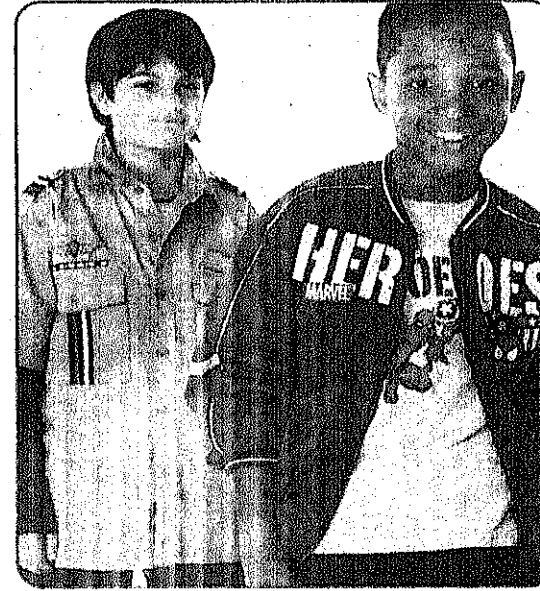
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